



# Sneem Community Notice Board

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## One Good Idea



Although it's a little early in the year for bees there's no shortage of them around the village at the moment! This is thanks to the children of 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class who are preparing themselves for the National Finals of the SEAI, One Good Idea competition in Dublin Castle on 15<sup>th</sup> May. Mr BEE is the brainchild of Sive, William, James, Fionn and Darragh: 'The Legendary Light Savers'. Tasked with coming up with one good idea to save energy and tackle climate change Mr BEE (Mr Be Energy Efficient) was born.

See page 10 for more information.

Editor's Note: Congratulations to The Legendary Light Savers on reaching the final eight in the SEAI One Good Idea Competition. We wish you the best of luck on 15th May.

**Sneem National School**  
invites you to the  
**Sacre Coeur on Friday April 27th.**

10:30am to 1pm



**Fundraising Event**  
for Mr BEE

**S.E.A.I One Good Idea**  
**National Finalists**  
**May 15th 2018**  
**Dublin Castle**



**Next Newsletter will be out on 17th May 2018**

## This is YOUR Notice Board!

**Deadline for the next newsletter - Monday 14th May by 10am anything received after this date cannot be included in newsletter.** Call the Resource Centre on **064 6645545** or **087-1403919** (please leave a message), email: [sneemcnb@gmail.com](mailto:sneemcnb@gmail.com), use our post box outside the Resource Centre or leave a private message on our Facebook Page.

## Community News

### **Birthdays:**

Michael O'Sullivan (Ardshillane), Linda Galvin, Sarah O'Sullivan (5) and Brayden Boyken (2) on 19th; Selina Keogh, Darren Breen, Joey Quinn, Raymond Teahan and Kyle Schots (2) on 20th; Ethan Allison (8) and Paddy O'Brien (Seaview) on 21st; Thade Coffey on 22nd; Katie Riney (14), Leonard Burns and Fiona O'Leary on 23rd; Mark and David Drummond, Sheila Galvin, Willie O'Sullivan (Fermoy) and Eva Schots on 24th; Isabell O'Brien (10), Delia Murphy and Cillian Hussey on 27th; Robbie Hussey on 29th; Olivia Clifford and Vincent O'Leary on 30th.

### **May**

Joshua Muller-Tolk on 1st; Ann Clifford, Ava Galvin (10) and Emma Pádár Sugrue (8) on 2nd; Patricia and Mary Galvin on 6th; Sam O'Sullivan (10) and Jeff Prior on 7th; Cadhla O'Sullivan on 8th; Finn Wilkinson, Tom Clifford (11), Mary Dennehy and Hedley Jonas on 9th; Christopher Wallace (14), Seamus O'Sullivan (Rich), Aengus Looney and Aisling Muir on 10th; Maureen Connelly on 15th; Dion Burke and Bryan Riley on 16th; Breda O'Neill (Seaview) on 17th.

### **Special Birthdays**

Martin Larkin will be 16 on 22nd April; Liam Breen will be 18 on 17th May.

### **Congratulations**

To Paddy Murphy, Moularostig who recently celebrated his 80th birthday.

### **Deepest Sympathies**

Are extended to the family of Bridie Welby (nee Looney), Main Street, Ought-erard, Co. Galway, on the 22nd March.

### **Deepest Sympathies**

Are extended to Helen Kirby on the death of her partner Dan Donoghue, Gleesk, Sneem, and formerly of Rath, Ballymackeera, Co. Cork and London.

### **Deepest Sympathies**

To the family of Ben O'Shea, St Columbanus Home, Killarney, formerly Tahilla who died on the 4th April

### **Deepest Sympathies**

The death occurred of Bob (Robert) Egan at his home in Maine, US on the 7th of April. Bob was born on the 2nd of May 1935. He was the youngest son of the late William H. Egan and Ann Marie (Hussey) Gleesk, and sister to the late Mick, South Square, Pat & Peg of Seaview. He is survived by his family and nephew Kevin Mc Kinney. May he rest in peace. Bob and Kevin were regular visitors to Sneem over the years.

## Community News

### **Sneem Parish Newsletter 2018**

If anyone has photos, articles, obituaries they would like included in this year's magazine, please submit them to our new email address only:

**sneempn@gmail.com**

### **Can you help?**

I just saw a notice about the Bride O'Connor, nee O'Sullivan. I know her son as he works in my daughter's school, I told him I would try to find out who she really was, all he knows is that she came from Sneem, so who is she and does she have any relations left? Any info would be great, Thanks Jim Pete. You can send any information into sneemcnb@gmail.com and we will pass it on.

### **Cow Dung Lotto Winner**

Winner of the Cow Dung Lotto held on Friday 6th April 2018 in aid of Sneem Crèche was Margaret Foley, Letterfinish.

### **Sneem Community Centre**

Wishes to thank everyone who purchased tickets for our Easter Raffle. The winners were Mary O'Sullivan, North Square and Kathleen O'Sullivan, South Square. We will be holding a Cake Sale on Sunday 13th May and would appreciate bakers. Thank you.

### **Sneem School**

Is holding an Energy Saving Awareness Day and Fundraiser on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 to 1pm as part of a Coffee morning in the Sacre Coeur Restaurant in the North Square.

### **Cleaner Wanted**

Cleaner wanted for commercial bakery. Three hours daily, approximately 2pm to 5pm. Two or three days a week depending on season. Possibility of some additional production/packaging work. Own transport essential, reliability and obsessive personality distinct advantage. Pay and exact hours depending on experience and open to negotiation. Contact Eileen on 086 3809499.

### **Indoor Bowling**

Sneem Indoor Bowling Club wish to acknowledge Kerry County Council's financial assistance under the 2017 Community Support Fund. The Club had a very successful outing in Glenbeigh recently when a team that included Maurice Walsh won the Plate competition when beating a team that included Noel O'Sullivan and Barry O'Regan in the final.

