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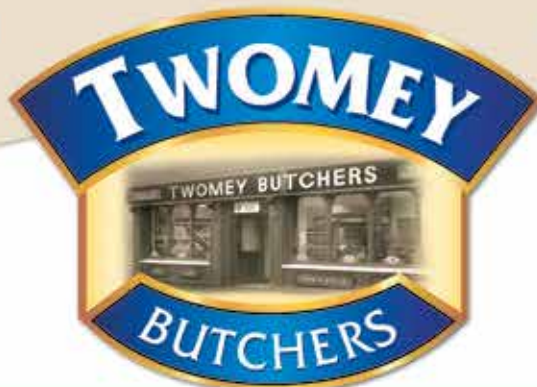
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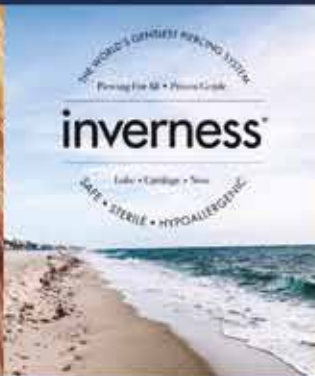
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We are a bi-weekly magazine; therefore, submissions must be on the Sunday before publication at the latest, if you want a piece included in the following week's edition. Due to print processes, late submissions will be published in the following edition.

As always submissions as Gaeilge 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@](mailto:leevalleyoutlook@macroom.ie)

macroom.ie, we would love to hear from you.
Go raibh maith agaibh, Peter & Gráinne

MACROOM ALZHEIMER'S MEMORY WALK

WILL TAKE PLACE AT MACROOM TOWN PARK ON SEPTEMBER 24th 2023

Sign up Now to help Macroom become a Dementia Inclusive Community

The Alzheimer's Annual Memory Walk takes place at over 30 locations across Ireland on Sunday, 24th September 2023, including Macroom Town Park. The event gives families, friends and those living with dementia the opportunity to come together, honour, celebrate and raise funds for the vital support services that The Alzheimer Society of Ireland provides. The Macroom Alzheimer's Memory Walk is part of the town's journey to become a dementia inclusive community and therefore there is a huge local drive to host a large gathering on September 24th. Speaking of the event, Mairéad Dillon Head of Fundraising for the Alzheimer Society of Ireland and Local Champion for Macroom commented, "The Alzheimer's Memory Walk is a family-friendly event suitable for all ages and walking abilities. We are encouraging everyone in Macroom and the surrounding areas to support the event on September 24th at 10.30am in Macroom Town Park. We want them to register for their participation pack now at www.memorywalk.ie. Macroom is on a journey to becoming a dementia inclusive community and the Memory Walk is one of the activities towards making this happen."

The Alzheimer's Memory Walk is a family-friendly event suitable for all ages and walking abilities to unite friends, families and communities to raise awareness and funds for dementia supports. The Alzheimer Society of Ireland is aiming to secure over 3,000 walkers



Lena O'Sullivan, Alzheimer Society of Ireland's Mallow Branch, Miss Cork City Rachel O'Leary, and Mairéad Dillon, Head of Fundraising for the Alzheimer Society of Ireland and Macroom Local Champion and Macroom Local Champion

across Ireland to participate and help raise funds for vital services that support so many people living with dementia and those who care for them. These services include Daycare, Daycare at Home, Family Carer Training, Social Clubs, Cafés, and a National Helpline.

An estimated 64,000 people live with dementia in Ireland, which according to leading dementia experts will more than double in the next 25 years to over 150,000 by 2045.

Members of the public can sign up now to participate in the 2023 Alzheimer's Memory Walk on Sunday, 24th September 2023 at www.memorywalk.ie. Registrations cost €5 for kids and €18 for adults and include a participation pack with a Memory Walk t-shirt. The closing date for registrations to receive your participation pack before the walk is 12noon on Wednesday, 20th September. For those who cannot walk on the day, they can still support

the Memory Walk by donating at [www. Alzheimer.ie](http://www.Alzheimer.ie).

Speaking about the Alzheimer's Memory Walk, Miss Cork City, Rachel O'Leary commented, "I'm so excited to take part in the Alzheimer's Memory Walk for 2023. I'm walking for my two grandparents who both live with dementia. Through working with the Alzheimer Society and being aware of the services they offer, we can see that there is such a broad community there to provide the support and services that are needed."

Michele Ann Kelly, Payzone Ireland, said, "Payzone is honoured to support the Memory Walk, The Alzheimer Society

of Ireland's flagship event. This campaign is important to us, as it is to many. Every day in Ireland, 30 people develop dementia, while over 64,000 people currently live with dementia. Unfortunately, many at Payzone have first-hand experience of the effects that Alzheimer's can have on families and loved ones, a reason The Alzheimer Society of Ireland was voted as one of Payzone's charity partners by our employees. We hope to support this wonderful event as best we can to play a small part as The Alzheimer Society of Ireland continues to provide vital dementia-specific services. Funds raised from the Memory Walk will help to keep these services going. The team at Payzone are excited to come together this September, honour and celebrate those with dementia, and raise much-needed funds for continued support. We encourage everyone in Ireland to join in on this great cause."

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GURTEENROE, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12NP51

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this spacious 4 bedroom detached house situated in a very private large site only minutes' walk from Macroom town centre. The property comprises of c.1,700 sq.ft. living accommodation in need of modernization but has much to offer as a beautiful family home. This is a rare opportunity to acquire such a family home on such a large individual site in Macroom town centre.

BER D1 (114303118)

AMV: €340,000



NEW TO THE MARKET

COOLCOWER, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12FH667

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this spacious 4 bedroom detached bungalow with a large detached garage. The property which comprises of c.1820 sq ft living accommodation has been modernized recently and will make an ideal family home. The property comes with large private and mature rear gardens with a large c.757 sq ft detached garage. This property has so much to offer and is situated in a most convenient location on the eastern outskirts of Macroom town.

C.30 minutes drive west of Cork city.

BER: C2 (109728113)

AMV: €345,000



NEW TO THE MARKET

CAPPANCLARE, INCHIGEELAGH, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 TD72

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this 3 bedroom detached house located in the heart of Inchigeelagh village. The property which comprises of c.980 sq ft living accommodation is in good condition but may require some minor modernization. The house is within walking distance to all local amenities & would make for a fantastic family home. Located only c.10 minutes drive from Ballingeara village, c.15 minutes to Macroom town & c.40 minutes to Cork city. This property must be seen to be appreciated. BER: G (102022191)

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AMV: €105,000



NEW TO MARKET

18 THE GLENTIES, MILLSTREET ROAD, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 Y672

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.1km of the Macroom bypass interchange junction and c.2km from Macroom town centre.

BER: C1

GUIDE PRICE: €265,000



UNDER OFFER

NO. 8 CHAPEL HILL, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 XK168

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this stunning 2 bedroom townhouse situated in Macroom town centre. The house which comprises of c.754 sq ft living accommodation is in fantastic condition throughout, boasting a modern interior & beautiful landscaped gardens. The property would make for a perfect investment opportunity or ideal home for a first-time buyer. Located only c.30 minutes from Cork city & c.30 minutes from Killarney. Viewings are highly advised.

BER: B3

GUIDE PRICE: €175,000



VIEWING ADVISED

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

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this beautiful 4 bedroom semidetached 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

GUIDE PRICE: €290,000



VIEWING ADVISED

GURTEENROE, MACROOM, CO. CORK

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this c.0.2 acre site with full planning permission. The site which is situated in a quiet and secluded setting has planning permission for 1 detached dwelling house comprising of c.1035 sq ft. There is no planning permission restrictions attached.

Ref no:22/6207

AMV: €65,000



VIEWING ADVISED

DROMINA HOUSE, DROMINA, CO. CORK, P56 ET68

Killian Lynch Auctioneers are pleased to offer this c.38.4 acre agricultural farm holding with a 4 bedroom detached residence and outbuildings. 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 4 bedroom traditional stone built property comprising of c. 1481 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 Mallow town and c.40 minutes to Cork city.

BER: G

GUIDE PRICE: €450,000



TO LET

MAIN STREET, MACROOM, CO. CORK, P12 ED79

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: €300 PER MONTH

Macroom Library

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Email: macroom.library@corkcoco.ie

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

BRIDGE CLUB

CREATIVE WRITING GROUP

First Friday Creative Writing Group will meet on Friday September 1st at 11am.

Purlies Knitting Group will meet on Thursday September 7th at 11.30am.

MUSIC MORNING

Music Morning will take place on Friday September 8th at 11am. If you have a favourite song that you would like to hear played, please bring along a CD with the song on it and arrive in plenty of time before Music Morning begins so your song can be added to the playlist.

Storytime on Saturdays at 11.30am.

LITTLE LIBRARY BOOK BAGS

Cork County Council Library Service is inviting all children who are starting primary school



In attendance were several descendants of the original families who lived in the Gearagh. (Front L-R) Ann Cashman, Dominic Cashman, Canon Humphrey O'Mahony, Neilus O'Mahony. (Standing L-R) Kay Kelleher, Kevin Corcoran, Patrick Manning, Marie O'Sullivan. Photo taken by M Healy.

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, and it is funded through the Dormant Accounts Funding. If you have a little one starting primary school in September, be sure to visit us in Macroom Library and they can collect their Little Library Book Bag.

THE GEARAGH

Past, Present, & Future – there was a huge turnout in the library for Kevin Corcoran's presentation on the Gearagh which took place to celebrate Heritage Week 2023. Everyone was fascinated by what Kevin had to say, and many members of the audience stayed on long after the presentation was finished to ask him even more questions.

MACROOM FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB



Macroom Flower & Garden Club providing a Floral Demonstration at Crookstown Vintage day

Macroom Flower & Garden Club attended and enjoyed Crookstown Vintage day last Sunday. The Floral Demonstration attracted visitors to the stand and some were lucky to win an exhibit when the raffle took place at the end of the event. We thank the organisers for

their kindness and help on the day. The Club will return for a Floral Demonstration at Coolcower House on Thursday 13th of September 8p.m. with Ann Hester AOIFA entitled "Welcome Autumn". We are delighted to announce that Floral Classes will resume and

we would be grateful if interested to avail of this opportunity. Please contact the Secretary on 087-9821708 for further details. We look forward to seeing all our Members and visitors in the Autumn.



The Trashing in progress at Crookstown Vintage Day. Pic. Billy Morrissey



The Mighty Steam engine leading the way to Crookstown Vintage Day. Pic. Billy Morrissey



A Fordson Tractor powering the Thresher at Crookstown Vintage Day. Pic. Billy Morrissey

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MACROOM GIRL GUIDES



Senior Branchers prepare to take the Macroom Garda Community Bus to the unknown destination

CHIEF COMMISSIONER'S AWARD 2023 - WILD COPPER WAY

Three intrepid members of MacEgan Senior Branch, Amy McCullagh, Emer O'Connor and Gemma Munro, took part in the adventure of a lifetime this past week with eleven other Senior Branchers (SBs) from various parts of the country. The Chief Commissioner's Award is a week-long challenge for teams of two or three, which involves hiking 60kms over 5 days in an unknown area, carrying all the team equipment; tent; sleeping bags; food; cooking equipment as well as maps, books for logs and projects, and instructions for the various challenges along the way. The SBs live on four euro each per day, from which they must produce nutritious meals to sustain them on the hike.

The week started off with all the SBs arriving at Kent Station, Cork, not having an idea of their final destination. After a short interview, each team had a bag check to ensure that they were not overloaded with unnecessary items. Niamh McSweeney did an excellent

job lightening their loads for the week ahead. Following a good night's sleep, all boarded the Macroom Garda Community Bus and headed off to destinations unknown. The excitement was high on the bus as one team after another were dropped off at various points along the Beara Way. Over the next five days, each team plotted their routes taking into account the challenges and projects they had to complete. The weather was very wet and windy at times but the sun did shine through often enough to brighten up spirits. They met and chatted to locals and tourists, gathered information, wrote up their daily logs and projects and immersed themselves into the spirit of the award. A number of teams had the opportunity to spend a day and camp overnight on Bere Island, thanks to the generosity of Edel Murphy of Bere Island Lodge.

At the end of the week all teams returned to base and the work began for the assessors, reading all the logs and projects, checking maps, routes and distances, and ensuring that all criteria had been met. Each team then had

two interviews with the assessing panels. The Chief Commissioner, Amanda O'Sullivan, presented all the awards at the ceremony, which took place at the Point in Berehaven Golf Club. The Chief Commissioner's Award 2023 - Wild Copper Way - was organised and led by Deirdre Henley, who is the current President of Irish Girl Guides and a sitting member of the National Senior Branch Committee. Both Macroom teams were successful in achieving the Chief Commissioners' Certificate, woggle and Silver Award Pin - Amy McCullagh with Lauren Hogan from Naas and Emer O'Connor and Gemma Munro. Thanks to David and Paula, Edel, Julie, Kevin, Flor, Colman and the many, many people in the communities on the Beara Way who made the award possible this year.

A very special thanks to Macroom Garda, Ciaran Cremin who picked up our teams and drove us all around the Beara peninsula, dropping everyone off at their appointed spots. For further information on Guiding in Macroom please contact macroomguides@gmail.com



Emer O'Connor, Gemma Munro, Amanda O'Sullivan and Deirdre Henley



Chief Commissioner Award Recipients Gemma Munro and Emer O'Connor



Senior Branchers prepare to take the Macroom Garda Community Bus to the unknown destination

WELL DONE

MACROOM/BANTRY SLIMMING WORLD MEMBERS

More than a weight loss group...over the month of July the members of Macroom and Bantry slimming world took to the highways and byways of our beautiful area to improve their health by making social connections and building activity into their daily life using our unique body magic program, not only this but they also raised money for the Irish cancer

society. We raised €400 which was donated on behalf of the group to The Irish Cancer Society. Go raibh maith agaibh go léir, Trish.

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- Creative Writing Group: Next gathering will be Friday 25th August at 4pm.
- Completed Summer Stars Reading Card to be returned no later than Wed 23rd August
- Book Club: Next gathering will be in October

Please confirm meetings/events with the library on 026 45767 during opening hours

When I was growing up in the city if we were going into the city centre for shopping, we said we were going into town! We went into town for lots of things. My Grandmother lived near the South Infirmary Hospital and she walked into town every day for 'the messages', including the food needed for the dinner, milk & bread. She would probably call into The Holy Trinity or Saints Peter & Paul Church to light a candle – there was always someone who needed prayers for a special intention. We went into town to go to the library, the one on Grand Parade or my Mum used to visit the Academy Library on Academy Street. We went into town for all the big occasion purchases, Holy Communion dress in Godsils on Castle Street, Confirmation 'rig out' in Papillon Boutique debs dress in The Moderne. All shoes were purchased in the Central Shoe Stores, Grand Parade where they gave out pencils and rulers if you were buying back to school shoes. Getting ready for 'back to school' necessitated numerous trips into town. You queued at Liam Russell's for your schoolbooks, Roches Stores was the place for school shirts and of course as I said the Central for shoes.

Once I hit the teen years going into town was a big part of social life. All the busses stopped at 'The Statue' it was as if there was no other statue in the whole county except for Father Mathew keeping his eye on the River Lee. My friends and I would walk Pana, visiting Golden Discs, Burgerland, The

Savoy Centre, Queens Old Castle, and stop off at O'Brien's for an ice-cream or Cudmore's for sweets. If we were dating, we waited at Easons hoping that we wouldn't end up being stood up. We went to the pictures in The Pav, Lee Side, The Capitol or The Classic. But once I made the important selection of a wedding dress in Les Jumelles and going away suit in Cash's in town I had made up my mind that I was moving out of the city and putting down country roots and I have never looked back since, except with nostalgia.

There are so many books available about whatever you consider the good old days. A lady recently returned a book 'Discover Dursey', and she said it was a great insight into island life in years gone by. There is a wonderful variety of great books across all age groups telling stories about life in various areas locally, around Ireland, and all over the world. Some books have wonderful photographs like The Deserted School Houses of Ireland by local author Enda O'Flaherty. Now that Winter is around the corner why not decide that you will do some armchair travelling and enjoy going back in time from a comfortable chair in your cosiest room to when your grandparents or their parents were alive. You can find a great selection of books at Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne and if the book you want isn't in the branch but is available on the national catalogue it can be ordered into the branch for you. I look forward to helping you decide where your armchair tour will take you.

Summer Stars Reading Adventure 2023 has now come to an end. Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne had more than 100 participants who read over 500 books during the past few weeks. I think everyone who participated is a winner but unfortunately, I don't have a prize for everyone. Everyone who returned a completed reading card will be entered in a raffle and the winners will be notified and will be able to collect their prize at Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne. Everyone who participated can request a Certificate of Participation when next you visit Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne. The most important

thing is to keep up the reading and please keep visiting me in Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne, I really love your visits.

