

The Bridge Bulletin



**Sun 22nd Feb 2015
50p**

Gaa Membership

**Membership fees are now due
for all players, mentors &
Administrator's of the club.**

£40 for adults

£15 per child

**£30 for family of 3 or more
children**

**MAYOBRIDGE GAA LOTTO
Have you your lotto done for
Monday 23rd February
JACKPOT £6300**

DOWN LIVE

**Setanta Sports have announced
details of the Allianz National
League fixtures that they will be
covering live in 2015. Down figure
twice, on Saturday February 28th
away to Cavan and on Saturday
28th March at home to Meath**

SYMPATHY

**The committee and members of
Mayobridge GAC deeply regret the
death of one of our keen supporters,
Tim Looney, father of underage
players, Thomas and James and
wish to offer sincere condolences to
them and to Tim's wife Agnes,
daughter Sarah and the extended
Looney and Fitzpatrick family
circles.**

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

PREMIER RESERVE LEAGUE KICKS OFF

**Mayobridge Reserve team set off in
defence of their league title when they
entertain Loughinisland on Monday
evening in the opening game of this
year's campaign. Over the years
Loughinisland have proved to be to be
a tough test for the 'Bridge and
Monday's game will probably be no
different. As it's the first competitive
outing after the long winter break the
'Bridge will be hoping to blow off the
cobwebs and get off to a winning start
on their home patch.**

REMAINING FIRST ROUND
LEAGUE FIXTURES FOR
RESERVES

Bryansford (Home Sun 1-3-15)
Castlewellan (Away Sun 22-3-15)
Saval (Home Fri 27-3-15)
Rostrevor (Away Wed 15-4-15)
Bredagh (Home Wed 22-4-15)
Kilcoo (Away Wed 29-4-15)
Burren (Home Wed 6-5-15)
Clonduff (Away Wed 13-5-15)

SENIOR CHALLENGE

Mayobridge senior team continue their preparations for the new season with a challenge match tonight (Wednesday) against Dromintee in the 'Bridge.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mayobridge GAC would like to congratulate Michael Walsh on acquiring a Master of Science degree in Sports Physiotherapy through the University of Bath. Well done Michael.

U-12 FUNDRAISING EVENT

On Saturday the 28th of February the U12 mentors and panel will take part in an eight hour nonstop walk around the pitch in Mayobridge in order to raise funds. We will walk from 9am to 5pm in relay teams with each team walking a minimum of two miles. This should take a maximum of forty minutes for each team who can opt to walk for longer if they wish. We would hope to see parents, siblings, grandparents, relatives, friends and neighbours turn out to walk in support of our

footballers. If you are a regular walker why not come along and walk with us as part of your normal exercise. Any support that will add to the occasion and help pass the day in an enjoyable way would be greatly appreciated. As a club we are in constant need of extra help so feel free to come along and join in or help out whenever it suits.

GAA TO GET TOUGH ON
COUNTIES

Counties who break the winter training ban are facing sanctions for the first time under a 'get tough' policy to be introduced by the GAA. Violations at senior level will result in the team forfeiting home venue for their next Allianz League game while minor and U-21 teams will be prevented from playing challenge games or competing in tournaments for a specified period.

The winter training ban has been in place for some years but, bizarrely, no punishment for violations was written into rule.

That will change at Congress later this month if a proposal from Central Council is accepted.

Rumours of breaches of the training ban have circulated since its introduction, but no county has been brought before the disciplinary bodies because clear evidence is difficult to locate.

Whether that changes remains to be seen but the new rule will include a clear definition of what constitutes collective training, describing it as "where one or more players are asked to be at a specific place at a specific

time on a specific date."

That's a clear reference to managers who demand that players attend gym sessions during the closed season. Managers could also be in the line of fire if they fail to provide the full list of 26 players to the organising committee no later than the Thursday morning (9am) before senior championship games.

Congress will consider the proposal, which won't allow for any subsequent changes from the 26 names. If it becomes a rule, the punishment for a violation will be withdrawing sideline privileges from the manager for one game and/or a fine for the county board.

Down GAA January Club Draw **Winners**

Fully Paid Winners £200 x 5
Drumgath S & M Travers Spelga
Gardens, Rathfriland
Tullylish Greg McCartan Kernan Rd,
Gilford
Ballella Aidan Creamer Killaney Lane
Banbridge
Bright Sean & Sharon McLaughlin
Ballylucas Rd, Downpatrick
Bosco Newry & Mourne Co-Op C/o
Liam Quinn

Club Winners £200 x 5
Clonduff Mary Byrne Oakridge
Hilltown
Kilcoo Gerard Lynn C/o Kilcoo GAC
Tullylish Timothy McAleavey
Churchview Way, Laurencetown
St. Johns Sean & Bernie Quinn
O'Donnell Heights, Castlewellan

January Winners £1,000 x 5
Bredagh Philip O'Rawe Knockbreda

Park, Belfast
Ballymartin Emmet McLoughlin
Grahamville Est, Kilkeel
**Mayobridge Eoghan Woods Carmeen
Rd, Mayobridge**
**CPN Shauna Cahill Craginamona,
Mayobridge**
Darragh Cross Brian Mullan (Jnr)
Killyleagh Rd, Saintfield

Start dates for football leagues, go games etc.....

Ladies

U14 Feile.....Sat 7th March
U16 League.....Sun 8 March
Senior League..Sat 18th April
U14 League.....Sun 26th April

Men

**ACPRL Rd1.....Sun 22nd
February**
Felix Darby Rd1..Sun 15th March
SD U12 League....Sun 29th March
U14 Feile.....Mon 6th April
SD U8 Go Games.Sat 11th April
U14 League Rd1..Mon 13th April
ACMFL Rd1.....Tue 14th April
AC U16 League...Thu 16th April
SDRFL Rd 1.....Sun 19th April
ACFL Rd1.....Sun 19th April
SD u10 Go Games.Sat 25th April.

**Any information or news for The Bridge
Bulletin should be e-mailed to me at
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Or left at 9 Carnany Grove or telephone
Rosemary Magee at 02830851647 by a
Tuesday evening at the **LATEST**.**

Crochet Class Mayobridge Convent.
Thursday 10am-12 has started for the
New Year. Everyone welcome come
along to learn a new craft. £3 per
class includes refreshments. Bring a
crochet hook and a piece of wool if
you have any. What better way to
spend a Thursday morning

Barney's Buses

Is heading to
Clonakilty West Cork!
Staying in The Quality Hotel
Sunday 14th June – Friday 19th June
5 nights & 6 days.
£300 per person sharing and an extra
£10 for single room.
BOOK EARLY
Contact 07989527453 or 02830268028

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