



EXTRA TIME DOWN GAA NEWSLETTER

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STUDENT BURSARY SCHEME

The scheme, which is now in its ninth year, will be open to members of the Association who are attending a full-time Higher Education course and who are active participants in their Higher Education club. However students who hold other GAA-related or a college Academy scholarship/bursary will not be eligible to apply. Full eligibility criteria is provided with the application form.

Ulster GAA welcomes applications from those students in our province regardless whether their attendance is at a college inside or outside of Ulster. Further information and application forms for this year's scheme are available to download below.

All completed forms should be returned to:
Jimmy Darragh, Ulster GAA Student Bursary Scheme
8-10, Market Street, Armagh, BT61 7BX
The closing deadline for receipt of application forms will be 12.00 noon on Friday 9th October 2015.
<http://ulster.gaa.ie/2015/09/ulster-gaa-extends-commitment-to-national-gaa-bursary-scheme/>

HOSTING A TOURNAMENT

- It is not enough to just apply to host a Tournament, we need the completed form with the details of the Teams participating, we cannot just give a blank authorisation.
- For a Tournament that involves only teams within Down the Form plus €20.00 is lodged here with us.
- For a Tournament involving teams outside of Down and within the Province of Ulster we sign the form and send it to Ulster Council along with your €20.00.
- For a Tournament involving Teams from Ulster and other Provinces We sign the form and notify Croke Park and send the Form to both Croke Park and Ulster with your €20.00.
- In relation to Challenge games the same principle applies in all 3 cases except that there is no €20.00 fee.
- The €20.00 fee is to cover all aspects of Insurance with regard to the Tournament.

The reality is there is no Insurance cover if the challenge game or the tournament has not been officially approved.

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DATE SET FOR 2016 SCOR SEASON

The following dates have been set for 2016 Scór Season:

Scór na nÓg 2016

- South Down Final 8th November 2015
- East Down Final 15th November 2015
- Down County Final 22nd November 2015
- Ulster Semi Final 28th November 2015
- Ulster Final 12th December Silverbridge Co Armagh 2015
- All Ireland 30th January INEC Killarney 2016

Scór Sinsir

- Down County Final 14th February 2016
- Ulster Semi Final 20th February 2016
- Ulster Final 5th March (Down Venue) 2016
- All Ireland Final 2nd April INEC Killarney 2016

Ulster Semi Final arrangement's have changed for a trial period of one year.

Only two semi finals

Semi Final 1 Cavan, Monaghan, Fermanagh, Antrim & Armagh

Semi Final 2 Down, Donegal, Tyrone & Derry. Two Competitors from each of the semi finals will progress to the the Ulster Final.

One Adjudicator per discipline in the semi finals, with three for Ulster Final.

Northern Ireland - Comic relief local communities program.

Deadline for applications 29 September 2015.

Grants for sports projects and community projects in Northern Ireland that empower local people and enable them to create lasting change in sports.

For details and application forms:

<http://www.communityfoundationni.org/grants/view/comic-relief-local-communities-fund>



INFORMATION NIGHT

- LADIES FOOTBALL WITHIN DOWN

The Down Ladies County Board would like to invite two delegates from every Club in the County to an information night on Ladies Gaelic Football in Down. The night is planned to take place in St. Malachy's, Castlewellan on the 15th of October 2015, starting at 7.15pm and ending at 9pm. Refreshments will be available from 7pm.

Our aim is to grow Ladies Football within the County both in terms of numbers participating and the quality of that participation. This night is aimed at existing clubs as well as those that don't have Ladies Football at present, we aim to provide a better insight into what is involved and the benefits which we believe can be derived from its inclusion. You will be given an overview of our current structures, hear from some Clubs that have recently introduced Ladies football, what it has brought to them along with some tips on how you might want to proceed.

You will also be given an insight into how we intend to develop over the coming years and finally hear from a player on her personal experiences on what football has brought to her from a young girl coming up through the ranks to winning an Intermediate All Ireland in Croke Park. We can all learn from each other and there will be an opportunity to ask questions on issues affecting your participation: Someone will have an experience that you can relate to and draw inspiration from to resolve

As Gaels we all strongly believe in the strength of our GAA family and we want to ensure our daughters benefit from inclusion within it every bit as much as our sons.

Please come along on the night. We hope you will leave well-armed with information to take back to your Clubs to help you decide whether you would like to start Ladies Football or build on what you already have.