Tá Eachtra Léitheoireachta Réaltaí an tSamhraidh 2023 tagtha chun críoch anois. Bhí breis agus 100 rannpháirtí i Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne a léigh os cionn 500 leabhar le cúpla seachtain anuas. Sílim gur buaiteoir é gach duine a ghlac páirt ach ar an drochuair, níl duais agam do gach duine. Ach cuirfeadh gach duine a chríochnaigh cárta léitheoireachta isteach i raifil. Beidh mé i dteagmháil leis na buaiteoirí agus is féidir leo a nduais a bhailiú ag Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne. Is féidir le gach duine a ghlac páirt Teastas Rannpháirtíochta a iarraidh an chéad uair eile a thugann tú cuairt ar Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne. Is é an rud is tábhachtaí ná bí ag léamh agus lean ar cuairt chugam i Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne le do thoil, is breá liom do chuariteanna.

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RCPA (RYLANE COMMUNITY PARK ASSOCIATION) LOTTO RESULTS

14th August, 2023:

Jackpot: €7,400

Numbers

Drawn: 1, 19, 39 No Winner

Lucky Dips: Sheila O'Sullivan (Rylane); J & J Crowley (Rylane P.O); Martina Buckley (Rylane - yearly); Isabell O'Sullivan (Online). Seller's prize: Crowleys (Rylane).

MACROOM GAA LOTTO RESULTS

15th August, 2023

Jackpot: €4,000

Numbers drawn: 2,22,31,32 No Winner

Lucky Dips: €80 Aiden O'Brien Clondrohid €20 each to Trevor Ryan, John Angland, Joe Carroll, Donal Kenneally, Aroa Gonzalis, Tickets online at www.macroomgaa.ie and the usual local outlets throughout Macroom town.

CANOVEE GAA LOTTO DRAW

20th August, 2023

Jackpot: €4,200

Numbers Drawn: 6,24,28,30 No Winner

Lucky Dips: €30 Paudie Lyons & Mary O'Callaghan
Online Winners: €30 Paddy Murohy & Tim O'Sullivan

COACHFORD AFC LOTTO DRAW

21ST August, 2023

Jackpot: €1,800

Numbers Drawn: 7,10,37 No Winner

Lucky Dips: €50 Mairead Cremin, €30 Emma Casey(o/l), €20 each to John Lynch, Joey O'Callaghan and Derry Walsh.

MACROOM FC LOTTO RESULTS

21st August, 2023

Next Jackpot: € 8,000

Numbers Drawn: 26,29,35 No Winner

Lucky Dips: €80 Isabella & co c/o Catherine

€20 each to Ryan, Amy & Rebecca, Imelda Healy, Lorraine, Shane & Chloe

AGHINAGH G.A.A. LOTTO

21st August, 2023

Jackpot: €1,750

Numbers drawn: 15,29,32 No Winner

Consolation prizes: €50.00 Mort Kelleher

€20 each to Dan & Marie macSullivan, Denis McSweeney, Tim O'Leary, Denis O'Leary

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Our monthly meeting took place at the start of August in our Operations Hub in Masseytown. We are developing a new website which should be up and running shortly with links to social media accounts and it will contain pages for Men's Shed and Tiny Feet Fairy Garden. It will also link with the National Tidy Towns Newsletter which comes out every couple of months and which contains many interesting articles and stories.

As you might have noticed our latest project has begun at the riverbank downstream from the bridge, near the car park. This is a famine Memorial and a seating area to commemorate those who could not get into the Poor House at the time and camped by the river, some of whom died there and whose bodies were taken to Carrigastyra and buried in a Mass Grave. This memorial is being funded by proceeds of book by Sean and Máire Mac Suibhne, 'Muskerry through the MacSuibhne lens' which was sold in many outlets in the Lee Valley region. Copies of this book are still available from Macroom Tidy Towns.

Progress is being made on the New Mural on the Boathouse in Masseytown, a project that has recently commenced. The plastering of the walls is now completed, and the painting of the mural will begin shortly, weather permitting. A grant was received from Cork County Council and additional fundraising is



Tony Daly, Ann Mangan & Martin Coughlan

ongoing with collection boxes in Mary Anns Bar and Costcutters. Concern was expressed at the briars in the old Lidl Carpark which have overgrown onto the footpath. Hopefully this issue will be rectified with contractors beginning work soon. As Judging for this year's competition comes near an end, if any community groups or organisations have projects that they are starting over the next while, please let us know at 087-1434770 so we can include these in next year's submission. Judging in the Tidy Towns competition each year is under eight different headings as follows:

1. Community – Your Planning and Involvement,
2. Streetscape and Public Places,
3. Green Spaces and Landscaping,
4. Nature and Biodiversity in your locality,
5. Sustainability – Doing more with less,
6. Tidiness and Litter Control,
7. Residential Streets and Housing areas, and finally
8. Approach Roads, Streets and Lanes.

The Macroom ladies 10k Perpetual Cup

was first presented to local lady Catherine Hourihane (St Catherines). As the winner of the Macroom Ladies 10K Road Race in 1985. She was also the winner of the Ladies section in 1984, at the inaugural running of the Macroom 10K Road Race. 1986 Winner – Christine Kennedy (Galway City Harriers) with a time of 34.59 Minutes. 1987 Winner – Carmel McCarthy (Bandon A/C) with a time of 36.30 Minutes. 1988 Winner – Anne Mangan Nee Reidy (From Tralee) with a time of 37.39 Minutes. On the 12th of August the cup was kindly returned to Macroom after 35 years by Anne Mangan Nee Reidy for which the organising members of the race back in 1988 are so grateful for. The 1988 Organising members included Martin Coughlan as Chairperson and Tony Daly as Secretary. Thanks again Anne. Volunteers had a busy few weeks with litter picking around town, General Maintenance in the Fairy Ground and around town.

CLONDROHID NEWS

BREAKING NEWS- HARVEST DANCE

Where else would this be happening only in Carriganima. The last two events were a great success, so why not go for 3 in a row. So on Sunday Sept 3 at 8pm Cliona Hagan will take to the stage.

Earlier in the day the Millstreet Vintage Car Run will take place and many will return to Carriganima for a barbecue, at 3.30pm, with a great evening's entertainment with Peter Lane, and Tim Joe and Ann. Could one ask for any more excitement? Well done Seanie and all who help. Everyone welcome.

CARRIGANIMA/CLONDROHID COMMUNITY ALERT TEXT ALERT NETWORK

It is time to fill up the form, whether you joining for the first time, or are already a member. A contribution of €10 is required to cover the cost of texts, and running the scheme.

Please collect the relevant form, available at Healy's Post office. The forms need to be

returned by Aug 31. Thank you.

DR.CON'S HISTORICAL TOURS

These commenced recently and will continue on Tuesday nights at 7.30pm. Meeting at the Bridge near O'Riada's in Macroom. Everyone welcome

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. The next gathering is Monday Aug 28

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27 from 12pm until Monday Aug 28 at 12pm. Please remember your hour.

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LOTTO Results for Aug 16

Jackpot of €2,400 - No winner

€70 Donal Herlihy Ballyvourney

€20 Siobhan Lawlor On Line, Marguerite

O'Riordan Barrett's Place, Daniel Leahy On Line,

Noreen Lynch Ballingearry West



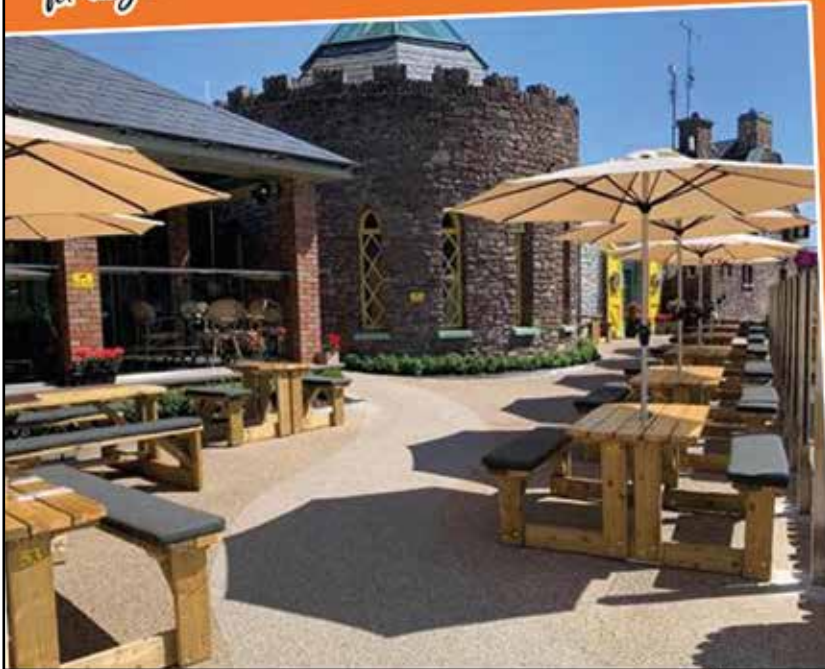
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MACROOM INDIAN COMMUNITY CELEBRATES:

Onam Harvest Festival and India Independence Day By Con Kelleher



Macroom Indian Community Celebrates Onam Harvest Festival and India Independence Day.

August, the first month of autumn, is synonymous with the harvest. It is the time when crops and fruit are gathered and stored, ensuring winter provisions for people and animals. Not only is it a time of hard work but also a time of celebration. Kerala, a southern India state celebrates harvest-time with Onam, and the Macroom Indian Community celebrated it and Indian Independence Day in style on 15 August in Macroom. India gained its independence from Britain and power was transferred on 15 August 1947 – that day is Indian Independence Day. India was regarded as the ‘jewel’ in the British Empire and it largely gained its freedom through non-violent resistance and civil disobedience orchestrated by Gandhi’s leadership. Ireland’s independence was the first major fracture in the British Empire and India’s departure signalled the empire’s demise.

The Irish word for August is ‘Lúnasa’ and means ‘Lugh’s Assembly’. Lugh was an important figure in Celtic/Irish mythology – he was a king, saviour, a true warrior and a skilled craftsman. Lúnasa, the autumn festival was held in his honour and marked harvest-time. The three other Celtic festivals were/are Samhain, Imbolc and Beltane and mark the other seasons. Festivals were important religiously and socially – people need beliefs, socialisation and fun. Onam is Kerala’s equivalent.

Onam is celebrated throughout Kerala. During Onam, Kerala is marked by happiness, excitement and enjoyment among all sections. The origin of it lies in Hindu mythology and old agrarian practices. According to myth, King Mahabali (or Maveli) was once a generous and virtuous ruler of Kerala. During his rule, the kingdom became so prosperous that devas (gods of the Heaven) felt jealous, and, as well, King Mahabali was an asura - a member of the demon clan – devas’ enemies. So the devas sent Lord Vishnu in the guise of Vamana (a dwarf) to King Mahabali. As an offering, Vamana requested from Mahabali three feet of land. At the time of measuring the land, Vamana grew so huge that he covered the whole

world in two steps. Since he had nowhere to place his third step, Mahabali suggested to Vamana to place it on his head. Pleased by his benevolence, Vamana blessed Mahabali before he was sent to the nether world and granted him permission to visit his dear subjects once in a year. His annual visit is celebrated as Onam. The other cause for celebrating Onam is because it is harvest-time in Kerala, resulting in plenitude and happiness.

Onam celebrations are held for ten days, beginning with the atham asterism in the month of Chingam (August /September) as per the local calendar. (Kerala Tourism, downloaded 19 August, 2023).

The Indian community gathered in the Macroom GAA Pavilion. Men and women dressed in traditional costumes and enacted mythical scenes. People danced and sang and had a great time. Delicious Indian food was provided. Kerala is famed for its spice, harvested from Kerala’s lush fields. Keralan spices are exported all over the world. A beautiful Indian floor flower carpet was on display – Kerala’s tradition was to have one outside every house during Onam. Michael Creed, T.D., was the guest of honour and enjoyed himself immensely. In his address, he said that he was honoured to be invited, re-welcomed the Indian community to Macroom and outlined Indian-Irish connections. He quoted an Onam blessing: ‘May your life be beautiful and fragrant,

Like the bright flowers that fill the Onam flower carpet, Like the elaborate Onam feast, May the coming year only bring you the best. Happy Onam.’

According to Ms Melba Siju, former Matron/ Chief Nursing Officer of Cahereen Nursing Homs, since 2005, about 130 Indians have settled in Macroom. They work in as healthcare professionals, in IT, and pharmaceutical and engineering companies. Many come from Kerala. Melba reminded me that Kerala is ‘the spice hotspot of the world since ancient times’ and is renowned for its biodiversity. It is ‘God’s Own Country’ evidenced by its lush green



landscapes, crystal clear bays and beautiful beaches which leave you awestruck. Members from the Indian community have made a wonderful contribution to Macroom, especially in the healthcare field. Their colourful clothes, pleasant demeanour and aptitude for hard work are huge bonuses for the town and area, and enhance the town’s cosmopolitan culture. Long may the Indian community thrive and prosper in Macroom. (Most of the information was supplied by Ms Melba Siju.)

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Coachford College opens for first year students on next Monday, August 28th and for all students on Tuesday, August 29th. Students from all over the Lee valley area are expected to attend Coachford College this year and we welcome the new First Years who will be making Coachford their education home for the next 5 or 6 years. The school continues to grow and expand and hopefully work on the new campus will begin soon.

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MANAGER AND CAPTAIN SCOOP AWARDS

The Cork AUL awards night was held last Friday in Cork. This gala event each year pays tribute to the players, referees and managers who



Denis Crowley, Cork AUL presenting the Player of the Year award to Coachford AFCs Evan O' Sullivan

have excelled in the past season. Coachford AFC Premier team Captain, Evan O' Sullivan was awarded Player of the Year for his outstanding leadership and personal performances on and off the pitch. The club's manager for the last number of seasons, Donal Moynihan picked up the Manager of the Year for the second year in a row. This is a huge accolade and one that is well deserved. The club chairperson, Michael Murphy said " we are delighted that the Cork AUL decided to honour the two lads. Evan's winning goal in the AOH Cup Final will be remembered and talked about for a long time to come. The club owes a huge debt of gratitude to Donal for the way he has managed our Premier team over the last number of years.



Martin Conlon, Cork AUL presenting the Manager of the Year award to Coachford AFCs Donal Moynihan

He has been absolutely amazing. He brought the very best out of the fantastic players we have. His attention to detail and the way he managed each and every player was unique. His triumphs of winning back to back AOH Cup and Premier League titles will probably never be done again. But it was the way he looked after the team during the difficult COVID years that marked him out as one of the great guys. We were all devastated when he decided to step down at the end of last season and we hope that after a well deserved rest he might return to give one of the younger teams the benefit of his wisdom and knowledge of the game."

DONOUGHMORE MARYMOUNT COFFEE MORNING

Donoughmore fundraising group is holding its annual Marymount coffee morning on Saturday September 23rd 2023 in Community Centre Hall in Stuke Donoughmore from 10am -12pm. Your generous donations of home baking would be greatly appreciated which will be taken in on morning of coffee morning. Your enthusiastic participation has

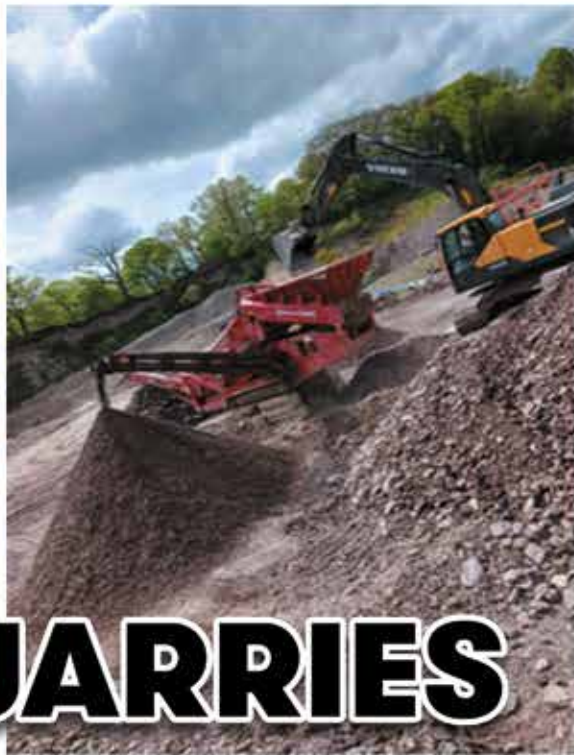
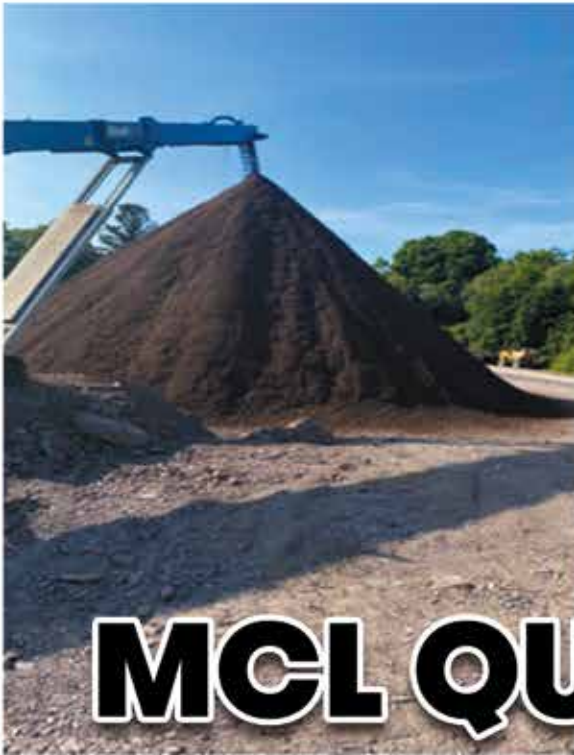
ensured successful fundraising events in the past. Your continued support would be much appreciated this year. Raffle tickets on sale in both shops and during the coffee morning. So, come along and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a chat - all for a good cause. Everyone is welcome.



