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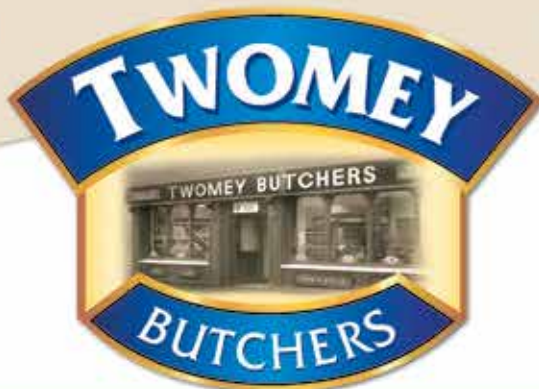
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It was wonderful to see all those involved in National Tree Week & the climb with Charlie events which were held recently. Congratulations to all involved. Its great to see the community come together to support such different causes.

Cost of living crisis

With the cost of rising energy rising, I recommend anyone who is experiencing difficulties with bills to get in touch with the local citizens advice office to see what supports & grants are out there for you.

Website: <https://centres.citizensinformation.ie/centre.php?cic=Macroom+CIC>

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time, I am not always available to answer emails/calls immediately, note there will be some delay in getting back to you. As always submissions as Gaeilge are always welcome too!

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*Sarah Kate
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EDITOR



Macroom and District Lions Club 'Climb with Charlie'

On Saturday, 2nd April, thousands of people across Ireland and further afield participated in Climb With Charlie and in the Macroom area, over 500 people joined Macroom and District Lions Club to take on Musher Mountain as part of the national fundraising initiative.

The Lions Club was motivated to organise a local Climb With Charlie event because of Charlie Bird's connection with the area, and in keeping with the ethos of the Lions Club, they felt compelled to play a part and offer local people an opportunity to be involved.

The Club was overwhelmed with how well the event was supported. From 9am-3pm, Club members were on site to greet and chat with participants. The atmosphere was electric and everyone who attended noted how enjoyable the experience was (and the wonderful chats they

had on the way up and down the mountain!). There was a beautiful sense of togetherness and many people who took part did so for very personal reasons, with many people carrying photos of loved ones who had passed away from motor neuron disease or suicide. It was clear the two charities, IMNDA and Pieta, which Charlie Bird selected as beneficiaries for the initiative, are very close to the hearts of so many across the nation. Macroom and District Lions Club wish to thank everyone who came out to support the event and those who supported from afar. Any people with sponsorship cards are asked to return these as soon as possible so that the final amount can be announced. The Club expects the event to raise over 4,000 euro for the two charities.



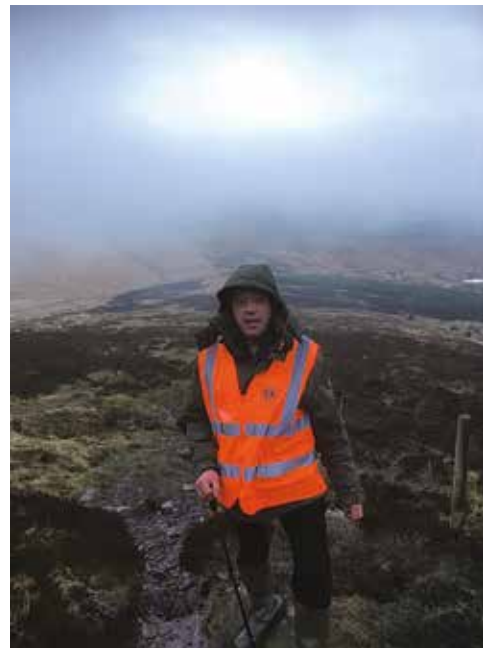
Siobhan O'Dowd with Aindreas Moynihan at the top of Musher Mountain



Avril and Ciara Manning



Paula Grey and Friends



Declan Sheehan from Macroom and District Lions Club takes on Musher

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MCEGAN COLLEGE:



1st yrs students at McEgan who attended the anti racism workshop with Ms. Eimear Blavin



Dylan & Matt playing Chess at McEgan

International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination 2022

First years participated in a workshop on International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on 21st March. They created an information and art display about racism and then explored the UN anti-racism website and discussed how to prevent racism in our daily lives. Thanks to Ms. Blavin for coordinating this important initiative.

Visit to Macroom's Mens Shed

Thanks to the members of Macroom Mens Shed who gave of their time to our sixth year LCA students recently. The members showed how bat boxes, bird boxes and insect hotels are made. The experience demonstrated to our students that great things can be achieved when like-minded people come together with a broad range of skills and experience. The comradery amongst the members and the invaluable support they give to each other was heart-warming. Thanks to Ms. Shannon for organising the visit.

First Year History Poster Competition

First year students participated recently in a poster competition. The students were given the task of designing their poster based on any historical theme of their choice. The winning posters featured: The 1916 Rising, Macroom Castle, The French Revolution, The War in Syria and a poster depicting many significant events throughout history. The winning students were awarded Easter eggs for their great efforts.

Second Year History

Second year history students have just finished their CBA (classroom based assessment) "The Past in My Place". This project gave students the opportunity to experience history at a personal level through the study of an issue, event or theme relating to their locality or country of origin.

The two most popular local projects chosen were the Kilmichael Ambush and The Famine in Macroom. The Lee Valley Outlook past editions proved a great resource in aiding the students with their research. A special mention for Máire Mac Suibhne book "Famine in Muskerry; an drochshaol:" an outline of conditions in the sixteen parishes of Macroom Poor Law Union during the Great Famine, 1845-1851", which is an invaluable source of local history during this time. Some of the other wonderful projects

were based on The Dripsey Ambush, Spike Island, Bloody Sunday 1920, The Hungarian Revolution of 1956, The Foundation of the Hungarian State, and The Battle of Grunewald during the fifteenth century in Poland and the history of Bratislava Castle in Slovakia. The feedback from the students having completed the projects was very positive and they were quite surprised by how much they enjoyed researching and displaying their work.

Importance of Languages:

Transition years took part in a webinar promoting languages in school and beyond recently. The event was organised by the BITCI (Business in the Community Ireland) and Languages Connect, a panel of industry representatives (from Kerry Group, Met Life Insurance, SAP International

Software) and a third level languages student from UCC spoke to the students about the importance of languages in their careers. The students also took part in an online languages quiz and finished in the top 10 on the leader board!

Fundraising for Irish Red Cross Ukraine Appeal

Sixth Year LCA student Adriana Blechova came up with an fundraising idea to sell yellow roses for Ukraine. €100 was raised for the Irish Red Cross for the people of Ukraine. The yellow roses were beautifully presented with a blue and yellow ribbon placed on each and sold out within minutes!

The students involved brainstormed further on what else we could do, and we came up with the



McEgan 5th years selling flowers for Ukraine; Back Row: Laila, Michaela, Liva, Jana, Aurora and Oluwanifemi. Front Row: Sofia and Viola



MENS SHED members Richard Manning, Timmy Kelleher, Sean O Leary, Paddy Buckley, Janet Shine with LCA students from McEgan, Oskar, Katelyn, Joseph, Sinead, Shannon, Aidan and Laoise.



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idea of selling sunflower seeds. The Sunflower is the national flower of the Ukraine, we have sourced sunflower seeds from Elmgrove Farm in Meath (supplied and posted for free) that we will sell 10 seeds/pack to fundraise further for Irish Red Cross costing €5 a pack. Between now and the end of April is the perfect time to plant your seeds and have your very own sunflower in a very simple gesture of support for the people of Ukraine.

Walk for Water

On Thursday 24th March first and fourth year students took part in the Green-Schools/Irish Water 'Walk for Water' event. The students walked almost five kilometres carrying as much water as they could to highlight water scarcity and to experience the journey travelled every day by women and children in parts of the developing world to access clean water. The Water theme looks at developing awareness around water conservation and how to effectively manage this important resource in our schools and at home. The Water theme is sponsored by Irish Water. The students learned how to construct a 'tippy tap' which is a hand-made device for washing hands with running water. In a time when handwashing is more important than ever, the students constructed their tippy taps using sticks, stones, some string, and an empty bottle,



McEgan Photo 2nd year History CBA project. L to R Back row: Sean, Aisling Yasmin, Julia, Front row: Noreen, Brian, Amy and Majec

with our own group of fourth year students winning the tippy tap challenge! Water is the third theme of the Green-Schools programme of which the Green Schools Committee under the guidance of Miss England is the driving force in McEgan College. Chess Club: One of the many Lunchtime activities in McEgan is the Chess & Draughts Club on a

Thursday in Room 10 under the guidance of Mr. Joe Butler. This gives students an opportunity to learn the skills of playing Draughts and Chess. Current Chess Champion is Sean Healy who reportedly has been beating Mr. Butler on a regular basis on the Chess Board.



DE LA SALLE College Macroom

Frewen Cup Munster Post Primary Colleges U16 1/2 A Football Championship Quarter Final De La Salle College Macroom 2-12 Tralee CBS 1-4

De La Salle Macroom U16.5s advanced to the semi final stage of the Frewen Cup (Munster Post Primary Colleges U16.5 A football championship) with this impressive victory over Tralee CBS at a sunny Tom Creedon Park, Macroom. De La Salle who had earlier accounted for a highly rated Hamilton High Bandon side, will now meet the winners of the St Francis Rochestown/St Flannans Ennis quarter final and will be greatly encouraged by their performances to date.

DLS had wind advantage in the opening half and after a tight opening sequence, the home side broke the deadlock with two points in quick succession in the 6th minute, Jack Sweeney and Denis O'Mullane (free) the scorers. Tralee hit back with a point but DLS were beginning to play with confidence and Denis O'Mullane fired over a point from play. DLS defence was breached in the 21st minute when Tralee got in for a goal to take the lead but DLS had a great final ten minutes up to halftime. Oisín O'Sullivan and Alex Asling had points and Jack McSweeney slotted home a goal in the 25th minute. Tom Browne added a point and on the stroke of half time centre back Seán O'Leary came forward to score a smashing goal which gave DLS an interval lead of 2-6 to 1-2.

Tralee needed scores on the restart to get back into contention but instead it was De La Salle who put points on the board per Denis O'Mullane, Jack



De La Salle College U16.5 Football Team

Sweeney and Tom Browne and the home defence had the Kerry boys under tight control. With a nine point lead at the three quarter stage, 2-9 to 1-3, DLS were dominating as the Kerry boys could not make a breakthrough and with points from Fionn O'Reilly and Denis O'Mullane, victory was assured well before the final whistle.

De La Salle: Cian Desmond (Kilmurry): David Lynch (Kilmichael), Michael Downey (Kilmichael), David O'Riordan (Kilmichael): Cormac Bourke (Macroom), Seán O'Leary (Kilmurry), Alexander Asling (Kilmurry); Fionn Kelleher (Kilmurry), Ryan Sabas (Macroom): Oisín O'Sullivan (Macroom),

Denis O'Mullane (Kilmurry), Joe O'Mullane (Kilmurry): Jack Sweeney (Uibh Laoire), Noah O'Leary (Aghinagh), Tom Browne (Kilmichael). Subs introduced: Jamie Hourihan (Clondrohid), Cian Kelleher (Macroom), Cian O'Sullivan (Macroom), Fionn O'Reilly (Cill na Martra), Jesse Kelleher (Kilmurry), James O'Connor (Aghinagh). Team Coaches: Shane Ryan (Rathmore and Kerry) and Cian Kiely (Ballincollig and Cork).

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First Years enjoying their PE class out in the sunshine

kilometres to find clean potable water. This directly impacts their everyday lives, safety, schooling and education progression thereafter.

As part of World Water Day, we were invited by Aidlink, the charity we had connected with, to a live Webinar with the groups that Aidlink work with in the affected areas. All our second-year students attended this and we learned about the charity's work done in the last forty years, through presentations and question and answers sessions. Two days later, our first- and second-year students and their teachers embarked on a 5km "Walk for Water" as a symbolic gesture of empathy for students in those harsh African dry regions, with a goal of raising enough funds through sponsorship to build a shallow well, the girls were aiming to raise €1500.

The weather was fabulous on the day, and everyone enjoyed the beautiful Castle grounds by the Sullane river. Our Green school committee held a non-uniform day and other activities on the following Monday, and kindly donated their raised funds to Aidlink also. Overall, the school raised in excess of €1750 and had great fun in the process. Well done to Ms Maura Casey for organising this event.

French/German Breakfast

Last Friday 25th March the MFL department organised a Breakfast Morning for all Second Year French & German students to coincide with Wellbeing Week as well as the topic of "Food" that they are currently studying. The girls made the most of the experience using their oral language skills to order their breakfast in French or German. All in all, it was a very enjoyable & educational experience for all involved. Thanks to our language teachers Mrs Lehane, Ms Jones and Ms Dwyer for organising this lovely morning for the girls. Vendredi matin agréable avec un petit déjeuner continental parmi des amis! Bon appétit! Die Mädchen haben Spaß beim internationalen Frühstück. Guten Appetit!

First Year Camogie Match

Match Report by Danielle O' Neill
3:4 to 5:1

On Tuesday morning the 22nd of March, St.Mary's 1st year team took to the pitch for the first time this year in a match vs Carrigtwohill. This was the first time that this team played together in a match setting, however, this did not phase them. The first half proved to be difficult with St.Marys scoring only once from a skillful run by Tara Lane where she was rewarded with a goal. By halftime St.Marys were down 2:3 to 1:0. After regrouping at half time St.Marys came onto the pitch more determined in the second half. They went on to win the match by 3 points after a smashing second half with a final score of 3:4 to 5:1 to St. Mary's. Well done to all the girls who performed on the day!

Thanks to the trainers Liam Slattery, Ms McSweeney and Ms Kelleher for all the preparation they put in leading up to this match and to the 4th

year helpers on the day who were Danielle O Neill, Leanne Healy and Cara Maloney.

Team-Eimear Healy, Shónagh O'Callaghan, Clodagh O'Callaghan, Kate Downey, Róisín O'Connell, Clodagh Murray, Rebecca O'Neill, Ellie-Jane Walsh, Cora Delaney, Sarah Barrett, Tara Lane, Aishling Twomey .

Walk for Water 2022

As part of Lent this year the Religion Teachers of First- and Second-year classes in St. Mary's, agreed to involve their groups with a campaign of raising funds for building wells to access water for communities in semi-arid regions of Uganda and Kenya. Due to global warming, droughts which were experienced every ten years or so, are now seen as often as every two years and water can be a very scarce commodity.

This has very serious implications for the local communities, women and girls in particular, as they are the family members who traditionally fetch the water and who may have to walk for many



Our Coiste Gaeilge making a Presentation of €500 to Micheal O Donoghue for The Hope Foundation - money raised from Lá Glás



Ms O Donoghue with Fifth Year students, Ciara Manning, Nicola Dromeu, Áine Sheehan and Emma Cahill on their visit to The European Parliament

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Tots Time: Last Friday of every month – 29th April at 11 00 – 11 20 am

Art Exhibition For April: “True Beauty” By Shelagh-Jessica Gilbourne

Adult Book Club is the first Wednesday of the month so the next meeting is Wednesday 4th May at 11.30 – 12.30 pm.

Please note that there are no refreshments served at these events but if you would like to bring your own tea/coffee please feel free to do so. Thank you for your understanding at this time.

Spring into Storytime:

Spring into Storytime is a celebration of families reading together that is running in all public libraries countrywide throughout April.

Please join us for our Storytime every Saturday at 12 – 12.30pm and our Tots Time Friday 29th 11 – 11.20 am.

We also have a great display of books which are suitable for story-time. These can be borrowed & read by families at home.

Also keep an eye on social media where Gillian will be doing another wonderful Easter craft video.

In conjunction with this, Macroom Library are running an **Easter Colouring competition**. These colouring sheets can be picked up at the library. There are two age categories; 4-8 years & 9-13 years. Closing date is Tuesday 12th April. Lots of Easter Eggs to be won. Happy Colouring.

There will be an **Online Workshop** for parents and early educators called “An Introduction to Dialogic Story-Time” with Joan Kiely, Dean of Marino Institute of Education, on April 27th at 7pm. Dialogic story-time is a method of asking open-ended questions that helps refine children’s thinking & activates their imagination while helping them to improve their oral language skills. Booking is advisable. Go online at www.yourcouncil.ie & click on Library Events.

Poetry Day Ireland 2022 is coming up on Thursday 28th April. To mark this, Cork County Council & Arts service invite you to submit an original poem based in this year’s theme ‘Written in the Stars’ to corkcountylibrary@corkcoco.ie. Remember to include your name, title of poem, name of creative writing/poetry group (if a member) & a few details about your poetry-writing journey, if you wish. Your poem will appear on one of our rolling social media posts throughout the day so please include copyright permission for us to share it. All entries will be entered into a raffle to win tokens.

Closing date for receipt of poems is Thursday

21st April.

Art Exhibition - April: Macroom Library are delighted to exhibit “True Beauty” by Shelagh-Jessica Gilbourne

Shelagh-Jessica is a young aspiring artist who has received many accolades for her art over the years.

She began drawing & painting from the moment she could hold a pencil in her hand. She has a deep interest in art which is influenced by nature, people & the world around her. She is hopeful that through her paintings, she is able to express & share her feelings about nature’s beauty which is all round us.

“Painting brings me peace and offers me a place to meditate on the beauty in the world and the grace I feel while living it. My highest goal is to convey the same peace and belonging to my collectors offering a moment or pause and a feeling of deep belonging.”

She used different mediums which allowed her to express different ideas. She used acrylic and oil paints.

Her vision is to become a well known & acclaimed artist one day. This is one of hopefully many other exhibitions where she will continue to display her art.

Please come and view this lovely artwork at Macroom library.

If you would like to exhibit your Artwork, please contact Macroom Library.

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Continued Proposal of a Blueway boardwalk at the Gearagh

By Sarah Kate Murphy

Eco-tourism, protection measures and moving forward with a possible development?