For more information and/or to confirm attendance please contact
Moira Hawkins, Down Ladies Secretary (079 12113664)



DOWN GAA CUL-CAMPS 2015

In 2015, 42 Clubs hosted Cul-Camps with 3940 children attending the various camps over the two months. This is an increase of 440 from 2014. This is a record for the County and Down lead the way in both the number of Clubs and children who partake in the camps within Ulster.

Very special thanks to all the Clubs who hosted camps this year. Also thanks to all the Club volunteers whose help ensured everything ran smoothly.

I would also like to put on record my appreciation of all the work beforehand and during the course of the running of the camps by our Coaching Manager- Conor O'Toole, and both the full-time and part-time staff. Without their efforts it would not be possible to organise and run the camps so smoothly.



DOWN CLUBS DRAW RESULTS JULY 2015

Club Winners	£200	x 4	
Ballymartin	BN116	Ballymartin GAC	
Bredagh	BH192	Aidan Smith	65 Rossdale Heights Belfast
Liatroim	LM030	Eamon O'Rourke	52 Legannany Rd Leitrim
Teconnaught	TT015	J McPolin	13 Downpatrick Rd, Ballynahinch
£1,000 x 5			
Killyleagh	KH183	Michael Woodside	10 Innishbeg Rd, Killyleagh
An Riocht	AR238	Conor Doyle	Killowen Rd Rostrevor
Kilcoo	KO076	James McEvoy	Dublin Rd, Kilcoo
Bredagh	BH188	Andy Harney	19 Cheltenham Park, Belfast
Drumgath	DH070	Tom McAvoy	32 Lurgancahone Rd Rathfriland

DOWN CLUBS DRAW RESULTS AUGUST 2015

Club Winners	£200	x 4	
Bryansford	BD180	Sheila Bailey	6 Forest Parkview, Castlewellan
Cumann Pheadair Naofa	CPN099	John H Cunningham	57 Rossmara Park Warrenpoint
Bosco	BO012	Tom Tumilty	25 Monaghan Row Newry
Portaferry	PY013	Michael Kirkpatrick	3 Joe Tomelty Drive Portaferry
£1,000 x 5			
Darragh Cross	DC118	Sheila Murney	217 Derryboye Rd Crossgar
Bredagh	BH055	Dermot O'Donnell	15 Pennington Park, Belfast
Glenn	GL010	Martin Murtagh	c/o Glenn GFC
Burren	BU240	Martina Duffy	52 Ryanstown Rd, Burren
Bright	BT061	James McEvoy	C/o Bright GFC



Gaeltecht Scholarships 2015

Members from clubs across County Down who attended colleges in Donegal over the summers benefit of £5000 awarded by the Down County board.

Each year the Down board support children attending courses in Donegal. At the presentation the County chairman Sean Rooney & County Secretary Sean Óg expressed congratulation all who had taken part and wished them well. We look forward to you sharing your knowledge of this great language with your clubs and in the future being part of our committees.





Turas Teanga Planning Workshop

The Irish Language in Your Club

Are you in charge of Irish language matters in your club?
Would you like direction on the next steps to take?

You're invited to attend this Turas Teanga Planning Workshop, organised by Glór na nGael in:

The Ceannaras at the Athletic Grounds, Armagh
Monday, 12 October, 6.30–9.30pm

For more information, and to book a space, contact our Newry office:

Áinín Uí Chaiside
Oifigeach Forbartha
ainin@glornangael.ie
07749126949

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www.glornangael.ie



Ceardlann Turas Teanga

An Ghaeilge i do chlub

An bhfuil tú ag plé le cúrsaí Gaeilge i do chlub CLG?
Ar mhaith leat treoir maidir le na céad chéimeanna eile?

Cuirfear fáilte romhat ag Ceardlann Turas Teanga, á eagrú ag Glór na nGael:

sa Cheannaras ag an Pháirc Lúthchleasa in Ard Mhacha
Dé Luain, 12 Deireadh Fómhair, 6.30–9.30i.n.

Fá choinne tuilleadh eolais, agus le spás a chur in áirithe, déan teagmháil linn in oifig Iúir Chinn Trá:

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MAN SHEDS

A Man Shed is a non-profit, community based club or society for men. The main aim of the Man Shed movement is to provide safe, friendly environments in which men can meet and engage in positive activities.