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Philip Dawson, Dan Cronin 1st nett cat 3-8 Michael Vaughan President, winners in the strokeplay competition.



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Chuir Seán Ó Muimhneacháin dhá theideal uile-Éireann eile lena chnuasach fairsing onóracha thar na blianta, mar bhuaiteoir na gcomórtas scéalaíochta agus amhráin nua-cheaptha i mBéarla, agus bhí sé sa dara háit chomh maith sa chomórtas amhráin nua-cheaptha Gaeilge. Bhí bua faoi thrí do Fhinín Ó Conaill, a bhí ina bhuaiteoir na gcomórtas Comhrá Gaeilge 13-15 bliain, sa dara háit i gcomórtas amhránaíochta ar an sean-nós 12-15, agus an fheadóg mhór á

sheinnt aige chomh maith mar bhall de bhanna céilí Crossfields, Craobh Chrónáin, a bhuaigh an chomórtas 12-15.

Bhuaigh Ellen de Búrca an chomórtas na feadóige stáin 15-18, agus fuair Aisling Ní Cheallacháin an tríú duais sa chomórtas scéalaíochta faoi 12.

Bhí amhránaíthe Mhúscraí, faoin scéim Aisling Gheal, chun tosaigh, le Donagh Ó Mainnín sa dara háit i gcomórtas amhránaíochta ar an sean-nós 15-18, Seán Ó Súilleabháin sa tríú háit sa chomórtas 12-15 (fir), agus Isobel Ní Dhrisceoil sa dara háit i rannóg na mban faoi 12.

RESULTS

NEWLY-COMPOSED SONGS IN ENGLISH / AMHRÁIN NUACHEAPHTHA, BÉARLA: 1st. Seán Ó Muimhneacháin

SCÉALAÍOCHT O18: 1st. Seán Ó Muimhneacháin

COMHRÁ GAEILGE 13-15: 1st. Finín Ó Conaill
FEADÓG / WHISTLE 15-18: 1st. Ellen De Búrca
AMHRÁIN NUACHEAPHTHA, GAEILGE/ NEWLY COMPOSED SONGS IN IRISH: 2nd. Seán Ó Muimhneacháin

AMHRÁNAÍOCHT AR AN SEAN NÓS (FIR)/ IRISH SINGING (MEN) 15-18: 2nd. Donagh Ó Mainnín
AMHRÁNAÍOCHT AR AN SEAN NÓS (MNÁ) / IRISH SINGING (LADIES) FAOI 12: 2nd. Isobel Ní Dhrisceoil

AMHRÁNAÍOCHT AR AN SEAN NÓS (FIR) / IRISH SINGING (MEN) 12-15: 2nd. Finín Ó Conaill; 3rd. Seán Ó Súilleabháin

SCÉALAÍOCHT FAOI 12: 3rd. Aisling Ní Cheallacháin

* Registration for CCÉ Craobh Lachtaín Naofa group classes, starting in September, is now open. Email lachtainnaofa@comhaltas.net or contact 087 9680638.



Finín Ó Conaill, 2nd, and Seán Ó Súilleabháin, 3rd, in amhránaíocht ar an sean-nós 12-15 years at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann, with teachers Danielle Ní Chéi



Aisling Ní Cheallacháin, 3rd place, scéalaíocht U12, at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann



Finín Ó Conaill, CCÉ Craobh Lachtaín Naofa, Cill na Martra, all-Ireland winner in Comhrá Gaeilge 13-15 at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann, presented with the trophy



Isobel Ní Dhrisceoil, CCÉ Craobh Lachtaín Naofa, runner-up at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann in amhránaíocht ar an sean-nós under 12



Donagh Ó Mainnín, second place in amhránaíocht ar an sean-nós 15-18 at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann, with Aisling Gheal singing scheme teacher Máire Ní Chéile



Ellen de Búrca, CCÉ Craobh Lachtaín Naofa, Cill na Martra, all-Ireland champion, U18 whistle, at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann

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THANK YOU

Johanna Anderson nee Kelleher from the Kelleher Group

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Johanna, the co-founding member of the Kelleher group, oracle of all things Kelleher-related, and recognise her as the unspoken advocate of Macroom and specifically Clondrohid.

In keeping with the translated meaning of Céileachair 'togetherness' Johanna Anderson nee Kelleher, with local heritage, has been instrumental in bringing Kellehers together from all parts of the world (USA, UK, Australia, Canada, Japan and Ireland).

Clondrohid, aka Home of the Kellehers, holds a very special place in all our hearts due to Johanna's many trips. She has shared videos of her walks around its cemetery, and many

other cemeteries in the area, in an effort to help others find their ancestors. She has spent countless hours piecing together her numerous lines of Kellehers, shared her family trees without hesitation and in turn helped us find the our own missing pieces.

We as a group want to express our immense gratitude for the generosity of her time and knowledge.

Thank You Johanna!

Peg Kelleher, Annie Keleher, Bridget Kelleher Tomasicchio, Liz Kelleher Richardson and all in the Kelleher Group.

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The school, that was originally built in 1865, completed its move away from being fuelled by traditional oil - a fossil fuel - to HVO last week - a move that is projected to yield a remarkable 88% reduction in carbon emissions, positioning St. Enda's as a model for primary schools and other institutions throughout the country.

The primary school made the decision to switch to HVO after it was found earlier this year that its boiler was operating at only 70% efficiency. It was Concubhar McCarthy of CMcC Services, Dunmanway who initially advised the school of the availability of HVO as a climate-friendly alternative to traditional heating oil and then carried out the necessary installation to

industry standards, having particular regard for the age of the building (it being 158 years old).

The school's management recognised that HVO offered it with a realistic, effective and affordable alternative to other options, including the retrofitting of the building which would have caused prolonged disruption.

The conversion of the boiler at St. Enda's to HVO forms part of the school's broader efforts to uphold its status as a green school, having received Green Flags for Litter and Waste, Energy, Water and Travel.

It is expected that St. Enda's switch to HVO will offer further evidence as to how advanced, synthetic and biofuels can accelerate Ireland's journey towards hitting its emissions reduction targets by 2030.

Commenting on the news, Liam Cotter, Principal at St. Enda's NS, Kilnadur said that the decision was motivated by cost effectiveness, minimal disruption and environmental friendliness:

"We are very excited to pioneer this transition to Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil, and we believe that the carbon emissions reductions we will achieve will lead to St. Enda's becoming a blueprint for schools across the country. Our goal is to not only reduce our carbon footprint significantly, but also to educate our students about the importance of climate responsibility and empower them to make environmentally conscious choices. When we discuss the transition with pupils in September, we will be using it as an opportunity to illustrate the need for each and every one of us to contribute to Ireland reducing our carbon footprint over the coming decades, and the different ways that this can be done. The pupils have worked hard for many years on our Green Schools status and it's now great that the school management has been able to back up this hard work by installing an environmentally friendly system such as this"

KILMURRY MUSEUM

REBEL RALLY RUN 2023

Independence Museum Kilmurry's annual Rebel Rally Run will take place on Sunday 27th August. This year's route will begin at Independence Museum Kilmurry and will take the scenic Lee Valley route to Ballyvourney where Peadar O'Riada and the Coolea Male choir will perform at St. Gobnait's church. The rally when then travel to St.Gobnait's cemetery for a talk on St. Gobnait and other famous

people buried there. Registration will begin at Independence Museum Kilmurry from 11:30am , where refreshments will also be provided. The rally will leave the museum at 12:30pm. Both vintage and non-vintage cars are welcome. Entry per car is €20. Contact khaamuseum@gmail.com or (021)7336932.

Depositions, poetry and music event 2023

Anton Floyd will be reading from his new poetry collection, DEPOSITIONS, at Independence

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after chatting to Bernie (the Co-ordinator in Macroom I decided to do the course as she told me that if I worked hard and got distinctions it may be a way into midwifery. The lecturers couldn't have been more helpful and kind. It was a fantastic experience, and I enjoyed every minute of the course. I am now 21 and have just accepted my first choice offer of studying Midwifery in UCC. I couldn't be happier and am so excited for the next 4 years"

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'Faint/Sustain' considers four artists and their different approaches to nostalgia, dreams and storytelling. The exhibition's title encapsulates a paradox that delves into these artists' enigmatic ability to simultaneously inhabit irrational and rational realms through their work. There is an alluring desire within the works to escape from our contemporary lucid society, seek new perspectives, and inhabit spaces of reprieve. 'Faint/Sustain' reveals the perplexing nature of our yearning to retreat into dream-like states, yet always remaining intricately bound to the cultural fabric surrounding us. Within

FAINT/SUSTAIN

this delicate balance is a sense of navigating, sliding, and manoeuvring between different realms of consciousness, grappling with the complexities of the passage of time and our connection to the material world. Faint... Sustain...Faint.... Sustain.... —a mantra that echoes the perpetual dance between these spaces.

Each artwork in this exhibition serves as an alluring conduit, fusing tradition with innovation, and inviting contemplation on the significance of the human form as a vehicle for expression. Within these meticulously constructed artworks, viewers are invited to transcend typical notions of time and place, beckoning them to engage with myriad perspectives and narratives.



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Observed Environmental Differences Between Ireland and Poland Hi!

It's Chris Barrett here, sharing a talk I had in Poland with my very good friend Edyta Bodnar, who has spent over 15 years in Dublin and about 5 years living in and around Macroom. She has recently returned to Poland for personal reasons, and when



is only about 11% forested, of which conifers make up 71%, making it one of the least densely wooded Member States of the EU along with Malta, and the Netherlands. Only about 1% of Ireland is covered by native woodland. Poland on

we recently stayed with her there, I took the opportunity to hear about environmental differences, both good and bad, between Poland and Ireland. The landscape was where we started. Edyta feels there is an aesthetic continuity in the rural Irish landscape. She has noticed that planning restrictions help modern architecture to fit within the landscape. She says that in Poland, beautiful environments can be ruined by a building which is built in the style or position of the owner's desire, with no regard to the surrounding landscape. A good example she cites is that in Ireland, there are generally no large billboards or tacky signs in areas of local beauty. This, she feels, allows the beauty itself to show its value, and economic desires do not get to dominate nature. She is aware that there are complaints about new holiday homes being built in some beautiful parts of Ireland, but she feels that the Irish planning system helps address this, and that the situation in Poland does not allow for such protection. One of the features of picturesque villages in Ireland is that they often offer small, charming and interesting coffee shops within the town centres. These seem to Edyta to be welcoming places in which to sit down, meet people and relax. In Poland it would be harder to find such cafes within small coastal villages for example. Edyta mentions how when she was in Ireland she could donate to many different charity shops. This allowed her to support charities, and recycle. Irish charity shops commonly deal in crockery, toys, books, jewellery etc as well as bedding and clothes. In Poland similar shops tend to be run on a commercial basis and deal mainly with clothes. Sadly a good rural transport system is lacking in both countries. In her village in Poland, there are two buses a week leaving for the nearest town at 9am and returning at 1pm. Edyta really misses and appreciates how two strangers can salute, acknowledge and start a conversation easily in Ireland, whether waiting at a bus stop or when out walking a dog. The willingness of the Irish to see the best in a stranger and greet them with a smile, is very special for her, because in Poland you would often pass a

stranger without eye contact. And now to the contentious issue of the weather! The weather in Poland changes more dramatically from season to season, which allows farmers to plan with a reasonable expectation of suitable weather. When gardening at my place in Ireland, Edyta was shocked to find her recently planted Kohlrabi had been lifted by the wind and dropped on the path! This differs from Poland where, on the whole, the wind does not have the force it has in Ireland; where she knows of cases where trampolines and even polytunnels have blown away. When we talked about building, Edyta felt Ireland could learn from the sympathetic post-war building in beautiful cities which have been razed to the ground. There is, however, another side to the argument as Warsaw's centre has been partially rebuilt from a pulled-down castle in Edyta's village. Warsaw is Polish and Edyta's village was once German and therefore not valued as much. I note that in Macroom, the Protestant church has similarly been devalued over the years. It is good to see that it recently has begun to be more appreciated. I am impressed by the way Polish people try to minimise buying from Supermarkets. In rural areas in Poland people keep vegetable gardens which they use to support and sustain a natural diet. Many of them keep hens. It is common for people to have their own smokers which are used mainly for meat and sausages. This attitude goes to ensure that there are very proud Polish housewives who also have their own gherkins, jams and fruits in jars. Natural food is appreciated and mushroom picking is a big thing, mainly in the Autumn. Most Polish people would be able to identify which mushrooms are safe to dry and pickle. This culture of growing and storing your own food does not occur in the cities, although there you can find a culture of owning allotments, which people might have to drive to. These would commonly contain a vegetable garden, a small building and a social area used for overnight sleeping and partying. This way of life brings city dwellers into a closer relationship with nature. If we look at trees we notice that Ireland

the other hand has about 29% mixed forest. These forests are unfenced and have a welcoming feel for walkers and sometimes cyclists. Forests are a source of mushrooms and blueberries which are commonly picked by locals. These forests are also home to wild boar, deer, hares, foxes, lynx and sometimes bison. There is an occasional risk to humans from over-enthusiastic hunters and sadly geese get shot for 'fun'. When driving through Polish forested areas the roads are continually lined with trees, appearing beautiful for mile after mile. As a driver, you do have to watch out for wild animals particularly at night. These rural roads can often have a poor surface but they do have more pavements than the equivalent roads in Ireland. And there is also among rural people in Poland, an attitude to woodland which we Irish would do well to more fully emulate. Native hardwoods are very often treasured. The local people love to see the new green leaves on white birch trees, which are sadly being cut down. They need to have achieved a certain diameter to be protected. There are however, protests in Poland against expanding tree-felling by the Government. In Poland, most rural dwellers would own a bicycle. This ownership increased after the pandemic in Edyta's area of N.W.Poland. Local councils are investing in increasing cycle paths which are being promoted to locals as well as to foreign tourists. Although it is a challenge for a country like Ireland, these Polish cycle paths are being connected to the German and European network. Other differences include banking. There is a modern system in Poland because it had to take the place of a very poor system. It is now said to be one of the most modern systems in the world. The bank guarantees a Polish person's identity, in a similar way to the Irish system, which is also efficient but exposes citizens to a lack of privacy. Within houses, a mixed tap providing both hot and cold water is ubiquitous, saving on installation and hardware costs. Polish people still proudly retain the skill of repairing rather than replacing. By way of example, our van's power-steering hose was remade with

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great accuracy and skill with a hardly used digger-hose when we were unable to find the specific hose that we needed. This culture of repair comes from a past history where people had to rely on their own skills such as gardening. Yet it is under threat and Edyta is saddened by a growing enthusiasm among the young for paying for a perfect make-up or manicure. Unfortunately Edyta feels that in Poland, as in

Ireland, the ability to purchase, and throw away, is becoming more prevalent among the young, at a time when the world needs everyone everywhere to reduce, reuse and recycle. I was very happy to stay with Edyta and get totally spoilt in her beautiful home in Poland. Whilst there I was able to experience the main differences between rural Irish and Polish living, and I hope I have been fair to both

jurisdictions. I would also like to thank Edyta for her time and thoughtful analysis regarding this article. If anyone would like to share their environmental experiences of living within a different country, please contact me chriseevalley@gmail.com. R

RESIDENT SONGS AND PERFORMANCES TO BE BROADCAST FOR NURSING HOMES WEEK 2023



Cork Nursing Home Residents to participate in National Music Performance

Co Cork Nursing Home residents will participate in a special national music performance to mark Nursing Homes Week 2023.

The Music Speaks broadcast, to take place Monday 21st August, will encompass performances from over 100 nursing home residents from over 30 nursing homes.

Featuring from Co Cork will be residents from three nursing homes. Those participating are:

- Sister Catherine Barry, Aperee Living Conna, who will be performing a gospel song
 - Gabrielle Winter, Cahereen Care Centre, Macroom, who will be singing Spencil Hill
 - Nellie Kelleher and Patricia Dineen, Cahereen Care Centre, will be singing The Rose of Tralee.
 - Patricia will also be performing Sonny Boy
 - Michael Lawlor of Haven Bay Care Centre, Kinsale, and musician Finbarr Winters will be singing Abdul Abulbul Amir by Percy French.
- Student Kiely Lehane of Kinsale Community School also features from Haven Bay Care Centre playing Grace on the harp.