When empty mussel shells can often be seen. There was also evidence of water pollution at the site with oil evident on some bodies of water & a vast amount of dog excrement. In an interview with Kevin Corcoran, he stated that the 'swan pearls' were an invasive species, not seen in the Gearagh before. Native Fresh Water Pearls to the site discussed in an article by Dr William O' Connor, on Eco Fact News desk state that "The Freshwater Pearl Mussel *Margaritifera margaritifera* is a (freshwater) bivalve listed under Annex II and V of the EU Habitats Directive. It is legally protected in Ireland under Schedule 1 of the Wildlife Act (1976) (Protection of Wild Animals)." (O'Connor, 2015).

The fluctuating water levels and poor site management, lead me to the question, could development of a boardwalk (be it floating or fixed) of the site hinder or encourage preservation of the site?

In view of all that has been mentioned so far, a limitation observed from my study is the disparity between EU legislation and the implementation and maintenance of the Gearagh at national and local level. In an address to the Oireachtas on 29/09/2020, the then Deputy for Culture, Heritage, and the Gaeltacht, advised that "At the request of the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government, the Department's National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) completed and published detailed site-specific conservation objectives for the Gearagh SAC (000108) in September 2016. A management plan scoping exercise was undertaken by ESB International on behalf of the ESB (who are the main landowner) in 2016/2017. The NPWS took part in the stakeholder group that contributed to the report produced because of that exercise. "Owing to the constraints and exigencies arising from the Covid-19 pandemic, it has not been possible to pursue the matter further at this time. The Department will seek an update on progress in the coming weeks". Investigation via online websites and resources and through a series of FOI requests and interviews, has determined, that there is no management plan in place to implement and maintain the legal requirements of conservation for the site. In an email with Jay Cornish, Conservation Ranger for the Mid-west Area he goes on to say "The ESB are currently writing up a management plan in line with the Conservation Objectives of the site so it may very well be worth getting in touch with them". The is an important issue for any future development of the Gearagh.

Presently, the ESB are operating without conservation objectives, as a result, they're ensuring high levels of environmental management' are not being met. In an interview, with Kevin Corcoran, who cited the recent European Action against the state for as proof of this. Given that the ESB's financial statements for "the year ended December 31st, 2018, reporting an operating profit before exceptional items of €455 million, profit after exceptional items, interest and tax of €60 million



and capital investment of €1.2 billion in long term electricity infrastructure. Despite challenging market conditions, which required ESB to reflect a €140 million exceptional non-cash impairment charge on generation assets."

Despite the ESB's profits, there are no investment in erected signs at the site to show the public it is protected under EU directives, and Irish Law, there is also no signage again to inform potential entrants to the site that shooting of wildfowl and fishing of freshwater pearls are prohibited which would support their environmental management of the site.

Currently the ESB are working on implementing a management plan to ensure protective measures, it is necessary to have a plan in place to consider development of the site further for eco-tourism. Positively, research has shown that the ESB has ample resources at its disposal to fund or co-fund an eco-tourism development at the site. Involvement of the ESB at the development of the site, could be seen as a social responsibility coup from a social marketing and PR point of view and encourage a sense of 'giving back to the community' Following suit to this, this project explored how many visitors when contacted, Macroom/Blarney municipal district and Cork County Council were not able to provide tourism figures for the region (O'Neill, 2020).

In terms of developing a site which is SAC and SPA protected, my research identified that Sports Ireland required development and permission granted by the National Parks and Wildlife Service to proceed. An assessment of natural heritage would identify which sections of the proposed trail fall into these areas. It would also exclude activities which could be detrimental to the site (Sports Ireland, 2019).

Furthermore, Natura 2000 goes on to support funding opportunities for sites under the following "It is therefore agreed that, in this exceptional case, a contribution by means of Community co-financing should be provided for within the limits of the resources made available under the Community's decisions" "land-use planning and development policies should encourage the management of features of the landscape which are of major importance for wild fauna and flora."

My research has shown overwhelmingly that development of recreational trails is of great benefit to the local economy, environment, community, and visitors (Sports Ireland, 2019). This was further bolstered by the success of a comparative study of the Acres Lake floating boardwalk (Leitrim

County Council & Waterways Ireland, 2017). The Acres Lake floating boardwalk 'is a prime example of how government funding can generate economic growth within rural communities.' The primary aim of my initial proposal was to to explore the possibility of developing

an eco-tourism amenity for the Gearagh, which incorporates a floating boardwalk as the focal point to connect the main pathway to ancient alluvial woodland islands. Certainly development of the current pathway at the Gearagh would certainly benefit the site, the environment and community alike. Research showed that without an engineer's and NPWS report, it is not possible to advise on the suitability of a floating boardwalk at this stage and further work is required on this. Alternatives to a pontoon way could be explored such as timber frame walkways, boardwalks, greenways, and/or updating the current route.

The site would benefit from a counter, which would gather more accurate information on footfall figures. This would assist in giving accurate figures and could be utilised to support further development of the site.

More work needs to be done on finding a single cohesive proposition for the site. The core focus on any future proposition, I felt should include conservation, preservation, and education at its core. The creation of a development group, feasibility study and risk assessment need to be undertaken as part of the next stage.

Research showed that lack of a management plan by the state-run organization ESB, that the community were unable to develop the site further. The study also found that trails are highly beneficial and a value-add proposition and investment in the local economy. Given, the success of the Blueway development at Acres lake, the socio-economic benefit such a development could have on the local community of Macroom cannot be underestimated. Between 2018 and 2020 there was an increase of 38,995 people to the Acres Lake site, with 134, 511 people using the site in 2020 (Waterways Ireland,

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2019). Such a development in Macroom, would boost the local economy, lead to job creation, which in turn, would bring new awareness, understanding of a SAC, SPA, Natura 2000 and Ramsar site of National and European importance.

The research has indicated that the site is in a prime location, 40 minutes from Cork and Killarney and close to the wild Atlantic way and the Ring of Kerry. In a quote from Kevin Corcoran, in the film Rive Runner "If we refocus our attention on nature, everyone will benefit socially, financially and most importantly ecologically."

In the end I propose the site should be allowed proper, marrying the principles of its unique heritage, preservation, ecological importance with that of providing socio economic benefits to the

region but to do so in a way that supports and sustains the environmental importance of the area. Is a floating plastic boardwalk the answer? I don't think so. Is a tarmac greenway the answer, I don't think so. Not all great trails need to be over developed.

Could a timber boardwalk along the fringes of the easterly side be the answer, perhaps? Could very basic improvements on access and signage make a big difference at low cost, immediately? 100% Could the westerly side of the SAC site up to toons bridge which is seeing some regeneration be protected further? 100%

Starting simply by improving signage and seating would be a great beginning. Signs could include not not limited to the socio cultural history of the

site (imagery & stories of the people who lived there and their way of life), the environmental importance of the site (explaining the alluvial forest & why it was deforested) and also the unique bird, flora and fauna found there.

Ultimately, the Gearagh needs to be put back on the map. In the midst of our climate change crisis, we are sitting on the shores of Irelands most important natural river forest. Nurturing its regeneration is of national importance.

Surely, with the ESB's sizeable profits and national and local funding available, we could manage this much?

CHAPEL HILL SCHOOL OF ART

Irish Needlepoint Lace revival at Chapel Hill School of Art on Wednesday April 27th. 1.30pm to 4.30 pm. Free Event. All Welcome.

Join us as we host Veronica Stuart and the Traditional Lace Makers of Ireland & The Lace Makers Guild of Northern Ireland at Chapel Hill for a showcase of this extraordinary craft. Meet the Makers, learn and explore the timeless beauty that is lace making in its many forms.

In its former life Chapel Hill School of Art was home to a busy lacemaking industry. Records from 1906 show payments to makers of over €2000 pounds in 1906, that almost €250k in 2022!

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Lace was a luxury commodity, used to decorate elaborate wedding dresses, christening robes, and church vestments, but it also played a vital part in saving many families from starvation and destitution as families were gainfully employed in Lace making earning income where no other employment possibilities existed. Irish lace reflects the social and political changes that took place between 1700 and today.

Enjoy an Open day of Lace with us and The Traditional Lace Makers of Ireland. The international award winning Veronica Stuart, and the lacemakers will be here for the day sharing and enjoying this exquisite craft with you.



4th and 5th class girls at St Josephs enjoying using our brand new iPads recently.



5th and 6th Class from St. Enda's NS, Kilnadur, who received their Confirmation on Thursday 31st March in Toames. Pictured with Fr. Pat PP.



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National Tree Week in St. Enda's NS, Kilnadur

Recently, we were very lucky to be donated the gift of a field adjacent to the school from a local farmer. As part of our Green Schools Plan and in working towards our Biodiversity Flag we intend to enclose the field with native trees grown by the children themselves in the school. This will include alder, downy birch, sweet chestnut, oak, Scot's Pine as well as American Holly. We are working with local environmentalist, Ted Cook, in moving forward with this plan and with Ted's vast knowledge of all things native we believe we will be adding greatly to the local area here in Kilmichael. Over the coming months the field will be developed and used as an extra grassy play area for the pupils of the school but will also work in harmony with the local landscape including its flora and fauna. This National Tree Week saw Ted visiting us again and we planted more alder and downy birch in one of the four corners of the field. We also began work on rejuvenating our school garden and have added a Native Wildflower Patch



along with creating an area for a Bug Hotel and a Bird Feeding Station. We are looking forward to enjoying this new area along with our new field for many years to come and in doing so ensuring that the local flora and fauna is respected and cared for.



Muinefliuch N.S



Pupils from the Junior room in Muinefliuch N.S. making telephones for 'Engineering Week'



2nd and 3rd class pupils from Muinefliuch N.S who received their First Penance recently from Fr Joe Rowan



Pupils from the Middle room in Muinefliuch N.S. with their Playground constructions for 'Engineering Week'



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We were delighted to take part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade at Coppeen this year – in which we won 1st prize! It was lovely to see parades taking place after a two-year absence due to Covid pandemic restrictions. The sun shone brightly and there was a large attendance.

Our theme for the parade was 'Preserving Our Past' with our volunteers dressing up as St Brigid, Cumann na mBan, Irish Volunteers and White Boys. KHAA participants included Tony Murphy, Michael Goulding, Bridget Goulding, Tom Mullins, Mary Mullins, Brid MacSwiney, Ruadh Duggan, Dermot O'Mahony, Betty O'Mahony and Mary O'Mahony.

Tom Mullins drove his vintage car, MG T D 1951 and the KHAA posters were painted by ten-year-old Aisling McCarthy. We hope to participate in both the Coppeen and Macroom Parades next year!

On Saturday, 26th March KHAA organised a Walking Tour of the Architectural Gems of Cork City which included guided tours of the Mercy Hospital which was once the residence of the Lord Mayor in the 18th century, the Freemasons' Hall at



KHAA Walking Tour Cork City

Tuckey Street and Saint Fin Barre's Cathedral, Cork. A big thank you to our wonderful guides – Richard Wood, David Butler, and Niall O'Rahilly Drew.

KHAA lectures have re-commenced with Kevin Corcoran giving a wonderful talk on The Gearagh

in March. Our April lecture will be on Wednesday, 27th April when Noel Howard will give a talk on the life of Seán O'Hegarty.



Mary O'Mahony, recently-elected President of Kilmurry Historical and Archaeological Association, introducing speaker Kevin Corcoran ahead of his March 23 lecture in Independence Museum Kilmurry on 'The Gearagh: Past, Present and Future'.



Kevin Corcoran giving a well-received lecture on 'The Gearagh: Past, Present and Future' to Kilmurry Historical and Archaeological Association members and the general public at Independence Museum Kilmurry on March 23.



Aisling McCarthy with KHAA Posters for St Patrick's Day Parade Coppeen



KHAA at Coppeen St Patricks Day Parade



KHAA - Mary Mullins & Ruadh Duggan Coppeen



Tom Mullins driving his vintage car at Mondello Park



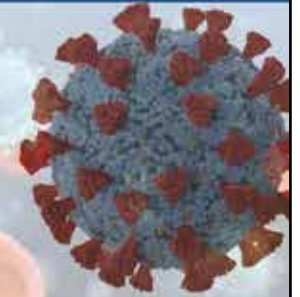
Pictures of some local Drivers and Co-drivers competing in the West Cork Rally on St Patricks weekend around the stages in the Clonakilty area. Pics Ted O'Connell.

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Our current very popular 'Staying fit for the Future' course is finishing this Thursday 7th April. We are very thankful to Mary Kelleher who put us through our paces. The good news is that we will have now three such classes starting at the end of April. They are open to all, member and non member alike. As usual they are provided by Cork Sports Partnership and Norma will be returning to us as trainer. One is on Mondays starting 25 April at 7pm in Kilmurry Museum, and is aimed at beginners primarily but also those who have conditions that limit their physical activity. This will start with stretching in a sitting position and then develop from there, being tailored to individual capabilities as requested. The other two courses are to be much more strenuous, but don't worry, of course participants determine their own limits. These are being held at 5pm and repeated at 6pm on Thursdays at Crookstown hall starting 28 April. The courses are for ten weeks, cost €60, and can be booked at

<https://eventmaster.ie/event/ybOlcP0SVy>. Places are expected to sell out, so early booking is advised. Our health and wellbeing course, has proven very popular with 23 participants currently. The next session is on Tuesday 12 March from 2 - 4pm at Kilmurry Museum. The first 45 minutes consists of gentle exercise/relaxation techniques, tasters of tai chi, yoga, and meditation. We then break for tea and chat for 15 minutes. The second period consists of talks and questions on health and wellbeing. It is free of charge for paid up members. Annual membership fee (€20) can be paid at any of our activities. If you are only interested in one part you can come just for that, even if it's the tea! We are currently making plans for our activities in the May/June period. We are finalising details of courses in Arts and Crafts. These may be starting with basket making or with card making (or perhaps both if circumstances allow). We are also planning a

gardening course with particular emphasis on wild flowers. We intend too to arrange aqua aerobics, and hoping this will be held in Macroom. Please save the date; evening of 21st May. We will be travelling to Bandon for a meal and social event and it promises to be one not to be missed. You may bring along your friends if you wish, they will be welcome. More details soon. Our association is open to all. It is aimed particularly at those who are not in fulltime paid employment. Currently our membership are aged over fifty years. We encourage those who are planning to retire within the next few years to consider joining us or other such organisations now. You will be kept busy and positively engaged in your community. For more information on membership contact Aidan at 0894057676.

LEABHARLANN BHAILE BHÚIRNE

Thank you for your continued patience while I get to grips with the new library management system. It's a good thing that I had already embraced the grey as if I hadn't been grey haired before this I certainly would be by now! Over the past few years I find that so many things have gone online exclusively, or you must use Apps to bank, shop or navigate medical appointments or even pharmacy orders. Most of the time staff are more than happy to show you how to use the Apps but sometimes the person who is able to help you assumes that you know more than you do, so I've become adept at asking them to slow down or go back over something. The library does have many online services, some of which are being affected by the management upgrade so please do ask a staff member if you are having problems, and don't be afraid to ask them to slow down or go back over something but keep in mind that this is a new system for us too so we might not have all the information you might need at our fingertips. It is really a great advantage and very helpful to bring your library card with you to the library as it is the easiest and quickest way for me to find your account. The first time you use the library following the management system upgrade I will need to confirm some information with you to update your account to the new system, so I apologise in advance for any delay this might cause. Our book

order service has been suspended while the new system is being installed so any books you have on order might be delayed in arriving. If you are a Borrow Box user, you may need to contact your branch to refresh your pin number before you will be able to use the Borrow Box service after the upgrade.

Ballyvourney Library was very happy to welcome back members of the library book club. In March the book read was A Town Called Solace by Mary Lawson. This is a Booker Prize longlisted novel set in northern Canada in the 1970's and it deals with three very different relationships. For April we are reading 59 Memory Lane by Celia Anderson. This is the first book in the Pengelly and is described as being a 'feel good novel' but we will have to see what the book club readers think of it. The Library Book Club meets at 10.30 am on the first Wednesday of each month.

In conjunction with Seachtain na Gaeilge in March, Ballyvourney Library organized an introductory Wet Felting course for adults. During two 2-hour Wet Felting classes, participants discovered the wonderful craft of wet felting and explored various wet felting techniques and methods to creating a felt painting / wool painting.

I gcomhar le Seachtain na Gaeilge i mí an Mháirta, d'éagraigh Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne cúrsa

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Ballyvourney Library Knit, Craft & Chat group continue to meet in Ballyvourney Library every Tuesday at 11am. At present I am not able to offer you refreshments but please do come along and join in the chat and bring your own tea or coffee to enjoy as you knit, craft and chat!

Our Creative Writing Group will have its first post-Covid gathering on Friday 8th April at 4pm with a view to discussing how best to facilitate this group as it develops. If you are interested in this or any of the other groups that Ballyvourney Library hosts, please come along on the day and time as given above. Or if you would like to enquire about any of the groups please phone Ballyvourney Library on 026 45767.

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Douglas Adams*

Dromore National School - Bantry

Dromore National School, near Bantry, enjoyed a heritage in schools workshop with Mr. Ted Cook from Macroom. Please see below an account of his visit to our school and some photos also. Hoping that you will be able to include this in your publication and please contact me if you have any questions.

March 21st marked World Tree Day and Dromore National School near Bantry had a wonderful visit from Heritage in Schools Expert, Mr Ted Cook. Ted

has been teaching the children in Cork for over 30 years on the importance of native trees and about how to grow them. On his visit to the school, Ted brought with him a variety of trees, including an oak, a scots pine, an apple and a spindle tree. These were provided from his own nursery stock. Each classroom learned how to plant a tree and the older pupils helped to prepare and dig the soil. Ted was full of knowledge about all aspects of our native trees and the environment in general and

the children really enjoyed his stories. The school is delighted to now have such an array of native trees growing in their own zero maintenance wild-life garden. Principal, Mrs Gillian Fitz-Gerald, described Ted's visit as a most enjoyable, informative and memorable workshop for the whole school and looks forward to welcoming Ted back to visit Dromore NS in the near future.

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CLONDROHID

BEGLEY AND MURRAY CONCERT: This concert on Friday night, March 25 was a resounding success, one could say the Hall was rocking. Great to see a happy crowd really enjoying themselves, especially after a lapse of 2 years.

