



O'Malley Clan Association Monthly Newsletter

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What a weekend we had in Mayo at the Clan Gathering!

What a wonderful weekend we had in beautiful Mayo once again in June! We'll have lots of pictures inside, but just to say a big thank you to everyone who made the journey to Westport and Clare Island. A huge thanks to Chieftain Martin O'Malley of Maryland for his year of stewardship, and for putting together such a magnificent weekend of fun and friendship. It was great to see so many new faces at the Gathering this year, along with some familiar ones too.

Congratulations to our new Chieftain, Nano O'Malley-McMahon, who was inaugurated as the O'Malley Clan's new Chieftain on Clare Island on Sunday 25th June. Limerick 2024, Here we come! (28 -30 June)



Lets get the word out there! LIKE, COMMENT, SHARE!

Lets keep up the good work everyone. We want to get the message out there to every O'Malley/Malley/Maley/Mellia/Melia in the world that the O'Malley Clan is here and making connections worldwide.

As I mentioned at the AGM on Friday 23rd June, the best way for us to get the word out there is through YOU!

Head onto your **Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter** accounts and LIKE, COMMENT, SHARE, RETWEET, and lets spread the word and make those connections with O'Malleys everywhere.

Its only with your help that we can spread the word.

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The O'Malley Clan Gathering 2023



Above:: Welcome to Mayo!

Left: Chieftain Martin with Author Anne Chambers

Below Left: The Hughes family of Westport House with Chieftain Martin

Below Right: Former Chieftain Cormac O'Malley, Author Anne Chambers, and Don O'Malley, Newsletter Editor



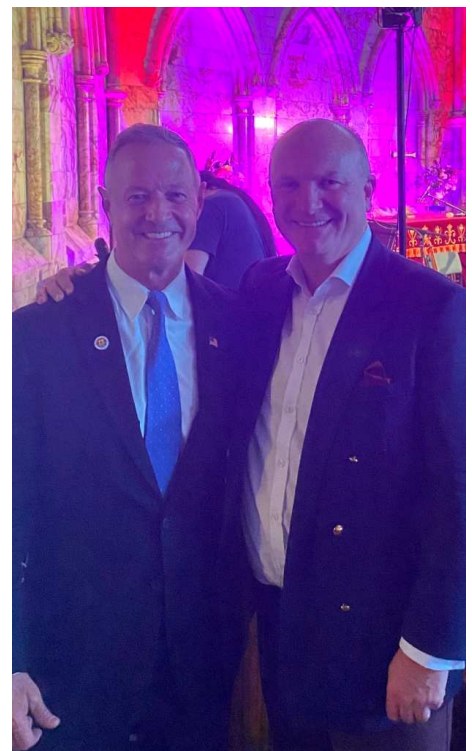
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Above Left: Simon Kelly, Guardian Chieftain Ellen O'Malley Dunlop, Former Chieftain Sarah Kelly, Former Chieftain Dr Tom O'Malley, and Tánaiste Nano O'Malley McMahon.



Above Right: The concert in full swing in Holy Trinity Church. Below Left: The crowd enthralled with Anne Chambers at Westport House, and Below Right: Chieftain Martin with Mr Declan Ganley



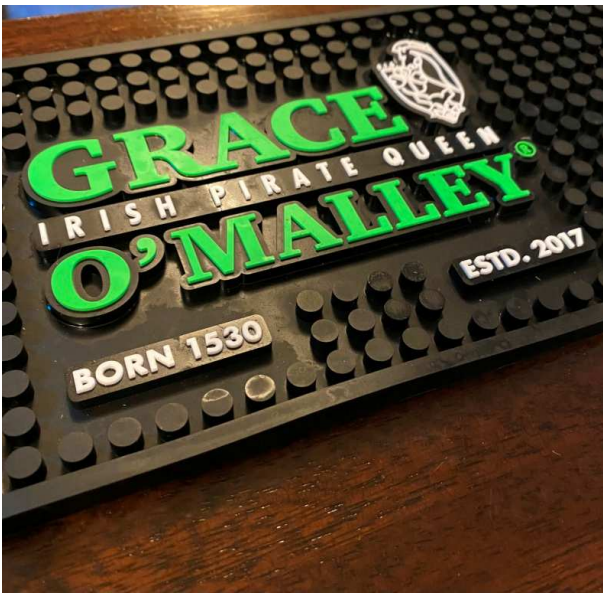
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Above & Below: Heading for the island on the Pirate Queen, and Right: Niall McCabe entertaining the O'Malleys and friends on Saturday evening.



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Above Left: Grace O'Malley Spirits were flowing well on Clare Island.

Above Right: The magnificent pin badges brought to the event for everyone by Mr Fred Good. A big thank you to Fred for this wonderful gesture once again!

Below: Chieftain Martin performing with Leo Moran and assorted Sawdoctors, (fresh back from Glastonbury)



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Above: Chieftain Martin meeting some of the local O'Malley lads

Below left: Anna Balmer and Kate Garner from the UK enjoying Clare Island

Below Right: The crowd descending on the ferries!



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Above Left: JP taking care of logistics

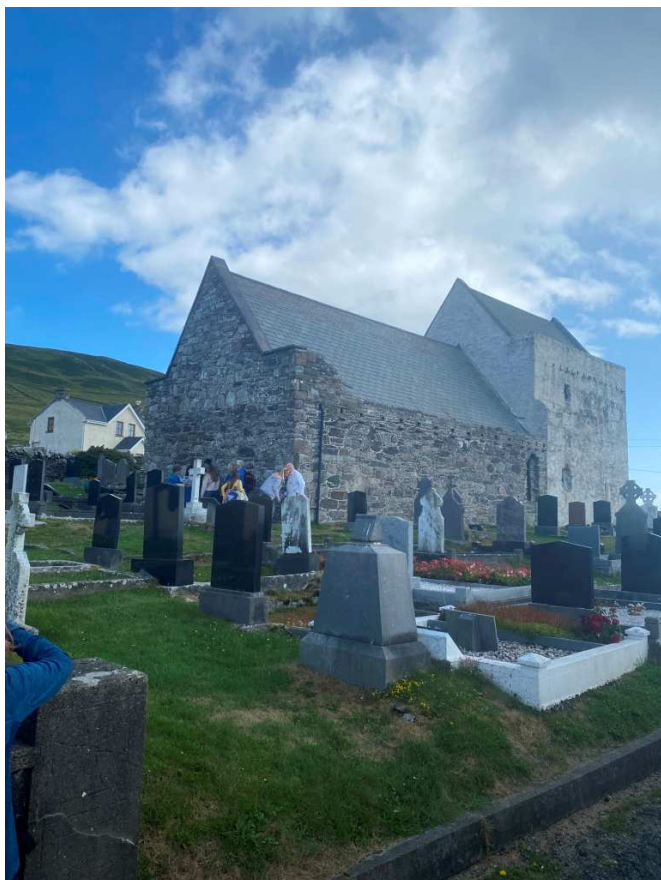
Above Right: Mary Madec enjoying Saturday on Clare Island with a canine friend.



