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A Chara,

We have a jam-packed edition again this week, is it me or is the Lee Valley Outlook getting bigger and bigger each edition? I have to say our ongoing and new contributors are providing us with incredibly interesting articles and I can't help but feel a little bit proud. Proud of everyone who submits such beautiful photos, poems, stories and more. In this edition, Ted Cook explains the laws surrounding Tree cutting, Kevin Corcoran discusses his latest proposal for the Gearagh and we have a rather eyebrow raising article by Chris Barrett on the unmentionables! So do, grab a cup of tea and a biscuit and tuck in and I'll leave you with this quote:

"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about." – Margaret J. Wheatley"

Offical opening of Cork College of Further Education and Training's Sullane Centre in Macroom

A huge congratulations to Cork College of Further Education and Training's Sullane Centre from all of us here at the LVO on the official opening of their new center on the 28th of April. The opening marked over 60 years education services to Macroom & the surrounding community since they were originally established by St. Vincent De Paul with the help of the then County Cork Vocational Education Committee in the 70's.

Nature in the Castle Demesne

An early morning walk in the castle demesne was accompanied with wild orchids, birdsong, a stoat and some ducks. One of which, cheekily flew under the footbridge with jet like speed. The copper beach is showing off her wonderful canopy again and it's a joy to walk under her natural umbrella. The no mow approach to the riverside as it really is a haven for wildlife and fauna. I digress, I just wanted to say how lucky we are, to have this space on our doorstep.

Macroom rail dismissal

Concubhar Ó Liatháin had a really interesting article in the Corkman this week about the proposal of developing train services by the Cork Commuter Coalition, for commuter towns such as Macroom along with more remote west Cork towns and villages by reopening a number of West Cork rail routes was turned down by Transport Minister Eamon Ryan, with a preference expressed for upgrading current bus routes instead. Having lived an hour from Melbourne CBD, I used to use the commuter trains regularly go to shopping, to concerts and the museum, the trip without the stress of driving and finding parking was always pleasant and quick and encouraged uses to ditch cars and use more economic ways of getting about. How to submit articles, photos and more: We welcome new submissions in the Lee Valley Outlook, don't be a stranger If you have an article, photo or story you wish to share, email: leevalleyoutlook@macroom.ie

If you are abroad, editions can be viewed online at: https://www.outlookmags.com/archives/leevalley-outlook/

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

- Pat O'Connell

Mayor of Marcallo con Casone , Members of Bubry Twinning Association

On behalf of the Macroom Twinning Association it is a great honour for me to be here today to celebrate twenty years of Twinning between Macroom and Marcallo con Casone. This milestone should have happened in 2021 but due to the worldwide pandemic of COVID-19 we were unable to do so but we are here today to continue our Twinning relationship which exists between both our towns and our friends from Bubry.

In the past twenty years much has happened between us but together we have kept alive the connection between our towns. I bring a personal message from one of the founders of the Macroom Twinning Association, Mr. Martin FitzGerald, and like everyone in the Twinning Association, he finds it difficult to comprehend those twenty years have passed so quickly since that telephone call from Chris Lucey which started our Twinning journey.

Our Twinning relationship has taken us on a journey, years of shared joys, town exchanges, successful activities, but at this time it also brings sadness and grief when we remember those people who are sadly no longer with us, and especially those from our three communities who passed away in the middle of the COVID-19. The



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successful Twinning of our towns has continued due to the connection that exists between our people, the importance of the human relationships and the involvement of families and community associations has been the key to our success. Since I was in Cork airport over twenty years ago to meet the "famous" first charter flight from Marcallo con Casone, much has changed. Our Towns, our people, our connection in Europe have all moved apace, but we have adapted to these changes, and we will continue to do so knowing that we can rely on one another. A Twinning that spans twenty years and more, between three countries steeped in a Celtic sense of belonging, openness and acceptance is a strong one. It is my hope for today that the next twenty years between Macroom, Marcallo con Casone and Bubry will be better than the last twenty years.

Amici, grazie per vent'anni di gemellaggi. [Friends, thank You for twenty years of twinning.] Go raibh maith agaibh!



L/R Pat O'Connell, Macroom. Marina Roma, Mayor of Marcallo con Casone, Louise Le Corre, Bubry.



Signing of 20th Anniversary Charter at Town Hall - Front Row L/R Pat O'Connell Macroom, Louis Le Corre, Bubry. Second Row - L/R Chris Lucey Marcallo/Inchigeela. Marina Roma Mayor of Marcallo con Casone, Daniela Tartaglia Marcello con Casona.

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We are delighted to announce our programme of summer art camps at Macroom School of Art.

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PHOTO TY (Transition Year) students dressed for paintballing with Ms Bernie Angland.

McEgan College News:

Good Luck to those 6th yr students who are entering their last month of study before they embrace the final hurdle exams in June.

2nd Year Fundraiser

Second year girls, Callie Plunkett, Katie Cronin, Aoife Kelleher, Oliwia Kelleher & Sydne Wilmot, and Kirsty Seery organised a fundraiser to support the people of Ukraine in collaboration with the Irish Red Cross. This student led initiative raised €845.00 through a bake sale and a 5Kkm run. Congratulations to the collective support for students and we look forrard to welcoming students from Ukraine to our school soon.

TY News:

Last week our transition year students along with some teachers went Paintballing in Tralee. They were very fortunate to have glorious sunshine, so they got to enjoy the great outdoors in the beautiful surroundings of Co. Kerry. Paintballing is great fun with many valuable team building exercises being very much part of the unforgettable experience. All participants were provided with safety gear and ample training before the games commenced. This was very much enjoyed by all the students, and they were happy to get back to some activities that normally would be an integral part of Transition year.

Soccer in McEgan:

Organised Soccer at lunchtime in McEgan has been facilitated by teachers Mr. B Devane & Mr. K Clarke. Students from all years enjoy time on the Astro turf pitch honing their skills and having fun

and making friends along the way.

In recent weeks two successful soccer blitzes have been held on the Astro turf for both the boys and girls in 1st 2nd & 3rd Yr. Congratulations to all involved.

Girls Soccer Club.

McEgan College Girls Soccer Club goes from strength to strength under the careful guidance of Mr. K Clarke & Mr. B Devane. The girls had wonderful weather for their recent trip to Kinsale Outdoor Adventure Centre. They started their day with some team building games and had great fun. Next up was a highly competitive archery competition. After lunch in the glorious sunshine the girls went power boating in the scenic Kinsale harbour. They all got an opportunity to drive the power boats and the fabulous sea trip included visiting Charles Fort and some seal spotting. The girls had an enjoyable day and really enjoyed all the activities that the centre had to offer.

McEgan College of Further Education Open Day 2022

The annual open Day took place in Macroom Epark on April 28th. There was a great level of interest from adult learners in the community for what the college has to offer them.

McEgan College of Further Education will soon be operating under the new name of: Cork College of FET (Further Education and Training) (Cork's Further Education Centre), Macroom Centre a Pathway for every learner.

Business is being rebranded as Office Administration with new modules such as: Reception and Frontline Office Skills, Database



PHOTO of Girls with Cheque.

Methods and Digital Presentations being introduced.

Some new modules are also being added to the Health Care Assistance, Health Service Course, to Nursing Studies and Early Learning & Care Year 1 with a novel approach being taken with each of our staple courses.

The present cohort of Students, on all programmes, have completed their courses with work experience placements in a variety of settings relevant to their programmes. Placements are kindly sponsored by local businesses for which we are extremely grateful these include Offices and GP Reception areas, Creches and Preschools, Community Hospitals and Nursing Homes. Many of these students have already been offered employment in the areas that they have gained their work experience. McEgan College is proud to say that each year we get requests from local businesses and services looking for our graduates for immediate employment.

As always, the success of our Further Education department is very much due to our PLC Co-Ordinator: Catherine Kelleher. Catherine has done trojan work promoting adult education in the Macroom area. She has been ably assisted by the wonderful team of dedicated staff members.

ENROLMENT: Applications for courses starting September 2022 are now open. Apply at www. mcegan.ie, email info.office@mcegan.ie or call us on 026-41076 to speak with one of the team and take that first step to commence or take a new direction in your career.





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ST. MARY'S NEWS



CAMOGIE

On the 29th of April, our 1st and 2nd year camogie team played a great match against Christ King Secondary School in Douglas. At half time our girls were up 5 points, thanks to our expert free taker, Clodagh Murray and an excellent goal by Maisie Murphy. The girls from St.Mary's put up a great fight and showed great teamwork and determination throughout the match. Unfortunately, the score line ended 5:3 to 2:2 to Christ King. Thanks to Liam Slattery and Ms. Kane for giving up their time to accompany our girls to the match. And thanks to Transition Year students Grace Kiernan and Danielle O Neill for coaching the girls on the day. Well done to all.

TY ACTIVITIES

TY students have had a busy week again this week. They began on Monday with a presentation from Bernadette Tuite, Manager of Chapel Hill School of Art with the medicinal benefits of the flora in the convent grounds. Then each student planted their own seeds in individual pots and will watch them propagate this term. St Mary's Ty's After An Enjoyable Line Dancing Lesson With Ms Foley

On Tuesday, the year group had a very informative and entertaining Sign Language workshop from Richie O 'Mahony. As well as learning many sign language skills, they received a first-hand account of what it was like to grow up in a household where both parents were deaf.

Charlie McBierney represented the HOPE Foundation on Wednesday when she gave the TYs an insight into the work of the charity in Kolkatta, India. Students will have an opportunity to visit the projects with the Street Children in Spring, 2023 if they so wish.

On Thursday, Nicole Ryan spoke to the group about the dangers of illegal drugs and told the girls about her own family's tragic loss as a result of engagement with drugs.

The week finished with a Line Dancing afternoon, where the dances were taught by their TY Coordinator, Ms S. Foley, which the year group really enjoyed. Ms Foley said "the girls were naturals and picked up the dances really quickly". Thanks so much to Nicole, Charlie, Bernadette, Ritchie and Ms Foley for facilitating these activities for our Transition Years.

GARDA TALK

On Thursday last Garda Orla Doyle visited the school to give a presentation to our First-year students on online activity and its implications. This was a very informative presentation and one that our students really benefitted from. Thanks so much to Orla for facilitating this very important presentation for our girls.

BLAST PROJECT

The Blast Project is a project developed by the Department of Education. This initiative aims to support the integration of the principles and key skills outlined in the Arts in Education Charter and the Creative Ireland Programme. This art project enables students to work with a professional artist on a project planned by both the students and the mentor. We spent the last number of weeks working on this project and it was such an amazing experience. We are grateful for the time that was put into this project by everyone involved.

By Mary O Donovan (Transition Year Student)



Transition Year Students at St Mary's Planting Seeds With Bernadette Tuite





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Restoring the Gearagh to create Cork's first National Park

What a restored Gearagh river forest would look like! Mind blowing. Reconstituted image created by Kevin Corcoran

Two significant challenges face our present civilisation, those of Climate Change and Biodiversity Collapse. The media has made the first so visually dramatic in its impact that the second tends to be greatly over-shadowed by it. The ultimate impact of the loss of wild nature, both in kind and number, that maintain the life support systems of our planet will, however, be just as horrendous. Many human food chains are already contracting to the point of collapse. The ocean's fish stocks are being exhausted. The billions of insects that pollinate fruit are disappearing at a shocking rate. Natural forests that maintain the soil and provide food, shelter and medicine for 80% of the Earth's people are clear-felled. Less visible species that naturally provide clean air, water and soil through decay and recycling of nutrients are becoming extinct. Human mental well-being and creativity are increasingly compromised by a complete absence of contact with nature.

Many animals and plants species that were common everywhere just 25 years ago are now almost impossible to find. As every natural obstacle is removed to suit wind farm, sitka spruce plantations, intensive agriculture, motorways, urban expansion and crazy tourism projects - nature's habitats are all being obliterated, as in ponds, streams, heaths, moors, bogs, wetlands, old-growth woodlands, meadows, hedgerows, uplands and coastal wilderness areas. As a result, the wonderful creatures these fragile habitats once supported have nowhere left to live, so they disappear forever. Frogs, newts, dragonflies, butterflies, bees, hares, woodcock, snipe, skylarks and grouse are all vanishing. You can now hear more birdsong in leafy, surban city gardens than in the countryside, where whole parishes and townlands have been converted to mentally distressing, sterile green deserts poc-marked with wind turbines. In many cases not as much as daisy is allowed to survive.

This is not going to stop as a hostile, consumer driven economy thunders ever onwards, so we desperately need realistic alternatives that compensate for the loss caused by our economic needs. Creating false wildflower meadows, planting loads of wrong trees in all the wrong places and initiating sham ecotourism projects, however, will not be sufficient, other than intentionally deceive. Instead, we need



large-scale, informed alternatives that actually work by respecting and understanding wild nature, as in the concept of 'wilding' or 'allowing the restoration of nature's habitats. Enter the Gearagh and the concept of National Parks.

National Parks

These are significant areas of the countryside (ideally thousands of acres) that allow nature to be as it should, and where citizens can recreationally engage with and inform themselves about how best to respect and care for our fragile natural world. Where ever they exist biodiversity, eco-tourism, the economy and rural communities thrive.

Within Europe there are in excess of 500 National Parks. Germany has 25% of its land area so designated; Spain has 16 NP's; Italy 25 NP's; Poland 23 NP's; Belgium which is smaller than County Cork has 6 NP's; Irish Republic – bottom of the EU list with just 6. The most important of these WAS Killarney, it recently having been burnt to a cinder - due to lack of staff to care for it - and will take decades to repair, if ever.

If every Irish county that presently does not have a NP, but was able to develop one, biodiversity would be boosted on a significant scale, while rural communities would be rejuvenated through a healthy economic injection. Beginning the process by establishing a NP in the Upper Lee Valley, adjacent to Ireland's 2nd largest city Cork and with the Gearagh Primeval River Forest at its core, would win on all the positive parameters. This could be done by decommissioning the Carrigadrohid dam and allowing the once spectacular river gorge, right up to the Gearagh, to be restored as a unique wilderness area full of disappearing habitats and species. Later, wilderness trails through the valley would ultimately link Cork city to Gougane Barra via a necklace of protected areas and within which rural villages and parish communities would be an integral part. The Carrigrohane riverside park, Ballincollig gun powder mills, Farren Wood, Warrenscourt, Carrigadrohid, Macroom Castle Demesne, Saint Gobnaits Wood, the Inchigeelagh lakes, Ballingeary, Coolea and so many more, would all become integrated into this. Eco initiatives would be at the core. Hiking, canoeing, fishing, nature study, artists and photographers would help link, not just the citizens of our exploding Cork city with

their own 'lovely Lee,' but all visitors to Ireland. The Gearagh however would have to be protected and so developed through very limited and controlled access via guides.

Can you just imagine the hiking tourists sitting outside coffee shops in Inchigeelagh and Carrigadrohid or watching a local striding down through Coolea village with a group of visitors that had been taken to the bog, where its wonderful world and disappearing customs had been explained through Irish and English, and thus saved for posterity. Equally, what an experience it would be to be taken through the wilderness of a regenerating Gearagh in the traditional flatbottomed boats. A truly, stunning Wild Ways as you would encounter in informed countries like New Zealand.

Practical realities

All the above recreational properties, including the Gearagh, are already in the hands of the State, as in us citizens. Thus, it can be achieved without impinging on any private person or their property without their permission. The only stumbling block will be the negative political will to do so and the dour attitude of senior bureaucrats within our semi-state bodies who attack environmentalists and nature at every twist in the road of their blind, greed-driven progress. Every citizen in the Lee Valley needs to confront this and demand that our biodiversity crisis is seriously tackled and rural communities are revitalised in the process. Write, e-mail, phone, lobby every politician. Equally, contact every newspaper, TV and radio show, demanding honest and effective action on halting biodiversity collapse and supporting rural regeneration. This is our last chance let's not waste it. Become empowered and demand your rights as enshrined in our constitution and within our EU environmental laws

Footnote: A full outline of the Gearagh National Park Proposal can be obtained by writing to either Taoiseach Michael Martin or the Minister for the Environment Eamon Ryan at Dail Eireann and requesting a printed copy. Kevin Corcoran, ecologist.

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Our Library Events are returning gradually to the Library. Please keep an eye on our window for information posters and our Facebook Page for up to date details.

Events are as follows:

Purlies Knitting group: 5th & 19th May at 11.30 – 1.00 pm

Children's Storytime: Every Saturday 12.00 – 12.30 pm

Ciorcail Cainte Irish Speaking Group: Thursday 26th May at 11.30 am – 12.30 pm

Tots Time: Last Friday of every month – 27th May at 12 00 – 12 20 am (Please note change of time) Art Exhibition – May: "True Beauty" By Artist Shelagh-Jessica Gilbourne

Adult Book Club: First Wednesday of the month so the next meeting is Wednesday 1st June at 11.30 – 12.30 pm.

Creative Writing Group: First Friday of the month so the next meeting is Friday May 6th at 11.00 – 1.00 p.m.

MACROOM LIBRARY:

Tots Time which is on last Friday of every month at 12 – 12 30 pm in Macroom library is a great place for young children to interact and sing Nursery Rhymes and songs and also an opportunity for mothers to meet and connect.

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.

Home Energy Saving Kits are now available at select Branches of Cork County Council Library & Arts Service. We have one available to check out from Macroom Library. The Home Energy Saving Kit contains a range of tools to help householders make sense of the energy they consume on a daily basis, and to identify possible problem areas such as poorly-insulated walls and appliances that are driving up electricity bills.

These kits contain five practical energy saving tools so that you can carry out a mini energy audit of your home and find the easiest and most important areas to save energy.

Visit Macroom Library for further details and start your home energy saving journey.

Art Exhibition - May: Macroom Library are delighted to continue to exhibit "True Beauty" by Shelagh-Jessica Gilbourne.

She have added more pictures to her collection. 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.

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Ava Collins receiving her prize in Macroom Library for the Easter Colouring Competition



Danielle Sexton receiving her prize for the Easter Colouring Competition at Macroom Library.



Serena Murphy one of the winners of the Easter Colouring Competition at Macroom Library.



Michaela Twohig with her sister receiving her prize at Macroom Library for the Easter Colouring Competition.



