



COUNTYBOARD NEWS

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Dates for Your Diary

6th November: Child Protection Seminar, Rochestown Park Hotel

16th November: County Board Meeting, 8.30pm

23rd November: Leagues Meetings – Hurling (except SH) 7.30pm, Football 8.15pm, P. Uí Chaoimh



Sciath na Scoil Finals

The annual **Sciath na Scol Chorcaí**

Football Finals will be held in Páirc Uí Chaoimh and Páirc Uí Rinn on

the weeks beginning **Monday 8th**

November and **Monday 15th**

November 2010 (weather permitting).

There will also be night matches on November 16th – see www.gaacork.ie for the full programme.



Cork Handball Open Week

Under the guidance of the **Cork GAA Strategic Vision and Action Plan 2010-2015**, the Cork GAA Handball Board, its affiliated clubs and the Cork GAA Board have great pleasure in inviting all members of the GAA Community to come along to your local Handball Club for an Open Week and "Have A Go" at handball from **November 8th to 14th**.

For more information on the Open Week, and to find your nearest Handball Club, [click here](http://www.gaacork.ie) or see www.gaacork.ie



Cork Handballer Tony Healy displays his skills at the launch of the Open Week, watched by Cork Senior Footballer and handballer, Donncha O'Connor.

**Photo courtesy George Hatchell*

Strategic Plan Update

Following meetings with all Divisional Adult and Juvenile Board Executives, the Implementation Committee is this week beginning a series of consultative/information meetings with club chairpersons and secretaries at adult and juvenile level.

These meetings will begin with Muskerry clubs on November 3rd in Coachford at 8.30pm and Carbery clubs on November 5th at 8pm in Dunmanway.

Secretaries will receive notification of the relevant meeting details by email over the next few days.



Red FM SHL Fixtures

The semi-finals of the Red FM SHL take place as follows:

Nov. 5th: Na Piarasigh v Erin's Own 6.30pm, P. Uí Rinn ET

Sars v Midleton 8pm, P. Uí Rinn ET

Final: Sat Nov. 13th, P. Uí Rinn, 7.30pm (Prov. on Sarsfields) ET



League Final Fixtures

The remaining League Final fixtures are as follows:

Division 1

Football: Nemo Rangers v St. Finbarr's, Nov.12th, 7.30pm, P. Uí Rinn ET

Division 3

Football: Nemo Rangers v Bantry Blues, Nov 13th, 3.30pm, @ Dunmanway ET

Div. 4 Football:

Castletownbere v Eire Og, Nov.13th 2pm, Dunmanway.



The Santa Challenge!

The Santa Challenge is on Sunday November 28th – get your club involved in this great charity event and help us to beat Derry's record! For more, [click here](#) or visit www.santachallenge.ie



50% Off Tours

To celebrate the GAA Museum's new facelift they are offering a recession-busting 50% Off special rate for all GAA Club groups (minimum of 20) who make a booking between 1st November 2010 and 28th February 2011. The museum is open Monday to Saturday 9.30am to 5.00pm and Sundays/Bank Holidays 12.00pm to 5.00pm.

To avail of this special offer please contact the museum's bookings department today on 01 8192374 or email tours@crokepark.ie



Cork Footballers' Golf Classic

The Cork Senior Footballers held a very successful fundraising Golf Classic at Fota on October 29th, in which 45 teams took part. The event was won by the Reardon's/Scott's team led by Paul Montgomery, a long-time supporter of Cork teams. Clubs/individuals who have pledged their support can send contributions to Páirc Uí Chaoimh (payable to Players' Fund). A special word of thanks to selector Ger O'Sullivan, the main organiser of the event.



