

Press Release - IMMEDIATE

Community Games unveils new logo at their Annual Area, Volunteer and Media Awards in Mullingar

On Saturday 28th November, over 300 Community Games volunteers from all over Ireland attended the National Area, Volunteer and Media Awards in the Park Hotel, Mullingar.

The Awards Ceremony now in its 23rd year is one of Community Games' most celebrated and prestigious events. Speaking at the event, Gerard Davenport (President) said:

“Volunteers at Area level are the cornerstone on which our organisation is built on and these Awards were established to reward and acknowledge the tremendous work of all our volunteers at grassroots level across the four Provinces. Tonight we welcome 26 Adult and 24 Youth Volunteers, 27 Areas and 17 Small Areas, all here to accept our expression of thanks and gratitude for their hard work, dedication and commitment to supporting Community Games in their local communities throughout the island of Ireland.”

The night also marked a very special occasion for Community Games with the unveiling of the new corporate logo. Community Games in association with the HSE delivers “Endless Possibilities” for both participants, communities and volunteers and this message is now reflected in its corporate identity:



For the first time, the Media Awards were held in conjunction with the Area and Volunteer Awards. The emphasis on the 2015 Media Awards was for PROs to be recognised for promoting Community Games both online and offline. Bernie Brennan, PR and Marketing Director said:

“The times are a-changing and Community Games has always moved with the times. There is a tremendous amount of exceptional work being done at a local level, especially in terms of Social Media engagement and that is why this year we have decided to have an inaugural Area Social Media Award.”

Overall Area Winners on the night were Ballymahon Forgney, from Longford – A first for this very active community. Ballymahon Forgney also received the Gold Quality Standard in the [Steps to Health Awards](#).

Athenry Community Games, Clare FM, Indedpedent.ie, Carlow Nationalist, Mayo News, Roscommon Herald and Donegal Democrat all won Media Awards on the night. Michael Crossan of Donegal won the overall PRO Award.

As testament to Community Games' commitment to move with the times and to be more environmentally aware, 2015 also marked the transition to an Online Registration System for all participants and volunteers.

As Community Games gears up for its 2017 Jubilee celebrations one thing is sure – the possibilities are endless.

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Notes to Editor

A list of Award Winners along with photos are in attachment

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WHAT IS COMMUNITY GAMES?

Community Games, in association with HSE, is an independent voluntary organisation, operating in local communities throughout Ireland. The organisation aims to provide opportunities for children and young people aged between 6 to 16 years to develop active healthy lives in a safe environment through experiencing a wide range of sporting and cultural activities. Community spirit and co-operation is fostered and encouraged. The Organisation believes that every young person should have the opportunity to take part in sports and art in their local community and grow up understanding how good it makes you feel when you are active and healthy.

Community Games has 200,000 children, 10,000 volunteers and over 1.3 million supporters in about 590 areas throughout 30 counties.