

### Easter Camp 2019

Colga will again be holding an Easter Camp during the break this year to give frazzled parents a break and children with an abundance of energy an opportunity to burn some of it off whilst learning some skills from our own UEFA qualified coaching team. Registration is via the website at this [link](http://colga.ie) and there is a great discount program in place for families with multiple children attending so get booking now!



**EASTER SOCCER CAMP 2019**  
**COLGA F.C. Kilcornan Woods**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April  
Times: 10:30am – 2:30pm  
Price: €50 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Kids €25 each)  
Ages: 6-13

Run by FAI Accredited Coaches

Logon to [colga.ie](http://colga.ie) to register

### Colga Boys star for GFA U12's

Colga have 3 representatives on the GFA U12 squad this season; Donnacha Sammon, Steven Jennings and Dylan Martyn. All 3 starred in a comprehensive 0-3 away victory against Longford on the 24<sup>th</sup> March. This meant Galway finished top of the group and played Mayo in the Connacht playoff on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April at EDP, a team who they drew 1-1 with earlier in the competition. Galway won 3-0 with Donnacha and Steven both scoring and the boys now progress to an All-Ireland semi-final against Donegal in 3 weeks. Well done lads.



### Colga Tea Party Fundraiser

As part of our continuous fundraising towards the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the astro we luckily have club members who take on the responsibility for running events and the next one up is the Colga Tea Party. Full details are below so please contact Ger or Paula for more information.



**COLGA**

**Tea Party Fundraiser**

2<sup>nd</sup> May  
8-10PM

Fun Quiz  
Raffle  
Spot Prizes

Paddy Burke's  
CLARENBRIDGE  
est. 1650

€10

For More Information  
Contact Paula 085 109 0966 or Geraldine 087 410 5751

### Oranmore Celebration Day

All of our Cadets squads (U10) have been involved in the annual Maree Oranmore FC hosted blitz days and their annual celebration of football will take place on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April. This is always a great occasion, especially for those children for whom this will be the last one before they head off to U11 football for boys and U12 for girls. It's also a great opportunity for us to show our appreciation for both the Colga coaches and parents who have assisted throughout the year as well as our neighbours Maree Oranmore FC for their hard work over the course of another cadets season. Further details will be available from your coaches in the coming weeks.



## U8 Girls In Oranmore

It's been a busy few weeks for the U8 girls as the Oranmore Invitational Tournament rounds that were disrupted by weather have been run off. Great to see these young footballers get a great run of games and the chance to play together as a team in a brilliant environment.



## COLGA 13B's Finish Season Strongly

After drawing with the league champions in a tough penultimate game the 13B's scored a first and deserved victory in their last match of the season against Moyne Villa with the goals coming from Dylan Devane (2) and Shane Leyne secured a 3-1 win v Moyne Villa. Well done to the team and coaches for showing brilliant togetherness and determination this season.



## Over 35's football is back

The cobwebs are ready to be blown away for anyone who wishes to get back on the pitch for some much needed exercise but also for great craic with our over 35's mens football which runs through the summer. If you're interested drop a mail to [colgawebsite@gmail.com](mailto:colgawebsite@gmail.com) for more information.

## Londis Clarinbridge and Colga Rewards

Many thanks to Mike Henningan at Londis Clarinbridge for nominating Colga as the beneficiary of the Londis rewards card; just get your form in store and get signed up today, nominate Colga on the application and every time you shop a percentage of the sale will come to the club!



**Londis**  
Local like you

Colga and Hennigan's Londis in Clarinbridge are delighted to announce a new partnership!



Londis Hennigan's are launching the **Londis Rewards Card** which gives loyal customers the chance to avail of special prices and savings on a whole range of products across the store.

As part of the new initiative, Londis will be donating part of every purchase made with the rewards card to Colga FC for the development of the club within the community. If you'd like to support the club and take advantage of great savings and prices while doing so, please support this initiative – and tell your friends and family!

With sincere thanks to Londis Clarinbridge

## Thanks Martina

Many thanks to local councillor Martina Harrison Kinane for her generous sponsorship of a set of jackets for all the coaches of our female sides in the club. There is an Annie Lennox/Aretha Franklin song that is appropriate here we think! Best of luck in the upcoming elections.





