

## GAA Football U20 Football Development Leagues 2022

- The GAA Football U20 Football Development Leagues are designed to aid development by giving each County at least three league games in advance of the knock-out provincial championships
- Teams are permitted to commence training from the 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021.
- Groupings for the various competitions are largely based on a geographical basis and where possible avoiding repeat pairings from provincial Championship Round 1 fixtures.
- Each competition is separate, the five competitions are;
  - Philly Mc Guinness Cup
  - Leo Murphy Cup
  - John Kerins Cup
  - Liam Connor Cup
  - Andrew Corden Cup
- A trophy to be presented to the winner of each competition

### Competition Groups (To be Confirmed)

<b>Philly Mc Guinness Cup</b>		<b>Leo Murphy Cup</b>	
<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>	<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>
Armagh	Fermanagh	Derry	Antrim
Cavan	Leitrim	Donegal	Down
Westmeath	Longford	Mayo	Louth
Monaghan	Sligo	Roscommon	Tyrone

<b>John Kerins Cup</b>		<b>Liam Connor Cup</b>	
<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>	<b>Group 1</b>	<b>Group 2</b>
Dublin	Cork	Clare	Limerick
Kildare	Galway	Offaly	Wicklow
Laois	Kerry		
Meath			

<b>Andrew Corden Cup</b>
Carlow
Tipperary
Waterford
Wexford

## Competition Format

### Philly Mc Guinness, Leo Murphy & John Kerins Cups

- Two Groups of four teams in each competition, exception John Kerins Cup Group 2, will only have three teams, but a playoff game will be provided to give the teams involved three games
- Each group will play three ordinary rounds
- Top team in each group will qualify for their respective final
- Round robin games to be played home & away basis
- Final to be played at a venue nominated by the committee in-charge
- Play off game in the John Kerins Cup Group 2, will be played at the home venue of the 2<sup>nd</sup> placed team in the group
- Connacht Council will be responsibility for logistic arrangement for the Philly Mc Guinness Cup Group 1 & 2
- Ulster Council will be responsibility for logistic arrangement for the Leo Murphy Cup Group 1 & 2.
- Leinster Council will be responsibility for logistic arrangement for the John Kerins Cup Group 1
- Munster Council will be responsibility for logistic arrangement for the John Kerins Cup Group 2

### Liam Connor & Andrew Corden Cup

- One Group of four teams in each competition
- Each team will play three ordinary rounds of league
- Top two teams will qualify for their respective final
- Round robin games to be played home & away basis
- First placed team in the group will have home venue in the final
- Leinster Council will be responsibility for logistic arrangement for the Andrew Carden Cup
- Munster Council will be responsibility for logistic arrangement for the Liam Connor Cup

## Fixture Schedule

### Scheduling

**Round 1 – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**Round 2 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**Round 3 – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

**Final – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

**Note:** Date changes will be facilitated where possible once there is an agreement between the two Counties.

### Fixtures

The first team listed below has home venue.

### **Philly Mc Guinness Cup**

#### **Round 1 – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

##### **Group 1**

Westmeath Monaghan

Cavan v Armagh

##### **Group 2**

Leitrim v Fermanagh

Sligo v Longford

#### **Round 2 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

##### **Group 1**

Monaghan v Cavan

Armagh v Westmeath

##### **Group 2**

Fermanagh v Sligo

Longford v Leitrim

#### **Round 3 – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

##### **Group 1**

Cavan v Westmeath

Monaghan v Armagh

##### **Group 2**

Sligo v Leitrim

Fermanagh v Longford

#### **Final – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team Group 1 v 1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team

Group 2

### **Leo Murphy Cup**

#### **Round 1 – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

##### **Group 1**

Mayo v Roscommon

Donegal v Derry

##### **Group 2**

Antrim v Tyrone

Louth v Down

#### **Round 2 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

##### **Group 1**

Roscommon v Donegal

Derry v Mayo

##### **Group 2**

Tyrone v Louth

Down v Antrim

#### **Round 3 – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

##### **Group 1**

Donegal v Mayo

Roscommon v Derry

##### **Group 2**

Louth v Antrim

Tyrone v Down

#### **Final – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

1st Placed Team Group 1 v 1st Placed Team

Group 2

### John Kerins Cup

#### Round 1 – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

##### Group 1

Laois v Kildare  
Meath v Dublin

##### Group 2

Cork v Kerry  
Galway Bye

#### Round 2 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022

##### Group 1

Meath v Laois  
Dublin v Kildare

##### Group 2

Galway v Kerry  
Cork Bye

#### Round 3 – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022

##### Group 1

Kildare v Meath  
Laois v Dublin

##### Group 2

Galway v Cork  
Kerry Bye

#### Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022

##### Final

1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team Group 1 v 1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team Group 2

##### Play-Off\*

2<sup>nd</sup> Placed Team Group 2 v 3<sup>rd</sup> Placed Team Group 2

\*Playoff game is to give all teams three games.

### Liam Connor Cup

#### Round 1 – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Limerick v Clare  
Wicklow v Offaly

#### Round 2 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Wicklow v Limerick  
Offaly v Clare

#### Round 3 – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Clare v Wicklow  
Limerick v Offaly

#### Final – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022

1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team v 2<sup>nd</sup> Placed Team

### Andrew Corden Cup

#### Round 1 – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Tipperary v Waterford  
Carlow v Wexford

#### Round 2 – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Waterford v Carlow  
Wexford v Tipperary

#### Round 3 – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Carlow v Tipperary  
Waterford v Wexford

#### Final – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022

##### Final

1<sup>st</sup> Placed Team v 2<sup>nd</sup> Placed Team

## Regulations

### Failure to fulfil Fixtures:

- The penalties for a Unit failing to fulfil a fixture in the U20 Development leagues shall be as outlined in Riail 6.38 T.O. 2021.

### Where Counties finish with Equal Points - (Rule 6.21 (5) (c) T.O. 2021)

“.....the tie shall be decided by the following means and in the order specified:

- i Where two Teams only are involved - the outcome of the meeting of the two Teams in the previous game in the Competition;
- ii Scoring Difference (subtracting the total Scores Against from total Scores For);
- iii Highest Total Score For;
- iv Highest Total Goals For
- v Lowest Total Goals against
- vi Draw by the Committee in charge

#### Exceptions:

In relation to the means above, if the accumulated scores of a team, so involved, are affected by a disqualification, loss of game on a proven objection, retirement or walk over, the committee in charge will be the final decision maker.

### Winner on the Day

- All Finals will be “Winner on the Day”

### Discipline

- The GAA Football U20 Football Development Leagues in the February window will be a one-year trial.
- When a match suspension in the GAA Football U20 Football Development Leagues arising from Rules 7.2 or 7.5 (h) cannot be applied in full or part on a player due to the competition having been completed or an inadequate number of games to be played, a Two Weeks Suspension for each non-applicable One Match Suspension shall be proposed/imposed in the same Code and at the same Level.
- All disciplinary matters and breaches of Match Regulations are the responsibility of the Central Competition Control Committee.