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**2022 Tuarascáil Bhliantúil an Rúnaí
Secretary's Report 2022**

Welcome to the Secretary's Report 2022.

2022 has been a busy year for Killiclogher GAA, both on and off the field, but this particular year will always be remembered for a very different reason, the loss of our senior player John Rafferty in a tragic accident. Having been involved in the management of various youth teams on which John played, I can testify that he was a brilliant footballer who gave everything for the Blue of Killiclogher and have no doubt his finest achievement was playing and captaining our minor team to championship glory in 2019. The speech he gave in Loughmacrory that September evening will live long in the memory of all present. Off the field, John was a lovely lad who had time for everyone making a lasting impression on all who met him. His untimely passing is sorely felt by his friends, his team mates and all in the club but this pales into insignificance when we think of his loss to Felix, Roisin, Clare and Michael. Our hope is that they will gain some support and comfort in their loss from all their Killiclogher GAA family and friends, may John rest in peace.

When I look back at 2022 on the field, we reached 8 finals and that doesn't include our Go Games teams who won silverware at a number of tournaments. The finals we were involved in included, the U12 girls, U14 Girls Championship, Minor Girls Championship, Senior Ladies Intermediate Championship, Senior Men's Division 1 League, U19 boys, U13 Hurling Championship and U15 Hurling Championship. Of those 8 finals we won 3 and came very close in a few of the others. To those teams who won, the heartiest of congratulations, to those who lost it wasn't your day but keep at it, your day will come.

Ladies football continued to go from strength to strength in the club in 2022. One event that stood out for me above everything else, had to be the U14 Girls final in Cookstown against Ardboe. The crowd that turned up from Killiclogher to cheer on the girls that Sunday morning in terrible conditions was truly amazing, with all age groups and genders represented and although the result didn't go our way it was the determination every one of the girls showed as they battled right to the end to try and win the game that will live long in the memory.

Hurling has also strengthened its position in the club through 2022. It is truly amazing that after its re-emergence last year at U13 and U15 age groups the club is celebrating winning County Championship titles at both U13 and U15 a year later. Well done to all involved, particularly the coaches who gave their time and expertise to make this happen.

Handball is also going from strength to strength in the club, with large numbers of our youth playing it in the winter months under the tutelage of Paula, Barney and the other coaches. It is no coincidence that we are starting to reap the benefit of this, with County and Ulster titles coming to the club. Keep up the excellent work folks. A special word of congratulations to Paula for her President's award recognising her contribution to handball, we are privileged to benefit from her continued enthusiasm and experience.

The club continued its proud record in Scór and took part in the competitions taking place again after the pandemic pause. Our teams were successful in winning County titles at Scór na Óg and Scór Sinsear, well done to all involved and particularly to Paula and Patricia for the sterling work they do in preparing all the competitors for the different competitions.

On the County and National stage our members continue to make a name for themselves. We had numerous players representing the County in both the Ladies and Men's codes. The pinnacle of these had to be Michael Rafferty and Gavin Potter winning Ulster and All-Ireland U20 medals supported by our own Dermot Carlin, Leo Green and Damian Cox as part of the Tyrone U20 management team. In handball we had Karla Corcoran and Amy Corcoran winning She's Ace Ulster Titles and Karla Corcoran winning an U14 Ulster final before losing narrowly in the All-Ireland final.

I would like to praise our Youth Officers, Cathal Green and Kate McAleer for the tremendous work they do. The fact that the training for all the various teams on the allocated areas runs so smoothly is a credit to them and their planning. On the coaching front they ensure that all our coaches have completed some level of coaching qualification and have all been vetted to ensure safety and quality. The fact that each team has a lead coach and a group of support coaches is due to their leadership. Thank you!

Our Health and Well Being Committee led by Geraldine McCrory continue to look after the well-being of all our members, and events such as the Darkness into Light Walk and the ongoing mental Health Awareness work which provides a method through our website of contacting a Health Care professional for any club member who may be struggling are great initiatives. Representatives from the committee recently attended the Irish Life GAA National Healthy Clubs Conference in Croke Park and the Tyrone Co Board event Supporting our Youth to be Safe and Healthy and I have no doubt we will see further worthwhile initiatives emanating from these in 2023. Thank you for the work you do, Geraldine and team.

As you are well aware there has been a lot of work carried out on the entrance and parking areas of the club in the last year and we are so appreciative of those people who gave us their time voluntarily to enable all that work to be completed. This work has really enhanced the facilities and with further work planned including the training field lights, a community walkway round the grounds and terracing on the far side of the main field there is no standing still in Ballinamullan! All this will take money and the Grounds Committee have pledged that when we do something we do it right.

We would not have these facilities without the many income streams that generate the necessary finance and we are indebted to our extremely generous sponsors, Cairde Cappagh members, Lotto contributors, pitch signage, membership and shop sales. All these income sources enable the club to function financially each year and chip away at the on-going projects. We continue to be grateful to all of you who contribute to these areas and appreciate your continued support.

We are however, in need of a major cash injection in the coming years as we strive to complete the aforementioned projects. If you would like to assist the club in bringing these projects to fruition and would like to contribute to any of the afore mentioned income streams or indeed give of your skills or time to develop these projects, please contact any member of the committee, we are ever willing to accept help.

We are hugely appreciative to all our members who help out on match days, whether it be the parking of cars, collecting at the gate, selling lotto tickets, half time draw tickets, making tea/coffee, selling tea/coffee, lining the pitch etc. It takes you all to keep things running smoothly, Thank you.

A special word of thanks must also go to our many members who supported the Rafferty family in many different ways before, during and after John's funeral. Never was I so proud to be a member of Killiclogher GAA. Thank you!

Finally, to everyone who helped me in my role as secretary during the year, to everyone who sent me the reports on their area of the club and to Brendan who is always at the end of the phone when advice is needed, a huge thank you, you made the job that bit easier.

Go raibh maith agat, tabhair aire

An Runai
Eamon McGrath



Gaelic Start

2022 saw a very successful Gaelic Start programme with lots of positive progress in the kids. Numbers started at around 60 boys & girls each week within the first month, dropping down to an average of 30 kids per week. The programme ran for longer than usual this year with almost 25 sessions completed on Saturday mornings. The coaching responsibility was split out among our youth coaches, including both senior men & ladies members. A huge thank you to a number of the U14/U16 girls who helped out continuously week in, week out. Many of the older kids began to migrate up into the U7.5 boys and U8 girls which was extremely positive and a reflection of the skill and ability progression of the kids.

U9.5 Boys

Coaches: Niall McFadden, Stephen O'Neill, Mark Brennan, Conor Meenan, Kevin McCartan, Brendan Wilson, Paul Dillon, Gerard McCrory.

