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Naomh Olaf Lottery





Naomh Olaf GAA Club Lotto Tickets On Sale Here

Tickets €2 each

The Jackpot this week is:

€1,300

Pick 3 correct numbers to win the Jackpot Also there are:

5 Cash Prizes of €30 every week

Cash prizes are drawn on the ticket

The draw takes place every Sunday night in Naomh Olaf GAA Club House

Winning Numbers 9 September 2018: 5, 14, 28. There was no winner of the Lottery Jackpot of €1,000. 5 x €30 winners: E O'Brien C/o Emma O'Brien; Mick O'Mahony c/o Club; Eileen Hickey c/o C O'Shea; Liam Kavanagh c/o Standing Order; Jennifer Murray c/o Club. Next week's draw is for €1,300. So why not have a go? Play online or buy your €2 ticket in the Bar or why not sign

up for the year via the website www.naomholaf.ie.

Dónal Leavy Selected on Minor Hurling Team of the Year



Naomh Olaf's Dónal Leavy has been selected on the Electric Ireland All-Ireland Minor Hurling team of the year. The midfielder and Captain of the Dublin Minor Hurling Team (on which his Naomh Olaf team mates Ciarán Foley and Finn

Murphy also played) gave a number of outstanding performances for Dublin as they reached the 2018 All-Ireland semi-final. An outstanding individual, who is also an accomplished traditional musician, Dónal is fully deserving of this honour. It is also a very satisfying selection for all those who have mentored him both in Naomh Olaf and in Coláiste Eoin. The selection is also a source of great pride to his parents Deirdre and Paddy.

Comhghairdeas a Dhónail - tá sé tuillte go maith agat.







The annual Naomh Olaf Lunch was held in the Cusack Suite in Croke Park last Friday and produced an extremely enjoyable day for those fortunate enough to be in attendance. It was an opportunity for club members to attend and also for those on the corporate side and our generous sponsors to invite friends and clients to support the Juvenile Section of Naomh Olaf GAA Club.

Hosted by Fear an Tí Marty Morrissey who was his usual jovial and professional self and with special sporting guests in the form of Offaly's Michael Duignan and Dublin's Alan Brogan, Louise Kidd and Denis Bastick who were followed by comedian Oliver Callan, the large attendance was entertained from start to finish.

As it is 25 years since Naomh Olaf's footballers won the Dublin Intermediate Championship to progress to Senior football for the first time, this team (pictured above today and in their heyday) was celebrated and the players made a long and enjoyable day of it by returning to the club to watch their 1993 final on the big screen, courtesy of Paddy Feehan.

The manager of the Naomh Olaf team at the time and for a long time before and after their championship win was the legendary Tommy Brennan who was also in attendance along with members of his family, and it was a fitting gesture that he was inducted into the Naomh Olaf Hall of Fame at the event. His recollections of the time were excellently recounted by him as he was interviewed by Marty Morrissey with Aidan Byrne also on stage to humorously recall some of the events of which Tommy was possibly unaware.

Those who are more recent members of Naomh Olaf GAA Club may not know of Tommy Brennan. He is a native of Ballinasloe, where he played with the local St. Grellan's club, and was a very promising minor footballer who led his club to unprecedented success at Minor level. A student in Garbally College, Tommy was also a very good rugby player but unfortunately a knee injury curtailed his involvement in both codes.

Tommy was appointed to a teaching position in St. Olaf's Primary School and moved into Queen of Angels Primary School on its foundation where he spent many happy years teaching in the school. An extremely knowledgeable and able Gaelic Football coach, it was a huge bonus to the young Naomh Olaf club when Tommy agreed to become involved. His former students, from both primary schools, formed the basis of a very successful Under 21 team under his tutelage and he progressed with many of these players through many successes culminating in the Intermediate Championship winning campaign of

1993 which saw the team move into senior ranks a mere twelve years after the clubs foundation. Further progress was made and a high point was reached when this Senior Football team reached the semi-final of the Dublin Senior Championship in 1996 where they put the very strong Erin's Isle team of the time to the pin of their collar before losing out. Erin's Isle were to reach the All-Ireland Club final in that campaign.

