



COUNTY BOARD NEWS

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PRO Training Session

A training session for PROs focussing on sports writing and photography will take place on **Saturday October 2nd from 9.30am to 1pm** in Rochestown Park Hotel, followed by a light lunch.

[Click here](#) to download information and an application form, or see www.gaacork.ie



Divisional Websites

Congratulations to Avondhu GAA, who recently launched their new website,

www.avondhugaa.com

This brings to four the number of divisions with updated websites – see also

www.eastcorkgaa.com

www.muskerrygaa.ie

and

www.carberygaa.ie.

We would encourage the remaining divisions to follow suit.



Cork Footballers Reach All-Ireland

Congratulations to the Cork Senior Footballers, who reached the All-Ireland Final by defeating Dublin on August 22nd, on a scoreline of 1-15 to 1-14.



*The Cork team who defeated Dublin in the All-Ireland Semi-Final
Photo courtesy George Hatchell

Cork now go on to meet Down in the All-Ireland Final on September 19th in Croke Park, the first ever meeting of these two teams in an All-Ireland Final. They will train on **Thursday September 2nd at 6.30pm in Páirc Uí Chaoimh**, so please come along and show your support.

Keep abreast of the build-up with our **All-Ireland Diary** on www.gaacork.ie, where we'll have details of training sessions, player profiles, interesting facts and more as we count down the days to the Final.

Please note that tickets for the All-Ireland Final are only available through GAA Clubs, and must be applied for in writing using the form which will be sent to all clubs.

Congratulations to Cork Minors

Our Cork Minor Footballers, with Coach Brian Cuthbert, will join their Senior counterparts in the All-Ireland Final, where they meet Tyrone, having defeated Galway in the semi-final. Once again, they showed great character to come back from being three goals down and held on for a thrilling last-second victory on a scoreline of 3-15 to 5-8.



Dates for Your Diary

2nd September:

Cork Senior Football Training, P. Uí Chaoimh, 6.30pm

7th September:

County Board Meeting

13th September:

Launch of Cork GAA Clubs' Draw, Blackrock GAA

19th September:

All-Ireland Senior and Minor Football Finals, Croke Park



U17 Football

On Saturday Sept 4th 2010, a coaching clinic for free-takers and goalkeepers in football will take place in CIT at 11am, organised by the Cork Under 17 Football selectors and featuring Daniel Goulding (*below*) and Alan Quirke. For more info

contact **Tim**

Buckley at 087-

9597464 or see

www.gaacork.ie



Cork GAA Clubs Draw

[Click here](#) for August results. The 2010/2011 Draw will kick off in October – for full details see www.corkgaadraw.ie, or click on the image below. The new Draw will be launched on Monday, September 13th at 9pm at Blackrock GAA Pavillion.



Gaeilge/ Cultúr

Le Liam O Laochdha
Oíche ag na Madraí
 Ná déanaigí dearmad ar an 24ú Meán Fómhair ag Staid na gCon i mBaile an Easpai i gCorcaigh. Tá Oíche Mhór eagraithe ag Cumann Camógaíochta Corcaigh chun airgead a bhailiú don fhorbairt leanúnach atá ar siúl i mBóthar an Chaisleáin. Tá urraíocht á lorg chun cabhrú leis an obair seo: Rás - €500, Madra - €50, Ticéad - €10. Cabhraigí le bhur dtoil. Gach eolas ó: Mary Newman 087 6100852, Marion Mc Carthy 087 2662690, Síle Golden 087 2268341, Mary Mc Sweeney 086 2399732 nó ag www.corkcamogie.ie



Coaching and Games Development

Coiste Oiliúna organised a series of hurling and football Blitzes over the last 2 weeks for clubs who ran VHI GAA Cul Camps in 2010. Clubs sent their under 10 teams and the Blitzes were held in Páirc Uí Chaoimh which proved a major attraction for both parents and players alike.



Bride Rovers and Sliabh Rua players at the Blitz

In all over 60 clubs took part and over 600 children got the chance to play on the hallowed turf, for many, an experience that may never occur again! The GAA RESPECT Initiative was very evident, ensuring full participation and fair play throughout.



Urhan U10s in Páirc Uí Chaoimh

Fixtures

Wednesday 1st September

@ Ballyhea, Liam Breathnach Cup S-Final, Ballyhea v Mallow, 6.45pm ET

Friday 3rd September

@ Minane Bridge, PIHC S-Final Courcey Rovers v Ballymartle, 6.30pm (D. Copps)

Saturday 4th September

- @ Páirc Uí Chaoimh, SHC Replay Erin's Own v Newtownshandrum, 4pm ET
- @ Páirc Uí Chaoimh, SHC Replay St. Finbarr's v Glen Rovers, 6pm ET
- @ Bandon, S. Ó Murchú Cup, Bandon v Barryroe, 4pm
- @ Cobh, S. Ó Murchú Cup, Cobh v Blackrock, 4pm
- @ Dromina, S. Ó Murchú Cup, Dromina v Kilbrittain, 4pm
- @ Ovens, S. Ó Murchú Cup, Eire Óg v Ballygarvan, 4pm

Evening Echo

GAA Email Warning

Please note that users of an official GAA email account should not divulge account details if requested. If you receive such a request, please forward it to the GAA Email Helpdesk at mail.support@gaa.ie immediately and then mark it as "Report spam".



Coaching Forum

The 10th Coaching Forum "Playground to Podium" promises to be the most exciting and challenging forum to date. It will address coaching issues at all levels of Sport & Physical Activity. Keynote speakers will include Kilkenny hurler Henry Shefflin (below) and GAA President Christy Cooney.

