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On behalf of CLG Dhún na nGall it is a great honour for me as County Board Chairman 2020 to welcome you all to MacCumhaill Park, Ballybofey, today. I congratulate the Officers, Mentors, you the supporters - whether here in person or following our Live Stream - but especially the panel of players, from Convoy and Downings in the much awaited Junior Football Final. Today’s final is being predicted as a very close encounter by two equally balanced teams. I wish all involved an enjoyable game, and may the best team win.

2020 will be remembered for Covid-19 and the obstruction brought to our lives and communities. It has disturbed our families, our economy and our following/participation in GAA games and activities. With Donegal on Level 3 we MUST continue to recognise its dangers. I use this opportunity today to encourage all our members, old and young, to be vigilant, social distance, wash hands frequently, wear masks indoors and use common sense to arrest the spread of this virus.

The referee today is Eugene MacHale, Realt na Mara. I wish him and his officials - Clint Marron, Mark McGlinchey, and Pat Walsh well. Sean MacCumhaill’s, as always and despite adverse weather, have the venue in top shape for the final. I would like to acknowledge the great work they put in throughout the season, year after year, to ensure Páirc Sheáin MhicCumhaill is the best that it can be. I also recognise efforts behind the scenes by the Competitions Control Committee in getting us to this stage of our championship. I also thank all our sponsors, Win Your House in Dublin (Man of the Match award) and especially our main competition sponsor Michael Murphy Sports.

Mar fhocal scoir, ba mhaith liom buíochas a thabhairt do Michael Murphy Sports and Leisure i Leitir Ceanainn as an urraíocht. Iarraim ar achtáin duine cloi go hiomlán le rialacháin covid agus taitheann a bhaint as an lá go sábháilte.

Mick McGrath

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Eugene is a retired Garda, married with four children. He has been a referee for 15 years - seven in Sligo, where he refereed a county u-21 final - and the last eight out of Realt na Mara, Bundobhráin.

Originally from Mayo, Eugene has a senior playing career spanning four decades. He played for his native county at minor, under-21 and senior level. With Mayo, Eugene won the Connacht minor league and two senior championship medals (1981 and 1985). Most of Eugene’s club career was with Knockmore with whom he won five senior Mayo championships, captaining the team to their 1983 victory. He also has a Connacht senior club championship medal, won with Knockmore in 1992. Eugene also has an All-Ireland Masters with Mayo and a County Sligo Junior title which he won with St Molaise Gaels in 2002.

Eugene would like to thank the officials who will accompany him at today’s game - standby referee Clint Marron, linesman Mark McGlinchey and fourth official Pat Walsh - and his four umpires, Gareth Foley, Ryan Walsh, Oisin Walsh and Marty McElhinney. He looks forward to a competitive encounter between Na Dunaibh and Naomh Mhuire, Conmhaigh and wishes both teams the best of luck.

**Today’s Officials**

Referee: Eugene McHale

Standby Referee: Clint Marron

Linesperson: Mark McGlinchey

Fourth Official: Pat Walsh
Wishing All Teams the best of luck in the final

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Commentary for today’s stream will be supplied by Highland Radio’s Head of Sport Oisin Kelly and with expert analysis from Martin McHugh, Brendan Devenny and Barry Meehan, the manager of 2019 Intermediate champions Naomh Náille.

Andrea Long

Andrea Long is from Ballybofey and is Principal of Illies National School, Buncrana. She has a great love of Irish music and dance and has represented her local Sean MacCumhaill Club at Scór in solo singing and ceili dancing. She is honoured to be singing Amhrán na bhFiann at today’s Junior Football Final.

