**John West** **Féile na nGael Handball Competition Rules**

1. Club team of four players in two pairs and one substitute, team and substitute can interchange before each match. Team in order of play to be supplied to the referee before each match. (The order of play may be changed for second or subsequent matches).
2. If a player gets injured during a game the substitute is allowed to take the injured players place.
3. Each pair play one game to 21 aces or maximum of 15 minutes game, with a point for each win. First service is decided on the toss of a coin. The team receiving in the first game will have first service in the second game.
4. When two or more teams in a group tie on points, the placings are decided on total aggregate aces (for is totalled first, if still a draw then total against – lowest will be awarded highest placing). Where aggregate scores are still equal, a play-off to 11 aces between any pair from each side decides the placings.
5. In case of a tie in any final, rules as in 4 apply. First service to be decided on the toss of a coin.
6. Full playing rules apply in all games (As there is a time element to this competition – no time outs are allowed and each player can only serve 1 fault before it’s a hand/side out, i.e. if player 1 serves a short ball it’s a serve out and player 2 serve’s, if player 2 serve’s a long serve it’s a hand out).
7. Teams to wear Club colours in all matches unless requested to change when colours clash.

9. Players must be under 14 years of age on 1st January in year of the competition.