Performances from staff are also featured, with the staff of Aperee Living Conna singing You Are My Sunshine and its Director of Nursing Susha Nair will sing Take Me Home, Country Roads.

Nursing homes in Co Cork and across the country will be hosting music-themed celebrations Monday 21st to Sunday 27th August to mark Nursing Homes Week 2023.

The Music Speaks performance will be broadcast to over 400 nursing homes with 25,000 residents across the country and available for the broader public to watch via

NHI.ie. It features renditions of classics such as Danny Boy, Molly Malone, When Irish Eyes Are Smiling, Can't Help Falling in Love, You Are My Sunshine, Que Sera, Sera, intertwined with performances by residents of different instruments, including piano, accordion, bodhrán.

The Music Speaks performance is a highlight of the broader online Music Speaks festival which will mark the national celebration of nursing home care.

The Music Speaks festival will include performances from Mobile Music Machine with Niamh Kavanagh, Sive, Ross Scanlon performs John McCormack, John Spillane. Further, performances from the Irish Traditional Music Archive will be opened up to nursing home residents and an online discussion will be hosted discussing the impact of music on nursing home residents.

Tadhg Daly, Nursing Homes Ireland CEO states: "We are thrilled to have brought together a very special performance of nursing home residents to mark Nursing Homes Week 2023 and our Music Speaks festival. Nursing homes are home to truly very special people, who are tremendous characters and have a rich legacy in song and music. Our Music Speaks performance encompasses one resident who is 100 years of age playing accordion, a 98-year-old delivering an excellent piano solo, a 95-year-old singing Boys from the County Armagh. Residents love to sing and perform and the Music Speaks extravaganza honours the talents of the very special people in our society who

are nursing home residents.

"Music fulfils an absolutely integral role in nursing home care, providing comfort to residents, stimulating memories, bringing them together, and it gives great joy and happiness. The festival we have created is truly unique, bringing residents together for a very special range of performances and events over the course of a week. It will feature outstanding performers who supported nursing home residents during Covid19, a trip down memory lane for residents via the Irish Traditional Music Archive, and a discussion on the impact of music in our nursing homes. We wish residents and staff a very happy Nursing Homes Week 2023."

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MÁIRE O'DONOVAN *By Kathy O'Sullivan*

Picture the scene. It's sometime around 1914/15. You want to join Cumann na mBan, the Irishwomen's Council, because you want Ireland to be free, and are asked to fill in an application form, which contains, among others, the following questions:

Can you clean and load firearms?

Can you drive a motor? If so, do you understand its running repairs?

Have you opportunities for acquiring useful information about the enemy?

What do you answer? How can you contribute?

What did Máire O'Donovan answer?

On her death certificate (she died on 23rd January 1961), she was recorded as the 'widow of a shop keeper', which sounds rather...bland, for this feisty, fiery woman who achieved much in the political arena. Máire O'Donovan was the widow of a shop keeper, it is true, yet she was also so much more. Many women of her time, especially those who played a role in the War of Independence, have been treated a mere footnote in history, when their courage and self-sacrifice made a verifiable difference to the fight for freedom. Whatever Máire O'Donovan was, she was certainly no footnote. Look at her face – it is a face not to be forgotten.

Máire was born in 1876, in Crossmahon, Lissarda, Co. Cork, to Julia (née Kelleher) and Cornelius Murphy, a blacksmith - and Fenian (dedicated to the establishment of an independent Irish Republic) activist. After primary school, she attended St. Angela's High School in Cork (founded in 1887, at the request of Bishop O'Callaghan, who wanted a day school for girls in the city. The first student to enter was Mary Ryan, later the first woman to be appointed as university professor in Ireland or Great Britain). She received a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts at the Royal University of Ireland (founded in accordance with the University Education Ireland Act 1879, the first university in Ireland that could grant degrees to women on a par with those granted to men), followed by a teaching diploma in Cambridge, UK. After gaining her teaching diploma, Máire taught in Furness Lodge, Cambridge for a few years. Then came an invitation which would change the course of her life, with nothing ever being the same again.

The invitation came from Bishop O'Dwyer (1842-1917, who urged that Ireland remain neutral during the first world war, and wrote a letter to the British military commander General Sir John Maxwell, denouncing the repression of the Easter Rising 1916, as 'one of the worst and blackest chapters in the history of the misgovernment of this country'), who wanted her to teach in Limerick's newly established Mary Immaculate Teacher Training



Máire, 1921 Source: <https://www.mna100.ie/>

College (founded in 1898).

In 1909, Máire married Jerome O'Donovan, a butter merchant and shopkeeper from Skibbereen, Co. Cork, resigning her teaching job upon marriage. Her post was then taken up by her sister Kate. Máire then became more active in the political sphere. She joined Conradh na Gaeilge, the Gaelic League, in Limerick. Many people from all walks of life joined Conradh na Gaeilge, wanting to promote the Irish language, but Máire upped the ante considerably by also becoming active in the Suffragette movement. In addition to this, she joined Cumman na mBan. Cumman na mBan, the Irishwomen's Council, was formed in Dublin on 2nd April 1914, in Wynn's Hotel. Their constitution had as its objectives:

1. To advance the cause of Irish liberty.
2. To organise Irishwomen in furtherance of this object.
3. To assist in arming and equipping a body of Irishmen for the defence of Ireland.
4. To form a Fund for these purposes to be called 'The Defence of Ireland Fund.'

Their work involved dangerous tasks, and, unlike the men involved in the fight for independence, who could go on the run, this option was not available for women, thereby leading to many raids on their homes by the RIC and Black and Tans, with precious possessions being destroyed, with the ever-present threat of physical and sexual violence. Cumann na mBan regularly organised prayer vigils as a form of public protest. Their expression of faith, of Catholicism, also served to give the lie to government depictions of the independence movement as extremist and communist-inspired. Today, more than a century later, governments all over the world still try to portray genuine grassroots movements

that wish to safeguard their communities as extremist. One can imagine Máire, an independent, fearless woman, relishing her role. She didn't give a toss about what names she was called.

In 1921, Máire's life was to change markedly once more. On 7th March, her brother-in-law, the former Mayor of Limerick, Michael O'Callaghan, was murdered, along with sitting Mayor George Clancy. As a result, Limerick City Council had two vacant seats, with Máire being swiftly co-opted to replace Mayor George Clancy, a month later, on April 7th. She was the second woman to sit on the council, following Emily Crowe, who won her seat in the local elections a year earlier, in 1920.

Just two months later, on the 21st of May, Máire found herself, probably to her astonishment, deputized to be acting Mayor of Limerick, in the absence of the Mayor, Stephen O'Mara, in the US, thus becoming the first female head of a Limerick local authority. Stephen O'Mara was sent to the US by Éamon De Valera, in connection with fundraising, the Republican Loan Fund. Three days later, on 24th May, her sister, Kate, widow of Michael O'Callaghan, was elected the first ever female TD representing a Limerick constituency. On the same day, in Dublin, Kathleen Clarke, a founding member of Cumman na mBan, and widow of Tom Clarke, the first signatory of the 1916 Proclamation, was returned as TD for the Dublin Mid constituency (Kathleen would continue to make history, by being the first woman elected as the Lord Mayor of Dublin, or, indeed, anywhere else in Ireland, on 27th June 1939).

Máire remained in office until 30th January 1922. She presided over the ceremony in which Éamon De Valera and Kathleen Clarke received



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the Freedom of the City in December 1921. They received the honour three years after they were nominated, as they were both in prison at the time. Máire also sat on the Committee of the Limerick Prisoners' Dependents' Fund, to assist families who lost their waged earner to prison as a result of the Irish Civil War. This committee raised over £1,400 in the first eight months of 1921. Her dedication to her role as acting Lord Mayor was recognized by The Southern Star on February 18th, 1922, in an article titled Distinguished Cork Lady, which stated Máire 'filled the chair of the Corporation with such conspicuous ability and success.' As Deputy Mayor in December 1922, she

refused to put a motion supporting the Treaty to Limerick Corporation. Máire always had the courage of her convictions. She retired from the council in May 1925. Máire was also the chair of the Limerick central committee of the Irish White Cross, established in 1921 to distribute funds raised by the American Committee for Relief in Ireland, itself established to provide financial assistance to Irish who had been injured or suffered severe financial hardship due to the Irish War of Independence. It was managed by the Quaker businessman, and later Irish Free State senator, James G. Douglas (James Douglas was a nationalist, which was unusual for a Quaker. He was a close adviser to Michael Collins during the War of Independence, who said: Truth is spread by the contact of one individual with another...I am convinced that political organisation is possible without violence and that it would work if a sufficient number of individuals in any State shared this belief). The British Intelligence Office, in 1923, recorded that Máire was 'even more bitter' in regard to how she felt about the British forces, than her sister Kate. It strikes the reader as a rather curious statement, a little incongruous. One

might ask, given all she had seen and endured, how she was meant to feel? When Máire passed away on 23rd January 1961, aged 84, she was still the only woman to have worn the Mayoral Chain in Limerick. She was buried in Mount St. Laurence Cemetery, Limerick. Éamon De Valera, then President of Ireland, sent a representative, Col. J.J. Fitzsimmons, O.C., Sarsfield Barracks, Limerick. Though the president was apparently unable to attend in a personal capacity the funeral of one of Ireland's bravest women, the people of Limerick attended in droves. The people remembered, and the people paid their respects to Máire: 'They stand for the honour of Ireland, As their sisters in days that are gone, And they'll march with their brothers to freedom — The soldiers of Cumann na mBan!' - written by Brian O'Higgins (1882-1963, who attended Irish-language summer college at Béal Átha an Ghaorthaidh, wrote this a week before the Easter 1916 rising. It is sung to the tune of The Men of the West).

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Imeachtaí Eile / Other Events

- **Drámaíocht** - Ceardlanna drámaíochta do dhéagóirí 12-18 bliain á reáchtáil san Ionad Cultúrtha le **Esther Uí Chruaí**.
- **Gary McCarthy nó GMC Beats** i mbun ceardlanna 'rap' le daltaí na hidirbhliana ó Choláiste Ghobnatan & Scoil Mhuire Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh.
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- **'Tacaíocht'** - Ranganna ealaíne do sheanóirí ar fáil sna hionaid lae i gceantar Mhúscraí le Helen Quill.
- **Ranganna Ceoil** le Henry Cronin.

Ealaíontóirí Cónaithe

Mary MacSweeney OPERA - Beidh ceardlanna sláinte an ghutha ag leanúint ar aghaidh sa bhfómhar le ceolchoirm ag an deireadh.

Niamh O'Brien – Resonate (Music Network)

Le linn a tréimhse chónaithe san Ionad Cultúrtha comhoibreoidh Niamh O'Brien le Aisling Urwin chun tarrach ar an stór fairsing de cheol na cláirsí agus cóiriúcháin nua, nuálaíoch de shaothair chláirsí a chruthú. Tabharfaidh siad faoi shaothair nua a chumadh chomh maith spreagtha ag tirdhreacha lardheiscirt na hÉireann, le smaointe uisce, foinse, foraois agus gleann go mór chun tosaigh. Déanfaidh siad ceiliúradh ar choincheap an phobail chláirseoirí, ag féachaint ar na fuaimneanna uathúla agus iontacha a gcruthaítear nua a bhíonn dhá chruit ag seinnt le chéile. Comhoibreoidh siad chomh maith leis an amharc-ealaíontóir Colm O'Neill chun na tirdhreacha uisciúla seo a thabhairt isteach sa spás taispeántais bheo.

During her Music Network Resonate residency at the Ionad Cultúrtha, Niamh O'Brien will collaborate with Aisling Urwin to draw upon the rich repertoire of Irish harp music and create new, innovative arrangements of harp pieces. They will also compose new work inspired by the landscapes of the South West of Ireland with ideas of water, source, forest and valley at the forefront. They will celebrate the idea of a community of harpers, exploring the unique and wonderful sounds of two harps playing together. They will also collaborate with visual artist Colm O'Neill in bringing these watery landscapes into the live performance space.



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Dé hAoine/Friday - 01.09.23 @ 8pm

Diarmuid Ó Meachair - *Bosca Ceoil/Míleoidéan*
le Jack Talty - *Consairtín & James Cullinan - Fí*



Dé hAoine/Friday 22.09.23 - Oíche Chultúir @

Scannán - The Dying Days

THE DYING DAYS film about General Liam Lynch in the weeks of the Irish Civil War between February and April 1923. The film gives some background and context and the final journey taken by Liam Lynch. He leaves Dublin, Cork and then goes to the IRA Executive Meeting in London. He then travels to the hideout called Katmandu in the Wick mountains from where he returns via the Nire Valley to the Kesh where he is shot on the 10th of April 1923.



Dé hAoine/Friday - 06.10.23 @ 8pm

Miscellany of Folk

Billy Sutton – *Fidil, Bodhrán, Maindílin & Guth*
Eddie Costello – *Guth & Giotár*
Benny McCarthy – *Bosca Ceoil Cnaipí & Mileoidéan*

Dé hAoine/Friday - 13.10.23 @ 8pm

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Grúpa ceoil tíre cheiltigh ón mBreatain Bheag iad ALAW, agus tá an t-ádh linn go mbeidh siad inár dteannta san Ionad Cultúrtha ag léiriú an nasc láidir ceiltreach atá idir an dá tír. *Described by Songlines magazine as a "Welsh super-group"*.

Nia Lynn – *Guth*;
Oli Wilson-Dickson – *Fidil*;
Dylan Fowler – *Giotár*



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Dé Sathairn/Saturday - 14.10.23 @ 8pm

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Dé hAoine/Friday - 20.10.23 @ 8pm

Mná na Gaillimhe agus Thiobraid Árann

Anne Conroy Burke – Bosca Ceoil;

Mary Conroy – Giotár/Guth;

Deirdre McSherry – Pianó/Fliúit;

& Eileen O'Brien – Fídl



Dé hAoine/Friday - 10.11.23 @ 8pm

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Dé Sathairn/Saturday - 18.11.23 @ 8pm

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Niamh O'Brien – Cruit;

Aisling Urwin – Cruit/Guth;

Colm O'Neil – Amharc-ealaíontóir



Dé hAoine/Friday - 24.11.23 @ 8pm

Na Mulcahy

An chlann cheolmhar

Mick Mulcahy – Bosca Ceoil; Michelle

Mulcahy – Fídl/Cruit/Consairtín; & Louise

Mulcahy – Píob Uilleann/Feadóig Mhór.



Dé hAoine/Friday - 08.12.23 @ 8pm

Doireann Ní Ghlacáin & a cairde



Dé hAoine/Friday - 15.12.23 @ 8pm

Iarla Ó Lionáid – Guth;

Mathew Berill – Il-uirliseoir;

& Cormac McCarthy – Pianó



Imeachtaí Eile / Other Events

Taispeántais Ealaíne/Art Exhibitions

Meán Fómhair/ September – "Draíocht Mhúscraí (In Felt)" Taispeantas le Úna Keating



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Úna Keating discovered felting in early 2022 and says it was a game changer for her. She describes herself as a primitive artist blessed to be living in a beautiful part of the countryside. She walks every day in places like the Gearagh, Kilmurray Woods and the network of small roads within easy access of her home. Úna finds wool/felting to be a much slower process than painting, allowing her to express herself in a far more immersive way.

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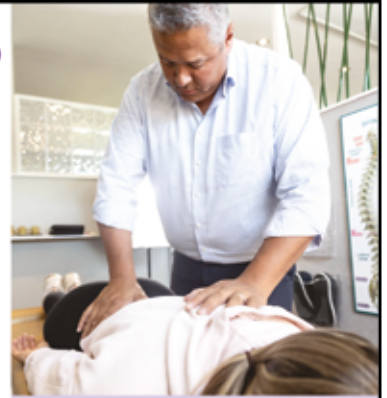
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Listowel Races reveal action packed programme for their forthcoming Harvest Racing Festival

Listowel Race Company has today announced their action packed programme for the forthcoming Harvest Racing Festival from Sunday 17th to Saturday 23rd of September. Celebrating 165 years of quality racing at the scenic course in Listowel, this year Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are all National Hunt meetings and Tuesday & Thursday feature an all flat race card. Off course, there is something for everyone of all ages including six fashion competitions with dedicated days for Ladies, Men, Couples, Sustainable Style, Blue Jeans and Young Racers; exceptional free children's entertainment with a petting farm; top live music acts including Superfly and DJ Marty Guilfoyle and some very special celebrity guests! PLUS the 'Save your Heels, We've got Wheels' free double decker bus is back on Ladies Day! Visit www.listowelraces.ie for more information and to pre-book tickets and corporate entertainment. Follow the hashtag #listowelraces on Facebook, X and Instagram for exclusive updates and to join the conversation!