The Hall Committee would like to thank Seamus Begley, and Jim Murray for the great music, song and brilliant story telling. They well deserved the 'Encore' they received. The opening act was by Lasrach, a young talented group from Cork County, they will be performing in Siansa in the National Concert Hall Dublin in April, and what a performance they gave us. Well done and we wish ye well in April, hopefully they will perform in Clondrohid in the not too distant future again. The Committee would like to thank IRD in Newmarket for the beautiful finger food etc., Heals Spar for wine and minerals, etc., the Tavern for the loan of glasses, Terry for the stage background, the Dev Group and the Active retired. A special thank you to Mid Cork Pallets for their donation, and to all the venues that took tickets for sale. Thanks to committee for all

their hard work, before, during and after, and for looking so well in dress attire !!! A special word of thanks to Peter for sound and lighting. Thanks to all who came along to support this fundraiser. People were quite relaxed to wear their masks, for their own safety and safety of others.. Well done. On Sunday night March 27 John Joes dancing had Michael Collins Band performing for Mothers Day. A great night was had by all

AHAKEERA DRAMA GROUP: Once again a great night was had in Community Hall last Friday night with 'Drinking Habits' Well done to a talented group of actors, great entertainment with plenty of laughs to brighten our days. Hopefully they will be back with another performance later in the year.

Thanks to all who came along to support this event, a big 'Thank You' to all those who sponsored items for the raffle, and to the hard working committee who helped to keep things running smoothly.

BLOOD DONATION CLINIC: Please mark it in your diary, they will be visiting the Community Hall on Wed and Thurs the 25/26 May 2022..Please ring

1800731137 to book an appointment. Thank you

ACTIVE RETIRED : As mentioned before this Group are getting more active as the weeks go by, Exercises, laptop training, card playing, art classes, coffee mornings, dining out, and much more., Great to see this group getting back to normal living ,while trying to be as safe as possible.

GAA NEWS: Well done to U 9 footballers who played St Colums in the first of their Go games. U 11's played Macroom as well. Great weather for games, well done all.

Congrats to U 19 s, who defeated Ballingearry in a league game last week, on a score line of Clondrohid 2 21, Ballingearry 1 03

REBEL BOUNTY DRAW: Clondrohid had 3 winners in this draw last week. Congrats to Michael Kelleher Clondrohid village, Gary O'Brien, Clondrohid and Pat and M O'Connor Mullinroe..Enjoy.

DROMLEIGH N.S.

Dromleigh N.S. students have been extremely busy in the lead up to their Easter break. All pupils were invited to take part in an art competition organised by our Green School Committee. The theme was biodiversity and the standard of entries was extremely high. Thanks to Cineplex Bantry, The

Planet Blackpool, The Titanic Experience Cobh, The Treehouse Skibbereen, Trabolgan Holiday Village and Zipit Farran for supporting the event.

Fifteen pupils from the school received the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Finbarr's Church, Toames on March 31st.

The school hosted a 'Blue and Yellow' day at the end of March which raised an eventual total of €700. Thanks to Mr Henry McEntee, a volunteer with S.O.S. Ukraine, for coming to speak to our pupils.

Fifth and sixth class students would also like to express their gratitude to all those that supported their recent food collection drive in aid of Fr. John Keane's Mission of Love for the Homeless.

Follow us on Facebook at 'Dromleigh N.S. Kilmichael' to keep up to date with all of our activities.



Dromleigh NS Biodiversity Art Competition



Mr John Kelleher accepting food donations on behalf of Fr John Keane's Mission of Love for the Homeless, at Dromleigh NS.



Dromleigh Confirmation class on their Confirmation day with Fr Pat O'Donovan and teacher, Mr Conor O'Laighin.



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Olan Buckley who owns The Shoe Repair Shop in The Shopping Mall, South Square, Macroom.

New Shoes. Do we really need any more?

Hi! Chris Barrett here talking about shoes!

A traditional rule of elegant dressing recommends that people should own 7 pairs of shoes. Due to the weather and countryside we experience locally, I feel it is only fair that we in the Lee Valley, should be allowed to add wellingtons and walking boots to a list designed for 'elegant' living!

So how many shoes do people own?

Reuters and Shopsmart did a poll and found out that an average woman owns 19 pairs of shoes. On average, a woman will purchase 4 new pairs of shoes a year, yet they tend to use only 4-5 regularly (Source: Daily Mail and Voucher Codes Pro.)

In addition, 43% of women reported having been at least moderately injured by shoes and 18% reported serious injuries like sprains or breaks due to shoes. (Source: Shop Mart Survey).

The average American man owns 12 pairs of shoes according to a survey, and the average British man owns 9.

Some teenagers own 8 pairs of trainers and at least 30% buy a new pair a month, according to another survey.

Whether these figures are true for Ireland is unclear, but two facts stood out for me. Firstly, most people are likely to own more shoes than they can regularly wear, and secondly, at a time when we are looking at higher prices, a huge amount is being spent on shoes which might not always be needed.

It is possible to prolong the life of shoes and some advice people were aware of in the past, has been forgotten. For example, leather shoes should rest between each wear to prolong their life, and it is best not to wear the same shoes two days in a row. Leather is organic and dynamic and is sensitive to the environment, humidity and pollution..just like us!

Readers may not be aware that brogues came from Northern Ireland, and reflected the local needs. They were originally made from several pieces of leather, with the perforations (brogueing), allowing the rain and mud to drain away.

So with these thoughts in my mind, I wanted to know what to do if my favourite most comfy shoes

looked as if they were reaching the end of their life. I decided to speak with Olan Buckley.

Olan owns The Shoe Repair Shop in The Shopping Mall, South Square, Macroom.

Olan tells me a little about how he got started in the shoe repair business. At the age of 16 he went to work in Roche's Stores and there he spend 12 years learning how to repair shoes. He and his father then opened their own shop in Bandon and he also worked in Cork before opening up in Macroom 36 years ago. Some readers may remember that he was initially based in Castle St and moved to The Square before moving to The Shopping Mall when it was built.

Olan feels that in the past, more people were in the habit of repairing their shoes and that shoes tended to last longer because they were made of a better quality leather. Nowadays it seems that manufacturers respond to consumer wishes by prioritising style over quality. The result of this is that shoes don't last as well as they used to.

Olan tells me it is important to shop for shoes with awareness.

Ensure you get a rubber or leather sole. There are a lot of plastic soles being sold currently and these crack very easily. He advises you to check the sole particularly because even if a shoe has very fine uppers it may still have a plastic sole which means that the shoe will not last.

You should always make sure you have a perfect fit. Some people suggest shoe-shopping in the afternoon, as by then your feet are likely to be at their most swollen. A small bit of space is best to avoid the tightness that can cause blisters, bunions, or poor gait. And of course if you buy heels you should be able to balance easily in them. Some research has pointed to long-lasting knee and other problems being caused by consistent use of high heels.

If you have somehow managed to buy a pair of shoes that are slightly tight, Olan may be able to stretch them for you to a perfect fit with his 'stretcher' machine, but it is not always possible to do this if you bought shoes that were far too tight initially.

A piece of advice Olan gives, to stop shoes

cracking, is to use polish on leather shoes, and cream on patent leather.

Olan stocks 'Dobbin', for walking boots . This is rubbed on with a brush and not only stops the boots cracking, but also makes them waterproof.

If people have much-loved well-worn comfortable shoes, he might be able to save them for you, by replacing leather, rubber or plastic soles. He could also replace Ladies' and Gent's heels. All these actions would extend the life of much-loved shoes and would also be a huge financial saving.

Olan sells such things as laces, and fleecy insoles which help to provide warmth and comfort.

Readers may not know that if a favourite handbag needs a new zip, strap or restretching, then Olan may well be able to help them out.

Olan fixes belts too. He is able to mend or replace a buckle and although it is easier to punch holes to make a belt longer or shorter, he has on occasions added a piece of leather to a man's belt to make it bigger. He can punch holes into a handbag strap to adjust the length for convenience and he can also help by adding a new zip or strap to a handbag or repair it with restitching. Fasteners can be added to open leather or cloth bags for security.

Olan finds yougsters will get heels etc fixed just before parties, and if you bring a pair of shoes to be reheelled or resoled, and if he is not too busy, you could pick them up after you had done your shopping.

He tells me that he has regular customers who have come to his shop regularly over the last few decades, and I am not surprised.

I noticed during my time with Olan, that he always took time to chat and advise his customers.

What a wonderful service he offers!

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Dob í Betsy Ní Shuibhne Uachtarán Dámh Scoil Mhúscraí ó 2015 go dtí gur cailleadh i Meán Fómhair 2019. Is í Gobnait Ní Chruadhlaioch atá ceaptha i gcomharbacht ar Bhetsy

Beidh Dámh Scoil Mhúscraí Uí Fhloinn á thionól arís ar an Aoine, Aibreán 22, in Ostán Ghobnatan ag 7.30in. Tá Gobnait Ní Chruadhlaioch ceaptha ina hUachtarán ar an Dámh Scoil mar chomharba ar Bhetsy Ní Shuibhne, ár gcára dhíl, a cailleadh i Meán Fómhair 2019, agus guimíd gach rath uirthí leis an gcúram. Seo thíos an Chuireadh is an Cheist. De réir traidisiúin, is ón Uachtarán a thagann An Chuireadh agus an Cléireach a chumann An Cheist. Tá sin iompaithé bun os cionn againn i mbliana. Beidh Dámhscoil arís againn i mí na Nollag, ag filleadh ar an am traidisiúnta.

An Cuireadh
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An Suibhneach, Ó Ceocháin is Gael úd na nGaelaibh.

Tá cuimhne agam ar oícheannta órdha
Bhíos agus sibh i mblath geal ar n-óige
Amhráin is lúbíní bhí greannmhar is ceolmhar
Le rithim is saibhreas is meadracht bhí tomhaiste.

Cad tá i ndán dár nDáimh Scoil tá crionna?
An dtiocfaidh glúin óg chun an ród romhainn a
shíneadh
Thairis an Chéad atá timpeall an chúinne

An mairfidh filíocht go beo inár ndúthaigh?

An Cheist
Le Gobnait Ní Chruadhlaioch
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Bliain na pandéime
Bliain trína chéile
Srianta is rialacha
A' bhfuil aon rud le ceiliúradh?

Suaimhneas is ciúnas mórthimpeall orainn
An spéir gheal ghlan gan scamall
Faoiseamh iontach dos na héiníní
Buairt uafásach ar O'Leary!
Curfá

Am sa bhreis ag formhór againn
Chun aithne a chur ar a chéile
lonsaí sa bhaile do thuilleadh againn
Greamaithé sa tig gan rogha
Curfá

An t-uaigneas níos measa do chuid againn
Le bás ár muinntir gan tórramh againn

Gan ach dlúth cháirde in aice linn
Sin mar a b'fhearr le roinnt againn.
Curfá

Buairt agus brú ar an óige
Gan chairdeas, gan rince, gan cheol acu
Iomad ama dá chaitheamh ar na meáin acu
Ag crochadh timpeall gan treo acu.
Curfá

Follúntas mhór dá lán againn
Gan obair, gan togra ná rogha againn
Spás don chruthaitheacht do roinnt againn
Chun bóthar's treo nua a roghnú againn
Curfá

Anois a ghlaoidh ar fhíll na dúithí
Mar onór 's ómós d'ár sinnsear
Dáimhscoil Mhúscraige a choimeád beo beathach
Leis an gCeist seo rómhaibh a fhreagairt.
Curfá

Na bóithre deas ciúin 'is sábhálta
Balaithe breá cumhra na bhfíailí ann
Daoine ag siúl, ag rith is ag rothaíocht leo
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Above: 'Just gone for a pint, back in a moment'!! Pic John Kelleher.

Right: The Paps in February snow (Pic. Michael Kelleher)





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Today, learning is viewed as an on-going process, an opportunity to participate in community events and an invitation to explore one's potential and creativity. The festival's motto is: Explore, Create, Celebrate. All workshops are FREE but **booking is essential**.

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Why not check out the following:

Flower Arranging for Easter (today, Thursday) or go **Forest Bathing in Guagán Barra** (tomorrow, Friday, similar to Mindfulness and encompassing an exploration of the senses and an appreciation of nature).

Nature and the Irish language have been very much to the fore this week and *this Saturday* we have **Scéalta ón nGaorthadh le Pádraig Ó Duinnín** - a walk through the beautiful landscape of the Gearagh plus *beagáinín Gaeilge*.

Love and All that Goes with It - the evocative title from Kerry poet and raconteur **Gabriel Fitzmaurice** is the prompt for a bi-lingual creative writing workshop *tomorrow afternoon Friday at 2pm, April 8*. This workshop is inspired by the *Caoineadh Airt Uí Laoghaire* mural recently executed at Cork ETB FE Centre, 69, New Street, by local artists Denis O'Reardon and Cormac Sheil.



Gabriel will also give a talk tomorrow evening (Friday, 8th at 7pm) on Eibhlín Dubh Ní Chonaill, her name, her life and the lament - *Caoineadh Airt Uí Laoghaire* - a poem that has captured the imagination of the Irish people for the last two centuries.

An Evening with Cónal Creedon kicks off the weekend (Friday, 8th at 7.30pm) to a flying start - a large dose of humour, pathos and irony, story telling and drama at its best - with none other than Cork's own inimitable storyteller and playwright. *Bígi linn!*



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Tá an t-Earrach faoi lán tseoil faoi láthair. Tá na héin ag déanamh nead, tá na caoire ag breith na n-uan is tá na laethanta ag dul i bhfad!

Bhios féin agus mo fhear chéile ag spaisteoireacht ar an nDomhach. Shiúlamar ó Ghort na Scairte go hInse Geimhleach. Thógamar an cóngar ó bhaile. Suas an Ráth go dtí Ré na nDoirí agus ar aghaidh linn síos tríd an Leac Mór agus Doire an Aonaigh, go dtí gur shroicheadar ceann scribe. Bhí an ghrian go h'árd is an spéir gan scamall, ach glan gorm ós ar gcionn. Bhí leoithe gaoithe bog ag séide a chabhraigh leis na héin eitilt mór thimpeall orainn.

Thugas fé ndearradh go bhfuil iliomad bláth buí an Earraigh faoi bhláth ag an am seo. An Chaisearbhan, Cam an Íme, Lus an Chromchinn agus anois na Samhairchíní gleoite ag gléasadh na clathacha. Ag siúl tríd an Leac Mór thugamar fé ndeara an leac nó an chloch mhór i bpáirc le n'ár n-ais. Gullán a tugtar ar cloch mar seo.



Bhí an spéir chomh glan go raibh radhairc dochreidte againn ar gach siabh is cnoc sa cheantar agus i bhfad uainn, lad ag bagairt a gcinn thar droim a chéile. Ach ní hiad na sléibhte amháin a bhí á dheanamh san ach na muilte gaoithe a bhuail linn go húadarsach maordha is sinn i ngiorracht do Dhoire an Aonaigh. Bhí cruth an fathaigh ar an ceann a ba chongraí don bhóthar, is é ag bagairt orainn brostú linn fé gchén na hInse Geimhleach. Bhí gliondar orainn nuair a fuairamar radharc ar Loch Allua síos uainn agus bhíomar i ngearracht scread asail ar bhuaich pointe an lae ... Óstán Uí Chríodáin ina bhfuairamar fáilte fal fathúil ón fhear féin, an tUasal Sosaimh ó Críodáin. Bhí saol na gcaorach againn an lá san.

Foclóir / Nathanna Cainte

- Spaisteoireacht sauntering/strolling
- Gort na Scairte hedge/bush (scoil scairte/hedge -school)
- An Cóngar The near way/short cut
- Inse Geimhleach (inchageela)
- Inse a grassy/wet bank
- Geimhleach Captured/fettered/restrained
- An Ráth a fort associated with an ancient Irish chieftan's residence or house - also associated with a lios or a fairy fort
- Ré na nDoirí (Reenaree) a stretch of land covered in Oak trees. Doire/oak-wood
- Doire an Aonaigh The oak wood /thicket of the Market
- An Leac Mór The big stone
- Leac is a flagstone or a gravestone. Another alternative word for such a stone standing upright is Gallán
- Leoithe Gaoithe a light breeze
- Ceann scribe destination
- iliomad a great variety
- An Chaisearbhan The Dandelion
- Cam an Íme The Buttercup
- Lus an Chromchinn Daffodil
- Samhairchíní Primroses
- Clathacha Ditches
- Gleoite Beautiful
- Údarásach Commanding/authoritative
- Bagairt Threatening
- Maordha Noble/Stately
- I ngiorracht scread asail (within an asses roar of) nearby
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People power in West Cork communities

For Caroline Corkery of Rusheen Community Group, meeting up with fellow volunteers every month to clean up the area isn't a chore.

"It's a good sense of community, while we're working, we're having a laugh. We've a lot done but a lot to do as well," she explains.

The group of up to 25 volunteers meet every month to roll up their sleeves, clean, weed, and make sure areas are well kept.

"It's a lot of cleaning, making the place nice. We built a beautiful stone wall and do general clean up and make the area look a bit better."

The group has been in existence for four years and Caroline says getting volunteers is not the problem, but additional resources have been holding back their work.

"We have a beautiful rural setting here and we have a load of volunteers that are always willing. Any time we send out a text we always get about 15 people, with shovels, wheelbarrows, brushes, everyone has pride in their own place."

The group were recently successful in applying for funding from the Clashavoon Dunmanway Community Benefit Fund, established by EirGrid, the operator and developer of the national electricity grid.

The €5,500 in funding will now be put towards new signage, landscaping and equipment to support the "Keep Rusheen Clean!" initiative.

"The Clashavoon Dunmanway funding will help big time. We're volunteers, we don't have a lot of resources to carry out the big projects but when something like this comes up, we have the volunteers to do all the work, but it [funding] will make an awful difference to the area," says Corkery. Another West Cork group to benefit from funding was the Macroom Senior Citizens' Housing Association's Meals-on-Wheels service.

Chairman of the voluntary organisation, Pat O'Connell explains just how important the service is to people in Macrom and the Lee Valley area.

"We deliver up to 60 meals a day, seven days a week. Especially during the Covid period the numbers went up drastically because people were cocooning."

The organisation received €20,000 towards buying an electric vehicle for the meals-on-wheels service and Pat says it has changed the service for the better.

"The funding we got from EirGrid to buy the van will have a huge impact because at the moment we have a van that is 20 years old so this new electric

van will be a big improvement for us and have a big impact on the sustainability of the service. We don't have to think about the cost of fuel now."

