



Sneem Community Notice Board

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All Ireland Coastal Rowing Champions



Pictured above are the victorious Sneem Ladies Seine Boat crew who edged out a spectacular victory in the Ladies Seine Boat race in the All Ireland Coastal Rowing Championships in Dingle recently.



The Wild Garden

Outdoor Music Session
in the Amphitheatre

Saturday 9th September

3 - 5pm

followed by the launch of the
Ogham Tree Project

Weather dependent event



Clean Up of Sneem River

Join us on

Saturday 16th September

Meet at 11am by Sneem Bridge

Gloves and bags provided

Wear suitable footwear/wellies

Sneem Post Office

Lodge and withdraw cash in Sneem Post Office using your A.I.B. or Bank of Ireland debit card, ATM, also selling sterling and U.S. dollars

Next Issue due out 5th October

Community News

This is YOUR newsletter - we cannot print local news if you don't send it in to us.

If you have a special birthday, death notice, engagement or any event to share, please let us know. Call the Resource Centre on **064 6645545** during opening hours or drop a note into the Resource Centre, or

email: sneemcnb@gmail.com.

The newsletter is produced entirely by volunteers and is provided free to the community with the support of our local advertisers.

Deadline for submissions to next newsletter is Friday 29th September

September Birthdays

Declan O'Brien, Stuart Weppeler on the 9th; Lydia Strait on the 10th; Shirley O'Sullivan, Sven Schots and Brian Jones on the 14th; Adrian Fitzgerald and Teresa O'Sullivan on the 17th; Rebecca Murphy on the 18th; Shane O'Sullivan, Johnny O'Sullivan and Richard Tindale on the 19th; Oisín Galvin and Gilly Reid Walker on the 20th; Oisín Schots on the 21st; Sean and Cormac Walsh (14) on the 22nd; Donnchadh Keogh and Bob Connelly on the 24th; Paul Fairbairn, Karen Burns, James and Seán O'Sullivan (17) on the 25th, Marie Galvin, Deirdre Jones and Ben Casey (18) on the 27th; Patricia Green and Grahame Crouch on the 28th; Denise O'Sullivan on the 29th; Kiera O'Leary on the 30th.

October Birthdays

Jenny Breen on the 1st; Georgina Douglas on the 4th.

Deepest Sympathies

To Patrick and the Sheehan family on the death of his sister, Norah, Quay Road.

Deepest Sympathies

Hanora (Nora) Gaffney (née O'Connor) from Deereenavourig passed away in August in Canberra where she lived since 1962. She never forgot her birthplace and we loved hearing her stories. Each month she would read the Sneem Newsletter and the Annual Parish Book was read cover to cover several times. Condolences to her daughter Elizabeth Coyle, her nephew Patrick Breen and wider family.

Deepest Sympathies

To Anne Marie Fogarty and family on the death of her Uncle Gerald O'Sullivan in Killarney.

Deepest Sympathies

To the family and friends of Dan Galvin, Goulanes, Castlecove who died recently in University Hospital Tralee.

Deepest Sympathies

To Helen Kirby, Gleesk, on the death of her daughter Frances Fennell in London recently.

Community News

Deepest Sympathies

To the family and friends of John Clifford, Liss, Castlecove who passed away recently.

Deepest Sympathies

To Dinah Klinge, Pound Road on the death of her Mother and Aunt in Germany.

Congratulations

to Donnchadh Keogh and Elle Ellwood on the birth of a baby girl, Grace, in Australia and to proud grandfather, Don Keogh.

Congratulations

to Brid Larkin, Golden Heights, Sneem, daughter of Noreen and Kevin Larkin and Callum Richards, Watford, England, who got engaged recently.

Call for old photos of Sneem

Sneem Story House are looking for old photos and video footage to tell the story of Sneem - past and present. Pop in and have a look at the display in The Little Church and if you have material or ideas to share, let us know at admin@sneemstoryhouse.ie.

Board Games Night

Looking for something to do on winter evenings? Pál who works in Peter O'Sullivan's Butchers is looking to start a weekly board games night. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Pál at 087 0973316.

Good Luck

To the first year students of Pobailscoil Inbhear Sceine, Kenmare and Colaiste na Sceilge, Cahersiveen.

Congratulations and Good luck

To all the Leaving Cert Students who recently received their results and we wish them all the best on their next venture in life whether its in College, working or taking time out to travel. We wish them all the best in whatever path they follow.

Nearly New Donations

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the shop this season. As more people are decluttering or moving we have had an influx of donations. Could we please ask that any donations are given in to the Sneem Resource Centre and NOT outside the Nearly New, so we can sort through everything as we are limited on space in the Nearly New.

Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 10.30am till 3pm and Friday - 10.30am till 2.30pm. Thank you.