Saoirse Delahunty receiving her prize in Macroom Library for the Easter Colouring Competition



Andiomeda Morcus receiving her prize in Macroom Library for the Easter Colouring Competition



Aoibheann Keaney receiving her prize for the Easter Colouring Competition

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Community Awards Macroom Bweeng & Inniscarra



Image above: Deirdre O'Sullivan, Jerry Murphy and Ann O'Connell accepting the Southern Division group award on behalf of Macroom St. Patrick's Day Virtual Celebration (2021) at the 2022 Mayor's Community Awards which were held in Cork County Hall. Mayor of the County of Cork, ClIr Gillian Coughlan presented 12 awards to individuals and groups from across Cork County. Also included is Tim Lucey, Chief Executive, Cork County Council, on right. Pic: Brian Lougheed

Image bottom right: Con O'Leary from Inniscarra accepting the Southern Division Individual Award at the 2022 Mayor's Community Awards which were held in Cork County Hall. The awards recognise outstanding contributions made by individuals as well as community and voluntary groups. Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr Gillian Coughlan presented 12 awards to individuals and groups from across Cork County. Also included is Tim Lucey, Chief Executive, Cork County Council. Pic: Brian Lougheed



Caroline Bell (left) and Michelle Geaney accepting the Northern Division award on behalf of Bweeng Community Hall and Grounds at the 2022 Mayor's Community Awards which were held in Cork County Hall. Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr Gillian Coughlan presented 12 awards to individuals and groups from across Cork County. Also included is Tim Lucey, Chief Executive, Cork County Council. Pic: Brian Lougheed





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



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8 ways to avoid back pain or injury while gardening.

Working in the garden is good for reducing stress levels and improving physical fitness. But whether you are beginner or a seasoned pro it's important to know about pain free gardening.

Here are the top 8 ways to reduce low back pain, strain or injury:

1. Stretch

Gardening and yard work is physical and with any physical work it is important to warm up and stretch before you start.

2. Bending and Lifting

Don't try to lift anything you can't tilt. Roll it if you can. Don't do it on your own – get help. When heavy lifting can't be avoided - bend your knees and use your legs, not your back.

3. Good Footwear

It's important to be comfortable while you're gardening and good footwear will provide good support as you move around that will benefit your spine.

4. Invest in Good Tools

The right equipment reduces strain on your body as well as making the work easier. Use long handled tools to reduce the amount of bending, reaching or stretching.

5. Take Breaks

Don't try to do it all on the same day. Take regular breaks to reduce strain on your body

6. Hydrate

Keep a flask or bottle of water near you to stay hydrated.

7. Vary Your Activities

Adjust your body position regularly. Keep gardening tools close to avoid overreaching. Repetitive activities can easily lead to injury. Change from a kneeling weeding job to a standing raking motion for example.

8. Warm Down

Simple back exercises can help counter the strain and keep you pain- free. Have a good stretch to loosen out the muscles after working.

Finally, enjoy your time in the garden, it's good for your mind, body and soul.



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Mr. John Lynch flies the flag proudly for Aghinagh Macra at Mr Personality Festival 2022

The 15th Mr. Personality Festival 2022 took place in the Springhill Court Hotel on the 8th and 9th of April in Kilkenny. The festival was hosted by Kilkenny Macra na Feirme and was sponsored by Kilkenny/Carlow and District Farm Relief Services. The 26 contestants travelled from all around the country to the Marble City for a fun filled weekend where they were interviewed on stage on Friday night with an optional party piece if they were brave enough.

On Saturday morning John completed his private interview with the judges. Afterwards he proudly displayed his county colours while completing Pilates, an obstacle course, soccer penalties and team building exercises while showing the judges what he was made of. Judges for the weekend were Siobhan Woods, Hannah Quinn Mulligan and Jamie Flannery.

The result was announced at 12 midnight on Saturday night with John Lynch, Aghinagh Macra (Muskerry, Cork) coming in second place. Shane Quigley, Castlebar Macra (Mayo) was crowned the 15th Mr. Personality coming in first place, while in third place was James McElearney from Three Parishes Macra (Monaghan).

Shane Quigley was presented with €500 cheque, a perpetual cup, glass trophy and a weekend break in the Springhill Court Hotel, Kilkenny. John Lynch received a trophy, a cheque for €300 and a weekend break in the Springhill Court Hotel, Kilkenny and James McElearney received a trophy and cheque for €200.

FUNDRAISING DRIVE TO HELP YOUNG TEENAGER INJURED IN MOUNTAIN BIKE ACCIDENT

Oisin O'Connor Fund

The Valley Wheelers Sheep's Head cycle this

year (8th May 2022) will fundraise for the above fund. A bucket will be in Frank Shop, Ballingeary and Creedon's Hotel, Inchigeela for just Sun 8th May, after mass. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated. See Go Fund Me: Oisin's Fund for more details.

LEABHARLANN BHAILE BHÚIRNE

Anyone who reads this piece on a regular basis will know that I get a bit distracted at times and ramble on about things that might not seem remotely connected to the library apart from the fact that I mention them, and I work in Ballyvourney Library. This piece is no different. Over the past few days I have observed from my window, while having my breakfast, a myriad selection of little birds flitting in and out of the bushes (brambles and holly mainly - I'm not a great gardener). Then there is a cheeky little red squirrel that hops and tumbles about and has no fear of the car or the tractor, in fact he sits up in the middle of the driveway almost daring us to move! Then there are two hares, I've named them Harold and Harriet, they cover so much ground running up and down the fields, stopping to have a snack here and there and then off again. I can imagine anyone who has never seen a hare mistaking them for small kangaroos. Then we have the deer, a little herd of three deer wandering about. From standing still they can leap vertically and then over fences and gates. There are starlings nesting in a gap in the garage facia. They are very busy, protective and vociferous. They dive at me as I pass to get to my car and if I'm lucky I avoid their blessings from above although the car is well splattered – need I say more on that matter! In the last little while the swallows have arrived back swooping and gliding all around as they search for nesting spots. We have had swallows here since we started building our house in the early 1980's when they nested in the attic before it was sealed off - we had to leave a little gap for them to get in and out that year and then we closed it up once they had left. But they come back every year and find some little nesting nook. I haven't heard the cuckoo yet but perhaps I will before this article is printed.

So while I have my breakfast I am entertained by the local wildlife and if they are not about I read my book - I've given up taking to 'Alexa' as every time I ask her anything her answer is "I'm sorry I don't know that". But then again, I deserve that for talking to a computer, who obviously has never visited a library to find out anything. Because libraries are full of ideas, facts, countries, ideas and escapism. You are never too young or too old to visit and join the library and in Ballyvourney library there will always be a welcome for you.

In fact, all children starting school in September 2022 can get a free Book Bag at their local Cork County Council library. Ballyvourney Library has these bags in stock just waiting for you to call and collect one.

As part of the initiative, a 'My Little Library Book Bag' is available free for every child starting school in 2022 to help them to prepare for this big step. Children and their parents or guardians are invited to visit their local branch or mobile library to join the library and collect a Book Bag.

Each 'My Little Library Book Bag' contains:

Three books on starting school, making friends and being comfortable to be yourself

A story card on going to the library

A postcard the child can write or draw on and send to their new teacher, or bring to give to the teacher on their first day at school

Library Registration Form

Book bags are available in both Irish and English. Ballyvourney Library is delighted to participate in the First 5 Little Library Initiative look forward to meeting the children who will be starting school in September. It is a great opportunity for not only new school goers but whole families to join Ballyvourney Library to borrow books and participate in our services and events." The 'My Little Library Book Bag' initiative is a collaboration between libraries and the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth as part of the First 5 Strategy. Invitations to collect a Book Bag will be issued via pre-schools and childminders in Cork County. More Information on 'My Little Library Book Bags' is available from your local library.

Is féidir le gach leanbh a thosaíonn ar scoil i Meán Fómhair 2022 Mála Leabhar saor in aisce a fháil ag a leabharlann áitiúil de chuid Chomhairle Contae Chorcaí. Tá na málaí seo i stoc ag Leabharlann Bhaile Bhuirne díreach ag fanacht leat glaoch agus ceann a bhailiú.

Mar chuid den tionscnamh, tá 'Mo Mhála Leabhar Leabharlainne Beag' ar fáil saor in aisce do gach leanbh atá ag tosú ar scoil in 2022 chun cabhrú leo ullmhú don chéim mhór seo. Tugtar cuireadh do pháistí agus dá dtuismitheoirí nó dá gcaomhnóirí cuairt a thabhairt ar a mbrainse áitiúil nó ar a leabharlann taistil agus Mála Leabhar a bhailiú.

I ngach 'Mo Mhála Leabhar Leabharlainne Beag' tá: • Trí leabhar ar thosú scoile, cairde a dhéanamh agus a bheith compordach le bheith leat féin

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Foirm Chláraithe na Leabharlainne

Tá málaí leabhar ar fáil i nGaeilge agus i mBéarla. Tá áthas ar Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne páirt a ghlacadh i dtionscnamh First 5 Little Library táim ag tnúth le bualadh leis na páistí a bheidh ag tosú ar scoil i mí Mheán Fómhair. Is deis iontach é do dhaltaí scoile atá ag tosnú sa scoil agus do theaghlaigh iomlána teacht isteach i Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne chun clárú agus le leabhair a fháil ar iasacht agus páirt a ghlacadh inár seirbhísí agus imeachtaí."

Is comhoibriú idir leabharlanna agus an Roinn Leanaí, Comhionannais, Míchumais, Imeasctha agus Óige mar chuid den Chéad 5 Straitéis é an tionscnamh 'My Little Library Book Bag'.

Eiseofar cuirí chun Mála Leabhar a bhailiú ó réamhscoileanna agus feighlithe leanaí i gContae Chorcaí. Tá tuilleadh eolais ar 'My Little Library Book Bags' ar fáil ó do leabharlann áitiúil.

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KILMURRY HAA:

UPCOMING BOOK LAUNCH

On Friday, May the 27th, at Independence Museum Kilmurry, prominent historian Mr. Niall Murray will launch Michael Galvin's latest book; In the Shadow of War Kilmurry 1939 – 1945.

This it is hoped will give the reader a good idea of the trials and hardships endured during the 'Emergency' throughout Kilmurry parish and beyond. It was not all gloom though, for people enjoyed, as best they could, various recreational activities which are described in detail.

This book is dedicated to the memory of Patrick J. Horgan, late of De La Salle College Macroom and the entire proceeds of this publication will go to Independence Museum Kilmurry.

Proceedings will commence at 8 pm but books will be on sale from 7 pm. All are welcome.



Seen at the unveiling of a Bronze Bust of Terence MacSwiney at Kilmurry Museum; Aidan O'Sullivan Vice Chair KHAA, Joan O'Flynn, Dr. John O'Mahony SC, John Fitzgerald President KHAA, Gillian Coughlan Cork Lord Mayor, Aindrias Moynihan TD, Michael McGrath Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform, Michael Creed TD, Mary O'Mahony Chair KHAA, Dr. Cathal Brugha, John Coll, (Bust Sculptor), Michael O'Flynn Chairman O'Flynn Group, Deirdre Bourke KHAA.

CLONDROHID

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT: On this Saturday May 7, Clondrohid Junior A players invite you to join them on a 5km walk in aid of Pieta House, to remember loved ones and support everyone affected by suicide.

Everyone is welcome to join the players on this walk, meeting at 4.15 am in the G.A.A. Grounds, with a 4.30am starting time, will be back again in the Grounds at 5.50am to watch the sunrise together as a community, and a club. Clann Aire have kindly offered their facilities for refreshments after the walk.

Donation Buckets will be available on the morning, registration is still open and will be right up until the walk starts. It can be done through the following link. https://www.darknessintolight. ie/fundra.../clondrohidgaaclub. You can donate through this link as well.

Please bring a headlamp or a torch with you... Looking forward to a big turnout.

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 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The children in 2nd class in Clondrohid Nat. school will receive their First Holy Communion thus Sat May 7. Boys will receive theirs at 10.30am and the girls at 12.30am. A very important event in their school year. The children in2nd class in Carriganima, and Muinfliuch will receive theirs on sat May 14. All in the parish wish them well.

CLONDROHID DEV GROUP: This group held a very successful meeting last week, with some new faces on board. We welcome them and hope new ideas will develop. Anyone else who would like to join will be most welcome,

Our CE worker Con O'Brien has retired, we thank him for all his work, keeping the village neat and tidy. He was very helpful at all times, and we wish him well in his retirement, and hopefully he will continue to call to village. A presentation will be made to Con at a later date. THANK YOU CON. As of now we do not have a Scheme worker so any help that anyone could give to keep our village vibrant would be appreciated.

CLONDROHID ACTIVE RETIRED: Art classes for members continues in Community Hall on Tuesdays from 4 to 6pm.

Card games in Hall on Monday May 9 and May 23, from 7.30pm to 9.30pm All members welcome, great social interaction.

Scoraiocht in Hall on Fri May 20 at 8pm for members. Great night assured with song, storytelling, music and the cuppa. Please come along.

Jack's Mystery Tour is back and will take place later in May.

G.A.A. NEWS: U 19 League Clondrohid 1 15 Aghinagh 4 6.

The u 9 footballers played Aghinagh in 3 fantastic challenge games last week. Looking forward to the return games. Well done to all

The U 7's travelled to Carrigadrohid to play in their first blitz. Great games, great fun. Well done to all and to the parents for the support.

Ballyvongane NS



The Ballyvongane NS Sciath na Scol hurling team.



Aoife Barrett from the victorious Cork Minor Camóige team who recently visited Ballyvongane NS.



Croi na laoi/Tidy Towns

At the recent meeting in Inchigeela it was decided that the Tidy Towns volunteers would meet on Tuesday mornings at 10.30 am and Wed. evening at 7.30pm to work on the tasks decided upon. This would give volunteers who may not find Tuesday suitable, the opportunity to come to the Wed. gettogether and visa versa. It's encouraging to see more new faces turning out as there's lots to do and volunteers are always needed and new ideas are very welcome. Last year's specially designated village Painting Day was very successful as was the Planting Day. This year's Painting Day is 14th of May and Planting Day is 28th of May. Let's make it as successful as the Spring clean day when 30 volunteers turned out and did a wonderful job.

Zooming in on O'Learys

The O Leary Clan Gathering has taken place in Inchigeela for many years now and O Learys have come from all over the world to be with their namesakes in Uibh Laoire, the place of their ancestors. For a few activity packed days, Joe Creedon and family host this unique event where long-lasting friendships have been made and

UIBH LAOIRE:

people have got help in tracing their relatives and discovering their roots. It had been a successful event until the pandemic struck when all meetings were forbidden and travel was banned. But Zoom came to the rescue and the virtual meeting went ahead recently and all reports of it are very favourable. O Learys and their relatives logged in from all over the world. Three friends of Iveleary who have been coming to Inchigeela for years are from Bogota in South America and they too availed of the Zoom connection. One is a direct descendant of Florence O Leary, who commanded the armies of Simon Bolivar in freeing several countries of their Spanish overlords in the early18 hundreds. The three are looking forward to joining the O Leary clan gathering in Inchigeela in September.

Darkness into Light

The fundraiser to assist Pieta House in its good work is on Saturday morning. In the past the short walk has been well supported by local people of all ages from within and outside the parish. Register beforehand if possible but please turn up and be part of the thousands who support every year,

nationwide. See info on facebook.

Save Gougane Barra

The local committee which was set up to object to the wind farm in the Gougane area got some good news last week. The high court has given them permission to take a case against An Bórd Pleanála's allowing the tallest wind generators in Co Cork to be erected near the most beautiful area in our parish. Already Cork Co Council had turned the application down as did Bord Pleanala's own inspector when he visited the site. Support for the local objection has come in from local, national and international sources. And surely by now we have done more than enough for the national cause with the dozens of wind generators that are towering above us where ever we go in the parish. The committee, calling themselves "Save Gougane Barra" have been given donations from all guarters, but still need more to fight the good fight in the court. Anyone wishing to help can do so by visiting WWW.Ballingeary.com for information. Please help.

Kilmurry Active Retirement Association News

When I was a boy, the older generation seemed to take joy in telling me that 'school days are the best days of your life'. I, being too well acquainted with the rod, earnestly hoped that they were wrong.

It appears they were. Some of our members, myself included, have started an online course'The Science of Health and Happiness as We Age'. This is being provided by the Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin. This week I have learned that while it depends on individual circumstances, the majority now seem to believe that it's the twenties that are the best years of life.

While this is the subjective opinion of the majority, it does not make it so. When scientists carry out objective studies, they find that while the level of happiness or wellbeing is high in our twenties, and declines in our thirties, the graph is U shaped. It rises again (in western democracies) from a low point at 38 in Ireland (42 in the USA) to be as high at 55 as it is the twenties. Better still it stays at that high level for most but increases further for many until the age that our physical health declines.

Our wellbeing is the aggregate of our emotional, our social, and our psychological wellbeing. Our emotional wellbeing increases with age, our social wellbeing is relatively consistent from 40 onwards, and while our psychological wellbeing varies relating to personal circumstances, increasing for some, decreasing for others, the net effect at societal level is a general high level of wellbeing from 55 onwards, until our physical health declines. This is not surprising. Physical pain decreases our psychological wellbeing. They are significantly correlated.

We want to live long and happy lives. We can load $^+$

the dice in our favour. We do this by maintaining a healthy weight, doing regular physical exercise, maintaining appropriate glucose levels, and reducing cortisol levels (by reducing our stressors). While about half of our happiness may be genetically determined, the other half is not. Just 10% is determined by our environment, leaving 40% under the control of our thinking. If we choose to maintain positivity, that can add up to ten years to our lifespan. So, if you can, hope for the best possible outcome, maintain your relationships, stay engaged in your community, and plan to live this life to the full.

For those in your thirties and forties we acknowledge your plight, you have it the roughest of all. Hang in there, the science says for most it will get better. You are in the process of building the skills and the resilience that will add to and maintain your happiness for the remainder of your life. If that seems too far away, and you want to act now, Workplace Wellbeing Ireland is a resource that you may find helpful.

Our hard-working committee has now finalised our activities for the next two months.

Our better balance course is on Mondays at Kilmurry Museum and the popular 'Staying fit for the Future' courses are restarting on Thursday 28th April in Crookstown hall. These will run for 10 weeks, and you may still join in.

We have joined an aqua aerobics programme in the Castle Hotel Leisure centre in Macroom. You may come and join us at 12 noon on Tuesdays or Thursdays until the end of June. The cost is just \in 3.50/session.

