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## Dub Stars Exhibition Games 2011

27 Nollaig 2011  
Páirc Uí Ruiséil, Naomh Bríd

**Gamogie Ladies Football**

Dub Stars v Dublin

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11am

12.30am

Réiteoir: Derek Brannigan  
(Good Counsel)

Réiteoir Keith Tighe  
(St. Annes)

Mini-Games at half-time in both games

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*Is cúis mór áthas dom fáilte a ghabhail do gach éinne don triú comórtas seo. Guím gach rath ar na foirne sa bhliain úr seo.*

A third Dub Stars is upon us. It's amazing how the years have flown by. The Camogie Board is once again delighted to partner with the Dublin Ladies Football Board in hosting these games. Both associations provide enormous enjoyment for thousands of girls and the partnership of the two boards is key to delivering that service. These links will strengthen in the years to come and the Camogie Board looks forward to working with the GAA towards implementing the exciting new strategy that has been published for the next five years.

The Camogie Board would like to thank Naomh Bríd for placing their superb facilities at our disposal. I would also like to congratulate the club on an excellent run in the Leinster club football championship.

Special congratulations should go to the players especially those chosen as this year's Dub Stars. The award is richly deserved as it is focused on club performance and without the clubs there would be no intercounty teams or county players.

I would like to thank everyone who made this day possible particularly sponsors of the presentations – MMI.ie and Westside Press.

I wish all our players every success in 2012.

**Marie O'Brien**  
Chair Dublin Camogie Board

# Welcome to Russell Park

**St. Brigid's**  
our local GAA Club



*On behalf of St Brigid's we extend a cead mile failte to you all today in Russell Park.*

St Brigid's G.A.A. Club was founded in February 1932 so we will shortly mark 80 years of GAA here in Dublin 15. The Club serves the communities of Blanchardstown, Castleknock, Clonsilla, Corduff and Laurel Lodge in the Dublin 15 area and caters for camogie, ladies football, hurling, football and handball. At present the Club caters for 55 teams in all the codes.

In the 2011 season, the club had 10 camogie teams from under 9 to Senior and 12 ladies football teams from Under 9 to Senior.

Several of our camogie players represented Dublin in recent times, these included Niamh Adams, Sherry Mannion, Elaine Duncan, Paula Bruen, Danielle Powell, Colette Coady, Lorraine O'Connell and Annie Kirwan from Camogie.

In football Elaine Kelly was 2011 All Star and 2011 Dublin Ladies Senior Footballers Player of the Year, Aisling King was voted Dublin Minor Ladies Footballers Player of the Year. Elaine Kelly, SORCHA Furlong, Noelle Healy, Colleen Barrett and Ailish Mc Kenna were part of the victorious Senior Football Ladies All Ireland winning team in 2010. Deirdre Murphy, Sophie Freeman, Aisling King, Sarah Hawkshaw and Olivia Smartt have all won All Ireland medals at under age.

We hope you enjoy the games on our all-weather pitch which has been a tremendous asset to us in affording superb quality playing conditions all year round. It is part of our development plan which includes the addition of a further full size grass pitch.

**Fintan O'Sullivan**  
Club Chairman

**Kevin Elliott**  
Camogie Chairman

**Tony Hegarty**  
Ladies Football Chairman

## Ladies football Chairperson address



*On behalf of Dublin Ladies Gaelic Football, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our 3rd Annual Dub Stars event which has now become an occasion that we all look forward to each year.*

In the weeks leading up to the event, there is great excitement in the County around the selection of the Dub Stars for both Ladies Football and Camogie. It's a special day where we have a platform to honor our players for their outstanding performances both at club and county for the season gone by.

This prestigious Award is valued and respected by all the players and it is the last event in the calendar year for both Associations and what a lovely way to end our playing seasons.

The occasion represents the close working relationship between both codes and we will continue to work closely together coming in to 2012. We have had increased participation and continued demands on dual players at all age levels. We will continue to listen to our members and keep our discussions open and ongoing to ensure we can find a common ground to promote participation in both our games.

I would like to thank St. Brigids for hosting the event and to the organizing committee and especially our sponsors for their continued support, we are extremely grateful.

I would like to wish all our players, management teams, officials, young girls participating in the blitz, our friends and supporters a great day of enjoyment and hope that you take away some fond memories of a special occasion.

