



# SHANNONSIDE FC

## Club Newsletter June 2017



### CLUB HALF-ZIPS LAUNCHED!

Earlier this year we launched our new club half zip top in the new and vibrant Royal Blue and Red colours.

These have proven very popular and we have already submitted a 2<sup>nd</sup> order.

It's great to see so many in the parish wearing Shannonside tops!!



## AGM

This years AGM took place on Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> June at 9pm in the Foynes Inn. There was a great turn out for the meeting with existing members attending and also some new faces which is great to see!. Agenda included Financial Accounts for the Year, Fundraising Reports, updates on the pitch in Barrigone, FAI Directives and other club business.

Please see below for new officers elected to the committee for the coming year.

### Whats new this season?

It's coming up to that time again when the club is preparing for the coming year. Last year we had almost 200 underage registrations and in order to ensure that all players are registered before next season we will start the process a bit earlier. **We want to make you aware of some of the key changes that the club are having to make next season:**

#### PLAYER EQUIPMENT

Due to new FAI Directive, which you can find a copy of over leaf, the club is subject to new 'Player Equipment' criteria. **So what does that mean for us?!**

Teams must wear colours that distinguish themselves from the other teams, this includes jersey, shorts, socks and skins. As such there is a requirement for the club to change the color of our shorts and socks.

Due to recent examination of our club expenses it is necessary to increase our registration fees. In line with each player requiring new shorts and socks the club is proposing a **registration fee of €50**, this comprises **€30 registration and €20 for shorts and socks**. This will also go towards paying our referee fees which are required for all competitive matches from U12 upwards : U12 - €30, U14 - €34, U16 - €37, Youths - €45, Adults - €50

**As underage non-competitive** will not be subject to the same directive their registration fee will be €30 with the option of increasing to €50 with the purchase of (a) shorts and socks or (b) a bib and ball. **Family Discount** comprising of 3 or more kids will be €130. The club appreciates that this time of year is already a financial strain for parents so a minimum of 50% of the registration fee needs to be paid upon signing the Registration Form. The balance of fees will need to be paid by 31st October 2017

Its great to see so many young kids playing soccer and wanting to play with the club, with this in mind next season we will have an **U6 team** for girls and boys. Please note kids must be in primary school to register.

**A registration night will take Place in August, date TBD.**



## FOYNES / SHANNONSIDE LIP SYNC BATTLE

Shannonside FC was delighted to collaborate with the Foynes and District Community Council to hold the Lip Sync Battle Fundraiser last weekend in the Southcourt Hotel. It was great to see the whole community get behind this fundraiser and the support on the night was unbelievable. The winners were 'Too school for Cool' with our own Ian Behan and Lee O'Donnell for raising the most revenue and Karen Ward in 'Go with the Flo' for Best Performance on the night. But every act on the night was a winner, performing on stage in front of over 500 people is no mean feat and everybody gave it 100%. At the moment the event has raised **€45000**, which is an amazing achievement! The funding and development of Shannonside FC is critical for the future success of the club and that is why we held this fundraiser. There is still more work to be completed on

### *Our fantastic Lip Sync Contestants!*

our pitch in Barrigone. Drainage, fencing, parking, lighting, fertilisers, are all necessary to bring the pitch to the standard that is required for a successfully run club. We also need to invest in the development of our players, teams and coaches. This is all as well as the sustaining costs of running a club that actively participates in local and regional leagues.

We thank you for all your support in this Lip Sync Battle event, all the businesses that sponsored us, those of you that bought tickets, voted, donated money, props and of course your precious time. To all the volunteers and their families who have worked tirelessly for the last few months on this vast fundraiser. To all the contestants for taking part - if it wasn't for you we would not have had a Lip Sync Battle, you have been such a great team to work with and have made this whole journey a time we will never forget! - **THANK YOU ALL!!**



Shannonside FC have had a tremendous season both on and off the pitch. Key highlights include but are not limited to:

- ❖ U12 and U14 Girls reaching the Desmond Shield Final
- ❖ 2 Underage Desmond Player of the Year Awards to Cara Leahy and Jack Lane
- ❖ Long standing club member Bobby Horgan received a Merit Award for his contribution to the Desmond
- ❖ Seniors Promotion back to Premier Division
- ❖ Jake Power and Niall O' Connor part of the Desmond Team who participated in the Mare Nastrum Cup tournament in Spain and just this week won the Plate at the Kennedy Cup Tournament in UL and to the management team of John Fennessey and Eunan Mcdaid.
- ❖ Ella o Connor u/13 and Patrick Enrigh u/11 on making the Desmond league squad at there age and Dayle Danaher for been chosen as u/11 Desmond league manager



Well done to our Senior team on promotion back to the Desmond Premier Division. The guys put in a lot of work this year and came so close to winning the title, they did themselves and the club very proud. Hope the team enjoys the

summer break and we look forward to continue our winning ways and holding our own in the Premier Division next season.

Also a big thank you to the management team Mike Behan, Ian Behan, Lee O'Donnell and Vice-Chairman Pat Stack. The guys dedicate a lot of their time and effort into the team and its great to see that all the hard work has paid off. Best of luck to the team next year and a big thanks to the management team who are stepping down this year after 3 year in charge.

*Shannonside FC Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody that was involved in the club this year both directly and indirectly. Committee, coaches, managers, players young and old, parents, friends, sponsors - without you this club would not exist - so*  
**THANK YOU!**

**Committee Members:**  
Chairperson - Pat Stack  
Vice Chairperson - Lee O'Donnell  
Secretary - John O'Donnell  
Vice Secretary - Niamh Mulcahy  
Treasurer - Bobby Horgan  
Vice Treasurer - Adrian Lane  
Child Welfare Officer - Caroline Reidy  
PRO - Niamh Mulcahy

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## New Club Gear!!

Our Lotto was won by Fiona Nestor and best of luck to her and her family with the €20,000 prize. As a thanks you to the club Fiona and her family purchased 2 set of our new gear for our U/12 boys and girls team worth a €1000. **Thank you Fiona - the gear looks great!** And we hope to roll out this new gear to all teams.



## Stay Tuned!!!

We will be releasing the coaches for next season for our underage boys and girls and Senior Team shortly.

Also more updates on the work continuing at our pitch in Barrigone and what enhancements and improvements we are hoping to make in the coming year.

Fundraising event announcements also to come.

Please feel free to reach out to the club at any time with any feedback or queries that you may have. Talk to any of our committee members, coaches or management staff.

**Directive issued to FAI registered Referees.**

**Dear Secretary**

I wish to advise that a directive has been issued to all FAI registered referees allocated to the Limerick Desmond area in relation to "The Players Equipment"

From the Kick off date of season 2017/2018 all Referees have been instructed to implement the following criteria.

1. The two teams must wear colours that distinguish them from each other and the match officials.  
Undershirts must be the same colour as the main colour of the shirt sleeve;
2. Shorts must be the same colour for all outfield players and must be of a different colour to those worn by the opposition
3. Socks must be the same colour for all outfield players and must be of a different colour to those worn by the opposition  
Tape or any material applied or worn externally must be the same colour as that part of the sock it is applied to or covers
4. Undershorts/tights must be the same colour as the main colour of the shorts or the lowest part of the shorts – players of the same team must wear the same colour.
5. Each goalkeeper must wear colours that are distinguishable from the other players and the match officials  
If the two goalkeepers' shirts are the same colour and neither has another shirt, the referee allows the match to be played and reports the matter to the relevant authority.

Referees have been informed that this applies in all football games that they officiate in whether competitive or friendly.

From this Kick off date Players not adhering to the above will not be allowed to participate in a game until He/She has corrected His/Her equipment

Referees have for the past number of weeks been advising players and clubs of this directive and I would ask that this is also conveyed to clubs at your pre season Delegate meeting if possible Please

**Yours in Sport**

**John O'Hara**

**Referee Observer**

**Limerick/Limerick Desmond Area**