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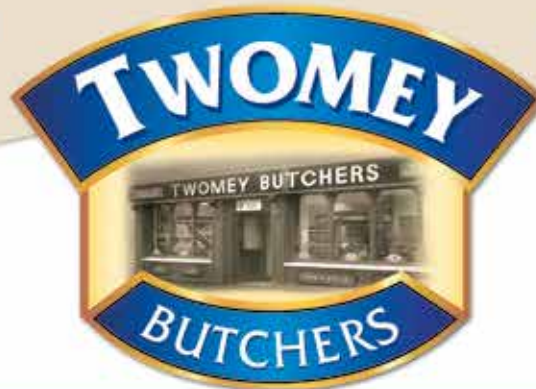
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We are a bi-weekly magazine; therefore, submissions must be on the Sunday before publication at the latest, if you want a piece included in the following week's edition. Due to print processes, late submissions will be published in the following edition.

As always submissions as Gaelge are always welcome too!

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Editor's NOTE

We love hearing local stories, opinions and events - current or historical, if you would like to submit an article as bearla nó as gaeilge, please feel free to email us here on leevalleyoutlook@macroom.ie, we would love to hear from you.

Go raibh maith agaibh, Peter & Gráinne



On the 11th of July we had our monthly meeting in our operations hub in Masseytown. This was well-attended with lots of discussions. The future of the grass cutting in the estates and the councils plan to move away from this was discussed. The tidy towns manage the cutting of approximately 15 acres in the town's environs with three volunteers and this can be very challenging to reach all the allocated areas within a certain time frame. The machine used for the estate cutting is getting older and more expensive to maintain and in the next while it will eventually give up and with no funding available from the council to get one, it will fall on the residents to cut the green area. The council have the responsibility to cut the picnic area in Coolcower, Hartnetts Cross, and the road edges on the Millstreet Road and Killarney Road but with staff shortages this is not happening very regularly. Following representations from councillors at the recent council meeting, there is now a possibility of two seasonal workers being hired by the council to help with work



Macroom Tidy Towns flowerbeds in Dan Corkery Place

around the town, a small but welcome addition. As we start planning for the year ahead it might be an idea that all housing estates around Macroom leave some sections grass aside for a meadow which would help with Biodiversity. Meadows are one of Ireland's most important habitats. A Typical meadow can support thousands of different species including a vast array of bees, beetles, spiders, butterflies and worms. They support a huge number of Species above ground and in the soil. For those interested the National Biodiversity Data centre runs a Butterfly Monitoring Scheme, you can help by counting the number of butterflies in your garden. July is a good time to plant begonias, dianthus geraniums, nasturtiums and petunias. Lavender is a suitable perennial to plant in July.

Volunteers have had a busy few weeks



Macroom Tidy Towns Planting Flowers in the Square Macroom preparing flower beds, weeding, cleaning the lay by near Coachford Cross, painting bollards at Sandy Hill and general maintenance in the Fairy Garden. Flowers were planted in the square and Castle Street near the Bridge Walkway, what a stunning range of colours. Martin O Mahony of Ballyvourney Nursery was the supplier of the flowers.

Macroom is in the process of becoming a Dementia Inclusive town. Tidy Towns volunteers will be partaking in a Zoom Call to Help us to learn how we can help members in the community that have been diagnosed with Dementia and how we can make the town more Dementia friendly for visitors and for events such as St Patrick's Day Parade and the turning on of the Christmas lights.

The Pink Playhouse in the Sensory area in the Fairy Garden has been replaced, and thanks to Finbarr O Connell for donating this. This was always very popular and was greatly missed by parents and children while out of action. We would like to thank the Murphy sisters for the planting and minding the flowers in Dan Corkery Place. Finally, congratulations to our chairperson Martin Coughlan on his golden wedding anniversary and to John Lyons for representing Cork in the Munster Fleadh Cheoil Competition on the mouth organ in Tralee recently.

THANK YOU

On behalf of the Siobhan Buckley Memorial Climb committee I would like to thank you for your

generous donation and your contribution to the fundraiser. We are delighted to inform you that our fundraiser made a total of €30,142.55. Cheques for €15,071.25 each will be presented

to Marymount Hospital and Cork Parkinson's Association in the coming weeks. Thank you again for your support, Kind Regards, David and Aidan Buckley

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Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this beautiful charming 4 bedroom detached house on c.1.3 acres. This property which is surrounded by landscaped manicured gardens with a rocky to the rear, mature planting and a former grass tennis court and a range of outbuildings. This property is situated on a private site accessed via a gravel driveway through electric gates. This property is an ideal family home comprising of c.2,000 sq.ft. living accommodation.

Located c.10 minutes drive west of Macroom town, c.30 minutes west of Cork City and c.20 minutes from Killarney town. BER C1 104965017

GUIDE PRICE: €365,000



NEW TO MARKET

89 NEW STREET, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 P597

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this 3 bedroom townhouse which is located centrally within Macroom town and comes with large rear gardens. The property which is in need of renovation throughout comprises of c.1087 sq ft living accommodation. The property which is vacant for c.20 years has the benefit that it will qualify for a grant of up to €70,000 from Cork County Council.

BER: G(116564154)

MARKET VALUE: €100,000



NEW TO MARKET

3 THE ORCHARD, CHAPEL HILL, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12Y403

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this beautiful 4 bedroom semi detached property which comprises of c.1250 sq.ft living accommodation. The house boasts a modern interior & has a south facing garden. The property which would make for a fantastic family home is located within a quiet & mature development, 2 minutes walking distance to Macroom town centre, c.30 minutes drive to Cork city & c.30 minutes drive to Killarney. Viewings are highly advised.

BER: B3

MARKET VALUE: €290,000



NEW TO MARKET

1 THE WALK, LIOS NA FEA, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 E223

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this 3 bedroom semi detached house which comprises of c.1050 sq ft living accommodation. The property which is presented in excellent condition throughout is situated on a large corner site and is an ideal 1st time buyers property or for investment opportunity. The property is located only a c.1 km of the Macroom bypass interchange junction and c.2 km from Macroom town centre.

BER: C2

GUIDE PRICE: €250,000



NEW TO MARKET

DROMINA HOUSE, DROMINA, CO. CORK, P56 E68

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this c.38.4 acre agricultural farm holding with a 3 bedroom detached residence and outbuilding. The land which is gentle sloping for the most part is currently under pasture and comes with road frontage on the eastern boundary. The land also has the benefit of c.5 acres of land within the development boundary adjacent to the village of Dromina. The residence is a 3-bedroom traditional stone built property comprising of c. 1780 sq ft living accommodation. The property is in need of renovation throughout but will qualify for a derelict grant of up to €70,000. This property is located adjacent to Dromina village c.11 km from Charleville town c.24 km to Malow town and c.40 minutes to Cork city.

BER: G

GUIDE PRICE: POA



NEW TO MARKET

NO. 46 OAKWOOD, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 HR80

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this 3 bedroom semi-detached house which comes with extra-large front and rear gardens. The property which comprises of c.1,000 sq.ft. living accommodation is in good condition throughout and is an ideal investment property or starter home. The house is situated centrally to all local services and amenities, only c.10 minutes' walk from Macroom Town Centre.

BER: C2

GUIDE PRICE: €250,000



VIEWING ADVISED

NO. 32 OAKRIDGE, MEADOWLANDS, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 T654

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this spacious 4 bedroom townhouse situated within a courtyard setting. The property which comprises of c.1130 sq ft living accommodation is in very good condition throughout & comes with its own garden pergola. The property also has a BER rating of B3 which qualifies for a green mortgage. The house would make for an ideal home for a first time buyer or fantastic investment opportunity. Located only c.10 minutes walk from Macroom town centre, c.30 minutes drive to Killarney & c.30 minutes drive to Cork city.

BER: B3 (116483363)

GUIDE PRICE: €225,000



VIEWING ADVISED

3 ROS ALAINN, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 E951

Killian Lynch auctioneers are pleased to offer this newly finished 4 bedroom detached family home situated on a large north facing site. The property which comprises of c.2007 sq.ft. living accommodation comes with new fitted kitchen, tiling, flooring and also qualify for the HELP TO BUY SCHEME, up to €30,000 for qualifying applicants.

This is an opportunity not to be missed and is located only a 2 minute drive to the Macroom bypass interchange, c.30 minutes from Cork City and Killarney town.

BER: A2

GUIDE PRICE: €475,000



TO LET

SOUTH SQUARE, MACROOM, CO. CORK

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this office space for let located in the centre of Macroom town. The building consists of a large office space, kitchen & bathroom c.42 sq.m in size. Located on the first floor overlooking the town square, c.30 minutes from Cork city & c.30 minutes from Killarney.

TO LET: €480 PER MONTH

Macroom Library

Open Hours 9.30 am – 5.30 pm from Tuesday – Saturday. Closed on Monday and Sunday. Also closed on the Saturday of Bank Holiday weekends.

Phone: 026 42483

Email: macroom.library@corkcoco.ie

UPCOMING EVENTS AT MACROOM LIBRARY – ALL ARE FREE TO ATTEND.

ADULT BOOK CLUB

Adult Book club meeting on Wednesday the 2nd August at 11.30am, refreshments served. Purlies Knitting Group will meet on Thursday 3rd August at 11.30am, all levels welcome for the knitting and chat. Refreshments served. Bridge Club continues with a meeting on Wednesday the 9th August at 10.00am. Refreshments served at interval.

MUSIC MORNING

Music Morning at Macroom library Friday 11th August at 11am. The meet up continues with Connie Foley kindly hosting the selection

of tunes. A warm, social gathering and all are welcome. Refreshments are served at the interval.

CIORCAL CAINTE

Ciorcal Cainte is on a break until the last Thursday in September.

SUMMER STARS 2023

Everyone’s favourite summer reading programme is up and running once again! Running from June 12th to August 31st, Summer Stars is a national initiative that invites and encourages children to keep reading over the summer. School-age children can call into the library to collect their reading card which they can use to keep track of the books they read. Everyone who takes part will also be in with a chance to win some prizes!

LITTLE LIBRARY BOOK BAGS

Cork County Council Library Service is inviting all children who are starting primary school in September to call in to their local library and collect their very own free Little Library Book

Bag. The aim is that all children will start school with storybooks already at home. Be sure to visit us in Macroom Library and they can collect their Book Bag.

ART EXHIBITION SPACE

If any local artists would like a chance to display their work in Macroom Library, please call in or phone to us to discuss.

EXHIBITION FOR AUGUST

There will be a new exhibition by Cork based artist Tetiana Milshyna at Macroom Library starting on the 1st August. Her medium is watercolours and her subject the landscape. She believes that ‘light is life itself’ and is currently a resident of Studios of Sanctuary Residency, Cork. We will look forward to hosting her work.

BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE

Just to remind patrons of the Bank Holiday closure – the library will be closed on the Saturday the 5th August, it will reopen on Tuesday the 8th August as per normal.

MACROOM FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

Macroom Flower & Garden Club Annual Outing took place recently, visiting gardens in the East Cork area. The weather did not disappoint which made for a very pleasant day outdoors. Mary Byrne was the first stop, morning coffee was followed by a tour of a well-tended garden. The herbaceous border was full of colour with Thalictrum, Dahlias grown from seed, grasses and Papaver Orientale. Lunch and Garden Centre visit to Carewswood was enjoyed in brilliant sunshine. A nice selection of plants was purchased and we look forward to the enjoyment of them in our gardens. The afternoon tour was a visit of The Old Deanery. Dinner completed the day at the Elm Tree and was superb. We wish to thank our bus driver



Macroom Flower & Garden Club Annual Outing took place recently, visiting gardens in the East Cork

and company for their services on the day. The Club will return to Coolcower House September 14th for Floral Demonstration. A series of Classes will return in the Autumn.

Please contact 087-9821708 for further details as spaces are limited.



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Ardilaun Guides and McEgan Rangers

On Thursday 20th July Ardilaun Guides, McEgan Senior Branch and their leaders spent a very enjoyable evening in Ballyhass Adventure Park in Coachford. The Guides, Senior Branch and leaders took part in an evening of Archery. At the archery range the group were introduced to this ancient sport which relies on coordination, balance, and self-control – all of which were on display by the girls at the archery range.

Guides caters for Girls in the age bracket of 10-14 years. The Guide will follow the four-year Journey Programme designed to develop her independence, self-confidence, teamwork, and leadership skills. Camping, indoor weekends, outdoor activities and international travel are all part of the Guiding experience for this age bracket. Each Guide will have the opportunity to earn a number of Interest Badges during her time in Guides. These badges show that a girl has developed a skill, knowledge and/or interest in a particular area. Just like our Ladybirds and Brownies our Guides are from all parts of the Lee Valley and make friends with girls from other areas while having fun and learning life skills.

For further information on Guiding in Macroom please contact macroomguides@gmail.com



Guides, Senior Branch and their leaders at the archery range.



Guides, Senior Branch and their leaders at the archery range.

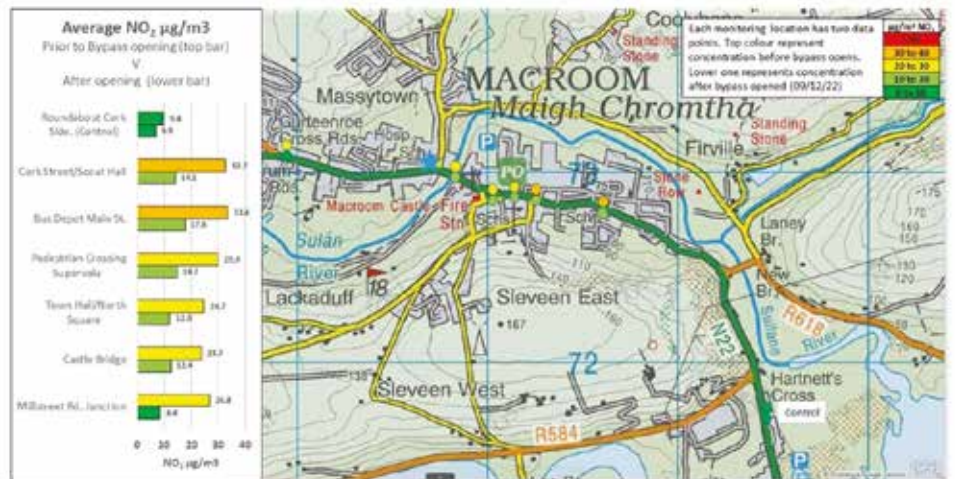
53% REDUCTION IN NITROGEN DIOXIDE LEVELS IN MACROOM

There was a 53% reduction in Nitrogen Dioxide Levels in the air in Macroom town since the bypass opened. According to the World Health Organisation (WHO) Nitrogen Dioxide and fine Particulate Matter have a major impact on public health and are the leading cause of strokes and heart attacks.

The attached pages details air monitoring carried out by Cork County County in Macroom Town. You can see that 7 different locations were chosen for the air monitoring in the Town, before and after the bypass opened. The results were very interesting!

At a Cork County Council Meeting yesterday, Councillors were furnished with an Environmental Report from the Director of Environmental Services Louis Duffy. The attached are two pages from the Report.

I welcome the fact that the level of Nitrogen Dioxide has dropped dramatically in Macroom town since the bypass opened. The majority of the traffic is diverting around Macroom town now; leading to less traffic congestion, and less vehicle exhaust fumes.



Macroom Air Quality Monitoring

We can see the positive impact the bypass has on the businesses in Macroom town. We can also see more people coming into the town, whether it's shopping, tourism, or socializing. This dramatic change in the air quality in Macroom town, is another big positive, for those living, working and visiting the town. I

welcome it.

Great to see the air monitoring is to continue in Baile Mhuirne village too, so we will be able to see the impact of the bypass on the village, when it opens soon.

Le meas,

Cllr Gobnait Moynihan

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Recently my friend came to visit me. She lives in the city and was very taken with the quiet peaceful surroundings where I live. She commented on the views and how fresh the air seemed and how idyllic life must be living here. I happen to agree with her. Obviously, there are times when living rurally is not quite as pleasant particularly during bad weather like ice and snow or if your car breaks down. I decided to take her for a cross country trip to Gougane Barra. She commented on the sheep and the cattle in the fields, she was very taken with all the small little birds that were flitting around in front of the car as we drove. She had her phone out taking pictures all the time. She had just dropped her phone back into her bag at her feet when we rounded a corner and there, playing in the middle of the road, were two stoats. The car didn't seem to bother them so I slowed down so that she could watch their antics, but she immediately bent down and reached for her bag to get out her phone to take pictures. I quickly suggested she just watch the animals rather than reaching for her phone as they would dodge out of the way very quickly. Sure enough, in the blink of an eye, the two little dancers had disappeared into the undergrowth. But she is not the only person to miss lovely scenes by reaching for her phone rather than just letting her eyes enjoy the sight. I've done it myself too often. We have become so used to having immediate use of a camera on our phones that we have forgotten to live in the moment and just make memories. The pictures we see on social media and in the news are evidence to this. Parents who miss the excitement of their child's first step because they were trying to get the best picture angle, the posed photograph that is supposed to portray a spontaneous event that we just know must have taken hours to set up. The horrifying pictures of serious attacks where we wonder did the person with the phone call for help first? Before my son got married a friend gave me good advice, she said she understands that weddings are just the time for photographs, but she advised me to leave my

phone in my bag and leave the photography up to others. I followed her advice and didn't miss enjoying the whole event with my own eyes rather than through a lens.

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I'm very busy in Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne at the moment enrolling people for the Summer Stars Reading Adventure. Over 100 young people have already registered and received their registration packs. Many have returned completed reading cards already but you're not too late, you can still register, and it doesn't matter how many books you read, just one will do. Everyone who returns a reading card receives a certificate of participation. Anyone who wants to be entered into the raffle must return a card before the 23rd of August. Just last Thursday Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne received lots of new books to ensure that there is a great selection for you to choose from. Unfortunately, this adventure is only for children and no adults are allowed join - sorry!