The opening day's card is sponsored by Kerry Group and the feature race is the Kerry Group Steeplechase €40,000. Sunday also features the return of the best dressed event - the Lyrath Estate Best Dressed Couples Competition judged by Kristin McKenzie Vass, with a prize fund valued at €2,000! Sunday is also family day sponsored by Garvey's SuperValu and this year's entertainment is better than ever! Highlights include the free Woolly Farm with chicks, guinea pigs, hens, ducks, rabbits, lambs, piglets and pygmy goats, plus Winnie the Donkey! Plus the return of Giggles Entertainment with a mini Disco, face painting, free balloons and Coco Melon & Mickey Mouse will meet & greet all the children as they arrive! To make the opening day extra special, Listowel Race Company have booked top band Superfly to entertain everyone and add to the magical ambience that is race week in Listowel.

The feature race on Monday is the Liam Healy Memorial Lartigue Hurdle €50,000. Monday also sees the return of a competition celebrating one of fashion's most iconic wardrobe essentials - Denim Blue Jeans! Open to everyone, 'Forever in Blue Jeans' is a great excuse to wear your favourite jeans and style



them up or down as you wish! It will be judged by top model and actor Timmy Dowd with cash prizes in male and female category.

Tuesday's feature race is the Edmond & Josie Whelan Memorial Listowel Stakes €37,500. Top Irish DJ Marty Guilfoyle... will be spinning the favourites on Tuesday and there are also cash prizes for the best dressed young racer under 25!

The week's racing highlight - The Guinness Kerry National Steeplechase €200,000 (Grade A) is on Wednesday and always attracts a huge crowd. Listowel Race Course is partnered with Royal Ascot and their Chairman, His Majesty's Representative, Sir Francis Brooke and some of their Directors, will be visiting the course as guests to reciprocate the hospitality shown to the Listowel Directors over the past few years.

On Thursday, the feature race is The Listowel Printing Works Handicap €45,000. Back by popular demand, the Best Dressed Man's Competition on Thursday and is sponsored by Ryles Menswear Tralee.

The Ladies take over on Friday! This is the 9th year of McElligotts sponsorship of this prestigious fashion event and they are delighted to once again welcome on board Kia as official event co-sponsors. Judged by international fashion designer, Don O'Neill and model and businesswoman, Elvira Fernandez Zebo, in addition to the winners prize of a Trip for Two to New York, there are also generous cash prizes

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The Charlie Chute Memorial Handicap Steeplechase, €50,000 is the feature race on the last day of the meeting, Saturday 23rd of September. Listowel Races were the first race course to host a sustainable focussed fashion competition and thanks to organisers Listowel Tidy Towns and An Taisce, Sustainable Style Saturday continues to grow in popularity as male and female racegoers dress to express their individual fashion personalities by wearing vintage and pre loved or up styling an outfit they may have worn before. Top model and vintage lover, Pat Walker will judge this year and there are prizes for both male and female entrants.

There will also be live music each day and a wide selection of catering facilities on course including excellent corporate entertainment packages. Tickets can be purchased online or at turnstiles on the day for €20 Sunday, Monday, Tuesday & €25 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday, with a 20% discount for groups of 20 or more. Visit www.listowelraces.ie for more information and follow the hashtag #listowelraces on Facebook, X and Instagram for updates and to join the conversation!

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BONS SECOURS HOSPITAL GROUP CORK COUNTY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

PREMIER SENIOR FOOTBALL

Group A: Clonakilty 3, Castlehaven 3, Carbery Rangers 2, Valley Rovers 0

Gr B: Nemo 4, Éire Óg 2, Ballincollig 2, Carrigaline 0

Gr C: St Finbarrs 4, Mallow 2, Douglas 2, St Michaels 0,

BALLINCOLLIG 2-12 CARRIGALINE 0-12

Ballincollig got their county championship campaign back on track with a two goal win over Carrigaline. All will now depend on the final group game next month against Éire Óg at Coachford. Whoever comes out on top will take second spot in the group behind already advanced Nemo.

Scorers for Ballincollig: C Dorgan (1-4, 0-1 free); C Kiely (1-1); H Ahearne (0-3); D O'Mahony (0-2); L O'Connell, R Noonan (0-1 each).

Ballincollig: J Gibbons; F Downs, N Galvin, C Moore; J O'Connor, L Jennings, C Kiely; H Ahearne, S Dore; M Oldham, L O'Connell, P O'Neill; R Noonan, D O'Mahony, C Dorgan. Subs: S O'Donoghue 17, D Murphy 24, S O'Neill 44, T O'Connell 55.

NEMO RANGERS 0-11 ÉIRE ÓG 1-6

Nemo were never once led in this encounter which lacked in entertainment. They led by 0-5 to 0-3 at the end of the first half, their lead had stretched out to double scores - 0-10 to 0-5 - entering the final 10 minutes and the champions survived a typical late rally by the Ovens men, sparked by a Jerome Kelleher goal on 51 minutes which cut the margin to two. Five minutes later, Eoin O'Shea had the margin down to the minimum.

Nemo survived and emerged with two points to spare.

Next up are neighbours Ballincollig.

Scorers for Éire Óg: J Kelleher (1-0); J Murphy (0-3, 0-1 free); E O'Shea, C Kelly (0-1 '45), C O'Callaghan (0-1 each).

Éire Óg: C Kelly; M Corkery, J Mullins, C McGoldrick; D Herlihy, M Griffin, D Kelly; D McCarthy, C O'Callaghan; E O'Shea, J Murphy, H Murphy; B Thompson, J Cooper, J Sheehan. Subs: R O'Flynn for Thompson (42); J Kelleher for O'Shea, D Dineen

for Corkery (both 46); B Hurley for Sheehan (52).

SENIOR A FOOTBALL

Group A: Kanturk 4, Knocknagree 2, O'Donovan Rossa 2, Fermoy 0

Gr B: Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 3, Newmarket 3, Clyda 2, Kiskeam 0

Gr C: Dohenys 4, Bishopstown 2, Newcestown 2, Ilen Rover 0

BÉAL ÁTHA'N GHAORTHAIDH 1-11 NEWMARKET 0-14

A point apiece gave Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh and Newmarket cause for both satisfaction and regret in a game of fluctuating fortunes although the ultimate outcome keeps them neck-and-neck on top of Group B and both remain in control of their destiny.

Béal Átha went into a three-point lead with a strong wind at their backs but they didn't score in the final 13 minutes of normal time nor the six minutes of stoppages as they conceded four kickable frees. Béal Átha manager Denis Reen said afterwards "I think the draw is a fair result." Béal Átha now meet Kiskeam who are now eliminated by this result, in the final round.

Scorers for Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh: B Seartan (1-5); D Mac Tomáis (0-3, 2 frees); A Ó Coinceannáin (free), C Ó Loingsigh (free), D Seartan (0-1 each).

Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh: D Ó Coill; É Ó Duinnín, C Ó Nuanáin, N Ó Laoire; L Ó Críodáin, A Ó Loingsigh, J Ó Donnchú; A Ó Coinceannáin, C Ó Loingsigh; C Ó Tuama, D Seartan, C Ó Duinnín; D Mac Tomáis, B Seartan (capt), D Ó Ceallacháin.

Subs: S Ó Tuama for C Ó Tuama (41), L Ó Conchúir for Ó Nuanáin (45), S Ó Luasa for Ó Ceallacháin (48, inj).

PREMIER INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL

Group A: Castletownbere 4, Rockchapel 2, Bandon 2, Nemo Rangers 0

Gr B: Bantry Blues 4, Iveleary 2, Naomh Abán 2, Macroom 0

Gr C: Kilshannig 3, Cill na Martra 3, Aghada 2, Na Piarasigh 0

IVELEARY 2-13 MACROOM 1-11

Iveleary beat Macroom at Cill na Martra to get back into contention to qualify for the knockout stages of the Bon Secours PIFC.

After a tight first half, there were only two points in it at the break. A blistering start to the second half, where they scored 1-5 without reply in nine minutes put them on the road to victory. With 39 minutes gone, they led by 1-11 to 0-5. Credit to Macroom they kept going.

Scorers for Iveleary: C Óg Jones 0-5, C Vaughan 0-5 f, C O'Leary, L Kearney 1-1 each, C O'Riordan 0-1. Macroom: D Horgan 0-5 (0-4 f), D Twomey 1-0, A Quinn, S Kiely 0-2 each, J O'Riordan E O'Leary 0-1 each.

Iveleary: J Creedon; D O'Donovan, D O'Riordan, B Murphy; K Manning, S O'Riordan, S O'Leary; C O'Riordan, C O'Leary; B O'Riordan, C Vaughan, I Jones; B O'Leary, C Óg Jones, L Kearney. Subs: T Roberts 18 inj, S Pickering 49, B O'Riordan 55, I Jones 60.

Macroom: B O'Connell; C Condon, M Corrigan, B O'Gorman; A Quinn, R Buckley, S Meaney; F Goold, D Horgan; M Cronin, E O'Leary, J O'Riordan; J Murphy, S Kiely, D Twomey. Subs: T Dineen 22, D Creedon 40, J Murphy and D Cotter, both 56.

KILSHANNIG 0-10 1-7 CILL NA MARTRA

Two of the PIFC favourites couldn't be separated at Donoughmore.

It was score for score, with neither team able to gain an adequate advantage and Cill na Martra manager John Evans said a draw was a fair result but the Muscraí Gaeltacht supporters were a bit unhappy with some of the decisions.

Cill Na Martra: D O hUrdail 1-0, D O'Duinnin and M O'Duinnin 0-2 each, T O Corcora, D O Conaill, F O hEalaithe 0-1 each.

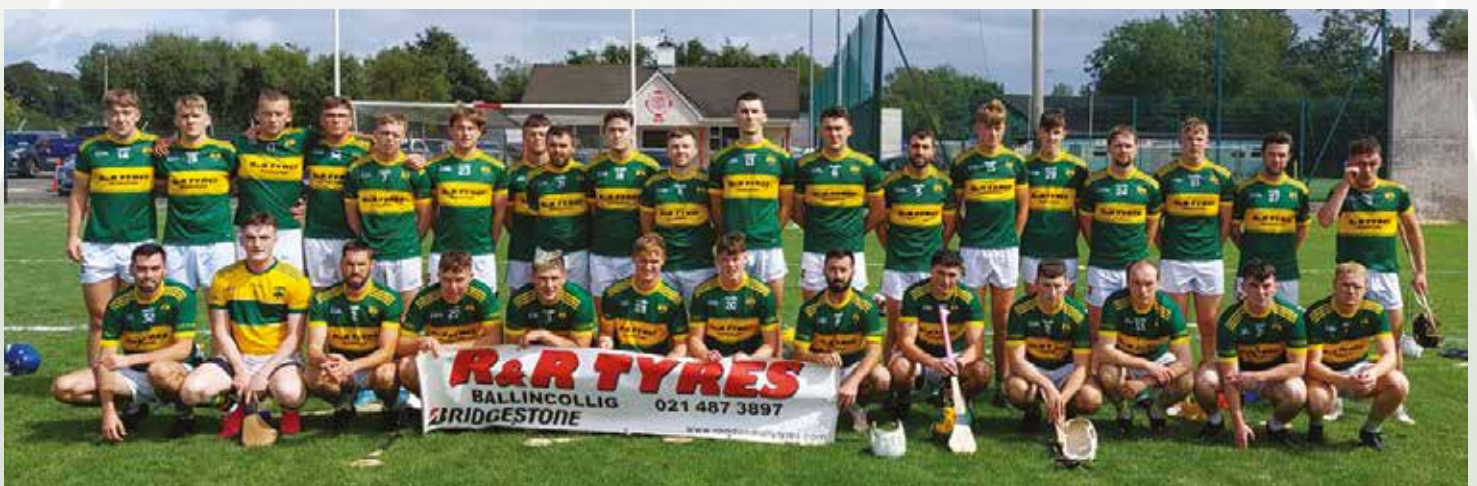
Cill Na Martra: P O'Críodáin; T O'Corcora, G O'Mochain, F O'Faolain, D O'Conaill, S O'Foirreidh, C O'Foirreidh, F O h-Ealaithe, G O'Goillidhe, C Mac Lochlainn, C O'Duinnin, D Ó Duinnín, D O'hUirdail, M O'Deasúna, M O'Duinnín.

Subs: É Ó Conail and C O Meachair 50

BANTRY BLUES 1-10 NAOMH ABÁN 0-10

Bantry made it two wins in a row at Inchigeela in the Bons Secours PIFC to close in on a place in the knockout stages. Naomh Aban and Iveleary will do battle for the second spot!

A goal from Cork senior Ruairi Deane was the difference at full-time in Inchigeela but Paddy



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Cronin's haul of 0-4 was also crucial.

Scorers for Naomh Abán: E Ó Mír 0-5 (0-2 f), D Ó Ceallaigh, C Ó Criodain 0-2 each, A Ó Luasa 0-1.

Naomh Abán: F Walker; E O Criodain, C Ó Deasúnaigh, C De Róiste; S Hendy, D Ó Lionsigh, J Ó Donnchú; C Ó Donnchu, C Ó Criodáin; D Ó Laoire, D Ó Ceallaigh, S Ó Riordáin; D Ó Ceallaigh, É Ó Mír, A Ó Luasa. Subs: G Ó Luasa, D Ó hAllamhain

INTERMEDIATE A FOOTBALL

Group A: Dromtarriffe 4, St Vincents 2, Glanmire 2, Glanworth 0

Gr B: Aghabullogue 4, Adrigole 2, Gabriel Rangers 2, Glenville 0,

Gr C: Boherbue 3, Mitchelstown 3, Kildorrery 2, Ballinora 0

In the IAFC, Aghabullogue made it two wins from two games in Group B following a 2-6 to 0-5 win over Glenville in Caherlag. The Mid-Cork side led from pillar to post as they were never troubled by their opposition. Aghabullogue led 1-2 to 0-0 after seven minutes as they were aided by the wind. By half-time, the game was effectively over as the winners were ahead 2-5 to 0-1. Glenville did battle away in the second-half but a comeback never looked likely. Matthew Bradley and Paul Ring were the goal scorers.

In Group C, Boherbue are level on points with Mitchelstown after a nail biting 1-13 to 1-12 win over Ballinora at Coachford. The Duhallow side led 1-6 to 0-5 at half-time but trailed 1-7 to 1-6 after 33 minutes when Michael Quirke goaled for Ballinora. Boherbue weathered the storm and were ahead 1-13 to 1-9 after 56 minutes. Ballinora rallied but they now suffer a second consecutive defeat.

PREMIER JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Group A: Urhan 3, St Nicks 2, Ballydesmond 2, Cullen 1

Gr B: St Finbarrs 4, Buttevant 2, Cobh 2, St Michaels 0

Gr C: Kilmurry 4, St James 2, Millstreet 2, Kinsale 0

In the Premier JFC, 2022 County JAFJ winners Kilmurry made it two wins from two in Group C following a hard-fought win over Kinsale in Ballincollig on Saturday as it finished 1-9 to 0-9. Wind assisted Kinsale started better as they led 0-6 to 1-2 but Lawrence Aisling's goal after 19 minutes proved important in the end. Kinsale still had the advantage eight minutes into the second-half but once James O'Mullane levelled the contest, the Muskerry side pushed on to win by a goal even though Kinsale had their moments in the second-

half. Liam Wall's three white flags were key. It's now Kinsale's second defeat on the bounce.

MUSKERRY DIVISION

ROSS OIL JUNIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

Group 1: Inniscarra 4, Blarney 2, Donoughmore 0, Grenagh 0

Group 2: Canovee 4, Kilmichael 4, Ballincollig 0, Dripsey 0

Group 3: Éire Óg 3, Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 2, Aghinagh 1, Clondrohid 0

GROUP 1

INNISCARRA 3-13 DONOUGHMORE 0-12

Inniscarra made it two wins from two outings and have now qualified for the knock out stages of the Mid Cork JF championship with this win over Donoughmore at Grenagh. Donoughmore had wind advantage in the first half, scored first but then fell behind by 0-4 to 0-1 by the 15th minute. They recovered well, drew level on 24 and led at half time by 0-6 to 0-5.

Inniscarra had their first goal from Mark McLoughlan immediately after the resumption but two points for Donoughmore had the sides level. Inniscarra went two points up and a second goal in the 40th minute, this one from Dylan O'Sullivan, gave them a 2-7 to 0-8 lead and they were now on top with Sean O'Donoghue once again their outstanding performer. A last minute third goal from Cameron Lynch was the icing on the cake.

The other Round 2 game in the group, Blarney v Grenagh was postponed because of weather conditions on Friday last and is re-fixed for Donoughmore on Sat Aug 26th at 6pm. This game's result will decide who joins Inniscarra in the knock-out stages.

GROUP 2

KILMICHAEL 0-8 BALLINCOLLIG 1-4

Kilmichael secured a place for themselves in the knock out stages of the Ross Oil Mid Cork Junior Football championship with a hard earned victory over Ballincollig at Cloughduv. It was a low scoring game but not lacking in entertainment and there was a thrilling climax, particularly for the Kilmichael supporters, as the winners came from behind to level and then hit the front for the very first time in the 62nd minute with a super point from a Peter Kelleher mark.

