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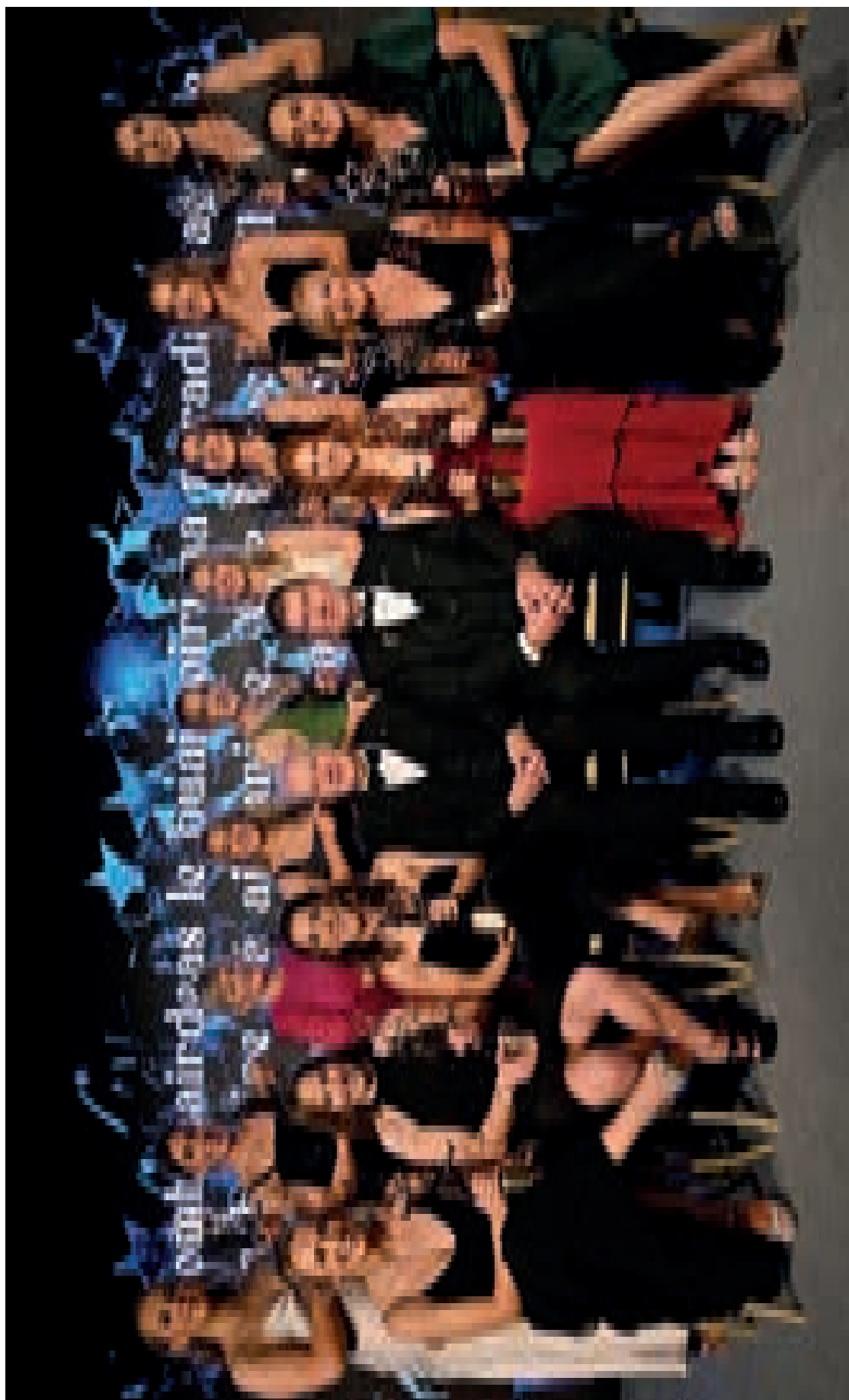
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CONGRESS AGENDA 2024

FRIDAY 1 ST MARCH	EVENT	LOCATION
From 2.00 p.m.	Registration	Main Reception Lobby, Level 4
6.00 p.m.	Dinner	Cascades Restaurant, Level 4
8.00 p.m.	Official Opening of Congress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Adoption of Standing Orders</i> • <i>Minutes of last year's Congress</i> • <i>Reports</i> • <i>Integration</i> 	Woodlands Suite, Level 3
10.00 p.m.	Congress Adjourns	

SATURDAY 2 ND MARCH	EVENT	LOCATION
9.30 a.m.	Resumption of Congress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motions 	Woodlands Suite, Level 3
11.00 a.m.	Morning Break	Main Reception Lobby, Level 4
11.15 a.m.	Motions	
12.30 p.m.	President's Address to Congress	
1.00 p.m.	Lunch	Cascades Restaurant, Level 4
2.00 p.m.	Congress Resumes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motions • <i>Election of Officers</i> • <i>Close of Congress</i> 	
6.00 p.m.	Congress Mass	Orchard Suite, Level 4
8.30 p.m.	Congress Banquet	Woodlands Suite, Level 3

2023 TG4 Ladies Football All-Stars



Back Row from Left; Abby Shields, Dublin, Eilís Lynch, Kerry, Bernie Caffrey who was representing her daughter Leah Caffrey, Danielle Caldwell, Mayo, Lauren Magee, Dublin, Martha Byrne, Dublin, Cáit Lynch, Kerry, Sarah Dunne who was representing her sister Jennifer Dunne and Lorraine Scanlon, Kerry, **Front Row from Left;** Niamh Carmody, Kerry, Orlagh Nolan, Dublin, Ciara O'Sullivan, Cork, Ard Stiúrthóir TG4 Alan Esslemont, Uachtarán Cumann Peil na mBan, Micheál Naughton, Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, Kerry, Carla Rowe, Dublin and Hannah Tyrrell, Dublin

STANDING ORDERS

In order that the proceedings of Annual Congress be carried out without delay, the following Standing Orders will be observed:

1. The Proposer of a Resolution or of an Amendment thereto may speak for five minutes, but not more than five minutes.
2. A delegate speaking to a Resolution or of an Amendment must not exceed three minutes. A maximum of two Delegates from any one County shall speak on any one motion.
3. The Proposer of a Resolution or an Amendment, may speak a second time for three minutes before a vote is taken, but no other delegate may speak a second time to the same Resolution or Amendment.
4. The President may at any time he considers a matter has been sufficiently discussed call on the Proposer for a reply, and when that has been given a vote must be taken.
5. A Delegate may, with the consent of the President, move 'that the question be now put,' after which when the Proposer has spoken, a vote must be taken.
6. Where the Congress considers it appropriate, a vote may be by secret ballot.
7. Any motion seeking to amend a rule in the Official Guide must have a majority equal to two-thirds of those present, entitled to vote and voting.
8. Standing Orders shall not be suspended for the purpose of considering any matter on the Agenda except by the consent of a majority equal to two-thirds of those present, entitled to vote and voting.
9. The Chairperson may change the order of items on the agenda with the support of a simple majority of those present, entitled to vote and voting.



**TREASURER'S
REPORT**



CUMANN PEIL GAEL NA MBAN CENTRAL COUNCIL

Reports and Non-Statutory Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 October 2023

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General Information

Board

Management Committee of Central Council

Mícheál Naughton
Helen O'Rourke
Con Moynihan
Trina Murray
Robbie Smyth
Gerry Doherty
Patricia Morrison
Kathleen Kane
Mary Connolly
Geraldine Carey
Eileen Jones
Hugh Devenney
Marie Hickey
Pat Quill
Geraldine Giles
Peter Rice (deceased November 2023)
Brendan Tobin
Tonya Allen
Pádraic Ó Ciardha

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Statutory Audit Firm,
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Harold's Cross,
Dublin 6W

Bankers

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Solicitors

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15 Lower Mount Street,
Dublin 2

Registered Office

Croke Park,
Dublin 3

CENTRAL COUNCIL REPORT

The Central Council submit their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st October 2023.

1. Principal Activities

The aim of Association shall be to foster, promote, develop and control Ladies Gaelic Football.

2. Management Committee Responsibilities

Management is required to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the association and of the surplus or deficit of the association for that year. In preparing those financial statements

Management is required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
2. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
3. state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify the standards in question, subject to any material departures from those standards being disclosed and explained in the notes to the financial statements; and
4. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the association will continue its activities.

Management is responsible for ensuring adequate accounting records are kept which correctly explain and record the transactions of the association and enable at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and surplus or deficit of the association to be determined with reasonable accuracy and enable the financial statements to be audited. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the association and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Management is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the association's website. Legislation in Ireland governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The officers are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the organisation. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Central Council and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

3. Results

The deficit for the year, after taxation, amounted to €203,060 (2022 – Surplus €888,620).

4. Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005

The wellbeing of the Central Council employees is safeguarded through the strict adherence to health and safety standards. The Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 imposes certain requirements on employers and the organisation has taken the necessary action to ensure compliance with the Act, including the adoption of a safety statement.

5. Principal risks and uncertainties

The Central Council confirms that there is an ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the significant risks faced by the Organisation, and that it has been in place for the year under review and up to the date of the approval of the financial statements.

6. Constitution

The Ladies Gaelic Football Association is governed by its Constitution and Central Council. Annual Congress is held before 1st April each year.

The Ladies Gaelic Football Association is bound by its rules set out in the Official Guide. This can be found on the LGFA website : <https://ladiesgaelic.ie/resources/official-guide/>

CENTRAL COUNCIL REPORT CONT'D

The Ladies Gaelic Football Association is democratically structured on the basis of:

- a. Members
- b. Clubs
- c. County Committees including Schools and Colleges Committees and any other Committees under the control of the County Committee
- d. Provincial Councils
- e. Central Council
- f. Annual Congress

7. Governance

The Central Council shall be the supreme governing body of the Association from Congress to Congress, and the sole final authority to interpret the rules. Its jurisdiction shall extend over all aspects of the Association worldwide, and it shall have power to rule on special cases arising between Congresses, even though there may be no particular rule of the Association covering the cases in question.

The LGFA is a recognised National Governing Body (NGB) for sport with Sport Ireland and is governed by Official Guide and policies adopted by the Association.

The LGFA is compliant with the Governance Code for Type C Organisations

Governance details can be found on website at <https://ladiesgaelic.ie/the-lgfa/about-us/governance/>.

8. Financial Review :

The financial results for the year are set out in the Income and Expenditure account on page 13. A €202k financial deficit has been reported for the financial year to 31st October 2023 (2022: surplus of €888k).

The significant movements year on year and basis for the reported deficit are explained below:

Income:

Total income for the year is €7.6m, comprising of the following;

- Subscriptions & Affiliation fees of €2.3m (2022: €2m) increase is driven by increase in registration fees €300k year on year.
- Injury Fund Fees of €1.7m (2022: €1.5m) links to above increase in membership fees year on year of €131k.
- Grants of €1.3m (2022: €1.6m) decrease is driven by reduction in Sport Ireland Intercounty Government Support by €400k.
- Other income of €1.8m (2022: €1.4m) increase is mainly due to Gate Receipts up €91k, License Fees up €67k and €33k up in Streaming fees year on year.

Expenditure:

Total expenditure for the year is €7.8m, comprising of the following;

- Wages, PRSI & Expenses of €1.3m (2022: €1m) increase is driven by additional staff in 2023.
- During 2023, some of the key expenditures incurred by the Association included;
 - Injury Fund Payouts €1.6m
 - Event Costs €560k
 - Intercounty LGFA Grants payments €304k
 - All-Stars Trip €557k
 - Injury Fund Provision of €363k (2022: €276k), increase is driven by accruals recorded at year end.

Balance Sheet:

At year end LGFA, the net current asset position is €7,201,797 (2022: €7,382,219). Current assets stand at €7,940,330. Cash at bank is €5,289,847, Current liabilities €738,533 of which €63,500 is Deferred income for activities in 2022/2023. Total Reserves of €7.3m in 2023 (2022: €7.5m) is made up of Association's Fund Reserves: €4.6m and Injury Fund Reserves: €2.7m.

During the year the Council reviewed the accounting treatment of the Injury Fund Reserve, which had previously been treated as a financial liability. Following this review and the applicable accounting framework, the reserves have been restated due to the reclassification of the Injury Fund Reserves.

CENTRAL COUNCIL REPORT CONT'D

9. Statement on relevant audit information

Each of the persons who are members at the time when this Central Council Report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as the member is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Association's auditors are unaware, and
- the member has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a member in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Association's auditors are aware of that information.

10. Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant events affecting the Organisation since the year end.

11. Auditors

The auditors, PKF O'Connor, Leddy & Holmes Limited, were appointed by the Central Council on the 31 August 2023.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.

On Behalf of Central Council



HELEN O'ROURKE

Date: 13th February 2024



MARY CONNOLLY

Date: 13th February 2024



GERALDINE CAREY

Date: 13th February 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on the audit of the Non statutory financial statements

Opinion on the financial statements of Cumann Peil Gael na mBan Central Council.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the organisation at 31 October 2023 and of its deficit for the year ended.
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the with Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

The financial statements we have audited comprise:

- the Income and Expenditure Accounts;
- the Balance Sheet; and
- the related notes 1 to 21, including a summary of significant accounting policies as set out in note 1.

The relevant financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' issued by the Financial Reporting Council ("the relevant financial reporting framework").

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are described below in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report.

We are independent of the organisation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standard issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Central Council use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate. Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the organisations ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Central Council with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Central Council are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our Auditors' report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT CONT'D

Responsibilities of Central Council

As explained more fully in the Management Committee's Responsibilities Statement, the Management Committee are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for such internal control as the Management Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Management Committee are responsible for assessing the organisations' ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Management Committee either intend to liquidate the organisation or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken based on these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (Ireland), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit.

Use of our report

This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the Members as a body, for management purposes in accordance with our engagement letter and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come, including without limitation under any contractual obligations of the Society, save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Keith Doyle
for and on behalf of
PKF O'Connor, Leddy & Holmes Limited
Statutory Audit Firm
Harold's Cross Road
Harold's Cross
Dublin 6W

Date: 13th February 2024

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

For the financial year ended 31 October 2023

	Note	2023 €	2022 Restated €
Income			
Subscriptions & Affiliation Fees		2,255,433	2,029,261
Injury Fund Fees		1,671,825	1,540,683
Amortisation of Sports Capital Grant		21,808	21,808
Grants	4	1,328,861	1,591,242
Other Income	5	1,769,068	1,493,580
Sponsorships	6	592,500	602,500
Total		7,639,495	7,279,074

Expenditure			
Overheads	7	7,441,152	6,074,329
Transfer to Injury Fund Provision		363,185	277,907
Depreciation	11	38,218	38,218
		7,842,555	6,390,454
Net (Expenditure) / Income		(203,060)	888,620

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2023 or 2022 other than those included in the income and expenditure account.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.



HELEN O'ROURKE
Date: 13th February 2024



MARY CONNOLLY
Date: 13th February 2024



GERALDINE CAREY
Date: 13th February 2024

BALANCE SHEET

Balance Sheet as at 31 October 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		€	€
Tangible Fixed Assets	11	140,419	163,057
Current Assets			
Debtors & Prepayments	9	2,650,483	453,128
Cash at bank and at hand	10	5,289,847	7,360,826
		7,940,330	7,813,954
Creditors:			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	673,111	344,505
Sports Capital Grant	16	65,422	87,230
Net Current Assets		7,201,797	7,382,219
Total Assets less current liabilities		7,342,216	7,545,276
Net Assets		7,342,216	7,545,276
Represented by:			
Reserves b/fwd	14	7,545,276	6,656,656
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year		(203,060)	888,620
Total Reserves		7,342,216	7,545,276

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Management on behalf of the Central Council on 13th February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



HELEN O'ROURKE
Date: 13th February 2024



MARY CONNOLLY
Date: 13th February 2024



GERALDINE CAREY
Date: 13th February 2024

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

As at 31 October 2023

	Note	2023	2022
		€	€
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash from operating activities	17	(2,070,979)	1,614,109
Cash flows from investing activities			
Net cash from investing activities		-	-
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash from financing activities		-	-
Increase in cash and cash equivalents			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		7,360,826	5,746,717
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		5,289,847	7,360,826

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 October 2023

1. General Information

These financial statements comprising the Consolidated Statement of Income, the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Reserves, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes constitute the consolidated statements of Cuman Peil Gael na mBan Central Council for the financial year ended 31 October 2023.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland. The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires association's management to exercise judgment in applying the Organisations accounting policies (see note 3).

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. The Central Council is partly dependent for its working capital on grants received. This should enable it to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future by meeting its liabilities as they fall due.

2.3 Gate Receipts

All income is recognised once the Organisation has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

2.4 Commercial Revenue

Commercial revenue relates to income earned from sponsorship and broadcasting of the tournaments and events run by Cuman Peil Gael na mBan Central Council. The revenue is recognised in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreements entered into between Cuman Peil Gael na mBan Central Council and the individual sponsors and media partners.

2.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

2.6 Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets at the following annual rates and basis:

	Rate	Basis
Computer Equipment	20%	Reducing Balance
Fixtures and fittings	20%	Reducing Balance
Office Equipment	20%	Reducing Balance
Office Refurbishment	10%	Straight line

The costs of assets specifically acquired for a project and funded by that project are charged to income and expenditure in the financial year in which they are acquired.

2.7 Pensions

The organisation operates a defined contribution pension scheme.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONT'D

For the financial year ended 31 October 2023

2.8 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivables are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

2.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

2.10 Provisions for Liabilities

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Organisation a legal or constructive obligation that impairment of assets probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to profit or loss in the year that the Organisation becomes aware of the obligation and are measured at the best estimate at the Balance Sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance Sheet.

2.11 Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.12 Injury Fund Reserve

A reserve has been set aside in the accounts to support Central Council's liability towards player injury.

3. Judgements in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The Central Council consider the accounting estimates and assumptions below to be its critical accounting estimates and judgements:

Useful Lives of Tangible Fixed Assets

Long-lived assets comprising primarily of fixtures and fittings, plant and machinery and office equipment represent a significant portion of total assets. The annual depreciation depends primarily on the estimated lives of each type of asset and, in certain circumstances, estimates of residual values. The Central Council regularly review these useful lives and change them if necessary to reflect current conditions. In determining these useful lives management consider technological change, patterns of consumption, physical condition and expected economic utilisation of the assets. Changes in the useful lives can have a significant impact on the depreciation for the financial year. The net book value of Tangible Fixed Assets subject to depreciation at the financial year end date was €140,419 (2022: €163,057).

Impairment of Trade Debtors

The Organisation trades with a large and varied number of customers on credit terms. Some debts due will not be paid through the default of a small number of customers. The Organisation uses estimates based on historical experience and current information in determining the level of debts for which an impairment charge is required. The level of impairment required is reviewed on an ongoing basis. The total amount of trade debtors is €573,240 (2022: €206,391).

Revenue Recognition

Judgment is used to interpret the terms and determine when all the criteria of revenue recognition have been met for revenue recognition to occur in the appropriate accounting period. While changes in the allocation of the estimated sales price will not affect the amount of total revenue recognised for a particular sales arrangement, any material changes in these allocations could impact the timing of revenue recognition.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONT'D

For the financial year ended 31 October 2023

4. GRANTS

	2023	2022
	€	€
Income		
Sport Ireland - Core Grant *	525,000	500,000
Sport Ireland - Inter County Government Support Scheme*	6,000	437,304
Sport Ireland - Women In Sport Income*	32,016	42,845
Sport Ireland - Dormant Account Income 2022/2023*	59,220	75,142
Sport Ireland - Special Projects Grant*	-	10,000
Sport Ireland – COVID-19 Grant Scheme *	146,000	-
Sport Ireland - Research Grant *	27,000	14,951
GAA Covid Club Grant *	300,000	282,000
Injury Fund Admin Grant	25,000	25,000
CLG Grant	200,000	200,000
Other Grants	8,625	4,000
Note *The sponsoring department for these grants is the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media. These are administrated through Sport Ireland.		
TOTAL	1,328,861	1,591,242

5. OTHER INCOME

	2023	2022
	€	€
Gate Receipts	897,220	806,738
Development Fund	269,888	268,576
Licence Fees	168,500	101,247
All Ireland Club Levy	156,450	144,450
Streaming	97,434	64,098
Events Income	93,574	69,365
Publications	29,586	13,138
Congress Weekend	23,021	22,318
Deposit Interest	28,495	-
Fines & Appeals	4,900	3,650
TOTAL	1,769,068	1,493,580

6. SPONSORSHIP

	2023	2022
	€	€
Corporate sponsorship	592,500	602,500
TOTAL	592,500	602,500

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONT'D

For the financial year ended 31 October 2023

7. OPERATING EXPENSES

	2023	2022
	€	€
Injury Funds Payouts	1,625,722	1,420,233
Wages PRSI & Expenses	1,323,896	992,289
Event Costs	561,160	426,931
All Star Trip	557,701	-
Game Organisation	841,284	831,447
Media Advertising & Promotions	382,395	354,997
National Strategy & Development plan (excluding salaries)	364,289	373,033
Printing, Stationery & Software	312,840	307,965
Intercounty LGFA Grants	304,171	-
GAA Public Liability Insurance	300,000	282,000
Streaming	230,031	122,289
Grants	153,353	75,981
Office Administration Costs	113,789	68,317
AGM	86,980	66,599
Sports Ireland Dormant Account Programmes	59,220	75,142
Sports Ireland WIS Development Programmes	32,016	42,845
Sports Ireland Research Grant	13,500	14,951
Sports Ireland Special Projects Grant	-	10,000
Research Projects	57,437	-
Members Expenses	53,410	48,313
Consultant & Legal Costs	49,076	81,203
Audit & Accountancy	7,380	4,182
Inter-County Government Support Scheme	6,000	437,304
Bank Charges	5,502	5,588
Bank Interest	-	32,720
TOTAL	7,441,152	6,074,329

8. EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION

The total staff was 25 (2022 : 18) The aggregate employee and related costs were as follows:

	2023	2022
	€	€
Salaries & Expenses	1,071,364	854,532
Employer PRSI	111,750	88,416
Pension Contributions	140,782	49,341
TOTAL	1,323,896	992,289

Capitalised employee costs during the year amounted to €Nil (2022 - €Nil).

The average monthly number of employees, during the year was as follows:

Department	Number of Employees
Management	4
Operations	8
Development	10
Temporary Staff	3
TOTAL	25

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS CONT'D

For the financial year ended 31 October 2023

8. EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION (CONT'D)

Salary€	Number of Employees
€60,000+	1
€70,000+	1
€80,000+	2
€90,000+	1
TOTAL	5

9. DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS

	2023	2022
	€	€
Prepayment – All-Star Trip	-	236,796
Other Prepayments	48,746	9,941
Debtors	573,240	206,391
Deposit with GAA Development Fund	2,028,497	-
TOTAL	2,650,483	453,128

10. CASH AT BANK AND AT HAND

	2023	2022
	€	€
Current A/c – Dev fund	165,450	279,429
Current A/c	2,013,924	4,218,311
Current A/c – Injury	3,110,403	2,862,964
Sterling A/c	70	122
TOTAL	5,289,847	7,360,826

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer Equipment	Furniture & Fittings	Office Refurb't	Office Equipment	Field Equipment	Total
	€	€	€	€	€	€
Cost						
At 1 Nov 2022	74,474	35,840	101,805	36,400	136,090	384,609
Additions	13,120	-	-	-	2,460	15,580
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 Oct 2023	87,594	35,840	101,085	36,400	138,550	400,189
Depreciation						
At 1 Nov 2022	57,774	34,278	50,900	30,626	47,974	221,552
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charge 2023	4,175	390	10,180	1,444	22,029	38,218
At 31 Oct 2023	61,949	34,668	61,080	32,070	70,003	259,770
Net Book Value						
At 31 Oct 2023	25,645	1,172	40,725	4,330	68,547	140,419
At 31 Oct 2022	16,700	1,562	50,905	5,774	88,116	163,057

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12. CREDITORS & ACCRUALS

	2023	2022
	€	€
Visa	-	37
PAYE/PRSI	29,902	23,998
Trade Creditors & Accruals	113,924	131,334
Sport Ireland WIS –(Note 15)	50,000	54,520
Sport Ireland Dormant – (Note 15)	-	32,016
Sport Ireland Research Fund-(Note 15)	13,500	-
Prepaid LGFA Public Liability Levy	102,600	102,600
Injury Fund Reserve	363,185	-
TOTAL	673,111	344,505

13. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

	2023	2022
	€	€
Dept of Tourism Sports Capital Grant incorrectly taken as Income in 2021	-	(92,985)
TOTAL	-	(92,985)

The Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.

A grant of €109,038 was received from The Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media for the purchase of electronic field equipment. This is being amortised as income into the Profit & Loss Account at the rate of 20% per annum.

14. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN ASSOCIATION'S FUNDS

	Opening	Income	Expenditure	Funds Transfer	Closing
	€	€	€	€	€
General fund	4,682,312	5,967,670	(6,014,377)	-	4,635,605
Injury fund	2,862,964	1,671,825	(1,828,178)	-	2,706,611
TOTAL	7,545,276	7,639,495	(7,842,555)	-	7,342,216

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Council in furtherance of the objectives of the organisation and have not been designated for other purposes. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the association for specific purposes. Costs relating to such funds are charged against the specific fund.

The injury funds are available for use to fund injury claim payments. During the year the Council reviewed the accounting treatment of the Injury Fund Reserve, which had previously been treated as a financial liability. Following this review and the applicable accounting framework, the reserves have been restated due to the reclassification of the Injury Fund Reserves.

15. DEFERRED INCOME

	Grant Deferred 01/11/2022	Grant Received	Grant Income Recognised	Grant Deferred 31/10/2023
Sport Ireland - Women in Sport	32,016	50,000	32,016	50,000
Sport Ireland - Dormant Account	54,520	4,700	59,220	-
Sport Ireland - Research Account	-	27,000	13,500	13,500
TOTAL	86,536	81,700	104,736	63,500

All grants that were expended during the year were wholly expended for the purpose for which they were intended by Sports Ireland.

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16. SPORTS CAPITAL GRANT

	2023	2022
	€	€
Sport Ireland – Women in Sport	65,422	87,230

The Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.

A grant of €109,038 was received from The Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media for the purchase of electronic field equipment. This is being amortised as income into the Profit & Loss Account at the rate of 20% per annum.

17. RECONCILIATION OF PROFIT/ (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAX TO CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS

	2023	2022
	€	€
(Deficit)/ Surplus before income tax	(203,060)	888,620
Depreciation	38,218	(76,014)
Fixed asset additions	(15,580)	-
Increase in debtors	(2,197,535)	568,729
(Decrease)/ increase in creditors	306,978	325,759
Prior year adjustments	-	(92,985)
Cash generated from Operations	(2,070,979)	1,614,109

18. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The Organisation operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. Contributions payables are charged to the profit and loss account in the year they are payable. There was a pension liability at the year end of €Nil (2022: €1,755).

19. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events since the balance sheet date.

20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions during the financial year (2022: None).

21. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Management Committee of Central Council approved these financial statements for issue on 13th February 2024



CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT



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Fáiltím ó chroí romhaibh anseo go Óstán Falls in Inis Díomáin dár gComhdháil Bhliantúil, an Caogadú Comhdháil sa mbliain speisialta seo dár gcumann. Táimid bailithe le chéile anseo, toiscáirí ó gach contae in Éirinn, ón mBreatain agus ónár n-aonaid ar fud an domhain agus muid ag caitheamh súil siar ar an mbliain atá caite agus ag ullmhú don bhliain amach romhainn. Cé gur deireadh seachtaine suntasach é seo dúinn gach bliain, tá bród agus áthas ar leith orainn i mbliana agus Iubhaile Órga an Pheil na mBan á cheiliúradh agus á chomhóradh againn le chéile.

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you all to county Clare on the occasion of our Annual Congress where we gather to reflect on the activities of the past year and put in place any rule changes that may be required for the coming year. This weekend is a special weekend as we also mark our 50th Congress and reflect on how far the association has come since its foundation in 1974.

Lidl National Football Leagues

A new year and a new season always bring with it a renewed sense of hope and optimism. So, it was for our counties who set out on their journeys in 2023 in the quest for provincial and national honours at inter-county level.

Prior to the commencement of the Lidl National Leagues, we were delighted to confirm, following discussions with TG4, that 13 fixtures would be screened live on television from the competition. This was another increase on Lidl National League coverage that has grown substantially in recent times. We were also pleased to announce that viewers at home and abroad could access all other adult fixtures not shown live on TV via our live-streaming service, with various purchase packages available.

The group stages of the Lidl National Leagues provided some fantastic action across the board, with teams in Divisions 1, 2 and 3 vying for one of the top two places, and an automatic place in the finals, while we would have semi-finals in Division 4, which was split into Division 4A and 4B. Kerry and Galway emerged from Division 1 to claim final spots, with Armagh and Laois finishing as the top two in Division 2. Kildare led the way in Division 3, with Clare joining them in the final, while the Division 4 semi-finals would pit Antrim against Limerick, with Fermanagh up against Leitrim. Those semi-finals were won by Antrim and Leitrim, who marched on to a final meeting at Parnell Park on 16th April.

That was a memorable afternoon at the Donnycarney venue as the Division 4 final was paired together with the Division 3 decider as an attractive double-header. In the first game of the day, the Division 4 final was won by Antrim on a 1-19 to 2-6 scoreline. Orlaith Prenter was simply outstanding for the winners,

securing the Player of the Match award after scoring eight points. This was a sweet, and maiden, Division 4 title win for Antrim, who had lost Division 4 finals in 2014, 2016 and 2019.

The Division 3 final was a much closer affair between Kildare and Clare, a thrilling match that required extra-time before the sides were finally separated. After the sides were deadlocked at the end of the regulation hour, Kildare edged home with just a single point to spare on a 2-11 to 2-10 scoreline. Róisín Byrne's ten-point haul was a huge factor in this Kildare win, and she received the Player of the Match award at full-time. This wouldn't be the last time that Kildare and Clare would clash in a major national final in 2023.