Tommy retired as football manager leaving a huge legacy and in recent years has also retired from his teaching post and returned to Ballinasloe. He was a brilliant, tough and uncompromising manager who was hugely respected by his players and by many others in the Dublin footballing community. He has certainly left his mark on Naomh Olaf GAA Club where he has earned huge respect and he is a very worthy recipient of the Naomh Olaf Hall of Fame award.

Comhghairdeas Tommy. Ní bheidh do leithéad arís ann agus beidh fáilte fial romhat i gcónaí i gCumann Naomh Olaf. Tá an gradam seo tuillte go maith agat.

Huge thanks is due to all involved in the organisation of the Naomh Olaf lunch for a job well done and in particular to Seán Sullivan whose huge input of time and energy was rewarded by this well run occasion.

Mixed Fortunes for Under 11 Boys Footballers in Lucan

This week the Under 11 Boys travelled to Lucan to take on Lucan Sarsfields in football. Captains for the day were Cillian Maguire (Raiders), Feilim Brooks (Warriors) and Harry Murtagh (Vikings) who took charge of their teams with great gusto and enthusiasm. The Raiders worked hard but were overpowered by a very fast moving and efficient Lucan team. Full credit to the Naomh Olaf lads for their tenacity and team spirit. They pushed hard for the full match, refusing to give up, but were eventually beaten by their opponents' fast movement, passing and successful point scoring.

The Warriors put in a great performance but just came up short against another very good Lucan Sarsfield team. They scored some great goals and points in both halves and there were some fantastic passing moves up the pitch, that led to some brilliant scores. It was a valiant effort but unfortunately it wasn't to be their day. This match was definitely the one that got away!

The Vikings came away with another win this week. They are playing really well together in terms of teamwork and tactics. They were also much more organised on the day than their opponents giving them the edge from the start of the game. There was some lovely passing between the players, along with

successfully making the ball do the work for them. Delighted with their win, these lads are getting stronger and more confident each week as they see their effort netting results.

Adult Camogie Team Start Championship Well

The IRes-sponsored Naomh Olaf Adult Camogie team made a great start to their Intermediate 2 Championship campaign with a well deserved win in a tight opening encounter last Sunday. The league game earlier in the summer was a cracker and players and mentors were expecting the same again for this first round match against St. Vincent's..

Playing with the breeze in the first half the Naomh Olaf girls struggled to pull away from the Vincent's girls. Although having plenty of ball, they did not convert their passes nor their scoring chances nor win enough of the dirty ball. Vincent's were also allowed score a goal from a 35m free which saw the score all square at half time St. Vincent's 2:3, Naomh Olaf 1:6.

St. Vincent's added three points very early in second half but then Naomh Olaf scored a flukey goal which finally got the girls going. From then to the end of the match every player held her ground and looked for team mates in better positions to create scoring chances, despite the strong breeze. Another six points ensued with only a solitary point for St. Vincent's in reply. Full Time score: Naomh Uinsionn 2:7, Naomh Olaf 2:13. A good start girls, keep it going.

Tús maith leath na hoibre.

All Adult Men's Football Teams Progress

The last weekend of action in the qualifying groups has seen all three Men's Adult Football teams progress.

With a bye in the last round of group matches, the IRes-sponsored Senior team, who play in the Senior 2 Championship, have progressed to the quarter final stage with a 100% record. However they have been handed a very tough draw against Thomas Davis in O'Toole Park on Saturday 29th September with a 3:15 pm throw in. A date for the diary!!

The Junior 1 team were handed a walkover by O'Toole's in their last group match in the Junior 2 Championship. This means that they have finished on equal points with St. Brigid's in the group and must play St. Brigid's to decide who will face St. Margaret's in the quarter final. The playoff with St. Brigid's has been fixed for Russell Park on Sunday, 30th September at 3:00 pm.