Táim an-ghnóthach ag an am seo i Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne ag clárú daoine le haghaidh Eachtra Léitheoireachta Réaltaí an tSamhraidh. Tá breis agus 100 duine óg tar éis chlárú agus a bpacáistí clárúcháin a fháil cheana féin. An féidir leat cabhrú le Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne an méid 150 a bhaint amach? Tá cártaí léitheoireachta comhlánaithe tugtha ar ais ag go leor acu cheana féin ach níl tú ró-dhéanach, is féidir leat clárú fós, agus is cuma cé mhéad leabhar a léann tú, déanfaidh ceann amháin. Faigheann gach duine a sheollann cárta léitheoireachta ar ais teastas rannpháirtíochta. Caithfidh gach duine atá ag iarraidh a bheith páirteach sa raifil cárta a thabhairt ar ais roimh

an 23ú Lúnasa. Ar an Déardaoin seo caite fuair Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne go leor leabhar nua le cinntiú go bhfuil rogha iontach ar fáil duit. Ar an drochuair, is do leanaí amháin atá an eachtra seo agus níl cead ag aon duine fásta páirt a ghlacadh ann - tá brón orm!

N. B. Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne will be closed on Saturday 5th August as it is a Public Holiday Weekend

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Lauren O'Brien agus Aidran Casey. pic le Nóra Ní Luasa.



Members of Crookstown Vintage Club at the launch of their Sean Keane Concert on 12th August and their Vintage Field Day which will be held on 13th August.

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The Choláiste Ghobnatan debs ball was held in the Ballyroe Heights Tralee. Organised by debsguru through the help of Áine Dinneen, Danú Ní Liathain and Hannah Vaughan. About 95 students attended the debs. Everyone met at The Mills Inn, Ballyvourney beforehand where parents, grandparents, relations and friends ood and awed over the handsome and stunning young people many photos were taken before the debutants boarded Christor Desmonds buses. Various awards were won on the night, including most iconic duo.. best laugh and the most important one Debs King and Queen, given to Lauren O Brien and Pa Mac Suibhne. Everyone had a fantastic night!



Joann Ní Chealligh and Donagh Ó Loingsigh. pic le Nóra Uí Luasa.



Nathan Walker and Breanna Hickey. pic le Nóra Ní Luasa.



Dara and Liam Ó Murchú. pic le Nóra Uí Luasa.



Áisling Walsh and Michael. pic le Nóra Ní Luasa.



Nora, Áine and Tadhg Ó Duinnín. pic by Nóra Ní Luasa.



Máire, Eoghan and Orlaith (Luasa), Rahoona. pic le Nóra Uí Luasa.



Kilmichael Captains Prize Pitch & Putt; Philip Dawson Pat Foley (1st Gross) Dan Cronin (Captain)



Liam Ó'Murchú winner of the Gaeltacht Road bowling Novice B final, here with Mary Browne, referee, and Stephen Crowley runner up. Nóra Uí Luasa.



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INCHIGEELA FESTIVAL 2023

After the brilliant success of the 2022 festival, the work for the 2023 one began almost immediately. Uibh Laoire GAA are delighted to be back at the helm this summer and can't wait for the 2 brilliant weekends of music we have planned. Tickets are already on sale and the uptake has been staggering, really showing how musical events are going from strength to strength in the locality!

Running from Friday, August 18th until Sunday, August 27th, the 2 weekends of spectacular acts are sure to draw a mixed crowd with acts for everyone!

Friday, August 18th Derek Ryan and his band are the festival openers. Derek is no stranger to the village and continues to set the country scene alight, picking up numerous awards at the Irish Country Music Awards over the years. He is supported on the night by his brother Adrian Ryan. Given last year was a terrific start to our festival, we are sure this year will be no different! Saturday, August 19th is going to be a special one. The demand has been incredible

and says so much about last years performance. Crowds are travelling the length of the country to see these boys play and we can't blame them! The Tumbling Paddies are our headliners once again and this time they are joined by up-and-coming band THE FOGUES! The lucky people who got a ticket for this one is in for a treat! Sunday, 20th of August will see the Marquee have something very unique. Fast becoming a night of Tributes! We are opening with The Gerry Cinnamon Experience all the way from Scotland followed by ABBAESQUE. Ireland's no.1 tribute band. Playing everywhere from the Late Late show to the Rose of Tralee. Kicking off weekend 2, on Friday 25th, it's been a long time coming but we have finally got Nathan Carter to the Marquee in Inchigeela! We are very excited for Nathan to finally meet his biggest fans! He is supported on the night by Glór Tíre winner Aisling Rafferty. Saturday 26th, Switching up things with music from 2 piece Seanie and James who are followed by the widely popular Rebel Hearts, a



5-piece band from Tipperary who guarantee a great nights entertainment wherever they play. Sunday 27th The festival will then close out in style with music at the marquee from 10pm by popular band Hell for Leather followed by the excellent and festival favourites Bog the Donkey.

Be sure to come along with family and friends to what is guaranteed to be 2 great weekends in Inchigeela! Stay connected with 'Inchigeela Festival' on Facebook (Inchigeela Festival) and make sure you buy your tickets in advance on Eventbrite! Looking forward to seeing you across the 2 weekends!

CARRIGADROHID/CEANN AN MHAÍ NEWS

BUILDING DREAMS TOGETHER FUNDRAISING FOR CANOVEE'S NEW COMMUNITY PLAYGROUND

The vision of a vibrant and engaging community playground in Canovee is inching closer to reality, thanks to the collaborative efforts of the local school and the community. After securing a suitable plot of land and obtaining planning approval, the project has taken off with enthusiasm. As an inclusive joint venture, the initiative welcomes all members of the community to contribute their ideas and support. With the formation of both a development committee and a fundraising committee, progress is underway. The fundraising committee, operating within a short timeframe, is already making strides with exciting events lined up.

SECURING THE PERFECT PLOT

The cornerstone of any playground project is its location, and the Canovee community was fortunate to secure a plot of land adjacent to the school grounds perfect for the project. The site's ideal location will ensure accessibility for everyone, fostering a sense of community engagement and inclusivity.

COMMUNITY-DRIVEN PLANNING

The Canovee community playground project is the epitome of cooperation. The joint venture between the school and the community ensures that the playground reflects the needs and desires of the entire locality. Open meetings have been organised regularly, welcoming inputs from everyone making sure their voices are heard, and their ideas considered.

UNITY IN COMMITTEES

With the aim of turning dreams into reality, the development committee and the fundraising committee were formed. The development committee is responsible for overseeing the project's planning and execution, ensuring that the playground meets safety standards and incorporates exciting features for children of all ages and abilities. Meanwhile, the fundraising committee plays a pivotal role in sourcing financial support to bring the project to fruition. New members are enthusiastically welcomed to join and contribute their skills and passion to the cause.

KICKSTARTING FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

To fuel the fundraising drive, the committee are looking at various events and activities. The local "Guess the Score" competition for the hurling championship saw enthusiastic participation, generating an initial boost to the funds. Additionally, the project received a generous donation from a local business, highlighting the strong sense of community spirit that underpins this initiative.

OPEN INVITATION TO BUSINESSES

The Canovee community extends a warm invitation to any local business to join hands in making the playground a reality. Any business willing to contribute to the cause will be warmly welcomed. Their support not only fosters community development but also demonstrates a commitment to the welfare of the children and families in the area.

UPCOMING MAIN FUNDRAISER

As the project gains momentum, the committee

is gearing up for their main fundraiser scheduled for November. With innovative and engaging ideas, the event promises to be a celebration of community spirit, unity, and shared vision.

STAY UPDATED

To keep everyone informed about the progress of the playground project, new signage will be installed on-site, clearly identifying the future playground location. Additionally, regular updates will be shared on the community's social media pages, and here in the Lee Valley to make sure everyone is up to date.

CONCLUSION

The journey to build a new community playground in Canovee is a testament to the power of unity, collaboration, and unwavering dedication. The combined efforts of the school, the community, and supportive local businesses are propelling this project forward. As we prepare for the main fundraiser and continue welcoming new members, Canovee is committed to nurturing a vibrant space for children to play, learn, and grow together. Through this collective endeavor, the Canovee community is sowing the seeds for a brighter and more inclusive future for generations to come.

If you would like to know more, please follow us on Facebook 'Canovee Playground Project', email canoveeplayground@outlook.com for development information call Gráinne on 0868542414, or fundraising contact Dave on 0863486205.

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N22BBM NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our N22BBM Newsletter

The Doire na Sagart Local Road L-9908 was reopened to general traffic on Friday 26th May following a road closure from the 7th February. This was a small but significant milestone on the project, which gives persons using this Local Road access to a new roundabout on the former N22, which is much safer than the previous situation where the only access was by way of direct access onto a high-speed section of the N22. Another significant milestone on the project has been achieved with the completion of the rock removal from the deep cut at An Sliabh Riabhach. The cut itself measures 28m at its deepest point, with most of the excavated materials having been processed and reused on the project. The challenging profile of the rock in the deep cut at An Sliabh Riabhach necessitated the use of rock anchors and soil nails to ensure that the necessary slope stability could be achieved. These processes have now been completed with the high-level bridge, which gives access to local farmland, also nearing completion. The concrete drainage channel which runs along the sides of the mainline alignment has now been completed. This in turn facilitates the laying of the road construction layers. Road pavement works have progressed well as far as the high-level bridge at An Cheapach Thiar, over the Local Road L-7418. The period of fine weather in May and June has enabled the contractor to make good progress with this aspect of the works. The specialist contractor Motorway Care has completed the installation of the VRS (Vehicle Restraint System) along both



New road layout at the western end of Ballymakeera, as the Macroom Ballyvourney Bypass nears completion. © Peter Scanlan

edges of the new road as far as Tonn Láin. The installation of the posts for the central median barrier has commenced and is progressing well. The access road at Carrigaphooa which gives access to lands south of the new N22 road west of the castle has recently been constructed. The permanent fencing of the new road and the installation of field gates between Carrigaphooa and An Tonn Láin is nearing completion. Our most recent newsletter was no. 11 which was published on 19th April 2023 and since then significant progress has been made with the works. Some of the main items that have been progressed are as follows: Doire na Sagart Local Road July 2023 Drainage Channels at An Sliabh Riabhach Deep Cut at An Sliabh Riabhach HOW TO CONTACT US E-MAIL PHONE WEBSITE ADDRESS 087 458 1555 ANSWERED DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS - OTHERWISE MESSAGES CAN BE LEFT INFO@N22BBM.IE WWW.N22BBM.IE N22 BBM SITE OFFICES MILLSTREET ROAD, MACROOM, P12 VX03 N22 BAILE BHUIRNE - MACROOM ROAD DEVELOPMENT The contractor is working hard to complete the section of new road

between Carrigaphooa and Tonn Láin for a date in August. This will involve a short closure of the Macroom By-Pass Road to facilitate the removal of the temporary Roundabout at Carrigaphooa. Once this roundabout has been removed, traffic will be able to travel on the new N22 road all the way to Tonn Láin, Baile Mhic Íre. The remainder of the project between Tonn Láin and the Western Tie-in at An Sliabh Riabhach will be progressed with: Pavement Works on the mainline alignment Installation of the edge barriers and central median barriers Completion of the Environmental Barriers Fencing works Road lining and installation of road studs Road Signage Foundations for the 2 No. "Per Cent for Art" pieces will be constructed in July, with the art pieces themselves lifted into position in August. Looking forward to what can be achieved in July and August. Finally, we would like to mention once again our gratitude to property owners and residents in the area where the works are taking place, and to the motoring public, for their patience and understanding with these works.



Ballyvourney village which will be bypassed by the new Macroom Ballyvourney Bypass. © Peter Scanlan



New road layout at the Macroom side of Ballyvourney, as the Macroom Ballyvourney Bypass nears completion. © Peter Scanlan



Carrigaphooa Castle With the Macroom Bypass in the Background. © Peter Scanlan



Temporary Roundabout at Carrigaphooa Castle due to be removed, as the Macroom Ballyvourney Bypass nears completion. © Peter Scanlan



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CLONDROHID NEWS

CLONDROHID PARISH ACTIVE RETIRED

On Monday night July 10, Clondrohid Active Retired gathered outside community Hall to make 2 presentations of €405 to CART and Clondrohid Community Hall. This €810 was collected voluntarily at their very entertaining Scoraiocht held on May 19 as part of the Bealtaine Festival Discover Duhallow.

A great night was had by all at this Scoraiocht and a special 'Thank You' to all who donated to these two organisations. Cait Ring on behalf of CART and Peter Lane on behalf of Community Hall were more than impressed by the amount collected and offered their appreciation to all. After the presentation, there was a cuppa for all in Community hall. The Group then held a meeting to put their plans and programme in place for the Autumn and Winter.

The Active Retired have now taken a well deserved break for August. They went on their Summer outing to Kenmare and Killarney last week. A great day out was had by up to 30 members wandering around scenic, friendly Kenmare, and a visit to Muckcross House, Gardens, and Farm, which was very entertaining, in glorious sunshine.

They concluded their day out with a meal at the Kerry Way. Beautiful food, great staff, most enjoyable.

They boarded their bus and sang all the way home to Clondrohid.

Thanks to Johnny their driver, and to all who helped to make the day a success.

'NELL'S BUS' TO KNOCK

This will take place on Tuesday August 15. Bus leaving Ballyvourney via Clondrohid, Carriganima and Millstreet. Contact Mary Twomey 0863299375 if you wish to travel.

MOVEMENT OF CONTINUOUS PRAYER

This monthly 24 hour event will be this Thursday July 27 from 12pm until Friday July 28 at 12pm. Please remember your hour of prayer for marriage and family life.

DR.CON'S HISTORICAL TOURS

These commenced a week ago, and will continue on Tuesday nights at 7.30pm. Meeting



Presentation of €405 each was made to Cart Carriganima and Clondrohid Community Hall by Clondrohid Parish Active Retired. This was from voluntary donations made at their recent successful Scoraiocht

at the Bridge near O'Riada's in Macroom.

TAVERN SINGERS

This enthusiastic group of singers meet twice a month, the second and fourth Monday nights in the Tavern Clondrohid. All are welcome, they would love to see you there, just come along for the entertainment.

GAA NEWS

The Clondrohid and Aghabullogue U13 teams played a league game last week in Coachford. It was a high scoring game with plenty of good football and skills played by both teams. In the end Clondrohid came out on top after a very sporting and entertaining game. Well done to both teams on a great game. Full Time Clondrohid 5 -16pts Aghabullogue 5-02pts

A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY

July 20 was the 50th anniversary of Clondrohid winning the Mid Cork under 14 football title in 1973.

Clondrohid won all 5 western section games to qualify for semi final versus Ballinora - a repeat of the dramatic 1971 under 12 final which Clondrohid won by one point However on this occasion in a devastating display Clondrohid emerged clear winners to set up a final against local rivals Aghinagh

On Friday July 20, the final was played in Coachford.



Clondrohid Parish Active Retired enjoying their trip to Kenmare recently



Clondrohid Parish Active Retired go back to school on a recent trip to Muckcross House and Farm

In a closely contested game an early goal gave Clondrohid the advantage which resulted in a 5 point victory : Clon.1-8 Aghinagh 1-3 Pat O'Connor Clondrohid captain was presented with the cup. Congratulations to Limerick Hurlers on an outstanding performance last Sunday. Four in a row, well deserved.



Clondrohid Parish Active Retired on a recent trip to Kenmare, Muckcross House Killarney and the Kerry Way

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COACHFORD

BUSINESS IS BOOMING IN COACHFORD

The recent opening of a new impressive GALA Supermarket and Deli at Cooney's Filling Station and the very beautiful Boathouse Cafe opening on Main Street has once again shown that Coachford is thriving and the place to invest in the Lee Valley. One of the fastest growing villages in Cork is enjoying huge growth and the new housing estates and new Community College promises to add to the viability of the village and its environs. Many of the existing businesses have expansions planned for the next 2 years and Cork County Council have ambitious plans to align with this growth with investment in the roads, drainage and other infrastructure in consultation with the Community Council. It's great to see the village booming but any further growth must be sustainable and responsible and services for those living here and working and studying in Coachford must be provided.

SUMMERTIME AND THE LIVIN IS EASY

Summer has come to the village and the traditions of summer camps, the family festival and music in the pubs are enjoyed once again. While the weather in July hasn't been the best, it certainly couldn't dampen the spirits of the hundreds of Children enjoying the Soccer and GAA summer camps. The weather improved for the Coachford Family Festival and huge crowds turned out to see the traditional Vintage show and High Nelly cycle run. Hats off to the organisers who worked so hard again this year to bring back the festival after COVID and for putting out the Infant of Prague to ensure the two dry days!! The bars in Coachford continue to bring loads of free music to the village throughout the Summer and O'Riordan's Bar as well as serving some of the best Pub Grub in the county is also laying on a gig every Sunday evening throughout the entire summer on their purpose built outdoor stage.

GREENWAY ENTRANCE ON THE MOVE

Plans are in place to move the entrance of the Coachford Greenway further up the road to facilitate the moving of the Lee Valley Rowing club from Farran Woods to the opposite side of the river. The local rowing club have submitted plans for a new boathouse and entrance at the existing Greenway entrance and this will mean a new entrance and car park for the popular riverside walk will move further east along the river bank.

LOTTO WINNER

Congratulations to Lisa McElroy from Dripsey who managed to match the 3 numbers in the Coachford AFC weekly lotto draw and won a very lovely cash prize of €6,400. Lotto tickets for Coachford AFC can be purchased in the shops and bars in Coachford and online.



Megan Wolf whose mother came from Coachford, has been crowned the German Rose and will represent Germany in this year's Rose of Tralee Festival in August.

RUGBY SUCCESS

Congratulations to Marie Healy from Aghavrin has been selected to play in the first ever Women's MARI'S SQUAD. (Mixed ability rugby invitational). Five women from Ireland have been selected as part of the 25 women team across the Rugby World to play in the MARI exhibition tour in Pamplona in Spain in September.

WEDDING DRAMA

Coachford Players were out in force last week in Macroom to celebrate two of their members getting hitched. The group's long time secretary Eugene O' Sullivan and fellow Coachford actor Caroline Thomas tied the knot in picturesque Gougane Barra and had their reception in the Castle Hotel Macroom. There were no lines missed, no deviations from the script and the lovely couple gave a fine performance on the dance floor as the curtain was opened on their married life together.

A COACHFORD ROSE?

Congratulations to Megan Wolf who has been crowned the German Rose and will represent Germany in this year's Rose of Tralee Festival in August. Megan's mum, Mairead O'Shea is from Direen Coachford and lives in Germany with her husband Thomas Wolf. Coachford is looking forward to getting behind the German Rose this year and we will be wishing Megan all the best when she chats with Daithi O'Shea on the night. Besten Wünsche Megan.