There was excellent attendance at U9.5 Boys Training Sessions with 20 to 30+ throughout the year, with training sessions twice a week on a Wednesday evening and Saturday morning. Boys are to be commended for their effort and enthusiasm at all sessions, with real progression evident in all the lad's skills as the year progressed.

While training focused initially on improving the fundamentals of kick-pass, hand-pass, tackle, catch and solo, training also worked on positioning for pass, agility and movement while promoting hand and kick pass off both sides during drills and practise games.

With Covid Restrictions lifted this year the boys were able to compete in their first ever competitions, bringing silverware back to Ballinamullan on two occasions. First up in August was a win against the hosts Buncrana in the Shield final of the Sean Masterson Tournament, with our two teams playing against teams from Donegal and Derry. The Boys followed this up in September with a strong showing reaching the knockout stages of the Danny McIlvar Tournament in Glenullin. The season ended with a determined performance from the boys to come from behind to beat hosts Carrickmore in the John Begley Memorial Cup final. A major achievement for the boys to win two trophies in their first year out.

A full schedule of Tyrone GAA Go-Games also ran throughout the year from March through October, with boys playing away to Beragh, Loughmacrory, Omagh, Errigal Ciarán and Fintona. Home Go-Games took place against Carrickmore, Dromore, Loughmacrory and Omagh. Thanks to all those who helped out at home games with refereeing, grounds prep and refreshments for boys.

The U9.5 Coaches look forward to seeing those moving up to next age grade progress and develop in the coming years, and encourage all players to continue to keep the practise up over the winter break.



U11.5 Boys

Coaches/assistant coaches Barry Donnelly and Ryan Devlin

Games Played – 9, Games Won - 5, Games Lost - 4

Tournaments played, Greenlough – Plate winners, Loughmacrory – Shield semi-finalist, Glenullin – Cup semi-finalist.

Team performance comments - The U11.5 boys performed very well this year. They trained well and they all got better over the course of the year, both in training and in games. The boys seemed to enjoy the Go Games format and that format ensured all the boys got a good amount of playing time. The boys all seemed to enjoy the training and the games, and the skill level of all the players improved throughout the year. The boys performed really well at all of the tournaments we attended this year and really enjoyed the tournament experience. The U11.5 coaches greatly appreciated the efforts and support of all parents throughout the year.

U13 Boys

Coaches Paul Sweeney, Davy McCrory, Neil McDermott, Noel Sweeney, Ryan McCloskey and Paul Baxter.

Performance - League played 8, won 6, lost 2. Championship played 1 lost 1.

The team played poorly in the first league game until the positions that best suited the players were found. There were good performances in the league against the top teams Loughmacrory and Carrickmore and the team qualified for the League semi-final where they were defeated by Dungannon. The boys didn't perform to their potential in the championship against Loughmacrory mainly due to nerves from lack of experience in big games and unfortunately exited in the first round.

U15 Boys

Coaches/assistant coaches - Barry O'Connor, Cathal Green, Paul Devine and Adrian Kelly. League and Championship Performance, Played 11 Lost 11

Team performance comments - the team competed with approx. 50% of the teams in Grade 1 and were unfortunate not to have won at least 3 matches and should have done better in the championship. Playing youth competitive football in the summer months is difficult as players are not available for training or games with holidays. Errigal Ciaran and Ardboe were very strong in Grade 1 with a lot of boys in their final year of U15. We have 4 players moving on to U17 next year so the team was very young. There is a massive lack of self confidence in this group of players which is not helped by individuals within the playing team who constantly disrupted every training session they attended.

70% of each session was taken up by bad behaviour which left very little time to actually work on skills. This group is capable of improving with intensive training and are capable of competing in Grade 1 if given the chance and confidence by more people around them. The fact that several people complained at the first league match that they should be in grade 2 shows where the lack of confidence comes from. This group has been dominated by 1-2 players in previous years which has left a big skill set gap between the players. Teams with individuals are no longer on top at youth, it is the teams with the best/most consistent team players that seem to be moving ahead of the rest of the clubs.

U17 Boys

Coaches - Conall McCann, Tommy Nugent, Liam Cunningham

Games Played, League, played 7, won 2, lost 5. Championship played 1, lost 1.

Team performance comments, the team had mixed success throughout the year, having played seven League games and won two, all the lads enjoyed the chance to play football and gained valuable experience.

We played our Grade 1 preliminary round in mid-August and were defeated by a strong Carrickmore team 3-15 to 3-9.

We have a number of lads that represent the Club at county level all of whom enjoyed their involvement. We also have a number of players who played in the U-19 team and we are hopeful that quite a few of these players will transition into our ever-growing senior team in the future.

U19 Men

Coaches - Chrissy Gorman, Pete McGinn, Jason Doyle, Barry O'Neill

Killiclogher were in a group with Omagh, Carrickmore and Cookstown and before the league even began Cookstown pulled out. We played Omagh in our first game and lost, we then played Carrickmore and won well. Carrickmore then pulled out of the competition as they had lost the first 2 games. The competition was then put on hold until the Autumn. On resumption Killiclogher played Omagh in their last league game and were defeated heavily. That result meant we finished second in the league and were drawn away to Coalisland in the semi-final. In the semi-final the boys produced a brilliant performance to win easily. The final was fixed for Newtown Stewart on the 20 November against Omagh who were hot favourites. Our players fought valiantly to the final whistle but with a few decisions going against us and with a couple of our players sick it allowed Omagh to keep their noses in front and they ended up winning by 4 points. The performance of the U19s gives us plenty of hope for the future and I've no doubt quite a number of these lads will play senior football.



Mens Senior Football

Set against the backdrop of a disappointing championship performance in 2021 we gathered together early in 2022 with a view to right that wrong and make serious improvements for the 2022 season. The guys worked hard at S&C preseason and we also entered the Ulster league with a view to giving all members of the panel game time and a chance to impress.

With a very strong panel of players we competed well throughout the league with some memorable performances. We had great wins against Dungannon, Carrickmore, Omagh & Errigal Ciaran as well as against Donaghmore and Ardboe with what people would classified understrength teams – not the guys who fielded. There was also a sprinkling of disappointing performances most notably against Trillick away in the league.

In terms of righting the wrongs of last year we will have seen the Dromore championship as a missed opportunity to do just that. We were missing the services of a few key players going into the game but also recognise that the opposition were in the same situation as us. The truth is we failed to get our performance level to where it needed to be but walked away willing to learn and take some lessons on board for the upcoming league final.