The Junior 2 team, competing in the Junior 4 Championship, finished as runners up in their group and will have to make the short journey to Silver Park on Sunday, 30th September, for a 3:00 pm throw in against near neighbours Kilmacud Crokes. A good local derby!!

Adult Hurlers in Championship Action at Weekend

The Ires-sponsored Naomh Olaf Adult Hurling teams are both in championship action this coming weekend. The Senior team have had an injury-blighted season which has seen them fail to qualify for the quarter final stage of this year's Senior B Championship. However they have a playoff match at home in Páirc Uí Bhriain this Saturday at 5:00 pm with the winners retaining their Senior B status. Plenty of support required!

Meanwhile the Junior Hurlers, playing in the Junior C Championship, face St. Jude's in the quarter final on Sunday at 11:00 in Tymon North. Support here as well please.

Feachtas chun Gaelscoil Nua a Bhunú i Stigh Lorgan Campaign to Found a New All-Irish Gaelscoil in Stillorgan

Tá feachtas tosaithe chun Gaelscoil nua a bhunú i gceantar Stigh Lorgan. Más suim leat do pháiste a chlárú i nGaelscoil sna blianta romhainn amach, féach ar an eolas thíos maidir le cruinnithe poiblí &rl.

A campaign to found a new Gaelscoil in the Stillorgan area has commenced. For those may be interested in having their children educated through the medium of Irish, please see details of proposed public meetings etc. below.





Let's Get Messy Classes



Please see notice above re Messy Fun - classes for pre-school children. While not run by Naomh Olaf GAA Club, they are held on Wednesdays and Fridays in the club.

Joe Fleming RIP

It is with great sadness that we report the death of Joe Fleming. Joe was a member of Dundrum Churchtown GAA Club which merged with Naomh Olaf

was a great supporter of Dundrum Churchtown originally and of Naomh Olaf in latter years since the clubs merged. He was known to many and all have commented on his integrity and gentleness. The Chairman and Executive Committee of Naomh Olaf GAA Club, together with the members, extend their sympathies and condolences to Joe's family.

Arrangements for Joe's funeral below, courtesy of <u>RIP.ie</u>. Those Naomh Olaf members who will attend Joe's funeral Mass at 10:00 in St. Attracta's Oratory, Meadowbrook are requested to form a guard of honour bith before and after the Mass. Naomh Olaf jerseys will be provided.

Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

Fleming, Joe, late of Churchtown, 17th September 2018, peacefully, in the care of all the wonderful staff at St. Vincent's Hospital. Beloved husband of Maureen and loving father to Joe, Mick, Brian and Ann Marie, he will be very sadly missed by his wife, children, grandchildren Alan, James, Rachel, Jack, Harry, Naoise, Lara, Sean and Charlie, great-granddaughter Evie, sister Mary, daughters-in-law Linda, Antoinette, Orla and all his extended family and friends.

May he Rest in Peace

Joe will be reposing in the Larry Massey Funeral Home, Eden Centre, Grange Road, Rathfarnham, on Wednesday (September 19th) evening from 5pm to 7pm. Removal on Thursday morning to St. Attracta's Oratory, Meadowbrook, arriving for 10am Mass. Funeral afterwards to Mount Venus Cemetery. Family flowers only.

Donations, if desired, to the Irish Cancer Society.