Meanwhile, Michael Murphy from Carrigadrohid Community Association understands the difficulties in securing community funding, having been involved in many organisations in the area for some time.

"Funds are always a stretch to get," he notes. Projects in the area also received funding from the Clashavoon Dunmanway Community Benefit Fund recently and plans are now in place to make good use of the injection of funding.

"The old school is used as a community hall and it's in need of repair, the floor and structural work needs to be done on it," Murphy explains.

There are big plans in Carrigadrohid, along with refurbishment works to the hall, there are plans for a community playground, and heritage investigations on a local monastic settlement to name just a few.

One thing is certain in these West Cork communities, there is no shortage of enthusiasm or dedication, and, when people come together and are supported great things can be accomplished.



Students and teachers, including Principal Gerard Coakley of Rusheen NS are pictured with Sinead Dooley and Avril Wilson of EirGrid. The school received €10,000 in funding towards the provision of iPads for pupils.



Aoife Shannon and Darragh Farmer of Rusheen NS pictured with Sinead Dooley, EirGrid Head of Public Engagement. The school received €10,000 in funding toward the provision of iPads for pupils from the Clashavoon Dunmanway Community Benefit Fund.

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National Tree Week with Ted Cook



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The Monkey Puzzle Tree in Ballyvongane NS which sadly will be cut down soon due to ill health.



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Munster trad talent at the heart of RnaG 50 year gala concert

Some of Munster's top trad music talent will be joining the RTÉ Concert Orchestra on stage on 2 April for a gala concert in Conamara to mark fifty years on air for RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta.

Iarla Ó Lionáird, Cór Chúil Aodha, Muireann Nic Amhlaoibh with Gerry O'Beirne, Cormac Begley and Páidí Mhárthain Mac Gearailt will be amongst the musicians taking part in this very special occasion, which will be presented by Kerry broadcaster Sláine Ní Chathalláin, together with colleagues from the station's Donegal and Conamara stations, Michelle Nic Grianna and Neansaí Ní Choisdealbha. The concert will be broadcast live on radio at 7 pm on Saturday 2 April, and also streamed live at rte.ie/gaeilge.

Courage, identity and pride of place are the primary themes for the commemorative concert, titled RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta 50, reflecting the station's origins within the civil rights movement, its history as a regional and national radio service, and its vital role in sustaining and promoting the Irish language and culture over the last fifty years, with artists from all across the Gaeltachtaí taking part.

RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta came on air for the first time on 2 April 1972 - Easter Sunday. The result of a long campaign by the Gaeltacht Civil Rights Movement, who asserted the right of the Gaeltacht and greater Irish-language community to a daily radio service in their own language, the station has acted as a vital bridge between the Gaeltacht communities. Since then, RnaG has played a vital role as a platform for the Irish-language and all aspects of the culture, including traditional music, sean-nós singing, Gaelic games, literature, oral arts, and contemporary Irish-language songwriting, as well as providing a daily regional, national and international news service in Irish.

Gearóid Mac Donncha, Ceannaire, RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta, says: "At its heart, this concert will demonstrate the vibrancy, courage, pride, confidence, and rich heritage of the Gaeltacht and Irish-language community. It will be a celebration of that community, those who campaigned with the Gaeltacht Civil Rights Movement, those who founded the radio service in the early 1970s and



past and current staff, our loyal listeners, everyone involved in Gaeltacht life and the Irish language community, and the young people growing up today who will keep the flame alive into the future."

"This concert will be a very special event, broadcast live from the heart of the Gaeltacht, with local, national and international artists, young musicians, dancers and singers having the unique opportunity of playing on stage with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra. It is a privilege for RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta to have gathered such esteemed musicians together in the Gaeltacht to mark the station's 50th anniversary."

The full list of artists performing on stage with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra in the RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta 50 concert will include Altan, Cór Chúil Aodha, Iarla Ó Lionáird & Steve Cooney, Johnny Óg Connolly, Colm Mac Con Iomaire, The High Seas, Cormac Ó Beaglaoich, Muireann Nic Amhlaoibh, Dónal O'Connor, Gerry O'Beirne and Seán Monaghan.

RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta has had a central role in the revival of sean-nós singing, and the concert will include performances from Ciarán Ó Gealbháin, Máire Ní Choilm, Micheál Ó Confhaola, Caitlín Ní

Chualáin, Páidí Mhárthain Mac Gearailt, Doimnic Mac Giolla Bhríde, Étáin & Máire Ní Churraoin and Scottish singer Griogair Labhruidh who will represent the connection with the other Celtic nations.

There will also be performances from Connemara country singers Beartla Ó Domhnaill, Máirtín Beag Ó Gríofa and Anna Marie Nic Dhonncha. The next generation will be represented by youth musical groups Ceoltóirí Óga Chois Fharráige from Conamara, Co. Galway, and An Crann Óg from Gaoth Dobhair in Donegal, and there will be sean-nós

David Brophy will conduct the orchestra, and musical arrangement will be by Cormac McCarthy. The concert will be produced by Aniar TV, and has been funded by the Broadcasting Authority of Ireland. Highlights from the concert will be featured in a TV programme to be broadcast on RTÉ One on 23 April.

RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta 50 will be broadcast live on RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta at 7 pm on Saturday 2 April, and a visual stream will also be available at rte.ie/gaeilge.

Coordination of Local Supports Across Cork County in Response to Ukraine Crisis

As part of the national response to the Ukrainian crisis, Cork County Council's Community Support Programme is coordinating a community-led response to provide assistance and support to Ukrainian refugees as they are accommodated around Cork County.

The Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr Gillian Coughlan highlighted how,

"The main aim of the Community Support Programme is to bring together all relevant public, private and community and voluntary stakeholders acting locally in order to ensure that Ukrainians arriving into our communities can access the relevant services and supports that they

need, including local health, education, social and other integration needs"

In coordinating this community-led response Cork County Council has established 19 local Community Support Hubs that will provide practical on the ground assistance throughout the county.

The Council has also set up a dedicated email address communityforum@corkcoco.ie and contact number 021 4386637 (Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm) for members of the public who may have any queries. Queries that cannot be addressed by the Community Support Programme will be referred to the appropriate agency for

follow up.

Accommodation requirements for Ukrainian Refugees are provided by the International Protection Accommodation Service who can be contacted by email at ipasinbox@equality.gov.ie.

Cork County Council continues to seek assistance from members of the public to identify potentially available multi-occupancy facilities and properties that may be brought back into use easily and quickly. This might include community halls, sports or leisure facilities or other former accommodation facilities in private or public ownership. Suitable properties can be identified by submitting details at www.corkcoco.ie

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Tree Week 2022 - Kilbarry NS senior pupils with local expert, Ted Cook.



Children from Tirelton NS who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in Toames church pictured with Fr. Pat O'Donovan, Parish Priest' and Tomás Healy, Principal



Jim Burke, left, Ambulance driver with BUMBLEance; Cathal Deasy and Gabrielle Hogan (centre), UCC Medical Society, Dr Rory O'Brien, CUH Paediatric Emergency Medicine and Jean Marsh, Clinical Nurse Manager, CUH, ahead of the collection day for CUH Children's Emergency Department and the Children's Ambulance Service BUMBLEance, taking place on April 9. Picture: Brian Loughheed.



Debra Ireland Mike Ross



Pupils from the Senior room in Muinefliuch N.S. during a 'Fossils' workshop by UCC college recently



Pupils from the junior classroom in Kilbarry NS receiving a beautiful bird nesting box, made by Macroom Men's Shed, from Declan Sheehan of Macroom Lions Club.



Pupils from Ballyvongane NS who recently celebrated their Confirmation with V. Rev. Canon Donal Roberts in Bealnamorrive Church.



The O'Regan Family, Bealnamorrive, receiving their Aghinagh GAA jackpot cheque of €1,900 from Aghinagh GAA Lotto Committee: Don McCarthy, Ted Curtin and Patrick Twomey.

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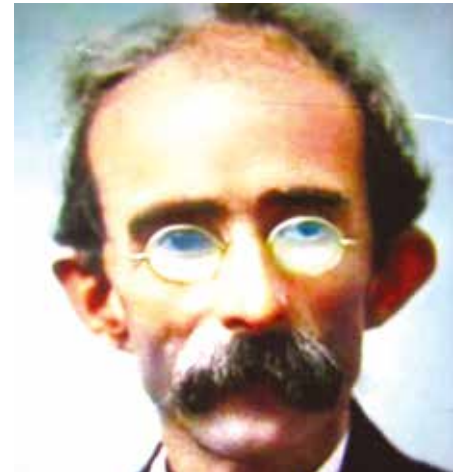
Remembering Tom Clarke as we are coming up to the anniversary of the 1916 Easter Rising. He was a great man of Irish freedom

Tom Clarke was someone that was looked up to by all the 1916 leaders and he was the first to sign his name on the proclamation (Poblacht Na hEireann). He was also the first to enter the GPO on Easter Monday 1916 to take over the building. It could be said that only for Tom Clarke the Easter Rising of 1916 may never have happened. Tom had a big input into the drawing up of the proclamation. Tom Barry the leader of the Kilmichael Ambush once said of Tom Clarke "He was a man of steel"

Tom Clarke had a tobacco shop on the corner of Parnell Street, Dublin. His wives name was Kathleen

and after Tom's death she was a founder member of Cumann Na mBan. She became a TD and later a Senator. She then became the first female Lord Mayor of Dublin (1939-1941)

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Without a second thought, David volunteered to fight the giant! Everyone laughed at him - his brothers were embarrassed by him. King Saul, who had long since lost the anointing of God's Spirit because of disobedience (1 Samuel 15:22-26), decided to allow David to go out and fight Goliath. But David refused to wear Saul's armour. Instead he ran to meet the giant with only his slingshot and five stones he picked up from a nearby stream. He knew that God had anointed him and was with him, and he was motivated to defend the honour of the Lord of Heaven and Earth from the taunts of His enemies (1 Samuel 17:31-44). Goliath cursed David and mocked him as he came towards the giant, but David shouted back"you come to me with sword and spear but I come to you in the name of the Lord of Heaven's Armies - the God of the armies of Israel, Whom you have defied. Today the Lord will conquer you, and I will kill you and cut off your head. And then I will give the dead bodies of your men to the birds and wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel! And everyone assembled here will know that the Lord rescues His people, but not with sword and spear. This is the Lord's battle, and He will give you to us!" (1 Samuel 17:45-47 NLT)

As the giant came close it must have been frightening, but David carried something inside that Goliath knew nothing about. He had experienced the goodness of God while shepherding his father's sheep. God had delivered David from danger many times, and His Spirit ministered to David so that he knew God as his Friend and Protector (Psalm 23). The giant may have been bigger and better armed, but that was merely human strength which is no match for the Power of Almighty God (Psalm 18; Psalm 27; Psalm 28). David pulled one stone from his pocket and slung it at the giants head. It hit him right between the eyes with such force that it knocked him down and out. David took the giants own sword and killed him. We pray that the people of Ukraine will call upon the Lord Jesus who rescues from the lion and the bear and prevail over their enemy, in Yeshua's name, amen (Psalm 91:15-16).

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in Cuil Aodha, Co Cork, and also at local facilities at Colaiste Ghobnatan in Ballyvourney.

This year see's the return of our U10's, U12's, U14's and U16's . However, our most exciting news is the introduction of our first-ever underage girls team, who will be represented at the U12 level. We wish Lorraine and all the girl's the very best of luck and continued success from all the club. Buióchas lenár gcóitseálaithe, imreoirí agus oibríthe deonacha go léir as a dtacaíocht leanúnach. If you would like any more information, please check out our webpage www.sullanefc.ie"



MACROOM HANDBALL & RACQUETBALL CLUB

On Saturday the 9th of April, the Macroom Handball & Racquetball Club are hosting an Open Day.

Everyone is welcome to call to the Macroom Community Leisure Centre between 11am and 2pm.

These sports are suitable for all ages and abilities. We encourage those you have previous playing experience to consider re-joining and also those who have played tennis, squash or badminton in

the past to come down and see the court.

Registration & Membership can be discussed on the day.

Opening Hours

Monday to Friday - 9am to 9pm

Saturday - 9am to 3pm

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28th March 2022

Congratulations to our U15 girls who took part in the Muskerry B Feile Tournament on Saturday in Ballincollig. On a beautiful sunny day in perfect pitch conditions , we played Grenagh and Ballincollig in 2 very sporting games , we won these games so went on to play Blarney in the cup final. The girls all played fantastic and with great teamwork and great scores we won the final . Congratulations to all the girls in Laochra Óg , and also to Greangh , Ballincollig and Blarney for 3 great games. Thanks to the referees , to Shelley and Linda for co_ordinating and to Muskerry Camogie for organising the event . Thanks to Ballincollig for hosting and as always big thanks to our team sponsor Healy's Spar Clondrohid. Best of luck to all the clubs in the camogie season ahead.

31st March 2022

Camogie Training for girls born 2011/12/13. Teerbeg this evening from 630pm to 730pm. Hurls and helmets can be borrowed for new players. Great chance to get started. U15 Camogie Captain Ellen with the Muskerry Feile Cup was in attendance with her team mates.

This evening members of our U15 Muskerry Camogie Feile winning side visited the Girls and Boys at training in Teerbeg. Team Captain Ellen brought the Muskerry Cup accompanied by Ava, Aisling, Lily and Ellie Jane with their medals. Well done everyone.

1st April 2022

Second game of the league for our U13 girls saw them play away to Inniscarra this evening . This was a very tight game with our girls in the lead at

half time which they held onto for the remainder of the game showing great skill , determination and most of all teamwork. Thanks to Inniscarra for hosting the match at their superb facilities, to our team sponsors James Hickey & Family and to our parents for travelling and support.

Today was Laochra Ogs first ever Minor Camogie match. A long journey away to Saint Fanahans outside Mitchelstown. Just one girl on the age our team is very young for a minor side. Saint Fanahans played great and linked up well. We defended as best we could but it was a matter of time before St. Fanahans got going. St. Fanahans were too strong for us on the day and won well. The Laochra Og girls battled away till the end and never gave in. Next up is Aghabullogue next Sunday 10th at Colaiste Ghobnatan.

LAOCHRA OG: Congrats to Laochra Og's U 15 on winning the Feile recently.

Congrats to all who turned out last Sunday to support this tractor Run in aid of Pitch development. Great crowd, well supported. Thanks to Ml. & Nora McCarthy for use of facilities, and to M&J Kelleher for sponsoring vouchers, won by Christy Ring and Jerome Healy both of Carriganima.

Laochra Óg U17 hurlers played against Western Gaels at Kilmichael GAA grounds.

Going in at half time it was a close game, there was very little between the teams.

Laochra Óg came out very strong in the second half but Western Gaels got to grips with the game and pulled away in the last fifteen minutes.

Good performance by the lads but loads to work on at training. Early days....

Thanks to our sponsors Deasys Pharmacy Group Cork.

Our **U9 boys** took to the field this morning for the first of their go games campaign. They showed great team work and determination with strong hurling skills on display. Thanks to Lee Gaels for traveling & giving us two great games.

Thank you to our sponsors Follain, Michael & Nora McCarthy for the use of Teerbeg & to our young refs James and Roisin <pastedGraphic.png>

Most of all thank you to our boys for being so fun and passionate, such a great team

Laochra Óg U13 boys had a hurling match Saturday against Tracton at Colaiste Ghobnatan. It was a good competitive game with lads working there socks off and they did well to score 3-3 with so many of our strong players missing, and having to make up numbers with younger lads who played till halftime and had to go. They played against a very good Tracton team who won well in the end with a final score of 3-3 to 5-14. Well done to all the lads who played very well , it will stand to them as most will be U13 again next year. We had some savage performances from some players to keep the scoreline respectable and well done to the younger players who stepped up on the day. Last but not least , thanks to our sponsors Mid Cork Pallets.

Laochra Óg U15 boys played their first home league match on Wednesday evening in Colaiste Gobnaitan Ballyvourney against St.James . Going in at half time it was a very close game but St.James came out in the second half and got some quick



scores and held onto the lead. Thanks to Colaiste Gobnaitan for the use of the pitch and to M & J Kelleher Ltd - MJK Oils for their sponsorship and support. This U15 team will represent our club at Féile 2022 on 16th April. Super day today at the Laochra Og Tractor Run.

Great turnout, great sunshine. Thanks to everyone who supported today's event. Thanks to anyone who took part in the organization and making the day run smoothly. Thank you to Michael and Nora McCarthy for the use of the facilities at Glenview Motors DOE Centre and for their continued

support for our club. Thank you to M & J Kellehers for sponsoring two vouchers which were won by Christy Ring Carriganimma and Jerome McCarthy Carriganimma.

MSL Beamish Stout Senior Div 3 League, Youghal Utd 1 Macroom 2.

The Senior side, sponsored by Murray's Bar, were away to Youghal at a chilly Ardrath Park on Friday night last and emerged with an excellent win. Macroom started well, in the opening minutes Tommy Condon burst through the home defence and was unlucky to see his left footed effort come back off the upright. On the half hour a patient build up, out from the back, led to an attack down the left flank. Mikey Dineen delivered a cross and Mateusz Juszczak was unlucky to see his volley go just wide. Shortly after, Barry O'Donnell's long range effort forced a fine save from the Youghal keeper. The visitors got the goal they deserved on the stroke of half time. Another attack down the left, Dineen again finding Juszczak with a low cross. Juszczak squared to Lloyd Asling who calmly slotted the ball to the net. Macroom led 1-0 at the break.

Youghal came out with much higher intensity in the second half and Macroom were now under pressure. On 55 minutes, the homesters were denied an equaliser when keeper Caleb Dineen pulled off a point blank save. However, Youghal kept pressing and eventually regained parity. On this occasion, Dineen pulled off another great save but unfortunately a Youghal player was able to capitalise on the rebound. The Macroom winner came on 75 minutes, two excellent substitutes, Jack Martin and Jack Kelleher, combined in midfield and Kelleher sent Michael Fitton through on goal. Fitton delivered a fine finish, low to the bottom corner, giving the keeper no chance. Late on Youghal cleared off the line and Kelleher had a close range volley but fired straight at the keeper, but 2-1 was enough for Macroom to secure a valuable 3 points.