Scorers: Kilmichael: C O'Connell 0-4 (0-2f, 0-1 mark), B Cotter 0-2, C Foley 0-1, P Kelleher 0-1 (mark). Ballincollig: C Buckley 1-0, B Moore 0-2, O

Dorgan 0-1 (mark), S Wills 0-1 (f).

CANOVEE 2-14 DRIPSEY 0-5

This Group 2 game was played on Sunday evening at a damp Coachford. Canovee took the lead in the 12th minute, led by 0-8 to 0-1 at half time and continued to control the second half, embellishing their scoring difference with two goals in the final quarter. For Dripsey, this defeat means that their final group game against Ballincollig merely determines who finishes last.

Scorers: Canovee: B McNabola and D Ring 1-1 each, D Cronin 0-4, E Lehane 0-3, J Moynihan 0-2, D McMahon and P Healy 0-1 each, C Dodd 0-1 ('45'). Dripsey: E Maher 0-4 (f), M O'Sullivan 0-1.

GROUP 3

ÉIRE ÓG 4-13 CLONDROHID 1-8

A goal in the very first minute from Fintan Brennan got Éire Óg off to a good start at Rusheen but Clondrohid came back strongly and led by 1-4 to 1-1 in the 20th minute after Cathal Creedon had a goal from the penalty spot. A Daniel Healy goal in the 21st minute had the sides level and the Ovens men went on to lead by 2-4 to 1-5 at half time. Two minutes into the second half Daniel Healy had another goal for the winners, 3-6 to 1-7 at the three quarter stage. Éire Óg were on top now, added a fourth goal from Colm Quigley to win comfortably in the end and remain unbeaten after two outings. Clondrohid were forced to start with two stalwarts in Brian Corcoran and Darren Dineen and although both did come into the fray later they were hampered by injuries.

Éire Óg: Eoin Kelleher: Culaínn Malone, Cathal Mullins, Kevin Cooper: Colm Clifford, Matt Brady, Adam McCarthy: Oisín O'Shea, Graham Moynihan: David Kirwan, Michael Murphy, Fintan O'Leary: Daniel Healy, Fintan Brennan, Colm Quigley. Subs: Keith O'Riordan, Paddy Twomey, Liam Murphy Clondrohid: Seán O'Callaghan: Aaron O'Riordan, Callum O'shea, Denis O'Riordan: Darren Fitzgibbon, Conor Flanagan, John O'Connell: Seán Desmond, Cian Creedon: Sean Murphy, Ciarán O'Leary, Fionán O'Leary: George Lowrie, Cathal Creedon, Colin Murphy. Subs: Brian Corcoran, Darren Dineen, David O'Connell, Conor Lucey.

The postponed Round Two game between Beal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh and Aghinagh will be played at Kilmichael on Sunday Aug 27th at 2pm.

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Uíbh Laoire who played against Maighchromtha and won in the Premier Intermediate Football Championship. Pic. by Nóra Uí Luasa

PREMIER SENIOR HURLING

Group A: Blackrock 4, Midleton 4, Glen Rovers 0, Bishopstown 0

Gr B: Douglas 4, Fr O'Neill's 1, Charleville 2, Erin's Own 1

Gr C: St Finbarrs 2, Kanturk 1, Sarsfields 3, Newtownshandrum 2

SENIOR A HURLING

Group A: Killeagh 2, Bride Rovers 4, Inniscarra 0, Na Piarasaigh 2,

Gr B: Ballyhea 2, Newcestown 4, Blarney 2, Courceys 0

Gr C: Carrigtwohill 4, Cloyne 2, Fermoy 2, Mallow 0

BLARNEY 2-18 COURCEYS ROVERS 2-16

Blarney got their Co-op Superstores SAHC campaign back on track at Ovens and they go into their final game against Ballyhea knowing a win should see them through. Two early goals were key scores with Pádraig Power and Alan McEvoy both raising green flags, the latter from a penalty. They had to withstand a second-half comeback from Courceys, which saw them back on level terms several times, but they never managed to take the lead.

Blarney had impressive displays all over the pitch with Shane Barrett outstanding in the middle of the park, Pádraig Power proving a handful up front, and in defence Patrick Crowley led by example.

Scorers for Blarney: S Barrett 0-12 (0-6 f, 0-1 65), P Power 1-3, A McEvoy 1-0 pen, C Barrett 0-2, C Power 0-1.

Blarney: C Murphy; S Crowley, P O'Leary, D Murphy; P Philpott, P Crowley, A McEvoy; Shane Barrett, C Hegarty; D McSweeney, Conor Power, C Hegarty; S Mulcahy, Pádraig Power, Cian Barrett. Subs: W Crowley and C Dunlea (both 56), J O'Keefe (60).

NA PIARSAIGH 1-25 INNISCARRA 2-11

Na Piarasaigh had a comfortable win over Inniscarra in the Co Op Superstores SAHC before a large attendance at Ballincollig.

The city side lost their opening game to Bride Rovers and their final group game against Killeagh will now decide who moves into the knockout stages. Inniscarra after winning the Premier Intermediate championship last season now face the possibility of relegation.

Playing with the aid of the wind that it took Inniscarra eight minutes to open their account courtesy of a superb Kieran Rice white flag. Three consecutive Andrew McCarthy points reduced the deficit to the minimum with six minutes remaining to the interval. Na Piarasaigh responded in style with five unanswered points. A late Pádraig Holland point reduced the deficit to five points 0-12 to 0-7 at the break but Inniscarra, playing

against the wind in the second half, were under serious pressure.

Inniscarra looked under pressure in defence and as they continued with their persistent fouling Eoin Moynihan punishing them at will and increased the Piarasaigh lead to 11 points in the 37th minute with Inniscarra. A minute later the game was over as a contest with a wonderful goal for the city side. In the closing minutes, Na Piarasaigh took their foot off the gas and that allowed Inniscarra to score two late goals from 21-yard frees from Pádraig Holland. Inniscarra: P Holland 2-3 f, A McCarthy 0-3, S O'Donoghue 0-2, K Rice, E McCarthy, S Sheehan 0-1 each.

Inniscarra: J O'Keefe; C O'Leary, B O'Mahony, C Lombard; S Sheehan, L Ryan, D Keane; J Harrington, S O'Donoghue; O McCarthy, K Rice, A McCarthy; P Holland, C Casey, C O'Leary. Subs: D O'Keefe 45, M Nagle 45.

PREMIER INTERMEDIATE HURLING

Group A: Castlelyons 4, Dungourney 2, Ballincollig 2, Bandon 0

Gr B: Éire Óg 4, Ballymartle 2, Valley Rovers 2, Carrigaline 0

Gr C: Ballinhassig 3, Watergrasshill 2, Castlemartyr 2, Kilworth 1

ÉIRE ÓG 2-19 CARRIGALINE 3-14

ÉIRE ÓG produced an exciting second-half performance to overcome Carrigaline in a marvellous Co-Op Superstores Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship at Brinny.

Eoin O'Shea and Kevin Hallissey points edged the Ovens side into a two-point lead in the third minute. Carrigaline replied with two from Brian Kelleher. Éire Óg went four points up in an eight-minute period, Brian Kelleher single handily tore the Éire Óg's defence to shreds and dfired in three goals.

Luckily Éire Óg recovered in the 29th minute when Cork football star Colm O'Callaghan drilled a low shot to the corner of the net to leave them only five points adrift, 3-8 to 1-9 at the break.

On the restart, points from Jack Sheehan and David Kirwan boosted the

Ovens men and in the 47th minute when Joe Cooper got behind the Carrigaline backs to blast an unstoppable shot to the corner of the net that edged the Ovens side into a two-point lead. The sides were level on 50 but Éire Óg finished the stronger.

Éire Óg are close to securing passage to the knockout stages but could still be squeezed out on scoring difference if they lose to Ballymartle next month and Valley Rovers beat Carrigaline which would leave these teams on 4 pts each.

Carrigaline half-forward Brian Kelleher scored 3-8 for his side but it was not enough.

Scorers for Éire Óg: E O'Shea 0-9 (0-8 f), J Cooper 1-4, C O'Callaghan 1-2, K Hallissey 0-2, J Sheehan, D Kirwan 0-1 each.

Éire Óg: D Desmond; D Dineen, J Kelleher, M Brady; J Mullins, C McGoldrick, J Kelleher; D McCarthy, K Hallissey; C Callaghan, J Cooper, J Sheehan; D Kirwan, O O'Shea, E O'Shea. Subs: B Hurley 38, D Casey 53.

BALLINCOLLIG 3-20 BANDON 0-8

Ballincollig are back in contention for a place in the knockout stages as they romped to a convincing win over a lacklustre Bandon side in this Premier IFC second-round tie in Cloughduv. After an even opening Ballincollig were four clear when James Dwyer slotted home the opening goal to open up a seven-point gap. Brian Keating, belted the sliotar off the underside of the bar and into the net to give his side a commanding nine point lead.

Ballincollig easily dispatched the tired-looking Bandon side thereafter.

Cian Dorgan contributed some magnificent scores on the day including five frees, but they were on top defensively, led by Colin Moore and Conor O'Leary. James Dwyer was running the game at midfield, while Stephen Wills hit a superb 0-5 from play, three of them in the first half when it was still very tight.

The Village added a third goal near the end from Cian O'Driscoll, boosting their scoring difference though they'll still probably need to beat Castlelyons to progress. Scorers for Ballincollig scorers: B Keating, C O'Driscoll 1-2 each, J Dwyer 1-0, C Dorgan 0-7 (0-5 f), S Wills 0-5, D O'Sullivan 0-2 (0-1 65, 0-1 f), C O'Leary, P Kelly 0-1 each.

Ballincollig: J Linehan; R O'Donovan, C Moore, F Denny; B Coleman, C O'Leary, D O'Sullivan; J Dwyer, T O'Connell; S Wills, C Dalton, B Keating; S O'Neill, C Dorgan, C O'Driscoll. Subs: P Kelly 47, D Bowen and C O'Sullivan 55.

INTERMEDIATE A HURLING

Group A: Aghabullogue 3, Lisgoold 3, Youghal 1, Aghada 1,

Gr B: Mayfield 3, Blackrock 3, Sarsfields 1, Kildorrery 1

Gr C: Ballygiblin 4, Midleton 4, Cloughduv 0, Douglas 0

AGHABULLOGUE 2-22 YOUGHAL 1-14

Aghabullogue and Lisgoold now top Group A after opening-round draws. The Mid Cork side were 2-22 to 1-14 winners over Youghal at Páirc Uí Rinn, Shane Tarrant and James Foley the goal scorers. The Mid Cork led by 1-13 to 1-5 at half time having been led early on by 0-1 to 1-2. Lisgoold squeezed past



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Aghada by 2-17 to 0-22 in Dungourney.

Aghabullogue: Finbarr Foley: Tom Long, TJ Buckley, Jerome Corkery: Padraic O'Sullivan, Cillian Timmons, Michael Dennehy: Niall BarryMurphy, Seanie Furey: Mathew Bradley, Paul Ring, James Foley: John Corkery, Shane Tarrant, Colm Gillispie. Subs: Breandáin O'Sullivan 24, John Buckley 57.

Cloughduv 2-12 Ballygiblin 1-19

Group C is cut and dried, with Midleton and last year's premier junior champions Ballygiblin assured of progression. They winners made it two wins from two each as the Magpies got past Douglas on a 0-15 to 0-14 scoreline in Bandon while Ballygiblin enjoyed a 1-19 to 2-12 victory against Cloughduv in Blarney. It was the North Cork side's 13th straight win in Cork championship hurling and means that the clash of the top two in three weeks will determine top spot and possibly pave the way for an automatic semi-final place. Cloughduv and Ballygiblin were level at half time at 1-7 each, Mark Verling the goal scorer for Cloughduv and Ballygiblin had victory assured before Eoghan Clifford's late goal for Cloughduv.

Premier Junior Hurling

Group A: Glen Rovers 4, Argideen Rangers 2, Erin's Own 2, Tracton 0.

Gr B: Barryroe 4, Kilbrittain 2, Milford 2, Ballygarvan 0

Gr C: Meelin 3, St Catherine's 3, Russell Rovers 2, St Finbarrs 0

MJK Oils Mid Cork Junior Hurling Championship 2023

Group 1 (4 teams): Ballinora 4, Kilmichael 4, Ballincollig 0, Inniscarra 0

Group 2 (3 teams): Dripsey 2, Blarney 2, Cloughduv 0

Group 3 (3 teams): Grenagh 2, Éire Óg 2, Donoughmore 0

GROUP 1

KILMICHAEL 3-17 BALLINCOLLIG 0-19

Kilmichael turned in an impressive display, spirited and skilful, in their opening round defeat of Ballincollig in the MJK Oils Mid Cork Junior hurling championship at Cloughduv. Kilmichael started well and boosted by a superb Brendan Cotter goal in the 23rd minute, led at half time by 1-12 to 0-10 after a very entertaining first half. A second goal in the 35th minute from Conor Cotter, followed by another almost immediately from Finbarr Buckley really gave Kilmichael impetus and despite a huge fight back by The Village team which cut the deficit to four points with five minutes remaining, Kilmichael steadied the ship with a point from Tom Downey and two late points from Peter Kelleher saw them secure at the finish.

Scorers: Kilmichael: C Cotter 1-5 (1-4 f, 0-1 65), F Buckley and B Cotter 1-0 each, P Kelleher 0-9 (0-5f), R Murphy, C O'Connell and T Downey 0-1 each. Ballincollig: A Wills 0-10 (0-9f), S Walsh 0-4, S O'Sullivan, P Kelly, R O'Connor, S Murphy, R Power 0-1 each.

Kilmichael: Stephen O'Leary: Gerard Murphy, Shane Foley, Luke Hennigan: Finbarr Dromey, Cathal Foley, Eoghan Murphy: Conor Cotter, Ronan Murphy: Chris O'Connell, Alan McCarthy, Andrew Kelleher: Brendan Cotter, Peter Kelleher, Finbarr Buckley. Subs: Tom Downey 50, Trevor Tobin 59.

Ballincollig: Ronan Cambridge: Brian Dore, Paul Sheridan, Diarmuid Ward: Conor Sexton, Conor Kinsella, Shane O'Sullivan: Dillon Horgan, Pete Kelly: Adam Wills, Rory O'Connor, Jason Murphy: Shane Murphy, Ronan Power, Seán Walsh. Sub: Cameron Lucey 43.

KILMICHAEL 1-14 INNISCARRA 1-8

Kilmichael maintained their good form of the opening round by seeing off the stiff challenge of Inniscarra in the MJK Oils Mid Cork Junior Hurling

championship at Donoughmore. Kilmichael, now with two wins from two outings, have guaranteed themselves progression to the knock out stages, the final round of group games to determine which stage.

Kilmichael, were not lacking in confidence going into this game but found themselves on the back foot after five minutes when Inniscarra's Michael O'Connell cut in from the wing and batted the sliotar past goalkeeper Stephen O'Leary. Donal Dineen had earlier opened the scoring for 'Scarra with a point, Ronan Murphy and Peter Kelleher had quickly replied for Kilmichael but the goal was a shock and an early warning to the winners to tighten in defence. Donal Dineen added his second point to make it 1-2 to 0-2 after seven minutes, a score quickly answered by Andrew Kelleher with a point for Kilmichael and the flurry of scoring now ceased. Shane Linehan was next on target in the 15th minute for Inniscarra, restoring their one goal lead and there was a brief but unwelcome flare up on the wing which caused referee Luke Knight to flash three yellow cards, followed immediately on resumption of play by another for a dangerous pull.

The game tilted Kilmichael's way in the 23rd minute when outstanding wing back Eoghan Murphy progressed down the right wing before lobbing a centre into the 'Scarra goalmouth which was contested in the air, the ball fell to the ground and Peter Kelleher scooped it over the line to level the scores at 1-3 each. Kilmichael were greatly boosted by this score and had added three points to their tally by half time, two from Peter Kelleher frees and one from play from Conor Cotter, and they led by 1-6 to 1-3 at the break.

The winners started the second half well with points from Brendan Cotter and Chris O'Connell within a minute but Inniscarra were up for battle



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and responded with four unanswered points in a row, two from Shane Linehan frees, another free from goalkeeper Dave Óg Coleman and one from out on the wing from John Cussen, which left only a single point between the teams, 1-8 to 1-7 after 39 minutes play. Kilmichael needed a score and their ace marksman Peter Kelleher, who finished with 1-9 to his credit, duly delivered with points from two long range frees to settle their nerves. Points were exchanged by Kelleher and Shane Linehan to maintain the goal lead for Kilmichael at the three quarter stage but then Peter Kelleher pointed an outstanding effort from the half way line, added another from a shorter range after a foul on Trevor Tobin in the 48th minute and the Kilmichael defence soaked up the intense pressure thereafter with assurance. Peter Kelleher closed the scoring with a late point.

Scorers: Kilmichael: P Kelleher 1-9 (0-7f, 0-1 '65'), R Murphy, A Kelleher, C Cotter, B Cotter, C O'Connell 0-1 each. Inniscarra: M O'Connell 1-0, S Linehan 0-4 (0-3f), D Dineen 0-2, D Óg Coleman (f) and J Cussen 0-1 each.

