



Dunnamaggin GAA

Newsletter

JULY 2014

U6 KELLS BLITZ



The U6's had their first hurling blitz of the year when they hosted Gowran, Thomastown and Danesfort as part of the Kells Summer fest. The blitz took place in Margaret's Field in Kells behind the Round house.

Dunnamaggin had 25 U6's that took part in three games of 8mins a side. They all had a great day and were presented with their medals and a very important voucher for the bouncy castle by County hurler David Herity. A special word of thanks to Organisers Kevin O'Neill and James Rossiter, Coaches James Moylan, Mick Lyons, Tom Hickey - Referees William Moriarty, Padraig Lawton, John Fitzpatrick and John Walsh.

Golf Classic



The Annual golf classic will be held on Friday 15th & Saturday 16th Aug. Again this is a vital part of our fundraising activities please support if you can. Contact Michael Murphy 086 2364864 056 7728210 for Tee times.

Kilford Arms Sponsor Kilmoganny footballers

A big thank you to Pius Phelan of The Kilford Arms who has come on board to sponsor the Kilmoganny Football team. The Picture shows Pius presenting club chairman Mick Lyons with a new set of jerseys with Mark Heffernan and Andrew O'Neill.



U10



THANKS PADDY

Paddy Moore who retired earlier this year from mowing the playing field after many many years was recently presented with a token of the clubs appreciation for his commitment to the club and we wish him well in his retirement. (Photo shows Paddy Moore seated with Malachy Hogan, John Hickey, Aidan Farrell all Dunnamaggin GAA club)



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TEAM ROUNDUP

U6's have good numbers again this year and started off the year with a match against BallyCallan, they then played in the Kells blitz. Next up was Tullogher away and Bennettsbridge away where they continued to improve.

U8's have improve immensely this year with lifting and striking out of hand a common feature. They Played Danesfort in their first game of the year. Their major outing was in the St.Kiernans college blitz where they played Gowran, Slieverue and Bally hale shamrocks. They then played Piltown as part of their fun day and played neighbours Carrickshock. They then played Tullogher and Bennettsbridge, performing very well on all occasions.

U10's & Community games - Working from a small panel our U10's have put in some fine displays and have really benefited from structured fixtures in the "GO Games" set up. They have played James Stephens, BallyCallan, Danesfort, Dicksboro and Carrickshock to name but a few. Their schedule had to be flexible as 5 of the team were involved in the community games team that were beaten in the leinster final against Birr.

U12's hurling training has resumed after the end of the schools hurling league where the school had some good performance in Roinn B having won Roinn C last year. Training resumed in the last few weeks after the Aghervillar community games team's run came to an end. That team had five Dunnmaggin players on it Joe Fitzpatrick, Jimmy O'Neill, Ruairai Holden, Aaron Moore and Tom Lodge. The U12's now have a schedule of games in place in the coming weeks in preparation for the Go Games which will commence in August.

U14's The U14 team have performed exceptionally well in Roinn A Tier 2. They were undefeated and topped the table winning all but one of their games which they drew. They were defeated by O'Loughlins in the championship proper and now are preparing for a 1st round championship encounter against Glenmore.

U16's team have had impressive wins against Clara, Young Irelands and St.Martins with scores very close on all occasions. This set them up in a play off for top of table position against Clara. They play James Stephens B in their preliminary round games in the championship on 13th August.

Minors - Our Minor hurlers, now hurling in Roinn B having won the Roinn C championship last year are doing exceptionally well in their league. They have won three out of four games they have played so far. They play Emeralds in the first round of the championship in September.

Junior Our Junior hurlers are leading the way with some impressive results and displays in their league. Younger players have certainly stepped up a level and are reinvigorating this team.

Intermediate hurlers are still searching for their first league win. After a defeat to last years Co.finalists Emeralds in the first league games narrow defeats to Mullinvatt and St.Lachtains followed despite improved performances on both occasions. Ballycallan and Lisdowney are next up. There has been some high scoring and good performances in the Aylward cup games to date.

Senior Football The footballers had a good start to the year winning two from three league games so far and then doing very well in the championship. They beat O'Loughlins in the first round of the championship to advance to the quarter finals where they beat Conahy Shamrocks to put them in a Semi final against Railyard which they lost by the slimmest margins.



Development

The main pitch in Dunnamaggin is looking brilliant. Small changes in the mowing routine and grass management plan are really paying off. Some benches are also now in place for spectators to sit and watch a match. The Pillars and hand rails have been removed from behind the near goal to stop the ball nets from fraying. Legal matters are still progressing in relation to the purchase of the playing field in Kilmoganny.

Children's welfare officer /ASAP (alcohol and substance abuse prevention).

Aoife O'Neill was appointed to the role of Children welfare officer / ASAP at our AGM. Aoife is working really hard to update our existing policies and make sure we are keeping up to date with all directives from Croke Park. This is a very important role in the club and Aoife will be running an information night for Players, Parents and all club members later in the year. In the meantime please feel free to contact Aoife in confidence at aoifenail@hotmail.com if you need to discuss any relevant matter.

Thank You A big thank you to all who supported the Hurlers Co-op Draw again this year. Yet again for a small club we sold over 300 tickets. The money raised is a vital part of our income for the year. So far we have a had four winners.



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