The Divisions 3 and 4 finals brought the curtain down on a riveting 2023 Lidl National League campaign. On Saturday 15th April, our finals in Divisions 1 and 2 were played out at Croke Park, with victories going to Kerry and Armagh respectively. Kerry's victory over Galway in the Division 1 final was a quite outstanding performance from the Kingdom, who ran out 5-11 to 1-10 winners.

Kerry produced a stellar performance at Croke Park to earn their 12th Lidl NFL Division 1 crown with a comprehensive win against Galway. Niamh Ní Chonchúir found the net twice for Kerry, while Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, Hannah O'Donoghue and captain Síofra O'Shea also netted to guarantee Kerry a first division 1 title since 1991. Despite that attacking prowess, it was a defender, Kayleigh Cronin, who received the Player of the Match award after producing a dominant display at full-back.

Approaching the Championship summer, Kerry were viewed by many as arguably the leading contender to land the Brendan Martin Cup and their early season form was certainly encouraging. Division 2 winners in 2022, Kerry made the step up the topflight with some comfort and were playing with a real hunger, having lost out in the 2022 TG4 All-Ireland Senior Final.

In the Division 2 final, there was redemption for Armagh following their 2022 final loss to Kerry. The Orchard County were impressive 4-9 to 2-10 winners against Laois, with Aimee Mackin scoring a hat-trick of goals within a ten-minute spell. Aimee's superb display, which saw her finish with 3-3, earned her the Player of the Match award on the day.

The Lidl Teams of the 2023 National Leagues saw the divisional winners well represented. There were nine Kerry players included on the Division 1 selection, with runners-up Galway claiming four places on the team. There were also inclusions for Waterford's Megan Dunford and Cork's Eimear Kiely. In Division 2, champions Armagh led the way with eight players selected, followed by four from runners-up Laois. Tipperary, who narrowly missed out on

a final place, had two players selected, while Westmeath's Lucy Power was also rewarded for her efforts.

On the Division 3 team, champions Kildare had five players named on the Lidl Team of the League, with runners-up Clare honoured with four players on the selection. There were two players each from Down and Wexford included, while players from Sligo and Louth were also acknowledged.

The Division 4 team was made up of seven players from champions Antrim, five from runners-up Leitrim, two from Fermanagh and one from Limerick. The winners received their awards at Croke Park on Friday 5th May and MC on the night once again was former Waterford star and TG4 analyst, Michelle Ryan, who performed the role with a huge degree of professionalism.

TG4 Championships

With the dust settling on the Lidl National League campaign, the provincial championships were soon in full swing across Connacht, Leinster, Munster and Ulster. At senior level, Mayo secured the TG4 Connacht Senior title for the first time since 2016 when they beat Galway, while Dublin were crowned champions in Leinster after defeating Meath in the final. Down

south, in Munster, Cork got the better of Kerry, who had been superb in the Lidl National League prior to the commencement of the championship. Ulster honours went the way of Donegal, who recovered from the disappointment of suffering relegation from Division 1 of the Lidl National League to record what was considered a surprise provincial final victory over Armagh.

Finishing positions in the provincial championships would determine the make-up of the groups for the TG4 All-Ireland Championships. At senior level, Armagh, Mayo and Laois were pitted together in Group 1, with Donegal, Meath and Waterford in Group 2. Group 3 was made up of Kerry, Dublin and Cavan, with Galway, Cork and Tipperary in Group 4. At intermediate level, Group 1 was made up of Kildare, Leitrim, and Louth, with Clare, Tyrone, Wicklow and Offaly in a four-team Group 2. In Group 3, Wexford, Monaghan and Roscommon would battle it out for progression, with Antrim, Westmeath and Longford in Group 4. Two teams would emerge from each of the groups in the Senior and Intermediate Championships to contest quarter-finals, while our Junior Championship was split into two groups, with the top two in each moving into the semi-finals. Group A in the TG4 Junior Championship was made up of Down, Limerick, Sligo and Kilkenny, with Fermanagh, Carlow, London and Derry in Group B.





Prior to the commencement of the championships, we were delighted to officially launch them at Croke Park, with an emphasis on the fact that the 50th Senior Final in our association's history would be played at Croke Park on Sunday 13th August. To mark this, our pre-championships photoshoot took leading players from the junior, intermediate and senior grades to Castle Durrow in County Laois, with the significance here being that the very first senior final in 1974 was played in Durrow. Furthermore, we were humbled and honoured to welcome the 1974 captains – Tipperary's Kitty Ryan-Savage and Offaly's Agnes Gorman – to Croke Park for our official championships launch. Kitty and Agnes regaled guests with their memories of 1974 and beyond, joined on stage by Meath goalkeeper and All-Star, Monica McGuirk. TG4's Máire Ní Bhraonáin was MC for the afternoon and we heard from TG4 Ard Stiúrthóir, Alan Esslemont, and our own President, Mícheál Naughton, after a healthy media contingent gathered to interview players who were available on the day.

In the days that followed the launch, we were delighted to unveil another bumper season of live TG4 Championship coverage on linear TV, culminating with our three finals at Croke Park on 13th

August. Again, all games not shown live on TV were also made available to viewers at home and across the globe on our live-streaming platform, ensuring that nobody would miss a minute of the action as it unfolded across the summer.

On the field, the big question on everybody's lips was who would finish the season as TG4 All-Ireland Champions in our three competitions? The race for the senior title looked wide-open again, with Kerry looking to carry their excellent league form into the summer, despite losing out in the Munster final to Cork. Dublin and Meath would have fancied their chances from Leinster, with Galway and Mayo expected to launch strong challenges from the Connacht province. Donegal and Armagh had contested the Ulster final and they were also hopeful of doing well in the All-Ireland series. Meath were looking for a third successive TG4 All-Ireland title but they were under new management again after Davy Nelson, who had taken over from Eamonn Murray prior to the start of the 2023 season, vacated his position and was replaced by Jenny Rispin. With so many sub-plots about to unfold, the Brendan Martin Cup race began and there was an extra incentive for the teams to get to Croke Park for the 50th Senior Final.

At intermediate level, a number of teams harboured high hopes of going all the way and lifting the Mary Quinn Memorial Cup. Wexford had suffered the heartbreak of final losses in 2021 and 2022 and were looking to go one better but a cluster of teams began the season with realistic ambitions of climbing the Hogan Stand steps on 13th August. Among them were Kildare and Clare, the 2023 Lidl National League finalists, while Antrim were another team to keep a close eye on, after they followed up on their Lidl NFL Division 4 title win by clinching the TG4 Ulster Intermediate title for the very first time. At junior level, Down were hoping to bounce back to the intermediate grade at the first attempt, having suffered relegation in 2022, with the likes of Fermanagh, the 2022 runners-up, and Limerick expected to challenge.

Following the group stages of the senior championship, our eight quarter-finalists were confirmed. From Group 1, Armagh and Mayo were the two teams to make it through, following victories over Laois. By virtue of a dramatic win against Mayo, it was Armagh who topped the group to secure a home quarter-final. In a change to previous years, it was determined prior to the championships that the teams finishing on top of their respective groups would have home advantage in the last eight, and that provided an extra incentive to the teams involved. In Group 2, Donegal's impressive resurgence saw them defeat Waterford and latterly Meath to top the group. Meath, having beaten Waterford, finished in second place and booked a place in the quarter-finals. One of the games of the season saw Dublin and Kerry battle it out at Parnell Park in Group 3 and given the quality of the football on show, there was a real feeling that these two teams would have a big say in the destination of the All-Ireland title in 2023. Kerry won the game but Dublin made it through in second place after seeing off the challenge of Cavan. And, in Group 4, our qualifiers were Galway and Cork. Galway beat Cork to top the group, with both counties achieving victories over Tipperary.

The bottom teams from each group, namely Laois, Waterford, Cavan and Tipperary, would now have to stave off the threat of relegation. In the play-offs, Laois ensured they would be playing senior championship football again in 2024 by defeating Cavan, as Tipperary won an enthralling fixture against neighbours Waterford, with the game decided by free kicks. Those results left Waterford and Cavan facing off in Crettyard in a clash where the losers would drop down to intermediate level in 2024. Kellyann Hogan, Lauren McGregor, Sadhbh Hallinan and Bríd McMaugh were in good scoring form for Waterford as the Déise claimed a comfortable win to ensure survival in the senior ranks. Cavan, in contrast, were left disappointed by relegation and will look to regroup at intermediate level this year.

The TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship quarter-final draw threw up some brilliant pairings. Donegal would have home advantage against Dublin, with Meath set to make the trip to Kerry. Armagh were handed a home fixture against Cork, while Mayo would make the short trip to Galway for another Connacht derby. A 'Super Saturday' of fixtures on Saturday 15th

July saw three of our four quarter-finals played, with Donegal and Dublin due to play on the following day. The first Saturday game saw Mayo edge out Galway with just a single point to spare in a hard-fought encounter in Salthill. Shauna Howley's fisted point ensured that Mayo secured another big-game victory over Galway, having won the TG4 Connacht Senior Final between the counties. Later in the day, Cork made their trip to Armagh a winning one, with sisters Doireann (0-4) and Ciara (0-3) O'Sullivan accounting for half of their 0-14 winning tally. With two teams safely through to the semi-finals, thoughts turned to Austin Stack Park, Tralee, for the eagerly anticipated evening fixture between Meath and Kerry. This was a repeat of the 2022 TG4 All-Ireland Senior Final, won by Meath at Croke Park, and Kerry were certainly fired up and in the mood for revenge. Emma Duggan scored seven points for Meath on the night, but Kerry were the better side and goals from captain Síofra O'Shea and Niamh Carmody, were crucial in a 2-8 to 0-10 win. That victory for Kerry set up a semi-final against Mayo, while the winners of the Sunday tie between Dublin and Donegal would face off against Cork in the last four. Dublin had fallen at the quarter-final hurdle against Donegal in 2022 but this was a different story as the Sky Blues, who looked to be improving and growing steadily, produced a powerful performance in Ballybofey. The winning margin at full-time was 15 points, with Dublin going through on a 3-12 to 0-6 scoreline. Kate Sullivan netted twice for Dublin and evergreen Sinéad Aherne came off the bench to score a goal.

The scene was now set for our semi-finals, with both games pencilled in as a double-header at Semple Stadium, Thurles, on Saturday 29th July. In the first of these games, Kerry, despite lining out without injured captain, Síofra O'Shea, were in superb form in the first half and they established a 1-10 to 0-4 interval lead. Mayo did rally after the break, but Kerry managed to keep their opponents at arm's length and they ran out 1-16 to 1-11 winners to book a place in a second successive TG4 All-Ireland Senior Final. Louise Ní Mhuirheartaigh was Player of the Match for Kerry on the day after contributing a magnificent individual tally of 1-10. So, who would join the Kingdom at Croke Park? That question was answered emphatically by Dublin, who were 2-19 to 0-13 winners over Cork. Dublin was 1-10 to 0-7 ahead at half-time and they turned the screw in the second half to complete a comfortable win. Hannah Tyrrell and captain Carla Rowe scored the Dublin goals, with Lauren Magee collecting the Player of the Match award on the back of a dynamic and typically powerful display.

Our 2023 TG4 All-Ireland Senior final pairing was now confirmed. For the very first time in our history, Dublin and Kerry would meet in an All-Ireland Ladies Senior Football Championship Final. Adding to the sense of history around the game was the fact that it was our 50th Senior Final. With Kerry chasing a first senior title win since 1993 while Dublin were going for their first since 2020. Reading the pre-match previews and surveying the build-up ahead of the game, the general feeling was that this would be a very tight but entertaining game, with little to separate the two teams. If it was on a par with the group fixture at Parnell Park

earlier in the summer, spectators were certainly in for a treat. It would be Dublin's day, however, as Mick Bohan's well-drilled team scored a 0-18 to 1-10 victory. Hannah Tyrrell was Player of the Match for Dublin and simply sensational on the day. Hannah scored eight first half points to help Dublin lead by 0-11 to 0-4 at half-time. Kerry had come into the game with huge confidence, but they didn't get going and were playing catch up from an early stage in proceedings. Down the home straight, Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh scored a 55th minute goal for Kerry and when she followed up with a point, Kerry was within four. But Dublin had the wherewithal to finish the job and claim a merited five-point victory on the day. This was an excellent All-Ireland title win for Dublin and perhaps the one that will have given Mick Bohan most satisfaction. From the start of the year, there was a general acceptance that this was a Dublin squad in something of a transitional phase and yet they finished the season as Leinster and All-Ireland champions. Mick is back in 2024 for another season in charge and Dublin will start once again as one of the leading contenders to win the silverware in our anniversary year. The likes of Kerry, Donegal, Meath, Armagh, Mayo, Galway and Cork are other teams to keep an eye out for in the race to be crowned 2024 winners.

In the TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship, it looked like another open race for silverware. Monaghan and Westmeath dropped down from the senior grade having suffered relegation in 2022, while Antrim were promoted after winning the 2022 TG4 All-Ireland Junior title. A number of counties harboured high hopes of going deep into the competition and following the conclusion of the group stages, Kildare, Leitrim, Clare, Tyrone, Wexford, Monaghan, Antrim and Westmeath had booked their places in the quarter-finals. It was a last eight packed with quality and the pairings pitted Wexford against Leitrim, Kildare against Tyrone, Antrim would play Monaghan and Clare found themselves up against Westmeath. Wexford, Kildare, Antrim and Clare all showed good form in their quarter-final victories and the semi-finals paired Clare with Antrim, appearing in a very first intermediate semi-final, and Kildare against Wexford in a Leinster derby. Antrim provided Clare with a very stiff challenge but with Chloe Moloney, Fidelma Marrinan and Aisling Reidy in good scoring form, the Munster outfit secured a 2-14 to 1-13 win. The other semi-final was a low scoring affair, as Kildare got the better of Wexford by 1-4 to 0-2. Often in semi-finals it's all about getting the job done and having won the Lidl National League Division 3 title, along with the Leinster crown, Kildare were now on the cusp of more glory.

The scene was set for a repeat of the Lidl National League Division 3 final between Kildare and Clare – and this time the counties would go in search of the Mary Quinn Memorial Cup and promotion to the senior championship ranks for 2024. It was another close encounter as Kildare won by 2-11 to 2-10, holding off a late Clare rally to secure the title. It really did look like Kildare were on course for a comfortable victory but two late Clare goals made for a nervy finish for the Lilywhites. Between them, Fidelma Marrinan (1-5) and Chloe Moloney (1-3) contributed 2-8 of Clare's tally but the Player of the

Match award, just as it did in the league final, went to Kildare's Róisín Byrne, who scored 0-7. Kildare's win makes for a very interesting TG4 Leinster Championship next year, with four teams now in the senior ranks. Kildare will have their work cut out against Laois, Dublin and Meath but their graph has been on an upward curve in recent times and under Diane O'Hora's tutelage, they'll be ready for the task lies in store.

In the TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship, eight teams started out on the road to Croke Park, namely Down, Limerick, Sligo and Kilkenny in Group A, and Fermanagh, Carlow, London and Derry in Group B. When the dust settled on the group stages, Down made it through from Group A alongside Limerick, with Fermanagh and Carlow qualifying from Group B. Down would face Carlow in the semi-final, with Limerick up against Fermanagh. Caoimhe McGrath made a huge impact for Limerick in their semi-final win against Fermanagh, scoring six points in a 0-10 to 1-6 victory, a nail-biting encounter that saw the Shannonsiders prevail by just a single point. Down, who had been relegated from the intermediate ranks in 2022, appeared determined to bounce back at the first attempt and they kept their mission on track by scoring a 1-9 to 0-8 victory against a gallant Carlow side. Orla Swail's goal proved really crucial for the ladies from the Mourne County as they emerged victorious.

The All-Ireland final would pit two excellent teams against each other in Down and Limerick but only one would get their hands on the West County Hotel Cup. Once again it was Orla Swail who stepped up to the plate with another vital goal as Down claimed the silverware and promotion with a 1-7 to 0-8 win. It was a 43rd minute strike that proved crucial and Down were crowned junior champions for the second time, following their previous win in this competition back in 2000. Natasha Ferris, who enjoyed an incredible scoring campaign, scored 0-5 for Down, including two pointed frees, as Orla Duffy's dynamic defensive display earned her the Player of the Match award. Down can now look forward once again to All-Ireland Intermediate Championship Football in 2024, while Limerick will regroup under new management and look to go again.

While the winners claimed the spoils on All-Ireland finals day, there was disappointment for the runners-up and also the teams relegated from their respective grades in 2023. I have no doubt that Cavan, relegated from the senior championship, and both Louth and Longford, who went down from the intermediate grade, will come back stronger again next year and I wish them well. A huge thank you to all teams who competed in the 2023 TG4 All-Ireland Championships. The standard of football was incredible and, in the eyes of many observers, reached even higher levels of excellence.

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club Championships

Once again in 2023, we concluded our currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club Championships before Christmas. For the second successive year, the All-Ireland Intermediate and Senior Club Championship finals were played at Croke Park, with the All-Ireland Junior final fixed for Parnell Park in Dublin.

In the preliminary round of the All-Ireland Junior Championship, Glasgow Gaels made a winning start to their campaign on their travels to Maastricht, where they took on An Craobh Rua, flying the flag for Belgium. That victory for Glasgow Gaels ensured a home tie at the quarter-final stage against visitors O'Donovan Rossa from Cork. O'Donovan Rossa made their trip to Clydebank a winning one, as they scored a 2-14 to 2-0 victory. That set up a semi-final meeting with Gusserane of Wexford for O'Donovan Rossa and this was another dominant display from the Cork girls, who secured a 2-12 to 0-6 victory on home soil.

O'Donovan Rossa had now built up a considerable head of steam in the junior championship and their final opponents at Parnell Park would be Claremorris of Mayo, who had home advantage for their semi-final against Derry visitors Lavey. Goals proved crucial for Claremorris in this one as they outscored Lavey by 5-4 to 2-11. The scene was now set for the All-Ireland Final on Sunday 17th December and the honours went to O'Donovan Rossa in a close-fought encounter. Éabha O'Donovan was in scintillating form for the winners, scoring 2-5 as O'Donovan Rossa edged home by 2-7 to 0-11. Éabha's second goal, in the 54th minute, was pivotal as O'Donovan Rossa were a point down before she found the net again. Not surprisingly, Éabha's exploits earned her the Player of the Match award as captain Lisa Harte accepted the silverware on behalf of the newly-crowned champions.

The All-Ireland Intermediate series got underway at the quarter-final stage with Glanmire from Cork also on their travels to face Tir Chonaill Gaels in London. This was a tough assignment for Glanmire, who battled hard to claim a 2-5 to 0-09 win. Glanmire, who were Junior Champions in 2018, had their sights set on the intermediate title and their semi-final opponents were Na Fianna from Meath. There was some discourse surrounding this fixture as the Na Fianna camogie team were also playing in an All-Ireland semi-final on the same weekend. Na Fianna's Ladies Footballers were facilitated with their choice of day for their semi-final. They were asked which day they would prefer and they picked the Sunday. We also had Glanmire involved in the semi-final so it was not just Na Fianna impacted if the fixture was moved. Moreover, preparations were well underway for our All-Ireland club finals at Croke Park on 16th December, just a fortnight after the semi-finals. Having semi-finals a week before a final was simply a non-runner for a multitude of reasons. As is the case during the summer months with inter-county fixtures, the split season plays a huge part in a condensed window to run off fixtures. Our Master Fixtures Plan was finalised and agreed a year previously, with All-Ireland club semi-final dates marked in. At inter-county level, various counties play Ladies Football and Camogie on the same weekends, and with dual players. We strive to ensure that there are no major clashes, i.e. they play on separate days on a given weekend, and that was the case with Na Fianna, who had indicated that they were happy to play two All-Ireland finals on the same weekend,





had both of their club teams progressed. As it transpired, it was Glanmire who booked their place at Croke Park, as they got the better of Na Fianna by 1-7 to 0-6 in Mallow.

On the other side of the draw, Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins from Leitrim were enjoying a dream campaign and their exploits at the semi-final stage against Derry's Steelstown Brian Ógs helped to earn Róisín McHugh The Croke Park / LGFA Player of the Month award for November 2023. Róisín scored eight crucial points against Steelstown and, in a dramatic late finish, Aoibheann Flynn scored a late goal to help Ballinamore over the line. This win for Ballinamore ensured that they would be the first Leitrim team since Aughawillan in 1997, when they played in a junior final, to contest an All-Ireland Ladies Club Final, a quite notable feat. The 2023 currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Intermediate Final at Croke Park on Saturday 16th December was the first game of a double-header at the venue, and victory went the way of Glanmire. The scoring exploits of Orlaith Roche helped the talented full-forward to the Player of the Match award in a game that had goals galore. Glanmire were full value for their victory on a 5-8 to 1-6 scoreline and Orlaith finished the day with 2-1 to her name, with Evie Twomey, Niamh McAllen and Riona Crowley also finding the net for Glanmire.

The senior final followed between Galway's Kilkerrin-Clonberne, aiming for three-in-a-row, and Ballymacarbry from Waterford, who were set for their first ever appearance in an All-Ireland Senior Club final at Croke Park. Ballymac, of course, have such a rich and storied tradition in the All-Ireland Club Championship

and prior to the 2023 final, they had contested 12 previous finals, winning ten. Ballymac's previous appearance in an All-Ireland Senior decider was back in 1998 and hopes were high that a long gap could be bridged. Kilkerrin-Clonberne had won well, however, when the sides met in the 2022 All-Ireland semi-final and the holders proved too good once again. Ballymac battled hard and produced a spirited second half performance in particular, but Kilkerrin-Clonberne had much of the hard work done in the first half, by which time they had established a 0-11 to 0-3 lead.

Eva Noone, Lynsey Noone and Chloe Miskell were all in outstanding form but this was another superb team effort from Kilkerrin-Clonberne, who would eventually run out 0-18 to 1-9 winners. Clare Walsh scored a second half goal for Ballymac but it wasn't enough and the Waterford and Munster champions will be hoping to take the lessons learned from their Croke Park debut into the 2024 club season.

To Kilkerrin-Clonberne went the spoils once again and they are truly the dominant club side in the modern era, having completed the three-in-a-row. They are such a tight knit club and community and few would back against them returning to Croke Park before the year is out in search of a fourth successive title. At this juncture, I would like to acknowledge our competition sponsors, currentaccount.ie, who indicated that they would not be in a position to renew their sponsorship with us in 2024. Many thanks to currentaccount.ie CEO Seamus Newcombe, a huge supporter of Gaelic Games, and his team for their support during the term of contract, and we wish them well for the future.

Lidl Post-Primary Schools

The 2023 Lidl Post-Primary Schools finals provided us with the usual thrills, spills and simply brilliant football. The finals, which were played in late March and early April, saw nine counties represented. The Junior A, B and C finals were fixed for Saturday, 25th March, with the Senior A, B and C finals played on Tuesday 28th March, Thursday 30th March and Saturday, 1st April.

We were also delighted to confirm live-streaming of the three senior finals and they certainly lived up to pre-match expectations. In the Senior A Final, a hat-trick of goals from Lauren Woods saw Loreto St. Michael's from Navan win their first ever Senior A title in an exciting final against Sacred Heart, Westport.

An inspired display from Meath senior Ciara Smyth also played a big part in securing a famous victory at Glennon Brothers Pearse Park in Longford in a game which was played at a rapid and free-flowing tempo right from the throw-in.

In the Senior B Final, Convent of Mercy, Roscommon, produced a powerful final quarter surge to win the title against Mercy Mounthawk, Tralee.

Goals from Síofra Hession and Aisling Hanly, whose inspirational story went viral ahead of the game, were the crucial scores at Éire Óg GAA club in Nenagh.

It marked the first All-Ireland Senior B crown for the Roscommon school as they secured their first national title since winning the Senior A crown back in 2009.

And in the Senior C Final, Leah McGovern scored a superb 1-08 for St Mary's, Naas, as they won the title with victory over Cavan's Virginia College at the GAA National Games Development Centre, on what was a tricky day weather-wise for football.

Well done also to Loreto, Cavan, Maynooth Education Campus (Kildare) and Presentation, Milltown (Kerry) who were victorious in the Junior A, B and C competitions respectively.

All six finals received significant local and national media coverage and that's something we're extremely proud of. Thanks to Lidl Ireland for their vital and continued support of these competitions.

I thank most sincerely our teachers, both primary and post-primary, for their tremendous support, commitment and dedication in ensuring that girls get an opportunity to learn the skills and partake in our sport at school level. A special thanks also to our Provincial Administrators and schools' committees for their efforts and time in organising and promoting the post-primary competitions.

Juvenile Championship

Our 2023 All-Ireland juvenile competitions provided plenty of highlights once again, with action in the U-14, U-16 and U-18 Championships. We were delighted to have ZuCar on board

once again to sponsor our U-18 Championships. ZuCar are also the LGFA's Official Performance Partner and sponsor of our Gaelic4Teens programme.

Well done to all teams who participated in the U-14 Championships, showcasing the stars of tomorrow. Mayo defeated Cork in the Platinum Final, as Derry overcame Tipperary to win the Gold Competition. Silver honours went to Down following an all-Ulster final against Monaghan, as the Bronze title went to Wicklow following their win against Clare.

In the U-16 grade, it required two brilliant games to separate Cavan and Cork. Following a replay at the TUS Gaelic Grounds in Limerick, Cavan were crowned All-Ireland U-16 A champions for just the second time, and first since 1977. There were simply incredible scenes of celebration pitch side after the game, as two late frees from Mia Lynch sealed the deal for the young Breffni girls.

The 'B' title was won by Kerry against Sligo, as Antrim overcame Clare in the 'C' decider. When you consider the progress made by Antrim in recent seasons by their adult team, the future is indeed very bright for the county but from an overall perspective, it's so encouraging to see the spread of counties contesting underage finals at national level. These big days provide young players with invaluable experience and learnings as they progress through the grades.

Galway suffered final heartbreak against Cork in the 2022 ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 Final but the girls from the West would not be denied in 2023. In their final against Kildare, Galway found themselves two points down at half-time but they rallied to win by 3-11 to 1-8, with Kate Thompson finishing with a personal tally of 2-2. This was a seventh All-Ireland U-18 title for Galway, who have enjoyed considerable success at underage level in recent times, success they hope will translate into senior glory in the coming years.

The 'B' Final, just like at U-16 level, was another Kerry-Sligo affair, with the girls from the Kingdom also winning this one. First half goals from Amy Curtin and Julia Curtin were the key scores in a three-point victory, with Kerry showing promising signs again at underage level. In the ZuCar All-Ireland C Final, Donegal met Waterford and it was the Ulster team that came out on top. A late goal from Abbie McGranaghan put the seal on victory for Donegal in Kinnegad and I have to acknowledge patrons across the underage competitions who attended the various fixtures in their droves. These games are among our very best supported fixtures on any given year and I know from talking to young parents/guardians and players how much motivation and inspiration full stands and big attendances can provide. Well done to all teams who competed in our underage championships in 2023, and to team mentors, county boards, administrators, volunteers and match officials for helping to ensure another memorable season.



Féile Peil na nÓg

This was the eight year of John West's sponsorship of the Féile competition. Two Féile Peil na n-Óg competitions were held in 2023, with both National Féile and Regional Féile taking place on the same date, Saturday 1st July. This resulted in a total of 112 teams competing, with over 2900 LGFA players, 500 mentors, 70 match officials and 100's of volunteers, a Féile Festival!

Connacht hosted the National Féile with 40 teams over five divisions in Connacht GAA Centre of Excellence (Mayo); Clonberne Sports Field (Galway); Castlereagh St. Kevin's (Roscommon); Tubbercurry GAA (Sligo) and Tuam Stars GAA (Galway). New York, London and Delco Gaels, Philadelphia added an international presence, with New York taking home the Division 1 silverware, for the second year running, after a close final with Naomh Mearnóg, Dublin.

Sincere thanks to the National Féile Committee and Connacht GAA especially John Prenty, Adrian Hassett, Michael O'Connor and John Hopkins, Connacht Féile Chairperson, for the planning and organisation and to the LGFA Connacht Administrator, Ita. C. Hannon, for all her assistance.

Regional Féile saw 72 teams competing across nine regions including: Antrim: St. Joseph's Glenavy & Naomh Éanna, Down: Carryduff, Armagh: Silverbridge Harps, Louth: Cooley Kickhams, Meath: Donaghmore Ashbourne, Wicklow: Blessington, Longford: Longford Slashers, Tipperary: Moyne Templetuohy, Limerick: Staker Wallace. We welcomed Scotland and Glo-Herts competing in Regional Féile for the first time.

Many thanks to these venues and the wonderful volunteers for hosting and to the county boards for assigning match officials.

HEC

The HEC third-level competitions were boosted once again in 2023 by the presence of Yoplait as sponsors. Unfortunately, Yoplait were not in a position to renew their sponsorship in 2024 and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them most sincerely for their efforts over a two-year period, as the profile of the third-level championships increased even more.

The 2023 Yoplait HEC Finals were played at the spectacular Connacht GAA Centre of Excellence and the University of Galway Connacht GAA Air Dome. With unpredictable weather conditions at the time of year, having the opportunity to avail of the Air Dome when required was most useful and the presence of the orange ball for the indoor fixtures enhanced the viewer experience for those tuning into the live streams.

The Yoplait Donaghy, Lagan and HEC Cup Finals were decided on Wednesday 8th March, International Women's Day, before attention switched to Friday 10th March, with the Moynihan Cup Final down for decision, along with the Yoplait O'Connor Cup, Giles Cup and Lynch Cup semi-finals. 2023 marked the 34th anniversary of the Higher Education Committee third-level championships and they continue to go from strength to strength.

