

# Cumann Lúthchleas Gael

Nickey Rackard - Babhta 1

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# Dun na nGall V An Longfort





Dé Sathairn 24ú Deireadh Fomhair 2020 Clár Oifigiuil - €0.00

Réiteoir - Tarlach Conway (Doire) Coimheád beo ar Donegal GAA TV

# **County Board Chairperson - Mick McGrath**

A Chairde, ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur roimh na himreoirí agus foirne bainistíochta chomh maith le na meáin. Seo an chead cluiche do na contaetha (Dún na nGall agus Longfort) i gcomórtas na bliana seo i gcorn Nioclas Mhic Riocaird agus beidh sé giota beag aisteach s bheith ag imirt gan lucht tacaíocht. Is am an-deacair é seo d'imreoirí, lucht bainistiochta, chomh maith le lucht tacaíochta agus tá áthas ar CLG Dhún na nGall a bheith in ann na cluichí a shruthlú agus clár fiorúil a chuir ar fáil. Ta súil agam go mbainfidh achán duine sult agus taithneamh



as an ocáid agus go mbeidh cluiche maith iomána le feiceál anseo i bpáirc Uí Dhomhnaill inniú.

You are all very welcome to today's Round 1 Nicky Rackard Championship fixture here in O'Donnell Park. Unfortunately, "all" does not include spectators in these difficult times with all but elite games cancelled and matches that proceed held "behind closed doors". The pandemic has seen us battle against the change in our lifestyles, our work, our social fabric, our families, and our sporting involvement. The GAA has seen many changes since its foundation, and it has originated from the roots and soul of our Gaelic traditions, but no member could have foreseen the changes wrought by Covid-19.

2020 will certainly remain in our memories as a year of transformation and we continue to implement the many prevention measures required to keep this virus at bay. I encourage you all to continue the great work that we have all had a part to play in. GAA clubs all over Ireland have stepped up to provide many hours of voluntary assistance raising monies for charities and assisting the HSE, and others, in bringing safe and healthy practice to vulnerable and lonely members of our communities.

On behalf of the GAA in Donegal I thank the frontline workers who have given so much to helping our society in facing the challenge of the coronavirus. Earlier this year we feared we wouldn't get playing our games, but many difficulties were overcome to conclude club championships and get inter-county competitions underway. We have not agreed with all instructions and regulations, but we respect the decision makers for their fight against this unprecedented virus while still getting our games played.

The streaming of our games is a new phase and a challenge we have been thrown into with restrictions on capacity. This is the first County fixture Donegal GAA TV have streamed. It is an industry in its infancy and there have been inevitable hiccups but nevertheless Donegal GAA have been very successful, helped in some instances by clubs, in bringing all club championship knockout games into our homes. We hope the step to intercounty level is just as successful.

As always, St Eunans' ground staff have Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill in great shape despite some very poor weather over the last week. Maith sibh. Finally, I wish both teams and the match officials, the best of luck and look forward to an exciting and competitive game.

# **Hurling Board Chairperson - Manus O'Donnell**

A Chairde, ar son Coiste Iomána Dhún na nGall, tá failte romhaibh uilig go Páirc Uí Dhómhnaill innui. Cuirim fáilte roimh na meáin chomh maith agus tá mé sásta go mbeidh deis ag daoine nach dtig leo bheith linn inniú an cluiche a fheiceál sa bhaile. Táimid ag fulaingt amanna aisteach agus iarraim ar gach duine na rialacháin reatha covid a chomhlíonadh.

On behalf of the Donegal Hurling Board, I would like to welcome the hurlers and officials of Longford and Donegal to O'Donnell Park for today's Round 1 game in the Nickey Rackard Championship. I also welcome the press and I am pleased that the people who cannot be with us here today have the opportunity to see the match at home on Donegal GAA TV's live stream.

Games between Donegal and Longford have always been competitive. I have no doubt the hurlers from An



Longfort will be looking to avenge their defeat to Donegal in the Allianz National Hurling League earlier in the season. Donegal will be hoping to progress in the competition as they seek to add the Nicky Rackard Cup to their National Hurling Division 3A title.

I wish to thank the Naomh Adhamhnáin club for the use of their facilities and to thank the ground staff for having the pitch in such great condition today.

> Adh Mór Manus O'Domhnaill

# DÚN NA NGALL v An LONGFORT CLÁR AN LAE

Dé Sathairn 24ú Deireadh Fómhar 2020

#### 12.00 Gates Open

12:38 - 40 Both Secretaries to present Team Lists in Referee's Room.

12.35 Dún na nGall amach ar an bpáirc and proceed to clubhouse goals. Dún na nGall will use the clubhouse dugouts. Wear Blue Bibs.