We are doing a course in Card Making and paper craft on Wednesdays 7pm in June. This will be held in the Independence room, Kilmurry. (This may suit men as we may be able to quickly escape to the garage when we have forgotten that special event again)! Non-members are welcome.

We are holding two gardening talks. They will be from 2-4pm on June 14th and 21st in Lissarda and Kilmurry.

And the highlight, we are looking forward to travelling to the Copper Grove, Bandon on May 21st, to celebrate, and to appreciate the great work of our previous officers, Phyllis, Marie and Bernie. We have many reasons to be thankful to them for the benefits we have all received since Phyllis called that first meeting seven years ago. This promises to be a great celebration for the community and one not to be missed. The entertainment will be provided by ourselves, so it will be either good or hilarious! The cost will be just €30/person, and we are arranging transport, courtesy of An Garda Síochána, for those who would like to avail of it. All are welcome, members and non-members alike, but please let us know in advance so that the restaurant can accommodate and feed everyone! Our association is open to all. It is aimed particularly

Our association is open to all. It is aimed particularly at those who are not currently in fulltime paid employment. We have a membership of 43 presently. We are all ages from the fifties upwards. 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 as busy as you choose and positively engaged in your community, and we think you will enjoy it. For more information contact Aidan at 0894057676 or aidanpbarry@outlook.com.

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Legal Provisions Governing the Protection of **Our Trees**

Hi! Chris Barrett back again. Today I have pleasure in sharing with you that I have learned from my good friend, Ted Cook.

Ted is talking about the provisions of the Forestry Act 2014. This was signed into law by the President, Michael D. Higgins in 2016, so it has been law for the last six years.

The main provisions of the Act are that all trees within our state, over the age of five years are protected, with the following exceptions.

Trees within 100' of a building.

Trees impacting on road-making and roadmaintenance.

The ESB and Telecommunications are exempt under the 2014 Act.

Trees within a Municipal District or County Borough.

Dangerous, dying or dead trees

Vegetation within 10 metres of a public road, which within the, 'reasonable' opinion of the Landowner pose a danger.

(Landowners without Selling Licence, may cut down 15 cubic metres (15 tons), on their holdings per annum.)

Wild-sown trees on cultivated or agricultural land may be removed without License. This refers to wild-sown trees not to hedgerow vegetation.

Trees and shrubs grown within Horticultural Units, or Tree Nursary Units are exempt from legal protection.

Hawthorns and blackthorns are not protected under Irish Law.

10.Orchard Trees (apples, pears, plums), may be cut without a felling licence and without application to the Guards, but they should be cut knowledgeably.

The Act Protects the Following Trees

forming decorative ranks are protected.

Trees or shrubs that are listed on any of our 31 Local Authority's Register of Tree Protection Orders (TPOs) are protected. (We have 307 TPOs within our state. In Northern Ireland, there are 3,900 protected trees or groups of trees under Areas of Special Interest (ASIs).

All trees and shrubs within Special Areas Of Conservation (SACs), Special Protection Areasfor wild birds (SPAs) National Heritage Areas (NHAs) and within all of our State's National Parks and National Nature Reserves, are protected.

All other trees and shrubs in the State over five years of age may only be felled with a Felling Licence.

A Felling Licence Application is lodged at the Garda station nearest to the tree or group of trees to be felled. The Applicant Land-Owner will be contacted by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and Forestry (Felling Section). All land-owning applicants, or occupants with the land-owners consent, will be contacted by that Department. The Felling Section may refuse applications on stated grounds, or may consent to the whole or partial application; or impose conditions of re-planting. A public notice of a Felling must be placed within public view and access, adjacent or upon the boundaries of the site to be cleared.

Where any member of the public has good reason to believe that any tree is, or has been unlawfully cut down, they should contact the nearest Garda station or contact the mobile phone number of the County Forestry Inspector, Mr. Eugene Curran - 087 2536576

During the bird-nesting season (March 1st-August 31st) where bird-nesting disturbance is likely, we are providing the following mobile number for our Designated Regional Wildlife Ranger, Mr. Jay Cornish 085 8074387

Trees of 150 years of age or trees growing or IT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE TO MANAGE OR TREAT

OR PRUNE ANY TREE OR SHRUB IN A MANNER THAT CAUSES IT TO DIE OR DECAY.

Section 27(Subsection 10) of the 2014 Forestry Act provides that, (other than those trees listed in the exceptions above)

"A person who causes or permits to be done to any tree any act or thing that causes irremediable damage, death or decay to it, shall be guilty of a criminal offence."

Section 27 (Subsection 11) continues

"Any person who recklessly sets fire to any tree be guilty of a criminal offence."

Any citizen may nominate any tree or group of trees, that in their opinion is deserving of a Tree Protection Order (TPO) to the Planning Authority for our County. Unless it is urgent, such notice in writing that recites the precise co-ordinates, is best submitted to our County Planning Authority in advance of the 6 yearly County

Development Review. Each of the 31 Planning Authorities within our State must review their County, City or Town Development plan every 6 years. This process requires advance notice to the public to ensure thorough consultation with the Primary Stakeholders (Local Communities). Under the E.U. Public Access Environmental Information Directive, Planning Authorities must go out of their way to ensure appropriate engagement with communities.

"Nations are born in the hearts of Poets and destroyed in the hands of our Politicians. Our 2014 Forestry Act will accelerate deforestation because it facilitates unbridled agricultural intensification more appropriately it is a GRABICULTURE Act.

"How blessed can I let myself be in the midst of the chaos of this world and the unfailing generosity of trees."

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Tá an Samhradh buailte linn agus sinn ag súil lena a thús, le Mí na Bealtaine. Ní h'amháin go mbím féinigh ag déanamh ceiliúradh ar theacht an tSamhraidh ach is gnách le mór chuid de thuaisceart na hEorapa fáilte a chur roimh an seasúr seo ó oíche bealtaine ar aghaidh.

no. Antoine

Téann an nós seo siar na mílte blian roimh theacht Chríost. Is ceann de cheithre mhórfhéile na gCeilteach í Bealtaine. Ceaptar gur an brí atá leis an focal ná 'Béal Tine', nó 'bright light, agus gur ón Dia Ceilteach thine, Belenus, a tháinigh sí, ach ní fios. Pé scéal é, tá rud amháin cinnte ná go bhfuil baint láidir idir an fhéile seo agus lasadh tinte cnámh i mbéaloideas na hÉireann. An chúis a bhí le seo ná gur cheap ár sínsear gur ghlan na tinte agus an deatach gach droch rud agus gur thug sé torthúlacht is cosaint ó ghalar don talamh agus na hainmhnaithe, don chuid eile den bhliain. maith agus ceaptar go bhfaigheann beostoc leigheas ón t'uisce seo, má bhionn siad tinn.

O tháinigh an Chríostíocht chun na tíre, is anseo a déantar ceiliúradh ar Naomh Crobh Dhearg, ar Lá Bealtaine. Tagann daoine ann ó chian is ó chongar. Thagach mo shean athair ann oíche Bhealtaine agus d'fhanach sé an oíche ann go dtí breacadh an lae, nuair a deantaí turas paidiróireachta timpeall an chathair (the city of Shrone). Tá an traidisiún seo an láidir fós. Sa lá atá inniu ann bíonn aifreann amuigh fé an aeir agus tagann na sluaite ann ó mhaidin luath lae Bealtaine.



Lastaí na tinte seo ar bharr sléibhte na hÉireann, ach go háirithe ar shliabh Uisneach i gcontae na h'Iar Mhí agus níos chongraí dom bhaile, idir Dhá Chí Danú, sna Sléibhte atá le h'ais ghleann Chlaoidigh i gCiarraí. Áit é seo atá aitheanta go háitiúil mar 'Cathair Chrobh Dhearg'. Ceaptar gur ann a tháinigh agus a shochraigh an chéad threabh Ceilteach. na Tuatha Dé Danann, aníos ón Ghreig, ó áit ar a tugtar Beotia (land of cattle), 10,000 míle bliain ó shin. De réir an Béaloideas, ba chuid de shliocht Danú nó Anú .. an bhandia Ceilteach torthúlachta iad. Bhí sise mar chosantóir na mbó agus sláinte. Dá bharr san, lastaí tinte ar an dhá shliabh seo. Thabharfadh feirmeoirí an cheanntair agus fiú amháin soir chomh fada le Bhaile Mhuirne, a gcuid beostoc chuig na láthair agus chomáintí iad idir na tinte a bhí ar lasadh ar na sléibhte. Chreid siad gur ghlan sé iad ó gach uile olc agus thug cosaint dóibh ó gach ghalar. Tá tobar naomh Chrobh Dhearg san láthair chómh Traidisiún eile nó nós a bhíonn againne sa bhaile oíche Bhealtaine ná uisce coisireacan a chroithe timpeall gach páirc is láithir ar an bhfeirm. Seo chun go mbeadh rath ar bharraí agus chun cosaint agus sláinte a neartú don teighleach agus ár gcuid ainmhnithe i rith na bliana. Bíonn an Sceach Geal fé bhláth le linn na míosa seo. Cheap na sean daoine gur crann na Síoga a bhí anseo. Ní raibh riamh cead againn fiú duilleóg nó bláth de a thabhairt lastigh den tigh ar eagla go dtabhairfadh sé mí ádh orainn. Cheaptaí leis go mbíodh na síoga ann gníomhach le linn Mí na Bealtaine! Mar sin ní mor duinn bheith ar ár n'áirdeall. Gan dabht ní féidir liom críochniú gan ann Mhaighdeann Muire a luath mar is í Mí na Bealtaine mí spesialta onóireach do Mhuire. Déanann daoine áiltóir bláthanna sa tigh, ós comhair dealbh Mhuire nó ar a bhfuinneóig. Úsáidtear go minic na bláthanna fiáine ar nós an Samhairchín nó Lus Muire. Nach deas dearfach an nós é.

Dúlra agus Dúchas



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Have you heard about HUMANURE?



Chris Barrett here again. I have had the experience of talking about that which is usually unmentionable!

Today I am talking with Henry who lives near Macroom. He has owned his house for over 20 years. When he and his family bought it there was running water but little else in the way of toilet facilities. In fact, it would be true to say there were no toilet facilities at all, other than a bucket, a bath and a wash basin.

This being the case, they decided to review their options. One of the problems at the time was the scale of the project: -the bathroom needed rebuilding and waste disposal facilities creating. They were doing up the house which required a huge amount of renovation and a conventional septic tank would have been considerably added to their costs and caused horrendous upheaval.

When they researched alternate possibilities, they found that dry composting looked good and was attainable within their budget.

This method appealed to them for two main reasons. It was a way of conserving organic matter which could be used to their advantage in the garden and it also saved many gallons of drinking quality water that would otherwise have been used in the flushing of a conventional toilet.

After much consideration, they decided to purchase a Swedish design of toilet which has much the appearance of a conventional toilet to



the user. It incorporated additional features which they had previously been unaware of i.e. the separation of the urine and a fan which removed smells and partially dried the waste matter, both of which reduced noxious odours. Despite the fact that most dry-composting toilets usually require the addition of sawdust or peat after each use, this one did not

Separating the urine has several advantages. It can be easily disposed of in a soak-away leaving the dry matter ready to mix with all their cardboard, paper and kitchen-waste to makecompost. They have four compost bins which they use in rotation and the humanure is composted for about four years. At the endof that time it is clean and sweetsmelling.

They feel their integral fan is very important. It uses very little electricity and the bathroom smells less than when a conventional toilet has been used. It is particularly difficult to compost unseparated waste as water drives the oxygen out resulting in smelly anerobic composting.

They would recommend this method because of its efficiency, as it is lighter to empty than a bucket because the urine has been separated and a useful end-product is available for use in the garden.

Henry thinks his method is an excellent alternative to a septic tank in isolated rural properties. It is a sad fact that septic tanks are often bodged, polluting (and illegal) while his system is environmentally



friendly and sustainable. It makes excellent financial sense for properties away from the nodes of public sewage. The system and other similar ones are used by Henry and many others, and help to prevent the pollution of drinking water sources in rural areas where human waste products have proved to cause major problems.

Henry, his family, his land and the whole environment have profited.

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I am very grateful to Henry and his family for sharing information which would otherwise have been unknown to me. I hope you also gained by learning from his experiences.

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History

A Forgotten Mill Race and Other Memories

by Michael Healy

The mill race from The Sullane to Walton's Mill in Masseytown is well known and has been written about in this magazine by Kevin Corcoran. However, there is another mill race that few people know about.

This began in what was locally known as Jacky McDonnell's field (where a new Garda Station and fire station are now being built) and ended at Walton's Mill.

Jacky McDonnell lived on his own in New Street, a few doors up from his sister, Mary, who was married to Roger Cooney and whose son and grandchildren inherited his property when he died. He lived a simple life and never had any claim to fame or to anything that might have made him stand out. He worked hard all his life but never learnt to drive a car. Apart from the field where building work is now taking place, he also had another field which was located on the right of the laneway leading down to the Weirs and the GAA playing fields. At the top of this field, he had a vegetable garden, about a half-acre in size. Here he grew vegetables which, every morning he would load onto his bicycle and then walk down the town calling to various shops along the way. He once told one of my brothers, that between himself and his father and perhaps his grandfather, that that piece of ground had been in continuous cultivation for over a hundred years. Entry to this was through a gate which was always kept locked with a chain and padlock and some barbed wire on top to prevent people from climbing over it. Every year he would save hay in the field where the Garda Station is now being built, turning it over with a two-pronged pike until it was dry and then building it into haycocks before finally taking it into his shed which was at the side of the field, on the side near a passageway, now overgrown, that led up to the Glen and perhaps would have been, at one time, the workers' entrance to the farm behind Gurteenroe House. Since I remember saving hay when I was young, I may as well explain here how haycocks were built. Hay would be laid on the ground and more hay piled on top until it reached a height of about six or seven feet. Then someone would have to go on his hands and knees to pull hay out from the bottom of the havcock. This was to allow air to get into the cock and so help to keep it dry. Then a length of rope or twine such as baler twine, with a heavy stone at each end would be thrown over the cock to prevent the wind from toppling it over. I suppose in former times they would have used a sugán rope made from twisting strands of hay together. Once the cock was formed, the hay was then safe from the rain though obviously it would have been safer to get it into the hayshed within three or four days if the weather forecast was bad.



probably just three or four. Every morning and evening these would be driven from where they were grazing down to New Street and in the front door of his house, through the kitchen and out the back for milking. I've been told that, in former times, there were many people in New Street and other parts of the town who had a bit of land or grazing somewhere for a cow or two and would milk them the same way as Jacky did. Some of them also grazed their cows in the town park or got some grazing from a kindly local farmer while there was also the 'long acre'. The 'long acre' was the grass on the side of the road - it wasn't very wide but it was very long, hence the name 'long acre'. All this would have been in the days before bottled milk was supplied to the local shops. This used to be supplied by Creedons who had a farm at the top of Masseytown. Then CMP came along in the late sixties or early seventies. I believe that they offered to buy out Creedons but Creedons turned down the offer. Within a year or two, they had forced Creedons out of business mainly because, as a large business, they were able to offer shops so many free pints of milk with each order, something that Creedons, a small family-run business, were not able to do. There was also another premises in New Street owned by Curry O'Shea which, apart from being a bottling plant for Guinness also sold Cosh Orange and Cosh Lemonade (with the word 'Cosh' being, I suppose, formed from the letters in the owner's name). Nevilles too had a bakery in New Street before they build a new one where Dunnes Stores now stands.

The mill race, as I said, began in Jacky McDonnell's field where there was a well. Later, after my father bought Gurteenroe house, he asked Jacky to divert the water from the well down to the main road (where, I suppose, it entered a storm drain) as it was flooding his land during the winter. After leaving the well it the flowed alongside a boundary ditch for about two hundred yards or so before entering a tunnel which took it under the passageway I already referred to before entering the land now attached to Gurteenroe House. Here a previous owner had constructed a large pond which perhaps served as a source of fresh water for the occupants of the house. (I once read somewhere that all 'big houses' were built within a half mile or less of a spring providing fresh water.) Jacky McDonnell once told me that he remembered seeing trout in the pond when the previous owners, the O'Learys, occupied the house. At the back of Gurteenroe house it again entered a tunnel which exited at the rear of the farm buildings where it flowed along a passage that was dug for it (except for a few tunnels in places that took it under passageways and ditches) until it met the water flowing down from Madam's Well. Here it followed a deeper channel between the field my father used to call Madam's Well and Brown's racetrack which was later bought by the Buckleys of the Castle Hotel before being sold for housing. The racetrack was used for greyhound racing with the dogs following a mechanical hare. The Browns also owned a pub in Railway View. At the end of the Madam's Well field was another stream which also joined the mill race and then it entered the Fair Field. This stream sometimes dried up in very hot summers but water from Madam's Well flowed throughout the whole year no matter what the weather was like. Before entering the Fair Field, I would like to add that the channel between Madam's Well and Brown's field was always a great place to find tadpoles in the spring when I was young. [Note: what we call a ditch in Ireland is, in other English-speaking countries, referred to as a dry-stone wall or dyke.

After entering the Fair Field, the water flowed along through a specially dug trench (about three feet deep) before disappearing underground. Looking at the ordnance survey map it appears that it that it then swerved off at right angles down towards Masseytown Road and Walton's Mill. It emerged briefly above ground as it ran alongside the boundary ditch of the field in which O'Connor Park has since been built before again disappearing underground. There it must have met with the water from the Sullane before emerging at Walton's Mill. (When they were developing the Fair Field, the builders discovered a tunnel but no one in Macroom could say what it was; it was that that prompted me to write this article that has been long in the gestation but has finally found birth in this magazine.)

In the Fair Field, on the western side, was a galvanised hut alongside a weighbridge. No doubt this would have been used to weigh animals or cartloads of farm produce on fair days. The hut contained measuring scales for the weighbridge. There is also a weighbridge outside the town hall. When I was young there was always a horse fair held in the Square on the third Thursday of every month. A faint reminder of the time when the Square was used for animal trading can still be seen in the irons bars outside Golden's pub that were designed to protect the windows from animals stumbling or knocking up against them. The road at the end of the Fair Field was always known as Tinkers Hill, no doubt because of all the travellers' caravans etc. that would have been parked here on fair days. Many of the locals now living there prefer to call it Kilnagurteen perhaps feeling too genteel to use such a banal name.