Congratulations to the various winners of the competitions, with DCU Dóchas Éireann claiming the Yoplait O'Connor Cup, following a 3-14 to 1-13 victory over University of Limerick, who

were chasing a third successive title. Offaly's Kate Kenny was the star of the show on final day, scoring 1-10 and earning the Player of the Match award, with the O'Connor Cup Final live streamed on the Spórt TG4 YouTube channel.

Elsewhere, University of Ulster defeated MTU Kerry in the Giles Cup decider, as ATU Donegal got the better of UCC to claim the Lynch Cup. TUS Midwest landed the Donaghy Cup, the Moynihan Cup went to DKIT, while Lagan Cup honours were captured by University of Galway. To complete the set, DCU Dóchas Éireann won the HEC Cup.

Following the conclusion of these successful Yoplait HEC Championships, the Yoplait HEC All-Star presentation night was held at the Bonnington Dublin Hotel on 31st March. Yoplait O'Connor Cup winners DCU Dóchas Éireann led the way on the Yoplait HEC All-Star team with eight representatives, with five players from UL included, along with one each for University of Ulster and ATU Donegal.

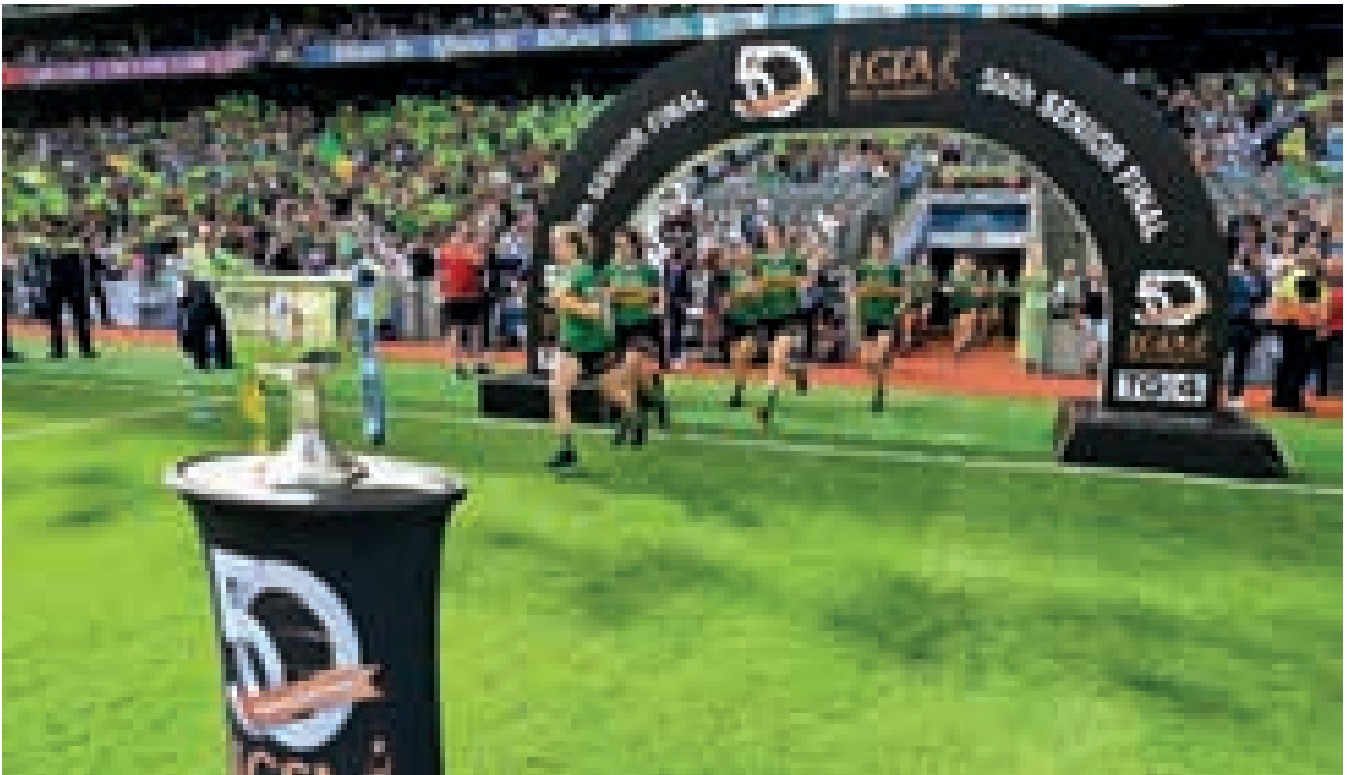
On the Yoplait Rising Stars team, Moynihan Cup Winners DKIT and runners-up ATU Sligo shared eight positions on the selection. There were three players from University of Galway included, two from TUS Midwest, and one each from Ulster University and DCU Dóchas Éireann.

A special thanks to the Higher Education Committee under the stewardship of Chairperson Daniel Caldwell and Secretary DJ Collins for their sterling work in ensuring the smooth running of the HEC League and Championship competitions. We continue to work closely with and support the HEC in the developing and strengthening of our game in third level institutions and the appointment of a HEC Competitions Support Co-Ordinator this year will hopefully enhance this even more.

TG4 All-Ireland Finals Weekend

Our TG4 All-Ireland Finals were played on Sunday 13th August at Croke Park in front of 45,326 spectators. This figure would have fallen below our expectations but in the middle of holiday season, we believe this is a significant factor, as many people are away and there is less engagement with schools in comparison to the previous September date, as they have not yet returned. The fact that Dublin and Kerry were involved in our 50th Senior Final would have filled us with hope that we would have a better attendance but the football played out on the day was superb. As we approach our 50th anniversary on 18th July, there's a big emphasis on boosting attendances right across the board for national adult fixtures, as club fixtures and underage inter-county juvenile games are generally very well attended.





Loyal supporters from Down, Limerick, Kildare, Clare, Dublin and Kerry still brought great noise and colour to Croke Park for TG4 All-Ireland finals day, and we were delighted to acknowledge previous All-Ireland Senior Championship winning captains at half-time in our 50th Senior Final. I know from meeting with and speaking to them on the day, how much this day and experience meant to them. It was incredible to learn that in the 49 finals played prior to 2023, there were 42 different winning captains. The players who have lifted the Brendan Martin Cup on more than one occasion are Dublin's Sinéad Aherne (2017-2020 inclusive), Cork's Juliet Murphy (2005-2007 inclusive), Cork's Ciara O'Sullivan (2015 and 2016) and Meath's Shauna Ennis (2021 and 2022). Prior to 2006, when Juliet Murphy captained Cork to what was a second successive title at the time, there had been a different winning captain in every year since 1974. Our very first All-Ireland winning captain was Kitty Ryan-Savage from Tipperary in 1974 and Kitty had the honour of leading the former captains out onto the Croke Park turf, under a specially commissioned arch for the day. Each captain was introduced to the crowd by Marty Morrissey, to rapturous applause and lovely ovations.

Following the Dublin-Kerry final, Carla Rowe became the 43rd different player to lift the coveted silverware. It was also a very special day for our U-12 and Sports Direct Gaelic4Mothers&Others clubs who played in the half-time exhibition games.

Following a detailed study of submissions, 12 clubs representing 11 counties were handed the chance to fulfil a dream on TG4 All-Ireland Finals day, by gracing the hallowed turf. Pearse

Ógs (Armagh), Kilmacabea (Cork), Round Towers (Kildare), Dunmore MacHales (Galway), Eoghan Rua (Sligo) and Naomh Mícheál (Donegal) were the six U-12 teams who were selected and they were joined at Croke Park by Sports Direct Gaelic4Mothers&Others clubs Ibane (Cork), St. Michael's Magheralin (Down), St. Anne's (Dublin), Monaleen (Limerick), Abbeyside (Waterford) and Castletown (Wexford).

On the day, silverware went to Down, Kildare and Dublin after three enthralling TG4 All-Ireland finals. Dublin are once again the team to catch in 2024 and the presence now of four senior championship teams in Leinster, following Kildare's promotion, is encouraging.

On the eve of TG4 All-Ireland finals day, we held our annual currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7s at Naomh Mearnóg and St. Sylvester's GAA clubs. Kilkerrin-Clonberne from Galway retained their senior title and they were in very good form on the day, racking up big totals during the group stages and after accounting for Armagh's Clann Éireann in the semi-finals, they enjoyed a 4-10 to 1-7 victory against Leitrim opponents Glencar-Manorhamilton in the final.

With the Noone sisters, Hannah, Eva and Lynsey, spearheading a Kilkerrin-Clonberne side that also contained the Ward twins, Nicola and Louise, Kilkerrin-Clonberne were 2-7 to 1-3 clear at half-time, with Lynsey Noone and Caitlin Boyle grabbing the first half goals. Further goals followed in the second half from Eva Noone and Nicola Ward, as Kilkerrin-Clonberne closed out a comfortable win. This win marked a fourth senior club 7s title for Kilkerrin-Clonberne, following previous successes in 2014, 2016 and 2022.

In the Senior Shield final, 2022 beaten cup finalists, Tipperary outfit Fethard, got the better of Roscommon's Clann na Gael by 5-6 to 2-6.

The Intermediate Cup final was won by Shelmalier of Wexford, with Galway outfit Bearnna collecting the intermediate shield.

And in the Junior Cup and Shield competitions respectively, there were victories for Galway's Gráinne Mhaols and Walterstown from Meath. A huge thanks, as always, to Naomh Mearnóg and St. Sylvester's GAA Clubs for the use of their fine facilities and the tremendous work the 'Ground Force' team do in preparation for the day. A huge amount of work went in behind the scenes to ensure that the day was a success, with LGFA staff members and volunteers from all over the country leading the way. Their efforts are very much appreciated.

TG4 All-Star Awards

We were back at the Bonnington Dublin Hotel for our 2023 TG4 All-Star night, in association with Lidl Ireland, as Marty Morrissey and TG4's Peil na mBan Beo lead anchor, Máire Ní Bhraonáin, performed MC duties. Our 15 TG4 All-Star award winners were revealed, along with our Senior, Intermediate and Junior Players' Player of the Year award winners, as voted upon by their peers. It was also wonderful to officially induct Dublin legend, Christina McGinty, into the LGFA Hall of Fame. Marty worked alongside Christina to produce a special video

to mark the occasion that was played on the various screens in the function room – and this one certainly tugged at the heartstrings as Christina relived key moments from her career, while the piece also featured contributions from those who know her best.

Following speeches from LGFA President, Mícheál Naughton and Ard Stiúrthóir TG4, Alan Esslemont, we revisited some great moments from the 2023 TG4 Championships before settling in for an evening of entertainment and awards. The acts on the night were Onóir, a modern folk group from Donegal, the brilliant Gardiner Brothers, whose dancing was a joy to behold, and the ever-popular Galway Tenors.

Once again, a big thanks to our All-Star committee, who had the onerous task of first of all selecting the 45 nominees, before then settling on their 15 All-Stars, with the selection garnering almost universal approval. Senior champions Dublin earned eight All-Stars, there were five for runners-up, Kerry, and one each for Cork and Mayo, the beaten semi-finalists.

Brilliant Kerry forward Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh collected her fourth All-Star award on the night and there was another big individual accolade to follow for Louise when she was named TG4 Senior Players' Player of the Year. Our intermediate winner was Kildare's Róisín Byrne, with Down's Natasha Ferris claiming the junior honour.



Prior to the TG4 All-Star banquet, there was a very healthy online audience tuning in to watch a series of interviews with leading players, along with our President, Mícheál Naughton, Alan Esslemont from TG4 and Máire Ní Bhraonáin. The host for this pre-event show was Donegal's Emer Gallagher, who fulfilled her role to perfection.

Awards

2023 brought more wonderful success for our female sports stars in various codes – both at national level and on the international stage. The annual RTÉ Sports awards saw the Dublin Ladies Football team nominated in the Team of the Year category, while Dublin manager Mick Bohan was among the nominees for the Manager of the Year award. To be listed in such exalted company was a reflection of the work put in by Mick and his team during 2023.

The Croke Park Hotel/LGFA Player of the Month Awards ran from January to December 2023 and we were delighted to honour our monthly winners, namely Róisín Byrne (Kildare) in January, Kerry captain Síofra O'Shea in February, Kate Kenny from Offaly and DCU Dóchas Éireann in March, Armagh's Aimee Mackin in April, while Antrim's Órlaith Prenter claimed the award in May. In June, the honour went to Clare's Fidelma Marrinan, with Kerry's Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh taking home the July award. August honours went to Dublin's Hannah Tyrrell, the September award was claimed by Niamh Murray from Armagh club Clann Éireann, and Niamh O'Dea from Clare club Banner Ladies won the October award. November saw Róisín McHugh from Leitrim club Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins honoured, while our December 2023 winner was currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Senior Club final Player of the Match Lynsey Noone from Galway club Kilkerrin-Clonberne.

Congratulations to Kilkenny official Élena Byrne, who was a worthy recipient of a 2023 GAA President's Award. From the founding of the Dunnamaggin club, Élena has been a driving force in bringing Ladies Gaelic Football to the club and county. From underage to Gaelic4Mothers&Others, she is constantly seeking avenues to increase participation and promote the sport in Kilkenny and nationwide.

We also acknowledged our 2023 Glenveagh Homes LGFA National Volunteer of the Year award winners, and well done to all recipients. We had ten categories once again and the winners were: Young Volunteer of the Year – Dúana Coleman (Pádraig Sairseil, Co. Antrim), PRO of the Year – Siobhan McCloskey (Emyvale, Co. Monaghan), Local Journalist of the Year – Daragh Nolan (Leinster Leader), School Coach of the Year – Sean Costello (Dominican College, Griffith Avenue, Dublin), Club Coach of the Year – Aine Reilly (Convoy, Co. Donegal), Club Committee Officer of the Year – Deirdre Colgan (St. Margaret's, Co. Dublin), County/ Provincial Committee Officer of the Year – Lisa Walsh (Co. Cork), International Volunteer of the Year – Pat Doab (Celtic Cowboys, Austin, Texas, USA), Volunteer Hall of Fame – Michael O'Loughlin, (Mountmellick Sarsfields, Co. Laois), Overall Volunteer of the Year (Lulu Carroll award) – Margaret Buckley (St. Valentines, Co. Cork). The LGFA was delighted to have Glenveagh Homes on board as

new sponsor of the LGFA National Volunteer of the Year awards. This sponsorship builds on the already strong relationship between the LGFA and Glenveagh Homes, who are also the Association's Gaelic4Girls programme sponsor. The 2023 Glenveagh Homes LGFA National Volunteer of the Year award winners gathered at Croke Park on Friday 9th February 2024, for a very special evening to celebrate their outstanding achievements.

In March 2023, The Federation of Irish Sport celebrated the winners of the 2022 Volunteers in Sport Awards, proudly supported by the National Network of 29 Local Sports Partnerships. In addition to the 32 county award winners, the overall Outstanding Achievement Award was presented to Aislinn Nugent of Vallemount LGFA from Co. Wicklow in special recognition of her promotion of inclusivity, community spirit, health and well-being through Sport in the community for over 20 years. Aislinn is also a former Club Committee Officer of the Year in our National Volunteer of the Year awards – a unique double for a lady who works tirelessly on behalf of the LGFA.

A huge congratulations to our 2023 ZuCar Golden Boot and Golden Glove winners. Clare's Fildema Marrinan scooped the ZuCar Golden Boot award as leading scorer in the 2023 TG4 All-Ireland Championships, with a haul of 5-38 (53 points) good enough to pip Down sharpshooter Natasha Ferris, who finished with 7-31 (52), by just a single point. Despite Clare's defeat to Kildare in the TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate final on 13th August, Fidelma's tally of 1-5 was enough to move her to the top of the ZuCar Golden Boot standings.

Dublin goalkeeper Abby Shiels, who enjoyed a superb season, was the winner of the 2023 ZuCar Golden Glove award. Abby's outstanding save to deny Cork's Daire Kiely in the TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship semi-final in Thurles on 29th July won the popular vote on our website. Abby was one of four nominees for the prestigious individual honour, along with Mayo's Laura Brennan, Meath's TG4 All Star goalkeeper, Monica McGuirk, and Kerry's Ciara Butler.

The ZuCar Golden Glove award for Abby followed on from her TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship victory with Dublin, and she would add a first TG4 All-Star award to her collection before the year was out. There were over 4,000 votes registered for the 2023 ZuCar Golden Glove award, with Abby's save accounting for 1,879 votes. Abby's nearest challenger, Mayo netminder Laura Brennan, received 1,021 votes.

Sponsorship and Promotion

2023 saw another increase in the number of followers of our social media accounts. Prior to congress last year, we had over 42,000 accounts following us on Twitter (X), with Instagram almost at 40,000 followers. On Facebook, we were followed by 85,000 accounts and that platform continued to be our largest in terms of follower numbers and engagements. That trend continued to the end of 2023, with our Facebook following surpassing 90,000, while our number of Instagram followers had increased to over 46,000. On Twitter (X), we were over 45,000



followers and it was interesting to note that, for the very first time in 2023, our Instagram following surpassed that of Twitter. We activated our TikTok account during 2023 for the first time with over 7,000 followers already tracking our activity.

I would once again encourage our counties to review their social media performance. Many are active across all three main platforms – Facebook, Instagram and Twitter – but some accounts have been dormant for some time now. I would ask the simple question – why? If officer roles have changed, it's imperative that the outgoing PRO or whoever is responsible for social media output ensures a smooth handover and transition to the next person in the role. That should mean that the outgoing person with previous responsibility for social media informs the new person of good practice on social media, and also the handing over of log-in details for the accounts. We've still seen examples of social media accounts on match days not having any updates from key fixtures and this is unacceptable. There are many thousands of followers of your county accounts being deprived of updates from these games and while we have a weekend service that covers the majority of fixtures, we simply cannot cover everything and we need our county and club accounts to provide score updates from games that are not on TV. It's all well and good promoting a game in advance of it, and in the days leading up to it, but there should be somebody dedicated to match day itself to ensure that social media output is of the required standard. Activity on social media will be a key metric for sponsors and therefore of huge importance for every county.

Once again, and as we approach the concluding stages of the Lidl National Leagues, and with the championship season on the horizon, it's an opportune time for counties to take stock and ask

themselves if they're doing enough on social media. For those counties who do not have their own website, I would direct them to <https://clubandcounty.com/> as an affordable option. If you do have an existing website, check to see if the information on it is correct and up to date.

We are indebted to our key sponsors and partners for their invaluable input and financial support of our competitions and development programmes. We announced long-term renewals with TG4 and Lidl in 2022 and we are locked into a long-term arrangement with AIG, the Association's official Insurance Partner. I would like to thank Yoplait Ireland and currentaccount.ie for their support of our Ladies HEC and All-Ireland Club Championships respectively in recent years.

We retain the support of ZuCar as the LGFA's Official Performance Partner, and sponsors of our All-Ireland U-18 Championships and our Gaelic4Teens programme. Sports Direct sponsor our Gaelic4Mothers&Others programme, and Glenveagh Homes sponsor the LGFA's Gaelic4Girls programme, while they also came on board as sponsors of our 2023 LGFA National Volunteer of the Year Awards. A huge word of thanks, also, to our friends at The Croke Park Hotel, who sponsor our Player of the Month Award.

As we approach our 50th anniversary on 18th July, we are working diligently alongside our sponsors and partners to amplify our messaging, and they are keen to help out in any way they can as this extraordinary milestone comes into view.

Governance

From our work in governance in 2023, it is evident that governance must remain an agenda item for not only the

national association but for all our units. It has never been more important for our units to ensure that they conduct their business appropriately and in accordance with the governance code for sport. Accountability and transparency are essential to the running of any board and in 2024 we will provide further supports to all units.

From a national perspective, early 2023 saw the adoption of several policies such as Inclusion, Transgender, Substance Abuse and Critical Incident Planning. Policies assist us in the running of our sport and provide guidance to our units on how we manage the evolving society we live in. In line with our governance procedures, all policies are reviewed and considered firstly by our Audit and Risk Committee before being presented to Central Council by Management for adoption and ratification.

In 2023, we introduced new jersey branding guidelines to provide clear guidance on the positioning and size of markings allowed on jerseys. These guidelines also provide a commercial opportunity with an increase in number of positions for sponsors markings. Central Council approved a new club application process to assist County Boards in the approval of new clubs within their County. The introduction of the new form has proven very effective and provides a detailed case for why a new club is required in any area.

Our Rules Advisory Committee remained a very active committee throughout the year and are a valuable resource to the

Management Committee. Many units have submitted various rules queries for guidance however it is often after the unit has either attempted to deal with it internally or have encountered a very contentious meeting. The committee are of most benefit to all units if they can advise in advance of any situation developing or prior to any proposals being proposed and ratified.

One rule which dominated meetings of the Rules Advisory Committee was Rule 132. This rule was originally introduced to deal with very rare exceptional circumstances where it was not possible for a player to remain with a particular club. Examples of these exceptional circumstances existed where parents may have split up, where a child was in foster care or where severe bullying took place within a school setting resulting in the player having to move schools, and in some cases to a school in a different county. However, over the past year in particular, the exceptional circumstances now being outlined within the request form range from examples of breaches of the Code of Behaviour to medical reasons to breakdown in adult relationships which now affect the player. The rule is now in most instances been looked at as an easy option by a lot of parents who are willing to go to any lengths and any extremes to gain a transfer for their daughters. More often than not the request form is submitted by a legal representative on behalf of the parents. The Rules Advisory Committee have sought legal advice on 90% of the cases this year and legally the association has been advised to grant 90% of the transfers. Based on the cases dealt with throughout the year, the Management



Committee have discussed the rule at length and feel it is no longer serving the purpose it was originally introduced for.

The Audit and Risk Committee continued their work of monitoring how the national association conducts our business. Annually the committee review our risk register and provide advice to the Management Committee on areas which need to be updated or modified. The committee also reviewed all the data protection policies and provided several recommendations for consideration and implementation.

The Management Committee carried out our annual board review and it is a practice which is recommended for all our boards. The review provides an opportunity for the committee members to reflect on how we are operating and to identify areas we can improve on. Each year a number of recommendations come from the review which enhance the effectiveness of the committee. Committee members should be afforded the opportunity to provide feedback in a constructive manner.

During the year we embarked on the process of finding new auditors for Central Council. The tender process was approved by the Management Committee and managed by Barbara Rossiter, as National Finance Officer. We are delighted to welcome PKF on board as our new auditors and we look forward to working with them. On behalf of the association, I would like to thank Marcus Kearney, who was our financial auditor for many years.

CODA

2023 was the fifth year of implementation of the CODA rules. The CODA rules, like many of our rules, continue to evolve as various situations arise which may expose gaps in the rules or wording that requires strengthening to assist with clarification. In general, the CODA rules serve their purpose, however it is essential that not only are the personnel who are implementing the rules attending the annual training and webinars, but also that they are following the guidance provided in terms of procedure. The success of the CODA rules is due to the procedures contained within the rules. Where a procedure is not followed correctly by either skipping a step or altering a step, then the whole process breaks down and all involved can lose faith in the rules. The rules are effective once followed thoroughly.

Training was rolled out again in 2023 for CODA Officers and members of Hearings and Appeals Panels. Training for all CODA Officers at county and provincial level took place on Saturday 15th April in Croke Park, before the Lidl NFL Division 1 and 2 Finals. This was an excellent workshop with a high level of interaction from the CODA Officers present and resulted in providing clarity around specific scenarios experienced by the 29 attendees. Unfortunately, despite having an increase of five counties compared to 2022, the day was unattended by fourteen counties and two provinces.

This training was followed up with three online webinars for members of Hearings and Appeals Panels at county, provincial and national level. Over one hundred and fifty members of

Hearings and Appeals panels attended the training representing 26 counties, five provinces and also included representatives from London and Lancashire. Six counties had no representatives attend any of the hearings and appeals webinars.

This time last year, I reported that two counties did not attend any CODA training. It is both alarming and disappointing to report, yet again that a number of counties did not attend any CODA training. In 2023, the figure has increased to three and the counties are Derry, Fermanagh and Offaly. It is even more concerning that for the second year running, Offaly have not engaged in any of the CODA training provided. We would ask all counties who are not engaging with the training to please contact us to provide feedback on their lack of attendance. We urge all counties to engage with the training. As outlined previously, the training is both informative and interactive to maximise the learning experience for all attendees. The question also arises as to what is happening within these counties in terms of disciplinary, objections, etc.

From a national perspective, the National Hearings Panel heard six cases, one more than heard in 2022. The cases involved three players, two mentors and one official. The three cases with players were the result of red cards; one from the Lidl National Football League and two from the TG4 Championship. Each case resulted in a no sanction decision. In regard to the two mentors, both were reported for verbal abuse and insulting behaviour toward a match official. Sanctions issued were fines and suspensions.

At Congress last year, the motion to create a Central Appeals Committee to hear all appeals from County Board level up was passed. This new structure meant that no appeals were heard at provincial level, allowing Provincial CODA panels to concentrate on hearings and dealing with complaints, etc which may arise.

The new Central Appeals Committee which became effective from the start of April was supported with the addition of six new members. During the year, the panel heard thirteen cases, which is an increase of seven heard by the National Appeals Panel in 2022. The breakdown of the cases was nine disciplinary, one objection, one grading and two in relation to a County Board decision. Out of the thirteen cases, only two cases resulted in a no sanction decision. Regarding the nine disciplinary cases, five related to mentors, one to a player and three to units.

What is very apparent arising from the cases is the conduct of mentors and non-members while attending our games. In many of the cases, the mentors involved offered no apology for their actions and many warranted their actions due to decisions made by the referee. The behaviour of mentors or spectators at our games cannot be ignored and all units must address it through the relevant procedures. Our 'Take a Second' campaign was only launched during the year but it is hoped that its impact may be more evident this coming year. The impact of the campaign will only be enhanced by all units using the resources available to

keep the campaign visible at matches, in stands, programmes, dressing rooms and meeting rooms.

I would like to thank CODA Officers and CODA panels across the country for their work in ensuring our rules are upheld. I would especially like to thank our panels at national level for their commitment to the National Hearings Panel and the Central Appeals Panel. We strive to recruit individuals who have the necessary skills to sit on the panel and we are extremely fortunate to have such a high calibre of personnel volunteering for us.

Safeguarding

The area of safeguarding continues to expand year-on-year. In turn, the necessity to carry out compliance checks increases. With this in mind, we have now dedicated a staff member solely to the area of safeguarding. Aislinn Harkin has taken over role of National Children's Officer and will be responsible for supporting all County Children's Officers as well as ensuring compliance with our safeguarding policies at all levels. The implementation of safeguarding policies is very much a joint approach across all three Gaelic Games Associations which is transparent from the work carried out each year as outlined in this report.

In 2023, Aislinn co-ordinated the completion of Club and County Risk Assessment and Safety Statement, on behalf of the LGFA. This is required to be completed every two years.

The process commenced on 3rd April and was due for completion by the 1st May 2023. This year, the Risk Assessment and Safeguarding Statement was made available to complete on Foireann to assist clubs and counties to retain information and re-access and update as required for future risk assessments. LGFA counties and clubs were all finally deemed to be fully compliant on 8th May.

During the risk assessment process, it was found that there were several LGFA clubs, not registered on Foireann as a One Club, but on the ground have been working together with GAA/Camogie Sections as a One Club. From a governance perspective we have engaged with these clubs and Dawson Andrews to update their registration status on Foireann. A One Club registered on Foireann had to submit only one risk assessment but if registered as separate codes, this required a separate risk assessment.

Arising from the risk assessment the top three most common issues experienced by Children's Officers were: Complaints by parents/guardians over lack of playing time, Alleged breaches by parents/guardians or supporters, Alleged breaches by players (underage).

The National Safeguarding Committee conducted a Risk Assessment and Child Safeguarding Statement Quality Assurance check across all codes with twelve LGFA clubs selected with submissions in July 2023. We engaged with all clubs to ensure full compliance in line with legislative requirements in relation to coach registration, vetting, safeguarding and coaching qualifications.

A Gaelic Games County Children Officer's Information Day was held on 25th November 2023 including Risk Assessment update on Issues/Complaints, Go Games Policy, Social Media update and Code of Behaviour and Safeguarding Updates. Unfortunately, despite early notification and a commitment to cover travel expenses, only 13 LGFA County Children's Officers were in attendance.

From a training perspective there were several developments during the year. Work has commenced to develop a Code of Behaviour Information Session which is a 2-hour Code of Behaviour Information Workshop. The workshop will be of huge benefit to all clubs to help understand the contents of the Code of Behaviour policy. The workshop will not replace Safeguarding Training but is an additional workshop that clubs and counties can avail of.

The National Child Safeguarding Committee have also facilitated pilots of a combined coaching and safeguarding courses whereby the Introduction to Coaching Gaelic Games course is combined with elements of the Safeguarding 1. This combined course will be aimed specifically at new coaches who have neither a coaching or safeguarding course completed and will predominately be organised by County Boards.

In terms of the statistics from a training perspective 1,282 workshops took place for Safeguarding 1, which totalled over 21,251 participants. For Safeguarding 2, 34 workshops were delivered to 588 participants and 19 Safeguarding 3 workshops took place, qualifying 339 participants across the Gaelic Games family.

Certificates are now issued electronically via TOBAR via the GAA learning portal and are visible on Foireann profiles along with coaching records which is a huge resource to clubs and especially to Club Children's Officers for maintaining records and for compiling risk assessment data.

Kayleen Iwasaki was appointed to the role of National GAA Child Safeguarding Officer in 2023 working with Michelle Harte GAA Safeguarding Manager, and we wish her the very best in her new position.

The Gaelic Games vetting application system hosted on Foireann since April 2022 is now almost two years in existence and has been a great tool especially for clubs to record certification.

As of 31st December, over 6,700 LGFA vetting applications were processed on the National Vetting Bureau System. Foireann will automatically notify members who require renewal of their vetting certification in advance of expiry which is of benefit to the member and the Club Children's Officers.

