

Na Gaeil Notes Monday November 11th 2019

Munster Championship All roads lead to Mallow GAA Grounds on Saturday next November 16th where Na Gaeil will play Kilshannig of Cork in the Premier Junior Munster Championship Quarter Final at 1.30pm. It is a historic day for our club and we urge you all to come out in your droves, wearing your club colours, to support this great bunch of players whose commitment and dedication throughout the year has been immense. Your presence and vocal support will give a huge boost to the team.

Bus A bus will be leaving Na Gaeil at 11.15am on Saturday morning for Mallow GAA Grounds at a cost of €10 per person. If you wish to travel please contact Seán at the Clubhouse.

St. Brendan's Championship Na Gaeil defeated Churchill in the St. Brendan's Board Championship semi final on Sunday morning in Churchill on a score line of 1-11 to 1-07.

Awards Night Na Gaeil U12, U13 and U14 footballers gathered in the clubhouse on Sunday evening last for their end of year awards night. The hall was packed to capacity with players, mentors and parents for the occasion. Present also were the seven players from the club that represented Kerry in Croke Park during the year and who are wonderful role models for all our young players. Chairperson of Na Gaeil Coiste na nÓg Colm Ó Súilleabháin addressed the large gathering. He thanked the players and mentors for their dedication and commitment during the year and congratulated them on their success in the various competitions. He also thanked the parents for their continuous support and co-operation throughout the season. Last but not least he wished the Na Gaeil Senior Team the very best of luck next weekend when they take on Kilshannig in the Munster Premier Junior Quarter Final in what will be a historic day for the club. Everyone sat down to a delicious meal in the hall which was prepared and served up by our wonderful women's group. It was a great occasion and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. We extend a big thank you to our dedicated women who prepared the food and to Seán and Lorcan behind the bar.

Na Gaeil Ladies We played Finuge/St. Senans in our last game of the year in Na Gaeil on Sunday in the Division 1 North Kerry League Final in wet and cold conditions. We got off to a great start with Eimer playing in Maria for the first goal quickly followed by a point from Megan. Finuge/ St. Senans quickly followed up with a goal and a point to level the game. We replied with a point from Jadyne and two points from Sarah Cunningham but again Finuge/ St. Senans squeezed a goal to level the game after 11 minutes. But our defence tightened up at this stage with Muireann, Clodagh McHugh and Kate Anne not letting another shot on goal for the rest of the remainder of the half. Freya, Sarah Barrett and Eilis were superb on the half back line as Finuge /St. Senans struggled to get out of their half and we took advantage with two points from Maria and six points from Sarah C. With the work rate of Erika, Megan and Jadyne in the half forward putting pressure on their defence, Mary and Nora had control of the midfield, creating chances and defending stoutly. We had a healthy lead for the 2nd half. As the evening darkened, we started the 2nd

half tightly but we had to make a couple of changes which helped Finuge /St. Senans to get three points on the board before our defence settled down again. Muire came into the side and helped herself to a point after Allesandra set her up. Sarah scored another three points before we had to take her off with a slight injury. Siena came into the team for her senior debut and almost opened her account with a goal but was fouled as she was kicking the ball with Maria scoring the resulting free. With a couple of minutes left on the clock, Finuge/ St. Senans scored a goal and a point but after a long 15 months out injured Caragh O'Neill came into the team and helped settle us down to finish off the year with a win on a score line of 1-20 to 3-06. Well done to everyone who has played and trained hard all year. This was another fine team performance despite missing a few players. We were able to add the North Kerry Div 1 Trophy to our Mary Jo A Trophy.

