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na Gaillimhe. Focail fáilte chuig na réiteoirí Cormac Reilly (An Mhí) agus Paud O Dwyer (Ceatharlach) agus a comhleacaithe. Is ait go bhfuil an Sraith fós á imirt ag an am seo – ach ní gnáthbhliain atá linn. Ar a laighid tá na cluichí ar ais agus muid ag tnúth go mór do's na Craobh Comórtaisí atá le teacht.

As Cathaoirleach of Coiste Chontae Chorcaí C.L.G. I am delighted to welcome our visiting teams, officials and referees to Páirc Uí Chaoimh this weekend as we look forward to two highly significant games in the Allianz Leagues of 2021.

A warm Cork welcome is extended to the Westmeath footballers and the Galway hurlers who travel to Páirc Uí Chaoimh – with lots at stake for all involved.

In pre Covid- 19 times we would be focussed on the provincial championships at this stage of mid June and the Allianz Leagues would have dimmed somewhat in the memory from early spring. However we are grateful to have games at this level with significant live media coverage and the graduated return of very small numbers of spectators. The summer of games awaits and the return is a beacon of hope and focus for all of the GAA community be it club or inter county activity.

I wish to convey a word of appreciation to our Event Control Team and stewards who have planned diligently for these games as well as the previous games held here at Páirc Uí Chaoimh in recent months which included previous rounds of the League and a number of LGFA and Camogie Association games.

Our main sponsors Sports Direct are a most welcome and generous partner and we look forward to forging a successful relationship into the future. More recent partnerships with Keary's Renault as inter-county team van provider is a significant step. Our inter-county teams beverage requirements of Ballygowan and Energise Sport are generously provided by Britvic which is also a significant part of our developing commercial support base. The week past has also seen the commencement of our club leagues and we acknowledge our continued club hurling league sponsorship by Cork's Red FM and the new club football league sponsorship that has evolved with Cork Credit Unions.

Our continued club championship sponsorship arrangements with Coop Superstores (Iomáint) and the Bons Secour Hospital (Peil) are primed to continue again for 2021 along with our streaming arrangement with the Irish Examiner Group. We await all this activity and we will update our members regarding arrangements in the near future.

The passing of our former Head Groundsman Tommy Lynch earlier this week marks the end of a long era of involvement and committed service to Cork GAA, particularly to this stadium and our Páirc Uí Rínn venue. Tommy as he was affectionately known was a loyal friend and faithful servant to many Cork teams, players and clubs for almost half a century. His wit and charm awaited all who visited and those who encountered him always left with a smile having shared his company and engaged in some interesting banter.

Ní bheidh a leithéid arís ann. Suaimhneas Síoraí Dó. Wishing all the participants the best this weekend here in Páirc Uí Chaoimh – ár ceann arás Cois Laoi

Urging your continued adherence to Public Health Guidelines as we continue to navigate the pandemic and hopefully we will safely enjoy our Gaelic Games for the 2021.

Beir Bua,

Marc Ó Síocháin.

Cathaoirleach Coiste Chontae Chorcaí C.L.G.



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Crunch tie for Cork and Westmeath

By Finbarr McCarthy, 96FM

In the immediate aftermath of their win over Clare in Ennis, a rarity in recent years, Cork Manager Ronan Mc Carthy had mixed feelings, "delighted with the win but disappointed that we are out of the promotion race, we have ambition to get to the top Division but now we have to concentrate on Westmeath in two weeks time."

The manager also made the interesting point, "it's a thin line between success and failure we are the only team with 4 points that are not in the promotion semi-finals and by the same token we have 4 points we face a relegation play-off."

That said, "It is what it is we have 2 weeks to prepare which will help as some of the lads are carrying knocks and only getting limited training in, but we will be ready and hopefully get the job done."

Since then though the injury situation has not improved and the three players who left the field in Ennis, Sean Powter, Daniel O'Mahoney and Ciaran Sheehan are ruled out for Saturday's vital game.

