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The draw will primarily be run online reducing the Covid related issues around the purchasing and selling of tickets. However, as restriction levels reduce, we hope to have tickets available from nononline sources.

The draw will take place on Monday 19th July 2021 in Wicklow GAA Centre of Excellence, Ballinakill.

The aim of this fundraiser is to further increase the investment being made into our Coaching & Development resources and our Garden County



Academy Hurling and Football Squads. Through this fundraiser, and other initiatives, Wicklow GAA aims to increase the number of coaches we have visiting our schools & Clubs, thus increasing the participation rates across the County.



Both Renault and WH Scott Lifting have been fantastic supporters of Wicklow GAA over a long number of years, and we are greatly appreciative of their continued partnership.









Senior Football Team

One 10 Party

Leinster Senior Football Championship 2021

At Aughrim



Wexford took the spoils in round 1 of the Leinster Senior Football Championship in Aughrim and set up a quarter-final meeting with Dublin next weekend. The visitors got off to a dream start with Mark Rossiter firing home a major in the 3rd minute.Bray's Aaron Murphy got Wicklow on the board with a point after a great solo-run through the Wexford rearguard. Mark Rossiter replied with a point before Wicklow hit three unanswered points on the bounce, Patrick O'Connor split the posts from distance before Chris O'Brien and Padraig O'Toole rose white flags to level matters as the first half water-break was

signalled by the Longford referee. On the resumption Rossiter restored the lead, but this was cancelled out a Mark Kenny point from close range. Padraic Hughes pointed for the visitors and Wicklow got off the hook when Tom Byrne narrowly shot wide of goal moments later. Patrick O'Connor landed his 2nd point of the afternoon, however two further points for the visitors closed out the opening half as the scoreboard read 0-6 to 1-05. Wexford started the second half a man light, as midfielder, Daithi Waters picked up a Black Card just prior the half time whistle. John Tubritt and Patrick O'Connor traded points inside the opening 3 minutes before Rossiter tagged on another point for the visitors. Aided by a slight breeze Davy Burke's charge's levelled matters with a trio of points, 0-10 to 1-07 in the 45th minute. Wicklow took the lead with a brace of points, the pick of them, a 50m free out on the left from Mark Jackson. Mark Kenny picked up a yellow card for persistent fouling and Donal Shanley pointed from the resultant free to leave the scoreboard reading 0-12 to 1-08 as the 2nd half waterbreak was signalled. It would be nearly 11 minutes before the next score was tallied, as both sides failed to find the target. Martin O'Connor fired home from close range, after a powerful solo-run up the field, the centre-back played a sweet one-two wity Liam Coleman, O'Connor shook the back of Jackson's net, a huge score for Wexford with an hour on the clock. Another point from Rossiter pushed the lead out, 0-12 to 2-09. 7minutes of additional time was signalled, another pointed free from Mark Jackson soon followed before Rossiter pointed yet again. Patrick O'Connor landed Wicklow's 14th point, however they could not harvest a badly needed goal in the closing stages of the game.



Wicklow: Mark Jackson (0-2,2f); Arran Murphy (0-3), Eoin Murtagh, Oisin Manning; Darragh Fitzgerald, Niall Donnelly; David Deveraux, Padraig O'Toole (0-1), John Paul Hurley; Andy Maher, Mark Kenny (0-1), Conor Byrne (0-1); Chris O'Brien (0-2, 2f), Seanie Furlong, Patrick O'Connor (0-4) SUBS: Paul Cunnigham, Daniel Keane, James Sheeran, Saoirse Kearon, Pat Burke

Wexford: Darragh Brooks; Martin O'Connor (1-00), Gavin Sheehan, Liam O'Connor; Paraic Hughes (0-1), Brian Malone, Michael Furlong; Daithi Waters, Liam Coleman; Tom Byrne, Sean Nolan, Kevin O'Grady; John Turbitt (0-2), Eoghan Nolan, Mark Rossiter (1-06,1f). SUBS: Ben Brosnan, Donal Shanley (0-2,2f), Eoghan Porter, Alan Tobin, Niall Hughes.