### **Tai Chi classes**

with teacher Niall Wright are taking place on Wednesday mornings at 11am in the Rowing Club Boathouse. €7 per session. Everyone welcome!

## Community News

### Writers Group

meets on the first Friday of every month from 1pm - 3pm in Sneem Resource Centre.. All budding / experienced / published / hopeful, etc. writers are welcome to join. If you would like any further information, contact June on 085 7700524 or [juneonly@gmail.com](mailto:juneonly@gmail.com)

### Charity Obstacle Course

Sneem Summer Festival are organising a Charity Obstacle Course in aid of Jigsaw Kerry, which will take place on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May from 2 to 6pm in St. Michael's National School with DJ Kev Rae. This event is open to all the family. Cost: Adults - €10, Teenagers - €7.50, Children - €5 to be paid on the day.

**Jigsaw Kerry** is a free, non-judgemental and confidential mental health support service for young people aged 12 - 25, living, working or studying in Co Kerry. We provide guidance and support for young people who are going through a difficult or distressing time. We also provide advice and guidance for anyone who is concerned about a young person in their life.

**JIGSAW  
KERRY**  
Young people's  
health in mind



### Congratulations

To Tony Drummond, Sneem and Louise Murphy, Monivea, Galway who were married in Galway on 6th April, Tony is a son of Gretta and Val Drummond, Rockville House, Sneem.



**Congratulations** to Karol Egan who made his Confirmation in Kilbrittain, Co. Cork on Friday 13th April, pictured left with proud parents Eamon and Mary and brother Niall.

## Parknasilla Golf Club



### **Parknasilla Golf Club Lady Captain's Drive In**

Pictured above left is Mary T. O'Sullivan, newly elected Lady Captain of Parknasilla Golf Club with left Maidie O'Leary, Vice Captain and Margaret Miley right, Outgoing Captain.

Pictured above right is the Challenge Cup team that beat Ross at the Ring of Kerry Golf Club.

## Autism Golf Classic 2018

The Annual Golf Classic in Beaufort Golf Club takes place on Friday 27th April. This year as always, we are relying on your generosity to support this worthy cause. Over the last four years we have raised about 18 thousand euros to help in providing essential therapies for children with Autism. We are appealing once again for your support in sponsoring a prize for a raffle draw. Sponsor a team €150, a green €100 or a tee €50. This year we are also having a really monster raffle for which tickets (€5 each) can be bought locally. The draw which will take place in Beaufort Golf Clubhouse at 7.30pm on the evening of the classic, will be overseen by none other than Michael Healy Rae T.D., who will be M.C. for the evening. There will be at least 20 prizes for the lucky winners.

Contact Sonny on 087 2438535 for tee times or tickets.

**"If you're not in, you can't win"**

## Sneem Walking Club

### Sunday Spring Walk 29th April

Road Walk - Lough Brin (16 miles preparation for JFK walk) , starting at 10am

### Saturday 12th May - JFK 50 Mile Challenge

50 Mile or 26 Mile Walk - Leaving South Square,  
Sneem at 5.30am

This year's Charity is ChildAid

For more information: [www.sneemwalkingclub.com/jfk-50-mile](http://www.sneemwalkingclub.com/jfk-50-mile) or

[jfk-50-mile](https://www.facebook.com/sneemjfkchallenge/) or

[facebook.com/sneemjfkchallenge/](https://www.facebook.com/sneemjfkchallenge/)



### Sunday Spring Walk 27th May

Purple Mountain Walk, starting at 10am

For further information email: [sneemwalkingclub@gmail.com](mailto:sneemwalkingclub@gmail.com)

## Sneem Rowing Club

Thanks to everyone who supported Sneem Rowing Club on St. Patrick's Day by sponsoring the prizes and buying lines the winners were:

- 1) A pig - Fr. Liam O'Brien
- 2) Lunch for 2 in Parknasilla - Jerry Casey, New York
- 3) Lunch for 2 in Sneem Hotel - Fionn and Aisling O'Leary
- 4) Dinner for 2 in Brehon Hotel - Kevin Larkin
- 5) A year Gym membership - Noel Fitzgerald, Staigue

### 50/50 Draw

The winner for last month's 50/50 draw were Aoibheann and Niamh Galvin, Castlecove who won €187 in our 50/50 draw on the 6th April

We have decided to do **yearly tickets for the 50/50 draw**. It's €60 for the year this will include **3 tickets in each monthly draw**. The tickets will run from February to February draws. For more information contact any of the committee members. Tickets are available from all committee members

### New Gym Opening Hours

Monday - 8am-12pm + 5pm-9pm

Tuesday - 8am-12pm + 5pm-9pm

Wednesday - 5pm-9pm

Thursday - 8am-12pm + 5pm-9pm

Friday - 1pm-9pm

**Membership is now due for the coming Year.**



## All Ireland Hurling



Pictured left is Killian Egan (in the centre Number 8) celebrating St Kieran's College's (Kilkenny), victory in the All Ireland Post Primary Schools Senior Hurling Final (Croke Cup) in Thurles on the 31<sup>st</sup> March last. Killian is a son of Micheal and Celine Egan. The other lads in the picture are from Killian's club Graigue Ballycallan.

## Kenmare and District Garden Club

On Thursday evening, 5<sup>th</sup> April the weather was appalling but in spite of this we had a wonderful turn-out for Lorna O'Mahoney (Farrell)'s illustrated talk about Wildlife in the Garden. As a director of the Cork Nature Network she was well qualified to speak on all that we can be doing in our gardens to encourage and keep wildlife. Apart from lovely places to grow plants, gardens are havens for all kinds of wildlife providing suitable habitat and food. She explained that by having water in the garden this provides a food chain for birds from larvae growing into insects. She told us to plant hedges, wildflower areas with poor soil and uncut grass, make woodland and wetland areas and a rockery so that every type of creature is provided for, including humans as these areas enhance the look of a garden and provide a place of peace and comfort for us. Feed birds, make nesting, bug & bat boxes and leave a few areas a bit wild. Unwittingly, perhaps, a lot of us are doing this anyway so continue as you are!