## Colga Girls in Galway U15's, U13's & U12's



Well done to Ailbhe Whyte (U15), Sophie McIlrath (Inset, U12) and Siobhan Carr (U13) who have been selected for the GFA squads this season.

## U6's in action at Mervue FC Blitz

Our U6 cadets group are literally the future of the club so it was brilliant to see them in their first 'competitive' action in a blitz hosted by Mervue United on the 30<sup>th</sup> of March. The kids had a great time and thanks to all the parents who assisted and supported on the day.



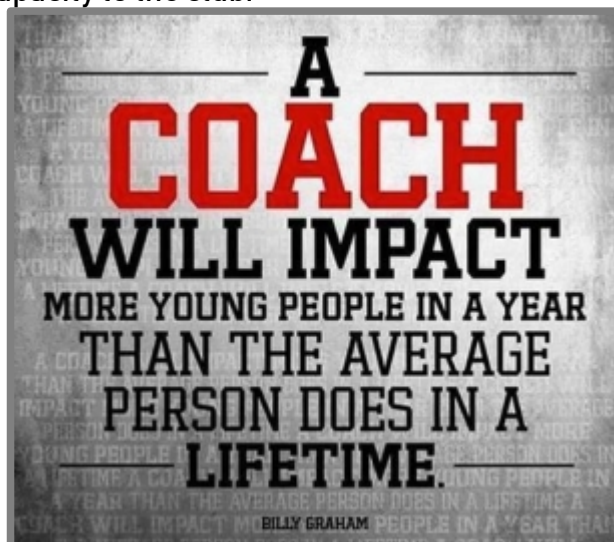
## U10 Girls Blitz and Oranmore Tournament

It's been a busy few weeks for the U10 girls with a multi team blitz in Colga. Special word of thanks to Sarah Egan who did a great job of organising the day and for all the parents who pitched in to make it a great occasion. Belated happy birthday to Sarah who recently turned 20 and has been helping with cadets, U8 and U10 girls for almost 5 years as well as starting college – we could use more like her!



## We Need Volunteers – Always!

As we approach the end of the season we always start to plan for the next one. There is no such thing as too much help and whether you have any experience or not we need your support to keep our club running so please send us a mail to [colgawebsite@gmail.com](mailto:colgawebsite@gmail.com) if you wish to volunteer just a couple of hours a week in any capacity to the club.





## Galway United Academy News

Congratulations to Colga U13 player Michael McSweeney who entered the Galway Utd. U13 academy squad and captained the side in their first three games. Michael will be missed by the U13's players and coaches both as a player and a person and we wish him all the best.



## U12's Girls in league action

Our U12A girls side had a great away win recently against Cregmore with from Sophie (3), Heather, Aoibhe and Gauhar. Well done girls and coaches!



## Cash For Clobber

The Cash For Clobber drive is an ongoing fundraising activity which you can participate in at any time. Just take that suit you know your better half is never going to fit into again or any of those Zara tops you bought on a crazy whim, drop them in a bag along with anything else you can find and bring them to the first of the two containers near the entrance to the grounds to make your donation. Simple.



## Dynamic Coaching Academy

Our partnership with Dynamic Coaching continues to develop and the academy runs on Thursday evenings from 5:30 – 6:30 for U8's and 6:30 – 7:30 for U9–U12's. The fee is €20 per month for 4 sessions and you can contact Dynamic directly to book your place or for any queries. This is a great opportunity for kids to get extra coaching in outside of the 1 session a week at the weekends. You can contact Darran on 087 446 9107 for more information. The club also organises specific goalkeeper training so please ask your coach for details.

## Colga represented in GUFC U17's



Congratulations to Eli sheedy Matt Springett Liam Corcoran (captain), Calum Browne and Alex Haugh who all made their debuts for Galway United FC U17's on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March in a 3-0 win Vs. Cabinteely. Great to see Colga players progressing to this level. Well done lads and have a great season.

## Famous Spanish Signing for Juniors

After acquiring an accidental amount of national attention through the misreporting of his early demise by his previous club in an effort to have a game postponed Fernando Lafuente has found a new home with Colga after recently moving to the area. We wish him all the best in his move west and welcome him to the club. Here he is with junior team manager Sean Slattery

