



Na Fianna Nuacht



**OPERATION
TRANSFORMATION**

Club and Individual Team Fundraiser 2019 Next Leaders Unveiled



This week saw the unveiling of the next group of Leaders of Na Fianna's Operation Transformation. Congratulations to Colm O'Driscoll representing the Junior 8 Footballers, Dermot Moran representing Senior Hurlers, Ciara Purdy from Senior Ladies Footballers, Ryan O'Flaherty Senior Footballers and Mary O'Connell representing the Minor and U-16 Hurlers. Well done all for stepping up. But we need more leaders.....read on.

Na Fianna Nuacht 24ú Nollaig 2018



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- Leaders Required – No Experience Necessary
- Fundraising opportunity for your Team and Club
- Entries by 18th Jan 2019
- First Weigh in starts 19th Jan
- Start Date: 8th Feb 2019
- End Date: 19th April 2019 – Finale Night with Special Guests
- Contact: email ot@clgnafianna.ie

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Gerard Keane 0862548027

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Art Fitzpatrick 0868118395

- Raise much needed funds for Na Fianna and your Individual Teams

Leaders can be mentors, parents, aunt, uncle or grandparents basically anyone the Team want to nominate and get behind in a fundraising drive.

This is about the promotion of **Club, Community, Health and Wellbeing for 2019**. It is for all members of the Club from Senior Teams down to the Nursery and is a great opportunity to get involved in a very positive fundraiser for your Club and your individual Teams.

Initially we need 20 Leaders up for the challenge. This week's new five leaders now join our first three announced last week – Roisin O'Donoghue Senior Camogie, Maurice Grehan & Philip O'Brien under 13 Boys



More Leaders to be announced straight after Christmas – keep an eye out to see who else will be joining our leaders – limited spaces available so get in quick and join us on this journey.



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What's The Social Value of Na Fianna?

The Dublin GAA County Board and CLG Na Fianna have joined forces and asked Sandra Velthuis of Whitebarn Consulting to undertake an independent evaluation of the club's social value. We want to hear everyone's views: juvenile players, adult players, non-playing members, parents, on-site enterprises, visitors, etc.

Please complete our 10-minute survey by **5 January 2019**, using this website address.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/nafianna>

Could Be You!



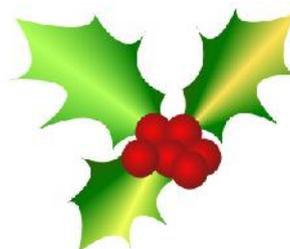
Next week's club lotto jackpot is €13,250. Tickets on sale in members bar or around the club. Alternatively, by signing up for the direct debit option, you stand a chance of winning the jackpot every week! See details [here](#)



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Christmas at Na Fianna

The Club bar will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Bar will re-open on St Stephens Day at 6pm. Bar opening hours for rest of week as follows; Thursday 27th 7pm, Friday 28th 7pm, Saturday 29th 6pm, Sunday 30th 6pm, New Year's Eve 6pm. The Club office now closed until 2nd January.



Annual Coaching Forum

Our Coaching Development Group is well ahead with their preparations for January's Juvenile Coaching Forum. It will be held in the club on Saturday 19th January and the keynote speaker will be Dr Niall Moyna. Further details to follow.

Na Fianna Club Mass

Annual Na Fianna Mass will take place Sunday 13th January in the Club at 4pm to remember deceased members, everybody welcome.





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Bonn Airgid do Na Fianna!



Bronnadh Bonn Airgid Fhondúireacht Sheosaimh Mhic Donncha ar CLG Na Fianna i bPáirc an Chrócaigh oíche an 15ú Nollaig. Ghlac Ciara agus Eoin MacCába an bonn thar ceann an Chlub.

Onóir mór dár gClub an Bonn Airgid seo. Agus tá sé tuillte go maith againn! Ó bunaíodh an Club tá an Ghaeilge le clos agus á labhairt againn. Le blianta beaga anuas tháinig borradh ar an obair a bhíonn á dhéanamh againn chun labhairt na teanga a chur chun cinn sa Chlub.

Ranganna neamhfoirmeálta sa Ghaeilge labhartha gach oíche Déardaoin ar 7.30pm; Ciorcal Comhrá níos neamhfoirmeáltaí fós ansin ar 8.30pm sa Bhear; agus seisiún ceoil den scoth ansin óna deich go ham mharbh na hoíche! Oíche spraoi a dh'árdódh do chroí in airde sna Flaitheas! Bígí linn agus naoi gcéad míle fáilte romhat!

A lán eile ar siúl chomh maith – Gaeilge ag an Naíonra maidin Sathairn; Seachtain na Gaeilge; Céilithe agus a lán eile fós.

Chun cabhrú linn níl le déanamh ag aon duine ach cúpla focal Gaeilge a labhairt – más maith leat!



