

FOR THE ATTENTION OF PNA MEMBERS

PNA GAELTACHT SCHOLARSHIPS 2013

- The number of scholarships will be ten for a set amount of €500 each.
- Successful applicants can decide on the Gaeltacht College and area of their choice.
- Payment will be made on production of evidence of attendance and course completion.
- We are also delighted that Gael Linn will continue to provide sponsorship should the successful candidate chose to go to one of their three colleges at:
 - Bun An inbhir in Co. Donegal
 - Eachleim on the Erris Penninsula in north Mayo
 - Baile Bhuirne in West Cork
- They will contribute an additional sum of
 - €250 to a successful candidate choosing a three week course and
 - €150 to a successful candidate choosing a two week course.
- In 2013 in addition to the above 10 scholarships it is intended to offer members themselves an opportunity to apply for an adult scholarship, the number to be decided by the Officer Board based on the number of applications. The value of the scholarship will be €350.
- A review of the PNA Gaeltacht Scholarships will take place in 2014 taking into account in particular the number of applicants for the 2013 scholarships.

Rules and application forms together with details of Gael Linn Sponsorships can be downloaded from www.pna.ie or can be obtained from your Branch Secretary

Gael Linn Sponsorship

Gael Linn has colleges in three areas where they run nine courses of between two and three weeks duration. Each college has its own unique selling point:

Bun an Inbhir in Co. Donegal, near Gaath Dobhair;

- Here there is a choice of three courses, all of three week duration
- There is an optional water sports module available on each course

Eachléim, on the Erris peninsula in North Mayo;

- There is a choice of two courses each lasting three weeks and one course lasting two weeks.
- Each of these courses include a module on film making, where the students learn the basics of how a film is made and then they themselves create script shoot and edit a short film themselves.

Baile Bhúirne, in West Cork,

- The Gaeltacht area connected with the great poet Seán Ó Riordáin and the great man of music Seán Ó Riada;
- There is a choice of one course lasting three weeks and two courses lasting two weeks
- The second two week course is a special sports course, with coaching sessions in Gaelic football, hurling, etc.

3 week courses are €850 and two week courses are €680.

Gael Linn will provide additional sponsorship as follows:

- €250 for a three week course
 - €150 for a two week course
- Therefore in the case of a successful candidate choosing a three week course in a Gael Linn college he/she would receive €500 from PNA and a further €250 from Gael Linn, leaving only €100 to pay and in the case of a successful candidate choosing a two week course in a Gael Linn College he/she would receive €500 from PNA and a further €150 from Gael Linn, leaving only €30 to pay.

N.B. Naturally the Gael Linn top up would only be available to candidates who choose one of the 9 courses in any of their three venues.