



Na Fianna Nuacht

A Call to Get Together While Staying Apart

Today is the 1st of May, the official first day of Summer 2020. With this in mind, and to welcome the Summer in with a blast, Na Fianna has planned two major events taking place tomorrow Saturday 2nd. While understanding it's a difficult time for all, this is a very special club day planned for tomorrow where, in a sense of community spirit we'll have a chance for all the club to virtually come together while staying safely apart.

Our event organisers have been working flat out to deliver what are going to be two amazing online events. You'll be guaranteed that it will not disappoint as the Club's brightest and best have come together to bring you a day of great fun, club-wide cooperation and essentially a bit of craic in a time where a bit of craic has never been as welcome or wanting. Block everything out for tomorrow and prepare to be entertained and support the events in any way that you can.

The "How do I's" and the "What's" will be answered in the next few pages but the Club is asking you to get involved by supporting, and if you can donate by clicking the following [link](#)

Coast To Coast Challenge

Starting on Saturday morning we'll be looking for the whole club community to (virtually) come together for our VIRTUAL COAST TO COAST challenge #CoastToCoastChallenge. The idea is for as many club members as possible to 'run' from our home pitch on Mobhi Road, Dublin 9 all the way to Leenane in Co. Galway. We're calling our young members in particular to get their club colours on, to run, jump, dance or solo a portion of the journey on Saturday morning next.

We'll kick it off during the last 10 minutes of Nursery on Saturday morning. After Nursery the U-8's will take up the challenge, and then right through the age groups in 10 minute bursts from each group. The aim of the game is participation across all age groups, it's a really exciting concept with our Dublin stars leading the way in the run. This event is designed to serve two purposes - to bring us together for some fun and hopefully help raise funds to complete our All weather refurbishment which is due to start as soon as building restrictions are lifted..



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COAST TO COAST CHALLENGE: HOW TO JOIN THE FUN!

PARTICIPATE:
Register and run in your own group's Zoom session where you'll be joined by a Na Fianna intercounty player (or two)

SPECTATE:
If not running, tune into our Facebook Livestream - 10.30am to 11.30am @ www.facebook.com/CLGNaFianna

DONATE:
If you can, towards our all-weather pitch refurbishment [here](#).

Share YOUR Coast to Coast experience on social media!
#CoasttoCoastChallenge + tag @clgnafianna

Saturday Morning
May 2nd 2020

CLG Na Fianna
VIRTUAL
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CHALLENGE

SPECIAL GUEST RUNNERS ON THE DAY!

Help us run all the way across the country to help build our new All Weather Pitch!

The “run” will be live-broadcast on the Na Fianna Facebook page, so Grandparents and extended family can join in to watch the fun. We'll track progress on a virtual map and feature some special Na Fianna inter-county guests as well as other distractions! All participating Na Fianna teams/groups will be entered into a raffle for a virtual training session AND a grass training session later this year from our Na Fianna inter county players.

We know that for many families the current climate presents difficult times, so we only ask those that can to consider donating based on child €5, adult €10 and family rate €20, details [here](#) . Any funds raised will go towards the renewal of the small All Weather surface planned for 2020.

Details on how to join in with your team will have been circulated by your team mentors so be sure to get in touch with them. Everybody should tune into the Na Fianna Facebook page, see link [here](#) from 10.30am on Saturday to watch all the action in our live Facebook broadcast and support this event. We look forward to your participation on the day as we stay connected the Na Fianna way! Video yourself doing your virtual run and post it afterwards on Na Fianna's Social media. We're all in this together! #CoastToCoastChallenge



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As part two of tomorrow's special Na Fianna online day, a bingo gameshow like no other bingo gameshow you've ever seen or been part of will take place at 8pm. It's going to be some craic and all you need to play is access to the Internet and Facebook.

Buy your Bingo card today by clicking [here](#) and we'll be in contact with you, but remember to buy your card today! Tell all your families, Grannies, Grandads, favourites Uncles and Aunties, nieces etc about this very special, but socially distanced Bingo night.....but tell them all to get their cards online [here](#) before 1pm tomorrow, Saturday.

Both events are planned to be great fun, really innovative and we hope everyone will engage in the sense of community at this time. The day will provide an opportunity to get everyone engaged for some fun while also helping to raise a few euro. Sin é, looking forward to a great virtual Club day, bígí linn! Get involved.





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**COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE
COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

CLG Na Fianna are aware of the potential hardship of the recent situation regarding Covid-19 could bring to a number of people within our community.

Our members would like to volunteer their assistance to support any member of the community who may be reluctant to leave their house.

We are here to help you or a family member who may need assistance in acquiring necessities such as fuel, food, medical prescriptions, etc.

**If you or any family member need any support,
then please feel free to contact us at;**

community@clgnafianna.ie
087 244 6053 #HeartOfTheCommunity

Coaching Development Online

To help coaches through this difficult period, the GAA, An Cumann Camogaíochta and the LGFA have created a series of coach development sessions to take place over the coming weeks.

The sessions will run every Tuesday and Thursday at 7.30pm, which began on 26th March will be along two separate formats. Every Tuesday there will be a live Questions and Answers session with a coach. Any participants in the Q and A will have an opportunity to view the coach delivering a session from the GAA Games Development Conference over the last couple of years and submit their questions via the registration form for the coach to answer live.