Of the three, Powter and O'Mahoney should return in time for the championship semi-final in a few weeks time, but Sheehan's injury is a bit more serious and is rated extremely doubtful for his club's Eire Og County football final against Mallow which is down for June 19.

This is a huge game in terms of the development of what is essentially a very young team and if it was to make an immediate return to Division 3 it would be a blow, so the pressure is on to deliver a match-winning display.

Westmeath finished pointless in their group but did run Down close in their last game and have quality players in John Heslin, Ger Egan, Ray Connellan, Brandon Kelly, Ronan Wallace, and Luke Loughlin and will feel that all the pressure is on Cork in this game and that could work to their advantage.

Cork were impressive for the most part in Ennis, scoring 0-22, 18 from play is no mean achievement especially considering the way Clare set themselves up, with an organised and disciplined defence.

A few minutes before half-time really undone Cork where they conceded a couple of points that ultimately kept Clare in the game, so a consistent 70 minutes will be required on this occasion.

The composition of the team will be interesting but if Kevin Flahive, Micheál Aodh Martin, Ian Maguire, Mark Collins, John O'Rourke, and Brian Hurley can deliver big games Cork should have enough quality to get over the line and then fully concentrate on the championship in the weeks that follow this match.

The game is live on C103.

Cork Credit Unions Title Sponsor of Cork GAA Football Leagues



Pictured are, Pat Horgan, Vice Chairperson Cork County Board, Kevin O'Donovan, CEO/Secretary Cork County Board, Alan Duff, Chairperson Cork Credit Unions, Luke Casey, St. Michaels Credit Union, Ciara Fitzgerald, Mallow Credit Union, Kieran Quinn, Youghal Credit Union, Ciaran O'Regan, The Lough Credit Union and Marc Sheehan, Chairperson Cork County Board, at Pairc Ui Chaoimh, Cork. (JMRL Photography)

Cork Credit Unions and Cork GAA are delighted to announce a new three-year partnership that will see Cork Credit Unions as the Cork Football Leagues title sponsor.

The Cork Credit Unions cover an area stretching from Castletownbere to Youghal and Kinsale to Mitchelstown, there is a credit union to be found serving every community just like the county's GAA clubs. With over 30 Credit Unions and offices across Cork, providing more services to communities than ever before. Over 50 football teams are participating in the upcoming leagues.

Cork Credit Unions have come together to forge stronger relationships with Cork focused initiatives. This cooperation between Credit Unions is a key ethos by which they operate, helping them to provide a multi award-winning service. Credit Unions are not-for-profit, always keeping the members' interests at the forefront of everything they do. A key factor is their relentless focus on understanding what matters most to people and being able to deliver it in the experiences they give them. Credit unions share a similar ethos of co-operation to football teams and the communities they represent, showcasing the power of working as a team.

Corcaigh

Dathanna: Bán agus Dearg



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Kevin Flahive
Caoimhín Ó Flaithimh
Douglas (Dubhglas)



Sean Meehan
Seán Ó Miacháin
Kiskeam (Cíos Ceim)



Paul Ring
Pól Ó Rinn
Aghabullogue (Achadh Bolg)



Kevin O' Donovan
Caoimhín Ó Donnabháin
Nemo Rangers (Raonuithe Nemo)



Mattie Taylor
Maithiú Táilliúir
Mallow (Mala)



Cian Kiely
Cian Ó Cadhla
Ballincollig (Baile an Chullaigh)



Ian Maguire (C)
Ian Mac Uidhir
St. Finbarrs (Barra Naofa)



Paul Walsh
Pól Breatnach
Kanturk (Ceannturk)



John O'Rourke
Seán Ó Ruairc
Carbery Rangers (Raonuithe Cairbre)



Ruairi Deane
Rúairí Ó Dáin
Bantry Blues (Gorma Beantraí)