Unfortunately, due to building works and land improvements almost nothing of this mill race now survives above ground except for the empty pond on the western side of Gurteenroe House and a short stretch, now overgrown with briars, etc. before the boundary wall at the southern end of the Fair Field.



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History

1922: The Kilgobnet or Macroom Killings





Map of Kilgobnet, Macroom and Ballincollig. (C. Kelleher).

BY Con Kelleher

Kilbobnet is a townland that lies between Clondrohid and Ballymakeera villages. It came to prominence in 1922-23 because of the execution, and burial there of four British soldiers. The incident was controversial, was raised in the House of Commons, almost brought the British to reverse its disengagement in Ireland and was probably a background reason for the initiation of full-scale military action in the Irish Civil War. Macroom played a central role in this dramatic incident.

The series of events took place in April/May 1922, in the time between the Dáil's acceptance of the Treaty in 7 January, 1922 by the narrow margin of 64 votes to 57 and the outbreak of Civil War hostilities in June 1922. Following the withdrawal of De Valera and the Republicans from the Dáil after the Treaty vote, positions hardened. Republican/ Anti-Treaty forces occupied the Dublin's Four Courts in 13 April 1922. Free-State shelling of the occupation began on 28 June, 1922 following an ultimatum from the British. This action is regarded as having opened overt hostilities in the Civil War. Truly, the country was divided and at war; but this time, Irish people and former comrades-in-arms fought and killed each other.

After the Treaty ratification, the British Army began evacuating their troops from Ireland. Locallybased units withdrew to larger barracks such as Ballincollig and Cork. Macroom Castle was vacated early in 1922; long before the 1921 Truce that ended the War of Independence, the RIC had abandoned isolated rural barracks. After its withdrawal from Macroom, the Castle came under the control of Republicans/Anti-Treaty forces. Most IRA units were anti-treaty and this was so in this area.

In April 26 1922, the presence of four English men in William's Hotel (now the Castle Hotel) was reported to Republican/IRA officers in Macroom Castle. Charlie Browne verified that one of the soldiers was a British officer and the four men were arrested and taken to the Castle – the men also had a dog with them. Despite assertions that they were on a fishing trip, no fishing gear was found in their car and guns were. The arrest was notified to IRA commanders and the order came back to execute the four. The order was followed and the men were shot and buried in boggy ground in Kilgobnet, about 6 miles west of Macroom. One Macompian, as a child, remembered an armed car leaving the

A boggy area, Kilgobnet, Clondrohid, Macroom. (C. Kelleher).

Castle at the time and travelling west. The four captured men were Brigadier Ronald Hendy, Officers George Dove and Kenneth Henderson and Private J. R. Brooks, the driver. When the men did not return to Ballincollig Barracks, search parties were sent to Macroom.

The sequence of events seems to be:

26 April – A car with four men/soldiers reached Macroom at about 1.00 p.m.

27 April – A first search party went to Macroom.

28 April – A second search party went to Macroom. 30 April – A third search party went to Macroom, this time under Major Bernard Montgomery.

2 May – Montgomery returned to Macroom with 4 armoured cars, 8 Crossley tenders and sixty men. (Montgomery later won acclaim in World War 11 when he and his army defeated Rommel, the German general, in North Africa).

In the May 2nd foray, Montgomery approached the Castle and demanded the return of the four men; if not handed back, he threatened mayhem. Met by either Browne or Daniel Corkery, the local IRA leader – (accounts vary) Montgomery was advised to look around. 'Monty' saw that the IRA was in position around the Square and heavily armed. One Crossley tender was reportedly parked over a mine. The raiding party would be easy targets. Montgomery was further told that he had five minutes to retreat from the town. Wisely, for his own, his troops' safety and the benefit of the greater political situation, discretion prevailed and Montgomery withdrew. The consequence of a bloodbath would have been serious and could have changed the course of events.

Initially British authorities denied the men were soldiers but later acknowledged that they were 'on duty'. As recorded in Hansard, The House of Commons official transcript, the government was guestioned about the fate of the captured men. On 4 July Winston Churchill, Colonial Secretary and Government Minister, was guizzed in parliament (HC Deb 04 July 1922 vol 156 cc343-50). He said if Montgomery had attacked, he (Churchill) would have supported the action. However, this explanation and placing the blame on Montgomery was contested. Churchill further noted that officially 'no further hope (of the men being alive) could be entertained'. He cited that the shelling of the Four Courts indicated that the Free State Government and Army were addressing the

by his prominent teeth, his pants and his long stockings ...

The coffins were brought to Macroom, were placed in Macroom castle on Tuesday night, taken to Cork on Wednesday afternoon, and from there by boat to Fishguard



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Justice Dold told the grand jury that there had been a decrease "of an extraordinary character" in the number of offences commutted with violence against property. During the anne period last year the number of offences was 6Å. Now it was only 2L A dimiter improvements was analoted in almost every other branch of crime. In 1923, for instance, 164 offencies were "unknown," whereas this year the number was only 8L HUNERAL APREANCEMENTS

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS. Our Aldenhot Correspondent writes :---It is expected that the bodies of the

minimum societs will arrive at Admeniate to minimum, and that the innersi will take place on Friday Alternoon. The procession, in which the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Aldenbet Command, will be reposented, will start from Aldenshet Station. Major-General Sir Edward Stricklund, communiding the Social Thriston, who at the time of the morders was commanding at Cork, will attend the filteral ; so also will Coloned in W. Higgsness, commanding the Second Informs strive at Intelligence Offices.

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The Times, Wednesday, Dec 12, 1923;

1923 Dec 14. And so the funerals took place in Aldershot, England

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Hendy's father wrote to 'The Times (of London)' on 14 June, 1922 and asserted that there was 'no civil authority in that district' and castigated 'England' for grovelling to the Irish. Dove's parent inserted a death notice for their son in the same paper in 22 June, 1922, and Henderson's parents did likewise for their son on the following day. On 22 July Prime Minister Austin Chamberlain was so stung by criticism that he made a personal statement explaining his actions and previous utterances to The Commons. A following letter to 'The Times', signed by 'Father of a Murdered Soldier', accused Chamberlain of 'word juggling'.

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executed men, was present at the exhumation; he was described as 'a little frail old man'. He was noted to smoke incessantly as the men dug. The bodies were first taken to Macroom Castle and then transferred by boat from Cork to Fishquard. Military honours were paid to the men by Free State troops in Cork before departure (UCC's The Irish Revolution Project). In December 14 the bodies were buried in Aldershot.

This episode occurred in Macroom. Although the motives of war can be noble, the actions of war are violent and brutal. In war, often violence rather than discussion resolves issues. The British soldiers acted stupidly in going to Macroom; the British Government juggled words and probably the truth in their versions of the events. The IRA behaved honourably and dutifully; in its eyes, it was still at war, and the violation of the truce, as they understood it, had to be addressed. Their solution was violent and brutal.

On a broader level, Montgomery could have been killed and perhaps the course of World War 11 could have been different. A bloodbath in Macroom Square on 2 May 1922, one hundred years ago could, probably would, have changed Irish History.

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A newspaper extract 1922.



'Relaxing by the Gearagh' Pic John Kelleher

Letter to the Times, June 1922.



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100 Years of Angling in Macroom (1922-2022)

'Trout live in beautiful places'. Denis Cronin, Irish International Captain

BY Con Kelleher

Congratulations to Macroom Fly Trout Angling Club which celebrates its centenary this year. Not only is it one of the Macroom's oldest sports clubs, it is arguably one of its most successful. In validating that assertion, it can point to an Irish captain, thirteen internationals, members successfully competing on the international stage, and multiple victories at national, provincial and county levels. As well, many members made valuable contributions in administration side. However, Macroom Angling experienced difficult times, especially the 'split' and 'The Rod War'. This essay records many incidents on that journey. Macroom Trout Fly Anglers Club is one of the longest-established angling clubs in Ireland. This article relates briefly the history of angling in Ireland, and angling in Macroom, especially 1900-1999

History

Dick O'Farrell (in 1987) was the first of many Macroom Fly Trout Angling Club members to represent Ireland and he was followed on Irish teams by Denis Cronin, Tom Sweeney, Michael Hennessy, Dermot Long, Michael Dunne, David Mears, Michael Linehan, Ger O'Mahony, Eugene McCarthy, Dan (Dinger) Murphy, Ben Earley and Con Malone. Ben represented Ireland at youth and senior grades before his twenty-first birthday. In addition, Chris Fehilly and Luke O'Donoghue represented Ireland at underage level. Chris came sixth in the World Youth Championships six years ago – a very fine achievement.

Denis Cronin (Macroom) first captained Ireland's Trout Angling team in 1998 and he made the above observation. He fished for Ireland several years before and after that year. He also captained other Irish teams including an Irish Girls' Youth side. Denis was the second of thirteen internationals produced by the club. Selected for the Irish trout-angling team in 1993 and 1994, he had the privilege of meeting and being photographed with the recently-deceased Jack Charlton. Charlton, a guintessential Englishman and soccer World Cup medal-winner with England in 1966, managed the Irish Republic's soccer team from 1986 during the course of The Troubles. He guided the team to unprecedented success, and according to sports historian Mike Cronin, changed Irish nationalism. The blunt Yorkshire-man became an unlikely 'most-popular-Englishman-ever' in Ireland, and this was based on his soccer success, his candour and his love of angling.

The scholar Bede (c. 673-735) wrote: 'The island (of Ireland) is famous for the chase of fish, fowl, stags and roes'. Giraldus Cabrensis wrote of rivers 'full of fish, and especially of salmon, in marvellous abundance'. Foynes Moryson (1599-1603) noted 'no country is more abounding with fish.' Went quotes literature references and evidence from the Na Fianna legends, State papers about the Earl of Tirone (sic), 1593 salmon-angling, angling in Galway in 1663 and the 1656 Civil Survey of angling in Muskerry, Macroom's barony. Izaak Walton, a High Church London Royalist, wrote The Compleat Angler (sic) in the seventeenth century and it has become an angling 'bible'. Kelly's Sport in Ireland 1600-1840 affirms that 'individuals of every



1901 - A newspaper clipping, Southern Star, 13 April, 1901.

social class and rank hunted and killed animals, but hunting in its most developed and sophisticated sporting form was a privilege reserved for the elite'. While not as popular, fishing is a kindred activity, and a gentleman's pastimes were described as largely 'hunting, shooting and fishing'. Charles Kingsley (author), Alec Douglas-Hume (a British Prime Minister) fished and wrote about fishing, and adherents ranged from the Queen Mother to Glasgow shipyard workers.

In the nineteenth century industrialisation changed Britain utterly. Developments in technology, transport, urbanisation, increased leisure time, greater disposable incomes, increased literacy and cheaper newspapers, an explosive increase in sports clubs numbers of all sorts secondary to associational culture, affected all sports and saw a huge increase in angling. What happened in mainland Britain greatly influenced behaviours in Ireland, especially the upper Protestant class. Class, status and money governed access and time. Lowerson recorded that 'it was among the lower-middle class and working classes that angling gained its most significant popularity', with many clubs based on small pubs. He thought 250,000 regular 'addicts' in 1914 was a conservative estimate. Before WW1 Sheffield and London were the major centres, 'and angling's popularity grew in a world of male bonding, of workplace and street-life relationships focused on small pubs'. Clubs' main priority was to procure access to water and this posed difficulties for some midland, Lancashire and West Riding cities. But railways provided a solution and allowed relatively cheap travel. Middle-class clubs mostly did not fish on Sundays, but many workingmen's clubs did. WWI brought an abrupt halt to workingmen's angling due to military volunteering, long work-hours, conscription and a scarcity of materials. To a lesser degree and no conscription, some of these factors too affected angling in Ireland. After The Great War, while there were regional differences, much of the British club-world of angling returned. From 1922, angling in Ireland was operating in a new political reality which radically changed access.

In May 1869 the Cork Examiner headlined a

fishing piece with 'Splendid Salmon Fishing in Macroom' that extols the beauty and fishing of the area and recommended a new, spacious hotel. The same paper reported a prosecution of two men for illegal fishing with spears and a torch, and a Board of Conservators observer attended the trial. One angler in 1888 'killed five on yesterday and hooked fifteen others'. Late rains brought many 'full baskets to the anglers on the Lee and Sullane (Macroom) and their tributaries. The above incidents attest to angling in Macroom; on the one hand it was a preserved occupation and an important tourist attraction. Equally poaching was practiced and prosecuted.

This pattern continued into the new century when Capt. Warren caught an eighteen pounds fish on the Sullane. Some Macroom anglers such as Denis Lynch, The Bridge, and Jack Desmond, New Street, had some success in 1910. Cork Anglers' Association organised a competition in Macroom and local hotelier Richard Williams offered a gold medal prize. Until the Free State was established in 1922, official fishing was preserved for the private use of land owners, either for themselves or in their gift, and control was enforced by the use of bailiffs and the police.

Macroom Trout Fly Anglers' Association was formed in 1922 and the first press mention was as Macroom District Anglers' Association (MDAA). It met under Mr J. O'Leary's chairmanship to discuss a free fishing-day on local salmon boats, approaching the IRA to co-operate in preventing the poisoning of rivers, and advocating the shooting of cormorants. Cork Anglers' Association complained of the lack of fish in a Macroom competition and blamed the 'baneful effects of poaching' when only three trout were caught. In a May outing, the catches were better but 'far from satisfactory'. At least seventeen attended the MDAA'S AGM in 1923 with James Lynch father of Donal - elected chairman, M. Hewitson (sic) secretary and P.J. Newburn treasurer. Issues discussed were re-stocking, conservation, poaching and illegal selling of fish. In 1924 letterwriter Ó Cuiv noted that 'Macroom Anglers' Club' had passed a resolution for the attention of the Ministry of Fisheries.

A Southern Star correspondent compared Thames anglers where the gold medal was won with a seven-ounce fish to twelve Macroom anglers netting '25 dozen average trout' in Clonee Lake, and mused, sardonically, on the prospect of sending representatives to compete in the Thames event. In 1926 a proposal to introduce a licence was resisted, re-stocking was undertaken and a bounty of 2s-6d was offered for every cormorant shot. Clonee was the venue for Macroom's 1927 annual outing, and the hotel proprietor had a 'most cordial friendship' with club members. The Association set up a hatchery in Coolehane in 1928 which replenished local rivers. This outlines the background of angling in Macroom in the 1920s, the formation of a Macroom District Angling Association and some early problems encountered.

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Aghinagh U-11s who played Go-Games in The Castle Grounds on April 30, 2022. Pic. Con Kelleher



Tennis Lessons with coach Alan at Dromleigh N.S.



Kilmichael U-11s who played Go-Games in The Castle Grounds on April 30, 2022. Pic. Con Kelleher



Pupils from Muinefliuch N.S. competing in the local 'Sciath na Scór' ground hurling non competitive competition

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"This is a clear victory for European consumers as well as the environment and will save substantial amounts of citizens' money whilst preventing 1000 tonnes a year in unnecessary waste.

"Renew Europe, Fianna Fáil's group in the European Parliament, has long championed such an initiative and will work tirelessly to make it as ambitious and future-proof as possible by extending the scope of the Regulation to cover as wide a range of products as possible.

"The proposal will, following our request, also include laptops, e-readers and earbuds as well as mobile phones.

"The European Single Market is the greatest force for

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market, and with this proposed change, the market will again protect citizens rights and their wallets," concluded Kelleher.

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Cork County Heroes Honoured at 2022 County Mayor's Community Awards

Outstanding contributions made by individuals and community and voluntary groups across Cork County was showcased at the 9th Annual Mayor's Community Awards.

Mayor of the County of Cork, Cllr. Gillian Coughlan presented a total of twelve awards on the night, including a special posthumous presentation, with Noreen Minihan from West Cork winning the overall Individual award and Passage West Creates winning the overall Community Group award.

Mayor Coughlan warmly commended all nominees on the night for their commitment and dedication to their communities,

"These annual awards celebrate the best of our county's goodwill, generosity and altruism. They give us all the opportunity to recognise and celebrate the selfless work of volunteers who support their communities. From responding to the urgent needs of neighbours and friends throughout the county to cultivating civic pride and harbouring a sense of identity and solidarity, each nominee has left a lasting mark on their community that deserves our highest commendations."

The Mayor's Community Overall individual award winner, Noreen Minehan of Clonakilty, has a longstanding history of community activity having been involved in the Cope Foundation, the West Cork Traveller Centre, Clonakilty Community Hall, Dúchas Historical Society, Annual Band Championships, West Cork Drama Festival and Clonakilty Street Feast Festival. The judges highlighted how Noreen has a very broad reach across her community and that of West Cork over many years.

Passage West Creates, winners of the Mayor's Community Overall Group Award, is a not-forprofit collective of crafters from Cork Harbour and beyond. Its home is behind a bright blue shop front in Main Street, Passage West driven by an ethos of all that is local, sustainable and ethical with the judges remarking how Passage West Creates is committed to continued growth and continues to innovate.

A posthumous presentation for Mary Manning recognising her outstanding work in driving the development of Dromahane Community Park and promoting greater inclusion in her community was collected by her husband, Barry Phillips.

Chief Executive of Cork County Council Tim Lucey added,

"Cork County Council's mission to improve quality of life, of environment, and to preserve and promote local amenities and heritage is greatly advantaged by the incredible work done at a community level throughout the County. It's no exaggeration to say that many of the great things about towns and villages in the county are thanks to the work of the nominees and groups and individuals like them. These awards are well earned recognition for the incredible community work that takes place all year round in Cork."

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AGHINAGH GAA:

Lotto Results 18th April, 2022

The jackpot was €1,000.00. The numbers drawn were 12, 30 and 37. There was no jackpot winner. Consolation prizes: €50.00 to Gerard & Ina Coakley, Derryroe. €20 each to Ann Keating, Coolkisha (Online Winner); Rose O'Connor, Lyroe; Lisa Horgan, C/O Láine Bar; Tommy O'Sullivan, C/O MCP. Lotto Results 25th April, 2022

The jackpot was \in 1,150.00. The numbers drawn were 19, 26 and 42. There was no jackpot winner. Consolation prizes: \in 50.00 to Laura Barry, Laharn (Online Winner). \in 20 each Ger Donovan, C/O The Ploughman Bar; James Scannell, Cahernafulla; Peadar McSweeney, C/O MCP; Aaron & Cian O'Sullivan, Carrigthomas.