St. Michael's and St. Patrick's Church News

I write these notes on this lovely calm August day—a day most pupils returned to school. Exam results for the Leaving Certificate students were received and no doubt there was a variety of feelings depending on results received. Whatever these exam boys and girls now decide to do, I wish them the very, very best in their chosen careers.

The weather was a constant topic of conversation during the summer especially as we experienced so much rain. Sunny days were few and far between.. There is still a harvest to be saved so here's hoping for much better conditions in the weeks ahead. As usual we had quite a number of tourists out and about and they certainly bring the community to life while they are among us. Church attendance is excellent during the Summer season and people are most generous to church support. This year we had the formation of a new choir which has added so much to our Sunday Liturgy.

A number of weddings are due to take place in the coming weeks and months and of course we also had our number of funeral Masses. Sincere sympathy to all who laid a loved one to rest in recent times.

Sam Maguire didn't accept our invitation to spend the year in the Kingdom but overall we are very proud of all who represented Kerry this year at all age levels and every code. Our local football team are doing quite well at present and we are optimistic of very good results in coming weeks.

Rowing is a very popular sport in the Parish and it caters for all age groups. There was great excitement with the success achieved. Last weekend the rowing crews performed exceptionally well at the Irish Championships in Dingle and won quite a few medals. Well done to all coaches and participants.

As you may now know we have only one weekend Mass, which is held in St Michael's Church in Sneem at 10am on Sunday morning. One daily Mass during the week will be celebrated in St Patrick's Church in Tahilla. I thank everyone for being so understanding and supportive.

The nights are getting dark much earlier but we must trust the future months when our hearts and spirits will be lifted by the flame of the fireplace and for some the gathering for the game of cards.

Take care of yourself and look out for each other. Stay safe—stay well—and may life treat you real kind.

God Bless,
Fr. Liam.

St Michael's National School

The Junior Infants who started school this year were back row standing, Jayden Shaw, Johnny Casey, Leanne Casey, Niamh Dignam (teacher), Alex Shaw, Eoghan Casey. Sitting: Caroline Clifford SNA, Lorcan Jonas, Stela Parmova, Maja Miszczyk, Ana Manchevska, Evita Savchuk. Photo: Lisa O'Shea



Senior infants: back row Sienna Burns, Tomas Knyza, Mikolaj Hubisz. Sitting: Layla Foley, Jacob Hickman, Luka Kunic. Photo: Lisa O'Shea

The Little Church



Church of the Transfiguration

The Little Church, as it is affectionately called, is a place that is much visited by the many holiday makers passing through Sneem by coach, bicycle, car or on foot, who appreciate it for its simple beauty and the peace within.

The regular small congregation welcome the subsequent increase to the numbers attending the morning service held at 10 o'clock on Sunday mornings both summer and winter. The congregation is so grateful for the dedication of Canon Michael Cavanagh, his wife Marjorie and to Barbara and Brian who between them travel miles from Bonane to Valentia to keep the 'connection going.'

The graveyard outside is also a garden. Thanks are due to Tony Mulcahy who has undertaken a huge clearing operation of the invasive *Rhododendron ponticum* and for keeping the grounds neat and tidy with grass cutting and hedge trimming.

The church building is to be improved with a coat of paint. To facilitate increased activities in the church for the Story House and similar events, two pews have been removed at the back of the church –this is much appreciated by the church congregation as an area to chat and welcome visitors before and after the morning services.

Community Activities

Sneem Writers Group

The Sneem Writers Group meets on the first Friday of every month from 1pm to 3pm. If anyone would like to join them, please contact June on 085 7700524 or email sneemwritersgroup@gmail.com.

Sneem Men's Shed

Meets for Crazy Golf in the Sportsfield on Mondays and Boules in the Wild Garden on Thursdays at 7pm weather permitting. For information, ring Damien on 087 2563858 or Danny on 087 2064462.

Comhrá

Meets in Sneem Book Shop every Wednesday from 5 – 6pm for conversation and chat as Gaeilge.

Thursday Tidy-Ups

Volunteers meet every Thursday morning from 10.30am to 12.30pm to do weeding and tidy up the village. We would love some new volunteers, even if you can only spare half an hour.

Bingo

Takes place in the Resource Centre on Tuesday nights from 8.30pm.

Sneem Medical Centre

Dr Hernan Ganzo, Family GP
Tel: 064 6645102

Covid Booster Clinic Autumn 2023.