On behalf of Marie and I may we wish you all a very happy, healthy & successful 2011 both on and off the field.

*Yours in Sport*

**Maureen King**  
Cathaoirleach

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Camogie, 11am, 27<sup>th</sup> December 2011

## Dub Stars VS Dublin

### Dub Stars

- (1) Sile nic Coitir (*Ballyboden St Endas*)
- (2) Martina Byrne (*Raheny*)
- (3) Roisin Keaney (*Ballyboden St Endas*)
- (4) Elaine O'Meara (*Na Fianna*)
- (5) Orla Smith (*Ballyboden St Endas*)
- (6) Ali Maguire (*St Vincents*)
- (7) Suzanne McCarthy (*Erins Isle*)
- (8) Ciara Burgess (*Raheny*)
- (9) Louise O'Hara (*Erins Isle*)
- (10) Tara Corrigan (*Naomh Jude*)
- (11) Amy Murphy (*Erins Isle*)
- (12) Aoife Kelly (*Raheny*)
- (13) Aideen Naughton (*St Vincents*)
- (14) Ciara Lucey (*Ballyboden St Endas*)
- (15) Muireann O'Gorman (*Na Fianna*)
- (16) Ali Twomey (*Lucan Sarsfields*)
- (17) Fiona Hayes (*Ballinteer St Johns*)
- (18) Aisling Carolan (*St Oliver Plunketts/Eoghan Ruadh*)
- (19) Emma Sweeney (*Naomh Bríd*)
- (20) Ellen Keatley (*Craobh Chiaráin*)

### Dublin

**RÉITEOIR:** Derek Brannigan (Good Counsel GAA)

## Cumann Camógaíochta Átha Cliath agus Cumann Peil Gael na mBan



Ladies Football, 12.30am, 27<sup>th</sup> December 2011

# Dub Stars VS Dublin

## Dub Stars

- (1) Cliodhna O'Connor (*Naomh Mearnóg*)
- (2) Andrea Bowe (*Round Towers*)
- (3) Philippa Green (*Kilmacud Crokes*)
- (4) Lucy Collins (*Na Fianna*)
- (5) Olivia Smart (*St Brigids*)
- (6) Sinead Goldrick (*Foxrock Cabinteely*)
- (7) Anne Clarke (*Naomh Mearnóg*)
- (8) Denise Masterson C (*Naomh Mearnóg*)
- (9) Niamh McEvoy (*Parnells*)
- (10) Siobhan Woods (*Raheny*)
- (11) Lyndsey Peate (*Parnells*)
- (12) Noelle Healy (*St Brigids*)
- (13) Lyndsey Davey (*Skerries Harps*)
- (14) Sinead Aherne (*St Sylvester's*)
- (15) Bernie Finlay (*Na Fianna*)
- (16) Aisling King (*St Brigids*)
- (17) Hannah Tyrrell (*Round Towers*)
- (18) Siobhan Killeen (*Raheny*)
- (19) Maria McGrath (*Ballyboden St Endas*)
- (20) Stephanie Adams (*Clontarf*)

## Dublin

- (1) Emma Merrigan
- (2) Sinead O'Mahoney
- (3) Niamh Collins
- (4) Ailish McKenna
- (5) Sarah McGrath
- (6) Gemma Fay
- (7) Fiona Hudson
- (8) Niamh McEvoy jnr
- (9) Amy Connelly
- (10) O Colleen Barrett
- (11) Ciara Murphy
- (12) Arlene Cushen
- (13) Muireann O'Sullivan
- (14) Orlagh Egan
- (15) Amy Ring
- (16) Sinead Treacy
- (17) Aisling Barrett
- (18) Louise Kidd
- (19) Kim Flood
- (20) Sinead Finnegan

**RÉITEOIR:** Keith Tighe (St. Annes)



## Launching Dub Stars 2011:

**Aisling King** (*St. Brigids*) **Denise Masterson** (*Naomh Mearnóg*)  
**Denis Murphy** (*Dublin Camogie Manager*), **Pat Stritch** (*Dub Stars*  
*Football Manager*), **Catriona Power** (*Naomh Mearnóg*), **Áine**  
**Fanning** (*St Vincents*)



## Seasonal Spirit:

**Catriona Power, Áine Fanning, Marie O'Brien, Gemma Fay and Aisling King**



## Ciara Burgess – Dublin Senior Player of the Year in conversation with Máire Uí Scoláí



Dubs star player Ciara Burgess was this year awarded the senior intercounty player of the year, but alas she was not there to accept the prestigious award as she was in Trim, Co Meath attending the Raheny wedding of club members Jenny Farrell and Andrew Dowling (otherwise known as Saus!).