Kevin O'Driscoll
Caoimhín Ó Drisceoil
Tadhg MacCarthaigh



Daniel Dineen
Dónall Ó Duinnín
Cill na Martra



Luke Connolly
Lúcás Ó Conghaile
Nemo Rangers (Raonuithe Nemo)



Cathail O' Mahony
Cathal Ó Mathúna
Mitchelstown (Baile Mhisteala)

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16 (GK) **Anthony Casey**

Antóine Ó Casthasaigh
Kiskeam (Cíos Ceim)

17 **Briain Murphy**

Brian Ó Murchú
Nemo Rangers (Raonuithe Nemo)

18 **Tadhg Corkery,**

Tadhg Ó Corca
Cill na Martra

19 **Sean White**

Seán de Faoite

20 Clonakilty (Cloich na Coillte)

Brian Hartnett

Briain Ó hAirtnéada
Douglas (Dubhglas)

21 **Colm O' Callaghan**

Coilm Ó Ceallacháin
Eire Og

22 **Eoghan McSweeney**

Eoghan Mac Suibhne
Knocknagree

23 **Mark Collins**

Marc Ó Coileáin

Castlehaven (Gleann Bhearrachain)

23 **Mark Cronin**

Marc Ó Cróinín
Nemo Rangers (Raonuithe Nemo)

25 **Damien Gore**

Damien de Gaor
Kilmacabea (Cill Mac Aibaidh)

26 **Brian Hurley**

Briain Ó Muirthuile
Castlehaven (Gleann Bhearrachain)

ROGHNÓIRÍ

Bainisteoir: Ronan McCarthy (Rónán Mac Carthaigh) **Roghnóir:** Cian O' Neill (Cian Ó Neill), Sean Hayes (Seán Ó hAodha), Bobbie O' Dwyer (Roibeard Ó Dubhuir), John Hayes (Seán Ó hAodha) **Psychologist:** Kevin Smyth (Caoimhín Mac Gabhann) **Doctor:** Dr. Aidan Kelleher (Dr. Aodhan Ó Céileachair)



Kearys Renault announces 3 year partnership with Cork GAA Driving GAA in Cork with 6 new Renault Kit Vans

Pictured are, Ronan McCarthy, Cork Senior Football Manager, Blake Murphy, Shane Forde, Kevin Flahive and Luke Connolly, all Cork Senior Football squad members, Niall Cashman, Rob Downey, Daire Connery and Shane Barrett, all Cork Senior Hurling squad members and Kieran Kingston, Cork Senior Hurling Manager, at Pairc Ui Chaoimh.

Martin Curtin, Head of Business and Kevin Hourihan, Fleet Sales Manager, Kearys Renault Cork presented 6 new branded Kearys Renault Traffic vans to Cork GAA County Chairperson Marc Sheehan, Senior Hurling and Football 'kit men,' Mick Curtin and Pat Keane and a selection of Cork players at Pairc Ui Chaoimh this afternoon.

They were joined by Julian Boylan, Jim O'Keeffe (Kearys Renault Pro+ van centre) and Aonghus O'Duinnin, Sales Manager, Kearys Renault.

The new branded Renault Traffic van serves as a support vehicle for the Cork Senior, Minor and Under 20 Hurling and Football teams. The vans will be clearly recognised by Kearys and

the GAA logos and its distinctive graphic of a hurler and footballer in the new strip.

"We are delighted to show our support of Cork GAA and sponsor these new branded Renault Traffic Sport vans to the Cork GAA this season and for the next two years for training and home & away fixtures", said Martin Curtin, Head of Business, Kearys Renault.

Cork GAA Chairperson Marc Sheehan said "On behalf of the Cork GAA, we are pleased to accept our new Renault Traffic vans from Kearys Renault Pro+, as they comfortably seat three people in the front and has plenty of room to transport our equipment to training and matches. We look forward to a long and fruitful relationships with Kearys Renault in Cork."

