Na Gaeil Notes Monday 11th December 2023

<u>Lotto results:</u> Lotto Tue 5th December 2023. No winner. Numbers drawn were 1, 5, 7, 16. Lucky dip winners of €20 were Kitty Moynihan, Kathleen Murphy c/o Dan Walsh, Charlie & Monica Fitzell, Tim Coffey, Ann O'Sullivan. Tomorrow night's jackpot will be €4,350. Why not try your luck in our lotto. The links is as follows: https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Na%20Gaeil%20CLG/lotto

<u>RIP:</u> The club would like to extend its deepest sympathy to Jacinta, Mark, Damien, Jack and Clodagh Bourke on the passing of Jacinta's father Jimmy Boyle, Castlemaine last week. May he rest in peace.

Bronze Medal Award: Bronnadh bonn de chuid Fondúireacht Sheosaimh Mhic Dhonncha ar Na Gaeil, Déardaoin seo caite ag ocáid bhronnta sa chlubtheach mar aitheantas ar obair an chlub ag cur an teanga agus an cultúr Ghaeilge chun cinn. Bí Cliodhna Ní Dhufaigh, Oifigeachh Forbartha na Mumhan le Glór na nGael a bhronn an bonn cré umha ar Chathaoirleach an chlub Conor Ó Caomhánach. Is scéim tacaíochta de chuid CLG agus Glór na nGael I FSMD atá dírithe ar chlubanna CLG atá gníomhach I gcur chun cinn na Gaeilge agus a thugann deis do chlubanna forbairt a dhéanamh ar an obair sin ar bhonn tomhaiste agus pleanáilte. Ard oíche a bhí ann do phobal na Gaeilge i gclubtheach Na Gaeil i gcomhluadar a chéile le go leor leor ceol, caint agus craic.

Na Gaeil CLG were presented with a medal from the Joe Mac Donagh Foundation last Thursday at a presentation event in the clubhouse in recognition of the club's work in promoting the Irish language and culture. Cliodhna Ní Dhufaigh, Munster Development Officer with Glór na nGael presented the bronze medal to the club's Chairman Conor Kavanagh. FSMD is a collaborative initiative between Glór na nGael and CLG, a partnership dedicated to enhancing the presence and use of the Irish language scheme across GAA clubs nationwide and gives clubs the opportunity to develop that work on a measured and planned basis. A great night was enjoyed by all present with go leor leor caint, ceol agus craic.

<u>Bag Packing:</u> Last Saturday our Bord na n-Óg held a bag-packing fundraiser in Lidl in Edward Street. A big thank you to Lidl for allowing us the opportunity and to Dan Walsh for arranging it. Well done to the parents, players and mentors who gave their time on the day to help out.

Scór: We'll shortly be starting on our annual Scór journey, and are looking for secondary school kids - up to u/17 - who'd be interested in taking part in drama, recitation, music, singing etc. We'd also be interested in hearing from adults who might like to take part in any of the above too. Please contact Margaret at (086) 0855008 or Mary at (086) 080 6665 if you'd like more information.

<u>Bingo:</u> Our mini jackpot house wasn't won last Monday night so tonight it will be worth €270 if won in 47 calls. Lots of other cash prizes to be won on the night too. Also tickets for the Bumper Christmas Hamper Raffle will be available to buy on the night. Make sure you are there by 8pm sharp. Strictly over 18s. Valid proof is required where necessary.

<u>Volunteers:</u> The club are looking for people to help out at bingo on Monday nights. If you can spare 2 hours every 5 or 6 weeks then Niamh (087-9863667) would be delighted to have you on board.

<u>Fundraiser:</u> Séisiún Aclaíochta Bailithe Airgid Lá le Stiofán.....Fundraising St. Stephen's Day workout in Na Gaeil gym at 10.15 am to 11am. Contact Helen Tansley on 087 7631977 to book your place and for more info. (this is open to male and female adult members of Na Gaeil).

<u>Tesco Blue Tokens:</u> We are delighted to have been chosen as a beneficiary for Tesco's Community Fund. If you, or anyone you know, is shopping in Tesco over the next 5-6 weeks please support Bord na n-Óg with blue tokens available at the tills on payment of groceries. Thanks.

Executive Meeting: The December Executive meeting will be held in the clubhouse next Thursday December 14th at 8.30pm.

<u>Review of u12 girls team's season:</u> We had 2 teams of u12 girls this year and they played in the North Kerry and County Development Leagues. It was great to see them competing so well against strong teams and they improved as the year went on.

Review of u11 boys team's season: Our under 11 boys had a very enjoyable season, beginning in the MTU in January before moving to our home soil in Killeen in March. We had 3 rounds of Go-Games this season, organised by the County Board. These games brought us all around the county, from Moyvane to Kenmare and from Rathmore to An Gaeltacht. Our boys were great to travel, and we fielded two teams at every game. Our younger boys were lucky enough to be invited to the John Lynch Memorial Tournament organised by Austin Stacks and to the prestigious All Ireland Under 10 Celbridge Tournament, where they held off all competition that came their way. This group played plenty challenging games along the way, but these tough encounters served only to instil a bit more grit and determination in our players. We had over 30 boys registered at this age group and each boy had made a huge improvement by the end of the season. A huge well done to a group of players who oozes commitment, talent, skill and croí for football. We look forward to the new season ahead.

Sponsorship Opportunity: If you have a business and would like to promote it with Na Gaeil we have various sponsorship packages available to suit all budgets. Enquiries to Donal (087-2577729) or Terry (086-8293261) or Colm (087-9080465) or Mike (086-2440158) or any member of the club Executive.

<u>Club History:</u> During the year Michael Golden spent many hours putting together a list of notable club results and other information about the club since its foundation in 1978. This can now be found on our website (<u>www.nagaeil.ie</u>). Click on "Club News" then "Weekly notes" and select "Old results by Michael Golden".

Kerry (Men) McGrath Cup Football Fixtures 2024: Round 1 (January 3rd) Kerry v Tipperary. Round 2 (January 8th) Limerick v Kerry. The final is fixed for January 19th.

Kerry (Men) Munster Senior Championship 2024: Semi-final v Cork or Limerick on 20th April 2024.

<u>Kerry (Men) Munster Minor Championship 2024:</u> Quarter-final v Cork on 30th April 2024 at a Kerry venue.

Kerry (Men) Co-Op Superstore Munster Hurling League Fixtures 2024: Round 1 (January 2nd) Kerry v Waterford; Round 2 (January 14th) Tipperary v Kerry. The final is fixed for January 21st.

<u>Hire the Hall:</u> The hall in the clubhouse is available for parties or other events. Please email nagaeilclubhouse@gmail.com if you'd like to make a booking.

Na Gaeil cycle club: Cycle each Saturday at 9am from Na Gaeil club. Everyone is welcome to come for a nice friendly cycle. Please note change of time.

<u>Cards:</u> The weekly 45 card game is held every Wednesday night starting at 9pm. Everyone is welcome.

Notes: If you'd like anything included in the club's weekly notes please send it to me at pro.nagaeil.kerry@gaa.ie before 9am on Monday and I'll do my best to include it.