Ciara was sitting at the table along side her friends oblivious to the fact that the wedding party knew she that she should have been elsewhere! The speeches started and groomsman Dubs star David Henry made the announcement in the hotel that Ciara was the senior Dublin Intercounty player of 2011. She was shocked "I had no idea they all knew, I thought only a few knew!, but I must say it was lovely and I did appreciate it, I was like receiving the award there".

The Northside player began her Camogie career at the early age of 7 "I was always going to Raheny games with my Dad and Cian my older brother and then I got the opportunity to play for the U 11's where I played in defence". From there the nippy player moved to centre back and eventually to the midfield / forward department where she now operates from.

In those early informative years she came under the influence of the great Jimmy Keogh, " he was great and I was also very lucky to have several senior players coach me as well" Playing senior for her club was always on the agenda and so in 2001 she was on the Intermediate team that captured the treble of Championship, League and Cup. This treble was again achieved when the side rose to Senior B status.

2011 will always be a special year for Raheny as they reached the Senior A Championship Final for the first time in their history, a feat achieved by the club right across the board, in hurling, football and Ladies Football. Success did not come to the Camogie team but with a young side who knows what is around the corner.

From Raheny the Blue and Navy of Ath Cliath beckoned for the muinteoir scoile who teaches in the scoil lán Ghaelach, Gaelscoil Thulach na nOg, in Dunboyne. The Dubs debut came for her with the U16 Dubs team and the first game was

against the mighty Kilkenny. Ciara progressed to the senior ranks and then took a break from Camogie and played football for the Dubs winning a runner's up National League medal. She is now a prominent member of the Dublin side managed by Denis Murphy whom she respects a lot" he is very good and it is great having Ann Colgan there with him, while we are not winning games, this year we were competing, as our first championship game against Tipperary was very good and no way should there have been three goals in it in the end. We need to start winning games and generate interest. What we need are more young players coming on stream to get in to a winning habit"

Catriona Power, Louise O'Hara and Elaine O'Meara would be high in the stars list with Ciara. This talented player is a first cousin of Irish senior soccer star Johnny Walters who recently hit the headlines scoring a vital goal against Estonia. Now we know where he gets his talent from!

The Dunboyne muinteoir iofa le Gaeilge is now teaching football, hurling and Camogie in her school. " I hope to get a Camogie team next year as presently the cailini play with the boys". Talking to Ciara by telephone was a joy for me she made it so easy, her pride playing for Raheny and Dublin was very evident.

### *Míle buíochas Ciara.*



# Dublin star Sinead Goldrick is looking forward to 2012 – by Declan Drake

Farrell as well as Dave Cullen.

"They were brilliant to work under in terms of training having the right attitude and approach to the game. I learned so much from them as a group which has helped my game develop".

Foxrock Cabinteely where Sinead from the age of 7 has been active enjoyed a great success in 2008 when the All Ireland junior club title was brought back to the southside club 3 years later they are honoured at the Dublin Ladies awards night as the club of the year for 2011

Sinead Goldrick first made the Dublin Senior side back in 2006 when Gerry Mc Gill was manager. Her love of travelling has meant a stop start career so far in the County jersey. Although a brace of National League Division 2 honours have been added to the Goldrick household the big one of the Celtic Cross in 2010 didn't due to being away in Thailand during the business end of the championship although she did return to be present for the destruction of Tyrone in the final. She is quite pragmatic about the whole thing.

"Of course it would have been nice to be part of it I was in the stand on the day and really thrilled for the girls who had put so much into the whole thing. This group trained 3 nights a week and did a whole lot more work themselves in the gym, they really worked so hard and deserved the success when it came. Hopefully more chances will come my way and I will take them"

2011 saw Dublin operate in Division 2 of the National League, the year in that competition ended with a final success over Meath at Parnell Park which with it brought the important reward of being back at the top table for the forthcoming year. Sinead as well winning as mentioned earlier that second league medal was also selected as the player of the match in the defeat of the Royals. She knows the importance to be competing in 2012 at the higher grade.