After a few training sessions we set our stall out to start the 2023 season with the league final and show that we had learned from our championship loss and try and put one over on a Trillick team that has got the better of us on a few occasions and become something of a bogey team. We went into the game still missing a couple of key players and were very close to winning a league title in normal time. We showed the sort of improvement we wanted to make in that final. And one that would give us hope going into the new 2023 season.

Little did we know that two weeks later our lives would be changed forever with the loss of our dear teammate John. A warrior on the field of play and a great guy off it. We are honoured to have been his friend and will represent him with pride whenever and wherever we take to the field.

A loss like this one certainly puts all others on the field into perspective. But the power of team and the importance of team was also on display in the days and weeks that followed John's death. We have a team that we as a club are rightly proud off!



Reserves

Coaches: Chris Gorman, Pete McGinn, Jason Doyle, Barry O'Neill.

The Reserves set out with high hopes for 2022 after winning the Reserve Championship in 2021.

However, it turned out to be a mixed season with excellent performances at times and disappointment at others. Looking overall at the League the Reserves scored 45 goals in their 13 games (over 3 goals a game) so there was no shortage of excitement and they also lost a few games very narrowly meaning they just finished below the top 4/5 teams. However it was the defence of the Reserve Championship which proved most disappointing, forced to play the first round by the CCC (it showed how much respect they had for Reserve players) in the July holidays without a number of players due to holidays meant it was going to be very difficult to beat one of the favourites Dromore in Dromore, and that's the way it turned out, the lads put up a great performance for 50 minutes on a very warm day but wilted in the last 10 minutes enabling Dromore to win by 5pts and indeed Dromore went on to win the Reserve Championship. Another thing that really impacts on the Reserves is the Friday games at 18:30, a lot of our players are students and at college in Belfast and Dublin which makes it very difficult for them to be home in time for the early start. When you look at the timing of the Reserve Championship and timing of the League games it makes one think that not much is thought of Reserve football by the CCC.

Reserve footballers put in the same effort as their senior counterparts and deserve the same respect. Just imagine the uproar there would be if a round of senior championship games was scheduled during the July holidays or senior league games commenced at 18.30 on a Friday evening. On the positive side a number of young players played Reserve football for the first time and with the amount of talented players we have playing Reserve football the future looks good.

Breakdown of Senior, Reserve and U19 games in 2022 courtesy of Brendan Harkin

Senior League - Played 15 - Won 10, Drew 3, Lost 2

Coalisland 1-9 Killyclogher 0-12

Killyclogher 5-12 Moy 2-9

Dungannon 3-11 Killyclogher 5-12

Trillick 1-13 Killyclogher 0-6

Killyclogher 1-15 Carrickmore 0-6

Greencastle 0-9 Killyclogher 1-10

Donaghmore 0-13 Killyclogher 2-13

Killyclogher 3-8 Derrylaughan 1-14

Killyclogher 2-11 Errigal Ciaran 1-15

Killyclogher 3-14 Clonoe 0-14

Moortown 0-13 Killyclogher 1-10

Killyclogher 1-15 Omagh 1-10

Killyclogher 3-8 Loughmacrory 0-12

Dromore 1-7 Killyclogher 3-8

Ardboe 1-11 Killyclogher 3-10

League Semi-final

Killyclogher 0-10 Errigal Ciaran 0-9

League Final

Killyclogher 0-8 Trillick 0-10

Senior Championship

Killyclogher 1-10 Dromore 3-9

Reserve League Played 14 – Won 8, Lost 6

Ardboe 1-23 Killyclogher 4-13
Coalisland 3-15 Killyclogher 1-6
Killyclogher v Moy (Moy didn't field)
Dungannon 2-9 Killyclogher 3-15
Trillick 0-7 Killyclogher 6-12
Killyclogher 3-6 Carrickmore 1-15
Greencastle 1-13 Killyclogher 2-14
Killyclogher 5-15 Derrylaughan 1-10
Killyclogher 0-12 Errigal Ciaran 2-11
Killyclogher 4-8 Clonoe 2-15
Moortown 1-6 Killyclogher 4-10
Killyclogher 3-12 Omagh 1-11
Killyclogher 8-16 Loughmacrory 1-9
Dromore 1-16 Killyclogher 2-11
Donaghmore v Killyclogher (not played)

Reserve Championship

Dromore 0-15 Killyclogher 1-7

Under 19

Carrickmore 3-12 Killyclogher 6-12
Killyclogher 3-5 Omagh 4-11
Killyclogher v Cookstown (didn't field)
Killyclogher v Carrickmore (didn't field)
Cookstown (didn't field) v Killyclogher
Omagh 6-13 Killyclogher 2-6

Semi-final

Coalisland 3-6 Killyclogher 5-13

Final

Killyclogher 1-5 Omagh 1-9

Killyclogher Scorers in our 15 Senior League Games

Mark Bradley 6-54
Gavin Potter 8-12
Conall McCann 3-20
Oisín McCann 1-14
Tiernan McCann 1-13
Darragh Hayes 3-4
Oran Toal 3-3
Tiernan Cox 2-3
Mark Flanagan 0-8
Emmet McFadden 2-1

Nathan O'Neill 0-5
Michael Rafferty 0-4
Mark Hayes 0-4
Odhran Potter 1-1
Patrick Corcoran 1-1
Mattie Devlin 1-1
Caolan O'Hagan 0-3
Nathan Donnelly 0-3
Oistin McAteer 1-0
Matthew Murnaghan 0-2
Aidy Kelly 0-2
Brendan Armstrong 0-2
John Rafferty 0-1
Simon O'Neill 0-1

Dads & Lads

Our Dads & Lads team is still going strong with the majority of those who turned out in 2021 returning for more of the same in 2022. We have also added a few new faces, some of whom would have represented the club at various levels in the past and others who would have played their football for other clubs both in Tyrone and beyond. Unfortunately, while our numbers remained the same as the previous year, other clubs appeared to struggle to maintain an interest in the Dads & Lads initiative. It proved quite difficult to arrange games against Tyrone teams, so we had to look outside the county for games. Towards the end of April we attended a blitz hosted by the Doire Colmcille club in Derry. The team played games against the host club, Steelstown of Derry and Belnaleck of Fermanagh. A week later we travelled to Monaghan for a game against the Emyvale club for whom this was to be their first game.

Despite several attempts to organise games against Tyrone clubs our next game would not be until mid-July when we invited the Emyvale team to Ballinamullan for a game. We did try to organise a blitz of our own to be hosted in Ballinamullan but it proved difficult getting enough clubs that were interested. As the summer came to an end and the dark evenings set in once again, we managed to organise games against local clubs Beragh & Fintona. We also travelled to Ballinderry for two blitzes, one at the start of November and one at the end of the month. These were quite enjoyable, and we got to play games against clubs from Tyrone, Derry, Armagh and Donegal. In early December we also attended a blitz hosted by the Donagh club in Fermanagh, where the opposition included clubs from Tyrone, Fermanagh and Down.