2023 Flu Clinic dates are:

Monday 2nd October 9.30am to 10.30am
Wednesday 11th October 9.30am to 12.30pm
Wednesday 18th October 9.30am to 12.30pm

**By appointment only please ring Julie (064) 6645102
from 10.30am to 12.30am or 2.30pm to 4.30pm.**

Who should get the flu vaccine. We recommend the flu vaccine for: • People aged 65 years and over • Children aged 2-17 years (please read HSE leaflet on flu vaccine for children) • Pregnant women (please read HSE leaflet on flu vaccine for pregnancy) • People (adults and children) with long-term medical conditions such as diabetes, chronic heart conditions, liver conditions, kidney conditions and chronic lung disease including COPD, or neurological diseases • People with cancer • People on long-term aspirin treatment • People whose immune system is impaired due to disease or treatment • People who are obese who have a body mass index (BMI) of over 40 • People with Down syndrome • Residents of nursing homes and other long-stay institutions • Healthcare workers • Carers • People who live in the same house as someone who is at risk of flu because of a medical condition • People with regular close contact with poultry, water fowl or pigs.

Surgery Hours

Monday 10.30am -12.30pm / 2.30pm – 5.00pm
Tuesday 10.30am -12.30pm / 2.30pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday 2.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday 10.30am – 12.30pm / 2.30pm – 5.00pm
Friday 10.30am -12.30pm / 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Practice Nurse (appointment only)
Monday to Thursday 9am to 10.30am

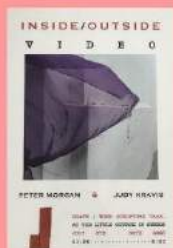
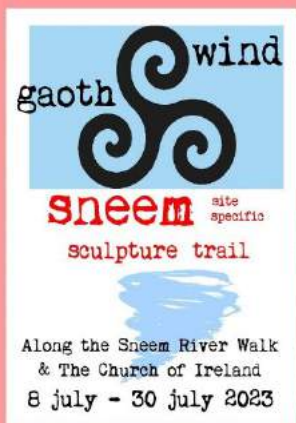
Public Health Nurse Tel. 086 7872096
Monday to Friday 9.30am to 10.30am

Out of Hours Service **Southdoc 0818 355 999**

For out of hours service. This service is for GP services that are urgent and cannot wait until the next working day. If you have contacted Southdoc and they have not answered and/or returned your call, please continue to call them.

If it is an emergency call 999 for immediate assistance

Sneem Site Specific Sculpture Trail - 2023



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The Site Specific Sculpture Trail was, once again, enjoyed by everyone who saw it. Thanks to all those who took part with such enthusiasm and creativity. Thanks also to Sneem Development and SCNB for their help. Looking forward to next year's installations.

- 1 Agata Lipianin-----Spread it with the wind
- 2 Alex Mancevski-----Aeroplane
- 3 Caroline Lea-----Three Sheets to the Wind
- 4 Clare Campion-Smith-----Cloigeann Gaoithe
- 5 David Durant and Mary J Casey-----Trapped Wind
- 6 Helen McConnell-----The Cailleach (The Old Hag)
- 7 Ingrid Schudel-----African Imprint
- 8 Jo-Anne Yelen and Diana Muller-----Wind Bag
- 9 Engagement Through Art-----Winds of Change
- 10 Mark Wilby-----Deny, Deny, Deny
- 11 Sherky Creations-----Blusterous
- 12 Peter Morgan and Judy Kravis-----Inside Outside
- 13 Roland Hunter-----High Winds May Exist
- 14 Ronan O'Donoghue-----Gone with the Wind
- 15 Rory & Lyn Fellows-----Spinning Wheel
- 16 Sneem Writers Group-----100 Word Stories
- 17 Tina Davis-----Wind Sock
- 18 Sue Steele-----Paper Doll
- 19 Myfanwy Blissett---A beautiful sight,
back in the day
- 20 Kathy Jukes-----Backup against the wind
- 21 Rene Res-----Creativity in the wind

Sneem Rowing Club

South Mid/Kerry

Portmagee regatta was held on Saturday August 13th. We had a beautiful sunny day for it, which was a rare occurrence this regatta season. There were some great close races especially for our Senior Ladies and the Seine Boat.

Results

Under 16 Boys A 2nd

Senior Ladies 1st

Seine Boat 1st.

Final regatta for this year was held in Valentia on Saturday 2nd September. It was a beautiful day with lots of great races, especially with the Seine boat between Sneem and Cromane, with the winner winning the Overall in South Mid/Kerry.

Under 16 Boys 3rd

Minor Boys 3rd

Senior Ladies 3rd

Seine Boat 2nd.

Senior Ladies 2nd overall in South/Mid Kerry.

Seine Boat 2nd overall in South/Mid Kerry

Kerry Coastal Rowing and All Ireland Coastal Rowing Championships.

Unfortunately all our K.C.R regattas this year had to be cancelled due to bad weather conditions. This meant everyone rowing in the All Ireland Coastal Rowing Championships did so without having any races all year, lots of training, but no racing. So to be fair our club did brilliantly, as having the experience of racing against other boats and clubs is of huge importance for experience.