Amhrán na bhFiann

Sinne Fianna Fáil
Atá faoi gheall ag Éirinn,
Buíon dár slua
Thar toinn do ráinig chugainn.
Faoi mhóid bheith saor,
Seantír ár sinsir feasta
Ní fhágfar faoin tíorán ná faoin tráil
Anocht a théim sa bhearna baoil,
Le gean ar Ghaeil chun báis nó saoíl
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Favourite Position: Half/Full Forward
Favourite Pitch: Páirc Naomh Mhuire Conmhaigh
Hobbies: Poker PS4 and watching various other sports
Childhood hero: Andy Cole
Best Player you have played with: Tiernan McCann or Ronan O’Neill up with UCC
Best Player you have played against: Cormac Costello
Best game you have been involved in: U21 and Minor finals in 2012, more recently Burt Away last season to put promotion in our own hands
Best trainer within your club’s squad: John Doc
Worst trainer within the club’s squad: Dannan O’Kane, complete crock
Best motivator within the squad: Packie Mailey, Raymie McNamee, Laurence McMullan
Any superstitions: None
Favourite Song: Zombie, The Cranberries
Favourite Film: Saving Private Ryan
Favourite Holiday Destination: Albufeira
Favourite Meal: Homemade Fajitas
Favourite Club Other than your Own: Wouldn’t be a fan of many, don’t mind seeing St Eunan’s doing well as I work in a Eunan’s bar!
Best advice ever received: “You can’t make a silk purse out of a sow’s ear”
Biggest influence on career: Family and Friends
Club Volunteer of note: Mairead Browne PRO
Song you listen to before big games: Don’t listen to any
Most important skill: Ball skills
Biggest Strength in your game: Shooting
Area of your game you would like to improve: Weak Foot
Advice for youngsters: Enjoy it while you can
Young Player within your club to look out for: Gary Gillen
Best thing about the GAA: Friendships and memories that last a lifetime
Batman/Superman: Batman
Instagram/Snapchat: Snapchat
Up Early/Lie in: Lie in (where possible)
X Factor / Strictly Come Dancing: Neither (both horrific)
Socks / No Socks: Socks
Chinese/Pizza: Pizza
Playstation/X-Box: Playstation
Twitter account: @Peterblake94
The management team of St Mary’s Convoy are delighted and honoured to lead this panel of players into the Junior Championship final. The group have shown great commitment and dedication throughout the last four seasons and we hope they will get their rewards today. The club is making great progress at all levels, boys and girls, and victory today would be a massive boost for everyone in the club and parish.

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As Chairperson of St. Mary’s G.A.A, it is a great honour to have our Senior Men play in today’s Junior Final. Having been beaten at semi-final stage the previous 3 years, it is all the more a great achievement for our small club to be here today. It was 2005 when we last won this competition with the likes of Laurence (now player/manager), (Conor & Paul now backroom), Packie & Liam Mailey remaining from that young team. Praise must go to Laurence, who in his time as Player/Manager, has taken the team from Division 4 to Division 2 and now a Championship final within 3 years.

It is a challenging time for any club at present. We thank the community for purchasing our clubs’ national draw tickets early this year, this was a crucial financial boost to the club. We thank our sponsors, not just this year, but every year. On behalf of myself, the hard-working committee and the community of Raphoe, Drumkeen and Convoy We wish the Senior men the best of luck in today’s Final and I urge the players to enjoy and savour this occasion responsibly.

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Today is a particularly proud day for our small club and I am honoured to lead this group of lads out for todays Junior Final. Since the beginning of the year, this panel of players have invested great effort and commitment to the team and our club. This will be particularly special day for this squad as there are only 3 of the panel were involved in our clubs last county final in 2005. I want to thank the management team for all their work and support throughout the year. They have given us inspiration and desire to be here today. I hope the occasion will give both teams the opportunity to display the football they are capable of. I look forward to what I believe will be a tough well-matched sporting encounter. To all our sponsors and supporters, a special thanks. I promise you that every player will honour and respect our club jersey and the men who have worn it before us.
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Chris, Sinéad and the Breen family wish St Mary's every success in today's final
St Mary’s GAA club was formed in 1928. The founder members were Tommy McNamee, Paddy McPeake, Jim McCarrick, Joe O’Donnell, William O’Keefe, Arthur and Willie McGlinchey and Paddy Hoey. It started from a seven-a-side tournament in Raphoe. Convoy entered a team and then decided to form a club. The first meeting was held behind the old chapel wall as there was no hall available, Tommy McNamee was the first Secretary/Treasurer and after about six months Paddy Hoey took over these positions.

