



Na Fianna Nuacht

35th Mini Leagues



CLG Na Fianna are delighted to announce the 35th Mini Leagues in conjunction with MoveHome.ie. Matches run from Monday May 29th to June 16th with the finals day for all participants on June 18th. We're delighted to welcome on board MoveHome Estate Agents as our main sponsor for this annual event. Watch out for details on how to sign up on the Club Website.

Senior Ladies Football Championship

The long, cold winter nights are gone. The heavy, muddy training pitches have been left behind and at last the ball has been thrown in for the start of our senior ladies football championship campaign. The introduction of numerous new players to the panel this year coupled with the experienced players of past campaigns has catalysed a great work ethic within the group. Since the first training session the attitude and effort has been excellent and this has led to healthy competition for places on the starting fifteen. The championship kicked off in Mobhi Road on Wednesday 17th May against Fingallians, one of this years fancied sides. The match proved to be very close from beginning to end. It was a physical encounter and a massive team performance was necessary for Na Fianna to compete. With both defences dominating it was difficult for either side to register scores. HT: Na Fianna 0-6 Fingallians 0-6. The second half was similar to the first - both sides played a physical style of football with neither side ever going to take its foot off the pedal. It was clear that there would be few scoring chances again. FT: Na Fianna 0-9 Fingallians 0-9. Na Fianna's defence was



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outstanding, the midfielders worked tirelessly whilst up front our forwards were a constant threat. A huge word of thanks needs to go to the brilliant support given to the team on the night from family, friends, club members and from the large number of fellow ladies footballers.

Na Fianna: Sorcha Turnbull; Sarah Quinn; Hayley Ward; Niamh Gleeson; Ciara Purdy; Leah Caffrey; Eimear Nolan; Sarah Mc Loughlin; Lucy Collins; Aoife Malone (Aoife Nolan HT); Aideen Lynch; Shauna Halpin (Danielle Pugh (45)); Ellie Mc Aleer; Orlagh Egan; Claire Kelly.

Subs: Jane Daly; Claire Shortall; Danielle Pugh; Kirsten Doyle; Aoife Nolan; Siobhan Casserly; Emma Deeley; Roisin O'Donoghue; Clodagh O'Connor

Junior A Football Championship

Junior A footballers played in the 2nd round of the championship last Sunday v Kilmacud Crokes who are the defending champions and play in a division above. Missing some of our regulars we were poor in the first half and trailed by 0-7 to 0-4 at half time despite playing with the wind. We went 6 points down with 15 minutes to go but a great team goal finished by Andrew Flannery and some excellent conversion of 45s by goalie Eoin Butler meant a draw at full time 1-10 to 0-13. Crokes led by a point at half time in extra time and went 3 points ahead before another opportunistic goal from Andrew Flannery tied the game. A very tense final few minutes followed until a long distance free converted by Conor Gray sealed the victory by 2-11 to 0-16. A great team performance with Liam Burns and Ronan O'Hagan playing huge roles. Ballymun Kickhams await in the quarter final.

Fixtures for the Week Ahead

A busy weekend and week ahead. Full fixture list on website, best of luck to all teams, support welcome. <http://www.clnafianna.com/fixtures/>





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Club Shops Open Tomorrow

Both shops open tomorrow, Saturday 20th May. Hurley workshop open 9-12 and Club shop open from 9-1pm in Club foyer. Nursery in action from 9.30-11am and teas/coffees from the cabin throughout.

***Na Fianna Senior Football
Team Golf Classic***

Donabate Golf Course
26th May 2017

4 person team cost €350

If you are interested in taking part or would like further details
please contact one of the following:

Pat Breen 087 689 1241
Gerry Donohoe 087 673 6294
John Caffrey 087 691 7295

Online Payment Issues

We are still unfortunately experiencing difficulties with the credit card machines. As a result, online payments are down at present and anybody paying memberships online including instalments are affected. We hope to get back up and running as soon as possible and will advise as soon as resolved.



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Juvenile Mentor Meeting

Those who attended Wednesday night's mentor meeting were treated to a superb presentation from Croke Park Player Welfare Officer and Na Fianna junior hurler, Gearóid Devitt. Topics covered by Geróid included;

- Useful Tool - Learning.gaa.ie/coach.
- First Aid for club teams
- Concussion
 - Err on the side of caution – get medical assistance.
 - Mentor and Parent recent example recounted.
 - Immediate notification by fellow players to mentors if they suspect a player injury.
 - Sometimes mentors do not see all incidents that occur – need all associated with team to be vigilant.
- GAA healthy eating initiative.