The Cork backroom team at the Golf Classic: l-r Donal McCarthy, Peadar Healy, Mick Curtin, Jim Nolan, Conor Coughlin, Terry O'Neill, Ger O'Sullivan and Eoin O'Neill

Cork GAA Clubs' Draw

The first two draws of the 2010/2011 Series took place at Páirc Uí Rinn on October 29th, with **Mary Barry** of Freemount winning the top prize for September or a car or €12,000, while €4000 went to Erin Deane of Dohenys and Tom Lombard (Ballyhooly) won €1500 or a holiday. First prize for October went to **Colin Lyons** of Bishopstown, while Jim Hogan of Castletownroche won €4000 and third prize of €1500 or a holiday went to Willie Duggan of Kildorrery.



Pictured at the Draw: Josie O'Driscoll and Margaret Lombard with Denis Kelleher

**Photo courtesy Mike English*

Volunteers in Sport

The National Awards to Volunteers in Irish Sport 2010 was recently launched by Minister Mary Hanafin. Nominations can be made online at www.volunteersinsport.ie.

The deadline for nominations is **Tuesday 30th November** – [click here](#) for more information or see www.gaacork.ie



Juvenile Cork Jerseys

Looking for that perfect Christmas present for Cork-mad kids? Look no further than Páirc Uí Rinn, where Juvenile Cork jerseys are on sale in at a special reduced price – the ideal Christmas gift. Even Santa gets them here!

Opening hours are from 9am to 1pm and 2.30pm to 4pm Monday to Friday. For more information on size, price and availability phone **021-4291604** or email paircuirinn.cork@gaa.ie



Child Protection

All clubs have been invited to send representatives to the Child Protection Seminar which will take place on **November 6th** in Rochestown Park Hotel from 10.30am to 2.30pm. Names should be sent to youthofficer.cork@gaa.ie or by text to 086 8202505 by Wednesday next November 3rd. [Click here](#) for more information on this important event or see www.gaacork.ie



Roll of Honour

With all Championships now complete, congratulations to all our County Champions of 2010:

- Senior Hurling** – Sarsfields
- Senior Football** – Nemo Rangers
- P. Intermediate Hurling** – Ballymartle
- P. Intermediate Football** – Newcestown
- Intermediate Hurling** – Kilbrittain
- Intermediate Football** – Macroom
- Junior A Hurling** – Meelin
- Junior A Football** – Cloyne
- Junior B Hurling** – Doneraile
- Junior B Football** – Kilbrin

Evening Echo

Sam Maguire on Tour!

Sam Maguire has been continuing his tour of his home county in recent weeks, making an appearance at the Mercy University Hospital Children's Ward.



Sam Maguire at the Mercy with Ciarán Sheehan and fans

Sam also visited the Dripsey GAA Camp for Champs (below), accompanied by Liam McCarthy, who we hope to welcome back again soon!



**Photos courtesy Mike English*

Munster Club Fixtures

Senior Hurling

S-Final: Sars v De la Salle, Nov. 14th, Cork venue

Senior Football

S-Final: Nemo v Stradbally/Doonbeg, Nov. 21st, venue tbc

Intermediate Hurling

S-Final: Ballymartle v Hospital Herbertstown, Nov. 7th, Hospital

Intermediate Football

S-Final: Newcestown v Galbally/Gneeveguilla, Nov. 14th, venue tbc

Junior Hurling

S-Final: Meelin v Kilgarvan/Effin, Nov. 21st, venue tbc

Junior Football

Q-Final: Cloyne v St. Mary's, Nov. 21st, Cork venue



Gaeilge/ Cultúr

Carraig Dhonn Oifigigh Cultúr/ Gaeilge: Cruinniú Cinn Bhliana Scór + Gaeilge, Déardaoin 18ú Samhain, (18/11/10), Club Áras, Carraig Uí Leighin, 9.00 i.n.

Scór na nÓg/ Carraig Dhonn: Béal Átha 'n Chasaigh, Satharn 27ú Samhain (27/11/10), 7.30 i.n.

Abhainn Dhubh Oifigigh Cultúr/ Gaeilge: Cruinniú Scór + Gaeilge, Máirt 9ú Samhain (9/11/10) Club Áras, Magh Ealla 8.00 i.n.