PHOTO Paddy & Eileen McSweeney receiving Aghinagh G.A.A. Lotto Jackpot Cheque of €1,300 from Club Members, Jimmy Cotter and Ted Curtin.

COACHFORD AFC:

Coachford AFC Lotto Results 25/4/2022. Jackpot: €1,200. Numbers Drawn: 21 – 26 - 31. No Winner. €40 Con & Denise O'Sullivan. €20 Ursula Smyth (Online Ticket). Mary O'Sullivan. Kathleen Crowley. Pat O'Keeffe (Yearly Ticket).

Coachford AFC Lotto Results 19/4/2022. Jackpot: €1,000. Numbers Drawn: 10 – 18 - 23. No Winner. €40 Patrick O'Callaghan. €20 Siobhán O'Donovan. Con O'Sullivan. Dermot Foley (Yearly Ticket). Nicola Doherty (Online Ticket).

RCPA (RYLANE COMMUNITY PARK ASSOCIATION) LOTTO RESULTS:

Tuesday April 19th 2022 Lotto results: Winning numbers: 15, 23 & 26. Jackpot - €2,800 No Winner

Lucky Dip winners who received €20 each: Orla Kelleher (Rylane); S O'Leary (Coachford); Colm Desmond (Berrings - yearly); David Murphy (Rylane - online). Seller's prize: Sheila O'Sullivan (Rylane) Next week's Jackpot will be €2,900. Robotic Lawnmower Raffle Results: Winner: Maureen Long (Rylane) 2nd prize - wine: Clive Sweetman 3rd prize - wine: Aedh McGinn Paddy & Eileen McSweeney receiving Aghinagh G.A.A. Lotto Jackpot Cheque of €1,300 from Club Members, Jimmy Cotter and Ted Curtin.

Monday April 24th 2022 Lotto results: Winning numbers: 6, 18 & 22. Jackpot - €2,900 No Winner

Lucky Dips: Sheila O'Sullivan (Rylane); Mary, Jerh & Padraic O'Sullivan (Rylane East - yearly); Reece, Seán & Bradley O'Sullivan (Rylane - online). Seller's prize: Josie Leahy (Rylane)

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LOTTO RESULTS: April 20 €70 Cian Creedon Bawnmore €20 The grand National c/o of the Laine, Fergal & Y. Kelleher Moulnahorna, Marie Spillane Moulnahorna, Bridget O'Sullivan Muinfliugh. Results for April 27. Jackpot of €9,200 €70 Bernie O'Leary Bealnamorrive, €20 Sean O'Shea Millbrook, Adrian Desmond Clondrohid, Con O'Leary the glebe, Marcella McCarthy Bealnamorrive.

MACROOM GAA LOTTO RESULTS:

Lotto Results: 19 April 2022

No Winner - €70. Paul Kingston, New Street, Macroom. €20. Fintan Goold, Cloughduv, Co. Cork. €20. Mary Hayes, C/O Shelia Buttimer. €20. Olan Buckley, Kilnagurteen, Macroom. €20. J. Twomey, C/O Mary Lynch. €20. Bina Healy, Farnanes, Co. Cork. Next Week's Jackpot €4800

Lotto Results: 27 April 2022

No Winner - €70. Mary Lehane, Glen Park, Macroom. €20. Wesley Twomey, 27 Oakwood, Macroom. €20. Leah Goold, Killarney Road, Macroom. €20. Christine Murphy, 55 Barrett Place, Macroom. €20. Patrick Leahy, Carrigaphooka, Macroom. €20. Alan O'Shea, Coolkisha, Coachford. Next Week's Jackpot €5000.

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The Handball Court in Macroom is in the Macroom Community Leisure Centre in the Castle Grounds and the club would welcome enquiries from anybody that might be interested, male or female, young or old. Coaching will be provided.



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LAOCHRA ÓG

Laochra Òg U13s had a hurling match last Saturday away to Kilbrittain. The game was delayed slightly by the referee not making it but was reffed by Kilbrittain instead. We played a very strong team in Kilbrittain who played very well and were winning easily in the first half. Our lads responded in the second half and played their hearts out and won the second half in a low scoring more evenly contested game. Our lads peppered their goal with shots but Kilbrittain defended very well. Our lads prob should have put some of them over the bar instead but it was a great response to the first half. Kilbrittain won easily in the end with a scoreline of 10-16 to 4-2 after their great first half. Well done to all the lads, all the parents for travelling and thanks to our sponsors Mid Cork Pallets.

Thursday 28th April

Laochra Òg U13s had a hurling match on Thursday against Western Gaels in Colaiste Ghobnatan. It was a cracking game from start to finish, with some great hurling on display. We were missing a good few of our strong players on the night and madeup numbers with the U11s as well but everyone that played, played their hearts out and put in a great performance against a strong Western Gaels team. Our lads led from start to finish and won with a scoreline of 5-10 to 3-8. Well done lads. Thanks as always to our sponsors Mid Cork Pallets. Saturday 30th April

Laochra Og Minors after a superb win against Milford at Colaiste Ghobnatan. Today we had the honour of hosting Milford a club with a huge and successful tradition of playing Camogie at County and on the All-Ireland stage. The game this morning was a brilliant game for the spectators with skills of a high quality. Scores a plenty, tackles and saves from both Goalkeepers. Laochra Og got off to a flying start with a couple of goals and points. Milford took a while to get going and when they did took great scores to come within 6 points at the break. Laochra Og took off again in the second half with a well taken goal before Milford hit back with 2 quick goals of their own. Both sides went toe to toe with Laochra Og getting some late



Laochra Òg U13 Hurlers v Kilbrittan 26th April 2022



Laochra Òg Minor Camogie Team v Milford 30th April 2022

scores to pull away on a scoreline of Laochra Og 7-09 to Milford 4-08. Great game, good result for Laochra Og considering we have team Captain Emily Murphy only girl on the age minor. Thanks to the girls for all their hardwork ,Colaiste Ghobnatan

for use of pitch, Team Sponsors Healys Spar and team trainers Finbarr, Mary and Caroline. Well done.



Macroom Premier Intermediate Football

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

Limerick 2-25 Cork 1-17

Waterford had made clear in the Allianz National their opportunitie league final a fortnight earlier that the Rebels could not deal with a physical aggressive approach and Limerick emphasised the point in the Munster championship 1st round game in Cork, dominating the Cork side before the finish in a 'men v boys' dislodging them.

clash. Where Cork go from here is now a moot point but what is certain is that Cork must beat Clare in Thurles on May 1st or they may not even qualify for the All-Ireland series as they finish their Munster round robin schedule with away games to Waterford and Tipperary.

There was a bumper attendance at Páirc Uí Chaoimh but the game was most disappointing for Cork supporters. Cork struggled almost everywhere as the game aged and the game was effectively as good as over at half time when Limerick led by four points, 2-9 to 1-8, and would have the benefit of the strong breeze in the second half. Limerick had been gifted two goals by poor defending and Cork could not finish to the net with their opportunities at the other end. Then, after Cork wiped out that deficit within three minutes at the start of the second half, Limerick scored ten of the next twelve points to put themselves into a position from which Cork never looked capable of dislodging them. Beaten by Limerick by 16 points in last year's All Ireland final, 11 points now, there is a clear gap in standards between these two teams at present. Can Cork overcome Clare and Tipperary is the burning question with the present style of play? Scorers for Cork: Patrick Horgan 0-9 (0-8 frees), Shane Kingston 1-0, Robbie O'Flynn, Shane Barrett, Conor Lehane 0-2 each, Tim O'Mahony, Darragh Fitzgibbon 0-1 each.

Cork: Patrick Collins; Niall O'Leary, Damien Cahalane, Seán O'Donoghue (Inniscarra); Tim O'Mahony, Mark Coleman (Blarney) capt., Ciarán Joyce; Darragh Fitzgibbon, Ger Millerick; Robbie O'Flynn, Shane Barrett (Blarney), Conor Cahalane; Conor Lehane, Patrick Horgan, Shane Kingston. Subs: Séamus Harnedy for C Cahalane (ht), Robert Downey for O'Donoghue (temporary) and for D Cahalane 53, Jack O'Connor for Kingston, Alan Connolly for Barrett (both 55), Luke Meade for Lehane (61).

2022 Munster Senior Hurling Championship

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Clare 0-28 Cork 2-20

Cork hurlers went down to a second defeat in the Munster Senior Hurling Championship Round Robin and are now on the brink of losing interest in this year's All Ireland championship. Already beaten by Limerick, Cork must now travel to Waterford and win that game or they will not finish in the top three in Munster and their 2022 season will be over with the last game away against Tipperary meaningless.

Cork were simply awful in the first half at Thurles

(a game which was a 'home' fixture for the Rebels!). They were in trouble everywhere against a team that was very focussed and which simply blew Cork out of their way and capitalised on a multitude of Cork errors. Cork, All Ireland runners up to Limerick last year, beaten in the league final this year by Waterford and then beaten by Limerick again in the opening championship encounter, are now clearly suffering from a severe lack of confidence and could not perform even simple things at speed with their first touch very poor. That Cork finished only two points adrift at the end is at least a tribute to the way they battled on when everything was going so badly for them and with that small finishing margin between the teams Cork will rue some bad misses, and easy score conceded at the other end.

Cork led by 0-2 to 0-1 after two minutes but Clare lorded the next 20 minutes, outscoring them 11 points to one. Cork were dismal on their own puckout and looked so sluggish when the ball was out of play and twice were caught out for points by quick Clare restarts.

With the introduction of Alan Connolly in the 26th minute Cork improved in attack and had cut the

difference to six at the break, 0-17 to 0-11. They never really looked like going in front all through the second half but in fairness they battled on and hopefully Cork will just go out and 'have a cut' against Waterford in the next game and play as they have shown in the past that they can.

For team captain Mark Coleman from Blarney and vice-captain Seán O'Donoghue from Inniscarra, the present situation must be most disappointing and for their sakes alone one hopes for a positive result the next day.

Scorers for Cork: P. Horgan 0-10 (0-6f, 1 65); A. Connolly 1-1; R. O'Flynn 0-3; D. Fitzgibbon 1-0; S. Kingston, S. Harnedy 0-2 each; T. O'Mahony, C. Lehane 0-1 each.

Cork: P. Collins; N. O'Leary, R. Downey, Seán O'Donoghue (Inniscarra); T. O'Mahony, C. Joyce, G. Millerick; Mark Coleman (Blarney) (c), Shane Barrett (Blarney); S. Harnedy, D. Fitzgibbon, R. O'Flynn; J. O'Connor, P. Horgan, S. Kingston. Subs: A. Connolly for J. O'Connor (27); C. Lehane for S. Barrett (h-t); C. Cahalane for S. Harnedy (56); T. O'Connell for G. Millerick (inj 59); M. Keane for S. Kingston (63).

2022 Munster Senior Football Championship

May 7: Munster football semi-final: Cork v Kerry, Páirc Ui Rinn 6pm throw in.

The other Munster semi-final is Tipperary v Limerick.

May 28: Munster final.

2022 U20 Munster HC Cork 1-21 Tipperary 2-20

Despite a spirited second-half showing, Cork's hopes of a three in a row in the Munster U20 hurling championship were dashed by Tipperary in the semifinal at FBD Semple Stadium. Cork had earlier been beaten by Limerick 1-25 to 1-19 in a

group game in Cork and Tipp and Limerick now face off in the Munster final.

The damage was done in the first half when Tipperary were by far the better side and the two goals, they scored were the difference between the sides. The Rebels powered into the game in the second half but they couldn't get back level, with their goal coming late on.

Cork scorers: C Walsh 1-1, B O'Sullivan, B Cunningham (0-3 f, 0-1 65) 0-4 each, S Walsh, D Healy 0-3 each, D Hogan 0-2, L Horgan, J Cahalane, D Flynn (f), E Twomey 0-1 each.

Cork: B Saunderson (Midleton); E Downey

(Glen Rovers), D O'Leary (Watergrasshill), C Smyth (Midleton); B O'Connor (St Finbarr's), E Twomey (St Finbarr's), L Horgan (Glen Rovers); B O'Sullivan (Kanturk), C McCarthy (Sarsfields); Brian Keating (Ballincollig), S Walsh (Carrigtwohill), B Cunningham (St Finbarr's); C Walsh (Kanturk), D Hogan (Sarsfields), J Cahalane (St Finbarr's). Subs: D Flynn (Ballygiblin) 24, M Howell h-t, C Walsh 45, D Healy (Lisgoold) 48, D O'Sullivan (Ballinhassig) 60 inj.



2022 Munster U20 Football Final

Kerry 1-11 Cork 0-7

When Kerry led Cork by a single point, 1-5 to 0-7 with seven minutes remaining a very tight finish seemed assured but six points in a row, two each from three substitutes, had the Kingdom well clear by the final whistle.

The play in the first half was substandard and the teams were level at 0-3 each at half time. Cork then went in front but a goal immediately after for Kerry in the 32nd minute was the vital boost the home side needed to get their noses in front and stay there.

Cork Manager Bobby O'Dwyer explained that 'There was only one forward from the All-Ireland

2022 Cork County Red FM Hurling Leagues

Group 2A: Blarney: P3 W0 Drew 2 Pts 2 Group 2B: Eire Óg P4 W4 pts 8: Ballincollig P 4 W3 Pts 6: Inniscarra P4 W3 Pts 6 Group 3A: Aghabullogue P2 W2 Pts 4 Group 3B: Dripsey P3 W1 Pts 2 Group 3C: Cloughduv P3 W1 Drew 1 Pts 3

2022 Cork Credit Unions County Football Leagues

Division One

Group 1A Latest Results: Ballincollig 1-11 Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 0-14: Éire Óg 3-15 Castlehaven 2-14 Form to date: Ballincollig: Played 5 Won 4 Drew 1 Pts 9 Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh: P 5 Won 1 Drew 1 Pts 3 Éire Óg: P5 W 2 D2 Pts 6 winning minor team of three years ago. All the others are either injured, concentrating on hurling or gone to another sport. So, there was a bunch of lads coming in and they played their hearts out and you'd have to be so proud of them."

Cork: C Dungan (Carrigaline): J O'Driscoll (Valley Rovers), T Walsh (Kanturk), D Peet (Clonakilty): D Cashman (Millstreet), Neil Lordan (Ballinora), S Brady (Ballygarvan): K Scannell (Carbery Rangers), A Walsh (Kanturk): R O'Sullivan (Newcestown), C Walsh (Kanturk), Hugh Murphy (Éire Óg): R O'Donovan (Barryroe), C Hanlon (Buttevant), Darragh O'Mahony (Ballincollig). Subs: R Cashman (Kanturk), A Walsh-Murphy (Valley Rovers),

Group 1B Latest result: Cill na Martra 1-12 Clonakilty 0-13 Form: Cill Na Martra: P5 W 4 Drew 1 Pts 9

Division Two

Group 2A Latest result: Macroom 2-14 Bandon 1-16 Form: Macroom: P 5 Won 3 D1 Pts 7 Group 2B Latest Results: Castletownbere 0-15 N Aban 0-10 Mitchelstown 1-14 Aghabullogue 2-9 Form: Aghabullogue: P 5 W 2 Pts 4 Naomh Aban: P 4 W 1 D 1 Pts 3.

Division 3 Group 3A Latest result: Gabriel Rangers 1-12 Iveleary 4-9 Iveleary: P3 Won 2 Pts 4

Group 3B latest result:

Ballinora 1-13 Mayfield 0-4 Form: Ballinora: P 4 Pts 2 M Browne (Newmarket), P O'Driscoll (Gabriel Rangers), T O'Donoghue (Carrig na bhFear), Liam O'Connell (Ballincollig), C Daly (Clonakilty), E Walsh (Clyda Rovers), F Fenner (Castletownbere). Additional Panel Members; Conor Dodd (Canovee), D Linehan (Castlemagner), R Minihane (Castlehaven), D Murray (Glanmire), H O'Connor (Newmarket), M O'Neill (Buttevant), P O'Rourke (Carbery Rangers), J O'Shea (Urhan), C O'Sullivan (Kilshannig), B Twomey (Fermoy), F Walsh (Argideen Rangers), S Walsh (Argideen Rangers) Amazing Fact: There was not one player from a city club in the 35 U20 players listed above.

Tom Creedon Cup- Group A

Cill na Martra 2-16 Macroom 2-9 Adrigole 1-12 Nemo Rangers 1-12

2022 County Championship Groupings:

Ballincollig PSF: v Douglas, Valley Rovers, Mallow Éire Óg PSF: v St Finbarrs, Carbery Rangers, Carrigaline

Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh SAF: v Dohenys, Bandon, Kiskeam

Cill na Martra PIF: v Nemo Rangers, St Vincents, lveleary

Iveleary PIF: v Cill na Martra, Nemo, St Vincents

Naomh Abán PIF: v Kanturk, Macroom, Rockchapel

Macroom PIF: v Rockchapel, Kanturk, Naomh Abán

Aghabullogue IF: v Dromtarriffe, Ballinora, St Finbarrs

Ballinora IF: v Aghabullogue, Dromtarriffe, St Finbarrs

Camogie - 2022 Munster Senior Championship semi final

Cork 2-17 Waterford 3-10

A STRONG second half, despite playing for the last 25 minutes with 14 players, got Cork over the line over the line with four points to spare at Páirc Uí Rinn to book their place in the Munster final.

Waterford from the start showed huge intensity but led by just a point at the interval despite having enjoyed the majority of possession playing with the aid of the strong wind.

Cork found themselves trailing by four points at the end of the opening quarter, gradually got to grips and began to come more into the game and with Amy O'Connor and Chloe Sigerson on target they eat into the Waterford lead and were just one in arrears at the break.

Waterford went two clear as Cork were reduced to 14 players (verbals with ref) but it was to be the last team they would lead as a fired-up Cork tore into the game. O'Connor converted two free and one from play. Saoirse McCarthy fired over a superb effort on the run and with Murphy adding her third, Cork went three in front.

Defending superbly Cork mopped up anything Waterford threw at them with Aishling Thompson dropping back deep they contained the threat up front while their work-rate all over the pitch was

superb.