NEW BOSS IN COACHFORD

Michael Murphy has been elected Chairman of Coachford AFC at the club's recent AGM. Michael takes over the hot seat from Liam Casey who served with distinction for the last 8 years. During his time in the chair Liam oversaw one of the most successful periods for the club on the pitch and in the last two years the Premier team has won the Cork AUL Double Double of AOH Cup titles and Premier League titles two seasons in a row. Liam also steered the club through the difficult years of the COVID-19 pandemic. Michael Murphy has a long history in the club and was recently honoured by Cork AUL for his dedication to



Coachford Players long time secretary Eugene O'Sullivan and fellow Coachford actor Caroline Thomas tied the knot in picturesque Gougane Barra and had their reception in the Castle Hotel Macroom recently



Members of Coachford Cycling Club that will be taking part in the Tour de Munster in aid of Down Syndrome Cork from August 10th. Left to right Kevin Kelleher, Paddy O'Riordan and Michael Ryan

soccer in the county. He is determined to hit the ground running and continue the good work that Liam and his fellow officer have been doing to make Coachford AFC one of the most successful clubs in the county.

COACHFORD CYCLING CLUB NEWS

The very best of luck to our club members Kevin Kelleher, Paddy O'Riordan and Michael Ryan who have been training hard to get ready for the Tour de Munster!

The Tour de Munster is a 4-day, 600km cycle through the six counties of Munster. Over 100 cyclists take part each year, all tasked with raising much needed funds for Down Syndrome Ireland and other charities. This is an annual event that the lads take part in. It's a gruelling undertaking which requires months of training and involves a huge sacrifice of mind, body and time! Please help by donating via the following site. <https://www.idonate.ie/search/tour+de+munster>

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UIBH LAOIRE NEWS

DANCE FEST

Inchigeela Hall will be holding a SPECIAL Sunday Afternoon dancing event in conjunction with the Inchigeela Festival.

On Sunday 20th of August 2.30pm there will be 2 hours dancing with the Finbarr Dennehy Band followed by Declan Nerney and his band from 4.30pm to 6.30pm. It is happening in the Marquee. And there's a licensed bar. Tickets at the door, only €15. It's too good to miss!

On Sunday 27th August, Patrick Feeney and his band will keep you dancing from 2.30pm to 4.30pm followed by Martin Kearney and Derry Kennedy until 6.30pm. Tickets at entrance to Marquee, still only €15 and licensed bar. U12 free both evenings, once accompanied by an adult.

Dancing in the hall, Sun Aug 6th. Music by Michael Collins Band. 3pm to 5.30pm.

INCHIGEELA FESTIVAL

This festival has gone from strength to strength, mainly because it is the last opportunity for many young people to let their hair down before end of summer and perhaps more so because of the huge, popular band names that the festival committee have brought to Inchigeela in recent years. The festival illustrates the great community spirit and support that exists in the locality, because it just doesn't happen by itself over 2 weekends. It's the product of the hard work and cooperation of many people of all ages who give their time freely and quietly over many weeks and many

late hours. This year's festival looks like being again a great success with such big names as Nathan Carter, the Tumbling Paddies. Derek Ryan, Rebel Hearts, Abbaesque and Bog the Donkey and full supporting acts. Something to suit all tastes. Ticket booking and all info online. (I see, as I write, Tumbling Paddies have sold out) Best of luck to all and well done.

Inchigeela Hall

Bingo as usual of Friday nights at 8pm Congrats to recent big winners, Ann Lehane, Joan O'Neill, Michael O'Brien and Eileen O'Sullivan.

Cards as usual Sunday nights 8.30pm

FARM AWARD

A big congratulation goes to Inchigeela man, Derry Kelleher, who last month received the Southern Star and Celtic Ross Hotel Farm award. Derry, who was reared in Inchigeela village, could be described as a self taught farmer, and a very successful and highly respected one at that. About 40 years ago he set out to develop a farm which he inherited from his uncle in nearby Carrignacurra and concentrated on high quality suckler cattle. He was a founder member of the West Cork branch of the Irish Cattle and Sheep Breeders Association (ICSA), was elected chairman and still holds that position, 30 years later. Right through his life, Derry has been a ceaseless advocate for farmer's rights and a tireless champion for supporting farmers, especially the small farmers who often feel powerless and ignored by the authorities. No wonder then that recently he was elected

to the well deserved high position of National President of the ICSA.

SUMMER SCHOOL

The annual Daniel Corkery Summer School is held in Inchigeela again in August and the programme is ready. Starting on Aug 7th there will be a tribute to Art O Laoire by Helen Hallissey. Tuesday has a film and talk by Donal Donnely on "Escape from the Crumlin Road Jail" On Wed 9th 8pm there's a concert of Beethovens Irish Songs in the Lee Valley Stores. Thursday 10th has a drama by Brien Friel: "Lovers, Winners and Losers" in the Lee Valley store Inchigeela. All events are free. The week is called after Daniel Corkery, professor in UCC, Novelist, Historian, author of "The Hidden Ireland" and a man who loved his visits to Uibh Laoire. The Summer School is a lovely mix of music, talks, films, sing songs and day trips and evidently is very enjoyable as patrons keep returning year after year.

BINGO IN CUAN BARRA

The Uibh Laoire Retired Active group held a very enjoyable Bingo night in Cuan Barra Béal Áthan Ghaorthaidh on Wed night. Go raibh maith agaibh do gach duine a thug tacaíocht.

ÉALÚ LUA

Calling on all who love a challenge! If you love Running, Cycling and Kayaking look out for the 4th running of this event on 30th of September on Loch Alua on the Lee between Inchigeela and Ballingearry. Registration will start in early September.

Crookstown Vintage Weekend 12th & 13th August 2023



Crookstown Vintage Weekend returns in full swing again this year kicking off with our traditional High Nelly Run on Sat 12th August through the tranquil Castlemore Quarry, refreshments before, during and after of course as many of our regulars know of...

Followed that evening by music and song by the renowned

Sean Keane in the Parish Hall, in Crookstown at 7.30pm. A great night assured.

Sunday 13th brings on our ever increasing Vintage Day which will be opened by Sean Keane at 1.30pm. The Show has grown from strength to strength, year after year, thanks to our very supportive community, bustling local shop,

great neighboring clubs and continued visits from friends far and near, not forgetting the new generation who display their pride and joys...

Finally, for those who can party on after the day, there's a selection of music in the local pubs like "Left Hand Drive" in the Cornerstone Bar from 8pm till late...

Further information on the weekend contact Tony 087 2679867. Tickets for Sean Keane contact Tony 087 2677867

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Looking forward to catching up with everyone again....

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I am Sheena Cronin and I have reopened Crowleys Music Centre on Friar Street in Cork. We have served the musicians of Cork for 100 years. My grandfather started the shop and my father continued until he passed away in 2010. He was well known for his generosity and support of musicians and we want to have a tribute night for him. He often gave out equipment and instruments to people to go busking to raise some money if they were broke or to musicians who had the promise of a gig but didn't have an amp or instrument. As they began earning from either the busking or gigging they would come in and pay for their equipment. It was a lovely system based entirely on trust. We will be running a series of gigs based on those who have mastered particular instruments. He was obsessed with accordions, banjos, pipes and guitars but had a love for every instrument. We will run gigs based on this. To launch this series we invited two incredible musicians from Sligo and Mayo respectively. David Munnely and Shane McGowan. David Munnely gets the



NoName Trio

maximum potential from the accordion, using melody, bass and the air button equally with an incredibly dynamic expression. Just observing this alone is a wow moment whether you are in to trad or not. He plays French jazz pieces and lots of traditional world music too. Shane McGowan is a perfect match for him. He never lets him get away. It is a continuous chase all the way through their sets. It is pure magic.

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musicians from Cork who have collaborated on many projects before. Conor O'Sullivan, Karl Nesbitt and Jason Turk. They are all multi-instrumentalists, composers and teachers as well. They will absolutely make the night very special because they all knew my father Mick Crowley as well and he would have encouraged them and supported them and they meant a lot to him.

Crowleys Music Centre has reopened today Thursday the 27th on a part time basis. Thursday to Sunday 12pm to 6pm.



KILLARNEY BASE FOR TED'S 16TH VAUXHALL RUN

All roads will lead to Killarney for Vauxhall followers when Ted's Opel Vauxhall Run, which is now in its 16th year takes place on Saturday August 12th 2023.

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Registration takes place on Saturday morning from 9am, there is a fee per car of €20. Each car will receive a starter pack. The First Award of the day will be presented at 10am and the cars depart at 10.30am.

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THE NATURE RESTORATION LAW

Hi, Chris Barrett back with you. Today I am speaking with Tom who is speaking at a moment in time when politicians have the opportunity to work for the future of our natural world, or to put short term gains first. The decisions we make today will be pivotal in the future course of history. While we all have some little influence, much of the burden rests on the shoulders of our political leaders. As I write, MEPs are about to vote on whether or not to scrap the proposed Nature Restoration Law (NRL). There's no way for me to know the outcome of this vote, but there have been strong voices of opposition from certain farming representatives and politicians. Unfortunately, much of what is being said by those in opposition to the NRL is inaccurate. It has been framed as an attack on the farming sector, when in truth it is probably the only means of securing the future of European agriculture. The stakes could not be higher. June 2023 was the warmest ever recorded, both in Ireland and worldwide. This year, the North Atlantic ocean has shattered temperature records, at one point hovering 4°C above expected norms. Meanwhile Antarctic sea ice is at a record low, despite it being mid-Winter in the southern hemisphere. Rising temperatures are making the Mediterranean unbearable, while fierce rains have caused havoc in northern Spain, Italy and the Netherlands. There's no doubt about it, our climate is changing. The whole world is experiencing unusual weather events on a more regular basis but, worryingly, this is just the beginning. Higher ocean temperatures lead to supercharged storms, which means increased flooding, wind damage, coastal erosion and general mayhem. We have gone beyond the threshold and the question is no longer, can we stop Climate Change, but how bad will it get before we respond? While most of us are supportive of measures intended to achieve lower emissions, a few people still refuse to accept that what is happening is even real. Others acknowledge it, but resist changing industry practices, pointing to other polluters in other industries. Nobody wants to make the first move. Agriculture and transport, Ireland's main emissions sources, are in a deadly stand-off, with vested interests vying for political capital and hoping to carry on as normal for as long as possible. In tandem with the looming threat of Climate Change, habitat destruction across the EU and around the world continues to result in declines of almost all species of flora and fauna. It is in this context that the EU Commission recently set about bringing in



nature restoration legislation, which would aim to rehabilitate damaged ecosystems. Studies have shown that diverse landscapes have much higher resilience and can stand up to extreme weather events better than intensively managed land. The hope is to encourage more diversity through incentives for small areas of trees or scrub, maintenance of surviving wilderness and restoration, where appropriate, of damaged habitats like water bodies, bogs and upland heaths. All this would be done through consultation, dialogue, remediation and financial support. Those drafting the legislation know very well that this plan needs to work for everybody, so every contingency must be addressed. Yet stern opposition has come from numerous sources, many of them using incorrect assertions to project their arguments. Billy Kelleher, Fianna Fáil MEP for Cork South, has been an outspoken critic, saying "it will impact food security", that it will lead to rewetting of "the entirety of peatland in Ireland". But implementation of EU law has always been the prerogative of member states. The proposed NRL contains specific clauses that consider the importance of rural development, while questions of rewetting or rewilding are decided by individual countries. In short, Mr Kelleher, amongst others, appears to be mistaken. Has he himself been misled? Kelleher's position is amplified by the European People's Party (EPP) Group, a centre-right alliance of political parties that includes Fianna Gael, and forms a powerful voting bloc within the European Parliament. EPP Group is opposed to the nature restoration goals because they fear it would reduce "productive land, forest or sea areas without any consideration of the social and economic consequences". This is not accepted by environmental NGOs. Sabien Leemans, senior biodiversity policy officer with World Wildlife Fund said: "Droughts, floods and forest fires are regularly gripping Europe and threatening farmers' livelihoods. Instead of looking for solutions to make farming more resilient to these recurring events, EPP rejects the one solution we have at our disposal – nature restoration." Indeed, nature restoration,

in tandem with reform of farming policies, could boost food security in Ireland. Despite ranking high on the Global Food Security Index, we are hugely dependent on imported inputs like fodder and fertiliser, leaving us vulnerable to shocks in other parts of the world. A recent study published in Nature estimated international food security to be dangerously exposed,

as global heating is happening more rapidly than previous estimates. We are conditioned to believe a strong economy is the lifeblood of the nation, dependent on hard work and a willingness to make sacrifices. Wildlife is not high on everybody's agenda and for some, its relevance is merely trivial. Others care for it, but understand 'the way of things'. I once worked on a farm with a river running through it, and a couple of acres beside the river, recently seeded with grass. "We took out a bit of a wood there", said the farmer with a sad smile when he saw me regarding the scene, "sure we needed to make it pay." The hope is, we won't always have to make such choices. Farmers are aware of these issues much more than those who claim to represent them. As ever, there is divergence between realities on the ground and so-called leaders. We need the insulation of a strong natural world to support our food production capabilities. Without it, our very soil will be washed away by the powerful storms to come. By the time you read this, the Nature Restoration Law may already be lying on the scrapheap of historic failures. If it has survived the vote of July 12, it will go on to be negotiated, line by torturous line by those who support it, with those who do not. Therein lies hope. Sources: "Food insecurity", Nature Magazine, Editorial, 31 October 2022 Nature Climate Change volume 12, page 963 (2022) Billy Kelleher, "Spoke in @Europarl_EN about why I can't support the Nature Restoration Law as drafted by the EP's Rapporteur.", May 10, 2023, Tweet with video link: <https://twitter.com/BillyKelleherEU/status/1656304876928811008> This is a controversial and vital issue and I am grateful to Tom for all the ongoing intensive research he has done for this article. The points he raises show how much the world needs unselfish people like him to speak the truth and not to manipulate it for their short term gain. It is possible to contact the Environmental Group by emailing macroomenv@gmail.com If you or anyone you know would like to contribute an article to this magazine, please contact me chrisleevalley@gmail.com

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Chantal and Christophe from France at Inchinashingane during their camping holiday of Cork and Kerry. Pic.John Kelleher.



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Connie in an interview with his family...

Connie, what would you say leads to a long life?

Sure it has to be Gods will really, I've no say in the matter at all! I'm very lucky & thankful, I don't think I'm deserving of it really, I smoked a lot & got away with it, so God's will or genetics... or both I suppose!! But I will say plain eating like having porridge for every breakfast must be of some benefit. I never touched alcohol but I do have a sweet tooth, though I keep that in moderation now! For a while there I was fairly addicted to mint sweets after the cigarettes. I'd tried to give them up so many times after Lough Derg and at Lent & the like, tried the pipe for a time too but eventually I managed, thank god. They're awful things really! The mileage is high on the clock now but, when I was more able, a walk every night up to the highest hill in the parish did me good, fresh air into your lungs whether a smoker or not is very important for anyone. You can see 4 or 5 counties from this hill you know, 'Barna'. You see the tip of the Comeraghs, a bit of the Galtees, McGillcuddys, our own Mullaghanish, Mushera & there's Sheha to the South. And then on any really clear night you might see the different lighthouses shine a beam into the sky with their various light pulses, Fastnet, Old Head, The Galley & so on. I used to know the different light patterns one time. All my working days I could look out my front door to see Torc & the Reeks - sure how bad is that! My father's people came from a wonderful part of Kerry and so I have a certain Grá for the place of course. We've a beautiful country overall. They tell me now there's wind-vanes over that way, but my sight is gone, I can't see them at all. But that's technology for you!

What have you seen happen in all your years that has either shocked you or impressed you, good or bad?

The mounting years have prevented me getting shocks anymore, anything goes now! You acquire a certain tolerance (or maybe immunity!) after a long life. I suppose there were some at the time. Sure tis 20yrs since my 80th! I'm impressed when I hear my grandchildren's news & the amount of travel they've notched up to date, what they can do on computers, on these iPhone things & so on. But also the enthusiasm & interests they have in so many, many things. They're such a joy to talk & listen to, they really are! We had none of those opportunities! Life was definitely tougher I suppose. We were effectively quarantined during the war years, you could be stopped & questioned, there was food coupons & rationing and only the doctor or priest had access to fuel for a car - but people were very good to each other. I still have great neighbours but every one of them is much younger than me now of course! When I stayed in digs while in UCC in the early '40s the landlady had to dry out the used tea-leaves on the corrugated roof of her shed each day - so the cupán tae was a bit on the weak side alright by Friday! A hard life but you managed, we were all in the one boat.

You've always had a great interest in cars/ motors/& engines - when did you first drive?

My uncle & ourselves had 2 grand strong horses called Slievenamon & Dolly, when we got a trap we had more comfort as it had a basic suspension & rubber on the wheels. Before that 'twas donkey & car, you had a rough 'oul' journey in that I can tell you - but it was better than walking for miles all the same!

Our first motor at home was bought the year after I was born, 1924, a Ford Model-T, 2-seat-cab Truck with a wooden frame. It had 3 pedals, the left one for neutral or low gear, middle for reversing - no gearbox remember - and the right pedal was a brake, the brake wasn't on the wheels at all now, but on the transmission!! No heater, no accelerator but a throttle-lever on the steering column. Being a General Merchant's we then went onto a Model B truck about 1931, this had twin rere wheels much like today's ones with a 4 speed gearbox, crank handle to start it, a big improvement as we could carry more goods, transport pigs, crates of eggs & the like.

In 1929 didn't we also get a car, I remember the registration, PI 4984, I recall them all in fact. This was a Ford Model-A 14.9 horsepower 4door with wheels that had wire spokes - this thing was "mod" altogether, it had a gearbox, handbrake, had 2wind-up windows, you could lock the doors, had a mileometer and it even had a wiper (for the driver only) if you don't mind! It had a turning handle if needed but 'twas self-started by battery. The height of comfort, sure! We had it til 1940 but the roads were bad, no maintenance you see, there was always broken springs & burst tyres to fix. All vehicles of course were grounded during the war & mostly sold off. As we were in General Business most of the carriage of goods was done by train to & from the boxcars in Dooniskey station, it was a case of load up your horse & trap or donkey & car & draw goods, before we got the truck. Like many places we were lucky in Cork County to have a great rail network, I remember them all in working order, steam locomotives, very hard work onboard but wonderful to see & hear! It was a shame to see it all hauled up really. Sure the viaducts in, say, Mallow (they tell me that was opened the year I was born, 1923) the Ballydehob one, the Viaduct over the Bandon Road & so on, all the beautiful stone built stations - all out of use now - were great feats of engineering that served us well. At that time, say the early 1930s, the 'Queen Maevae' steam train did the Cork-Belfast route in one go. You could be in Dublin itself in 3&qtr hours, even then! But it meant 2 strong sweating men shovelling coal continuously for that time. Hard going,

And not the thing at all these days of course!!