Right: Chieftain Martin and Tánaiste Nano enjoying some of the Grace O'Malley Spirits on Saturday on Clare Island.



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Above Left: The Abbey on Clare Island

Above Right: The multitudes squeeze in for Mass celebrated by Fr John Kenny and Canon Donough O'Malley

Below Left The view from the altar. Below Right: Flag bearers John Paul O'Malley & Jack O'Malley with Chieftain Martin



The O'Malley Clan Gathering 2023

Fr Kenny's beautiful homily at The O'Malley Clan Gathering Mass 25th June 2023

Good afternoon Family members, relations and friends of the O'Malley Clan, gathered here today in this historic Abbey on beautiful Clare Island looking out on Clew Bay Co. Mayo. I offer you these words as a reflection on the rich tapestry of your heritage, and the unbreakable bond that unites you as a family, descendants of the great O'Malley Clan.

These hallowed grounds, have echoes of your ancestors' footsteps still resonating after centuries of history and generations of your people. At this mass today let us take a moment to honour their legacy and the countless sacrifices they made for you to be able to be here today. The O'Malley Clan has withstood the test of time, weathering storms both literal and metaphorical, standing strong in spite of any difficulties. It is through their courageous spirit that you still find your strength and purpose.

Clare Island, with its rugged cliffs and rolling hills, serves as a reminder for your shared journey as a family. Like the island itself, you have weathered storms, faced rough seas, and stood up to the challenges of life. Your resilience is ingrained in the very fabric of your DNA, passed down through generations, a heritage more precious than any material possession.

On this island you can reconnect with the past, honouring the memory of many an O'Malley who called this place their home. Their stories are etched in the walls and stones and rocks, whispered in the winds, and carried by the waves breaking on the shore. As we remember them, let us not forget that you are the living embodiment of their hopes and dreams. You are entrusted with the responsibility of keeping their legacy alive.

The O'Malley Clan is more than just a collection of names and faces; you are a living witness to the values of your ancestors. Your unity and support for each other is a matter of privilege, pride, and principle.

This weekend, as you stand shoulder to shoulder, sharing laughter, stories, and perhaps even shedding a tear for those who have died, may you reaffirm your commitment to each other. May you promise to uphold the traditions that have been passed down to you, to honour your ancestors' memory through acts of kindness, compassion, care and concern.

You are a family deeply rooted in a proud heritage, woven together by the threads of a shared history. As you leave this Abbey and Clare Island later today, I hope that you carry the spirit of this place in your hearts, nurturing it and allowing it to guide us in our journey through life.

"terra marique potens" 'Powerful on land and sea'

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Above: New O'Malley Clan Chieftain Nano O'Malley McMahon with husband Pat and sons Sean and Paddy on Clare Island

Below: The 3 women now in charge of the O'Malley Clan, Guardian Chieftain Ellen, Chieftain Nano, and new Tánaiste Grace O'Malley after Nano's inauguration



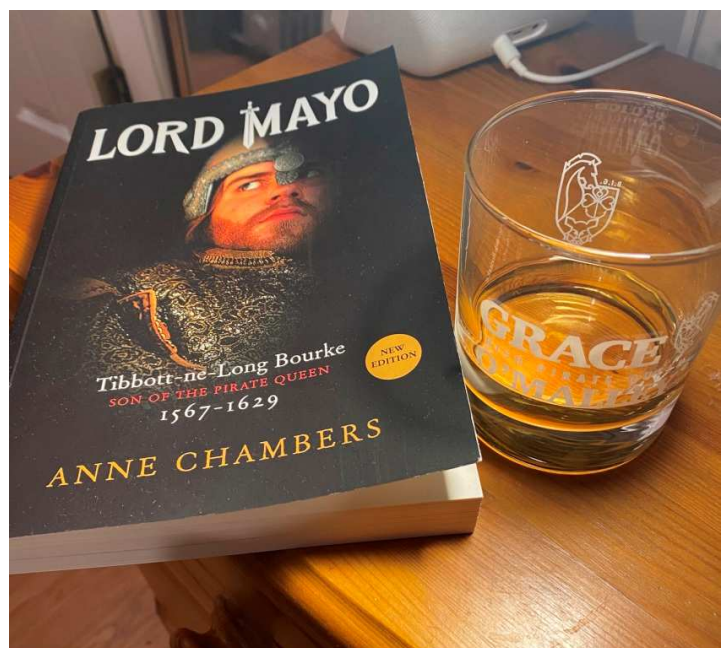
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Above: A few last tunes on the Sunday night for some.

Left: Now former Chieftain Martin, (with his new staff) bidding everyone farewell at the pier on Clare Island

Below: For others It was time to chill out with a good book and a nice drop after a hectic weekend



The South Kerry O'Malleys, (Part 2)

The South Kerry O' Malleys

By Timothy (Thady) O' Malley , 25th May 1903 to 24th April 1990.

This abridged version is published in two parts relying on the historical records, letters, documents, photographs, newspaper cuttings, magazine cuttings and artefacts accumulated during the lifetime of Thady O' Malley, Waterville, Co. Kerry.

