



Newsletter

Irish American Community Center New Haven Gaelic Football & Hurling Club



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Aug/Sept 2022

SUMMER BAR HOURS: Wednesday: 7pm-10pm; Thursday: 5pm-10pm; Friday: 5:30pm-midnight; Saturday: 5pm-midnight; Sunday: 4pm-8pm

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 18th, Member Happy Hour & IACC Scholarship Award, 6pm – 9pm
 August 24th, Karaoke Night
 August 27th, Lobster Dinner, 6pm
 September 8th, Retirees Meeting & Picnic, 12:30pm
 September 24th & 25th, Halfway to St. Patrick's Day Weekend
 October 2nd, General Membership Meeting, 1:30pm
 October 2nd, Nomination Convention, 3pm

October 23rd, Boiled Bacon & Cabbage Dinner
 October 29th, Halloween Party, 7pm
 November 9th – 13th, New Haven Gaelic Player's Production
 November 19th, NHGF&HC 38th Annual Banquet at Woodwinds, 7pm
 November 20th, Memorial Mass for Deceased Members, 3pm
 December 4th, Irish Breakfast and Christmas Bazaar, 9am – 2pm

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Our Financial Secretary, Robin Pollock, would like to remind all our members that membership dues were payable on January 1st. Please keep in mind dues are a vital part of the running of our Club. Dues for 2022: Family \$75, Individual \$50, Senior Couple \$25 and Senior Individual \$20. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

BINGO, Fridays at 7pm

FEELING LUCKY? Come to the club every Friday for Bingo! \$5 admission includes 20 games plus an additional bundle must be purchased for \$5, \$9 or \$12. Please spread the word, bring a friend and come out and enjoy! Thank you, Mary Roddy

MEMBER HAPPY HOUR, Thursday, August 18th, 6pm – 9pm

Join us for a Member Happy Hour on Thursday, August 18th from 6pm - 9pm. With over 100 new members joining our club this year, it will be a great opportunity to make some new friends and get together with people you already know! Sean Griffin, the main songwriter of the Ruffians, will be performing. The Ruffians have been playing all over the Northeast since 1998. Sean has shared stages with Black 47, The Pope's, The Wolfstones, Great Big Sea, Enter the Haggis & Gaelic Storm. He has collaborated with All Ireland Champions & has been featured in the Irish Echo & the Irish Voice as well as the New York Daily News and Chicago Sun times. Sean has played over 1500 shows and is delighted to be playing for us on August 18th! If you can attend, please let Robin Pollock know. Appetizers will be provided and we'd like to plan accordingly. As a reminder, the IACC Scholarship will be awarded during this Happy Hour.

SAVE THE DATE: Karaoke Night, Thursday, August 24th

Please mark your calendars for Karaoke Night on Thursday, August 24th. Additional details will be shared in the weekly email but it is certain to be a night you do not want to miss! Come out and enjoy a night filled with singing, laughter and good times with friends and fellow members!

RETIRES MEETING & PICNIC, Thursday, September 8th, 12:30pm

The Retirees will hold their meeting on Thursday, September 8th at 12:30 p.m. This will also be their Labor Day Picnic with hotdogs and hamburgers. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. To make a reservation for the picnic, please call Pat Donahue 203-248-4325 or Beth Murphy 203-230-2993. This year's Retirees must be paid and guests are welcome for \$20. Hope to see you all there!

LOBSTER DINNER, Saturday, August 27th, 6pm

Please join us on Saturday, August 27th at 6pm for a Lobster Dinner. The cost for the Lobster Dinner is \$25 and we will also have grilled chicken available for \$20. Reservations are a MUST! To make your reservations and for further information, please contact Mary Roddy at (203) 506-8367.

SAVE THE DATE: HALFWAY TO ST. PATRICK'S DAY, Saturday, September 24th & Sunday, September 25th

Plans are underway for our 2022 Halfway to St. Patrick's Day event. This year, it will be an entire weekend of festivities! On Saturday September 24th, we have an evening of music that starts with Bobby Morrill followed by our headlining band, Derek Warfield and The Young Wolfe Tones. On Sunday, September 25th, the day will start off with a traditional Irish breakfast including a Salute to Our First Responders and Military Giveback. Free breakfast will be provided to service members with a valid ID. The day will continue with Brannigan's Corner providing entertainment, a Kid's Craft

Corner and other fun activities for the entire family. This will be a major fundraising event and we are looking for sponsors, raffle donations and support of our community giveback effort. Ticket information and other details will be shared soon. Please mark your calendars now and contact Robin Pollock or Nikki Brooks for questions or donations.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Sunday, October 2nd, 1:30pm

Please join the Executive Board for a General Membership meeting at the IACC on Sunday, October 2nd at 1:30pm. Attending these meetings is a great opportunity to provide input on various activities, frequency of membership meetings and other important topics. We hope to see you all there!