Glór na nGael recognise the value of such projects in the development of any community. The shed can also provide a sanctuary in which the Irish language can flourish; providing space for activities through Irish, developing language networks and increasing capacity at an individual level.

We would be delighted to discuss ideas or plans relating to the development of new Irish Language Man Shed projects. Contact frainc@glornangael.ie

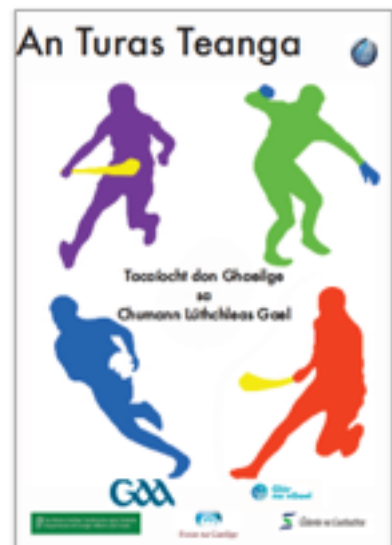
TURAS TEANGA

Partnership between the GAA and Glór na nGael
Promoting the Irish language in GAA clubs

Register now for An Turas Teanga and receive your free support pack for the club. We will support, advise and provide assistance for your club.

There is also now a prizefund to be won by clubs with a prizefund of €15,000.

Cláraigh/register-
clg@glornangael.ie
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SEND YOUR CLUB PLAYERS TO #GAAYOUTH FORUM

SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2015

‘YOUR VOICE, YOUR LIFESTYLE, YOUR GAA’

The National Youth Committee is inviting all Clubs to nominate players to attend the #GAAYouth Forum which will be held on Saturday 24th October in Croke Park (10.30 – 16.30).

The Forum is open to male and female club players in two age groups: 12 – 16 and 17 – 21.

The theme for the 2015 #GAAYouth Forum is “Your Voice, Your Lifestyle, Your GAA” and the focus of the day will be on:

- Healthy Lifestyle – the do’s and don’ts
- Practical tips to improve your Game – debunking the myths

Delegates attending the Forum will be provided with an opportunity to:

- Keep a 5 day ‘Lifestyle Diary’
- Learn how to improve their lifestyle through proper Diet & Nutrition
- Practical tips to improve their game in the Croke Park Warm-Up Rooms
- Discuss how young people can influence changes in relation to Player Welfare in the GAA

Workshops on the day are being developed by experts in the field including Brendan Egan (Sport Scientist/ Sligo Footballer), Cathal Cregg (Connacht GAA S&C Advisor/Roscommon Footballer) and Michael Fennelly (S&C Lecturer/Kilkenny Hurler).

The Forum is being run in conjunction with the Department of Children and Youth Affairs (DCYA) with the support of the Ladies Gaelic Football Association (LGFA) and An Cumann Camógaíochta. 200 delegate places are up for grabs for male and female players in two age groups: 12 – 16 and 17 – 21.

The online application forms will be available on www.gaa.ie/youth-zone.

There are two ways to apply:

- Online Application by an Individual: A young player can complete an individual application form online and identify an adult in their Club who endorses their application.
- Online Application by a Club: A Club can complete an application form to nominate a young player/s from the Club to attend the Forum (max. 2 players, ages 12 - 21).

The Application Process will open on Friday 7th August and will close on Friday 2nd October and successful applicants will be informed by Friday 9th October.

We are asking you to circulate this information to coaches and young players in your Club and to advise them of this exciting opportunity to travel to Croke Park and participate in the #GAAYouth Forum 2015. For further information please see www.gaa.ie/youth-zone or contact Caoimhe Ní Néill (caoimhe.nineill@gaa.ie; 01 865 8622)

WE’RE LOOKING FOR THREE CLUBS IN YOUR COUNTY FOR THREE UNIQUE FUN NIGHTS AND FUNDRAISERS ALL IN ONE.

HalfSolid Productions have toured the highly successful comedy play “The Pull” for the past three years. It tells the story of the fictional Ballybore GAA Club who at the start of the play “...are almost €1000 in debt – a not inconsiderable quantum...”

The club accidentally decides to pull a Volvo Dump Truck around the town of Ballybore, with the twin aims of improving their poor public profile and making money. Things don’t go quite to plan.

“The Pull” introduces characters you might identify from your own club and mixes sport with politics, religion and romance. This is a fun night suitable for all the family – one you won’t forget.

