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JUNIOR IRISH WOLFHOUNDS



2023



DUBLIN FRIDAY LIGHTS

WHAT A G.I.F.T!

When we brought the inaugural Global Ireland Football Tournament to Ireland alongside Notre Dame & Navy in 2012, I had no idea that 11 years later we would be back for the fourth time. It feels so good to return, this time with 6 competitive teams from 4 different states of America, one from nearby England sponsored by the NFL, and a squad of local Ireland players joining the GIFT event for the initial time. The student athletes representing each school and team are here to proudly demonstrate and test their abilities on the football field against similarly motivated and trained teenagers. They are also in Ireland to experience the unique culture of this island nation, to learn about its rich history, to share moments with locals and to visit iconic sports venues.

Since the creation of Global Football in 1996 It has always been my goal to provide life-enhancing opportunities for student athletes, coaches and supporters. While we have developed and produced competitive games around the world, the land of my maternal ancestors, Ireland, remains the perfect nation in which to bring the competitors, their families and supporters. Plus, for the second time our teams will be showcased alongside the historic University of Notre Dame and the US Naval Academy.

What an honor this is for Seton Hall Prep, New Jersey; Baylor School, Tennessee; Bonner & Prendie High of Philadelphia and Community School of Naples, Florida. The administrators and coaches of these highly respected institutions took bold steps many months ago to make this possible. They are to be congratulated for their vision and leadership, directing the team efforts needed within their communities. Certainly, the American Football Ireland (AFI) organization has raised its level of visibility by being a valuable member of the GIFT showcase. It is personally special to have the NFL Academy here as the league has continues its international development by requesting to have this select team involved here. I vividly remember the 1996 meeting in New York where I explained to NFL Properties why I believed a U18 Global Jr Championship would make sense. Eleven Super Bowls later that program had highlighted and driven football development across Europe, Mexico, Japan, Canada, Panama and the USA.

It is noteworthy that we are joined in Energia Park by a former Naval Academy quarterback, Admiral William Byrne, who led his Midshipmen for three seasons and set numerous records before embarking on his illustrious career as a Naval officer. The recently retired Admiral will handle coin toss duties for the first two GIFT games. Handling that role for the 7:00pm game will be Daniel Martin Rooney, grandson of the former US Ambassador to Ireland, Dan Rooney, who tossed the GIFT coin in 2012. The current Pittsburgh Steelers Director of Business Development and Strategy is heading up the Steelers' efforts in the NFL Global Markets Program by taking on Ireland. His presence at the GIFT final game of the day will further allow him to witness firsthand the passion the Irish have for 'Football'; The True Global Sport.

Patrick Steenberge Global Football Founder & President



2012 GIFT with midshipmen, Dan Rooney and Patrick Steenberge

GIFT HONORARY CHAIRMAN

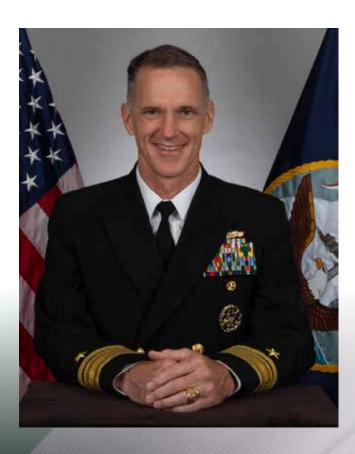
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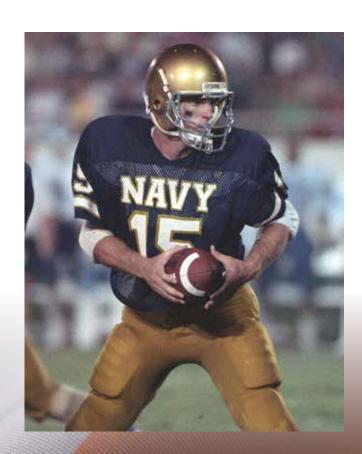
Global Football is proud to announce that Irish descendant Rear Admiral William Byrne, U.S. Navy (Ret.), will be assisting with this year's Global Ireland Football Tournament, joining us in Dublin. GIFT will be held at Energia Park on August 25 featuring six teams from the United States, UK and Ireland. Founder and President of Global Football said "It is an honor to welcome Admiral Bill Byrne to Ireland as Honorary Chairman of the GIFT 2023 High School Showcase. His record as a Naval Academy quarterback was outstanding, only overshadowed by his brilliant career as a Naval officer. My goal is to introduce him to the young student athletes who will be competing in Energia Field August 25th, then have him address the competitors and supporters at our Awards Luncheon in Croke Park the day of the Navy-Notre Dame game. When he tosses the coin for the GIFT Tripleheader, he will be following the lead of our initial honoree, Ambassador Dan Rooney, Pittsburgh Steelers owner who at the time was US Ambassador to Ireland."