Cork stayed in front but in the space of two minutes there was a goal at each end. First Sigerson flicked the ball past Brianne O'Regan as Cork went six in front but back came Waterford with a Sarah Lacey reply. Battling to hold their lead Cork dug deep. O'Connor and Carton exchanged frees. O'Connor stretched it to three with a 45 and the final say with Murphy to ensure Cork were four in front at the full-time whistle.

Scorers for Cork: A O'Connor 1-10 (0-5 f, 0-1 45), C Sigerson 1-2, E Murphy 0-4, S McCarthy 0-1.

Cork: A Lee (c); A O'Neill, L Coppinger, M Cahalane; L Hayes, L Treacy, S McCarthy; K O'Mahony, C O'Sullivan; E Murphy, I O'Regan, C Dooley; A O'Connor, F Keating, C Sigerson. Subs: A Thompson for Dooley (h-t), A Hurley for O'Regan (45), K Wall for O'Mahony (58), O McAllen for O'Sullivan (58).



Aofie Barrett visited Rylane National School on Thursday las with the All-Ireland Camogie Cup



2022 Mid Cork Quish SuperValu Ballincollig Junior A Football League

Group 1:

Aghinagh P 2 W2 Points 4: Dripsey P3 W2 Pts 4: Cill na Martra P2 W1 Drew 1 Pts 3:

Kilmurry P1 W1 Pts 2: Grenagh P3 W0 D1 Pts 1: Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh P3 W0 Pts 0. JAFL Group 2:

Éire Óg P4 W4 Pts 8: Canovee P3 W3 Pts 6: Inniscarra P4 W2 Pts 4: Clondrohid P4 W2 Pts 4: Kilmichael P3 W1 Pts 2: Donoughmore P3 Pts 0: Ballincollig P3 Pts 0.

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2nd Round Results:

Killeagh 0 - 16 Cloyne 1– 8: Courcey Rovers 0– 16 Blackrock 1 - 8

Na Piarsaigh 1-10 Bride Rvrs 0 – 10: Bishopstown 1-8 Glen Rvrs 0-10 Colleges/Divisional Section: UCC 0 – 20 Avondhu

3 – 15: Carbery 0-9 CIT 0-16

4th Round draw:

C.I.T. v St. Finbarrs: Killeagh v Erins Own

Carraigtwohill v Glen Rovers/Cloyne: Blackrock/ Bride Rovers v Sarsfields

Newtownshandrum v Na Piarsaigh: Ballymartle v Courcey Rovers

Midleton v Avondhu: Douglas v Bishopstown

2012 Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship

First Round Winners: Carrigaline, Ballinhassig, Ballyhea, BLARNEY, Kilbrittain, Youghal, Bandon, INNISCARRA.

2nd Round Results:

BALLINCOLLIG 0 – 12 Watergrasshill 0 – 7: Valley Rovers 3 – 8 Castlelyons 0 - 15 Tracton 0 – 21 AGHABULLOGUE 1 – 12: Mallow 3 – 20 Newcestown 3 - 19 3rd Round AGHABULLOGUE 1-11 Newcestown 3-19: Castlelyons 2-12 Watergrasshill 1-12

Quarter Finals

Bandon/Castlelyons v Carrigaline/BALLINCOLLIG: Tracton/YoughalvMallow/BLARNEY:Newcestown/ Ballinhassig v Kilbrittain/Ballyhea: INNISCARRA v Valley Rovers Relegation Play off: AGHABULLOGUE v

Relegation	Play	off:	AGHABULLOGUE
Watergrasshill			

Football Championship (July start)

Group 1: Kilmurry, Kilmichael, Dripsey, Clondrohid Group 2: Canovee, Éire Óg, Cill na Martra Group 3: Ballincollig, Grenagh, Donoughmore Group 4: Aghinagh, Inniscarra, Beal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh

2022 Mid Cork Cumnor Construction Junior A Hurling League

Group 1:

Donoughmore P2 W2 Pts 4: Inniscarra P2 W1 Pts 2: Grenagh P3 W1 Pts 2: Aghabullogue P2 W1 Pts 2: Blarney P3 W1 Pts 2. Group 2: Ballinora P3 W3 Pts 6: Éire Óg P3 W2 D1 Pts 5:

Kilmichael P3 W2 D1 Pts 5: Ballincollig P3 W1 Pts 2: Cloughduv P3 W0 Pts 0: Iveleary P3 W0 Pts 0.

2022 MJK Oils Junior Hurling Championship (July start)

Group 1: Inniscarra, Blarney, Donoughmore Group 2: Grenagh, Aghabullogue, Kilmichael, Cloughduv

Group 3: Ballinora, Iveleary, Éire Óg, Ballincollig

Ballincollig 0 – 12 Watergrasshill 0 – 7

In a disappointing game at Riverstown, Ballincollig without ever showing their true potential were too good for a weakened Watergrasshill side. Ballincollig struck many wides and missed two good goal opportunities in the second half but still finished the stronger side, are now safely through to round four and have no worries about their status for next season.

Ballincollig: Finbarr Kelly: Mark Prendergast, Noel Galvin, John Paul Murphy: Liam Jennings, Stephen O'Donoghue, Brian Cotter: Ciaran O'Sullivan, Colin Harris: David Bowen, Kealan Hickey, John O'Brien: Alan O'Donovan, Colm O'Connor, Brian Glavin. Subs: Fran Hickey, Conor Sexton, Ian Coughlan.

Tracton 0-21 Aghabullogue 1-12

Tracton got the better of Aghabullogue in the second round of the Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship at Cloughduv, leaving Aghabullogue with only one more chance to remain in the 2012 Championship. The sides were evenly matched throughout the first half and Finbarr Foley kept Aghabullogue well in touch with four points from free's. Dónal Twomey added a further two smashing points for Aghabullogue and Denis O'Leary blasted the only goal of the game from a penalty in the 25th minute when Aghabullogue's full forward Dónal Twomey was pulled down in the Tracton goal area. Just before half time, Aghabullogue's goal keeper Denis O'Leary pulled off an impressive save to denying Tracton and at half time the sides were on level terms, Aghabullogue 1-7, Tracton 0-10.

Tracton took the lead at the beginning of the second half and with a strong scoring burst in the third quarter, never looked back. They outscored Aghabullogue by 0-7 to 0-1 in this period and were comfortable thereafter.

Aghabullogue: Denis O'Leary (1-0, pen.): Donnacha Murphy, Joe Foley, Alan Hogan: Denis Quinlan, Niall Buckley (0-1), Eoghan Kennedy: Danny Buckley, Paul O'Rourke: Sean O'Sullivan, Greg Murphy, Aidan Barry Murphy: Finbarr Foley (0)-8, all frees) Dónal Twomey (0-2), John Buckley (0-1) . Subs: Padraig Murphy, Mark O'Flynn, Paudie Twomey, Brian Buckley.

3rd Round: Newcestown 3-19 Aghabullogue 1-11 Aghabullogue must now face Watergrasshill in the Relegation Play off in order to retain their Premier Intermediate Hurling status for the coming year. Aghabullogue stayed close to Newcestown for the first 45 minutes but three goals in as many minutes gave Newcestown the advantage and a lead they would never relinquish.

The first half was very close and at half time the scoreboard read 0-7 to 0-5.

The start of the second half was again very close and with a point from Dónal Twomey and a goal from Greg Murphy in the 37th minute, Aghabullogue had drawn level at 1-6 to 0-9. Newcestown then hit back with three points in a row and followed up with an amazing three goals in three minutes to lead by 3-12 to 1-7 and the outcome had been decided.

Aghabullogue: Denis O'Leary: Alan Hogan, Joe Foley, Donncha Murphy: Jerome Corkery, Niall Buckley, Brian Buckley: Paul O'Rourke, Sean O'Sullivan: John Corkery (0-3), Greg Murphy (1-0), Eoghan Kennedy: John Buckley, Donal Twomey (0-3), Finbarr Foley (0-5, 0-3 frees,0-1 sideline)). Subs: Mark O'Flynn, Paudie Twomey, Denis Quinlan, Anthony O'Sullivan.

Intermediate Hurling Championship

First and 2nd Round winners: Fermoy, Argideen Rangers, Charleville, Ballygarvan, Fr O Neills, Meelin, Milford, Kilworth, Barryroe, Aghada, St Catherine's, Kanturk.

2nd Round Results: Barryroe 4 – 13 DRIPSEY 2 – 12: Aghada 0–16 Blackrock 0 – 12: St. Catherine's 2 – 14 Dromina 1 – 8: Kanturk 5-14 ÉIRE ÓG 1-13

Barryroe 4-13 Dripsey 2-12 Barryroe had lost a six-point lead late in their



opening round game against Fr O'Neill's but they were not going to make the same mistake a second time and having established a commanding lead over Dripsey they held it to the finish. Brave Dripsey made a terrific effort and cut a thirteenpoint lead down to three but that was as good as it got for them and Barryroe came again with two points followed by a fortuitous fourth goal to regain control. Dripsey now have only one last chance left to stay in championship contention and avoid the dreaded relegation battles.

Dripsey: Aidan Buckley: Stephen Murray, Tom Ahearne, John O'Mahony: Pat O'Riordan, Conor Hayes, John Buckley: David Buckley, Mark O'Sullivan: Aidan Murray, Diarmuid O'Riordan, John Carey: Marcus Ryan, David O'Sullivan, Barry O'Regan. Subs; G Keohane, P O'Regan.

Kanturk 5 – 14 Eire Og 1 – 13

Level at half time in this second round Intermediate Hurling championship clash at Mallow on a score of 1-9 to 2-6, Eire Og collapsed entirely in the second half after Kanturk restarted with a savage burst of scoring which saw the Duhallow side lead by 12 points early in the final quarter. Eire Óg still have one chance left to stay in the championship and they will be hopeful of availing of that opportunity against Blackrock.

Scorers for Eire Og were: Ciaran Sheehan 0-6 (0-4 frees, 0-1 '65') John Dineen 0-5 (0-4 frees) Tim O'Leary 1-0, K Hallissey and Dan O'Connor 0-1 each.

Éire Óg: Paul Ryan: Shane McCarthy Tony Dineen, Cian O'Mahony: Barry Corkery, Daniel Goulding, Liam Murphy: Ciarán Sheehan, Derry O'Herlihy, E Murphy, Kevin Hallissey, Dan O'Connor: Tim O'Leary, John Dineen, Colm Murphy. Subs: David Sheehan, M O'Shea, Tim Crowley.

3rd Round: Eire Óg 2-12 Blackrock 0-16: DRIPSEY 0 – 10 Dromina 0 – 11

Éire Óg 2 – 12 Blackrock 0 – 16

When Blackrock led by 0-14 to 0-9 as the final quarter opened at Ballincollig, Eire Óg looked to be in deep trouble and heading for a relegation battle but there was a dramatic twist in fortunes to come. Eire Óg moved Daniel Goulding in to full forward and in the space of a few short minutes the Cork All Ireland footballer played a decisive role in winning this game for his side. A quickly taken puck out went to Ciarán Sheehan who dropped the ball into the goal area where Goulding was fouled and Kevin Hallissey lashed the resultant penalty to the 'Rockies net to leave only a point between the teams. Within minutes Goulding flicked another goal to put his side ahead and then kicked over a point to further ignite the Ovens men. John Dineen landed a long range free to complete the scoring.

Éire Óg started the game well and enjoyed a 0-6 to 0-3 advantage after 20 minutes but the city side did recover and at half time it was anybody's game with Eire Óg leading by 0-7 to 0-6. John Dineen struck over a huge point for Eire Óg on the restart to open up a three-point gap but then Blackrock came back and dominated the third quarter to score seven points without reply and take a fivepoint lead with fifteen minutes remaining. John Dineen then pointed a free which was followed by the Eire Óg scoring burst inspired by Goulding and Eire Óg were heading for victory. Eire Óg: Paul Ryan: Shane McCarthy, Barry Corkery, Ciaran Hutchinson: Derry O'Herlihy, Tony Dineen, Liam Murphy: Cian O'Mahony, Eamonn Cantillon-Murphy: Michael O'Shea, Ciarán Sheehan, Daniel Goulding: Kevin Hallissey, John Dineen, Tim O'Leary. Subs: Colm Murphy, Conor Hallissey.

Dripsey 0-10 Dromina 0-11

This narrow defeat for Dripsey at Kanturk means that they now find themselves facing a relegation battle with Blackrock with the losers going down to junior grade. The sides were level at 0-2 each after the opening quarter and at half time Dripsey led by 0-7 to 0-5, Mark O'Sullivan effective at centre forward and accurate from frees. On the restart, it was the turn of Dromina's free taker Andrew O'Shaughnessy (0-7 from frees) to take centre stage and he put his side in front and as the conditions worsened the Dromina men managed to keep their noses in front to the finish.

Dripsey: Aidan Buckley: Barry Kelleher, Tom Ahearne, Robert Daly: John Carey, Conor Hayes, Stephen Murray: Shane Burke (0-1), Pat O'Riordan: David Buckley (0-2), Mark O'Sullivan (0-5, 0-4 frees): Daniel Buckley: Paul O'Regan. David O'Sullivan (0-2), Barry O'Regan (0-1). Sub; Diarmuid O'Riordan. Quarter Finals: St. Catherines/Charleville v Ballygarvan/Barryroe

Dromina/Kanturk v Fr. O Neills/EIRE OG: Meelin/ Milford v Arigideen Rangers/Aghada: Fermoy v Kilworth

Relegation Play Off: DRIPSEY v Blackrock

2012 Ballincollig Credit Union Mid Cork Junior A Hurling Championship

First Round Winners: Cloughduv, Grenagh, Ballincollig, Eire Og, Ballinora.

2nd Round (1st Round losers): Aghabullogue 1 – 4 Blarney 1 - 8

Donoughmore 2–16 Kilmichael 2–9: Inniscarra – bye

Quarter Finals: Donoughmore v Grenagh: Éire Óg v Inniscarra: Cloughduv v Blarney: Ballinora 1 – 12 Ballincollig 0 – 8

Blarney 1-8 Aghabullogue 1-4

Aghabullogue bowed out of the Junior Hurling Championship despite a tremendous effort against Blarney at a wet and windy Ballyanley. Aghabullogue were not given much of a chance against a highly rated Blarney but with the wind to their backs, the Aghabullogue men started strongly and outscored their opponents by 0-4 to 0-3 in the first half.

Blarney opened the second half well and added a goal and four points to their tally before Kevin

Finnegan responded for Aghabullogue when he powered a bullet of a shot to the back of the Blarney net from a free. With just three points between the sides, it was all was to play for but despite their best efforts Aghabullogue just could not get the extra scores they needed. Aghabullogue: Declan Kiely: Peter O'Sullivan, Dan Healy, Tony O'Flynn: Anthony O'Sullivan, Denis Murphy, Ciaran Barrett: Finbarr O'Sullivan, Mark O'Flynn (0-4 frees): Tim O'Leary, Thomas Barrett, Kevin O'Sullivan: Ryan Dennehy, Ger Hogan (0-1), Connie O'Sullivan. Subs: Kevin Finnegan (1-1 frees), Mark Long (0-1), Peter Kelleher, Rob O'Keeffe.

Donoughmore 2-16 Kilmichael 2-9

Donoughmore started well but Kilmichael steadied and hit back and there was only a point between the teams at half time, Donoughmore leading by 0-6 to 0-5.

Donoughmore within eight minutes of the restart had put eight points between the teams. Points from Colm O'Callaghan, Shane Healy and Philip O'Callaghan, followed by a goal had Donoughmore ahead by 1-10 to 0-5 by the 38th minute. Miceál Masters struck a great goal for Kilmichael in the 40th minute to revive their hopes but Donoughmore retained the five-point cushion entering the final quarter and when Shane Healy got in for a second Donoughmore goal in the 50th minute it was a victory clinching score. Kilmichael battled on and were rewarded with a goal from Kieran O'Leary in the final minutes.

Donoughmore: Kenneth Cullinane: Laurence Barry, Aidan Corkery, Vincent O'Connor: Stephen Golden, Kevin Horgan, Mark Foley; Alan Savage, Aidan O'Shea: James O'Connell, Philip O'Callaghan, Martin O'Connor: Colm O'Callaghan, Barry Holland, Shane Healy. Subs: Conor Kelleher, Alan Twomey, Aidan O'Brien. Kilmichael: Denis O'Donoghue: Donal O'Riordan, James O'Leary, Barry Cotter: Cian Dromey, Finbarr Buckley, Finbarr Dromey: Simon Foley, Kieran O'Leary: Michael Masters, Conor Cotter, Colm Dromey; Brendan Cotter, John O'Riordan, Darragh Foley. Subs: Peter Kelleher, Adrian Kelly Referee: Mr Diarmuid Kirwan, Eire Og.

Ballinora 1-12 Ballincollig 0-8

The first of the quarter finals was played at Cloughduv and Ballinora got the better of their neighbours after a game which was closely contested for almost all of the hour before Ballinora surged ahead in the final minutes to claim a semifinal spot against either Cloughduv or Blarney.

Ballinora: Barry Crowley; B Hourihan, Michael Hodge, Denis O'Neill: C O'Shea, Conor Brosnan, Gary O'Halloran; Brian Murphy, T McGrath: Ben Ahern, Eoin Hourihan, C Murphy: Pat Fitton, Ciarán Conway, M Murphy. Subs: Kevin Murphy, A O'Neill. Ballincollig: R Cambridge: B O'Connor, A Lucey, M Prendergast: D Collins, G Harrington, K Kelleher; C O'Donovan, L Prendergast: N Purcell, M O'Leary, N Allen: C Sexton, E O'Donoghue, D Barry. Sub: J Duff.



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All first-round winners go on to Round Four, losers to Round Two with a further Round Three for next group of losers and then winners of this round go to Round Four also.

Senior Football Championship Round 1Winners:

Carbery Rangers, St Finbarrs, BALLINCOLLIG, Bishopstown, Castlehaven, Newcestown, O Donovan Rossa, Douglas.

Round Two (1st Round Losers)

Aghada v Newmarket: Clonakilty 1 – 15 St Nicks 1 - 12

Dohenys v Ilen Rovers: Na Piarsaigh v Nemo Rangers

Round Three: Dohenys/llen v Na Piarsaigh/ Nemo: St Nicks v Aghada/Newmarket

Divisions Section: Duhallow and Avondhu qualified

Senior Football 4th Round:

Carbery Rangers v Ballincollig: Bishopstown v Clonakilty

Castlehaven v Newcestown: St.Finbarrs v Nemo Rangers

Avondhu v llen Rovers/Na Piarsaigh: O Donovan Rossa v Aghada/St. Nicholas

Duhallow v Dohenys: Douglas v Newmarket

Premier Intermediate Football Championship

Round 1Winners: Mallow, St Michaels, NAOMH ABAN, Valley Rovers, St Vincents, Bantry Blues, Nemo Rangers, BEAL ATHA'n GHAORTHAIDH.

