



Clanna Gael Fontenoy GAA Club CLANNS UPDATE



U8 girls fare well in first outing

Our U8 girls, coached by Daire and ably helped by Eamon Forbes and Claire, had their first match of this season last weekend against visitors, St Judes of Templeogue. Given the sudden cold and wintry conditions it was a great turnout and both clubs were able to field two teams each.



St Judes took an early lead thanks to the skills of their forwards. However, Clanns weren't perturbed by this and an early equalising goal from Anna Moran brought them back into the game. By the end of the first half Judes led by 1-3 to 1-0. During the break the team was brought into a huddle by coach Daire who lay down the tactics for the second half.

Sure enough Clanns got the second half off to a good start with another goal from Anna Moran but the opposition forwards proved adept at putting over points about which Clanns goalkeeper, Isabelle Meaney, could do nothing. Some good attacking chances by Molly Byrne Dulin, closely supported by Laoise McKenna and Brooke O'Connor, looked promising; but unfortunately the strong St Judes defence didn't allow Clanns any further scoring opportunities. In the end the result stood 2-3 to 2-0 in favour of the visitors.



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Club News

Congratulations to

.....our Junior Ladies football team who beat St Brendans on a score line of 2-13 to 1-5 and in doing so secured a clean sweep for 2015 of league, championship and cup competitions.

Halloween fun day



The Club is hosting a Halloween Fun Day this Sunday 1st November from 4-8pm. There'll be prizes for best costumes together with music and games. Be sure to bring the kids along.



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On the B pitch it was a very different story however, with Clanns winning 0-13 to 0-3. This game saw some good inspirational play from Ruby Kenny and some fine ball skills from Jessica Lee, Ruby Madden and Beth Manzoceli. Clanns were dominant from the start so much so that Jude's were simply not able to draw close.

Minors suffer heavy defeat in quarter final

Struggling with numbers as so many regular squad members were away or involved in other sports, our Isles of the Sea (Clanns and Scoil Uí Chonaill combined) Minors were forced to play their football championship quarter final match away to St Patricks Donabate last Sunday with eight U16s on the field. Nevertheless, all the players acquitted themselves well; and, had Isles been able to field a full side, the team could have found itself in a semi final. Credit must go to the younger lads – Dean Fitzpatrick, Cian O'Regan, Sean Barry, Ted Walsh, Robbie Kennedy, Cian Nannery (0–1), Aaron Linehan and Patrick Duffy (1–0) for their never-say-die attitude; also to the older lads for stepping up to the mark in challenging circumstances - Harry Wesley, Jack R, David Byrne, Sean Rimmer, Dean Tilley, Dylan Johnson (0–1) and Rosso (1–2).



Overall the final score did not reflect the run of the game as the hosts tagged on a number of goals towards the end of the match when our lads tired and failed to keep their shape. Hopefully 2016 will bring some overdue silverware at this grade.

St Patricks Donabate 6–17 Isles of the Sea 2–4

Intermediate hurlers bring season to end



Our Intermediate hurlers lost to St Brigids in their last league fixture of the season. Still, the team mentors and players will be pleased to have competed well throughout the league campaign and created the basis for further progress in the season ahead.

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Aussie rules players on view

The Aussies International Rules team is scheduled to train at the Club this Saturday (31st) between 10.00-11.30hrs, ahead of their game against Ireland on 21st November in Croke Park.



The session itself should make for interesting viewing and the players will be happy to pose for pictures and autographs afterwards.

Race night success

Thanks to all who supported last Saturday's Race Night at the club – those who attended, those who provided financial support, our advertisers and sponsors. It turned out to be a really enjoyable night and a successful fundraiser for the club. Great credit is due to all who help in its organisation - in particular Ciarán Ó Murchú.

Christmas date

Saturday 12th December will see this year's Christmas Dinner and Party take place at the club. And if last year is anything to go by, it promises to be a great event. So put the date in your diary and await further details.