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ARD FHEIS IN DUBLIN

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Delegates from all over the 32 Counties , and from England and Scotland , are attending the 67 Annual Ard - Fheis in Liberty Hall , Dublin , today and tomorrow . A very large attendance is expected . The delegates will range from 1916 veteran Joe Clarke , to the many young people who have recently joined the organisation .

The outgoing Uachtaran , Ruairi O' Bradaigh , has been returned unopposed as have the outgoing Ard- Runaithe , Maire Ni Bhaoill and Ualtar O' Loinsigh . Nominations for Leas - Uachtaran include Daithi O Conaill , Joe Clarke , Laurence Grogan and two members held in prison in the Six Counties , Maire Drumm and Sean Keenan . There are more than 50 nominations for eight places on the Ard- Chomhairle .

The report of the Ard- Runaithe refers to the rapid expansion of the organisation with many new Cumainn formed in many areas and thousands of recent applications for membership .

Ends .