



# Clanna Gael Fontenoy GAA Club

## CLANNS UPDATE



### Intermediate footballers run Crokes close

Our Intermediate footballers were a somewhat unfortunate not to have scored a victory last weekend over Division 3 table toppers, Kilmacud Crokes. The four-point losing margin belied the fact that, had Clanns taken more of the scoring chances that they created - particularly in terms of goals – they could well have claimed victory. Every time the ball was delivered into David Lyons at full forward it seemed to create panic in the Crokes defence and it created the platform for some fine scores. So there's a sound basis there on which to build.

**Clanna Gael Fontenoy 0-15 Kilmacud Crokes 1-16**



*Clanns Intermediates v Crokes*

### Victory on the double for U11 footballers

Two football teams lined out for Clanns against O'Tooles last Saturday. One team - comprising Senan T, Dáire, Dylan, Hugh, David, Padraig, Ben, Oisín H, Oisín B, Jack and Joseph – produced a strong performance. O'Tooles got off to a great start with an early goal and point. But two expertly-taken quick fire points and a goal from Dylan put Clanns in control and they kept their noses in front right until the end of this close encounter.

In defence Oisín H put in a great performance blocking and tracking all day. Daire and Joseph also kept a close eye on their opponents. In midfield Jack and Hugh were dynamic in their running and passing. Scores from David, Jack and Hugh gave Clanns a two-point, half-time lead. The second half was just as tight. David Gilligan was excellent in goals and Oisín B showed really well for the ball and always looked for the right pass. Ben and Senan T worked tirelessly up front and some well-taken points from Daire and Jack kept the score board ticking over. In the end well-taken goals from Padraig and Hugh made all the difference.

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## Club News

### Sam comes to Clanns

The Sam Maguire Cup will be on view at the Club this Saturday morning from 9-11am. This affords a perfect photo opportunity so come along and bring your camera!

The Cup will be doing the rounds of local schools on 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

### Race night - support

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October next features a Race Night in the Club bar. It promises to be a great night with plenty of opportunity for a flutter and a bit of craic.

It costs just €10 to 'purchase' a horse, jockey or trainer; €100 to sponsor a race and €100 to take a full-page advertisement in the race programme. You can do so by contacting any of the following:  
Ciarán Murphy 0872333720  
John Dodd 0879386199  
Pat Duffy 0879425016  
Felix O Regan 0876481644  
Ross Morgan 0876354187



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### Focus Ireland sleep out

The Club is also proud to be hosting a Sleep Out on its premises on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, for the charity Focus Ireland on behalf of Sober Lane.

Members are being asked to support this good cause in one or other of two ways: by taking part in the Sleep Out and registering at <http://bit.ly/sleepout15>; or by making a donation at <http://bit.ly/donateFI>.

### Member subscriptions

Member subscriptions are now due for the new Club year. Online payment is made easy through the following link - <https://pay.easypaymentsplus.com/login.aspx?id=426>

Please renew your membership as soon as possible. New members are of course welcome at all times.

### Féile fundraiser - thanks

Many thanks to all who supported the U14 Féile fundraisers during the year. The winners of the Sports Prediction Competition are:-

1. David/Tom Widger (€200)
2. Ciaran/Noah Scollard (€100)
3. Paula/Chris Cosgrave (€50)



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The other team of Finn, Ethan (0-1), Jonathan (1-0), Noah, Adam (0-1), Senan H (1-1), Mark, Jack (1-2), Francis and Aidan (2-7) experienced a tight encounter against a skilled and physical O'Toole side. Five minutes into the game the lads had conceded two goals and a point. Senan H opened the reckoning for Clanns cutting through their defence to score a stellar goal. Adam fielded their kick out, found Jack who sailed it over the bar. Francis blocked a midfield clearance, retained the ball, found Aidan who popped it over the bar. They were back in the game. The remainder of the half was tit for tat. Johnathan, Jack and Ethan scored a goal apiece making good use of hard won ball by midfielders Francis, Senan and Adam. The half finished all square.