“The Pull” was written by John Corless and Liam Horan and is brought to you by Half Solid Productions. All you need is a venue and an audience – we provide sound and lighting, set and props. It is a big professional show and offers host clubs the chance to make money (not in the Ballybore way,) and give their community a great night out. You can find more about Half Solid Productions and “The Pull” at www.halfsolid.com.

If your club would like to be one of the three clubs selected for your county, please pop me an email at this address, or call/text [+353 87 984 3900](tel:+353879843900).

Thank you.

John Corless. + 353 87 984 3900 bookings@halfsolid.com

UPDATE FROM SOUTH DOWN

Competitions

Fegan Transport are sponsoring the championships with the initial games being completed in U14, U16 and Minor levels. These competitions have been designed to give the teams additional meaningful competition through A and B competitions in August and September.

Scór

Kieran McGreevy will chair the South Down Scór committee, clubs have been reminded that the competition starts earlier this year and have been sent an initial email requesting contact details.

Development Squad

Over the summer the U14 squad have played games against East Down, Louth and Meath. The coaches are due to meet East Down to plan for the Down blitz.

Meeting with Clubs 05.08.15

Summary of points raised:

- How do we provide meaningful competition over a longer playing season – autumn competitions, but issues over clash with schools, availability of pitches.
- Belief that there was a large gap between top teams in U16 and weaker teams – difficulty providing a range of leagues and enough games with a small number of clubs.
- Concern over small sided competitions – are teams picking 13 aside to win? Can teams be made to play 15 aside if they have for example 5 subs? Other clubs pointed out that the number of players available ranged from 13 to 20 due to holidays, exams, Gaelteach, etc.
- Can a limit be put on the number of clubs in an amalgamation?
- Queries over how we control B teams at U12 and U14, should clubs name an excluded list?

FANCY DRESS

Atticall GAC committee have decided to support the county board in their efforts to raise funds. with “Jailbreak”.

Attaicall are going to run a themed fancy dress on Halloween night with all proceeds going towards Jailbreak.

More details on the event please keep an eye on the Atticall GAC website or on the Down GAA website.



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Diploma in the Irish Language

Awarding Body

University of Ulster

Course Length

30 weeks per year over 2 years.
 Year 1: 6.30pm – 9.00pm Tuesday & Thursday
 Year 2: 6.30pm – 9.00pm Monday & Wednesday
 Students should be at least 18 years old.

Entry Requirements

Students must normally have attained a pass in one subject at GCE A Level or equivalent and have passed at GCSE grade C or above or equivalent. Applicants who do not meet these requirements may be considered on individual merit and are encouraged to apply.

Course Content

This part-time course represents an exciting opportunity for a wide range of people to study the Irish language from a totally fresh beginning. The aim of the course is to bring students to a high level of competence in spoken and written Irish by the end of the two-year course. Mature students are particularly welcome.

Progression Opportunities

Students will be in a position to gain employment in organisations where spoken and written Irish is a requirement. Students may progress to study a BA degree in Irish. The course can also be seen as a free-standing unit in its own right which will open up third level education to a wider audience.

Further Information Contact

John McCaul
 Southern Regional College
 T: 028 3026 1071
 E: mccaul@src.ac.uk

Resignation from the Association

We have had several queries in the recent days relating to resignation from the Association. There seems to be a misunderstanding on the part of some people that, if a playing member resigns from the Association, he can then re-join the GAA by becoming a member of a new club without obtaining a transfer from his first club as defined in Rule 6.3.

The Rules Advisory Committee wish to clarify that Rule 6.5 (b) must be complied with, and that resignation does not entitle a member to circumvent this rule.

EAST DOWN ROUND UP

Awards Night

Will be held in Burrendale Hotel on Saturday 21st November. Extra tickets can be purchased,

Annual Convention

Will be held in Saul Centre on Wednesday 25th November, Each club has entitlement of 2 delegates to attend

SPORT NORTHERN IRELAND
CORPORATE PLAN 2015-2020 SPORT NI
 CHECK OUT THE LATEST PLAN @
www.sportni.net/news/corporate-plan-2015-2020/

LEVEL 2 COACHING COURSE

Ulster GAA are holding a central **Level 2 Youth / Adult** coaching course in Armagh in October on the following dates:

- Week 1: 9th & 10th October
 - Week 2: 16th & 17th October
 - Week 3: 31st October (Practical Assessment)
- Anyone wishing to complete this course must previously have completed an Award 1 Youth / Adult course.
 For further information about this course or to register to attend, please revert back to Roger Keenan at Ulster GAA:
roger.keenan.ulster@gaa.ie