This Week's Fixtures

Fixtures 18th September - 23rd September

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Saturday 22nd September									
Grade/Div.	Venue	Time	Home		Away				
U10 Hurling Gp 3 (2 Team)	Pc Ui Bhriain	10:00	Naomh Olaf		Thomas Davis				
U9 Hurling Blitz (6 Pitches)	Pc Ui Bhriain	10:00	Naomh Olaf	٧	Ballinteer St Johns / Lucan Sarsfields/ Round Towers				
U9 Hurling Blitz	Donnybrook Stadium	10:00	Ranelagh Gaels	٧	Naomh Olaf / St Judes				
U8 Hurling Gp 1X (3 Teams)	Adamstown	11:00	Lucan Sarsfields	٧	Naomh Olaf				
U8 Hurling Gp 1Y (3 Teams)	Hyde Park	11:00	Cuala	٧	Naomh Olaf				
U10 Hurling Gp 1X (3 Team)	Russell Park	11:00	St Brigids	٧	Naomh Olaf				
U11 Hurling (3 Team)	Pc Ui Bhriain	11:00	Naomh Olaf	٧	Na Fianna				
U14 Camogie Div 3 Championship	Pc Ui Bhriain	12:00	Naomh Olaf	V	Lucan Sarsfields				
U12 Hurling Div 4	Ballycullen	12:15	Ballyboden St Endas	V	Naomh Olaf				
U12 Hurling Div 9	Pc Ui Bhriain	12:15	Naomh Olaf	V	Thomas Davis				
U12 Girls Football Div 2 (2 Teams)	Pc Naomh Uinsionn	13:00	St Vincents	V	Naomh Olaf				
U10 Girls Football (2 Teams)	Pc Ui Bhriain	13:00	Naomh Olaf	٧	St Judes				
U15 Girls Football Div 3 Championship	Pc Ui Bhriain	13:30	Naomh Olaf	٧	Parnells				
U10 Girls Football	Cloghran	14:00	Whitehall Colmcille	V	Naomh Olaf				
U13 Hurling Div 5	Pc Ui Bhriain	14:00	Naomh Olaf	٧	Kilmacud Crokes				
U18 Ladies Football Div 4 Championship	Russell Park	15:00	St Brigids	٧	Naomh Olaf				
U16 Boys Football B Championship	Pc Ui Bhriain	15:00	Naomh Olaf	٧	Fingallians				
U13 Hurling Div 3	Pc Ui Bhriain	15:30	Naomh Olaf	٧	Naomh OP-ER				
U14 Hurling Div 3	Russell Park	15:30	St Brigids	٧	Naomh Olaf				
U13 Girls Football Div 3 Cup	St Annes No 10	16:00	Raheny	٧	Naomh Olaf				
U13 Girls Football Div 6 Cup	12th Lock	16:00	Lucan Sarsfields	V	Naomh Olaf				
Senior B Hurling Championship	Pc Ui Bhriain	17:00	Naomh Olaf	٧	Round Towers				
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Sunday 23rd September									
Grade/Div.	Venue	Time	Home	8	Away				
U13 Camogie Div 3 Championship	Naomh Mearnog	10:00	Naomh Mearnog	-	Naomh Olaf				
U9 Girls Football (2 Teams)	Pc Ui Bhriain	10:00	Naomh Olaf		Round Towers				
U8 Girls Football	Pc Ui Bhriain	10:00	Naomh Olaf		Ranelagh Gaels				
Junior Hurling C Championship	Tymon North	11:00	St Judes		Naomh Olaf				
Minor Mens Football B Championship	Pc Ui Bhriain	11:00	Naomh Olaf	V	Templeogue Synge Street				
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U15 Hurling Div 2	Porterstown	11:30	Castleknock	٧	Naomh Olaf
U15 Hurling Div 6	Balheary	11:30	Fingallians	٧	Naomh Olaf
U11 Girls Football (3 Teams)	Russell Park	12:00	St Brigids	٧	Naomh Olaf
Senior Camogie Inter 2 Championship	Pc Ui Bhriain	12:30	Naomh Olaf	٧	CBC/Portobello
U14 Girls Football Div 2 Championship	Pc Ui Bhriain	13:00	Naomh Olaf	٧	Beann Eadair
U14 Girls Football Div 6 Championship	Drumnigh-Donaghmede	13:00	Trinity Gaels	٧	Naomh Olaf
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Hurling Wall Usage

Monday 7:00 - 8:00 pm Under 11 Girls Wednesday 8:00 - 9:00pm Under 15 Boys

Many thanks to the following for additional information this week: Lotto Committee, Mick Brown, Mary Gibney, Mairéad Walsh, Paul Lyons, Shane Pollard, .

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