Also on the night Club GPO, Mark MacManus, announced the welcome news of the introduction of two new Cumman na mBunscol GAA teams in the area. Dates and times for mini-leagues were confirmed by Mark and he is also working on a one page guide to match day team talks for mentors that will be distributed to all groups shortly.

All 2017 Feile teams were congratulated on how they conducted themselves in their competitions with particular mention given to the Div 9 Ladies football winners and Div 1 hurling champions. The two winning mentors Josh Butler and Mary O'Connell were both in attendance and gave insightful summaries of how they approached Feile and the overall experience for their teams. Mary now takes the Div 1 hurling winners to the National Feile Finals in June where we all wish them well.

Attendance on the night was well below the average and all groups are reminded that they must have one representative at each juvenile mentor meeting.



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Lotto Results
May 15th 2017

Numbers

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Jackpot €9750 - No Winner

Match 3 Numbers €65 - Winner

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Lucky Pick Winner - €15

Brian Skelly
Vincent Wall
Billy c/o Vinny
Cater 4U Staff
Garry Smith c/o Vinny

Next Jackpot €10000

Created by ACORE Lotto Manager - http://www.acore.com

Mouthguard Fitting Service

Members will be aware that since 1st January 2014 the wearing of mouthguards has been compulsory for all age groups, adult and juvenile. While the club has no preferred provider of mouthguards, club member Celine Fenlon has agreed to provide customised fittings for anyone interested. This is a highly customised and professional service, made handy by providing it on-site in the club for two evenings. Celine will hold sessions in the Club on Tuesday and Wednesday 23rd and 24th May.

Dates – Tuesday 23rd May – 8-9pm, Collection/Fitting Tuesday 30th May



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Wednesday 24th May – 7-8.30pm, Collection/Fitting Wednesday 31st May

Location – Club Landing.

Prices - Single Colour €50

2 Colours (yellow/blue, navy/blue etc.) €60

Multi Colours €70

First come, first served on the night!

A Historic Meeting

History of sorts was made on the back pitch Mobhi Rd last Saturday 6th May when for the very first time two Na Fianna ladies' football teams met each other in a competitive match playing for League points. The occasion was the Under 15 Division 5 League match and Na Fianna club member and Under 15B player Niamh Scanlon takes up the story ...

The Na Fianna 2002 Girls' B team is now in contention to win the league after their match against the Na Fianna 2002 Girls' C team

The stakes were high for the Na Fianna B team at the start of the match against the 2002 C's - if they lost this, they had no chance of winning the league. The C team had brought up some 2003 A girls due to a lack of players, so this added to the pressure. To kick off the match, the C team players won the throw in. Within a minute, they had their first point on the board. But the B team quickly recovered and began to take the lead. Soon afterwards, Ava Rogers (B team player) scored a lovely point from just before the 45m mark. Then Eimear Carrol (B team player) scored more than one excellent goal, bringing up the team's score. Although, the more scores the B team got, the stronger the C team became. Christine Daly (a 2003 A, playing for the C team) made a brilliant run along the left wing and managed to dodge around the B team defenders to slot the ball into the back of the net. She made some more runs up the wing, but was cut off by the B team players.

The ref blew the half time whistle and both teams retreated into their huddles. In the



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second half, the pressure was on for both teams - the C team was behind and knew they needed to make a comeback; the B team knew they couldn't lose this match or it would all be over. Many B team players managed to make amazing runs up the field but were stopped short at the goal by the C team's solid defence. The C team players were managing to get closer to the goal, but someone was fouled by a B team player, and the ref blew her whistle just as a C team ball hit the back of the net. They were given a free and the game continued, every player feeling the stress. At one point, this reporter (B team player) got the ball and had the chance to pass it to Eva Waters (B team player). Once Eva had the ball, she scored a fantastic goal and things were looking good for the B team. Yet another goal was scored for the B team by Caitriona Comerford.

At the end of the day, the B team won. They also won their next match against Castleknock on Saturday the 13th of May, and they will have a play off against Vincents as the decider of who wins the league.



Na Fianna U15 B & C Teams



Ref Michelle Keating with B & C captains Eimear Ní Chearbhaill and Aimee McMorrow



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Camogie Notes

Very well done to all our newly appointed Camógie referees from the U15s who successfully completed the Camógie referee course during the Easter break.



Pictured with referee Philip Cullen, 10 of our ladies div 4 U15B Camógie team were presented with their referee jerseys. Photo taken after successfully defeating Castleknock 4-8 v 1-0 in a league match at Albert College.