Part 1, published in the June 2023 issue of the O' Máille eNewsletter, dealt with the origins of the South Kerry O' Malleys, through their relationship with the O' Connells (family of the Liberator), from Cahirciveen and Derrynane. The O' Malleys relocated from the West of Ireland in the 17th century and settled at Termons, on lands granted by the O' Connells and from there to Derrynane, Spunkane and Gleesk.

Part 2 will describe how many of the O' Malleys from Termons, Spunkane, Derrynane and Gleesk departed to other locations in Ireland, the UK and USA. This article will rely on the letters and newspaper cuttings to describe how the immigrants and emigrants adapted, struggled, prospered and served in their adopted countries. It will focus on the descendants of Patrick O' Malley and Mary Lyne of Termons, Waterville, and Crohan and Mary O' Donoghue who settled originally in Randolph, Massachusetts.

A continuous theme throughout is how many of the diaspora continued to live by and from the sea. Thady in his correspondence constantly reminded them of their Maritime Heritage and links to Granuaile.

Next Page: The Family Tree of the South Kerry O'Malleys, and Below: William Hamilton, Lieutenant, Royal Navy

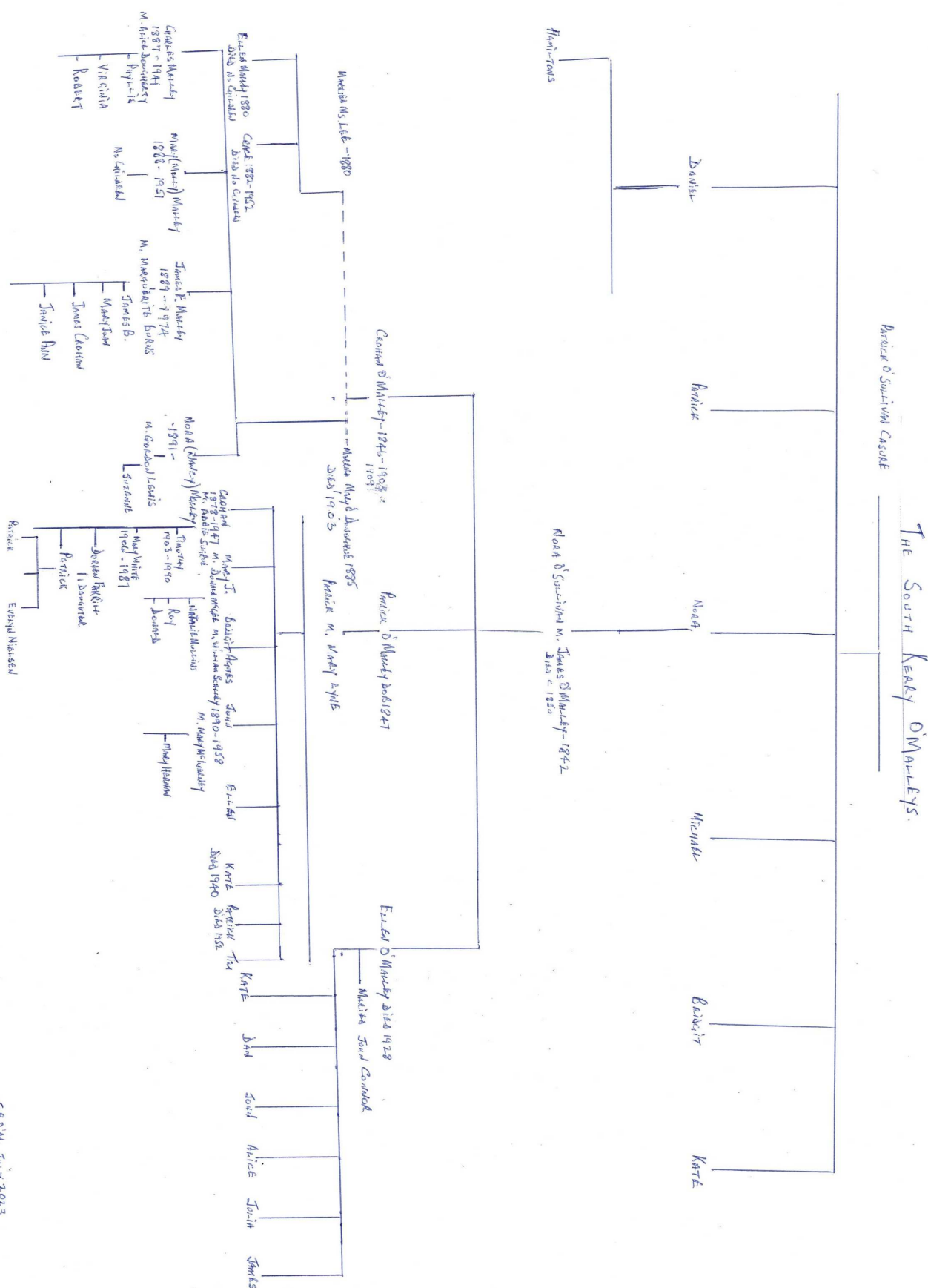
The Hamiltons:

Thady O' Malley maintained correspondence with his distant cousins, the Hamiltons, throughout his adult life. It appears from one of the letters from Kathhleen Hamilton to Thady when sympathising on the passing of his father Crohan, that Crohan had a friendship with the father of Kathleen Hamilton , Bray , Co. Wicklow, " because of their common interest in the sea, boatbuilding and fishing. "

The Hamiltons were descendants of Daniel O' Sullivan Casure, (see Part1), brother of Nora who married James O' Malley. Daniel O' Sullivan, Casure, son of the Piper had property in Derrynane, was clerk of Petty Sessions and Foreman at the O' Connell home at Derrynane. Daniel had ten daughters and two sons. Honoria married a lightkeeper in 1869 named Richard Hamilton of Skibbereen, Co. Cork. They had one daughter Mary who also married a lightkeeper named Murphy stationed in Youghal. Honoria and Richard had five sons, named Daniel, Jack, Richard, David and William. Daniel was an Irish lightkeeper and officer of Waterford station. Jack was also a lightkeeper and died in 1925. William was a Lieutenant in the Royal Navy and died in 1933. Richard was a bank manager in New York.



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Captain Timothy (Ted) Hamilton, Fort Lisle, Cobh, married to Tita and father of Ian and Rennie.