The AccessNI vetting application process, previously planned for 2023 by Dawson Andrews, is now scheduled to be included on Foireann in early 2024, which will assist Club/County Children Officers in Northern Ireland with Safeguarding Compliance Reporting.

Foireann

It's been another very strong year of growth for the LGFA Association with registrations on the Foireann membership system increasing by 12% in 2023 and with every single county experiencing growth. We welcomed 58 new clubs during the year resulting in 1180+ LGFA clubs in total.

Membership % breakdown

- Adult (Player) – 14%
- Adult (Non-Player) – 12%
- G4M&O – 8%
- Youth – 66%

Membership % increase in 2023 from 2022

- Adult (Player) – 11%
- Adult (Non-Player) – 27%
- G4M&O – 30%
- Youth – 8%

LGFA HEC registrations are now being recorded on Foireann and their members can now add their third level college to their Foireann accounts and complete their registrations to their college.

Detailed reports were continuously released to counties and provinces throughout the year to help clubs, counties and provinces review their current state of membership at that time. A key section of the report outlines any members sitting at a 'Fees Due' status. This status means the members have paid their LGFA membership to their club, but the club did not complete their registrations by completing the last step of 'pay LGFA fees'. Thirteen counties, with assistance and engagement of clubs, have resolved these issues for their members and got them registered or revoked.

Eight other counties did reduce the numbers at Fees Due partly but as it stands there are eleven counties that only reduced their numbers by one or two. In total, these 19 counties finished with a combined total of 7,500 members sitting at LGFA Fees Due. In many cases, this is linked back to One Clubs and with the One Club model increasingly growing, reaching approximately 60% of our LGFA clubs, the education of club officers and family members is extremely important.

Training is an important part of administration support and development for our club officers and in 2023 we delivered two webinars aimed at club and county registrars; both were well attended by the officers.

Foireann is a complex system, but with the continued support of county registrars and our dedicated club registrars, we will all work together to make the registration process as easy as possible for everyone involved. The Foireann Help Portal is a valuable resource of help documents and webinars to explain the fundamentals of the system. An overview of the Foireann system for a LGFA club is also explained on the LGFA Website including FAQ and this can be access with the LGFA Hub.

During 2023 the following new functions have been released on Foireann which will be of great benefit to club admins and members. A club admin can now update a completed membership chip i.e. if a member is registered as an Adult (Non-Player) and they forgot to request the added Optional Injury Fund to be paid with their membership, this can now be updated to include this cover. Also, membership chips can be upgraded from one type to another. The full list of options are available within a help document that explains the process.

Club executive report is now downloadable by all admins regardless of level (club, county and province) from the 'Administration Reports' section, this report exports the details of any member of the executive committee who has been assigned a role.

New in 2024 is the option to create a Youth (Non-Player) membership option, this was requested by several clubs and counties over the past couple of years and will allow clubs to register girls who may not play football but want to be a part of the LGFA club. It can also be used to register boys who are helping with coaching (subject to them meeting all vetting requirements).

Strategic Plan

In April we will launch the association's fifth strategic plan. Our strategies have been instrumental in shaping the association we know today and they have driven development across all levels. Our new plan, which will guide the association from 2024 until 2029, has similar traits to previous plans in terms of ambition, innovation and focus. A common trait that all our plans possess is that they have all been shaped and determined by our members through a comprehensive consultation process.

The consultation process for the current plan commenced in early 2023 with an online survey. Following an analysis of the survey results, focus groups were conducted to explore the emerging themes in more detail. The outcome is a plan which consists of five key strands which encompasses all aspects of our sport. Within the five strands, 12 high level ambitions have been identified which will be further determined by specific actions required to achieve our goals.

- Theme 1:** Supporting and Growing Volunteers
- Ambition 1:** To strengthen, support and energise the volunteer base
- Ambition 2:** To recognise, value and celebrate the immense contribution of volunteers to the development of the game
- Theme 2:** Leading and Innovating
- Ambition 3:** To continue to support improved standards in planning and governance
- Ambition 4:** To invest in and support the development of high quality, confident and skilled leaders
- Ambition 5:** Incorporate the continuous use of data and research across the association
- Theme 3:** Purposeful Engagements & Partnerships

- Ambition 6:** To provide world class membership engagement and use digital technology to enhance experiences across all levels of the association
- Ambition 7:** To provide and promote an attractive brand that captures the heritage and value of the game
- Ambition 8:** To build meaningful and valuable partnerships that enhance all aspects of the game and bring reciprocal value
- Theme 4:** Playing Experience
- Ambition 9:** To nurture the development of players prioritising retention
- Ambition 10:** To embed the coach and match official pathways
- Theme 5:** Implementing The Game Plan
- Ambition 11:** To agree and lead an integrated approach with the Gaelic Games Family
- Ambition 12:** To implement an effective operating model across the association

We would like to acknowledge the Strategy Steering Group who led the development of the new plan, shaped the consultation process and contributed to the final document. The steering group was chaired by Bronagh McGrane and Bronagh was accompanied by Orla Cullen, Paul Donnelly, Michelle Healy, Eliza Downey and Richard Bowles. Lyn Savage, Jackie Cahill and Paula Prunty also formed part of the steering group and ensured that work continued between meetings. Many thanks also to Eamonn Seydak, from S3Solutions who was our strategy consultant and ensured the plan was ambitious and in line with workings of our association.

This plan will serve our association well as it acknowledges the milestones we have achieved and will continue to embed and build on this work while at the same time this plan will strive to raise standards and bring about further progress in identified areas as we move into the next phase of our development. As part of the development process, the association's purpose was reviewed and discussed. It was agreed that while our previous purpose statement was fitting for the previous two plans, this plan required a new purpose as we move into the next chapter of our development. The purpose statement now reads as 'That the sport and culture of Ladies Gaelic Football thrives, empowering people and clubs and inspiring lifelong participation.' This is a powerful purpose statement and one which all our units can keep at the centre of all their activities and meetings as it truly reminds all of us as to why the association was established. This reminder should be issued often to bring the focus back to what we are all about and why each of us put ourselves forward to be involved in this magnificent sport. It is also a powerful purpose statement to carry us into our future within a new integrated Gaelic Games Association.

Anti-Doping

Sport Ireland confirmed negative results for four players selected for drug testing at TG4 All-Ireland Semi-Finals in Thurles on 29th July and four players subsequently selected for testing at TG4 All-Ireland Final in Croke Park on 13th August 2023. Sport Ireland's Anti-Doping Unit will soon begin collecting samples by means of Dried Blood Spots (DBS). DBS





is an innovative testing method that collects just a few drops of blood from an athlete's fingertip or upper arm. This is an additional testing method approved by the World Anti-Doping Agency. Sport Ireland will continue to collect both urine and venous blood samples. However, a player may also be subject to testing using DBS as an additional sample collection method.

Lidl Competition 2023

Lidl Plus LGFA Stamp Card Rewards Scheme competition for Post Primary Schools commenced on 22nd October 2023. The first 10,000 shoppers who completed a stamp card received a limited edition LGFA 50th anniversary jersey designed by seven-year-old Aoife Callanan from Cork who plays Ladies Gaelic Football for Courcey Rovers.

All schools that received 50 completed stamp cards were automatically nominated for selection for taking part in Lidl #SeriousSupport Schools Programme, in partnership with the LGFA and Youth Sports Trust UK and automatic entry into the €50,000 grand prize or €10,000 provincial prize.

In addition to these 26 schools, one post-primary/second level school from each of Antrim, Armagh, Derry, Down, Fermanagh and Tyrone were selected to participate in the #LGFASupport programme, with each school selected receiving a set of jerseys.

117 schools qualified for prizes of sets of Lidl sponsored jerseys supplied by Masita.

The additional prizes of 1 x €50,000 and 3 x €10,000 were to be used for sports facilities and/or sports equipment for the school

chosen as the winners in each province. These four schools were chosen based on the written submissions outlining how the school would spend the prize money on facilities and equipment to support the ladies gaelic football teams in the school. The allocation of the additional prizes to the selected four schools will be decided by public vote in February 2024.

Development

The level of development activity across the association increased yet again in 2023 and full details of this are provided in the National Development Manager's report. There has been an emphasis on all strands including coach, match official, player and volunteer development, along with growth and participation. With the ever-increasing growth, and to meet demands in these areas, the Association employed five new development staff to support the current team during the year. It is imperative that we continue to support all areas to sustain our increased membership and ensure our units have the capacity to excel.

At Congress in 2022 we passed a motion stating, 'The Executive Committee of the County Board must appoint a County Development Committee comprising of at least four people each with a responsibility for Coach Education, Volunteer Development, Participation or Referee Education and that the chairperson would be part of the county executive committee. Feedback prior to this motion was that the role of the county development officer had become too onerous for one person and it was difficult for them to focus on all aspects of development. Some counties have really embraced this new motion and now have a very active committee with a lead person responsible for each strand. This has resulted in personnel with a real interest for an area getting the opportunity

to progress this within their county, whilst too ensuring the division of tasks amongst the committee. We provided generic email addresses for each strand to ease succession planning whenever a new person would enter the role.

It has been refreshing to see the counties that have excelled with this structure but unfortunately there are too many counties that have not engaged with this committee at all, despite being a rule in our official guide. Development will not just happen within counties so this committee needs to be prioritised or your county will fall behind. We cannot wait on people to raise their hands but rather counties need to identify people with the skillset and interest required for each strand. They will be provided with support throughout the year from our development team so I urge you to act on this swiftly, you will reap the rewards.

Established initiatives continued to flourish during the year with examples including a record number of Gaelic4Mothers&Others clubs now registered, Gaelic4Girls roll out following full review, Club2Gether assisting to strengthen club structures and Gaelic4Teens continuing the much-required emphasis on teenage retention to name a few.

Go Games was relaunched across Gaelic Games and the updated policy is a reaffirmation of our collective commitment to nurture a passion for Gaelic Games in young boys and girls and to do this through a positive coaching environment of inclusion and to ensure every child has an opportunity to learn and develop their skills. From our experience, children participate in Gaelic Games for a number of reasons – to have fun, to play with friends, parental encouragement, etc. However, a lack of fun, lack of perceived competence and an over-emphasis on competitive outcomes, which usually come from coaches and parents/guardians, are major reasons for dropout. Go Games were established from detailed research and we need to listen to the children and what their needs are. Unfortunately, we had to deal with a number of breaches to the policy during the year and I cannot stress enough the importance of all units of our association adhering to this policy, any club or county breaching this will be dealt with through CODA.

On the pitch it was tremendous to see the first full year roll out of the Player Development Programme to much acclaim and the many match officials in charge of games that have come through our referee education programmes. Off the pitch we continue to support our volunteers and the webinar series yet again attracted huge numbers with very positive feedback both for the live sessions and the ability to watch them back on the LGFA YouTube channel.

It was disappointing that not a single county availed of the opportunity to be part of the volunteer support programme which would have given them access to a member of the development staff for the full year, tailoring supports to their needs. This has been offered again for 2024 and I would encourage counties to benefit from this.

Our development initiatives continue to succeed and it has been inspiring to see many graduates of our programmes like Learn to Lead, Leading Provincial Females and BUA excel in their own roles, both with LGFA and in their personal lives. We put in place supports to encourage, motivate and educate our members and I urge all members to engage with these. We measure ourselves on quality over quantity and every participant will be aided to reach their potential.

As we embark on the implementation of a new strategic plan we will continue to strive for further growth and increased participation. Information gathered through the consultation process will provide direction for development and I have no doubt 2024 will be even more productive and energetic.

Take a Second campaign

One of the key aims of the LGFA is to recognise and celebrate our volunteers, officials and players and create role models on and off the pitch. Central to delivering on this is to provide safe, supportive, respectful playing and non-playing environments for everyone - including players, coaches, referees, parents/guardians, spectators and volunteers.

As we see other sports struggle with culture and behaviour around the match day experience, and specifically with regard to the respect shown to match officials, we are committed to instilling a culture of respect and positivity amongst our people both on and off the pitch. The LGFA wanted to encourage and celebrate a culture of positivity and mutual respect on match and meetings days. The aim was to create and deliver a campaign, that promoted and celebrated positive match day behaviour between players, coaches, referees, parents/guardians and spectators, plus officers in meeting rooms.

We launched our 'Take a Second' campaign in March and asked everyone to 'Take a Second' and think about their next action remembering the potential impact it could have on someone else involved in our game. There are videos and imagery for all units to share across their platforms with the club and county toolkits to encourage everyone to show their support of this campaign. The 'Take a Second' logo has featured at many of our key events both on pitch signage, big screen and officials' jerseys, and in Croke Park on TG4 All-Ireland Finals day..

The ethos of the 'Take a Second' campaign applies to all aspects of our games whether it be on the playing field or in a meeting room at any level of the association. There is an onus on everyone to look at how we contribute to meetings, how we get our points across, the tone used in making a point or seeking clarification. Opting to go down a confrontational route and always challenging with a negative approach serves absolutely no purpose and only leads to disillusionment and discord amongst the members elected to do a job. Open and honest debate is vital at all levels of our association. The elected representatives at any level have had the courage to step up to positions that, no matter how hard they try, will not always please everyone, but we should all care enough to recognise the



work they do, point out both the things that aren't going well and those that are in a respectful, non-confrontational manner.

We can all work together to ensure we respect everyone involved in our games and celebrate everything that is great about participating in Ladies Gaelic Football.

Research

Research is continuing to play a greater role in our evidence-based decision making. It is imperative that we take on board the recommendations being offered through this research and strive to develop further as an association. These findings will be disseminated through our education programmes but also there may be requirements to change rules or policies because of the information provided. We are collaborating with third level researchers on priority areas for the association but there is also an extensive range of other research being conducted and we will strive to ensure these findings are shared too.

John Corrigan is conducting his PhD which will result in an injury prevention strategy for LGFA and he has already published initial papers from this including 'Barriers and facilitators to injury prevention in Ladies Gaelic Football: A qualitative study' and 'Injury prevention in ladies gaelic football referees: Understanding the barriers, facilitators and preferences of referees.' This new strategy has the potential to be a game changer not just for our players but also our match officials.

Donegal's Aoife McColgan is progressing her research in TUD in relation to the demands of the game and this will provide

further guidance to coaches and areas of priority they should be focusing on.

Dr Róisín Leahy, from Dublin City University, completed her PhD on the 'Development of a Novel, Multi-Level Strategy to Enhance Concussion Identification and Appropriate Management in the Community Sport – specifically Ladies Gaelic Football.' The resources developed from it have been dispersed to our units and are available on our website. We are currently working with Clíodhna Devaney and Dr Siobhán O'Connor on the next stage of this which will be the development of a concussion awareness workshop and most importantly evaluating the impact of the education offering. This will be piloted in the first quarter of 2024. The statistics from our concussion research are startling and we need to work together to create greater awareness and most importantly adhere to the return to play guidelines.

Our Gaelic4Mothers&Others programme has been one of the most successful initiatives in the history of our association and now boasts well over 500 clubs registered. This has created an essential outlet for women for their weekly physical outlet but even more so their social outlet. We are working with Dr Wesley O'Brien, Dr Irene Hogan and Glynis Dennehy on a research project to evaluate the social impact of the programme on communities across the country. This is an exciting piece of research and will be able to help us shape the next phase of development for the initiatives.

Speaking of history, as I have mentioned the Ladies Gaelic Football Association celebrates our 50th Anniversary in 2024,

our PhD research with Hayley Kilgallon from UCD is in its final stages and there will be multiple themes and outputs from this research to help us showcase our journey over the 50 years. It will be brilliant to have our history documented through research and something we can build on in the future.

In the words of the famous Neil Armstrong, "Research is creating new knowledge." We need to continue to be curious, continue to want to be better and continue to have an open mind. It has been a hugely successful 50 years but research can ensure we continue to develop and thrive.

Inter-County Government Support Scheme

There has been a gradual increase in Government funding for the Inter-County Government Support Scheme and this remains under two core elements: team funding and player expenses. It was agreed that LGFA would add their team funding allocation to the players expenses pot for 2023 resulting in €1.4 million being provided for player expenses. This equated to €42,651 per squad and on average €1,422 per player with a squad of 30 players. The player expenses funding was approved by the overall Inter-County Scheme Group (ISG) and administered through the GPA. The ISG contains two members from LGFA, Camogie and the GAA, plus three members from the GPA and an independent chairperson.

As the team funding was diverted to player expenses it was approved by LGFA to provide an inter-county team funding support of €10,000 per county and the process to apply and submit for this was the same as previous structures ensuring complete transparency and accountability for the scheme.

The 'team support' element of the scheme remained with the three core areas for counties: Injury Prevention and Medical Cover, Maximising Player and Team Performance and Access to Training Facilities. As with 2022, counties were also eligible to submit to claim funding for the additional two areas namely 'gear', which was for team gear provided, and 'nutrition' which was to assist with cost on training and match day team nutrition. There was an additional €1,000 bonus for counties to claim if they reached the TG4 All-Ireland finals and these was allocated to the core areas above.

There has been much discussion during 2023 about a minimum standards charter and this is something that has been agreed for 2024 but taking into account the financial resources available to our counties. It is important that we do not lose any counties from competing in our competitions due to financial constraints and this was echoed by all counties towards the end of the year in meetings to develop a minimum standards charter for 2024. From all reports we collated last year it is very clear that counties are investing heavily in their teams but we must also recognise that counties are at varying stages of development with differing funding constraints. Despite huge calls for equality for women in sport across all walks of society the reality is that there is not the same level of funding and support available for female sports and we need look no further than our county boards to see this. It is imperative that counties continue to work to build on these supports and work closely with their county manager and team captain but there also needs to be a sense of realism from team managers and players to the resources that their county



boards have to run all teams. If additional Government support becomes available in the coming years it will be added to this scheme.

Another key aspect of the Inter-County Support Scheme is the player health screening programme and this is something that is a unique offering to our players. It is essential that counties fully engage in the opportunity for their squads to receive this individual screening, with additional aspects included for 2024 including cardiac screening. There have been some life changing and lifesaving changes for players through this process so I urge all counties to take that chance to get involved when it is offered to them. This is a huge investment for all players.

The scheme is supported by the scheme administrator Gillian Littlefield, and she continues to be a great support to both the ISG and the counties involved. I would like to thank Gillian for her guidance and dedication to this area. The team supports were administered internally in LGFA in 2023 but with a mirrored application process. There is no doubt that the playing and training environment has certainly been enhanced since the introduction of the Inter-County Government Support Scheme and all counties are operating in a multidisciplinary environment with an increased level of service provision. The funding provided is there to assist counties with the running costs of the adult county team but was never there to fully cover or compensate these costs.

Our game has grown exponentially and it is imperative that we all place a value on our games and on our teams especially in relation to sponsorship which can assist with alleviating the running costs. We must also continue to have open communication between county executives, managers and players in relation to the scheme but on all aspects of the county team too. Direct discussion can prevent so many issues and everyone wants to make improvements for the county so keep working towards your common goals.

Gaelic Players Association

The 2023 TG4 All-Ireland Championship season was overshadowed to a large extent by a series of player protests. As an association, we were extremely surprised and disappointed by these developments. We took serious issue with the suggestion that inter-county players are treated like 'second class' citizens, when you consider that in 2023, over €1.4m of Government funding was due to be allocated to LGFA inter-county squads to assist with player expense claims. Of this figure, over €900,000 was earmarked directly to player expenses, with almost €500,000 designated for LGFA team funding. Early in 2023, our Central Council agreed that the full LGFA allocation of Government funding (€1.4m) should be assigned to player expenses, with the LGFA self-funding the team element for counties but there was little or no recognition from the GPA in relation to this, the opposite in fact, with claims that players received no expenses at all. These figures are without the figure invested by county boards to the running and supporting of their county team. This wasn't enough for the GPA, however, who mandated our players to play some of their championship games 'under protest',

before discussions led to the cessation of these protests. We've had significant time to digest the happenings of summer 2023 and, with the benefit of hindsight, the manner in which the GPA decided to play the matter out in media channels left a sour taste in our mouths. We held our counsel while the protests continued, rather than being dragged into a war of words. We prefer to conduct our business in the boardroom and it was remarkable that the GPA went down the road they did, at a time when we were in active discussions with them on a number of matters.

We work very closely together in relation to the Inter-County Government Support Scheme and there are regular beneficial discussions in relation to the scheme and most importantly collaborative approaches to seek additional Government funding on an annual basis. The funding has been increasing every year. We as an association have always kept the players at the centre of what we do and have always had a good relationship with our inter-county players. We recognise the huge commitment they put into playing for their county and we will continue to strive to improve the playing experience for all through the implementation of a minimum standard playing charter and enhancing the player expenses scheme for 2024 while aiming to get the funding into the players pockets more briskly after the Lidl National League and TG4 Championship. This is really important to us with so many students involved on the squads. This will form part of the new minimum standards charter as the funding available is not and cannot be endless.

Counties have been investing heavily for many years without a charter and will continue to do so within their own means as they all want to be the best, and have the most optimum environments for their teams, not just at adult level but with all their juvenile teams also.

It is certainly not easy to be a county board officer and the demands on them are increasing every year. They have the utmost respect for the players and management teams involved and it is essential that this remains and is reciprocated. Working together can ensure there are more productive and collaborative relationships, issues must be discussed internally and directly first rather than through third parties, after all it is adults involved at all levels. We will continue to work with the GPA on the charter and we attended our first meeting with Le Chéile to try and support this in 2023. Le Chéile is a commercial partnership between the GAA and GPA and the LGFA and Camogie Association were then invited onto this group which would open further opportunities by having female players involved. There is a set amount of funding raised through this scheme that is allocated to the GPA to support player welfare initiatives and then a portion would be allocated to the GAA, LGFA and Camogie. The allocation received from LGFA would be utilised to support the player expenses element of the charter but talks have stalled on this, however it is certainly an area we hope can be progressed further.

During the year we worked together, with the GPA, GAA and Camogie Association, to partner with UPMC for a new Concussion

Baseline Testing Programme designed to ensure that players receive the best medical treatment should they sustain a concussion injury during play or training. Each player that participated received a baseline test and were educated on the prevalence of concussion injury in our games. This really supported our PhD on concussion and the importance of raising awareness. The baseline testing will be available for all adult county teams again for 2024. It is really important that teams avail of this opportunity. Likewise, a unique offering from the female funding is the provision of a player health screening programme for our adult squads. This is extremely detailed and over the past few years the results of this screening have had a significant impact for players, highlighting areas where they needed to seek further medical advice. There is a significant investment in this programme and it is important that counties work with all their players to avail of this service, if it helps only one player with a potential critical issue it will have been worth every cent.

The player's voice has always been important to us as an association and our decision at a Special Congress in 2011 to introduce a third delegate, who must be a player, was passed to get greater input from players at all levels including county, provincial and central council meetings. The input from players at events like this congress weekend have always been welcomed and valued, yet they are limited with such a minimal number of counties having a player representative in attendance. I urge players to get involved in the decision-making process by attending not just certain meetings that they feel impact on them, but all meetings as your input to discussions is highly regarded.

We will continue to work with the GPA, and the other Gaelic Games Associations on this area, but my main hope is that if there are discussions needed in the new season that we can do these in person rather than through the media. The players of course are at the centre of everything we do but we also have to look at the impact on volunteers and the clubs so all aspects need to be taken into account when changes are required. Huge strides have been made over the past number of years with gradual increases to ensure everything agreed is sustainable so we implore everyone to have patience and working together we will continue to gain momentum.

International

One of my highlights of the year was the return of the FRS Recruitment GAA World Games in Derry from the 24th – 28th July. This event is a real celebration of the global expansion of Gaelic Games and showcases the passion of everyone involved around the world. The energy around the city was immeasurable from the moment teams started arriving, through to the parade in Derry City, the games in Owenbeg and culminating in the excitement of finals day in Celtic Park.

There were two sections for teams namely 'Open' and 'International'. Where the competition was classified as 'Open', it was primarily aimed at players who were born on the island of Ireland or who had an adequate skill level to compete at this level after playing the game for an extended period of time. The teams involved in this section were Iberia, Round Towers (London), Asia, Australasia, Middle East, Central and Eastern Europe and Parnells (London).



The 'International Born' tournament was only for players who were not born on the island of Ireland. It was amazing to see so many players with no background at all in gaelic games so immersed and impassioned in our sport. The teams that participated were Benelux, France, Galicia, Europe, Quebec, Heartland, Cairde Kinner Cambodia, Siroc, New York, Charlotte James Connollys, Canada, Central and Eastern Europe, Brittany and Iberia.

Finals day in Celtic Park will remain in many memories for a long time, there was a sea of colour and an atmosphere deserved by international teams that had travelled the world to get there. The standard of the games was exceptional and in the LGFA finals it was Australasia who were victorious winning the Rachel Kenneally Open Ladies Football Cup while Charlotte James Connollys returned to the USA with the Rebecca Dowling International Ladies Football Cup.

Congratulations to Derry GAA who hosted the event in a most professional manner. Congratulation also to all the teams involved, you were phenomenal and the manner in which you embraced the event both on and off the field yet again ensured that all expectations for the games were surpassed. I would like to express my gratitude to all the staff, volunteers and match officials of the Gaelic Games Associations who were ever present throughout the week, your warm welcome and hard work contributed to the success of a wonderful week.

We were busy linking with our International Units away from the pitch too and providing support to match their needs. We continue to have very positive feedback from clubs across the globe in relation to the accessibility of our webinars especially with the sessions being recorded to watch back. We also offered unit specific webinars and courses but most importantly at a time to match their time zone. In 2022 we translated our playing rules and skill cards, adding two additional translations in 2023, with both now available in sixteen languages – English, Irish, Arabic, Catalan, Chinese, Estonian, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Spanish, Thai, Ukrainian and Vietnamese. These were very much appreciated by our international units but also by clubs here in Ireland welcoming so many new communities into our game.

In Britain we were delighted to have St. Barnabas and Roger Casements from Warwickshire selected for our Gaelic4Girls Programme whilst we ran a teenage retention series for selected clubs also. The introduction of programmes like these a number of years ago helped spark underage growth in our game and it is important that clubs across Britain continue to engage with these supports, especially as many can be completed from the comfort of their homes. Referee development was to the forefront in addition to this and courses were provided to meet the requirements of the boards.

The All-Britain Youth Games returned to their usual slot in July and due to the increased numbers, there were two venues in action over the four days - Greenford and Ruislip. Primary

schools were centre stage on Thursday with secondary schools taking over the mantle on Friday followed by club Go Games on Friday afternoon. Girls' teams at U-12 and U-16 participated in the event in Greenford on Saturday with the U-14 and U-18 competitions taking place in Ruislip on Sunday. The ladies football section of these games has seen phenomenal growth annually and in 2023 there was a record 770 girls participating, with additional girls playing on schools and Go Games teams. The LGFA sent five referees to assist with officiating the ladies football section receiving very positive feedback from their own involvement. I would like to thank our own Britain LGFA but also everyone involved in the organising committee from Britain GAA for another brilliant event which is sure to inspire future involvement for all the young players. Over the weekend the sad news filtered through of the death of John Gormley after a short illness. John was the Chairperson of the ABC Committee and was instrumental in the growth of these games amongst young boys and girls since 2012. John, a proud Leitrim man, will be remembered fondly by us for the warm welcome we always received and for the huge role he played in the development of these games. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

The Asian Gaelic Games returned to Kuala Lumpur on 16th and 17th September for their 25th Anniversary and it was the first year since the pandemic that many teams were able to travel. These games really focus on inclusion and diversity, showcasing the impact of creating a community to bring everyone together. The event was a great success with over 50 teams from 15 clubs participating over two days in the hot sun of Malaysia. In the ladies gaelic football section, Singapore won the Lisa Orsi cup and Hong Kong A put in an excellent performance to claim the Intermediate Cup and HCM Na Fianna claimed the Junior Cup. Seoul Gaels won the Junior plate and HCM Na Fianna B claimed the Shield. There was great excitement as the Cambodia team took home the Junior Bowl, what an inspirational team they are and they also made such an impact on everyone who met them at the World Games in Derry. A unique part of this event is the inclusion of high-profile ambassadors across the codes and we were delighted that Dublin's Sinead Wylde travelled to represent the All-Ireland champions at the games. We had three national referees, Justin Murphy, Aaron Clogher and David Hurson, officiating for the weekend and Mícheál Naughton attended on what was a very significant milestone event for the board. Congratulations to everyone involved with the Asian GAA board over the past 25 years, I have no doubt it was a very proud year to see how far you have come over that period and the success of these games today.

The Australasian Games were not held in 2023 due to Australasia's involvement in the World Games but instead Regional Games were held in Geelong in November. I thanked former secretary Gerard Roe for his many years of support in last year's report but I want to welcome Teresa Daly into the role and we look forward to working with her over the coming months and years. Teresa has already reached out in relation to referee development and we will work with her, and the clubs, to identify other areas we can assist with their growth and development.

2024 also sees Australasia celebrate 50 years of promoting Gaelic Games. I wish them every luck for the year as they mark this milestone.

Gaelic Games continue to expand across Europe with new teams affiliating every year. There are multiple tournaments but the two 'big' competitions, the '15's' and Pan Euros crown champions of the continent from Senior to Junior, with the '15's' winners going into the All-Ireland club championship. In Rennes France for the 15's, the men of Amsterdam (Holland) and ladies of An Craobh Rua (Belgium) triumphed with the latter unable to follow up last year's success in the All-Ireland club quarter final against Glaschú Gaels from Scotland. The Pan Euros, hosted by Den Haag GAC in Holland, saw almost 50 clubs arrive in the city for a day-long festival of 9-a-side Men's and Ladies' football. Even with heavy rains, all games went ahead with players of 25 plus nations taking the field for their teams. Leinster President Trina Murray travelled to the games to represent the LGFA and as always reported on the skill, passion and talent on display.

