

2015 Boys – Summer Crokes on Tour to Castletown Liam Mellows, Wexford

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On Saturday 29th July Kilmacud Crokes 2015 boys group went on its second bus tour of the year to **Castletown Liam Mellows, Wexford** for a mini GoGame style summer hurling blitz.

Castletown Liam Mellows fielded multiple teams to match our travelling teams and provided us with a great workout on excellent grass pitches in ideal summer hurling conditions.

In the excitement of the build-up to the trip, holidays were deferred / cut short, bus seating arrangements were agonised over by the boys and speculation was rife that Maria Gannon would run another bus bingo competition – she didn't disappoint. Thanks Maria. And a big thank you to Barry for all the bus booking and organising.

We were warmly received and hosted by Shane Fleming of Liam Mellows who along with Conor Kinsella (one of our U8 parents and a former Liam Mellows clubman) helped organise the day.

Every team had 3 matches. Each game was competitive and fairly contested with an excellent supportive side line atmosphere fostered by both clubs. This was an excellent chance for our players to showcase their talent and experience and witness the skills and gameplay of the Castletown Liam Mellows boys in a wonderful experience for all. Learnings, fun, skill, laughter on show for all.

A big thank you to the parents and coaches of Castletown Liam Mellows who, apart from hosting us and making us very welcome, put on an amazing lunch reception for us after the game with copious amounts of fruit, cakes, sandwiches, pastries, juices, teas and coffees. Everyone was well set-up for the rest of the day.

Next up was a trip to one of Wexford's beautiful beaches for a splash around in the sea with parking for the 53-seater bus arranged by Conor Kinsella. Smiling kids faces (big and small) abounded with the "competitiveness" off the field transferring to sandcastle construction.

Then back on the bus to Glenalbyn where we dropped in to support the Football 7's on our return.

Great memories, new friends, extended community, new experiences, lots of learnings. A great day out all round.

Thanks to all the boys, parents, coaches, organisers who made the day a great success.

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