



Péacáin Uaine na Seamróga



Shamrocks Green Shoots

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Fáilte

Welcome to the 6th edition of the Shamrocks Newsletter, Shamrocks Green Shoots. Its been our busiest and most successful underage season ever, hence a bumper 8 page edition in time for this Christmas. There is not enough time and space for me to properly chronicle the Minor and U16's season. Suffice to say it was a truly historic one. 7 trophies were won in total, the most ever by our club.

Minor Hurlers Win County Championship & League Double!

The Minor hurlers won every competition they entered. The footballers topped their league group but lost 3 times to eventual county champions Clondrohid along the way. A truly wonderful year where 20 matches in total were won between the 2 codes. Well done to all involved, it really was a total team effort from everyone.



Co Winning Team, 28/9/14: Back, 1 to r: John Twomey (Chairman Juvenile), John Jordan (mentor), James Lynam, Shane Kelleher, Adam O'Keeffe, Cormac Scriven, David Raleigh, Nathan Hayes, Andrew O'Grady, David Barry, Tom Murphy, Mark Hitchmough, Brendan Crowley, Rory Horgan, Darragh Scriven, Shane Flavin, Kevin O'Grady, Dick Andrews, Peter Crowley, Harry and Sean Andrews as well. Front, 1 to r: Garrett Flynn (trainer), David Nolan (manager), Killian Murphy, Coby O'Grady, Eric Desmond, Aonghus Boland (captain), David Andrews, Christopher Hayes, Seán Kidney, Ruairi Mehigan.

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- Dates for the diary -
- Underage Christmas Social, Fri Dec 12th, FBI, Ringaskiddy.
- Annual Christmas Draw, Sun Dec 21st
- Annual Puc Fada, Sun Dec 29th 2014, 12pm.
- Underage Social & Medal Presentation night, Fri Jan 23rd 2015, @ Monkstown GC
- Start of all Football Leagues, March 2015



U16's

Just like the Minor's, the U16's had a fantastic year. When you consider that 6 of these players were regular starters on the Minor teams as well, their achievements are staggering. They hurlers won the East championship and league double and the footballers won the East championship. Unfortunately, and not for want of effort and skill, they lost both county Finals by narrow margins. They also reached the Co Hurling League Final but once again came up short. I'm sure the lads will be extra determined to put this right over the next few years, the talent is certainly there. Again, well done to these players who have put Shamrocks back on the map once again. Roll on 2015.



Girls Football



The ladies will be taking a break from Thursday 27th November until February 2015. A big thank you to all of the girls who have trained and played matches throughout the year. We would also like to thank everyone who has helped out during the year from money collectors to the committee members but especially the mentors who have from start to finish given the girls 100% commitment. We hope to see you all again next year and maybe a few new faces as well. Pictured left is the Football Blitz in Passage earlier on this year.



The Boys Academy

The Academy continues every Saturday in October and April to June and indoors on Friday nights from November to March. Playing numbers this year, in particular indoors are very encouraging and everyone is having fun every session. Well done to all our coaches.



The “Shamrocks Long Term Player Development Program” has been rolled out for this seasons Academy so hopefully we’ll see an improvement in the coaching and in the players performance over time.

Schools Blitz

We ran a successful Primary Schools Blitz in May.



U14's

The U14's played 21 matches in 2014. They were beaten in the hurling championship in July but showed great improvement during the year. The footballers had a great run to the Semi Final of the championship. Well done to all the players, in particular Evan Seymour who played in every single game and made all training sessions all year.





Down Memory Lane - 1914, 100 years ago!



Shamrocks were a vibrant Club despite all the military activity in the area with the Munster Fusiliers preparing and training for war in Europe and Turkey. The Intermediate Hurlers contested the County final at Mallow on September 27th against Charleville. The itinerary for the team that day was - they attended Mass at Ballybricken (now Pfizers) celebrated by the chaplain of the Munster Fusiliers. They then walked to Raffeen and travelled to Cork by train. Then they changed trains and took another train to Mallow.

Included in the photograph are four of the hurling greats of that era. Ned Flynn who would captain Shamrocks to win the Intermediate County Title in 1915. Michael Cotter, who would play at Full back on the Cork Senior Hurling team when they played Tipperary in Belgium as part of the Festival of Celtic Nations after the war.

Tom Livesey was one of three Shamrocks players who won Munster and All Ireland Junior Hurling Medals with Cork in 1916. Frank Kenny would captain The Shamrock Senior Hurling team in 1923 to win the County Senior Hurling League title and the Beamish Shield.

U12's



The U12's completed their full program of games in both codes without success. They are a young bunch of players but there are many fine hurlers and footballers in this group to look forward to.

They trained with the U14's in 2014 and this proved to be a big success as it bumped up our numbers at training. It is hoped to continue with this format in 2015. Thanks to the trainers, mentors, player and supporters this year.



U10 & U8's

This vital age group were looked after by Seamus and Shane (plus one or two others) in 2014. They made serious progress, training every Monday with over 25 training at times. They played in most of the Blitzes on Saturday mornings. Well done everybody.



Website

The Shamrocks website www.shamrocksgaa.com continues to go from strength to strength. Each month brings increased hits from all over the world. We attempt to keep the site updated on a daily basis. As you can see from the picture attached, we last week passed 620,000 views. That is very healthy indeed. Lets keep it up!



