



NAOMH GALL NEWS

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Don't forget your club lotto. Available behind the bar. 2 goes for £1!!

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 Naomh Gall CLG

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Chomoradh 1916-2016

This time a hundred years ago, republican men and women were planning the overthrow of the British Empire in Ireland. They envisaged a Republic, where people were citizens, not subjects; where people had fundamental rights, not arbitrary privileges; where there was equality, not elitism; where there was unity, not partition and division.

The GAA had a pivotal role in the planning, preparation and execution of the 1916 rising

On Easter Monday, 24th April 1916, The Proclamation of the Republic was

read out on the steps of the GPO, O'Connell Street, Dublin.

This year the Gaelic Athletic Association has asked clubs throughout the country to celebrate the volunteers of the 1916 Rising.

Antrim GAA and the National Graves Association invite all GAA members to a Mass in Holy Cross Church, Ardoyne on Tuesday 15th March at 7.00 pm to remember the dead of 1916.

People are requested to be in the church for 6.45 pm

All clubs are asked to attend in their club colours.

All clubs are invited to walk

in the Easter Parade in their club colours. Details of assembly will be given to team mentors before Easter Sunday. We would request as many teams participate as possible.

The inaugural performance of the play "A penny for an Easter Lily" will be shown in the clubrooms in April and St Gall's Cultural Group are going on an Historical tour of Dublin on 30th April. All members and guests are welcome.

There will be at least two other sporting events on our pitch later in the year in celebration.

A word from our Cultural Officer Harry Murphy

The club is delighted to be organising a walking tour of Dublin. It will give those attending the opportunity to visit historical sites associated with the 1916 Rising and more.

It is an opportunity to give all a sense of the personal

sacrifice made by so many old and young and the family connections.

To quote a colleague... "we here at home are still pilgrims progressing a great journey towards unity"

This trip is unique in that it is the century of the Rising, it is

memorable and personal to Naomh Gall and shows our commitment to marking this precious occasion

Fixtures are coming thick and fast this month and will take a lot more space than the past two, therefore they'll have their own sheet from now on!!

An Cúinne Gaelach



How are you?:
Cad é mar atá
tú?

Cad jay mar a ta-tu

I am well:
Tá mé go maith
Tah may go my

What is your name?
Cad é an t-ainm atá ort?
Ca jay an tanyum ata urt

I am Patrick
Is mise Pádraig
Is mishe Pádraig

Where are you from?
Cá bhfuil tú I do chónaí
Kah will too eh da ho knee

I'm from Belfast
Ta mé I mo chónaí I mBéal
Feirste
Ta may eh mo ho knee eh
mell first -ya

English
Irish
Phonetic



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Upcoming events:

Refurbishment of the social club has started. Bear with us with any disruptions during these few weeks.

Our Ladies Football team are holding a fundraiser on the 11th March in the big hall. There will be a whole host of different games including the main event 'Black or Red Roulette', play your cards right, a raffle and finished with a disco. £300 top prize. Tickets available behind bar or any players. If you're not in, you can't win!!

Player Focus: Eimear Gallagher

Earliest memory of Naomh Gall?
My earliest memory of Naomh Gall was getting to go to the club summer scheme for the first time. I remember leaving my brothers off and thinking I wish I could go too. I was finally old enough to go and it was brilliant. Getting the big blue bus and spending half your time picking yourself up off the floor.

Most memorable moment with Naomh Gall?

I have three memorable moments playing for Naomh Gall. The first has to be winning the junior championship final the 3rd time of asking in casement park and celebrating after with the best bunch of girls. The 2nd was the Ulster intermediate club quarter final team talk giving by our manager Davy Cherry. There was not a dry eye in the changing rooms as Davy spoke about his mum who had recently past away. We went on to win our 1st Ulster title and dedicated the win to Davy's mum. The 3rd was the half time team talk Ciaran O'Connor gave in the senior club championship final against St. Paul's back in 2011. Remember the hairs standing on the back of my neck and pulling off the greatest comeback to win our 1st senior title.

Person you most admire? Why?

That's easy without doubt Brona Bell. She has been an inspirational player to watch and play with. Tough on the field but so gentle and genuine off the pitch. Always wants the best for everyone. Trains so hard and would make sure everyone met their full potential if that means knocking them about during a tackling drill.

GAA Personality you most admire? Why?

All the yummy ladies in our club who work tirelessly for all our teams. The

ladies who cook, organise fundraisers, help in the shop, attend county board meetings. the ladies committee who gave up their time every week to insured that our ladies teams get the best and continue to grow from strength to strength.

They certainly don't get enough praise for the work they put in and the time they give up. Without these amazing ladies we wouldn't be where we are today with over 100 ladies players who proudly pull on the St. Patrick's blue/white jersey every week. We are eternally grateful for your commitment and without you NG wouldn't function as efficiently and smoothly as it does.



Most dedicated teammate?

Nuala "Mackers" McAreavey is without doubt our most dedicated player. Put it this way she has come out of retirement 3 years in a row now. A dedicated mummy now who can still fully commit to training every week and is the proudest player on the field when wearing the Naomh Gall jersey. Would throw her body in front of an opposition player if it meant stopping a shot.

Vainest teammate?

So this is a tough question when you talk about a ladies team. Being honest we all are concerned about our

appearance but none more so than our every own "pout queen" Anna Carey!! She may be teaching in Dubai are present but back in the day the conversation in the changing rooms went from Anna; "so under-armour or no under-armour, studs or mouldies, hair band or no hair band, socks up or socks down" think we all get the drift!! But we wouldn't change you for the world Anna Carey. Have a look at our team photos in the club the next time your down...Anna is the girl pouting!! LOL

Who's the 'Joker' in the pack?

Meabh McCurdy is the joker in our pack!! The genius Maths PHD student who has no common sense but is always messing her teammates around filling their heads full of rubbish!! Half the time I'm considering whether she is telling the truth or has made up a wee white lie.

We are blessed she is still here with us today after our recent NG ski trip. Meabh's first time skiing, flying down the slopes and couldn't stop. A happy hour billboard poster saved her life...how ironic considering she doesn't drink

Any advice you'd offer our younger readers?

The best advice I can give to our younger readers and players would be that we are all part of an amazing club. A club that has and will continue to grow from strength to strength with amazingly talented coaches and players. Be committed, hard working, passionate and most importantly have fun. I've made life long friends and sisters through Gaelic games and St Galls. If every player works hard on your team and gives their all you've done not only yourselves proud but also the club!! NGÁ