



Irish Business Forum

Upcoming Events: August 2003

A slight divergence from the normal IBF Messages, however there are a couple of things for you to pencil into your diaries, over the next 2 months, that may be of interest to you all.

This September, there will be probably be the biggest Irish event in HK for many years, in that the HKGAA will be hosting the Asian Gaelic Football Sevens Tournament 2003. This event will run from 26 to 28 September in Aberdeen Football Stadium. There will be teams from all over Asia and even some exile teams from Australia, the Middle East and possibly Europe. As most of the people will be Irish Overseas (the Diaspora), it will be an opportunity for you to meet the many Irish business people from the region.

There are also some supporting events associated with the games:

Irish Comedy Club Night in the Viceroy on the preceding Thursday 18th September,

Golf game on the Friday 26th September in Kau Sai Chau (Sai Kung NT), the tee-off times are from 10.30 am, and for HK\$700 you get a breakfast, bus, buggy, lunch and prizes all thrown in! Contact: Fergal Power at ferghongkong@hotmail.com ASAP as the entries close on the 18th August and it will fill up fast. I hope to be there in my first post St Pats Presidency event!

The tournament reception will be on the Friday evening and the games themselves are on Saturday and Sunday.

If any of you are interested in helping out in the organization or even in sponsoring some aspects of the event, please contact Fergal Power and he can provide you with details of sponsorship packages and potential areas of involvement.

I'm sure there will be a lot more flyers on the Asian Gaelic Football Sevens and keep an eye on the Website at www.irelandhk.com for more details and background.

There will also be another IBF luncheon in September, together with a possible Irish Ministerial visit, more details later.

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On behalf of the IBF Committee