To raise funds the club decided to run a whist drive and Toal Shiels, who lived in the corner house and owned what was known as “The Bandplace” (the room where the old AOH Band used to practice) was where the first ever whist drive was held in the area. Toal Shiels made the tables for it out of tea- chest lids. The players contributed to the cost of travelling to matches on a Sunday. The first field Convoy ever played in belonged to the late Francie Gallagher up in the Heatherly Hill. They spent some time there and then changed to the field belonging to Mary Ann McKelvey, down the lane to where the McKelveys lived. The club had a field from Andy McNamee at Ballyboe. They played there for a few years from 1948 and then returned to Jerry McCafferty’s field about 1953. Subsequently they moved three times – to a field at Maguire’s pub in Killyknure, then Phonsie Kelly’s field at Heatherly Hill and in later years they moved to Terence McKinley’s field in Figard. Jerry or Jim McCafferty always provided a field for the club as well.

From the outset the club concentrated on under age players and many of them played senior football at an early age, as young as 14 in some cases – the likes of the late Eddie Toner, known as Big Eddie, James O’Donnell, the Harkins, the Gallaghers and Willie Sweeney. The Club’s first success was in 1939/40 when they won the Junior Championship two years in succession. In 1943 they went to the Senior final but lost to Ballyshannon. At that time the club had some Killygordon players – Sarsh McLoughlin, Peter McGowan and Kevin Gallen. Six weeks after the County final Convoy beat Ballyshannon by a point in the Democrat Cup in a gale force wind. They played Down Strands in the final in Drumboe and in the same year lost to the 17th Battallion in the Feis Cup final.


From very modest beginnings the club now have their own playing ground and club house. They also had the honour of one of the club founders – the late Paddy Hoey, being elected chairman of the County Board in 1969/70 and in 1977 the club had two of its members elected as county officers – Charlie Kavanagh as secretary and Danny Harkin as Treasurer.

Following Junior Adult championship glory in 1995 Convoy were promoted to Div 3 in 1996, remaining there for two years before being relegated. The club played played Division 4 football for 19 years and eventually got promotion to Division 3 for the 2018 season.

2005 was a busy year for the club winning the Junior A championship defeating our near neighbours Naomh Pádraig Lifford in the final in MacCumhaill Park. This was also the year St Mary’s Convoy opened their refurbished sand based pitch, in May. Donegal played Mayo at the official opening which was performed by Peter Quinn, a former President of the GAA. We also had a very successful draw that year to help part pay for same. In the following years our facilities were used by Donegal teams for training purposes from minor to senior level. In 2011 we installed flood lighting on our main pitch and as a consequence of this we have hosted many high profile games. A part of an episode of the TV programme the Toughest Trade featuring the Welsh rugby player Shane Williams was filmed there in January 2017.

In 2012, St Mary’s Convoy won both the County Minor Division 2 and the Under 21B County championships. For a number of years Convoy had problems fielding a Reserve team but thankfully for the last number of years there has been considerable success at this level winning the Reserve Div 4 league on four occasions between 2013 and 2017. Convoy also won the Division 3 reserve league at their first attempt in 2018. There was also success at this level in the Reserve B championship in 2017. Convoy have competed in and on some occasions have achieved success in competitions at other under age levels. We have had a number of players who have represented at all age groups.

In 2008 the Ladies section of our club was formed and this has gone from strength to strength. They won the Junior Championship in 2010 followed by success in the Intermediate grade the following year. Convoy currently have Ladie’s teams competing at all grades. Again we have had a number of players who have represented at all age groups. We have had the privilege of hosting the Donegal Ladies senior final on a number of occasions. Gaelic for mothers and others was set up in 2010 with local mums and ladies who train training on some occasions. Gaelic for mothers and others was set up in 2010 with local mums and ladies who train training on some occasions. Gaelic for mothers and others was set up in 2010 with local mums and ladies who train training once a week. They take part in the Ulster blitz and the All Ireland blitz in Dublin once a year and a few local friendly games throughout the year.

St Mary’s Convoy have had good committees down the years who have worked very hard to keep their club running successfully with good nights at Strictly Come Dancing, Fight Nights etc. All good fun and lucrative as well. In the last 3 years St Mary’s have done very well in the National Draw being the top sellers in the County for this year 2019 and joint top last year.

St Mary’s Convoy is a vibrant club who hope to expand both on and off the playing fields in the years ahead.
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**THE KICK OUT**

**AIM:** To encourage teams to kick the ball further up the field from the kick out; To present opportunities for the skill of clean catching by bolstering the existing Mark rule.

