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The Sports Forum Event was set up to provide funding to teams for the year ahead with all of the profits to be distributed to teams. The organizing committee started the process back in November with the intention of putting on a show with a high quality line up in a high quality setting that would appeal to members and non-members alike. A total of nine teams from juvenile to adult participated who would share in the profits from selling tickets and adverts as well as auction and raffle.

As a club we are fortunate to have such a diverse group of members and the show would not have been possible without the help of our very own MC Shane Coleman from Newstalk, Dessie Farrell, John Horan, Jonny Cooper as well as past members Kieran McGeeney and Kenny Cunningham, and behind the scenes Senan Connell, Karl Donnelly, Neil Mulhern, Tom Dowd and Stephen Behan helped with the production.

The night kicked off with Barry Murphy's alter ego Gunther Grun providing the entertainment and it was clear to see why he is recognised as one of the 10 Kings of Irish Comedy over the last 20 years by Hot Press.

Next up were Shane Coleman with Anna Geary, Kenny Cunningham and Shane Horgan. Each of the panel shared some great stories and delved into a variety of topics keeping the audience suitably entertained.

After the break we were treated to some more fun from Barry Murphy, this time MC Shane Coleman being the subject matter. Following this and allowing Shane some respite from Barry's attentions, Shane welcomed on stage Jonny Cooper and Kieran McGeeney who gave us insights into coaching and what it takes to play at the top level in sport.

Later Shane welcomed Kenny Cunningham back on stage with Dessie Farrell and Uachtaran Cumann LuthChleas Gael John Horan who reminisced about their school days in St Vincent's Glasnevin. This included discussion on the Schools final in Croke Park with



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clips from 30 years ago including Kenny in action, the crossbar incident with Padraig Harrington and Padraig's speech in the dressing room afterwards. Thanks to Leo Fay who found the video tape hidden away and which provoked lots of responses on Twitter and Facebook over the last few weeks and got over ten thousand views.

The final part of the night was the auction where Barry Murphy had the crowd in stitches as he sought the best possible bids for a number of jerseys. It is unlikely that we will ever see an auction like this again as he miraculously manufactured another jersey from nowhere.

Everyone that came to the show found it highly entertaining and the only unfortunate part was that there wasn't more people in attendance to see the event.

The organizers would like to say a special thanks to the main sponsor Tayto and to our Premium Sponsors Ulster Bank, MoveHome, McGowans and Exhibit Design, to Donal Buggy, NeoGym, Ulster Bank and Park House Hotel for contributing the raffle prizes and to all the other sponsors who contributed, with special thanks to the staff of the Helix, to the excellent panel, Shane Coleman and Barry Murphy and all those who helped out on the night behind the scenes to make the night a great success.

## Many thanks from Na Fianna to all our Sponsors

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## Organising Committee

Tom Dowd, Charlie O'Reilly, Karl Donnelly, John Mangan, Dave Buckley, Donal Buggy, Tom Ryan, Paul McCarville, Pat Breen, Harry O'Donnell, Breege O'Reilly, Tom Gilligan and Colm Davis.



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ALL pitches are closed this weekend. ALL fixtures including Bank Holiday Monday are also off.

## Na Fianna Easter Camps



Na Fianna will run their annual Easter Camps again in 2018 and early booking is strongly advised. Details and booking at <http://www.clgnafianna.com/na-fianna-easter-camp-2018/>



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Big day planned in the club for St Patrick's Day. Live music and craic so why not make it your post-Parade destination or after the All-Ireland Club Finals in Croke Park.

Food served from 1-4.30pm, watch the Ireland V England Rugby match live and from 6.30pm the talented local Aces will play live. Great day guaranteed, bring the family.



Long Easter weekend coming up soon, so why not start it off by taking part in a healthy run in the Na Fianna 5K.

## **WHEN IS IT ON?**

30th March and starts at 10am.

## **HOW DO I REGISTER?**

Drop-in registration is open on Wed 28<sup>th</sup> from 7.30pm or Friday 30<sup>th</sup> (Race Day) from 8.30-9.30am, or online at Eventbrite.ie:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/na-fianna-5k-fun-run-2018-tickets-43479873472>



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You can also register after the weekly Operation Transformation walk on Monday 26<sup>th</sup>.

## **WHY NOT ENTER A TEAM?**

Groups of 4 can enter the team event where times are combined. Teams can be made of family members, friends, club team members, former team members and so on. To enter a team just mention your unique team name when collecting your race numbers.