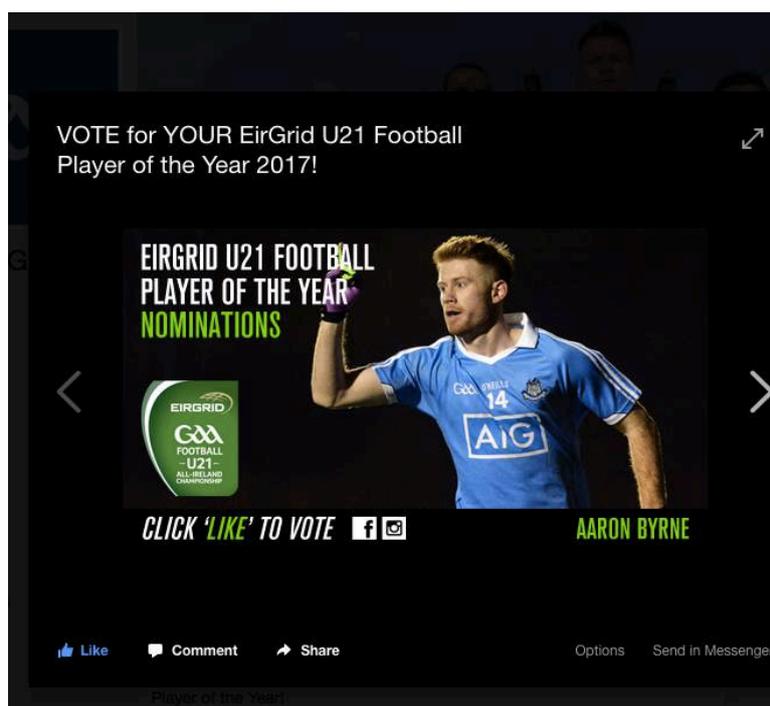
Under 15A camógs in their jerseys with Referee Catriona Hayes after completing the referee course



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Na Fianna's Dubs

Congratulations to our very own Aaron Byrne who is one of three players nominated for U21 Football Player of the Year. Going to press, voting is now closed, so I hope you all got your votes in for Aaron who is unquestionably the most deserving of the nominees, no bias here!!



Championship Tickets

Details on the ticket ordering process for Dublin's Hurling Championship opener against Galway on Sunday 28th May in O'Connor Park Tullamore are now available to view on the club website <http://www.clgnafianna.com/follow-the-dubs/> Members should note that details of ticket orders made through the club will be used as basis for allocating tickets later in the Championship.

National Hurling Feile Division 1

On the weekend beginning Friday 16th June, our U14 hurlers will be proudly representing Na Fianna and Dublin in Division 1 of the National Hurling Féile in Gorey. Next Thursday the team is having a



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QUIZ Fundraiser in the Mobhi Suite starting @8.45pm ish - €40 per table, 4 x people per table.
Please lend your support on the night for what promises to be a great evening's entertainment.

Car Parking



Na Fianna's Facilities Committee is repainting the yellow boxes in the club car park this week. The yellow boxes are there to ensure traffic flows in and out of the car park at all times and they are not, as some people obviously think, convenient private parking spots. Inconsiderate parking can result in mayhem in the car park especially on a busy day or night as drivers try to negotiate ways in and out around illegally parked cars. An appeal is being made again to all members to please respect yellow boxes in the club car park and to park considerately. Failure to comply will result in offending cars being clamped with a release fee being charged.

Na Fianna Golf Society

Next outing for the Na Fianna Golf Society is on Monday 19th June in Lucan Golf Club.
Contact Ciaran Gray @ 087 2269133 for tee time. New members welcome.

.....and finally

During our PRO's temporary absence, I will be attempting to fill his shoes on the Nuacht front! All news items to be forwarded to news@clgnafianna.ie and as per the Fógra below.
Thanks for your support, Lisa Ainsworth Daniels.

Comhbhrón

Sincere sympathies of the club are offered to the Redmond family on the passing of Mr Charlie Redmond Snr, father of John, father in law of Anne (2004 Girls' mentors) and grandfather of Hannah (2004 Girls). Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.



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Fógra Tabachtach

The objective of Na Fianna Nuacht is to communicate as much club activity as possible however it is important to note that all items for inclusion in either Club Notes or Na Fianna Nuacht are reported to news@clgnafianna.ie or texted to 087 6550422 by Sunday evening. With a membership of 2700 and approx 100 teams now competing it is difficult to ensure all club activity is reported upon – **Do not assume** that your team's activity is already known to Na Fianna Nuacht or that someone else has reported it. When errors or omissions occur it is the policy of Na Fianna Nuacht to correct these in subsequent issues when they are reported to news@clgnafianna.ie