The year past has been an enjoyable one for all involved and we hope this continues into 2023, there is no doubt this initiative is proving to be a great social outlet for all those involved.

Barry O'Connor

Hurling

Under 6 - 11 Hurling and Camogie

Coach Brendan Gallagher.

Training / practice commenced at the beginning of September. Training would typically be on a Friday evening. The boys and girls train together and the group has a 50 / 50 break down of boys and girls.

Numbers at training would fluctuate between 10 to 20 participants. Training continues Friday evenings and the group will be moving into the ball wall for the remainder of the year.

There will be 5 provincial indoor hurling tournaments running from Sat 28th Jan to Sat 4th March in Magherafelt next year for U9 to U13 age groups. Teams will be 9 a side. If there is sufficient interest it would be good to enter.

Jason McGlinchey mentioned forming a camogie team next year. Again, if there is sufficient interest and helpers to start up a team even for go-games, it would be a step in the right direction.



I feel we need to market the hurling and camogie opportunities especially to our primary school children. They need to know coaching / fun and go-games will be available for boys and girls in both hurling and camogie. There is massive pool of players out there in the parish, if they can be encouraged to come along and play it will put hurling and camogie on a sound footing in the club for years to come.

Under 13 Hurling

Coaches, Jason McGlinchey, Brendan Gallagher, Barry O'Neill, Conal McGinn.

Team performance; the league commenced on 1st Aug with a 1 point defeat to Benburb (1-3 to 2-1), then came our 1st victory against Tulach Óg on 8th Aug (0-3 to 3-5) our 3rd game on 15th August saw an improved performance with the team easily overcoming Cúchulainn an Ghleanna (7-4 to 0-0). Our final league game occurred on Mon 22nd Aug against an undefeated Fintona side when an understrength Cappagh team was well beaten on a score of (1-1 to 4-7) This concluded the league campaign, with Fintona being crowned league champions.

Next up was the championship semi-final were Cappagh was drawn against Fintona again. Despite going into the game as rank outsiders in a match played under lights @ Garvaghy a full strength Cappagh team tore into their opponents in an exciting game with both teams giving it their all. In the end Cappagh emerged victorious over a shell shocked Fintona side on a score off (3-3 to 5-3). The championship final saw Cappagh come up against Benburb. The final was played under lights in Garvaghy on Wed 5th Oct.

This time a vastly improved Cappagh side reversed the earlier league result defeating Benburb (7-7 to 0-1) to claim the U13 G2 Championship title. This concluded a very successful U13 season.

Under 15 Hurling

Coaches, Jason McGlinchey, Brendan Gallagher, Barry O'Neill, Conal McGinn
Games played, League played 4, won 2, lost 2, Championship played 2, won 2.

Team performance; the league commenced with a win over Benburb, followed by a defeat against Strabane Shamrocks in Strabane (3-10 to 1-1). Our 3rd game saw Cappagh play Benburb away, again winning comfortably. Our final league game was against an undefeated Shamrocks side, this time an improving Cappagh ran them a lot closer on a score off (1-1 to 0-7). This concluded the league campaign, with Shamrocks being crowned league champions.

Next up was the championship semi-final on Mon 7th Nov when Cappagh easily saw off Benburb on a score off (1-0 to 11-6). The championship final saw Cappagh come up against Shamrocks. The final was played under lights in Garvaghy on Mon 21st Nov. This time a hungry Cappagh was not going to be beaten. In an exciting game which swung from one side to the other Cappagh eventually came out on top scoring with the last puck of the game to win by 1 point on a score off (4-4 to 3-6) to claim the U15 G2 Championship title. This concluded a very successful U15 season.



Ladies Football

U8 Girls

Coaches - Noel Greene, Orla Forrest, Gary Dickson

The Under 8 girls started training in March 2022. It was very evident that there was a huge interest in this age group as numbers regularly exceeded 30. The coaches were very impressed with the commitment of a large number of girls who attended on a weekly basis. The focus at training was on skill development, go game practice and fun. Focusing in on the key skills needed for Gaelic has meant that the girls who have attended regularly have improved massively. The coaches were very pleased with the attitude of the older girls (P4 and 5s) who were extremely welcoming to and encouraging of the younger P2 and 3s. The girls took part in a number of go games against various clubs. We would like to thank all of those clubs for their hospitality on Saturday mornings. The under 8s also took part in a blitz hosted by Sperrin Ogs. Cappagh performed excellently in the blitz against some strong teams.

The coaches would like to thank all the parents for their commitment in getting the girls to training and games. All the best to the girls now moving on to the under 10s. The under 10 coaches will be very lucky to inherit such a talented group of footballers.

Under 10 Girls

Coaches - Shane Tracey, Aidy Patterson

Team performance, the girls competed in 10 Go-Game matches throughout the season. Although we struggled with numbers at times we competed well in all games. We also competed in the annual Errigal Ciarain U10 blitz at the end of the season. Although we were unsuccessful, the girls competed well in all games and enjoyed the experience. All girls progressed really well with the skills and rules of the game and really enjoyed training and matches.

Under 12 Girls

Coaches - Adrian Patterson, Mark Tracey, Shane Tracey, Stephen O'Neill, Ryan Devlin.

The team had a very good year with high numbers for training and games. All Go Games were highly competitive and played with great enthusiasm and passion. You could see the improvement from week to week and the players and coaches gelled really well together.

All the effort the girls and coaches put in resulted in the team winning the County Blitz this year for the first time, a great achievement considering there were 60+ teams involved from the start. This is great for their confidence and the future looks bright with this group of girls.

Under 14 Girls

Coaches/assistant coaches - Noleen Carland, Emma Mitchell, Cathy McCloskey, Lindelle McCrory.

Performance, League, played 10, lost 7, won 2, drew 1. Championship; Played 5, won 3, drew 1 and lost 1.

Team performance, the numbers at U14s ladies were incredible from the end of January with 45 girls out. These numbers remained high all year. Throughout the league the girls all got run outs in the league and also friendlies. The league wasn't as positive as we would have liked but with large numbers it meant that in each game the team was very different. But the girls competed well with Moy, losing by one point, then wins against Loughmacrory and Trillick and a draw against Aghloo in a well contested game. Although there were 7 defeats we learned a lot from these games and 4 of them were only lost by 1 point.

