

# Na Gaeil Notes Monday 18th December 2023

**Nollaig Shona:** Wishing a very happy Christmas to all our club members and their families at home and abroad. Stay safe everyone.

**Lotto results:** Lotto Tue 12th December 2023. No winner. Numbers drawn were 1, 16, 18, 29. Lucky dip winners of €20 were Declan Healy, Joe Moriarty, Katherine Duggan, Siobhán Ní Mhathúna, Ita Behan. Tomorrow night's jackpot will be €4,400. Why not try your luck in our lotto. The links is as follows:  
<https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Na%20Gaeil%20CLG/lotto>

**RIP:** Our sincere sympathy to the family of John Chambers of Camp who passed away last week. John was a very familiar face in Na Gaeil where he held dance lessons for years and he was also a great supporter of our club lotto. May he rest in peace.

**Club AGM:** Our annual AGM will be held on Thursday 18th January 2024 in the clubhouse. All motions for the AGM together with nominations for Officer positions are to reach the Secretary, John Keating via email on [secretary.nagaeil.kerry@gaa.ie](mailto:secretary.nagaeil.kerry@gaa.ie) by Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January. Nomination/motion forms are available from the secretary using the above email.

**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.

**Bingo:** Our mini jackpot house wasn't won last Monday night so tonight it will be worth €280 if won in 48 calls. Lots of other cash prizes to be won as well as the Bumper Christmas Hamper Raffle which will take place tonight. Make sure you are there by 8pm sharp. Strictly over 18s. Valid proof is required where necessary.

**Volunteers:** 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.

**Tesco Blue Tokens:** 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 4-5 weeks please support Bord na n-Óg with blue tokens available at the tills on payment of groceries. Thanks\_

**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.

**Club History:** 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 ([www.nagaeil.ie](http://www.nagaeil.ie)). Click on "Club News" then "Weekly notes" and select "Old results by Michael Golden".

**Review of u14 girls team's season:** The u14s travelled all over the county with some great performances in the County League. They shared the Shield title with Dingle.

**Review of u16 girls team's season:** Our u16s did well in the County League, eventually losing at the semi-final stage. They also had a good run in the North Kerry League where they lost to Kerins O'Rahillys after extra time in the Shield final.

**Review of u13 boys team's season:** Our U13's started their year in the chilly weather in early February in the astroturf in MTU. Interest and skill standards were high from the start as we began to put a kicking and fast paced game-plan into place. Great credit to the players who braved Arctic conditions at times, but hopes were high among players and coaches of a successful year. The boys gathered momentum through the Town/Brendan's Board competition and entered Phase 1 Division 1 of the county league. Competition was fierce and we had wins over town rivals Austin Stacks and John Mitchel's and away to Laune Rangers. Despite falling at home to Killarney Legion, we topped the group and were deserved winners of the league, captained by Tom Slattery. In this period the coaches took the boys to the Munster Senior football final in Limerick to watch Jack Barry & Diarmuid O'Connor in action for the green and gold. In Phase 2 of the County League we struggled with absences and ended up in a Division 2 semi-final against Ardfert. After dispatching our near neighbours, we faced old foes Austin Stacks in the final. In a virtuoso performance, the boys in green, captained by Eoin Tansley prevailed to take the title. Meanwhile our B team also made the final before falling in the final to a particularly strong John Mitchels team. Next up was the annual Rose Cup competition where we beat Churchill, Ardfert and Keel/Listry in the group stages. This led to a semi-final against a strong Cork side Douglas. In arguably our best performance of the year, we won again meaning we faced John Mitchels in the final. In another highlight of the year in a simply sensational contest we took the spoils 3-10 to 3-8 to the delight of winning captain Seán O'Connell. Our final competition was the Central Region where we again played some great football reaching the final. Unfortunately, John Mitchels got their revenge and took the win by the minimum on the day. We are incredibly proud of our U13 players this year, their application and effort at training is always first class and all of the players have come on in leaps and bounds this year. We had 58 sessions and both teams played over 20 games making it an incredibly busy year. Throughout the year, 35 young men wore the green jersey with pride as we travelled the county with our two teams. Many thanks to the coaches who gave up their time to help improve our future stars. Squad; Ibrahim Altayan, Nathan Anthony, Jake Barrett, Ned Breen, Danny Brick, Jayden Chalke, Ruairi Coakley, Andy Costello, Luca Cronin, Aaron Donovan, Philip Doyle, Ephrem Falvey, Kieran Feely, Joseph Field, Adam Fitzgerald, Eoin Hannon, Paddy Hennessey, Jude Hogan, James Kelly, Corey Kinsella, Xavier Kurovski, Éanna Leahy, Rory John O'Brien, Donagh O'Connell, Seán O'Connell, Eoin O'Connor, Dean O'Leary, Ben O'Sullivan, Conor Reidy, William Scanlon, Daragh Sheehan, Jonathan Sheehy, Roma Skchurin, Tom Slattery, Eoin Tansley.

**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.

**Kerry (Men) Munster Minor Championship 2024:** 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.

**Hire the Hall:** The hall in the clubhouse is available for parties or other events. Please email [nagaeilclubhouse@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**Cards:** 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](mailto:pro.nagaeil.kerry@gaa.ie) before 9am on Monday and I'll do my best to include it.