Iarmhí

Dathanna: Glás agus Bán



Sponsor: Renault

16 Trevor Martin	21 Nigel Harte	26 Sam Maxwell
17 Fola Ayorinde	22 Darren Giles	
18 Sam McCartan	23 Conor Coughlan	
19 Noel Mulligan	24 Tommy McDaniel	
20 Conor Slevin	25 Ned Cully	

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First of 2021 96FM/C103 GAA Sport Star of the Month awards presented

It's been a while, 16 months to be exact, since the 96FM/C103 GAA Sport Star of the Month awards in association with the Rochestown Park Hotel were presented but they returned this week with a socially distanced presentation to three worthy recipients.

The first of the awards went to Tracey Kennedy former chairperson of the Cork County Board whose three-year term ended in December and it was in recognition of Tracey becoming the first female to reach that position in Cork.



Alan Connolly, Blackrock, award winner, with Finbar McCarthy and Tom Tobin and pictured top is Tracey Kennedy, award winner and former chairperson Cork County Board, with Kieran McGeary, managing director 96FM and C103 and Tom Tobin.

The second presentation went to Blarney's Shane Barrett for his outstanding contribution to his club's win in the County Premier Intermediate Hurling Championship. Shane also captained Cork to win the Munster Under 20 hurling title in December.

Blackrock's win over old rival Glen Rovers in a thrilling senior final was acknowledged with Alan Connolly honoured for his part in that victory which ended a long wait for the famed Seán Óg Murphy Cup to return to the Rockies.

Tom Tobin, GM Rochestown Park Hotel and Kieran Mc Geary, MD 96FM/C103 were delighted that the awards were once again back up and running and looking forward to a return to normality in terms of a formal lunch in the coming months.



Shane Barrett, Blarney, award winner with Finbar McCarthy 96FM, awards organiser and Tom Tobin, general manager Rochestown Park Hotel.

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Consistency the key against Galway

By Finbarr McCarthy, 96FM

At half-time in the Gaelic Grounds last Saturday night Limerick led Cork by 10 points and were playing with such authority, there was every possibility that they would double that lead by the end of 70 minutes.

That they didn't is testimony to Cork's improved second-half display, helped by the changes made at the break and Kieran Kingston was delighted with the response. "Look we were in real trouble at half-time and that is down to the quality Limerick have in their team, I was delighted with the response and told the lads let's try and win the second half which they did and now we switch to the Galway game."

It must be said that Limerick needed to win a lot more than Cork did last week, considering their final group game against Westmeath will tell them very little, it was also a case of laying down a marker for the re-match in the championship in four weeks time.

The league final might not actually be played but a Cork win and a Waterford win over Tipperary will likely see Cork and Kilkenny as the finalist and were they to meet in the championship later in the year that will double up as a league final.

That do is for another day and right now the focus is on Sunday at Páirc Uí Chaoimh at 1.45, and with it been the last serious test before the championship begins both will want to end this strangest of leagues on a winning note.

The decision not to play a final, irrespective

of the tight schedule has in my opinion devalued the competition, it's been a bit like a series of challenge games, a phoney war in many respects with one eye on the championship.

Galway looked very impressive in their win over Waterford and Brian Concannon looks a real threat in front of goal a nice ally for Joe Canning, and with Conor Cooney, Adrian Tuohey, Cathal Mannion, Conor Whelan, Eanna Murphy, and Darren Morrissey all showing excellent form Shane O'Neill's side look like been serious contenders for championship honours.

Cork will look to bounce back from last week and it is expected that a much-changed team will be named for this clash although doubts persist about the availability of Bill Cooper and Colm Spillane two very experienced performers.

The manager did suggest that Alan Cadogan, Seamus Harnedy, Darragh Fitzgibbon, Tim O'Mahoney, and Sean O'Donoghue will all likely return.