Ted Hamilton was Superintendent, Coast Life Saving Service, Southern Area. He later became Captain of MV Innisfallen. This vessel was a household name to thousands of emigrants who travelled to and from Cork to the UK.

Ian Hamilton , attended PBC Cobh and represented Ireland at the 1962 Catholic Student Games, the premier European Student's Track and Field event at the time. He won an athletic scholarship to Villanova University in the US and represented Ireland in the 800m track event with distinction.



Above: Richard & Mrs Ester Hamilton

Below Left:: Captain Timothy (Ted) Hamilton, and Below right: Ian Hamilton, track athlete



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Nora and James O' Malley had three children born at Termons, Crohan, Patrick and Ellen. Patrick married Mary Lyne and they lived on the family farm. Patrick and Mary had eight children, Crohan, James, Timothy, Patrick, John, Mary J, Bridget Agnes and Katie. John, Mary J, and Bridget Agnes emigrated to the USA. Crohan and his wife Abbie Sugrue had four children, Timothy (Thady), Mamie White, Patrick and Doreen. Patrick and Doreen emigrated to the UK Patrick married a lady from Cahirciveen and they had 3 children.



Above: Wedding of Evelyn O'Malley & Tommy Nielsen in London, with Mr & Mrs Patrick O'Malley parents of the Bride.



Above: Doreen O'Malley

Doreen married and became Mrs. Fackrill, She had one daughter who is reported to have returned to the Rathmore area of Co. Kerry. MaryJ married Frank McGee and they settled in Bridgeport, Connecticut. They had 3 children, Natalie Mullins, Roy and Donald. Bridgit Agnes married a businessman William F. Scalley and they also lived in Bridgeport, Connecticut. John was a career soldier in the US army. He served in France between September 1917 and May 1919.

He received special permission to visit his mother in Waterville after he completed his tour of duty in France.

John married Mary Mc Inerney from Kilrush, Co. Clare and they had one daughter Mary. They lived in the Bronx, New York. John was an accomplished musician and singer.

Right: John O'Malley



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He played the accordion and violin. He performed regularly in New York and recorded some of his music in recording studios.

He encouraged his nephews Thady and John based in Waterville to develop their interest in music. His letters describe how he played music on American gramophones and recorded vocally on a home tape recorder. The exchange of letters illustrates and contrasts the societal difference between Kerry and New York during the 1950s. The electrification of South Kerry was work in progress, while residents of the Bronx enjoyed all the benefits and probably took for granted their supply of electricity.

Within a few years uncle John was sending gramophone records to his nephews, with detailed instructions on how to unpack and care for them. His letters to Thady reflect a generous spirit. In 1956 after the death of his brother Crohan a problem arose regarding the title deeds to the family farm at Termons. John and his two sisters living in Bridgeport were asked to sign over their interest in the property. John had to work hard to persuade one of his sisters to sign over her interest. Eventually the legal documents were signed by all three siblings and witnessed by the Irish Consul in New York, and then forwarded to the family solicitor in Killorglin, Co. Kerry. He regularly sent records and clothing to his nephews.

Finally in 1957, after 39 years threatening, John O'Malley made a return journey to Waterville and to Mayo for the O'Malley Clan Rally.

The Grace O'Malley in the photo was the daughter of Charles O'Malley, Limerick, Chieftain of the Clan that year. A few years later Grace married George Cantillon.

Grace O'Malley Cantillon is the author of the "Round House O'Malleys, The Power of One Woman"

John had two accordions one hand made by a German Instrument maker in New York. A few months before his death John sent one of his accordions to his nephews in Spunkane. John died in the US Veterans Hospital in the Bronx in 1958.

Crohan Malley 1846 - 1909, Randolph, Massachusetts.

Crohan, eldest son of James O'Malley and Norah O'Sullivan, emigrated to the USA. After arriving in the US neither Crohan or his family members used the O'. He enlisted in the US navy. He served in the half sail and half frigate, "Shenandoah" and in the "Guerre" for 8 years.

Ellen, Crohan's sister, married John Connor, a successful businessman. They had six children. They lived in



Above: The Limerick Leader report on John's arrival

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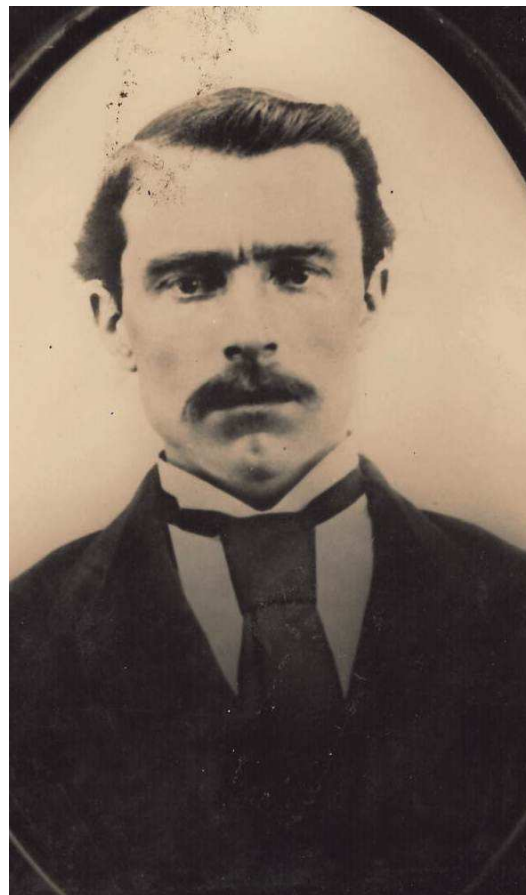
Bridgeport Connecticut initially, and later moved to New York. She maintained contact with her nephew James F. and her grand nephew James B. throughout her life, and they with her. James F. also had a friendship with his first cousin James Connor.

Crohan married Ms. Lee in 1880 and they had two children, Ellen, dob, 1880 and Grace, dob, 1882. There is little evidence of communication with Ellen. There was some with Grace who died in Los Angeles in 1952.

