St Pats GAA Notes 27/02/2023

**Registration 2023**

Now that some of our teams have resumed training and others will be resuming shortly players and coaches, please register your membership of the Club for 2023.

One of the benefits of registering as a playing member of the GAA or LGFA via the Club is that in the event of an injury sustained playing or training resulting in medical expenses it may be possible to claim a level of refund from the GAA or LGFA Injury Benefit Fund. However, any player seeking to benefit from the Injury Benefit Fund must be a registered member of the GAA or LGFA on Foireann at the time of injury.

The respective Injury Benefit Funds are self-funded entirely from the GAA and LGFA funds with no outside involvement. The Injury Funds are not an insurance scheme. The Injury Funds are set up to assist members with some reimbursement for medical expenses incurred due to an injury sustained playing Gaelic football.

The respective Injury Benefit Funds do not seek to compensate fully for injuries sustained but to supplement other Schemes such as Personal Accident or Health Insurance. The GAA and LGFA Schemes only provide cover for unrecoverable losses up to the limits specified under the respective Schemes. More details can be viewed on <https://learning.gaa.ie/InjuryFund> or <https://ladiesgaelic.ie/resources/injury-fund/>

**Foireann Mobile App**

A Foireann mobile app is now available, and this is the only official membership and communications app for GAA, LGFA & Camogie clubs. The app is available for both iOS (via the Apple Store) and Android devices (via Google Play). The Foireann Mobile app makes it even easier to manage your Foireann profile and all the ways you interact with the Club. We ask all members to download the app as it will make it easier to manage membership, update contact details and keep up to date with team activities.

The Foireann membership and communications app is fully integrated with the Foireann membership system – members can log in on the app with their existing Foireann account to see upcoming events which includes event details for anyone in your Family. The app also puts news, fixtures, and results in your pocket so you can stay up to date with the most important and relevant information.

Foireann is the GAA system used by clubs to manage membership and it allows members to register for membership and pay online using the Mobile app or the *Foireann* system at [www.foireann.ie](https://auth.gaaservers.net/auth/realms/gaa/protocol/openid-connect/auth?client_id=gaa-direct&redirect_uri=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.foireann.ie%2F&state=e22988a4-86fb-4d63-8672-1ec6d12ccf92&response_mode=fragment&response_type=code&scope=openid&nonce=4583e4d1-71e2-4384-8829-8fd17bf047e3)

**Club Lotto**

There was no winner of our club Lotto jackpot of €5500 on Sunday night last the numbers drawn were 01,08,09 & 15. The five €30 euro consolation prizes went to:

1. Therese Greaney Annagh
2. Mike Sugrue Tonevane
3. Martina Casey Ballymac
4. Paul O Sullivan Online
5. Leanne Savage Derrymore West

Next week’s lotto will have a jackpot of €5600 and the draw will take place on Sunday night 05/03/2023 at 9:00 PM in Keane’s of Curraheen club lotto can be played online through the club website www.stpatsgaaclub.com, Lotto tickets can be purchased from any club officer or at the following outlets:

 O'Shea Shop and Service Station Blennerville

 Poff Motors Dingle Road

 Seamus O'Sullivan Master Butchers Manor

 Noyeks Mile Height

 Byrnesworth

 Skelper Quanes

 Keane’s Of Curraheen

 Betty’s Bar

 The Rock Inn

Many Thanks to All who contribute to our weekly club Lotto. The club cannot emphasize enough the importance of our members promoting the club Lotto among family, friends, and work colleagues. The lotto is now a critical source of funds for the club. We are appealing to all club members to promote our Lotto at this time to ensure our club's future viability. Please have your Lotto entries in by 7pm, every Sunday evening.

**Juvenile Academy**

Our Juvenile Academy is returning on Sunday February 26th at MTU North Campus (Eircode V92HDV4) from 12pm-1pm. Open to all boys and girls from under 5 up to Under 13. We look forward to seeing all our boys and girls back with us for 2023 and welcome all new members living in the Tralee area. Great value €2 per child, for more Information contact Michael 0863855428

**U5**

Great work this morning boys, girls, mums, and dads and especially our player of the week Duo Laila and Tadhg! Their smiles and enthusiastic efforts won them the trophies this week. Everyone will get a turn throughout the season! It was a loud and busy session, we are delighted to have so many boys and girls joining in but fully understand some of the younger kids can drop in and out of the session as they need. Parents are encouraged to stay and join in where they can especially until the children get used to the environment! Try to practice the with hand catching this week and balloon / ball kicking off the laces. Well done everyone.