Away from the games we were delighted to support Europe with the provision of a coaching weekend in Galicia and our coach developer Barry Burke received much acclaim for his guidance and tuition provided to attendees. We have also delivered workshops specifically requested and supported the continued roll out of referee education. During the year Maeve O'Gorman from Yoga and Sports with Refugees, based in Greece, contacted us and discussed their amazing work and how they are using Gaelic Games to connect the refugees arriving to their camps. The organisation was set up in response to the massive need for healthy safe spaces, a sense of community, and a place to work on mental and physical health. They have over 70 different sport coaches coming with a refugee background and through sport, they bring people together and foster hope. We were humbled by the work and sent equipment and gear to support their ongoing work.

Middle East GAA celebrated ten years in 2023 and what a decade it has been with obvious annual prosperity. The Middle East GAA Championship took place in Zayed Sport City, Abu Dhabi on 10th and 11th March, approximately 120 teams and 2,000 adult players participating. Throw-in for games began at 8am and temperatures steadily rose throughout the day. In ladies senior football, Abu Dhabi Na Fianna recorded a comprehensive cup final win to accompany their earlier league honours while they were joined by their teammates on stage who also won the Ladies plate final. The intermediate competition was extremely competitive with Al Reem Shamrocks continuing their impressive season by completing the double of League and Championship when they brought home the cup. In the Plate competition, Abu Dhabi Na Fianna ladies added to the list of hometown celebrations. The Ladies' Junior A division saw Kerry Middle East GAA capitalise on their strong league form to secure the Cup competition also. In Ladies' Junior B, Abu Dhabi Na Fianna built on their tournament win and league title in Dubai by securing the Cup competition at Championship, while plate honours also stayed in the city of Abu Dhabi when Al Reem

Shamrocks won their division. Ladies Junior 'C' saw a 6-team shootout with the teams from Abu Dhabi again coming to the fore, with Abu Dhabi Na Fianna winning the cup competition and Al Reem Shamrocks winning the plate. In Ladies Junior 'D', the absence of league winners Clann na hOman offered an opportunity for others to capitalise, and it was Dubai Celts who did just that when they secured the cup competition. In the plate division, the dedicated efforts of Kuwait Harps were justly rewarded when they won the division at the start of the day.

Normal activity has now resumed and the Middle East leagues commenced in September 2023. We are supporting the board with a referee travelling for rounds in Bahrain, Abu Dhabi, Sharjah and then the Championship finals again in Abu Dhabi next weekend, 9th March. Our development staff are also assisting with the provision of requested education workshops. Similar to Asia, 2023 was a milestone ten-year anniversary and congratulations to everyone involved.

We are pleased to be working with USGAA for a new 'Leading USGAA Females' leadership programme and it commenced in October. The participants will attend two online core modules and at least two selective modules from six on offer. The programme was also opened to females in Canada and we have an enthusiastic group, an extremely enjoyable experience for all involved. From a referee development perspective, we facilitated courses for new and existing referees while we have been working to add the rule differences to the current referee courses provided there to increase self-sufficiency and ensure easier access to education locally for all referees. We have linked with New York LGFA for this education too.

2023 saw the biggest ever USGAA Finals with 120 teams taking part in the championships in Denver. Mícheál Naughton was in attendance to witness the excitement of the games while Angela Gallagher and Sinéad McHugh officiated at the finals. Almost 100 games were played across the three days, providing highly entertaining games and 22 USGAA Champions victorious across four codes. In the senior final it was St. Brigid's (Central) crowned as champions against Charlotte James Connollys (Southeast) with Na Aisling Gaels (Central) taking the intermediate crown against Clan na Gael (Western). In the junior A, B and C finals the winners were Pittsburgh Banshees (Midwest), Denver Gaels (Southwest) and DC Gaels (Midatlantic) defeating Notre Dame (Philadelphia), Fog City 'B' (Western) and Hartford (Northeast) respectively.

The Continental Youth Games took place in San Francisco from Thursday, 27th July to Sunday, 30th July. Ray McBride and Pamela Hayden travelled to officiate at the games while Munster President Robbie Smyth attended on behalf of the LGFA.

I have purposely left Canada to the end of this section on what has been a year of ultimate highs and all-time lows. There was unpalpable excitement on the sidelines in Derry at the World Games as the Canada ladies came so close to heading home with the cup, taking extra time to separate the teams. There is no

doubt the proudest man at the pitch that day was Canada GAA secretary, and former chairperson, Sean Harte. It is still so hard to believe that only a few months later we would receive the news that Sean had passed away, a huge shock for everyone involved. Sean was an amazing ambassador for all Gaelic Games and his vision and drive are what ignited the growth of the sports across the country. He was ambitious and passionate, he wanted the best for all members, and he was a true friend of LGFA. He championed our sport and dedicated his time and energy to ensure there were opportunities for females across the country to take part. Sean was one of the main organisers of our TG4 All-Star tour to Toronto in 2012 and since then we have worked closely together to support development initiatives and programmes. The inaugural Canadian Games took place in September 2022 in what was no doubt one of his greatest achievements. He was a true friend who will be sadly missed and fondly remembered.

Things got harder just a week later for Canada GAA with the news that chairperson Matt Healy, another great servant to Gaelic Games, had also passed away. *Suaimhneas síoraí dá n-anam uasal*. Despite all the hardship I have no doubt that the solid foundations established by these two great men, and other members, will inspire the board to evolve further and build on the momentum. Sean ensured the board engaged with all opportunities for development across coaching, refereeing and volunteers and we really hope to continue this with the new personnel involved. In 2023 we were delighted to support Canada GAA with the provision of referees for some of their finals, Shane Curley officiated at the Toronto Finals and Anthony Marron at the Eastern Championship in Quebec. As always they reported on the hospitality they received and high standards of the games on display. We ran a Grab Your Whistle Adult Course in March and April to train new referees and Canada GAA joined with USGAA for an Annual Referee Refresher Course in April.

Pat Doab from the Celtic Cowboys in Austin was the recipient of our 2023 'International Volunteer of the Year' award at the LGFA National Volunteer Awards. He was the driving force of this year's very successful TG4 All-Star Tour to Texas and contributed greatly to Congress previously. This was well deserved recognition for his hard work and dedication to the club both on and off the pitch. Pat will now be added to list of previous winners with Colin Dixon (Na Fianna, Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam), Eva Scanlon (Tír Chonaill Gaels, London), Clodagh Harris (RAK Ropairí, UAE) and Ciara Lane (Calgary Chieftans, Canada).

As always, I want to thank everyone involved in our international units for their dedication to our games. You ensure there is a home from home for the many Irish travelling and working abroad, but also you create a new community for many other nationalities getting involved in our games. We look forward to working with you further in 2024.

TG4 All-Star Tour

The 2023 TG4 All-Star tour brought our travelling party to Austin, Texas, in the United States. This tour was originally due

to take place in 2020 before the COVID-19 pandemic hit and forced its cancellation. Thankfully, and while it may have been three years later, we were delighted to fulfil our obligations and visit a wonderful part of the world, where we were treated superbly by our hosts.

In now traditional fashion, it was a tour to remember from start to finish. We gathered on the night prior to departure at The Croke Park Hotel and while an early morning flight lay in store on Tuesday 4th April, there was still a palpable sense of excitement in the air. It was lovely to watch players from various counties mingle freely with each other and that air of camaraderie was evident from a very early stage. These are players who are often fierce rivals on the field of play but who rarely get an opportunity to get to know each other nowadays outside of this environment. They may know each other's faces from various games they've played against each other but the chance to get to know each other away from inter-county duty is something that cannot be underestimated and I know that the players treasure this opportunity.

From the moment we were welcomed on arrival at Austin airport, it was clear that our hosts had everything planned meticulously. It quickly became apparent that this would be another TG4 All-Star tour to remember and our base would be the wonderful Fairmont Austin Hotel. Our club hosts were the Celtic Cowboys and I wish to pay a special word of thanks to Pat Doab and the organising committee for the work they put into planning and preparation for all elements of the tour. Pat and his colleagues were sounding boards for any queries that we had, and their advice and guidance proved invaluable throughout the duration of our stay.

A word of thanks also to our players, who carried themselves impeccably on tour. We are fortunate to have such gifted players performing at the elite level of our game and they stand tall as role models for not only their peers, but for our entire association and the generations of players who will follow in their footsteps. Our traditional exhibition game was played at St. Edward's University and, in time-honoured fashion, it was played with a high degree of competitiveness. The time that our players had for local fans and the general public left a real mark and we cannot underestimate the long-lasting legacy that your visit will leave.

Our welcome reception with Robert Hull, Consulate General of Ireland, was a major highlight of the tour. As was, watching the Ireland International soccer team live in action against the USA in a friendly match. The girls in green acquitted themselves brilliantly and it was lovely to note our presence and support at the game acknowledged on social media. Following our exhibition game at St. Edward's University, which was live streamed for the first time by Spórt TG4, there was time to unwind and relax before departure on Tuesday 11th April, with our players returning to their county colleagues to get ready for the concluding action in the Lidl National Leagues, and looking ahead to the provincial and All-Ireland Championships.



The TG4 All-Star tours have brought us to many places over the years, New York, Singapore, Dubai, San Francisco, Toronto, Hong Kong, San Diego, Bangkok and finally Austin. Each trip served as an opportunity to showcase our brilliant game to an audience who would rarely see the game played live at the highest level by the cream of our footballers. The trips left the game and the association stronger in these cities and great friendships were made over this time. But like everything in life change must happen and due to several factors, split season, massive increase in travel cost post covid and the cost of investing in an inter-county charter has led to the tough decision of calling time on the All-Star trips. It is a disappointment but unfortunately tough decisions have to be made on where our limited resources are best utilised.

An Coiste Náisiúnta Cultúir agus Teanga

Chinn ár gComhdháil Bhliantúil 2021 an Coiste seo a bhunú. Faoi mar is eol dúinn ar fad, díreach ina dhiaidh sin, chuir an Phaindéim Covid agus na srianta a lean as, isteach go mór ar gach gné de ghníomhaíochtaí Pheil na mBan.

Agus an phaindéim sin thart, dhírigh an Cumann a fhuinneamh ar ghníomhaíochtaí imeartha agus traenála a chur ar ais mar a bhí. Is í príomh-thosaíocht Pheil na mBan i gcónaí ár gcuid imreoirí a bheith ag traenáil agus ag imirt cluichí.

Tá na nithe sin ar ais ina gceart rud a thugann an deis dúinn aghaidh cheart a thabhairt arís ar fhorbairtí tábhachtacha eile. Tá an Coiste Náisiúnta Cultúir agus Teanga ar cheann acu.

Chuipe sin, tá Cathaoirleach an Choiste, Pádraic Ó Ciardha, Oifigeach Cultúir agus Teanga, Aodh Ó Duibheannaigh, agus na hOifigigh Cúige ar fad anois tagtha ar bord agus i mbun cruinnithe rialta chun plean oibre á chur le chéile agus le feidhmiú.

Mar thús, breithneoidh an Coiste Náisiúnta na beartais agus na haidhmeanna atá leagtha síos sa Tuarascáil (LGFA Promoting Irish), an taighde a spreag cinneadh na Comhdhála an Coiste a bhunú. Cheana féin tá feiceálacht níos fearr ag an nGaeilge inár gcomharthaí, comhfhreagras agus inár bhfoilseacháin. Leanfar leis an treocht seo agus bainfear leas níos fairsingne freisin as teanga inár gcumarsáid ar na nua-mheáin dhigiteacha agus i bpodchraolta dátheangacha chomh maith.

Tá d'ádh ar Pheil na mBan go bhfuil ar fáil dó cheana féin an raon leathan acmhainní agus scéimeanna forbartha atá ag ár gcairde sa CLG chun an teanga a chur chun cinn in imeachtaí na gcumann éagsúla atá ag riaradh na gcluichí Gaelach faoi láthair; le ranganna foghlama, leabhráin téarmaíochta, nathanna úsáideacha, duais-scéim Fhondúireacht Sheosamh Mhic Donncha agus Oifigigh Gaeilge (lán-aimsire) a bheith fostaithe ag ag roinnt dá Chomhairlí Cúige (lán-mhainithe ag Foras na Gaeilge).

Our 2021 Congress took the far-sighted decision to establish a National Culture and Language Committee. The arrival of the covid pandemic so shortly afterwards impacted severely on all of our activities, including this initiative. Post-pandemic, our immediate energies rightly concentrated on restoring our games, competitions and training activities as fully as possible.

This has been achieved now and the Culture and Language Committee has been able to begin its work with the Provincial Officers meeting regularly under the Chairpersonship of Pádraic Ó Ciardha and Culture and Language Officer Hugh Devenney.

An action plan is being drafted, drawing on the policy document, 'LGFA Promoting Irish', which has led to the committee's establishment. Membership of the committee will be augmented by the addition of other activists during the coming year.

The profile of Irish has already been increased in our internal and external communications and signage. This trend will continue and include the use of Irish in our social media and podcasts. Our championship partner, TG4 has, of course, blazed a trail in demonstrating how promoting our sport as Gaelige can stand out in a crowded sports promotion market. We are encouraging our other sponsors to make similar beneficial use of Irish as a natural and clever promotional resource.

Those wishing to promote Irish in our activities are fortunate to have available to them a wide range of aids that have been created and circulated by Cumann Lúthchleas Gael in recent times. These include refresher courses for staff and officers, phrase books and terminology for administrative purposes and the innovations and support for clubs that choose to participate in the various challenges and opportunities provided by participation in the Joe McDonagh Foundation scheme (Fondúireacht Sheosamh Mhic Donncha). Ar aghaidh leis an obair.

Towards One Gaelic Games Family

2023 saw a substantial pool of work undertaken by the Steering Group in planning towards one integrated association. Extensive consultation processes were undertaken during the year and these have provided vital insights, advice and proposals from all sectors of our associations. Since its establishment in 2022 the Steering Group on Integration (SGI) set out on a listening process to ensure all voices were heard, the importance of listening and hearing what our stakeholders had to say was always going to be vital to the success of this process. We have heard from clubs, county boards, provincial councils, members and staff across all three associations. We also heard from the GPA and younger members of the Gaelic Games family at a 2023 GAA Youth Congress workshop attended by over 250 young members between 12 and 21.

One of the largest sporting surveys based on a sample of 30,000+ members across all three associations was conducted with 90% of responses feeling that integration will be positive. As a Gaelic Games family, these responses are hugely valued and I wish to place on the record my thanks to all who took the time to give us their opinion. It was an extensive consultation process and this listening process was hugely beneficial to ascertain how members from a wide cross-section feel about integration, how they feel it can work, and to also deal with the challenges that will arise. While the feedback has been very positive it remains very much a work in progress, there is also recognition that the

journey will not be straightforward and we need to be afforded the time and respect to get the new structure right to ensure the longstanding success of the new association.

We've also had meetings with ministers representing the Department of Expenditure and Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media over the past year in relation to the process and the investment that will be required in facilities across the country for the success of the new integrated association, there was acknowledgement of the vast amount of work involved in the process and a willingness on their side to help out in any way they can.

The pathway to integration is now becoming clearer. Over the course of 2024 cross organisational working groups will propose practical steps forward on areas including facilities, finance, fixtures, membership etc. A joint announcement from the Steering Group on integration will outline a potential timeline and vision for integration.

Congress will give us an opportunity to brief you on the progress and the potential pathway and as this process evolves over the coming year, we will keep you updated.

There will be challenges along the way before we arrive at a place where everything and everyone feels secure but we remain fully committed to integration and the last 12 months have brought us closer to where we need to be. We will continue to plan and support one another as we work together to create a stronger and brighter future for all gaelic games in one association where we all belong.

Ní neart go cur le chéile.

Players

The players who represent our clubs and counties are incredible role models at local and national levels. They carry themselves with distinction on and off the pitch and have provided such wonderful memories to supporters of their clubs and counties and will continue to do so. We need to be conscious, however, that the focus of our attentions isn't wholly on our elite inter-county players, who represent a small percentage of our overall playing base. As an association, we stand for and represent players at all grades. My feeling is that there is a growing chasm between the inter-county and club game. The ever increasing costs and demands of inter-county adult teams are placing a huge strain on not only county board finances but also internally with clubs and this can be to the detriment of the sport in these counties. We are being told that monies being diverted to adult inter-county teams is resulting in decreased spending on other inter-county grades, particularly at juvenile level, with investment in the club game and player development programmes also adversely affected. It's a situation we're keeping a close eye on and we are conscious of our obligation to foster, promote and develop ladies gaelic football from grassroots level all the way to the high performance grade. One of our key aims is to assist in promoting development through our clubs at local, community

and international level, and this simply has to remain the core of what we do. We will continue to strive for additional Government support for the inter-county game as outlined previously to support our counties in enhancing the playing environment, but we must ensure that the experience of playing our game continues to be enhanced for all players at all levels. Every player is a club player first and foremost and it is at this level that solid foundations are set for their future participation and progression.

Peter Rice

On November 20th our dear friend and colleague, Peter Rice, passed away after a short illness. The suddenness of his illness and passing has left a void in our lives and the whole association. Peter has been a true advocate for our sport and an inspiration to all of us who worked closely with him over the years. He devoted his life to our association and served at all levels from club to National President. No matter what job had to be done, whether it was to collect gates or present trophies, answer rule queries or attend endless meetings around the country Peter was always willing to help, no job was too big or too small for him. His knowledge of the rules and his vision for any slight amendments that would enhance rules was invaluable. He was always friendly and kind, always smiling, truly one of life's gentlemen.. This weekend 30 years ago I took over from Peter as National President in Rosslare, Wexford. He has always been a trusted friend and mentor to me over the years, always a person I could rely on to steer me in the right direction. We may not have always agreed and had great debate on topics in relation to the association over the years but never fell out. He played a huge role in the development of our association and as we celebrate 50 years and enter the next phase of our development Peter will always be remembered for his contribution to our success. We will be reminded of him always whether it be at Rules Advisory, Management, Central Council, Congress or on the playing fields and will often pause to wonder what Peter would have thought or what advice he would have given.

To his family, David and Michelle, Jan and Andre, Mary, sister Gretta and his adored grandchildren Séan, Dáire and Aoife, I extend our deepest condolences and thank you for sharing him. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

Comhbhrón

During the year we lost many people who were close to us and many who were great friends and volunteers of the association. I have remembered Peter Rice, Sean Harte, Matt Healy and John Gormley earlier in my report, but I also want to remember two great volunteers, Aileen Daly (Roscommon secretary) and Máire Allen (Roscommon and former Connacht Clerical Officer) who passed away in 2023. They gave many years of service to the association at county, provincial and national level.

Cuimhnímíd freisin an deireadh seachtaine seo ar dhaoine a bhásaigh le bliain anuas, gaolta agus cáirde lenár dtoscairí agus le baill an Chumainn.

Suaimhneas síoraí dóibh ar fad.



Staff

During the course of 2023 a review took place of our staffing structures. The review highlighted an increase in the huge volume of work for staff over the past few years and the increased pressure that was on them to meet the demands of providing a professional and timely service to our units. As a result of this, additional staff were employed to meet the ever-demanding needs of the association and a restructuring took place within the Operation and Development teams. I wish to thank all our dedicated staff Paula Prunty (Operation & Planning Manager), Lyn Savage (National Development Manager), Jackie Cahill (Communications & Commercial Manager), Aislinn Harkin (Safeguarding Officer), Deirdre Hiney (Operations Co-Ordinator), Amy Coll (Injury Fund Co-Ordinator), Austin McKenna (National Registrar), Barbara Rossiter (National Finance Officer), Andrew Cunningham (National Fixture Administrator), Ciara Matthews (Operations Support), Sarah Burns (Administration Co-Ordinator), William Harmon (Head of Coach Development), Niall Mulrine (Head of Volunteer Development), Vinny Whelan (Head of Growth & Participation), Lizzie Flynn, (Head of Match Official Development), Eilish Ward (Head of Player Development), Margaret McCorry (Development Support), Clodagh Flanagan (National Development Officer), David Lernihan (National Development Officer), Vivienne Nee (National Development

Officer) and Emily Martin (National Development Officer) for the huge passion they have for our association and the professional manner in which they conduct their business.

There were some changes in personnel also during the year, Karen Togher, left the association at the end of April after 12 years to take up a role in Croke Park Stadium and Katie O'Donoghue left to follow a career in nursing. I thank them for the contribution they made to the association and wish them well in their new careers.

Buíochas

I wish to express my thanks and gratitude to our President, Mícheál Naughton, for the tremendous leadership he gives to our association. It has been an exceptionally busy year with a huge number of daytime meetings requiring the presence of our president outside of the normal functions of the association and despite the distance he has to travel from Donegal, sometimes several days a week, he is always in attendance and represents us all in a professional friendly manner. To my fellow officers on the management committee, I thank you all for your commitment and dedication. The demands of being a board member has increased greatly and become more challenging in the last few years and you have all stepped up and met this challenge. The association as a whole is at the heart of everything you do and every tough decision that has to be taken. It can be a thankless job most of the time but I thank you all for your professionalism and perseverance.

A special thanks to our outgoing Vice Presidents, Con Moynihan (Connacht) and Patricia Morrisson (Britain) who finish their term on the board this weekend, for the contribution they have made at provincial and national level over the last four years. To our sub-committees I thank you all for your work and commitment over the past year. The composition of committees going forward has changed to take account of gender balance and some people may feel aggrieved with this change but I would like to reassure people who may have lost their positions this year that there is a role for everyone in this association and your expertise and support will be utilised in other ways within the association. This weekend we elect a President elect who will take over from Mícheál in 12 months' time. I wish the three nominees Trina Murray, Con Moynihan and Seamus O'Hanlon well in their efforts to become the next President Elect.

A special thanks to all provincial, county, club officers and staff for the time and commitment you all give to the organising and running of our association at the various levels. You are operating in ever more challenging and demanding times but at all times you strive to meet these challenges and give the best service possible within the resources that are available to you.

I thank all the GAA clubs and county boards throughout the country for your support and for facilitating us with grounds throughout the year.

A special thanks to all referees, match officials, assessors, coaching tutors, facilitators and referee tutors for all they do for the association throughout the year. They constantly strive to raise the standards across the board.

Our working relationship with the GAA and Camogie Association strengthens each year as we continue on the road towards One Association for all Gaelic Games. I want to thank outgoing President, Larry McCarthy for his support over the past three years. I wish Jarlath Burns every success for his term as Uachtarán and look forward to working with him. We also see a change of president in the Camogie Association in April and I thank outgoing president Hilda Breslin for her contribution and wish incoming president Brian Molloy every success in his role.

This weekend, Congress is hosted by Clare County Board. I want to thank the board under the stewardship of chairperson, Seán Lenihan, for the preparation they have put in to ensuring this will be an enjoyable congress for you all.

2024 is a special year for our association as we celebrate 50 years since the foundation of the association on the 18th July 1974 in Hayes Hotel, Thurles. The association has made tremendous strides in the intervening years which has seen it become the largest female sporting body in the country with our game and initiatives making huge impact on Irish society and communities around the world. The founding members who took the giant step in planting that seed in 1974 can take great pride in what their vision has grown into. At the core of this growth over the past 50 years are our volunteers at all levels of the association. They are the engine behind everything we do, behind the success we have accomplished and I thank them most sincerely for the endless hours they give freely week after week at club, county, provincial, national and international level. As we now enter the next phase of our history there will be change but while change can be hard and uncertain we shouldn't fear it as we have solid foundations and structures in place that will ensure our continued progression and development in an integrated Gaelic Games Association.

Gabhaim buíochas ó chroí libhse, na toscairí as bhur ndúthracht agus as bhur dtacaíochta. Táim cinnte gur deireadh seachtain é seo a chuirfidh le bhur eolais agus le bhur dtuiscint. Guím rath agus séan oraibh ar fad, ar bpáirc imeartha agus sa gcuid eile den saol.

Gabhaim buíochas ó chroí libh fad as bhur saothar iontach le bliain anuas agus sna blianta ar fad ó bunaíodh ár gcumann. Is é bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach agus bhur ndúthracht a scríobh stair éachtach Pheil na mBan ó 1974.

Is le misneach athnuaithe agus le mórtas a thugaimid aghaidh ar an mbliain amach romhainn.

Helen O'Rourke
CEO



INJURY FUND

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INJURY FUND REPORT 2023

Reconciliation of Injury Fund Reserves		€
Opening Reserve balance 1st November 2022		€2,862,964.00
Income		€1,671,825.00
Expenditure		-€1,464,993.00
Reserves Provision 2023		-€363,185.00
Closing Reserve Balance 31st October 2023		€2,706,611.00

Year Ended 31/10/2023

Income		€	Expenditure		€
Opening balance 1st November 2022	€2,862,964.00		Claims Paid 2023	1,441,593.00	
Receipts	€1,646,825.00		Cheques presented from 2022	23,400.00	
IF Admin	€25,000.00				
Cheques O/S at year 2023	€40,607.78				
Total Income	4,575,396.78		Closing Balance 31/10/2023	3,110,403.78	
				4,575,396.78	

Notifications per Year

Playing Status	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Adult	1510	1462	1106	873	1167
Juvenile	1002	881	662	608	914
Grand Total	2512	2343	1768	1481	2081

2023 Notifications per Injury Location

Location	Camp	Gym	Match	Training	Grand Total
Club	1	1	1287	947	2236
County	0	0	109	160	269
School/College	0	0	7	0	7
Grand Total	1	1	1403	1107	2512

NOTIFICATIONS

2023-2019 Notifications per Injury Type

Injury Type	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Arm	19	32	24	10	51
Elbow	25	33	12	17	18
Finger	186	170	124	109	148
Hand	69	48	36	30	44
Thumb	23	26	22	14	40
Wrist	84	92	67	57	98
Total	406	401	285	237	399
Dental	32	24	18	10	27
Ear	0	1	0	0	0
Eye	4	4	8	2	6
Facial	8	13	9	14	8
Head	102	97	58	63	83
Jaw	2	1	3	2	0
Mouth	1	3	2	3	0
Nose	23	25	14	12	30
Total	172	168	112	106	154
Ankle	330	267	212	185	235
Calf	65	37	38	28	0
Foot	61	79	47	34	54
Groin	27	23	17	14	14
Hamstring	135	140	116	107	157
Heel	3	0	1	2	1
Knee	665	601	590	398	518
Knee ACL	24	67	1	4	0
Leg	180	142	51	77	172
Quad	30	37	43	39	0
Shin	8	5	0	0	0
Thigh	0	0	3	1	2
Toe	2	1	1	1	3
Total	1530	1399	1120	890	1156
Back	124	98	67	63	112
Chest	8	4	3	0	2
Collar Bone	41	53	28	17	17
Hip	85	60	47	47	54
Neck	8	9	13	11	18
Rib	8	122	6	10	17
Shoulder	130	25	83	95	137
Total	404	371	247	243	357
Unknown	0	4	4	5	15
Grand Total	2512	2343	1768	1481	2081

2023-2019 Notifications per County

County	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Antrim	27	16	12	10	12
Armagh	46	29	14	20	23
Carlow	34	16	16	14	28
Cavan	131	105	88	69	88
Clare	67	79	49	47	83
Cork	140	173	118	85	148
Derry	11	17	7	8	6
Donegal	64	65	54	61	58
Down	35	36	22	21	21
Dublin	256	207	168	140	183
Fermanagh	31	18	4	6	8
Galway	123	135	125	123	167
Glo-Herts	1	0	0	0	0
Kerry	105	84	77	50	65
Kildare	131	133	72	42	61
Kilkenny	10	14	9	9	14
Laois	58	44	31	23	67
Lancashire	2	0	3	0	0
Leitrim	52	41	23	51	41
Limerick	49	65	43	33	56
London	11	10	8	3	7
Longford	38	50	25	33	46
Louth	107	97	70	53	81
Mayo	99	90	74	65	76
Meath	169	151	120	117	160
Monaghan	78	82	74	32	49
Offaly	57	61	37	37	68
Roscommon	66	64	45	27	66
Scotland	0	0	0	0	2
Sligo	71	56	60	48	59
Tipperary	61	60	44	44	74
Tyrone	104	77	57	30	46
Warwickshire	4	0	1	0	1
Waterford	26	29	18	24	30
Westmeath	92	121	83	69	85
Wexford	84	58	49	43	41
Wicklow	71	60	68	44	61
Yorkshire	1	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	2512	2343	1768	1481	2081

CLAIMS PAID

2023 – 2019 Claims Paid per Benefit

Injury Type	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Ankle	161	150	92	99	141
Arm	12	9	9	21	22
Back	63	55	32	50	72
Calf	25	21	31	10	0
Chest	2	1	1	0	0
Collar Bone	2	14	7	4	3
Concussion	11	10	2	0	0
Dental	24	15	3	10	22
Elbow	12	16	6	5	6
Eye	2	3	3	3	2
Facial	2	5	6	2	2
Finger	78	81	39	67	84
Foot	39	30	17	22	31
Glute	5	1	0	2	0
Groin	13	12	11	6	2
Hamstring	92	78	64	85	106
Hand	26	22	10	14	27
Head	59	37	28	30	49
Heel	2	0	0	2	0
Hip	40	31	32	22	25
Jaw	0	2	3	0	0
Knee	214	271	202	219	221
Knee ACL	173	122	80	64	118
Knee Cartilage	19	19	0	13	5
Leg	83	53	22	43	115
Mouth	0	1	2	1	2
Neck	1	12	7	7	5
Nose	10	11	4	5	10
Quad	13	24	27	11	0
Rib	7	6	5	6	9
Shoulder	69	55	41	61	100
Thumb	6	9	7	3	18
Toe	1	0	0	1	2
Wrist	43	32	21	30	59
Grand Total	1309	1208	814	918	1258

2023 Claims Paid per Claim Year

Claim Year	Count	Sum
2019	€6,737.50	3
2020	€18,185.50	9
2021	€164,497.55	74
2022	€838,794.08	501
2023	€421,134.98	722
Grand Total	€1,449,349.61	1309

