

Information for Clubs re the 2009 No Name Club National Youth Awards & Gala Dinner

The National Youth Awards will be held in the **T.F. Royal Hotel**, Castlebar, Co. Mayo on **Saturday, 4th April 2009**. The extensive conference and banqueting facilities will enable us to cater for the large number of Hosts, Hostesses, Adult Committee Members and Guests.

Eight finalists have now been chosen to represent their clubs:

Hostesses: **Dale O'Sullivan** (St Joseph's/Mayfield), **Aislinn Higgins** (Finglas),
Ashling Tunney (Westport) & **Danielle O Malley** (Achill).

Hosts: **Kevin Lyons** (Mountbellew), **David Howley** (Gort),
Joe Conway (Dungarvan) & **Peter Murphy** (Castleknock/Clonsilla).

Congratulations to the Finalists, their clubs and also to the other contestants who admirably represented their clubs in the Regional Finals.

THEIR PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEKEND:

The **Hosts** and **Hostesses** selected to go forward to the Final will meet in the Royal Hotel, Castlebar on Friday evening (3rd April) where they can relax over an evening meal with the Events Committee. They will each have a luxury room which they will share with a parent, guardian or an adult leader of the same sex. (They may bring a friend of the same sex along with any of the above. Room sleeps three.)

After breakfast on Saturday morning the contestants will attend their main interviews with the judging panel. Then following an informal lunch with the judges and members of the Events Committee, the finalists will chat with Fergal Darcy of i102/104 Radio (Compere for the evening) to prepare for their stage presentation. They will then have time to relax, change and get ready for the main event at 5 p.m. We wish all the contestants the very best of luck and an enjoyable evening!



CLUBS ARRIVING ON SATURDAY

Clubs are to **arrive** at the TF Royal Hotel between **2 and 4 pm** – a Bus/Coach parking area will be reserved. Each club to enter the lobby together as a group (**please have tickets ready as no one will be allowed in without one**). Adult leaders will be given name badges that must be worn at all times to make them identifiable to hotel staff, etc.

A photographer will be available to take a photo of each club group. Adult leaders are asked to get their group together when called to accommodate this.

DRESS CODE & CHANGING FACILITIES

Formal dress for all attending the event. A number of changing rooms will be made available in the hotel for those who will be travelling far and wish to change into their formal wear. Please note: The Events Committee requests that Clubs in the West arrive already dressed in their formal wear.

COMPERE AND ENTERTAINMENT

The M.C. for the evening is **Fergal Darcy** i102-104 Radio Station and he will interview each of the Finalists on stage. A fabulous 5-hour disco marathon & light show with Fergal and a local D.J. will round off the evening's entertainment.

FIRST AID & SECURITY

Members of the Castlebar Civil Defence will be at the venue during the night to attend to any medical emergency. Hotel security and NNC Adult Leaders will be on site throughout the night to monitor behaviour. Adult leaders are asked to wear their name tags at all times to make them identifiable to hotel staff, etc.

TICKET REQUIREMENTS & ACCOMMODATION:

As always with the Youth Awards an important aspect is the accommodation afterwards. This year we have arranged that all clubs can overnight in the Theatre Hall of the Hotel. This means that there is no travelling between the function venue and accommodation. So for clubs staying over, don't forget to bring your sleeping bags, pillows, mats, warm clothing, slippers or thick socks and prescribed medical supplies (e.g. inhalers, etc.). Sleeping bags, etc, should be left on the bus until required.

Hotel Rooms (for *adults* only): Some clubs may wish to avail of Hotel accommodation for adult leaders, bus drivers, etc. The rooms **can be booked** by each club **through the Hotel: Day's Hotel 094 9286200 & the TF Royal Hotel 094 9023111**. It is advisable to book the rooms you require **as soon as possible** as these are subject to availability.

Please let the receptionist know that you are with the No Name Club as there are special rates for us.

TICKET & ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENTS:

This is an **all-ticket event**. Tickets will be sent to the **contact person** named on the enclosed **Booking form** as soon as it is returned with a **cheque** made payable to: 'No Name Club Ltd.' (*non-refundable*). **This must be done before 13th March**. Completed Forms and cheque to be made payable to 'No Name Club Ltd'. Please fill out the form carefully and clearly.

IMPORTANT – PLEASE NOTE:

The Events Committee want everyone to have an evening of great enjoyment, but PLEASE take note and remember the following:

- The Youth Awards will be an **Alcohol-Free event** and we ask **everyone** to respect this. There will be a Snack Shop and **Mineral Bar** available all evening.
- Everyone is expected to be on their best behaviour at all times.
- Once seated everyone is asked **not to leave the table** until the stage presentations are complete and dinner is finished. Adult leaders are **expected** to sit with and **supervise** their club members.
- Some speeches are necessary but we will endeavour to keep them short, and please, show **respect** for the speakers and **especially** the eight finalists.
- Two nominated Adult Committee members (**one male and one female**) **must remain** with the H&H during the overnight stay.
- Each club is **expected** to help clean up the venue before leaving.
- If any of your committee or members has special food requirements please let us know when purchasing tickets. The Hotel will need to be informed of these.




Itinerary For The 2009 NATIONAL YOUTH AWARDS



2 – 4 pm Clubs arrive at the Royal Hotel – Coach parking area reserved.
Each club to arrive in lobby together (have tickets ready). Those ready will pose for club photo. Then proceed to ‘Café’ for refreshments.
Clubs travelling far to change into formal wear, pose for club photo and be ready for the event.

5.00 pm All clubs and guests **to be seated** in the Function Room.

The current *Host of the Year*, **Andrew Finn**, and *Hostess of the Year*, **Rochelle McIntyre**, will open the proceedings; introduce the Judges and then Chairman, Michael Browne, who will say a few words.
Andrew and Rochelle will then welcome Fergal Darcy who will introduce the Finalists one by one and welcome them on stage.

5.30 Fergal will begin interviewing each Finalist which will include a DVD intro. 

7.00 Dinner served. *Menu:*

<p><i>Cream of Vegetable Soup Turkey & Ham or Roast Beef Medley of Desserts, Tea & Coffee</i></p>

8.30 Fergal welcomes back the Finalists on stage along with the Chairperson of the Judging panel. Fergal will then announce the **Host & Hostess of the Year** and this will be followed by the Presentation of Prizes and Photos.

9.00 – 3.00am Music City!! Disco Extravaganza with **Fergal Darcy** and local DJ's



1.00am Clubs staying overnight can collect their belongings and change out of their formal wear if they wish and then boogie the night away till 3.00am.
The Snack Shop will stay open all night or as required.



Breakfast: *Jumbo Sausage Rolls / American Style Donuts, tea & coffee will be served on Sunday morning.*

Hosts & Hostesses cont.:

Guests' names (e.g. Finalists' family members, friends):

Number of tickets required:

<i>Adults:</i>	
<i>Hosts & Hostesses:</i>	
<i>Guests:</i>	
Total Number Attending:	
	@ €40 each = Total : €
	<i>(Non Refundable)</i>

Total amount enclosed: € _____

Please make cheque payable to 'No Name Club Ltd.' (Non Refundable)

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please return this form to:
 Noeline Browne, No Name Club, Oakwood Court, Parc na Gowan, Kilkenny, before 13th March 09
 Any queries please contact Bernie Divilly on 087 9918252.