Bill played football for the Naval Academy where he still holds several school passing records, but is most proud of having been elected by his teammates as their team captain his senior year. Bill served our nation brilliantly for 35 years as a Surface Warfare Officer and culminated his career in senior positions at the Pentagon. Among his many posts held globally, he was Commandant of Midshipmen at the US Naval Academy from 2013-15. In addition to his many service awards, he was honored by the National Football Foundation in 2015 with their Distinguished American Award. His wife Amy is his Naval Academy classmate and four of their five children are also Naval Academy graduates.

"High school football was the foundation of every success I enjoyed at the Naval Academy and in the Navy. As a proud Irish-American, I'm humbled by this honor and I'm thrilled to help showcase this rich American tradition once again to our friends and family in the Emerald Isle."

This will truly be a momentous occasion for the young men participating in this year's GIFT and we are honored to have Bill assisting us with the coin toss and awards luncheon.







BONNER & PRENDIE

COACH JACK MULDOON



No.	Name	Pos.	Asst. Head Coach/RB/Specials:
1	Jalil Hall	WR/DE	John Wagner
2	Jermiah Coleman	WR/DB	
3	Avery Hankey	WR/DB	Offensive Coordinator:
4	Dylan Abram	DB/WR	Mike Melvin
5	Mick Johnson	DB/RB	
7	Kenny Asong	LB/RB	Offensive Line/Run Game:
8	Mylachi Williams	DE/TE	Rob Ford
9	Austin Cannon	TE/P	
10	Kenjai Gatling	QB	WR/ Pass Game:
12	Chris Jones	WR/DB	Jordan McCauley
14	Aidan Janoski	Qb	
15	Noel Campbell	Qb	Tight Ends:
16	Dylan Spriddle	DB/WR	Kyle Muldoon
17	Rob Ford	WR/DB	
18	Brady Muldoon	WR/DB	Offensive Line:
19	Gavin Dawson	WR	Mike Nolan
20	Isaiah Session	S/RB	
21	Brett Johnson	LB/RB	Defensive Coordinator:
22	Kam Browne	LB/RB	Kairi Cooper
23	Josiah Adams	DB/WR	·
24	Wykil Fowler	DB/TE	Defensive Backs/ QB's:
26	Kahleel West	DB	Rashard Smith
27	Chris Kolody	WR	
28	Robert Nettles-Carter	DB/WR	Linebackers/RB's:
30	Danny Buckton	RB/LB	Dahnte Crawley
33	Fred Adams	DB/RB	•
35	Meshi Taylor	DB/WR	Defensive Line:
40	Cole Laughlin	WR/LB	Keon Akes
43	Justin Morris	LB	
44	Danny O'Brien	RB/LB	
45	Kevin Ford	WR/DB	
52	Charles Chisholm	OL/DL	
55	Andrew Ryan	OL/DL	
55	Brandon Davis	OL/DL	
57	Caleb Tesema	OL/DL	
59	Kieran Farren	OL/DL	
61	Manny Livingston	OL/DL	
64	Gabe Mooney	OL/DL	
66	Chaz Ingram	OL/DL	
70	James Shallow	OL/DL	
77	Collin Murray	OL/DL	
82	Luke McGlensy	TE/DE	
84	Jaeden Foster	TE/DE	
88	Xavier Mills	TE/DE	
99	Irv Fisher	K/ATH	