REF: Fergal Kelly (Longford)









U20 Football Team



Eirgrid Leinster U20 Football Championship



Wicklow needed a late goal to take the win in the opening game of the Eirgrid Leinster U20 Football Championship in Aughrim on July 1st.

Laois drew the first blood with a Colin Dunne free before Johnny Keogh replied with a free of his own. Ríoghan Murphy was at the end of a Laois move and finished the ball to the back of the Wicklow net. Wicklow hold possession and work the ball up the field. The ball is kicked across the square and Eoin Darcy palms it over the bar.

Cillian McDonald sends a long ball into Eoin Darcy. Eoin catches and shoots. A goal for Wicklow brings the game back to level pegging. Laois have three frees from Ríoghan Murphy and Colin Dunne before Wicklow scored again. A long ball was sent into Kevin Quinn and he called the mark. Kevin dually pointed the mark. Laois broke down the Wicklow defence again, this time Adam Dunne finished the ball to the goal. Wicklow didn't panic and with points from Johnny Keogh and Kevin Quinn left the half time score 1-05 to 2-05 in favour of Laois.

Points from Johnny Keogh and Sam O' Dowd and a point from Laois reduced the gap to 2 at the second water break. Matthew Ging was introduced in the last

quarter and his first job was to point a free. Colin Dunne pointed a Laois free before Matthew Ging had two more pointed frees followed by a point from play to level the game. The referee called 4 minutes additional time. Malachy Stone was putting the Laois defence under pressure with his strong breaking runs through the middle. Wicklow eventually found the gap inside but the Laois goalie did well to save the first shot. Eoin Darcy was quickest to react to the rebound and he finished to the corner of the goal to put Wicklow in front for the first time in the game. Laois quickly went on the attack in search of an equaliser. The Wicklow defence held strong and got the ball cleared to Johnny Keogh on the 45-yard line. Johnny ran the length of the pitch with a Laois player on his shoulder. As he was about to shoot the referee deemed him to have overcarried and gave Laois one more chance. Again, the Wicklow defence stood strong and Wicklow held on for the win.

Wicklow play Dublin in Parnell Park in the Quarter Final

Wicklow: Jack Sargent, Chris Grimes, Malachy Stone, Tom Moran, Gavin Fogarty, Zach Cullen, Craig Maguire, Eoghan Byrne, Sam O' Dowd, Kevin Quinn, Johnny Keogh, Cillian McDonald, Oisín Cullen, Sean Crowley, Eoin Darcy

Subs: Jordan Brady for Craig Maguire, Matthew Ging for Oisín Cullen.

Laois: Tom Wright, Cathal Bennett, Adam Dunne, Sean Greene, Eamon Delaney, Alan Connolly, Fionn Holland, Kevin Swayne, Ciaran Burke, Ríoghan Murphy, Damon Larkin, Sean O' Neill, Conor Goode, Ross Bolger, Colin Dunne





Minor Football Team





Electric Ireland Leinster Minor Football Championship

At Netwatch Cullen Park



Carlow took the spoils in the Electric Ireland Leinster Minor Football Championship game played in ideal conditions in Carlow on Saturday afternoon. Lorcan Smyth had a great save in the opening minute to deny the homeside an early goal. Wicklow got on the board in the 2nd minute with Brays Finn Treacy pointing from distance, Sean Doyle followed with another point that was tipped over the crossbar by the keeper. Corner forward, Ronan Quinlan put in a huge display for Carlow through-out the sixty-odd minutes, Quinlan goaled in the 6th minute. An Tochar's Conor Fee landed a beast of a point after fine work by Tom Hodgkinson. Quinlan tallied 3 more points on the trot for Carlow who were on fire early on. Both sides traded points before the 1st half waterbreak was signalled by the Kildare referee, as the scoreboard read 1-6 to 0-5 in favour of Carlow. Carlow added another 1-02 with-out reply, with Oisin Doyle landing the goal. Austin Brennan was fouled going through and Conor Fee pointed the resultant free. Wicklow didn't convert a number of goal chances that came their way in this period and were punished by further points from Carlow. Finn Treacy landed a mighty 45, right between the uprights before the industrious Conor Fee tallied another point for the Garden County side. Sean Doyle drew a powerful save of the Carlow goalie before the half time whistle sounded, as the scoreboard now read 2-11 to 0-08 in favour of Carlow. Both sides introduced

