

## **Great Success**

The Annual Festival of Hurling which took place on Saturday was again a wonderful success. Thanks from the organisers to all who helped out. While the “Big Winners” were from up North, the local U-12’s were “Winners” too getting to the “A” final.

The festival was attended by the Uachtarán of C.L.G Aodhán O Fearghail who was thrilled with his trip to Mullinahone. He was only one of the more the 1,000 visitors who came to our village over the weekend. The weather was grand, as usual except for one heavy shower which fell about half way through the day.

Special thanks to the local soccer club whose pitch changed codes for the day, but without it the festival could not have taken place.

## **Parish News**

The Annual” Festival of Hurling” Mass was a huge success with St. Michael’s Church packed to capacity and ever so colourful. For all his hard work and support of the festival over the last decade, Fr. McGrath P.P. was presented with a chalice on behalf of the Festival Committee.

Congratulations to Brian Egan, Bawnavrona on his recent wedding to Eimear Gahan of Fethard.

A key on a keyring with a lovely baby photo was found recently in Killaghy cemetery. Call to the sacristy.

Don’t forget the one day pilgrimage to Lough Derg on 12th September. Bus from Killenaule at 11am on Friday 11th September. Contact Mary Hennessy on 062-71243.

## **A Great Win**

This week we congratulate our footballers on their narrow win in the South Tipp Intermediate football semi-final. They defeated Fethard by 2-11 to 1-11 in a nail biting game. This was a game that we should have won easier, but the loyal supporters were put through the wringer before the final whistle.

It should not be forgotten that this was only Mullinahone's second win over Fethard in adult football in nearly 70 years. The last win came in 2001 when Eoin Kelly, Paul Curran and Paul Kelly of the present team played. Back in history, in 1994, Eoin Kelly who had one of his best football games in years on Saturday night, was the sole survivor of the 1994 County U12 double team in action.

Pride of place, however, must go to the ageless warrior Kyran Vaughan who has represented our club as a senior player since 1992 (23 years ago). Ky's loyalty to the club sets a great example to all other players which should be copied. Well done to our mentors on getting the team to the final where they will meet the winners of the Grangemockler v Clonmel Óg replay.

The following fifteen lined out on Saturday night: Michael Lonergan, Kyran Vaughan, Alan Walsh, Michael Cody, Graham Horan, Niall Curran, Kevin Walzer, Paul Curran, Alan Curran, Sean Curran, Eoin Kelly, Jack Shelly, Paul Kelly, Gary Cronin and Micheál Dunne.

## **Local Lotto Draw**

The last local lotto jackpot draw took place on Monday 24th August. The numbers drawn were 1,6,9 and 24. We had no jackpot winner, but seven winners shared the Match 3 prize of €175. Congratulations to Margo Dalton, Breda Lyons, Cathy Cummins, Davy O'Meara, Thomas Morrissey, Dave and Eimear O'Duffy and G. Whelan. Next draw will be on Monday 7th September when the jackpot could be worth €12,700.

## **Good Start Continues**

Our local soccer 11 had their second win on Sunday. They defeated Killusty 4 – 3 away to reach the semi-final of the Shield. Mullinahone AFC got off to a great start with goals from Wayne Lazlett, Sean Bermingham and Eamon Brett. It was 3 – 0 at half time and Michael Cooper made it 4 – 0 early in the second half.

Killusty who have a proud record in Tipp soccer were bound to hit back and did so, but Mullinahone held out for a 4 – 3 win for the second week in a row. The Mullinahone defence missed the two injured stalwarts Enda McEnery and Jamie McGrath. There were debuts on Sunday for Dan Laight, David Maher and Frankie Clinton. Welcome back, also, to Kevin Walzer.

The soccer pitch changed code over the weekend providing a home to hundreds of hurlers in the annual GAA festival of hurling which was again a wonderful success. Well done to all in the GAA for making such a fine contribution to the local economy. In soccer, we wish the local eleven and their mentors George Hindley, Ian Gahan and David Cooper success in the upcoming Shield semi-final.