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# **BALTIMORE GAA**



### THE BALTIMORE METRO AREA'S GAELIC GAMES SOCIETY

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2005 Spring League Results Congratulations to The Blue Jays on winning the second annual Baltimore GAA Co-Ed spring league. The Blue Jays defeated The Red Branch Knights in a very competitive final on Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> at Oakleigh Elementary School. The game started with teams trading scores and at half time the Blue Jays were just 2 points ahead. The outcome of the game was in no doubt after just 5 minutes of the restart - thanks to a flurry of goals scored by The Blue Jays. The final score was 6-19 (37) to 3-10 (19).

Player Profiles

The Blue Jays reached the final by virtue of a runner up standing in the league table. The Red Branch Knights were unbeaten throughout the regular season. All credit goes to The Blue Jays for overcoming their underdog status to claim the championship.

Practice Schedule June 2005 Left: Josh Linn of the winning team (in yellow) looks down field to find a team mate. Also pictured are Nick Karpon, Sarah Caldwell, & Nick Hollick

Baltimore GAA Membership



Right: Damien Devlin (in Yellow) escapes for Feilim MacGabhann

NACB Update

Sarah Caldwell and Shawn Baird accepted the winner's trophy (pictured below) on behalf of The Blue Jays. Thanks for all your help.

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Shawn & Sarah show off the trophy

### League Result

Team	PLD	W	D	L	PTS
Team 1 - Blue Jays	4	2	0	2	4
Team 2 - Green Mount Bhoys	4	0	0	4	0
Team 3 - Red Branch Knights	4	4	0	0	8

**Final** 

Blue Jays 6-19 (37) - Red Branch Knights 3-10 (19)

Well Done to The Blue Jays!

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### **Player Profiles**



### Michael Duggan

Age: 26

<u>From:</u> Kenmare, Co. Kerry, Ireland Occupation: Operations Manager

Position: Defense

About the GAA: I wanted to meet some people, get some exercise and have a good time!



#### Cathy Blose

Age: 25

From: Fort Wayne, IN

Occupation: Editor for the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences

Position: Wherever the captain tells me to be; though I like defense the best

<u>About the GAA:</u> I wanted to try an interesting sport and have killer work-outs to get back in shape. Oh, yeah, I also like hearing those Irish swear words...makes the day more amusing!



### Franz Henggeler

Age: 25

From: Baltimore, MD Occupation: Software Position: Defense

About the GAA: Great opportunity to learn Gaelic football and Hurling



#### Laura Gnoffo

Age: 24

<u>From:</u> Newport News, VA Occupation: Systems Engineer

Position: Defense

About the GAA: My friend, Stacie Green, encouraged me to join the team. I was looking for

a new sport and Gaelic Football is definitely unlike any sport I have ever played!

### June 2005

June 2nd (Thurs)	Outdoor Practice - Hurling / Camogie - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 4 (Sat)	Baltimore Bohemians Vs. Pittsburgh Celtics in Baltimore
June 7th (Tues)	Outdoor Practice - Gaelic Football - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 9th (Thurs)	Outdoor Practice - Hurling / Camogie - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 11 (Sat)	Baltimore Bohemians Vs. Washington DC Gaels in Baltimore
June 14th (Tues)	Outdoor Practice - Gaelic Football - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 16th (Thurs)	Outdoor Practice - Hurling / Camogie - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 19th (Sun)	Team Scrimmage - Herring Run Park @ 2 PM
June 21st (Tues)	Outdoor Practice - Gaelic Football - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 23rd (Thurs)	Outdoor Practice - Hurling / Camogie - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 26th (Sun)	Team Scrimmage - Herring Run Park @ 2 PM
June 28th (Tues)	Outdoor Practice - Gaelic Football - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM
June 30th (Thurs)	Outdoor Practice - Hurling / Camogie - Herring Run Park @ 7 PM

### Membership has its privileges, JOIN the BALTIMORE GAA TODAY!

We invite you to become a full fledged member of the Baltimore GAA. Dues are \$30 per person (or \$50 per couple) for 2005. Dues are used to offset the cost of the club, including field permits and North American County Board fees. JOIN the Baltimore GAA today and get your very own FREE tee-shirt, the chance to play in all the Baltimore leagues, and represent the Bohemians as they vie against other clubs (DC Gaels, Pittsburgh).

Bring a check made out to the Baltimore GAA or cash to any of the Baltimore GAA sessions, or mail it to Lucy Gibson, 220 East Biddle Street, Baltimore MD 21202.

### NACB Championship Weekend Update

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May, the North American County Board (NACB) held the Pre-Playoff meeting in Philadelphia. Tadgh Prendeville, Feilim MacGabhann, and Eddie MacIntosh made the trip to represent the Baltimore GAA. In summary the Baltimore GAA were accepted into the Men's Junior D competition which will take place over Labor Day weekend in Philadelphia.

#### Men's Junior D Schedule

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

- Charlotte Vs. Portland
- Baltimore Vs. Midwest (Rochester or Albany)

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Junior D Championship Final

For Full Details check out www.phillygaa.com

#### **Ladies Team Update**

Thanks to the hard work of Martine Eadie and Sarah Caldwell the Baltimore Ladies team is well on their way. The first all-ladies practice was help on May 1<sup>st</sup> and the turnout was great. Another all-ladies practice is scheduled for May 22<sup>nd</sup> and games against the Pittsburgh and Washington ladies teams are scheduled for June 4<sup>th</sup> and June 11<sup>th</sup> respectively.

Come out and join the ladies of the Baltimore GAA!

Congratulations to the Shaw Family on the birth of their baby boy, Brendan Jack Shaw!
Congratulations to the McGill Family on the birth of their daughter, Isabella Grace McGill!
Congratulations to the Devlin Family on the birth of their daughter, Brynn Aine Devlin!
Congratulations to Margo Bechtel on her engagement to Troy!



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### Game Report - Baltimore Vs. Washington DC April 30th

Well done to the Baltimore GAA men's team who opened up the 2005 season with a game against Washington DC. Though the Bohemians were well beaten by our Washington rivals, the team showed great commitment and a marked improvement over last year. With this level of participation the Baltimore Bohemians have a great chance of becoming North American Champs later in the summer.



Team (Front Left to Right): Damien Devlin, Kiran Budarajo, Brendan Fahey, Mike Lynch, Nick Hollick, Michael Ramsay, Tom Kinealy, Rick Day, Franz Henggeler (Back Left to Right): Feilim MacGabhann, Chris Blair, Muthu Narayanaswamy, Micheal Duggan, Bill Sweeney, Keith Ramsay, Shawn Baird, Dan Shaw, Eddie MacIntosh, Owen O'Reilly, Dan Schroder.

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