

## SUPER LEAGUES 2004 ...



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# SIMONSTOWN NEWS

AIB Leinster GAA Club of the year 2002 • AIB Meath GAA Club of the Year 2000, 2001, 2002 & 2003 Spring 2005

## MEMORABLE TRIP TO MADRID



Simonstown's first internationals! Back (l/r): James Murray, Colm Keys, Colm O'Rourke, Gary Lynch, Hugh John O'Reilly, Colm Brady, Shane O'Brien, Paul Meade, Ronan Brady, Ned Kearney, Willie Stynes, Shane Kennedy, Shane O'Neill, Brendan O'Donnell, Alan Meade, Daire Corcoran, Justy Ward, Shane Carr, Alan Sweeney. Front (l/r): Colm O'Brien, Con O'Neill, Ciaran Carr, Brendan Quinn, Barry Flanagan, DJ Corbett, Hank Traynor, Cian McGrath, Michael Cantwell, Seamus Kenny, David Gormley, John Lunney, Colm Tully, Evan Kelly, Niall McMahon, Les McAuley, Shane O'Rourke, John Howard.

First port of call after arriving in Madrid was a trip to the impressive Bernabeu Stadium.

The La Liga clash of Real Madrid and Athletic Bilbao and a tour of the Bernabeu Stadium were some of many highlights of the club weekend away in Madrid, February 18 - February 21. A total of seventy-five made the trip to the Spanish capital and an enjoyable weekend was had by all. The gaelic football challenge versus Madrid Harps on Sunday, February 20 also provided some memorable moments. On that subject, the club would like to express its appreciation to all in Madrid Harps for the hospitality they afforded us during the weekend. Simonstown won the game on a scoreline of 7-12 to 1-19. Best wishes to the seniors and all Simonstown teams in 2005!

## Cheltenham Preview Night

The leading contenders for the main races at the recent Cheltenham Festival were placed under the microscope at the club's Cheltenham Preview Evening on Saturday, March 5.

An attendance of approximately four hundred listened to the views of the expert panel that consisted of Mark 'The Couch' Winstanley, Noel Meade, Dessie Hughes, Conor O'Dwyer, Tony Mullins and Damien McElroy.

In the process the club raised badly needed funds which will greatly assist us in our endeavours to promote underage football amongst boys and girls in Navan.

A donation of €1,000 was made to the Injured Jockeys Fund from the proceeds of the night. The cheque was presented to Conor O'Dwyer.

The club would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the night.

Cheltenham Preview Evening Organising Committee - Jimmy Owens (chairman), Colm O'Rourke, Raymond Brady, Jim Lane, Bill Fennessy, Pat Downey, David Owens, Liam McLoughlin, Colm Keys, Shane O'Brien.



Organising Committee chairman Jimmy Owens presents a cheque for €1,000 to Conor O'Dwyer in aid of the Injured Jockeys Fund.

Back (l/r) Jim Lane (club chairman), Raymond Brady, Dessie Hughes, Damien McElroy, Mark 'The Couch' Winstanley. Front (l/r): Liam McLoughlin, Jimmy Owens, Conor O'Dwyer, Noel Meade.

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## FOUNDATION LEVEL coaching certificates

Eleven underage coaches received their Foundation Level Coaching Certificates in the clubhouse on Monday, March 21. County coaching officer Dudley Farrell conducted the course last October and a total of twenty attended. The eleven below were in the club to receive their certs. Thanks to club coaching officer Sean Barry for organising the course.



Back (l/r): Pat Coogan, Tony Heaney, Gerry Heaney, Peter Byrne, Tom Gallagher, Ciaran Hoey, Tommy Naughton. Front (l/r): Colm Farrell, Tino Borez, Padraig Duffy, John Staunton

### SATURDAY MORNING COACHING

The regular Saturday morning coaching/games for 5 to 11 year olds continues every Saturday morning at 10am. All newcomers – players and mentors – are welcome. For further information contact the clubhouse – 046 902 2494.