The championship was the turning point of the season. In the preliminary round, the girls went to Loughmacrory and won with a score line of 3-3 to 11-12. Next was up Aghaloo, we knew this was going to be a close encounter which it was with our girls coming out on top with a score line of 4-13 to 5-4. Next was a trip to the lough shore, it's never easy going up there and this time it was no different. Sadly, the girls were told at the end of the game they had reached a county final and then several hours later we were informed it was a draw and a replay was required. The girls were heartbroken and had to play Moortown again in Killyclogher. Massive credit to the whole club for getting behind the girls and seeing them overcome Moortown by 12 points.

The final was in Cookstown, the girls fought hard in the second half against a strong Ardboe team but unfortunately came up short.

As coaches, we would like to thank the girls for their commitment and dedication all year. I would also like to thank the club for their support leading up to the replay and also the final.

We ended our year with a trip to Brunswick following which was enjoyed by all.

Under 16 Girls

Coaches - Lindele McCrory, Barry O'Connor, John Coney.

League: Played 6 Won 2 Lost 4.
Championship: first round defeat to Badoney
The 2022 season proved to be a particularly frustrating one for both managers and players involved at this age group. It was a very short season for all concerned given that the league campaign started on the 9th August and exactly two months later the season was over for our U16s. In contrast the Minor season started on the 29th March and ended on the 2nd August, similarly the U14 season started in mid-April and it was the 11th September before they played their last game. Whilst it was great to see the success enjoyed by both the U14s and Minors, the way the U16 season was structured by fixtures did little to help the development of this group of girls.

Our team should have been backboned by many of the younger minor and older U14 girls and yet the reality was at no point during the league or championship did we have our strongest team on the pitch. The group most impacted by the condensed season were the girls who hadn't been playing or training with the U14s or minors, for those girls almost 12 months had passed from the last competitive game they had been involved in. When the U16 league started on the 9th August, the minor season had just been completed one week earlier, the U14 girls were due to start their championship only a few days later. Due to the overlap in the age groups the U16s only had two collective training sessions and organising challenge games had proved near impossible. Our opponents for the first game were a very strong Badoney team and whilst it was unfair to ask the U14 girls to play in this game with their championship so close we simply had no option, several of our older U16 girls were unavailable due to a number of serious injuries, the U14 captain, Grainne McCaffrey, suffered a serious hand injury during the game and as the final whistle blew on a heavy loss for our girls we actually had some of our U12 girls on the field of play such was the predicament we were in with availability of fit players. Next up we had a home game against St Macartan's and while the injury list had not eased any, our girls recorded a comfortable victory, this was followed by a very competitive game away to a decent Loughmacrory side, there was only a few points in the game which was again sadly marred by a serious eye injury to Cara Walsh which she has thankfully recovered from.

Another away game to Trillick was next and at this juncture in the season it was a fine balancing act trying to field a team and at the same time protect the U14 girls from anything that would impact their magnificent championship run. For the first time in a long number of years we had to play this game 13-a-side due to the number of players who were unavailable. This was a game we lost but one in which we largely beat ourselves failing to capitalise on the high number of scoring chances we created. A home fixture against Dromore ensued, again a very youthful team took to the field and it was a competitive game for the most part with Dromore just managing to pull away in the last ten minutes to record a victory. Our last league fixture was at home to Aghaloo, a team that have always given us tough games over the last few years but our girls had kept their best performance to last and a great team effort saw us finish with a comfortable win.

In the championship we were unfortunate to be drawn against Badoney in the first round, we had managed to get a few of the injured girls back on the field of play but their lack of competitive action was evident against strong opponents on a cold, wet miserable day, and while we exited the championship at the first hurdle the game was certainly more competitive than the league fixture had been.

Minor Ladies

Coaches - Grainne McCann, Caitlin Kelly, Davy Chislom, Ciara Heagney.

Another successful year for the minor ladies, finishing 3rd in the league and getting narrowly beaten in the championship final. The future looks bright for the senior ladies as they are gaining a number of talented minors.

Senior Ladies

Grade: Intermediate - Division 2.
Coaches/assistant, John McMenamin and Davy Chisholm First Aid - Fiona Maguire, Patricia McCrory, Mary McAleer and Ceire McCusker.

League performance played 10, won 7, lost 3 and 1 draw. Championship Performance; played 3, won 2, lost 1.

Team performance comments; Another big year for the Senior Ladies getting to the championship final, but just falling at the final hurdle. The year started off well with wins against Omagh and Drumragh at home. The local derby with Omagh proved to be a thrilling encounter. The game was intense for the full 60 minutes and we came out on top with a 3 point win. Next up was Drumragh and the girls kept the momentum going with a 5 goals and 3 points win. Following the first 2 rounds, the girls endured a long break of 5 and a half weeks due to the inter county football schedule. This dwindled the girls' performance against Moy causing a first defeat of the season. All were disappointed but they knew work had to be done to progress in division 2. Within 2 weeks, the seniors were almost back on track with a draw against Glenelly who had just been relegated from division 1 at the end of last season.

Moortown was up next and unfortunately the seniors fell short against a very strong side. This didn't deter the girls as they won every league game after this, defeating Fintona, Ardboe and Kildress (3 games within a week). Castlederg and Edendork didn't field against us, so points were picked up from those games. The seniors ended up finishing 2nd in the league with 22 points and qualified for a league semi-final against Fintona. This game took place after the Championship. The game itself provided an opportunity for all players within the squad to get one final run out in the season. There were a few niggly injuries picked up from the championship final the week before, leaving a few strong players unable to play. Fintona ultimately took the game and proceeded to the League final against Moortown, with both Fintona and Moortown qualifying for Division 1 football next season.

Championship campaign - The seniors had 3 championship games this year: quarter-final, semi-final and the final. First up was the quarter final against Glenelly in Healy Park on a great Friday evening for playing football. Following on from the league draw, our senior ladies put on a fantastic display of football and came out on top with a score line of 3-17 to 3-7. From the throw in, Cappagh got on top, despite some decisions not going our way and ran out comfortable winners. Next up was an intense encounter in the semi-final with our local neighbours Omagh. A nervous Cappagh side let Omagh rule the first half and we were on the losing side going in at half time. However a change in a few positions and the introduction of veteran Tracy Wallace in the second half helped our seniors get over the line into the championship final with a score line of 3-14 to 2-13.

The injury of centre halfback Naomi McAnulla in the dying minutes of the Omagh game came as a massive blow for the squad and she was ultimately ruled out of playing the championship final. The final took place on Sunday 25th September in Healy Park. The girls had a league defeat to Moortown a few months before and probably went in as the underdogs. The support for the girls was magnificent and Cappagh went in just 1 point down at half time. However, a strong Moortown side came out in the second half and caused havoc for us. They came out on top with a score line of 3-11 to 10 points. A second year in a row final defeat for Cappagh. On the bright side we have a very young side with a lot of minor players starting, Laura Corcoran, CC Rafferty, Nena Armstrong, Cara O'Neill, Ellie-Mae Nugent and Louise Wylie. There were top performances from many of the girls this year and with the aforementioned minor girls gaining lots of experience there is a lot to build on for next year in Division 2 for the senior ladies. It was great to see so many young minors out at training with the numbers remaining high all year. 2023 has to be our year for Championship glory let the hard work begin.

