



Na Fianna Nuacht

The Helix
Dublin, Ireland

CLG Na Fianna presents

SPORTS FORUM

PRESENTED BY BARRY MURPHY (APRES MATCH) AND SHANE COLEMAN (NEWSTALK)

JONNY COOPER (CURRENT DUBLIN GAA/ALL STAR)

KENNY CUNNINGHAM (FORMER IRELAND INTERNATIONAL SOCCER)

SHANE HORGAN (FORMER LEINSTER, IRELAND & LIONS RUGBY PLAYER)

ANNA GEARY (FORMER CORK CAMOGIE PLAYER)

KIERAN MCGEENEY (FORMER ARMAGH PLAYER+CURRENT MANAGER)

SPECIAL GUEST GAA PRESIDENT ELECT JOHN HORAN

8PM FRIDAY 9TH OF MARCH 2018

Tickets €25 Available from Na Fianna / Helix Box Office

A host of sports stars will gather in the O'Mahony Hall in The Helix on Friday 9th March to talk sports and all in aid of Na Fianna. A huge night is promised in this 1,000 seater venue. In addition to honest insights and good banter from the panel, there will also be a raffle for terrific prizes like signed jerseys, weekend away, as well as tickets for the Scotland v Ireland and Rugby match the following day. Tickets on sale from The Helix or from club bar, get yours before they're gone, more details here <http://www.clgnafianna.com/sports-forum/>



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Na Fianna Connects is a brand new club initiative which was set up by the players with the support of the Club Executive. The aim of this group is to provide a platform for all club members to connect and share experiences over the coming months and years. Building on the recent success of Na Fianna's Operation Transformation, Na Fianna Connects will continue to provide further opportunities for people to get together away from the pitch.

Jonny Cooper who sits on the Club Executive and is involved with this new initiative explains the thinking behind Na Fianna Connects. "It all came about last November when a group of us decided we would like to provide more of a connection between codes but also between ages. It's great we have such massive numbers in the club but it's also so important to maintain and strengthen our relationships. We have targeted four different talks and some workshops in the coming months," continues Jonny, "From our first meeting we discussed many ideas and the group just picked up momentum and energy as we went. The enthusiasm of people involved like Niall McGovern, Sarah Quinn, Gus Farrell, Cian Ó Dálaigh, Stephen Fitzgerald, Paula Lohan, Ciaran Heeney and Debbie Lowe is palpable and we are all looking forward to see where this leads".

The first interactive talk will be held on March 2nd, 7.30pm in the club and is FREE to any member who wants to go. Oisín McConville has won nearly every honour in GAA for both club and county but away from the bright lights of Clones and Croke Park he struggled with addiction. Nearly 18 years to the day after helping Crossmaglen to beat Na Fianna in the All Ireland club final Oisín will elaborate on his powerful story and incredible journey with his candid style.

"We would really love for players, coaches and parents to come down and learn from someone who has had good and many bad days. It's important that as a club in our ever growing community we recognise the challenges that are out there so we can support each other as best we can", reflects Jonny.



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So there you go, a date for the diary not to be missed. Come down and grab a cup of tea, listen to a great story and connect with others. Entry is FREE but with a big crowd expected it will be on first come first served basis (it will be held in the down stairs hall).



LOOKING TO MAKE SOME CHANGES IN 2018?

OPERATION TRANSFORMATION BEGINS IN NA FIANNA GAA CLUB ON MONDAY THE 8TH OF JANUARY



Our Operation Transformation team under the watchful eye of co-ordinator Sarah Quinn continue their great work every Monday night in the club. Sarah gives us the latest update.

After 6 weeks of walking I think it's fair to say that Na Fianna's Operation Transformation is a huge success. Each week numbers range from 50 to 80 people of all ages and abilities. Club members have remarked on how great it is to catch up with members and friends they haven't seen for years, and other community members are enjoying meeting and socialising each week. The walks can be cold and dark but this has not deterred anyone from getting out there and improving their well-being each week. Our walk routes have evolved into three different lengths to cater for all abilities, those who want a 3k half hour walk join me, those who want to go a bit further afield join Susan and Claire Downes completing about 5k and the really ambitious follow the fast footsteps of Maria Kennedy in approximately 8k and increasing each week! Next week we hope to change the route of the long and medium routes so come early Monday night to see the changes.

All are still welcome and there is talk of organising a second night which I will keep you all posted very soon!

Members' Subscriptions Due

Members' subscriptions are due and payable since the AGM. Details of subscription rates and methods of payment are on the Club website <http://www.clgnafianna.com/membership/> Subscriptions can be paid online, on Saturday mornings in the Club or at the office during opening hours (9.30am to 1pm Mon –Fri).



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Great Night At The Bonnington



Thanks to all who made last Friday night's Celebratory Dinner Dance a huge success and a great club occasion. Thanks especially to our organising team, to the Bonnington Hotel and McGettigan's Bar for their hospitality and for facilitating the event, to our special guest on the night Úachtarán Tofa Cumann Lúthchleas Gael John Horan and to the night's MC Gavin Duffy.

The night centred around recognising the tremendous achievements of all our teams in the year gone but on a very special night, all gathered in the Bonnington in front of friends, family and team mates to salute our seven Championship winning teams. It was a wonderful occasion and one that will be remembered for a long time to come.

Also on the night, former club barman Pat Sullivan was inducted into Na Fianna's Hall of Fame and Martin Quilty was awarded Club Person of the Year, congratulations to both. Photos from the night are now available to view on the club's Facebook page.



