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Opposing Captains

Ireland's most capped player **Ronan O'Gara** recently captained an Ireland XV in the uncapped game against the Barbarians in Gloucester. His opposite captain was **Mick O'Driscoll** who was selected as captain for the Barbarians on his debut.



The selection of Ronan and Micko as Captains for this prestigious fixture is a great honour for their school **PBC** and for Cork Constitution.

Club House Development



Visitors to Temple Hill will have been impressed by progress on the new club house development. The external block work is nearly completed and the roof is in place. Internally work on the mechanical and electrical services has started.

The building will be weather proofed in the next week when the windows are installed. The project is slightly behind schedule due to inclement weather and work on the water main. The main contractors **MMD** have amended the work programme to make up for lost time.



Simon selected for Ireland V New Zealand



Congratulations to **Simon Zebo**, the youngest member of the Irish touring squad at 22, who has been selected on the left wing against New Zealand on Saturday 9 June in Auckland. Simon will become the club's 40th international. A very proud moment for his family, the club and PBC.

We also extend our best wishes to Peter O'Mahony who is named in the starting fifteen and Ronan O'Gara and Donncha O'Callaghan who are also in the match day panel.

IRUPA Awards 2012

Ireland and Leinster **Rob Kearney**, was recently voted the Irish Rugby Union Players Association Players' Player of the Year by his fellow players at the 10th IRUPA Rugby Players' Awards. The full back's brave and consistent performances for Province and Country made him a worthy and popular winner. Rob also walked away with the Newstalk Supporters Players of the Year 2012.



Peter O'Mahony was also among those recognised when he was awarded the IRUPA Nature Valley Young Player 2012.

Peter's dad John collected the Award on his behalf

Mick O'Driscoll was awarded the inaugural IRUPA Hibernia College Medal for Excellence, which rewards on field effort combined with off field commitment to the game. Nominees were voted by their peers but were also judged on their contribution to the sport through community involvement, education, work and charitable initiatives. David Wallace collected the award on behalf of Micko.



Joining Ireland's heroes in the IRUPA Hall of Fame was Munster legend, John Hayes.



Omar Hassanein, CEO of IRUPA said: "Winning an IRUPA award is the highest honour a player can receive. Those players can take great satisfaction from the fact that they have the total respect of those who they play with and against. Congratulations to all those nominated and winning what are the most sought after awards in Irish rugby."

Underage Section News

U 13 Coaches



The U13 coaches would like to thank the boys who have played with this group for the last 6 years.

The season comes to an end, in fact an era comes to an end for this group of boys who move into the Youths Section next season or Rugby Playing Schools.

We thank all the boys for their commitment and dedication during the last number of years. It has been an absolute pleasure coaching this group and the coaches would like to compliment the boys on being a brilliant panel of players both on and off the field.

We would also like to thank and compliment the parents for their support and friendship, without ye it wouldn't have been possible.

We have had a number of highs with this group and in particular the days and trips away that started three years ago when we travelled to Athlone for the AIL Final. The following year we had a number of trips to Dublin, Limerick and Tralee, which the boys enjoyed as did the coaches. Trips that were great fun and enjoyable for all concerned.

The amazing thing about this group has been the record in Dublin and we hope in years to come they will always look forward to going to Dublin as they have an outstanding record against Dublin teams.

Last year a team represented the club at the Willow Park Tournament and were undefeated, the first time ever in 30 years a club team were joint winners.

We have played Terenure, St. Mary's school and club, St. Michaels, Old Belvedere and Boyne and have come away winners on every occasion.

It would be unfair to mention any one in particular as we have had an amazing group of boys and we are sure they will go on to greater things in the future, not only on the rugby field but in lots of other areas.

Another high for this group was representing CCFC in Thomond Park at half time in the Munster vs. Ospreys Mangers League match in front of 17,000 Munster fans.

They were the first Cork Con team to play in the new Thomond and the 13 that partook that day represented all their friends in the best way possible.

