

GALA Evening

Presented by:



Saturday **30th September 2017**

at Glenmona House,Cushendun







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Welcome

céad míle fáilte

On behalf of Cushendun Emmets, the Gala organising committee would like to welcome you all to this celebration. It is a credit to our club and parish that so many of you have made the considerable effort to support us on this grand occasion and we sincerely hope that this will be as memorable as the similar event we held to commemorate our centenary 13 years ago.

This evening, we want to take the opportunity to remind ourselves of the positive role our club has played in this community, not just through the playing of games but also through how we integrate with people and organisations within our parish. The Emmets have contributed to Cushendun in many ways. The Annual Summer Festival and weekly quiz are the obvious examples of this. Less obvious is the support and comfort offered during times of bereavement or illness. The camaraderie generated through playing, or participating in other ways, creates friendships that are carried through many of life's memorable occasions.

However, we will particularly focus on the remarkable achievements of the club years ago, in 1992. Winning the Intermediate championship for the second time (a feat repeated in 2007), was undoubtedly the highlight. The club also won Division 2 which catapulted us into the top tier of Antrim hurling for an unprecedented 10-year period and culminated in a third Senior championship final appearance in 2000. In his book 'Almost a Century', Malachy McSparran described 1992 as a 'record year' and for good reason. The Senior team also won the pre-season 'Joe McFetridge Cup' while the Reserve teams won the Countess of Antrim Cup, the Junior league and Junior Feis Cup. In all 42 games were played that year with our records showing 41 wins, 1 draw and no losses.

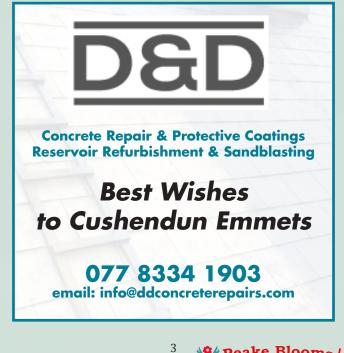


Our headline sponsor for this occasion is 'Peake Blooms' and we would encourage you to reciprocate their generosity by supporting them whenever the occasion arrives. Their support for the club over many years is much appreciated but they have certainly extended that generosity on this occasion and we are truly grateful. Our other sponsors are noted in this programme and we extend our thanks to them and indeed to all of you for your generosity.

Páraic Duffy and Jarlath Burns are our guest speakers for this evening. They have rushed up from a Special Congress held in Croke Park today. We are certainly honoured that they have made such an effort to be with us this evening and we know you will enjoy the experiences they will share with us.

Finally, we will take a moment during tonight's events to commemorate those associated with the club who have gone to their eternal reward since we last held such an occasion in 2004. Without their various contributions, Cushendun Emmets would not have been so resilient and so successful over many decades.

go raibh maith agaidh





Guests

Páraic Duffy - Ard Stiúrthóir C.L.G.

Páraic Duffy is the 18th Director General of the GAA. A native of Castleblayney, he played football with Castleblayney Faughs, and currently lives in Scotstown and is a member of the Scotstown club. He taught in St. Macartan's College, Monaghan - one of Ireland's largest Catholic boy's secondlevel schools - and was Principal from August 1996 until January 2007. He joined the GAA in 2007 as Player Welfare Manager and became Director General in February 2008. As a volunteer, he had previously chaired the organization's Audit, Coaching and Games, Games Administration committees, as well as completing a five-year term as Chairman of Monaghan County Committee.

Jarlath Burns - Chair of Standing Committee of Playing Rules C.L.G.

Jarlath Burns from the Silverbridge Club in Armagh has had a distinguished playing and administrative career in the GAA. He has won club Minor (1984), Under 21 (1986), a Sigerson Cup (1989) and captained Armagh to an Ulster Senior Football title in 1999. He is currently headmaster in St Paul's High School, Bessbrook and is married to Suzanne, a proud Antrim woman whose influence over him has extended to ensuring that their children play both hurling and football. He has made no secret of his ambition to run for the top position in the GAA soon having served in various roles for many years: Ard Chomhairle, GAA Management Committee, Chair of Players' Committee, National Chair of Irish Language Committee and Scór, 125 Committee Chair 2009, Manager of Ladies' International Team 2006 and Member of DRA - 2012 until present.

Cushendun Emmet's wish to express their appreciation to the family of the late Teddy Boyle who have donated the funds to provide a new electronic scoreboard.