Kilmichael: Stephen O'Leary: Gerard Murphy, Shane Foley, Luke Hennigan: Eoghan Murphy, Cathal Foley, Finbarr Dromey: Conor Cotter, Ronan Murphy: Chris O'Connell, Alan McCarthy, Andrew Kelleher: Brendan Cotter, Peter Kelleher, Trevor Tobin. Sub: Tom Downey blood sub.

Inniscarra: Dave Óg Coleman: Adam Doyle, James Roche, Bryan Linehan: Sam Doyle, Mark Linehan, Seán Barrett: Darragh Hughes, Shane Buckley: Dara Lynch, Seán Leisk, Michael O'Connell, Shane Linehan, Donal Dineen, Tadhg Lyons. Subs: Dara Lynch, John Cussen, James Murphy, Declan Hyland, Conor Geoghan.

Referee: Luke Knight, Kilmurphy

BALLINORA 4 - 24 BALLINCOLLIG 1 - 13

Champions for the past two seasons in Mid Cork, Ballinora continue on their winning way by easily accounting for their near neighbours Ballincollig in the 2nd round of Group 1 games at Ovens. The pattern was set early. Three Ballinora points in as many minutes were followed by a 4th minute goal from Kevin Murphy to make it 1-3 to nil, and 2-7 to 0-2, Kevin Murphy again the goal scorer, after the opening quarter became 2-16 to 0-7 by half time with no doubt about the ultimate outcome. Further goals in the 46th and 58th minutes, both from Alan O'Shea, merely added lustre to the scoreboard. The Ballincollig goal from Shane Murphy came in the 50th minute, 3-24 to 1-12 at that stage the score. Cork U20 All Ireland winner Shane Kingston was a notable addition to

the Ballinora lineout having missed the first round game.

Ballinora: Barry Crowley: Ken Grealley, James Keohane, Tim Forde: Colin O'Flynn, Mike Lordan, Neil Lordan: James Byrne, Shane Kingston: Liam Lyons, Tommy Burns, Darragh Holmes: Alan O'Shea, Darragh Corkery, Kevin Murphy. Subs: Conor Quirke and Michael Quirke.

Ballincollig: Ronan Cambridge: Dillon Horgan, Paul Sheridan, Eoghan O'Neill: Diarmuid Ward, Brian Dore, Conor Sexton: Shane O'Sullivan, Adam Wills: Conor Kinsella, Ruairi O'Connor, Sean Walsh: Jason Murphy, Stephen O'Donoghue, Shane Murphy. Subs: Cameron Lucey, Simon O'Sullivan

Referee: Colm Ó Mocháin, Cill na Martra

Last round: Ballinora v Kilmichael, Inniscarra v Ballincollig

GROUP 2

DRIPSEY 2-15 BLARNEY 0-6

Dripsey were back in the Mid Cork Junior Hurling championship for the first time since 2008 and got their campaign off to a fine start with a big win over a disappointing Blarney second team at Donoughmore. Michael O'Riordan was the star of the game for the winners, scoring 2-9, his first goal just before half time and the second very late in the game.

Dripsey: Aidan Buckley: Dean O'Sullivan, David O'Sullivan, Cathal O'Connell: Shane O'Riordan, John O'Riordan, John Carey: Jamie Manley, Mark O'Connell: Killian Kelleher, Diarmuid O'Riordan, Eoghan Maher: Michael O'Riordan, Gary Murphy, John Buckley. Subs: Colin O'Connell 50, James Cotter 58.

BLARNEY 3 - 24 (33) CLOUGHDUV 4 - 13 (25)

Two clubs with different outcomes for their top teams at the weekend came into action at Grenagh, and Blarney emulated the fate of their seniors by deservedly getting the better of Cloughduv whose intermediates had gone down to defeat the previous day. Blarney started well and with goals from Colin and Gerry Murphy led by 2-11 to 0-6 by the 26th minute. They then conceded two late goals in rapid succession to Cloughduv, Brian Ahern and Colm O'Leary the scorers, and at half time they led by 2-12 to 2-7.

On the resumption, Clough had another goal from Brian Ahern and a fourth on 43 from Colm O'Leary to level the tie at 2-17 to 4-11. Blarney emerged strongly from these setbacks and hit over four points in a row to regain the initiative, and still led by four points before Kirby fired home a clinching goal in the final minute.

Blarney: Dylan Farrell, Michael John Shine, Stephen Mullane, Darragh Kelly: Tiernan Buckley, Vincent O'Mahony, Joey O'Dwyer: Ray Murphy, Ray O'Donovan: Joe Cronin, Paul O'Connor, Kevin O'Mahony: Jerry Murphy, Colin Murphy, Cathal McCarthy. Subs: Mark O'Leary, Eoghan Kirby - from Stephen O'B

Cloughduv: Dara Leahy: Patrick Barry, Pádraig Brennan, Luke McCarthy: Aaron Elliot, Michael Dunne, James Verling: Euan Coughlan, Donal Corkery: Tomas Twomey, Ciarán Canty, Colm O'Leary: Dylan Shanahan, Brian Ahern, Gearóid Grainger. Subs: Kevin Walsh, Rory Lehane, Dara Ring, Con Dunne, Shane Corkery, Jack Crowley.

Final Round: Dripsey v Cloughduv

GROUP 3

GRENAGH 3-22 ÉIRE ÓG 1-12

Last year's beaten finalists Grenagh gave an impressive display in their big win over the Éire Óg seconds at Ballymaw (Ballinora GAA). The winners were well coached with a good game plan and were just that bit too good for the Ovens men.

Éire Ó scorers: Darragh Coakley 1- 3, C Sheehan 0-3, David Braham 0-2, Fintan O'Leary 0-2, Colm Clifford and Culann Malone 0-1 each.

Éire Óg: Eoin O'Shea: Cormac Harris, Seán O'Flynn, Kevin Cooper: Colm Clifford, Cathal Mullins, Daniel Sheehan: William McCarthy, Culainn Malone: Darragh Coakley, John McCarthy, David Braham: Keith Riordan, Cathal Sheehan, Fintan O'Leary. Subs: Diarmuid Dillon ht, Rian O'Flynn 32, Eoin Lyons 41

ÉIRE ÓG 1-16 DONOUGHMORE 0-18

Utter elation for Éire Óg, heartbreak for Donoughmore - these were the contrasting emotions at Ballyanley when a goal from a 62nd minute free gave Éire Óg victory over a fine Donoughmore side that one felt deserved a better fate. Donoughmore had led from the 17th minute, by four points at half time and still by three with five minutes remaining but they got caught in the final stretch when Cathal Sheehan pointed a '65' and then went for a goal off a 20metre free into a packed goal line, the ball being partially blocked but deflected sideways into the net.

Cathal Sheehan was the hero of the hour for Éire Óg, the ace marksman finishing with 1-14 to his credit, 0-9 from frees, 0-1 from a 65 and 0-4 from play, an outstanding contribution and one which was mainly responsible for keeping his side's championship aspirations alive as following their first round defeat by Grenagh, another loss here would have ended their season. Donoughmore will have another chance to survive when they face



Canoe Junior who defeated Drpisey in Coachford 20.08.23

unbeaten Grenagh. Their star player was free taker David O'Connell who struck over 0-9, 0-6 from frees, 0-1 from a 65 and 0-2 from play.

The play was very even in the opening sequence, two Cathal Sheehan points for Éire Óg answered by points from Stephen Golden and David O'Connell. Two more points from David O'Connell and one from Mark Foley had Donoughmore three clear on 12 but three Cathal Sheehan points from frees lad the scores level at 0-5 each in the 16th minute. The teams were both hurling well and a only a point separated them on 22 but Donoughmore finished the half well with three unanswered points, from O'Connell, Colm O'Callaghan (a crucial introduction from the bench) and Darragh Lawton, to lead by 0-11 to 0-7 at the break, but having to face a moderate breeze in the second half.

Éire Óg started well on the resumption and were boosted by two Cathal Sheehan points in as many minutes. A key moment in the game came in the 4th minute when Donoughmore centre forward

Mark Lucey broke clear and fired in a bullet but Chris Kelly in the Éire Óg goal with a full length save denied the centre forward and Donoughmore had to be content with a well hit point from the resultant '65' by David O'Connell. Points were exchanged by Sheehan and O'Connell, Cian Kidney and David Braham fired over to reduce the Donoughmore lead to the minimum, 0-13 to 0-12 in the 40th minute.

From here to the finish the game developed into a tremendously exciting contest, Éire Óg throwing down the gauntlet, Donoughmore answering the challenge in exhilarating fashion. Donoughmore were three points clear in the 52 minute, 0-17 to 0-14, the free takers battling it out, and after another exchange of points that gap remained on 54. Donoughmore goalkeeper Shane Sexton made a brilliant save from Cork footballer Colm O'Callaghan, at the expense of a '65' converted by Sheehan which reduced the gap to two points. Donoughmore were holding firm but conceded a free in the 62nd minute from which

Cathal Sheehan delivered the killer blow.

Scorers: Éire Óg: Cathal Sheehan 1-14 (1-9f, 0-1 '65'), C Kidney and D Braham 0-1 each.

Donoughmore: David O'Connell 0-9 (0-6f, 0-1 '65'), C O'Callaghan 0-3, D Lawton 0-2, S Golden, M Lucey, G Buckley and K O'Connell 0-1 each.

Éire Óg: Chris Kelly: Cathal Mullins, Seán O'Flynn, Adam McCarthy: Colm Clifford, Culainn Malone, Kevin Cooper: Willie McCarthy, Cian Kidney: Darragh Coakley, John McCarthy, David Braham: Rian O'Flynn, Cathal Sheehan, Fintan O'Leary. Subs: Keith Riordan h/t, Colm O'Callaghan 37, David Sheehan 43, Eoin Lyons 49, Joe Kelleher 52. Donoughmore: Shane Sexton: Kevin Horgan, Mark Foley, Frankie Honohan: Josh Crowley, Aidan Corkery, Shane Healy: Donnacha Morrissey, Darragh Lawton: Ger Buckley, Mark Lucey, Adam Dinan: Stephen Golden, Colm O'Callaghan, David O'Connell. Subs: Kevin O'Connell 35, Ben Honohan 41, Darragh O'Shea 57

Referee: Brendan BarryMurphy, Aghabullogue
Final round: Grenagh v Donoughmore

KILMURRY GAA NEWS

Kilmurry GAA welcomed Minister of Sport and Physical Education Thomas Byrne TD to Kilmurry GAA grounds in Crookstown. Kilmurry GAA Chairman Peter Lyons outlined the plans for Crookstown development. Clare O Donoghue outlined the vibrant Underage activities of Kilmurry GAA underage. Marion Crowley Chairperson of Ladies Cork GAA briefly outlined the need for sporting Facilities and the benefits of Sport. Margaret Buckley St Vals also outlined the benefit

that the new grounds in Crookstown will do for St Vals Ladies Football Club. Thomas Byrne met with the Various groups including St Vals, Kilmurry GAA Juvenile club, Kilmurry National school, Dé Lá Salle College, Cloughduv Camogie, Kilmurry Active Retirement, Crookstown Vintage to name a few. Thomas Byrne was in the area visiting clubs that are in the process of applying for Sports Capital Application Grant. Thanks to everyone from all different clubs for attending and to everyone

whom organised this morning event.

Lotto 28/08/23 Jackpot: €7,600

Numbers Drawn; 20,24,27 Winners: No Winner

Consolation prizes go to Mary O Donoghue, Curraclough Alison&Andrew McCarthy Crookstown

Olive, Diamond Bar, Tim&Mary Coakley, Dunmanway. Rose&Anna c/o Sheliashop

Next Week's Draw to be held in: Cliffords Bar



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Laochra Óg Summer Camp Day Three 17th August 2023



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LAOCHRA ÓG NEWS

SUMMER CAMP 2023

Summer camp 2023 got off to a great start with the sunshine breaking through after the first hour. It was hands on hurlerys right from the start with a 130 juvenile club members taking part in the two sections of junior and development camp. Trainers, the majority of them club members and invited guest coaches saw the different age groups rotate through the day practising and developing the various skills of Hurling/Camogie. The dedicated and vastly experienced catering team at camp saw to it that every one was well looked after. Each player went home with a one off specialised camp training top. As Summer camp 2023 came to a close, we had 130 participants, 16 Laochra Óg club trainers, 6 invited guest trainers for our development camp, an army of volunteers making sure camp was set up and run smoothly every day and our highly esteemed catering department feeding everyone. A huge thanks to all these volunteers whom gave up their time every day,

Míle Buíochas le Colaiste Ghobnatan agus Naomh Abán CLG for your community spirit in allowing us to use your facilities. Thanks to Siobhán and all her staff at Ó Luasa's shop for all their assistance. This years camp was a huge success and our young club trainers along with guest trainers at the development camp put in a huge effort. Finally, to the 130 juvenile club members whom took part in camp they were a credit and great fun over the last three days. Summer camp 2024 starts in 364 days time. Laochra Óg Abu.



Laochra Óg Summer Camp Day Three 17th August 2023

19TH AUGUST 2023

What a morning in Teerbeg with our U10s, some great hurling on display & great fun had by all. Thanks to Cloughduv & Aghabullogue for great games. A great bunch with bright futures ahead & we are so proud of them.



U10 Hurling Blitz v Cloughduv and Aghabullogue 19th August



Laochra Óg Summer Camp Day Three 17th August 2023



Eire Og JHC 2023

MACROOM GAA

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Macroom 13s travelled to Bishopstown for their opening Premier 2 championship group game and were thrilled to defeat the home side on a 3-11 to 2-2 scoreline. Scorers were Dylan O'Shea 2-2, Dylan O'Connell 1-1, Cayden Dunton 12-1, Ryan Brophy 0-4 and Aled Hopkins 0-2.

Macroom: Cian Lee, Tristan Mullane, Leo Slattery, Brian McCrory, Darragh Creed, David Condon, Micheal Deasy, Aled Hopkins, Dylan O'Shea, David Twomey, David Bradley, Dylan O'Connell, Cayden Dunton, Ryan Brophy, Ciarán Murray.

Macroom are at home to Éire Óg on Friday Aug 11th in the second group game.

In the U15 Premier 1 championship Macroom travelled to Ballincollig and lost to the home side on a 3-10 to 1-7 scoreline. Macroom played very well at times but lapses cost them as Ballincollig got through for vital scores. Macroom battled bravely to the finish and that was a pleasing feature of the game.

Macroom: Caleb O'Connor, Robert Fitzgerald, Rory O'Shea, Thomas Hopkins, Cathal Neville, Eoin Healy, Donagh Moss, Jack Leavy, Sam Leavy, Conor Nash, Darragh Donovan, Dylan Lucey, Brian Bradley, Coran Burns, Troy Murphy, Michael Dunne, Eoin Holland, Simon Condon, Tadg Dunne.

As the championship was being played on a group basis, and the four teams in the Macroom group,

Macroom, Ballincollig, Douglas and Carrigaline, all finished with an identical record of 1 win, 1 draw and 1 defeat, it was decided to settle the outcome of the group with a playoff.

Macroom were drawn against Ballincollig but lost again to a strong Ballincollig side at Macroom.

Macroom were at home to Clonakilty in the Rebel Óg West Div 1 championship and after a very close and exciting contest went down to the visitors on a 1-8 to 0-14 scoreline. Macroom started very well but did not punish the visitors who grew into the game and led at half time. Clon had a good third quarter but Macroom staged a fine last quarter rally and had the Clon boys under severe pressure but could not get the goal they needed to draw level.

Macroom: Nia Koller, Donagh Murray, Ray Griffin, Bobby Murphy, Mark Condon, Cormac Burke, Denis McSweeney, Ryan Sabas, Ruan McKenna, Odhran Creed, Cian O'Sullivan, Regan Wong, Colin Kelleher, Oisín O'Sullivan, James Slattery, Conor Angland, William Bradley, Evan O'Keeffe, Jack Sabas, Seán Burke.

Macroom U17s travel to Adrigole on Wednesday August 23rd to play Caha Óg in the second and final group game and this is now a must-win game for Macroom.

MACROOM 3-14 ÉIRE ÓG 3-7

The Macroom U13's played their second group

game in the Premier 2 championship at home to Éire Óg on Friday Aug 11th and recorded their second win which puts them joint top of the group table with Ballinora, ahead of Bishopstown, Eire Óg and Erin's Own.

Conditions at the Castle Grounds were not pleasant for the players with rain and wind to contend with but the boys got on with the task, played good spirited football, defended well and got fine scores. Macroom scorers: Dylan O'Shea 1-8, Dylan O'Connell and David Bradley 1-1 each, Ollwiler Krzepina 0-2, Darragh Creed and Ciarán Murray 0-1 each. Macroom: Cian Lee, Tristan Mullane, Michael Deasy, Brian McCrory, Darragh Creed, David Condon, Con Moss, Ciarán Murray, Ryan Brophy, Caydon Dunton, Dylan O'Shea, Dylan O'Connell, Evan O'Keeffe, Ollwiler Krzepina, David Bradley, Calum O'Driscoll, Jack Sabas, Seán Bourke and Leo Slattery, Aled Hopkins, Tadgh O'Driscoll, William Buckley, Seán Quirke, Conor Angland, David Twomey, Lochlainn Phelan.

