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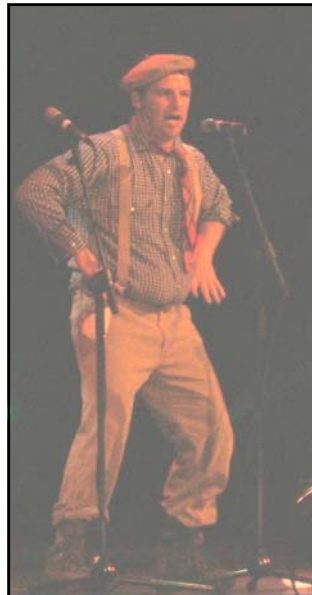
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SCÓR SINSEAR ALL-IRELAND FINAL 2006

Richard Brennan (pictured above) represented Castleknock Hurling & Football Club in the All-Ireland Scór Sinsear Final, Recitation Section, which took place in the Gleneagle Hotel in Killarney on 22nd April. Well done to Richard who gave a tremendous performance with his rendition of "Chantelle de Champignon".

We were all very proud of Richard's very humorous recitation and were very disappointed at the end of the evening when the title went elsewhere. We arrived back in Dublin on Sunday, undaunted and determined to take the title next year!



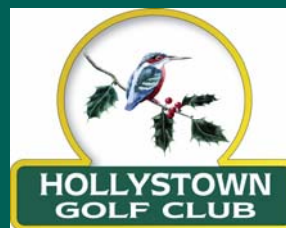
Sean Kelly, President of the GAA and his wife, Juliette at the Scór Sinsear Final in Killarney pictured above with (from left) Connor O'Reilly, Aoife O'Reilly, Yvonne McCloskey and Paul Prunty.



Back left: Laura Donoghue, Barbara O'Neill, Irish Officer, Geraldine O'Reilly & Carol Prunty.
Front left: Richard Brennan, Tara O'Reilly, Paul Prunty & Ciara Prunty.

ANOTHER WIN FOR U16 BOYS

Our U16 Boys are playing good football these days. On Thursday evening they took on neighbours, Peregrines in Hartstown Park and ran out winners 0-9 to 0-2. The lighter Castleknock boys produced nice combined football and with Corcoran and O'Callaghan in fine form at midfield, the forwards got plenty of ball and it took determined play by the host's backs to hold them at bay. The half time score was Peregrines 0-2 to Castleknock 0-4. Adam Lacey, Matthew Griffin, Ian Walsh and Ronan Callaghan, in the goal, were in fine form.



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Club Development and Planning Programme

A chara,

Castleknock Hurling and Football Club is taking part in a Club Development Programme initiated by Uachtarán Cumann Lúthchleas Gael, Seán Kelly.

This programme involves all members of our Club examining our current activities and structures and developing our own Club to meet the challenges of the future in a united and positive manner.

The Club Executive are anxious that as many of our members, parents and supporters as possible would take part in this process which takes place on:

- **Monday, 8 May 2006, 8pm, Castleknock Hotel and Country Club**
- **Monday 22 May 2006, 8pm, venue to be confirmed**

Together we can make sure that our Club looks after the needs of the youth of our area by giving them positive involvement and enjoyable activity.

I would stress that your attendance at this meeting does not commit you to any personal involvement or time in the running of the Club but is merely an opportunity for all members and supporters to reflect on the current situation within the Club and to take part, in a positive way, in planning for a successful future for our Club.

The County Provincial and National Club Development Committees are organising the delivery of this initiative and they provide a trained and independent outside Facilitator to each individual Club to manage the process.

Please send an email to info@castleknock.net or text with your name to 086 3262208 if you intend attending.

Your involvement is welcome and appreciated by all in our Club.

Le gach dea-ghuí,



David Leydon
Rúnaí

U7 BOYS PLAY THEIR FIRST GAME FOR CASTLEKNOCK



Back Row L to R: Sam O'Neill, Oisín MacMathúna, Matthew O'Rourke, James Smith, Daniel Reilly, Matthew Nugent, Sean Ryan, Connall Dillon, Cian Doogan, Gavin O'Connor, Luke McDermott, James Tolan, Aaron Cunningham, Aidan Hartnett, Enteosa, Cian Corcoran.

Front Row L to R: Jack Bradshaw, Eamonn Dunne, Darren O'Keeffe, Eoin Crossan, Eoin McCambridge, Rhyss, Ciaran O'Flannigain, Eoin doogan, Liam O'Sullivan, Conor Dewe, Eoin Yeates, Alex Uzunov, Sean Mulvaney, James O'Flynn.

All Parents and players met in the car park of the C.C.C. at 9.15am, you could sense the feeling of eagerness in the early morning air. We set off for our first game to Erin's Isle after all the hard work in training over the previous 12 – 18 months.

We had 30 eager players ready to pitch their skills against Erin's Isle. Erin's Isle had approx 23 players; this necessitated us making up three teams to their two, each team consisting of ten players. Our three teams were called Green, White and Orange and below is a match report on each game.

