



*Coiste Oiliúna agus Forbatha na  
gCluichí Phort Láirge*

**NEWSLETTER (SEPTEMBER  
2015)**

Welcome to our September edition of Waterford Coaching & Games Newsletter. What a busy few months we have had since our last edition with huge activity at all ages in every part of the county.

Firstly let us congratulate the Waterford Camogie team on winning the All Ireland Intermediate Championship beating Kildare 2 weeks ago. They will now play Senior Championship next year and completed an unbeaten year winning League and Championship honours in 2015. Well done to all involved. Best wishes to the Ladies Footballers who play Kildare in the All Ireland Intermediate Final this Sunday in Croke Park.

We all had a great summer following the Senior Hurlers and it was fantastic to see all the children in Croke Park on All Ireland Semi Final Day. For many of those children it was their first time seeing Waterford play in Croke Park and hopefully the memory of the day will inspire the next generation of players

On the fields we had a fantastic summer of Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps with numbers up by 20%, more about that further down. There were plenty of games with U11 & U12 hurling completed and U11 & U12 Gaelic Football ongoing at moment.

Hopefully this edition will update all who read on our activities. If any club wishes to have their nursery section featured in the next edition please contact any of the GDA's or Games Manager. Enjoy the newsletter.

# What's On

## **Wheelchair Hurling**

We have recently started our Wheelchair Hurling Programme in partnership with Waterford Sports Partnership. This programme is running in Kingfisher Hall every Thursday from 6pm-7pm and is open to disabled and non disabled people over 16 years of age alike. Sports Wheelchairs have been provided and Hurleys, Helmets and Sliothars are also provided. All are welcome to attend this programme. We were delighted to have Waterford Stars Pauric Mahony & Jennie Simpson along for the launch with the Camogie All Ireland Cup and Camogie/Hurling National League Cups.



## **Roanmore Charity Hurling Blitz**

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Roanmore Charity Hurling Blitz took place on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September in aid of the Jonah Project Waterford this year. Once again it was a fantastic day with over 1600 children playing U8 & U9 Hurling from clubs in Waterford, Tipperary, Wexford, Kilkenny & Cork. Waterford C&GD are very proud of our involvement in this, the biggest 1 day GAA blitz in the country. Over €5,500 was raised for the Jonah Project who are hoping to buy a new mini bus. Thanks to Roanmore, De La Salle, Mount Sion, Young Whistlers, Coordinators and all involved on the day

## **Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps 2015**

What a summer we had at the Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps in Waterford. With 35 camps on during July & August all Juvenile clubs were involved in the Camp Programme. This year we had 2816 children up 20% from 2014. Great work was done by Club Coordinators, GDA's, Coaches and Head Coaches and all involved in the camps to make this the best year we had since 2008. We were delighted to have the National League Cup at many camps and our Ambassador Jake Dillon visited all camps and was very popular. We also had a number of male and female county players as part of the team of coaches at the camps.



## **Hurling Talent Academies**

The U14, U15 & U16 Hurling Development Squads took part in their tournaments on Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Aug. All the squads were competitive in the various tournaments and great credit is due to the Coaches and mentors who worked so hard during the year with all the players. The U14 Tony Forristal team beat Limerick and were beaten by Galway who qualified from the group and reached the final. The Sonny Walsh team beat Limerick B & Kerry A and were beaten by Cork B who won the Sonny Walsh.

In the U15 A Waterford reached the Shield Final against Limerick after games against Clare and Cork. The U15 B team played in Clarecastle and acquitted themselves well on the day in all games.

U16 A & B teams played in Tipperary Supporters Club Tournament with the A team playing Tipperary and Wexford and the B team playing Kerry A & Tipperary B.