a number of fresh legs in the second period, Wicklow's Cathal Baker burst upfield an landed the opening score of the half with a point. Carlow suffered a huge blow when losing their talisman, Ronan Quinlan to a Black Card into the sin bin for the next ten minutes. Conor Fee tags on another point after good work by Finn Treacy, another goal chance goes amiss for the Wicklow side. Eoin Sheridan had another goal chance that was thwarted by the Carlow goalie as Wicklow upped the ante. The major soon followed after Wicklow overturned a Carlow kick-out, with Conor Fee to leave the score 2-12 to 1-10, however Wicklow were hit with a suckerpunch as Carlow rose their 3rd green flag of the day, a huge setback for Paddy Dalton's charges. Austin Brennan pointed from distance before William Moorehouse added another point from a placed ball. Donagh Murphy fired over a sweet point for Carlow going into the dying embers of the game. Finn Treacy landed a monster of a point from another 45, as Wicklow rallied at this late stage. A high ball across the dangerzone was palmed home by Finn Treacy to provide a grandstand finish deep into injury time. Wicklow went in search of a winning goal, but it





proved to late as the final whistle sounded. Wicklow will be very disappointed they weren't a little bit more clinical with the chances they had for goals throughout the match, which proved the difference at the finish. Best for Carlow were Ronan Quinlan and Oisin Doyle while Wicklow had excellent showings from Finn Treacy and the lively Conor Fee.

Scorers:

Wicklow: Conor Fee 1-05, Finn Treacy 1-04, Sean Doyle 0-2, William Moorehouse 0-2, Cathal Baker 0-1, Austin Brennan 0-1.

Carlow: Ronan Quinlan 1-09, Oisin Doyle 1-02, Brad Bolger 1-00, Donagh Murphy 0-2, Cillian Fegan 0-1.

Wicklow: Lorcan Smith (An Tochar); Cian Deering (St Nics), Adam Mullervy (Agb), James Healy (Bray); Tom Hodgkinson (St Pats), Austin Brennan (Blesso), Adam Kinsella (Knockannana); Cathal Baker (Avondale), Finn Treacy (Bray); William Moorehouse (Rathnew), Conor Fee (An Tochar), Aaron O'Brien (Agb); Alex Kavanagh (Aughrim), Sam Gough (Blesso), Sean Doyle (St Nics)

SUBS: Eoin Sheridan (St Nics), Callum Clarke (Rathnew), Robert McHugh (Balto), Jack Bookle (Balto), Cathal Sheehan (Knockannana).

Carlow: Mark McDermott; Petewr Burgess, Aaron Bolger, James Whelan; Cillian Carthy, Kieran Nolan, Kyle Foley; Kyle Nolan, Stephen Smyth; Cian Doran, Cillian Fegan, Donagh Murphy; Brad Bolger, Oisin Doyle, Ronan Quinlan.

SUBS: Cillian Brady, Alex Delaney, Jack Decey, Pa Kavanagh.

REF: Kieran Harris (Kildare)







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Senior Hurling Team







Wicklow held off a second half come-back by Roscommon to take the two points in the opening game of the Christy Ring Competition.

Wicklow started the strongest with the Roscommon keeper being forced to make an early save from an Andy O' Brien shot on goal. Points from Eamonn Kearns and Gary Hughes gave Wicklow an early lead. Roscommon's opening score was a pointed free from Cathal Dolan. Gary Hughes extended Wicklow's lead with a well finished goal. Cathal Dolan replied

immediately with a point for Roscommon. Two frees from Andy O' Brien and a point from Mikey Lee saw Wicklow lead 1-05 to 0-02 at the first water break.

Wicklow had three more pointed frees from Andy O' Brien and a Mikey Lee point while Roscommon could only convert one point from



play and one free for the rest of the half. At the break Wicklow lead 1-09 to 0-04.