What Cork will look for will be a performance obviously they will want to win, but a good consistent 70 minutes is the priority, confidence took a blow last week especially when the game plan built on the puck out strategy broke down, they will want to restore that and like everyone else with an eye on July 3 in Thurles.

As with the football game, it's live on C103 and also a welcome addition is that there will be 200 spectators in attendance which should add ever so slightly to the occasion.

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Gearard Ó Maoilgheiric
Fr. O' Neills (An tAth O'Neill)



Damien Cahalane
Damien Ó Cathaláin
St Finbarrs (Barra Naofa)



Seán O'Donoghue
Seán Ó Donnchú
Inniscarra (Innis Cartha)



Tim O'Mahony
Tadhg Ó Mathúna
Newtownshandrum (Baile Nua Seandroma)



Mark Coleman
Marc Ó Colmáin
Blarney (An Bhlarina)



Eoin Cadogan
Eoghan Ó Ceadágain
Douglas (Dubhglas)



Luke Meade
Lucas Ó Miach
Newcestown (Baile Nuis)



Darragh Fitzgibbon
Darragh Mac Giobuín
Charleville (An Rthah)



Conor Cahalane
Conchúir Ó Cathaláin
St Finbarrs (Barra Naofa)



Seamus Harnedy
Seámas Ó hAirtinéada
St. Ita's (Naomh Ide)



Shane Barrett
Seán Baróid
Blarney (An Bhlarina)



Shane Kingston
Seán Mac Clochaire
Douglas (Dubhglas)



Patrick Horgan (C)
Padraig Ó hArgáin
Glen Rovers (Fánaithe na Ghleanna)



Jack O'Connor
Seán Ó Conchúir
Sarsfields (Na Sairsealaigh)

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- 16 (GK) **Ger Collins**
Gearard Ó Colleáin
Ballinhassig (Beal Atha'n Chasaídh)
- 17 **Seán O'Leary Hayes**
Seán Ó Laoire-hAodha
Midleton (Mainistir na Corann)
- 18 **Daire Connerly**
Dáire Ó Conaire
Na Piarasigh
- 19 **Niall Cashman**
Niall Ó Ciosáin
Blackrock (Carraig Dubh)

- 20 **Robert Downey**
Riobard Ó Dunaí
Glen Rovers (Fánaithe na Ghleanna)
- 21 **Billy Hennessy**
Liam Ó hAonasa
St. Finbarrs (Barra Naofa)
- 22 **Tadhg Deasy**
Tadhg Déiseach
Blackrock (Carraig Dubh)
- 23 **Declan Dalton**
Déaglán Daltúin
Fr. O' Neills (An tAth O'Neill)

- 24 **Robbie O' Flynn**
Roibeard Ó Floinn
Erins Own (Rogha Eireann)
- 25 **Alan Cadogan**
Ailéin Ó Ceadágain
Douglas (Dubhglas)
- 26 **Alan Connolly**
Ailéin Ó Conghaile
Blackrock (Carraig Dubh)

ROGHNÓIRÍ

Bainisteoir: Kieran Kingston (Ciarán Mac Clochaire) **Roghnóir:** Diarmuid O Sullivan (Diarmaid Ó Súilleabháin), Ger Cunningham (Gearard Mac Cuinneagáin) **Coch:** Donal O' Grady (Dónall Ó Grada), Ian O' Conell (Ian Ó Conaill) **Doctor:** Colm Murphy (Coilm Ó Murchú)

Red FM sponsor Cork Hurling Leagues for the 12th year running

Red FM have been confirmed as sponsors of Cork GAA Hurling leagues for what is the 12th year of the sponsorship agreement. Speaking at the launch in Pairc Ui Chaoimh, Cork GAA Chairperson Marc Sheehan said " We are delight that its year 12 of the agreement with Red FM and we are looking forward with hope and expectations to the games when the start"

Speaking at the launch Ruairi O'Hagan, Sports Editor at Cork's RedFM said "we're absolutely thrilled to continue our association with the RedFM Hurling Leagues for 2021.