I was aged 12 when I first drove! Well, I knew how it all worked at aged 8 being honest, from observing my father & my uncle Johnny! I drove til a short few years ago. I was born 11 months after Michael Collins died & remember seeing a newly built monument in Béal na Bláth fairly shortly after, in maybe about 1930? We'd sneak a spin in one of the 3 creamery lorries out n'about bringing curries of cream from roughly 10 different branches including the territory around Beal na Bláth, back here to Tarelton Creamery for the making of lovely grand butter. Coincidentally enough it was called 'LeeValley Butter' for a time!

We were some of the first children to do Irish in school, in fact my older sister would've been in that first class, 4 yrs ahead of me. Homework was done by candle, pen & inkwell - you just couldn't get the oil in the War Years for 'Tilly lamps', there were better times before WW2 but yet the economic war of the early '30s meant farmers had cattle selling for little or nothing, it was a hard life, very, very tough. In that way the effects of WW2 changed things, I suppose where there was then a great need so prices were a bit healthier - we also exported tons of eggs by both train & ship to Wales & places, it was actually a currency in itself! And sure didn't they have grand fresh Tarelton eggs for breakfast the following morning! We lived by trading food coupons, in our own business at home, little or no cash was used. A penny was a decent thing, & by God but the people of the time knew its value - we had to!

When the war ended, things got worse if anything, worldwide a lot of destruction had happened, we were lucky here in Ireland but dealing with other countries was of course difficult. Absolutely no shipping was happening as the fear was they could still be torpedoed, then, while things began to improve, Ireland was only given a mere 2nd thought as we were this small incidental island at the side of Europe but eventually things got a bit better again - only slowly though - by around 1948/49. But it took that long. By the 50s cars were now out & about again yet rare enough, greater ownership didn't happen much til the 60s. Oil was still scarce, but thankfully we grew most of our own foods & of course we always had dairy. Most families had a pig or laying-hens for household use. Economic recovery was slow & a lot depended on shipping like I mentioned. Huge changes have occurred of course since then, in a good way, central heating, medical care, the quality of food & all that has to add into our chances of living a healthier & longer life. I mean a toothache in 1930 as treated by an injection of - believe it or not now - 'cocaine'!! I'm sure it wasn't the stuff of today but it knocked out sensation in the gum alright, god knows!! I have great chats with my grandson - he did engineering too but it has all progressed way beyond me now - I was telling him about when in 1946 I bought a 2nd hand ex-Canadian army generator, a 32V 'lighting set' & a coil of strong cable from England to wire the house. I was always interested in that sort of thing. It was shipped to the local rail station here, I started at it with high hopes, long nights after work in the candlelight - and to my amazement it worked! 'Twas grand to see that first bulb lighting! This was before rural electrification by the 'Lee Scheme' about a decade later. It was to be a lifelong job. Well it lasted til this year anyway & my neighbour Seamas - his mother Mary was in my class at school - did a mighty job rewiring it earlier in the year!

Best decision you ever made?

That's easy - to marry my Noreen. Up til last year we were given nearly 57 years together, having met on the Easter Sunday 60yrs prior to the week she died. She was the best & we miss her terribly as you can understand.

Future plans?

Well I'll try & stay around for another bit hopefully!! If the man above sees fit, that's! I have good people around me. Every Friday I meet up with others the same vintage as myself - mind you I'm still the antique even there! The 7 grandchildren are a wonderful treasure, they're just the best & they'd keep you positive, I have home-help with great hearts, I get mass on TV every morning, a neighbour brings communion once a week. I really miss reading as my sight is so bad, 'tis nearly gone really, but I listen to the radio all the time & listen to the matches too they're fierce exciting! I can't dial out on the phone any more but people are great to phone me & chat. I love the 'oul chat! I'm very lucky & I'm very thankful.



What Happened In 1923 The Year You Were Born

Born on a Saturday 28th July 1923 - the 2023 & 1923 calendars are just one day out, your birthday this year is on a Friday! There are entries on a ledger in Tarelton by your mother Julia on July 28th 1923. Strong woman, determined but there she was, working away on the day her 3rd child would be born!! Approx 490 citizens are aged 100 in Ireland this year of which just 80 are men! Being born in 1922, the average life expectancy was 58 years old for men, and 61 years old for women!

In 1923 also, in Ireland an order is signed creating the Revenue Commissioners. The Provisional Government of Ireland takes office. The Nobel Prize for Literature is awarded to poet and playwright W. B. Yeats. Amongst his gems: "The world is full of magic things, patiently waiting for our senses to grow sharper" and "Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." The All-Ireland Champions are Galway (hurling) and Dublin (Gaelic football). The Civic Guard* was renamed Garda Síochána na hÉireann on 8 August 1923.

A selection of others born in 1923:

Brendan Behan, poet, novelist and playwright, Patrick Hillery, sixth President of Ireland, the actress Siobhán McKenna.

WORLDWIDE

The Egyptian king Tutankhamun's burial chamber was found by archaeologists in 1923. Richard Attenborough, Henry Kissinger, Hank Williams Snr, Actor Charleton Heston & the singer Maria Callas were born. Insulin is introduced for the treatment of diabetes - marketed by Eli Lilly! The first dinosaur eggs were discovered in 1923. The "Hunchback of Notre Dame" was released in film. In 1923 the future King George 6th got married to who we remember as the 'Queen mother'. Roy and Walt Disney founded The Walt Disney Company.

The Yankee Stadium opened in The Bronx hosting its first Baseball game. The World's population was just 1.94 billion.

The single-year car model sales record has remained unbroken since 1923 when Ford sold 2,011,125 Model Ts.

The Firestone Tire and Rubber Company started producing inflatable tyres... while also in 1923 'Goodyear Tire' created a subsidiary known as the Goodyear Zeppelin Company to manufacture airships, and between 1923 and 1995, it made over three hundred zeppelins. Time magazine began publication (a subscription to which John Burns Snr, Connie's father, made in the early '20s and which was still being delivered to his house til recent years when Connie's sight then failed, still under the address of "J. Burns Esq, Postmaster Tarelton").

'The Prophet' by Kahil Gibran was published. In 1923, Wembley Stadium opened. Coca-Cola invented the six-pack in 1923! In 1923, the "Hollywood" sign is officially dedicated in the hills of Los Angeles. It originally read "Hollywoodland" but the 4 last letters are dropped after renovation in 1949. The sign itself was designed to only stand for 18 months! Sayings like the Bee's Knee's were new to the vocabulary in 1923. A whooping cough vaccination was found. German Shepherd Rin Tin Tin became film's first canine Star. Women's one-piece bathing suits begin to be worn. 1923 Inventions: The cotton swab, Bulldozer, Instant camera. Ever had Birds Eye frozen foods? It was Clarence Birdseye who developed this system of preserving fresh foods, frozen. Airway beacons replace bonfires to guide pilots at night.

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Dónal O'Donovan of An Garda Síochána, presenting Connie with his congratulatory President's Letter from Áras an Uachtaráin.



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The closing date is **Friday the 25th August**. Applicants to be at least 17 years of age on 01.09.2023. See Liebherr Container Cranes Instagram/Facebook/LinkedIn for more.

Dual qualification

Liebherr Container Cranes in partnership with Munster Technological University (MTU), offer an enhanced apprentice programme. In addition to their craft qualifications, apprentices complete a Level 6 Higher Certificate In Engineering in MTU Tralee. This gives qualified apprentices the opportunity to continue to an Honours Degree in Engineering. (Level 8).

MEP KELLEHER CALLS ON IRISH GOVT TO CONSIDER REQUESTING EXTENSION TO BREXIT ADJUSTMENT RESERVE FUND

Fianna Fáil MEP Billy Kelleher has said that it may be necessary for the Irish Government to request an extension to the Brexit Adjustment Reserve (BAR) to provide Irish applicants with enough time to spend their allocation.

Kelleher was speaking after being contacted by at least three different enterprises over the past number of months who have expressed concern that they may not be able to spend their allocation in the required timeframe.

"Ireland is the single largest beneficiary of the BAR with funding of over €920 million being allocated between 2021 and 2023. It's an incredibly useful fund to support businesses who have been

materially affected by Brexit, and to enable some of them to diversify away.

"Many companies in coastal Ireland have applied, and have been successful in their applications, for funding under BAR. These communities have suffered due to long-standing fisheries policies, which Brexit made even worse. BAR is a chance for them for a fresh start. The incredibly tight timeframes are putting their new enterprises and activities under threat.

"From discussions with my colleagues in the European Parliament, I am led to believe that other Member States would welcome an extension. They too have enterprises that are struggling to meet the

timelines.

"I have been in touch with the Minister for Agriculture and the Marine, Charlie McConalogue, requesting that the Irish Government consider requesting an extension from the European Commission.

"We cannot leave any more on the table. It's too important to the enterprises and the communities who have been badly hit by Brexit," concluded Kelleher.



Liebherr invite applications for apprenticeship programme 2024

- Choose from electrical, mechanical automation and maintenance fitter or metal fabrication
- Closing date is August 25th
- 4-year programme offers level 6 dual qualifications, trade and academic
- Programme gives apprentices the opportunity to earn while they learn, including travel overseas

Killarney (Ireland), July 2023 – Liebherr Container Cranes is thrilled to announce the commencement of its highly anticipated Apprenticeship Programme for the year 2024. As a globally renowned leader in the supply of container handling cranes and related services, Liebherr continues its commitment to nurturing and developing young talent in the engineering industry. The programme offers an exceptional opportunity for school leavers to embark on a journey of skill development, academic growth, and the prospect of a rewarding career with Liebherr Container Cranes.

The Liebherr Apprenticeship Programme is carefully designed to provide participants with a comprehensive training experience, leading to both craft and academic qualifications. Prospective apprentices can choose from one of three diverse disciplines: Electrical, Mechanical Automation and Maintenance Fitter, or Metal Fabricator.

Having built on the successes of the past 65 years, the 2024 Apprenticeship Programme has evolved into a prime example of best-in-class apprenticeships. With a continuous focus on development and improvement, this year's offering further enriches the learning experience, ensuring its reputation as a premium programme. Apprentices benefit from a blended approach to training, combining hands-on practical learning within Liebherr facilities and classroom-based

education. As part of the academic aspect, the programme is run in collaboration with SOLAS and the Munster Technological University ensuring apprentices receive a Level 6 higher certificate in engineering, in addition to their level 6 craft qualifications. The academic qualification provides apprentices with the first step on the path to further academic qualifications.

Commenting on the programme, Charlie McCarthy Managing Director at Liebherr Container Cranes stated, "At Liebherr, we take great pride in providing young individuals with a clear and comprehensive pathway into the world of engineering. Our Apprenticeship Programme equips participants with a diverse skill set combining both the practical and theoretical, thereby allowing students to embark on a rewarding and successful career in the industry."

2/4 The apprenticeship programme also allows individuals the opportunity to work at Liebherr sites around the globe, gaining exposure to international projects and broadening their horizons. Additionally, the successful candidates will have the chance to participate in an apprentice exchange programme

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with Liebherr's sister companies in Austria and Germany, fostering a spirit of collaboration and global learning, all while earning and learning. Applications for the 2024 Liebherr Apprenticeship Programme will be accepted until the 25th August. Interested candidates are encouraged to submit their up-to-date CV, a copy of academic results, and a cover letter specifying their preferred role and the reasons for their interest to apprenticerecruit.lcc@liebherr.com. For more please see our social media channels.



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GAA NEWS

ALL IRELAND SFC

Semi finals: Dublin 1-17 Monaghan 0-13; Kerry 1-17 Derry 1-15

Final: Kerry v Dublin

All Ireland SHC Final:

Limerick 0-30 Kilkenny 2-15

LGFA- LADIES GAELIC FOOTBALL

All Ireland Quarter Final

1. Donegal 0-6 Dublin 3-12. Kerry 2-8 Meath 0-10

3. Armagh 2-6 Cork 0-14. Galway 1-6 Mayo 0-10

Semi-final pairings: Dublin v Cork Kerry v Mayo

ARMAGH 2-6 CORK 0-14

Two frees from Katie Quirke proved crucial as Cork just got the better of Armagh in their TG4 ladies football championship quarter-final tie at the Athletic Grounds in Armagh.

Doireann O'Sullivan opened the scoring two minutes in from a free before Blaithin Mackin replied for the home side. Ciara O'Sullivan put Cork back in front, Armagh again levelled and then went a point up after 12 minutes. Daire Kiely scored a magnificent point to see the sides level again, Ciara O'Sullivan put Cork back in front and Doireann O'Sullivan increased Cork's lead to put two between the sides for the first time.

It took a brilliant save to stop Cork going further in front when the Armagh goalkeeper stopped a shot from Anna Ryan which looked destined for the back of the net and then Kelly Mallon pointed two frees for Armagh to level the scores and that's the way it stayed until half time, 0-5 to 0-5.

Points from Ciara O'Sullivan and Hannah Looney made it 0-7 to 0-5 on the restart but Armagh regained the lead in the 37th minute when they got in for a goal, Niamh Coleman the scorer. Again Cork responded with Doireann O'Sullivan equalising from a free with her sister, Ciara, putting them back in front, 0-9 to 1-5. Another Doireann O'Sullivan free restored Cork's two point lead with 43 minutes gone but the lead didn't last long. Armagh's Emily Druse and Shauna Grey combined to play Mackin in and she gave Meabh O'Sullivan no chance of saving as she made it 2-5 to 0-10.

Substitute Aoife Healy equalised for Cork who were down to 14 in the 45th minute when Doireann

O'Sullivan was sin-binned. Katie Quirke took over the free taking duties and with her first effort restored Cork's lead. Katie added another free to make it 0-13 to 2-5 with nine minutes remaining. Armagh had another goal chance with Mackin clean through but this time she couldn't find a way past Meabh O'Sullivan as Cork managed to keep them scoreless until Doireann returned. Ciara O'Sullivan put the visitors three up with three minutes remaining, Armagh got a point in reply but Cork held on for the win to see them through to the semi-finals.

Scorers - Cork: D O'Sullivan 0-4 (4f), C O'Sullivan 0-5, K Quirke 0-2 (2f), D Kiely, H Looney A Healy 0-1 each.

Armagh: B Mackin 1-1, N Coleman 1-0, K Mallon 0-2 (2f), A McCoy 0-2 each, B Hendron 0-1.

Cork: Meadb O'Sullivan (MourneAbbey); Melissa Duggan (Dohenys), Eimear Meaney (MA) Roisín Phelan (Aghada); Anna Ryan (MA), Sarah Kelly (Aghada), Laura O'Mahony (MA); Máire O'Callaghan (capt.) (MA), Hannah Looney (Aghada); Daire Kiely (Valley Rovers), Libby Coppinger (St Colums), Ciara O'Sullivan (MA); Orlaith Cahalane (Éire Óg), Doireann O'Sullivan (MA), Emma Cleary (Éire Óg). Subs: Aoife Healy for A Ryan (40), Katie Quirke for O Cahalane (44), Dara Kiniry (Lisgoold) for L O'Mahony, Bríd O'Sullivan for D Kiely (both 50).

CAMOGIE

Senior Camogie Glen Dimplex All Ireland Semi finals:

Waterford 1 - 12 Tipperary 1 - 11

Cork 0 - 15 Galway 2 - 6

Cork and Waterford advanced to the Glen Dimplex All-Ireland senior championship final with hard earned victories at Kilkenny. Weather conditions were poor, earlier heavy rain making huge demands on the players' stamina but the games were very exciting.

Cork ended a run of eight consecutive losses against Galway, including three this year alone, to emerge victorious.

In front of an attendance for the televised double header of 7,257, the Rebels held the upper hand for most of proceedings but they found it difficult to shake off their gritty opponents whose two

goals kept them in contention to the finish.

Cork could find their go-to players more easily than Galway, and Manager Matthew Twomey could introduce highly effective subs in Laura Hayes, Cliona Healy, Orla Cronin, Ashling Thompson and Orlaith Cahalane off his bench to telling effect. Libby Coppinger and official player of the match Saoirse McCarthy had huge second halves and with the subs having a big involvement, the Cork victory was merited.

Cork started brightly, three points to the good, from three frees, Amy O'Connor (2) and Chloe Sigerson the scorers. Carrie Dolan got Galway's first score from play. Seven minutes in O'Reilly split the Cork defence, her shot ricocheted off the crossbar with Cork eventually winning a free out. Cork's inside line were dangerous, O'Connor and Katrina Mackey hitting two from open play to give Cork a four-point advantage. But an outfield ball that fell kindly for Aoife Donohue delivered to McGrath caught Cork as she finished neatly on 16 minutes. It was 0-6 to 1-2 at half-time, Mackey slotting two points and O'Connor three on her way to a tally of seven.

Donohue brought the teams level but half-time sub Hayes and Orla O'Connor pushed Cork clear, while Aghabullogue's Cliona Healy also hit the first of her two points as Cork moved four clear. Back came Galway with McGrath's second goal, but the Cork response was notable. Cliona Healy, who also scored two vital points off the bench in the quarter final win over Kilkenny, fired over her second and McCarthy pointed from a tight angle.

With O'Connor bringing her tally to seven and Orlaith Cahalane making it a fourth point from subs for Cork, they would not be pegged back.

Scorers for Cork: A O'Connor 0-7 (0-5 f, 0-1 45), K Mackey, C Healy 0-2 each, C Sigerson (f), L Hayes, S McCarthy, O Cahalane 0-1 each.

Cork A Lee; Meabh Murphy (Ballinora), Libby Coppinger, Paula Mackey; Meabh Cahalane, Laura Treacy, Izzy O'Regan; Saoirse McCarthy, Aine Healy; Chloe Sigerson, Fiona Keating, Hannah Looney; Amy O'Connor, Katrina Mackey, Sorcha McCartan. Subs: Cliona Healy (Aghabullogue) for Sigerson (25), Laura Hayes for M Murphy (h/t), Orla Cronin



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GAA

for McCartan (40), Ashling Thompson for O'Regan (49), Orlaith Cahalane for F Keating (52).