White Team:

The Whites consisted of the following players: Eoin Doogan, Sean Ryan, Darren O'Keeffe, Conor Dewe, Tom Mulvey, Conor Dewe, Oisín McCambridge, James Smith, Daniel Reilly, Seam Mulvaney and Alex Uzenov.

After the initial warm up the boys jogged in formation to the bottom pitch in Isle's. Right from the throw in you knew it was going to be a tight game as both teams were well matched in skill and stature. This being the first time Castleknock had experienced the Go-Games rules competitively. After picking up an early ankle injury Sean Ryan reverted back to goal with Darren O'Keeffe coming out to the back line. Isle's sensed this potential upset and started kicking high balls in towards the defence of Darren, James and Conor, with Sean guarding goal, the line looked rock solid. Half time arrived and both teams had yet to score.

Early in the second half a diagonal ball from Isle's mid-field into their forward line resulted in a deserved goal, the ball being kicked high and across the ensuing keeper. Not to be down hearted Castleknock showed true grit and determination, with the forward line of Daniel, Sean and Oisín coming close on occasion. With growing confidence the close knit mid-field of Alex, Eoin, Tom and Darren worked well to contrive a deserved goal from young O'Keeffe who kicked a low hard ball into the bottom right corner, well out of the reach of the Isle's keeper. Two minutes later the referee blew for full time. One goal a piece being a very fair result overall.

Orange Team:

The team was made up of the following players Luke McDermott, Eamon Dunne, Aaron Cunningham, Sam O'Neill, Matthew Nugent, James Tolan, James O'Flynn, Enteosa, Connall Dillon, Eoin McCambridge. Mentor for this team was Bernard O'Keeffe.

The Orange team had to sit out the first half and watch the green team play, when the greens finished their first half it was then time for the Orange, the Erins Isle team having played a game already started the stronger taking 2 early scores, but it wasn't long before the mighty men from Castleknock started to get back into the game and eventually led 3 -2 with a few minutes remaining, but never to be written off the Isles equalised. All in All a draw was a fair result. The second game was played against Erin's Isle other team in this game castleknock were on top from the start and dominated throughout. Stalwart performances from Luke McDermott, Enteosa, James Tolan, Aaron Cunningham, Eamon Dunne, Sam O'Neill, Matthew Nugent, Connall Dillon, Eoin McCambridge, James O'Flynn made all the hard work in training worth while.

Green Team:

The green team was made up of the following players – Cian Corcoran, Rhyss, Aidan Hartnett, Gavin O'Connor, Liam O'Sullivan, Jack Bradshaw, Ciaran O'Flanagan, Eoin Yeates, Matthew O'Rourke, Eoin Crossan.

The Castleknock boys gave a superb account of themselves in two very tightly contested matches against a determined Erin's Isle outfit. Their first game was a very closely contested affair. Early on Isle's were on top but great defending particularly by Eoin Crossan kept them at bay. As Castleknock grew in confidence they created a number of chances of their own and were unlucky not to take the lead. Erin's Isle eventually made their early pressure pay when they were rewarded with a well taken long range score. In their second outing Castleknock again showed great fighting spirit. Erin's Isle took an early lead but Castleknock fought back and equalised with a great score from the Cian Corcoran which followed a super block down from Ciaran O'Flanagan. Erin's Isle continued to press and a couple of late scores gave them a narrow win. All in all these were fine performances from a determined and skilful Castleknock team.

A big thank you to Daire & Chris and all in Erin's Isle who made us feel so welcome and a big thank you to all the parents for the support on the kid's first big game. We will have Erin's Isle over to play us at home in the coming weeks.

ADULT SECTION**ADULT FOOTBALLERS**

The 1st Team, Division 7 have got off to a tremendous start in this year's league. The reigning Dublin Junior B Champions have now won four on the trot in this year's league and are pushing very hard for automatic promotion under the guidance of Willie Brennan, Mick Marron and Patrick McKeown. Our new players have added great strength to the Panel, Fergus O'Reilly, Darren Byrne and Ger O'Brien. With our Minors now starting to come through, Rory Corcoran and Damien Griffin, the only way is up!

Our Second Football Team, Division 11 are also off to a great start after gaining promotion from Division 12 last year. They have now won three out of four beating St. Finians of Swords on Thursday last 1-9 to 0-5 captained by dual player, Mike Stokes. A speedy recovery to Erick O'Neill who suffered a serious hand injury. We hope to see him back on the field soon!

HURLERS

Hurlers had a win on their first league game. Next league game on Monday next, 1st May at 6 p.m. in Russell Park against St. Bridgets. Support would be appreciated. Best of luck to the new management team, Timmy Dawson and Colm O'Dea and fitness coordinator Fionnan McDonagh.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Alan King who won €7,400 in the Club Lotto in March!