"The leagues have been going strength to strength and improving each year, and we are delighted to be part of it.

"The very best of luck to all the teams for their campaigns ahead. We look forward to speaking to you on the Big Red Bench (Saturdays and Sundays from 6) as the leagues progress."

The Red FM hurling leagues started on Thursday June 10th.



Kate O'Herlihy (Red FM), Pat Horgan (Vice-Chairman Cork GAA) Daniel Kearney (Sarsfields) , Michael O Halloran (Blackrock) Paul Haughney (Midleton) Colm O'Sullivan (Red FM) , Marc Sheehan (Chairman Cork GAA) David Dooling (Glen Rovers) Cian Healy (Newcestown), Diramuid O'Leary (Red Fm), Ruairi O'Hagan (Red FM), at the Launch of Red FM Hurling Leagues in Pairc Ui Chaoimh (Photo Cian O'Brien)



Daniel Kearney (Sarsfields) , David Dooling (Glen Rovers), Michael O Halloran (Blackrock) Cian Healy (Newcestown) Paul Haughney (Midleton), at the Launch of Red FM Hurling Leagues in Pairc Ui Chaoimh (Photo Cian O'Brien)

Gallimh

Dathanna: Bán agus Marún



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16 (GK) **Darach Fahy**

Darach Ó Fathaigh

17 **Jack Fitzpatrick**

Séan MacGiolla Padraig

18 **Stephen Barrett**

Stiofán Bairéid

19 **David Burke**

Daithí dé Búrca

20 **Sean Linnane**

Sean Ó Linneáin

21 **Kevin Cooney**

Caoimhín Ó Cuanaigh

22 **Jarlath Mannion**

Iarlaith Ó Mainnín

23 **Niall Burke**

Niall Dé Búrca

24 **Jason Flynn**

Jason Ó Floinn

25 **Conor Walsh**

Conchúr Breathnach

26 **Jamie Ryan**

Séamus Ó Riain

ROGHNÓIRÍ

Bainisteoir: Shane O'Neill **Coach/Selector:** John Fitzgerald, David Forde, Fergal Healy, Colm Callanan
Athletic Performance: Lukasz Kirzenstein **Doctor:** Ian O'Connor **Physiotherapist:** Rachel Wyer
Logistics: James Callaghan **Stats:** Rory McGauran, Derek Forde **Covid Officer:** Michael Larkin

Sad day for Cork GAA



A sad day for Cork GAA was how the death of Páirc UíChaoimh and Pairc Uí Rinn groundsman Tommy Lynch was described. Tommy, 91, passed away at St Finbarr's Hospital on Wednesday. Tommy was a well-known figure in GAA circles, who had a deep love for the sport and a passion for his work. Tommy supported his local Knocknaheeny club, St Vincent's and was a well-known character among players and executives of Cork GAA, regaling them with stories from his 43 years of service. Tommy was described as the "go-to" man for games and concerts at the two stadiums.

Tommy had one son, Anthony and one daughter, Marian and he retired just three years ago from his role at the stadiums.

Cork GAA chairman Marc Sheehan led tributes to Tommy Lynch, describing him as a genial and committed figure who was well known and highly regarded by all who encountered him in Páirc Uí Chaoimh and Páirc Uí Rinn over many years.

"Tommy was a great character, blessed with that great Cork city wit and charm who above all was fiercely loyal to Cork inter-county teams and club teams by aiding their preparations and match day visits to the stadia.

He took immense pride in his work in both stadia and enjoyed the banter with the various visitors whom he encountered - always good for a 'ball hop' and the odd good humoured 'jab' as well.

Scores of former Cork players, team mentors, board officers and club members will fondly remember him and will recount many stories and yarns at this sad time".

At Rest now Tommy - a long life well lived. Ar dheis a Dégo raibh a anam.

Sympathy to his family and friends at this time.

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