Next month, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 7.30 p.m. at Gateway there will be a talk about Herbs by Greta McCarthy O'Brien who has a great herb garden in An-nascaul, Dingle. She has also written a book on the subject called "Greta's Herbs", sub-titled 'Growing Wild in the West of Ireland'. She will be bringing plants for sale so let's hope you can make it and it is a drier evening!

# Sneem Resource Centre

## Opening Hours

Monday to Friday - 10.30am - 3pm

## Coffee, Craft and Chat

We have commenced a group project of an embroidered wall hanging to sell. Anyone with an interest in embroidery – complete novice to expert – is welcome to join us on Tuesday mornings between 11.00 am and 1.00 pm. There is no commitment to come every week or to stay for the full 2 hours.

## Gentle Flow Yoga classes

Take place in Sneem Resource Centre on Mondays at 3pm, 4.30pm and 6pm. There are a few places left or if you are interested in a morning class, please contact Rachel at 086 2498586

## Olive's Hair Salon

Olive is now located at the Sneem Resource Centre from 10am to 2pm on Thursdays for Ladies and Gents dry cuts. Phone Olive on 087 7551796

## Cake Sale / Easter Shop Window Treasure Hunt

Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter Treasure Hunt and Cake Sale on Sunday 1st April, we raised almost €400 for the newsletter.

## Nearly New Opening



Last Saturday, Nearly New reopened for the season. We had a great turn out...thank you to everyone for their support and to all those who made food and brought wine...a great afternoon was had by all, despite the weather. We are open six days a week from 12 noon to 4pm.

## Fundraising Table Quiz

We are holding a Table Quiz on Friday 1st June at 9pm in Riney's Bar. Tables of 4 €20. Please support.



## Appeal for help

We thought we would write to let you know that our son Dan Murphy who suffers from Cystic Fibrosis is facing a double lung transplant this year. Danno was born in Watertown, Massachusetts, but some of you may remember us spending summers in Sneem. Danno was out in hayfields and bogs with my cousin Larry O'Sullivan and all the neighbours.

We moved to Gortdromagh in 1985. Danno started school at the Sneem National School with Mrs. Egan. He was not happy about going to school - he would cry when we tried to drop him off at school. Of course Mrs. Egan would have none of that - so she made us take him home. It turned out that it wasn't because he didn't want to go to school, but Danno wanted to make sure all the farm work was finished first - he loved Mikey Paul and didn't want to leave Mikey alone with the chores! Mikey always said that Danno was better than a sheep dog - he taught Danno the whistles to direct Rusty, our collie, to round up the sheep - Johnny Murphy couldn't even do those whistles. So when all the chores were done, Danno quietly went to school and loved it there. He especially loved the school bus route - he could be the first one on the bus as it headed west or the last one as it headed back into Sneem!

We returned to Watertown in 1988. Dan graduated Boston College in 2002. He later brought a group of BC friends to Sneem and they stayed at the old Cantharella Hotel. He has travelled back several other times. Dan has been teaching American history at Lowell High School almost all the time since graduation. Lowell is a diverse urban city - many students there face enormous challenges. Dan has led trips for his students to Washington, DC and to Ireland/Scotland - many of these students would not have had these opportunities otherwise.

The doctors and social worker at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston told us that the costs for the transplant not covered by Dan's health insurance are enormous - likely to be over \$100,000 - and this does not include the time Dan and his wife will be out of work while he recuperates - this could be 3-6 months or longer.

My family in Watertown is having a fundraiser on May 4 - my sister Christine Breen (Patrick's wife) is co-ordinating this and the teachers in Lowell are planning one in the summer.

We are also planning a raffle for a trip to Ireland - there are so many Irish in both the Boston area and Lowell that we think a trip to Ireland would be a big attraction. We would like to have a raffle package that includes airline tickets, hotel vouchers, pub and restaurant vouchers to make it a more attractive prize which would raise more money.

If we can we would like to make Sneem a prime destination and highlight the many attractions in the area such as the excellent accommodations, restaurants, pubs and recreation (such as hiking the Kerry Way, fishing, biking, and golf). In order to accomplish this, we are looking to the Sneem business community and our friends and family for help and donations.

We would appreciate donations of any kind. Asking for help is never easy, but thank you in advance for your generosity. Looking forward to talking with you soon!

John and Mary Ellen Murphy  
Gortdromagh and Cape Cod

# St. Michael's National School



Just like the 'elf on the shelf' Mr BEE lives in our homes and businesses. He moves around discreetly when nobody is looking and acts as a constant reminder to switch off lights that aren't needed. He's already busy reminding people to save energy and money by switching off lights throughout the village!

It's a really fun campaign. We're enjoying raising awareness about saving energy and helping people save money also. A lot of people think they can't do anything about climate change but actually if we all work together we can all make a difference.

Please support our campaign! If you would like a Mr BEE please get in touch with us and we would be delighted to give you one. We would love to get your feedback on this idea. If you have a Mr BEE already and he is doing a good job we would like to know that too!

Email: [sneemns@gmail.com](mailto:sneemns@gmail.com) Telephone 064 66 45000

We will be hosting an Awareness Day and raising funds on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 to 1pm as part of a coffee morning in the Sacre Coeur Restaurant in the North Square. Please come along and support us.

If you would like to watch our 4 minute video pitch as part of our entry please go to <http://www.sneemschool.com/senior/seai-video/>

Or if you would like to listen to our recent interview on Radio Kerry please go to <http://www.radiokerry.ie/st-michaels-ns-energy-saving-device/>



Pictured above are the Legendary Light Savers who travelled to Supervalu in Kenmare on Wednesday morning to promote energy awareness and hand out Mr. Bees. LR: James O'Sullivan, Sive O'Leary, William Davies, Fionn O'Leary and Darragh Murphy.

