

Na Gaeil Notes Monday 20th November 2023

Lotto results: Lotto Tue 14th November 2023. No winner. Numbers drawn were 7, 21, 26, 27. Lucky dip winners of €20 were Fr. Amos Ruto, Tony Lyons, Cáit Griffin, Moire Godley, Mary O'Mahony. Tomorrow night's jackpot will be €4,200. 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 Sheila Healy, Ardfert who passed away recently. Sheila was a regular card player at our Wednesday night card game. Also our sincere sympathy to JP Fletton on the death of his mother Margaret recently. Our sincere sympathy too to the family of Maria Slattery, Leith who passed away last Friday. May they all rest in peace.

Club Mass: Our annual mass for deceased club members will be held in the clubhouse next Wednesday 22nd at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Race Night: Our Annual Race Night was held last Friday night in the clubhouse and was also streamed live on Facebook. This event is a very important one for the club as it is the centerpiece of our fundraising activity for the year. Our fundraising activities provide the resources to maintain our facilities at Killeen, to pay for equipment, to look after our players, to keep our gym up to standard, to keep our pitch in top condition and to keep our teams on the road at all grades. The financial support provided by our sponsors is critical for the successful running of the club, so I would like to thank each and every one of you on behalf of all of our members, officers and players for your generous support. Many of our sponsors are local businesses, and over the next number of weeks you will see advertising signage being erected around our pitch and car park. I would encourage all of our members to take note of these signs and to support these businesses whenever you can.

The life blood of our club is the effort put in by all the volunteers who work tirelessly on and off the pitch to make our club successful. Our fundraising committee chaired by Terry McEneaney put in a massive effort leading the Partnership initiative with our sponsors, so a big thank you to Terry, Donal, Cathy, Michael, Colm, the two Johns, the two Tim's and to Eddie for playing their part in raising the funds that will sustain our club through 2024. A big thank you also to the team that runs the Race Night. To Denis Sugrue for acting as Master of Ceremonies, to Denis, James, Brian and Ciara who looked after the technical side of putting the races on screen and managing the Facebook feed, and to Mary Maunsell who managed the Tote with the help of Joe & John and computed the odds on the races. Thanks also to Lisa for her help in putting the race program together, and to Mary and the bar staff for their assistance in hosting the event. Last but not least, thanks to all of our club members and friends and families who sold and purchased horses and to all those who attended on the night to experience a fantastic fun night. Well done everyone. Na Gaeil Abú!

County Final: Congratulations to Mark Bourke who guided Milltown/Castlemaine to victory in the Kerry Intermediate football final yesterday in Austin Stack Park.

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 €240 if won in 44 calls. Lots of other cash prizes to be won on the night too. 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.

U16 Girls: Our girls played Kerins O'Rahillys yesterday in the North Kerry Shield final and were so unlucky to lose by just a single point after extra time. It was an excellent performance from all our girls in tough conditions. They trailed by 9 points at halftime but fought back brilliantly in the second half and were ahead by 1 point in the 5th minute of injury time. That was the last u16 game of the year. Many thanks to Eddie, Mike & Meagan for all the time they put into training the girls.

Ladies AGM: Na Gaeil Ladies will hold their AGM next Sunday at 6pm in Na Gaeil. All welcome.

U17 Boys: Our minor lads season ended yesterday too when they lost to Ballymac in the Town Board final in Ardfert.

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). Click on "Club News" then "Weekly notes" and select "Old results by Michael Golden".

Kerry Men's Allianz National Football League Fixtures 2024: Round 1 (w/e January 27th/28th) Kerry v Derry; Round 2 (w/e February 3rd/4th) Monaghan v Kerry; Round 3 (w/e February 17th/18th) Kerry v Mayo; Round 4 (w/e February 24th/25th) Dublin v Kerry; Round 5 (w/e March 2nd/3rd) Kerry v Tyrone; Round 6 (w/e March 16th/17th) Roscommon v Kerry; Round 7 (w/e March 23rd/24th) Kerry v Galway.

Kerry Men's Allianz National Hurling League Fixtures 2024: Round 1 (w/e February 3rd/4th) Kerry v Carlow; Round 2 (w/e February 10th/11th) Down v Kerry; Round 3 (w/e February 24th/25th) Kerry v Meath; Round 4 (w/e March 9th/10th) Kildare v Kerry; Round 5 (w/e March 16th/17th) Laois v Kerry.

Hire the Hall: 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.

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 before 9am on Monday and I'll do my best to include it.