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GOVAN JOLLIFFE-BYRNE MEMORIAL TROPHY & SHEILD

ALL IRELAND U14s
FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Saturday 31st May 2025

[NAOMH MEARNÓG](#)

PORTMARNOCK, DUBLIN

A Note of Gratitude

The team, coaching staff and volunteers at Naomh Mearnóg would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all participants in this event. We are looking forward to offering every player, coach, parent, and fan an enjoyable experience as they showcase their football talents, connect with teams from different regions, and enjoy our hospitality. This tournament is a celebrated event on our club's annual schedule, and we hope it will become a highlight for all visiting clubs as well.

Charity of Choice

Each year, the event proceeds are given on behalf of the Jolliffe-Govan Family to their charity of choice, The Arch Club in Portmarnock.

The Arch Club was founded in 1990 by the parents of children with special needs living in the area. The Arch Club soon became a celebrated part of community with a multi-purpose facility behind St Annes Church that offers a wide range activities and training initiatives for members.

WELCOME TO NAOMH MEARNÓG

Naomh Mearnóg GAA Club, Portmarnock welcomes all to our annual Under 14s All Ireland Football Tournament.

In our 10th year, this hugely successful event is delighted to welcome teams from across the country to compete for the Govan Jolliffe-Bryne Memorial Trophy and Shield. This action-packed day of football, will be followed by a fun evening and celebrations hosted at the club.

In Memory of Govan



This event is an All-Ireland initiative which began in 2016, in loving memory of one of our outstanding young players. Govan passed in a tragic accident while on holiday in Africa in 2015.

Coming to Portmarnock from Africa, Govan joined up with Naomh Mearnóg Under 14 football squad. He quickly established himself as an outstanding team player.

He represented our club at every level, including being part of the Under 21 Championship team in 2014. He had an infectious personality and was a great friend to everyone he met. We strive to ensure this event does justice to the memory of an outstanding young man and a committed member of our club and community.

Teams

GROUP A	GROUP B
Naomh Mearnóg, Dublin Naomh Barróg, Dublin Ballygarvan, Cork	Round Towers Lusk, Dublin Star of Erin, Dublin Seneschalstown, Meath

GROUP C	GROUP D
St James, Galway Edenderry, Offaly Castleknock, Dublin	Gaultier , Waterford Tullamore, Offaly Dunshaughlin& Royal Gaels, Meath

Tournament Structure

This year's competition will feature 12 teams. Teams are organized into 4 groups. Each group contains 3 teams. Every team is guaranteed to play a minimum of 3 matches.

Competition Rules:

All matches will be conducted following the CCC 2 **DUBLIN** regulations tailored for players at Under 14 level. **The tournament is strictly for boys born in 2011 or later.**

- The top 2 teams in each group automatically qualify for quarter finals of the Cup & the bottom team automatically qualifies for the semi finals of Shield Competition
- If two or more teams finish level on points at the end of the group stage, placing will be determined by the result of the head-to-head of both teams.
- If three teams finish on level points at the end of the group stage, placing is determined on points difference, if still level at this point goals scored will be the determining factor.

Adjudication

- For every game, each team and their support will take their position on opposite sides of the playing pitch/area.
- Each team may be asked to provide a linesman.
- For the Semi finals and Finals, in the event of a draw, a penalty shoot, under official GAA guidelines, will be used to determine the outcome.

Match Guidelines

- Each team is to provide an official player list with their squad numbers at registration.
- Players must wear the same numbered jersey throughout competition.
- All games are 12 minutes per half.
- Three-minute halftime breaks.
- Referee can play up to 3 minutes injury time at their discretion, if play is delayed by injury or wasting time.
- Roll on and roll off substitutes.
- If a player is sent off, he will miss the next match.

Schedule

TIME	GROUP A	GROUP B	GROUP C	GROUP D
10:30	Naomh Mearnóg V Naomh Barróg	Round Towers Lusk V Star of Erin	St James V Edenderry	Gaultier V Tullamore
11:15	Ballygarvan V Naomh Barróg	Seneschalstown V Star of Erin	Castleknoch V Edenderry	Dunshaughlin V Tullamore
12:00	Naomh Mearnóg V Ballygarvan	Seneschalstown V Round Towers Lusk	Castleknoch V St James	Dunshaughlin V Gaultier
		<p>13:30 Cup Quarter Finals</p> <p>14:00 Shield Semi Finals</p> <p>14:30 Cup Semi Finals</p> <p>15:00 Shield Final</p> <p>15:30 Cup Final</p> <p>16:00 Presentation and closing ceremony</p>		

Additional Tournament Information




- Each Team will have 2 members go to registration desk no later than 9.30am on the day. There will be a parade for all the teams at 10:10am – you can bring club banners. **If travelling by bus, please ensure you travel through Portmarnock village as there is a low bridge on the backroad into the club that you cannot pass.**
- Pitch allocation will be assigned to you with a map in the welcome pack and goody bag.
- Pitches 1, 2, 3 and 6 will be used for the tournament
- Teams should arrive togged out as dressing room space is limited to 6 dressing rooms.
- First aid services will be available on the day for injuries and medical emergencies
- Lunch of burgers will be provided to players. There will also be water, teas, coffees and sandwiches provided in the main hall fore everyone. Visiting team coaches are responsible for notifying if any dietary allergies of their team members
- Team photo will be taken of each team before the start of the tournament (or later if under time pressure). Winners' photos will be circulated to some media outlets. Coaches are to notify should any child not be permitted inclusion beforehand
- A pitch coordinator will be assigned to each pitch to record results, keep games on time and ensure team and match officials are designated pitch. Any issues to be directed to the pitch coordinator however the referee's decision is always final
- Results and tables will be posted at the Information Center
- Live updates available on <https://gjb.football/>

The tournament adheres to the Vision, Values and Purpose of the GAA. Remember RESPECT.

Respect for Referees, Umpires, Linesmen, Coaches, Players & Volunteers.



TEAM PROFILES

GROUP A

	Naomh Mearnóg, Portmarnock, Dublin
	Ballygarvan, Cork
	Naomh Barróg, Dublin

TEAM PROFILES


GROUP C

	St James, Mervue, Galway
	Edenderry, Offaly
	Castleknoch, Dublin

GROUP B

	Round Towers Lusk, Dublin
	Seneschalstown, Meath
	Star Of Erin, Dublin

GROUP D

	Gaultier, Waterford
	Dunshaughlin & Royal Gaels , Meath
	Tullamore, Offaly