



# Clanna Gael Fontenoy GAA Club CLANNS UPDATE

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## History in the making

Since 2010, the Club has won the Dublin Ladies Intermediate championship twice – both in the final minutes of the game. As is customary on such occasions, supporters of the winning team venture onto the pitch to celebrate.

Our photo of the 2010 game shows a group of Clanns U10s celebrating on the Parnell Park turf with one of the players, Amy Branagan (who was also their coach at the time). This includes two particularly promising young players, Maria O’Dea on the left and Kate Benson second from the right.



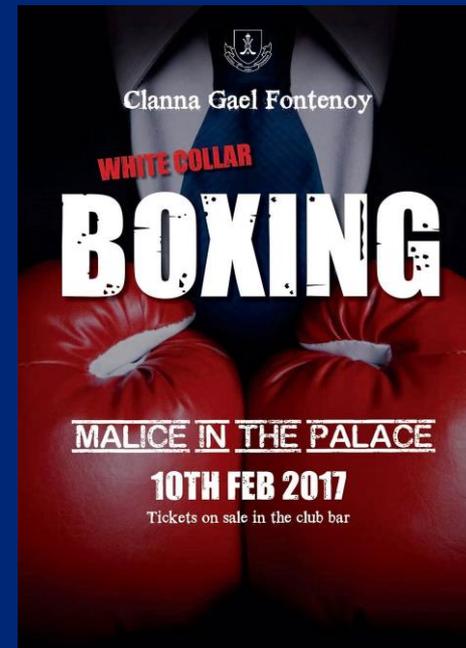
Fast forward to a similar celebratory photo after the 2016 final. Again Maria O’Dea features (front left), but this time as a senior player on the Championship winning team. Kate Benson is also part of the senior squad but didn’t feature in the final.



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## Club News

### White collar boxing



A fundraiser organised by the club’s senior players looks set to provide a cracking night’s entertainment.

Friday February 10th sees some of the adult footballers and hurlers compete with one another in the boxing ring. It all happens in the Palace on Camden Street, kicking off at 6.30pm. Tickets are €20 and are on sale in the Club every Tuesday and Thursday night at 8pm, as well as being available from all boxers competing. They’re selling out fast so get your hands on them quickly - enquiries to [clannswitecollar@gmail.com](mailto:clannswitecollar@gmail.com).



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And who was captured cheering on the Clanns team to victory that same day – none other than Amy Branagan who has since retired from playing.



Photos courtesy of GAA Pics

## Minor matters

Our minor footballers have followed their hurling counterparts in linking up with the Scoil Uí Chonall club to play as a combined team in the colours of *Isles of the Sea*. In this way it is expected that the players will play at a competitively high level and thus maintain their involvement in the game so as to line out again for their respective clubs in due course. The hurlers acquitted themselves very well in the Division 2 league last year, as well as contesting the C Championship final. The footballers will be aiming to emulate if not surpass those achievements.



Evan Caulfield and his fellow minors delivered a commanding display against St Peregrines in their first friendly fixture of the season

## Senior footballers enjoy first outing

Our adult footballers had their first outing of the year when they took on Ballivor of Meath on Sunday. Bolstered by a new management team of Collie Reynolds with Liam Deering and John Dodd in support, and also by an early start to training in December, they overcame their visitors by 0–16 to 0–9 in an entertaining tussle. Driven on by some fine scoring and pin-point passing in the first half by Ciaran Diveney (0–3) and also some nice score taking by Des Og Markey (0–2), Clanns led by 0–7 to 0–5 at half time aided by a splendid effort following a massive run upfield by full-back, Joe Hennessey (0–1).

The second half continued in the same manner, with the mid-field pairing of Austin Dodd (0–2) and Kerry Mulvihille (0–1) contributing strongly, together with Pauric Moylett (0–2), Michael Power (0–2), Sean Rimmer (0–1) and Darren O’Brien (0–1), all getting on the score sheet. Interestingly it was the first time we saw the new ‘mark’ rule in action and this led to fine fielding from David Meenan and Austin Dodd. There were many fine performances, notably Mark Stafford at corner back and JP Pugh at centre back. A good start but more to do.

  
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### Clanns girls on Dublin panel

Congratulations to Clanns players, Claire Byrne, Maria O’Dea and Ella Thirroueiz who have been chosen to join the Dublin Minors panel for 2017.



### Lotto Online

Imagine winning €10,000 ..... well it could be you if you're our next lucky Lotto winner. It's never been easier to play the club Lotto as it can now be played online by clicking [here](#).

The weekly Lotto draw selects four numbers from 1 to 32. If anybody matches the four numbers selected on the night he/she wins or shares the Jackpot. As a special bonus you will get 2 draws FREE if you buy 50 draws online for €100, otherwise tickets cost just €2 each with a minimum purchase of €10 required online. There will also be five €20 Lucky Dip prizes drawn weekly. With our new online Lotto you can pay by debit or credit card to play for up to a year in advance so you will never miss a draw. There is also a quick pick facility and you can renew your subscription automatically.

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