### **C&GD Meetings with clubs**

As part of the process to put in place a Coaching & Games Development Plan 2016-2020 we had a series of meetings with clubs during August meeting the clubs on a GDA Divisional basis. These were attended by GDA's, Games Manager, Coaching Officer and County Board Vice Chairman with Adult and Juvenile Officers of all clubs invited to attend. Workshops took place on a number of topics including Primary & Post Primary Schools, Games Programme, Talent Academies, Club Development, Club Assist Port Láirge, Coach & Referee Education. A number of good ideas have come out of the workshops and a draft plan will be presented to clubs and Coiste Bainistí during October with the plan to be finalised by December's County Board Convention.

### **Hurling on the Green Abbeyside**

Waterford Coaching & Games were delighted to assist Abbeyside/Ballinacourty in setting up a Hurling on the Green Coaching Programme during the summer. This initiative by the club saw them providing Hurling coaching sessions over 6 Wednesday evenings in a number of different estates in their catchment area. There was a great response with average of 50 children per venue. Club coaches assisted by Waterford C&GD ran the programme and many children who had not played previously got an opportunity to play. Hopefully some of these will join their local club. Well done to the club who for the proactive measure to get more children playing our games.

# Coach Education News

## Award 1 Adult Course

Waterford C&GD are running an Award 1 Adult Coach Education Course in October/November with dates listed below.

Coaches interested in this course must have Foundation Course completed no later than October 2014 and all coaches intending on doing the course must have at least 12 months experience of Coaching Adult Teams.

## Award 1 Adult Dates

Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> October	7pm – 10pm	Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	7pm – 10pm
Thur 29 <sup>th</sup> October	7pm – 10pm	Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> October	9.30am-3pm
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	7pm – 10pm	Thur 5 <sup>th</sup> November	7pm – 10pm

For Award 1 Adult Course anyone interested must be registered on the course by Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October. The course fee of €50 must be paid by Mon 12<sup>th</sup> October. **Registration for the course is via email** to Coach Education Coordinator Michelle Power at [michelle.power.gda.waterford@gaa.ie](mailto:michelle.power.gda.waterford@gaa.ie)

## Workshops October

Below are the dates for coaching workshops being run in October. To attend the workshops please contact your local GDA. Cost of each workshop is €5

Gaelic 15 Warm Up/Injury Prevention Workshops – Tutor John Burns

Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Bohadoon	7pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	WIT Sports Campus Carriganore	7.45pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Rainbow Hall, Kilmacthomas	7.30pm

Club/School Coaching Workshops – Tutor Pat Flanagan

Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	WIT Sports Campus Carriganore	7pm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Bohadoon	7pm

## Foundation Courses

Foundation Courses will run from October as per requirements of clubs and GDA Division. Any club wishing to have a course should contact their local GDA who can arrange the courses.

A course is currently scheduled for Abbeyside on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Oct, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October & Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October. To book a place on this course please contact Michelle Power [michelle.power.gda.waterford@gaa.ie](mailto:michelle.power.gda.waterford@gaa.ie)

## Western GDA News

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### **Primary School Coaching;**

