



Na Fianna Nuacht

Metrolink – Chairman’s Update

“When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it” – Henry Ford

After an extremely tough week, I am immensely proud of the response of our club and community to the Metrolink proposal. The outpouring of support, the messages of goodwill, and the solidarity shown by young and old, have been a ray of light at the end of a trying few days. On behalf of the Executive Committee, thank you one and all, you have no idea how much they meant to us, your actions and support continues to sustain us through this difficult time.

Please be advised that there are a number of unsolicited campaigns on social media and we believe a possible public meeting arranged by a political party without the approval of the club. At a time when we need to demonstrate strength in unity we ask all members to refrain from engagement with any unofficial campaigns or attending any public meeting arranged by third parties.

Now is a time for cool heads and a measured and coordinated response. Our actions should always be designed to achieve a positive result for all our community. To keep us all as informed as possible we would encourage all members to examine the proposals as outline by TII on www.metrolink.ie

You can be assured that the club is diligently working on the matter and doing everything in our power, privately and publicly to address the issues. We are exploring every avenue available to us, and engaging with all stakeholders. Our response to this challenge will continue to be accurate, factual, informed and considered.

We are meeting with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) early next week. Following that, we will hold a Members’ Information evening next Thursday March 29th (venue to be confirmed.) At this meeting we will inform the membership of all information received so far from TII, the potential implications, and outline our plan of action. Due to the massive response yesterday, we anticipate a large crowd so we would appreciate if everyone intending to attend this meeting would register on the link below, so as to allow us arrange a larger venue if necessary.



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<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/metro-proposal-na-fianna-members-information-evening-tickets-44490323756>

As you are no doubt aware, we received substantial media coverage over the last 24 hours. We now wish to activate the membership in a united and positive way. We would like as many people as possible to register for the TII's Public Engagement Session in the Helix for April 9th 2018, on the following link <http://www.metrolink.ie/#/public-consultation> and when registering tick "Griffith Park" when asked to select stations of particular interest to you. This will help us to express our views as one. We would also encourage our members to keep the social media interaction moving over the weekend. We don't need any negative engagement, just keep retweeting/sharing the official Na Fianna posts. Let's keep the attention on the good that we do. Lastly, I would ask that everyone to direct any media enquiries to pro.nafianna.dublin@gaa.ie as we wish to present a consistent response.

We are putting out the call to ask for those with any expertise in the following areas to please make themselves known to the email above but marked for our Vice- Chairman Stephen Behan. We need our best and brightest tackling this proposal.

- Legal – particularly planning or conveyance law
- PR/Media
- Planning
- Political
- Financial
- ANYTHING ELSE YOU THINK RELEVANT

Lastly, Newstalk's Off the Ball will be in Na Fianna in the morning to do a video piece on our Nursery. It would be great to have a full house and show everyone who we are and why we do what we do.

Ní Neart go cur le Chéile!

Beirmid Bua,

Cormac Ó Donnchú

Cathaoirleach CLG Na Fianna



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Weekend Fixtures

All three Ladies Football Minors play on Saturday at 3pm. A's play Foxrock/Cabinteely in Mobhi Road, B's travel to Bohernabreena to play St Annes and C's host St James's Gaels on back pitch.

Our five adult Football teams play next Sunday morning. Senior 1's away against Ballyboden and Senior 2's host St Pats Palmerstown in Mobhi Road, both at 10.15am. Both Junior teams are away at 12 noon, A's against St Brendans and B's against Kilmacud in Silverpark. Our AFL10's play St Josephs OCB in Collinstown at 2.30pm. Both Minor Hurling teams have home games on Sunday at 11am with A's hosting St Judes in St Patrick's College DCU and B's playing Naomh Fionnbarra in Collinstown. Minor Camogie team play Kilmacud Crokes away in Minor A/B league at 11am. Best of luck to all teams, support welcome.

Na Fianna's Dubs

Double header in Croke Park on Sunday with Dublin's Senior Footballers and Hurlers. The Hurlers play their rescheduled National League Quarter Final against Tipperary at 1pm and best of luck to Shane Barrett, Donal Burke and the lads. Good luck also to Conor McHugh, Eoin Murchan and the footballers in their NFL1 game against Monaghan at 3pm.

Best of luck also to Leah Caffrey and Dublin Senior Ladies in Sunday's NFL1 game against Galway in Abbottstown.

Good luck to Grainne Free, Niamh Gleeson, Niamh Rock and Dublin in Senior 2 National League away against Derry on Sunday.





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Na Fianna Easter Camps



Na Fianna's Easter Camps are booking up fast. Book your place today because when they're full, they're definitely full. Details and booking [here](#)

Special Na Fianna Offers From the Bonnington

The Bonnington Hotel offers a "Na Fianna open weekend" next Saturday March 23rd and Sunday March 24th between 11am and 6pm each day. The open weekend allows all Na Fianna members and their families to use the leisure club facilities complimentary over the weekend. To avail of this fantastic offer, simply bring your membership card, or a copy of the offer on website, see link [here](#)



In addition, 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>



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

WHEN IS IT ON?

30th March (Good Friday) and starts at 10am.

HOW DO I REGISTER?

Drop-in registration is open on Wed 28th from 7.30pm or Friday 30th (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>

You can also register after the weekly Operation Transformation walk on Monday 26th.

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.



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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/>

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Na Fianna Golf Classic in support of
Senior Football and Hurling teams

Donabate Golf Club

Friday 25th May 2018

Entry Fee €350 per team of 4
(includes green fees and meal)



Contact the following for details

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Tom Ryan 087 2857669 Pat Breen 087 9683222

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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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DCU Freshers Hurling Champions



Congrats to Na Fianna's Liam Stacey, Peter Feeney and Martin Rabbitt on Wednesday's All Ireland Colleges Freshers Hurling Championship Final win.

Árd Scoil Rís Senior Football Champions



Pictured above are the Na Fianna reps on today's Ard Scoil Rís's Senior Football Championship winning team. L/r Darren Fanning, Micheal Murphy (Capt), Seán Curry, Eamonn Potter, Mark Nolan. Missing from photo is Niall McLoughlin.



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Naíonra - Na Fianna – Nursery



Abairtín na Seachtaine

Cá n-imreoimid? Where will we play?

Ná tóg ár bpáirc! Don't take our pitch!

Plean craiceáilte! A crazy plan!

Ní ghéillfidimid! We won't give in!

Seas an fód! Stand your ground!

Club Shops

Both shops open tomorrow Saturday 23rd March. Club shop in foyer open 9-1pm and Hurley shop open until 12 noon. Click on banner below for online shopping.





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.....and finally



Congratulations to Rachel and Pádraic and the extended Quinn family on the recent birth of Jack, another Na Fianna prodigy.

Comhbhrón

Sincere sympathies of the Club are offered to the Deignan and Cooper families on the passing of former Senior Camogie player Ger Deignan, Mother of Heather, sister of Loyola and Aunt of Niall, Mark, Julieanne and Jonny Cooper. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-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 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