U13 Div 3 League, Macroom 3 Kinsale 0.

Macroom U13 schoolboys further enhanced their title credentials with a solid home win over a good and determined visiting side. The hosts led

MACROOM SOCCER:

1-0 at the break and continued in the ascendancy throughout the second period. This was a very satisfying squad performance with goals coming from Michael Dunne, Ultan O' Tuama and Eoin Holland. Macroom remain on top of the division with 5 league games remaining. The U13A team welcomed Avondale Utd to Murrayfield and played out an entertaining 2-2 league draw.

U19 Girls Cup Semi Final, Carrigaline 4 Macroom 1.

Macroom U19 girls travelled to take on Premier champions Carrigaline in the semi finals of the Cup on a sun soaked Sunday evening. The visitors gave a great account of themselves and were rather unfortunate to lose out on a 4-1 scoreline. In fairness to the hosts, they are a superb team who were ruthless in punishing any slight errors. Macroom's gutsy performance was typified by the excellent performance of Emma Cahill, while the deserving Macroom goal was scored by Ciara Creedon. The availability of a large squad of players was great to see. Another huge game awaits Macroom U19s in the Munster Cup on Apr 16/17, they will play away to Birdhill or Riverstown. The U17 girls are also in Munster Cup action this coming weekend, they are taking on Bohemians from Waterford in round 2. At the time of writing, this fixture is yet to be confirmed. Further information will be posted on the club Facebook and Instagram-@macroomfc pages.

The U9 schoolgirls visited Carrigtwohill for a CWSSL blitz, doing brilliantly in 4 small sided games.

U18 League 1, Macroom 3 St John Boscoss 3

Macroom Youths played their third last game of the season at home in a sunny Town Park against a strong St John Boscoss side, the tie ending in an entertaining draw. The visiting Middleton based outfit took an early lead. Following this setback, Macroom settled well, and were unlucky not to equalise before half-time but it remained 1-0 to the visitors at the break. A number of positional

changes saw Macroom get off to a great restart. Sean Murphy raced on to a Nader Alloush through ball and chipped the onrushing keeper to make it 1-1. A few minutes later Stiofan McSweeney struck from a tight angle to put Macroom ahead. The hosts were playing well now and could have scored again when a great Colm McSweeney shot was saved superbly by the Boscoss keeper. This resulted in a cruel blow as Boscoss went straight down the other end and equalised. Macroom never dropped their heads and got themselves back in front when great pressure from the excellent Stiofan McSweeney saw him dispossess the Boscoss goalkeeper. He squared the ball for Sean Murphy to tap home a third Macroom goal to an empty net. Unfortunately with a few minutes remaining the visitors were awarded a penalty after Macroom failed to clear the ball from their penalty area. The resultant spot kick was scored to level matters once more. Again, Macroom pushed for the winner and were very unlucky at the death when some great footwork from Murphy saw a fine shot fly over the crossbar. An entertaining game finished 3-3. It was a tremendous performance by all the players involved. They never gave and fought right to the end which is encouraging to see. Well done all.

Midweek fixtures

Fixtures throughout the week are now coming thick and fast. The summer time change has allowed this and games will typically kick off at 6.30pm or 6.45pm. We would encourage locals to get out in the evening and take in a game at either Murrayfield or the Town Park. As well as this, the standard weekend games will continue so it is a really busy time of the season. Fixtures and other club news will be posted regularly on our Instagram page @macroomfc and also through the Macroom FC Facebook page. We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming game.

2022 Macroom Motors Mid Cork U21 Football Championships

Macroom Motors Mid Cork U21 A Football Championship Final

Ballincollig 2-5 Éire Óg 0-8

Ballincollig are the Macroom Motors Mid Cork U21 A football champions for the first time since 2016 after they deposed the champions Éire Óg in a hard fought final under lights at Cloughdub. Éire Óg were bidding to make it four-in-a-row and fought all the way to retain their crown but on the night Ballincollig were slightly the better side and their ability to get through for goals proved decisive. Their first goal was crucial as it came just before half time when Éire Óg had gone into a three point lead after a very productive second

quarter and it put Ballincollig in a strong position as they would have the benefit of the wind in the second half. The second goal early in the second half, from Harry Ahearne, gave Ballincollig the lead they never subsequently lost even though ten minutes from time only a point separated the teams and there was always the possibility that an Éire Óg goal could alter the result.

Scores were scare in the opening quarter as defences were sharp on both sides. Darragh Dorgan open the scoring with a Ballincollig point from a free after seven minutes and Éire Óg goalkeeper Jack Forde did really well to deny Dylan Ebili of a goal soon after. There were no further

scores until the quarter hour mark when Éire Óg drew level from a Brian Thompson point and in quick succession the champions went in front with points from Jack Sheehan and Sam O'Driscoll. Darragh Dorgan got a badly needed score for Ballincollig but Éire Óg were much improved now in attack and Sam O'Driscoll kicked a point in the 21st minute and Jack Sheehan soon added another to open up a three point gap, 0-5 to 0-2. It was a reasonable lead heading for the interval but in the final minute of the half Ballincollig struck for a vital goal. Fifty metres from the goal, Harry Ahearne dispossessed an Éire Óg defender and Conor O'Leary grabbed possession and released



Evan Cooke who blasted to the Éire Óg net to level the scores. Even though Éire Óg regained the lead with a Darragh Coakley point to be 0-6 to 1-2 in front at the break, the advantage now lay with Ballincollig who would have the wind behind them in the second half.

Éire Óg goalkeeper Jack Forde made another fine save on the resumption but could not prevent a 35th minute goal from Harry Ahearne after Seán Dore and Evan Cooke had created the opening. Any expectation that the winners would now surge ahead were quickly dampened as Colm Quigley fired over a point for Éire Óg within minutes and the Ovens men wasted chances of an equaliser as the game became very competitive. There were no further scores until the 49th minute when Brian Moore sent over a fine point for Ballincollig shortly

after Éire Óg had a defender black carded. Within minutes again Éire Óg replied, Sam O'Driscoll pointing a free, to leave only a single point still between the teams.

The two teams were really giving their all, the next score would be critical and when it came it was a superb point for Ballincollig from Darragh Dorgan in the 58th minute. Éire Óg now lost a man to a second yellow card and Stephen Wills converted the free to further ease the situation for Ballincollig. Scorers: Ballincollig: E Cooke and H Ahearne 1-0 each, D Dorgan 0-3 (0-2f), B Moore and S Wills (f) 0-1 each. Éire Óg: S O'Driscoll 0-3 (0-2f), J Sheehan 0-2, B Thompson, D Coakley and C Quigley 0-1 each.

Ballincollig: Chris Walsh: Ryan O'Neill, Shane Buckley, Dillon Horgan: Sean O'Donoghue,

Jason O'Connor, Harry Ahearne: Sean Dore, Mark Oldham: Mark O'Keefe, Evan Cooke, Conor O'Leary: Darragh Dorgan, Dylan Ebili, Stephen Wills. Subs: Callum Sheehan for M O'Keefe ht, Brian Moore for D Ebili 45.

Éire Óg: Jack Forde: Conor Eagles, Kevin Cooper, Adam McCarthy: Brian Thompson, Conor McGoldrick, Darragh Coakley: Joe Cooper, Mark Kelleher: Oisín O'Shea, Sam O'Driscoll, David Casey: Keelan McCarthy, Graham Moynihan, Jack Sheehan. Subs: Colm Quigley for K McCarthy ht, Seamus Lordan for C McGoldrick 42, Joe Kelleher for K Cooper 53.

Referee: Mr John Ryan, Macroom.

U 21 B championship

Champions: Canovee (Naomh Abán)

U21 C championship

Quarter Final:

Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 1-4 Donoughmore 4-6

Semi Finals:

Macroom 4-19 Cill na Martra 1-4

Kilmurry 3-13 Donoughmore 1-10

Final:

Kilmurry 1-11 Macroom 1-6

Macroom 4-19 Cill na Martra 1-4

In glorious conditions at the Castle Grounds, Macroom hosted neighbours Cill na Martra and on an afternoon when Macroom played exceptionally well and their opponents left their previous good form way behind them, the outcome was predictable long before the finish.

Macroom led by 0-5 after seven minutes and when Dylan Twomey ran on to a long ball in from Cillian O'Donovan in the 12th minute and made no mistake from close range the home side were buoyant. Antóin Ó Loinsigh had an opening point for Cill na Martra but Macroom were in confident mood and Mark Hunt's goal in the 21st minute made it 2-7 and Hunt had another goal soon after to help Macroom to a 3-10 to 0-2 interval lead. With Cillian O'Donovan and Jack Sexton in top form at midfield in front of a defence well marshalled by Jack O'Riordan, the Macroom attack got a plentiful supply of good ball and made good use of it.

There was no likelihood of a change in fortunes subsequently as Macroom remained in control. Cill na Martra did get a reward for their efforts with a goal from Donagh Twomey late in the game.

Macroom: Liam Holland: Sam Kelleher, James Galvin: Robert Lucey, Jack O'Riordan, Darragh Kiernan: Cillian O'Donovan, Jack Sexton: Bradley O'Shea, Kieran Doody, Shane Meaney: Mark Hunt, Dylan Twomey. Subs: Gerry Kelleher, Martin de Sousa, Daniel Akapovi, Ronan Morey, Darragh Neville.

Cill na Martra: Timmy Ó Conaill: Cormac Ó Cróinín, Luke Ó Leighin: Andí Ó Buachalla, Aaron Ó hUidhir, Donagh Ó Buachalla: Antóin Ó Loinsigh, Micheál Ó Cathasaigh: Aodhagán Ó Riordáin, Jack Ó hEaluithe, Donagh Ó Tuama: Daibhí Ó Céilleachai, Jason Mac Cárthaigh. Sub: Darren Ó Tuama, Referee: Mr Hugh Kelleher, Canovee

Kilmurry 3-13 Donoughmore 1-10

On a windy afternoon in Donoughmore, Kilmurry started the first half against the wind with well taken points by Joe Mullane, Joe McGinn and Laurence Aisling and Kilmurry led by 0-6 to 0-2 mid way through the first half. Jack Devine then scored two well worked goals in a good passage of play and Joe Mullane added a point, giving Kilmurry a 2-7 to 0-4 lead but in the final minute of the half Donoughmore scored a well taken goal to leave the score Kilmurry 2-7 Donoughmore 1-4 at the break. Joe Mullane and Joe McGinn added points, and Alan Desmond scored a goal and a point leaving the end result at Kilmurry 3-13 Donoughmore 1-10.

Kilmurry scorers: Jack Devine 2-0, Joe O'Mullane 0-5, Joe McGinn 0-4. Alan Desmond 1-1, Laurence Aisling 0-3

Kilmurry: Denis Dullea: Gearóid O'Mahony, Éoin Keane: Darragh Linehan, Conor Kelleher, Jack Devine: Rory Duggan, Laurence Aisling: Aaron O'Mahony, Patrick Barry, Alex Aisling: Joe O'Mullane, Joe McGinn.

Donoughmore: Stephen McSweeney; Frankie Honohan, Adam Geaney; Josh Crowley, Donnchadh Morrissey, Roghan O Connell; Jack Honohan, Mark Lucey; Eddie Murphy, Gavin O Sullivan, Michael Guiry; Adam Dinan, Billy O Sullivan.

Referee: Mr Robert Whelan, Dripsey/Gleann na Laoi

U21 C FC Final

Kilmurry 1-11 Macroom 1-6

Kilmurry took the Macroom Motors Mid Cork U21 C football championship crown for 2022 with a very exciting win over Macroom in a fine final at Rusheen. Kilmurry were deserving winners. They looked to be in trouble at half time as Macroom led by 1-4 to 0-4 and had probably been the better team up until then. A tremendous second half performance by Kilmurry however turned their fortunes round, they drew level in the 46th minute at 0-9 to 1-6, went in front a minute later and as the Macroom challenge faded the winners drove on in spirited fashion to fashion a memorable victory.

Conditions at Rusheen were excellent and both teams were well supported. Laurence Aisling opened the scoring for Kilmurry, Shane Meaney pointed a Macroom free to level matters, Jack Devine and Alex Aisling had points to give Kilmurry a 0-3 to 0-1 lead after 8 minutes. Points from Shane Meaney frees had Macroom level within minutes and they went in front in the 16th minute but Joe McGinn pointed a Kilmurry free to level the scores a minute later. Kilmurry lost a man to a black card and Macroom's outstanding performer Cillian O'Donovan broke the deadlock with a well worked goal just before the half time whistle to leave his side leading by 1-4 to 0-4 at the break.

Mark Hunt pointed a free to increase the Macroom lead on the restart, Joe McGinn replied for Kilmurry and when in the 43rd



Kilmurry footballers Mid Cork U21 C Champions



minute Meaney scored from play, Laurence Aisling quickly negated for Kilmurry to keep the goal between the sides. Joe McGinn and Aaron O'Mahony had further points for Kilmurry, 1-6 to 0-8 at the three quarter mark.

In the final quarter Macroom failed to add to their tally as Kilmurry, scenting victory, continued to raise their game. Denis Dullea's point in the 46th minute brought Kilmurry level, Michael Fitton put them in front and a super goal from centre back Conor Kelleher in the 55th minute was a killer blow to Macroom hopes. Denis Dullea added a point, Macroom had a goal disallowed for a marginal square infringement call against Mark Hunt and Kilmurry remained in control.

Scorers: Kilmurry: C Kelleher 1-0, J McGinn 0-3 (f), L Aisling and D Dullea 0-2 each, A Aisling, J Devine, M Fitton and A O'Mahony 0-1 each. Macroom: C O'Donovan 1-0, S Meaney 0-5 (0-4f), M Hunt 0-1 (f).

Kilmurry: Stephen O'Donoghue: Eoin Keane, Gearóid O'Mahony: Darragh Linehan (Capt.), Conor Kelleher, Aaron O'Mahony: Laurence Aisling, Rory Duggan: Alex Aisling, Patrick Barry, Jack Devine: Alan Desmond, Joe McGinn. Subs: Denis Dullea and Michael Fitton, both h/t, Macroom: Liam Holland: Darragh Kiernan, James Galvin: Sam Kelleher, Jack O'Riordan, Robert Lucey: Cillian O'Donovan, Jack Sexton: Kieran Doody, Shane Meaney, Bradley O'Shea: Dylan Twomey, Mark Hunt. Sub: Gerry Kelleher Referee: Mr Peter Cotter, Dripsey.



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Kilmichael JFC 2012

Cork Credit Unions County Football Leagues 2022

Division One Group 1A

League Points/Placings: Ballincollig 6, Kiskeam 5, St Finbarrs 4, Castlehaven 4, Éire Óg 3, Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 2, Fermoy 2, Newcestown 2, Mallow 0, St Michaels 0.

Results:

Éire Óg 0-13 St Finbarrs 3-5: Ballincollig 1-9 Kiskeam 1-12 Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 1-10: Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 0-4 Éire Óg 0-18, St Finbarrs 2-12 St Michaels 0-11, Newcestown 1-9 Ballincollig 1-16, Ballincollig 2-11 Fermoy 0-5: St Michaels 1-15 Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 4-9, Kiskeam 2-10 Éire Óg 1-13, Castlehaven 1-21 St Finbarrs 3-9, Mallow 0-13 Newcestown 3-9, Ballincollig 2-11 Fermoy 0-5

Group 1B:

Cill na Martra 6, Nemo Rangers 6, Valley Rovers 4, Carrigaline 3, O'Donovan Rossa 2, Douglas 3, Clyda Rovers 2, Carbery Rangers 2, Ilen Rovers 2 Clonakilty 0.

Results:

Ilen Rovers 0-8 Clyda Rovers 0-9: Cill na Martra 0-12 O'Donovan Rossa 0-10: Nemo R 0-10 Clonakilty 0-3: Carbery Rangers 0-9 Carrigaline 1-6, Douglas 0-7 Valley Rovers 1-8.: Carrigaline 0-7 Nemo 2-11, Cill na Martra 3-14



Macroom U21 footballers who were defeated by Kilmurry



Aghinagh



Ilen Rovers 0-10, Clyda 1-6 Douglas 2-10, Valley Rovers 2-13 Carbery Rangers 0-15, Clonakilty 0-11 O'Donovan Rossa 0-13, Carrigaline 2-11 O D Rossa 0-15, Clyda 0-8 Cill na Martra 2-7, Carrigaline 0-7 Nemo Rangers 1-11, Clyda R 0-8 Cill na Martra 2-7, Douglas 2-13 Carbery Rangers 2-13, Nemo Rangers 1-13 Valley Rovers 1-9, Ilen Rovers 0-15 Clonakilty 0-10.