CUMANN LÚTHCHLEAS GAEL COISTE CHONTAE AN DÚIN

It's the BIG weekend!
Hurling and Camogie Finals
Football Semi Finals
Nothing Beats Being There

Friday 25th September	Time	Admission Price
Venue: Pairc Esler - Trocaire JFC Semi Final Glasdrumman v Dundrum Morgan Fuels SFC Semi Final Mayobridge v Kilcoo	6.45pm 8.15pm	Adults £10.00 Seniors/Students £5.00
Saturday 26th September	Time	Admission Price
Venue: Mayobridge - Eamonn Rooney Coaches RFC Final Ballyholland v Clonduff PRFC Final Burren v Rostrevor Venue: Pairc Esler - Down Senior Camogie Final Clonduff v Liatroim	2.00pm 3.45pm 5.00pm	£5.00 £5.00
Sunday 27th September	Time	Admission Price
Venue: Portaferry - Morgan Fuels Down Senior Hurling Final Ballycran v Ballygalget Venue: Pairc Esler - Trocaire JFC Semi Final Teconnaught v Ardglass Morgan Fuels SFC Semi Final Castlewellan v Ballyholland	2.30pm 5.45pm 7.15pm	Adults £8.00 Seniors/Students £5.00 Adults £10.00 Seniors/Students £5.00

DOWN GAA
JAILBREAK FUNDRAISER DISCO
 in Quinns Newcastle
Wear your Club and County Colours
Saturday 26th September
TICKETS £5.00

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UPDATE FROM COUNTY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Ulster Council Grants and Verti – draining claims

19 Verti-draining and 12 developments grant applications have been submitted to Ulster Council.

Health and Safety Audit

I await the report from Ulster Council regarding the recent club visits and it will be cascaded accordingly. Clubs are reminded to adhere to the insurance guidance with regard to the use of club facilities. It appears in some occasions, Croke Park is not being informed of certain events happening in clubs and the difficulty will arise if and when an accident occurs, Croke Park will provide no support due to not being informed.

Club Development Plans

Clubs have been encouraged to progress with a club development plan in 2015 as requested by the National Planning and Physical Development and Health and Safety committee in Croke Park. It is recommended that all our clubs have a plan to capture their vision for the future and to allow them to increase their membership and volunteers.

Gary Doherty and Jimmie Cousins are our club planners and are available to facilitate clubs with their club development plans. This is an appropriate time of the year to commence such a venture especially if clubs are considering applying for statutory funding in the future. A Development Plan will be required in support of any funding request.

Development Projects

All clubs are reminded that they must engage with the County Development Officer and the County Planning and Physical Development and Health and Safety committee before they undertake any development projects in their clubs. Currently this is not happening and it has led to difficulty when clubs have gone on solo runs for funding.

Funding Information

Funding invitation continues to be issued on a weekly basis and clubs where appropriate should avail of it.

Trustees

Dermot Baxter is currently updating the County trustee spreadsheet

required by Croke Park. Clubs are reminded that they must inform the County secretary of any amendments to their deed of trust. All property purchased must be vested in the GAA

Club Maith

Clubs continue to work on their club maith accreditation. This is a difficult exercise and if clubs are serious about the development of their clubs it is a useful exercise if carried out properly.

Sports Facility Strategy, Sports Club Consultation

It is important that all clubs participate in this consultation to ensure the needs of their club are identified in the proposed sport provision audit. Club secretaries have been emailed information regarding the venues, dates and time for consultation.

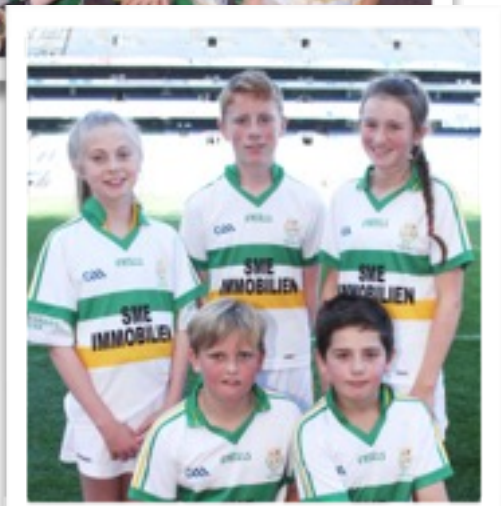
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GAA JERSEY NIGHT
WEAR YOUR CLUB OR COUNTY COLOURS WIN PRIZES
MEET THE STARS OF THE GAA WORLD

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
TOP GAA PERSONALITIES PRESENT ON THE NIGHT

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DOWN GAA ACTIVITY DAY IN CROKE PARK



COACHING PROGRAMME FOR JUVENILE CLUB COACHES

Over the winter months it is the intention of the Coaching and Games department within the county to run a development programme aimed at up skilling juvenile club coaches.