**Supporting evidence and rationale:** During the Allianz National Football Leagues, when the kick out was taken from the 20m line, there was an increase in the number of Marks claimed by teams compared to the 2018 Championship.

During the Allianz National Football Leagues 2019 there was also a significant increase in the number of contested kick outs (i.e. between both teams) compared to the recently concluded 2019 All-Ireland Championship.

**THE SIN BIN**

**AIM:** To reduce a rise in cynical play/‘professional’ fouling and implement a penalty ‘on the day’ which encourages behavioural change.

**Supporting evidence and rationale:** On average during the 2019 NFL, teams with an extra player scored 2.9 points compared to 1 point for the opposition in the same period (i.e. during the period when an opponent was in the sin-bin).

The average ‘ball in play’ time during a sin bin throughout the Allianz National Football League 2019 (30 games analysed) was 5:15 - entirely consistent with the remainder of the game.

The proposed introduction of the Sin Bin also offers teams a greater level of equity in that it removes the effect of a strong group of substitutes who, under current rule, would replace any player who received a black card.

**THE ADVANCED MARK**

**AIM:** To offer an incentive for the longer kicking of the ball into the opposition’s defensive area and reward players who catch the ball cleanly under these circumstances with a Mark.

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There were two five-team sections with each team playing each other and each getting two home and two away games. In Section A, Naomh Mhuire Conmhaigh won all four games to top the section and move directly to the semi-finals, while in Section B, Na Dunaibh drew with Gaeil Leitir Ceanainn on the opening day but subsequently won all their games and also moved directly to the semi-finals.

In the quarterfinals Gaeil Leitir Ceanainn prevailed in Carn Domhnaigh while Bun an Phobail enjoyed a home victory over An Iorras to earn their semi-final berths. In the open draw on Sunday evening Gaels were drawn against Convoy and Moville drawn to play Downings.

With the two table-topping teams - Naomh Mhuire, Conmhaigh and Na Dunaibh emerging from the semi-finals an intriguing finale is set up. Both teams are unbeaten to date and it has the makings of a tight and competitive tie and whoever emerges will be worth champions.

**Convoy:** Carndonagh (H) 3-9 - 0-11; Urris (A) 0-11 1-10; Pettigo (H) 3-12 - 0-8; Naomh Pádraig Uisce Chaoin (A) 1-9 - 1-12; Letterkenny Gaels (SF) 0-13 - 0-6.

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14.50 pm Gates Open
15:30-15:45* Both Secretaries to present Team Lists to Referee.
15.45 Na Dunaibh take the field and Proceed to River end goals. Na Dunaibh will use the River end dugouts. Wear Orange Bibs.
15:47 Naomh Mhuire, Conmhaigh take the field and Proceed to Town End goals. Naomh Mhuire Conmhaigh will use the Townend dugouts. Wear Blue Bibs.
15:50 Match Officials out onto pitch
15:55 Toss
15.58 Amhrán na bhFiann
16:00 Throw-in County County Football Final
17:25* Presentation of the MAN OF THE MATCH award sponsored by Winahouseindublin
17:30* Presentation of the Dr. McCloskey Cup by Mick McGrath, Cathaoirleach Bhord an Condae
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Chomh maith leis sin, tá crosfhocal, ‘Aimsigh an Focal’, ’10 gCeist CLG Ort’ agus ailt eile atá feiliúnach do lucht an chúpla focal, d’fhoghaimeoiríí agus do chainteoirí líofa Gaeilge araon. Is féidir Cuaille a léamh anseo. Bainigí taitneamh as!

Is féidir leat coinneal suas chun dáta leis an nuacht is déanaí, le tuairiscí ó chluichí, leis na torthaí is déanaí, leis na cluichí uile atá amach romhat agus le go leor leor eile ó Chraobhchomórtais na gClubanna agus ó na Craobhchomórtais Idirchontae trí chuairt a thabhairt ar Rannóg #GAAgaeilge Shúíomh Idirlín Chumann Lúthchleas Gael anseo.

Ní hamhain go mbíonn na torthaí uilig agus liostaí cluichí le feiceáil gach seachtain ann ach bíonn gné-aití leithéidí ‘Ár gCluichí, Ár Laochra’ agus ‘Do Chlub, Do Chontae’ le léamh ann go minic, freisin. Bíonn an nuacht is déanaí ó Chumann Lúthchleas Gael le fáil ann.