Cork are through to their third All-Ireland final in a row in what will be an historic final as Waterford head to their second ever, their first in 73 years.

MASTERS FOOTBALL

Cork 5-18 Westmeath 1 - 13

Cork Masters Gaelic Football team made it three wins from five rounds after defeating Westmeath at Portlaoise. Cork led by 1-10- top 1-7 at half time.

Andrew Murphy (Ballincollig) and Ger McSweeney (Iveleary) were on the Cork team and Diarmuid Holland (Macroom) was a member of the match day panel.

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Cork County Football Championship 2023

PREMIER SENIOR FOOTBALL

Group A: Castlehaven, Carbery Rangers, Clonakilty, Valley Rovers

Gr B: Nemo, Ballincollig, Carrigaline, Éire Óg

Gr C: Douglas, St Michaels, St Finbarrs, Mallow

Ballincollig v Nemo Rangers, Friday July 28th at Páirc Uí Chaoimh 7.30pm

Éire Óg v Carrigaline, Saturday 30th at Ballincollig, 3pm

Senior A Football

Group A: Kanturk, Fermoy, Knocknagree, O'Donovan Rossa

Gr B: Clyda, Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh, Newmarket, Kiskeam

Gr C: Newcestown, Dohenys, Bishopstown, Ilen Rovers

Clyda Rovers v Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh, Saturday 30th, 7pm

PREMIER INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL

Group A: Bandon, Rockchapel, Castletownbere, Nemo Rangers

Gr B: Macroom, Naomh Abán, Bantry Blues, Iveleary

Gr C: Cill na Martra, Aghada, Na Piarasigh, Kilshannig.

Macroom v Naomh Abán, Friday July 28th at Cill na Martra, 7.30pm

Cill na Martra v Aghada at Cloughduv, Saturday 29th at 3pm

Iveleary v Bantry Blues at Kealkil, Saturday 29th at 5pm

INTERMEDIATE A FOOTBALL

Group A: St Vincents, Glanworth, Glanmire, Dromtariffe



Laochra Óg U7 and U8 Camogie Blitz in Colaiste Gobnatan 8th July 2023 03

Gr B: Gabriel Rangers, Glenville, Aghabullogue, Adrigole

Gr C: Mitchelstown, Boherbue, Ballinora, Kildorrery
Ballinora v Kildorrery at Watergrasshill, Saturday 29th at 5pm

Aghabullogue v Adrigole at Ballingearry, Sunday 30th at 7.30pm

PREMIER JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Group A: Urhan, Cullen, St Nicks, Ballydesmond

Gr B: Buttevant, St Michaels, St Finbarrs, Cobh

Gr C: Kinsale, St James, Millstreet, Kilmurry
Kilmurry v Millstreet at Baile Bhuirne, Saturday 29th 5pm

2023 LEAGUE FORM

League Form carries a warning when used to predict what will happen in championship later. Club teams are short inter county players, players nurse injuries and players go on holidays, meaning that clubs field understrength teams regularly in the league.

Ballincollig v Nemo Rangers:

Ballincollig Played 9 Lost 6 BUT defeated Castlehaven, Kiskeam and St Finbarrs in their last three Div One league games to maintain their top division league status.

Nemo Played 9, Won 8 to qualify for the Div One league final which they lost to St Finbarrs.

Éire Óg and Carrigaline complete the group.

Éire Óg v Carrigaline:

Éire Óg competed in Div One of the league and finished with 3 wins, 1 draw and 6 defeats. In their last three games they lost to Nemo, Carbery Rangers and St Finbarrs but had no relegation problems and were with their Cork midfielder Colm O'Callaghan for the whole campaign.

Carrigaline: The South East side competed in Div Two of the league and after heading the table with 7 wins, 2 draws and no defeat from their nine games, then proceeded to win the league title, and promotion, with a win over Newcestown in the final.

Ballincollig and Nemo Rangers complete the group.

BEÁL ÁTHA'N GHAORTHAIDH V CLYDA ROVERS

Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh competed in Div Two of the league and had 4 wins, 1 draw and suffered 4 defeats in their nine games. In their last three league outings Béal Átha defeated Kanturk and Clonakilty and lost by a point to O'Donovan Rossa.



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Clyda Rovers also competed in Div Two and finished just below Béal Átha with 2 wins, 2 draws and 5 defeats. They drew with Clonakilty, lost to Newcestown and Fermoy in their final three league outings.

Kiskeam and Newmarket complete this group.

MACROOM V NAOMH ABÁN

Macroom: Macroom were placed in Division Tree of the league, won six of their nine games, losing the other three, and finished in joint second but lost out on a place in the league final on scoring difference. In their final league games they defeated Nemo, lost to Knocknagree and had a narrow win over Mallow.

Naomh Abán: The Baile Bhuirne side were in Div Four of the league, and in their concluding games, lost to Newmarket, defeated St Vincents and lost to Bandon, finishing with three victories and six defeats in the league, a record which saw them maintain their status in the division.

CILL NA MARTRA V AGHADA

Cill na Martra: The Gaeltacht side were competing in Division One, the top division of the league, and had a high finish, joint fourth, winning four and drawing two of their nine games. Their most recent results saw them lose to Carbery Rangers, draw with Douglas and defeat Valley Rovers.

Aghada: The East Cork men competed in Div Two of the league, lost to O'Donovan Rossa, St Michaels and Carrigaline in their last three league outings and finished last in the table and were relegated to Div Three for next season.

IVELEARY V BANTRY BLUES

Iveleary: The Uibh Laoire men finished a very comfortable fourth in Div Four of the league with five wins from nine outings. In their most recent outings they lost to Aghabullogue and Newmarket and defeated St Vincents.

Bantry Blues: The Blues were also in Div Four and finished two points behind the Iveleary men, recording four wins. When the teams met way back in March, Iveleary had a 1-11 to 0-5 win over the West Cork side. Bantry's most recent games saw them defeat Mitchelstown and Bandon and concede to Kilshannig.

BALLINORA V KIDORRERY

Ballinora: Competing in League 5, Ballinora finished near the base with one win and three draws from nine outings. They lost to Glenville and Glanmire and defeated Ballydesmond in their



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concluding games.

Kildorrery: Finished in mid table in Div Six, with two wins and three draws from seven outings. They defeated St Nicks, lost to Gabriel Rangers and drew with Cobh in their final games.

AGHABULLOGUE V ADRIGOLE

Aghabullogue: Aghabullogue finished third in Div Four with six wins and one draw from their nine games. They defeated Na Piarasigh and Iveleary and lost to Kilshannig in their final league games.

Adrigole: The Beara side were in Div Five and finished fourth, with four wins and two draw from nine outings. They finished the league with wins over Mayfield and Glenville after losing to Glanmire.

KILMURRY V MILLSTREET

Kilmurry: Kilmurry finished top of Div Six, with six wins from seven games. They lost the league final to second placed Buttevant, after earlier defeating St Finbarrs and St Nicks.

Millstreet: Millstreet were competing in Div Five of the county league and finished with wins over Boherbue and Mayfield and a loss to Glenville. They had five wins from nine games and finished joint fourth in the table.

2023 CORK CREDIT UNIONS COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Division One: Éire Óg, Cill na Martra, Ballincollig, Nemo Rangers, Castlehaven, Carbery Rangers, Kiskeam, Douglas, St Finbarrs, Valley Rovers.

Division Two: Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh, Clyda, Carrigaline, Clonakilty, Kanturk, Aghada, O'Donovan Rossa, Fermoy, St Michaels, Newcestown

Division Three: Rockchapel, Macroom, Nemo, Castletownbere, Bishopstown, Ilan Rovers, Glanworth, Mallow, Knocknagree, Dohenys

Division Four: Aghabullogue, Naomh Abán, Kilshannig, Iveleary, Bantry Blues, Newmarket, Mitchelstown, Na Piarasigh, St Vincents, Bandon

Division Five: Ballinora, Mayfield, Adrigole, Boherbue, Ballydesmond, Glenville, Dromtariffe, Glanmire, Kinsale, Millstreet

Division Six: Gabriel Rangers, Kilmurry, St Finbarrs, Cobh, St Nicks, Buttevant, Urhan, Kildorrery.

Division Seven: Aghinagh, Ballinhassig, Castlemagner, St Michaels, Cullen, Argideen, St James, Ballyclough

1st Div Final: St Finbarrs 2-11 Nemo Rangers 1-7

2nd Div Final: Carrigaline 1-14 Newcestown 0-11

3rd Div Final: Dohenys 1-14 Knocknagree 1-13

4th Div Final: Newmarket 1-17 : Kilshannig 2-5

5th Div Final: Boherbue 2-10 Glanmire 1-6

6th Div Final: Buttevant 3-10 Kilmurry 1-8

7th Div Final: St Michaels 3-10 Aghinagh 2-11

MUSKERRY DIVISION

Ross Oil Junior Football Championship 2023
The Ross Oil Mid Cork Junior A Football Championship commences on July 27th with all six first round games scheduled for the period July 27th-30th.

Group 1: (Four teams)

Inniscarra v Grenagh at Donoughmore 7.30pm, Thursday July 27th

Blarney v Donoughmore at Ballincollig 7.30, Thursday July 27th.

Group 2: (Four teams)

Kilmichael v Dripsey at Carrigadrohid on Friday July 28th 7.30pm

Canovee v Ballincollig at Kilmichael, Saturday July 29th 7.30pm

Group 3: (Four teams)

Aghinagh v Éire Óg at Donoughmore, Saturday July 29th 7.30pm

Clondrohid v Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh at Baile Mhuirne, Sunday July 30th 12 noon

ROUND TWO: 18/19/20 AUGUST

INNISCARRA V GRENAGH

These two sides filled the runners up places behind Canovee in the 2023 Div One league, Grenagh then losing out in the final to Canovee. Inniscarra were the winners when the teams met in the league in early May on a 0-6 to 0-3 scoreline.

BLARNEY V DONOUGHMORE

Donoughmore competed in the Div 1 league, Blarney in Div 2. Donoughmore won one and drew one of their seven league games.

In Div Two East, Blarney won five of their seven games and drew another, suffering only one loss. They then lost the league semi final to Béal Átha by a point.

KILMICHAEL DRIPSEY

Kilmichael, in Div 1, won one and drew three of their seven games.

Dripsey competed in Div Two East, won six of their seven league games and the league semi final against Kilmurry, but lost the final to West winners Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh.

CANOVEE V BALLINCOLLIG

Canovee are unbeaten so far this season. They won their seven Div One league games and then won the final, defeating Grenagh.

Ballincollig finished bottom team in Div One with one win and one draw. Ballincollig seniors will play before the juniors play and so the composition of the second team remains unknown until after the senior game is played.

AGHINAGH V ÉIRE ÓG

Aghinagh competed in the County Leagues, Div Seven, and finished on top of that league table with four wins and two draws to their credit. They did however then lose to St Michaels in the final.

Éire Óg juniors will be playing after their seniors will have played earlier in the day and so they will not know the exact panel available until after the senior game. In the Div One league, Éire Óg won three of their seven games.

CLONDROHID V BÉAL ÁTHA'N GHAORTHAIÐH

Clondrohid finished in fourth place in the Div One league, with three wins and one draw from seven games.

Béal Átha were playing in Div Two and won the Western group, unbeaten with seven wins from seven games. They defeated Blarney in the semi final and then Dripsey to take the Div Two league title.

EPH CONTROLS 2023 FOOTBALL LEAGUES

Division 1 – 8 teams: Canovee, Grenagh, Kilmichael, Éire Óg, Inniscarra, Clondrohid, Ballincollig, Donoughmore.

Final: Canovee 1-13 Grenagh 1-7

Division 2 East – 8 teams: Aghabullogue, Ballincollig, Ballinora, Blarney, Donoughmore, Dripsey, Éire Óg, Inniscarra. Div 2 West – 8 teams: Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh, Kilmurry, Cill na Martra, Aghinagh, N Aban, Iveleary, Macroom, Canovee.

Final: Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 2-11 Dripsey 1-12
Division 3: semi finals: Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 1-13 Inniscarra 1-6: Gleann na Laoi 2-11

Kilmichael 3-11 Final: Béal Átha v Kilmichael

EPH DIV ONE LEAGUE FINAL

CANOVEE 1-13 GRENAGH 1-7

CANOVEE won the EPH Controls Muskerry Division 1 football league title defeating Grenagh in the final at Ballynaly.

Canovee deserved their win as they were slightly the better team and were up against only 14 men for the second half as Grenagh had a player sent off just before the interval.

Canovee started well and had 1-12 on the board after four minutes, Paul Healy the goal scorer.

Canovee then slotted over three consecutive white flags and just when it looked like they would push on, Grenagh pounced for a goal at just the right time, Christopher Buckley's effort for a point blocked and the ball fell nicely for Shane Dorgan who finished to the Canovee net.

James Moynihan pointed for Canovee, points were exchanged and Grenagh then lost their goal scorer in the 29th minute. David Coleman had a point for Grenagh on the stroke of half-time to leave a goal between the teams, 1-7 to 1-4 at the interval.

Canovee added two points early on the resumption but lost a man temporarily to a black card. They led by 1-10 to 1-6 when they were returned to full strength, finished strongly with the last three points and had si to spare at the finish.

Scorers: Canovee: M Healy 0-5 (0-4 f), E Dodd 0-4, P Healy 1-0, J Moynihan 0-2, O O'Driscoll, D Cronin 0-1 each. Grenagh: D Coleman 0-3, S Dorgan 1-0, D O'Shea 0-2 (0-1 f), E McCarthy (f), D Twomey 0-1 each.

Canovee: B Cheasty; C Cronin, E McNabola, D Moynihan; E Dodd, O O'Driscoll, S Riordan; C Dodd, A Murphy; P Healy, D Cronin, E Lehane; J Moynihan (c), B McNabola, M Healy.

Subs: P O'Leary 22, D O'Sullivan 36, B Ring 51, J O'Neill 58, K Walsh 59, S Hughes 64.

Grenagh: C Cronin; A Kiely (c), P McSweeney, N Coleman; A McCarthy, K O'Neill, M O'Riordan; J Lehane, C Buckley; D Twomey, P Barry Murphy, D Coleman; D O'Shea, S Dorgan, E McCarthy.

Subs: K Cummins h-t, P O'Connell 47, J O'Keeffe 47. Referee: Ted Hayes (Éire Óg).

HURLING

Co-Op Superstores Cork County Hurling Championships

Premier Senior Hurling

Group A: Blackrock, Glen Rovers, Midleton, Bishopstown

Gr B: Erin's Own, Douglas, Fr O'Neill's, Charleville

Gr C: Kanturk, Sarsfields, St Finbarrs, Newtownshandrum

Senior A Hurling

Group A: Killeagh, Inniscarra, Na Piarasigh, Bride Rovers

Gr B: Courceys, Ballyhea, Newcestown, Blarney

Gr C: Carraigtwohill, Mallow, Fermoy, Cloyne

Inniscarra v Killeagh, Friday August 4th at Caherlag, 7.30pm

Blarney v Newcestown at Ovens, Saturday Aug 5th at Ovens, 7.30pm

PREMIER INTERMEDIATE HURLING

Group A: Ballincollig, Dungourney, Castletyons, Bandon

Gr B: Ballymartle, Carrigaline, Éire Óg, Valley Rovers

Gr C: Castlemartyr, Ballinhassig, Watergrasshill, Kilworth



Éire Óg v Valley Rovers, Sat August 5th at Ballymaw, 3pm
Ballincollig v Dungourney, Sat 5th Aug at Cobh, 7.30pm

INTERMEDIATE A HURLING

Group A: Youghal, Lisgoold, Aghada, Aghabullogue
Gr B: Mayfield, Blackrock, Sarsfields, Kildorrery
Gr C: Cloughduv, Midleton, Douglas, Ballygiblin
Cloughduv v Midleton, Sunday Aug 6th in Páirc Uí Rinn 2pm
Aghabullogue v Aghada, Sunday Aug 6th at Páirc Uí Rinn 4pm

PREMIER JUNIOR HURLING

Group A: Erin's Own, Glen Rovers, Tracton, Argideen Rangers
Gr B: Ballygarvan, Barryroe, Kilbrittain, Milford
Gr C: Meelin, Russell Rovers, St Finbarrs, St Catherine's

LEAGUE FORM

SAH: Inniscarra v Killeagh, Friday August 4th at Caherlag, 7.30pm
Inniscarra are coming into this championship as Premier Intermediate champions of 2022. They were competing in Div Three of the league and have a modest record, winning 3, drawing 1 and losing 5 of their games.

Killeagh have had a very poor league season in Division ONE, losing all nine games and suffering relegation to Div Two for next year.

SAH

Blarney v Newcestown at Ovens, Sat Aug 5th at Ovens, 7.30pm
Both these teams competed in league Div Three and finished level on points, joint third in the final table with 12 points each from nine games. Newcestown won their tie with Blarney in early March on a 1-19 to 0-17 scoreline.

PIH

Éire Óg v Valley Rovers, Sat August 5th at Ballymaw, 3pm
Éire Óg had a very good Div Three league campaign, winning 6 and drawing 2 of their games to finish level on top of the table with Carrigaline whom they then beat in the final.

Valley Rovers had a good league campaign in Div Flour, winning 7 and drawing 1 of their nine games to finish second in the table to Ballinhassig who then defeated them in the final.

PIH: Ballincollig v Dungourney, Sat 5th Aug at Cobh, 7.30pm

Ballincollig had a very good league, competing in Div Two and finishing in second place behind Glen Rovers with six wins from nine games. The Glen won the final but Ballincollig should benefit enormously from the top quality opposition they encountered.

Dungourney were in Div Five and finished midtable with three wins, three draws and three defeats.
Cloughduv v Midleton, Sunday Aug 6th in Páirc Uí Rinn 2pm

Cloughduv finished in joint second in Div Five with six wins and three defeats but lost in the final to Russell Rovers.

Midleton are a club second team and their strength will be influenced by senior hurling team demands on the pool of players. They competed in Div Five of the league and had three wins and two draws. Cloughduv defeated them 1-12 to 0-12 in an early March league encounter.