**U7**

We had an excellent first session in MTU today. Great numbers turned out, and we had some great organised chaos. We did a lot of refresher skills just to reintroduce the kids back in. We had some great help with Brendan Poff and our new coach Oliver Murphy
Looking forward to next Sunday again and we encourage all kids to practice during the week.

**U8 Girls**

We were delighted to welcome our enthusiastic U8 girl’s back to the MTU for the start of the season and especially our 3 new girls Hannah, Vivienne & Hannah G who fitted right in and really added to the session.  The girl’s practised evasion, movement and ball handling in an energetic 1st session before closing with some enjoyable roller ball against some very agile parents!  Thanks for the participation and we look forward to seeing you all next week.

**U9**

Our u9’s had their first session of 2023 on Sunday, where all the lads arrived full of energy, and delighted to be back. After our warm up, we had 2 fundamental movement grids set up, followed by our skill drills which got them all back into action. We finished up with a game,  where we had some great tackling and scores. Congrats to Jack who won Player of the Week.

**U10 Girls**

And just like that we are back! Great session today a great bunch of girls and three very enthusiastic coaches, Noel, Johnathon, and Kieran. We worked on all our fundamentals hand passing,  kick passing ,tackling. The girls showed great enthusiasm and grasped the basic skills very easily. Congratulations to our player of the week who has obviously being practicing very hard all winter. We had 10 players today and hope to have 15 next week .If we could have 1 or possibly 2 female parents to help us during the year ,  it’s not an issue when we are indoors but when we move outdoors a female presence will be essential at all matches & games with  the 3 coaches , who will try to make the majority of games and sessions , many hands make light work! If anybody is interested please can you let Kieran o Shea know ,We won’t expect ye there every week! A huge welcome to our new players today ye were all amazing.

**U11/U13**

Our U11 and U13 combined sessions took place last Thursday on our own Astro and also last Sunday as part of the opening day in the academy up at the MTU. We have had great attendance so far and we look to working with the players for the season ahead. Our county league will commence as soon as the clocks go forward at the end of the month. In the mean-time, we will participate in the U13 Town League for the next three Sundays. Our first game is this Sunday where we host Churchill at 4pm. We will also train as normal on Thursday from 6-7pm.

**U12/14 Girls**

The U12/ U14 Girls are continuing their training sessions indoors every Wednesday evenings in Blennerville School Hall from 5.30 to 6.30. All new members, always welcome to join.

**Ireland Lights Up**

Our walking series as part of ‘Ireland Lights Up’ will finish this week hope to see you all there. Registration starts at 6pm setting off from St Pats Clubhouse at 6.30pm sharp, don’t forget to sign in and wear your HIGH VIS jacket.

The route is starting at St Pats Clubhouse V92RH98, by the canal to the marina and back again. It is a free event and refreshments afterward. No Age limit and Buggies are welcome.

**Minors**

There next match in Round 2 in Division 2B in Keane’s of Killorglin Minor County League is rescheduled for 7pm against Dr Crokes on Monday 27th of February in Dr Crokes GAA Grounds.

There Round 3 game is against Rathmore in Rathmore on Saturday 4th of March at 3pm.

**Seniors**

Our Seniors’ third game in their Tralee/St Brendan’s Senior League game Group B Round 3 sponsored by Lee Strand is against Kerins O Rahillys is rescheduled for Saturday 4th of March at 3pm in Blennerville.

Please keep an eye out for changes to fixtures in O Shea’s Gala, Byrnesworth and St Pats Old Clubhouse.

**Good Luck**

To Kerry in their Allianz League Division 1 Round 5 against Tyrone at 12.45pm in Healy Park, Omagh on Sunday 5th of March.

To Kerry Ladies who play in their Lidl Ladies Division 1 Round 6 against Cork in Páirc Uí Rinn at 4pm on Sunday 5th of March.

**Congratulations**

To Sinéad Rath and Paul Kennelly on their marriage recently.

To Kerry Ladies who defeated Meath in Brosna at the weekend.

To Kerry who defeated Armagh in Austin Stacks Park at the weekend.

**Sympathy**

The club would like to extend its sympathy to the families and friends of Pat Coffey Annagh, Frank O Sullivan Ballyard, Patrick O Brien Castleisland, Eileen O Halloran Oakpark and Liam O Sullivan Ardfert and Barrow.