Tá téarmaí Gaeilge do na cluichí, do chruinnithe agus Rialacha Thráth na gCeist ann. Ta na scileanna uilig le fáil ann. Tá eolas faoi Scór le fáil ann. Tá gníomhaíochtaí do pháistí óga le fáil ann. Tá an chéad eagrán de ‘Cuaille’ le fáil ann.

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Today’s match is provided by the Donegal Stream Team - Bradas Video Productions, Aidan Spence Web Graphics and Marketing and Joe’s Tech Help of the Donegal GAA Stream Team. Bradas O’Donnell has vast experience in the live broadcast & streaming of games and has worked for Sky Sports, RTE, TG4 and Eir sports covering live games as a cameraman & also covering live streams across the country for Nemeton TV along with Joe’s Tech Help. Joe Brennan controls all the technical end of the live stream & broadband issues while Aidan Spence looks after the PPV (Pay per view) and also has responsibility for the Donegal GAA Website.
A Chairde.

Mar Chathaoirleach, ba mhaith liom comhghairdeas a dhéanamh le Seaghán, Seán agus an fhoireann bainistíochta ar fad agus na himreoirí as áit a bhaint amach san chluiche ceannais.

Bhí an bhliain seo iontach deacair d’achan duine de thairbhe an víreas corónach ach chuir na himreoirí isteach iarracht mhóruair a tugadh cead daofa a dhul i mbun traenála arís agus cluichí a imirt agus tréaslaím leo uilig.

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Covid-19 Adjustments to Match Regulations

Restrictions due to Covid-19 required a number of adjustments to Match Regulations for Gaelic Games during 2020. These include:

1.3 A maximum of 20 players (starting 15 and 5 panel members) shall be allowed within the pitch enclosure during the playing of the game. Any additional panel members should be outside the pitch enclosure.

1.4 A maximum of 4 (football) & 5 (hurling) Team Officials shall be allowed within the pitch Enclosure during the playing of our games – one Bainisteoir, one Maor Foirne, one Medic, One Club Official and One Maor Camán (Hurling only).

1.5 Each team will be allocated an area of the pitch (the Team Officials & Players Zone) between the 20m and 45m lines in advance of the game by the Committee-in-Charge. Their team officials and panel of players, as per regulations 1.3 & 1.4, shall be positioned during the game. The Zones will have ten seats positioned to ensure compliance with Government social distancing guidelines (currently 2 m). Dugouts may be used provided government guidelines around social distancing are observed.

1.7 Ball boys are not permitted.

1.8 Accredited photographers with media passes will be permitted pitch-side. They are restricted to the opposite side of the pitch to the Team Officials and they are not allowed behind either set of goalposts.

2.8 Water Breaks – One water break will take place between the 15th & 20th minute in each half. The referee will signal for the water break only when the ball has gone out of play following a score, wide or during a stoppage called by the Referee. The breaks should last no longer than a minute, with players coming to the area in front of their team zone and drinking from their own clearly marked bottle. The time taken for the break will be added to the end of each half as part of the additional time. If a venue has a match clock, it should continue during this time. Players are permitted to position their clearly marked water bottle around the outside of the pitch. **Maor Uisce are not permitted in either Football or Hurling.**

2.10 Substitutes - Substitutes are not allowed a kick/puck around at half-time. A maximum of three substitutes wearing designated distinctive tops may warm up on sidelines at any one time. A maximum number of 5 substitutes are allowed within the pitch enclosure at any one time. As per rule, there is no limit on the size of a club match day panel.

5.1 The following guidelines are issued to Players & Team Officials to reduce risk and maximise personal safety: no handshakes before or after games; no spitting or nose-clearing; team huddles should only take place where social distancing is observed; use hand-sanitisers before and after every match; players should use their own clearly marked water bottles; interaction with opponents & match officials should be kept to a minimum. **Note:** All suspensions below are the minimum and can be increased by the relevant committee.

