

CamogieEzine February 2010:

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New Captain and Managers:

Orla Cotter is new captain of Cork for 2010. A new manager has been announced in Clare (Patsey Fahey), following the pre-Christmas announcement of new managers in Galway (Noel Finn), Wexford (JJ Doyle) and Tipperary (Eoin Brislane). Ballyboden St Endas in Dublin have announced the appointment of Richie Sweetnam as a Senior A Manager for 2010. Originally from Cork, Richie is a teacher in St Colmcille's School Knocklyon and is currently with the UCD Fitzgibbon Team. Richie previously has managed the UCD Ashbourne teams. Michelle Hearne and Rose-Marie Breen of Wexford have announced their retirements from inter-county camogie.

Congress:

Congress scheduled for Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge. Mar 26-27. Motions up for discussion include separate proposals of mandatory shin-pads and mandatory helmets.

Ashbourne Quarter-final results:

University College Cork 0-11 v University of Limerick 0-9; University College Dublin 5-12 NUI Galway 1-8; UU Jordanstown 3-19 Athlone IT 0-3; Waterford IT 4-1) Cork IT 0-6;

Ashbourne & Purcell Cups Cork IT Feb 20-21:

Congress to 400 Camogie players will gather for the Ashbourne and Purcell Cups, being staged together at Cork IT on February 20-21, the biggest gathering of third level female athletes anywhere in the country this year. Start times: WIT v UUJ (1.30); UCC v UCD (3.30); Ashbourne Shield: CIT v AIT (11.30); UL v NUIG (3.0); Purcell Cup semi-finals: IT Tralee v Garda College (11.0); Dublin IT v Mary I (1pm); Purcell Shield: Maynooth v DCU (12.0); Trinity v QUB (2.0);

Secondary Schools Final March 6:

A Kilkenny-Waterford final is scheduled in the All Ireland secondary school Senior A competition. Blackwater Semi-final results: Community School Lismore 3-5, Portumna Community School 0-3; Loreto College Kilkenny 2-11, St Patrick's College Maghera 3-7.

Cork receive medals:

Cork received their 2009 All-Ireland medals at a function in the Ambassador Hotel, as well as Munster senior medals and Munster under-18s. In paying tribute to Cork camogie board's initiative in acquiring their own camogie pitch on Castle Rd, Mahon, Cumann Camógaíochta president Joan O'Flynn and said "Cork should continue to grow and create more clubs and playing opportunities."

Award Winners:

Congress Angela and Ann Downey (Irish Sports Council Lifetime Achievement Award), Sarah Dervan (Galway GAA Camogie Player of the Year), Kay Dunne (Evening Echo Women's Sports Star Hall of Fame Award), Marion Conway (Connacht GAA Awards), ETTY Kelly, Rita O'Hanlon-Wright and Mary McArthur (acknowledged as the "founding sisters" of London Camogie at its 21st anniversary). Eimear O'Farrell and Sarsfields camogie team (Glanmire & District awards), All Ireland Senior Club Champions. Cashel Camogie (to receive a civic reception from Cashel Town Council).

UCD Ashbourne winning captain Susie O'Carroll scored 1-6 of Kildare's 1-7 total in the national league against Dublin.

Tara 7-a-side:

Tara Camogie Club, London are holding their fourth 7-a-side camogie tournament on Saturday 10 April 2010, at Tír Chonaill Park, Greenford.

The tournament will have plate and cup competitions at both Junior and Senior grades and is 7-a-side with 3 subs allowed. Games start approximately 10am on Saturday morning with presentation and evening entertainment afterwards in the Clubhouse.

Interested clubs should contact Sheila at Tara Camogie Club for further information at camogielondon@gmail.com or via www.camogie.co.uk. Call or text 0777 1957 341.

Claire Lucky 13th:

Claire Egan has joined Cumann Camógaíochta na nGael as PR and Marketing manager, the thirteenth full time member of staff. A prominent Mayo footballer and twice a winner of All Star football awards she previously worked as publicity officer for Ireland's largest book publishers, Gill & MacMillan. She can be contacted on pr@camogie.ie

Award for Betty:

Betty O'Moore one of the founders of camogie in Craobh Chiaráin in Dublin was the recipient of a Sean Gael award for services to Gaelic games at the presentation ceremony in Erins Isle. Jimmy Gray, President of the Dublin County Board made the presentation.

Heroines with Hurls GAA Museum January 28:

Lots of interest and media coverage of camogie night at the GAA museum where veteran players and administrators recalled the game in times gone by. Angela Downey commented on media coverage of camogie: "The first time I got on the front page of the Irish Times I had no skirt on me." On that All Ireland (1989) she recalled: "Liz got the skirt, Marion got the hurl, but I still got the goal."

