



Clanna Gael Fontenoy GAA Club

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Competitive debut for U8 hurlers

Congratulations to our U8 hurlers who played their first competitive game in the club colours last weekend. They entertained visiting teams from Foxrock's Geraldine Morans and well matched the visitors for skill, energy and determination.



U12 footballers blitz the opposition

Our U12 footballers made a good start to the season in their blitz grading matches. Both teams delivered very strong and hungry team performances which reflected the great effort that is being put into training.

Team 1 lined out against Oliver Plunkets in Ringsend Park. The boys started very strongly, moving the ball quickly and efficiently up the pitch from defence to attack. Our strong defence snuffed out a couple of Plunketts' early moves and this allowed our forwards to score a couple of fine team goals from which they never looked back. The passing and movement was excellent and the visitors struggled to live with the Clanns work rate. Despite being well on top throughout the game the boys stayed disciplined at all times.

Clanna Gael Fontenoy 11-13 Oliver Plunketts 0-1

Team 2 played away against Kilmacud Crokes 4 at Ballycorus with an impressive display by the whole team, showing great defensive work. Giacomo Donlon was outstanding between the posts, saving several sure goal chances. Good support play and accurate passing to the forwards produced five excellent Clanns goals.

Kilmacud Crokes 0-4 Clanna Gael Fontenoy 5-4

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on the Club's activities

Club News

Our new Club Calendar on our website contains key club dates for the year including when we are running our Coaching Foundation courses, Child Protection Workshops, the dates for all juvenile first matches of the season, our Easter camp & Family Fun Day; Also the GAA hurling, camogie and football final championship dates.

The calendar will be updated continuously as we finalise the details of further events. Why not take a look at the Club calendar now - www.clannagaelfontenoy.ie - and mark the important dates in your diary?



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Visitors to the club

The club welcomed a delegation of public and community representatives on Saturday morning. They took the opportunity to see plenty of training activity in the Academy and out on the pitches; this was followed by some tea and coffee in the clubhouse.



L to R back row: Frank White, Eoin Ryan, Pat Kane, John Daly (Covanta), Councillor Dermot Lacey, Senator Kevin Humphreys, Minister Eoghan Murphy; L to R front row: Peter McLoone (Community Gain Fund), Michele O'Briain, Bernard Barron, Roger McGrath

Things looking good with our senior footballers

Our senior footballers had a few outings last week in preparation for their forthcoming cup and league fixtures and of course as a warm-up to the event of the year on Friday night last - The White Collar Boxing extravaganza in the Palace on Camden St.

First up were St. Vincents who were dispatched by a spirited performance aided by a large panel of players all eager to impress and get a starting berth in the weeks ahead. On a final score line of 1-12 to 1-8 Clanns won in a high quality game considering the conditions and early stage of the year. This was all the more remarkable a result considering the team suffered a heavy defeat to them in the league last year.

The second game was against Bank of Ireland. This was another good test against an opposition that are always competitive. With a strong breeze Clanns put in a big score in the first half and went into the break 1-12 to 1-1 ahead. While the Bank of Ireland made a good comeback after the break, the stronger side ran out winners by 3-4 to 2-2 in the end. All focus now is on the first cup match in Sean Moore Park, Sunday February 19 at 10.30hrs against St Brigids.

U14 girls record good wins

Over the last two weeks the U14 girls have played a number of challenge matches. First up was Ballinteer St. Johns who provided tough opposition for both our Division 1 and Division 5 teams. While the former recorded a great win with a last minute goal by Ella Darcy, the latter enjoyed a comfortable victory with some excellent all-round performances. This was followed last Saturday by our Division team playing host to Skyrne (Meath). The first half was reasonably close but the second half proved to be a different story with Clanns eventually winning on a score line of 8-12 to 3-8.

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Family Fun Day

Make sure to save Sunday 2nd April in your diary for the club's Family Fun Day. There'll be plenty of games and activities for children, a 1k run for juniors as well as a 5k run for adults - plus a BBQ for all.



Marian march on

Congratulations to the Marian College team on their great schools final win during the week – and not least to the Clanns players who contributed well to the victory.



Dublin Squad

The club has three representatives on the Dublin girls U14 football squad and they acquitted themselves very well in a recent game against Tipperary.



Congratulations to Lucy Crowe, Allie Griffen and Ella Darcy

Minor hurlers prepare well

Our Isles of the Sea minor hurlers had a useful outing when they hosted visitors Clontarf in a friendly. No surprise that the hurling looked a little rusty in places at this early stage of the season and the very cold and windy conditions did not help. Still it proved a very useful exercise for both sides with Isles proving just too strong at the final whistle. So it's two wins out of two friendlies this year to date; taken in combination with a good strength and conditioning regime preparations are going well for the league which gets underway shortly.

Isles of the Sea 3-7 Clontarf 0-6



Boxing event a great success

Well done to all involved in making the *White Collar Boxing* fundraiser such a success. Organised by the adult footballer and hurlers, last Friday night's event in The Palace on Camden Street attracted great support and they got a great night's entertainment.



Colly Reynolds and Marc Campbell shape up in the deciding bout of the night which the former won.

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Lotto Results

The following numbers drawn on February 13th did not produce a winner and the €10,000 and €5,200 jackpots have been carried forward:

1, 4, 10 and 30

16, 23, 24 and 28

The lucky winners of €20 were:

Jay Byrne, Irene & Teresa, Stuart Kent, Lar Cassidy and Siobhan Bolger.

It's never been easier to play the club Lotto as it can now be played online by clicking [here](#).



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