12:37 An Longfort amach ar an bpáirc and proceed to river end goals. An Longfort will use the river end dugouts. Wear Orange Bibs.

12:45 Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc

12:50 Toss

12.58 Amhrán na bhFiann

13:00 Tús an chluiche

13.37 Leath-am, An Longfort leave the field immediately on whistle and Dún nGall leave once An Longfort have cleared the tunnel

13.50 Tús an dara leath

14.27 Crioch an chluiche

## Coronavirus COVID-19



# Stay local. Stay safe. Protect each other.

## **Continue to:**



#### Wash

your hands well and often to avoid contamination.



#### Cover

your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when coughing or sneezing and discard used tissue safely



#### **Distance**

yourself at least 2 metres (6 feet) away from other people, especially those who might be unwell



#### Avoid

crowds and crowded places



#### **Know**

the symptoms. If you have them self isolate and contact your GP immediately

#### **COVID-19 symptoms include**

- > high temperature
- > cough
- > breathing difficulty
- > sudden loss of sense of smell or taste
- > flu-like symptoms

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### Sinéad Ní Dhomhnaill

Sinéad Ní Dhomhnaill is a member of CLG Náomh Ádhamhnáin and is honoured to sing Amhrán na bhFiann in Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill this afternoon. Sinéad is very involved with Scór, encouraging and mentoring young club members to participate and is herself a former senior Scór county champion, and Ulster finalist, in solo singing.



### Amhrán na bhFiann

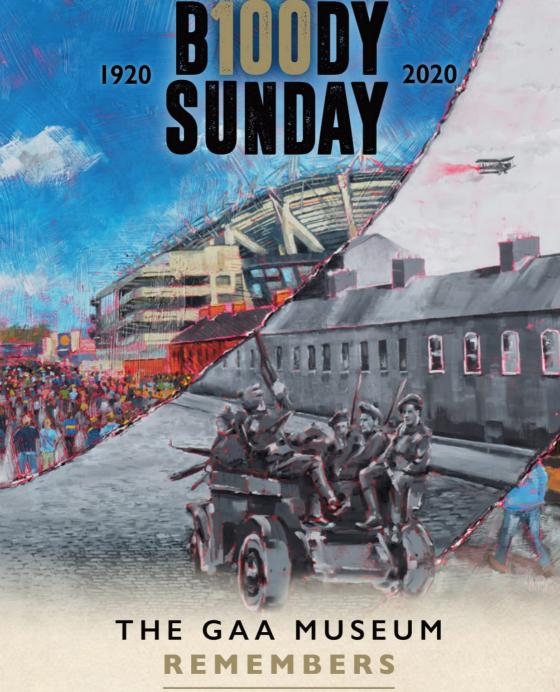
Sinne Fianna Fáil
Atá faoi gheall ag Éirinn,
Buíon dár slua
Thar toinn do ráinig chugainn.
Faoi mhóid bheith saor,
Seantír ár sinsir feasta
Ní fhágfar faoin tíorán ná faoin tráil
Anocht a théim sa bhearna baoil,
Le gean ar Ghaeil chun báis nó saoil
Le gunnascréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar
Seo libh canaigí Amhrán na bhFiann.

Tarlach Conway (Doire) – Referee,
Assistant Referee - Edward Og Nash (Doire), Linesman - Patrick Maguire (Ros
Camáin), Sideline Official - Matthew Farrell (Ros Camáin)

## **Ground Regulations**

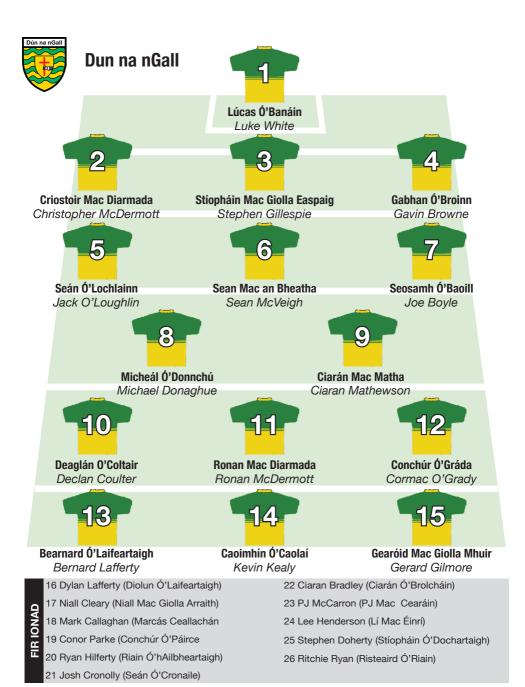
- OI. All persons entering this ground are admitted only subject to the following Ground Regulations and to the Rules and regulations of Cumann Luthchcleas Gael. Entry to the ground shall be deemed to constitute unqualified acceptance of all these Rules and Regulations.
- 02. Fireworks, smoke canisters, gas- horns, bottles, glasses, cans, flags, banners, poles and other similar articles or containers, including anything which could or might be used as a weapon, are not permitted within the ground and any person in found to be in possession of such an article or container may be refused entry or ejected from the ground
- 03. The consumption of alcohol is not permitted within the ground and spectators are not permitted to bring alcohol into the ground.
- 04. The unauthorized climbing of any structure, walls or buildings in this ground strictly forbidden.
- 05 Unnecessary noise from the use of radio sets, gas-horns and behaviour likely to cause confusion Of nuisance of any kind, including foul or abusive language, is not permitted in any part of the ground.
- 06. Under no circumstances is it permitted to

