



Na Fianna Nuacht

MetroLink – Chairman’s Update

A Chairde,

Arís bhí seachtain gnóach againn. Eachtraí neamhgnach agus stariúl ag tharlú go laeuil!

While Metrolink matters dominate our publicity, it’s important to note that the important work of our Gaelic community progresses. It’s been a busy week on the pitch with all our Adult teams active including heartening performances from our Senior Footballers in Championship against Vincents and Our Senior 2 Footballers drawing with Judes while our Senior 2 Hurlers had a convincing win over Faughs. We wish Leah Caffrey and Lucy Collins and Dublin’s Senior Ladies the very best in Sunday’s National League final in Parnell Park. For Juveniles our Féile season is in full flow with our Féile B footballers hosting in Collinstown this weekend and our A’s away. We also host the annual Dermot McNulty tournament this Bank Holiday Monday - each of these will see a huge volunteer effort from our mentor and support base- Go néirigh go geal libh ar fad.

Metrolink matters are progressing at a whirlwind pace. Many thanks to all who attended last Tuesday night’s Members’ Information meeting in St Pats where our Metrolink Work Group presented an update for members on their detailed work. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to the members of the group who have been working so hard on the matter on our behalf. They are, this long weekend, preparing a detailed submission, along with our planning consultants and this will be presented to our Club Executive for approval before being submitted to TII by next Fridays deadline.

While the group is working on our central detailed technical submission it is vital that everyone has their voice heard and everyone gets a submission in. If you haven’t done yours yet, why not do it this weekend. See the easy step by step guide at this link

<http://www.clgnafianna.com/metrolink-make-your-submission/>

We need quantity and your content may be very brief or lengthy but getting in the numbers will have a very significant impact on the process.

Last week we met and briefed our new Director General of the GAA - Tom Ryan in Croke Park. Tom along with our Uachtarán John Horan and all the staff in HQ have been very supportive. The issue was discussed at the National Management Committee at our request and we are grateful of their ongoing support in many ways.



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The week saw continued media coverage and much political commentary on our plight.

Our neighbours in Scoil Chaitríona and Scoil Mobhí held a gathering on the front pitch and made human circles to the size of the proposed bore site - it was a sobering exercise, charged with much emotion when the younger pupils of Scoil Mobhí joined. It received coverage on TV3, TG4, FM104 along with a host of online and print media coverage.



We were heartened to hear An Taoiseach positively address the matter in the Dáil, after it was raised by both Micháel Martin and Mary Lou McDonnell and previously by Maureen O' Sullivan. However despite all the conversations in the Dáil - we must remember that absolutely **NOTHING HAS CHANGED** and the proposal from TII still stands as last week. If we need to be starkly reminded of this can I advise members that we have had technical surveyors on our grounds TODAY (Friday) from TII conducting further work for their plans. **It is vital therefore that every member and every member household make submissions before the 11th May deadline, see link to step by step guide on making your submission <http://www.cignafianna.com/metrolink-make-your-submission/>**



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Following our appearance at the Oireachtas - the joint committee will be visiting next Wednesday morning to witness at first hand the unique gaelic community on Mobhi Road. They'll be visiting Scoil Mobhí, Scoil Chaitríona and our unique community creation which we're proud to call CLG Na Fianna

Mar focail scóir -In sporting terms - we scored well during the week but it's not even half time - this road will be long and we need to remain united, resolute and we must continue to follow up with actions according to our words.

Please get your submission in and encourage everyone else to do likewise, the importance of making submissions cannot be emphasised enough. Closing date for submissions is next Friday 11th May.

Gloine 'nar gCroí, Neart 'nar nGeag agus Beart de Reir ár mBriathar

beirimid bua,

Cormac Ó Donnchú, Cathaoirleach CLG Na Fianna.

Weekend Fixtures

Senior and Inter hurlers both play Cuala away on Saturday at 6pm and both Junior teams play away in league on Sunday, A's against Realt Dearg and B's play O'Dwyers. Both Minor Football teams lay in league at 11am on Sunday, A's away against Thomas Davis and B's play Parnells in Mobhi Road. Good luck for an enjoyable weekend for our Féile footballers. B's host in Collinstown and A's away in Townparks. Best of luck to all teams, full fixture list on website, all support welcome.