EASTER TOURNAMENT

For the second year in succession, the North County beat the South County in the annual Easter Tournament. Our club was represented by top class footballers in Dermot Murray and twins Andrew and Brian Hughes.

BEST OF LUCK

to our boys and girls teams taking part in Feile Peil na nÓg!

SOCIAL NIGHT

The Ballad Session in Kavanagh's on 1st April was a tremendous success. Thanks to all those who helped out on the night especially Gerry Cadden who was the main organizer. Hopefully Gerry will organize another session soon!

EXECUTIVE 2006

Back Row: Gerry Cadden, Adult Chairman, Ciaran Prunty, Grounds Chairperson, John Hillery, PRO, David Leydon, Secretary, Niall Tutty, Treasurer, Tony Nulty, Marketing & I.T., Eamonn Connor, Juvenile Chairman.

Front Row: Michael Stokes, Players Rep, Martina Reidy, Ladies Chairperson, Michael Lynch, Club Chairman, Laura Donoghue, Registrar, Vivian Peelo, Vice-Chairman & Joe O'Reilly, Fundraising.

CASTLEKNOCK U13 GIRLS ROCK NA FIANNA

Castleknock's U13 girls team recorded their second success of the season to keep up their 100% record. They were 5pts to 3pts down late in the first half but fought back to go in level at the interval.

Na Fianna came out all guns blazing in second half and scored a quick point but this was to be their last. The half time strawberries and oranges started to work for Castleknock and like the Munster team they got stuck in.

Some great work up the wing from Mary Waters and Edel Eglinton resulted in a well taken goal by Jessica Comerford. Na Fianna hit back but were denied by a spectacular save from Rachel Nolan. With Nicole Murphy, Edel Eglinton and Anna Cuniffe in flying form there was no way back for Na Fianna.

Castleknock went on to score four more unanswered pts. winning 1-9 to 0-6.

Team: Rachel Nolan, Amanie Siad, Anna Cuniffe, Aisling O'Donnell, Nicola Nolan, Catriona Murphy, Orla Boyle, Maeve Heelan, Edel Eglinton, Aoife Reidy, Mary Waters, Nicole Murphy, Sinead Wheatley, Jessica Comerford & Maeve Byrne.

NOTICE BOARD

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ◇ **Poker Classic - Saturday, 6th May 2006 - Castleknock Tennis Club**
- ◇ **Planning & Development : Monday, 8 May 2006, 8pm, Castleknock Hotel and Country Club & Monday 22 May 2006, 8pm, venue to be confirmed**
- ◇ **Golf Classic - Friday, 16th June, 2006 - Hollystown**
- ◇ **Fashion Show (Fundraiser) - Monday 16th October, 2006 - Castleknock Hotel & Country Club**
- ◇ **Race Day (Fundraiser) - 21st January 2007 - Fairyhouse**

TALENT SHOW

If you are under 18 and would like to take part in the Club Talent Show in September contact Barbara O'Neill 0863782419 - details and forms available on website.

GOLF CLASSIC

Friday, 16th June, 2006



HOLLYSTOWN

€400 for team of four

Contact: Mick Lynch 0862531600
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THE CARPENTER



JACKPOT €6,600
2nd March

NO JACKPOT WINNER

Five "Match 3" winners
receive €60 each

Caroline Lynch, Adrian Rogers, Charles Carolan, Nicholas Fagan & Martina Reidy

THE BELL



JACKPOT €6,800
9th March

NO JACKPOT WINNER

Six "Match 3" winners receive
€50 each

Kavanagh Family, Gerry Higgins, James Martin, Peter McKillen, Audrey Keating & Matilda O'Farrell

MYOS



JACKPOT €7,000
16th March

NO JACKPOT WINNER

Four "Match 3" winners receive
€75 each

Kevin & Natalie Hoey, Michael Neville, Michael Wylie & Kevin Bonner

Bradys



JACKPOT €7,200
23rd March

NO JACKPOT WINNER

Three "Match 3" winners receive
€100 each

Ian Cunningham, Kevin Mallon & John Clarke

CARPENTER



JACKPOT €7,400
30th March

JACKPOT WINNER

ALAN KING wins €7,400

Seven "Match 3" winners receive €45 each
Geraldine Nulty, Tom Quinn, Desmond Quinn, C. Elworthy, David Daly, Alan Williamson & Seamus Keating

Poker Classic



Castleknock Hurling and Football Club are holding a

No Limit Texas Hold 'Em' Poker Classic
on Saturday, May 6th in
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*****Estimated cash prize fund of €3,000*****

Top dealers and equipment at all tables
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Entry €50
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Event Co-ordinator: John McMenamin (087 817 9456)

*Estimate based on 150 players attending. If less than 150 players prizepool will be less.

"All fundraising proceeds from this event go to our New Club Grounds Development in Somerton"

Many thanks to Poker Classic Sponsor Pat Toolan Bookmakers, Castleknock (beside Barbican).

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