## Sneem Men's Shed

On the night of the 10<sup>th</sup> of April, the Kerry Men's Shed Networking Meeting was hosted by the Sneem Men's Shed. Members of Sheds from all over Kerry came along – from Ballyheigue to Cahersiveen, Killarney to Kenmare.

The meeting was chaired by Éadaoin Moynihan, SICAP Community Development Officer and Danny Breen, Chairman of the Sneem Men's Shed.

The group assembled at the Shed and after a tour of the Shed facilities, a discussion was held on activities and ideas from the Sheds represented. It was a

time of sharing and networking ideas, essential for developing the movement in Kerry. Approximately 35 sheddies were present so after completion of business, the group moved to the Sneem Community Centre for an evening of bowls, darts, refreshments and of course, talking.

The meeting was very successful for everyone with friendships renewed and made. It also showcased our community and its social activities.

The Sneem Men's Shed would like to thank all those who worked so hard to make the event a success; Shed members and especially wives and spouses who created a wonderful supper, the Sneem Hotel who delivered delicious sandwiches for the occasion and the Sneem Bowls Club who allowed use of their facilities.

Thank you all.



### AGM Notice

Sneem Men's Shed will hold its Annual General Meeting on Monday 23rd April, 7 00 pm at the Old Ball Room, Killarney Road, Sneem. If you are interested in joining us it would be a good time to meet the members, hear about and talk about activities and even have a cup of tea.

# Tahilla School

## Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to Aude, Erwan and their parents who have come to live in Tahilla from Brittany, France. Aude and Erwan have settled in very well and we wish them many happy school days here! Bienvenue!

## Green Flag

The school community are delighted with the good news that we will be awarded Flag number 9 at an awards ceremony in Cork on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are very proud of this achievement and of all the environment work undertaken over the years. The theme for this flag was Global Citizenship, the marine environment. We enjoyed working on this theme and thank everybody who helped us further develop our understanding and love of the Blue Planet.

## Kerry Clean Up

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> we participated in the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary Kerry Clean Up by litter-picking along the roads near the school, the church grounds, down by the pier and the school grounds. Our volunteers were eager to search out every bit of litter and were rewarded with a picnic afterwards.



## Turn The Tide On Plastic

While we continue to turn the tide on plastics at a local level, the boat TTTOP, has arrived in Brazil from Auckland, completing leg 7 of The Volvo Ocean Race and securing a 4<sup>th</sup> place, their best position to date. The skipper is Dee Caffari and for over half of her crew it was their first time



# Tahilla School



rounding Cape Horn. The official total time was 20d 3h 12m 44s! They left the City of Sails (Auckland) on March 17<sup>th</sup> the same day as Team Tahilla embarked on a shorter voyage around Sneem!

Presently the shore team are getting the boat ready for the next leg up to Newport, USA. The race is 45,000 nautical miles long and involves 12 host cities. As the race boats sail around the world they are helping scientists understand more about the health of the oceans through dropping 28 drifter buoys and getting data from the most isolated spots on earth.

The VOR Sustainability Education Programme is making a global impact on and off the water. Lucy Hunt from Waterville is the programme manager and she created the resource. The pupils are presently completing the programme and educating others on how to reduce our plastic footprint and care for life below water. When it comes to plastic remember the 5Rs.....RETHINK, REFUSE, REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

## Drumming Workshop

Martin Schaerer hosted a very interactive, enjoyable and noisy workshop at the school on Tuesday last. We were working together as a team listening, responding, composing, performing and conducting and managing to keep the rhythm going. We will certainly invite Martin back to host another session.



## 50<sup>th</sup> Years Get Together

Please make a note in your diary and mark the date June 16<sup>th</sup> as there will be a get together to mark 50 years of Tahilla School. We would love to see and copy photos from the early days. There will be music and refreshments on the night. All are very welcome.

## Sneem Tidy Towns

We have received this year's entry form for the SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition, closing date for entry is 23rd May so we are working on our application.

### **Sneem Tidy Towns Working Group - Minutes- 9th April 2018**

**Present :- Jane O'Sullivan, Caroline Lea, Eileen Burns, Alice O'Sullivan & Sharon Evans**

Last meeting the group focused on the adjudication report of 2017. Each category was read through with recommendations, ideas and actions discussed. In this meeting the progress in each category was reported.

#### **Community involvement 48/60 (80%)**

The local school are participating in "Green Flag" which can be included in the TT submission. The school have also completed a river clean which we have evidence of.

Action JO - to ask scouts to make a new scarecrow for the outdoor allotments. Scouts have been asked and old scarecrow has been taken down.

We are seeking input from all sections of our community in an effort to improve on last year's marks.

#### **Built Environment and Streetscape 42/50. (84%)**

We discussed "the indiscriminate positioning of posters". It was decided to ask shop owners to ensure posters are placed appropriately and that they are in date or relevant.

Action- SE to request this from businesses

***SE has taken photographs of the businesses. Will now approach.***

#### **Landscaping and Open Spaces 41/50 (82%)**

It was decided that it would be beneficial to walk around the spaces in order to decide a course of action regarding invasive species vs native, pollinators and permanent

Action - FAS- do we need a plaque to be made to label the silver birches in the Commemoration Garden (Riverside walk on northside of river)

All - next meeting we will walk around open spaces (weather permitting :-)

***Walk was postponed. SE to take photographs. Members to liaise.***

#### **Wildlife, Habitats and Natural Amenities 38/50 (76%)**

Bird feeders, beehives and bee & bug hotels were discussed. It was suggested that the school could be involved in evaluating the visiting species and numbers.

