

ROSCOMMON GAELS

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WEEKENDING MARCH 8TH, 2020











Club Fundraiser WIN A SUBARU



As you are aware the WIN A SUBARU Fundraiser was launched on February 5th, 2020. There has been a great reaction from everyone near and far, both on-line and off-line. As some of you have seen, and participated in, groups of volunteers have spent hours at posts in Casey's Roscommon and Athlone Shopping Centre, promoting the campaign and selling tickets. A Bonus Draw was held on St. Valentines Day and 14 Free Entries to the Main Draw on May 3rd, were won by **David Martin**.

A Second Bonus Draw which is scheduled to take place St. Patrick's Week. This time there are 17 Free Entries to be won. All tickets purchased before Midnight on March 17th will be entered into this draw!!

All families who registered with the Club on Registration Night in the Hyde Centre on February 14th, received a book of tickets to sell. Sold tickets should now be returned prior to the St. Patrick's Day Draw in order to give as many people a chance to win 17 more entries. There are a number of locations (Listed Below) that ticket stubs along with all funds received may be returned to. Please ensure to have all in a SEALED Envelope with your name clearly printed on it. The WIN A SUBARU Committee (Listed Below) is also happy to take envelopes if preferred.

There is 8 weeks remaining before May 3rd approaches and the winner of the 201 D Subaru Impreza will be announced. There will be more updates down the line. We thank you all for your continued support and look forward to seeing you out on the Fundraising Campaign.

Don't forget, if you haven't purchased your entries yet log onto www.winasubaru.ie and purchase 1 for €20, 3 for €50, 7 for €100. Follow the fundraising campaign on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram and remember to

#spreadtheword! **Win A Subaru Committee**: Gareth CarrollCahal Mahon, Tommy Mulry, Oliver Moran, Aisling Neilan, NicolaNerney, Orla Fleming, Declan Molloy. D**rop Off Locations for Stubs**: McNeills Store, Fleming's SuperValu (Mark for Attn. of Orla), Molloy's of Abbey (Mark for Attn. of Declan)

Registration

Please Note that all Players (Adult and Child) MUST be registered with the Club prior to Season commencement. Registration Forms are available from Peter Mullen, Registrar or any Coaches. Please return forms fully completed with necessary funds to either Peter Mullen or Coaches.

Lotto

Jackpot last week was €7,100. There were no winners. The €30 Winners were:

Noel Beattie, Turville Grainne Whyte, Donamon Eileen Mullen, c/o The Hyde Andrew Fox & Glenesse Ryan.

The Weekly lotto is run for the purpose of maintaining our Club House, Pitches and Community Centre. All funds received from the Lotto go towards this purpose. All support is gratefully appreciated.

The Lotto Subgroup are always seeking assistant. If anyone is available to help on weekends for an hour or two please contact Harry Hoare, Treasurer.

Cards

Card Games are every Monday Night in the Hyde Centre. This is a very enjoyable few hours for the Senior Citizens and not-so Senior Citizens of our Community. Everyone Welcome.

Winners from last Monday Night: Maureen Kilmartin

Runner Up: Liam Fleming

Annual Club Mass

The Annual Club Mass took place on Sunday in the Sacred Heart Church, Roscommon. Thanks to all participants (Offertory of the Gifts, Readers, Singers,

Musicians, Leaflet Hander Outers!!, Prayers of the Faithful).

Big thanks to Marie Gillooly who co-ordinated all.

Hurling

U-14's

The Gaels U-14 hurlers played their first match in the County Féile on Saturday evening against Athleague/Tremane/Oran in Lisnamult. It was a very competitive match played in tough conditions with Athleague/Tremane/Oran coming out eventual winners on a scoreline of 2-5 to 1-2.

The Gaels team, led by captain Lochlann Mulry, put in a tremendous effort throughout the whole match. The team played well with the wind in the first-half, and with a bit more luck they would have got the extra scores which their performance deserved. The lads fought with great intensity in the second-half against the elements and it was heartening to see such pride for the jersey amongst our panel. We go again next weekend.

