

Newsletter Summer 2014

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Every four years the whole world stops to watch the World Cup. Who will you support this summer in Brazil? And who will you play for in our own World Cup in the club's home grounds in Kilcornan on 7 June? There is an FAI Soccer School in Kilcornan too, on 7–11 July, with free tickets to the Aviva for everyone who books before 22 May.



Champions Colga U12 boys are the GFA premiership champions for 2013–14 and won the Connacht Shield also this year. Their coaches are David Silke and Neil Ford (right). We wish Neil and his family health, happiness and good friends in their new life in Australia ... and football too.



Summer Season The football season is winding down but some of the girls teams have Summer cup competitions still to play. Picture: Colga girls U12 premiership team (also Síofra Boland).

World Cup Day, 7 June Colga's family football festival has competitions in all age groups, for boys and girls from U6 to U16, at the club grounds in Kilcornan. Entry is free. Non-members welcome. Register on the day at 10.00 am. First kick off at 11.00 am. Our new pitch will be used for the first time for the finals.



Thanks Mac! MacDonaldis sponsored the Colga U9 boys in the Maree-Oranmore tournament this year. Aaron Byrne presented the jerseys. We appreciate the support of all our team sponsors.

Raising the Coaching bar Colga coaches always aim to improve their skills as coaches and mentors. Several of our coaches recently attended a workshop with the Ajax Coaching Academy, led by Ajax Youth Football Director Patrick Ladru (picture). We are always looking for new coaches and Colga will pay for your attendance at FAI KickStart courses.



FAI Summer School, 7–11 July The FAI has chosen Colga FC to host its Summer Soccer School again this year in Kilcornan, on 7–11 July, Monday to Friday, 10.30 am to 3.00 pm. This is one of the biggest FAI Summer camps in the whole country, with qualified coaches and fun games as well as football. The Soccer School is for kids of all abilities, from beginners to developing players. All the kids get a full kit and footballs to keep. And there are free tickets to international matches in the Aviva stadium for everyone who registers by 22 May at www.summersoccerschools.ie

AGM The AGM will be in Paddy Burke's function room in Clarenbridge, at 8.00 pm on Monday 9 June. Colga FC is a community organisation run by parents for their kids and neighbours. We would like to hear from you and need you to participate in the club. Adult membership is €20. Please join us at the AGM and have your say about Colga FC and about football in Galway.

Colga's Chairman is David Silke (087 872 8523), John Lalor (087 259 4399) is Secretary and Derek Murphy (087 120 7877) is Treasurer. Geraldine Browne (087 410 5751) is Child Welfare Officer and Jerry O'Sullivan (087 646 9327) is the cadets (U6–U10) co-ordinator.