



Dublin Raiders



NEWSLETTER

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Last Week in Raiders!

With the wind down for Christmas, there were only a handful of games last week. First up were our **D1 Men** who unfortunately were nipped at the post in their DMBB game by Templeogue falling short by 4 points. Unfortunately their game against Ongar Chasers in the BIDL on Saturday also didn't go in our favour, losing 84 - 65

Our **D5 Men** finished their first half of the season with a great win away to Malahide, beating them by 25 points. Well done and we hope you have a good rest over the Christmas and will be raring to go in the second half of the season!



It was a mixed week of results for our **U14(1) Boys**. Sadly, on Friday they were knocked out of the Cup by Eanna in what was a very exciting game. However, the boys dusted themselves down and had a great win against Templeogue away beating them 58 - 63. Well done lads on a great first half of the season.

Our **U14(2) Boys** travelled to Tridents in their game over the weekend and were victors with a score of 20 - 40, a great way to start the Christmas celebrations!

Well done to our **U16 Boys** who had a great home win against Templeogue, winning 78 - 51. Coach Alex said the team played amazingly with Peter Lee's shooting form on fire scoring an amazing 51 points!

Our **U15 Boys** returned to their winning ways with a good home win against Tolka Rovers leaving them with eight wins from nine games. Well done lads, keep up the great work.



Our fabulous **U15 Girls** have finished their first half of the season unbeaten, six wins for six. They have had an impressive start to the league and one we know they will continue in the new year.

Finally, our **U12 Girls** hosted Dundalk Basketball Club in a friendly game on Sunday.

Raiders unfortunately lost by 5 points but all the girls played super. We were delighted that four of our **U11 girls** subbed up to play with the team and to hear that every one of them got stuck in and gave it their all.



Match Results w/c 6th December 2023



Team	Home	Away	Score
U16 Boys	Raiders	Templeogue	78 - 51
D1 Men	Templeogue	Raiders	66 - 62
D5 Men	Malahide	Raiders	53 - 78
D5 Ladies	Raiders	Lusk Ravens	Postponed
U14(1) Boys	Raiders	Eanna	46 - 56
U15 Girls	Kilcock	Raiders	24 - 39
U12 Girls	Raiders	Malahide	52 - 12
U15 Boys	Raiders	Tolka	51 - 48
U14(2) Boys	Tridents	Raiders	20 - 40
U13 Boys	Tridents	Raiders	Postponed
U13 Girls	Firhouse	Raiders	17 - 58
U20 Men	UCD Marian	Raiders	76 - 73
U18(2)Boys	Ongar	Raiders	48 - 43
U14(1) Boys	Templeogue	Raiders	58 - 63
U12 Boys	Tolka	Raiders	57 - 23
D5 Men	Raiders	Ekouxian Super Panda	
D1 Men	Ongar	Raiders	84 - 65



Christmas Raffle Winners!



Social Basketball

We are delighted to announce that our Boys & Girls Social Basketball will be returning in the New Year.

Boys social will be recommencing on Tuesday 9th January and will be running for 12 weeks. Girls social will start back Sunday 14th January and will run for 10 weeks.

Payment in full must be received prior to starting in order to confirm place.

Marketing & Promotion Volunteer

If you have any experience in **Marketing & promotions** and have a couple of hours to volunteer, we'd be delighted to hear from you.

If you are in a position to volunteer some time in the New Year, please email:

admin@dublinraidersbasketball.com

BI Introductory To Coaching Course

A reminder to all players from U17s Boys & Girls right up to Senior Men and Women's teams that registration is now open for the above course.

The course will take place on Sunday 7th January from 9am - 5pm in St. Joseph of Cluny School. Upon completion, you will receive the above coaching qualification permitting you to coach players up to U15s

Reflection

As Term 1 of the season comes to a close, it is timely to reflect on the past couple of months. It started off with our U16 & U17 Girls traveling to Poland to take part in a tournament there, such an amazing experience and opportunity for the girls.

Both our U18 Girls and U18 Boys took part in Basketball Ireland's U18 National Cup with many of the players eligible to play in this tournament again next year.

Our D1 Men & Ladies are both having a strong season competing in the DMBB /DLBB league, Basketball Ireland's National Cup and BIDL, which is key in the club progressing to having a National League Team in the near future.

All our teams are doing really well in their respective leagues, some may be winning more games than others but what is important, whether winning or losing, is that our players are developing their skill levels, being a good team player and ultimately being the best version of themselves.

Sometimes it is easy to get caught up in winning, forgetting what is important. Sometimes it good to take a step back and look at what is really important. Our families who support and facilitate us in playing basketball and other aspects of our lives, Our friends who are there to put their arms around us when having a bad day. Good health and happiness to get up every day and enjoy life. On this note, Dublin Raiders wish you all a very Happy Christmas, we hope you and your family enjoy this magical and special time together. See you all in 2024!

Raiders Underage Christmas Parties