Aghabullogue v Aghada, Sunday Aug 6th at Páirc Uí Rinn 4pm

Aghabullogue suffered relegation from Div Four this season after finishing bottom of the table with 2 wins and 1 draw from their nine games.

Aghada were in Div Five and did not have a good campaign, winning two and drawing two games to finish second last in the table.

2023 RED FM COUNTY HURLING LEAGUE FINALS

Div One: Sars 2-20 Blackrock 1-15
Div Two: Glen Rovers 0-26 Ballincollig 0-15
Div Three: Éire Óg 1-17 Carrigaline 0-17
Div Four: Ballinhassig 1-19 Valley Rovers 1-17
Div Five: Russell Rovers 3-13 Cloughduv 0-13
Div Six: Ballygarvan 1-17 Tracton 0-16
Div Seven: Erins Own 3-16 Glen Rovers 1-13

RED FM COUNTY HURLING LEAGUE FINALS

Glen Rovers 0-26 Ballincollig 0-15
Glen Rovers' dominance in the second half saw the favourites secure the RedFM Division 2 Hurling League title at Páirc Uí Rinn.

Premier Intermediate side Ballincollig opened the scoring as Cian Dorgan pointed from a free, but Glen responded instantly, as Patrick Horgan and Simon Kennefick both split the posts from play.

Dorgan's free drew the sides level, and he followed up with another two scores to give the Village a two-point advantage after five minutes of play.

There was little to separate the sides in the early stages. Simon Kennefick brought the gap down to one with a great score. A free from Dorgan and a great long-range score from James Dwyer put the Village back three in front, as they continued their strong start to the game.

Horgan got two back for the northsiders, but the Village fought on, getting two scores of their own, courtesy of Barry Coleman and Dorgan.

The Glen found their rhythm though, as Horgan's free was followed up by a superb score by fellow Cork senior Eoin Downey, who finished from a tight angle under pressure.

Ballincollig struggled to keep possession, as Stephen Lynam now got in on the scoring. Eoin Downey's pinpoint sideline cut flew straight to the hand of Horgan, who finished coolly to take the Glen a point in front.

Glen finished off the half in style, as Eoin O'Leary split the posts, before Horgan's free from distance put them three in front, just as the referee called for half time, 0-12 to 0-9.

In the second half Glen kept the scoreboard busy with points while Ballincollig, while staying within reach, needed goals, and they weren't creating enough.

The Village team could do little to stop Cork star Patrick Horgan, who was blistering in the second period, from both play and dead ball situations.

Ballincollig scorers: C Dorgan 0-9 (0-6 f), J Dwyer 0-4, B Keating, B Coleman 0-1 each.

Ballincollig; J Linehan; R O'Donovan (c), J Murray, C Moore; D O'Sullivan, C O'Leary, C O'Sullivan; C Dalton, B Coleman; F Denny, J Dwyer, C Dorgan; B Keating, C O'Driscoll, S Walsh. Subs: D Bowen and S O'Neill, both 37, B Dore 54, A Wills for C O'Sullivan 61.

ÉIRE ÓG 1-17 CARRIGALINE 0-17

A first half goal Joe Cooper proved crucial as Éire Óg came out on top against Carrigaline in the RedFM Division 3 Hurling League final at Ballincollig.

In a keenly contested encounter, both teams were deadlocked at 0-6 apiece in a very lively opening

quarter. Carrigaline led 0-4 to 0-2 after six minutes despite playing against the wind but points from Cooper and Kevin Hallissey levelled the game. The teams exchanged the next four scores with some splendid points from both sides.

Carrigaline tacked on two points before Cooper scored a well-taken goal for the Ovens team following a combined move. Éire Óg went three points clear when Brian Hurley and Hallissey added points.

Éire Óg led 1-9 to 0-9 after 26 minutes and they scored the last three points of the half to lead by six points at the interval, 1-12 to 0-9.

On the resumption, Carrigaline, now aided by a strong wind, hit three points on the trot, all from frees. Jerome Kelleher split the posts for Éire Óg after 39 minutes, but Carrigaline reduced the deficit down to two points 1-13 to 0-14 with 15 minutes remaining. Éire Óg goalkeeper Dylan Desmond pointed a free from inside his own half, against the wind, a marvellous score. Carrigaline tried desperately for a goal but were denied by the Éire Óg defence where John Kelleher and John Mullins were outstanding.

Oisín O'Shea and a Hallissey free edged the winners four points clear with seven minutes remaining, points were exchanged from frees, Carrigaline had a late point to leave the goal between the teams at the finish.

Both sides will meet each other again in the second game of the PIHC group stage.

Scorers for Éire Óg: K Hallissey 0-5 (0-3 f), O O'Shea 0-4, J Cooper 1-1, D Casey, D Desmond (f), B Hurley 0-2 each, Jerome Kelleher 0-1.

Éire Óg: D Desmond; J Mullins, John Kelleher, K Cooper; D Dineen, C McGoldrick, D Kirwan; E Kelleher, K Hallissey; O O'Shea, B Hurley, J Cooper; D Casey, Jerome Kelleher, C Sheehan.

Subs: E O'Shea (c) for C Sheehan (47), C Murphy for E Kelleher (61).

RUSSELL ROVERS 3-13 CLOUGHDUV 0-13

Cloughduv lost out to Russell Rovers in the RedFM Division 5 Hurling league final at Caherlag and can have no complaints about the outcome as the Shanagarry side were full value for their win. A consolation for Cloughduv is that they have been promoted for next season to Div Four after a good league campaign.

The winners raised their first green flag after five minutes, Rovers hit two of the next three points and former Éire Óg star Ciarán Sheehan lashed in a second goal for the East Cork after 11 minutes. The Imokilly team got their third goal after 18 minutes, 3-3 to 0-3.

The teams shard the next four scores and Rovers hit two of the next three points, Verling pointed from a free on the stroke of half-time, 3-7 to 0-7 at the interval.

The outcome was certain long before the full-time whistle sounded as Rovers led 3-10 to 0-8 after 38 minutes with the winners in total control and Mark Verling had retired injured.

Eoghan Clifford, Aodh Twomey, Tomás Twomey and goalkeeper Crowley, from a free, had points for Cloughduv.

Cloughduv scorers: M Verling 0-5 f, T Twomey 0-2, A Twomey, E Clifford, C Crowley (f), D Ring (f), P O'Driscoll, J Devine 0-1 each.

Cloughduv: C Crowley; P O'Leary, A Twomey, S Curzon; E Clifford, Cormac O'Driscoll (c), E



McNabola; A Murphy, O O'Driscoll; D Ring, B McNabola, M Verling; L Elliott, P O'Driscoll, J Devine. Subs: Cathal O'Driscoll for M Verling (h-t, inj), T Twomey for L Elliott (46).

MJK OILS JUNIOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

The MJK Oils Mid Cork Junior Hurling Championship is being played on a group basis in the early stages and the competition commences on August 5th/6th.

Group 1: (Four teams)

Ballinora v Inniscarra at Coachford, August 5th 7.30pm

Kilmichael v Ballincollig at Ballincollig, August 6th 7pm

Group 2: (Three teams)

Dripsey v Blarney at Donoughmore, August 6th 7pm, and Cloughdub v Blarney Aug 13th.

Group 3: (Three teams)

Grenagh v Éire Óg at Ballinora (Ballymaw) August 6th 7pm, and Donoughmore v Éire Óg Aug 11th

BALLINORA V INNISCARRA

Ballinora are the Mid Cork champions for the past two years, defeating Grenagh last year and Inniscarra the year before in the finals. Ballinora participated in the Red FM County Leagues this year in Div 7 and did quite well, finishing in third place with four wins and one draw from seven games.

Inniscarra were playing in the Mid Cork Div One league, finished second to Grenagh with six wins from seven games but then defeated second placed Grenagh in the final, having lost to them

earlier in the Spring. Inniscarra will have played their opening Senior A championship game before the juniors line out.

KILMICHAEL V BALLINCOLLIG

Kilmichael did not have a good Div One league campaign, winning only one of their seven games. That game was against Ballincollig whom they defeated 2-26 to 2-15 at Annahala.

Ballincollig did a little better in the league, finishing just above Kilmichael and their junior line out will be affected by their Premier Intermediate team calls.

DRIPSEY V BLARNEY

Dripsey, had three wins from seven games in Div One league and finished in the lower end of the table.

Blarney had the same league record as Dripsey and their panel will be affected by demands from their senior team.

GRENAGH V ÉIRE ÓG

Grenagh reached the final of the Div One league, having won all their seven games. They lost the final to Inniscarra, the loss of a man before half time a crucial factor. They had a good championship last year, reaching the final.

Éire Óg are another club second team and will have to wait until their Premier Intermediate side play Valley Rovers to see what their junior panel will be. They had a good league campaign, winning four of their seven games but did lose at home to Grenagh by two points, 0-20 to 1-19.

CUMNOR CONSTRUCTION HURLING LEAGUE

Division 1 – 8 teams: Grenagh, Kilmichael, Éire Óg,

Blarney, Inniscarra, Ballincollig, Donoughmore, Dripsey.

Final: Grenagh 1-12 Inniscarra 0-17

Division 2 – 8 teams: Uibh Laoire, Inniscarra 2, Blarney 2, Grenagh 2, Éire Óg 2, Cloughdub, Ballincollig2, Aghabullogue2.

Final: Aghabullogue 1-14 Cloughdub 1-7

Division 3 – 4 team (home and away): Laochra Óg, Gleann na Laoi, Donoughmore, Ballinora

LeagueTable: Gleann 10, Donoughmore 6, Laochra 4 and Ballinora 0

EPH MUSKERRY AWARDS

The winner of the second EPH Muskerry Sports Star Awards 2023 has been selected by the panel of judges and Tadhg O'Connell, Ballincollig, a member of the Cork U20 All Ireland Hurling Championship winning team is the worthy recipient. Tadhg is also hurling with the Ballincollig team which reached the County Div 2 league final and also lined out with Muskerry hurlers.

The EPH Muskerry GAA Sports Star Awards scheme is making a return for the first time since Covid-19 and the first winner of a 2023 monthly award was Jack Murphy of Éire Óg and UCC.

The awards, which started back in 2014 with the main aim of promoting the Muskerry Division and highlighting outstanding performances across all GAA activities, were presented monthly from March to October in the Auld Triangle in Macroom. The venture was a tremendous success before the pandemic and culminated in a end of year Gala Dinner at Oriel House Hotel Ballincollig at which the Sports Star of the Year was announced.

Looking Back to 2013 – Ten Years Ago

2013 ROSS OIL MID CORK JUNIOR A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Results: 2nd Round (1st round losers): Kilmurry 2-8 Blarney 1-8, Dripsey 2-10 Ballincollig 1-8, Kilmichael 1-12 Éire Óg 2-8

Third Round: Inniscarra v Dripsey

Quarter Finals: Kilmurry v Macroom, Donoughmore v Clondrohid, Aghinagh v Iveleary, Kilmichael v Inniscarra/Dripsey

KILMURRY 2-8 BLARNEY 1-8

The 2012 Mid Cork champions Kilmurry, shocked by Inniscarra in the opening round, were quite happy with their victory in the 2nd round ('last chance saloon') after getting a searching test from Blarney at Coachford. Kilmurry were five points clear at half time, 1-6 to 1-1, William Buckley having scored the goal and all but one of their points, but Blarney improved in the second half and indeed the game was ultimately decided by two incidents at either end of the pitch at the three quarter stage. Blarney missed a golden goal opportunity, Kilmurry took a similar chance and this decided the contest in Kilmurry's favour.

Kilmurry started well and dominated most of the first half play. William Buckley had four points on the board for them after ten minutes and in the 17th minute he ran on to a great through ball from James White and gave the Blarney goalkeeper no chance with a blistering shot from close range. Within a minute Blarney had their first score for the game, a well worked move by James and Pa O'Sullivan, finished to the net by the former. This goal worked wonders for Blarney and they were

well able to hold their own to the interval. James White set up a point for Greg Barrett for Kilmurry in the 23rd minute, and Paul Hallissey replied from a free for Blarney. In injury time William Buckley pointed a Kilmurry free to leave his side five points ahead at the break.

Kilmurry were not to score at all in the third quarter as Blarney with the wind behind them gradually began to control the play. David Cremin pointed a 31st minute free to get them off to a good start and Conor Foley pointed from play in the 39th minute. Only two points separated the teams in the 43rd minute when Conor Foley again came through from midfield and sent over the bar, 1-6 to 1-4 now the score. Two minutes later in another Blarney attack Conor Foley was one-on-one with goalkeeper Jason McDonald but the Kilmurry man spread himself well and managed to block the midfielders shot - a vital moment in this game. A minute later the situation was reversed. William Buckley intercepted a sloppy Blarney pass in defence and sent a peach of a ball goalwards for James Kelleher to run on to. Kelleher is not nicknamed 'The Gooch' for nothing and duly sent the ball under the body of the advancing Blarney goalkeeper to break the long Kilmurry scoreless spell with a priceless goal. Greg Barrett quickly added a point, but Blarney replied with a point from a Cremin free. Dave McCarthy pointed for Kilmurry in the 53rd minute, Cremin pointed another Blarney free in reply and then points from Cremin and Conor Foley from play had the gap down to a single goal as the game entered into

injury time. Blarney laid siege to the Kilmurry goal but the defence held firm with Kevin Barrett, Liam Long, Eoin Creedon, Finbarr Crowley and James White steady under the pressure. It was a hard earned victory and Kilmurry were glad to hear the final whistle.

Kilmurry: Jason McDonnell: Liam Long, Kevin Barrett, William Barrett: Pat O'Sullivan, Dave O'Leary, (Capt.), Eoin Creedon: James White, Greg Barrett: Denis Sheehan, James Kelleher, David McCarthy: Alan O'Sullivan, Michael Linehan, William Buckley. Subs: Finbarr Crowley, Jonathan Buckley and Liam White.

Blarney: Shane Jordan: Craig Sykes, Eoghan Murphy, John Barrett: Mark Cremin, Joe Jordan, Ciarán Buckley: Conor Foley, Paul Hallissey: Paul O'Leary, James O'Sullivan, Keith Costelloe: Colm Sheehan, Pa O'Sullivan, David Cremin.

Referee: Mr. Miah Moynihan, Grenagh.

DRIPSEY 2-10 BALLINCOLLIG 1-8

Those who had written off Dripsey's chances of taking the Mid Cork title this year may revise their thinking after this impressive performance against Ballincollig at Kilmurry. Ballincollig had a strong team on paper and travelled with a fair degree of confidence but they were taken apart by the Dripsey men who led from the start and had things under control by half time when they led by 0-7 to 0-2.

Gary Murphy got Dripsey off to a good start with an early point from a free and Diarmuid O'Riordan had a second Dripsey point before Ballincollig had a point from Brian Glavin. Dripsey then took



Representatives of clubs taking part in the 2023 Muskerry GAA Under 21 Football Championship with Eoin Barrett, Macroom Motors sponsors. Also included are Enda Linehan, Secretary and John Feeney, Chairman. Picture: Mike English



Representatives of clubs competing in the 2023 Muskerry GAA Ballincollig Credit Union Junior B Football Championship with Ed. Warren, Vice Chairman. Picture: Mike English

over completely and points from David O'Sullivan, Diarmuid O'Riordan, Gary Murphy and Aidan Buckley followed to which Ballincollig's sole reply was a point from Stephen Coughlan, leaving Dripsey in a strong position by half time, leading by five points and playing confidently.

Dripsey had victory wrapped up early in the second half. After an early exchange of points between the sides, Gary Murphy set up a goal chance for David O'Sullivan and the latter, 'man of the match', lashed the ball to the Ballincollig net in the 37th minute. Dripsey were on the road to victory in earnest now even though Ballincollig hopes got a temporary boost in the 48th minute when Fergal Keohane fisted a Brian Glavin pass to the Dripsey net and Niall Allen followed on with a point to narrow the gap to five points. The result was beyond doubt in the 52nd minute when Gary Murphy fisted a Conor Hayes pass to the Ballincollig net and a few late points for Ballincollig did no more than improve the appearance of the scoreboard.

Dripsey: Ray Moynihan: John Carey, Pat O'Riordan, Daniel Buckley: Stephen Murray, Robert Daly, Aidan Murray: Conor Hayes, Mark O'Sullivan: Diarmuid O'Riordan, Gary Murphy, Aidan Buckley: David O'Sullivan, David Buckley, Colm O'Grady. Subs: Tom Ahearne and John Hogan.

Ballincollig: John Noonan: J P O'Leary, Adrian Hanley, Tim O'Leary: Cian McCarthy, Brendan Fitzgerald, John P Murphy: Brian Kelly, Peter O'Neill: Brian Galvin, Stephen Coughlan, Diarmuid Nolan: Fergal Keohane, Ian Coughlan, Niall Allen. Subs: Frank Down, Ryan Hogan, Conor Sexton. Referee: Mr David Murnane, Macroom.

KILMICHAEL 1 - 12 EIRE ÓG 2 - 8

It may have taken a Colm Dromey point deep in injury time to give Kilmichael victory by the narrowest of margins but there was no disputing that justice was done and that the winners were fully deserving of their entry to the third round. Eire Óg., impressive 'B' champions last year, thus exit the premier competition at the first stage.

A major talking point of this game was the awarding of two penalties to Eire Óg late in the game, both of which led to the goals for the losers and which levelled the scores in injury time after Kilmichael had forced the pace for much of the game.

Eire Óg had opened the scoring but Kilmichael replied with points from Daniel Twomey and Alan Dromey. Points from Barry O'Neill and Jack O'Driscoll had Eire Óg back in front but Kilmichael then took over. Conor Cotter equalised with a point and Alan Dromey's point put Kilmichael back in front. In the 21st minute Colm Dromey had a goal for Kilmichael, Barry O'Neill pointed in reply to leave a goal between the teams. In the run up to

half time Kilmichael had points from Alan Dromey and Colm Dromey and Eire Óg replied with a brace, one each from Barry O'Neill and Jack O'Driscoll to leave the score at 1-6 to 0-6 at half time.