NOMINATION CONVENTION, Sunday, October 2nd, 3pm

The Nominating Committee shall nominate candidates for all offices. Additional nominations of candidates for any of these positions may be made from the floor at this time. Each nominee must be a member in good standing for at least two (2) years prior to the October General Membership meeting. Each nominee must either be present at such meeting or have presented to a member of the Nominating Committee, prior to such nomination, a letter indicating willingness to serve in the capacity for which nominated. The Nomination Convention will take place on Sunday, October 2nd at 3pm at the IACC. If you have any questions, please contact George Waldron at (203) 281-1742 waldrongeorge@sbcglobal.net, Catherine McMorrow at (203) 430-7074 mcatherinemac@aol.com or Pat Hosey at (203) 248-1538 p.hosey@sbcglobal.net.

Office	Responsibilities include:
President IACC	Resolution implementation & general club oversight
President NHGF&HC	Bar, social and athletic functions
Vice President IACC	Social, calendar & club bookings, cultural events
Vice President NHGF&HC	Club sports
Treasurer IACC	Financial reporting & fiscal management, banking matters
Treasurer NHGF&HC	Financial recording, reporting, and management
Financial Secretary IACC	Membership & dues
Recording Secretary IACC	Minutes & newsletter
Building Engineer IACC	Maintenance of building and grounds

SAVE THE DATE: HALLOWEEN PARTY, Saturday, October 29, 7pm

Please mark your calendars for our annual Halloween party! There will be a DJ, prizes for best costumes and more! Additional details to come!

NHGF&HC 38th ANNUAL BANQUET, Saturday, November 19th, 7pm

The 38th Annual Banquet will be held at Woodwinds in Branford on Saturday, November 19th at 7pm. Congratulations to Selina O'Toole and Peter Burke, our 2022 Irish Woman and Man of the Year! Entertainment will be provided by Andy Cooney. Tickets are \$100 per person and the menu includes open bar, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, a choice of Prime Rib of Beef, Chicken Marsala, Stuffed Filet of Sole or Vegetarian Eggplant followed by coffee and dessert. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Doreen Busca (203) 843-8018, Eileen Roxbee (203) 584-4233, Carmel Laresse (203) 314-9318 or Joan Hall (203) 584-2097. If you are interested in placing an advertisement in the Banquet Program Book, please contact Anne Hines (203) 488-4902.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members to the club and hope to see you around frequently:

Edward & Marianne Boteler, Joseph Dacey, Robert Marosz, Alice & Jim Doheny, Dina & Kevin Gennette, Patricia Garcia & Karl Zukunft, Pamela & William Hay, Sean Keeney, Anthony Marchitto, Anthony & Maria Maiorano, Fred & Noreen Campbell Parlato, Richard Sandmann, Kim Sperry & Heidi Bourgue, Chris & Rita Brayfield, John & Eileen Brannigan, Megan Burke, Emily Burke, John & Therese Gannon, Danyelle Jones, Owen & Deborah Little, Barbara Madden Gambrell, Danny Miller, Bruce Mitchell, Theresa & John Rogers, Bonnie Sgambato, Katie McCarthy, Alice McNeil, Tom Rausch, Courtney Doherty, Jay Brancati, Steve Gambardella, Ricky Narracci & Rob Vallombroso.

DONATIONS

We would like to say thank you to the following members who included a donation with their membership:

Harry & Mary Kennedy, Edward Donadio, Siobhan & John Stewart & Ann Brady.

SPONSORED MEMBERSHIP

Our sponsored membership drive is going well! Current members can sponsor a new member at a reduced rate until October 31st. It is the perfect time to gift a membership to special friends & family! Please feel free to contact Robin Pollock for applications or if you have any questions.

Current Membership Rates		Sponsored Membership Rates	
Family	\$75.00	Family	\$25.00
Individual	\$50.00	Individual	\$20.00
Senior Couples	\$25.00	Senior Couples	\$10.00
Senior Individual	\$20.00	Senior Individual	\$5.00

NEW HAVEN GAELIC FOOTBALL & HURLING CLUB DECEASED MEMBER LIST

A new listing of the NHGF&HC Deceased Member List is now available at the club. The listing is located in a three-ring binder in the cabinet in the lounge. Suggestions, comments, additions or corrections contact Bern Singer at bernard.singer@snet.net.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy and prayers to the following: Bernie O'Doy, New Haven on the death of his wife Mary by way of Co. Limerick.