In the second half the lads marked better, won 50/50 balls and won more possession from the opposition's kick outs. Noah and Mark did well in midfield, winning high ball and sent good ball into the forwards. Aiden and Ethan worked well together with some good off loads which saw Aidan amass a second-half score of 3-3 - that boy was having fun! Finn was tracking players that didn't belong to him and Jonathan made two goal saves that kept his team in front to gain a good victory. Thanks to Dermot Flanagan who stepped in to referee.

**Clanna Gael Fontenoy 0-19 O'Tooles 0-15**

**Clanna Gael Fontenoy 7-10 O'Tooles 7-4**

### Strong performance from U16 hurlers – despite the goals

As the saying goes, it's goals that win games. This was never truer than in last weekend's U16 hurling Division 1 clash between Isles of the Sea (the combined Clanns and Scoil Uí Chonaill team) and St. Vincents. The first half was very close throughout with Isles appearing to get more confident in their play and stronger in their tackling as the game went on. The evidence of this came when they actually took the lead by a few points early in the second half. Unfortunately, a series of slip ups which led to a string of goals for Vincents were to be their undoing.



*U16 Isles of the Sea hurlers v Vincents*

Still, the team can take considerable heart from this performance against a long-established team like Vincents. On the basis that they can address the shortcomings that gave rise to that many goals being conceded, they can prepare with confidence for their forthcoming Championship Final against Balinteer St Johns. That match takes place on Sat 17<sup>th</sup> October at 13.30hrs in O'Toole Park and all support will be very welcome.

**Isles of the Sea 1-23 St Vincents 5-20**

## U12 girls show good footballing form

Over the last three weeks our U12 girls football team has played Castleknock, Lucan Sarsfield and Na Fianna. They got things off to a good post-summer start, winning against Castleknock and Lucan.

They had a titanic struggle away to Na Fianna last Saturday, where the pitches were really tight which didn't suit our girls. Still, they managed to compete really well. These proved to be very competitive games with very little between the teams and Na Fianna finally edging it on the overall score. The girls are really playing well at the minute; and with Scoil Mhuire in the quarter finals of Division 1 of the schools competition let's hope they can keep this form up.

## U8 footballers keep best for Crokes

The U8 boys travelled to Oatlands to play the footballers of Kilmacud Crokes last Saturday. This was a fixture that some of them were not looking forward to given the recent results they've enjoyed against the south Dublin powerhouse. However, they need not have worried as they put on one of their best shows of football with long passages of great interplay, more than compensating for the opposition's individual strengths.

On a day that will be best remembered for the boys' great teamwork there were also some fine individual performances worthy of mention. Sebastian Mohan and Aiden Wehrley had two outstanding displays in the Clanns colours. Peter Crowe, Charlie Graham and Jake Sherry shone in defence and Bernard White scored the finest point of the day running on to a pass from Cian Carmody. James Sullivan and Daniel McCullagh also had great games and seemed to enjoy getting a result against our great rivals.

## U15 footballers prepare well for semi final



Our U15 footballers did their preparations for their forthcoming Shield semi-final clash against Thomas Davis a power of good with a convincing 5-9 to 2-9 win over Kilmacud Crokes in a recent friendly. That semi final takes place next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> at 11.30 in Kiltipper Road. All support would be greatly appreciated by the lads.

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### Róisín Mhic Aogáin R.I.P.

The Club notes with sadness the recent death of Róisín Mhic Aogáin, friend and supporter of Clanna Gael Fontenoy and wife of former Club Chairman, Seán Egan. We wish to extend our deepest sympathies to her daughters – Muireann, Brídín and Órla – and to her extended family and circle of friends. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam.

### Level 1 coaching course

The Club is pleased to provide a Level 1 football coaching course which gets underway in October. Places are limited to 20 in total with 10 reserved for Club members. The cost for our coaches is €60 (€90 for external applicants). Starting at 7.30pm each night and taking about 2.5 hours, the course will take place on these dates:

- Mon 5<sup>th</sup> and Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Mon 12<sup>th</sup> and Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Mon 19<sup>th</sup> and Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Oct
- Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Nov

Anyone interested should register your interest with Claire Ryan as quickly as possible – [claireryan.gpo@gmail.com](mailto:claireryan.gpo@gmail.com). Note: all Foundation Level coaches are entitled to apply. The Club will also be hosting a Foundation Level course in November for new coaches.



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