The weekend of 25th, 26th 27th August, we all headed to Dingle to participate in the All Irelands. We took 22 crews in total, which involved some Rowing against each other in some races, and 15 crews came home victorious. The conditions on the water were very unfavorable each day, but everyone rallied on and tried their very best.

Our underage crews were the highlight of the event. Under 12 boys and these under 14 girls never raced in a regatta ever before and both came home with gold medals.

Our Ladies Seine boat race also created a great atmosphere for the last race of the day. Congratulations to all who medaled, and to those who didn't, well done on the commitment provided to training and always doing your best, onwards and upwards for next year.

Results

Gold Medals

Under 12 Boys

Under 14 Girls

Pre Vet Ladies

800 mtr Sprint Ladies

Ladies Seine Boat

Silver Medals

Under 16 Boys

Intermediate Ladies

Junior Ladies

Veteran Ladies

Senior Women

800mtr Sprint Men

Intermediate Men

Senior Men (Heritage)

Seine Boat Men

Bronze Medal

Under 16 Boys

Sneem Rowing Club

Huge congratulations also to our 4 coxes of the weekend Delia Murphy, Sean Murphy, Mike O Shea and James Gleeson.

50/50 Draw

Congratulations to Hannah Moriarty on winning €240 in our August draw held in D O' Shea's Bar. Hannah is one of our yearly ticket holders.

Congratulations to Marie Moriarty on winning €205 in the September draw held in Rineys Bar. Next draw is in Dan Murphy' Bar in October.

Donation

We would like to acknowledge and thank the Sneem Parish News committee for their very generous donation they gave to our club, we are very grateful for it, thank you all.

●●If anyone picked up a red Sneem Rowing Club Jacket that wasn't theirs by mistake while in Dingle from the tent, please contact 087 9134721.



Pictured left Under 14 girls with Cox Delia Murphy L-R Stella O'Sullivan, Rosalyn Van Daele, Julia O'Sullivan, Lauren Sherborne.

Pictured right are the under 12 Boys with trainer Caroline Clifford and Cox Sean Murphy L-R Kealan O'Sullivan, Jonathan Davies, Jack O'Sullivan, Karolis Knyza



Tahilla CNS

We are delighted this week to welcome all pupils back to school in Tahilla CNS. To mark the start of the school year the whole school went for a walk to Tahilla Pier, just a short distance from the school. The Senior Room prepared a fruit salad for everyone to enjoy, we played hopscotch, and finally ended our trip with one of our favourite games to play together: duck, duck, goose.



We have busy gardeners this week in Tahilla CNS! A big thank you to all parents and pupils who have helped make our greenhouse a great success so far this year.



Plenty of playdough creativity in the Senior Room this week.

Sneem GAA

Congratulations

To Sneem/Derrynane senior team who beat Cromane 4-09 to 1-09 last weekend in Derrynane. They play against Renard in the Kerry Petroleum Junior Club Championship Semi Finals this Saturday 9th September at 5pm in Waterville. All support is welcome.



Pictured below Sneem/Derrynane Under age teams that played in the Richard Walsh Blitz during the Sneem Family Festival.



Sympathies

The Sneem GAA Club wish to express their deepest condolences to the Derrynane Club on the sad passing of their Club president Dan Galvin. To his wife Kathleen, his son Donal and daughters Ann Marie, Kathy, Linda and Eileen, his grandchildren Aoi bheann, Sean, Niamh, Ciara, Katie, Daniel and Billy, daughter in law Dinah, sons in law Derek, Peter, and Gene, sisters Bridie, Mary, and Sheila, sister in law, brothers in law, nephews, nieces, relatives and his many friends.

May Dan Rest In Peace.

Draft Local Area Plan

Kerry County Council has published the draft Kenmare Municipal District Local Area Plan 2023-2029. It can be downloaded and viewed on the Kerry County Council website (kerrycoco.ie). There will be public consultation open days in Cahersiveen Library on Thursday 21st September from 3pm to 6.30pm and in the Carnegie Arts Centre, Kenmare on Wednesday 27th September from 3pm to 6.30pm.

The plan making process is a collaborative one and Kerry County Council are looking for your views. Submissions or observations can be made in writing or electronically via the website, to the Planning Authority until Friday 13th October 2023.

Sneem Bottle Bank

The Community Bottle Bank has been moved to a new location, at the exterior of Crazy Golf Amenity at Sneem GAA grounds. The area where the Bottle Bank has been located for the past 20 years is to be redesigned as part of the completion process in completing the ground works at Ardshelaune Estate. This was part of the original planning where the existing entry to the estate needs to be widened. This new location may be a temporary site depending on the level of care taken by the users of the bottle bank. Kerry County Council will remove the bottle bank to its yard in Kenmare if illegal dumping or abuse of the bottle bank arises. Great thanks to the Committee of Sneem GAA for making this site available and saving such an essential facility from being removed from the village. The Bottle Bank belongs to you users, so we ask you the users, to help take care of them as there is no plan B.