Na Gaeil Ladies Team 2019: Laura Fitzgerald, Sarah Quigley, Mary O'Connell, Brid O'Connor, Nora O'Connell, Jacy Lucey, Eilis O'Connor, Meagan Sheehy, Meabh Barry, Kate Anne O'Connor, Maria Quirke, Sarah Cunningham, Megan O'Connor, Clodagh McHugh, Erika O'Sullivan, Marguerite Maunsell, Clodagh O'Connor, Muireann Moriarty, Emma O'Keeffe, Martina O'Connor, Dearbhla Quirke, Caragh O'Neill, Freya O'Connor, Sarah Barrett, Carla Hanafin, Muire Kingston, Blaithnaid O'Connor, Niamh Plunkett, Ciara Rath, Brid Sinnott, Eimer O'Sullivan, Cara Grealish, Hilary Costello, Allesandro De Leo, Siena Lucey.

Annual Mass Our annual mass for club members with special remembrance of our deceased members will take place in the clubhouse on Thursday November 21st at 8pm. All are welcome.

Race Night A date for your diary. On **Saturday 30th November** we are holding an all sponsored Race Night to finance our increasingly expanding Club both on and off the field of play. It is a special year for the club with the senior team being crowned Premier Junior Champions in May. They now look forward to the first round of the Munster Championship in November with a tilt at the Cork County Champions. This will bring a new but welcome expense. We ask all our supporters, players and parents to purchase a horse @ € 40 from any member of the Race Committee or from the Club Bar over the coming weeks. There will be a prize for the best dressed lady and gent at the event. There will also be Tote facilities. The night is always a great social occasion in the Club. Be part of it.

AGM Na Gaeil AGM will be held in the clubhouse on Friday December 6th at 8pm. All members are welcome to attend. All motions and nominations have to be handed into the club or emailed to the secretary Eamon Browne at secretary.nagaeil.kerry@gaa.ie by Friday November 15th.

Na Gaeil Cycling Club Na Gaeil Cycling Club summer schedule: Saturday mornings at 9.00am from the clubhouse. ALL ARE WELCOME, High Vis essential.

Fir Na Gaeil Light Football Training for Men who have retired from playing football and for those that have not played and would like to try it out. Very little skill is required. This is a great way to keep fit with light training, ball games and a bit of a laugh. . Training is on Monday and Friday nights in Na Gaeil. Contact Eddie at 0876791460 for more info

Mná Na Gaeil We are a Gaelic for Mothers and Others team who come together and do a bit of exercise, football training and socialising. Anyone who would like to join are most welcome, No skills are required, just a good attitude and a sense for fun. Training is on Wednesdays and Sunday evenings. Contact Eddie at 0876791460 for more info.

Lotto The draw for the jackpot of €2,400 took place on Thursday evening last. Numbers drawn were 9, 13, 17, 18. There was no winner. €50 winners were Paudie O’Keeffe, An Ríocht Stonecraft and Vincent Reidy. €25 winners were Noreen Dennehy, Hawley Park, Caroline Flahive, Derrylea, Declan & Anne O’Sullivan, Cluain Dara and Jeremy Burke, Castleisland. Next week’s jackpot is €2,500. All are welcome for the draw in the club each Tuesday night at 10.30pm.

Bingo Bingo is on every Monday night at 8.30pm sharp. We have prize money of over €1,000 guaranteed every week with a mini jackpot that increases fortnightly when not won. A door prize and a half-time raffle with lovely prizes will also take place every week. A bus service is available at 087 2817577. You can ring this number for pick up and drop off. 100% of the funds raised go back directly into the club. The bingo is run on a totally voluntary basis by our club members. A huge thank you to all the parents who offer their time to run this vital fundraiser for the club. If anyone wants to donate a spot prize for our weekly bingo raffle, please leave it at clubhouse and mark it “Bingo”. Thanks to all our patrons who support this event on a weekly basis.

Cards A card game is held every Wednesday night in the clubhouse. This is a very sociable occasion where you meet your friends for a great night's entertainment and relaxation. Starting time is 9.30pm and everyone from novice to senior will enjoy a relaxing game of 45.

Clothes Collection There is now a Clothes Collection Bin situated in Na Gaeil car park.