Wicklow maintained control in the third quarter with two Andy O' Brien frees and points from Mikey Lee and Luke Evans. Roscommon converted 5 frees. Just before the water break Roscommon made a break through the heart of the Wicklow defence. The Roscommon player was bearing down on goal when he was fouled by Bryan Kearney. Bryan received a black card for the foul and Gary Byrne got a straight red for the incident following the foul. Roscommon find the back of the Wicklow net with the resulting

penalty to reduce the gap to 4 at the water break. Points from Andy O' Brien (3), Mikey Lee and Eoin McCormack keep Wicklow ahead on the scoreboard. Just before the final whistle Mikev Lee finds some space in front of the goal and finishes to the bottom of the Roscommon net to seal the victory for Wicklow.





Wicklow: Cian Staunton, Peter Keane, Bryan Kearney, Martin O' Brien, Gary Byrne, Danny Staunton, John Henderson, Jack Doyle, Shaun Cranley, Pádraig Doran, Mikey Lee, Eamonn Kearns, Luke Evans, Andy O' Brien, Gary Hughes

Subs: Christy Moorehouse for Gary Hughes, Eoin McCormack for Pádraig Doran, Ciarán Breen for Peter Keane

Roscommon: Enda Lawless, Donal Kelly, Eoghan Costello, Peter Kellehan, Darren Fallon, Shane Naughton, Darragh Heavey, Ben McGahon, Jason Kilkenny, Cillian Egan, Eoghan Coyle, Naos Connaughton,

Matthew Comerford, Conall Kennelly, Cathal Dolan







GOX CELTIC CHALLENGE

Celtic Challenge



Celtic Challenge Round 1



Wicklow took
the spoils in the
quarter-final of
the Celtic Cup U/
17 Hurling,
against
Roscommon in
Kilcock GAA
club last
Saturday
afternoon.
Wicklow turned

in a huge shift in the third quarter, which was pivotal towards the victory. Captain Austin Brennan opened the scoring with a point in the first minute, Bray's Sean Kenny added another as Wicklow hit the ground running. A goal followed from the Roscommon side after Sean Canning somehow bypassed the Wicklow back line in the 7th minute. Dan Redmond had a great shot brilliantly saved by the Roscommon goalie moments later. A brace of points from Austin Brennan and Willie Cash was tallied onto Wicklow's account in the next period. A point from a placed ball from Pat Fallon closed out the opening quarter with the score reading 0-4 to 1-01. Austin Brennan landed a monster of a free on the restart, however Pat Fallon fired over his second point to levels matters again moments later in a tight affair. Our midfielders and half-back line were winning lots of dirty ball in the rucks, providing plenty of service up to our forward-line. James Ffrench and Willie Cash each found the target before the half time whistle sounded as Wicklow now led by the minimum, 0-7 to 1-03 at the interval. Wicklow produced their best hurling in the third quarter, outscoring their opponents 5pts to 1, with points from Ffrench(2), Brennan and Cash finding the target before a mighty long range free from Glenealy's Michael Og O'Neill tallied Wicklow's

12th and final point of the game as the 2nd half was signalled, with the score now reading 0-12 to 1-04. A rousing finish to the game followed with Roscommon firing over a brace of points in quick succession, to leave it a three point game going into the dying embers of the game. Try as hard as they could Roscommon could not break down a well marshalled rearguard and Billy Molloy who was in top form in the Wicklow goal, as the Connacht side valiantly sought an equalising goal. Wicklow stood strong and quelled any goal chances before the full time whistle sounded. Wicklow move onto the semi-final stages next Saturday, where they will meet Sligo.

Wicklow MOTM: Austin Brennan (W/Gaels)

Wicklow: Billy Molloy (Carnew); Cian Deering (W/Gaels), Ciaran Coyne (W/Gaels), John O'Brien (St.Pat's); Maurice Sheil (Carnew), Austin Brennan (W/Gaels, 0-4), Michael Óg O'Neill (Glenealy, 0-1); Finn Treacy (Bray), Sam Gough (W/Gaels); Seán Kenny (Bray, 0-1), Adam Prunty (Bray), Riain Waters (M/Dwyers); Willie Cash (St.Pat's, 0-3), James Ffrench (Glenealy, 0-3), Daniel Redmond (Carnew) SUBS: Jack O'Toole (M/Dwyers), Conor Manifold (M/Dwyers)

