

**Thurles Sarsfields**

**Ladies Gaelic Football**

**7-a-side Competition**

**In Conjunction with the Thurles International Festival**

**Saturday 5th July 2014 at Thurles Sarsfields GAA Club**

**Background to the Festival**

Thurles International Festival was started in 2011 as an International hurling festival with teams

from Ireland, UK, Europe and the US competing for the Tom Semple Cup. It grew from 8 teams

in its first year to 16 teams last year and has become an important week in the GAA calendar in

Munster. Road bowling was added in 2013 and last year, camogie, hurl ball and caman abú

became part of the festival.

This year, a 7-a-side Ladies Football competition is being added, as well as handball and

rounders. Like the other sports in the festival, this is hoped to grow this competition

over the coming years.

**Enda McDonnell**

Enda McDonnell was from Templemore and was chairman of the Tipperary Ladies county

board when the Thurles Sarsfields Ladies Football Club was founded in 2006. Enda was a

great believer in spreading the code of Ladies Gaelic Football in Tipperary, and the club received

much help and encouragement from Enda.

Enda was the Chairman of the Munster Ladies Football council when he passed away last

October. In naming the cup after him, Thurles Sarsfields hope in a small way to recognise his

enormous contribution to Ladies Football in Tipperary.

***For more information on the tournament, please contact Ger O Hagan at*** gerry.ohagan@gmail.com