Panel: David King, Brian Geraghty, Aaron Bracken, Cian Kiernan, Bertie Satchwell, Conor Grogan, Lochlann Mulry (captain), Liam Naughten, Conor Mulry, Ciaran Mulry, John McGuinness, Matthew Finneran, Odin Fallon, Eoghan Keavney, Tom Biesty, Harry King, Dylan Fallon, Daniel Fleming.

U12's

U12 Hurling Training Continues every Monday night at the Astro Turf at Lisnamult at 6.00 p.m. Please bring €2 to cover hiring costs. Remember everyone needs to be Registered.

Ladies Football

Roscommon Gaels U16's girls Division 2 League match report: Roscommon Gaels U16's girls ventured to Elphin today to play the newly formed Northern Harps in the first round of Division 2 League. Roscommon Gaels had at a few attempts at goal and clocked up 4 wides in the opening few minutes dominated the opening quarter. Great play at mid-field and forwards saw the Gaels girls build up a healthy lead. Northern Harps settled somewhat after that into the game but it was the Gaels girls who flooded the home team's forwards and held them scoreless at half time heading in to the dressing room with 04-11 on the score board despite 9 wides in the half.

The Roscommon Gaels girls came out fired up and ready for round 2 with fresh legs in from the bench and

all the girls enjoying play time. Excellent play from backs, midfield up to forwards saw the Gaels extend their big lead and dominate throughout. A big cheer came from both teams supporters in the stand as Northern Harps claimed their first score of the game and indeed their first score as a newly formed team by a conversion over the bar.

Roscommon Gaels continued to throw their weight around all over the field building up their tally and Northern Harps saw a player take to the dug-out after being sin binned. The Gaels stayed strong and determined despite another tally of 9 wides finishing the game on a scoreline of 07-17 to 0-1. A mighty opening to their campaign with fantastic team play, scores and superb attack & defence work today from every girl wearing the purple and gold. Well done girls!



Camoige

U8's, U10's and U12's

Camoige for the above age groups re-commenced on March 6th and will continue to be every Friday until further notice. Sessions are indoor for the moment in the Convent of Mercy Gym, Roscommon. Times are as follows:

U8: 6.30 p.m. - 7.10 p.m.

Coach: Lorraine Reynolds - 087-0687248

U10: 7.10 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.

Coach: Joan Moore - 087-9201818

U12: 8.00 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.

Coach: Nicola Crosbie - 086-3440060

All Players must have a Helmet & Hurley. If you are new to the Club and do not have them, please ask coaches for assistance as these items can be purchased at a reduced cost through the club. Players can play indoors with their own hurley if they place a sock over the bás of the hurley. Roscommon Gaels Camoige are always looking for new faces to become involved. No experience required just a smile!!

U14's

U14 camogie girls beat Padraig Pearses on Saturday last in the first round of the Féile Championship. A great

start to a tough campaign. They face Four Roads this coming weekend in the next round.

Boys Football

Under 9 & 10s

Boys Gaelic Football is due to commence for the 2020 Season on March 12th at 6.00 pm on the Astro Turf at LISNAMULT. Please bring €2 to cover costs of hiring please. Contact Enda on 086-3355067 for further enquiries.

U12's

Football Training for Boys U12's take place on Tuesday nights at the Astro Turf. Don't forget the gum shields and €2 to cover the costs.

Remember to layer up if weather is cold also!!

U14's

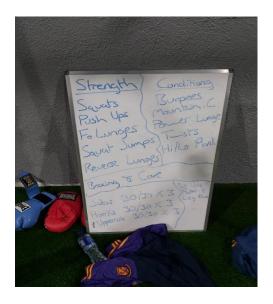
The Under 14's had their first outing, versus Kilmore Shannon Gaels & St. Ronan's, who are the 2019 Feile Champions. Unfortunately it wasn't to be a win for the lads, however only losing by 3 points on Saturday February 15th in Croghan gave them reassurance that they are well fit going forward in the competition.

The team are currently on a 4 week Strength and Conditioning program to show them how to do the basic core exercises properly. It will be monitored throughout the year. Getting a great response from both players and parents on the S&C program.