PANEL: Luke Frawley, Ruairí O'Brien, Charlie Chamney, Sean Byrne, James Byrne, Fiachra O'Dunaí, Charlie Frawley, Sean Rogan, Kian Conlon, Jake O'Dwyer, Larry Kinsella, Michael Shannon, Shane Byrne, Adam Williamson, Kieran Ovenden, Eyan Cooke, Cormac Byrne

Roscommon: Jack Ryan; Tommy Morris, Ben Kelly, Aaron Flaherty; Michael Hussey, Tomas Tiernan, Aidan Hoare; Senan Lambe, Conor Kelly (0-2); Patrick Fallon (0-4), David Hough, Dj Hession; Sean Canning (1-00), Jack Dillion, Jack Fleming



Club News





Carnew says - Camán Everybody

There has been great excitement and fun in the primary schools in Carnew as the junior students had their first run out with their very colourful and artistic hurls.

Conor Daly, Carnew Emmets GPO, with the

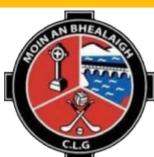
assistance of Jack Keogh, IT Tralee Student, brought the Wexford and Leinster GAA initiative "Camán Everybody" to Carnew, inspired by a conversation with Seamus Byrne of Wexford GAA.



Both Scoil Aodán Naofa and All Saints National Schools embraced the opportunity for their students to combine their artistic flare and hurling skills with the Camán Everybody programme which introduces the basic fundamental skills of hurling by creating a positive fun learning experience and simple coaching techniques.



As part of the process students worked to design, paint and name their Camán's, each one as unique and colourful as the players themselves. The crowning moment came when they got to strike the War Sliotars around the school yards. The sounds of ash striking leather could be heard for miles around.



Valleymount GAA

Club lotto: The club continues to run its bi-weekly lotto whilst adhering to strict Covid restrictions. To date there have been no jackpot winners this year, so make sure to keep buying tickets to be in

with a chance of winning. Thank you to all who support us by buying tickets and to those who sell tickets. A big thanks to the few regular lads who run the lotto draw every fortnight, your dedication is greatly appreciated.

Club development: We hope to hold an open day for the public when restrictions have been lifted, to show the great work that has been done over the past few years. Thanks to Sharon Nolan who organised and dealt the Sports Capital Grant programme, to Cahill Construction for taking on the job and big thanks to a few of our members who helped to make it happen. We hope to develop a training pitch in the near future, as it will take the pressure off the main pitch and allow for more training time and space for the many teams looking to use it.

Fundraising during Covid: Due to Covid restrictions, fundraising has been down for the year. The club ran a Zoom Quiz this year which was a great success. Thanks to all members who worked hard getting sponsors and raffle prizes for the event.

Congratulation s to the winners on the night, Julie Winders team and to all the raffle winners. All businesses that gave sponsorship are now in the Valleymount **Business** Directory which can be accessed from our social



media pages. We would encourage all members to use this directory to create business for our local sponsors.

Cahill Construction sponsored a new set of jerseys for the Intermediate team. We are delighted with them and the lads can't wait to wear them on the field to show them off. Thanks to Declan and Steven Cahill for the generous gesture, especially given the current climate.

Also a huge thanks to Niall Jones, of N Jones Plant Hire, who sponsored training tops for the lads this year, it was greatly appreciated.

Glenealy GAA



Our intermediates came up short against an extremely skilful Kilcoole side. Unfortunately after a dramatic IHC semi-final win over Carnew just before lockdown it wasn't to be for our Glenealy men. Hard luck to all involved but we wish Kilcoole all the best as they make a welcome return to the Senior Hurling Championship.

Elsewhere, our U13 side also had some unfinished business from 2020 – and they finished it out in true Glenealy style with a victory over Western Gaels to

become U13 B Champions. A truly fantastic team performance from our little red warriors with Alex McKenna shining bright as he received Man of the Match. A welcome parade of beeping cars descended on the Village afterwards followed by winner's banquet of pizza and chips, enjoyed outdoors in the park.

Training: Training is back for all Intermediate and Junior C players, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8pm in the pitch. Ladies training is also back every Monday night at 8pm. Go Games are back every Thursday night from 6:30-7:30pm. All new faces welcome, just turn up on the night and register.

