

SOUTHERN GAELS NEWSLETTER

16 FEABHRA, 2026



Games Development Officer

The club wish to welcome Philomena 'Fee' Kennedy to the club as Games Development Officer.

She will be working with both Southern Gaels and Garrycastle in promoting and developing camogie, hurling and football in the Athlone area.

She will be working primarily with schools especially National Schools for the moment. She will also be involved in coach development and training with both clubs.

Both clubs are looking forward to working with her and appreciate her commitment and dedication to Gaelic Games.



Ball Wall Hurling/Camogie Marathon



The poster features the Southern Gaels logo at the top left, which includes a crest with a figure and the text 'Southern Gaels' and 'Gaeil an Daibhí' (1972). The main title 'SOUTHERN GAELS HURLING & CAMOGIE' is in yellow. The central focus is the large, bold text 'BALL WALL MARATHON' in yellow. Below it, the date 'SATURDAY, MARCH 14' and time '10 AM TO 10 PM' are in white. The background shows silhouettes of two hurdlers competing for a ball in front of a red and orange target. At the bottom, the location 'BALL WALL IN PAIRC CHIARAIN, BALLYMAHON, ROAD, ATHLONE.' and additional details 'REFRESHMENTS IN THE OLIVE BARR FOR COMPETITORS. SPOT PRIZES AND MUSIC ON THE NIGHT.' are in white.

The club will run a Ball Wall Hurling/Camogie Marathon on Saturday 14th March as a fundraiser for the club.

It will begin at 10am and run until 10pm. The All Ireland county and club camogie cups will be on show and there will be number of the winning players in attendance.

There will also be a number of intercounty hurlers at the event. Details of the marathon and how to contribute to it will be on all our social media sites.

This is an opportunity to support the promotion of both camogie and hurling in the area.

How it works-

→ Message Tom on 087 6523333 to book a 45 minute slot in the Ball Wall.

The details he needs-

Name

Preferred time slot

Number of people

Include if you are a family group with u12s, group with teenagers or all adults

Club Lotto

There was no winner of last week's jackpot of €13,800. The numbers drawn were 1, 7, 17 and 24.

The Lucky Dip winners of €25 were Breda Quinn, Mark Linnane and Sinead Mimnagh.

This week's jackpot will be a fantastic €14,000. Buy your tickets online through the Clubforce App.

Thanks for your continued support. New members always welcome.



Mentors and Helpers

The club are always happy to have additional people helping in any way big or small. Additional team mentors are most welcome and the club will ensure that all necessary guidelines and courses are arranged.

Contact Lisa Ann (Secretary) 087 7780364, Leona (Children's Officer) 087 7789021 or Tony (Juvenile Secretary) 087 2249712, if you are willing to help the club in any way at any stage during 2026..

Membership

Club membership is now due for 2026. You can pay online through Foireann or through our social media site. You can also contact our Registrar Frank Lee on 087 2238088. It is important that all players both adult and juvenile are members before they begin training and matches.

Return to Training

The adult camogie and hurling teams are returning to training and all players will be notified. Any new players interested in playing for 2026 should contact Martin 087 2253350 for hurling and Gearóid 087 2343636 for camogie. The return to Juvenile training will in a few weeks time and all will be notified.

Irish Life Steps Challenge

Back Southern Gaels Hurling and Camogie GAA...		
1	2	3
		
Tony O'Keeffe	Aodh Mac Aodha	gerry kelly
711.1 km	439.8 km	417.9 km
4  David Cuddy		380.8 km 
5  Brendan McNamara		377.6 km 

Thanks to all who took part in the Club Steps Challenge. Southern Gaels had a combined total of just over 11,000Km and were placed 54th of over 400 clubs in Leinster.

Thanks and well done to all who participated. Congratulations to Tony O'Keeffe who was our leading participant achieving a distance of over 700Km in the last month

National Draw Tickets



Tickets for the National GAA Draw are on sale through the club for €15. There are many valuable prizes on offer and all money raised goes directly to our club. Tickets can be purchased through any committee member of Revolut Kevin at 087 7989941. The draw takes place on 25th March so it is important to get your ticket well on time.

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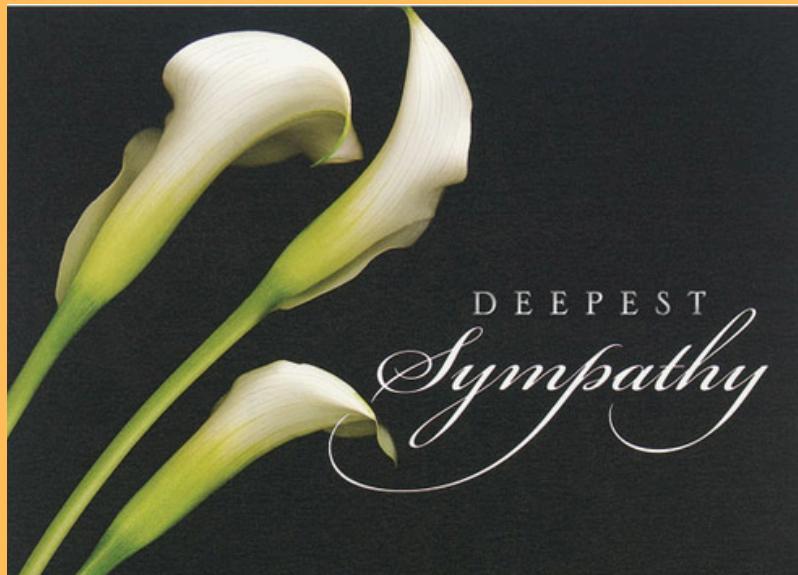


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Last Night of Camogie / Hockey Collab



Condolences



Condolences are passed with David Dalton and his family on the unexpected passing of his father Bobby of the Bullet Road, Ballykeeran. May he Rest in Peace.