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Silas Sibanda

Jayden Bright

Kevin Bentin

Matti Kruger

Luke Francis

Liam Kling

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NFL ACADEMY

COACH STEVE HAGEN



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0	Arthur de Boachie	DB	57	Pharrell Harewood
1	Meshach Arthur	LB	58	Henry Lyes
2	Paul Breuer	RB	60	Samu Suomimen
3	Andy Quinn	P/K	66	Pape Abdoulaye Sy
5	Bryan Winter	WR	68	Nana Agymang
7	Warren Kongolo	QB	70	Thompson Umukoro
8	Jules Bouron	QB	71	Oscar Poyser
9	Seb Harris	WR	72	Akram Elnagmi
11	Jayden Smith	WR	73	Alessandro Monguzzi
12	Jason Sontgerath	WR	74	Vaino Vartiainen
13	Kingsley Eke	WR	75	Daniel Akinkunmi
14	Matthew Okunade	WR	76	Joseph Kirby
15	Joel Queisser	LB	77	Yahya Attia
16	Karl Valmont	WR	78	Benjamin Kienz
17	Bobby Bridges	QB	79	Max Hoke
18	Giacomo Troni	QB	84	Dan Goodbun
19	Matheo Diarra	TE	86	Ben Lax
20	Max Bartholomy	DB	94	Benson Jerry
21	Jahveal Laidley	DB	95	Collins Abaya
22	Rooney Pedro	DB	97	Jacob Wilkes
23	Darrell Roach	DB	99	Luke Yau Gayle
24	Jeffrey Gathara	DB		
25	Isaac Fullah	RB		
26	Justus Seelig	RB		
27	Kymarli Orgill	DB		
29	Adrian Malucha	RB		
30	Joey Williams	RB		
31	Bitanga Kalyata	DB		
33	Sunday Samuel	DB		
35	Isaac Übaka	LB		
40	Dominik Tietz	TE		
41	Brandon Bryant	DB		
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The NFL Academy, which opened in September 2019, is a major NFL initiative aimed at creating life-changing opportunities for young people around the world through American football.

In partnership with Loughborough College and Loughborough University, the NFL Academy continues to focus on the totality of the student athlete through further education, life skills programmes and an intense focus on training in the sport under the guidance of renowned professionals at the top of their profession.

The NFL Academy currently supports 62 student athletes from 13 countries around the world and boasts an alumni programme highlighted by the 11 alumni currently playing NCAA Division 1 football and 25 total competing in the NCAA.

Head Coach Steve Hagen Bio:

NFL Academy head coach, Steve Hagen, has more than 38 years' experience of working in American football. He spent 11 years in the NFL as assistant coach for the New York Jets and Cleveland Browns, in addition to various roles at 12 US colleges, including Notre Dame, bringing a wealth of experience in the professional and collegiate game. Coach Hagen's knowledge of the sport, leadership skills, and team development approach combine to make him a world class coach. His professional pedigree and ability to develop student-athletes into elite human beings, while emphasizing the importance of education, position him as an exceptional leader for the NFL Academy, helping players realize and achieve their full potential on and off the field.





JUNIOR IRISH WOLFHOUNDS

COACH ALAN LOMASNEY



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Asst. Head Coach Adam Devenney

Offensive LineBill Dougherty
Mark Thompson

Wide Receivers Jahn Dasini Kieran Kiely

Running BacksJoe Clarke

Defensive Line & Defensive Co-Ordinator

John Romanoski

Linebackers Niall Lyons

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Assistant Coaches:

Ed Stinson Max Ruiz Scott Sheppard John Peluso Tom Falato Gerry Moore Carlos Pasols James Clauberg Joe DeMattia
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BAYLOR SCHOOL

