



SHANNONSIDE FC

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Why Royal Blue and Red??

New Season Kicks Off

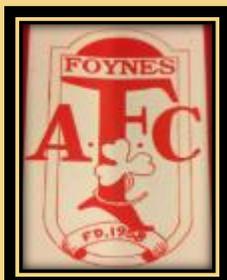


Shannonside FC was founded in 2008 with the amalgamation of Foynes AFC and Shanagolden AFC to form one club. When deciding on our new club jerseys we decided to return to the colour's that represented both clubs, Royal Blue of Shanagolden AFC and the Red of Foynes AFC!

We have almost 200 kids registered with us this season with a large influx of new girls which is fantastic to see. As highlighted in our last newsletter due to new FAI Directive, 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 colour of our shorts and socks. The Club appreciates all parents cooperating with this directive and we must say that all the teams are looking fantastic in the new gear!

We are also delighted to announce that this year we have an **U6 Boys/Girls team** with training commencing on **Friday 6th October in Foynes Community centre**. Having kids starting football at such a young age is ensuring our kids are getting active with the focus on fun and movement rather than competition and pressure.

The club would also like to thank **Shanagolden Community Council** for facilitating soccer training for our underage teams this season. The new pitch is a huge asset to the community and especially to all the local sports clubs. With the clubs growing numbers of underage teams and players, having the use of Shanagolden Pitch is essential for us. Shannonside are privileged to avail of the new facilities and every evening the centre is buzzing with various teams and clubs training together the whole length of the pitch, while the parents and local runners have a safe and functional track surrounding the field.





Shannonside FC would like to thank you for all your support this year for all our fundraising endeavours including Last Man Standing, Bag Packing, Lip Sync Battle, and our weekly Lotto draw. Fundraising is an essential part of any club and particularly in rural areas where the amenities and infrastructures require more investment by communities, businesses and individual contributors. Without your help and support this year we would not be able to continue to run the club. As well as undertaking continuous development of Barrigione pitch and facilities, the club needs to sustain the day to day running costs of a club including, insurance, league registrations, subscriptions, ref fees, training, education and equipment costs.

This season we have invested a lot of our resources in new equipment for our underage teams including over a hundred new balls, bibs, cones, ball bags and water bottles to name just a few. All these costs incurred are a necessary investment in training and developing our teams. Coming up shortly our coaches will be undertaking FAI certified training and will be continuing to educate and train under the FAI Coach Education Pathway.



Referee Fees

From U12 upwards for both boys and girls an official Desmond referee is required. With an average of 4 matches played at home weekly, this is a cost incurred by each club hosting:

U12 - €30,

U14 - €34

U16 - €37

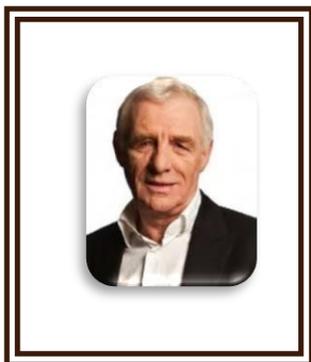
Adults - €50



Keep up to date on all news, fixtures, results and any other club news!

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EAMON DUNPHY IS COMING TO FOYNES!!!



Eamon Dunphy is coming to his mothers hometown of Foynes on Friday the **20th of October** for what promises to be a no holds barred few hours of chat, questions and answers and general entertainment. It's a once-off opportunity to spend an evening with the outspoken former Irish International, journalist, author and TV pundit with interviews conducted by **Limerick 95FM's Mike Aherne**. Food, wine and live music with Paddy Quilligan and friends guarantees a great night of entertainment. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to witness a live Q&A with one of Ireland's most controversial commentator in the intimate surroundings of the **Flying Boat Museum**. Joining him on the night is **FAI Director John Delaney** and there will be also a raffle of items such as FAI merchandise, match tickets, signed jerseys...something for everyone.

If you would like to inquire about tickets please contact John O'Donnell on (087) 243299

What's coming next.....

- ✚ New club shop
- ✚ Desmond League trials
- ✚ Transition Year Students Volunteering
- ✚ FAI Kick Start 1

DON'T FORGET!!



Shannonside FC Boot Swap

You've just forked out a fortune on football boots and your child has a growth spurt a few weeks later. Aaaaagh! Sound familiar??

WE CAN HELP!

We are running a boot swap at Shannonside FC. Just bring your old football boots (cleaned) and swap them.

Venue : Barrigone pitch
Time : Before training or match
Contact : Niamh 086 8961235



SHANNONSIDE FC LOTTO

The Shannonside FC Fundraising Lotto draws which run on a weekly basis plays a huge part in the Clubs fundraising efforts. Play online, or buy tickets from our local sellers. Would you like to become a ticket promoter? If so contact John O'Donnell



RIP

BOBBY HORGAN

Last July was the sad news that our longstanding club man, treasurer and friend of Shannonside FC, Bobby Horgan had passed away. Bobby was an immense presence and driving force within the club. As well as serving Shannonside so selflessly, he was also one of the main powers behind the creation of the Limerick Desmond schoolboy/girls league, for which he received a Merit Award from the Desmond only last May. A hugely popular and influential man who will be sorely missed by all involved in soccer in the local parish, west Limerick, the wider community and further afield. Bobby is greatly missed by the all the club, committee members, players and friends, but his legacy will remain in the club for many many years to come.