Round Two Results:

Glenville 0 – 15 MACROOM 0 – 12: Clyda Rovers 0 – 15 Mayfield 1 - 5 Carrigaline 2 – 9 BALLINORA 1 – 9: Kiskeam 1 – 9 Kinsale 0 – 11

Round Three:

MACROOM v Kinsale Mayfield v BALLINORA

Glenville 0 – 15 Macroom 0 – 12 aet.

Macroom footballers, winners of the Intermediate grade in 2010 and strong contenders for Premier championship honours last season, are now in danger of relegation from the higher grade on the basis of their performance in this second-round encounter at Mallow. The Mid Cork side without the injured Fintan Goold were slack in defence, not strong enough at midfield and lacked physique in attack and paid the price against a more committed Glenville side.

Glenville led 0-6 to 0-3 in the 23rd minute before a fine Macroom spell followed and Andrew Hegarty pointed a free, Darren Kelly scored his second point and Hegarty pointed another free to bring the sides level in the 27th minute at 0-6 each. In the last minutes of time-added-on Glenville had a point from a 20m free and followed with a point from their wing back to lead by two points at the break.

In the third quarter Macroom levelled at 0-10 each but now Glenville brought in two subs in attack who caused Macroom endless trouble to the finish. Glenville went two points up, one point from play and one from a free, but in the 57th minute Andrew Hegarty pointed another free and two minutes later Conor O'Sullivan kicked over the equaliser.

In the 8th minute of extra time Glenville scored a point from a close in free which was a very harsh award and the Glenville goalkeeper then saved a shot from a tight angle from Fintan Goold. In the final ten-minute period, the two Glenville subs had a point each to seal their victory. Macroom: James O'Connell: Rory Buckley, Eoin O'Mahony, John Angland: Peter Lynch, Sean Kiely, Michael Cahill: Tony Dineen, Philip Corrigan: Darren Kelly, Ciaran Murphy, Gerard Angland: Conor O'Sullivan, Andrew Hegarty, Olan Murphy. Subs: David Horgan, Martin O'Donnell, Fintan Goold and Patrick Kelleher.

Carrigaline 2-9 Ballinora 1-9

A great start, the highlight of which was an eightminute goal, helped Carrigaline to a 1-3 to nil lead before Ballinora got their opening score after a full 22 minutes play. At half time it was 1-4 to 0-5 in favour of Carrigaline who added a point on the resumption but back came Ballinora with a goal from Conor Murphy and when Ian Whycherly added his second point, the Ballinora men were ahead on a 1-6 to 1-5 scoreline. Carrigaline responded with a string of points and a vital second goal in the 50th minute which put them five points clear. Conor Brosnan and Ben Ahern replied with a point apiece for Ballinora to cut the deficit to a single goal.

Ballinora: Eoin Walsh: Denis O'Neill, Gary O'Halloran, David O'Neill: Mark Kelleher, Cathal O'Connor, Tomas McGrath: Michael Hodge, Alan O'Neill: Ian Whycherly, Michael Murphy, Ben Ahern: Conor Brosnan, Conor Murphy, Pat Fitton. Subs; N Collins, Colin O'Shea, Cian Lucey.

Round Three:

Ballinora 4–10 Mayfield 1–6

Ballinora are in the Round Four draw of the Premier Intermediate Football championship after a comprehensive win over Mayfield at Ballincollig. Ballinora: Eoin Walsh: Denis O'Neill, Garry O Halloran, N Collins: Mark Kelleher, Cathal O'Connor, Tomas McGrath: Michael Hodge, Alan O'Neill: Ian Whycherley (0-2), Conor Brosnan (0-2, frees), Ben Ahern (0-1): Michael Murphy (1-2), Conor Murphy (3-2), Pat Fitton (0-1). Subs: Cian Lucey, David Crotty, Dara O'Neill.

Kinsale 1-11 Macroom 1-10

Macroom, after a dreadful opening half hour performance, were behind by 1-6 to 0-2 at the break and few would have given them much chance of redeeming even their dignity at Brinny against a focussed Kinsale side that was really on song. There was not much of a change in the opening ten minutes of the second half but then Ivan Casey got in for a Macroom goal in the 41st minute and within six minutes Macroom had hit back to be within one point of the South East men, 1-8 to 1-7. Kinsale then went two points up but again Macroom fought back and had drawn level by the 53rd minute. Kinsale again went in front but again Macroom equalised in the 58th minute. The game went into injury time and in the 63rd minute, with the last kick of the game, Kinsale kicked over a winner. One could not say they were not deserving of their win, but Macroom were unlucky not to have earned a draw and extra time with their fighting last twenty-minute rally.

Kinsale led by 0-3 to 0-2 at the end of the opening quarter and then got in for a goal which was a huge blow to Macroom and the Kinsale men dominated the remainder of the half to lead by seven points at the break, 1-6 to 0-2.

Points were exchanged on the restart, Andrew Hegarty scoring for Macroom from a free, and then came Ivan Casey's goal from a Philip Corrigan pass. Kinsale replied from a free but Macroom hit back with four points in a row from Eoin O'Mahony, Fintan Goold, Goold again and Conor O'Sullivan to be within a point of the winners in the 48th minute. Sean Kiely and Fintan Goold then had Macroom level only for Kinsale to go back in front again from a free. When Fintan Goold then landed a massive point from a 45 metre free it seemed that the sides would; need extra time to separate them but Kinsale got in for a winner in injury time and sent Macroom out of the championship and into a dreaded relegation battle with Mayfield who beat them earlier in the year in the Tom Creedon Cup final in Macroom. Macroom: James O'Connell: Peter Lunch, Eoin O'Mahony, John Angland: Michael Cahill, Rory Buckley, Sean Kiely: Fintan Goold, Philip Corrigan: Ivan Casey, Ciaran Murphy, Tony Dineen: Conor O'Sullivan, Darren Kelly, Andrew Hegarty. Subs: Martin O'Donnell, David Horgan and Olan Murphy.

Premier Intermediate Football 4th round:

Mallow v Bantry Blues: Valley Rovers v Kiskeam BALLINORA v St. Michaels: Kinsale v Clyda Rovers St. Vincents v Glenville: BEAL ATHA' n GHAORTHAIDH v N ABAN: Nemo Rangers v Carrigaline

Relegation Play Off: Mayfield v MACROOM

Intermediate Football Championship Round 1 Winners:

GRENAGH, Kildorrery, Fermoy, Ballydesmond, CANOVEE, Youghal, EIRE OG, Kanturk.

Round Two Results:

CILL na MARTRA 1 – 13 Glanmire 0 - 10 Glanworth 1 – 9 Kilavullen 1 - 6 Adrigole 1 – 14 Castletownbere 0 – 11 AGHABULLOGUE 1-11 Cloyne` 1-8

Round Three: Glanmire v Castletownbere: Kilavullen v Cloyne



Cill na Martra 1 – 13 Glanmire 0 – 10 'Tosach maith, leath na hoibre' is the wise old saying and Cill na Martra certainly proved its veracity at Kilmurry. Only 30 seconds had elapsed when Kevin O'Sullivan sent over a cross from the corner which flying midfielder Sean Kelleher took in full flight and blasted to the Glanmire net for the only goal of the game. Kevin Hoare, Maidhchi Dineen and Danny O'Connell added a point apiece in rapid succession and Cill na Martra were ahead by 1-3 to nil after only four minutes play. What a start, and Cill na Martra needed it as they became wasteful subsequently and Glanmire steadied the ship and their free takers began to put points on the board. By half time the score was 1-6 to 0-6, and it was a poor enough advantage for Cill na Martra considering their mastery in that first half. Glanmire were on top on the restart but the Cill na Martra defence was very solid with Noel O'Leary anchoring the unit from centre back and Colm O'Leary and Mark Golden in fine form behind him. For all their possession Glanmire gained no advantage and at the three-guarter stage Cill na Martra came back on the attack in a major way and four points in a row saw them dominant once again. Cill na Martra: Eoin O Duinnin: Marc O Goili, Colm O Laoire, Tadhg MacSuibhne: Breandan O Loinsuigh, Nollaig O Laoire, Tadhg O Duinnin: Sean O Ceillechair (1-2), Cathal MacSuibhne: Caoimhin O hUidhir (0-1), Caoimhin O Suilleabhain, Martin O Conchuir (0-4, 0-1 free): Maidhchi O Duinnin (0-4), Donal Og O Laoire (0-1), Danni O Connaill (0-1).

Aghabullogue 1–11 Cloyne 1–8

Aghabullogue footballers returned to winning ways with a convincing mid-week performance against Cloyne in the second round of the Intermediate Football Championship at Pairc Uí Rinn. Aghabullogue had a great start to the game and led by 0-4 to nil before Cloyne hit back in lethal fashion. Niall Buckley had the first score of the game with a point from play and John Corkery converted two frees and added a point from play to put Aghabullogue four clear. Cloyne hit back strongly, scoring 1-6 without reply from Aghabullogue. Goalkeeper John Buckley made an impressive save for Aghabullogue and then John Corkery and Robert O'Keeffee each kicked a point, leaving just a goal between the sides at half time with Cloyne leading by 1-6 to 0-6.

Aghabullogue dominated the second half and combined sheer determination with a high level

of skill. Evan O'Sullivan, put clear by Niall Buckley, kicked a great goal for Aghabullogue to level matters just minutes into the second half. Jerome Corkery and Robert O'Keeffe added a point each from play to put Aghabullogue in the lead but Cloyne did manage to score two further points to again level matters.

However, the indomitable spirit of the Aghabullogue men saw them push ahead again with three great points from corner forward John Corkery and Aghbaullogue ran out well deserved winners in the end on a scoreline of 1-11 to 1-8 and now go into an open draw to see who they face in the next round of the championship.

Aghabullogue: John Buckley: Alan Hogan, Mark O'Brien, Donnacha Murphy: Jerome Corkery (0-1), Danny Buckley, Mark Long: Stephen Dennehy, Niall Buckley (0-1): Evan O'Sullivan (1-0), John Kelleher, Sean O'Sullivan: John Corkery (0-7, 0-3 frees), Robert O'Keeffe (0-2), Michael O'Sullivan. Subs: Brian Buckley, Paul O'Rourke, Dónal Twomey.

2012 Ross Oil Mid Cork Junior 'A' Football Championship

First Round Winners: Dripsey, Inniscarra, Iveleary, Kilmichael, Kilmurry, Macroom.

Round Two Results:

Blarney 1 – 9 Clondrohid 0 – 4: Donoughmore 1 – 16 Ballinora 1 – 3: Aghinagh 1 – 11 Ballincollig 0 - 12 Third Round: Kilmurry 1-7 Donoughmore 0-5

Quarter Finals:

A Aghinagh v Kilmurry: B Kilmichael 0 – 8 Inniscarra 0 - 7 C Iveleary 2 – 11 Macroom 1 – 6: D Dripsey 1 – 11 Blarney 0 - 7

Semi Finals:

Kilmichael v Aghinagh or Kilmurry: Iveleary v Dripsey

Blarney 1 – 9 Clondrohid 0 – 4

The second half of this game at the well prepared Rusheen venue was riddled with fouls and frees, yellow cards and two red cards and the outcome which looked uncertain at half time was assured by the three-quarter stage when Clondrohid had been reduced to thirteen players against a full Blarney line out. The winners were in a comfortable position long before their only goal from a penalty scored three minutes from time.

The first half finished even on the scoreboard at 0-3 each. Nineteen minutes had elapsed before Clondrohid opened their account with a fine point from Mathew McDonagh and the sides were level two minutes later when McDonagh pointed a free. Paul O'Leary put Blarney ahead again but Mathew McDonagh pointed a long range free to level the scores before the break. Sean O'Sullivan put Blarney back in front on the restart and Clondrohid had a forward dismissed for a second yellow card offence in the 35th minute. Blarney had points from a Brian Hurley free and from Keith Costelloe before Fergal Kelleher had the only second half score for Clondrohid, a point in the 41st minute. Three minutes later the issue was decided when a second Clondrohid forward was dismissed, this time a straight red, and thereafter it was only a matter of time before Blarney applied the finishing blows.

Blarney: Shane Jordan: Mark Cremin, Eoghan Murphy, Brendan Hallahan: Donal O'Neill, Mark O'Leary, Shane Spillane: Paul O'Leary, Paul Hallissey: James O'Sullivan, Brian Hurley, Damian Hyde: Sean O'Sullivan, Conor Foley, Keith Costelloe. Subs: Robert White and Ivan O'Leary.

Clondrohid: Brendan Kelleher: Oliver Kelleher, Neil Corkery, Sean O'Connor: Richard Balfe, Jeremy O'Sullivan, Conor O'Leary: Trevor O'Brien, Fergal Kelleher: Vincent O'Riordan, Mathew McDonagh, Conor Desmond: Declan Kelleher, Aidan Kelleher, Paddy Lynch. Subs; Danny O'Riordan, Neilus Murphy, Daniel O'Mahony, Sean Lynch, David Lynch. Referee: Mr. Pat O'Leary, Kilmurry.

Donoughmore 1-16 Ballinora 1-3

As expected Donoughmore were too strong for the second Ballinora fifteen at Ballyanley. The reigning champions led by 1-8 to 0-1 at half time and even though Ballinora battled bravely to the finish they were never in live contention to win this game. James Twomey had the Donoughmore goal midway through the half and Donoughmore scores came from a range of attackers with Aidan O'Shea, Shane Healy and Colm O'Callaghan to the fore. Donoughmore: Evan Forde: Dan O'Sullivan, Denis O'Connell, Dan McSweeney: Stephen Golden, Connie Buckley, Aidan Corkery: Tom Daly, Conor Kelleher: Sean Daly, Shane Healy,



Foireann Cill na Martra a bhuaigh ar Maighchromtha sa comortas Tom Creedon Cup. pic le Nóra Uí Luasa



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Stephen O'Connor: Colm O'Callaghan, James Twomey, Aidan O'Shea. Subs: Ollie Murphy and Barry Crowley. Ballinora; Timmy Connollly: Eoin Lucey, Michael Twohig, John O'Regan: Shane Rock, Miceal Fenton, Brian Murphy: David Crtotty, Aodhán O'Connor: Darren Hegarty, Dara O'Neill, Philip Cantillon: Colin Walsh, Barry Crowley, Shane Brosnan. Subs: Cormac Field, Gearoid Dineen.

Aghinagh 1-11 Ballincollig 0-12

Aghinagh had a fine win over a fancied Ballincollig side at Coachford to earn a quarter final spot in the championship. Few people who had seen Aghinagh go down to Kilmichael in the opening round would have given them much chance but it was altogether a different Aghinagh team that took the field on this occasion.

Aghinagh took an early lead with a point from Barry O'Leary and another from Jeremiah Corkery doubled their advantage a two minutes later but Ballincollig had a point to leave the score at 0-2 to 0-1 after ten minutes. At the start of the second guarter Aghinagh had a few golden minutes with points from a Barry O'Leary free followed by a smashing Mikey O'Brien point and then in the 17th minute a goal of real class from Declan Ambrose, to put Aghinagh 1-4 to 0-1 in front. From here to the interval however Ballincollig came back into contention and only a series of fine saves from goalkeeper Paul O'Sullivan kept Ballincollig from doing more damage. Ballincollig had four points in a row to cut the deficit to the minimum and when Declan Ambrose eased the pressure with an Aghinagh point in the 28th minute, Niall Allen replied for Ballincollig and the score at half time was 1-5 to 0-7 in favour of Aghinagh.

The second half was as enjoyable a half hour of football as one could wish for with both teams playing intelligent football, the issue always in doubt, some great scores from both sides and no messing. Donal Corkery had an Aghinagh point after five minutes but Ballincollig came back to draw level with points from Luke Prendergast and Rob Noonan by the 38th minute. Jeremiah Corkery put Aghinagh back in front in the 45th minute and Mikey O'Brien extended their lead a minute later. Alan O'Donovan pointed a Ballincollig free but Declan Ambrose reopened the two-point gap. Again, Ballincollig cut the deficit to a point with a point from Cathal Fleming but in the 55th minute Ross Crowley set up Barry O'Leary for a point for Aghinagh, 1-10 to 0-11. John Paul O'Leary now had a point for Ballincollig and in injury time the outstanding Donal Corkery sealed victory for Aghinagh, kicking confidently over the bar.

Aghinagh: Paul O'Sullivan: Jeremiah Kelleher, Seamus O'Leary, Alan Hourihan: Trevor Burns, Dave Barry, Paudie O'Sullivan: Con Lehane, Mikey O'Brien (0-2): Sean Horgan, Donal Corkery (0-2), Jeremiah Corkery (0-2): Barry O'Leary (0-3, 0-1 free), Declan Ambrose (1-2), Kieran Lehane. Subs: Ross Crowley, Sean Kelleher, Donagh McCarthy, William Coakley, James Ambrose.

Ballincollig: John Noonan: Brendan Fitzgerald, Noel O'Toole, Adrian Hanley: Luke Prendergast, JP O'Leary, JP Murphy: John LawSAlor, Cathal Fleming: Rob Noonan, Niall Allen, Killian Coleman: Ryan Hogan, Fergal Keohane, Alan O'Donovan. Subs: Brian O'Connor, Dave Tobin, James Cotter.

Kilmurry 1-7 Donoughmore 0-5

Kilmurry are through to the quarter final stage of the Mid Cork championship and a meeting with Aghinagh after their win over reigning champions Donoughmore at Coachford. Without being overly impressive, Kilmurry got the job done and they were the better side. They led by 0-4 to 0-1 at half time and early in the second half extended their lead to six points when William Buckley crashed in a goal. They subsequently led by 1-7 to 0-2 but they then appeared to relax and were under siege from Donoughmore in the final quarter. Donoughmore lacked forward power however and Aidan O'Shea was to be their only scorer with all five points to his credit.

William Buckley, Greg Barrett and David O'Halloran had points before Aidan O'Shea had a Donoughmore point in the 22nd minute, their only score of the first half, but Kilmurry replied with a point from William Buckley to give his side a three-point interval lead.