Gaelic 4 Mothers & Others (G4MO)

Another successful year for the Gaelic 4Mothers & Others initiative in the club. 2022 saw the ladies mark their 4th year in existence and are still going as strong as ever. A number of new members joined this year, and it's great to see there are more and more ladies keen to get involved. The initiative has brought great life to many members who have never been involved before. There were a number of challenge games throughout the year against teams such as Kinlough, Omagh and Carrickmore.

The highlight of the year was the much anticipated return of the National Blitz in Dublin. A phenomenal event in the G4MO programme with teams from all over the country involved. Our Cappagh ladies played teams from Cork, Fermanagh, Laois and Dublin on the day. A thoroughly enjoyable day out for all, with lots of fun and laughter, which epitomises the entire initiative. Our G4MO team participated and helped out in many club events throughout the year, such as the Darkness into Light walk, the 5k/10k race, and anything else possible that they could attend to help, they were there. The ladies are frequent supporters of all teams within the club, and all club events.

There is a strong team camaraderie within this group and long may it continue.



Handball

Handball in Killiclogher has flourished in 2022. We had great success in Ulster She's Ace, Karla Corcoran was the 13 and under winner, Amy Corcoran the 11 and under winner.

For the first time ever a female player from Killiclogher made the Tyrone juvenile team, Karla Corcoran, Karla added to her other successes by winning the Ulster U14 and just lost out in the All Ireland to her Cork opponent. This was a fantastic achievement for Karla and her coach Ciaran Carland.

Our juvenile and adult players participated in Tyrone leagues and championships, we had some success in these also, Shay Carland winning the U10 league and Leah Daly winning the U12's B league. Ciaran Carland won the Masters B adult league. Congratulations to all these players.

Killiclogher hosted a Summer Series in the Ball-wall, this was continuing on from last year's successful tournament with more numbers and grades being played.

Conor Keenan had success in Clann Eireann and in the Lough Showdown one wall competitions winning the Men's C in both. Conor is back playing after injury and is enjoying his well-deserved success.

The club had hosted many games this year, Tyrone leagues and championships and a National juvenile tournament. We held a very successful Juvenile Open Day and had Team Ireland coach Eilise McCrory as guest coach.

Killiclogher entered the Junior B interclub competition for the first time and although losing out to St Mellans Monaghan they acquitted themselves very well.

Some new initiatives have started, winter training for the senior footballers in the handball alley is proving very popular, thanks to Mark Bradley and Gary Wallace for running this league.

Another initiative that has started is Mother's and Others, numbers taking part swell every week and the ladies are enjoying taking part. Thanks to Mairead McMullen who encouraged this group to have a go at the Handball.

Everyday handball activities are continuing with underage training. Thank you to all the coaches who give up their time to take these sessions. Girls handball will start again after Christmas. We will have kids and adults playing in league blitz's and championships starting in December and hope to build on our successes of 2022.



Grounds & Buildings

Since the Club Convention of 2021 much further progress has been made in relation to the development of the physical facilities at the club.

Car Park & New Entrance - As is now clearly visible the works to reinstate the old Gaelscoil site are now almost fully completed. It was hoped that all of this work would have been completed in time for this convention. The only major item to be completed is the area at the rear of Dún Uladh. The works that need to be completed has been agreed between Dún Uladh and the Department of Education and hopefully this will be completed by the coming spring/summer. All the lighting, security and general safety, completed driveway and fencing at the new entrance is now complete.

Flood Bank - Additional drainage is still to be provided before any real use can be taken from the space at the bottom of the training field. The drains are already made at the ball stop end and along the face of the flood bank. The intermediate drains are now required. Planting trees along the bank will add to strengthening it and this work will be completed at the earliest convenience.

New Terracing - Spaces remain for groups or families to 'purchase' steps at the terracing where their names or family names will be engraved and remain as a permanent fixture acknowledging the overall development of the club.

Grounds Maintenance - At the beginning of the first lockdown the normal grounds maintenance plan was significantly reduced due to the financial constraints which followed the curtailment of fund-raising activities. In the past year much of the full maintenance work has been completed. The damaged areas on the training field are currently being worked at and should be in good condition when training for the 2023 season begins.

Grounds Clean up - Thanks is extended to the members who attended the annual grounds clean up prior to the start of the season. There has been a huge improvement in the proper disposal of the large numbers of plastic bottles which had been discarded at random round the grounds.

Walking Path - Plans to complete the walking path have been given serious consideration and the layout of this facility is well established and now awaits a funding development to complete its installation.

Entrance/Exit (Ballinamullan Road) - As last year's report the issues relating to our neighbours at the back entrance have been resolved. Unfortunately, the bridge at the scoreboard has been severely damaged by recent heavy rain and flooding but repair work has been generally agreed and should be completed by early next year.

Additional Works - The pedestrian and vehicle entrances and hedge along Farmhill Road need to be secured especially when the club is hosting inter-club championship games. These games form an important income stream for club funds and need to be protected.

A further development of the river side of the grounds in the form of terracing and covered spectator accommodation needs to be installed and completed.

At times during the year some difficult decisions needed to be taken, in order to protect the grounds from unnecessary use. By and large I would like to acknowledge the support of the vast majority of team managers and coaches for their help and co-operation in keeping our grounds up to the high standard at which they are. It is encouraging to note that much more use is now being made by using the small field, Duddy's, at the road side.

My thanks also go to Kieran McFadden, Eamonn McGrath, Barry O'Connor and Tony Colton for their help and advice in this area of club life.

A small working group has been appointed to examine the overall physical development of all the facilities at Ballinamullan. This will include looking at work which remains unfinished and any other additional work which needs to be done.

A full report on this will be provided to the incoming committee in early spring. If any of this work is to be completed a proper plan for acquiring funding needs to be put in place.

Buildings

I would like to acknowledge the work done by Mairead McCann in keeping the insides of all the buildings in the manner in which they are kept - very much spic and span.

Scoreboard - The scoreboard has now been fully developed and is controlled largely by a laptop located in the main committee room in the old building. A number of our members have been fully trained in its use. A very useful addition and an appropriate memorial to the memory of Tommy Nugent who was instrumental in the fund raising to install the board.