Sneem River Clean

On Saturday 16th September, we will be participating in our second Riverbank Clean-up as part of CleanCoasts Big Beach Clean. Volunteers wanted - we'll meet outside the Post Office at 11am to catch the low tide, just wear suitable boots; gloves and bags will be provided.

Sneem Tidy Towns

Swift Project

Lynda Huxley from Swift Conservation Ireland came to Sneem in early June to teach us about the wonderful swift and how we can help ensure the future of this red-listed bird. She left us two Swegler 3 bay swift boxes and calling equipment which were kindly funded by the Biodiversity Officer in Kerry County Council. We would like to thank Sneem Community Preschool and Creche and Sneem Community Centre Committees for allowing us to erect these boxes on their buildings and Joe and the CE team for erecting them. The swifts will be making their way to Africa for the winter now but we hope they will return and locate these nest boxes over the coming years. Unlike swallows, they leave no mess outside the nests. Another bird in trouble is the house martin and we are fortunate to have many of these in Sneem. They gather mud from the estuary to build their nests under the eaves of buildings but with the advent of plastic soffits, once the babies in the nest start to get bigger and heavier, the plastic soffits don't provide the same grip as wooden ones and often the nests slip off and fall. Katy's Wildlife Rescues is looking after a couple of birds that survived such a fall but most aren't so lucky. Lynda Huxley has provided us with instructions for building nest cups for house martins which might make a nice winter project if anyone is interested.



Ogham Tree Project

Sneem Festivals Committee had hoped to launch the Alder Sculpture in the Wild Garden during the Sneem Summer Festival but we had to cancel it during poor weather. The Alder Sculpture will be launched on Saturday the 9th September with Sneem Tidy Towns and music kindly provided by local musicians Fionán Casey, Mary Delatore Casey, the Larkins and more. Music will start at 3pm (weather dependent) and the opening ceremony will start around 5pm.

The piece was produced by Tom Allison, Ella Allison and Adrian Cauldwell. The idea for the sculpture came from the knowledge that Bishop Charles Graves (formerly of the Bishop's house, Parknasilla) was a central figure in deciphering the Ogham alphabet in the 1850s having written many papers about various aspects of the alphabet around that time. The alphabet emerged around about when Christianity came to Ireland and each letter is associated with certain trees with some people calling it the "tree alphabet".

This first piece which combines metalwork, wood work and augmented/immersive art is our proof of concept and we are working with Sneem Tidy Towns to apply for funding for more pieces based on different letters and trees to promote greater engagement with our natural biodiversity and tree mythology and an appreciation of Bishop Charles Graves' role in promoting understanding of this interesting alphabet. Watch this space!

On the October bank holiday, Niall Mac Coitir author of Ireland's Trees: Myths, Legends and Folklore -and other books around the myths and folklore of Irish flowers, animals and birds- will give a talk about Irish tree mythology and the Ogham alphabet and hold a book signing at Sneem Book Shop.

Parknasilla Golf Club

Pictured below are Junior Golfers who took part in the Junior Golf President's Prize Com-



The 15th Kerry Sneem Scout Group



15th Kerry Sneem Scouts will be holding registration at Sneem Community and Sports Centre on:

Monday 18th September at 6.30 to 7pm.

Thursday 21st September at 6.30 to 7pm .

Please contact sneemscouts@gmail.com for any queries.

	Ages	Meeting Times
Beaver Scouts	6 - 8 years	Thursdays 6pm to 7pm
Cub Scouts	9-11 years	Monday 6.30pm to 8pm
Scouts and Ventures	12-14 years 15-17 years	Thursdays 7.30pm to 9pm

Pat O'Shea Fun Day

I would like to personally thank everyone who attended the Pat O'Shea Fun Day and hope you enjoyed yourselves.

The sun shone throughout the day and we had a great turnout with 80 people taking part, with additional people coming along for the presentation and BBQ.

As you know the day is about remembering Pat, whilst having some fun playing golf with family and friends and hopefully making some new friends along the way. I'm sure Pat would have been delighted to see so many people enjoying themselves in his memory.

Congratulations to the winning team - John Hurley, Jim Feeney and Rosemary Boyton with an excellent combined score of 26.2.

With all good events, there are a lot of good people working hard behind the scenes to ensure that it is a success. On behalf of us all, I would like to thank the following:

- Mike O'Shea for the prizes for the winning team and the family for attending an emotional day for them all.
- Parknasilla Hotel for allowing us to hold the event during a busy period.
- Tomas, Sean and Jason for having the course in such great condition.
- Ann in the Clubhouse for the way she handles all the stress put before her with a smile
- Paul Moran for handling a lot of correspondence along with his assistance with the team selections.
- Alan Davies and Darren Pilz for the fantastic food for the BBQ.
- Sean for allowing us the use of the Loft Bar for the evening.
- Special thanks to Sean McCarthy without whom we'd still be trying to pick out teams, let alone add up the scores!

