



Information Update for Members, their families and friends of St. John's G.A.C.

June 2015

Veterans' Get Together

A lovely idea will come to fruition on Friday 30th May when the committee invite some of our senior members to visit the club for lunch and offer them the opportunity to look around and catch up with progress over the years. We all owe them a debt of gratitude for the foundations which they put in place. We hope that this is the beginnings of such gatherings when veterans of our club feel as valued now, as when they were in office.

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Irish News Club Initiative of 2015 Winners

Naomh Eoin were delighted to be honoured in the recent Irish News School & Club Awards. The judges commented that St. John's stood out from stiff competition because of 'the transformation within the club, from one which relied heavily on income from the bar, to where we are now, in the promotion of health and well-being through our Fit4Life initiative and The Chatterbox Coffee Room'. The chairman proudly accepted the framed certificate and a set of 30 O'Neill's jumpers as our prize. The added advantage was the publicity we received from The Irish News which highlights the great work which continues to make Naomh Eoin the successful club which it is.

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Sponsorship

The Committee is indebted to all those who are so willing to sponsor Naomh Eoin whether it is to purchase rigs or equipment for the club. We are well aware of the response which our dancers are currently getting as they try to raise the required £250 sponsorship for the Strictly Naomh Eoin programme. Thank you sincerely for your continued support.

pilates

Pilates Tuesdays 7.30pm – 8.30pm

The successful Pilates class continues every Tuesday with tutor Mrs Lisa Maxwell. Just come along if you would like to try it out. The current programme ends on 23rd June. New classes will begin in September. Watch out for information on our club website.

3 G Sports Hall – You Can Book It!

This is a wonderful facility which brings in much needed income to our club. It can be booked for one hour slots for £40. This can be simply a group of friends wanting to play 5 aside or a works group coming together for a kick about or a more formal group coming together to train. To book contact Ronan (07769707411), Cónal (07715267117) oe email secretary.stjohns.antrim@gaa.ie

You can also check availability for children's parties with the added facility of The Chatterbox Coffee Room to bring your own food. This package costs £50.



Golf Tournament

Thank you to all those who took part in The Naomh Eoin Golf Classic on Sunday 25th May. This was not only a social and sporting event but also an important fund raising event too, with £2000 being raised. No sponsorship was sought at the request of The Chairman Gerry McCann due to the forth coming Strictly Naomh Eoin.



Strictly Naomh Eoin Our major fundraiser for 2015

To date the organising committee have done trojan work in their organisation of this event. Dancers are currently seeking out sponsors in order to meet their requirement to raise £250 for the programme and will be thrilled with any offers or direction.

Practice will begin for the dancers in early October. Diary Date *****Pre- Strictly Social Event

As the man always says, 'the fun is always in the preparation and in the lead up to an event.' With this in mind, the organising committee have planned a social evening on:

Friday 13th June 2015 8 'til late The function room

Please come along and hear the latest from the team camp!! As we do not have many organised events in the club, please ear mark this date and come along.

Feile 2015 (19th – 25th June) Club Clean Up on Saturday 13th June @11am Naomh Eoin are hosting Lisgoold from Cork and Four Roads in Roscommon. In preparation we are having 'A Club Clean-Up day' on Saturday 13th June @ 11am Please come out to help – many hands make light work!!! Too many cooks WON'T spoil the broth!!

The History of Naomh Eoin

John Gough has made a tremendous start writing the club history and is currently posting parts of his work on the website. This is a huge task but so, so worthwhile and the club are grateful to John for the research he has done.

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Cul Camp 2015

Steven Millar is organising this years Cul Camp which runs from 3rd -7th August. Can you help out? Contact Steven . More information for parents in coming weeks.

Rambling Retirees do Camino!

Joe McGuinness shared his experience of having completed two legs of this amazing journey through his presentation in April. This whetted the appetite of many of The Rambling Retirees who walk every Tuesday morning and The Camino Walk – The English Way is now a date in the diary. From 9th -16th April 2016 Naomh Eoin will complete this leg of the walk.



The Chatter Box Coffee Room Open Every Saturday Morning 10am – 12noon

Come and sample our variety of coffee, hot chocolate or tea and enjoy a homemade scone all for £1. On match days the shop is run from the large blue container to the far right of the carpark. Warm up with a hot tea or coffee. All £1!!

The Function Room Upstairs

We are currently curtaining the function room to make it more fit for hire for functions. Obviously this is a major task which will take time as the curtains are being handmade. The hall is an excellent size for large or small social events. Please contact Ronan

(07769707411), Cónal (07715267117) or e-mail

secretary.stjohns.antrim@gaa.ie Talk to us about your needs......we can suggest ways to meet them.

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We remember with sadness......

Please keep the families of club members in your thoughts and prayers as they come to terms with the loss of their loved one.

The McToal family – Katie RIP – Mother of Eddie, Rosie The Carlin Family – Tony RIP – Mother of Paddy The Richmond Family – Stephen RIP – Father of Chrissie The Rooney Family – Bridget RIP – Mother of Anne McCann The Murphy Family – Mary RIP – Mother of Hugh The Thompson Family-Joseph RIP- Father of mark The Williams Family-Kenneth RIP-Brother of George and Patrick

The Brennan Family-Colm RIP

The McKenna Family-Owen RIP- Father of Enda The Donnelly Family-Gaye RIP-Mother of Lawrence





We have almost completed our first year at encouraging members, families and friends to get fit and stay fit. Thanks to the excellent and professional approach by Laura McCann so many people are feeling very satisfied with their level of fitness and their toned bodies. We aim to continue to support and help anyone wishing to get fit and it was this sustainability which was rewarded with The Irish News Initiative of 2015 Award.

Fiona Maguire has joined our coaching with her expertise in kettle bells and Fiona will run a programme during July and August starting on 30th June Tuesdays 6pm-7pm; Thursdays 7pm-8pm and Saturdays 10am-11am

Why not aim to join us for this 10 week programme. It is for all ages and everyone encourages everyone else



What's happening on the field?

The weather may not be favourable but the games still go on. From Under 12 to senior we proudly field teams in all 4 codes Hurling, Camogie, Football and Ladies Football, thanks to the skill and commitment of our volunteer coaches and our members who proudly wear the blue and white. Our club mantra which all our coaches instil in our young people istry to be the best you can beNOT the best!! This will help children to grow in confidence.

Our Senior Footballers and Hurlers currently sit midtable in their respective divisions. The ambition to be County Champions in both codes remains the motivation. We have the talent, only time will tell if we can return to the top of the tree in Antrim and beyond. In the ladies games, both camogie and football teams are also doing exceptionally well in their respective competitions while at under age all our teams bring pride and joy to their parents, families and the club. It is early in the season but we are hopeful to have plenty of silverware as the season progresses at all levels.

Thank you to everyone who comes out to support our teams at all levels particularly in the horrendous weather conditions we are experiencing. All our fixtures are posted weekly on the club web site as are reports of many of the matches. Please take time to check the website to keep up with our progress.

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