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Senior Footballers Run Champions Close

On Saturday 28th, outlined against a blue and sunny April sky, our young Na Fianna Senior Footballers played their second group game against the defending champions St Vincent's in Parnell Park. Both sides had secured solid victories in their first games, over Lucan Sarsfields and Skerries Harps respectively, so unlike in previous years the outcome of this fixture was not terminal for either of the teams. Both sides were free to try out players and tactics, which is what transpired, with Na Fianna having eight different players to the team from last year's clash. The match turned out to be an exciting contest with a score difference of only one point deep into injury time. With the 2-17 to 2-15 win, St Vincent's will almost certainly top the group but it's a long time to September and there's a breeze starting to blow!

2018 Camogie Féile



The '04 Girls participated in the Dublin Camogie Feile last weekend in Naomh Maurs and Ballyboden St. Endas. The girls competed well in all their matches, the games were very close and we were unlucky not to progress to the semis.



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A special thanks to the '05 girls who stepped up to help us out. A great Feile weekend was enjoyed by all the girls and their supporters.



36th Mini Leagues May 28th - June 17th 2018

Now in their 36th year and sponsored by MoveHome.ie, the Na Fianna Mini Leagues continue to go from strength to strength with every passing year. Played on the historic Main Pitch on Mohni Road, these games are an opportunity for the future stars of Na Fianna to play Gaelic Games in a fun team based environment and to experience the club at the heart of the local community. Mini Leagues are open to all children born between 2008 and 2013. For full details, please see the club website!



See www.clgnafianna.ie for full details!

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Adult Ladies Footballers Make History



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That was the history making headline on Wednesday night last when 2 of Na Fianna's 4 Adult Ladies Football teams played each other in a Division 7 league match. The more experienced Junior team took on the our new adult team in an exciting and evenly matched contest. The new team winning out by a point in the end.

This was a great match on a great night for our club, a night our Senior team were out in the Division 1 Cup and our Intermediate team overcame Blessington in the Division 4 league. In total there were 75 players representing Na Fianna on the night.

As usual on the final whistle hands were shaken and pleasantries exchanged. This continued into the Mobhi suite where both teams enjoyed pizza and a good chat.

The photo above shows both teams with last ' Junior team in our traditional colours and the newly formed 4th team wearing the away strip.



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Juvenile Facilities Committee Need Your Unused / Spare Equipment

Do you have spare **nets, cones, training poles, goals** in your garage / shed / car-boot, now is the time to clear it out, and put it to good use. The JFC is looking for spare equipment to use as 'back up' to current stocks.

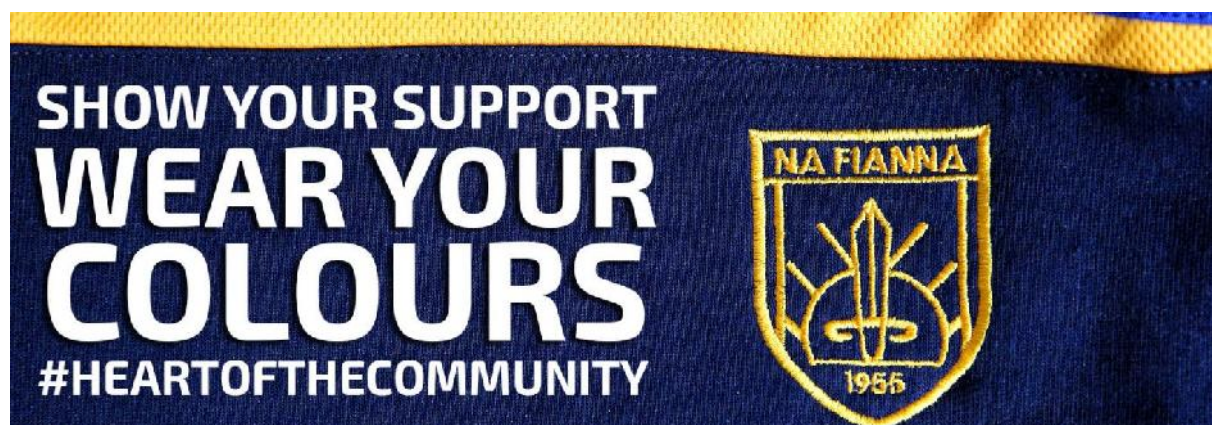
Over the past 3 months the Committee have worked to ensure each of our 5 Juvenile locations are fully stocked with pitch equipment to host 3 Juvenile games. In order for us to replace damaged / missing equipment, we need to replenish our central stores in Mobhi Rd.