The scouts, school and/or men's shed in the creation of bug & bee hotels but that it was important to ensure these are labelled so that wood piles are left to rot undisturbed. Bee hives are a more difficult issue due to public safety. These will be further discussed at a later date.

Action - SE to contact Birdwatch Ireland for literature to organize a bird survey National Bird survey takes place in the winter months. Posters/leaflets and newsletter will promote this closer to the time.

***CL and SE to place bee hotels in garden of the senses.***

***Bird group to be formed. SE to contact Richard Tindale.***

#### **Sustainable Waste and Resource Management 22/50 (44%)**

This is our poorest score by far. It was decided that huge improvements could be implemented regarding water conservation in the community garden.



## Sneem Tidy Towns

Action - SE, JO, CL to liaise with community gardeners to install water tank to harvest water

Progress made. Damaged water pump now up and running. Water harvesting system to be organized in the next month. Also trial water butt outside Nearly New. SE CL JO

***SE to measure the impact of the Bee Bright (school project) on her business. Also get PowerPoint information from the school.***

***EB to gain measurements regarding the savings made due to the solar lighting on the green.***

***What to do with our rubbish information to be compiled and distributed both in the newsletter and to the holiday homes in the area.***

***Tidiness and litter control 64/90 (71%)***

Dog fouling was discussed. We would like to replace the non bio degradable bags provided and strategically position the bag dispensers

Action - CL to ring/write to the council regarding biodegradable poo bags and lamp posts.

- group assessment of the "untidy areas" mentioned in the report

- FAS to take away bird feeders as they are often on the floor

***Progress made, more research and discussion with KKC required.***

***SE and CL have removed bird feeders and placed by the polytunnel***

***Residential Streets & Housing Areas 30/50 (60%)***

Sneem Leisure Village and Atlantic Gateway had special mentions in the report. This will be visited again at a later date,

Action - assessment during the group's proposed walkabout.

***SE to take photographs***

***Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes 40/50 (80%)***

It was noted that the council were hoping to resurface the mentioned Seaview and Sportsfield roads possibly in 2019

Action - assessment during the group's proposed walkabout

***EB confirmed this is to take place.***

***SE to take photographs***

***Second Round Adjudication***

Discussion regarding the 50th anniversary of Charles de Galle's visit to Sneem.

Ideas about setting up of an information centre in the village now that Geopark has gone, Bland cottage is to be looked into.

The organization of a heritage walk.

Sneem Sculpture Park to be changed to a Sculpture trail.

Action - CL to write to the owners of Bland Cottage

***No progress regarding this.....To be continued***

**Next Meeting will take place on Tuesday 24th April at 9.30am in the Resource Centre - all welcome.**

# What to do with your rubbish

## Recycle

Bottles, food and drink cans - Bottle Bank behind the Presbytery on the North Square

## Reuse

There is a clothes bank at the school. Good quality clothes, shoes, books, games, etc. can be dropped off to the Resource Centre for the Nearly New Shop. Unfortunately they cannot accept electrical equipment.



## Community Bin Service

You can purchase bags in the Resource Centre, and DJ O'Sullivan's in the North Square and in Mace and Sneem House in the South Square. Drop off point for full bags is in the trailer at the rear of Stone House and start of Seaview. Monday to Friday between 8.30am and 12noon. No black bags to be put in trailer please.

Brown Bags - Domestic Waste only €5

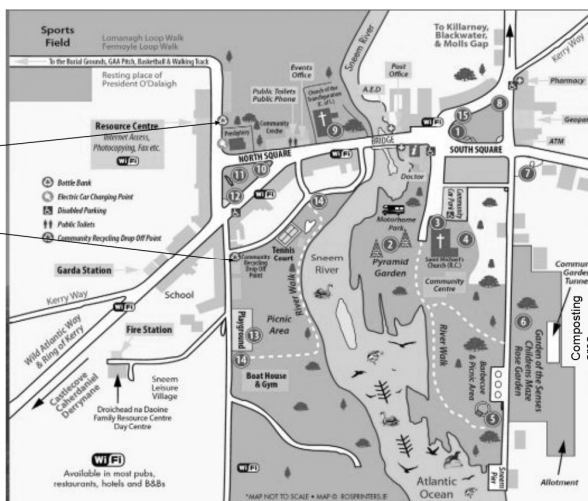
Clear bags - Dry Recyclables only - €3



- ◇ Newspapers
- ◇ Magazines
- ◇ Plastic Bottles
- ◇ Cardboard
- ◇ Tetrapaks or drink cartons
- ◇ Food cans
- ◇ Aluminium cans

Recycle bottles and cans

Drop off community bin bags



## CRDM World Championships

Congratulations to all the dancers who took part in the CRDM World Championships which took place in Citywest over the Easter Holidays. Pictured right is Isabell O'Brien who came 8th out of 28th in the age nine category.

Below are the Age 9 Ceili Team World Champions



Pictured left are the Senior Ceili World Champions and the Age 16 Ceili World Champions.

Pictured above right is Laura Wiley age 10 World Champion.

# The 15th Kerry Sneem Scout Group



Since our last update our Beavers have been out hiking and learning about ancient Ogham writing. Our Cub section did an overnight camp over Easter setting up tents, cooking and building campfires, as well as learning first aid, building shelters and making campfire bread. Our Scouts attended a "County Shield" camp where they built a full camp from scratch including building tables, wood stores and an altar fire in order to cook a 3 course menu from scratch. The Scouts were competing against 10 other Kerry Scout groups and received a prize for being the most enthusiastic group 😊



Many thanks to Eileen Gaffney and Bob Barnes for generously letting us use their land to run our Easter Camp (and for the delivery of a most delicious batch of cookies for all the Cubs and Scouts)

Many thanks to Danny and Evelyn Breen for the very kind donation of a large scout tent.