Every Thursday there will be a live webinar presented by a coach or coach developer. The webinar will be a 30 minute presentation followed by a live Q and A with the presenter.

Session schedule and more information can be seen at this [link](#)



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Virtual Nursery Proves a Big Hit For Our Small Members

Saturday morning nursery at Na Fianna has always been a busy day for the club, as hundreds of children aged 4 to 7 come together to give GAA a go, most of them for the very first time. There was huge disappointment among local parents and children when the current social distancing restrictions meant that nursery could not go ahead at Mobhi Road.

However, within a week or so, the club's determined juvenile coaching team had a video-conferencing solution in place to keep younger players engaged, involved and enjoying Gaelic sports while sheltering at home. Covering hurling, football and athletic development, the sessions are fun and lively, including ingenious use of rolled up socks (for sliotars) and books (for hurleys), taking into account that many younger children don't have these to hand at home.



Four weeks later, there are now consistently 70-75 households - an estimated 150 boys and girls aged between 2 and 10 - tuning in and joining in each Saturday morning.

If you have a young person who you think might enjoy taking part, give our Nursery Coordinator, Michael Carr a call on 086 332 0771. Na Fianna Abú!



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Na Fianna Hurlers 1963 – Update



Thanks to those who emailed us with details of their recollections of the Guinness ad that was shot in Mobhi Road back in 1963. We can now add that both teams were made up of Na Fianna players playing a “staged” match. In addition to the players previously identified, we can now also add Tony Burke, Joe Goss, Kieran White and Sean Ryan.

We’re still hoping that there might still be more information out there so if you can help identify any of the other players or if you can share any memories of the day itself, we’d be delighted to hear, email pro.nafianna.dublin@gaa.ie The full ad can be seen [here](#)





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Pitches & Club Closed



All Members are reminded again that in line with GAA directives, ALL club grounds are CLOSED for ALL activities. If you see anybody on our pitches please politely make them aware.

Contactless Sunday Carvery

Cater4U's popular Sunday carvery is back again this Sunday - social distancing style!

Choose from:

- Roast rib of beef €10
- Butter roasted turkey crown €10
- Honey and mustard baked ham
- Beef meatballs peppered sauce
- Diced fillet of chicken curry €10
- Prawn stir fry with thin noodles €13
- Chicken stir fry €12
- Buffalo chicken wings

All served with mash, roast potatoes & veg. Kids meals €5.50. Contactless payments, call 087-6537640 or 086-1507561 to order and organise collection on Sunday.



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Club Lotto Results

Members wishing to be included in our fundraising weekly draws can sign up for direct debit by following link [here](#) or via [Clubzap](#). Current Jackpot stands at €5,750. Not too shabby! Sign up today.

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Lotto Results

April 27th 2020

Numbers

4	11	14	21
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Jackpot €5500 - No Winner

Match 3 Numbers €30 - Winner

Declan O'Sullivan (ID 35)	Numbers	7	11	14	21
Fran Larkin (ID 50)	Numbers	4	7	11	21
Gerard Scully (ID 63)	Numbers	4	7	11	14
Gary Power (ID 855)	Numbers	2	11	14	21
Conor Cronin (ID 870)	Numbers	1	4	11	14

Lucky Pick Winner - €20

Gerry Donohoe
Killian Deeley
Grainne Ryan
Helen Campbell c/o Vinny
May Caffrey c/o vinny

Next Jackpot €5750

Croke Park Newsletter

The latest edition of the GAA Newsletter is available to view here;

<https://www.gaa.ie/news/read-the-latest-club-newsletter-april-2020/>



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Some Useful websites for reference and information;

- HSE Coronavirus page: <https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/>
- Department of Health <https://www.gov.ie/en/organisation/departments-of-health/>
- Government website <https://www.gov.ie/en/campaigns/c36c85-covid-19-coronavirus/>
- Department of Foreign Affairs <https://www.dfa.ie/travel/travel-advice/coronavirus/>
- World Health Organisation <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>
- See what your 2km radius from home looks like <https://2kmfromhome.com/>
- Jigsaw, Young People's Health in Mind <https://www.jigsaw.ie/>



Comhbhrón

Sincere sympathies of the Club are offered to the Potter family on the passing of Mrs Mary (Minnie) Fennell, Mother of Eileen, Mother in law of Ger (Na Fianna Facilities Group) and Grandmother of Tadhg (Jnr A Hurling) and Eamonn (Senior 2 Hurling).

Condolences of the Club are also offered to the O'Neill family on the death of Mrs Rita O'Neill, Mother of Ciaran (former member) and Alan (GNS Fitness) and Mother in law of Lynn.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anamnacha.



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.....and finally

Join in the fun and craic tomorrow. In these mad times it's important to share a laugh together. A lot of club members, including some of our Dublin reps (see photo below of recent video call...one of many this week!) have invested huge time and effort in bringing tomorrow about so let's all get behind it and let's support the day. Be part of it and if you can, donate [here](#). Stay safe, stay at home, wash your hands, follow the public health guidelines, and look out for each other.



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