- throw any object the pitch.
- 07. Unauthorised persons are not permitted to enter upon the field of play.
- 08. Any person who fails to comply with the instruction from a Garda or Steward may be ejected from the ground.
- 09. In general, the right of admission is reserved to the Ground Management.
- 10. The Ground Management reserves the right to refuse admission to or eject any person who refuses to be searched by a member of the Garda Siochana.
- 11. Any person who remains in or obstructs a gangway or circulation area may be ejected from the ground.
- 12. The Ground Management reserve the right for it's servants or agents to remove from the ground any person who does not comply with the Ground Regulations or whose presence In the ground could reasonably be construed as constituting a source of danger, nuisance or annoyance to other spectators.
- 13. All persons in the grounds are reminded of their obligation under Section 18(3) of the Fire Services Act 1981 to ensure that their behaviour does not present a danger from fire to anyone using the grounds.



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## **Nickey Rackard 2020**



# Return to the Nickey Rackard for Donegal

Donegal and Longford line out for the first round of the Nickey Rackard 2020 Championship this Saturday in O'Donnell Park. Letterkenny. The last time Donegal played in this competition, they emerged champions - two years ago in 2018 when they overcame Warwickshire in the Croke Park final. Nine of the team that started that day are in the first fifteen again Saturday as are two of the substitutes. Donegal also won the Nickey Rackard in 2013, defeating Roscommon in the final. Longford have never won the Nickey Rackard but do have the distinction of comfortably seeing off Donegal in the 2010 Lory Meagher Cup final. Donegal bounced back the following year to beat Tyrone in the final. Longford won it again in 2014.

With Covid restrictions there are no overseas teams in the competition this year. The other contenders are Monaghan, Mayo, Armagh, Tyrone and Leitrim. Monaghan take on Mayo on Saturday afternoon in Clontibret at 14.00, while the Armagh-Leitrim clash throws in at 16.00 at the Athletic Grounds.

Who Donegal and Longford face in subsequent weeks depends on who wins Saturday's match-up with fixtures being determined by the winners and losers of the different games. Full details of all the fixtures can be found on the GAA website at https://www.gaa.ie/hurling/nicky-rackard/fixtures.

Games will be decided on the day with extra time played if matches end all square at the end of regulation time. If teams remain level after extra time then the game goes to penalties with each team registering five penalty takers. Only these five can take penalties and players may be required to take more than one. The only possibility of a replacement is if the goal-keeper is among the takers and he gets injured at some stage.

# Club Donegal WinYourHouseinDublin Draw

The Club Donegal House Draw "Win your House in Dublin" is offering one lucky person the chance to live mortgage free for life by winning a luxurious four bedroom semi-detached house in Dublin in association with Alanna Homes. The house is newly built to the latest energy efficiency standards and is valued at €400,000. There are also four other prizes - a brand new Mazda 2 in association with McGinley Motors, Letterkenny, a week's holiday, €1,000 cash and a night's B&B in Carton House with a round of golf for 2.

All proceeds go to paying the debt on the newly completed Phase 2 of the Donegal GAA Centre in Convoy and financing the planned Phase 3. The on-going 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.

Some of Donegal's well known faces including singers Daniel and Margo O'Donnell, actor Sean McGinley and Donegal Captain Michael Murphy have recently shown their support for the campaign. Their videos can be viewed on Facebook at "Win Your Housein Dublin", on Twitter @Win-HouseDublin and on Instagram at @winyourhouseinDublin as well as on the website www.winyourhouseindublin.com

The draw is on Friday, 4th December and tickets can be bought online at www.winyourhouseindublin.com or on www.donegalgaa. ie using devices from mobiles to desktop computers. There is a dedicated mobile phone number, where queries can be answered and purchases can be made via credit card - 086-6047089. The Halloween Bonus Draw (see advert) gives 9 lucky winners the chance to win 9 tickets.