My apologies for anyone else that I may have missed, but thanks to everyone concerned in assisting in such a great day and I hope to see you all again next year.

Regards,

Ashley

PGC Secretary

Pictured right the winners John Hurley, Jim Feeney and Rosemary Boyton





Inaugural Golf Classic Fundraiser

A great day was had by all at Sneem Digital Hub's first Golf Classic. 19 teams headed off with their eyes on the prize, armed with little goody bags for sustenance, on Killarney's glorious Mahony's Point course and all enjoyed themselves thoroughly. The support from local businesses was nothing short of spectacular, like the views on the course. We had 42 businesses sponsoring holes, along with 4 individual sponsors, as well as great support in providing prizes, food and teams. We are hugely, hugely appreciative of such support.

A special shout-out goes to Johnny O' Sullivan (Hilary's / Sacre Coeur) who brought a whopping 3 teams and 14, yes 14, hole sponsors. Thank you so much Johnny.



Fast forward a few hours then to Murphy's Bar – the grub, the craic and the prize-giving. With Sneem in the process of becoming the BBQ capital of Ireland, Darren, Alan and Aleks played an absolute blinder again, ably assisted by Dieter, Carin, Claudine and Lexi. The feedback on the painstakingly skewered and deliciously cooked food was

unanimous – it was all scrumptious. Huge thanks to Sean for his sponsorship and the aforementioned lads for their time and craftsmanship.

Barry Murphy (aka Gunther), of "Apres Match" fame (and strong Sneem connections) kindly gave of his time and all-round hilarity to provide the entertainment and MC the prize-giving. A great night was had by all.





We would sincerely like to thank everyone who played a part in such a great day from start to finish – the players, the sponsors, Sean for sponsoring the food, Maïdie for her trojan work on the raffle, Mahony's Point GC, Gunther (aka Barry Murphy) for just rounding everything off perfectly – we pixies are eternally grateful. Liam McLoughlin for putting together the 46 stands to promote each of our sponsors, Ian Cronin for the on-course photography, Bartley Burns for designing the individual sponsors promos and the teams and sponsors boards, the High Kings of BBQ and everyone else involved. Also, did I mention Johnny O'Sullivan? We're already looking forward to doing it all again next year.



SNEEM DIGITAL HUB GOLF CLASSIC 2023

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SNEEM
digital hub

CONNECT GLOBALLY, LIVE LOCALLY



Summer In The Hub

While the weather meant that many people with Summer homes in the area didn't stay around as long as last year, we were delighted that revenue was pretty much on a par and we were kept busy throughout with up to 20 people a day working from the Hub and spending time and money in the village and surrounding areas.

FREE Certificate In Supervisory Management Skills

Do you manage people in your business or workplace? If so why not avail of this programme which can be undertaken in the Hub on Tuesdays from 10.00 to 12.30, commencing on October 3rd and for 10 weeks in total. **Closing date for enrolment is Monday 25th September.**

The objective of the programme is to enable participants to understand the differences between management and leadership including styles and characteristics of successful managers/leaders. This programme will enable the student to acquire an understanding of the importance of effective human resource management to effective supervisory management in an organisation. It will also identify the interpersonal skills which contribute to the supervisory manager's efficiency and effectiveness in the work environment. It will facilitate the student to apply theory and knowledge to real situations. This is fully funded via Connected Hubs and is provided by the Technological University of Shannon (TUS). Please drop an email to ai-dan.murray@sneemdigitalhub.ie to register your interest.

Rose of Tralee

Rose of Tralee Escort

David Murphy recently took part as an escort in the Rose of Tralee where he was paired with the San Francisco Rose, Katie McFadden. It was a fantastic experience. He would like to thank Brendan Galvin from Sneem Seaweed Baths and Sean O'Sullivan from Dan Murphys bar for sponsorship and support for the week, and everyone for their support.



Grow Local

The Transition Kerry Programme on Biodiversity and Climate Change (Kenmare/Sneem) was aimed at spreading information and ideas through the community to tackle the climate and biodiversity crises we face. It gave us the opportunity to meet passionate people. Janet featuring in this interview is one of them. As a follow up of the course Laurence Vanpouille decided to realise a series of interviews with people who grow food in our area. She would love to hear from you.

[email: growlocal@icloud.com](mailto:growlocal@icloud.com)



Why are you growing food Janet?

"I really appreciate the taste of fresh fruit and vegetables. It makes me more conscious of eating food in season."

