

Na Gaeil Notes Monday 1st January 2024

Lotto results: Lotto Tue 26th December 2023. No winner. Numbers drawn were 13, 21, 25, 29. Lucky dip winners of €20 were Ian Kelly, Kitty Moynihan, Jerry & Carmel Turner, James O'Sullivan, Billy Donovan & Maggie Kinsella. Next draw will be Tuesday 2nd January and the jackpot will be €4,500. Why not try your luck in our lotto. The links is as follows: <https://www.klubfunder.com/Clubs/Na%20Gaeil%20CLG/lotto>

New Year: Wishing a very happy New Year to all our club members and their families at home and abroad. We'd also like to send Seasons Greetings to our many sponsors who have been so generous to our club during 2023.

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 by Thursday 11th January. Nomination/motion forms are available from the secretary using the above email.

Bon Voyage: Best wishes to Jack Barry as he departs for Sydney next week. Jack has always been an outstanding ambassador for Na Gaeil and we as a club are so proud of him and his achievements.

Bingo: Niamh & her bingo committee would like to wish all their bingo patrons a happy & prosperous New Year. No bingo tonight. Next bingo will be held on January 8th. Looking forward to seeing you all then.

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.

Review of u17 boys team's season: Our year started with our first training session on 16th of November 2022 in Na Gaeil gym. We had 53 training sessions between Na Gaeil gym, Banna beach, Ard Na Lí and Killeen. Our first match was in the Town /St Brendan's board league against John Mitchells on the 6th of February 2023 which ended in a draw, Na Gaeil 1-7 to John Mitchells 0-10. We started our successful division 4 county League campaign against Duagh on 18th of February 2023 in Killeen which we won 2-14 to 1-07. Next up was a home game against Cordal/Scartaglen on 4th of March which ended in a thrilling 1-11 to 1-11 draw. We got a walkover against Ballyduff. Our following game was an away game against Templenoe/ Tousist/ Sneem/ Derrynane in Templenoe which ended in 4-19 to 1-10 win. We then had an away trip against Glenflesk in a do or die match which resulted in a great win for Na Gaeil 1-14 to 2-9. This guaranteed us a semi-finals spot. We played Cordal/Scartaglen in a playoff to decide placing in League which we lost 2-13 to 1-8. This resulted in us been placed in second spot and resulted in an away trip to Churchill in the semi-finals. We got a dramatic late goal which gave us a 2-13 to 1-14 win against Churchill. In the final we played Cordal/Scartaglen at Austin Stacks Park. It was a closely fought match which resulted in a brilliant one point win for us on a scoreline of 0-10 to 1-06. Next competition was the Central Region where we hosted John Mitchell's on May 1st which we won by 1-15 to 1-9. The following week we took on Castlegregory away from home where we won by 3-21 to 1-8 score line. Unfortunately we lost the next two fixtures to a very good Castleisland Desmonds side and a semi-final match against Dingle/Annascaul/Lispole. Then there was a break where a number of the players were completing with St Brendan's in County championship. Once we resumed we completed in the u17 club championship. Our first match was against Churchill away from home on 9th of September in the quarter finals where we won by 1-09 to 1-07. Unfortunately we lost in the semi-final against Dingle/Annascaul/Lispole. Panel: Iarla Hanifin, Peter Doyle, Ruari Hanafin, Conor Lucey, Seán Barrett, Kevin O'Donoghue, Jamie Schoenmaker, Liam Cooper, Mark Lynch, Ruadhan Clifford, Oisín O'Sullivan, Jack Costello, Dara Cunningham, William Somers, Fionn Heaslip, Paddy McElligott, Dan Moloney, Fionn O'Brien, Jack Canty, Dylan McEneaney, Seán Barry, Cillian Griffin, Brian Heaphy, Daragh Morris, Ryan Sheehy, Calum Nolan. Management: Aidan Carmody, Maurice Whelan, Michael Moynihan, Seán O'Mahony.

Review of our senior ladies season: Our Senior ladies started their season in March in the Paidí O'Sé tournament, winning the Senior Shield competition. They carried on with more success winning the Division 1 County League defeating Southern Gaels in the final. The team did well in both the Donal Curtin Cup and the Senior Championship with very tight games in both competitions. A big thank you to all our sponsors, Fitzgibbon Interiors, Leahy's Chemist and Dillon's Waste & Recycling.

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.

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.

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 2-3 weeks please support Bord na n-Óg with blue tokens available at the tills on payment of groceries. Thanks.

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) McGrath Cup Football Fixtures 2024: Round 1 (Wednesday January 3rd) Kerry v Tipperary in Austin Stack Park at 7.30pm. Round 2 (Saturday January 6th) Limerick v Kerry in Rathkeale at 2pm. The final is fixed for January 19th.

Kerry (Ladies) National League Fixtures: Lidl Ladies (LGFA) National League 2024 fixtures: Round 1: January 21st. Dublin v Kerry. Round 2: January 28th. Kerry v Waterford. Round 3: February 4th. Kerry v Cork. Round 4: February 18th. Kerry v Mayo. Round 5: March 3rd. Armagh v Kerry. Round 6: March 17th. Meath v Kerry. Round 7: March 24th. Kerry v Galway.

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 (Tuesday January 2nd) Kerry v Waterford in Austin Stack Park at 7.30pm. Round 2 (Sunday January 14th) Tipperary v Kerry in Nenagh at 2pm. 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 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 before 9am on Monday and I'll do my best to include it.