Club shop: Club gear is available to purchase from the Azzurri club shop. There is a wide variety of items available, take a look and kit yourself out for when the matches are back.

Social Media: Valleymount GAA is now on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook. Keep up to date with all the action by following us - Username **@valleymountgaa.**

Our club lotto has since returned and is playable online at:

https://smartlotto.ie/ashford-gaa---glenealy-gaa/

On Friday 25th of June we launched what is probably the biggest fundraiser in our clubs history — win a house and car in Wicklow. The work that has gone in to get this fundraiser up and running has been a Trojan effort so a massive thank you to all involved. This fundraiser is vital in developing our new club facilities at Ballyfree, where we purchased 21 acres in 2013, right in the heart of Glenealy village. The excitement in the club at the moment is palpable! Log on to

https://winahouseandcarinwicklow.com/ to purchase your ticket.







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Laragh GFC

Intermediate Team: The lads started their Division 2 League Cup campaign away to reigning Intermediate Champions Donard-Glen on the 11th of June. Unfortunately the lads came out on the losing end of a 2-13 to 1-07 score line, (John Nolan 1-04, David Miley 0-02, Damien Hanlon 0-01). However there was plenty of positives to take from it and the lads have been working hard to prepare for their upcoming fixture against Stratford -Grangecon GFC at home Saturday the 3rd of July at 6 p.m. followed by Valleymount GFC and An Tóchar.



Junior Team: Our men's second team made their debut start on the 17th of June in the Division 5 North League with a loss against a very strong Kilcoole GFC team. This was the lads first time playing together as a team, it was clear to see huge improvements throughout the game. It was great to see some newcomers and old timers tog out! A week later they traveled to An Tóchar with a depleted squad and put in a massive effort only to lose 3-12 to 3-06. Next up is Kilmacanogue GFC on the 8th of July in Laragh.

Juvenile Teams: The U7's and U9's had their first Go Games Blitz of the season on a lovely Friday evening in Avoca. For some it was there first time putting on the Laragh jersey and they did the club proud by playing out of their skins. They followed this up with another great display of football bat a blitz in

Newcastle. Training every Wednesday is really paying off.

The U11's played their 2020 county final against Newcastle, it was a cracking game by all accounts but unfortunately the team came up just short at the end. This team have come on leaps and bounds in recent weeks with a good start to the season, best of luck to team against Coolkenno GFC in their next game.

The U13's have amalgamated to form the team Clara Gaels, it's fantastic to see to neighbouring clubs helping each other out to keep these boys playing. The team is settling into the new season well, next up is Barndarrig in the championship.

A special mention to Mikey Nolan who the U15 B championship of 2020 with An Tóchar and also Tadhg Gilmore & Oran Finnerty on winning their U13 Division 3 Shield also with An Tóchar. We look forward to welcoming them back to our adult set up in years to come.

Club Lotto: The jackpot stands at €5,600 (at time of submission) this month's lotto draws takes place on Monday's the 12th and 26th of July. Get your tickets in through the Clubforce Website/App with the link shared widely on our Facebook and Instagram pages, or contact any committee member. Tickets are 3 for €5! Congratulations to June 'match-three numbers' players Tara McDonald & Rich Cullen (Knockrath).





Blessington GAA Sponsorship Announcement

As you may have heard Blessington GAA Club were recently selected to be part of the Sports Direct grassroots

programme and I would like to announce that our U14's girls team have been selected to be one of the first teams in the club. This means we have received new jerseys with their logo for our matches this year which our girls wore for the first time against Tinahely on Saturday.

Big thanks to all involved in making this happen.

Hike To Remember Luka

Saturday the 19th of June was the day of our #HikeToRememberLuka fundraiser and what a day it was.

Over the course of the day 224 hikers completed the 18k hike in aid of club and charity partner, Féileacáin (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Association of Ireland).

Thanks to everybody who supported the event, not only on the day, but through all the donations prior to the event.

Thank you to all our sponsors who supported this event so generously, we are very grateful.

Thank you to Cullen's pub in Ballyknockan for hosting our event, the amazing pub has some of the best views in Ireland.