"We live at Loughaunacreen - Lochán an Chrainn - The Round Lake of the Wood, Tuosist. We are very exposed to the elements as it is close to the sea but I now have a good sheltered vegetable garden. It was just a field when I started but, after 30 years of minding the soil, I now have a system which is productive without too much hard work. I grow fruit that I can freeze for example raspberries and blackcurrants. I also like to have at least one vegetable all the time throughout the year: I concentrate on things that taste much better fresh like peas or that have a long harvest season like kale that we can pick when we want. We don't grow any veggies that are easy to buy organic like carrots, onions and main crop potatoes. Strawberry or sweetcorn are my favourite produce. They just taste hundred times better than what you can buy. I will not buy strawberries specially in the winter because in comparison they really don't taste so good. To have an impact on climate crisis I do not think growing your own vegetables is the most significant thing you can do. For the money and time, if you can afford to buy organic and local in season, it would be a better impact. Continuing to grow is a habit: I have put a big investment in time and effort over the years. Mostly I do enjoy it as I like to be outside. Also there is not that much organic local produce you can buy which is a reason to continue. I try to make it that there is less heavy work. All my gardening ethos comes from permaculture: you work with nature. I don't dig at all, I add nutrients to the top of the soil and I leave the worms to do the job for me. I try not to walk too much on the beds and keep the soil covered all the time. When I started 30 years ago I was selling vegetables on a small scale. Now I am producing what we need, no more."



A tip, a recommendation?

"One of the most successful aspects of my gardening style is the hens. The house is on wheels and I have a flexible netting fence. I move the hens around the garden where they eat pests and weed seeds. I use their bedding as a mulch. They help me with the gardening. In permaculture it is called a 'chicken tractor'."

Kenmare Family Resource Centre

South Kerry/Sneem Social Prescribing Service

Essentially Social Prescribing, or Community Referral as it is sometimes known, is a new name for an old idea: that people are happier and healthier when they are connected to their community.

Who is it for? Anyone over 18 years of age who would like information on joining new groups, taking up new hobbies, revisiting old hobbies. Help and support provided to make these change in their life and support for those who are going through a transition in their life and would like some support whilst going through this change.

How does it work? People can self-refer to the service to our local link worker, we will spend time talking to you about your interests and changes you might like to make in your life. This could be to meet new people, learn a new skill, take up a new hobby or new form of exercise, link in with a support group for a specific issue. Link in with activities such as walking groups, Men's Sheds, Women's Groups, Art and Craft Groups, gardening clubs, community gardens, exercise classes, local KETB courses, family resource centre activities, book clubs, volunteering, and many other activities.

Our Link Worker will support you in identifying and setting health and wellbeing goals for yourself and assist you in setting up a simple plan which will help you to achieve these goals. Our Link Worker will also support you to access your chosen activity if required.

Many people have found social prescribing to be a very beneficial way to support their health and wellbeing. If you are interested to find out more or have any questions about this service, please call Paula on 087 4455442 or email paula@kenmarefrsc.ie.

Kenmare and District Garden Club

During the summer break from the monthly lectures in the Gateway, the Club enjoyed a delightful trip to the garden of Heather Kingston, which has been developed over the past 20 years from blank canvas to mature gardens in Dromoughty – plenty of inspiration and even sunshine! This was followed by a very welcome delicious tea at the home of Jaimie and Steph Blandford – thanks are due to the huge effort they all made to make it a memorable day. The Water Margin garden, owned by Garden Club members Neal Cahill and Aly Peh, was open as usual over the Bank Holiday. This unique garden with incredible natural water features, designed and developed by them over 22 years, was awash with late summer colour, from the many varieties of hydrangea. (It can be visited by appointment only in aid of the Simon Community) In early September members will visit Derreen gardens for lunch and a walk around the estate. The Club is indeed fortunate to have this historical garden on its very doorstep. Lectures will continue in the Gateway in the Autumn at the usual time of 7.30 p.m. Contact Stephen Austen: 087 9112876 for further information.

Looking for Information

Historian's search for the family of Michael Hussey (1864-1904) of Sneem

Lisburn Historian Aaron McIntyre is on the search for the family of Michael Hussey of Bohocogram born in 1864 to John Hussey (1813-1875) and his wife Abby (Gubby) McCarthy (1829-1882).

Michael Hussey was a National School Teacher and native Irish speaker who came north to Glenravel in the Glens of Antrim where Irish was still widely spoken at the time. Here he became friendly with the local Parish Priest Rev. McCashin. It speaks to Hussey's wide esteem that when Rev. McCashin moved to Lisburn, he would go on to appoint Hussey to St. Patrick's National School, Lisburn.

During his time in Lisburn Hussey was involved in the Lisburn Celtic Cycling Club and taught Irish at the Lisnagarvey branch of the Gaelic League. He was later appointed to the Gaelic League Committee, attending meetings with famous figures in Irish history including Douglas Hyde and Padraig Pearse. Interestingly Hussey recorded his language as "Irish with a little English" in the 1901 census.