Féile Peil na nÓg

The Féile na nÓg 2011 Committee is now inviting applications from Cork Clubs who wish to participate in Féile Peil 2011.

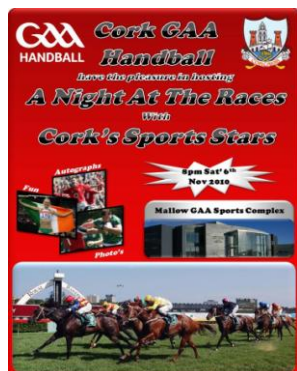
48 host clubs are needed, and for more information [click here](#) or see www.gaacork.ie – **this information has also been sent to all club secretaries.**

Clubs who wish to participate are asked to submit their application to secretarybng.cork@gaa.ie on or before FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2010. Applications will only be accepted through the club's official gaa.ie email account.



Handball Race Night

The Cork Handball Board will hold a fundraising Race Night on Nov. 6th in Mallow GAA Complex, with members of the Cork Football team in attendance. For more details, click the image below or see www.gaacork.ie.



Coaching the Coaches

The next **Coaching the Coaches Forum**, which takes place in the Rochestown Park Hotel on **Wednesday, November 10 (7.30pm)** focuses on the areas of hydration and nutrition for athletes, with speakers including swimmer Lisa Cummins. As with all the Coaching the Coaches Forums, demand for places will exceed the number of spots available. Entry fee on the night is €10 euro and your place can be reserved by emailing esport@eech.o.ie – [click here](#) for full details.



Club Profile: Blackrock National Hurling Club

Blackrock National Hurling Club was officially founded in 1883 and is therefore the oldest club in Cork. Until 1888 the club was known as Cork Nationals, when it changed its name to National Hurling Club of Blackrock, and later in the same year to the more convenient name of Blackrock National Hurling Club.

Blackrock's past successes are well documented. 32 county titles, 3 All-Ireland Club titles and 5 All-Ireland Championships are amongst The Rockies' proudest achievements. Great names such as The Aherns, The Coughlans, Ray Cummins, The Cashmans, Frank Cummins and many more have graced playing fields from Church Road to Croke Park to the delight of the people of Blackrock, Cork and beyond.

However, Blackrock is not just about the past. The club is a fundamental part of the community. Indeed to some in Blackrock, hurling is not just a game but a way of life. Like all clubs in our association, Blackrock is run by passionate, loyal, hard working volunteers who strive to enable the youth of our club to reach their full potential in sport while helping them to develop as rounded individuals and make friends for life. This spirit is evident to all who visit the club on Saturday mornings. Hundreds of enthusiastic youngsters can be seen honing their skills under the watchful eye of equally enthusiastic coaches. Blackrock National Hurling Club has a famous past but these young Rockies are the future.

For more information about The Rockies, visit www.blackrockhurlingclub.com



To have your club included in our Club Profiles section, just email a 200-word summary of your club's history, achievements, development plans etc plus a photograph to pro.cork@gaa.ie

Next Issue

The next issue of County Board News will be published on **November 16th**. Please forward this newsletter to all your club contacts.

New GAA Posters

A selection of new GAA posters is now available at Páirc Uí Rinn featuring action shots etc – for information, please contact the information Office at **021-4291604** or paircuirinn.cork@gaa.ie



County Scór AGM

Club and divisional delegates from throughout the county will convene for the AGM of Coiste Scór Chorcaí at Páirc Uí Rinn, on Thursday, **Nov. 11 at 8pm**. Scór is the cultural wing of the GAA and the upcoming forum will see the Cork body analyse its diverse programme of the past year and look ahead to the new season. Initiated in North Cork by Fermoy's Derry Gowen, Scór's diverse activity provides a platform for clubs and members nationwide to display their interest in Irish culture and heritage.