Crohan married Mary O' Donoghue in 1885. They settled in Randolph, Massachusetts and had four children. Charles, (Charlie) Malley, 1887 - 1941, Mary, (Molly), 1888 - 1951, James F. 1889 - 1974, and Nora (Nancy), 1891 -, Charles married Alice Dougherty. They had 3 children Phyllis, Virginia and Robert. Phyllis's first husband was killed in WW2. Her second was an Aviator. She had two children. Virginia married a Mr. Buckley and they had two children. Charlie's only son Robert was killed in the Philippines in WW2.. Mary (Molly) Malley worked with the US army as a nurse, and went to Europe with an American hospital unit and served with the British Navy in France in World War One. On her way home after 15 months in France she stopped off in Ireland visiting her relatives in Waterville, Co. Kerry. Molly later worked in a hospital in the Andes mountains, Columbia. While there she met an Irish couple called Mc Elwee, from Charleville, Co. Cork, and became lifelong friends. Her brother James F, and his son James B. also visited the McElwees on later visits to Ireland.

Nora (Nancy) married Gordon Lewis. They had one daughter Suzanne. They lived most of their lives in Seattle , State of Washington.

After he retired from the US Navy Crohan worked in a shoe manufacturing company until he died in 1909, aged 63. His son James F. explained in a letter to his cousin Thady in Waterville "that he heard his father often speaking to his mother in Irish, when he was little". In that letter he attempted to express phonetically, the words Crohan used when making the sign of the cross before and finishing prayer. " In ainm an Athar agus an Mhic agus an Spioraid Naoimh, Amen."



Above: Crohan Malley, and

Below: Mary Molly Malley



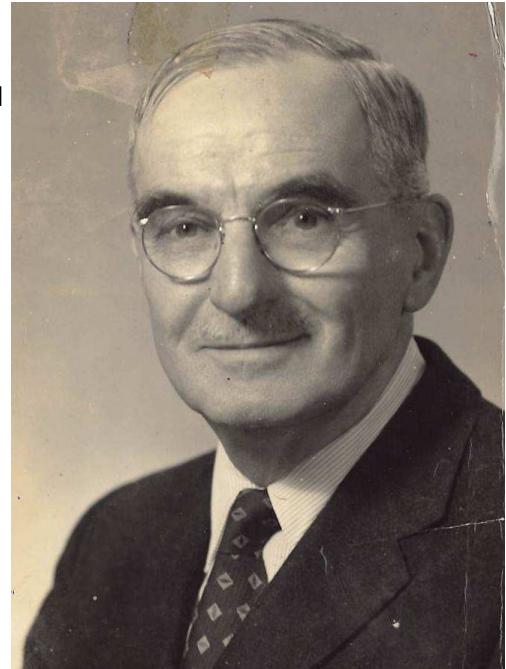
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James F. Malley, 1889 - 1974:

James was the third child of Crohan Malley and Mary Donoghue. The family lived in Randolph, Massachusetts. His mother Mary died in 1903 and his father Crohan died in 1909. In a letter dated 20th January 1954 to his cousin Thady, James F. explained " In 1911 my brother and older half sister, to whom father left the little house, sold it, and we had no home. We all scattered. There was nothing left. No books, no photos, nothing."

As a young man he worked in the local shoe manufacturing company to fund his education. He graduated with a primary degree in business from Dartmouth College in 1911. He began his career with W.H. McElwain, Manchester, New Hampshire. James F. served in World War 1, in the 81st Division, but was transferred to Washington, before the Division went to France. He did what he described as " special work " as 1st Lieut. in the office of Secretary of War. After World War 1 James F. became General Manager of Richards and Brennan, Randolph, Mass. He was co-owner and served as President of the Farmington Shoe Co. Dover, N.H. from 1922 until his retirement in 1949. At its peak the company employed 300 people. In one of his letters James F. recalls that outside of his immediate family circle, that he did not meet another Malley or O' Malley until he was 35 years of age. In the 1940's James bought Indigo Farm, Somerset, New Hampshire and the family moved there from Beverley, Mass.

He served seven terms in the New Hampshire Legislature from 1947 to 1959. He was a member of the House Ways and Means Committee for several sessions and in 1949 served on a special interim tax committee appointed by the Governor to prepare recommendations for income and sales taxes in the state.



Above: James F Malley

In June 1961 James F. Malley was awarded an honorary Master of Arts degree at commencement exercises at Dartmouth College. In his citation Dartmouth President John Sloan Dickey said,

" James Francis Malley as a member of seven successive sessions of the New Hampshire Legislature from 1947 through 1959 you set an example of statesmanship in State Affairs. Though politically domiciled in New Hampshire's " other party " you became widely regarded as the most knowledgeable and farsighted authority on the finances of the State. And you were not one to shirk the responsibility that goes with such authority; your advocacy of broadening the base of the State's taxation resources was respected (often even where it was opposed) as courageous disinterested statesmanship. "

It is noteworthy that Jean Monnet, French Civil Servant, Diplomat and political visionary, considered one of the founding fathers of the EU, gave the commencement address. Jean Monnet was an Internationalist and a leading figure in the development of The European Coal and Steel Community and the Common Market, and was the recipient of one of the eight honorary degrees.

The theme of his commencement address was , "The success of efforts to Unify Europe pointing the way to a unified Atlantic Community."

In 1920 James F. had married Marguerite Burns. Their initial residence was in Beverley Mass.

They had four children, James B. Malley, born 1921, Mary Joan Malley, born 1925, John Crohan Malley, born 1926 and Janice Ann Malley, born 1927.

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James B. 1921 - 2016

A graduate of Dartmouth College and Harvard Law School. He was commissioned as an Ensign in the US Navy early in World War 2, and served a four year tour of duty. He rose to the rank of Lieutenant Commander and served as commanding officer of an LSM that saw action in the Pacific. He practiced law in Boston and San Francisco, before going to Manchester in 1954.

His career was interrupted when during the Korean conflict, he was recalled to service, and, for two years, was assigned to the staff of Admiral Arthur Radford, the commander of naval forces in the Pacific. Following the Korean war James B joined the firm Devine and Willimet as a specialist in the fields of Taxation and Trust.