Finally, the Italian Tour and what a great time we had, the rugby was amazing, the fun was special and the friendships made and nurtured is something that will never be lost....and the paint balling and the players against the coaches, we know we won't forget that 6 minutes!!!!

But the real highs were the Saturday mornings watching the boys progress, develop and grow. We had a lot of laughs and good times particularly during the early days when it was about ensuring we could keep their attention and interest for the hour...and we always didn't

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achieve the objective in this regard, but we prevailed and won out in the end.

So, thank you from all the coaches for the wonderful opportunity to be part of this group and the memories, it was a pleasure and we look forward to watching and hearing about the endeavours and exploits of the boys as we are sure they will have lots of success in the future.

Thank you to all the boys....you don't realise how special a group you are!

Stay in touch!!

Under 13 Coaches



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Cork Constitution

Annual General Meeting

TUES 19TH JUNE 8.00PM

PLEASE NOTE IN YOUR DIARY

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

Members News

This newsletter is for and about the members of Cork Constitution and as a service for members we are introducing a new facility where members can inform the Club of their own news be it business or social.

Please contact Pat Twomey at PATT@Ireland.com if you want to place an article in this section of the news letter.

Volunteers Required

Cork Constitution Football Club is a Rugby Club with a proud history and tradition which is a great source of pride to all involved.

We have set the standard for youth , mini and senior rugby for many years and the care and attention dedicated to teaching our mini children on a Saturday morning is a credit to parents and coaches alike, and the contribution our club makes to our local community is often overlooked.

Cork Constitution has always considered itself a members ' club and we want to get our unique community of members together and volunteering on a regular or semi-regular basis.

We have a great team of people looking after various areas in the club from coaching and managing teams from underage to senior , house and grounds and clubhouse, the shop, bar and fund raising to mention a few.

But once the season begins, things will get a little stretched - and that's when we could do with an extra few bodies. Ideally we'd like to spread some of the load of work from our current team of volunteers and get more of the members involved in running the club.

No matter what your talents and level of time you can give , you will be able to make a difference to **your** Club.

If you are interested in helping out please contact **Finian O'Driscoll** or **Ian O'Leary**

Constitution Players News



Mick O'Driscoll recently announced that he will retire from rugby, the 33 year old P.B.C student and Cork Constitution player was one of Munster's most consistent performers over the years playing in 207 competitive games for Munster.

He went on to win 55 Heineken caps for Munster and 7 for Perpignan in the course of a two season stint with the French club.

He was captain of the side narrowly beaten by New Zealand in the game that officially opened Thomond Park Stadium in November 2008.

Denis Leamy has been forced to call time on his career because of a hip injury following his return from the World Cup in New Zealand.

Denis won the first of his 144 Munster caps in September 2001 and played in both the 2006 and 2008 Heineken Cup finals. Capped 57 times by Ireland, he played in two World Cups, was twice a Triple Crown winner and was a member of the 2009 Grand Slam winning side.



Denis Fogarty is taking up a two year contract with the French Pro Div 2 side Aurillac coached by former Ireland international Jeremy Davidson.

Munster Rugby Wards

Hall of Fame Award – Ray Hennessey.

The annual Munster Rugby Awards, in association with the Irish Examiner, recently took place in Thomond Park.

Winner of the Hall of Fame Award was Cork Constitutions **Ray Hennessey**.



Capped on ten occasions for Munster, Ray learned his rugby at Presentation Brothers Cork, and played in all three schools inter-provincial matches and was honoured with the captaincy against Connacht Schools.

In the autumn of 1955 he played full back against Leinster in the junior interprovincial match in Dublin. He won the first of his two Munster Senior cup winning medals with Cork Constitution FC and four years later captained the Cork club when they won a memorable decider against Garryowen FC in Thomond Park.

The Young Player of the Year Award Peter O'Mahony.