COACH ERIK KIMREY



No.	Name	Pos.	41	James Hogue	WR, LB
0	Quincy White	FB, LB	42	JD Martin	WR, DB
1	Shekai Mills-Knight	RB, DB	43	Davis Garrett	TE, LB
2	Zane Restelli	WR, DB	44	Joe Howalt	TE, LB
3	Briggs Cherry	QB	45	Jacob Tate	OL, LB
4	Joel Lowenberg	FB, LB	46	Carter Garrett	TE, LB
5	Noah Miles	WR, DB	47	Frank Treadwell	WR, DB
6	TJ Fields	WR, DB	48	John Amofah, Jr.	OL, DL
7	Amari Jefferson	WR, DB	49	Christopher Farnham	OL, LB
8	Joshua Hampton	WR, DB	52	Pryce Dutton	OL, DL
9	Whit Muschamp	QB	53	Cole Rose	OL, DL
10	Domani White	TE, DL	54	Teag Johnson	OL, DL
11	Max Leblanc	WR, DB	55	Dom Clifford	OL, DL
12	Lars Korthals	WR, DB	57	Charlie Silberman	SO, OL
13	Alexis Leclerc	WR, DB	58	Jimmy Bryson	OL, DL
14	Judah Smith	RB, LB	59	Domani White	OL, DL
15	Keaton Whaley	WR, DB	62	Ameer Robinson	OL, DL
16	Nelson McKnight	TE, LB	64	Luke Smith	OL, DL
17	Cam Sparks	WR, DB	65	Boom Hatmaker	SO, OL
18	Damian Sparks	QB	67	Matt Rosenke	OL, DL
19	Ben Darnell	TE, DE	71	Charlie Edgeworth	SO.OL
20	Grady Joyner	WR, DB	72	Owen Rose	OL, DL
21	Bradley Illunga-Bisselele	WR, LB	73	Emerson Petty	OL, DL
23	George Emendorfer	WR, DB	74	Grayson McGown	OL, DL
24	Cody Davneport	RB, DB	75	Jonathon King	OL, DL
25	Tyler Rice	WR, DB	82	Hank Etzler	WR
26	Timmy Mitch	WR, DB	94	Marshall Bible	K
27	Chris Renegar	RB, LB	95	Cooper Keown	K
28	Mark Griggs	QB, DB			
29	Cole Phillips	TE, LB			
30	Briggs Hoewischer	QB, LB			
31	Devone Slaughter	LB, FB			
32	Hunter Rosser				
33	Balint Rendessy	WR, LB			
34	George Simpson	WR, DB			
35	CJ Wyller	TE, DL			
36	Isaac Beeson	WR, LB			
37	Greg Bailey	FB, DL			
38	Max Minninger	WR, DB			
39	Sam Shutters	WR, DB			
40	Raphy Nkunzimana	OL, DL			

Coaches:

Cos Dematteo
Josh Willoughby
Eric Westmoreland
Jaylon Baker
Chris Brown
Charles Weems
Chris Payne
Chris Curtis
Chris Daller
Gary Patrick
Cole Johnson

Brice Johnson

Athletic Training Staff:

Lori Moss Alison Nutt Harriet Elmore

Administration:

Chris Angel Mark Price

Equipment Staff:

Allen Cox Karis Kimrey AC Arnold Aden Cash



GIFT TEAM GLOBAL

DWIGHT THOMAS - 33 years of coaching experience; 25 years recruiting service for major colleges, member of Florida Coaches Hall of Fame, Emmitt Smith's High School Football Coach (Smith attended University of Florida, played for Dallas Cowboys and Arizona Cardinals, and NFL All-Time Leading Rusher), two State Championships as head coach, 1 State Championship and 1 State Runner-up as Defensive Coordinator, three-time winner of the Florida ACA Coach of the Year, first man to run a high school football "Combine"

JOHN STORY - 59 years Football and wrestling coaching career, 1964 to present, coached at Cleveland State, John Carroll University, St. Joseph High School, Lakewood High School, St. Edward High School, Cleveland VASJ High School, Ohio football & wrestling championships St. Joesph HS, named Ohio football and wrestling 'Coach of the Year'; Inducted into Ohio Wrestling Hall of Fame, coached 3 Super Bowl Champion players - Desmond Howard, Elvis Grbac, London Fletcher, coached Heisman trophy award winner - Desmond Howard; Notre Dame Stars - Mike & Bob Golic, coached in 12 Stars & Stripes Global Football games

BILL GALLAGHER - 38 years of high school coaching experience, won 6 Inter Academic League titles in Philadelphia; teams consistently ranked in the City Top Ten, overall career head coaching record of 162 - 67, member of four High School Halls of Fame, played halfback at University of Notre Dame under Ara Parseghian, coach of Team Stars and Stripes for Global Football

MIKE CREANEY - Parade Magazine HS All-American, 3-Year Starter at ND Tight End – 32 Consecutive starts 46 Receptions for 892 Yds and a 19.4 yds/catch average for a career – still the all-time best for a TE with more than 25 receptions, senior Year - Street and Smith's, AP & UPI All American Teams, 6th Round Draft Choice – Chicago Bears – Center, Graduate Assistant @ Notre Dame – National Championship 1973, HS Football Coach – Loyola High School 1996 – 1999; 2001 – 2007