Match Announcements - Acknowledgement and thanks are due to Lorraine McCusker and Patricia McCrory for their work during the season.

Floodlighting (Training field) - The provision of replacement LED floodlighting on the training field is at an advanced stage and should be well advanced in time for the beginning of the new season. This will, of course, reduce the cost of electricity dramatically as well as improving the overall training facilities at Ballinamullan.

Ball Wall improvements - Plans are also at an advanced state in the provision of a basketball court in the Ball Wall as are the provision of a system of enclosing the front area to prevent rain getting inside the area. The provision of movable curtain sides is currently being investigated.

Club Shop - It has now become very clear that the club shop has become a significantly valuable asset not only as a source of income but also as a source of refreshments at any of our games. A special word of thanks is due to Anne Kelly and the other ladies who help run the shop, which is open at all our home games irrespective of what age groups are involved.

Safety Area for Children - Following a lengthy period of closing off the lower end of the main car park as a child safety area it has become clear that using movable traffic cones to prevent vehicles using the lower parking does not work and the alternative is to install permanent immovable bollards to prevent parking in that area. This work will take place over the winter months. The main purpose for this is the protection of children as they leave the playing fields to be collected by their waiting parents. The need for this is due to the heavy volumes and sometimes erratic speeds of traffic in the main car park at times when youth training is taking place. Provision will be made for access to this area, when needed, for car parking on match days or other special occasions.

General - From when this site was initially acquired in the late 1970s only a very small area now remains to be developed. This must be regarded as a truly phenomenal achievement and credit to the membership of this club, past and present, to be able to make a statement such as this. To complete the entire site by 2030 would be a realistic objective and achievable given what has been done in the past forty years. What a legacy this would be to the GAA community in the parish of Cappagh.

Conclusion - My sincere thanks to all our membership, from the very youngest to the very oldest, for their efforts to maintain the standards at Ballinamullan we have become so used to. Our continued support and help from all, however small will always be greatly appreciated.

Dónal Mac Aoidh

Lotto & Half Time Draw

Owing to the bingo not resuming on a Monday night in the Cappagh Parish Centre, we continued with our lotto draw every week. The one advantage is we don't have to worry about having to call off the bingo at the last minute owing to weather conditions in the winter time. The same group of dedicated people are involved, Eamon does the draw live from his home, and on a few occasions when he wasn't available, Cathal Green did the necessary. Eamon then sends a recording of the draw to Niall who posts it on social media. Liam checks contributions paid via Klubfunder etc and passes on the information to Antoinette who checks all the direct debit entries and then informs Mary Meenan of who the weekly winners are. Niall is informed of the winners and posts them on social media and also includes them in the Killyclogher notes for the Ulster Herald. Margaret and Mary make sure all winnings are distributed. Kevin Green continues to sell lotto's every week and for that we thank you Kevin.

At our home games during the playing season and the other games we hosted, we continued to sell half time draw tickets instead of lotto as it proved to be a quicker process and a tremendous success. A number of very willing people made themselves available to help and we thank them all for their assistance.

To the people who contribute to the club lotto through Direct Debit, cash payments, Klubfunder etc, your contributions are what helps to keep the wheels in motion, and for that we thank you.

Mary Meenan

Merchandise

The merchandise shop continued to be very busy throughout the year, there is always a great demand for playing and supporters gear. I suppose we do tend to keep a big stock, but when we have so many sizes of various ranges it's difficult to keep it low. We get customers looking for birthday presents and sending to the USA, Australia, etc so they want to access the merchandise right away. Brenda and I appreciate all the help we got at busy times during the year, without you we would have struggled at times.

Brenda Kerr & Mary Meenan.

Club Shop

The Club Shop continues to provide tea/coffee and refreshments at all matches. Thanks to our volunteers, a total of 60+ games were catered for in 2022.

We covered all games (football & hurling) from underage to Senior (men & ladies), as well as events such as the Donnelly Cup and Tyrone Summer Camp.

This year we also ensured that shop facilities were available for those attending U7.5 - U11.5 Go Games, which were hosted by our club throughout the year.

The shop provides a valuable source of income for our Club and we endeavour to have these facilities available at all games.

Many thanks to all those who have helped during the year, and if anyone is willing to help throughout 2023, please contact any committee member.

Anne Kelly

Health & Well-Being

Internal monthly check and quarterly external check of the Defibrillator continues.

May 7th - Darkness into Light. Great turn out from club members and local community. Over £2,367 raised for the Tara Centre, Omagh, a sister charity of Pieta house. The feedback was very positive and we're planning to organise again next year.

May - 10-16th Mental Health Awareness Week, daily posts on the Club social media.

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September and October - Bryan Kelly delivered first aid course over 2 nights. 31 attendees awarded with attendance and course completion certificates.

October 9th - Health & Well Being Information stand at the Family fun day. Health information leaflets and healthy snacks provided.

Activated major incident plan after the tragic death of John Rafferty. Open informal sessions Sunday 30th, Monday 31st, and Tuesday November 1st to support those in our club community affected. A response group comprising of Health professionals was formed and met with Senior Men, Senior & Minor Ladies and Youth Coaches to support and signpost over a series of 3 nights. Bereavement resources were posted which facilitated a confidential contact form for anyone needing counselling or resources. We liaised with local bereavement charities, Cruse and Tara Centre to facilitate professional counselling.

Geraldine & Lorna attended the Irish Life GAA National Healthy Clubs Conference 2022 which took place on Saturday November 12th in Croke Park. This year's conference focused on the theme of 'Living our Values' which explored the role played by GAA clubs in supporting the Health and Wellbeing of communities. Keynote speaker was Oisín McConville, who delivered a talk on addictions and mental health.

Una and Mairead attended Tyrone Health & Wellbeing Committee and Safeguarding Committee Information Meeting in Garvaghey on Thursday 17th November. This was the first such event of its kind in Ulster. Topics discussed included the importance of being active for physical and mental wellbeing and internet safety especially for our youth which should resonate with us all. The presence of Feargal Logan, Gerard Donnelly and Professor Niall Moyna all recognised and very successful GAA Managers added a different dimension to the occasion.

The Club achieved Healthy Club Foundation Level accreditation in 2021, once group member/s have completed Critical Incident training in January 2023, the club will achieve Silver accreditation.

Working Better Together for Better Health

Project Implementation Phase

Omagh
CKS Community Centre
 Tuesday 20 September, 2022
 3pm - 5pm



Registration

A total of 798 members are registered for 2022. Of that total there are 382 Adult members and 416 Youth members. The total also includes 126 Playing Adult members from the Senior men's, Senior Ladies and Gaelic for Mothers and Others. 377 Youth members playing under 18.