After a number of years practicing law James B decided to make a major career change and decided to become a Jesuit Priest. Following a number of years of novitiate and studying philosophy and theology he was ordained a Jesuit Priest at Fordham University in New York aged 42. He served for a few years with the Jesuit Mission in Brazil. On his return to the US he joined the staff at Georgetown University Law Center. He spent many years in academia. He graduated in Canon law from the Gregorian University in Rome. He also spent a number of years as a staff member at Boston College Law center.

Father Jim Malley, as he was known to family, friends and associates, held roles with the Jesuit national staff in Washington which involved him in constant travel to cities throughout the US, to Africa, China, the Middle East, Central America and South America in the late 1980's.

Fr. Jim visited his O' Malley relatives in Waterville and O' Donoghue relatives in Killarney in 1974. He regularly updated his Irish cousins about the developments taking place in the lives of their American cousins by letter.

Fr. Jim Malley SJ, passed away on June 23rd 2016.

Mary Joan Malley, 1925 - 1990

Mary Joan Malley, graduated from Manhattanville College of Sacred Heart, New York. She was a school teacher. She married John Beamis in 1954. Mary Joan's son John joined the US Navy as a medical officer.

Joan Beamis was best known for researching and writing the first genealogy of the Jesse James family, " Background of a Bandit ". Joan died in 1990.



Above: Lieutenant Commander James B Malley during WW2

Below: Mary Joan Malley



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Janice Ann Malley, 1927 -2012

Janice also attended Manhattanville College of Sacred Heart , New York and graduated as a teacher. She excelled at sport and was on the varsity field hockey and lacrosse teams.

After college she worked in Boston for the State Adoption Agency, State Planning Board and State Civil Defense Agency.

She married Edward Hawkins in 1952; and he predeceased her in 1970. They lived in Norwood and Walpole Mass, and New York before moving to Portland, Maine.

She worked at Maine Medical Center as a social worker for twenty years retiring in 1989. She was married to Judge Robert Donovan from 1988 until his death in 2009. They lived in Naples and later Falmouth and spent winters in St. Simons Island , Ga. She was survived by her children, Gerard L. Hawkins, Christopher P. Hawkins, Janice A. Hawkins and Edward F. Hawkins and Stepchildren, Susan Donovan Silver, and Rob Donovan.

Janice died in Portland Maine in 2012.



Above: Jack's wife Irene and Joan Malley Beamis, with Jimmy & Betty, (Jack & Irene's Children), at Indigo Hill Farm, 1955

Below: Janice Ann Malley in The Lobster Bar, on a visit to Waterville in the 1970's.

John Crohan (Jack) Malley, 1926 -2016

The youngest of the family, Jack graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a Bsc in Agriculture. After three years service in the US Navy during World War 2 he returned to Somerset and worked the family farm, Indigo Hill Farms Inc. with his father from 1946 to 1956. It was a 110 acre farm of fields and woodland.

Jack engaged in mixed farming , dairy cows, two Bulls and drystock. He built up a registered herd of Guernsey cattle. He expanded the farm and acquired 45 acres, ten miles across the river in Berwick, Maine. He built a milk bottling plant and delivered milk to the local community. After they disposed of the farm Jack worked from 1956 to 1984,



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with the US Soil Conservation Service , USDA, as a Soil Conservationist. Jack was a skilled and avid yachtsman and he and his wife Irene cruised the coast of Maine extensively, in an Albin 25 motor vessel named "Caper " Jack died aged 90 in Portland, Maine. He was survived by his wife of 67 years Irene, sons James and Robert; daughters, Mary and Nancy, their spouses , grandchildren and great grandchildren.



Above: Indigo Hill Farm in the 1950's



Above: John Crohan (Jack) Malley

The Malley siblings' grandmother Mary Louise, James - Burns, lived with her daughter Marguerite and son in law James F. Malley, from the time the couple commenced married life in 1920 until she died. Mary Louise was a daughter of Drury Woodson, uncle to Jesse and Frank James, the notorious James brothers. Marguerite mother to the four Malley siblings was somewhat of a socialite in Boston before she married James F. Throughout her life she refused to discuss her cousins the James Brothers.

" Her children thought it was terrific, and our grandmother was "pumped dry" for stories.

Our Dad James F. provided Mary Louise with a home. They were great friends and rabid Democrats."

Conclusions: Some remarkable coincidences arose during my research.

The first is the reported arrivals of the O' Malley Clan in Limerick and the O' Malley Clan in South Kerry in the 17th century from the West of Ireland. More recent documentary evidence indicates that several settlements of O' Malleys existed in the 13th Century in County Limerick.

The second coincidence is the similarity of first names passed from generation to generation. The same names were used by the South Kerry O' Malleys as those used generally by different branches of the O' Malley Clan.

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Top Left: House and Barn, Indigo Hill Farm, 1956.



Top Right: Mary Joan Malley Beamis, and Jimmy, Jack's son, with the family dog, and Mother Irene in the background at Indigo Farm.

Bottom Left: Betty 6 and Anne 4, Irene & Jack's children, under a maple tree at Indigo Farm 1956

Bottom Right: Jack's wife Irene, early summer 1955, with Jimmy just learning to walk.



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Thady O' Malley was the last of the O' Malleys resident in Waterville, Co. Kerry. After he passed away in 1990 his house in Spunkane was sold. His extensive archive was discovered by the new owners of the old O' Malley home. They donated the complete archive to Thomas Horgan, one of the founders of Heritage Iveragh/ Oidhreacht Uíbh Ráthaigh.