PATRICK STEENBERGE - High School All-American QB Erie Cathedral Prep, PA, Notre Dame QB 1970-'72 Monogram; 2-0 as starter; Joe Theismann backup 1970; Injured 1972, Father of 3, each college graduates and athletes, 2 of them at Notre Dame in track and swimming, 1996 created Global Football, has organized educational tours and games in 28 countries, 6 continents, produced first American football game on African Continent, 2011 Global Kilimanjaro Bowl, partnered with NFL 1997-2007 to produce the NFL Global Jr Championships at 11 Super Bowls Partnered with Mexico to produce 20 NCAA D3 All-Stars vs Mexico Universities, created and produced the Global Ireland Football Tournament (GIFT); 2012, 2014, 2016, 2023.

JOHN ROSLIEN - Certified Athletic Trainer since 1985, worked with Global Football for 26 years. Traveled with American football teams to 36+ countries, Global Football Director of Operations for 20 Division III all-star games (Aztec Bowl/Tazon de Estrellas) in 14 different Mexican cities, with Patrick produced first American football game on African Continent, 2011 Global Kilimanjaro Bowl, in 2012 served as Global Ireland Football Tournament (GIFT) Director of Daily Football Operations, international experience teaching physical education, coaching team handball and foreign Vice-Principal at Tarsus Amerikan College in 1993-94. Tarsus, Turkey

JEFF "BLITZ" BALITSOS - Played college football at Carson-Newman University (4 years) under legendary Coach Ken Sparks, ran two years of track at Carson-Newman University, coaching high school football for 20 years, currently 7th season at Hendersonville High School, TSSAA High School Baseball Official for 18 years, big supporter of the Chicago Bears, Notre Dame Football, and the New York Yankees, wore #34 in high school and college in honor of Walter "Sweetness" Payton

JOE COLGAN - Honorable Mention All-State High School Quarterback, Notre Dame Football Fantasy Camp - 2003 / 2005 / 2008, Fantasy Bowl I MVP - 2008, GIFT 2012, 2014, 2013 - Global Football Ambassador, Successful Sales Management career in Power Electronics Industry

JESS GRYDER - Recent graduate from Stephen F. Austin, Master of Fine Arts degree in Graphic Design/Photography, studied abroad in Florence, Italy and taught intro to art classes in Nacogdoches, Texas, went to McMurry University in Abilene, Texas, also in Graphic Design, varsity swimmer at McMurry University, competing in the 50 and 100 freestyle, Marketing Manager for the National Cutting Horse Association in Fort Worth, has worked with Global Football since 2021



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Ruby Smith Farrah Polit Sienna Hartman Poppy Sydenham

Gabby Davis Riley Maurer

Kaia Quinn Isabella Gerry Olivia Ralton Taylor Glennon Josie Byers

No.	Name
1	Emrhe Pray
2	Miles Smith
3	Braden Cruz-Diaz
4	Ben Varga
6	Noah Cardoza
7	George White
8	Ryder Brown
9	Bobby McNamara
10	Colin Murphy
11	Isaiah Allen
12	Cale Austin
14	Max Varga
15	Josiah Pellant
18	Isaac Lyon
20	Caleb Schulze
21	Sammy Taylor
23	Parker Ives
24	Charlie Youngs
27	Nolan Connolly
30	Jason Saks
31	Ty Kornblue
33	Zach Paul
37	Liam Casey
42	Carson Honnick
44	Dylan Baer
51	Eric Hechenberger
55	George Haseotes
58	Bengie Reseau
59	TJ Hedrick
60	Lucas Barakett
64	Colin Urrea
65	Nick Londal
70	Austin Zimm
75	Omar Cuevas-Villagomez
77	Traeden Henry
81	Cal Wyatt
83	Jack Phalen
87	Sean McNamara