Michael Hussey suffered from poor health and after a period of respite in Rostrevor, Co. Down he was transferred to the Mater Hospital in Belfast where tuberculosis cut him down in the prime of his life. He was a bachelor and at his funeral the children of his school walked behind his coffin as he was laid to rest in the old graveyard behind St. Patrick's Church. A beautiful Celtic cross with a Gaelic inscription, now covered in ivy, was erected over his final resting place.



Aaron McIntyre is trying to locate any descendants or locals who may have known them to learn more about Michael and the Husseys - and perhaps to discover a photograph of Michael. This research is part of a wider project exploring the hidden history of his native Lisburn.

Michael had a number of siblings which Aaron has identified:

Alice (Ally/Abby) Hussey (1844-1921) married John Sheehan moved to Nedanone

Honora Hussey (1855-1905) married Edward Fitzgerald (1857-1928)

Patrick Hussey (1857-1922) married Julia Fenton (1862-1943)

If you have any insights to share, please contact Aaron directly at aaronmcintyre@hotmail.co.uk or +44 (0) 7707 936559

Sneem Events Calendar

9th September - Wild Garden Music and Ogham launch
16th September - Sneem River Clean
28th October - Niall Mac Coitr talk on Native Irish Trees
29th October - 3rd November – Scarecrows on the Green
31st October – Pumpkins on the Bridge
10th – 12th November - Sneem Storytelling Festival
21st December - Shadow Play “Lightning Bird”, Sneem Hotel
December - Sneem Rowing Club - Fun Run
December - Sneem Resource Centre Craft Fair

Music



D. O'Shea's

Wednesday 6th September - Music with Jimmy Lee
Friday 8th September - Music with Martin Larkin 9.30pm
Saturday 9th September - Music with Roy Buckley 9.30pm
Wednesday 13th September - Jimmy Lee 9pm
Sunday 17th September - Traditional Irish Music Session 8.30-10.30pm
Sunday 24th September - Traditional Irish Music Session 8.30-10.30pm



Dan Murphy's

Check with Bar

Riney's

Music every Saturday night for September



Sneem Hotel

Check with Hotel



Sneem Resource Centre
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Sneem to Killarney

Every Saturday leaves outside Quills
at 11.30am, return bus leaves Killarney
at 4.45pm from Tesco (town)
carpark. **Bus has wheelchair access - a lift for wheelchair user.**

Check out www.localinkkerry.ie/sneem or call 066 7147002

For any other routes or information
contact Teddy on 087 2315014.

Courier service also available.

Risen Light Garden Sneem

September 2023

We really hope you have been enjoying our organically grown vegetables over the last while. The rich crop we have been able to offer to you has been a real delight for us to help it to grow. The honesty box set up outside the Sneem Resource Centre at the South Square, seems to work well. We are encouraging our customers to take even tiny potatoes, small carrots and limpy lettuce ... you can always freshen it up at home in some cold water to bring it back to life.

Remember ... payment is up to you, so if you didn't feel it was worth it ... that's fine. If we cannot revive the left over vegetables for ourselves, we put them in the compost.

Because I know where the produce is coming from, I don't even mind if a little critter has eaten a hole into the cabbage, the aubergine or the spinach. It makes such a difference, when we know the source.

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The Risen Light Garden Team

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- CE positions available at Sneem GAA and Derrynane GAA. Duties include general maintenance of sports fields.
- Office Administrator for Sneem Digital Hub, Cleaning Person also required.
- Kitchen Assistant required at Coomanasig Daycare Centre (Sneem Welfare Group). Duties include assisting with food preparation, keeping kitchen and meeting area clean, preparing meeting room for meetings, functions etc. Eligible applicants should send CV to sneemtidytowns@gmail.com or call Joe Murphy on 086 3724468

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07th:	10.18,	22.45
08th:	11.20,	23.58
09th:	12.53	
10th:	14.19	
11th:	15.20	
12th:	16.07	
13th:	16.47	
14th:	17.21	
15th:	17.52	
16th:	06.04,	18.18
17th:	06.31,	18.44
18th:	06.58,	19.11
19th:	07.28,	19.43
20th:	08.01,	20.18
21st:	08.40,	21.01
22nd:	09.29,	21.55
23rd:	10.34,	23.08
24th:	11.57	
25th:	13.33	
26th:	14.50	
27th:	15.48	
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29th:	17.20	
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Sunday 6th August: Numbers Drawn: 6, 7, 12, 14 . No Winner.

€40 consolation went to: Ann Brown, Ardhillane, Sneem; Tim O'Sullivan, Direendrislough, Sneem; Max and Millie c/o Goosey Island, Sneem; Sneem Men's Shed.

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Sunday 27th August: Numbers Drawn: : 6, 8, 12, 27. No Winner.

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