Saint John's 23/09/2015, 30/09/2015. 7/10/2015

St. Marys 24/09/2015, 1/10/2015, 8/10/2015

Touraneena, 25/09/2015, 2/10/2015, 09/10/2015

Tallow NS 13/10/2015, 20/10/2015, 3/11/2015

St. Declan's Ardmore, 14/10/2015, 21/10/2015. 4/11/2015

Kinsalebeg Ns & Grange, 15/10/2015, 22/10/2015, 5/11/2015

### **Primary School Blitzes:**

**October 16th Cappoquin**

**October 19th Ardmore**

**October 23rd Touraneena**

**November 6th Ballinameela.**

### **Post Primary:**

Saint Augustine's & CBS Dungarvan 22/09/2015

Saint Augustine's & CBS Dungarvan 29/09/2015

Saint Augustine's & CBS Dungarvan 6/10/2015

Saint Augustine's & CBS Dungarvan 13/10/2015

### **Club Visits:**

**Abbeyside-Ballinacourty** 23/09/2015, **Dungarvan**, 24/09/2015, **Naomh Bríd** 30/09/2015, **St Patricks**, 1/10/2015, **Ballyduff Upper**, 7/10/2015, **St. Oliver's**, 8/10/2015, **Naomh Carthaigh**, 14/10/2015, **Brickey Rangers**, 15/10/2015, **An Ghaeltacht**, 21/10/2015, **Clashmore-Kinsalebeg**, 22/10/2015, , **Cois Bhríde**, 28/10/2015 **Ardmore**, 29/10/2015



## Urban GDA News

Urban GDA John Quinn - [john.quinn.gda.waterford@gaa.ie](mailto:john.quinn.gda.waterford@gaa.ie)

The last few months saw the focus shift to the Kellogs Cul Camps with each of the urban juvenile clubs hosting a camp. While the weather was not exactly what was hoped for there was an increase in numbers across all the camps from last year with club coordinators again doing a great job in promoting their respective camps.

### Under 11 & Under 12 City League

The month of July saw the conclusion of the City League schedule with the following being the winners in each division:

Under 12 Division 1	-	Joint Winners - De	La	Salle	&	Ballygunner
Division 2	-		Piltown			
Division 3	-		St Mollerans			
Under 11 Division 1	-		Ballygunner			
Division 2	-		Kilmacow			
Division 3	-	Joint Winners -	Ferrybank		&	Piltown

Unfortunately due to a very poor response from clubs the proposed Gala days for both the under 11 & under 12 divisions were cancelled. The under 11 Gala day is now scheduled to take place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September in Carriganore. Clubs that have entered are Ballygunner, Ferrybank & Kilmacow. Our sincere thanks to Austin Gleeson who presented the medals to the young lads.

## **Under 12 & Under 13 Eastern hurling development training**

Training for both these age groups have taken place over the last number of months. On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August we travelled to Rathkeale in Limerick with 45 players, who had been attending training, to play three Limerick teams. This proved a great day out and the lads really enjoyed the occasion. Plenty of parents also made the long journey to support them. Our thanks to Limerick and in particular Noel Hartigan for the arrangements. We would hope to extend the invitation to them to come to Carriganore in a similar venture next year.

## **Under 11 & Under 12 Gaelic Football**

With the conclusion of the City League the under 11 & under 12 football leagues began on Friday nights and are still ongoing at present.

## **Super Games center**

Following on from the Super Games center which took place every Friday night in Carriganore at the end of 2014 and the beginning of this year, we brought 23 players to Croke Park on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Teams were made up of players from Waterford, Limerick and a couple of hurling enthusiasts from Sligo and each player got to play four games on the Croke Park pitch. A very enjoyable day out indeed for all the young lads.



*Presentation of Club Deise Tops to U14 Gaelic Football Talent Academy*





## Mid County GDA News

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Monday	7th sept	U8 Football	Dunhill/Rathgormack
Saturday	12th sept	U8/9 Hurling	Roanmore
Monday	14th sept	U8 Football	Mid County
Saturday	19th sept	U7 Football/hurling	Carriganore
Friday	11th sept	U11 Football	Various
Monday	21st sept	U11 Football	Various
Friday	25th sept	U11 Football	Various
Friday	9th Oct	U11 Football	Various
Friday	18th sept	U12 Football	Various
Friday	2nd Oct	U12 Football	Various
Friday	16th Oct	U12 Football	Various

### Munster U17 Gaelic Football League

During the month of the October our U17 Gaelic Football Squad will be playing in the Munster U17 league. This league is a good preparation for the Minor Football for the following year. Training is ongoing for the squad and they are hopeful of good performances over the coming weeks

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October                      v Limerick                      Martinstown                      7.30pm

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October

v Tipperary  
v Clare

Fraher Field  
Dr Morris Park

7.30pm  
7.30pm