"No doubt about the importance of that, you need to be playing at a higher intensity week in week out against top sides to achieve a certain sharpness in order to bring it into Championship football". Having beaten Meath in the league final on home turf in Parnell Park attention was then to turn to the defence initially of the Provincial title against the same opposition out at Naomh Mearnog's splendid ground in Portmarnock. Well as we know the afternoon ended in defeat which made the task of defending the All Ireland even harder as now the shark infested waters of the qualifiers awaited.

"The Meath defeat was so poor it really

was, it just made things so much harder for ourselves that it needed to be

as we had to go into the qualifiers. We had a meeting a couple of days after the game, as a group we let everybody down losing to them (Meath), we were so determined to put things right" recalls Sinead. –

The qualifiers were safely negotiated as Tommy Brown managed blues negotiated their way to the All Ireland quarter final and a 3rd consecutive championship meeting with Cork. That's where the run was to end and the Brendan Martin Cup was surrendered to the side who a month later were to win it for the sixth time in 7 years. It was an eventual game for Sinead Goldrick who unfortunately didn't see it out as she was sin binned with 6 mins to go. Naturally enough for the above combination of reasons this is a game not best remembered by the All star nominee.

"We were six points up that day and really should have won the game getting sin binned didn't help the situation either. All in all it was a very bad day for us as we had lost again to Cork and the All Ireland was gone from us" That reversal saw the end of Tommy Browns one year tenure in charge, 2012 will see Peter Clarke (Naomh Mearnog) at the helm with amongst others Angie Mc Nally continuing as part of the back room team. So what will the new man bring to the position?

"He has a great record in Colleges football and was involved with Monaghan in 2011 when they got to the All Ireland Final so he knows what it takes to win, we have so much to prove next year and we are determined to do it. Peter and the management will have things well planned and worked out when we go back training."

Sinead Goldrick is a most affable young lady who shows a steely determination to succeed in both football and whatever professional working career she chooses once her studies are complete. To listen to her speak is most refreshing as she has a clear focus burning desire and belief in not only her own ability but that of her colleagues to reverse the wrongs of 2011. Such a positive mental approach will go some way to giving everybody a real chance of doing just that. Maintaining her level of performance which earned her the players player of the year award and an All Star nomination is of course another important part of the equation. There is no doubt that the future prospects of Dublin are bright and with players like Goldie involved bringing to the table what she does then further success can't be too far away. 2012 could be something special for our Capital Ladies and for Ms. Goldrick.



Second season syndrome is a difficult reality to deal with, the Dublin ladies senior football team are the latest outfit that are proof of that fact having failed to defend the All Ireland crown won so impressively 12 months previously. While for the county squad as a whole that was a huge disappointment for certain individuals with in it the year ended rather well. Sinead Goldrick who plies her club trade with Foxrock Cabinteely is a fine example of that point. The bubbly 21 year old Social Science graduate of UCD and currently a marketing student at DIT had just been announced as the Senior Players choice for Player of the Year at the O Neills Dublin Ladies awards night at the end of November when we met. For observers of the ladies football scene there would have been few arguments with the choice made but as Ms. Goldrick is happy to point out its not entirely about her.

"Naturally enough its nice to win such an award, it really was a surprise to get it, this is a team game and we are all in this together individual awards are good but a team success is always more important".

As a secondary school student at Colaiste Iosagain basketball was a very popular sport with Sinead playing her part in a hugely successful period for the school in terms of capturing All Ireland titles up to and including her final year there. Football was important as well with her potential earning her a place in the Dublin U-14 squad. That team won the All Ireland that particular year of 2003 with Amy Ring Sinead o Mahony and Noelle Healy amongst her team mates, its a triumph Sinead feels is fully appreciated in the years after it.