The Forum takes place **on September 11th** in the Dublin Convention Centre and you can register online at www.fromplaygroundtopodium.com. For more information on the event, [click here](#) or see the All News link on www.gaacork.ie



Colleges Fixtures

[Click here](#) to download the Cork Colleges Draws for 2010/2011. You can also visit their dedicated website at <http://www.corkcollegesga.ie/>



Croke Park Tours

In conjunction with Culture Night 2010 the GAA Museum will open its doors for a special night of Croke Park floodlit tours and museum activities on September 24th. Discover the magic and history of Croke Park under floodlights on a special Culture Night Floodlit Tour. Tours offer visitors a behind-the-scenes look at one of the most historic and modern sporting arenas in the world and will take you through the fascinating story of a stadium which began over 100 years ago. Please note that booking is essential. For full details, see the GAA Museum website, <http://www.crokepark.ie/GAA-Museum>



Cork Footballers at Buckley Sports

The Cork Senior Footballers recently received a presentation of sports gear at John Buckley Sports. Visit the store's website at www.johnbuckleysports.com



Ray Carey, Ciarán Sheehan, Conor Kavanagh, Paul Kerrigan and Paddy Kelly at John Buckley Sports

O2/RedFM Competition

O2 and Cork's RedFM want to give you the chance to see Cork in the All-Ireland Football Final as well as help support your local GAA club. From Monday 6th to Friday 10th September all you have to do is register your support for your local club by freetexting CORK followed by the name of your club to 50308.

If you are an O2 customer this will give 5% of your O2 spend to your club of choice. O2 makes the contribution so it doesn't cost you a cent.

Listen to RedFM on 104 – 106 or online at www.redfm.ie throughout the week for updates on your club's progress and the club leader-board.

The two clubs with the most signed up members on Friday afternoon will receive 15 terrace tickets each to be raffled off by the club anyway they see fit.

Competition is only open to one entry per person, multiple entries will not be counted. Terms apply, for full details please see O2.ie



RedFM's Stevie G with Donnacha O'Connor

Handball Website

For all national handball news and fixtures, and to sign up for their regular newsletter, visit the Handball website at <http://www.gaahandball.ie/>



GAA Social Initiative

All clubs have now been written to regarding the Pilot Project for the 'GAA Social Initiative'. The project will be launched in the October/November period. The Pilot Project will be limited to a maximum of two per county so clubs interested in participating are urged to apply immediately using the form sent to all secretaries. The deadline for submission of applications is: **15 September 2010**. For further information, please contact Seán Kilbride, Social Initiative Project Manager on 018658617 or by email at sean.kilbride@gaa.ie



Juvenile Cork Jerseys

In the run-up to the All-Ireland Final, don't forget that juvenile Cork jerseys are on sale in Páirc Uí Rinn at a special price from **9.30am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm**

Monday to Friday.

Phone **021-4291604** to check availability of sizes, or email paircuirinn.cork@gaa.ie

Prices vary according to size.



Fé13 Féile

The Bord Na nÓg Na Cathrach County Féile Iomáint 2010 will take place on October 2nd, 9th and 16th.

If your club would like to participate please forward application request to Robin Murray:

by e-mail to robin.murray@newireland.ie or by post to Robin Murray, 33 Aisling Close, Ballincollig (Entry Fee €30.00).

Pictured below are 2009 A Winners, Killeagh-Ita's.



Club Profile – Bantry Blues

Bantry Blues was founded in 1887. Our home is Wolfe Tone Park in Newtown where we have two playing fields and a club house. The highlight of our club's history came in the mid 1990s when we were twice crowned

Cork county champions in senior football, beating Muskery and Duhallow in the finals of 1995 and 1998. Damien O'Neill was captain of these great teams and seldom was a greater midfielder seen on the playing fields of west Cork.

The club has had the honour of producing some of the greatest players to ever pull on the Cork jersey -

Declan Barron being a legend on the 1973 All Ireland winning team, **Philip Clifford** captained Cork to a league title in 1999 and led them to the All Ireland final of that year, while **Graham Canty** is the current Cork captain having won Munster and league titles and also captaining Cork to the final last year.

The club chairman is Pat Joe Connolly, Vice-Chair is Jerry Sheehan, Eoin Dillon is current secretary, Danny Collins is P.R.O. while Philly Spillane is treasurer. Kate O Sullivan is our hard working registrar.

We had dreams of moving to new state of the art grounds but have seen our plans halted at present, sending us back to the drawing board.

Our aims for the future are a return to senior ranks from the Premier Intermediate grade and hopefully we can revisit our plans for bigger and better grounds in the near future. For more information, see our website,

www.bantryblues.com



The launch of the Bantry Blues website

We hope to make this Club Focus a regular feature - to have your club included, please send 250-word profile and photo to pro.cork@gaa.ie

Next Issue

The next issue of County Board News will be published on **September 7th.**

Please forward this newsletter to all your club contacts.

The Final Countdown

Where will you be on September 18th?

How about an exciting evening of celebration on the eve of the All-Ireland Finals? The Football Final Countdown is on Saturday 18th September.

For tickets call 01 819 2330 or

contact: skelly@crokpark.ie or [click here for more Information](#)



Post-Match Reception

Tables can now be booked for the All-Ireland Football Final Post-match reception at the Burlington Hotel Dublin on

September 19th, at a cost of €80 per person.

[Click here](#) to download application form, see

www.gaacork.ie or

contact Tom Barry at

tom@thomasbarry.scuremail.ie for more information.