Kilmichael started the second half well with points from Alan Murphy and Colm Dromey and when Brian Darcy O'Sullivan replied with an Eire Óg point, Colm Dromey and Finbarr Dromey had points for Kilmichael who led by 1-10 to 0-7 at this three quarter stage. Barry O'Neill had a point for Eire Óg to leave five points between the teams but in the 57th minute the cat was thrown in amongst the pigeons when Eire Óg were awarded a penalty and after seeing Shane Masters saving the first attempt, Ronan O'Toole was in to slam the rebound to the Kilmichael net and reduce the gap to a mere two points, 1-10 to 1-8. Kilmichael then had an invaluable point from Daniel Twomey but a second penalty award to Eire Óg in the 62nd minute was lashed to the net by Jack O'Driscoll and the sides were level. Colm Dromey's subsequent point ensured that Kilmichael were winners.

Kilmichael: Shane Masters: Colin Murphy, John O'Riordan, Stephen Kelleher: Finbarr Buckley, Simon Foley, Adrian Kelly: Finbarr Dromey, Michael Twomey; Cian Dromey, Conor Cotter, Alan Murphy: Alan Dromey, Daniel Twomey, Colm Dromey. Sub: Darragh Foley (55)

Eire Óg: C O'Driscoll: Cian Murphy, Kieran O'Sullivan, Colm Murphy: Ryan Kennerick, Tony Dineen, Gerard McSweeney: Liam Murphy, Brian D'arcy O'Sullivan: Ronan O'Toole, David Sheehan, Denis Murphy: Jack O'Driscoll, Barry O'Neill, Vincent Fahy. Subs: Donnadhá Kelly and B Hallissey. Referee: Mr Gene Buckley, Grenagh.

2013 CORK COUNTY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS - 2ND ROUND RESULTS

Senior Football: Newcestown, O'Donovan Rossa, BALLINCOLLIG, Ilen Rovers, Clonakilty, Carbery Rangers, Castlehaven, St Finbarrs, CIT and Carbery are now joined by Nemo Rangers, Aghada and Douglas in Round Four with Bishopstown or Douglas as the 14th team. After Round Three, involving St Nicks, Newmarket, St Vincents and either Dohenys or Bishopstown, two teams will emerge to make up 16 teams in the fourth round draw and its knock-out from there on.

Premier Intermediate Football:

BALLINORA, Clyda Rovers, St Michaels, NAOMH ABAN, Valley Rovers, Mallow, BÉAL ÁTHA'n GHAORTHÁIDH, Na Piarasigh were 1st round winners and are now joined by Bantry Blues, Kiskeam, MACROOM and Castletownbere in the round four draw. Kinsale, Carrigaline, Glenville and Nemo Intermediates will play in round three to produce two teams to complete the 14 teams in round four.

MACROOM 3 - 13 GLENVILLE 1 - 3

A night to remember for Macroom at Ballincollig when supporters could relax after fifteen minutes reasonably assured of ultimate victory! Last year, Macroom and Glenville met in the second round at Mallow and after extra time the eastern side advanced. Macroom, after their awful display against St. Michaels in the opening round this season, had to be apprehensive about facing Glenville again and needed to be well focussed. They started well, led by four points early on and two goals in quick succession in the 10th and 12th minutes had Glenville visibly shocked. Macroom did not let up until half time by which time they had built up a 3-6 to 0-1 lead, and were clearly on the high road to victory. The second half was a mere formality with Macroom content to contain Glenville and shoot a few points here and there to maintain their dominance.

David Goold got the three Macroom goals, a nice boost after being out all last season with a serious injury. Fintan Goold was excellent at centre back and Seán Kiely was outstanding at wing back in a re-arranged defence. Eoin O'Mahony put in a great hour at midfield with Philip Corrigan and the team simply exuded determination and were in a different class to Glenville on this occasion.

Ivan Casey, back after injury, opened the scoring for Macroom after less than a minute and Fintan Goold then pointed a 40m free in the 5th minute. Robbie Dwyer set up a point for Patrick Lucey a minute later and Fintan Goold pointed another free as Macroom got off to the perfect start, keeping Glenville under constant pressure and availing of their scoring opportunities. In the 11th minute Macroom were awarded a penalty when a defender, under pressure, picked the ball off the ground in the goalmouth and David Gold slammed the spot kick to the net. From the kick out, Eoin O'Mahony lashed the ball goal wards to David Goold who turned his marker and slipped the ball under the advancing goalkeeper to the net. Twelve minutes gone, Macroom leading by 2-4 to nil and Glenville were shell-shocked. David Horgan and Patrick Lucey had kicked a point apiece before Glenville at last registered a score in the 30th minute but before the half time whistle sounded, Macroom attacked again and David Horgan did well to hold possession before punching a ball across the face of the goal and the diving David Goold punched the cross to the net to complete the first half rout which gave Macroom a 14 point interval lead having faced the wind in the opening half.

In the third quarter, Macroom again contained the Glenville attack with Rory Buckley, Peter Lynch, Martin O'Donnell and Ciarán Murphy all



Representatives of clubs competing in the 2023 Muskerry GAA Junior B Hurling Championship with Beatrice Hammond, Oriel House Hotel sponsors. Included are Anne O'Riordan, PRO and Dave Lee, Development Officer. Picture: Mike English



Representatives of clubs taking part in the 2023 Muskerry GAA Rochestown Park Hotel Junior C Football Championship with Board Officers, Enda Linehan, Secretary, Dave Lee, Development Officer and John Feeney, Chairman. Picture: Mike English

comfortable. Fintan Goold pointed a difficult free after 34 minutes and brother David had one from play before Ivan Casey rattled the Glenville crossbar with a blistering shot in the 42nd minute. Patrick Lucey then pointed a '45' and Glenville got a goal back at the three quarter stage after a rare error in the Macroom defence and they added a point to make it 3-9 to 1-2. Macroom responded with points from Sean Kiely, Barry O'Donnell (on for the injured Tony Dineen) and David Horgan and when Glenville had a point from a free Martin O'Donnell came up in attack to sent over a smashing point for Macroom, the perfect ending to a memorable night for the Mid Cork side.

Macroom: James O'Connell: Peter Lynch, Rory Buckley, Martin O'Donnell: Seán Kiely, Fintan Goold, Ciarán Murphy: Philip Corrigan, Eoin O'Mahony: Robbie O'Dwyer, Ivan Casey, Tony Dineen: David Horgan, David Goold, Patrick Lucey. Sub: Barry O'Donnell (35 mins.).

INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL

Ballydesmond, CILL na MARTRA, Glanworth, AGHABULLOGUE, Fermoy, EIRE ÓG, Kanturk and Cloyne have already qualified for round four to be joined by Youghal, Grenagh and two other Round 2 winners. The other two Round 4 teams will come from the four round two losers.

GRENAGH 2 - 16 CANOVEE 3 - 5

Canovee are faced with a last chance of staying in contention in this year's intermediate football championship after losing their second round game to Grenagh at Ballincollig. Canovee were coming into the game after the boost of their U 21 success in the county 'B' semi final in mid week but a seasoned Grenagh were in determined mood and got off to a great start. Niall O'Doherty had the ball in the Canovee net in the first minute and Grenagh were well on top for the first half. It was 1-2 to nil when James Moynihan had an opening goal for Canovee, and Grenagh responded with a string of six unanswered points. In the 22nd

minute Con Dunne had a second goal for Canovee but almost immediately Grenagh were awarded a penalty and Gerry Russell slotted home to restore a six point advantage to his side and Grenagh led by 2-9 to 2-1 at half time.

On the restart, Con Dunne had his second, and Canovee's third, goal and when Aidan Moynihan added a point it was 2-10 to 3-3 with ten minutes of the second half gone, a four point gap. Grenagh responded to the challenge however and got the points to consolidate their position and even though Canovee always remained a threat, Grenagh were able to maintain control and so they advanced to the fourth round draw. Canovee: Darren Shine: Gearóid Lucey, James McCarthy, Daniel O'Sullivan: John O'Brien, T Murphy, Andrew Cronin: Paul O'Sullivan, Eamonn Lyons: Denis O'Sullivan, Darragh Ring, William Ahern: James Moynihan, Aidan Moynihan, Con Dunne. Subs: Michael Deasy, Brian Ahern, Brian Barrett.



Naomh Abán, Cork Intermediate League Champions 2023. Pic by: Nóra Uí Luasa.



Cloughduv Intermediates V Russell Rovers in League Final



LAOCHRA ÓG NEWS

28TH JUNE

Well done to our u16 panel tonight in the league semi final against Courcey Rovers , a huge effort by everyone to get the win . It was a great game of camogie with loads of skill on display . Well done to all our girls , who all played their part . Thanks to Courcey Rovers for a great sporting game , thanks to all our supporters who travelled and to our team sponsors Healy's Spar Clondrohid for your continued support .

15TH JULY

A great day out for our U10 boys. It was great to see their skills on display and fun being had along the way. We are so proud of this group of lads and look forward to watching them more into the future. Thanks to JP and all at Ballincollig for hosting, our sponsors Folláin, the coaches & parents for being our biggest cheerleaders.

2ND JULY

A huge well done to our u8 girls to played in a blitz in Cloughduv today. The girls showed great skills and hard work throughout their three matches. A big thank you to our sponsor, Mulcahy Insurance and to the parents who support the girls, bringing

them to training and their matches.

8TH JULY

Laochra og hosted an u8 and an u7 camogie blitz this morning in Ballyvourney. It was wonderful to have over 90 girls enjoying playing camogie, practising their new skills and making new friends. Thank you so much to Ballincollig Camogie Club Aghabullogue and Eire Og for travelling to us. Thanks to all the parents for bringing their girls to the blitz along with training every Wednesday evening. A huge thanks to everyone who helped run such a fun morning and to our sponsors Mulcahy Insurances Ltd.

15TH JULY

Our U10 boys enjoyed a well deserved swim on Friday, a great team bonding event. These boys are a credit to laochra og & we are so very proud of them. They have played amazing the last few seasons, it was great to see them all having fun with each other. Thank you Chuil Aodha pool for having us.

22ND JULY

Laochra Og U12 Camogie team away to Mallow yesterday evening. A first time both clubs met

at underage and a great experience for our girls. The girls got a good game and more valuable experience gained on this trip.

23RD JULY

Well done to everyone who turned out for our u10 blitz hosted by Laochra Óg Hurling & Camogie Club this morning. Thanks to Aghabullogue Hurling Football & Camogie Club and Ballincollig Camogie Club for coming out to partake all the girls did really fantastic. Thanks to our 2 first whistle referees Sean and Ellen. Thanks again parents for coming and supporting . Thanks to Colaiste gobnathan for use of pitch facilities and to Matt Murphy's Macroom for sponsoring the team and jerseys. Thanks to coaches for helping set up and to Catherine for nursing all our injuries . Well done girls

LAOCHRA LOTTO BONUS PRIZE

Laochra Lotto Bonus Prize!!

We are currently on 98 Match 3 Winners since starting our lotto. Our 100th Match 3 Winner will win €500 Get your tickets now and it could be You!



Laochra Óg U12 Camogie v Mallow 22nd July 2023 06



Laochra Óg U10 Hurlers having enjoyed swimming time in Coolea 15th July 2023 01



Laochra Óg U10 Hurling Blitz 1st July 2023



Laochra Óg U10 Camogie Blitz in Colaiste Gobnatan 23rd July 2023 10



MACROOM GAA

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ANOTHER BIG WIN TO CELEBRATE!

REBEL ÓG PREMIER 4 U14 FOOTBALL LEAGUE FINAL

MACROOM 1-9 MIDLETON 2-4

Local supporters were treated to a nail biting finish in a game at the Castle Grounds when Macroom met with Midleton in the Div 4 league final and held out for a brilliant win to take the county league, Division 4 title.

Macroom had qualified for the final with 6 wins from 7 games, followed by Midleton who had five wins to their credit. Macroom had a good first half and were strong in all areas and led by 0-7 to 0-0 at half time. They were to score only two more points in the game as Midleton upped their performance considerably in the second half. Still Macroom were defending very well in the third quarter and even though not scoring were containing the opposition well with goalkeeper Cian Lee and his defenders very committed under pressure. With ten minutes remaining, Midleton threw caution to the wind and introduced a couple of very strong subs and moved their strongest and best players into attack. A goal brought the margin down to four points but Macroom raised it to five again. The pressure was unceasing and inevitably Midleton scored another goal as normal time ended. There was now only a two point gap between the sides and there was injury time of over three minutes. Macroom bravely soaked up the pressure and in fact were themselves on the attack when the final whistle sounded to be greeted with utter delight by the Macroom players, mentors and supporters. In the league Macroom had defeated Midleton, Ballincollig, Bride Rovers, Mitchelstown, Carrigaline and Kilshannig and lost to Glanmire – P7 W6 D0 L1 ==12 points.

Macroom: Cian Lee: Brian McCrory, Daniel Lucey, Tristan Mullane: David Condon, Dan Lyons, Micheál Deasy: Dylan O'Shea, Brian Brophy: Ronan O'Neill, Ben Ronan, Cayden Dunton: David Bradley, Oliver Krezepina, Will Buckley. Dylan O'Connell, Calum O'Driscoll, Darragh Creed, Leo Slattery, Tete,

David Twomey, Tadgh O'Driscoll, Con Angland, Con Moss, Seán Bourke, Lochlann Phelan, Ronan O'Sullivan, Ciarán Murray, Alan Hopkins, Evan O'Keeffe, Jack Sabas, Seán Quirke.

Management team: Alan O'Shea, Gerard Mullane, Aidan Brophy, Danny O'Keeffe, Seamus Coughlan, Mike Slattery.

U15 REBEL ÓG PREMIER 1 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

MACROOM 1-4 CARRIGALINE 0-7

Macroom U15 Premier 1 team had their first championship match against recently crowned league champions Carrigaline at the Castle Grounds and the game was a thriller before ending in a draw.

Macroom started brightly creating chances but failing to score. Carrigaline attacked and Gearóid Quinn made a good save. Finally Macroom got the first score a free from Billy Murphy. A few minutes later Billy again got on the end of an attack to boot the ball to the Carrigaline net and a Donagh Moss point put the home side 1-2 to 0-1 ahead at half time.

In the second half Carrigaline really upped their game and came back at Macroom and scored two points to leave a goal between the teams. Macroom were holding out well to stay in front and a run from Eoghan Healy received a return pass from Coran Burns to put them 2 points clear with 10 minutes to play 1-3 to 0-3. Point by point, Carrigaline reduced the Macroom lead and then drew level. With time nearly up Macroom attacked and got a free which Billy Murphy scored to put Macroom back in front but Carrigaline attacked from the kick out, went up field, got a free and kicked over another equaliser.

The final whistle was blown from the kick out. A fantastic game, end to end, played in terrible conditions after torrential rain had fallen. Well done to all players involved they never gave up.

Macroom: Gearóid Quinn: Alex Brophy, Ruairí O'Shea, Robert Fitzgerald: Cathal Neville, Eoghan Healy, Donagh Moss: Jack O'Shea, Sam Leavy: Darragh Donovan, Jack Leavy, Billy Murphy:

Ulta Twomey, Coran Burns, Dylan Lucey. Caleb O'Connor, Jayden O'Sullivan, Troy Murphy, Simon Condon, Brian Bradley, Oisín Phelan, Tadhg Dunne, Ryan Fernando, Eoin Holland, Ronan Duggan. In the same group, Douglas and Ballincollig also played a draw in their Round 1 game.

Next Up: U15 Premier 1 FC: Douglas v Macroom at Douglas, Monday July 24th

U15 PREMIER DIV 3 FL: MACROOM V GLENVILLE

In the P3 FL Macroom received a walk over from Glenville who were unable to travel dueto holidays. Macroom will be away to Clonakilty in the third round on Saturday July 29th.

PREMIER INTERMEDIATE

Macroom Premier Intermediates played O'Donovan Rossa and Ilen Rovers as they wound down their preparations for the Premier intermediate championship 1st round game against Naomh Abán on Friday July 28th at Cill na Martra.

Macroom have played nine county league games, three Tom Creedon Cup games and numerous challenge games since February and have displayed good form on most occasions. All that remains now is to 'get it right on the night'. This is the third year the two clubs have met in the group stage: two years ago Naomh Abán won at Ballygeary, last year Macroom won at Kilnamartyra. Victory in the opening game of the three group games is always considered a major boost for all teams.

Macroom juniors will meet Ballincollig in the Mid Cork Junior B Championship on Monday August 21st at Cloughduv.

Macroom U17s will be in championship action on August 9th against Clonakilty in Macroom and played games against Bandon and Ballincollig this week in preparation.

U6s and U7s enjoyed a great morning in the Castle Grounds with visiting team Naomh Abán. It was the first game for them in Castle Grounds. Here's to many more! Thanks to Naomh Abán for travelling.



U12 player of the year Rory O'Shea receives his trophy from coach Stephen O'Sullivan



U13 Schoolgirls top scorer Shauna Keane with Caoimhe O'Brien of Cork City



Caoimhe O'Brien of Cork City presenting her sister Orlaith with top scorer for Macroom FC schoolgirls U14 and U15 sides.



U16 Camogie v Coursey Rovers 28th June 2023 02



Macroom FC life president Willie O'Riordan presenting an U17 league winners medal to Adam Roche with coaches Danny Lynch (left) and John Kelleher (right).



MACROOM SOCCER CLUB

ASTRO PITCH AND COMMUNITY WALKWAY

Plans for the build are coming along very well and a further fundraiser has been organised. Prizes as follows: 1st Prize: Tickets to Republic of Ireland v Netherlands, Euro 2024 qualifier + overnight accommodation with breakfast for 2 people at The 4 Star Mespil Hotel, Dublin + €200. 2nd and 3rd prizes: 12 month subscription to the Macroom FC weekly lotto draw. Tickets are priced at €10 each or buy 3 for €20 and can be bought online at www.macroomfc/astro-fundraising. Paper tickets are also available and can be purchased from our usual lotto outlets, team managers as well as club and committee members. Since the launch last year, the club has seen massive support and goodwill from the public and business community. This support has re-enforced our belief that the Astro facility will be a huge addition to our club as well as the local Lee Valley community. We would encourage all to continue to support us, as the Astro build gets ever closer.