Player

- Spitting at an opponent, team mate or match official is dealt with in Rule 5.20 (Hurling) and Rule 5.18 (Football) – Red Card; Cat III; one-match ban

- Deliberately coughing in the face of an opponent may be considered “behaving in a way which is dangerous to an opponent” (5.17 H; 5.19 F) – Red Card; Cat III; one-match ban

- Challenge the authority of the Referee, Umpire, Linesman or Sideline Official (6.1 H & F) – Yellow Card

- Remonstrate in an aggressive manner with a Match Official (5.13 F) – Black Card (football)

- Threatening or abusive conduct to a Match Official (5.39 H; 5.35 F) – Red Card; Cat V; 12 weeks

Team Official

- Any type of physical interference with an Opposing Player or Team Official – Cat II a; 8 weeks Suspension

- Abusive language to Match Official - Cat I a; 4 weeks Suspension

- Threatening or abusive conduct to Match Official – Cat III a; 12 weeks Suspension

- Assault on Match Official – Cat IV a; 48 weeks Suspension

- The **Referee** has authority during the game to send any person in breach of Match Regulations to the stand/outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.
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All proceeds from the draw go towards paying the debt on the newly completed Phase 2 of the Donegal GAA Centre in Convoy and financing the planned Phase 3. The ongoing development of the Centre is a key plank in the future success of GAA games in Donegal - football and hurling, youth and adult, ladies and men. The Donegal Facebook page has a video of county manager Declan Bonner and captain Michael Murphy discussing the centrality of the facilities at Convoy to both the continued success of our county representatives and the nurturing of future stars.

Tickets for the draw can be bought online using devices from mobiles to desktop computers. Tickets are also from contacts within each of the forty clubs in the County. Thanks to the Abbey Hotel, Donegal; the Allingham Arms, Bundoran; the Mount Errigal, Letterkenny; and the Villa Rose, Ballybofey - tickets were available from these venues but due to Covid 19 regulations this is no longer the case.

During the half-time in each stream Donegal celebrities - Conal Gallen, Daniel O’Donnell, Declan Bonner, Sean McGinley and Micky Joe Hart to name a few - have promoted the draw. Today it will feature Ballyshannon-born actor Sean McGinley. Club Donegal have also been kind enough to sponsor the Man of the Match award in a selection of our championship fixtures to date including today’s Junior final.

There is a dedicated mobile phone number, where queries can be answered and purchases can be made - 086-604-7089. Currently you can follow Club Donegal on Facebook at “Win Your House in Dublin”, on Twitter @WinHouseDublin and on Instagram at @winyourhouseinDublin.
GAA Museum announces plans to remember Bloody Sunday 100 years on

The GAA Museum at Croke Park has launched a poignant commemorative events series to mark the centenary of Bloody Sunday, the darkest day in the history of the GAA and a pivotal day in the Irish War of Independence. As the national custodian of the archives and artefacts of the Gaelic Athletic Association, the GAA Museum has unveiled a diverse and sensitively curated series of events entitled ‘Remembering Bloody Sunday’, 100 years on from the day 14 civilians were killed by the RIC and 60 more were injured during 90 seconds of gun fire during a football challenge match between Dublin and Tipperary at Croke Park.

The programme includes talks, tours, a new exhibition and a community programme runs until November 2020. In keeping with the Bloody Sunday commemorations, the focus is on Sport, Peace & Reconciliation - examining the role sport can play in the peace and reconciliation process and the impact that sport has on international affairs. The focal point for the centenary commemorations will be a new Remembering Bloody Sunday exhibition at the GAA Museum, opening in September, which will explore the tragic events of the fateful day and their impact on Irish history through artefacts, newspaper reports, official documents, photographs, and victim stories. Part of this exhibition will include a specially commissioned Bloody Sunday centenary painting by artist David Sweeney, who is a former Dublin GAA senior hurling captain and the GAA’s eLearning Manager at Croke Park. The painting is titled ‘Transilience’, which means an abrupt change or leap from one state to another. Entry to the GAA Museum and the new exhibition is complimentary with all tours at Croke Park.