2023 Claims Paid per Injury Location

injury Location	Count	Sum
Club	€1,284,348.46	1158
County	€163,634.15	149
School/College	€1,367.00	2
Grand Total	€1,449,349.61	1309

2023 – 2019 CLAIMS PAID ANALYSIS

Claims Paid per Benefit

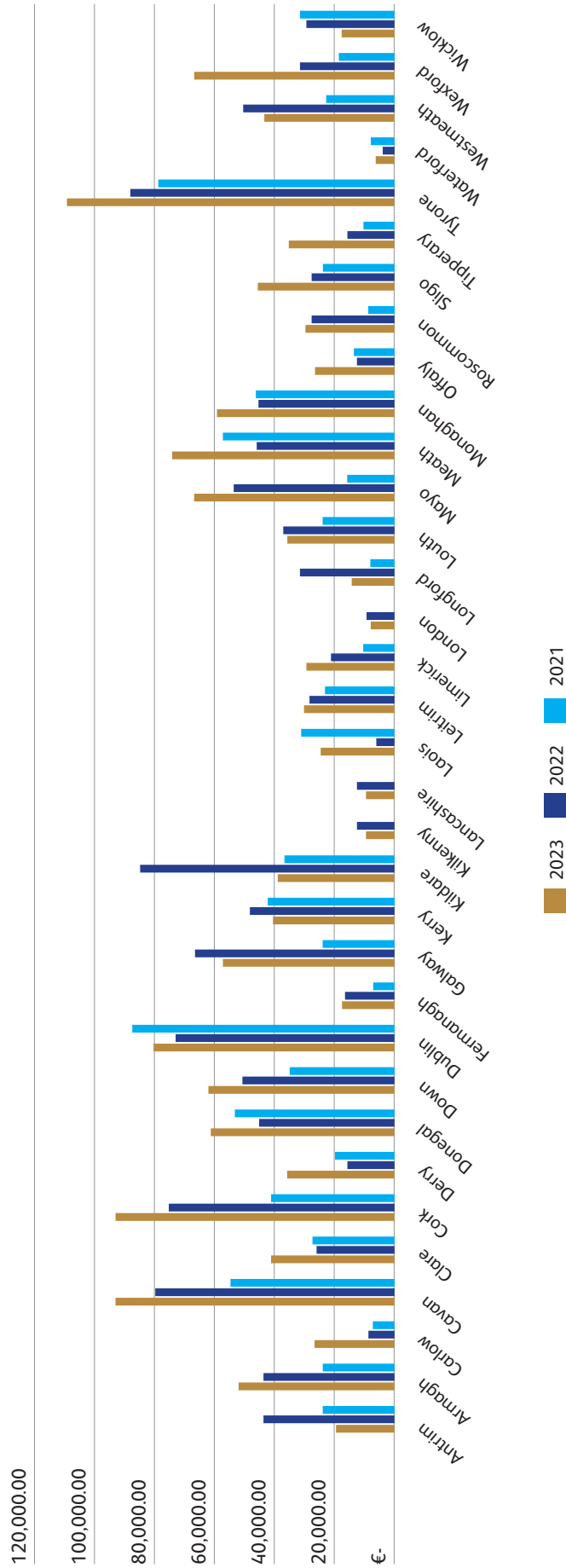
Data	Playing Status	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Amount	Adult	835	792	538	584	795
	Juvenile	474	416	276	334	463
		€	€	€	€	€
Physio	Adult	€133,505.78	€106,203.10	€74,010.92	€68,890.06	€87,322.77
	Juvenile	€45,827.90	€38,729.50	€23,251.55	€32,912.37	€34,012.58
		€179,333.68	€144,932.60	€97,262.47	€101,802.43	€121,335.35
G.P.	Adult	€8,533.73	€7,633.75	€7,383.00	€3,291.00	€9,381.50
	Juvenile	€3,825.00	€3,447.50	€1,510.00	€3,350.85	€4,777.00
		€12,358.73	€11,081.25	€8,893.00	€6,641.85	€14,158.50
MRI	Adult	€47,628.16	€44,438.93	€30,409.05	€26,527.50	€26,505.00
	Juvenile	€19,964.17	€10,859.20	€6,985.00	€10,970.75	€9,909.00
		€67,592.33	€55,298.13	€37,394.05	€37,498.25	€36,414.00
Surgery	Adult	€188,335.30	€168,950.11	€140,238.05	€142,364.08	€132,944.85
	Juvenile	€59,983.00	€55,838.50	€41,422.50	€26,315.26	€28,525.56
		€248,318.30	€224,788.61	€181,660.55	€168,679.34	€161,470.41
Consultant	Adult	€50,126.90	€35,770.70	€31,423.95	€29,422.44	€35,161.67
	Juvenile	€20,984.00	€14,030.00	€10,239.69	€12,623.77	€7,776.22
		€71,110.90	€49,800.70	€41,663.64	€42,046.21	€42,937.89
Anaesthetic Consultant	Adult	€81,131.00	€75,597.00	€53,837.47	€36,843.74	€33,681.43
	Juvenile	€27,071.00	€24,404.50	€14,525.00	€10,431.38	€7,420.93
		€108,202.00	€100,001.50	€68,362.47	€47,275.12	€41,102.36
A&E	Adult	€21,096.30	€21,150.85	€9,820.00	€12,780.80	€20,430.00
	Juvenile	€25,948.65	€20,056.30	€11,123.75	€13,029.50	€21,841.50
		€47,044.95	€41,207.15	€20,943.75	€25,810.30	€42,271.50
Hospital	Adult	€433,561.72	€391,180.00	€273,710.21	€242,243.26	€354,142.13
	Juvenile	€144,210.00	€133,982.85	€98,313.00	€63,422.23	€71,345.11
		€577,771.72	€525,162.85	€372,023.21	€305,665.49	€425,487.24
Dentist	Adult	€14,988.00	€15,339.00	€5,820.00	€6,056.39	€19,064.57
	Juvenile	€8,444.00	€9,480.00	€4,450.00	€4,915.00	€6,795.00
		€23,432.00	€24,819.00	€10,270.00	€10,971.39	€25,859.57
Loss of Wages	Adult	€112,945.00	€73,618.30	€65,940.71	€66,334.05	€108,023.90
	Juvenile	€1,240.00	€-	€1,285.20	€1,228.00	€-
		€114,185.00	€73,618.30	€67,225.91	€67,562.05	€108,023.90
Total	Adult	€1,091,851.89	€939,881.74	€692,593.36	€639,753.32	€826,657.82
	Juvenile	€357,497.72	€310,828.35	€213,105.69	€179,199.11	€192,402.90
		€1,449,349.61	€1,250,710.09	€905,699.05	€818,952.43	€1,019,060.72

COUNTY GRAPH – 2023 – 2021

County Graph - 2023 - 2021

County	2023	2022	2021
Antrim	€20,231.50	€43,679.50	€24,600.00
Armagh	€52,090.70	€43,635.50	€24,881.71
Carlow	€26,556.00	€8,775.00	€7,138.00
Cavan	€93,054.72	€79,492.43	€54,286.10
Clare	€40,840.50	€25,371.50	€26,488.50
Cork	€92,082.25	€75,263.00	€41,656.00
Derry	€35,585.00	€15,786.50	€19,195.00
Donegal	€60,495.75	€44,732.20	€52,533.00
Down	€62,182.20	€50,992.00	€34,492.56
Dublin	€80,834.70	€72,908.70	€87,367.12
Fermanagh	€17,559.80	€16,758.30	€6,872.87
Galway	€57,023.10	€66,611.50	€24,245.00
Kerry	€40,252.68	€48,113.76	€41,275.00
Kildare	€39,030.06	€84,913.55	€36,248.00
Kilkenny	€8,776.50	€12,125.00	€185.00
Lancashire	€4,124.20	€2,226.60	€-
Laois	€24,116.00	€5,577.63	€30,422.00
Leitrim	€30,110.00	€27,885.00	€23,278.00
Limerick	€28,812.50	€20,384.00	€9,948.50
London	€6,573.00	€8,109.00	€295.00
Longford	€14,014.50	€31,237.50	€7,502.00
Louth	€35,546.00	€36,569.47	€22,589.50
Mayo	€66,962.70	€53,644.25	€15,591.50
Meath	€73,882.23	€45,972.25	€57,275.30
Monaghan	€59,229.00	€44,919.75	€45,560.34
Offaly	€26,069.30	€12,292.50	€12,867.50
Roscommon	€29,472.00	€27,647.50	€8,596.50
Sligo	€45,443.50	€27,968.50	€23,678.80
Tipperary	€35,419.42	€15,275.50	€9,929.50
Tyrone	€108,755.80	€87,491.50	€78,761.35
Waterford	€6,391.00	€2,784.50	€6,605.50
Westmeath	€43,724.50	€50,162.75	€22,485.00
Wexford	€66,461.00	€31,588.20	€18,260.90
Wicklow	€17,647.50	€29,815.25	€30,588.00

County Graph - 2023 v 2022 v 2021



COUNTY BY COUNTY ANALYSIS 2023

County	Playing Status	Physio	G.P.	A&E	MRI	Consultant	Surgery	Anaesthetic Consultant	Hospital	Loss of Wages	Dentist	Total
Antrim	Adult	€481.50	€-	€-	€590.00	€575.00	€1,695.00	€600.00	€3,500.00	€1,200.00	€-	€8,641.50
	Juvenile	€-	€-	€-	€590.00	€200.00	€2,600.00	€1,200.00	€7,000.00	€-	€-	€11,590.00
Antrim Total		€481.50	€-	€-	€1,180.00	€775.00	€4,295.00	€1,800.00	€10,500.00	€1,200.00	€-	€20,231.50
Armagh	Adult	€1,129.70	€92.00	€75.00	€2,950.00	€1,455.00	€8,428.00	€3,800.00	€19,400.00	€5,460.00	€-	€42,789.70
	Juvenile	€204.00	€-	€-	€2,360.00	€1,237.00	€1,400.00	€600.00	€3,500.00	€-	€-	€9,301.00
Armagh Total		€1,333.70	€92.00	€75.00	€5,310.00	€2,692.00	€9,828.00	€4,400.00	€22,900.00	€5,460.00	€-	€52,090.70
Carlow	Adult	€1,593.00	€85.00	€250.00	€775.00	€450.00	€1,792.00	€1,007.00	€4,272.00	€5,000.00	€-	€15,224.00
	Juvenile	€162.00	€60.00	€500.00	€225.00	€300.00	€2,715.00	€1,250.00	€5,200.00	€-	€920.00	€11,332.00
Carlow Total		€1,755.00	€145.00	€750.00	€1,000.00	€750.00	€4,507.00	€2,257.00	€9,472.00	€5,000.00	€920.00	€26,556.00
Cavan	Adult	€4,590.00	€140.00	€875.00	€2,605.00	€1,835.00	€14,176.00	€6,245.00	€36,189.72	€1,600.00	€-	€68,255.72
	Juvenile	€1,106.00	€-	€1,565.00	€575.00	€703.00	€5,100.00	€2,250.00	€13,500.00	€-	€-	€24,799.00
Cavan Total		€5,696.00	€140.00	€2,440.00	€3,180.00	€2,538.00	€19,276.00	€8,495.00	€49,689.72	€1,600.00	€-	€93,054.72
Clare	Adult	€6,229.50	€90.00	€820.00	€1,915.00	€4,045.00	€6,860.00	€2,424.00	€12,835.00	€2,400.00	€-	€37,618.50
	Juvenile	€1,647.00	€50.00	€455.00	€495.00	€575.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€3,222.00
Clare Total		€7,876.50	€140.00	€1,275.00	€2,410.00	€4,620.00	€6,860.00	€2,424.00	€12,835.00	€2,400.00	€-	€40,840.50
Cork	Adult	€7,425.90	€958.50	€1,392.50	€596.00	€4,485.00	€17,350.30	€5,541.00	€27,534.00	€9,090.00	€-	€74,373.20
	Juvenile	€2,865.00	€60.00	€1,914.05	€870.00	€450.00	€2,700.00	€1,200.00	€7,550.00	€-	€100.00	€17,709.05
Cork Total		€10,290.90	€1,018.50	€3,306.55	€1,466.00	€4,935.00	€20,050.30	€6,741.00	€35,084.00	€9,090.00	€100.00	€92,082.25
Derry	Adult	€1,674.00	€-	€-	€590.00	€-	€2,800.00	€1,200.00	€7,000.00	€5,306.00	€-	€18,570.00
	Juvenile	€220.00	€-	€-	€295.00	€-	€4,200.00	€1,800.00	€10,500.00	€-	€-	€17,015.00
Derry Total		€1,894.00	€-	€-	€885.00	€-	€7,000.00	€3,000.00	€17,500.00	€5,306.00	€-	€35,585.00
Donegal	Adult	€1,345.50	€150.00	€640.00	€590.00	€-	€5,600.00	€2,400.00	€14,000.00	€-	€-	€24,725.50
	Juvenile	€954.00	€100.00	€200.00	€1,036.25	€1,050.00	€9,000.00	€3,830.00	€19,600.00	€-	€-	€35,770.25
Donegal Total		€2,299.50	€250.00	€840.00	€1,626.25	€1,050.00	€14,600.00	€6,230.00	€33,600.00	€-	€-	€60,495.75
Down	Adult	€659.70	€-	€-	€2,284.00	€1,842.00	€12,500.00	€5,106.00	€32,615.00	€6,075.00	€-	€61,081.70
	Juvenile	€220.50	€-	€-	€295.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€585.00	€1,100.50
Down Total		€880.20	€-	€-	€2,579.00	€1,842.00	€12,500.00	€5,106.00	€32,615.00	€6,075.00	€585.00	€62,182.20
Dublin	Adult	€15,612.90	€911.00	€4,045.00	€2,290.00	€4,520.00	€4,900.00	€2,700.00	€14,590.00	€11,160.00	€1,118.00	€61,846.90
	Juvenile	€5,204.50	€480.00	€6,119.30	€885.00	€5,175.00	€-	€-	€775.00	€-	€349.00	€18,987.80
Dublin Total		€20,817.40	€1,391.00	€10,164.30	€3,175.00	€9,695.00	€4,900.00	€2,700.00	€15,365.00	€11,160.00	€1,467.00	€80,834.70
Fermanagh	Adult	€837.00	€-	€-	€1,260.00	€-	€2,800.00	€1,120.00	€6,985.00	€4,000.00	€-	€17,002.00
	Juvenile	€262.80	€-	€-	€295.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€557.80
Fermanagh Total		€1,099.80	€-	€-	€1,555.00	€-	€2,800.00	€1,120.00	€6,985.00	€4,000.00	€-	€17,559.80

INJURY FUND

County	Playing Status	Physio	G.P.	A&E	MRI	Consultant	Surgery	Anaesthetic Consultant	Hospital	Loss of Wages	Dentist	Total
Galway	Adult	€7,017.60	€1,440.00	€1,310.00	€2,925.00	€820.00	€7,050.00	€2,800.00	€16,800.00	€1,920.00	€3,000.00	€45,082.60
	Juvenile	€2,299.50	€495.00	€1,011.00	€1,420.00	€380.00	€1,400.00	€600.00	€3,625.00	€-	€710.00	€11,940.50
Galway Total		€9,317.10	€1,935.00	€2,321.00	€4,345.00	€1,200.00	€8,450.00	€3,400.00	€20,425.00	€1,920.00	€3,710.00	€57,023.10
Kerry	Adult	€4,755.68	€480.00	€510.00	€1,120.00	€850.00	€2,850.00	€1,175.00	€6,750.00	€7,600.00	€2,960.00	€29,050.68
	Juvenile	€2,592.00	€200.00	€540.00	€560.00	€1,030.00	€1,300.00	€650.00	€3,500.00	€-	€830.00	€11,202.00
Kerry Total		€7,347.68	€680.00	€1,050.00	€1,680.00	€1,880.00	€4,150.00	€1,825.00	€10,250.00	€7,600.00	€3,790.00	€40,252.68
Kildare	Adult	€6,991.00	€130.00	€1,656.00	€378.76	€2,720.00	€2,250.00	€600.00	€4,000.00	€7,930.00	€-	€26,655.76
	Juvenile	€3,735.00	€60.00	€1,774.30	€280.00	€905.00	€1,400.00	€600.00	€3,500.00	€-	€120.00	€12,374.30
Kildare Total		€10,726.00	€190.00	€3,430.30	€658.76	€3,625.00	€3,650.00	€1,200.00	€7,500.00	€7,930.00	€120.00	€39,030.06
Kilkenny	Adult	€832.50	€-	€100.00	€-	€-	€1,000.00	€499.00	€3,550.00	€2,000.00	€-	€7,981.50
	Juvenile	€-	€250.00	€545.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€795.00
Kilkenny Total		€832.50	€250.00	€645.00	€-	€-	€1,000.00	€499.00	€3,550.00	€2,000.00	€-	€8,776.50
Lancashire	Adult	€124.20	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€4,000.00	€-	€4,124.20
	Juvenile	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-
Lancashire Total		€124.20	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€4,000.00	€-	€4,124.20
Laois	Adult	€2,229.50	€215.00	€280.00	€830.00	€920.00	€2,800.00	€1,200.00	€7,300.00	€5,960.00	€-	€21,734.50
	Juvenile	€391.50	€50.00	€675.00	€240.00	€200.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€825.00	€2,381.50
Laois Total		€2,621.00	€265.00	€955.00	€1,070.00	€1,120.00	€2,800.00	€1,200.00	€7,300.00	€5,960.00	€825.00	€24,116.00
Leitrim	Adult	€1,899.00	€180.00	€-	€240.00	€900.00	€4,700.00	€1,650.00	€7,550.00	€800.00	€-	€17,919.00
	Juvenile	€486.00	€60.00	€75.00	€850.00	€300.00	€3,400.00	€1,420.00	€5,600.00	€-	€-	€12,191.00
Leitrim Total		€2,385.00	€240.00	€75.00	€1,090.00	€1,200.00	€8,100.00	€3,070.00	€13,150.00	€800.00	€-	€30,110.00
Limerick	Adult	€3,281.50	€115.00	€160.00	€535.00	€1,965.00	€2,800.00	€1,200.00	€7,000.00	€1,100.00	€2,000.00	€20,156.50
	Juvenile	€946.00	€50.00	€1,395.00	€240.00	€850.00	€1,100.00	€925.00	€3,150.00	€-	€-	€8,656.00
Limerick Total		€4,227.50	€165.00	€1,555.00	€775.00	€2,815.00	€3,900.00	€2,125.00	€10,150.00	€1,100.00	€2,000.00	€28,812.50
London	Adult	€1,073.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€1,400.00	€600.00	€3,500.00	€-	€-	€6,573.00
	Juvenile	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-
London Total		€1,073.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€1,400.00	€600.00	€3,500.00	€-	€-	€6,573.00
Longford	Adult	€1,098.00	€90.00	€175.00	€290.00	€230.00	€3,100.00	€1,339.00	€6,300.00	€-	€-	€12,622.00
	Juvenile	€662.50	€100.00	€350.00	€280.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€1,392.50
Longford Total		€1,760.50	€190.00	€525.00	€570.00	€230.00	€3,100.00	€1,339.00	€6,300.00	€-	€-	€14,014.50
Louth	Adult	€5,245.50	€415.00	€800.00	€2,400.00	€1,895.00	€4,400.00	€1,550.00	€7,950.00	€200.00	€3,000.00	€27,855.50
	Juvenile	€1,075.50	€-	€425.00	€280.00	€-	€1,400.00	€600.00	€3,500.00	€-	€410.00	€7,690.50
Louth Total		€6,321.00	€415.00	€1,225.00	€2,680.00	€1,895.00	€5,800.00	€2,150.00	€11,450.00	€200.00	€3,410.00	€35,546.00
Mayo	Adult	€3,841.20	€110.00	€739.00	€1,995.00	€1,790.00	€8,550.00	€3,351.00	€19,975.00	€9,040.00	€750.00	€50,141.20
	Juvenile	€2,146.50	€100.00	€625.00	€295.00	€785.00	€2,900.00	€1,500.00	€6,400.00	€-	€2,070.00	€16,821.50
Mayo Total		€5,987.70	€210.00	€1,364.00	€2,290.00	€2,575.00	€11,450.00	€4,851.00	€26,375.00	€9,040.00	€2,820.00	€66,962.70

County	Playing Status	Physio	G.P.	A&E	MRI	Consultant	Surgery	Anaesthetic Consultant	Hospital	Loss of Wages	Dentist	Total
Meath	Adult	€10,581.00	€167.23	€1,250.00	€2,140.00	€3,407.50	€9,463.00	€4,121.00	€20,300.00	€4,771.00	€-	€56,200.73
	Juvenile	€3,381.50	€405.00	€1,650.00	€575.00	€2,320.00	€1,400.00	€600.00	€5,710.00	€1,240.00	€400.00	€17,681.50
Meath Total		€13,962.50	€572.23	€2,900.00	€2,715.00	€5,727.50	€10,863.00	€4,721.00	€26,010.00	€6,011.00	€400.00	€73,882.23
Monaghan	Adult	€2,251.00	€325.00	€1,525.00	€2,095.00	€1,924.00	€7,286.00	€3,109.00	€17,925.00	€2,660.00	€-	€39,100.00
	Juvenile	€1,539.00	€50.00	€300.00	€1,180.00	€560.00	€4,600.00	€1,900.00	€10,000.00	€-	€-	€20,129.00
Monaghan Total		€3,790.00	€375.00	€1,825.00	€3,275.00	€2,484.00	€11,886.00	€5,009.00	€27,925.00	€2,660.00	€-	€59,229.00
Offaly	Adult	€4,005.00	€180.00	€538.80	€510.00	€680.00	€3,100.00	€1,300.00	€6,300.00	€3,000.00	€-	€19,613.80
	Juvenile	€2,691.00	€25.00	€800.00	€1,039.50	€150.00	€600.00	€500.00	€650.00	€-	€-	€6,455.50
Offaly Total		€6,696.00	€205.00	€1,338.80	€1,549.50	€830.00	€3,700.00	€1,800.00	€6,950.00	€3,000.00	€-	€26,069.30
Roscommon	Adult	€4,127.00	€445.00	€675.00	€1,265.00	€1,500.00	€4,300.00	€2,125.00	€9,725.00	€-	€-	€24,162.00
	Juvenile	€1,323.00	€140.00	€580.00	€-	€790.00	€684.00	€343.00	€1,450.00	€-	€-	€5,310.00
Roscommon Total		€5,450.00	€585.00	€1,255.00	€1,265.00	€2,290.00	€4,984.00	€2,468.00	€11,175.00	€-	€-	€29,472.00
Sligo	Adult	€5,121.00	€440.00	€650.00	€525.00	€440.00	€5,119.00	€2,286.00	€10,975.00	€1,200.00	€-	€26,756.00
	Juvenile	€1,048.50	€80.00	€175.00	€-	€220.00	€4,500.00	€1,939.00	€9,925.00	€-	€800.00	€18,687.50
Sligo Total		€6,169.50	€520.00	€825.00	€525.00	€660.00	€9,619.00	€4,225.00	€20,900.00	€1,200.00	€800.00	€45,443.50
Tipperary	Adult	€6,751.00	€285.00	€100.00	€1,535.00	€3,035.00	€2,739.00	€1,050.00	€8,265.00	€2,400.00	€-	€26,160.00
	Juvenile	€3,108.00	€345.00	€555.00	€1,168.42	€1,260.00	€684.00	€364.00	€1,775.00	€-	€-	€9,259.42
Tipperary Total		€9,859.00	€630.00	€655.00	€2,703.42	€4,295.00	€3,423.00	€1,414.00	€10,040.00	€2,400.00	€-	€35,419.42
Tyrone	Adult	€6,940.70	€-	€-	€8,061.00	€2,198.00	€15,823.00	€9,569.00	€37,476.00	€4,073.00	€-	€84,140.70
	Juvenile	€676.10	€-	€-	€1,475.00	€564.00	€5,500.00	€2,400.00	€14,000.00	€-	€-	€24,615.10
Tyrone Total		€7,616.80	€-	€-	€9,536.00	€2,762.00	€21,323.00	€11,969.00	€51,476.00	€4,073.00	€-	€108,755.80
Waterford	Adult	€2,179.00	€60.00	€280.00	€280.00	€1,020.00	€-	€-	€125.00	€-	€-	€3,944.00
	Juvenile	€792.00	€100.00	€720.00	€600.00	€120.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€115.00	€2,447.00
Waterford Total		€2,971.00	€160.00	€1,000.00	€880.00	€1,140.00	€-	€-	€125.00	€-	€115.00	€6,391.00
Westmeath	Adult	€6,124.00	€315.00	€775.00	€3,069.60	€2,475.40	€6,450.00	€2,400.00	€16,900.00	€800.00	€90.00	€39,399.00
	Juvenile	€1,885.50	€360.00	€1,000.00	€480.00	€300.00	€-	€-	€300.00	€-	€-	€4,325.50
Westmeath Total		€8,009.50	€675.00	€1,775.00	€3,549.60	€2,775.40	€6,450.00	€2,400.00	€17,200.00	€800.00	€90.00	€43,724.50
Wexford	Adult	€2,297.00	€190.00	€620.00	€300.00	€1,550.00	€14,104.00	€7,064.00	€35,850.00	€800.00	€2,070.00	€64,845.00
	Juvenile	€351.00	€50.00	€250.00	€785.00	€180.00	€-	€-	€-	€-	€-	€1,616.00
Wexford Total		€2,648.00	€240.00	€870.00	€1,085.00	€1,730.00	€14,104.00	€7,064.00	€35,850.00	€800.00	€2,070.00	€66,461.00
Wicklow	Adult	€3,161.70	€525.00	€855.00	€688.80	€600.00	€150.00	€-	€125.00	€1,400.00	€-	€7,505.50
	Juvenile	€1,852.00	€155.00	€1,750.00	€295.00	€380.00	€1,400.00	€600.00	€3,500.00	€-	€210.00	€10,142.00
Wicklow Total		€5,013.70	€680.00	€2,605.00	€983.80	€980.00	€1,550.00	€600.00	€3,625.00	€1,400.00	€210.00	€17,647.50
Total		€179,333.68	€12,358.73	€47,044.95	€67,592.33	€71,110.90	€248,318.30	€108,202.00	€577,771.72	€114,185.00	€23,432.00	€1,449,349.61

PROVINCIAL BREAKDOWN 2023 – 2019

2023

Province	No. of Claims:	Total Paid:
Connacht	210	€229,011.30
Leinster	556	€456,658.29
Munster	252	€243,798.35
Ulster	287	€509,184.47
Britain	4	€10,697.20
Total	1309	€1,449,349.61

2022

Province	No. of Claims:	Total Paid:
Connacht	224	€203,756.75
Leinster	529	€421,937.80
Munster	207	€187,192.26
Ulster	241	€427,487.68
Britain	7	€10,335.60
Total	1208	€1,250,710.09

2021

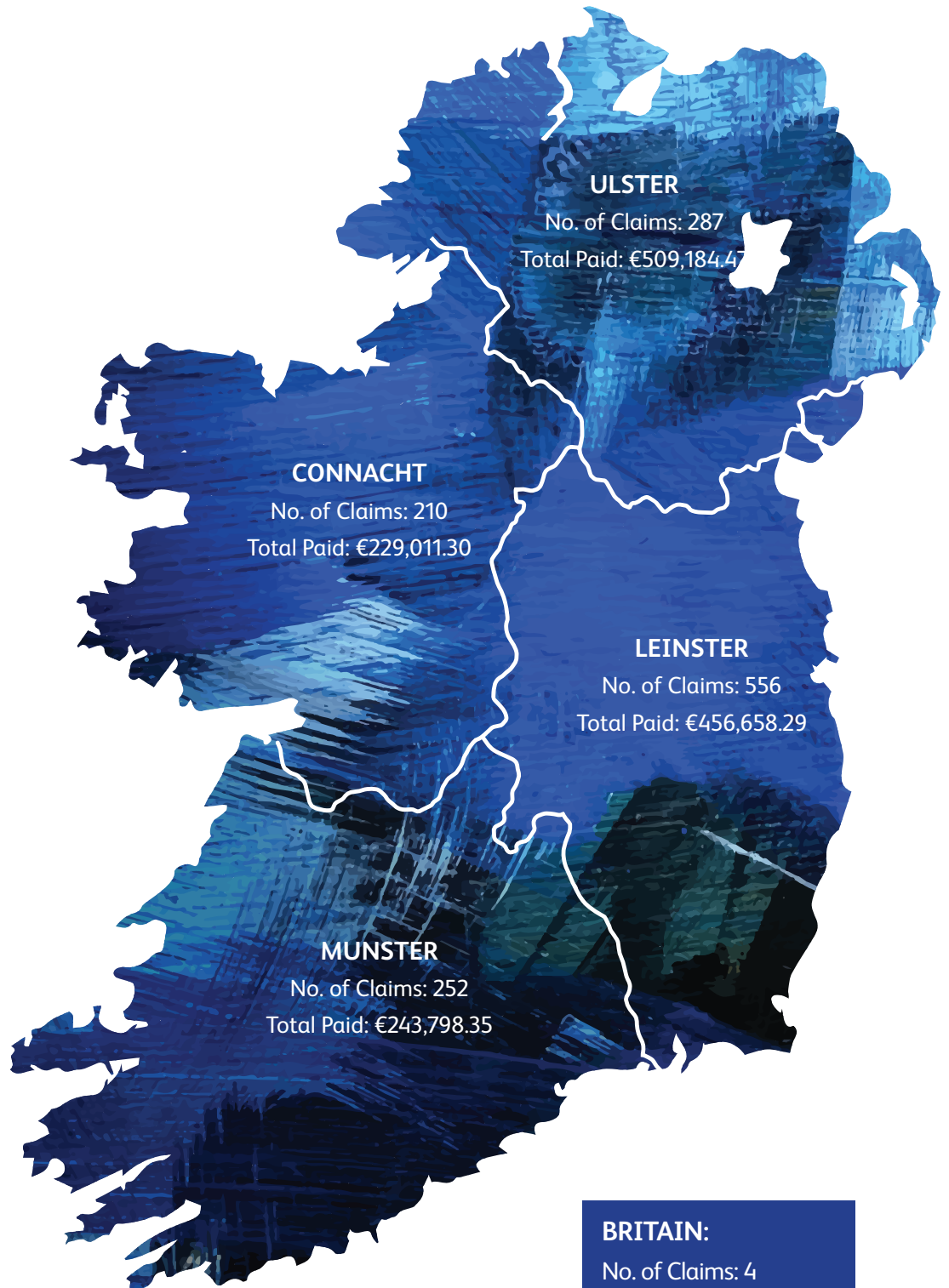
Province	No. of Claims:	Total Paid:
Connacht	184	€95,569.80
Leinster	314	€332,748.32
Munster	157	€135,903.00
Ulster	158	€341,182.93
Britain	1	€295.00
Total	814	€905,699.05

2020

Province	No. of Claims:	Total Paid:
Connacht	217	€165,792.56
Leinster	360	€276,822.58
Munster	189	€119,732.81
Ulster	149	€251,905.91
Britain	3	€4,698.57
Total	918	€818,952.43

2019

Province	No. of Claims:	Total Paid:
Connacht	287	€168,522.74
Leinster	552	€363,162.27
Munster	253	€179,106.55
Ulster	162	€307,610.89
Britain	4	€658.27
Total	1258	€1,019,060.72





**PETER RICE
A TRIBUTE**



REMEMBERING PETER



I am honoured to be asked to pay a brief tribute for this year's Congress to our friend and colleague Peter Rice, who sadly passed away on Monday 20th November after a short illness. Peter was a native of Portlaoise but worked and resided in Wexford since the mid 1970's.