Division Two

Group 2A:

Nemo Rangers 6, St Vincents 4, Glanworth 4, Dohenys 3, Bandon 3, Newmarket 2, Rockchapel 2, Macroom 2, Bantry 2, Ballydesmond 0
Results:
Macroom 0-17 Rockchapel 1-7: Nemo Rangers 1-9 St Vincents 1-8: Bandon 0-9 Dohenys 0-9: Bantry 6-14 Glanworth 1-8: Newmarket 3-12 Ballydesmond 0-8
St Vincents 3-7 Macroom 0-12, Glanworth 0-5 Bandon 0-4, Ballydesmond 1-8 Nemo Rangers

3-7, Rockchapel 5-8 Bantry Blues 2-14, Dohenys 1-12 Newmarket 1-10.
Bandon 1-10 Rockchapel 1-9: Nemo R 1-12 Dohenys 0-14: Newmarket 1-11 Glanworth 1-12, St Vincents 0-12 Ballydesmond 0-11, Bandon 1-10 Rockchapel 1-9

Group 2B:

Kanturk 6, Knocknagree 6, Aghabullogue 4, Mitchelstown 4, Naomh Aban 3, Aghada 3, Castletownbere 2, Bishopstown 0, Na Piarasaigh 2, Dromtariffe 0
Results:
Kanturk 4-13 Naomh Aban 2-9: Aghabullogue 4-13 Dromtariffe 2-12: Aghada 3-16 Na Piarasaigh 0-10: Mitchelstown 3-8 Castletownbere 0-9: Knocknagree 0-16 Bishopstown 0-8
Na Piarasaigh 1-9 Knocknagree 0-13, Castletownbere 1-12 Aghada 2-6, Dromtariffe 0-5 Kanturk 1-14, Naomh Abán 3-9 Mitchelstown 0-17, Bishopstown 2-10 Aghabullogue 3-13,

Kanturk 2-10 Bishopstown 0-10, Knocknagree 1-14 Aghabullogue 2-10, Aghada 1-14 Naomh Aban 2-11, Na Piarasaigh 1-12 Castletownbere 1-10, Mitchelstown 2-17 Dromtariffe 0-11

Division 3

Group 3A: Adrigole 4, Kilshannig 2, Glanmire 2, Kinsale 2, Iveleary 0, Kildorrery 0, Gabriel Rangers 0.
Results: Glanmire 0-15 Kildorrery 0-11, Kildorrery 0-5 Adrigole 0-8, Kilshannig 4-13 Gabriel Rangers 0-10, Adrigole 1-15 Iveleary 1-10, Gabriel R 1-10 Kinsale 0-14

Group 3B:

Glenville 4, Boherbue 2, St Finbarrs 2, Millstreet 2, Mayfield 0, St Nicks 0, Ballinora 0.
Results: Boherbue 2-20 Mayfield 0-5, St Finbarrs 2-14 Ballinora 3-7, Glenville 0-17 St Nicks 0-7, Millstreet 2-14 St Nicks 0-7, Ballinora 0-7 Glenville 0-9,



Darragh Linehan Captain, Kilmurry U21 receives championship trophy from Patsy Lynch, Macroom Motor Services Sponsor. Also included Eddy Warren, Leas Cathoirleach and Enda Linehan, Runai Bord Mhuscraí



Referee Peter Cotter and officials at the Muskerry U21CFC Final at Rusheen

Allianz National Hurling League

Division One A – 6 teams – Cork, Clare, Limerick, Galway, Offaly, and Wexford.

February 5: Cork 2-30 Clare 2-21

February 13: Offaly 1-15 Cork 4-25

February 27: Limerick 1-13 Cork 2-19

March 5: Cork 1-26 Galway 0-23

March 20: Wexford 1-22 Cork 1-17

March 26: Allianz Hurling League Division 1 semi-finals: Kilkenny 2-20 Cork 1-27

April 2: Allianz Hurling League Division 1 final. Cork Waterford

Munster Hurling Championship: The group stage system starts on April 17th with each county having two home and two away fixtures, with the top teams then moving into the Munster final, the third-placed side going into the qualifiers.

April 17: Munster round robin: Cork v Limerick, Páirc Uí Chaoimh.

May 1: Munster round robin: Cork v Clare at Thurles.

May 15: Munster round robin: Waterford v Cork, Walsh Park.

May 22: Munster round robin: Tipperary v Cork, Semple Stadium, Thurles .

June 5: Munster final; third-placed team in the province goes into the qualifiers.

Allianz Hurling League Division 1 Group A

Cork 1-27 Kilkenny 2-20

Cork qualified for the final of the Allianz Hurling League for the first time in seven years after a smashing semi final win over Kilkenny at Páirc Uí Chaoimh.

Trailing by 1-4 to 0-1 inside six minutes, Cork battled back to parity on more than one occasion but it wasn't until the 63rd minute of the game that they led for the first time. From there, they found an extra gear, with a 65th-minute goal from Darragh Fitzgibbon putting them two ahead.

In the opening stages of the first half as Kilkenny ran Cork ragged and looked the far superior team. Slowly, Cork began to find their feet, with Alan Connolly scoring three points from play and earning one of the seven frees that Patrick Horgan converted and five points in a row in as many minutes had Cork level at 0-9 to 1-6 by the 22nd minute, but a lead score couldn't be found and Kilkenny struck for another goal on the half-hour and led 2-12 to 0-14 at half time.

Cork were much improved in the second half, Conor Lehane and Tim O'Mahony impressing and Damian Cahalane now at full back closing down the space in front of his goalkeeper. Cork drew level twice but just could not hit the front and trailed 2-18 to 0-23 until five minutes from time when Darragh Fitzgibbon's goal – from a lay-off by sub Jack O'Connor after Conor Cahalane's delivery – was the turning point. As the huge Cork support went delirious Fitzgibbon added another point to finish while Lehane sent over three more to ensure that Cork remain in the hunt for a first title since 1998, when they beat Waterford in Thurles.

Scorers for Cork: P Horgan 0-9 (0-8 f), C Lehan 0-6 (0-3 f), D Fitzgibbon 1-3, A Connolly 0-4, S Kingston, S Barrett, R O'Flynn, T O'Mahony, C Joyce 0-1 each.

Cork: P Collins; N O'Leary, D O'Leary, D Cahalane; R Downey, Mark Coleman (Blarney), C Joyce; D Fitzgibbon, G Millerick; R O'Flynn, Shane Barrett (Blarney), C Lehan; A Connolly, P Horgan, S Kingston.

Subs: T O'Mahony for D O'Leary inj (ht), S Harnedy for Barrett (47), C Cahalane for Kingston (52), J O'Connor for Horgan (59), S Quirke for



Millerick (69).

Waterford 4-20 Cork 1-23

Two weeks before their first championship outing against All Ireland champions Limerick, Cork hurlers suffered a comprehensive defeat at the hands of Waterford and it is obvious that there are problems with the Rebels defence. Waterford will be delighted with their form and this win was achieved without star forward Austin Gleeson. Their leading player was Stephen Bennett who scored 2-11.

Waterford had too much power and aggression for Cork and never let them get their running game into full flow, and were also a bigger goal threat, with their first two goals coming in the space of a minute ten minutes before half time. Cork had drawn themselves level at 0-7 a piece shortly before and rallied to knock three points off the lead but Waterford finished the stronger side, closing out the first half with three points to gain an interval lead of 2-10 to 0-10. Cork could not ever get close enough to get momentum going in the second half, further Waterford goals killing them off.

The league had served Cork well in stabilising the team and rebuilding confidence rocked by their hefty All-Ireland final defeat by Limerick last August. This defeat shows they still have some way to go and re-awakened some doubts about their ability to win an All Ireland this year. Scorers: Cork - P Horgan 0-10 (0-8 fs, 0-1 65); R O'Flynn 1-3; S Kingston 0-3; C Lehane, S Barrett 0-2 each; D Fitzgibbon, S Harnedy, T O'Mahony 0-1 each.

Cork: P Collins; Seán O'Donoghue (Inniscarra), D Cahalane, C Joyce; T O'Mahony, Mark Coleman (Blarney), R Downey; D Fitzgibbon, G Millerick; R O'Flynn, Shane Barrett (Blarney), S Harnedy; C Lehane, A Connolly, P Horgan. Subs: S Kingston for Connolly (ht); C Cahalane for Harnedy (43); J O'Connor for Lehane (48); S Quirke for Millerick

(57); M Keane for Barrett (65).

Allianz Football League

Division Two (8 teams) - Cork, Derry, Down, Clare, Offaly, Galway, Meath and Roscommon
Cork Fixtures:

Sunday January 30th; Roscommon 1-13 Cork 0-10

Saturday February 5th: Cork 1-13 Clare 1-13

Sunday February 20th: Derry 1-13 Cork 0-7

Saturday February 26th: Cork 2-17 Galway 3-22

Sunday March 13th: Meath 1-18 Cork 1-10

Sunday March 20th: Cork 1-16 Down 1-12

Sunday March 20th: Offaly 1-20 Cork 1-21.

April 2/3: NFL Div 2 Final: Kerry v Mayo, Down and Offaly two demoted!

Munster Senior Football Championship:

May 7: Munster football semi-final: Cork v Kerry, now fixed for Killarney but will Cork travel to the Kingdom? (The other Munster semi-final is Tipp or Waterford v Clare or Limerick.)

May 28: Munster final.

Cork 1-21 Offaly 1-20

Cork footballers avoided relegation to Division 3 with victory in a marvellous game in ideal conditions at Tullamore. Cork scored three of the last four points, having trailed by a point approaching five minutes' injury-time and turned impending disastrous defeat into glorious victory.

Captain Brian Hurley forced parity with a super score off his left, Offaly came back to edge in front again in the 72nd minute but Cork substitute Cian Kiely from Ballincollig kicked a superb long range equaliser to make it 1-20 apiece with a minute of normal time remaining and an Offaly mess up on the kick out yielded

a point to Stephen Sherlock from a free and Cork recorded their second win in a row which secured their place in Division Two again next season and also their place in the hunt for Sam Maguire even if they don't win out in Munster.

Colm O'Callaghan (who had a fine game along with Éire Óg clubmate John Cooper) fisted the opening point after 12 seconds and Cork received a major boost with a brilliant Cathail O'Mahony goal before the third minute had elapsed. They led by 1-4 to 0-1 in front after 11 minutes, looked well in control when Sherlock made it 1-9 to 0-6, three minutes before the interval but then conceded a penalty which was converted and lost Kevin Flahive to a black card and it was 1-10 to 1-7 at half time.

Cork went six points clear but back came Offaly to lead before Hurley, Kiely and Sherlock saved the day in the closing minutes for Cork.

Scorers for Cork: S Sherlock 0-9 (0-4 f), C O'Mahony 1-1, B Hurley 0-3 (0-1 m), J O'Rourke 0-3, C O'Callaghan 0-2, M Taylor, B Murphy, C Kiely 0-1 each.

Cork: MA Martin (Nemo Rangers); K O'Donovan (do), K Flahive (Douglas), T Walsh (Kanturk); John Cooper (Éire Óg), R Maguire (Castlehaven), M Taylor (Mallow); I Maguire (St Finbarr's), Colm O'Callaghan (Éire Óg); Daniel Dineen (Cill na Martra), E McSweeney (Knocknagree), J O'Rourke (Carbery Rangers); S Sherlock (St Finbarr's), B Hurley (Castlehaven, c), C O'Mahony (Mitchelstown).

Subs: B Murphy (St Vincent's) for McSweeney 47, M Cronin (Nemo Rangers) for O'Mahony 51, Cian Kiely (Ballincollig) for Flahive 52, B Hartnett (Douglas) for Dineen 59, F Herlihy (Dohenys) for O'Rourke 69.



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Ten Years Ago - 2012

2012 Ross Oil Mid Cork Junior 'A' Football Championship

First Round:

Donoughmore 0-11 Dripsey 1-8
Dripsey 0-14 Donoughmore 0-11 aet. (replay)
Inniscarra 2-9 Blarney 0-9
Iveleary 1-11 Ballincollig 1-8
Kilmichael 2-10 Aghinagh 0-8
Kilmurry 1-13 Clondrohid 0-6
Macroom 1-12 Ballinora 0-4

Round Two - (1st round losers): Blarney v
Clondrohid, Donoughmore v Ballinora, Aghinagh
v Ballincollig

Donoughmore 0-11 Dripsey 1-8

The opening game in this year's championship was a repeat of last year's final which saw Donoughmore emerge triumphant after a great last quarter performance gave them a four point victory.

After a shaky start Dripsey had the first score of the game, a point from David O'Sullivan in the fifth minute. Shane Sexton soon equalised for Donoughmore but with John Carey outstanding at wing back and Mark O'Sullivan dominant at midfield, Dripsey began to take over and were on top until the interval. Mark O'Sullivan put Dripsey in front in the 11th minute and David Buckley added another point two minutes later. It was 0-6 to 0-2 at the break as Dripsey added points, two from David O'Sullivan and one from Carey to which Donoughmore's sole reply was a point from Aidan O'Shea in the 25th minute.

Shane Healy had a point for Donoughmore on the restart but Mark O'Sullivan immediately replied for Dripsey to maintain the four point advantage. In the 35th minute Aidan O'Shea pointed a free for Donoughmore and two minutes later only a superb save by Evan Forde in the Donoughmore goal denied Mark O'Sullivan of a goal. Donoughmore now took over and put four points on the board without reply to hit the front by the start of the final quarter. Aidan O'Shea had two points and Shane Sexton and Stephen O'Connor hit over one each. Dripsey's John Carey, despite his injury, came back into the fray and Carey's impact was immediate as he finished off a movement with a blistering shot to the Donoughmore net in the 46th minute. Aidan Buckley added a point and Shane Healy scored a point to give Donoughmore hope, then another and finally in the 58th minute hit over an equaliser which meant both sides had to meet again to decide which was to advance to the third round. Donoughmore: Evan Forde: Denis O'Connell, James Honohan, Barry Crowley: Dan O'Sullivan, Aidan Corkery, Shane Sexton: Tom Daly, Conor Kelleher: Shane Healy, Ollie Murphy, Stephen O'Connor: Gearóid O'Rourke, Colm O'Callaghan, Aidan O'Shea. Subs: Sean Daly, Daniel Forde and Anthony Horgan. Dripsey: Ray Moynihan: John O'Riordan, Thomas Ahearne, John Buckley; John Carey, Stephen Murray, Pat O'Riordan: Conor

Hayes, Mark O'Sullivan: Daniel Buckley, Diarmuid O'Riordan, David Buckley: Aidan Buckley, Shane Burke, David O'Sullivan. Subs: Shane Manley.

First Round Replay: Dripsey 0 - 14 Donoughmore 0 - 11 aet.

Donoughmore played seven games to win last year's championship and are now off on their 'rounds' again this year after losing their first round replay to Dripsey at Coachford. The teams were level at 0-5 each at half time but Donoughmore then went five points clear without reply in the third quarter and appeared to be strolling to victory. Two points for Dripsey revived their fortunes but when a penalty shot was driven wide eight minutes from time one felt that Dripsey had squandered their best chance of survival. However, in the final minutes Dripsey hit over three points in a row and one felt that only the clock had stopped them for getting the winning score. In extra time Dripsey outscored Donoughmore by 0-4 to 0-1 in the first ten minute period and conceded only a further point to the reigning champions in the final period as both sides tired after such a demanding encounter in perfect conditions.

Dripsey lined out without the injured John Carey but Diarmuid O'Riordan, married the previous Friday, delayed his honeymoon departure to take his place on the starting line out and performed admirably.

Dripsey played into the village goal in the first half but it was Donoughmore who got the better start, Colm O'Callaghan kicking a point after three minutes and adding another two minutes later. Aidan Buckley had a point for Dripsey in the 8th minute from a free. Aidan O'Shea scored for Donoughmore in the 15th minute but Dripsey took over for a period subsequently and four points in a row from Diarmuid O'Riordan, David O'Sullivan, Aidan Buckley (from a free) and David Buckley had them leading by 0-5 to 0-3 by the 27th minute. In addition to scoring a point himself, Diarmuid O'Riordan had set up two of the other points for the two Davids. Donoughmore came with a late burst in the final minute before the break and after Shane Sexton had pointed a free, Tom Daly kicked over to level the scores at 0-5 each.

The third quarter belonged to Donoughmore who added five points without reply to their half time tally to assume control. Shane Sexton had pointed a 31st minute free, and Gearóid O'Rourke took a smart point from play five minutes later. Aidan O'Shea easily tapped over a close range free and then availed of a poor clearance to kick over from play. Daniel Forde's 43rd minute point left Donoughmore in a strong position going into the final quarter leading by 0-10 to 0-5.

Dripsey were not finished yet! Mark O'Sullivan punched over a point in the 46th minute, and Aidan Buckley then pointed a free a minute later to reduce the leeway to three points. In the 52nd minute Dripsey were awarded a penalty, David O'Sullivan's low effort went tamely wide

of the post. Dripsey kept plugging away and three minutes from time Stephen Murray kicked over a point to inject fresh momentum into their attacks, and a minute later Aidan Buckley pointed a free to leave only the minimum between the teams. Donoughmore were only hanging in and inevitably Dripsey achieved their objective when Mark O'Sullivan came up and sent over a 60th minute point to send the game into extra time.

Dripsey found reserves of strength, mental and physical, to maintain their onslaught on the Donoughmore goal in the opening ten minutes of extra time. Substitute Barry O'Regan scored after ten seconds to get them off to a perfect start and David O'Sullivan added a point in the 4th minute. Aidan Buckley pointed a free to put them three points clear. Shane Sexton had a point for Donoughmore but Aidan Buckley pointed another Dripsey free from close range. It was 0-14 to 0-11 at half time in extra time and Donoughmore could not find the strength to recover in the ten minutes remaining. Dripsey defended in depth and kept Donoughmore at bay. Shane Sexton did manage a point from a free four minutes from time but a goal never looked likely and so it was Dripsey who were still in front at the final whistle.

Dripsey: Ray Moynihan: Stephen Murray, Thomas Ahearne, John O'Riordan: Dave Buckley, Pat O'Riordan, John Buckley: Conor Hayes, Mark O'Sullivan: Shane Burke, David O'Sullivan, Pat Fitzgibbon: Shane Manley, Diarmuid O'Riordan, Aidan Buckley. Sub: Barry O'Regan.

Donoughmore: Evan Forde: Denis O'Connell, James Honohan, Barry Crowley: Dan O'Sullivan, Aidan Corkery, Shane Sexton: Tom Daly, Conor Kelleher: Shane Healy, Ollie Murphy, Stephen O'Connor: Gearóid O'Rourke, Colm O'Callaghan, Aidan O'Shea. Subs: John Chambers, Sean Daly, Daniel Forde.

Referee: Mr Gene Buckley, Grenagh.

Inniscarra 2-9 Blarney 0-9

Inniscarra are safely through to the third round of the Mid Cork Championship after their relatively easy win over Blarney at a cold and windy Donoughmore.

Inniscarra completely dominated the opening half and led by 2-5 to 0-2 at the break, making full use of the elements. Blarney are not the team they were when they won back to back titles in 2009/10 and Inniscarra are a useful side backboned by a successful group of players who won honours at Mid Cork and County level.

Inniscarra opened the scoring in the 4th minute, the hugely influential target man Dan O'Connell doing the honours, and two frees from Timmy Murphy sailed over the Blarney crossbar subsequently as Blarney struggled to gain any meaningful possession. Conor Cronin's excellent pass to John Casey resulted in a penalty for Inniscarra after fifteen minutes which Dan O'Connell expertly converted. Timmy Murphy from a free, and Brian O'Keefe from play, added points for Inniscarra who now led by 1-5 to nil



and Blarney's position deteriorated further in the 24th minute when Colm Casey scored a second Inniscarra goal in a goalmouth scramble. This score effectively ended the game as a contest. Blarney did get two late points through Brian Hurley (free) and Mark O'Leary to make it 2-5 to 0-2 at half-time.