HikeToRememberLuka

€30,588 raised of €15,000 goal

To Paul Carroll and his helpers, thanks for marking the route so all our hikers could safely navigate their way across the mountains.

Thanks to AIF for warming up our hikers prior to starting their walk. Thanks to the healthy club team for the snack station and all the ladies who worked hard on the registration desk.

This event was a really special day that brought together club and community.

At the time of writing, the money raised stands at €30,108. Absolutely amazing.

Nì neart go cur le chéile.





Monday July 5

Minor Football Player Pathway League Division 1 Minor Football Player Pathway League Division 2 Minor Football Player Pathway League Division 3

Under 13 Hurling A Championship Under 13 Hurling B Championship

Wednesday July 7

Under 15 Hurling A Championship

Under 11 Hurling Group 1 Under 11 Hurling Group 2

Friday July 9

Under 7/9 Football Go Games

Under 14 Football Player Pathway League Group 3

U15 Football D Championship

Saturday July 10

Under 7/9 Football Go Games

Leinster Minor Hurling Celtic Challenge Round 2 Wicklow/Roscommon V Sligo/Mayo

Sunday July 11

Under 14 Hurling Player Pathway League Group 1

Monday July 12

Under 13 Football A Championship Under 13 Football B Championship Under 13 Football C Championship Under 13 Football D Championship Under 13 Football E Championship

U10 Football Player Pathway Leagues Group 1 U10 Football Player Pathway Leagues Group 2 U10 Football Player Pathway Leagues Group 3

Minor Football A Championship Minor Football B Championship Minor Football C Championship

Wednesday July 14

Under 11 Football Group 1 Under 11 Football Group 2 Under 11 Football Group 3 Under 11 Football Group 4 Under 11 Football Group 5 Under 11 Football Group 6

Under 15 Football A Championship Under 15 Football B Championship Under 15 Football C Championship Under 15 Football D Championship

Friday July 16

Under 7/9 Hurling Go Games

Under 13 Football A Championship Under 13 Football B Championship Under 13 Football C Championship Under 13 Football D Championship Under 13 Football E Championship

Sunday July 18

U15 Football D Championship

Under 14 Football Player Pathway League Group 2

Monday July 19

Under 10 Hurling Player Pathway League

Under 13 Hurling A Championship Under 13 Hurling B Championship

Minor A Hurling 10/11 aside Super Games

Under 11 Football Group 6

Wednesday July 21

Under 15 Hurling A Championship Round

Under 11 Hurling Group 1 Under 11 Hurling Group 2

Friday July 23

Under 7/9 Football Go Games Under 12 Hurling Player Pathway League Group 1

Saturday July 24

Under 7/9 Football Go Games Various Venues

Leinster Minor Hurling Celtic Challenge Final

Sunday July 25

Under 14 Football Player Pathway League Group 1 Under 14 Football Player Pathway League Group 2 Under 14 Football Player Pathway League Group 3

Monday July 26

Minor Hurling A Championship

Under 13 Football A Championship Under 13 Football B Championship Under 13 Football C Championship Under 13 Football D Championship Under 13 Football E Championship Under 11 Football Group 2

U10 Football Player Pathway League Group 1 U10 Football Player Pathway League Group 3

Wednesday July 28

Under 11 Football Group 1 Under 11 Football Group 2 Under 11 Football Group 3 Under 11 Football Group 4 Under 11 Football Group 5 Under 11 Football Group 6

Under 15 Football A Championship Under 15 Football B Championship Under 15 Football C Championship Under 15 Football D Championship

Friday July 30

Under 7/9 Hurling Go Games

Minor Hurling A Championship

U12 Football Player Pathway League Group 1 U12 Football Player Pathway League Group 4

Wicklow LGFA





Congratulations to Tinahely Ladies Football Club who won the Leinster Intermediate Final 1-10 to 0-08 against Old Leighlin in Baltinglass recently.

Best of luck in the All Ireland semi-final.



TG 4 Camps show

Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps will return to TG4 for a second season after last year's hugely successful run.

This 6-week series will also be available on the TG4 player TG4.ie, making the return to camp activity, both live and on demand, available to everyone at home and abroad.