Kilmurry wrapped up their victory in the ten minutes after the break. In the 39th minute Dave O'Halloran fired in shot which Evan Forde stopped but could not hold and William Buckley swept in to drive the loose ball to the Donoughmore net. Buckley and Paudie O'Connell added a point apiece and Kilmurry led by 1-7 to 0-2 at the threequarter stage and were in command.

Kilmurry: Pat O'Callaghan: William Barrett, Kevin Barrett, Eoin Barrett: Liam Long, David O'Leary, Ian Murphy: James White, Eoin Creedon; Dominick Creedon, David O'Halloran, Stephen Down; Greg Barrett, Alan O'Sullivan, William Buckley. Subs; Paudie O'Connell, James Kelleher and Jonathan Buckley (blood sub).

Donoughmore: Evan Forde: Denis O'Connell, James Honohan, Dan O'Sullivan: Stephen Golden, Aidan Corkery, Connie Buckley: Tommy Daly, Conor Kelleher: Sean Daly, Shane Healy, Stephen O'Connor: Aidan O'Shea, James Twomey, Colm O'Callaghan.

Referee: Mr. David Murnane, Macroom.

Kilmichael 0-8 Inniscarra 0-7

Kilmichael footballers are through to their first Mid Cork semifinal since 1996 after their win by the narrowest of margins at Carrigadrohid. It was a very close affair all through with Kilmichael leading at the break by 0-4 to 0-2. James O'Leary had three of the Kilmichael scores with the other coming from Daniel Twomey. On the restart, Aidan O'Mahony had a third Inniscarra point but then Kilmichael hit back with points from Danny Twomey, Adrian Kelly, James O'Leary and Colm Dromey to put them 0-8 to 0-3 in front after 40 minutes. The remainder of the game saw Kilmichael defend their lead as Inniscarra whittled away at the deficit.

Kilmichael: Shane Masters: Niall O'Callaghan, John O'Riordan, Denis Foley: Adrian Kelly, Finbarr Buckley, Colin Murphy: Conor Cotter, Finbarr Dromey,: Colm Dromey, Alan Murphy, Dermot O'Riordan; James O'Leary, Daniel Twomey, Simon Foley. Subs; Brendan Cotter, Miceál Twomey. Inniscarra: Dominick Kelleher: Donie Buckley, Kevin Burke, Jack O'Leary Keating: John O'Callaghan, Ritchie O'Connor, Donal O'Callaghan: Alan Sheehan, Colm Casey: Aidan O'Mahony, John Casey, Brian O'Keeffe: Timmy Murphy, Conor Cronin, Dan O'Connell. Subs: Pádraig O'Brien, Sean O'Callaghan and John Healy. Referee: Mr Hugh Kelleher, Canovee.

Iveleary 2-11 Macroom 1-6

Iveleary were fancied to beat the Macroom second string when they met at Annahala and after an even first half the western side established their superiority in the second half and were comfortable enough winners at the finish. The goals were central to the Iveleary win. The first came in the 10th minute when Ger McSweeney billowed the Macroom net. This score put Iveleary in front 1-1 to 0-1 and it was a major blow to Macroom. Macroom had points subsequently from John Ryan and Conor Hurley abut Iveleary replied with points from Barry Murphy and Ger



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McSweeney to lead by 1-4 to 0-3 at the break. John Ryan had a Macroom point on the restart but Cathal Vaughan, a half time substitute for Iveleary, kicked over to maintain the four-point lead and then points from David Hourihan and Shane Galvin were followed by a punched goal from Ger McSweeney (Barry Murphy's pass) in the 48th minute. Iveleary now led by 2-7 to 0-4 and it was obvious that Macroom did not have the power in attack to break down the lveleary defence sufficiently to wipe out that lead. Macroom did not give up and were rewarded with a goal from a well taken John Ryan penalty and points from Conor Hurley but there was no denying lveleary who finished with three points from Cathal Vaughan and one from Finbarr McSweeney to emerge comfortable winners.

Iveleary: Joseph Creedon: Gerard O'Riordan, Michael Creed, Kevin Hourihan: Barry Murphy, Donal Cotter, Shane Galvin: Edward Buckley, Daniel O'Riordan; Finbarr McSweeney, Sean Lehane, Donal O'Sullivan: David Hourihan, Gerard McSweeney, Brain Cronin. Subs: Cathal Vaughan, Sean O'Leary and Colin Tanner. Macroom: Dylan Dineen: James O'Connor, Concubhair Murray, Barry Healy: Darragh Crowley, Paul Kelleher, David Cotter: Brian Tiernan, Brian Lynch: Colm Casey, Ivan Casey, Darren Creed: Michael Browne, John Ryan, Conor Hurley. Subs: Trevor Horgan, John Murphy. Referee: Mr Timmy McCarthy, Clondrohid.

Dripsey 1-11 Blarney 0-7

Dripsey, having beaten Donoughmore the 2011 champions in the first round, have now beaten Blarney, the champions of 2009 and 2010 in the quarter final of the Mid Cork championship and are through to the semi-final stage and a meeting with Iveleary. Dripsey finished in superb fashion and will now not fear any opposition. Blarney fought doggedly to the finish but they lacked power in attack and were eventually overwhelmed by the late Dripsey burst.

The first half was not very gripping but it was hard fought and the Blarney men led by 0-5 to 0-3 at the break. The third quarter was even enough but Dripsey were beginning to get on top and the sides were level at 0-7 each as the last ten minutes dawned. David O'Sullivan had the lead point in the 53rd minute followed by another point from Aidan Murray three minutes later. In the 57th minute Mark O'Sullivan set up David O'Sullivan for the golden goal and Dripsey finished in style with two points from David and one from Mark O'Sullivan. Dripsey: Ray Moynihan: Barry Kelleher, Thomas

Ahearne, Pat O'Riordan: John Carey, Stephen Murray, John Buckley; Conor Hayes, Mark O'Sullivan: Barry O'Regan, Aidan Buckley, David Buckley: Shane Burke, Aidan Murray, David O'Sullivan. Sub: Timmy Burke.

Blarney: Shane Jordan: Mark Cremin, Eoghan Murphy, Brendan Hallahan: Donal O'Neill, Mark O'Leary, Shane Spillane: Paul O'Leary, Brian Hurley: James O'Sullivan, Ray O'Leary, Damian Hyde: Sean O'Sullivan, Conor Foley, Keith Costelloe. Subs: Ivan O'Leary and John Daniel Good. Referee: Mr Miah Moynihan, Grenagh.

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Cork 0-17 Kerry 0-12

Cork had a welcome win over Kerry in the Munster senior semifinal at Pairc Ui Chaoimh. Cork were good but then Kerry were not and the problem is that the Kingdom have so much room for improvement that they could be All Ireland contenders again later. Mid Cork was well represented on the Cork team with Noel O'Leary of Cill na Martra, Ciarán Sheehan of Éire Óg, Paddy Kelly of Ballincollig, all starting, and Daniel Goulding of Eire Óg coming on and making an impact in the second half. Seán Kiely of Macroom was on the substitute panel and his clubmate Fintan Goold was forced to withdraw from the team with an injury. Baile Mhuirne native Peadar Healy is again selector with Cork.



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Macroom Junior Footballers 2012



Naomh Abán Junior B Footballers 2012





Crookstown Karate competed at the Jin-Ai-Kan Karate Open in New Ross, bringing home 4 gold, 5 silver and 2 bronze medals. Five members of the club have been selected to represent Ireland in the SKIEF European Championship which will be held in the Netherlands at the end of July.



Cian Healy, Iain O Donoghue, Jack Mc Carthy and Dara Caulfield, members of the under 16 squad in the Ballincollig team, that won the "Pan Munster Development Plate" at Musgrave Park against Thurles. Final score 40-0



Kilbarry NS senior pupils following 4 weeks of fantastic hurling lessons with Paddy Corkery.



Kilbarry NS junior pupils following 4 weeks of fantastic hurling lessons with Paddy Corkery.



Children from Ballinagree National School who took part in a hurling blitz in Clondrohid recently.



Children from Ballinagree N.S. & Muinefliuch N.S. who enjoyed taking part in a ground hurling blitz in Clondrohid recently.



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

The Murray's Bar sponsored Seniors welcomed Youghal to Murrayfield on Saturday last for their penultimate league game of the season and picked up a fully deserved win. The hosts started brightly and the lively Darren Dineen found the net on 17 minutes with a low left footed strike that nestled into the far corner. Dineen then turned provider. After a great run into the penalty box, he squared to Michael Fitton, but the midfielder's effort flew just over the crossbar. On the stroke of half time Jack Kearney put Dineen through on goal but his effort was well saved, it was 1-0 at the break.

Into the second half and Macroom continued to keep Youghal under pressure and it was Dineen who doubled the advantage on 65 minutes. After a good move Michael Fitton was unlucky to see his fine effort from outside the box come back off the crossbar. Dineen was on hand to coolly slot the ball to the net. Youghal did pull one back on 89 minutes which could have led to a nervy last few minute but Dineen put the game to bed on 90 minutes with his third goal, another cracking left footed effort inside the box which beat the keeper at the near post.

An excellent team performance, with a special mention to Darren Dineen who provided an outstanding hat trick.

Eddie Healy U11 Cup

The Eddie Healy Cup is held each season and gives U11 players their first taste of competitive

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football with referees and full FIFA rules in place. Macroom entered 2 teams into this competition. Macroom A travelled to Springfield Ramblers last week and while defeated, gave a great account of themselves. The other Macroom team, sponsored by Fitzgeralds, have recorded 2 wins to date; a fine 6-1 away win over Coachford and a 3-0 home victory over Youghal Utd. These games are of great benefit to all players as they prepare for full competition at U12 level next season. Well done to the players and coaches of both sides.

Under 14 Division 7, Macroom A 2 Innishvilla A 0

The U14A schoolboys, sponsored by Billy Murphy Taxi, moved to within a point of the league leaders with two late goals proving the difference in a game where Macroom created chances throughout. Macroom were dominant in this tie and a host of chances came and went before the breakthrough finally came.

It was starting to look like 'one of those days' until a perfectly placed through ball from Jakub Zulawnik found Filip Pilarski who powered the ball beyond the goalkeeper to give Macroom the lead their play deserved. There was still time remaining for Oisin Phelan to double the Macroom advantage when he directed a fine Brian Bradley cross beyond the keeper and in to the net. This result secured an important 3 points and Macroom are right in the mix for league honours with just two games remaining.

Well done to all players and coaches.

U12 Schoolboys Div 3, Youghal Utd 0 Macroom 6 Macroom moved to the top of the division with a commanding display at Ardrath Park. Goals from Aled Hopkins (2), Ryan Brophy, Jamie McCarthy, Cian Lee and Ciaran Coleman secured the away points. There were fine performances from Brian McCrory, Calum O' Driscoll in goal and Ryan Brophy. In a very competitive section, only 1 point currently separates the top four teams.

Munster Interleague Plate Final

The Cork Schoolboys League U13s won the plate final with a resounding 5-0 victory over Clare last weekend. Congratulations to Macroom FC U13 player Michael Dunne who played for Cork, gave another fantastic performance and for good measure got his name on the scoresheet with another fine goal. Well done from all at Macroom FC.

Lotto Results

19/04/22, Jackpot: 3,800. Numbers drawn: 9, 12, 31. No Winner. 80 euro: Patricia O' Donovan c/o Evelyn. 20 euro each: Dave O' Donoghue c/o Lar's, Emer Murphy, Australia, Online, Pat Barrett c/o Noel, Damien Kelleher Masseytown.

25/04/22, Jackpot, 4,000. Numbers drawn: 9, 28, 33. No Winner. 80 euro: Tony Buckley c/o Lar's. 20 euro each: Norah Deasy Online, Rachel Pyper c/o Greyhound Bar, Lauren O' Leary c/o Lar's, Peggy O' Connell c/o Paulie.



Macroom FC U14A who defeated Innishvilla 2-0, with manager Pat Buttimer



Macroom FC U8 boys who played Carrigtwohill Utd at Murrayfield



Macroom Premier Intermediates beaten by Kilnamartyra in the Tom Creedon Cup, 24 April, 2022. C. Kelleher. Pic. Con Kelleher







Sullane FC U12's Girl's who played their first-ever game against Riverside AFC on 16/04/2022





Sullane FC U16s WCSSL who played Drinagh Rangers on 01/05/2022



Sullane FC U14's WCSSL who drew with Riverside AFC on 26/04/2022



St Mary's 1st And 2nd Year Camogie Team



Sullane FC U10's WCSSL academy who played Dunmanway FC on 01/05/2022



Macroom U-14s, Premier 1, who played Ballincollig in The Castle Grounds on the 24 April, 2022. Pic. Con Kelleher



Macroom U-11s who played Go-Games in The Castle Grounds on April 30, 2022. (Macroom fielded 2 teams). Pic. Con Kelleher

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Welcome back dear student, do you or someone you know need healing? "Behold, I will bring it health and healing; I will heal them and reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth" (Jeremiah 33:6 NKJV). Whether you need physical healing from a sickness or disease, emotional healing from trauma, fear or addiction, mental healing from depression or tormentation, relational healing in a marriage or family, financial healing from poverty or failure – know this - God wants to heal you!

The first step to receiving healing is to understand and believe that it is God's will to heal you! One of God's Names is 'Jehovah Rapha' – The Lord Who Heals You (Exodus 15:26). Your healing is personal to God. "A leper came to Him and bowed down before Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You are able to make me clean (well)." Jesus reached out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed." (Matthew 8:2-3) God gets no glory from sickness or suffering. These are clearly works of the devil, which Jesus came to destroy for us (1 John 3:8). Jesus said"the thief comes only to steal, and to kill and to destroy. I have come that they may enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, til it overflows)" (John 10:10 Amplified Bible). Yet, many believe and teach that God makes people sick because He wants them to carry a cross to please Him, or to teach them a lesson. This is simply not true and not Scriptural.

God desires 'above all else' that His children 'prosper (have total peace in every area) and have good health, even as our souls prosper' (3 John 2). The soul area is the place in our innermost being where we process our thoughts, emotions and feelings. It is separate from the spirit, but both spirit and soul are eternal. When a person dies they leave behind their 'earth suit' – the physical body, but their spirit and their soul lives forever. Jesus revealed in John's Gospel that any person who believes in Him – trusting in Him for Salvation, becomes 'born again' (John 3:7-17). This means the person's spirit which became separated from God because of sin, becomes reconnected to His Holy Spirit by simply believing that Jesus, the Son of God, came to this earth as a human being just like you and me - but He never sinned. He then took upon Himself the sins of every person, and paid the price due for those sins which is death (Romans 6:23). God raised Jesus from the dead – Him having overcome sin and death, as a promise and guarantee that He would do the same for everyone who calls upon the Name of Jesus for Salvation.

Everywhere Jesus went people brought the sick, the lame, the tormented, the blind, the deaf - the incurables, even the dead, and He healed them all (Matthew 15:30-31; Luke 7:21-23). Have you ever read the Scriptures dear friend? If you have not already - please buy yourself a Bible or email us and we will send you one - and seek the Truth of God's Word for yourself. All through the accounts of Jesus' ministry, healing is a core principle. Why would Jesus heal all those sick people who came to Him unless it was God's will to heal them? More on this next week...

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5th ANNIVERSARY



Sadly missed and always remembered by his loving Sons, Grandchildren, and extended Family & All his dear Friends.

May he rest in peace.

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART



Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked many favours. This time I ask you this special one, (mention favour). Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your heart where your father sees it.

Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour, not mine. Amen.

Say this prayer three times for three days and your favour will be granted. Never known to fail. Must promise publication of prayer.

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10th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JOHN O' Shea

Gortnahoctee,Inchigeela,Macroom Who died on the 12th of May 2012.

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

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Loved and missed everyday by Frances, Marie, Anne,Denis, Fran, Linda and grandchildren

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FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



KATRINA HICKEY (NEE TWOMEY) Ullanes West, Ballymakeera,

Who died on 12 May 2021.

As we lovingly remember Katrina on her first anniversary, James, Breanna & Thade together with Katrina's extended family would like to thank everyone who sympathised with us on our very tragic loss. A special word of thanks to our very kind neighbours, friends and relatives who supported us during those sad days. Thanks to all who brought refreshments to both houses and who helped serve the many people who came to Katrina's home. Thank you to all those who lined the route from Katrina's home to the church and from the church to the graveyard, it was greatly appreciated. Thanks also to the different organisations who formed guards of honour, to those who sent mass cards, letters of sympathy, messages of condolence and perpetual enrolments, those who joined us at the church and online. Sincere thanks to Fr Jack Fitzgerald and Fr John Keane for celebrating Katrina's mass, to Ryan Morgan for the beautiful singing and the sacristan for preparing the church.

We would especially like to thank the Kerry Mountain Rescue, the Kerry Water Rescue, the Gardaí, Coláiste Ghobnatan, Scoil Abán Naofa and the very many kind volunteers who helped in the search for Katrina. Thank you to Dr Colette Faul for

her assistance at the time and since. Finally, a very sincere thanks to Casey's undertakers for their kindness and support organising the funeral arrangements and thanks also to the grave diggers. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually we hope that this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our sincere thanks and gratitude. The holy sacrifice of the mass will be offered for the intentions of all.

> God called your name so softly That only you could hear, And no one heard the footsteps Of Angels drawing near, The golden gates stood open, God saw you needed rest His garden must be beautiful He only takes the best, We love you and miss you.

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Katrina's first anniversary Mass will be celebrated in St Gobnait's Church, Ballyvourney on Saturday 14th May at 6.30pm





Cherished memories today and always of a dear son and brother

DEREK HEALY

Late of Crookstown Who died May 12th 1996 Aged 19 years RIP

There's a place in our hearts, That is yours alone, A part of our life no one can own, For deep in our hearts Your memory is kept, To have and to cherish and never forget.

Will those who think of Derek today A little prayer to Jesus say.

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Sadly missed by his loving mother Noreen, sisters Christine, Caroline and brother in law Derek.

10th ANNIVERSARY

Late of Rathcormac and Farranes Who died on 24th May 2012 Rest in Peace

Those we love dont go away, They walk beside us everyday. Unheard but always near, Still loved, stil missed and very dear.

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Sadly missed by her nephews Denis, Noel, and extended family

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