

Metrolink - Chairman's Update



Na Fianna members at last Thursday's Members' Information Meeting in St Patricks Campus DCU

Many thanks to all of you who attended our Members' Information meeting on Holy Thursday. The large attendance and it's live coverage on Prime Time has been a major benefit to our cause.

The next major milestone in this rapidly evolving project is a public consultation hosted by TII to be held in The Helix next Monday 9th April between 2pm and 8pm. Many parties involved with this proposal are watching keenly and the amount/numbers who attend on Monday will have a significant impact on the direction of this proposal.

It is therefore vital that all our members and our supporters young and old, turn up in significant numbers for this consultation. This matter will affect all our young players so they are more than welcome and encouraged to attend on the proviso that parental consent is confirmed.

We are planning to have a constant presence of Na Fianna at the event. If you can attend between 2pm and 6pm please fill in this online form https://goo.gl/forms/KBlty1Ar0swsstDZ2 and you'll be advised of your best time to attend. If, like many, you can only attend in the evening please ensure you make it there between 6.30pm and 7.30pm. To all who are attending, please wear your club colours.

I urge you please to make it a priority to attend and to encourage friends, neighbours and any interested parties to attend. You do not need to register to attend just turn up.



Members are advised that a new Metrolink section has been created on the club website http://www.clgnafianna.com/metrolink/. This will be an evolving section where readily accessable documents and updates relevant to the Metrolink proposal will be stored. Members are asked to check this section of the website regularly for updated information.

Ní neart go cur le chéile,

Cormac Ó Donnchú, Cathaoirleach CLG Na Fianna

TII Consultation Meeting Monday 9th April

As mentioned in the Chairman's latest briefing above, next Monday's Public Consultation meeting in the Helix is a very important date for all Na Fianna members. It is essential to ensure that the club not only has a constant presence at the Helix for the duration of the session but that members also use the time to ask questions of the TII representatives who will be present.

In terms of the questions or type of questions to be asked, it is recommended that members familiarise themselves with the issues involved and come up with their own list of questions. This can be done by;

- checking the presentation that was made to members in St Pats last Thursday night and will be available to view on the website http://www.clgnafianna.com/metrolink.
- checking the Metrolink website www.metrolink.ie

There may be issues of particular concern or important to individual members that they might want to raise e.g. noise and dust levels, traffic, why Na Fianna was selected as the boring site for the preferred route, what other locations were considered for location of boring sites, health issues etc.

We would encourage all members to take pictures, and tweet, post on Facebook, Instagram or whatever other social media you use. A specific hashtag will be advised to members in advance of Monday's meeting and this should be used on all Social Media by all. Let's keep this in the public eye



If you have received an email from Stephen indicating a time to attend - go with that time, otherwise aim to be there between 6.30 and 8pm.

There is no room for complacency here, do not assume that somebody else will do right for the club, we want to show a big turn out from club, that the club is united and serious in their concerns about the TII's emerging preferred route (EPR). Don't forget to wear your Na Fianna colours.

Weekend Fixtures

Following pitch inspections this afternoon Na Fianna's Fixtures Committee have advised that <u>ALL</u> grass pitches will remain closed this weekend. Team managers should ensure that both the opposition and referees are informed. Pitches have taken a lot of punishment in the last week from the weather and they must be given every chance to recover.

Please also note that that the all-weather winter schedule is re-instated for training next week. No training to take place on grass pitches. The cooperation of everybody is appreciated.

At the moment of writing, the only game definitely going ahead is the Junior A Hurlers' Championship game away to Ballyboden on Sunday at 3.30pm. Keep an eye on Fixtures section of website for updates. Best of luck to all teams, support welcome.

Na Fianna's Dubs

Best of luck also to Lucy Collins, Leah Caffrey and Dublin Senior Ladies in Saturday's NFL1 game against Kerry in St Clares DCU at 4pm.

Good luck also to Gráinne Free, Niamh Gleeson, Niamh Rock and Dublin in Senior 2 National League against Armagh in Abbottstown on Sunday.



National League Champions



Congrats to Jonny Cooper, Eoin Murchan and Dublin Senior footballers on last Sunday's NFL1 Final win against Galway.

Club Shops

Both shops open tomorrow Saturday 7th April. Club shop in foyer open 9-1pm for all your Na Fianna colours and gear and Hurley shop open until 12 noon. Click on banner below for online shopping.







VIP's For The Day



Members of Na Fianna U-14 boys team pictured at Dublin's League recent AFL1 match against Monaghan in Croke Park. AIB, proudly Backing Club and County, treated players of the Na Fianna U-14 boys team to a VIP Matchday Experience at Dublin's football match after the club was selected as the final round of winners of AIB's local branch competition.



Na Fianna Easter Camps



Well done to all involved with another very successful Na Fianna Easter Camp. Two weeks of camps with strong numbers ran very smoothly despite some challenging weather conditions. Huge credit to club GPO mark McManus and his team and of course to all the boys and girls who attended.

Croke Park Newsletter

Latest edition of the Croke Park Newsletter which includes an interview with Úachtarán Cumann Luthchleas Gael John Horan is available to view here http://www.gaa.ie/news/gaa-club-newsletter-february-2018/



Na Fianna Golf Society

Na Fianna Golf Society's first outing of 2018 will be to Castleknock Golf Club on Monday 23rd April. Tee time reserved 2-3.30pm, timesheet available form Ciaran Gray 0872269133, new members always welcome.

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)



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2007 Girls Looking Their Best



Our 2007 girls pictured above in their new Na Fianna jerseys provided by Wynn's Hotel, at Collinstown recently where they played their first football match of the year against Naomh Barrog. Congratulations to Chloe ni Chaiside and Cliodhna ni Cheailagháin on their player of the month awards.

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).





Go Games Day



Pictured above are some of Na Fianna's 2008 Boys who travelled to Croke Park during the week to take part in the annual Go Games Day. Always a very exciting day, the lads did themselves and the club proud as they enjoyed every minute of this very special day.

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Sincere sympathies of the Club are offered to the Bruton family on the passing of Tina, Husband of Robert and Mother of Molly, Kate and Sam. Funeral arrangements to be advised.

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