Hosted by Gráinne Bleasdale, the series will include skills, drills and segments from GAA experts including All-Ireland winning Dublin Ladies Football star Sinéad Aherne, Cork Camogie champion Linda Collins, Waterford Hurler Tadhg de Búrca, and Tipperary's Séamus Kennedy along with Galway Footballer Paul Conroy and Donegal's Ryan McHugh. @tg4tv @officialgaa @kelloggsgaaculcamps #TG4 #KelloggsGAACulCamps

2021 National Club Draw Winners

Congratulations to Shillelagh/Coolboy and Glenealy who both won prizes in the draw for the participating clubs.

A phenomenal total of €1,464,670 has been raised by GAA Clubs through the Association's National Club Draw.

Uachtarán Cumann Lúthchleas Gael, Larry McCarthy, presided over the eighth GAA National Club draw which took place in Páirc an Chrócaigh.

All of the money raised by clubs through the selling of tickets is retained by the clubs, with the list of prizes provided by Ard Chomhairle.

The draw was independently observed by Brian Cormack, Audit & Assurance Director, Mazars.

National Club Draw Prize Winners

- 1) All-New Renault Clio Christy Anita Mya and Grace Phillips, Claremorris GAA, Co. Mayo 2) €2,000 Cash Prize Stevie Lee, Kilkerrin Clonberne GAA, Co Galway
- 3) All Ireland Hurling & Football Final Package Cormac Flynn, Lucan Sarsfields GAA, Co. Dublin
- 4) All Ireland Hurling & Football Final Package Christy Fay, Dunderry GAA, Co. Meath
- 5) All Ireland Hurling & Football Final Package –

- Bronagh Mullen, Mountnugent GAA, Co. Cavan 6) €1000 Cash Prize- Neil A O Donnell, Naomh Muire Lower Rosses GAA, Co. Donegal
- 7) All Ireland Hurling Final Package Amanda Deaton, Na Fianna GAA, Co. Dublin
- *8) All Ireland Football Final Package *Michael O'Connor, Crusheen GAA, Co. Clare
- *9) All Ireland Hurling Final Package *Kevin Colman, O'Dwyers GAA, Co. Dublin
- 10) All Ireland Football Final Package Noel Pepper, Naomh Barrog GAA, Co. Dublin
- 11) €500 Cash Prize- Martin Ryan, Drumcullen GAA, Co. Offaly
- 12) €500 Blue Book Voucher- Jamie Connolly, Tooreen GAA, Co. Mayo
- 13) *€500 Cash Prize-* Denis O'Brien, Shannon Gaels GAA, Co. Roscommon
- 14) €500 Shopping Voucher- George McGrath, Portobello GAA, Co. Dublin
- 15) €300 Cash Prize- Ciaran Porter, Naomh Mhuire Convoy GAA, Co. Donegal

Club Specific Draw

Clubs who won €5,000 in the National Club Draw for clubs who sold a minimum of 200 tickets

*1) *Coolboy GAA, Co. Wicklow

- *2) *Shankill GAA, Co. Dublin
- *3) *St. Patricks Donabate, Co. Dublin

Clubs who won €1,000 in the National Club Draw

Wicklow- Glenealy GAA

Galway- Menlo Emmetts GAA

Leitrim- Drumkeerin GAA

Mayo- Tooreen GAA

Roscommon- Shannon Gaels GAA

Sligo- Shamrock Gaels GAA

Carlow- Muinebheag GAA

Dublin- Good Counsel GAA

Kildare- Raheens GAA

Kilkenny- Tullogher Rosbercon GAA

Laois- Camross GAA

Longford- Legan Sarsfields GAA

Louth- Sean O'Mahonys GAA

Meath- Wolfe Tones GAA

Offaly- Belmont GAA

Westmeath- Ballinagore GAA

Wexford- Faythe Harriers GAA

Clare- Whitegate GAA

Cork- St. Nicholas GAA

Kerry- Abbeydorney GAA

Limerick- Ballysteen GAA

Tipperary- Killenaule GAA

Waterford- Abbeyside Ballinacourty GAA

Cavan- Mountnugent GAA

Donegal- Naomh Brid GAA

Monaghan- Aughnamullen GAA