"Its all a real whirl wind at the time I mean you are 13 years old so quite young and excitable. Its only really now when you look back that the significance of the achievement dawns on you". The next step was the U-16 All Ireland which was the second in the set of Sineads set of medals at that level to date, while 2 years later she was part of the historic squad who won the first minor title. She is full of praise for the management team which included former Dublin skipper and All Star Martina

## Dub Stars 2009-2010 – Previous Winners

### Camogie 2009

1. Louise O'Hara *Erins Isle*
2. Claire Donoghue *Erins Isle*
3. Ruth Lyons *Crumlin*
4. Catherine Boyle *Crumlin*
5. Ruth Breheny *Naomh Jude*
6. Eadaoin Mulcahy *Raheny*
7. Eve Talbot *Good Counsel*
8. Edel Reid *Good Counsel*
9. Karen Blood *Good Counsel*
10. Fiona Hayes *Ballinteer St. John*
11. Olive Sorohan *Ballinteer St. John*
12. Jean Murphy *Skerries Harps*
13. Elaine Duncan *Naomh Bríd*
14. Lisa Murray Clanna *Gael Fontenoy*
15. Louise Curry *St. Oliver Plunketts Eoghan Ruadh*
16. Ciara Lucey *Ballyboden St. Enda's*
17. Paula Bruen *Naomh Bríd*
18. Sonya Byrne *St. Vincent's*
19. Valerie Reaney *Erins Isle*
20. Aine Power *Portobello*

### Camogie 2010

1. Sile nic Coitir *Ballyboden St Endas*
2. Adele Murphy *Naomh Jude*
3. Lorraine O'Connell *Regional Team and Naomh Bríd*
4. Maeve Gaynor *Ballyboden St Endas*
5. Gráinne Quinn *Regional Team and Naomh Pádraig*
6. Joanne O'Sullivan *Ballyboden St Endas*
7. Tara Corrigan *Naomh Jude*
8. Louise O'Hara *Erins Isle*
9. Ciara Lucey *Ballyboden St Endas*
10. Ciara Durkin *Regional Team and Skerries Harps*
11. Amy Murphy *Regional Team and St Marks*
12. Edel Reid *Good Counsel*
13. Emer Lucey *Ballyboden St Endas*
14. Áine Fanning *Naomh Uinsionn*
15. Aoife Kelly *Naomh Jude*
16. Colette Coady *Naomh Bríd*
17. Linda Crennan *Naomh Jude*
18. Julieanne Cooper *Na Fianna*
19. Anne McCluskey *Erins Islec*
20. Carolanne Canning *Naomh Uinsionn*

### Ladies Football 2009

1. Cliona O'Connor *Naomh Mearnóg*
2. Niamh Colleran *Na Fianna*
3. Noelle Comyn *Ballyboden St Endas*
4. Aisling Farrelly *Ballyboden St Endas*
5. Gemma Fay *Ballyboden St Endas*
6. Sinead Finnegan *Fingallians*
7. Siobhan McGrath *Thomas Davis*
8. Suzanne Murray *Round Tower Clondalkin*
9. Elaine Kelly *St Brigids*
10. Sinead Ahern *St Sylvesters*
11. Orla Egan *Na Fianna*
12. Orla Colreavy *Naomh Mearnóg*
13. Natalia Hyland *Ballyboden St Endas*
14. Ciara Lowry *St Brigids*
15. Mary Nevin *Na Fianna*
16. Nicci Daly *Ballyboden Wanderers*
17. Rachel Byrne *Clanna Gael Fontenoy*
18. Noelle Healy *St Brigids*
19. Amy Mc Guinness *Fingallians*
20. Denise Masterson *Naomh Mearnóg*

### Ladies Football 2010

1. Cliodhna O'Connor *Naomh Mearnóg*
2. Sinead O'Mahony *Skerries Harps*
3. Sinead Treacy *St. Sylvester's*
4. Grainne O'Malley *Ballyboden St. Endas*
5. Siobhan McGrath *Thomas Davis*
6. Sinead McGoldrick *Foxrock/Cabinteely*
7. Gemma Fay *Ballyboden St. Endas*
8. Denise Masterson *Naomh Mearnóg*
9. Sinead Finnegan *Fingallians*
10. Sinead Cumiskey *Parnells*
11. Amy Mc Guinness *Fingallians*
12. Colleen Barrett *St. Brigids*
13. Bernie Finlay *Na Fianna*
14. Sinead Aherne *St. Sylvester's*
15. Amy Ring *Foxrock/Cabinteely*
16. Hannah Tyrell *Round Towers, Clondalkin*
17. Deirdre Murphy *St. Brigids*
18. Sarah Mc Caffrey *Clontarf*
19. Claire Murtagh *Fingallians*
20. Aisling Ryan *(Clanna Gael Fontenoy)*

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