The GAA Museum is also running special weekly commemorative Bloody Sunday guided tours of Croke Park starting 15 August, which will take visitors through the sequence of events on the fateful day and discuss the impact Bloody Sunday had on both the GAA and Ireland itself. In addition, a weekly evening ‘Mondays at the Museum’ lecture series with leading historians will examine Bloody Sunday from every angle, bringing thought provoking discussion on a diverse range of topics. This runs on Mondays from 14 September. A special edition of RTÉ Radio One’s Sunday Miscellany will take place the GAA Museum on Saturday 14 November, focusing on Croke Park, the GAA and the events around Bloody Sunday. The GAA Museum has also teamed up with History Ireland to host one of their Hedge Schools, titled ‘History, Memory & Bloody Sunday’. Taking place in the museum on November 18, it promises to be a lively and unfettered round-
As part of the commemorations, community based creative writing project Fighting Words will run a series of workshops for local older residents that will involve having conversations to uncover a more personal history of the area and its people over the last 100 years. Participants will discuss general history and accounts of Bloody Sunday that may have been passed down through generations. The process will culminate in the creation of a book capturing the stories, co-written by those who take part.

Commenting on the Remembering Bloody Sunday commemoration events, GAA Museum Director Niamh McCoy said, “Celebrating Ireland’s national games and how the GAA has contributed to our cultural, social and sporting heritage is at the heart of everything we do at the GAA Museum. Remembering Bloody Sunday is therefore of utmost importance, as it is one of the most tragic and significant events in GAA and Irish history. The events have been sensitively curated to honour the victims of the day and safeguard their memory for generations to come”. Julianne McKeigue, Education & Events Manager at the GAA Museum and Grand Niece of one of the victims of Bloody Sunday, Tipperary footballer Michael Hogan, said, “The GAA Museum Bloody Sunday centenary programme will remember the loved ones that were lost and remind people of who they were. This is their story, and we aim to tell it in a respectful and thought-provoking way.” At the launch John Horan, President of the GAA, said, “November marks a significant anniversary in GAA and Irish history, and the GAA Museum has curated a fantastic programme to mark the centenary. The GAA will announce further events in the coming weeks and we look forward to working together to mark this historic occasion and respectfully honour the victims.”

Bloody Sunday was one of the most significant events in the Irish War of Independence, marking a decisive turning point in the military struggle between the British forces and the IRA. On Sunday 21 November 1920, sixteen British intelligence agents were shot dead and five were wounded in Dublin City by Michael Collins’ IRA squad. Later that evening thousands gathered at Croke Park to watch a great challenge match between rivals Dublin and Tipperary, when combined forces of RIC and British Military surrounded the grounds and opened fire on the crowd in retaliation. Tipperary footballer Michael Hogan, along with 13 spectators, lost their lives, and more than 60 were injured. Later than evening, the killing of two high ranking Dublin IRA Officers, Dick McKee and Peadar Clancy, in Dublin Castle brought the tragic day to an end. Bloody Sunday marked a decisive turning-point in the military struggle between the British forces and the IRA.

The events will adhere to the Government Road Map for reopening society and the easing of public health restrictions. The team at the GAA Museum will continue to monitor the evolving Covid-19 situation. The GAA Museum is operating to Government’s guidelines with hand sanitising stations, queuing systems and contactless payment. The museum has also reduced the entry numbers on tours to make social distancing easy at all times.
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Súil siar ar ghníomháiochtaí cultúrtha le cúig bliana anuas - le Fergus Mac Aoidh Oifigeach Chultúrtha agus Teanga CLG Dhún na nGall

Cuireann an Chumann Luathcleas Gael an-béim ar cur chun chin na Gaeilge. Ón bhliain 1884 ar aghaidh, bhí ról lárnach ag ár dteanga in imeachtaí agus rialacha an C.L.G. Rial 1.4. Aidhmeanna Breise: “The Association shall actively support the Irish language, traditional Irish dancing, music, song, and other aspects of Irish culture...” Creidim go hiomlán go bhfuil seo a dhéanadh ag CLG Dhún na nGall. Seo forbhreathnú gairid ar na prímghníomháiochtaí cultúrtha a chuir muid chun cinn le cúig bliain anuas.

Scór: Tháinig méadú mór i nDún na nGall ar líon na gclubanna agus na ngrúpaí a ghlacann páirt i Scór. Le cois sin d’éirigh go maith linn ag leibhéal Uladh agus leibheal Uile Éireann. Le linn na tréimhse cúig bliana sin bhain muid 8 dteideal Uladh agus 4 theideal Uile Éireann san iomlán. An mór chuid diofa seo (5 Uladh agus 3 Uile Éireann) i Scór na nÓG. Comhghairdeadaí le na clubanna a bhain ag leibheal Condae, Cúige agus Uile Éireann. Is cúis mhór bróid dúinn go bhfuil Dún na nGall anois ar cheann de na contaetha is mó in Éirinn ó thaobh rannpháirtíochta i Scór leis an mórghuid de na clubanna ag glacadh páirt. Idir Scór na nÓG agus Scór sinsir, ghlac thart fa 38 de na clubanna sa chontae páirt bliain amháin ar a laghad le cúig bliain anuas.