There are medals for first past the post for all Juvenile age groups and team events, and our perpetual Cup for overall Ladies and Mens winner.

Presentations and refreshments in the Mobhi Suite after the run.

## **CAN I HELP?**

Yes you can!, if not taking part in the Fun-Run we need helpers in the form of Race Stewards & Helpers for refreshments.

Stewards would be required for just 1-2 hours. If you can help please contact Eoin on 087-6597121

If you would like to help with refreshments after the run, or just donate some sambos or cakes, please contact Joe on 086-1713185.

For more details see <http://www.clgnafianna.com/upcoming-events/>

## **Na Fianna's Dubs**

Dublin's Senior Hurlers play Tipperary in National League Quarter Finals in Parnell Park on Sunday at 3pm and best of luck to Shane Barrett, Donal Burke and the lads. Good luck also to Jonny Cooper and the footballers in their NFL1 game away against Galway on Sunday at 2pm.

Good luck to Orla Gray and the Dublin Camogie Minors who play Championship against Kilkenny on St Patricks Day (Saturday March 17th) at 1pm in Parnells GAA, Coolock.



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## Lá mór Gaeilge sa Chlub - Satharn 10ú Márta

Ó mhaidin go hoíche ar an Satharn an 10ú Márta bhí spraoi ar Bhóthar Mobhí. Bhí an Ghaeilge le cloisteáil ar fud na háite le linn an Naíonra ar maidin. Fuair gach uile duine a bhí i láthair greamán grá don Ghaeilge. Agus labhair réalt- imreoirí ban an chlub leis na páistí agus spreag chun na Gaeilge agus chun spraoi iad.

Bhí slua deas páistí agus tuismitheoirí ag glacadh páirt sa bhFleadh um thráthnóna. Fuair na páistí seans triail a bhaint as bheith ag seinnt na féadóige stáin agus an bhodhrán. D'éisteadar le scéalta scanrúla agus scéalta greannmhara. Agus chríochnaigh an Fleadh le babhta rince sa Halla. Bhain gach duine taitneamh as.

Agus bhí slua deas arís againn ag an gCéilí Mór sa Halla istoíche. Arís bhain gach éinne sult as na seiteanna agus as an gceol breá bríomhar. Agus ba bhreá Uachtarán an Chlub Paddy King a bheith inár gcuideachta an oíche úd chomh maith. Is mó Céilí a chuir Paddy féin ar siul sa Halla céanna ins na blianta atá imithe tharainn.



A great day of Gaeilge, music and dance in the Club - Saturday 10th March. From morning to night on Saturday 10th March there was fun on Mobhí Road. Gaeilge was to be heard all over the place during the Nursery in the morning. Everyone present got a Gaeilge agus Grá sticker. And the star women players of the club spoke to the children and encouraged them to speak Irish and have fun.

There was a nice bunch of children and parents present for Fleadh na bhFiann in the afternoon. The children got the chance to try out playing the tin whistle and the



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bodhrán. They listened to some scary and some funny stories. And the Fleadh finished with a céilí dance in the Hall. Everyone enjoyed it.



And there was another nice bunch at the Céilí Mór in the hall that night. Again everyone enjoyed the sets and the lovely, lively music. And it was great to see Club President Paddy King in our company on the night. Many's the Céilí Paddy organised in that same Hall in days gone by.

## Special Na Fianna Offers From the Bonnington



The Bonnington Hotel have prepared a special offer in their leisure complex for all Na Fianna members. The following rates apply to interested members who on presentation of their membership card or a screenshot of this article can avail of these special rates.

Annual membership €399.00

Six months €280.00,

Three months €180.00.

There are also membership offers couples, families and students.



<https://www.bonningtondublin.com/gym-dublin-hotel.html>

The special 10% discount offer from McGettigans for all Na Fianna members, see next page, also applies on production of membership card or a screenshot of the promotional poster.



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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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.....and finally

Beannachtaí Lá Fhéile Pádraig to all Na Fianna members and their families wherever they all are this St Patrick's Day.



## Comhbhrón

Sincere sympathies of the Club are offered to the McLoughlin family on the recent passing of Mrs Eileen McLoughlin, Mother of U-13 Ladies football mentor Billy, Mother in law of Gráinne and Grandmother of Moll (former Ladies footballer), Maeve, Fionn (U-16 hurling) and Cal.

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](mailto: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](mailto:news@clgnafianna.ie)