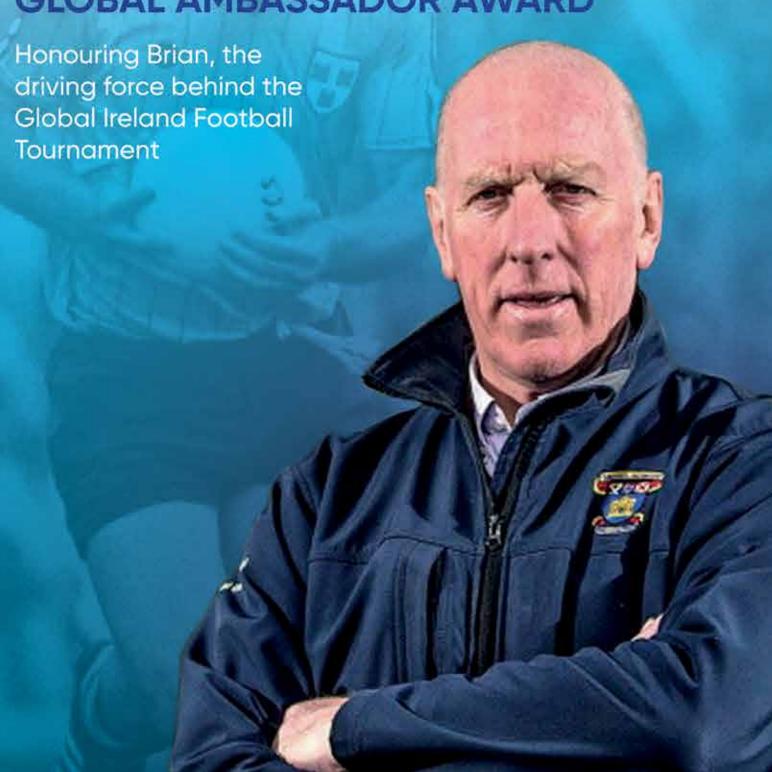
Assistant Head Coach/DC: Fritz Jacques OC: **Eugene Chung Head Cheer Coach:** Alessia Pellegrini Charlene Fridley **Assistant Cheer Coach:** Carissa Procacci







BRIAN MULLINS GLOBAL AMBASSADOR AWARD







27 YEAR HISTORY

Global Football has been the world's largest exporter of American football since 1996. We have organized and produced games and events in 28 different countries on 6 continents.

The events and tours have involved more than 350 teams and 15,000 curious travelers, each encountering a positive life-changing experience, while enjoying the ultimate teambuilding opportunity.

Patrick Steenberge, founder of Global Football and former University of Notre Dame quarterback, personally organizes and manages each tour and event. Patrick communicates prior to and throughout the trip, with the coaches, parents and players. Global Football has firmly established and nurtured this unique opportunity for participants to travel, learn, compete and create the memories of a lifetime.

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BRIAN MULLINS GLOBAL AMBASSADOR AWARD

Global Football is humbled to honor an Irish man who should be recognized, among all his other accolades, as the Guardian of the Global Ireland Football Tournament - G.I.F.T.

Mr. Brian Mullins.

A GAA icon who helped lead his Dublin County Senior team to four All-Ireland football championships from 1974-1985. Brian played with a passion and ruggedness which has long been the style and stamp of his St. Vincent's Gaelic Football club. Post-playing career he focused on education at both the high school (college) as well as the university levels, serving ultimately for 22 years as the University College Dublin Director of Sport. He was steadfast in his belief that Athletics and Academics should be woven together wherever possible, that every student should work to excel in both, especially during those developmental years.

During the initial planning stages of the initial GIFT event during spring of 2011, Patrick Steenberge was introduced to Brian Mullins, who quickly grasped the concept of this nascent event concept. That very day he walked Patrick into the office of then-GAA head Paraic Duffy at Croke Park, he suggested this dream could be a powerful force for further uniting the teenage youth of Ireland and America.



From that day until the untimely day of Brian Mullins' passing in September 2022, he steadily helped guide, assist and support the GIFT staff and supporters in their efforts. He helped Patrick overcome numerous obstacles, directed the right Irish people towards GIFT leaders, and always greeted the event participants representing 26 school teams thus far, with a hearty "You are most welcome!"

From the 2023 G.I.F.T. onward, we will recognize one student athlete player from each school/team, as selected by his coaches, administrators and teammates, to be the recipient of the Brian Mullins Global Ambassador Award. This will be a young man who embodies the style of Brian: a passionate student athlete his teammates can always look to and count upon to compete, lead, to mentor and support, and to always do everything possible to achieve the TEAM goals!

