



# BALTIMORE GAA



## THE BALTIMORE METRO AREA'S GAELIC GAMES SOCIETY

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### St. Patrick's Day Parade

Once again, the members and friends of the Baltimore GAA were out in full force for the Baltimore St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 13<sup>th</sup>. The day was a little cool but the reception we received from the thousands of spectators was very warm.

Tadgh & Feilim wished everyone Top O' the Mornin' as the GAA kicked off the day at Cobber's Pub on Charles Street. Everyone was kitted out in the awesome 'Raise what's raised in Ireland,' tees kindly provided by Chris Lee of Guinness/Diageo.



This year we were float number 88, so we had an hour or two to kill before we all gathered by the monument. Mike O'Shea gave us a friendly shout-out from the unofficial reviewing stand on Charles Street. The real hit of the parade where those Baltimore GAA stickers, hopefully we've recruited a whole new generation of players!

The 'world's biggest hurley' was on display and attracted a lot of attention. Special thanks to Eddie, Joe, Sarah, Feilim, Mike, Danny, Shawn and Joe Ryan for their handy work. It looked great. It measured 15 feet across and sported our web-site address on it. Great exposure! Next year there is talk of a Gaelic football Chinese dragon.

No St. Patrick's Day Parade would be complete without a great post parade party. The crowd was entertained by a very talented Adam Green, who brought the house down with his great piping skills. Michael and Eddie fell into a great party rhythm and the session lasted into the wee hours of the night. Many thanks to the Staff of Cobber's Pub, who kindly shared their great Aussie hospitality with the Baltimore GAA!



# Player Profiles



**Keith Ramsay**

Age: 30

From: Baltimore

Occupation: Civil Engineer

Position: Defense

About the GAA: Once I knew about hurling, it made perfect sense.



**Daniel Schroder**

Age: 28

From: Troy, NY

Occupation: Getting recruited for a great job!

Position: Offense

About the GAA: I enjoy developing new skills... because chicks dig guys with great skills.



**Margo Bechtel**

Age: 31

From: Originally, Buffalo, NY now, Towson, MD

Occupation: Adapted Physical Education Teacher with Kennedy Krieger Institute

Position: Defense

About the GAA: I had been interested in the sports for a while. They are traditional games with long histories that are fast paced and challenging. Also, it seemed like a great way to meet new fun and outgoing people.



**Owen O'Reilly**

Age: 37

From: Stradone, Cavan

Occupation: Computer Engineer

Position: Defense

About the GAA: It's Great way to Stay in Shape and the Craic is Mighty!

## Schedule -April 2005

Apr 3 (Sun)	Scrimmage @ 3 PM
Apr 7 (Thur)	Indoor Practice @ Virginia Baker - 7.30 PM - Football
Apr 10 (Sun)	Spring League Rd. 1 @ 2 PM
Apr 14 (Thur)	Indoor Practice @ Virginia Baker - 7.30 PM - Hurling/Camogie
Apr 17 (Sun)	Spring League Rd. 2 @ 2 PM
Apr 21 (Thur)	Indoor Practice @ Virginia Baker - 7.30 PM - Football
Apr 24 (Sun)	Spring League Rd. 3 - 2 PM
April 28 (Thur)	Indoor Practice @ Virginia Baker - 7.30 PM - Hurling/Camogie
Apr 30 (Sat)	Bohemians Vs. DC Gaels in Silver Spring, MD

## 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.

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### Spring League

The Baltimore GAA's Co-Ed Football Spring League will begin in April. The league will consist of 3 teams and each team will play each other twice. The top two teams will play a Grand Final. Each team has 2 co-captains. The captains have already been selected and are paired as follows:

- Shawn Baird & Sarah Caldwell
- Rick Day & Stacie Green
- Martine Eadie & Mike Lynch

#### Football Spring League

- Round 1 - April 10th
- Round 2 - April 17th
- Round 3 - April 24th
- Grand Final - May 8th



Keith shows his hurling skills for Sarah and the City on ABC 2 News



#### Spring has sprung!

Come on outdoors for Gaelic Football, Sundays @ 2pm

SAVE THE DATE: The Saw Doctors will be Rockin' Ram's Head Live in the Power Plant on WED May 11<sup>th</sup>, they're a fun band, for more info go to [www.ramsheadlive.com/baltimorelive](http://www.ramsheadlive.com/baltimorelive).



# BALTIMORE GAA Newsletter

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Thanks to all who made our Mick O'Shea's Burger, Beer and Music Night a Great Success!

Michael, Martine and Owen talk with their friends



Bill, Stacie and Roisin share a smile as they reminisce over the Pittsburg trip!



The Baltimore GAA would like to thank Dave and Stephanie Niehenke and all the staff at Mick O'Shea's Irish Pub for their continued support of the Baltimore GAA!

## Contact Us

If you are interested in playing or watching Gaelic Games or if you are interested in receiving our monthly newsletter please sign-up by sending an e-mail to [baltimoregaa@hotmail.com](mailto:baltimoregaa@hotmail.com) or through our web site [www.baltimoregaa.com](http://www.baltimoregaa.com). You can also call us on 410-902-7264.

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