

CLG Coill an Chlochair N. Mhuire / Ceapach

Killyclogher St. Mary's / Cappagh GAA



2021 Óráid an Chathaoirligh Chairman's Address 2021

Welcome to the Chairman's Address 2021.

'We have almost reached the end of 2021 and it has continued to be another unusual year for everyone dealing with the impact that Covid-19 has placed in all our personal lives and in the life of our Club and we can only look forward to getting back to normal in whatever form it may be.

I would like to pay tribute to our players, managers, coaches, trainers, backroom staff, umpires, linesmen and referees; to the stewards, to those who mark out our pitches, to our photographer, to our Club shop assistants, those who manage the weekly Lotto and those who promote Cairde Cappagh within our Club. Our Covid supervisors played an excellent role at all age groups to ensure the safety of all our players and our community.

We as a club are very dependent on a small group of volunteers on matchdays and keeping our Club tidy throughout the year and too often it's always the same faces that appear, week in and week out. These helpers and volunteers are members too and I would urge you to please volunteer with them and help share the workload. We have a huge asset and it takes a band of volunteers to give tirelessly of their time to make our Club – 'your club' a better place for everyone no matter what age you are.

The most notable event of the year has to go to our reserve footballers who won the Tyrone Senior Reserve Knock-Out Championship and it is great to see some of these players now stepping up into our senior team.

Well done to our senior ladies who reached the County Final this year, unfortunately it wasn't to be, but it created a great buzz within the Club; our minor girls also reached the Championship final.

Well done to our Tyrone representatives Tiernan and Mark who represented our Club and played their part in Tyrone becoming All Ireland Champions; to Gavin Potter, Michael Rafferty and Caolan O'Hagan for winning Ulster U17 medals.

It is great to see the Dads and Lads started within our Club and thanks all those involved, this training like our G4MO give the opportunity for all ages and abilities to be part of a team and train and compete with other Clubs within the County.

The handball continues to grow and now provide coaching from under 10 through the age groups including adults. The Club hosted a very successful 1-Wall tournament recently featuring players from clubs near and far.

The long awaited resurgence of hurling to Ballinamullan took place, commencing with coaching on a Saturday morning and by the end of the year fielding an U-13 boys team participating in the U13 hurling League; thanks to all the Coaches for making this happen.

Our Set Dancers reached the All Ireland Scór Sinsir Final and they should all be extremely proud of their achievements, unfortunately it wasn't to be on this occasion; this was also a very notable event when Donal was recognised on the National stage at the All Ireland Scór Sinsir Finals for his contribution to our culture and language, this is an award that is justly deserved – well done.

The Golf Classic this year was a huge success and built on the success of last year, thanks to all who were involved and thanks as always to our sponsors. Thanks also to Kieran McMullen for his professional live streaming of the event which adds to professionalism of this annual event.

The Health & Wellbeing committee continue to play a very important role within our Club and provide information in relation to nutrition and exercise; the recent videos from our youth representatives to highlight Mental Health Awareness were very well delivered. The Committee's hard work has paid off and we are officially recognised as a Healthy Club this year.

Thanks to our Youth Officers for carrying out their various roles over the past year and managing the training schedules, in order to maximise the availability of the pitches. The management of our youth is very important and this year the 'Gaelic Start' programme ran for an extended period and thanks to all the Coaches who gave of their time week after week to make it such a huge success.

I would like to thank the many club sponsors whose contributions has helped us develop many areas of the club. I think in these times it is important that we support those sponsors who support the Club. I would also like to sincerely thank the members of the club management committee for the crucial role you play in the effective running of the club during the year. A special thanks to the officers of the club and I would like to recognise the tremendous work and commitment they gave to me and the Club over the past year. Eamon has compiled his 2021 Secretary's Report and thanks to all who contributed and providing more detail on various aspects of the Club over the past year.

Finally, on behalf of the Club I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to all who lost loved ones over the past year and wish anyone that is unwell or undergoing any treatment at the moment a speedy recovery.

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