We hope to bring together all the clubs in the county in clustered groups to a central location where they will be educated and enhanced by Ulster and Down GAA Coaching and Games Development staff. The programme would consist of both educational theory based elements along with practical coaching aspects.

It is my hope to run this programme in 5 regions across the County at the following venues:

- St Michaels PS, Ravenhill Rd, Belfast.
- St Patrick's GS Downpatrick
- St John's GAC Drumnaquoile
- Abbey CBS, Newry
- An Riocht GAC

The programme will run for 9 consecutive weeks, broken down into the following, age specific 3 week blocks:

- Weeks 1 - 3: u6 and u8 coaches
- Weeks 4 - 6: u10 and u12 coaches
- Weeks 7 - 9: u14 and u16 coaches

The idea would be that we would invite surrounding clubs coaches to attend the workshops in these 5 locations.

I would ask at this point that you could perhaps confirm if your club would be willing to act as a host venue for the Development Programme. Ideally we would like to identify 1 day of the week (Monday - Thursday) where we could access the facilities for a 9 week period in the evening from 7pm - 9pm. Ideally it would be the same evening each week.

Perhaps you could come back to me ASAP with your thoughts as I would like to get the ball rolling with this process. I look forward to hearing from you,

Conor O'Toole
Down Games Development Manager
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NORTHERN IRELAND RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2014 - 2020

Notice of Public Consultation Events

Southern Organisation for Action in Rural Areas (Armagh, Banbridge & Craigavon) is the newly formed Local Action Group are tasked to undertake a new rural development strategy to deliver the new Northern Ireland Rural Development Programme (NIRDP) in Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Council area.

The new rural strategy will cover the following areas including Business Investment Scheme; Basic Services; Village Renewal, Co-operation and Rural Broadband.

Significant funding will be available to support a number of actions agreed in the strategy. It is therefore a real opportunity to improve things for rural people and rural communities.

To ensure as many people and groups as possible help shape the strategy, a number of engagement meetings will be held. All events will begin at **7.30pm** and will be held as follows:

- Dromore Community Centre on 24th September

Any enquiries should be directed to Rural Development team in Armagh City & Banbridge & Craigavon Council on 028 38312578/ 028 38312588. We look forward to meeting you at the events and hearing your ideas and feedback on rural issues.

Yours sincerely
Cllr Joe Nelson Interim Chairman

www.DownGAA.net

Check out Down GAA's NEW website.

The next phase includes CLUB WEBSITES - If your club is interested in a website please log into www.rkmarketingltd.com/gaa-form/ fill in the form to let us know more info please contact Diarmuid (itofficer.down@gaa.ie)



DOWN GAA JAILBREAK

GOLF DAY
SPA GOLF CLUB,
SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER
 PRIZES FOR GOLFERS & NON GOLFERS & TEAM EVENT
 TEE BOOKING & INFO; 07858702000 OR
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A Night at the Races
 Paddy Kelly's Ballynahinch Friday 16th October, 8.30pm

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Please find a list of all the suppliers currently used by the Match Officials Department in Croke Park which you might find useful for your referees and for the running of your games.

We would like to remind you that Counties are required to provide fully operational Electronic Flags and Substitution Board for Inter-County Games, We would ask you to please ensure that all equipment is fully operational before the start of the 2016 Season.

Pádraig Ó Dochartaigh

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Or via your County Rep.

Official Match Gear

Masita are the GAA's Official Match Gear supplier for 2015-2018 and we would encourage Counties when they are purchasing new Referee Match Gear to use Masita.

They have agreed a special price when supplying directly to Counties, and can include the County Crest on the jersey sleeve.