Next game: Erins Own v Macroom at Caherlag on Friday Aug 25th, 7pm throw in.

PIFC

In the County Premier Intermediate championship Macroom were defeated by Iveleary and so must now get ready for their final group game against Bantry Blues at Ballingearry. Macroom must win to avoid a relegation play off.



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MACROOM SOCCER CLUB

SEASON 2023/24

Over the coming fortnight all Macroom FC teams will be back into competitive football as the club embarks on its 47th season. Our Munster Senior League team have already tasted action when they hosted Premier side College Corinthians at Murrayfield in the Keane Cup. For various reasons, Macroom were severely depleted for this game and the experienced visitors came away with a victory against a youthful and plucky home side. There will be loads of games over the coming months and Macroom FC would encourage all locals to come along to Murrayfield and the Town Park or any away venue and take in a game, everyone is welcome. This season Macroom FC will field male teams at MSL adult level, boys teams at U18, U17, U16 (2 teams), U15 (2 teams), U14 (3 teams), U13 (2 teams) and U12 (2 teams). Non competitive groups from U7, U8, U9, U10 and U11 are also in place. Our girls club is continuing to grow which is fantastic to see. Teams at U19, U17, U15, U14, U13, U12, and U10 will be in place for the coming season. There is also a 'Disney playmakers' group which introduces soccer to 5-8 year old girls and a ladies social team

has been recently started which is proving very popular for all abilities and ages. All of the above amount to almost 30 teams, with hundreds of girls, boys, women and men getting access to weekly football. The health and social benefits of this are fantastic and Macroom FC are very proud of the service we provide. Many volunteers are working diligently with teams and behind the scenes-a club cannot grow otherwise and it's worth noting we are in existence with 46 years, since 1977. The good news is that the club is really looking to the future. Our Astro Pitch and Community Walkway fundraising is at an advanced stage. This facility will benefit our current members and many others who we hope will join our club as well as add greatly to the sporting infrastructure of the Lee Valley area. We are certain that the local community who have seen our club grow for almost half a century will continue to appreciate our efforts and will support the important service provided to the young and old in the area. Club information can be found on www.macroomfc.ie, the Macroom FC Facebook page, on Instagram @macroomfc and on Twitter (X) @macroomfc1977.

Astro Fundraiser

This draw will take place this coming Sunday Aug 27th @7pm in Murray's Bar and will be streamed live on our club Facebook page. First prize is 2 tickets for Republic of Ireland v Netherlands, Euro 2024 qualifier, Aviva Stadium, Sep 10th. It includes overnight accommodation at the 4* Mespil Hotel and €200 spending money. 2nd and 3rd prizes are a 12 month subscription to Macroom FC weekly lotto draw. Paper tickets available at Murray's and from club members. Tickets available online at www.macroomfc.ie/astro-fundraising. All support is greatly appreciated.

Munster Senior League

Macroom will this season operate in MSL Division 2 and will kick off their league campaign this coming Saturday, Aug 26th, away to Casement Celtic, kick off at Casement Park is 2pm. The Seniors will follow this with a home league tie v Ballinhassig the following Wednesday Aug 30th, kick off at Murrayfield is 6.30pm. Please come along and support the team and management.

Darragh Deasy



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MEP KELLEHER CALLS FOR REFORM OF ECB TO EQUALISE EMPHASIS ON ECONOMIC GROWTH AND PRICE STABILITY

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Fianna Fáil MEP Billy Kelleher has said that the current mandate given to the European Central Bank (ECB) in terms of price stability and the 2% inflation rule may no longer be fit for purpose. Kelleher, a member of the European Parliament's Economics and Monetary Affairs (ECON) Committee, was commenting ahead of the Parliament's return next week. "At present, Article 127 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) states quite clearly that the ECB's primary objective is to maintain price stability. What this means, in essence, is the need to maintain inflation across the Eurozone at, or as close to, 2%." "What we have seen over the past 18 months is the ECB increasing rates

to force down inflation. It's the only tool that they have as it's their primary objective. "Ultimately ECB decision makers are making macro-economic decisions without really understanding the pressure they are forcing onto families and workers. "Homeowners and businesses cannot absorb any more interest rate rises. It's severely damaging their ability to live, grow and prosper. "We face the very real risk of killing the Eurozone economy by putting it into recession in an effort to curb inflation that is caused, in a large part, by external issues that the Eurozone really cannot control.

"The ECB needs other mechanisms and tools in its arsenal. It also needs to move away from its sole objective of price stability and place more emphasis on economic growth, jobs and the effects its decisions will have on families and workers. "Treaty change may be required. I know we are all scarred by European referenda in Ireland but the alternative is significantly worse, especially if we run the risk of a recession and growing Euroscepticism," concluded Kelleher.



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In loving memory of
**MICHAEL (MICK)
 FITZSIMONS**
 Carrigagulla, Ballinagree, Macroom
 Late of Sheperd's Bush London
 Who died 29th August 2021

*Bridge of dreams
 They come no more
 Except in dreams
 Those who passed and went their ways
 While we who loved them lag behind
 To face a world of empty days
 But in those dreams
 They cross the bridge
 That spans the breadth of time and space
 And there we meet for a little while
 To see again a well loved face*



Forever loved, sadly missed
 and always in my heart
 Sheila

Anniversary Mass will be held on
 Saturday 2nd September at 8pm in
 Ballinagree Church.

3RD ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
**MICHAEL
 (MICKO)
 KELLEHER**
 late of Mountmassey, Macroom,
 Co.Cork who died on
1st September 2020.

*Sadly missed along life's way,
 Quietly remembered every day,
 No longer in our lives to share,
 But in our hearts you're always there.*

*Will those who think of Michael today
 a little prayer to Jesus say.*



Sadly missed by his wife Margaret,
 Son James, daughter Eileen,
 Grandchildren, Molly, Katie and Sarah,
 Son-in-law David, James's partner Norma
 and her son Darragh.

2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
CON O'LEARY
 Carriganima, Macroom, Co. Cork
23rd August 2021

*God called your name so softly
 That only you could hear
 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*



Lovingly remembered always by Peggy,
 Anthony, Marie and families.

2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
FRANK CASEY
 Aherla Road, Farran
Who passed away 29th August 2021

*We think of things you used to say,
 and all that you would do.
 At some point every single day,
 our thoughts will turn to you.
 No matter how life changes,
 no matter what we do,
 A special place within our hearts
 is always kept for you.*

*Always in our thoughts,
 forever in our hearts.*



Lovingly remembered by his daughter
 Clare, Dave, Fionn & Senan.

2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
FRANK CASEY
 Farran
who died on 29th August 2021

*Those we love don't go away,
 They walk beside us every day.
 Unseen, unheard, but always near,
 So loved, so missed, so very dear.*

*There is a face we shall always remember,
 A voice we shall always recall,
 A memory to cherish forever,
 Of one so dear to us all.*

*Time and Years slip quietly by,
 but love and memories never die,
 In our hearts you will always stay,
 Loved and remembered every day.*



Always remembered by Trevor, Marie,
 David, Abbie, Emma & Jack

5TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
**LYNDA LEAHY
 NEE
 O' DONOVAN**
 Ballinagree, Macroom, Co Cork
Who died on the 16th August 2018

*Will those who think of Lynda today,
 A little prayer to Jesus say.*

Always Remembered by
 her loving brother Gerard

2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
**CANON JACKIE
 CORKERY**
 Drombeg, Aghinagh
 & former P.P. Kanturk
Who died on 20th August 2021

*Your name is often spoken
 We think about you still
 You haven't been forgotten
 By us you never will*



Fondly remembered by
 his brother Michael, sisters Maura,
 Sr. Siobhan and Margaret
 and their families

6TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
**THADY
 OLDHAM**
 Oakwood Court, Macroom
**Whose anniversary occurs on 6th
 September**

*Everyday in some small way,
 memories of you come our way.
 Will those who think of Thady today,
 A little prayer to Jesus say.*



Always remembered by Eileen, Liz, Colm,
 Derek, Jack, Beth and extended family

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In loving memory of
CATHERINE DOYLE
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Crookstown, Co. Cork
who died on 18th May 2016

*May the wind blow gently,
And whisper for you to hear,
How much we love and miss you,
And wish that you were still here.*



Lovingly remembered by your husband John, children Michelle and Clement, son in law Michael, daughter in law Kim and your grandchildren Katelyn, Shauna, Clodagh, Conor, James and Ian

4TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
CONNIE MICK LUCEY
Gortnacarriga, Inchigeela, Co. Cork.
Who died on the 28th August 2019

*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.*



Sadly missed by family, relatives & friends.
Anniversary Mass Tuesday 5th September at 9.30am in Inchigeela Church.

4TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
SEAN (MIKE) LEHANE
Slievareagh, Ballyvourney, Co. Cork
Who died on 2nd September 2019

*The world it changes from year to year
Our lives from day to day
But the love and the memory of you
Will never fade away.
Though heaven and earth divide us
We are never far apart
You are always in our thoughts and prayers
And forever in our hearts.*



Lovingly remembered always by your daughter Helen, Joe Paul Christine and Adrian.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



In loving memory of
MAURA TWOMEY

'Cill Mhuire', Railway View,
Macroom, Co. Cork
Whose anniversary occurred
on 20th August

As we lovingly remember our mother on her first anniversary, we would like to express our sincere thanks to our kind friends, neighbours and extended family for their support, sympathy and prayers. To the many people who attended her funeral services, sent mass cards, letters of sympathy and online condolences, thank you. We got great comfort from hearing your fond memories of Mam. We greatly appreciate every act of kindness shown to us by our friends and relatives, who brought food, refreshments and supplies to the house and who helped in any way around the time of her funeral. Heartfelt thanks to Fr. Joe O'Mahony for celebrating the funeral mass, to Brendan O'Brien for singing and to all those who participated in honouring our mother's memory, thank you for making it so special. Sincere thanks to Billy and the staff at Fitzgeralds funeral directors for their support and professionalism. To the staff at Bridhaven Nursing home who cared for Mam in her final years, we thank you for the kindness and compassion shown to her. Please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our sincere gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.



*You can only have one mother
patient, kind and true*

Lovingly remembered by Michael, Karen, John and their families

2ND ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
CON LYNCH
Dirreenaling, Ballyvourney
Who died on the 20th August 2021

*Time may pass
Life goes on,
But in our hearts
You're never gone.*



Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by the Lynch, O'Riordan & Jordan families.

5TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
FRANK MC MAHON
Inchinashingane, Macroom
who died on 30th August 2018.

*Sadly missed along life's way
Quietly remembered every day
No longer in our lives to share,
but in our hearts you are always there.*



Fondly remembered by all his family and friends.

13TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of
JOHN O'LEARY
Clondrohid, Macroom,
Who died on August 30th 2010.

*Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen, unheard but always near,
Still loved, still missed, so very dear.*



Loved and remembered by Kathleen and family.

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A Word of Victory

Welcome back dear student, "for this child I prayed" (1 Samuel 1:20). Hannah was longing for a child. She took her desire to the Lord and cried out to Him, promising that if He gave her a son, she would give him to God. The Lord answered her prayer of faith and Samuel was born to great rejoicing. He went on to be a great judge and prophetic leader. God's Word tells us that children are a gift and a reward from Him (Psalm 127:3-5). Parents of school going children are busy this week no doubt. They sacrifice to give their children the best of everything, buying the desired items needed for their children's happiness. Children are a blessing and deserve to be well looked after. Our wonderful teachers and schools make sure they are well taught and given every opportunity to enjoy a happy school life. Our school days are times we remember vividly. The memories, smells and sounds of every year's new adventure remain with us forever. School should be a safe place to be nurtured and protected whilst being taught skills for an independent life. Their little faces at the end of the school day are endearing, as we enjoy their stories and the innocence and wonder of their childhood. But many parents are unaware of the curriculum awaiting their children in their new schoolbooks. Our government has endorsed a most disturbing SPHE / RSE content to teach primary school children and teenagers going forward. Blatantly pornographic explanations of sexual fantasies should not form part of a young child's education to rip away their innocence. No teacher should have to teach this to children, nor be made discuss gender ideology to impressionable and vulnerable children as 'fact'. It's a crazy idea that non-government organisations (NGO's), elected by nobody but paid by the taxpayers, are instructing our Department of Education with information based not on biology, but rather upon a minority's opinions and feelings. Our government certainly haven't studied the impact of this material, yet it will be taught to children without any filters. Votes are all that interests them.

During Covid they said... 'trust the science', yet now they are pressing ahead to have this non-scientific ideology taught to our children as 'fact'. Alarmingly it contains advice on surgical transitioning from one gender to another. Young children want to please those they love, including teachers and friends. And the need to belong and feel valid in a toxic culture of false celebrity perfection can blur one's ability to differentiate between being acceptable, or being utterly manipulated in their emotions by content and language put in their minds by adults they trust. Family and school should be a place of stability for children, not a reinforcement of the crap they're already being subjected to online. Christianvoiceireland.ie has an article and video giving more detail.

This will not end well for those in charge long term (Matthew 18:3-7). Litigation is inevitable. Hordes of beautiful young women and men who've already transitioned then later found out that it was not what they wanted, have had their bodies forever changed, are now speaking out on social media trying to prevent the same destruction for others. This is not in any way written in condemnation towards adults who choose to live this way – that's your own choice (John 3:16-21). But imposing it upon young children and impressionable teenagers in the place they should be happy and safe is a step too far. Parents and teachers, your leadership is needed now, please stand up and protect our children!

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Cannon Humphrey O Mahony and Fr.Pat O Donovan Celebrating Mass at Kilmichael Grotto. Pic. John Murphy

THE MIRACLE PRAYER



Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked many favours. This time I ask you this special one, (mention favour). Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your heart where your father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour, not mine. Amen. Say this prayer three times for three days and your favour will be granted. Never known to fail. Must promise publication of prayer.

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THE MIRACLE PRAYER



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4TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**MIRIAM
KELLEHER**

Rahalisk, Ballinagree, Macroom
Who died on 27th August 2019

*Always remembered and always loved
~mother~*

*The woman I call sister
is a blessing from god above
the woman I call sister is the sister
I'll always love
~Michael~*

*Our mam was the strongest person I knew.
She overcame so much in her life. She
taught us a lot but the main thing was to
never lose sight. She was my mam and my
best friend. I would do anything to give
her one more hug to say thank You for
everything and for fighting you're battle
for as long as you did. She is always by our
sides. I Love you love always you're blanket
~Jade~*

*Losing my mam broke me in two ways
I lost my mam and my Best friend.
~Keelan~*

*Mom had a hard shell on the outside inside
was a kind caring person I could get no
better mother even if I went to the moon
and all beyond.
~Tyler~*

*I love you mom miss you
~Lela~*



Fly high my beautiful angel

6TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**CON
HAROLD**

Kilmartin Donoughmore
who died on the
22nd of August 2017



7TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**JOHN
HAROLD**

Donoughmore/ Lombardstown
who died on the 25th of July 2016



12TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**BRIDGET
HAROLD**

Kilmartin Donoughmore
who died 1st September 2011



Always remembered and Sadly missed
by Daughter Sheila, Son in Law Ted,
Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren.

20TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**PATRICK (PAT)
COONEY**

Carrigaphooka Macroom
Who died on 20th August 2003

*They say that time will heal the pain,
But Pat that's just not true.*

*No matter how much time goes by,
our hearts still ache for you.*

*At first we counted days and weeks,
Today we're counting years.*

*We cannot count the memories, Nor
can we count the tears.*

*If wishes could be granted,
And all our dreams came true.*

*What we would wish for more than anything,
is to have more time with you.*



Greatly missed and Always remembered
by his Loving Family, relatives
and many Friends

3RD ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**MICHAEL
BUCKLEY**

New Street, Macroom
3rd anniversary occurs on
3rd September.

*Time may pass
Life goes on
But in our hearts
You're never gone*

Our Lady of Knock pray for him



Always remembered and sadly missed by
his loving wife Mary and family

27TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**PADRAIG
BURNS**

Clonavrick, Macroom, Co.Cork.
Who died on the 26th August 1996

*Memories are like leaves of gold
they never wither or grow old
locked in our hearts you will always be
loved and remembered for eternity*

*Will those who think of Padraig today
a little prayer to jesus say.*



Sadly missed and always remembered by
your mother Philomena, Brothers John,
Donal, Trevor and Alan, sisters Marguerite
and Noreen, extended family and friends.

6TH ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**SHEILA BUCKLEY
(NEE O'LEARY)**

Lactify, Clondrohid,
Macroom, Co. Cork.
Who died August 26th 2017

*Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear.*



Always remembered by her loving family.

**NOVENA TO THE
SACRED HEART**



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throughout the whole world, now and
forever. Sacred heart of Jesus please
pray for us. N.C

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