# Go raibh míle maith agaibh to all clubs and GAA volunteers across Donegal who stepped up to the mark during Lockdown

As we enter severe lockdown again we can be thankful we still have more freedoms, including our intercounty games, compared to the total lockdown after the postponement of the Allianz National League back in March. It was a time when all 40 clubs in Donegal stepped up to the plate with a range of activities to help the more vulnerable in our society. Many clubs also directed their energies towards fundraising for local and national charities. Ulster GAA's special Covid-19 micro-site listed 36 Donegal clubs that registering with the Council to detail the activities undertaken. Elsewhere, a total of 24 clubs responded to the Croke Park Survey on Covid-19 specific activities they were undertaking with 23 of them doing grocery and pharmaceutical deliveries (14 providing meals) to the old and vulnerable, 18 sharing public health information and all 24 involved in other support activities.





This is, of course, an under-estimate of all that was done not just in relation to Covid-19 but for a variety of charities with funds being raised through a range of activities but particularly walks, runs and endurance events. Coaching videos, on-line classes, skill challenges, on-line quizzes, educational activities, story-telling on-line cultural events and

entertainment are just a few of the undertakings our clubs have initiated. Here are some of the many photos forwarded to Ulster Council.





Donegal footballers also played their part. County teams' pressurized schedules don't normally allow time for charity events. However, with time to spare





during lockdown the squad and mentors cycled to MacCumhaill Park from 12 different starting points taking in every club in the county to rise €57,000 towards Livia Mulhern's life saving operation for Spinal Muscular Atrophy. Maith sibh.







Tá an dara heagrán d'iris nua Ghaeilge Chumann Lúthchleas Gael, 'Cuaille', ar fáil anois. I measc na míreanna éagsúla atá san eagrán is déanaí seo tá ailt faoi fhoireann iomána na Gaillimhe 1980, David Clifford, Terence McNaughton agus faoi Richie Hogan i measc go leor eile.

Chomh maith leis sin, tá crosfhocal, 'Aimsigh an Focal', '10 gCeist CLG Ort' agus ailt eile atá feiliúnach do lucht an chúpla focal, d'fhoghlaimeoirí agus do chainteoirí líofa Gaeilge araon. Is féidir Cuaille a léamh anseo. Bainigí taitneamh as!

Is féidir leat coinneail 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 Shuíomh Idirlín Chumann Lúthchleas Gael anseo.

Ní hamháin go mbíonn na torthaí uilig

agus liostaí cluichí le feiceáil gach seachtain ann ach bíonn gné-ailt 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.

Dar ndóigh, ní clúdach ar na cluichí Gaelacha amháin atá le fáil sa Rannóg Ghaeilge seo. Más eolas ar Fhondúireacht Sheosaimh Mhic Dhonncha, Straitéis CLG don Ghaeilge, An Treoir Oifigúil nó Forógra CLG atá uait ní gá ach cuairt a thabhairt ar an nasc thuas! Faigh amach cé hé/hí Oifigeach Gaeilge agus Cultúrtha do chontae ann. Foghlaim faoi ról Choiste Náisiúnta Gaeilge Chumann Lúthchleas Gael 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.

Ná bí i do strainséir – tabhairt cuairt orainn anois!!.



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Cian Mac Lochlainn Cian Mc Loughlin



Karl Ó'Muirí Kaarl Murray



**Éanna Ó'Neachtain** Enda Naughton



Seán Ó'Cathasaigh Johnny Casey



Ailéin Mac an Bháird Alan Ward



**Pól Ó'Bardáin** Paul Barden



Maitiú Ó'Donchádha Maitiú O'Donohue



Seosamh Ó'Briain Joe O'Brien



Lúcas Ó'Ceallaigh Luke Kelly



Eoin Mac Cathmhaoil Iain Campbell



Iomár Ó'Cráibhín Iomar Creaven



Donall Ó'Connaill
Daniel Connell

R IONAD

- 16. Conor Gallagher (Conchubhar Ó'Gallchobhair)
- 17. Keelan Cox (Caolán Mac an Choiligh)
- 18. Ciaran Farrell (Ciarán Ó'Fearail)
- 19. Paul Leonard (Pól Ó'Loinín)

- 20. Adam Quinn (Adam Ó'Coinne)
- 21. Cian Kavanagh (Cian Caomhánach)
- 22. Shane O'Brien (Seán Ó'Briain)
- 23. Aidan Sheridan (Áodán Ó'Sirideáin)

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