## New Scouts Section:

We currently run "Beaver Scout" and "Cub Scout" sections but at some point this year we hope to be able to start a "Scout" section night which is for 12-15 years olds. Any interested want to be Scouts please get in touch. We are especially interested in increasing the number of female Scouts.

## Donations of Camping or Boating equipment or Concrete:

Any donations of camping equipment greatly appreciated. We are also hoping to build an equipment shed in the near future. We have been given a grant for a shed but will need to lay a foundation ourselves so any donations of labour or for concrete would be most welcome.

# The 15th Kerry Sneem Scout Group



## New Recruits:

If you are interested in joining Beaver Scouts (Age 6-8) or Cub Scouts (Age 9-11) or Scouts (Age 12-14) or as an Adult volunteer, please register your interest at [sneemscouts@gmail.com](mailto:sneemscouts@gmail.com) or call **0866016375**.



## Job Opportunity - Childcare Assistant



Sneem Community Pre-School and Crèche requires a part time childcare professional .

Minimum Fetac level 5/6 required.

The ideal candidate will be flexible and able to work alongside other staff members who provide a positive, safe, nurturing and caring environment in our childcare setting.

Please apply with your CV to [recruitsneemcreche@gmail.com](mailto:recruitsneemcreche@gmail.com) or by post to The Manager, Sneem Community Pre-School & Crèche, North Square, Sneem, Co. Kerry no later than Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

# Blackwater News

## Annual Clean-Up

The **Annual Clean Up** of the Blackwater/Templenoe Area takes place on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of April**. Bags, gloves and a limited amount of pickers can be collected at O'Neill's Shop Blackwater. The bags can be left at Dirreendarragh Church, Blackwater Bridge and the Vestry Car Park for collection.

## Guest Speaker on Farm Safety

Guest Speaker for Tuesday 8th May at 9pm is **Denis Griffin of the IFA**. He will give a **Public Presentation in Blackwater Tavern** on all aspects of Farm Safety. This will cover Safety Law and the Workplace, Keeping Records, Causes of and Types of Accidents, Age Profile of Victims, Livestock, Machinery etc. Good Farmyard Practice around Slurry, Handling Cattle and do's and don'ts of Tractors and Electricity etc. This is an important topic for everyone living in or visiting a rural area but especially for farm families and is open to the public. All welcome and encouraged to attend.

## Blackwater Women's Group

Next Meeting Tuesday 8th May at 8pm. Membership of €5 now due if not already paid since February. The meeting will be followed by the Speaker on Farm Safety which is open to the public.

There will be a group photograph of Blackwater Women's Group taken on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> of May outside Blackwater Tavern at 11am. All members requested to attend. This is for the photography exhibition.

## Tea Dance Kenmare Bay Hotel

There will be a **Dine and Dance** (Tea Dance) in **Kenmare Bay Hotel on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> of May** from 1.30 to 6pm. 4 Course Hot Lunch, Dancing and Raffle. Music is by Jerry McCarthy/Autumn Gold. This is open to everyone; people from the greater Kenmare, South Kerry and West Cork normally attend. Tickets €20 from Mary in Blackwater Tavern, must be pre-booked, call 064-6682003 to book.

**Exercise Classes** with Shirley in Blackwater Tavern every Monday evening. Exercises and Total Toning for the Energetic from 7-8pm, €5 per class. Exercises for Less Active from 8-9pm are part sponsored by Age and Opportunity.

**Photography Class** in Blackwater Tavern every Saturday morning from 11 to 1pm.

**Drama Class** in Blackwater Tavern every Wednesday from 8 to 10pm.

**Video Editing Class** will be on Thursday evenings, starting shortly.

**If interested in any of the above classes contact Mary in Blackwater Tavern 064-6682003 for further information.**

## 31 Card Game for Defibrillators

A 31 Game & Raffle for the upkeep of Defibrillators in the Blackwater/Templenoe was held in Blackwater Tavern on Thursday 22nd of March. 8 tables played and €1,075.00 was raised between Cards, Raffle and Donations. This money will be used to replace Batteries and Defibrillator Pads in 5 local Defibrillators. The Defibrillators are located at Spillane's Bar, Templenoe GAA Pitch, Old Dromore Sportsfield, Blackwater Tavern and John Sheehan's house at Dirreen. Many thanks to everyone who supported the card game and raf-



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file. All prizes were sponsored by the local community which was greatly appreciated. 27 people were recently trained in Blackwater on CPR and use of the Defibrillator. Their certificates are in O'Neill's Shop/Blackwater Tavern ready to be collected.

Pictured below are some members of the Blackwater/Templenoe Defibrillator Group who ran the 31 Card

Drive in Blackwater Tavern Recently. L-R; Therese

Morley, Josephine

O'Neill, Mary O'Neill,

Shirley Pryce and Phil Har-

rington. The group raised

€1,075.00 for the Up-Keep

of 5 Defibrillators in the

Blackwater/Templenoe ar-

ea. These five women

along with 23 others were

also trained in CPR & use

of the Defibrillator recently.

Thanks to Shirley who col-

lected a lot of prizes from her class and to everyone who supported the event.

Special thanks to the Sneem Card players for donating the price of Table of

Cards to the cause. Photo by Mary O'Neill.



### Davy's Monster Walk

Davy Breen presents a cheque of €1,000 for Valentia Lifeboat to Danny Breen, the Financial Co-Ordinator of Valentia Lifeboat for the Sneem, Blackwater, Templenoe area. L-R; Carmel Breen, Aoife and Geoffery Mahony, Davy Breen Dara and Killian Mahony, Danny Breen, Mary and Teddy O'Neill. Photo by Mary O'Neill.