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Weekly Lotto



Numbers Drawn on 2/12/14 : 4, 17, 27.

ONE winner of €2000 jackpot
– Richie Mackey c/o FBI.

Consolation Prizes went to John Meade & Lily Sue.

The next jackpot will be €200 and the draw
will take place in The FBI on Monday
night next at 9pm.



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Junior Football & Hurling

The Junior Hurlers went out of the championship at the Quarter Final stage in July to Valley Rovers. The year featured some encouraging displays. The footballers played some good football before losing to Ballygarvan in the replay of the championship in early August and losing to the same opposition in the league final in September, after topping the table. There is much to look forward next year. Thanks to all players & mentors for their efforts this year.



JAFV Ballygarvan, in Minane Bridge, 6/8/14. Back row l to r: R. Murphy, D. O'Sullivan, G. Prout, S. Downey, F. O'Neill, C. Kidney, S. Hurley, S. Collins, M. O'Neill, M. Prout, B. Mulqueen, A. McCarthy, B. Sweeney, D. O'Neill. Front, l to r: R. Twomey, S. Kidney, C. O'Grady, C. O'Neill, S. Andrews, D. Hayes, S. O'Neill, J. Shanahan, J. Tuohy, E. O'Mahony, E. O'Mahony, C. Caffrey.

Underage Trip to Croke Park

Shamrocks underage ran a coach to the Cork V Tipperary All Ireland Hurling Semi Final back in August. While the result didn't go our way, for the young players from the club, especially the U10's who made the trip, it was an unforgettable day out in Dublin. The U16's won their first trophy the previous day so everyone was in top form, up until 3.30pm anyway when the sliotar was thrown in! It is hoped by the club to run these trips to these Semi Finals when the situation arises.





Coaching Officer

Shamrocks are delighted to announce that Patrick Andrews is the new coaching officer for the Shamrocks club, a new position that became a necessity over the past few years. Its the first time we've had an officer with overall responsibility for coaching in the club and hopefully it will bring further success to the parish. Patrick has recently completed the Award 2 coaching course and is a qualified Tutor as well. He will be overseeing the whole coaching structure in the club starting in January 2015, featuring the Academy, various teams, coaching courses, schools and so on. Go n-éirí leis.



Website Photos

We're very lucky in the club to have a photographer of the calibre of Frank Van Pelt. Frank took some wonderful photos for our website this year, at various venues throughout the county. Below are just some of them that are available on our website. Bedankt Frank!



Club Fundraisers

Well done to everyone who took part in our 5km Run/Walk in October and raised money much needed funds the club. The turnout was excellent on the day. Also, thanks to all who took part in the Cork GAA clubs Draw this year. Pictured right are Harry & Seán Andrews with darts Professional Jamie Caven who came over to support in April.





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Social Media

Shamrocks recently joined the Twitter revolution. Many thanks to Darragh Scriven, one of our Minor players, who set it up. It was set up just in time for the Minors winning the County. The first ever tweet was "Minors are champions!!!! Score Shamrocks 2-16 Lisgoold 1-12". Darragh and our club PRO will continue to keep the site going. We now have well over 100 followers and counting. Please follow us at <https://twitter.com/GaaShamrocks>



Don't forget that we also have a very successful Facebook page.. It compliments the main website and indeed, some of our users prefer our Facebook page rather than the main one, which means that we constantly keep it updated with news and photos.



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Shamrocks Club Gear

Shamrocks have a range of gear available for purchase through Adrian Ryan Sports on the Tramose Road. Items include Club Hoodies, Training tops, Tracksuit and Jack-ets among others. Further details on our website.

Shamrocks Gaa Club Sports Gear Direct Ltd.



Club Hoody

Adult: S, M, L, XL, XXL €27.00
Youths: 12/13 yrs: €25.00
Kids: 5/6 yrs, 7/8 yrs, 9/11 yrs. €23.00
Includes embroidered crest.



1/4 Zip Poly Sweat

Adult: S, M, L, XL, XXL €23.00
Youths: 12yrs, 14yrs: €20.00
Kids: 6yrs, 8yrs, 10yrs: €17.00
Includes printed crest.



Club Cool Fabric Polo

Adult: S, M, L, XL, XXL €25.00
Includes embroidered crest.



Training Jersey / Tee

Adult: S, M, L, XL, XXL €16.00
Youths: 10-12yrs: €11.00
Kids: 6-8yrs: €11.00
Includes printed crest.



Club Track Suit

Adult: S, M, L, XL, XXL. €45.00
Youth: 12yrs, 14yrs. €40.00
Kids: 6yrs, 8yrs, 10yrs. €35.00
Includes embroidered crest.



Rain / Shower Jacket

So's Mistral waterproof windbreaker.
Adult: S, M, L, XL, XXL €32.00
includes embroidered crest



Player Club Bag

Mitre Gearbag: €28.00
Includes printed crest.
Colour: Green / Black / White
Size: 54 x 31 x 35 cm



White / Green Shorts:
Adult: Y 28/30", S 30/32", M 34", L 38", XL 38/40"
€10.00
Kids: B 20/22", LB 24/26"
€8.00



Green / White Socks:
Infant: 8-11 Boys: 12-2 €5.50
Youths: 3-6, Mens: 7-11. €5.50