Next game for the U14's is Sunday March 15th against St Dominic's. This will be the second game of the League for the Purple and Yellow Squads.

Pictures below are from a recent outing of the group to the Kerry v Dublin League Game, plus some from S&C Training Sessions.







1116's

Division 1 Team

On Thursday night last 5th March Our U16 Division 1 team played Kilmore/Shannon Gaels/St Ronans in the opening round of the league under lights. Although short a good few regulars - the lads that stepped in did extremely well.

We played against the wind in the 1st half and conceded an early goal which put us on the back foot. We got back into the game when Mario - our Spanish import got a great goal. We missed a good few chances in the 1st half which came back to bite us in the second half of the game.

Ethan O Reilly & Senan Lambe had lots of possession in the 2nd half and we played very well. Rory Carthy was a loss to us in the 2nd half - he went off with cramp - having played a schools match earlier that day. We had the bare 15 players but each one of them performed very well

Finished 2-10 Roscommon Gaels - 4-05 to Shannon Gaels/Kilmore.

Next Div 1 game is Monday evening 16th March at 7.30 in Strokestown. Our 2nd team has yet to take to the field in their League.

Best of luck to the lads from the U16's this week who are part of the CBS Junior Rugby Team who take on St Murdoch's in the Connaught Final in the Junior Cup in the Sportsground on Wednesday March 11th. Roscommon Gaels players on the team are DJ Hession, Edimar Filho, Michael McAteer, Jack Fleming, Ciaran Purcell, Cormac Dolan, Cormac Feeley, Andreiu Oates & Senan Lambe,

Seniors

The Senior Football team are back in action for a new season. Liam McNeill takes the reins for a 6th year leading the charge. Under his guidance we have made massive progress, bringing the club to two finals, two semi-finals and a quarter final. This year's backroom team is made up of Aidan & Ciaran Heneghan, Damian Martin, Sean Adamson, Francie Hoare, Andy Hession and Shane Hoare. We wish them all the very best as we embark on a new year and a bid to bring the Fahey Cup home.



Guess the Player 20 Questions Segment

This week sees the start of a new weekly segment called "20 Questions". Each week we will have an interview with a Roscommon Gaels player from our teams who will answer 20 questions (or so) as we get to know about them, our players, and about our club, Roscommon Gaels. We want you to guess who that player is.

The first one to email

pro.roscommongaels.roscommon@gaa.ie is the winner. We hope that when you come to support the lads in league or championship you will have a better idea of who you're cheering on! Thanks to xxxxx for agreeing to be the first candidate!! Now can you guess who it is?

- 1. Age, Height & Weight: 20 5ft, 10 & Don't know!
- 2. Nickname & Position: Don't think I have one & Full Forward/Corner Forward
- 3. Honours: Connaught U17 Title, Under 20 Club Title
- 4. GAA Idol Growing Up: Gooch Cooper
- 5. Best Memory in Underage: Feile U14 / Under 20 Title
- 6. Best Memory in Adult Level: Playing Senior Club Football
- 7. One bit of Advice to Underage Players: *Enjoy* playing football it's the most important thing!
- 8. Hopes for Roscommon Gaels for the future: *To win a County Title*
- 9. Best thing about RG Club: Liamy's Curry
- 10. Most scored in one game: 3 13
- 11. Favourite present Roscommon Gaels player excluding yourself: *Stephen Kennedy*
- 12. Quickest player in Roscommon Gaels: Tough one, like to think I'd be close!!
- 13. Fittest and most skilful players in Roscommon Gaels: *Danny Mahon*
- 14. Best Looking Roscommon Gaels Player: *Tim* 'Slabhead' Lambe
- 15. Vainest of the Team: Orin Walsh
- 16. Joker of the Team: Scott Oates
- 17. Mouldies or Studs & Socks Up or Down: Mouldies / Sock Down
- 18. If you could transfer a player to your team who would it be: Shane Purcell from the Juniors
- 19. Salt & Vinegar or Cheese & Onion: Salt & Vinegar
- 20. Favourite thing to do to chill out: Listening to Richard Hughes' awful Spotify Playlist....

Guess the Player answers to pro.roscommongaels.roscommon@qaa.ie