



# KERRY DEAF RESOURCE CENTRE

*KDRC provides services to Deaf and hard of hearing people at county level and contributes to national issues of equality, access and rights.*

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## GARDA VETTING TRAINING.

We would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Kerry Volunteer Centre for providing us with training on the new Garda Vetting procedures.

Our Manager & our Garda Vetting Clerk, Noreen Cronin attended the training in the Kerry Volunteer Centre last week.

Our Centre is now affiliated with this service for our Garda Vetting. As of this week, staff members & volunteers are required to update their Garda Vetting with us.

As of December 2017, any person who wants to work with vulnerable adults or children will not be allowed if their Garda Vetting is not up-to-date. Our service is committed to following this policy. As a result, if you would like to work or volunteer with our service, it will be a requirement, that you avail of Garda Vetting before commencing work with our clients who are vulnerable adults or children.

Our sincere thanks to the Kerry Volunteer Centre & in particular to their Manager, Geraldine O'Sullivan for the training and their work in securing vetting for our staff members.

For more information on the Garda Vetting Bureau, go to <https://vetting.garda.ie>  
For more information on the Volunteer Ireland & to find your nearest Volunteer Centre, go to <http://www.volunteer.ie/about/volunteer-centres-and-volunteer-information-services/local-volunteer-centres>

## UPDATE ON HEARING AID DONATIONS FOR ETHIOPIA.



We are delighted to let you know that our appeal for 2nd hand hearing aids for our work with the KAL Center in Bahir Dar in Ethiopia has totalled 190 hearing aids. We are thrilled and delighted with the generosity of our donors.

 National Vetting Bureau



Visions Global Empowerment who support the KAL Deaf Center in Bahir Dar, would like to thank everyone for their support. We know this will make a huge difference to local people with a hearing loss who otherwise could not afford a hearing aid. On their behalf, thank you.

The hearing aids have been sent to Dr. Catherine Clark in the Rochester Institute for the Deaf and she is re-programming all the hearing aids. Catherine will bring them to Ethiopia in August, where they will be fitted to local people with a hearing loss.

## FINAL REMINDER OF CODA UK & IRELAND GATHERING IN DUBLIN

If you are an adult CODA (Children of Deaf Adults), don't forget that this weekend sees CODA UK & Ireland coming together in Dublin for a CODA get-together. For more info, contact our own Catherine, Veronica or Willie.



## UPDATE ON IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE OFFICIAL RECOGNITION.



The Irish Deaf Society's (IDS) campaign to secure official recognition of Irish Sign Language (ISL) continues to gain support.

We are delighted to hear that a meeting with Senators from Fine Gael (FG) will be held next week.

In the coming weeks, a vote will also take place in the Senate. If the Bill passes this stage, it will then move onto Committee Stage Amendments.

We would like to wish the IDS and all their supporters all the best with this upcoming meeting and the next round of voting. We hope to have further updates in the next few weeks on the outcome of this round of the campaign.

## FINAL REMINDER OF AMBO RAMBLE CHARITY CYCLE.

This is a final reminder of the Ambo Ramble Charity Cycle which will take place on Saturday the 24th of June in Ballinhassig, Cork.

All income from this cycle go towards the Ethiopia Deaf Project (EDP) who support a deaf school in Ambo, Ethiopia.

The cycle is made up of 2 routes: 57km & 127km.

It costs 30euro to participate and this includes food, drink, showers and parking. Registration on the day opens at 8am with a start of 9am.

For more information, go to:

<http://www.iregister.ie/v2/events/the-ambo-ramble17/>



**AMBO RAMBLE CYCLE**  
127km & 57km  
West Cork Charity Leisure Cycle  
out of Ballinhassig

**LAST TRAINING SPIN BEFORE THE RING OF KERRY**  
**SATURDAY 24TH JUNE**  
In Aid of the Ethiopian Deaf Project

**COST - € 30**  
FOOD & DRINK PROVIDED - PARKING & HOT SHOWERS

**REGISTRATION:** [www.iregister.ie/v2/events/the-ambo-ramble17/](http://www.iregister.ie/v2/events/the-ambo-ramble17/)  
Registration 8.00am on the road for 9.00am for the 127km  
Registration 8.00am on the road for 9.00am for the 57km  
<http://ethiopiadeafproject.com/ambo-ramble/>

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