County Price	Referee Jersey	Referee Short	Sock	Total
	€38.28	€20.68	€6.11	€65.07
Website Price	€48	€24	€6.90	€78.90

For Crest Embroidery on sleeve 2 euro Extra charge

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Contact Details

Des Smyth Masita Sportswear,

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- Double-sided LED Substitution boards
- RED Digits and GREEN Digits on both sides.
- Display incoming and outgoing player simultaneously for additional match day clarity.
- Protective travel case included.
- Battery Charger included.
- Currently used for Croke Park matches

http://www.timingireland.com/LED-Electronic-Substitution-Boards/Double-Sided-%20Electronic-Substitution-Scoreboard-INOUT_8

FSL Electronics Ltd

Sandholes Road, Cookstown, Co Tyrone BT80 9AR,

Tel: +44 28 8676 6131 Email: info@fslelectronics.com

- Double sided with 4 characters per line (2 x RED & 2 x GREEN)
- Supplied in weatherproof enclosure
- Battery level display with automatic off function for battery saving (after 10 minutes)
- Sponsor/Advertising Space on front and back of display
- Stores 5 substitution at a time

Other Information

Fitness Test

To download a copy of Bangsbo Test, which is used as the official GAA Referee Fitness Test, click on the link below;

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/6oyb4453gfl3f9g/Bangsbo%20%284%29.mp3?dl=0>

Referee Reports

To download a template of an Official GAA Referees Report, click on the link below;

Club Referee Report Template; <https://www.dropbox.com/s/yyhwccxki6oncd6/Club%20Report.docx?dl=0>

Inter-County Referee Report Template;

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/o1i0pdnp3cgvvv2/Referee%20Report.docx?dl=0>

Referee Inserts

To have the inserts printed by your local printer, please use the template at the link below, when printed the page sizes should be 8.5 cm by 12 cm

Note Books & Inserts

We currently use two suppliers for referee note books and inserts.

Printcomp

Printcomp supply the note book with the build in Red & Yellow Cards, and also supply inserts.

Contact Details

10 Fortescue Lane, Off Mountpleasant Avenue, Rathmines, Dublin 6
Tel: 01 497 8511 Mobile: 086 8181 902
Email: david@printcomp.ie
<http://www.printcomp.ie/>

BJ McNally

BJ McNally supply the note book with the separate Red & Yellow cards, also normal and waterproof inserts.

Contact Details

33 Patrick Street, Newry Co. Down BT35 8EB
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DOWN GAA JAILBREAK



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Fri 6th - Sat 7th NOV 2015

CRUMLIN ROAD GAOL, BELFAST



In November, Down GAA is carrying out a major Fundraising Initiative when it is hoped that 50 Individuals will act as prisoners for 24 hours in Crumlin Road Gaol, Belfast

Their goal - To raise over £3000.00 bail money



So far the following have agreed to act as prisoners:



- Brendan Fitzpatrick
- Hugh Morgan
- Paula Magee
- Brendan Murray
- John Farrell
- Phelim Leneghan
- Brian McAvoy
- Kieran Kennedy
- Róisín O'Higgins
- Chris Hazzard
- Mairead McArdle
- Sean McCashin
- Conor Watson
- Martina Casement
- Sean Og McAteer
- Coumban Fitzsimmons
- Maureen O'Higgins
- Sean Rogers
- Daniel McCartan
- Michael Madine
- Sean Rooney
- Diarmuid Cahill
- Naomi Baile
- Vincent Byrne
- Donal McNally
- Patrick Tinnelly
- William Smith
- Donard King
- Paul "Bap" Lennon
- Gerry Rogers
- Paul McArdle



This is a major opportunity for Down GAA to generate much needed funds and at the same time do something different in terms of Fundraising.

WE STILL NEED MORE INMATES

- Our you prepared to go Down for Down and become an "Inmate"?
- Could your Business / Organisation / Club put forward an "Inmate"?
- or could you sponsor one of the existing prisoners?

(Donations can be made directly to each individual online at www.downgaa.net/jail-break)



For more information please contact:

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DOWN SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINALS



MAYOBRIDGE



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CASTLEWELLEN



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V

Friday 25th September in Pairc Esler Newry

JFC Semi Final 6.45pm Glasdrumman v Dundrum

SFC Semi Final 8.15pm Kilcoo v MayoBridge

Sunday 27th September in Portaferry

SHC Final 2.30pm Ballycran v Ballygalget

Sunday 27th September in Pairc Esler Newry

JFC Semi Final 5.30pm Ardglass v Teconnaught

SFC Semi Final 7.15pm Ballyholland v Castlewellan



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