



## Presidents Christmas Message



As you will have read in this Santazine there is much activity in the club over the Christmas period and as a special surprise our under 11's will be playing Castleisland during the half time break of the Munster V Leinster match in Thomond Park on St Stephens Day so please cheer them on from wherever you may be viewing the game.

As 2017 comes to a close I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those hard workers around the club who give up their free time to help make Cork Constitution a successful club, both on and off the field of play.

May you all have a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas and best wishes for a happy New Year.

Looking forward to seeing you all in the New Year.

Anthony O'Leary

President Cork Constitution



## Santa Claus is coming to Con



Dear Parents,

Some people say it's the Late Late Toy Show that officially starts the Christmas period, but it's really the Cork Con Kids Christmas party, which is being run on Saturday morning

- Parents can enjoy complimentary mince-pies, mulled wine and finger food in the main bar.

- Kids get to meet Santa in his grotto in the front bar. Brothers and sisters all welcome.

- This year we are supporting Saint Vincent de Paul

What YOU need to do?

For the U7 and U8 age groups, please bring a pre-wrapped gift for a child your own age (write 'girl' or 'boy' on outside of wrapping). Representatives from Saint Vincent de Paul will collect the presents and make sure they are distributed to local children in-need, in time for Christmas. Vouchers for local shops are also most welcome (please place in envelope and write 'Voucher' on outside).

For the U9, U10, U11, U12 and U13 groups ... We are supporting the effort to raise much needed funds to ensure that Saint Vincent De Paul can continue their great work. We are asking the boys to donate one week's pocket-money toward this very worthy cause ... or a present/voucher if they would prefer.

This is one of the most enjoyable days in Con in the entire season ... Don't miss it!

## Schedule of Events

**U 7's** Training at normal time at 9.30am. Santa Visit 10.15am .

**U 8's** Training at normal time at 9.30am Santa Visit 10.15am .

**U 9's** Training at normal time at 9.15am Santa Visit 10.30am

**U 10's** Training at normal time at 9.15am Santa Visit 10.45am

**U 11's** Training at normal time at 10.30am Santa Visit 11.45am

**U 12's** Training at normal time at 10.45am and stop at 12.00am when each boy will be given a selection box in front of the club house.

**U 13's** Training at normal time at 10.45am and stop at 12.30am when each boy will be given a selection box in front of the club house.

## Christmas Events

### Bank of Ireland Munster Senior Cup Semi Final:

Garryowen v Cork Constitution, Dooradoyle, 2pm;

Bank of Ireland Munster Senior Cup holders Cork Constitution continue their bid for a sixth successive title as they travel to Limerick to take on Garryowen. This is the third successive weekend that these sides have met with their recent clashes in the All Ireland League resulting in one home win apiece.

### Club Office

The office will close on Friday 22 December 2016 and re open on Tuesday 2 January 2017.

### Club Shop

The Club Shop will open on Saturday morning 16 December from 9.30AM - 12.30PM.

All club items and sizes available for ideal Christmas presents.

### Christmas Day Bar Opening

The Clubhouse Bar will be open from 12:00 Hrs to 14:00 Hrs on Christmas Day for members and friends.

### St Stephen Day Cork Constitution V U.C.C.

Cork Con will play U.C.C. in the annual St Stephen's Day match for the Starry Crowley Cup on Tuesday 26TH December at 2.30 PM.

As this is a shared gate an entrance fee of €10, (OAP & Students €5) is payable. School children free. Please note members will not be entitled to free admission.

**Juvenile training recommences Saturday 6 January 2017**

**SYNC**  
**2018**  
**- 2ND MARCH 2018 -**  
**TIME: 8PM**  
**VENUE: ROCHESTOWN PARK**  
**TICKET PRICE €25.00**

### Pitchside Hoardings

Our Pitchside Hoardings are a valued source of income to the Club and a number of spaces are available for the coming season.

If you are interested in becoming a Hoarding Sponsor please contact **Fiona Burke** at 021 4291960 or e-mail [info@corkcon.ie](mailto:info@corkcon.ie)

For the latest news & match reports visit [corkcon.ie](http://corkcon.ie) and Facebook.

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**Upcoming Matches:**

- 27/09/2014 CORK CONSTITUTION F.C. V BALLYMORICH R.F.C. U.S.L. 2:30pm - H
- 27/09/2014 Cork Constitution V Lansdowne A Friendly 4pm
- 28/09/2014 Cork Con B.V. Highfield, Derrinbeg Cup Final, Woodleigh Park 3:00pm
- 28/09/2014 Cork Con B.V. Delphini, H.L.H. 7:30pm

KEARY'S O'Neills ZURICH

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### Continuation of An Ode to Rugby

The flag went up the lines were formed,  
and the hooker now was master.  
The ball held high, he let it fly,  
with the ease of a trained fly caster.

Many twenty stones of blood flesh and bones,  
soared like the mighty pine,  
'Til one came down, not Green this time,  
and now the game was prime.

Back up the field the other way,  
the turf it churned around them.  
As they rucked and mauled and pulled and hauled,  
their fury still abounding.

Both teams they strove with endless pride,  
to pierce each others defense,  
As the shadows grew and the crowd anew,  
kept wishing offense, offense.

The game was on with full intent,  
and no side giving quarter.

They to and fro'd up down the field,  
with bodies being the martyr.

In battle locked, the stadium rocked,  
as the game unfurled before them.

They gave their all, big tall and small  
and still no side could score then.

The steam it rose, and the air it froze,  
and the evening sun declined.

With play on play, and move on move  
each other far outshined.

Cut thrust, cut thrust, the day went on,  
then almost at the whistle,

The tide it turned with rapid speed,  
and we began to bristle.

With a shimmy sweet, on dancing feet,  
I burst right through the middle.

And a move sublime I crossed the line,  
and won the Crown for Ireland.

**Then I woke up.**



# CORK CONSTITUTION F.C.

## BUSINESS OF SPORT LUNCH



FRIDAY JAN 26<sup>TH</sup> 2018

Cork Constitution F.C. are pleased to announce its Annual "Business of Sport" lunch will take place on Friday, 26th January next, at the Clubhouse.

The lunch is an opportunity to connect with rugby friends and hear from former Munster, Ireland & Lions Second Row, Donncha O'Callaghan on his career as well as some insight into Ireland's prospects for the Six Nations and beyond.

The event will be hosted by our own Donal Lenihan.

### Programme of Events

13:00 Pre Lunch reception

13:45 (sharp) Lunch

Cost per table of 10 is €1,000 and includes

- Complimentary pre lunch reception.
- 4 Course Lunch.
- Wine at the table.

### Tables may be secured via:

- Anthony O'Leary, 087 2562796
- Brian Humphries, 087 6458592
- Peter Good, 087 2571100
- Ian O'Leary, 087 2590861
- Frank O'Connor, 087 2691212
- Jerry Holland 086 2304089

**The 2018 Sports Lunch**