Peter first came to prominence as a member of the Cork Constitution All Ireland League and Cup double winning team of 2009/2010 winning the Man of the Match award in the AIB Cup Final that season



Last season he made his first start for Munster in the game against Australia and his first league start came against Scarlets a week later. This year Peter captained Munster in five of their opening six RaboDirect PRO12 matches, made his Heineken Cup debut against Northampton Saints in Round one and scored a sensational try against Castres in Round two. Peter also captained Munster in their PRO12 semi-final clash with Ospreys.

Peter has also captained the Irish U18s and led the Irish U20s in the 2009 Six Nations and Junior World Cup in Japan.

Peter made his Ireland senior debut game against Italy in February.

Tag Rugby Barbeque Volunteers



Volunteers needed for June/ First 2 weeks of July to manage running of Tag Rugby Barbeque . 3 Volunteers needed as steering committee to run the procurement , Finance & Roistering . Also volunteers needed maybe 1-2 nights during the above dates to go on Barbeque roster.

Please contact **Finian O'Driscoll** , **Brian Humphries** or **Ian O'Leary**

Cork Constitution Football Club Concession Scheme

Name	Location	Offer Details
Rochestown Park Hotel	Rochestown	15% Discount on spend over €50 Discounts from 10% to 30% on MRI, X-ray, DXA, Ultrasound and CT
Euromedic	Elysian Cork and 3 Dublin Centres	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
Finn's Corner	Grand Parade	Earn Discounts with Loyalty Card , Cash back to Club
O'Sullivan's Pharmacies	Various	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
Fitzgerald's Menswear	Patrick Street	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
Quill's	All Store's	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
Jacques Restaurant	Phoenix Street	10% discount A la Carte menu - Mon to Fri Excl Wine
Island Gate Restaurant	Glounthaune	10% discount Lunch & Evening Meal (Excl Wine)
Tracey Shoes	Patrick Street	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
The Framemaker	Patrick Street	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
O'Donovans Off Licence	All Stores	5% discount on ALL Wines
Kiernans Garden Centre	Douglas Shopping Centre	10% discount (excluding sale stock)
Diane O'Mahony Jewellers	Winthrop Street	10% discount (excluding sale stock)
The Temple Inn	Ballintemple	10% discount on all lunches
Welch Sports	Cork City	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
Serge Blanco	Patrick Street	10% discount on all stock (Except sale goods)
Carey Tool Hire	City Hall Quay	10% discount on Sales or Hire (Excl sales goods)

Discount Available to members on production of Membership Card

Golf News

Brian Scannell Trophy

The Brian Scannell Trophy will be held on **June 9** at **Monkstown Golf Club** from 14:00 to 16:00 .

Don O'Riordan's Captains Prize

The Cork Con Golf Society Captains Prize will be held on **June 22** at **Douglas Golf Club** from 14:30 to 16:30 Hrs

This outing will count towards the golfer of the year competition

If you have any news item , event details or article you would like published The Cork Constitution or Matchzine please forward to [Pat Twomey](mailto:Pat.Twomey@Ireland.com) at PATT@Ireland.com

All contributions are more then welcome especially since I am running out of jokes to fill the odd gap in the news letter.

Don't Forget to follow Cork Constitution on Facebook and on our web-site www.corkcon.ie



Pat Twomey

Many Thanks to Martin O'Brien for providing the photographs for the Cork Constitution.



May Achiever Award

This months Achiever award goes to our unsung heroes **The Under age and Youth Coaches** for their fantastic work in teaching our young players the skills of rugby football in a fun environment.
Well done to all.



Cork Constitution Rugby Summer Camp 2012



Details

Course Fees

€100 per child per week
€180 per child per two weeks

Family Discount

1st Child €100 for first week
2nd and subsequent child is €90 each for first week

Receipts will be sent with course information letter prior to summer camp.

Course Info:

Time : 9:30 am - 1:30 PM (Monday to Friday)

Dates

Week 1: 2nd July - 6th July 2012

Week 2: 9th July -13th July 2012

Contact Us

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Postal Address

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Closing Date

There are limited places available at the camps and all will be filled on a first come first basis.
Please book early to avoid disappointment

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