

Na Gaeil Notes Monday April 5th 2021

Covid Update GAA President Larry McCarthy and Ard Stiurthóir Tom Ryan issued the following statement on Tuesday last March 30th: I know you will be aware by now of the positive announcement by the Irish Government this evening that non-contact underage training in pods of 15 will be permitted from April 26th and that full contact Inter-County training at adult level can recommence from April 19th. These are hugely welcome developments and allow us finally to begin planning on-field activity for the remainder of 2021. However, it should also be noted that these dates are conditional and will very much depend on what happens in terms of the overall COVID-19 picture in the coming weeks. For that reason, it is more important than ever that no collective training sessions are held between now and the Government indicated return dates. Breaches in this context will not only be dealt with under our own Rules but would likely put the broader plan to return to activity in serious jeopardy. As you will appreciate, we need to receive further clarity on aspects of what was announced today before finalising our plans for a return to training and ultimately games. We also need to finalise competition structures and dates for the upcoming inter-county season, as well as ensuring advice is provided for all clubs in relation to how they can safely recommence underage activity (and in the case of the 6 Counties, adult club training from April 12th). At this point, we can only confirm that Senior Inter County teams both North and South are likely to be permitted to return to collective training from Monday, April 19th. We hope to be in a position to confirm the fixture calendar and competition structures for inter-county by the end of next week. We also hope to have finalised updated versions of our Return to Play documents for both inter-county and club activity ahead of the stated dates for resumption North and South of the border. In the interim, we would ask for your patience while we complete this work and we look forward to communicating in detail with you all again next week in relation to the resumption of GAA activity.

Club Development Na Gaeil GAA Club is currently taking part in the Munster GAA Club Development Programme and is one of the first GAA clubs in Kerry to participate in such a programme. It is a fantastic opportunity to set out a roadmap for the club thus ensuring that it is doing its best for all members, players, coaches and mentors. The first module was delivered virtually on Wednesday evening last with a large number of our members logged in. It was a very informative session and was expertly delivered by John Dillon and Johnny Joy. We eagerly await the next module.

Sympathy We extend our sincere sympathy to Denis and Eileen Moriarty and the extended Hoare family on the recent passing of Eileen's mother Bridie Hoare of Castle Demesne, Tralee and formerly of Glen Castlegregory. Ar dheis Dé go

raibh a h-anam dílis. We also extend our condolences to Terry and Anne Marie Healy on the sad passing of Anne Marie's father Michael Madden of Cleandries, Causeway. May he rest in peace. Our sincere sympathies also we extend to the Rice Family on the recent passing of Liam Rice of Ballyard and formerly of Kilmoyley. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis. The club would also like to extend its sincere condolences to the Barry and Keating families on the recent very sad passing of Paddy's Barry's wife Mary of Oakfield Square, Oakpark and formerly of Ballyvelly. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam dílis.

Súil Siar Castleisland Mart Club Football Junior Championship, Round 1, Sunday, April 23rd 2013: The Tralee side Na Gaeil travelled to their country neighbours Churchill with expectations of a victory following the experience of their run in the same competition last year. They came away with the spoils following a 2nd half display aided by the elements. Their victory could have been by a greater margin but for a stubborn hard working Churchill defence. In a lively, enjoyable and open game, the home side started brightly and shut out the visitors for the opening quarter-a significant achievement for the club who had to introduce a lot of young players due to injuries and absentees. Noel Dillon opened the scoring in the first minute, followed by a hat-trick from Benny Dillon from dead ball situations, the first a long 55 metre free, the second a peach of a 40 metre sideline and lastly a neat 35 metre effort. The home side seemed to be coasting, but their inability to convert from then on proved costly, as the visitors clawed their way back into the game with a free each from Darragh Carmody and Eamon O'Neill and one from play from Diarmaid Herlihy by the 20th minute. Both sides were squandering chances in front of goal. Na Gaeil in particular wasted three goal chances. Benny Dillon finished off the scoring of the half on the 29th minute with another free leaving the score at half time Na Gaeil: 0-03; Churchill: 0-05. By the 35th minute Darragh Carmody had the visitors ahead for the first time with a brace of frees and one from open play. O'Neill, Herlihy, and Eoin Doody added further points by mid-way in the second half. Benny Dillon pulled one back from a free, wide on the sideline but this proved to be their final score. Na Gaeil drove on from there in the home stretch with points from Carmody(2), Herlihy(2) and one apiece from subs Jamie Lowham and Ian McCarthy. Final score: Na Gaeil: 0-15; Churchill: 0-06.

Na Gaeil: Aidan Quirke, Ross Culloty, Kieran Dineen, David Ross, Jack Barry, Eoin Doody(0-01), Dylan Brazil, Declan Doody, Dan O'Connor, Eoghain Sheehy, Eamon O'Neill(0-02), Robert Murphy, Darragh Carmody(0-06), David Culloty, Diarmaid Herlihy(0-04). **Subs:** Ian McCarthy(0-01) for Dan O'Connor; Timmy Culloty for Aidan Quirke; Jamie Lowham(0-01) for Eamon O'Neill. Referee: Tom McCarthy, Castleisland.

Clubhouse The clubhouse is closed for all outside activities and the gym will also be closed until there is further clarification from GAA Headquarters as to when they can re-open.

Clothes Collection There is now a Clothes Collection Bin situated in Na Gaeil car park for use by all members of the public.