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Starter

Carrot and butternut squash soup Jane's Wheaten and savoury soda bread

Main Course

Pan seared Co Antrim organic chicken with a maple cure bacon and leek cream sauce with dauphinoise potatoes and a medley of root vegetables

Buttery champ topped with fresh garden herbs

Seasonal greens

Vegetarian OptionMoroccan style Vegetable Tagine

Dessert

'Autumn on a plate'
Apple crumble, warm crème anglaise
and vanilla bean ice-cream

To Finish

Thompson's Tea or Johnson's Coffee

Mini macaroons

Programme of Events

Compere:

Mr Gerry Donnelly

Drinks Reception

sponsored by Dominic & Geraldine Magee and Mary McBride's

Music Reception

'Keni'

Cushendun

Welcome

Club President - Mr Sean McKendry

Photographic and Video Presentation Stephen O'Hara

Captain's Table

Grace

Fr. Paddy Delargy

Dinner

Table Wine sponsored by EY

Guest Speaker

Mr Páraic Duffy

Raffle

Guest Speaker

Mr Jarlath Burns

1992 Champioship Winning Team

Photographic and Video Presentation Stephen O'Hara

Auction

'Ann Marie Mc Henry sings' Green Glens of Antrim'.

Dancing To

'Pigs and Pearls'





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Cushendun Senior Hurlers



1st Prize £1000 2nd Prize £250 3rd Prize £100

Rules

Each table has an envelope with 'Table Knockout' and a unique number for that table.

Each table will be asked to appoint a 'Captain' for each table.

Entry is £100 per table (not all guests need to contribute to this, one guest can contribute the full £100)

All envelopes will be collected at an announced time.

If a table chooses not to enter 'Table Knockout', the 'Captains' of the other tables will be given an opportunity to purchase a second table with the entry fee remaining at £100 per table.

A series of 'knockout' draws will then take place to eliminate tables at different stages of the evening. (The only exception to this will be that the first table drawn out, will be re-entered into the 2 phase of elimination)

The final table drawn out will win the 1st prize, the second last table will win the 2nd prize and the third last table will win 3rd prize.

(Depending on how the evening's event are proceeding, the 1st draw will eliminate 20 tables, the 2nd draw 15, the 3rd draw 5/6 tables leaving a final 5 for the last draw to decide the winners)



Cushendun Emmets greatly appreciate the ongoing support of over 20 years by their club sponsor Wilsons of Rathkenny.



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Raffle

To enter, please write your name and table number on the envelope provided:

Suggested contribution £10 per envelopes

- 1. 43 " Flat screen TV P.C Electrics
- 2. Toast To Coast Voucher
- 3. 500 litres Heating Oil Connors
- 4. £100 Heating Oil Alan Murphy
- 5. Voucher £100 Teamkit
- 6. Belleek Canteen of Cutlery Donal McAllister
- 7. Chanel Gift Set McCaughans Chemist
- 8. Gin Gift Basket Campbell & Co Solicitors
- 9. Whisky/Rum/Gin Gift Colm Egan, Bushmills Distillery
- 10. Side of Smoked Salmon Glenarm Organic Salmon
- 11. Meal Voucher Little Black Door
- 12. Voucher Harrys Restaurant
- 13. Lunch Voucher T. Mannion
- 14. Meal Voucher Laragh Lodge
- **15. Litre bottle of Vodka & Bottle of Whiskey** Dolores & Teddy Hunter
- **16. Vouchers** Toals Bookmaker
- 17. Bottle of whiskey Terence Mc Collam

Auction

- 2 x Executive Tickets to a Premier League Match at Old Trafford
 Seated in the Sir Bobby Charlton stand with pre match and post match hospitality.
- 2. All Ireland Hurling Tickets with overnight accommodation
- 3. All Ireland Football tickets with overnight accommodation
- 4. The Veterans Return original painting by Joe Mc Fadden
- 5. Signed Prints of Joe McFadden's 'The Veterans Return'
- 6. Signed Carl Frampton Boxing Gloves
- 7. Painting of Cushendun Artist Eileen Emerson
- 8. Aeriel Photograph of Cushendun GAC Sponsored by Laverty Aeriel Photography
- A Gallon of Johnny Walker Whiskey Sponsored by John O'Kane
- **10. Golfing Memorabilia**Sponsored by Damian McEvoy
- Hurling Stick signed by Sean oG O'Halpin
- **12. Hurling Stick** signed by Ritchie Hogan



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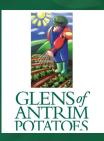




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