In 1982, I made what turned out to be one of the best decisions of my life, when I asked Peter to become involved with me in my local club in Wexford Forth Celtic, now Shelmalier. This was to be the start of a lifelong friendship.

We had a successful seven years together at club level, winning county titles at under 16, minor and senior level, before Peter, Mary Rice and Nicola Keane formed the St. Fintan's club in their own parish of Mayglass. Within five years of being formed, St. Fintan's won three county U-14 Féile, an U-14 Championship, two U-16, four U-18's, one Junior and one Senior County Championship titles, as well as the All-Ireland Senior 7-a-side shield final defeating Monaghan Harps in the final. Peter was the driving force behind all those successes and was club President of St. Fintan's at the time of his passing.

From the start Peter immersed himself in all aspects of our association. You will see from the following brief synopsis of his involvement in the administration side of our association, the enormous workload he undertook at all levels of our association, much of which overlapped.

He held various officerships in both Shelmalier and St. Fintan's clubs. He was club delegate to county board from 1983, before taking up positions as Wexford PRO in 1984, 1985 and 1988, Vice-Chairperson of the county board in 1989 and Wexford's delegate to Leinster and Central Council



for several years from 1983 and was also a referee in Wexford. He served as Leinster President from 1986 to 1989 and again in 1996. He was Chairperson of Wexford's fixtures committee in 1993, and County Board Treasurer in 1994.

He attained the highest accolade in our association when he again co-incidentally took over from fellow Laois person Mary Wheatley as National President in 1991, to be followed by our current CEO Helen O'Rourke at Congress in Rosslare in 1994. He represented both Leinster and Central Councils on various committees such as Fixtures, Disciplinary and All-Stars. He was on Leinster Council, the National Rules Advisory Committee and National Management Committee up to the time of his passing.

He regularly collected gates at all levels of our association and did so with honesty, integrity and fairness. He was well known to give good value for money while at the gates, wherever he saw workers at all levels of our association that were known to him.

Peter along with Wexford Chairperson Kieran Dunne and myself as National President put together the first Official Guide for the Ladies Gaelic Football Association. We started on St. Stephen's Day 1985, examined the rules of several sporting organisations, to see where they may be benefit to our fledging association and had it ready for ratification at a Special National Congress on the 8th March 1986. Prior to that, our association operated with the GAA Official Guide and some of our own rules.

Peter was progressive and respectful in all roles that he filled, he was an excellent organiser, thorough administrator and insisted on the workings of our association at all level were carried out in a fair and honest manner. Anyone who tried to pull the wool over his eyes were left in no doubt where he or they stood.

On the inter-county scene, Peter was involved in all grades of football from under 14 to senior either as manager or selector with Wexford and was associated with all Ireland victories in a number of underage finals. In 1991, he was manager of Wexford's under 16, 18, junior and senior county teams as well as being in his first year as National President. He was also involved with several Leinster teams in the Inter-Provincial series. His final team involvement with Wexford was in 2011 when they narrowly lost the All-Ireland semi-final to New York.

Peter received a GAA President's Award in 2013 from fellow Laois man, GAA president Liam O'Neill, on the back of outstanding years of service to Ladies Gaelic Football, an award that was truly deserved.

Apart from his huge involvement in the LGFA, Peter was an active member of his local community in Mayglass including the Men's Shed. He was a keen follower of all sports and especially gaelic games and played golf in Wexford Golf Club. He was an active member of the All Blacks women's and men's soccer club.



PETER RICE - A TRIBUTE

When he joined Forth Celtic in 1982, the club was unique in the sense that they played ladies gaelic football in the summer time, and soccer in the winter, all under the same club name, team management and club officers and committee. The club won several Wexford soccer league and cup titles, with our soccer success culminating in winning the All Ireland Women's Intermediate FAI Cup in 1987. During this period the club won eight county titles between U-16, U-18 and Senior in Ladies Gaelic Football and Peter was involved in them all. The club changed its name to Shelmalier in 1985 but continued to play soccer under the Forth Celtic name.

On a personal note, we have been great friends since 1982. We have travelled the country and indeed many parts of the world together. Considering that both of us could be quite passionate about issues, and sometimes not having the same viewpoint, it made for some interesting moments. However, any differences that arose were quickly resolved and we would have a laugh, sometimes at our stupidity. I will miss our sometimes quick and other times long chats, on assessment of events or games that we were at.

Peter was one of life's true gentlemen and a true and loyal friend, who delivered outstanding service and commitment at all levels for our association, over a long period of time.

In the days when it was not very popular to be involved in Ladies Gaelic Football, he fought many a battle for its recognition. He will be fondly remembered for his huge contribution to our success. It is sad that as we approach the 50th Anniversary of the LGFA on 18th July 2024, that Peter will not be with us for that milestone, to celebrate our success.

Whilst the loss to ladies football is huge, it pales into insignificance, to the loss, that his family David, Michelle, Jan, Andre, Mary, sister Gretta and grandchildren Seán, Dáire and Aoife whom he adored, and his extended family, and friends are experiencing.

He was a humble, intelligent, efficient and honest person, who had a word for everyone. He enjoyed the craic and made friends wherever he went. At National and Provincial level, it was often commented including by some of you here today in an affectionate manner, "here comes the Wexford Mafia", when Peter, Wexford delegates and myself were at meetings or functions. That always drew a chuckle from Peter and often a witty retort.

It was a strange and empty feeling this year while reviewing motions to Congress and preparing for Congress at both the Rules Advisory Committee and Management meetings not to have him at the table for his valued input.

I have no doubt, but that he will be playing a prominent role in discussions, with all those ladies football people, who have gone before him. May his gentle soul Rest in Peace.

He has left a terrible void and we all have lost a loyal colleague. Ar dheis Dé, go raibh do anam dílis, mo chara Pheadar.

Pat Quill





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“Comfort kills ambition. Get uncomfortable and get used to it in your pursuit of your goals and dreams.” These words from bestselling author Robert Toru Kiyosaki are very apt for our journey in development over the past few years. We had clear goals and targets but at times things outside of our control slowed these down from the pandemic through to reliance on external bodies, making you feel uncomfortable, but always we maintained our ambition and 2023 certainly was a fruitful and transitional year for development in LGFA. The vast breadth of activity was recognised with the addition of new staff to the area and there have been exciting launches including the new Gaelic Games Coach Pathway. No sporting body can afford to rest on their laurels and we certainly are not satisfied to stay in the comfort zone as an association.

A simple definition used for development is ‘the process in which someone or something grows or changes and becomes more advanced’ and if you bring this to the vast areas of ladies football including the development of volunteers, administrators, players, coaches, match officials and teachers, you will see that there is an onus on the association to grow and support all these cohorts of members. This is always to the forefront of our planning meetings and we are very conscious that a handful of staff cannot achieve all ambitions for these areas but together as an association we can if we support, develop and advance our volunteers to allow us to succeed together. I have stressed on many occasions that we are extremely fortunate with the members we have involved and their dedication and passion for our game. Everyone wants to do better; they all want to be innovative and they want our sport to excel and be at the forefront.

Our new Strategic Plan will bring this to the next level and input from these members are what has built the plan, bringing new ideas and new ambitions. We have solid foundations across all development strands but it will be important to now be reinvigorated and brave. We need to build on existing initiatives but also not be afraid to make changes. As we celebrate 50 years in 2024 it will need to be a year of further action; “Ambition is the first step to success, the second step is action.”

Development Staff

What is the secret of people who remain immensely passionate about their role? To me, it is mostly about loving what we do, and knowing that we are making a positive difference. Knowing that we are making a positive difference through our work can be a huge motivational factor as it underlines self-worth, both in ourselves and the people we work with, reposes confidence, and creates positive impact around us. At times we will hear, “that’s ok for you as it is your job” and that is fine, it is true but the staff we have involved go above and beyond in their roles, they love our sport and believe in the impact they can have on coaches, players, match officials, administrators, volunteers and much more. They

spend as many hours volunteering in their own clubs as they do in work so they understand the supports and assistance required. As development staff we hugely respect the role of the volunteer and without these influential and prominent people in our communities we could not achieve our goals and ambitions. We fully understand that together we can achieve more.

During the year we were delighted to welcome five new positions across the team. Our National Development Officers titles changed to Head of Development for their areas; William Harmon (Coach Development), Lizzie Flynn (Match Official Development), Niall Mulrine (Volunteer Development) and Vinny Whelan (Growth and Participation). Player Development had been included under the remit with match official development but this will now be a standalone area and we welcomed Eilish Ward to the team as Head of Player Development. The four initial areas were then boosted with a National Development Officer being employed to support the assigned Head of Development: Emily Martin (Coach Development), David Lernihán (Match Official Development), Vivienne Nee (Volunteer Development) and Clodagh Flanagan (Growth and Participation). This was a significant signal of intent by the association that we know we have progressed greatly in the past 50 years but we have so much more we can achieve. The new staff have brought a renewed energy and zeal to the group, something we will all benefit from. As always, they are supported greatly by our National Development Support Administrator Margaret McCorry, and she has been ensuring all courses have been available to counties and clubs, plus our coach and referee developers feel fully supported.

Emily Jacob Harris and Sarah Murphy settled into their roles in Leinster and Connacht respectively while with Clodagh Flanagan moving to the role of National Development Officer, it was great to open the door to Leah Doyle as the new North Leinster Growth and Development Leader. Gearóid Balfry works tirelessly in Munster with Ciaran Murtagh leading development in Ulster. Aidan McLaughlin has moved on from his post as Assistant Development Officer in Ulster and I would like to thank him for everything over the past few years. He certainly was a welcomed addition. The Provincial Development Officers continue to play an essential role and they work closely with counties, clubs and members within their region. Our monthly meetings are productive and provide an opportunity to brainstorm, share ideas and solve any problems together as a full development staff.

All staff continue to be visionary but they take the time to listen to our members. Any initiative or programme developed comes from discussions with our units and they strive to be innovative in their approach to support these units. They consistently ensure we meet the needs of our members and review programmes

regularly with alterations made as required. They set high standards for the group and their enthusiasm and motivation is endless. I want to thank them for all their hard work and dedication during the year striving to support each other, all staff and of course our members.

National Development Committee

Our National Development Committee continued to hold quarterly meetings and the input and fresh ideas from this group are highly valued. The members bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise, and ensure we continue to think outside the box and learn from experiences. There are different topics on each agenda with at least one female leadership topic for every meeting following combining these two committees in 2023. Former Ulster President Eileen Jones acts as Chairperson and she is joined by Aisling Hubbard (Wicklow Local Sports Partnership), Eliza Downey (former Down player and current Jo Hopkins Consulting), Elaine Harte (former Cork player and now a teacher and involved in coaching), Shane Curley (National Referee), Wesley O'Brien (University College Cork), Gráinne McElwain (club member and media presenter), Denise Masterson (former Dublin captain and now coach), Shane Cassells (club member and parent) and Shane Flanagan (GAA Director of Coaching and

Games). The committee is completed with Mícheál Naughton (LGFA President), Paula Prunty as Operations and Planning Manager and myself as National Development Manager. This ensures a strong connection between this committee and our development staff meetings.

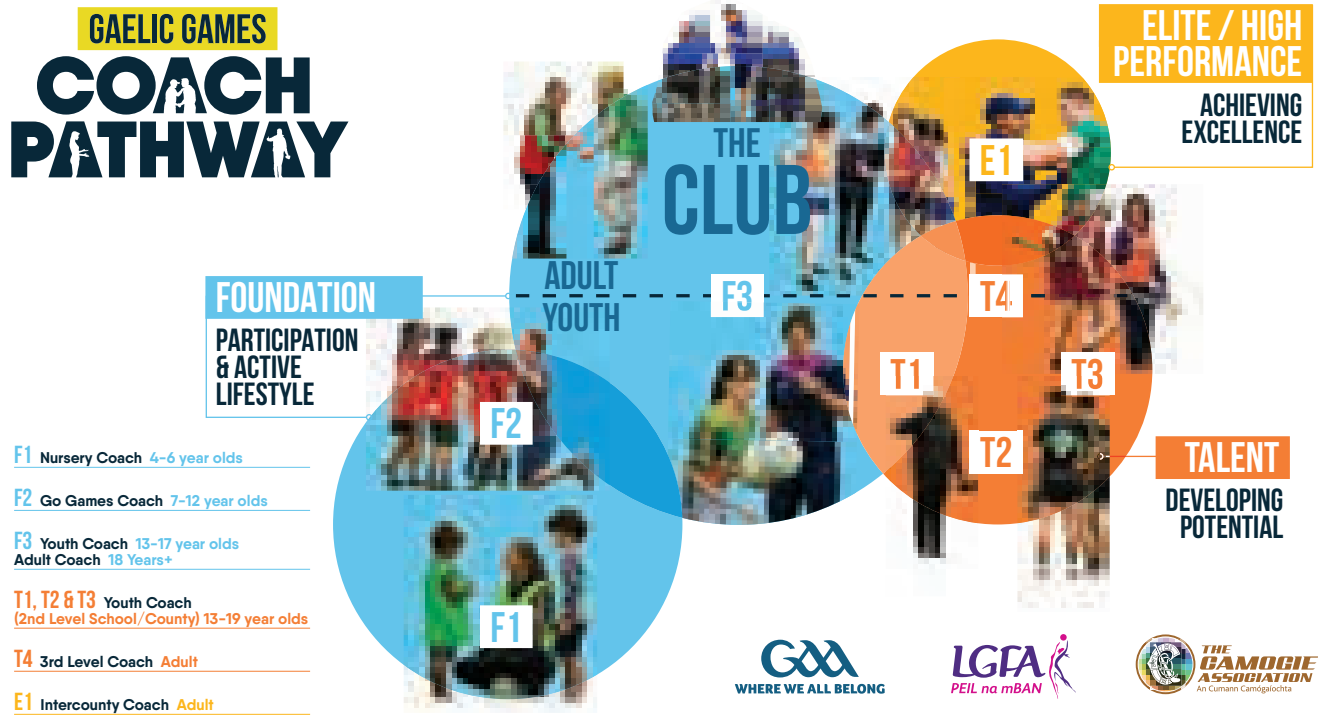
The discussion topics are in line with our development areas of player, referee, volunteer and coach development, while the strategic plan also featured heavily in 2023. This group are very forward-thinking and open to sharing their experiences. They are certainly meetings I look forward to and I thank them for their involvement and engagement throughout the year.

County Development Committees

A motion was passed at Congress in March 2022 stating, 'The Executive of the County Board must appoint a County Development Committee comprising of at least four people each with a responsibility for either Coach Education, Volunteer Development, Participation and Referee Education' and a further motion changed membership of the county executive from the County Development Officer to the Chairperson of the County Development Committee. This was to place a greater emphasis on the importance of development in each county and getting



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the right people for the right roles. It provided counties with an opportunity to identify people with a real interest in each area whilst also breaking the role into smaller elements.

The chairperson of this committee will be a member of the county executive committee making sure development remains a priority on all agendas. There is a designated email address for the chairperson but also for each of the strand leads. It has been extremely disappointing to see the number of counties that do not have this committee in place with someone designated for each role as it is a rule in the Official Guide. The counties that are excelling in this will reap the rewards and we have already seen evidence of this with coach development leads organising exceptional courses and player development programmes, match official leads offering proper aftercare for referees, links created by volunteer development leads with GAA counterparts in counties for club leadership training and growth and participation leads assisting with the selection of Gaelic4Girls in their county. These are just a few examples but highlight the significance of having the appropriate people in place. I would urge all counties to get their development committees appointed as a priority and we will then link with them in their roles across all strands. This is of paramount importance and will support your county as our sport continues to grow rapidly and ensure you are prepared for this expansion.

The position of Club Coaching Officer was added to the Official Guide as an official position too in 2022 in all

clubs and this should assist the person leading the coach development strand to have a direct link into all clubs. We had our initial education provision for this officer in 2023 and will build further on this in the new year. It has been positive to see some counties embark on employing a full-time Development Officer with Monaghan joining Meath this year. We have guidelines devised to support counties in relation to employment and it is essential that you are fully aware of all legal requirements and employment laws.

Provincial Development

We conducted our annual planning meetings with each province and this provides direction and a roadmap for the provincial development officers to work from for the year ahead. The meetings are always very beneficial and ensure a shared vision for the year ahead when the plan is signed off by the provincial executive committee. The plans are of course ambitious and challenging with the province wanting to eclipse expectations across all areas.

The areas covered include coaching and games, match official development, club and county structures, communications and promotions. There are areas of responsibility assigned to various officers of the executive committee and the Provincial Development Officer. This allows check ins to see the status of each goal but most importantly clarity on who is the lead for each goal. I would like to express my gratitude to the Provincial Presidents and executives for their support of the development staff and the sense of desire and intent to improve things in their

province. We look forward to working with the provinces on the plans for the coming year and conducting mid-year meetings with all involved.

Coach Development

In the words of the renowned Liam Moggan, current Chairperson of the Gaelic Games Coach Advisory Committee, “There’s a myth, and it’s a myth that I believed for a long time, that coaching at the start, at kids’ level, is difficult and gets easier as you go along. That is a complete myth. The day that you stand in front of a group of five, six-year-olds, that session, that day is very difficult and the good coaches hold on to that difficulty or discomfort right all the way. Even if they progress to senior inter-county level or, dare I say it, in other sports to international level. The only difference is that the same tools are needed, just like musicians playing the same chords. Rock musicians and orchestral musicians, country and western singers. They still use the same notes, but they produce a different end product. Coaches of kids and coaches of international athletes use the very same tools. It’s even more important that the coaches at the kids’ level have these tools, so that they can encourage the beauty and joy, and help them progress in that way.”

It has never been more important for us to ensure that all coaches have the correct tools than it is now as the growth rate of our player base expands exponentially. There is a concern that the extensive number of new members annually could be hiding some of the numbers we are losing, and we know from research the importance the role of the coach plays in

retaining these players. The new Gaelic Games Coach Pathway was launched in 2023 and this is a key milestone across Gaelic Games ensuring players receive the right support at the right time from their coach. For the first time, all three Associations with responsibility for the promotion of Gaelic Football, Hurling, Ladies Football and Camogie have an aligned pathway and vision for coach development. All coaches are at the heart of this new pathway – and there will be a key focus on creating an effective coach development environment. The Coach Pathway has been created to mirror the Player Pathway, ensuring that coaches are provided with the knowledge, skill, and capacities to develop players within and across phases of the Gaelic Games Player Pathway – “just for me” and “just in time.”

The Pathway was heavily informed by the cross-association coach education study conducted in 2020 with over 10,500 coach respondents. People identified a lack of time and other commitments as barriers to engaging in learning. They said they wanted shorter, more bite-sized learning opportunities. Consequently, a key feature of the new approach is to provide flexible and modular courses. This new pathway will involve formal courses such as the Introduction to Coaching Gaelic Games but in addition there will be recognition for accredited learning through core modules, webinars, workshops, communities of practice and much more. By keeping the end goal in mind, and understanding the coaching pathway in its totality, coaches and other stakeholders can provide players with the level of support that they require at any moment along their developmental journey.





The Coach Pathway is grounded in three core elements aligned to the Gaelic Games Player Pathway, namely The Player, The Game, The Environment. It will exhibit a Coach 'Learning Space' that aims to reflect the variety of coaching needs, and the breadth of learning opportunities that should be provided for coaches. This 'Learning Space' is accessible to all following the completion of the Introduction to Gaelic Games course, with the exception of core modules and specialist modules which have a pre-requisite of participants required to complete Level 1 formal courses. The Learning Management System (Tobar), linked to Foireann, will power the delivery of the Coach Pathway. All three Associations are committed to providing coaches with the right supports at the right time, which will enable them to individually empower themselves to engage with the many challenges they will face along their Coach Pathway journey.

John Wooden, considered the greatest NCAA basketball head coach of all time, was once quoted saying "A good coach can change a game, a great coach can change a life" and this is crucial when it comes of the selection of coaches at club and county level. It is imperative you have a player-centred coach with the skill set to match the developmental stage of your players. The new Coach Pathway is not linear highlighting that the best coach is not necessarily the winning adult intercounty coach but they might be the best coach for that level. They may struggle as a coach for Go Games age children, F2 stage of the Player Pathway, for example so a different coach is the best coach for that age group.

We completed our winter webinar series again during the year with topics such as 'Creating a Welcoming Environment', 'Fitness With and Without the Ball', 'Bringing Smiles and

Laughter to Coaching Sessions' and much more. The live numbers are high but the watch back numbers through our YouTube channel and Facebook are even greater showing the interesting in topics we are covering. The importance of ensuring enjoyment in all sessions cannot be underestimated and this is right up to the highest level of the game. Sport is a pastime and players have choices for other activities if they are not enjoying ladies football so there is an onus on the coach to make our sport their sport of choice. Every player must be given the opportunity to play meaningful games and in last year's report I cited that there was an 18% decrease in the number of 17-year-old players in 2022 compared to 16-year-old players in 2021. That was a startling statistic and this trajectory will continue if we are not open to change and innovation at these age groups. They don't want to play Go Games yet they are not adult players so we need to work with these teenage players to see further what they want, and not what adults want for them. This will be a key project for 2024 to engage with teenage players, these could be the core group to keep the club fielding in a few years' time. It is essential for coaches to understand the different maturation rates of players and although one girl may not be a superstar now, she could be the person you are building the team around in the future. It is imperative that clubs work on having an appropriate coaching philosophy in place and there are multiple webinars available on our YouTube channel on this topic.

It has been a return to normality for our coaching courses and we completed 41 Introduction to Coaching Gaelic Games (ICGG) courses, 19 Level 1 courses and two Level 2 courses. These numbers do not include ICGG courses completed with the GAA

across codes in some counties and clubs. We completed the inaugural Gaelic Games Coach Developer training course and these new coach developers have really assisted us to increase capacity and deliver additional courses. Our Level 1 and Level 2 courses remain code specific as they have greater detail on working with female athletes and our coach developer in-service focused on upskilling more personnel to deliver on these courses, in turn increasing capacity in this regard too.

Our Inter-County Player Level 1 Assimilation course, aimed at current or past county players, took place in November. This allows us to fast track these players to Level 1 in recognition of their playing experience at the high-performance level of our game. All participants must be coaching at club, school or county level and the course has been approved by Sport Ireland to enable more female players gain their coaching qualifications. Although the attendance number was low on this course, they are always such an enthusiastic and motivated group and it is imperative that we encourage more players to engage with this opportunity when it is offered in the coming year. We want to encourage more female coaches and this course is an ideal chance to whet the appetite for coaching and networking in a safe environment.

There was an increase on the number of Ready Steady Coach workshops delivered as part of the TY/AS Level Programme with 36 completed. Teachers have welcomed this as part of the programme as it introduces coaching for the students involved. The TY/AS Level Programme is delivered by the provincial development officers and includes the Go Games referee course and event management. The quantity of courses will continue to increase with development officers in all provinces and this is something we also upskill a full-time county development officer to deliver, allowing them to create solid links with schools in their county. There were two TEACH workshops delivered with more scheduled for early in the new year. This coaching course is for teachers themselves but there are elements removed that they will have covered during teacher training such as group management, this allows the time to be dedicated to coaching Gaelic Games in a school environment which at times has minimal space and minimal equipment. This is delivered for both primary and post primary teachers.

Our coaching workshops continue to grow in popularity and we had a focused roadshow with the Sport Ireland Coaching Teenage Girls in Sport workshop. We upskilled several of our coach developers, ambassadors and staff to deliver this and we had sold out venues across the country. We ran twelve workshops and there was very positive feedback from all participants. This workshop will now be available for our units to book as part of our coach education offering. We organised six Coach the Keeper workshops again generating huge positivity and these are delivered by goalkeepers and goalkeeping coaches so they are very passionate about the area. We are currently working with the Gaelic Games family to devise a version of this workshop across Gaelic Games which

will align with credits on the new coach pathway. These are two areas highlighted by coaches for greater support and guidance as they identified the need to increase retention of teenage players and the ever-changing importance of the role of the goalkeeper. Being a goalkeeper requires a very specific skillset and this workshop educates coaches on how they can unlock the potential in their own goalkeepers with appropriate training and techniques.

There are self-led workshops available on Tobar too for the Club Mentor Rules, Concussion Awareness and One Good Coach. All coaches in clubs and counties should be encouraged to complete the Club Mentor Rules Workshop as there is a lack of awareness of the rules especially the differences between the male and female game. Too often we are hearing calls for a black card, a mark or comments of it being a fair shoulder. The referees are then questioned, and at times ridiculed, for making the incorrect call yet it is the mentor or players involved that had the lack of understanding of the rules. It will help everyone involved from referees, coaches and players to increase their knowledge in this area and ensure we are coaching to the rules of the game, there is only one rule book no matter where you are in the world.

We organised our inaugural County Mentor Conference for mentors involved with county teams from under 14 to adult for the 2023 season. We had external speakers delivering quality content such as ‘Coaching and Sports Science: What works best for player development?’ delivered by Aoife Lane, Head of Department of Sport and Health Sciences, Technological University of the Shannon (TUS) and Des Ryan, Director of Coaching and Performance in Setanta College. The afternoon session was ‘The Power of Purpose’ with Paul Garrigan, former coach with Meath and he shared his journey with the Meath team and provided insights into the environment that enabled them to overcome challenges and achieve success. Feedback from the day was exceptional and the mentors involved outlined the importance of these days for their role. We agreed to organise this conference again for mentors involved in 2024. However, it was extremely disappointing to have to cancel this day due to low numbers despite high calibre speakers once again being lined up to deliver. There is a huge amount of work put into organising days like these and the topics covered come from listening to the mentors themselves so we urge all counties to encourage their mentors to attend these in the future. Every day is a learning day and if anyone thinks they have nothing to learn you would have to question if they are the right person for the role. In the words of Steve Jobs, “Learn continually – there’s always ‘one more thing’ to learn.”

As always we offer the delivery of webinars to our international units at a time to suit their own time zones. Each unit selects topics to match their needs and we are really motivated through the delivery of these as there are so many inspiring coaches involved, bringing so many nationalities into our game. There has certainly been a change over the past few years with many of the units now commencing youth games which will bode

well for the future of teams in these countries. The addition last year of our skill cards and playing rules being translated to multiple languages was welcomed to assist this process and we added Vietnamese versions in 2023. They are available in English, Irish, Arabic, Catalan, Chinese, Estonian, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Spanish, Thai, Ukrainian and Vietnamese. These resources are assisting our clubs in Ireland too with so many new nationalities being welcomed to our communities and they support a greater understanding of the game. We will continue to build on this bank of resources through feedback from our International Units.

Coach education is clearly an area where we continue to work very closely across Gaelic Games as you will see outlined above, yet we continue to ensure our own priorities are focused on also. During the year the Sports Science Framework for Gaelic Games was launched with the Performance Analysis Guide for Gaelic games released before that. In 2024 we are aiming to pilot the new Gaelic Games Coach the Keeper workshop and a new Athletic Development workshop aimed at the F3 stage of the Player Pathway, the youth player. We will also have our first Gaelic Games Community of Practice programme, spearheaded through research from our own William Harmon. We will strive to collaborate on common aspects of coach education but of course will remain very aware of the elements that need to be worked on from an LGFA perspective too.

We have been enthused to get back to in-person delivery of courses and programmes but at the same time we are conscious

of the feedback from coaches of having that balance between what can be delivered on screen and what can you learn best when you are present at a venue. Our coaching courses continue to receive much acclaim and that is down to the delivery from our coach developers. They do much more than deliver courses, they help us to alter our education programmes and most importantly motivate each other. We had our in-service in December and the energy generated by this group was immense, they thrive on developing people and on supporting them in their roles. We are very fortunate with the dedicated coach developers we have and I thank them for the many evenings and weekends they are out throughout the year delivering the key messages from LGFA coach education.

With the new Gaelic Games Coach Pathway now launched, the coming year will be exciting for coach development as we build the structures around this. William Harmon, Head of Coach Development, and Emily Martin, National Development Officer for Coach Development, will continue to lead on this area and no doubt we will see great progress in 2024 through both existing programmes and initiatives, but also reviewed elements due to the vast research now available on female sport. Coaches are central to player retention so every second dedicated to this area is impactful.

