

WHAT IS GAA ROUNDERS?

Did you know that GAA Rounders is our fourth official GAA Sport? Along with Gaelic Football, Hurling and Handball, Rounders was included in the original GAA charter back in 1884. GAA Rounders is a bat and ball game and is not that dis-similar to baseball.

WHO CAN PLAY GAA ROUNDERS?

Rounders is played by all age groups, from national school children all the way to and including senior level. There are mixed teams where boys and girls, men and women play on the same team. As Rounders is a limited contact sport, it is perfect for both recreational and competitive play. It also draws on a different set of skills than the conventional GAA games and is very good for developing hand-eye coordination.

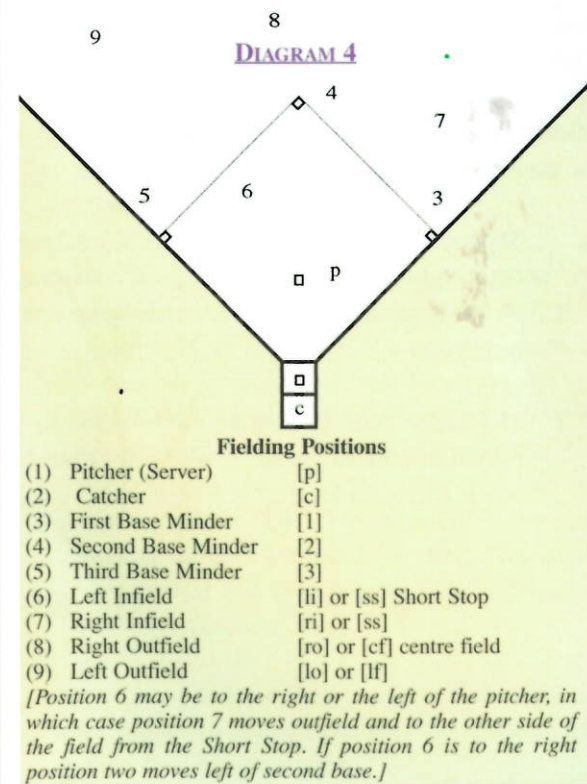
HOW IS GAA ROUNDERS PLAYED?

The pitcher stands facing home base and delivers the ball underarm to the batter. The batter must strike the sliotar in a forward direction and into the field of play. Once the batter hits the ball he/she may run to first base. The fielding team attempt to gain possession of the ball and throw it to the base minder at first base or another base if there is a runner proceeding. A batter is out if he/she fails to strike a third good ball, he/she strike the last good ball into foul ground, he/she strikes a good ball but is caught by a fielder, or his or her base is tagged before he/she arrives at the base.

The aim of the game is for the batting side to score as many runs (a run is when a batter has proceeded through all 3 bases before touching home base) before the fielding team put three players out. (please see reverse for diagram)

HOW DO I START TO PLAY GAA ROUNDERS?

Contact a member of your local GAA Club or a member of the National GAA Rounders Council to establish if there is a GAA Rounders club or team in your area. If not, National GAA Rounders Council will provide you with coaching courses and preliminary coaching of new teams in order to help you to establish the basics of the game and get a team up and running.



The players when fielding are located as in the diagram above. There are twenty-five meters between each base and a total of 100m for a home run.