Please contact William Patten (086-3835926 or williamapatten@gmail.com), the Committee will then collect or arrange drop-off.

The Committee would like to thank all those who have helped with our efforts to date, especially Martin Quilty & Mark McManus. We have more work to do before we break up for the summer, if you want to get involved, just drop us a line!!!

We will post our 2 latest Updates (Jan18 & May18) to the club website in the coming days

Committee Members: William Patten, Darren Corcoran & Gary Power





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Leinster Minor Champions



Congratulations to Na Fianna girls Chanice Dolan, Ellie McAleer & Karen O'Connell: members of the Dublin Ladies Minor football panel that defeated Meath in the Leinster final on Sunday 27th April. Dublin will play the winners of the Cork v Kerry fixture in the All Ireland semi-final.

McNulty Memorial Tournament



This Bank Holiday Monday sees the Annual Dermot McNulty Memorial Tournament being held in Mobhi Road. Now in its twelfth year, this under 11 hurling blitz held in memory of the inspirational Dermot McNulty, continues to grow from strength to strength. Great credit is again due to the organisers of this year's tournament. A great day's hurling is in store and support for our Na Fianna teams, and for the occasion itself, would be appreciated.



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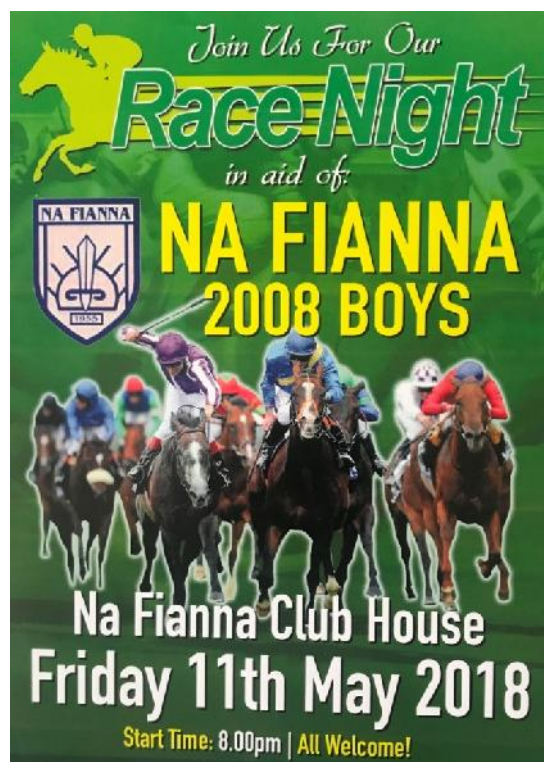
Leinster Hurling Championship Tickets

Parnell Park – Sunday 13 May

Minor: DUBLIN v Kilkenny

Senior: DUBLIN v Kilkenny

This is a Leinster Council fixture and the GAA Season Ticket holders from the participating counties have priority access. There will be NO STAND TICKETS for distribution to Dublin GAA clubs and Parnell Park Pass holders. See ticket ordering details on club website, see link here <http://www.clgnafianna.com/follow-the-dubs/>



On Friday 11th May @ 20:00, CLG Na Fianna will be hosting the 2008 Boys Race Night, this will be a fun, social evening and all proceeds will help prepare these boys for the future. All Welcome. If anyone is interested in sponsorship or advertising for the night, please contact either Gary Bateson – 0868259990 – garybateson@gmail.com or Dave Curran – 0857025074 – daithicurran@gmail.com



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....and finally

Comhgairdeachas le Stephen Fitzgerald and Sinead on the recent birth of their son Oisin.



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.



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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