Despite a spirited second half, Blarney were unable to get within touching distance of the determined Inniscarra outfit. Conor Buckley increased the Inniscarra lead with a point before Blarney's Mark O'Leary's thundering shot went over via the Inniscarra crossbar. Brian Hurley added a point from a free and to their credit Blarney battled all the way to the finish but they couldn't engineer a goal as John O'Callaghan was outstanding in the 'Scarra defence. Timmy Murphy converted two placed efforts for Inniscarra to ensure his side led by 2-8 to 0-5 at the end of the third quarter, Conor Foley scoring for Blarney.

Blarney enjoyed plenty of possession in the final quarter as the weather conditions really deteriorated. Brian Hurley scored three points to leave six points between the sides with six minutes remaining. However there was no late drama and Timmy Murphy kicked an excellent point from play to seal the victory. Keith Costello had a Blarney point in the final seconds and the spectators were glad to hear the final whistle and head for a warm car!

Inniscarra: Dominick Kelleher; Tom Buckley, Kevin Burke, Jack O'Leary Keating; John O'Callaghan, Richard O'Connor, Donal O'Callaghan; Ger Burke, Alan Sheehan; Brian O'Keefe, John Casey, Timmy Murphy; Conor Cronin, Colm Casey, Dan O'Connell. Sub: Shane O'Sullivan (45).

Blarney: Shane Jordan; Donal O'Neill, Eoghan Murphy, Brendan Hallahan; Mark O'Leary, Shane Spillane, Paul Hallissey; Paul O'Leary, Conor Foley; John Good, Brian Hurley, Mark Cremin; Evan Philpott, James O'Sullivan, Damian Hyde. Subs: Keith Costello (37), S O'Sullivan (49). Referee: Mr Donal Forde (Donoughmore).

Iveleary 1-11 Ballincollig 1-8

Iveleary had reason to be worried as they lined up to start at Kilmurry. Ballincollig seniors had won their opening championship game a week earlier, their Under 21's have regained the Mid Cork championship crown and the club could field a strong second squad for this encounter. Iveleary had won the Under 21 'B' crown with a smashing team of fine footballers but on the eve of the game two of their emerging young players, Cathal Vaughan and Sean O'Leary, both Cork minors, were forced to cry off with injuries. Luckily, Iveleary could call on two experienced performers, Donal O'Sullivan and Finbarr McSweeney to deputise for the absent duo and the team on duty proceeded to give a most spirited display and succeeded in winning a game which seemed to be slipping away from them on several occasions.

Iveleary had the benefit of the strong wind in the first half and Finbarr McSweeney opened their scoring after less than half a minute but Ballincollig were level at 0-1 each by the 6th minute. David Hourihan then kicked Iveleary

into the lead but in the 10th minute Ballincollig opened up the Iveleary defence and Alan O'Donovan belted the ball past Jamie Cronin from close range. Cronin then had to make a good save under pressure to deny Ballincollig but a further point followed to give Ballincollig a lead of 1-2 to 0-2 by the end of the opening quarter. In the 19th minute Ger McSweeney, the star of the Iveleary attack, pointed a free and a minute later Iveleary got the boost they needed when David Hourihan took a pass from Daniel O'Riordan and in the clear, slipped the ball wide of the Ballincollig keeper and into the corner of the net. Seánie Lehane followed with a point, then Ger McSweeney fisted over another and Brian Cronin took a pass from Shane Galvin to add another in the 26th minute. A late point for Ballincollig left the score at half time at 1-6 for Iveleary, 1-3 for Ballincollig and Ballincollig must have fancied their chances with the wind to aid them in the second half.

Two points for Ballincollig immediately on the restart cut the deficit to a single point and when Iveleary replied with a Ger McSweeney point, Ballincollig came back with their third point in five minutes to leave the score at 1-7 to 1-6. In the 44th minute the sides were level when Fergal Keohane had a Ballincollig point and the advantage now lay with Ballincollig.

Iveleary put in a tremendous last quarter performance. In the 47th minute, Brian Cronin was fouled in the right corner and Ger McSweeney pointed the resultant free, into the wind and from a tight angle. Ballincollig now missed a free and Iveleary went two clear in the 53rd minute when Ger McSweeney pointed from play. Ballincollig cut the difference to a single point once again but Iveleary were battling like Trojans and Seánie Lehane set up David Hourihan for a 58th minute point. In injury time Edward Buckley was fouled in possession and Ger McSweeney pointed the free and made Iveleary's position secure. It was a great team performance from the Inchigeela sides. Scorer: D. Hourihan 1-2, G McSweeney 0-6 (0-3 frees), F McSweeney, S Lehane, B Cronin 0-1 each. Iveleary: Jamie Cronin; Kevin Hourihan, Michael Creed, Kevin Manning; Gerard O'Riordan, Donal Cotter, Shane Galvin; Daniel O'Riordan, Edward Buckley; Donal O'Sullivan, Sean Lehane, Finbarr McSweeney; David Hourihan, Ger McSweeney, Brian Cronin. Sub: Barry Murphy. Referee: Mr Miah Moynihan, Grenagh.

Kilmichael 2-10 Aghinagh 0-8

There was a very strong and bitterly cold wind blowing from goal to goal at Carrigadrohid and when facing the elements, both teams managed to score only one single point each. Aghinagh had the wind to their back in the first half and kicked over seven points to lead by six at the break. On the resumption however, Kilmichael had a much more rewarding return for their dominance, had hit the front by the 43rd minute and dominated the closing period to emerge clear winners by the final whistle. James O'Leary was in sparkling form in the Kilmichael attack and a goal apiece from Daniel Twomey and Dermot O'Riordan left Aghinagh with problems

to which they had no solution on this occasion. In a game of two halves, Aghinagh dominated the opening 30 minutes. Daniel Twomey pointed a Kilmichael free in the 2nd minute, they were to score no more until the second half. Aghinagh drew level in the 3rd minute when Barry O'Leary pointed a free and went ahead when the same player took a great point from play two minutes later. Barry O'Leary then pointed frees in the 9th, 19th and 20th minutes and Declan Ambrose had points from play in the 27th, a punched effort, and 32nd minutes to give Aghinagh a 0-7 to 0-1 interval lead. Aghinagh suffered a bad loss in the 25th minute when defender Jeremiah Kelleher had to retire with a leg injury.

Five points from James O'Leary for Kilmichael had his side only a point in arrears by the 41st minute. The first came within 15 seconds of the restart, the second came from a ground shot, and the next three came from frees. In the 43rd minute the Aghinagh defence did not gather a ball, Daniel Twomey pounced and got in to place the ball wide of the stranded Paul O'Sullivan in the Aghinagh goal. Kilmichael were dominant now, leading by 1-6 to 0-7 and were playing with conviction. Cian Dromey added a point but Jeremiah Corkery almost got in for an Aghinagh goal at the other end, Shane Masters doing well to deny him. Barry O'Leary did get a point from a free for Aghinagh but it was to be their only score of the half and their last act of defiance. In the 50th minute Dermot O'Riordan scored a second goal for Kilmichael from close range and in the last ten minutes James O'Leary added two more points from play and Colm Dromey had another as the contest petered out with Kilmichael clear and undisputed winners.

Scorers: Kilmichael: D Twomey 1-1, D O'Riordan 1-0, Js. O'Leary 0-7 (0-3 frees), Cian and Colm Dromey 0-1 each. Aghinagh: B O'Leary 0-6 (0-5 frees), D Ambrose 0-2.

Kilmichael: Shane Masters; Niall O'Callaghan, John O'Riordan, Denis Foley; Cian Dromey, Finbarr Buckley, Adrian Kelly; Conor Cotter, Finbarr Dromey; Simon Foley, Alan Murphy, Dermot O'Riordan; James O'Leary, Daniel Twomey, Colm Dromey. Aghinagh: Paul O'Sullivan; Dave O'Leary, Jeremiah Kelleher, Paudie O'Sullivan; Alan Hourihan, Dave Barry, Trevor Burns; Con Lehane, James Ambrose; Seán Horgan, Donal Corkery, Michael O'Brien; Barry O'Leary, Seamus O'Leary, Declan Ambrose. Subs: William Ambrose, Jeremiah Corkery, Seán Kelleher, Paudie Twohig. Referee: Mr Ger Ahern, Canovee.

Kilmurry 1-13 Clondrohid 0-6

Kilmurry had a much easier victory than expected when overcoming the challenge of Clondrohid before a fine crowd on a dull evening at Annahala. Man of the Match James Kelleher had a goal for Kilmurry after only seven minutes and this score gave the winners an edge they never looked like losing subsequently. Kilmurry led by 1-7 to 0-3 at half time but Clondrohid did stage a spirited fight back on the resumption of play to cut the deficit to four points. However Kilmurry settled down again and William Buckley's point from a free in the 43rd minute got them over



the scare and the final quarter was dominated by Kilmurry who scored a further five points without reply. Kilmurry, one of the favourites for this year's championship, will be happy with their performance on this occasion, Clondrohid will do much better with a full panel available. Light rain was falling as this game started, and there was little or no breeze. Aidan Kelleher had Clondrohid in front after three minutes play as his side started well, playing towards the fine new pavilion at Annahala. Three minutes later the sides were level when Davie O'Halloran parted to William Buckley and the latter sent over. A minute later the game took a decisive turn in Kilmurry's favour when Alan O'Sullivan kicked goalwards, James Kelleher grabbed possession under pressure and broke clear of his marker before advancing and coolly placing the ball wide of Brendan Kelleher in the Clondrohid goal. Declan Kelleher set up Paddy Lynch for an excellent point for Clondrohid but as the first quarter came to a close, Dave O'Halloran pointed a free, awarded for a pick-up by a defender, and Kilmurry had a one goal advantage at this stage. Kilmurry dominated in the second quarter and outscored their opponents by five points to one. Stephen Down had a point in the 16th minute and William Buckley pointed a free in the 20th minute. Wing back Conor O'Leary had a smashing point for Clondrohid in reply but William Buckley pointed another free in the 22nd minute, Dave O'Halloran had a point from play three minutes later and James Kelleher finished the half with a late point to give Kilmurry a 1-7 to 0-3 lead at the half way mark. Clondrohid were clearly in trouble at this stage as Kilmurry were on top in most sectors. Their half back line of David O'Leary, Liam Buckley and Liam Long was giving a strong back up to their midfield of James White and Eoin Creedon and the inside forwards were a constant threat. Clondrohid enjoyed their best period of the match in the third quarter. Trevor O'Brien pointed a '45' in the 34th minute and Paddy Lynch followed with a point from a free three minutes later. With Jeremy O'Sullivan breaking forward out of defence and Trevor O'Brien, Paddy Lynch and Aidan Kelleher driving them on, they had Kilmurry on the back foot for a period and Paddy Lynch's point in the 38th minute had the gap reduced to 1-7 to 0-6. Kilmurry needed a score to settle and it was a long time coming but come it did eventually when James Kelleher was held back and William Buckley pointed the resultant free from the right in the 43rd minute. This score signalled the end of the Clondrohid resistance and Alan O'Sullivan's point in the 45th minute following a fine Dave O'Leary clearance, put Kilmurry six points clear, 1-9 to 0-6, and on the way to victory. Kilmurry finished strongly with their midfield again reasserting themselves and their defence impregnable. Dominick Creedon pointed a free in the 50th minute, and Alan O'Sullivan had another fine point from play two minutes later. James Kelleher took on the defender before sending over the bar in the 54th minute and, in injury time, William Buckley pointed a free to set the seal on a comprehensive victory.

Scorers: Kilmurry: J. Kelleher 1-2, Wm. Buckley 0-5 (0-4 frees), A. O'Sullivan 0-2, D. O'Halloran 0-2 (0-1 free), S. Down and D. Creedon (a free) 0-1 each. Clondrohid: P. Lynch 0-2 (0-1 free), A. Kelleher, D. Kelleher, C. O'Leary, T. O'Brien ('45') 0-1 each.

Kilmurry: Pat O'Callaghan: William Barrett, Kevin Barrett, Eoin Barrett: Liam Buckley, David O'Leary, Liam Long: James White, Eoin Creedon: Dominick Creedon, Dave O'Halloran, Stephen Down: Alan O'Sullivan, James Kelleher, William Buckley. Clondrohid: Brendan Kelleher: Oliver Kelleher, Denis Desmond, Seán O'Connor: Conor O'Leary, Jeremy O'Sullivan, Lorcan Lynch: Neilus Murphy, Trevor O'Brien: Daniel O'Mahony, Paddy Lynch, Danny O'Riordan: Declan Kelleher, Aidan Kelleher, Conor Desmond. Sub: David O'Leary. Referee: Mr. Dave Murnane, Macroom.

Macroom 1 - 12 Ballinora 0 - 4

The last of the Mid Cork championship first round ties was decided at Cloughduv where Macroom juniors had a comfortable win over Ballinora, another club second team. Ballinora stayed in contention until the interval but despite having wind advantage their challenge faded in the second half. Macroom started well, and did well enough to stay in front but their interval lead of 1-6 to 0-4 was not a lead that would guarantee ultimate victory. The Ballinora attack showed enough promise in the first half to suggest that they would cause serious problems later. Macroom however went on the offensive from the restart and got on top around midfield. Their attack added two further points and when Ballinora lost a man to a second yellow card in the 38th minute the writing was on the wall for their chances and Macroom were in control to the finish.

Midfielder David Crotty put Ballinora in front with a point after four minutes but Macroom replied with a fine goal from Conor Hurley two minutes later, the chance set up by John Ryan who then pointed a free and Darren Creed added a point from play in the 8th minute. Ballinora were dangerous on the break in attack and Jurgen Werner pointed a free in the 10th minute but Macroom replied with points from Patrick Kelleher and Conor Hurley, both well taken scores. Jurgen Werner pointed another free in the 20th minute but again Macroom replied with points from Hurley and Kelleher. Werner's third point from a free just before half time left his side five points adrift at the break, trailing Macroom 1-6 to 0-4 and Macroom lost centre back Paul Kelleher to a shoulder injury at the interval.

Macroom on the restart were full of drive and got an early boost from a John Ryan point. In the 37th minute Ryan pointed again and a minute later Ballinora lost a forward to a second yellow card and this signalled the end of their chances of victory. Macroom were playing well now, in control in most areas and they added a point apiece from Conor Hurley and Darren Creed to lead by 1-10 to 0-4 by the 40th minute. The Macroom defence, with Martin O'Donnell and Richard McSweeney prominent, covered quickly and tackled well. Pat Kelleher and David Horgan

added points for Macroom to seal the victory. Scorers: Macroom: C Hurley 1-3, J Ryan 0-3 (0-1 free), P Kelleher 0-3 (0-1 free), D Creed 0-2, D Horgan 0-1. Ballinora: J Werner 0-3 (f), D Crotty 0-1.

Macroom: Dylan Dineen: James O'Connor, Concubhair Murray, Martin O'Donnell: Richard McSweeney, Paul Kelleher, David Cotter: Kieran O'Shea, Brian Tiernan: Darren Creed, David Horgan, Colm Casey; Patrick Kelleher, John Ryan, Conor Hurley. Subs: Darragh Crowley, William O'Riordan, Stephen Crowley. Ballinora: Tim Connolly: Barry Crowley, Tim Crotty, Eoin Lucey: Sean Crotty, Michael Twhogh, John O'Regan: Dave Crotty, Colm O'Shea: Colm Walsh, Aodhan O'Connor, John Fitton: Shane Brosnan, Jurgen Werner, Shane Rock. Sub: Shane Kenneally. Referee: Mr JJ Murphy, Kilmurry.

Inter County Minor Hurling

Cork minor hurlers were heavily defeated by Clare in the Munster 'first round losers' play off at Ennis and so exit the championship for another year. Cork lost at home to Limerick, defeated Kerry in Killarney and then lost away to Clare. Only one hurler from Mid Cork, Blarney's Barry O'Connell, made the panel. Western Gael's Peter Kelleher of Kilmichael was in strong contention for a place on the Cork team but suffered an injury just prior to the Limerick match which ruled him out of all action for six weeks.

Minor Football

Cork minors footballers defeated Limerick in the Munster quarter final and are at home to Munster champions Tipperary in the Munster semi final. Sean O'Leary and Cathal Vaughan of Iveleary, and Colm de hIde of Naomh Aban started for Cork in their quarter final win. Aidan Moynihan of Canovee and Peter Kelleher of Kilmichael/Western Gaels came on as second half substitutes. Darren Kelly of Macroom and Daniel O'Connor of Eire Óg were also on the Cork panel.

Cork minor footballers with four Mid Cork players in action went out of the Munster Football championship after losing to All Ireland champions Tipperary in the semi final at Cork. Cork lost by four points on a 1-10 to 0-9 scoreline after having majority possession over the hour. Cork kicked fifteen wides, some of them for very scorable frees and lost a game they could easily have won. Sean O'Leary (Iveleary and Western Gaels), Colm de hIde (Naomh Aban), Cathal Vaughan (Iveleary and Western Gaels) and Aidan Moynihan (Canovee) were the Muskerry players on the Cork team for the semi final. Incidentally, Kerry who lost to Tipperary in the opening round are now through to the Munster final (against Tipp) after beating Waterford, Limerick and Clare. They are now guaranteed a quarterfinal place in the All Ireland series as well! Andrew McCarthy of Inniscarra was a selector with the Cork minors and the team doctor was Aidan Kelleher of Clondrohid.

Ladies Football League Final

Cork seniors failed to win a fifth Bord Gais Energy National League Division One title



in a row when going down to Monaghan on a 1-13 to 2-7 scoreline at Parnell Park in Dublin. Monaghan after playing with the strong wind led by 0-6 to 0-5 at half time, Juliet Murphy getting one of the Cork points. Monaghan hit Cork with a blitzkrieg early in the second half and outscored the Rebels by 1-5 to 0-1. There after Cork were always chasing the game and despite a great spirited display they could not bridge the final three point gap. Rena Buckley (Donoughmore), Briege Corkery (St Vals), Juliet Murphy (Donoughmore), Rhona Ni Bhuachalla

(Naomh Fionnbarra) all tried their hearts out for Cork.