AWARDS EVENING*

The end of season awards evening was held in front of a large crowd at Murrayfield recently. Successful teams from the 2022/23 season were presented with their medals and there were also player of the year and top scorer awards for each competitive team from U12-U19. The U12, U13A and U15A boys were promoted while the U16 lads won the John Cooke Cup. The U17 boys captured the league title. The U15 girls won the league and the U17s won the CWSSL shield final. All of these successes represent what was an outstanding season by any standard for Macroom FC. So on a busy evening, presentations were made by club officers, coaches and Cork City's Caoimhe O' Brien (formerly Macroom FC) who was a special guest of the girls club. A fine evening weather wise ensured the event was enjoyed by all and Mr Cool Ice cream was on hand to look after all players in attendance. Macroom FC would like to sincerely thank all coaches for their tremendous efforts with on-field activities. Having almost 30 teams is a huge

undertaking year on year and much credit is due to all volunteers. We would also like to acknowledge the efforts of all players and the vital support from parents/guardians in getting them to the many trainings/games.

A.G.M.

The annual general meeting of Macroom FC will take place on Friday Aug 11th 2023 at the clubhouse at Murrayfield, commencing at 8pm sharp.

MEMBERSHIP 2023/24

The new season is fast approaching with teams expecting to begin competitive games in late August and September. Pre season training has commenced already for some teams and others will begin their preparations over the coming weeks. Membership for the forthcoming season is now open online. Fees for this season remain unchanged. Go to your clubforce account to complete registration or you can select the 'Club Registration' tab on our website <http://www.macroomfc.ie>



Macroom FC U15A schoolboys' team who won promotion, pictured with coaches Fiona Phelan, Aidan Brophy and Pat Buttimer.



The U17 Cork Youth League winners with coaches Darrin Ring, Danny Lynch and John Kelleher



U15A top scorer Jakub Zulnamik with coach Rhys Hopkins.



Schoolgirls coach Mick Goold making a presentation to Caoimhe O' Brien of Cork City.



Ann Healy (2nd left) receiving U17 player of the year on behalf of her daughter Eimear. To Ann's right is another daughter Leanne who was the U19 women's player of the year. Also included are coaches Kay and Tim Murphy.



U16 coach Peter Coleman presenting the top scorer award to his son Billy.



Players from the U15 schoolgirls league winning side



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A Gearagh view. Pic. John Kelleher.



Cloughduv – County Hurling League Div. 5 Finalists 2023



Mother-student Murrynn recruits a new baby-sitter, Minister Harris, for Lexi Rose, Pic Con Kelleher



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A Word of Victory

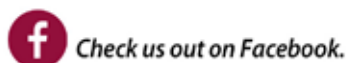
Welcome back dear student "come to Me all you who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28-30). Last week we spoke about finding rest and getting a break. Rest and refreshment can be found in the Presence of God (Acts 3:19). True rest is what Jesus was revealing in this Scripture. The Lord Jesus is the Prince of Peace and the Peace that surpasses all understanding can only be found in Him (Isaiah 9:6-7; Philippians 4:7). How? Humble surrender. We don't like those two words because they symbolise weakness. The truth is that we are weak – we rely on God for our very next breath, but we think we are invincible. In the second part of this verse Jesus goes on to say that if we will partner with Him and learn from Him (that is, cultivate His character through studying and obeying His Word), we will find rest for our souls. The soul is the mind, will and emotions and it's where we feel stress and fear, hurt, grief, anguish, rejection and anger etc. These are toxic if they are not dealt with. Prosecco or Jack Daniels won't help. Many have tried that and woken up with the same or worse problems, and a sick hangover on top of it! God told Paul – "My strength is made perfect in your weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9). Like the song says "let the weak say I am strong" – well, we are made strong in relationship with Jesus (Joel 3:10).

When a person comes to God in surrender – and confesses ... "Lord Jesus, I believe in You. I'm weak - I've tried doing things my own way to find success and peace. I've tried pleasing people to find favour in my search for happiness. I've tried rituals and religious activities and good deeds to feel satisfaction and completeness, but nothing has been enough to take away the emptiness, the loneliness, the fears or insecurity. Darkness still has the edge on me and threatens to engulf me. Lord Jesus, please come into my life and show me Who You Are; I'm desperate to know that You're real". This is an honest prayer and it's one God answers every time dear friend. Jesus said that He stands at the door and knocks, and if we open the door He will come in (Revelation 3:20). He waits to be invited in, and He needs to know He is wanted. No one feels comfortable around someone who doesn't want to be with them. What makes us think Jesus is any different? Many times, we've been haughty in our attitude towards God, thinking that just because we fulfil quotas of activities that God should be grateful that we graced Him with our presence. Then when life gets sour, many turn and feel vindicated in blaming God for His no-show! This is a manifestation of an unbelieving spirit which relies on self-righteousness for Salvation instead of Jesus, and God likens it to flinging a filthy rag in His face (Isaiah 64:6). But when one truly repents and turns to the Lord desiring to know Him this pleases God because He longs for our hearts to synchronise with His (Jeremiah 29:13; Hebrews 11:6).

God's abundant blessings and protection be upon our wonderful Kerry team and supporters on Sunday. May the Lord bless each one of you and keep you; May the Lord shine His face upon you and be gracious to you and give you His Peace, in Jesus' Name (Numbers 6:24-26). Ciarraí Abú!

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In loving memory of Auntie

**BETTY
MOONEY**

**Woodhill House, Coachford
Who passed away on the
20th July 2022**

*God called your name so softly,
That only you could here,
And no one heard the footsteps,
Of Angels drawing near.
The Golden Gates stood open,
God saw you needed rest,
His garden must be beautiful,
He only takes the best.*



Remembered with Love always by your
niece Mary Frances,
Jerry, Adrianna, Laura and Patrick
Creedon of Prohus: Cill na Martra.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



In loving memory of

**BETTY
MOONEY**

**Woodhill House, Coachford
whose anniversary occurred on
the 20th of July.**

As we lovingly remember Betty on her first anniversary we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all our family, friends, neighbours and all who sympathised with us. We greatly appreciate all those who sent Mass cards, letters, phone calls, online condolences and those who attended her removal and funeral. We would like to thank Dr. Orla Crosby and staff, C.U.H and Mercy Hospital. Dr. Sarah Kingston, Coachford Medical Centre, for her kindness, patience and respect. Our deep appreciation to Fr. Peadar Murphy PP for celebrating a beautiful funeral Mass. A sincere thank you to Casey's Funeral Directors for their support, professionalism and advice. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this as a token of our appreciation.



Sadly missed and always remembered with love by Peter, John, Mossie, Jack Healy, niece Mary Francis Creedon & grandson Artjom.

8TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**NORA (NAN)
O'CONNELL**

**Lisboymore, Kilnamartyra,
Macroom, Co. Cork
who died on 26th July 2015**

*Gone are the days we used to share,
But in our hearts you are always there.
The gates of memory will never close,
We miss you more than anyone knows.
With tender love and deep regret,
We who love you never forget.*



Always remembered by
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PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY



Oh gentle and loving St. Anthony in whose arms the infant Jesus love to linger, one word from you and my prayer will be answered oh speak that word and the gratitude of my heart will be yours.

35TH & 2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JAMES CROWLEY

Died 17th August 1988

ANNE (NANCY) CROWLEY

Died 26th of July 2021

Curraclough, Lissarda

As you were you will always be treasured forever in our memory.

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10TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

DANNY QUILL

Bárr d'Inse, Cuil - Aodha
Whose anniversary occurred on 24th July

You will always be remembered, because we thought the world of you.



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Naomh Gbnaít guidh orainn

2ND ANNIVERSARY



Remembering with love

PAUDIE TWOHIG

Ballinagree, Macroom, Co Cork
Who died 1st Of August 2021

*Walk with me, Oh my Lord,
Through the darkest night
and brightest day.
Be by my side, Oh Lord,
Guard my life and guide me on my way.
Sometimes the road seems long,
My energy is spent.
Then, Lord I think of you
And I am given strength. Amen*



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20TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**EILEEN
KELLEHER**

**Ballymakeera East
who passed away on the
26th of July 2003**

*No matter how life changes
No matter what we do
A special place within our hearts
Is always kept for you.*



Remembered today and always by her
loving husband Jerome and family.

13TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**PEGGY
BUCKLEY**

**Crookstown
Who died July 19th 2010**

*We do not need a special day
To bring you to our mind.
The days we do not think of you
Are very hard to find.
Our hearts still ache with sadness,
And secret tears still flow,
What it meant to us to lose you,
Your place no one can fill,
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still.*



Always loved by your daughters Maria,
Caroline, Son Aidan, Son in laws and
grand children, Lisa, Shauna, Caoimhe,
Eadaoin, Darragh, Jack

4TH ANNIVERSARY



Treasured memories today
and everyday of

**MAURICE
CULLEN**

**Rockborough Macroom
Died on 30th July 2019**

*There are some who
Bring a light so
Great to this World
That even after they
Are gone the light
Remains.*



Remembered with love always
Marjorie, Niamh, Orla, Leon and
A wide circle of friends

9TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**PETE
LYNCH**

**Boyles Grove, Kilbarry, Macroom
Who died on 3rd August 2014**

*To lose someone so special
has filled me with such grief
the kind of pain and heartache
that only time can relieve
There's still a sun up in the sky,
life goes on day by day
But the world lost something precious
When you passed away
Life sometimes feels hopeless,
the world often feels blue
But what gives me strength and hope
are my treasured memories of you
I'm missing someone wonderful
and truly dear to me
You were loved so very much
and that's how you'll always remain*



Remembered always With Love
from Your Wife Pauline xx

*Your gentle face and patient smile.
With sadness we recall
You had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.
The voice is mute and stilled the heart
That loved us well and true.
Ah, bitter was the trial to part
From one so good as you.
You are not a forgotten loved one
Nor will you ever be
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.
We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
As time goes by we miss you more,
Your loving smile, your gentle face
No one can fill your vacant place.*



Remembered always With Love
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6TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**CÁIT SHEEHAN
(NEE HALLISSEY)**

**Rusheen, Coachford
Who died 29th July 2017**

*'We hold you close within our hearts
And there you shall remain,
To walk with us throughout our lives,
Until we meet again.
May the winds of heaven blow softly,
And whisper in your ear,
How much we love and miss you,
And wish that you were here.'*



Sadly missed and always remembered by
your loving husband Anthony, children
Anna and Tadhg, mother Sheila, brother,
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*Anniversary Mass in Rusheen Church,
July 29th @ 8pm*

13TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**JERRY
MURRAY**

**St. Colman's Park, Macroom &
Clohina, Kilnamartyra
Who died on 26th July 2010**

*As we remember Dad on his 13th
anniversary, we look on him for guidance
and his strength to help us all in our lives.
We miss Dad dearly.
We know Dad and Mam are
looking down on us.*



Deeply missed by your family
loving daughters Sinead, Geraldine,
Siobhan, loving sons Conubhar, Tomas
and their families.

9TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**THOMAS
CORKERY**

**Barathanaknuck, Clondrohid,
Macroom, Co.Cork
who died on the 27th of July 2014**

*A daily thought, a silent prayer,
A cantant wish that you were here,
An empty space no one can fill,
We miss you today and always will.*



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2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

PAUDIE TWOHIG

Ballinagree, Macroom who passed away on the 1st August 2021.

Time goes by without you, each moment holds a memory, your smile was made of sunshine, your heart was made of gold.

We thank you for the love you gave and the memories that we hold.



Fondly remembered always by your uncle Denis Twohig

2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

BOB RENNIGER

Coleman's Plc Macroom who died on the 23rd of July 2021

*Everyday in some small way memories of you came our way
Though absent you are always near still missed, loved always dear.*



Always remembered by your daughters Jackie, Caroline, Densie, son Paul, son in law Finbar and grandchildren.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



In loving memory of

TED O'SHEA

Mashanaglass, Macroom Who passed away on 24th July 2022

As we lovingly remember Ted on his first anniversary, his wife Mary, children Maria, Patricia, Stephen and Irene and grandchildren Luke & Serena would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all those who sympathised with us on our sad loss.

We would like to sincerely thank our family, neighbours and friends for their support over the last year. We would like to thank the first responders who treated Ted with such kindness and respect.

Sincere thanks to all who attended the house, funeral home and church and to those who sent mass cards and messages of condolence.

We would like to thank Fitzgeralds funeral home for their support and professionalism.

Thanks to the staff of the Auld Triangle for the beautiful meal.

A special thank you to Teds former classmate and friend Fr. Donal McIlraith and to Fr. Donal Roberts and Fr. Joe O'Mahony for celebrating the funeral Mass.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, we trust that this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our sincere appreciation. The Holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.



FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



In loving memory of

DAVID HOGAN

Dripsey, Co. Cork & Sydney, Australia Who passed away on 2 August 2022

In loving memory of our beautiful son, brother, grandson, nephew, cousin, and friend David whose First Anniversary occurs on 2 August 2023.

Deeply loved, sadly missed, and always remembered by his loving Mum & Dad, sister Paige, his Grandma Barbara, aunts Caitriona, Nicola, Claire & Marian, uncles Rob, John, Dave & Paudi, cousins Sean, Carly, Davy, Sonny, Jack, Eabha, Katelyn, Lily, Olivia, Ted & Danny, grandaunts, granduncles, cousins and entire extended family, loving girlfriend Sarah & Family and all his friends in Ireland & Australia.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to all those who attended the funeral mass and burial to sympathise with us on the loss of David. To those who sent mass cards, floral tributes, online condolences, perpetual enrollments, letters of sympathy and comfort, we thank you most sincerely.

A heartfelt thank you to Father Peadar Murphy and all those who participated in the funeral Mass, and a special thank you to Cyril and the team from Casey Funeral Directors for your care and kindness throughout the funeral.

To the nurses and doctors in the ICU at CUH, we thank you for taking such good care of David whilst he was in your care.



*No matter how life changes,
No matter what we do,
A special place within our hearts,
Is always kept for you.*

*A page in the book of memory,
Silently turns today.*

*We remember you in silence,
And make no outward show.
And what it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know.*

*As each day dawns we think of you;
As each night falls, we pray for you;
And throughout our lives no matter where,
In our hearts you are always there.*

We love you 3000. xxx

May David Rest in Eternal Peace

David will be remembered at Mass held at St Patrick's Church, Coachford, Co. Cork on Sunday 20 August 2023 at 10am.

30TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

DENIS MC SWEENEY

Coolnadane, Macroom who died on the 20th July 1993.

*On earth you toiled,
In Heaven you rest,
God bless you Denis,
You were one of the best.*



Forever in our thoughts and prayers Mary and family.

8TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

SEAMUS HOARE

Cools, Kilnamartyra, Co.Cork Died 31st July 2015

*Those who we loved, don't go away
They walk beside us everyday
Unseen unheard but always near
Still loved still missed still very dear.
May you rest in peace.*



Sadly missed and always remembered by his brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Our lady of Saint Gobnait pray for Seamus, and his parents John and Maura.

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MÁIRÍN NÍ RIORDÁIN

**Doirín Álainn, Cúil Aodha, Co. Chorcaí
31.07.2020**

*Go n-éirí an bóthar leat,
Go raibh an ghaith go brách ag do chúl
Go lonraí an ghrian go te ar d'aghaidh
Go dtíte an bháisteach go
mín ar do pháirceanna
Agus go mbaailimid le chéile arís,
Go gcoinní Dia i mbos a láimhe thú.*



I mbaclainn do mhuintire,
inár gcroí go deo, a Mháirín.

A clann grámhar

FIRST ANNIVERSARY



In Memory of our Wonderful Mother
and Nana

**EILEEN
KELLEHER
NEE HORGAN**

**Coornahilly, Inchigeela
Co. Cork .
Formally Kilgarvan, Co Kerry.
Who died on 29th July 2022**

*Always a welcome,
always a smile
"Pull up a chair, sit down for a while "
Let's have a cup a tea and a chat
Always so eager, to hear what we 'd say
Well, tell me now,
what did you do today?"
Always so grateful for anything done..
"Lovely and fine was her reply.
Your beautiful smile
And kindness we will never forget
Lovely happy memories of you
Rest peacefully in Heaven.*

Fond and loving memories
from your loving Family
and 21 Grand children.



2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**MICKEY
O' LEARY**

**The Orchard, Chapel Hill, Macroom
Died July 25th 2021**

*Every day in some small way,
Memories of you come our way,
Though absent you are very near,
Still missed, still loved,
And always dear.*



Lovingly remember by
Marian, Shane, Daniel, Liam and Imelda.

3RD ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**RICHARD DICK
DINEEN**

**New Street, Macroom
Who died on 31st July 2020**

*For those who think of Dick today.
A little prayer to Jesus say.*



Always remembered by his wife Katie,
his daughters Kathleen & Margaret, his
son Tony, his son in law Conor, daughter
in law Fionnuala, his grandchildren and
great grandchildren.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**DAVID
HOGAN**

**Dripsey, Cork & Sydney, Australia
Who died on the 2nd of August 2022**

*We think about you always
We talk about you still
You have never been forgotten,
And you never will.
We hold you close within our hearts
And there you will remain,
To walk and guide us through our lives,
Until we meet again.*



Always remembered by
Caroline, Kellie, Ayla, Lucy, Ellie, Kayla, Tom,
Aaron and Darragh

2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**PAUDIE
TWOHIG**
**Ballinagree, Macroom, Co. Cork
Who passed away on the
1st August 2021**

*You had a smile for everyone,
You had a heart of gold,
You left so many memories
That we will always hold.
Our thoughts are always with you Paudie.*



Lovingly remembered by Mom, Dad,
Tadhgíe, Seán, Mairéad and extended family

20TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JOAN WALSH

**Chicago, USA and Toames, Macroom.
Whose anniversary occurs on
August 2nd.**

*Do not stand at my grave and weep;
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry;
I am not there, I did not die.*



Always remembered by her daughter Niamh,
sons Cathal and Conor, sister Noreen, brothers
James, Pat, Stephen and all her family at
home and abroad.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY
AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

In loving memory of

NORA MURPHY

**Stage Cross, Clodagh,
Crookstown, Co. Cork.
Died 26 July 2022**

As we lovingly remember Nora on her
first anniversary, her husband and family
wish to express their sincere thank you to
everyone who sympathized with them.
We thank all those who attended Nora's
removal, funeral mass, Canon Bernard,
Martina and all those who sent Mass
Cards, letters of sympathy and left
on-line condolences. We express our
sincere gratitude and thanks to Fitzgerald
Funeral Directors, Macroom, all at Mai
Fitz, Lissarda .and Dr. Power and staff at
Cork University Hospital.
The Holy Sacrifice of the mass will be
offered for your intentions.



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