## An Invitation to join Navan's premier Sports & Social Club

Whether you are in to sports or just want to enjoy a quiet drink in the club bar and lounge, come and savour the welcoming environment of Simonstown Gaels – where old and new friends are waiting.

Live Music every Saturday night in Members Lounge  
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### Membership Rates

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Family: .....	€65	Social: .....	€20
Juvenile: .....	€10		

### New Players welcome

If you are interested in playing gaelic football we invite you to join Simonstown. Whether you are an accomplished player, new to gaelic games, or even new to Navan, you can register now for the 2005 season. Both adult and underage players welcome.



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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2005

The election of officers at the Annual General Meeting, which was held on Sunday, January 9, resulted as follows . . .

<b>Hon Presidents</b> – Joe Clarke, Mickey Clarke, John Lally	<b>Asst Secretary</b> – Sarah Shiels
<b>Chairman</b> – Jim Lane	<b>Treasurer</b> – Jack O'Donoghue
<b>Vice Chairman</b> – James Tobin	<b>Asst Treasurer</b> – Andrew Fitzpatrick
<b>Secretary</b> – Shane O'Brien	<b>PRO</b> – Barry Flanagan

**Co Board delegates** – Dermot O'Brien, Shane O'Brien, John Howard  
**Committee** – Pat O'Reilly, Ann Burlingham, Eamonn Kearney, Gerry McDonagh, Tommy Caffrey, John Hand, Paddy Flood.

### JUVENILE COMMITTEE 2005

The Bord na nOg committee and team mentors for 2005 was elected at meeting on Tuesday, February 7.

<b>Chairperson</b> - Anne Burlingham <b>Vice Chairperson</b> - Ciaran Conlon <b>Secretary</b> - John Lynch <b>PRO</b> - Tom Lorton <b>Registrar</b> - Colin Moran <b>Juvenile Board Delegates</b> - Geoff Millar, Philip Trappe, Michael Coughlan <b>Coaching Officer</b> - Sean Barry <b>Super Leagues Co-ordinator</b> - Eric Brady	<b>UNDER 14B:</b> Manager - Philip Trappe; Selectors - Francis Smith, Marie Gaffney
<b>UNDER 14A:</b> Manager - Geoff Miller; Selectors - Gary Lynch, Sean Barry, John Lynch	<b>UNDER 12A:</b> Manager - Michael Coughlin; Coach - Martin Barry; Selector - Padraig Farrell
	<b>UNDER 12B:</b> Manager - Ollie Boland; Selector - Tony Heaney
	<b>UNDER 10 COMMITTEE</b> - Ciaran Conlon, Colm Farrell, Tommy Naughton, Tino Borez, Eamon McGrath, Pat Kieran, Brian Moran.

## Club Colours



- Tracksuits €60 (adult) €50 (juvenile)
- Training top €55 • Jacket €65 • Polo t-shirt €35
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## Weekly LOTTO

Simonstown Gaels would like to thank everyone who supports our weekly lotto. At the time of writing the jackpot stands at **€3,900**

## AIB Green Stars



Shane Leddy received his award from Eddie Canty (AIB) and Ollie Murphy (O'Neills)



Shane O'Neill accepts his jersey and trophy from Eddie Canty and Ollie Murphy

Simonstown's Shane Leddy and Shane O'Neill received recognition for their performances on the field in 2004 in the form of selection on the AIB Meath Green Stars panel. Shane Leddy was selected at right-corner back on the XV while Shane O'Neill was selected on the substitutes bench. Congratulations to both. Six Simonstown players in total received nomination in last year's Green Stars scheme; the others being Ronan McGrath, Ned Kearney, Colm Brady and John Lunney.

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## CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

The club would like to thank the many members of the local community who so generously contributed to this year's Annual Church Gate Collection in January. All proceeds were donated to the parish fund in aid of the victims of the tsunami disaster and an amazing figure of €21,030 was collected. Sincere thanks to everyone.



Michael McDonagh was Simonstown's nomination for the Co Board Sean Gael scheme in 2004. Congratulations to Michael on this well deserved accolade. Michael is pictured with sons Paul (left) and Gerry.