Camogie National League

Cork Camogie ladies won the National League Division One title for the first time in five years with a thrilling win over Wexford at Thurles (1-8 to 0-9). Aoife Murray (Cloughduv) in goals, Rena Buckley (Inniscarra), Joanne O'Callaghan and Briege Corkery (both Cloughduv) in the magnificent Cork defence, all played prominent roles in a great Cork win and hopefully Cork

can now go on to make a big impression in the forthcoming championship.

Ladies Football

Cork Minors created a major surprise by defeating Kerry at Rathmore in the Munster Ladies Football Minor Football Final on a score of 4-8 to 1-10. St Vals girls Jean O'Sullivan, Sinead Cotter, J Down and Aoife Plunkett and Aileen Buckley of Donoughmore all starred for Cork.



Canovee under 10s who played Aghabullogue and Canovee under 11s who played Kilmurry



Canovee under 21s who beat Naomh Abhan in the U21 B football championship final



De La Salle College U16.5 Football Team



Donoughmore U21 Football Team that were beaten by Kilmurry 3-13 to 1-10. Stephen McSweeney; Frankie Honohan, Adam Geaney; Josh Crowley, Donnchadh Morrissey, Roghan O Connell; Jack Honohan, Mark Lucey; Eddie Murphy, Gavin O Sullivan, Michael Guiry; Adam Dinan, Billy O Sullivan.



Paula McCarthy, Aghabullogue, winner of the recent Rylane Celtic Last Man Standing competition.



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AGHINAGH GAA:

Aghinagh G.A.A.Lotto Results 21st March, 2022
The jackpot was €1,900.00. The numbers drawn were 3, 11 and 27. The jackpot winners were Denis & Mary O'Regan, Beal na Marbh. Consolation prizes: €50.00 to Alan & Rena O'Rourke, Annagannihy. €20 each to Noreen Callaghan C/O Ballinagree Shop; Ann & Frank Keating (Online Winner); Eileen O'Shea, Coolkisha; Liz & Pat Kelleher, Shanakiel.
Aghinagh G.A.A.Lotto Results 28th March, 2022
The jackpot was €1,000.00. The numbers drawn were 3, 11 and 31. There was no jackpot winner. Consolation prizes: €50.00 to Eugene O'Riordan, Leemount, Coachford. €20 each to Hickey Family, Ballinagree; Seanie & Kay MacSullivan, Carrigagulla; Tim Byrne, Carrigadrohid; Rose O'Connor, Lyroe.

COACHFORD AFC:

Coachford AFC Lotto Results 28/3/2022. Jackpot: €2,600. Numbers Drawn: 4 - 17 - 25. No Winner. €40 Mick & Denise Roche (Yearly Ticket). €20 Karen O'Mahony. Eamonn Murphy. Tracy Martin (Online Ticket). Dan Shine.

RCPA (RYLANE COMMUNITY PARK ASSOCIATION) LOTTO RESULTS:

Monday March 21st 2022.

Ballinagree Vintage Tractor

Ballinagree Vintage Tractor run Sunday 24th of April. Proceeds to The Irish Community Air Ambulance and Ballinagree Vintage. Registration from 12.30pm. Leaving Village at 1.30 pm Entry €20 per tractor All tractor drivers will be entered in to a free draw on the day

RCPA (Rylane Community Park Association)

is hosting a 4 Mile Fun Run & Walk on Sunday April 10th 2022 as a fundraiser for the development of Rylane Community Park. Registration for this event will take place

Winning numbers: 6, 25 & 36 Jackpot - €2,400
No Winner
Lucky Dip winners who received €20 each: Michael Herlihy (Rylane); Sadhbh Dennehy (Rylane); Mary & Connie Buckley (Rylane - yearly); Rob Twomey (Rylane - online). Seller's prize: Helen Kelleher (Aghabullogue)
Next week's Jackpot will be €2,500.

CLONDROHID LOTTO G.A.A:

LOTTO: Results for Mar 23
€70 Denny Moloney Kilnagurteen
€20 Jackie Spillane Moulnahorna, Helen Kelleher Aghabullogue, Brendan Lehane Clondrohid, Jackie Spillane Moulnahorna.
Results for Mar 30. Jackpot €8,400
€70 Sean O'Connor Mullinroe.
€20 Jerry Dineen Ballincollog, Mary O'Sullivan Carriganima, Caroline, Jen, & Siobhan c/o Ploughman, Denny Moloney Kilnagurteen

MACROOM GAA LOTTO RESULTS:

22 March 2022
No Winner - €70. Emma Martin, Rahalisk, Macroom. €20. Margaret Buckley, Kilnagurteen, Macroom. €20. Noel Buttimer, C/O Shelia Buttimer. €20. Cieran Mc Crory, The Hermitage, Macroom. €20. Danny Murphy, Codrum, Macroom. €20. Nora O Shea, Mashanglass, Macroom.
29 March 2022
No Winner - €70. Mary Maybury, Lakelands, Dunmanway. €20. Mgt Coackley, Derryleigh, Inchigeela. €20. Mary Ellen & Mia, 41 St Colmans

Park, Macroom. €20. Katie Dineen, New Street, Macroom. €20. Sean & Caoime Buckley, Lr Farren, Co. Cork. €20. John Hoare, Klnnamatyr, Macroom. Next Week's Jackpot €4,200. Tickets available at usual outlets or online at www.macroomgaa.ie

KILMURRY GAA LOTTO RESULTS:

kilmurry gaa results. 4.4.22
The Lotto wasn't won this week. Congratulations to all consolation winners
Next week it goes to €1,400, it will take place on the 11.4.22. The club lotto ticket can be bought at:
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- The Post Office in Crookstown
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- The Diamond Bar at Beal Na Bláth
- The Castlemore Arms
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- Clifford's bar
and the club force website <https://clubforce.com/clubs/kilmurry-gaa-cork/>

at Rylane Community Hall between 12.30pm and 1.30pm. The start time for walkers will be 1.45pm and for runners 2pm. Entry fee for this event is €10 per participant and €15 per family and €2 for national school children. All participants will be chipped and timed. Prizes of €100 - 1st, €50 - 2nd and €25 - 3rd in both female and male categories. Refreshments will be provided in the hall after the event.

9th April at 12pm starting from the school. Registration begins @11.30am, €5pp/€10per team of four. 2km & 5km trail, suitable for buggies. Children must be supervised. Bake Sale afterwards in the school. All welcome.

Inchigeela Annual Cleanup

Inchigeela Annual Cleanup The clean up of the approach roads will take place on Good Friday as usual. Volunteers needed !

Dromleigh NS Parents Association

Dromleigh NS Parents Association are holding their Easter Walk & Quiz Trail on Saturday



Children from Reidh na nDoiri NS who were Confirmed recently by Rev. Joseph O'Mahony, also included are their teachers. © Peter Scanlan



Children from Ballinagree NS who were Confirmed recently by V. Rev. Canon Donal Roberts, also included is their teacher Mr. Lehane. © Peter Scanlan

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FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



In loving memory of

TADGH LYONS

**Curraheha, Crookstown, Co. Cork.
Who died on 7th April 2021**

As we lovingly remember Tadhg on his first Anniversary, Peg, Peter, Marie, Eileen, Clare & our extended family would like to thank sincerely everyone who sympathised with & supported us on our sad loss.

We offer heartfelt thanks to all our very kind neighbours, relatives & friends for their valued help & assistance, to those who visited our home, who stood at the cross & along Tadhg's final journey to the church, attended the funeral Mass & graveyard in person or watched it online. We would also like to thank Kilmurry GAA Club for their guard of honour, to all who sent Mass cards, perpetual enrolments, letters of sympathy, contacted us & sent messages of condolence.

A special thank you to all who cared for Tadhg during his illness, especially Dr. Sean Foley & all at Sullane Family Practice, to all at Matt Murphy's pharmacy, to Mr. Lanigan, to Dr. Conleth Murphy & the nurses & staff on St. Bernadette's & St. Veronica's ward, Bon Secours Hospital, to the staff at Marymount Hospice Home Care Team, to Southdoc & the Public Health nurses along with the home care staff.

Sincere thanks to Canon Bernard Donovan for celebrating Tadhg's funeral Mass & also his regular first Friday calls, to Monsignor Kevin O'Callaghan for his prayers & support, to Mary & Martina for their lovely music & thanks to Ann the sacristan for her help. Finally thank you to Fitzgerald's Funeral Directors for their guidance & professionalism.

As it would not be possible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgment as an expression of our gratitude & appreciation. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Tadhg's First Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 10th April at 10am in St. Mary's Church Kilmurry.



7th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

DENIS O'SULLIVAN

**Old Fort, Carrigadrohid,
Macroom, Co. Cork.**

Who died on April 11th 2015

*Will those who think of
Denis today,
A little prayer to Jesus say,
Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for him.*



Sadly missed by
your loving wife Mena and family.

10th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

NORA ROCHE

**Slievreagh, Ballyourney.
Who died on April 7th 2012.**

*We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
As time goes by we miss you more,
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can fill your vacant place.*

Always in our thoughts
Forever in our hearts.



Saint Gobnait Pray for her.
Always remembered by
Her loving family.

8th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JEREMIAH KELLEHER

**Carrigthomas, Macroom
Who died on the 15th of April 2014**

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



Always remembered by his loving family

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.

x

6th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

SUSAN FITZGERALD

**Oakwood, Macroom.
Died 14th April 2016**

*Everyday in some small way
memories of you come our way
though absent you are ever near
still missed, loved and always dear*



Fondly remembered and sadly missed by
her family, relatives and friends.

19th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory today and always of a
dear son, brother, uncle and grand-uncle

MICHAEL DONLON

**Roughgrove, Bandon, Co. Cork
who died on 2nd April 2003**

*We cannot bring the old days back,
When we were all together,
The family chain is broken now
But memories live forever.*



Sadly missed and always remembered by
his loving father Richard, sisters Marian
and Nora. Nephews Kenneth, David, Sean,
Kenneth's wife Laurie, grandnephews
Darragh and James.

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART



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20th ANNIVERSARY



Treasured memories today and always of

JIMMY DEASY

Colman's Park, Macroom
Who died on 8th April 2002

*Your lives go on without you
But nothing is the same.
We have to hide our heartache
When someone speaks your name.
Sad are the hearts that love you
Silent are the tears that fall.
Living without you is the hardest part of all.
You did so many things for us
Your heart was so kind and true,
And when we needed someone
We could always count on you.
The special years will not return
Where we were together
But with the love in our hearts,
You will walk with us forever.*



Remembered today and everyday by your sons Mick, James, John, Frank, your daughters Orla and Fionagh and all their families.

11th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

MARGARET KELLEHER

Coolcaum, Kilnamartyra, Macroom
who died on the 4th April 2011.

*Just a prayer from the ones who loved you,
Just a memory fond and true,
In our hearts you will live forever,
Because we thought the world of you.*



Sadly missed by her husband Connie, daughter Susan, son's Greg & Conor, grandchildren Noah, Ava & Olan, brothers, sisters and extended family.

37th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

MICHAEL KELLEHER

Bealick, Macroom, Co. Cork
Died 4th April 1985

*A loving nature,
A heart of gold,
These are the memories,
We never forget,
On his soul sweet Jesus have mercy.*

RIP



Always remembered by his loving Brothers, Sisters, Brother-in-law, Sister-in-law, Nephews, Nieces, Grand Nephews, Grand Nieces.
May he rest in peace.

5th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

PATRICK JOSEPH (P.J.) LEHANE

Kilnagurteen, Macroom
Who died on 13th April 2017

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



Deeply missed by his loving wife Anne, children Angela and Paul, and grandchildren Leanne, Neil and Paul, in-laws John and Donna, family and friends.

20th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JIMMY DEASY

Colman's Park, Macroom
Who died on 8th April 2002

*A smile for all, a heart of gold,
One of the best this world could hold.
Never selfish, always kind
Those are the memories you left behind.
We speak your name with love and pride
We smile through tears we try to hide.
We thank you for the years we shared
The love you gave, the way you cared.
Deep in our hearts you will always stay
Loved and remembered everyday.*



Lovingly remembered by your loving wife Bernie

26th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

MARY MURPHY (NEE MOLONEY)

"Hillside", Kilnagurteen, Macroom.
Who Died on 13th April 1996

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



Loved and missed everyday by her husband Teddy, Mairead, Sheena, Susan and Teddy Joe and their families.

3rd ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

MARY MCCARTHY

Bellmount Place, Crookstown
Who passed away on the 30th
March 2019

*Your home was such a warm
and inviting place
But now there is a sense of loneliness
Your favourite cup your comfy chair
The chats on end when you were here
Spring is in the air we have the flowers
you planted there
We will forever hold you close and dear.*



To us you were the best and miss you more and more each year.
Sadly missed by your loving family and friends

3rd ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JOE LEAHY

Passed on April 7th 2019.

*We little knew that morning
that God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly
In death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you, you did
not go alone, for part of us went with you
the day God called you home. You left us
peaceful memories, your love is still our
guide, and though we cannot see you,
you are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken and nothing
seems the same, but as God calls us
one by one the chain will link us again.*



Sadly missed and never forgotten by his wife Mary and family

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EASTER REMEMBRANCE



DANIEL O'REGAN



In loving memory of
MARY O'REGAN



PATRICK O'REGAN

Whose birthday occurs
On the 17th April, 2022

Codrum, Macroom

*"Somewhere beyond the sunset
Where loved ones never die
You sleep in a beautiful garden
Beneath a golden sky
Though heaven and earth divide us
We are never far apart
For you are always in our thoughts
And forever in our hearts."*



Always cherished, always loved.
Michael, Gobnait and Owen.
xxx

EASTER REMEMBRANCE



In loving memory of
CHRISTINE O'REGAN

**Kildare and late of Codrum, Macroom
Who died on 25th March 2022**

*Words and times
We can no longer share
But in my heart
You are always there.*



Love from
Michael, Gobnait and Owen.
xxx

8th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of a wonderful
husband and dad
DENIS (DENNY) SWEENEY

Curraheen, Inchigeela and formerly

**of Cahirkereen, Kilnamartyra
Who died on 13th April 2014
Rest in Peace.**

*May the beautiful choir of heaven,
Sing for you to hear,
How much we love and miss you,
As it dawns another year.*

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



Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by
Marguerite, Martin and John Paul.

ANNIVERSARIES



In loving memory of

ANASTATIA RONAN

**2ND ANNIVERSARY
14th April 2020**



In loving memory of

KEVIN RONAN

**15TH ANNIVERSARY
Died 11th April 2007**

30, O'Connor Park, Masseytown, Macroom

*Just a prayer from the family
Who loved you
Just a memory fond and true
In our hearts you live forever
Because we thought the world of you.*



Lovingly remembered by
John & Gillian, Catherine & Martin, Craig, Ava, Ben, Oran & Ella.
Greatly missed by their loving family

5th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

MAURICE O'CONNELL

Ballymakeera Co Cork

*Rest in peace dear loved one
And thanks for all you've done.
We pray that God has given you
The crown you've truly won.*



Always remembered by your wife
Mary and family.

10th ANNIVERSARY



Treasured memories of a loving
husband and father

PAT MCCARTHY

**Farnanes
who died on April 13th, 2012**

*Your life was a blessing,
Your memory a treasure,
You were loved beyond words,
And missed beyond measure.*



Your wife Mag and daughters Eilish
& Aisling.

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.

EK

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FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



In loving memory of

**MARIE LAMB
(NEE O'RIORDAN)**

Who passed away on 6th April 2021.
Late of Chorley, London, Derryroe &
Haremount Kilmichael.

Thank you to those who left heart felt
condolences on R.I.P. as so many couldn't
sympathise in person or attend Mum's
funeral due to covid 19. The many kind
letters and Mass cards we received meant
so much to us.

A celebration of Marie's life will be held
on the 9th April 2022 at 3pm in the OLD
Kilmichael cemetery. All are welcome to
attend.



Always in our hearts sadly missed by your
loving family.

8th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**HUGH
TWOMEY
(HUGH MIKE HUGH)**

The Mills, Ballyvourney
Who passed away on 3rd April, 2014

*There is a face before us
A voice we would love to hear,
A smile we will always remember
Of a Dad we loved so dear.
Dear Dad you gave us so much
Your sense of fun and fairness,
Your love and wisdom
And the importance of enjoying
and treasuring life.*



Always remembered with great love and
affection by Margaret, Joan, Michael,
Mary and Martin & their partners and
his 16 grandchildren and
great grandchild Ellie

2nd ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**NORA
O' SULLIVAN**

Rosnakilla, Terelton Macroom
Co Cork.

*Always on my mind,
forever in our hearts.*



Marie, Jess and Florence.

4th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**DONAL
MOYNIHAN**

Drishlaoi, Coachford
who died on 13th April 2018.

*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.*



Always loved & remembered by his wife
Sheila, son Michael, daughters Josephine
& Helena, grandchildren & extended
family

6th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**SHEILA
O'RIORDAN**

Sleaveen Road, Macroom, Co. Cork
Who died on the 10th of April 2016

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



Fondly remembered by Cousins and
Friends

Naomh ghnait guidh uirthe

4th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**MARTIN
BURKE**

Stamford, Connecticut formerly
Rahoonna, Ballymakeera.
30th March 2018

*A Smile for all, a heart of gold.
The very best this world could hold.
Never selfish, always kind,
These are the memories
You've left behind.*



Sadly missed by his loving family,
Liam, Siobhán Jack and Joanne.

4th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**TIMMY
O'CALLAGHAN**

Curraclough, Lissarda
Who died on 6th April 2018

*Not dead to those who loved him,
Not lost but gone before,
He lives with us in memory,
And will forever more.*



Always remembered by his loving wife
Sheila and family.

26th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**DAN
CRONIN**

Railway View, Macroom &
Ballincollig. Who died on
April 9th 1996

*Too Dearly Loved
to be Forgotten*



Always remembered by his wife Christine,
sons Jerry, Neil and Declan, brother Con,
sister Anne and all his family and friends

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART



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of prayer.

MD

THE MIRACLE PRAYER



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prayer. HK

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