There was animated discussion on the skirt-skort-shorts debate. Joan O'Flynn said it was the single biggest issue from the floor at county board meetings. She pointed out that no players that she knew of trained in shorts, yet they played in skirts.

The sport's historian Mary Moran talked about the changes in the rules and the many controversies that dogged the game in the early days. It was 1951 before all disputes were resolved and counties re-affiliated. Eileen Duffy O'Mahoney, multiple All Ireland winning goalkeeper with Dublin, talked of how Dublin's camogie community got to know each other intimately at the Phoenix Park in the days before clubs developed their own grounds.

Máiréad McAtamney-Magill recalled the impact that the troubles had on camogie in Antrim.

Eoghan Corry posed some questions about camogie and its place in sports history – was it a reaction to organisation of American and European womens sports movements, as is traditionally held, and to the success of the GAA, or was it something more pro-active, as might be suggested by personalities of the founders?

Sister Mairead: "The INTO used to present playing gear for camogie at their conferences which included shorts. I used to ask: what would you think if you gave your boy a skirt as part of his playing gear."

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Pan Celtic Festival:

Preparations are under way for camogie's participation in the Pan Celtic Festival Festival in Dingle (or Daingean) with games on 10th and 11th April. For further details of competition entry etc contact the secretary for the Dingle committee is: pancelteachad@gmail.com ([click here](#))

National League Fixtures:

National League Div 1:

28th Feb Wexford v Dublin; Galway v Clare; Tipperary v Kilkenny;

6th March Dublin v Clare; Wexford v Galway; Kilkenny v Cork;

14th March Dublin v Galway; Clare v Wexford; Cork v Tipperary;

21st March Playoffs;

April 10 National League Semi-finals

April 24 National League Final

National League Div 2:

14th Feb Wat v Wex; Down v Lim; Tipp v Ant; Kilk v Off; Cork v Derry;

28th Feb Wex v Down; Gal v Wat; Tipp v Kilk; Cork v Ant; Derry v Offaly;

6th March Wex v Gal; Lim v Wat; Kilk v Cork; Ant v Derry; Off v Tipp;

14th March Cork v Tipp; Ant v Off; Derry v Kilk;

21st March Down v Gal; Wex v Lim;

4th April Wat v Down; Lim v Gal; Offaly v Cork; Kilk v Ant; Tipp v Derry;

10th April Playoffs;

24th April Final

National League Div 3:

7th Feb Armagh v Roscommon; Dublin v Kildare; Meath v Laois;

14th Feb Kildare v Roscommon; Laois v Dublin; Meath v Armagh;

28th Feb Armagh v Dublin; Roscommon v Meath; Laois v Kildare;

6th March Kildare v Meath; Roscommon v Dublin; Laois v Armagh;

14th March Armagh v Kildare; Dublin v Meath; Roscommon v Laois;

4th April Playoffs;

10th April Div 3 Final;

National League Div 4:

28th Feb Tyrone v Carlow; London v Westmeath;

7th March London v Tyrone; Westmeath v Carlow;

14th March; London v Carlow; Westmeath v Tyrone;

4th April Playoffs;

10th April League Div 4 Final;

Gael Linn Cup fixtures:

16th May Munster v Connacht; Leinster v Ulster;
Junior; Munster v Connacht; Leinster v Ulster;

Senior Championship and Other Fixtures:

March 6th [All Ireland Senior Colleges](#) Final
June 12 Tipperary v Cork; Dublin v Clare; Kilkenny v Galway;
June 19 Galway v Tipperary; Cork v Kilkenny; Wexford v Dublin;
June 26 Dublin v Cork; Clare v Tipperary; Galway v Wexford;
July 3 Kilkenny v Tipperary; Galway v Cork; Wexford v Clare;
July 10 Tipperary v Wexford; Kilkenny v Dublin; Clare v Galway;
July 17 Cork v Wexford; Dublin v Galway; Clare v Kilkenny;
July 24 Cork v Clare; Tipperary v Dublin; Wexford v Kilkenny;
Aug 7 All Ireland Minor A Final, Senior Play-Offs.
Aug 15 All Ireland Senior Semi-finals
Sept 12 All Ireland Senior and Junior Finals
Sept 19 All Ireland Intermediate Final
Nov 6 All Star Awards
Nov 28 All Ireland club finals

[The master fixture list for 2010 can be downloaded here](#)

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