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Leinster Minor Championship Presentation



Congrats to the above group of Na Fianna members (Players & Management) who were presented with Leinster Minor Football Championship medals at last Saturday's ceremony in Croke Park. L/r Tom Gray, Donal Ryan, Cathal Doran, David Lacey, Eoin O'Dea, David O'Hanlon, James Mangan.

Gnóthaí Gaeilge

Rang Gaeilge do thosnaitheoirí sa Chlub gach Déardaoin 7.30-8.30pm. Spraoiúl, neamhfhoirmeálta, saor in aisce. Cupán tae agus Ciorcal Comhrá ina dhiaidh sin. Agus seisiún breá ceoil ina dhiaidh sin is uile! Fáilte roimh chách. Beginners Irish class in the Club every Thursday 7.30-8.30. Informal, fun and free. Cup of tea and Conversation Circle afterwards. And after that a great music session! All welcome.





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Weekend Fixtures

Busy day on Sunday with the start of Adult Football Leagues and first out are our Senior 1 and Senior 2 Footballers at 10.15am. Senior 1's are away against St Judes while Senior 2's host Round Towers Clondalkin in Mobhi Road. Both Junior teams are away at 12 noon with A's against St Brigids and B's against Plunketts. AFL10's play Naomh Barróg in Collinstown at 2.15pm. Both Minor hurling teams play on Sunday with A's against Balinteer in Mobhi Road at 12 and B's against Castleknock in Collinstown at 11am. Full fixture list on website, best of luck to all teams, support welcome. <http://www.clgnafianna.com/fixtures/>

Na Fianna's Dubs

Another busy weekend ahead with Dublin's Senior hurlers away to Limerick on Saturday night and best of luck to Shane Barrett and Donal Burke (fresh from his 1-10 scored for DCU against DIT in this week's Fitzgibbon Cup semi-final), who are both named to start.

Dublin Camogie teams are in action this Sunday and best of luck to Roisín Baker, Arlene Cushen, Alex Griffin, Eve O'Brien, Zoe O'Donoghue and Dublin's Seniors in their game against Waterford.

Good luck also to Niamh Gleeson, Niamh Rock and Dublin's Premier Juniors away against Tipperary and best of luck to Orla Gray and Dublin's Minors against Cork in Parnells at 2.30pm.

Follow The Dubs

Dublin's Hurlers continue their National League campaign on Sunday February 25 when they host All-Ireland Champions Galway in Parnell Park at 2pm. Tickets for this game are available through the Club and members are reminded that all ticket purchases through the Club are recorded and will be taken into consideration when allocating tickets later in the season. Details on website <http://www.clgnafianna.com/follow-the-dubs/>



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Dublin North Colleges Success



Na Fianna were well represented on recent successful Dublin North Colleges hurling squads. Last week in the U-14 competition Na Fianna's Ciaran Lambert, Ciaran Stacey and Naoise O'Carroll (pictured right) were part of a 1-19 to 1-11 win against Kilkenny CBS. Then last Saturday in the Senior A semi final, Na Fianna's Craig Berrigan, Kevin Burke, Sean Currie, Micheál Murphy and Paddy Skelly were part of the squad that overcame Killkenny CBS with Kevin Burke's performance earning him this week's Herald Star of the Week. The lads will now face St Kieran's College in the Championship decider on Thursday 22nd February, venue tbc.

Saturday In Na Fianna

Both shops open tomorrow, Saturday 17th February. Hurley workshop open 9-12 and Club shop open from 9-1pm in Club foyer. The Na Fianna Nursery, in conjunction with Sherry Fitzgerald, takes centre stage from 9.30am and all drivers are asked to please drive carefully and park responsibly. Illegally parked cars, i.e. cars parked on double yellow lines and in yellow boxes will be clamped. The ever helpful Coffee Cabin crew will be serving teas and coffees with their usual smile.



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Club Lotto Jackpot Won!

Congrats to the O'Sullivan family on scooping the first Club Lotto Jackpot of 2018 with the tidy sum of €4,750. This means that the Jackpot starts over again at €2,000. Get your ticket in the club this weekend, it could be you.

Na Fianna Lotto Results

February 12th 2018

Numbers

2	4	23	30
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Jackpot €4750 - Winner

Cormac O'Sullivan (ID 705) Numbers

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Next Jackpot €2000

Join Us For Our
Race Night
in aid of:
**NA FIANNA
2004 GIRLS**

Na Fianna Club House
Friday 23rd Feb 2018
Start Time: 8.30pm | All Welcome!



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Collinstown Crew Looking For Recruits



As always, the Facilities Group looks for members to give a few hours of their weekend to help out with essential ongoing maintenance throughout the club. No experience necessary but a good sense of humour would help. Contact Martin on 0879092732 for details.

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OPEN AND FREE TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS



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Best wishes to Donal Hickey on his continuing recovery from illness.

Comhbhrón

Sincere sympathies of the Club are offered to the Buckley and Skelly families on the passing of Mrs Nora Buckley, Mother of Miriam Skelly, Mother in law of Brian and Grandmother of Eoin (Adult hurler), Patirck (Minor Football & Hurling) and Lucy (U-16 Ladies football & Camogie). Funeral arrangements as follows;

Removal on Saturday morning, 17th February 2018, to Corpus Christi Church, Home Farm Road, Drumcondra arriving at 9.50 am for Mass at 10 am. Funeral afterwards to Glasnevin Cemetery. Family flowers only please. Donations, if desired, to The Alzheimer Society of Ireland.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam.

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 9250697 by Sunday evening. With a growing membership of almost 3,000 and over 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