

Na Gaeil Notes Monday 19th December 2022

Lotto results: Lotto Tue 13th December. No Winner. Numbers drawn were 8, 21, 24, 27. Lucky dip winners of €20 were Patrick Donovan, Charlie & Monica Fitzell, Kieran Fitzgerald, Billy Donovan & Maggie Kinsella, Tim Lynch senior. Next week's jackpot will be €1,800. Why not try your luck in our lotto. The links is as follows: <https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Na%20Gaeil%20CLG/lotto>

Lotto QR Code: Another way to play our lotto.....Watch out for the Lotto QR codes located around the bar. Just take a picture of the QR code and follow the steps to play.

RIP: Our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Paul Dunne who died recently. Paul played underage football with the club. May he rest in peace.

Congratulations: Well done to Devon Burns who was in Clonmel last Saturday night to collect his Munster u20 Player of the Year award. Everyone in Na Gaeil is very proud of his continued success.

December Executive Meeting: On Thursday last we had our monthly executive meeting. We were given a presentation by the Chair of a development committee, Jerry Clifford, which had been meeting over the last few months to plan for the future of Na Gaeil club from an infrastructural point of view. Jerry gave an excellent presentation outlining the work and research the committee had undertaken. This included looking to acquire new land and upgrading our existing facilities. The Committee proposed some works on our existing footprint including upgrading our existing juvenile pitch, an astro pitch, stand, dugouts and other works. The plan will be presented to the members early in the new year but the Executive unanimously voted to accept the development committee recommendations.

Also the new management team for the senior men was announced. Namely Paul Fitzmaurice Coach/Manager with Selectors Liam Kingston and Eamonn O'Neill. Strength and Conditioning Eoin Joy. The outgoing Management were thanked for all their efforts and the success they brought over their tenure.

Self Help Africa: Stefan Okunbor was in Kenya in November for the "Plant For The Planet Games" which aims to highlight the impact of climate change and raise sufficient funds to plant one million trees across the continent of Africa. He has set up a fundraising page and would greatly appreciate any donations. The link is <https://giv.i.ng/9GpP> All funds raised will go directly to Self Help Africa.

Post-Christmas charity circuits: St Stephens day @ 10am to 10.45am in Na Gaeil gym followed by mulled wine and mince pies! Open to male and female adult members of Na Gaeil. Donations welcome with all money raised going towards St Patrick's Day Centre here in Tralee. Contact Helen Tansley on 087-7631977.

Na Gaeil Bingo Christmas Raffle: 1st prize €100 cash. 2nd prize €75 cash. 3rd prize €25 cash. 3 tickets for €5. Tickets for sale behind the bar and at bingo tonight (Monday). Please write your name and contact number on the reverse of all tickets you purchase so that it will be easy to contact the winners. Draw will be on tonight, 19th December. All proceeds go directly to the club. Thanks as always for your continued support. Na Gaeil Abú.

Bingo: Every Monday evening in Na Gaeil clubhouse at 8pm sharp. Over €1,000 in cash prizes guaranteed every week, with an accumulator jackpot in play each week. Double book €10, Single book €6, Mini book €3. Jackpot Sheets €2 each. Bus service available on 087-2817577.

Congratulations: Well done to Clodagh Bourke from our girls u14 team who won the top prize of a Samsung Galaxy Tablet in the Kerry Education and Training Board annual Christmas Card Competition. Clodagh is daughter of Mark and Jacinta Bourke and sister of senior players Damien & Jack.

Scór na nÓg: We will be rolling along with Scór na nÓg soon. Its for children ranging in age from 4th class to under 17 who may be interested in drama, story-telling, recitation, traditional music or singing. If anyone is interested in this please get in touch with Margaret at 086-0855008.

Na Gaeil AGM: The club's AGM is due to be held on January 20th. Everyone is welcome.

Indoor Training 2023: Our juveniles are planning to start training for the 2023 season in the MTU on Sunday 22nd January.

Review of our u15 boys year: Our lads had an early start to the year when on Jan 21st they began gym work with Eoin Joy. This continued for 2 months. Our first field session was on Jan 23rd with JJ Canty. Our first competition was the Comórtas an Earraigh in An Gaeltacht on Feb 13th where we defeated Spa Killarney to win the C final.

We played 5 games in Div 3B of the County League and despite only winning 1 game and drawing 1 game we were competitive in all 5 games. Our results ensured that we played Kilcummin in the Shield semi-final and having won that we unfortunately lost out in the final to St Senans.

We enjoyed a great run in the 2022 Féile competition beating Kilcummin and Annascaul/Lispole on day one, and then Sneem/Derrynane/Tuosist/Temploe in the semi-final before losing a very close final to Finuge. Next up in July was the Kellihers Toyota Central Region competition where we played in Division 3. We won 2 games and lost 2. However we were beaten by Ardferd after a replay in the semi-final. We still have the Town Board/St Brendan's District championship to play.

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 back. Every Wednesday night, starting at 9pm sharp. Bring your own partner or come along and we will get you a partner.

Seasons Greetings: Wishing everyone in the club a wonderful Christmas and a safe and healthy 2023.

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.