There was different registration options in 2022 which included a registration day via Klubfunder and Foireann platforms. There was a lot of work involved in registering people using the Klubfunder option. For 2023 we will be looking at using the Foireann platform only and having different registration days for different age groups and senior players. During Registration days there will be information available for members and parents on where money from their membership and other income streams is used. Registration days will also include information on the general running of our club and areas where people can offer help to assist with the running of the club. Going forward it is envisaged that the Clubs 'Code of Conduct' will be linked to the Registration form in that when a player, parent, adult member etc complete the registration form they will be agreeing to abide by the Code of Conduct.

Kate Tierney

Referees

Once again, we are indebted to our referees Kevin Taggart, Conal McGinn, Brian McGinn and Frankie Sweeney for carrying out refereeing duties for the club, not only did they cover the requisite league and championship games for the Co Board, but they also covered numerous challenge game that enabled both our male and female teams prepare for their competitions.

Every year it appears to be getting harder to attract referees and there are clubs in the County who have no referees so a big thank you to Kevin, Conal, Brian and Frankie for refereeing for the club.

If you are reading this and would like to get involved in refereeing don't hesitate to contact the Chairman or Secretary of the club and you'll be pointed in the right direction.

Children's Officer Report

During 2021/2022 I am pleased to report that Coill an Chlochair N. Mhuire has continued to successfully implement best practice in safeguarding and child protection within the club. As Children's Officer I have continued to develop good practice procedures in the recruitment and selection of persons working with young people in the Club. Part of this involves overseeing the implementation of Access NI. Throughout the year Access NI vetting and re-vetting continued to take place for all club coaches and volunteers, this work is an ongoing task due to the requirement for re-vetting every 3 years. I also identify the need and organise delivery of safeguarding workshops and other relevant Child Protection training that is required. The Annual Audit of best practice in Child Protection and Welfare was completed and submitted, again this is an ongoing task and is a live piece of work. All relevant training and workshops have been attended and feedback/best practice implemented within the club.

A key focus for the club last year and which will gain more momentum in 2023 is promoting awareness of the relevant Codes of Behaviour and Best Practice within the Club. A key focus is to ensure awareness and implementation of the Joint Code of Behaviour - when working with underage players and the RESPECT Initiative. Part of this work was due to take place in 2021 in the adoption and implementation of Coill an Chlochair N. Mhuire's new Code of Conduct and Behaviour Policy. The scope of this work is large and for its effective implementation, needs to be understood and adopted by all children, parents, volunteers, coaches and executive committee. As a result, a club wide campaign will commence in 2023 through a series of workshops to get this embedded within the club.

Over the reporting period complaints and any breaches of the GAA Code of Behaviour have been investigated and dealt with in a sensitive manner.

I have offered support and guidance to the Youth Officers and the Executive Committee as and when required. Moreover I attend and report regularly to the Club Executive Committee as well as supporting the efforts of the Health and Wellbeing Committee where there are initiatives that support the wellbeing of children and young people.

Key priorities going forward include the Code of Conduct work with children, parents and coaches, greater consultation with our underage players and encourage greater involvement of parents/carers in club activities. All DCSO Posters are to be refreshed and updated throughout the club as well as greater visibility within the club to ensure children and anyone accessing club

activities are aware of who the Children's Officer is and how to contact them. Finally this year we want to ensure that every child's experience that trains or plays for our club, is of pride, respect and most importantly fun and enjoyment.

Mairead Mc Mullen - Children's Officer & DCSO

Fundraising

The completion of yet another difficult year for our club and community. With the long-term impacts of COVID still lingering and increases on household energy costs, this put immense pressure on revenue outcomes of the fundraising committee. We are eternally grateful for all our members and their support to our club and its development in this economically challenging time.

The national draw ticket selling team did not allow the existing financial pressures dampen their target to reach record sales of 650 tickets sold. Appreciation to all our club members and the efforts of all ticket sellers to boost the club funds.

The comeback of our annual 10k/5km event, after a 2-year absence since the pandemic, did not disappoint. 600 runners entered the run and took to the roads of our Cappagh community. An event we would like to build on for next year. Thank you to all the volunteers who made this event a success.

MAC AV video captured the fantastic Annual Golf Classic and we thank Kieran and his team for their continued support. 50 plus teams entered and played in a well organised and well supported event that makes substantial contribution to the funds raised in our club. The success of this event would not be possible without our loyal array

of sponsors and in particular our newly assigned main sponsor McBride Retail. It's great to have a dedicated club person and local business man on board to aid the financial development of our club.

Well done to our ladies Gaelic football teams (Seniors and Under 14) who took the lead in organising the Take Your Pick events.

We look forward to the fundraising events of 2023 where we hope to build on our current network of support within and outside club, to put our club in a more financially stable position.

Cairde Cappagh

Cairde Cappagh continues to provide vital financial support to enable Killyclogher GAA provide the best facilities and resources so that our players get quality training and coaching to enable them to enjoy Gaelic Games and strive to be the best they can be. A big thank you to all those who continue to support the club financially through Cairde Cappagh, it really is appreciated. If you would like to join Cairde Cappagh and help to keep this club great don't hesitate to get in touch with any of the Committee or our Cairde Cappagh coordinator. Its £20 per month and will be money well spent.



Cultural Committee

Scór na nÓg - The club took part in ceili dancing, set dancing, solo singing and recitation at County level. A County title was won in set dancing and the team qualified for the Ulster Final but unfortunately were defeated in it.

Scór Sinsear - The club took part in Ceili Dancing, Set Dancing and Solo Singing. The Set Dance team qualified for and competed in Ulster final but were defeated narrowly in the final. As a noteworthy comment, there is much debate about the change in format this year whereby the competition was changed from the traditional time of year as a winter competition to late summer. It is a universal view that this impacts negatively on preparations as potential competitors find it very challenging to assemble for practices during the summer holiday season. The original concept of Scór was to afford clubs a social setting during the winter months but the experience this year has generally been viewed as undermining this concept. This view is strongly supported by the Scór Committee. A special word of appreciation is extended to everyone involved in both participation, coaching and organising especially in light of the challenges aforementioned with the change of season this year.

Paula Clarke & Patricia Mullan

Sponsors

Once again, a big thank you to all our sponsors you have been very generous over the years and continue to provide much needed financial support to Killyclogher GAA. We would not have the facilities we have without your support. It has been a tough year again financially for many businesses with spiralling costs but you were not found wanting and your continued support is really appreciated. Thank you.

Condolences

I would like to extend my condolences on behalf of the club to all those who lost loved ones in the past year. This is a difficult time for you all and our thoughts and prayers are with you. *Go ndeana Dia trocaire ar a anam.*











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