Davy held the fundraiser recently with his Monster Walk to Loughbrin. The group left the Tavern at

10am and there was a barbeque when they reached the top of the mountain. Everyone taking part in the walk donated to the Lifeboat. Davy and Carmel would like to thank everyone who walked and those who donated and a special thanks Sneem Walking Club who donated €120 towards the Lifeboat. They also want to thank the chefs Paul O'Loughlin & James Coffey for doing the BBQ. They want to thank Mary and Teddy O'Neill of Blackwater Tavern for the use of their premises before and after the walk. They also want to thank the farmers for allowing them walk through their property and for helping with the setup of the BBQ. Davy's Monster Walk is an annual event. It was followed by a Music Session in the Tavern.

## What's On

### **D. O'Shea's**

Please check our Facebook page for additional music and events.

### **Wrestlers**

Saturday 21st April - Hop House 13 promo and music by Blackwater Sound

### **Blackwater Tavern**

Friday 20th April - Premier Blue Boys

Friday 27th April - Autumn Gold

Friday 4th May - O'Connor Trio

Friday 11th May - Ui Bhriain

### **Riney's Bar**

Saturday 5th May - Live Music with Sullark.

Sunday 6th May - Live Music with One Geis.

### **Sneem Tavern**

Saturday 5th May - Live Music

Sunday 6th May - Live music with Sullark

Tuesday 15th May - Live Music, Song and Dance with Batt Burns and Friends

## Sneem Events

**27th April** - Autism Golf Classic, Beaufort Golf Club

**27th April** - Mr. Bee Fundraiser and Awareness Day, Sacre Coeur

**5th May** - First Holy Communion in St Michael's Church, Sneem

**12th May** - Sneem JFK 50 Mile Challenge

**13th May** - Sneem Community Centre Cake Sale

**13th May** - Charity Obstacle Course in aid of Jigsaw Kerry

**1st June** - Sneem Resource Centre Table Quiz in Riney's Bar 9pm

**3rd June** - Sneem Youth Club Cake Sale

**16th June** - Tahilla National School 50th Anniversary Celebrations

**2nd - 6th July** - Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camp

**11th July** - Tahilla Graveyard Mass 7.30pm

**16th July** - Sneem Graveyard Mass 7.30pm

**18th - 22nd July** - Sneem Summer Festival

**23rd - 27th July** - IWS Swim Week, White Strand, Castlecove

**9th - 11th November** - Sneem International Storytelling and Folklore Festival

**2nd December** - Sneem Resource Centre Christmas Fair

## Local Adverts

### Gossip

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- ♦ Birthday
- ♦ Communion



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## Mass and Eucharistic Adoration

### **Coomanassig Day Care Centre**

#### **Mass at 11am**

Tuesday 8th May  
Tuesday 5th June  
Tuesday 10th July  
Tuesday 7th August  
Tuesday 4th September  
Tuesday 9th October  
Tuesday 6th November  
Tuesday 4th December

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

#### **9.30 am to 12.30 pm**

Wednesday 25th April  
Wednesday 30th May  
Wednesday 27th June  
Wednesday 25th July  
Wednesday 29th August  
Wednesday 26th September  
Wednesday 24th October  
Wednesday 28th November  
Wednesday 19th December

### **Mass/Church Times**

**Saturday 8pm** - Sneem Church

**Sunday 9.30am** - Tahilla Church

**Sunday 11am** - Sneem Church

**Saturday 6.30pm** - Blackwater Church

### **Church of Ireland**

North Square, Sneem

**Sunday 9.30am**

### **The Mass in the Graveyards**

Tahilla on July 11th at 7.30pm

Sneem on July 16th at 7.30pm

## Local Information

### **Bus Services**

#### **Sneem to Kenmare**

Monday and Tuesday at 11am returns at 2pm

Wednesday at 9.30am returns at 1.15pm

Friday at 9.50am returns at 2pm

Leaves from outside Riney's

#### **Sneem to Caherdaniel/Castlecove**

Monday to Friday leaves outside Riney's at 10am

#### **Sneem to Killarney**

Every Saturday leaves outside old P.O. at 11.30am returns 4.45pm

Lo Call 1890 528 528 to book your seat.

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

**Courier service also available.**

# Local Information

## Sneem Medical Centre

Dr Hernan Ganzo, GP  
Tel: 0646645102

## Monday and Thursday:

10.30am to 12.30pm  
2.30pm to 5.00pm

## Tuesday and Friday:

10.30am to 12.30pm  
2.30pm to 4.30pm

## Wednesday:

2.00pm to 5.00pm

## Public Health Nurse-

086 7872096

**Pharmacy-** 064 6645288

**Gardaí-** 064 6645111

**South Doc:** 1850 335999

## Kenmare Opticians -

Mon / Fri: 10 - 6pm

Wed / Sat: 9.30 - 1.30pm

**064 6648569**

## Local Taxis

Kerry Experience Tours /  
Gerrit Noordkamp  
086 2554098  
GoSneem Tours/  
John V. O'Sullivan  
087 2079033

## St. Michael's Church,

**Parish Office,** Presbytery, North Square. Open  
Tuesday and Friday from  
10am to 4pm. Mobile 087  
3480050

## AIB Community Bank

Every Wednesday from  
10.30am - 11am in South  
Square.

## Sneem Men's Shed

Every Monday at 7pm in  
the Old Dance Hall

## Bingo

Every Tuesday at 8.30 in  
the Resource Centre

## Bowls

Every Wednesday from  
8pm to 10pm in the Com-  
munity Centre

## Sneem Gardeners

Every Sunday from  
12noon to 2pm in The  
Garden of the Senses

## Bee Keepers Meeting

2nd Wednesday of every  
month, 8pm in Coomanassig Day Centre

## Writers Group

The first Friday of every  
month from 1 - 3pm in  
Resource Centre from  
2nd February.