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Tráth na gCeist Bord: Tá suim mhór i nDún na nGall sa chomórtas seo atá go hiomlán i nGaeilge agus sé ar siúl sa chontae achán bhliain ó thosaigh an comórtas sa bhliain 2007. Cé gur cuireadh deireadh leis an chomórtas ag leibheal naisiúnta ar feadh seal, lean Dún na nGall ar aghaidh. Thar na blianta ghlac thart fá 25 de na clubanna sa chontae páirt agus le cúig bliain anuas déirigh go maith le Tráth na gCeist Bord i nDún na nGall.
Fondúireacht Sheosaimh Mhic Dhonncha:
a fuair boinn Cré-umha agus boinn AIRIGID Fondúireacht Sheosaimh Mhic Dhonncha ó Ghlóir na nGaeil ag ocaíd i bPáirc an Chróchaigh i mí na Nollaig anuraidh. An bhliain roimhe sin fuair Gaoth Dobhair bonn óir. Anuraidh fuair Naomh Adhamhnáin, Bun a’ Phobail, Carn Domhnach agus Bun Cranncha boinn AIRIGID agus fuair Beart, Gaeil Leitir Ceannainn, Na Ceithre Máistrí, Naomh Columba, Cloich Cheann Fhaola agus Gleann tSúilí boinn Chré-Umha.


Bailiúchán na Teanga: Cé nach raibh sé ann imblaina de bharr an víreaqs, tá bailiúchán na teanga ar siúl i nDún na nGall le blianta fada. Seo thús tá an méd a hailigh clubanna CLG sa chondae le cúig bliana anuas:

2016, €5,668.25; 2017 €5,805.76; 2018, €5,265.10; 2019: €7,512.23; 2020, €0.

Baineann Conradh na Gaeilge úsaid as an airgead seo le haghaidh scoláireachtaí ar fud Uladh i nGaeltacht Dhún na nGall do bhaill CLG. Is cúis mhór bróid dúinn gurb é Dún na nGall an príomhchondae sa tír maidir leis an bailiúchán.

Scoláireachtaí: Achán bhliain cureann CLG Dhún na nGall scoláireachtaí ar luach €1,500 ar fáil do scoláirí o’n gcontae mar chuidiú chun freastal ar chúrsaí samhraidh i nGaeltachtí Dhún na nGall agus le trí bliana anuas chuir Conraddh na Gaeilge le seo €1,000 eile

Cúrsa Cuimhnéacháin Shéamuis de Faoiite: Chuir an víreas cosc ar an gcúrsa durl ar aghaidh i mbliain. Le cúig bliain anuas tá an chúrsa seo ag dul ó neart go neart agus tá síúl agam go rachfaidh sé ar aghaidh nuair atá an víreas seo imithe. Bhi cuid mhór baint ag Dún na nGall leis an chúrsa seo in na Dúnaibh agus le deanaí ghlac iomadadh cruc den chontae páirt sa cheolchoirm. Le cois sin ghlac go leor daoine as an chondae páirt in imeachtaí mar an leacht agus ag teagasc. Tá seo go hionadán ur raithe ag Comhairle Uladh CLG agus soláthair onn sé ranganna Gaeilge do dhaoine fásta atá ina mbaill den CLG.

Coirneál na Gaeilge: Tá coirneál na Gaeilge anois i bPáirc Ui Dhomhnaill i Leitir Ceannainn, Páirc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill i mBealach Féich agus i bPáirc an tAthar Uí Thiarnaigh i mBéal Atha Seannaidh. Tá síúl againn go dtíocfaidh Gaeilgeoirí le chéile ag Coirneáil na Gaeilge ag na hionaid seo ar laethanta a bhfuil cluichí móra ar síúl agus go mbeidh an Ghaeilge a labhairt agus le cluinstin.

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