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Friends Of Desertmartin

LET'S CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF US

Who are the Friends of Desertmartin?

The friends of Desertmartin are the people with a shared vision for the future of Desertmartin GAC.

“This is our Club, and the hub of the community.”

What is it for?

Ever since the formation of **St Martin’s GAC**, our club has withstood the challenges and difficulties associated with an evolving rural lifestyle. Our club members, both past and present, have worked hard and dedicated so much time, energy and financial support to ensure that the club prevails no matter what, we strive to leave a lasting legacy for the generation ahead, one which we all enjoy today. Hopefully we too can add to that legacy for the generations to come.

We must continue to develop our facilities and support the development of our teams as we strive for further and future success, not just for current members and players, but for the generations ahead.... **This must be our legacy!**

Why do we need it?

The Friends of Desertmartin is about putting a constant source of financial support from the local parish community and friends into the club. The GAA plays a big part in our community life; however this does come at a cost and the yearly costs of running the club is now higher than ever. These figures are only set to rise. Coupled with continuous cuts to government grants and funding streams for sporting organisations, such as ourselves, it is increasingly difficult for our club to maintain a strong financial position.

Going forward we must build on the physical infrastructure to provide adequate, up to date facilities and spaces fit for your children’s footballing needs, but for community events and services.



The Friends of Desertmartin, is something which allows people who are genuinely interested in our club and its future existence within our community to contribute to it in a planned and meaningful way.



We understand that not everyone will be able to give up their time to coach teams, clean up after functions or attend meetings. Within the club we understand that many people may feel that they would like to do more to support the club, but due to time constraints and other commitments that may not always be possible.

How does it work?

We would invite members to sign up to the monthly direct debit system. There are two options with this DIRECT DEBIT system.

SILVER MEMBERSHIP £10 per person per month which will include adult membership



GOLD MEMBERSHIP £20 per month, which covers 2 adults/parents' membership and all underage membership within the home.



To put this into perspective, the SILVER membership equates to just under 33p per day. To put it another way, it will cost more to buy The Irish News daily to read about the progress of Desertmartin!

In order to ensure that we take the maximum benefit from every pound that our community donates, we would ask if you are a taxpayer, that you sign the Gift Aid declaration. This will simply mean that for every £100 donated by taxpayers from the community, our club will receive an additional estimated £28 from Inland Revenue at no additional cost to those who donate.

You can sign up by filling out the form on the back page or on the club website at www.desertmartingac.com/the-friends-of-desertmartin/



Set up a Direct Debit with Desertmartin GAC

Silver Plan £10.00 on the 1st of each month

Gold Plan £20.00 on the 1st of each month

Name or Company Name

E-Mail Address

Your Sort Code

Your Account Number

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Town/City

Postcode

For accounts that require 2 signatures contact the club on desertmartingac@gmail.com

For enquiries email the club also.

Your payments are protected by the [Direct Debit Guarantee](#)

Direct Debit Guarantee

The Guarantee is offered by all banks and building societies that accept instructions to pay Direct Debits.

If there are any changes to the amount, date or frequency of your Direct Debit GoCardless will notify you (normally 3 working days) in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed. If you request GoCardless to collect a payment, confirmation of the amount and date will be given to you at the time of the request.

If an error is made in the payment of your Direct Debit, by GoCardless or your bank or building society, you are entitled to a full and immediate refund of the amount paid from your bank or building society.

If you receive a refund you are not entitled to, you must pay it back when GoCardless asks you to.

You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by simply contacting your bank or building society. Written confirmation may be required. Please also notify GoCardless.