## Fresh Fish

Every Wednesday, 3.30 -  
4.30pm, South Square

## Sneem Toddler Group

meets in Coomanassig  
Day Centre Seaview  
from 10.30-12 every  
Monday. Enquiries Con-  
tact Sheena 086  
8126546

## Coffee Craft and Chat -

Every Tuesday 11am -  
1pm in the Resource  
Centre

## Sneem Resource Cen- tre Services

Photocopying, Scanning,  
Faxing, Internet and Of-  
fice services available.  
Meeting room. Nearly  
New, Book Shop, Drop in

Centre, Sneem newsletter  
and much more.

## Mobile Library

Tuesday 1st May  
Castlecove 12.30-1pm  
Sneem NS 2.15-2.45 and  
South Square Sneem 2.45  
-3.15

## Tide Times

Here are the high tides for  
the period 19th April to the  
16th May 2018.

19th:	07.26,	19.44
20th:	08.10,	20.29
21st:	08.59,	21.20
22nd:	09.54,	22.19
23rd:	11.00,	23.34
24th:	12.19	
25th:	13.41	
26th:	14.50	
27th:	15.46	
28th:	16.34	
29th:	17.16	
30th:	17.54	
May		
1st:	06.10,	18.28
2nd:	06.44,	19.00
3rd:	07.16,	19.32
4th:	07.49,	20.07
5th:	08.24,	20.45
6th:	09.04,	21.29
7th:	09.50,	22.21
8th:	10.48,	23.27
9th:	12.01	
10th:	13.21	
11th:	14.25	
12th:	15.15	
13th:	16.00	
14th:	16.43	
15th:	17.24	
16th:	18.06	

## Offered:

- 2 Galvanised Cattle Feeders, suit 8 cattle each. Contact: 087 6180515.
- Ikea matching 2-seater and 3-seater settees, a few years old in reasonable condition. Free if you collect from Tahilla. Phone 086 2525919
- Calor Gas four ring gas top in good condition. Contact 086 6791117.
- Beauty / Health items for sale. Brand new and still in original boxes:- Facial Steamer, Massaging Foot Warmer, Massaging Foot Spa. Unwanted gifts, all costing €50 to €60 each. Will sell for €25 each. Phone 087 2426781
- New Vodafone Modem, Landline Phone, Fax Machine, Landline Hand Phone. Contact: 087 2821334
- 2 Top glass door corner unit. €400 O.N.O. Contact: 0876451580
- Sit up bench and manual walking machine. Contact: 0876451580.
- Baby Items - various. Contact 0876451580 for more information.
- Large Normandy Oak Sideboard, Contact 0861925072
- Dell Photo 720 Printer €30.00. Contact: Jackie 087 2981204
- Scan Express 6000p Scanner €30.00. Contact: Jackie 087 2981204
- Large TV stand 2 shelf, Glass doors brand new brought for €180 will sell for €100. Contact: 064 6645388
- Two office desks for sale. Suitable for home office or student

desk. Large desk with pull-out shelf, drawer, storage space - €50. Smaller desk with drawer - €40. Fax Machine/ photocopier free with the above or €10 separate purchase. Epson Stylus Photo 2100 – outstanding A3+ photo printer. Bargain at just €80. Phone 087-2426781

- Get fit at home this Spring: Stepper machine with adjustable resistance - €35. Trampoline 36" diameter - €25. Phone 087-2426781
- Two seater sofa, brown faux leather - €50 o.n.o. Contact: 086 8921285
- For Sale: Seasoned Timber Blocks contact: 087-8173706
- To Let: One Bedroomed Apartment 5 miles from Sneem. Contact 086-3341920 087-7499128
- To Let: 2/3 Bedroomed House. 5 miles from Sneem. Oil and Solid Fuel. Quiet rural location. Contact 086-3341920 087-7499128

## Wanted

- An old filing cabinet. Phone 087 4128064
- Denise is looking for small cottage/ apartment in or near Sneem. Phone: 087-9307158
- House to let in Blackwater from the end of May. 2 Bedroom, 2 Story, Central Heating and Solid Fuel. Contact: 087 1657583
- A couple looking for a house to rent long term in Sneem area. Contact: 085 7535633
- Photographer is looking for a shop or house to rent in Sneem next to the bridge or at the square to start a photo gallery and craft shop next season. Please contact Stefan 087 4608401 or [info@stefanschnebelt.com](mailto:info@stefanschnebelt.com)





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# SNEEM GAA LOTTO

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**NEXT DRAWS**

**Sunday 22nd April - D. O'Shea's**

**Sunday 29th April - Riney's**

**Sunday 6th May - Sneem House**

**Sunday 13th May - Wrestlers**

Tickets available in Pubs and Shops  
throughout the Village

**Please support your local GAA Club**

## **Sneem GAA Lotto Results**

**Sunday 25th March 2018. Numbers Drawn: 7, 9, 22, 26.**

No Winner. €40 consolation prizes went to: Eugene Maginnis, Letterfinish, Sneem; Vincent Sheehan, Castlecove; Chris Dillon, West End, Sneem; Liam Sheehan, Tahilla.

**Sunday 1st April 2018. Numbers drawn: 2, 10, 12, 27.**

No Winner. €40 consolation prizes went to: Susan O'Sullivan, Rossdohan, Tahilla; Sheila Galvin, Drimnamore, Sneem; Lillian Murphy, Lomanagh, Sneem; Evan Breen, North Square, Sneem.

**Sunday 8th April 2018. Numbers Drawn: 10, 11, 20, 26.**

No Winner. €40 consolation prizes went to: Pat Callaghan, Listowel; Florence Carey, Dublin; Mark Drummond, Pier Road, Sneem; Eugene Maginnis, Letterfinnis, Sneem.

**Sunday 15th April 2018. Numbers drawn ; 4, 21, 25, 29**

No Winner. €40 consolation prizes went to: Zara Riney c/o Riney's Bar; Marian O'Sullivan, Dirrah, Sneem; John O'Connor, Dromlusk, Blackwater; Adrian Fitzgerald, South Gerah, Sneem