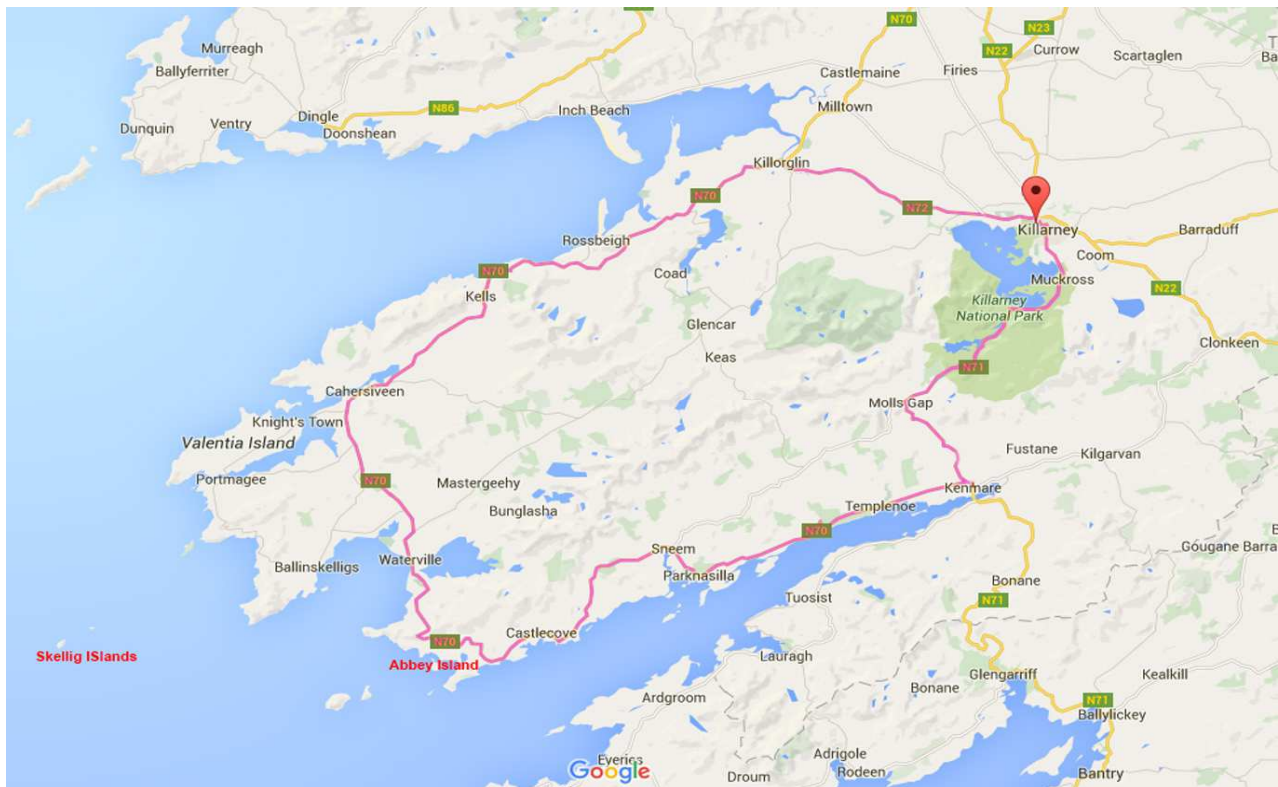
Tom informed me of the contents of the archive and gave it to me on loan to write these articles. I am currently exploring with Tom Horgan the possibility of Oidhreacht Uíbh Ráthaigh making a donation of the archive to a suitable repository, ideally with a digitised interactive database, so that researchers and other interested parties can access the documents, letters and photographs online.

The purpose of writing these two articles was to recognise, celebrate, and communicate the unique identity and heritage of the South Kerry O' Malleys, Malveys and Malleys and to publicise their story to members of the global O' Malley Clan, to historians and genealogists.

Gaps in the family tree exist. Readers might notice some of these gaps and omissions and share your stories, through the O' Máille monthly e newsletter.

Gerard (Gerry) O' Malley, July 2023.

Below: A map of South Kerry, with the marker on Killarney, and Waterville to the South West on the coast. Also note, "Abbey Island" at Derrynane House



The Potential of Flourishing Communities

WAVES BEGIN AS RIPPLES: REFLECTIONS ON THE O'MALLEY GATHERING 2023 & PROSPECTS FOR FLOURISHING COMMUNITIES

It was just awesome to spend time with friends, and family (close and extended) at the recent O'Malley Rally on Clare Island. My soul was just enriched by spending time in our ancestral home. I also brought along my lovely daughter, Beatrice Grace. It was her first time in Ireland! So many awesome memories including: a great opening by the outgoing Chief, Martin O'Malley, and the expert on Grace O'Malley, Anne Chambers; weird and creep figurines at Westport House (lol)... dolphins *en route* to Ireland; a swim in Grace's Bay; and a hearty pint of the good stuff on arrival! Not forgetting our stormy ferry ride back. Unperturbed by the waves up front



Above: Eri, Elsa, and Cormac on a wild ferry ride from Clare Island

was Cormac O'Malley of Connecticut (chieftain 1994-5) and his grand-niece, Elsa O'Malley of Philadelphia (USA). How could I not join them! Such fun. Plus lots of deep, historical conversations and connections being made with family-members (known and unknown) alongside great people like Maurice Gleeson, the genealogist, always impressive.

But one of the most poignant and impactful moments was when Ellen O'Malley Dunlop's husband (Sandy) was talking us through a historical sketch of the famine. He went through the tragic history in the relations between England and Ireland back to medieval times, all the way through to the famine and civil war. When he suggested that civil war was seen by the ancient clans as one of the worst tragedies that could befall their society, worse than famine or pestilence or war with an outside aggressor, I was blown away. The sense of community was *above all* the most important ethic of those days. My view is that it remains one of the most important things in life today, we just don't always know it. There is so much division, often exacerbated by the media and extreme views on all sides of the political spectrum. What we need, I suggest, are spaces where we can meet together and explore those difficulties together, as a community, and in a way that is forward looking and hopeful.

It made me think and relate, a bit, to some of the work I have been doing in communities for some time. I have been an activist and campaigner supporting vulnerable groups for over 10 years. But more recently I've been busy in academia [researching human flourishing](#) from a philosophical perspective (a [monograph book](#) version will be published with the renowned international publishing house, Bloomsbury, next year). For me, what matters most is developing an ethical foundation to human activities, whether in research, politics, or any work we do really in whatever capacity. It should contribute to the common good. Idealist, perhaps, but justifiable.

With this in mind, I delivered an academic paper on 'Scholactivism' at the Irish Philosophical Society annual conference at Trinity (Dublin) last September, the conference was focused on '[Philosophy in the Public Space](#)', and it explored nuanced and cutting edge matters in relation to the complex cross-over space between professional and public philosophy. As I suggested, media, leaders and politicians have a moral imperative to

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take care in the use of their language because there are real, dehumanizing harms in society, notably and almost always against marginalized groups.