The O'Hagan family on the death of their father Charles (Charlie) O'Hagan, New Haven, by way of Co. Derry. Charlie was past president, Man of the Year, and a true pillar of our club.

Mary Bohan, Old Saybrook, on the death of her brother Gerry in Co. Roscommon.

Tim Gallogly, North Branford, on the death of his brother, William Gallogly 3rd,

Donna Studdard and the Masterson family on the death of Hugh Masterson, West Haven by way of Co. Longford.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION

The club extends a sincere thank you to the families that have recently named our club as the recipient of contributions in memory of their loved ones.

GET WELL WISHES

We send our get well wishes to the following:

Sean Canning (Wallingford), Tony Stratton, Anne Purcell and Anne Keogh (Hamden), Margaret Jackson (Branford), and Bob Morgan (Milford).

THANK YOU

The Executive Board thank Anne Faherty for sewing and donating our new memorial sashes to the club. We appreciate it very much!

STAIRWAY REPAIR

The outside stairway in the back of the club that leads to the upstairs apartment is in desperate need of repair and a safety hazard that must be addressed. We need to completely replace the stairs and landing and due to the cost of materials, this will be quite a costly project. If you have any skills that you can lend and are willing to help build, please let Gerry Roddy know. Additionally, any donations toward this project are greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU

Gerry Roddy would like to thank the following members who have been a big help in keeping things cleaned up and looking good around the club: James Staunton and sons, John McGowan, Pat Hosey, Bill Mackey, Kerry Martens, Tommy Connor, Aidan, Rory and Kian McCormack and Anne & Mike Faherty. Special thanks to Mike Gethings for keeping the grass on the field in tip top shape!

FUNDRAISING IDEAS

We are always trying to bring events into our club and your help is needed. If you have any ideas, thoughts or wishes that you would like or to Chair an event please contact either Anne (203) 488-4902 or Mary (203) 506-8367. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE NEWSLETTER

If you would like to make an announcement in the newsletter i.e. engagement, marriage, birth, graduation from college, or an achievement of any kind, please submit via email to Doreen Busca at dkbusca73@yahoo.com.

LOCAL IRISH RADIO PROGRAMS

Echoes of Erin Sundays from 12pm - 2pm on FM 88.7 WNHU www.wnhu.net

Celtic Airs on Tuesdays from 6pm -9pm WWUH91.3 or www.wjuh.org

NHGF&H Club PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hope all our members and friends are enjoying their summer. Our club has a blood drive on 17th Aug. Please consider donating and sign up with the Red Cross. Blood is always in demand. New Members' Happy Hour on 18th Aug. is a great opportunity to meet our new members. Food and entertainment will be provided.

Halfway to St. Patrick's Day weekend is 24th & 25th Sept. Plans are well underway, and more information will be in the next Newsletter and on Constant Contact. If you have not signed up for Constant Contact, please do so for the latest happenings. Please note in this newsletter our summer bar hours. Have a safe summer!

All the best,
Anne

IACC PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well summer is upon us, and we all have very busy lives. Please look at the save the dates on upcoming events and come out and enjoy them. As always if you have something you would like to see at the club or would like to chair an event, please reach out to any board member. We are having a Members Happy Hour on August 18th and hope all our new members can come out and meet other club members to share a memory or two. We will also be giving out our scholarship winner that night. If you have anyone who is eligible to apply for the \$1,000.00 scholarship, please have them get their essay into the club, attention Kerry Martens. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

God Bless,
Mary

NEW HAVEN GAELIC FOOTBALL AND HURLING CLUB

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38th Annual Banquet * 19th November 2022

Honoring Peter Burke & Selina O'Toole

Irish Man and Irish Woman of the Year

Program Book Advertising Contract

Please publish a _____ page advertisement in the 2021 souvenir program book. Enclosed is my check, made **payable to the New Haven Gaelic Football & Hurling Club** (NHGF&H Club) in the amount of \$ _____ for my ad.

The rates for the program book are as follows:

Covers (5X8) \$125.00

Full Page (5X8) \$100.00

Half Page (5x4) \$50.00

Quarter Page (5X2) \$25.00

For photographs: please send black & white photo or electronic copy with your ad. Please print or enclose a copy of your ad. Ad copy and photos can be e-mailed to Anne Hines ahsheep@aol.com. No ad will be published without prepayment!

Mail check payable to NHGF&H Club and mail to: Attn: Banquet Program Book

Anne Hines, 14 Buckley Road, Branford, CT 06405-5208

Thank you for your support!

Deadline for all advertising is November 4, 2022

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