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Beimid ar thóir an Bhonn Óir sa bhliain 2019. Beimid ag iarraidh cabhair a thabhairt do mheantóirí an Ghaeilge a labhairt le foirne an Chlub. Gan iachall a chur ar éinne ach ag iarraidh spreagadh a thabhairt do chách!

The Joe McDonagh Foundation Silver Medal was presented to CLG Na Fianna in Croke Park on the night of the 15th December. Ciara and Eoin McCabe accepted the medal on behalf of the Club.

This Silver Medal is a great honour for our club. And we deserve it! From the founding of the Club the Irish language has been heard and spoken among us. In recent years there has been a renewed energy in the work we have been doing to promote the language in the Club.

Informal classes in spoken Irish every Thursday at 7.30pm; even more informal Conversation Circle from 8.30pm in the Bar; and a great music session then from around ten to some time in the dark of night! A night of fun that would lift your heart to heaven! Join us and nine hundred thousand welcomes!

And a lot more going on – Irish at the Nursery on Saturday mornings; Seachtain na Gaeilge in March; Céilís and lots more still.

To help us out all you have to do is talk a few words of Irish – if you want to!

We'll be after the Gold Medal in the year 2019. We'll be trying to support mentors in using Irish with the Club's teams. Not making anyone do anything but trying to give encouragement to all!

Croke Park Newsletter

Croke Park's December Club Newsletter is available to view at the following link

<https://www.gaa.ie/search/crawl/news/read-the-latest-gaa-club-newsletter-december-2018>



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Handball On The Rise in Na Fianna



Handball is on the rise on Na Fianna....and that's official. Pictured above is Na Fianna's Michael Carr who was recently presented, on behalf of the club, with the John Bosco award for the promotion of Juvenile Handball on Dublin by John Molloy, Chairman Dublin County Board.

Commenting on the award, Michael recognised that Handball in Na Fianna is in a good place. "We now have over 500 Juveniles playing in the club", said Michael. "They only play every 4th week but it's a start, it gives them the chance to play and to specialise later on if it's their thing. We also have over 20 Juvenile coaches from U-5 to U-12. This award recognises the long and hard work that has been done in promoting Handball in the club by a dedicated group over the years".



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Na Fianna's Camogie Dub Stars 2018

Premier Dub Star Award



Joy Mullen



Emma Doherty

Senior Dub Star Award



Niamh Rock



Roisin Baker

What better way to clear the head after the Christmas then to head down to Parnells to support the Dub Stars vs Dublin in their annual challenge matches.

Matches will be held on Thursday December 27th in Parnells GAA, Coolock.

- Premier Dub Stars V Premier Dublin at 12 noon
- Senior Dub Stars V Senior Dublin at 2pm.
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7th Annual Christmas Tree Collection Service



The Christmas activities are in full swing with carols being sung, twinkling lights in every window and presents wrapped under the tree. For those of you firmly in the *'it isn't Christmas without a real Christmas tree'* then the Na Fianna Christmas tree collection volunteers are here to help make the experience even easier!

Discover the ease and delight of getting your Christmas tree to the recycling centre by just moving it to your front garden. If you availed of our service last year you will know the joy of no longer finding pine needles in your car in March!

The Na Fianna tree collection volunteers have organised 2 collection dates on Saturdays 5th & 12th January 2019 to have your Christmas tree **collected and recycled for just €10!**

It couldn't be easier to arrange with our club online registration and payment option <http://www.clgnafianna.com/christmas-tree-2019/> or do it now by texting your name, address and preferred collection date to **086-4039035**, payment can be made on the morning of collection. Remember, please have your tree out by 8.30am for our volunteer collectors.

Looking for that unexpected novel gift idea then why not sign up your family member to have their tree collected (remember to tell them what date to have the tree out in their front garden!).

We collect Christmas trees from the Dublin 7, 9 and 11 areas and parts of Dublin 3 close to Drumcondra. Registration open until 9pm on Friday 4th January.

The Christmas tree collection service is a fundraising activity and all proceeds go to Na Fianna GAA club. If you would like to help as a volunteer collector on either of the collection days contact the committee on 087-9092732 – especially if you have a truck, van or trailer to help with the collections!



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GOAL Mile Christmas Eve

Na Fianna Intercounty stars and others will lead out a Mile at 11am Christmas Eve in Morton Stadium Santry. If you're up for it, it would be great to have a big club group to join in the festive fun while at the same time helping GOAL's valuable overseas work - all welcome, anyone can register to run, jog or walk, see link for more details

<https://www.goalglobal.org/events/event/goal-mile>



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All profits go to ChildVision Fundraising.

ChildVision, Grace Park Road, Drumcondra, Dublin 9.

Tel: 01 8373635 Email: info@childvision.ie www.childvision.ie





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....and finally



Best wishes to all Na Fianna members and their families for a peaceful and happy Christmas and for a prosperous new year. Nollaig Shona daíobh go léir.

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