Personally, I don't have a great deal of faith in political discourse or practice changing any time soon, so my way of addressing the impasse is more direct and grassroots-led. With a little seed-funding support from the [Arts & Humanities Research Council](#), I started up a new not-for-profit venture that aims to bring communities together to face some of the big issues and hopes for their communities, [FlourishCafé](#). In an era characterised by division, political polarisation, and apathy, this approach entails using innovative methodologies (world café) to facilitate small and whole group dialogue, creatively, so that they can articulate their hopes and dreams from their localised perspective, for co-creating flourishing communities together. I hope it will help, even in a small way, to create the kinds of ripples that may eventually become waves of flourishing! If you are interested in knowing more, or partnering up for a community event, why not check out the website. You can also learn more about [FlourishCafé](#) from my recent interview with the BBC Radio Somerset [here](#). Wishing my dear friends and extended family from all over the world, a fruitful and flourishing year ahead!

Eri Mountbatten-O'Malley (PhD).

Top left: That lovely Guinness! Top Right: Beatrice, Anna Balmer, UK, John Meila, New York, and Eri.

Bottom Left: Eri & Beatrice on the ferry, Bottom Right: "Grace's Bay"



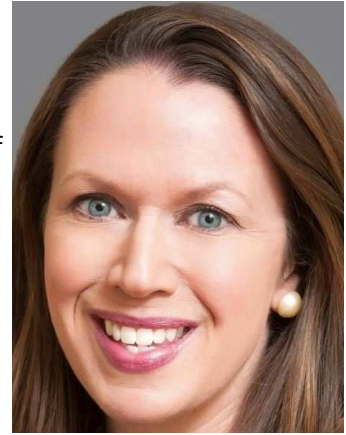
Kristin O'Malley & The Cape Cod Foundation

Kristin O'Malley & The Cape Cod Foundation working hard to provide opportunities for women and girls

The Cape Cod Foundation recently launched a two-year community challenge to raise \$200,000 by the end of 2024 for the Women and Girls Fund.

The permanent endowment fund, set up in September 2022, is expected to build flexible resources to support programs and initiatives that strengthen the lives of women and girls throughout the region.

"The grants are intended to support all women and girls in our community, with a particular focus on work that supports low-income, Black, Indigenous, people of color, and historically marginalized and underrepresented women and girls," said Kristin O'Malley, president and CEO of the foundation. According to the Women in Philanthropy, Women and Girls Index, less than 2% of funding nationally is directed toward nonprofit organizations that specifically support women and girls, said O'Malley. The fund intends to create opportunities for community dialogue and provide financial resources. Along with creating new opportunities, the fund aims to support existing and new approaches to strengthen services, highlight and promote leadership opportunities for women and girls.



Above: Kristin O'Malley

A team from the foundation examined other women's funds around the country for best practices, and worked closely with the Cape Cod Commission on quantitative community data. The team also conducted a series of focus groups with women and girls for qualitative data. Based on their findings, the foundation concluded that women need more economic opportunities and paths to self-sufficiency; girls need more mentors, internships and opportunities to prepare them for the future; women and girls need more access to existing resources; and women and girls of color face additional discrimination and inequities.

"The mission of the fund is to strengthen the lives of all women and girls in our region through grant-making and providing resources to tackle systemic inequities that oppress women and girls and limit their opportunities," said O'Malley. The goal is to raise \$1 million for this fund over the next five years, which will allow the Foundation to distribute at least \$50,000 annually well into the future to support the needs of the community as they change over time.

"We determined that grants in our first year of the fund will help increase economic opportunity and self-sufficiency for women through training and educational programs; and break down barriers for girls by providing new, expanded, or more accessible educational opportunities, out-of-school programs and mentorship opportunities," said O'Malley. In March, three inaugural grantees received a total of \$50,000 from the fund.

WE CAN and Amplify POC, each received \$10,000, while Falmouth Volunteers in Public Schools received \$15,000. Falmouth Volunteers received the money to support their *'Be Bold'* mentorship program for fourth grade girls in Falmouth schools.

Amplify POC: "Can American Rescue Plan money help close the Cape's equity gap? Maybe. Here's how".

Entrepreneurship for All received \$15,000 to support their Accelerator program for women, with a focus on immigrant and BIPOC communities.

The recently announced Women and Girls Fund Community Challenge fundraising started off with Eastern Bank Foundation's \$50,000 donation to the campaign.

“Hemprino” battling back against “Fast Fashion” in New Zealand



Innovation in the battle against “fast fashion” from O’Malleys in New Zealand

"What would happen if you blended merino wool with hemp?". A simple question that would lead to the launch of luxury hemp and merino knitwear brand Hemprino.

Hemprino was founded in April 2019 by Siobhan O'Malley and Paul Ensor, who met the year prior on the Kellogg Rural Leadership programme. With a mind for entrepreneurship and innovation, Siobhan called upon Paul, an Upper Rakaia Gorge Merino grower, to find out if it was possible. "Let's find out!" he replied, and Hemprino was born. The following three years included extensive research and development into blending the two fibres, including working with wool spinners and knitting partners around the world.

As the pressures of covid hit the world, the R&D process became more difficult and much slower. We made the decision to bring the process back to New Zealand. Working with local manufacturers meant we could iterate faster and sit closer to the process, ensuring quality and supply. Harriet Bell joined Hemprino in October 2021, bringing sales and marketing experience to the team, and with a goal of launching Hemprino to market for Winter 2022. Hemprino launched in April 2022 with one style, the Hemprino Pioneer Crew in Charcoal. The proof of concept worked, our customers loved it and our high returning customer rate was encouraging given we were only selling one style. Later that season, we expanded the range to include the V-Neck and the Hoodie in a number of colours and saw sales growth continue. The range of products is growing all the time! Locally grown, locally produced materials, being used in innovative ways to produce quality goods and help to battle the trends of “fast fashion” and the damage being done to the environment by reliance on overseas manufacturers with long air-mile heavy distribution chains. Well done to Siobhan O'Malley and all the gang at Hemprino!



Above: Siobhan O'Malley of Hemprino





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