Match Officials Education

The Ladies Gaelic Football Association launched its 'Take a Second' campaign in March 2023 – aimed at encouraging and celebrating a culture of positivity and mutual respect among all





members. Although this was not solely focuses on match officials, they were certainly a key cohort to be targeted and ensure greater respect for them in their roles. The LGFA was determined to deliver a wide-ranging and impactful campaign that promoted and celebrated positive behaviour from its members on matchdays and behind closed doors in various meeting and committee rooms. We spoke to over 1,000 members and 66% of respondents indicated that the association needed to take action on respect. Respondents thought that coaches lost their cool the most, with parents a close second and spectators third. Other key findings included 85% had witnessed a referee or match official being disrespected, 70% witnessed a referee being disrespectful to a player or coach, 55% felt that disrespectful behaviour occurred most often at underage club matches, with 36% witnessing it most at adult club matches. Consequently, 49% of respondents would never consider becoming a referee, while 10% had walked away from a role within their club or county due to the behaviour of others. The LGFA wanted to tackle this culture and one of the association's key aims has always been to deliver safe, supportive and respectful playing and non-playing environments for players, coaches, referees, parents, spectators and volunteers. You can see from the findings within this report that many of these impacted match officials.

I have said it before and I will say it again, a referee is the only person a game can't go ahead without and we must respect them, even if you don't always agree with them. They play an essential role in our game and give up time with their family or friends most evenings and weekends to ensure our games can

take place. There would be no games without match officials and I know I am beating the same drum every year but counties need to support their officials and place a greater emphasis on recruiting new referees. If the environment is non-supportive and negative then why would anyone want to get involved? We have an aftercare programme for counties to follow when they complete a course for new referees yet it is a battle to get most counties to follow this. Referees are not going to just appear and remember as membership increases so too does the game activity so you need to plan for the future. Every county should be aiming to get more referees involved at all levels of the referee pathway. This is where the match official lead on the county development committee is so important, they can take responsibility for this area and work with the referees.



The LGFA Referee Pathway outlines the education required at county, province and national level annually. By rule 'All club from Under 14 to Adult games within counties must be officiated by a referee who has completed an LGFA referee education course and they must attend an annual referee refresher course to maintain qualifications' so counties must provide this course for their referees each year. There were 17 annual refresher courses completed in 2023 within counties and three LGFA organised webinar refreshers ensuring referees had no excuse not to be able to attend. However, that does mean that only 17 counties

arranged their own refresher despite this rule now being in place. There was a motion at congress last year to lower the age from adult in the above rule to under 16 so referees would have to complete the annual refresher for games from Under 16 and above but this was changed at congress to also include Under 14. This was a very positive step and shows that people recognise the importance of qualified referees but it is now up to counties to ensure they are adhering by that rule. The annual refresher course is open to all existing LGFA referees and experienced GAA referees with the main areas included focusing on the rule differences between the games as many referees officiate both codes, and at times hurling and camogie too. When participants complete the course and their online rules assessment, they can then present their certificate to the county board.

Match official education must be included in a county's annual plan and the responsibility allocated to the lead person for match officials on the County Development Committee. They will have a passion for the area and will want to see officials progress both inside and outside the county. It is a huge honour for a referee to be selected for an LGFA Academy or even more so for the provincial or national panels. It is important that we continue to encourage our officials to want to develop and strive to reach their potential on the referee pathway. We provided assessor training for counties in 2023 with a small number availing of this but we will be rolling it out in the new year again. This is another area to allow you to support your referees and offer them guidance on how to develop further. It is important to select the right person for the role of assessor, it must be someone wanting to encourage referees and that can focus on areas of development. Referees need to feel that they can speak to their assessor and gain valuable advice. We continued with the training of assessors at provincial and national level too with the aim of having a pathway for assessors in place from county to national level mirroring that of our referees.

Go Games was re-launched across Gaelic Games in 2023 and as part of this there will be a new self-led course on Tobar for participants to complete in their own time but courses will remain available to book for face-to-face or online delivered by our referee developers. 49 Grab Your Whistle Go Games courses were completed during the year and it is imperative that clubs and counties now work with these referees and follow the aftercare programme. A mentor can really guide from their experience especially for new referees from Go Games and the Youth Club course. There were an additional 36 courses that took place through the TY/AS Level Programme. At Grab Your Whistle Youth Club level eight courses were delivered and a further twelve at Adult Club level.

There are some brilliant new referees coming through these courses and it is vital that our units encourage these officials to progress through the courses and give them the encouragement they require to stay involved. There is an immense amount of time spent recruiting managers, training county and club teams, organising fixtures and more but can we honestly say the same amount of dedication is given to support and communicate

with our match officials? Can you now see the importance of the referee development lead on your county development committee? There quite simply will be no games in your county in the not-too-distant future if time and effort is not afforded to this area. There will be no point coming to look for a quick fix or in other cases giving out about the standard of officiating. Dedicate that time now, get the right person for that role. This person is not involved in appointing referees but ensuring there is a nurturing environment for new and experienced referees. We need to build our structures for the future in this area and ensure the level of activity can be sustained.

We delivered a winter webinar series for match officials with topics such as Injury Prevention for Referees, A Day in the Life of a Referee, Deep Dive on the Rules and much more. Similar to the coach education series the playlist on YouTube is extremely popular for watch backs and the webinars uploaded directly to Facebook. The injury prevalence in Gaelic Games refereeing is high. However, few are adopting injury prevention programmes was one of the findings from a PhD being completed by John Corrigan in DCU, supported by LGFA. This study aims to identify the barriers and facilitators to injury prevention strategy success and determine Ladies Gaelic Football referees' preferences for injury prevention strategies and education. The barriers to injury prevention success included negative attitudes, accessibility issues, lack of education, the state of refereeing and undesirable injury prevention strategy characteristics. Injury prevention promotion, suitable strategy characteristics and open communication were believed to facilitate success. Referees gave their preferences for injury prevention programmes, strategy logistics, and stakeholder roles along with their preferred topics, delivery, educators, characteristics, rollout, and timing for injury prevention education. Reducing referee injury is critical to the success of Ladies Gaelic Football and other community sports. As a governing body we recognised that we must develop and support injury prevention programmes and education for referees. These will be designed according to referees' preferences and consider the barriers and facilitators referees have identified to maximise adoption. The first step on this was the roll out of provincial training hubs at the end of 2023 and these hubs didn't just include physical sessions but also educational information to assist the referees. All referees were provided with a personalised training plan between in-person sessions and attended check-in webinars. This is an area we will be progressing further with John's research.

This year was the first full return of in-person Provincial and National Referee Days and it is always very beneficial to have these sessions face-to-face as they generate great discussion. All referees must pass their fitness and rules requirements for that level of the pathway to proceed on the relevant panel, there will be assessments conducted during the competitions too. There are always key messages to be delivered on these days to build consistency but most importantly it is an opportunity for the officials to discuss areas they feel need to be addressed or improved upon, after all they are in the middle of play. Many of the playing rules changes over the past few years have been planted on these days. Provincial and National Referees attend a day in



January prior to competitions commencing and again then mid-year prior to the championships starting. Referees completing the Provincial Accelerate Programme will meet the existing provincial referees for the first time at that early date and get their first experience through underage provincial games between that session and the mid-year workshop. If they pass all elements, they will then officially become part of the provincial panel for the championship. The Provincial Accelerate Programme takes place every second year and will commence again in 2024.

We have partnered with the sports science department in the Technological University of Dublin (TUD), Blanchardstown to conduct the national referee fitness assessments and they are committed to progressing this area further. As with the province, the National Accelerate Programme referees joined the national panel for the first time at the January session and experienced their first games during the Lidl National League. They then had to pass all elements including assessments and video analysis up to the pre-championship date to officially graduate on to the National Referee panel. Four referees completed the 2022-23 National Referee Accelerate Programme and there are a further eight referees currently undertaking the 2023-24 roll out. There were additional online Zoom sessions conducted during the league and championship ensuring continued engagement and collaboration with the national panel throughout the season. Feedback has been extremely positive from our referees in relation to the communication systems and linesperson flags they received

following our successful sports capital funding application and they have been helpful for increasing communication amongst their team of officials ensuring greater teamwork.

Our partnership with Performa Sports has been fruitful and unique providing this level of detail for referees. The video analysis conducted is specifically for the referee as there are two cameras and a microphone focused on the referee during the game with their full performance tagged on aspects identified for the referee. The microphone allows us to conduct behavioural analysis so the official receives in depth information to support them in their role. We conducted analysis on 30 games using this system during the Lidl National League and TG4 Championship, this will increase to 55 games in the new season. The Performa Sports platform allows us to upload matches we have ourselves from streaming or TG4 so with all games recorded this guaranteed additional feedback to referees, both individual from their game and group feedback from common best practice examples or areas for improvement. 2023 was the first year we worked with STATSports with all national referees wearing a GPS device to track and analyse their performances from a fitness perspective. Understanding the data collected was key to success so we had a student from the sports science department in Dublin City University working with the group to analyse and understand the data. This was another progressive and innovative step we took as an association for referee support and this will be built

on for the new season. The data gathered from these devices will lead to a new referee fitness assessment specific to their movement too, this will benefit referees across all units.

Over 40 written assessments were conducted by our National Assessors across all competitions, and these were in addition to games analysed through Performa Sports. They travel the country watching games, then spend hours writing up assessments and discussing these with the referee involved. It is always an onerous task but they want to assist the official, not criticise them. Provincial assessors work tirelessly to support referees within their province and now county assessors have that same opportunity within their own county. The National Assessors workgroup meet quarterly and consists of Martin Gavin (Connacht), Tony Lennon (Leinster), Keith Delahunty (Munster) and Paul Swift (Ulster) and they meet with Head of Match Official Development, Lizzie Flynn, to read through all assessments and give guidance and feedback to the assessors to improve and get consistency across assessments too.

One of the most requested topics for the match official webinars is teamwork and the importance of a team of officials. Referees value their umpires, linespersons and fourth officials. They understand the importance of working together and communicating with each other. Linesperson and umpire training returned to each province this year while there was also a webinar for new linespersons and umpires. When they complete the training, they maintain their qualifications for two years. National referees must use umpires that have completed this LGFA education. We continue to encourage counties to use aspiring referees, particularly females, to act as linespersons for

their home games in the Lidl NFL as it is an experience that they really enjoy working with a national referee especially as they are all connected through the communication system. This could be the small bit of encouragement to entice them to go further. Our Grab Your Whistle Referee Academy will return in 2024 and it could be the perfect next step for their involvement.

We work incessantly to keep our match officials educated and connected to the association, and this will be further developed through the new plan. The Grab Your Whistle newsletter continues to be published bi-monthly while the digital referee handbook is one of our most downloaded resources. The ability to have this on the home screen of your device has been greeted positively by officials across all levels. There are two LGFA Shows dedicated to match officials and in 2023 the focus was on getting to know the referee, the person behind the whistle and it was refreshing to hear from the families of some of our whistlers and the impact on them listening to some of the commentary around the referee performance. Everything we do in this area is to support our match officials and help to educate them, which in turn will increase consistency. I will finish this section as I started and urge all our units to place an emphasis on this area, we need action across the board and to show real appreciation and respect. We have all the courses and programmes that are required but we need counties and clubs to buy in and encourage firstly the recruitment of referees within their counties, and secondly the progression of those aspiring referees. Too often a highly experienced referee can be seen officiating at an under 10 Go Games Festival of Football while a referee that completed a recent Go Games course hasn't even been assigned. We need to give everyone that start.





Development Initiatives



Gaelic4Girls

The Gaelic4Girls Programme, sponsored by Glenveagh Homes, continues to make a critical impact on clubs in terms of ensuring they survive by recruiting new players, building on existing numbers in other clubs and for some it helps them to establish an underage section. This year 16 clubs completed the programme from 12 counties. The coaches involved from the clubs are given access to unique in-person training days, education webinars and weekly digital sample coaching sessions. The resources receive excellent feedback as coaches can download to their devices and not only can they read about the activities but in addition they can watch videos of these in action.

We have four exemplary ambassadors with Meath's Emma Duggan, Clare's Laurie Ryan, Jennifer Higgins from Roscommon and Armagh's Aimee Mackin. They are true role models and they visit a selection of the clubs during the roll out, an amazing experience for the clubs taking part. There is a weekly video published across social media featuring the ambassadors and they vary from educational advice through to skills challenges. The addition of an online session for parents has been welcomed and Dr Orlagh Farmer shared some of the findings of her PhD and most importantly emphasised the impact of parents on their daughter's participation in sport. The Gaelic4Girls portal on Tobar keeps the clubs connected and provides constant access to the resources for all coaches in the clubs involved. To conclude the programme there was a webinar organised on sustainability and giving advice to clubs on the next steps, they have put in the hard work through the programme so how can they build on this. Clubs shouldn't need to apply again as they should now have the tools to repeat themselves and maintain those club-school links. Gaelic4Girls will remain an important recruitment

tool for our clubs but we do encourage more clubs to apply and the tools provided will allow them to become self-sufficient, have an upskilled coaching base and shared, embedded coaching philosophies across the club.

GAELIC4GIRLS CLUBS 2023	
Cumann an Phiarsaigh	Antrim
Clonmore Robert Emmets	Armagh
Kildallan	Cavan
Rathpeacon	Cork
Keelnameela	Cork
St. Margaret's	Dublin
Starlights	Dublin
Man O'War	Dublin
St. Pat's Blennerville	Kerry
Emmets Ladies Listowel	Kerry
Castledermot	Kildare
Ballinamore Sean O'Heslin's	Leitrim
John Mitchels	Louth
Strokestown	Roscommon
Ballygarrett	Wexford
Aughrim	Wicklow



Gaelic4Mothers&Others

Our Gaelic4Mothers&Others programme, sponsored by Sports Direct, continues to grow from strength to strength and reach a record number of 521 clubs registered for 2023. All 32 counties now have clubs participating in the programme and the entries for our blitzes are over-subscribed, both at national and provincial level. TikTok phenomenon Annalivia Hynds joined as Sports Direct ambassador this year and she really immersed herself in the programme joining her local Armagh Harps club. She showcased the importance of an outlet like Gaelic4Mothers&Others for women and the social connection it can provide with other females in the area.

Sports Direct have utilised their #MyReasonWhy campaign since they came on board and the participants have not been shy about sharing the reasons why they are taking part and the benefits they are reaping from engaging in the initiative. Last year's survey results included findings such as 96% of those surveyed agreeing with the statement that the 'Gaelic4Mothers&Others programme is beneficial for relieving stress', while a further 98% said that being involved

in the programme 'helped them to reconnect with friends'. The reoccurring themes annually are the necessity of their involvement as an outlet for both physical and mental health.

The initiative is spreading off the island of Ireland too with teams registered from Australia, USA and Europe. Indeed, several clubs travelled to New York in November to participate in a Festival of Football in Gaelic Park, a dream come through for many. Nearly 250 clubs attended the Provincial Blitz Days with entries growing exponentially from last year. A huge thank you to the Provincial Development Officers for their organisation of these events and the host clubs for their hospitality. The National Gaelic4Mothers&Others Festival of Football returned once again to Naomh Mearnóg and St. Sylvester's GAA clubs and what a day it was. It was a stressful Friday on the day before as torrential rain threatened to close all facilities but full credit must be given to both clubs for how they turned everything around with a few last-minute changes and the utilisation of every blade of grass. We had 23 pitches in operation with 138 teams, a huge undertaking. The atmosphere was electric as teams started to arrive and what a scene we had for the mass Zumba warm up as over 2,000 women stretched, danced and of course laughed heartily throughout. There were teams in fancy dress and even a few well-known celebrity faces spotted across the astro pitch. The games then threw in and between the action teams networked and enjoyed the entertainment at the Sports Direct fun zone. From hair braiding to target games and of course the return of the incredibly popular silent disco. All teams received a pack from our sponsors to help with their training as the bag included footballs, bibs and cones. The fun did not end there though as there was post-event entertainment in both clubs and the teams partied the evening away.

"The day afforded an opportunity to socialise, laugh, relax, meet new people. It is an absolutely magnificent experience" was a quote from one of the participants. This day is difficult to describe without witnessing but what an amazing group of women, many of whom are now assisting their clubs in multiple ways. We have heard stories of their involvement on committees, fundraising, setting up All Star Programmes and even coordinating Gaelic4Girls to establish a youth section. We cannot thank our hosts Naomh Mearnóg and St. Sylvester's enough for the welcome we receive every year for this event and the All-Ireland 7's. We had the 2FM Roadcaster broadcasting live and they were extremely impressed by the unique experience of the day, no doubt they will want to return next year.

It is difficult to turn teams away from the National Blitz but we are at capacity in terms of pitches, volunteers and referees. It has been mentioned to organise two days but that is not possible to have enough people and of course to ask the clubs to give up another day of club activity. We focus on making sure that this a great event so we strive for quality over quantity and the teams omitted the year previous are given priority for entry. This year we altered the general blitz guidelines for clubs themselves and allowed them to participate in a maximum of two events per month instead of the previous one per month. We will not be



amending this further as Gaelic4Mothers&Others is about the hour a week in a club together, not about blitzes and games, they are a bonus. Not every participant wants to play games and we would end up losing the people we established the programme for by allowing more activity or any form of competition. Some of the players have joined junior teams in their club and that is no problem at all if they want competitive games, but they cannot then play Gaelic4Mothers&Others as they will be a registered player. This is a recreational and social initiative and we will protect the ethos even if that does mean removing teams from the programme.

We organised the Gaelic4Mothers&Others webinar series again with Sports Direct and there were topics such as Tackling the Menopause, Recognising the Roadblocks to Participating and Building Resilience. The availability of these on the YouTube playlist has assisted participants to watch back in their own time. We will continue to support the women involved with further volunteer training over the next 12 months and work with them in focus groups to ensure it meets their needs.



Gaelic4Teens

Every sport continues to try and discover the recipe to retain their teenage athletes and coaches are ardent in their quest for a solution to this issue. During the year we ran workshops focused on coaching teenage players but our Gaelic4Teens Programme, sponsored by ZuCar, goes into much greater detail, and gives hands on practical experience to the clubs selected. 21 clubs from 12 counties took part in the initiative and this certainly is a unique programme delivered by our staff but perhaps more importantly by our exceptional Gaelic4Teens ambassadors. They facilitate the sessions and conduct visits to the clubs to give advice on best practice coaching and education for this cohort.

Our ambassadors for the year were Clíodhna O'Connor (Dublin), Sharon Courtney (Monaghan), Orlagh Farmer (Cork), Jackie Kinch (Wicklow), Sinead Delahunty (Tipperary), Bronagh McGrane (Louth), Fiona McHale (Mayo), Máire O'Shaughnessy (Meath), Laura Fleming (Roscommon), Emily Martin (Down), Cassandra Buckley (Kerry), Cathy Carey (Antrim) and Samantha Lambert (Tipperary). Emily has since joined us as a staff member and works alongside William Harmon coordinating the programme



and making sure there is ongoing engagement with the clubs. Gaelic4Teens continues to be a coach education focused initiative and this is imperative to establish a teenage player centred environment within the club, the main place where the players are impacted. This is summed up very nicely using the words of one of the players from an independent evaluation conducted, which shows the alignment between the aims of the Gaelic4Teens programme and the players' experiences, "It's a really good programme that listens to teenage Gaelic players." The player's voice was a new and very positive part of the report evaluation as it assessed if coaches really did bring the lessons learned back to their sessions. Many of the key areas that the coaches covered in the Gaelic4Teens content focused on the positive environment for players, allowing the players to have a voice and ensuring that age-appropriate activities are conducted during the training sessions. The players were eager to continue playing ladies football which is a valuable outcome of the programme for this age cohort, that often struggles with high dropout rates. One standout message within the evaluation was from one specific player, who valued enjoyment over winning, which is evidently encouraged by her club and should be commended, "We are all equally valued on the team and although it is lovely to win, we enjoy the game whatever the result is."

Our National Gaelic4Teens Festival Day took place in the GAA National Games Development Centre on 22nd April. Clubs from 10 counties attended to share their experiences and pick up key tips from the ZuCar Gaelic4Teens ambassadors. The players took part in 7-a-side games, while also absorbing key messages from the ambassadors on topics including nutrition, hydration and lifestyle management. These were no ordinary small-sided games as it was important to challenge the players and coaches

from a tactical point of view. Therefore, a series of conditions were applied to assist with player and coach development. The spectacular festival day at Abbotstown showcased the key messaging for both players and coaches. The visits by the ambassadors and county players are noted as a favourite aspect of the programme in many evaluations, they conduct a coaching session while one of our coach developers works with the coaches on the sidelines to highlight best practice and question them to increase understanding.

We are devoted to supporting clubs in this area and over the coming year we will be conducting further focus groups with this age cohort to investigate different activity offerings. We held our first 'Engaging the Teenage Player Conference' in June and although the attendance was disappointing the feedback from our keynote speakers, Dr Fiona Chambers and Joe Turley, was exceptional. Coaches involved must be content with delayed gratification because it is the environment they create now with their teenage players that will either inspire or demotivate them for the future, they may not see the fruits of their labour for a few years, "Prepare young athletes for their sporting future, not just the next competition."

GAELIC4TEENS CLUBS 2023			
Éire Óg	Carlow	Monivea Abbey	Galway
Drumlane	Cavan	Austin Stacks	Kerry
Araglen Desmonds	Cork	John Mitchels	Kerry
Delany's	Cork	Kill	Kildare
Killavullen	Cork	St. Joseph's	Leitrim
Four Masters	Donegal	Ballymore	Longford
Killybegs	Donegal	Clonguish	Longford
Foxrock Cabinteely	Dublin	Rathcline	Longford
Ranelagh Gaels	Dublin	Thurles Sarsfields	Tipperary
Whitehall Colmcille	Dublin	Errigal Ciaran	Tyrone
St. Patrick's	Fermanagh		



Club2Gether

The Club2Gether initiative works with the executive committee of clubs and those involved with planning and development. Clubs need to be able sustain their growing membership numbers and to do that they need solid foundations and a solid base to build upon. Club2Gether assists clubs to strengthen their structures off the pitch focusing on areas such as volunteer recruitment and retention, governance and officer training, games development and sponsorship and fundraising. The clubs can also avail of a planning module if they want to devise a three-year plan for the future.

20 clubs from 18 counties took part in the 2022-23 initiative which was completed in March and the 2023-24 programme commenced in October. Feedback from the clubs has been positive in terms of the balance between face-to-face and online sessions. It has allowed more people from each club to get involved with less travel. The clubs attended their first day in October and then attended numerous sessions until they meet on the final in-person day in March. They have access to a dedicated section of Tobar for Club2Gether and not alone can they download all resources but they can also network with each other through the forum. Niall Mulrine, now assisted by Vivienne Nee, offers step-by-step support to the clubs and ensures they utilise the tools being provided to them. They have commenced contacting clubs that have completed the programme over the past few years to assess their progress to date and evaluate any further help needed.

As we embark on our new strategic plan there will be ambitions for clubs to grow and expand so this programme will be more important than ever. We urge clubs to pause and analyse their structures. Some small tweaks can make a huge difference and Club2Gether can help to guide you.

CLUB2GETHER CLUBS 2022-23	
Cumann an Piaraisigh	Antrim
Wolfe Tones Greencastle	Antrim
St. Peter's Lurgan	Armagh
Templeport St. Aidan's	Cavan
East Clare Gaels	Clare
St. Catherine's	Cork
Beart	Donegal
An Tearmainn	Donegal
Annacloy	Down
Na Dubh Ghall	Dublin
Aghadrumsee	Fermanagh
Kilconly	Galway
Churchill	Kerry
Barrow Gaels	Kilkenny
Glin Emmets	Limerick
Cuchulainn Gaels	Louth
MacHale Rovers	Mayo
Trim	Meath
St. Croan's	Roscommon
Castletown Finea Coole Whitehall	Westmeath

CLUB2GETHER CLUBS 2023-24	
Naomh Séamus	Antrim
St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	Antrim
St Killian's Whitecross	Armagh
Lurgan	Cavan
Donoughmore	Cork
Naomh Padraig Lifford	Donegal
St. Paul's Hollywood	Down
Garda Westmanstown Gaels	Dublin
Erne Gaels	Fermanagh
Fr. Griffins	Galway
Ballymacelligott	Kerry
Shannonside Tarbert	Kerry
St. Conleths	Laois
Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins	Leitrim
Dromin Athlacca Banogue	Limerick
Achill	Mayo
Kilmainhamwood	Meath
Castledaly	Westmeath
Kilmore	Wexford



Nursery Programme

The club nursery is the foundation of the juvenile section of clubs and forms the F1 stage of the Gaelic Games Player Pathway. There are numerous activities available throughout the community for children to participate in so it is important to give girls the opportunity to participate in Ladies Gaelic Football from an early age. The main aim of a nursery is to introduce children aged 4 – 8 years of age to our sport in a fun, safe and relaxed environment. The ethos of the nursery is 'to learn skills while having fun.' We published a new digital resource that introduces setting up a nursery and the structures needed. The resource also provides details on how to attract new volunteers and the roles that these people can help with in the club. The booklet provides sample activities for coaches to use for this age group that clubs can laminate to help new volunteers become involved. It is important that all clubs are dynamic and open to new members and the nursery can help them to do this by encouraging new members from a young age to become involved. We know everyone will find this resource useful and the accompanying recorded webinar on YouTube.

Female Leadership

The Learn to Lead programme remains a flagship initiative for our Association and has been lauded by graduates and current participants. It is heartening to see the women evolve and advance both in roles within LGFA but so too in their personal lives. The current group have completed three of their core days with the fourth and final graduation day taking place in February 2024. The participants will have completed six evenings specific to their selected strand and have been assigned a mentor to guide them on their journey. We are fortunate to have facilitators of the calibre of Niamh McElwain and Pedro Angulo and their expertise offers something exclusive about this programme. They value what the association is trying to achieve and are inspirational in their delivery.



The Leading Provincial Females programme was rolled out differently this year in that it is across all Gaelic Games and was funded through Women in Sport. Feedback on this initiative is very favourable and with a programme in each province it opens opportunities for involvement to more women. Participants attend two core days in-person, at the start and end, plus they then have a mid-point online session and they must complete at least two of the optional modules between those dates. For Learn to Lead the women select their preferred strand but for Leading Provincial Females they can sample a flavour of all strands prior to possibly progressing and applying for Learn to Lead. The funding received

allowed for a contract of service to be offered for a coordinator for the provincial programmes and it was fantastic to see a graduate of Learn to Lead, Martina McCafferty, succeed in being awarded the contract. Her experience has really added to the delivery of the initiative and communication with participants for the duration. 104 women are involved across the provinces.

Another exciting development was the facilitation of our first 'Leading USGAA Females' programme as our leadership programme moved across the ocean for the first time. 12 women from across the USA and Canada have been participating in this initiative which entails two core online sessions and then a selection of modules they can select from to complete. It commenced in October 2023 and will finish in February. It has been brilliant and really motivating to work with this group and we look forward to developing this further.

Our monthly 'Heroes of Today, Inspire the Next Generation' series was well received in 2022, spotlighting some of the females in various roles across our association. We had two wrap up videos of this in 2023 and are delighted that we will have our second roll out across 2024 through Women in Sport funding. This will once again look at players, administrators, coaches, young volunteers, parents, teachers and match officials plus more. The series inspired other females to get involved and importantly encouraged our units to showcase and promote the work of females in roles within their own clubs and counties.



BUA Programme

The second iteration of our 'BUA' Leadership and Life skills programme commenced in October 2023 with 21 counties in Ireland represented across the four provinces, and there are two participants from Scotland. 'BUA – Believe, Unlock Potential, Achieve' is a self-development initiative aimed at developing the leadership skills of young people within the Ladies Gaelic Football Association, which, in turn, will benefit their local communities. The programme is targeted at females aged 16-19 years of age and is conducted through expert-led workshops and self-reflection, before participants put their enhanced leadership skills into practice through a club action project.

Former Dublin All-Star Lyndsey Davey is the ambassador for the programme and shares her experience with participants whilst



a host of other county stars and external speakers facilitate the other sessions. It is hoped that the lessons learned and experience gained through this programme will stand to these young women in the future. A full evaluation is conducted on each programme and the feedback from the participants themselves help shape the following roll out. It is imperative that we listen to our young people's voices, they are the future of our sport. As quoted by Franklin D. Roosevelt, "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."



Player Development Programme

The LGFA Player Development Programme (PDP) was in the second year of its implementation. The aim of the PDP is to equip players with the knowledge, skills, and attitude to be the best they can be and foster a sporting vocation ('Love') for our sport. The structure of the programme is simplistic in nature; there is no process of selection or deselection of players. It is a programme organised by a county, focusing on players at various stages of development. It provides an opportunity for players to develop individually, with different players, learn new skills, and develop the fundamental skills in a positive and safe environment. Furthermore, the PDP focuses on coach development and creates awareness of good coaching structures and methods via coach education webinars, access to coaching resources and regional in person coaching events.

The PDP covers three important age cohorts; Under 13, Under 15 and Under 17 and is organised over a defined timeframe so not to disrupt club activity and other sporting commitments. In addition, National (Under 17) and Provincial (Under 13/15) festival days are organised to give players and coaches an opportunity to measure their improvement. These days do not follow traditional blitz layouts and include different game formats with the promotion of player and coach challenges and interaction. The PDP, if implemented as per guidelines provided, can have a positive impact not only on player development but the wider community i.e., coaches, clubs and county alike.

Counties can no longer organise development squads or academies as these have now been replaced by this inclusive Player Development Programme. 23 counties participated in at least one of the age grades in 2023 which was a large increase from our previous pilot year. Due to the commitment of the counties involved to this programme there were approximately 4,000 players engaged throughout and over 400 coaches,

phenomenal numbers. A secondary impact is that the coaches return to their clubs as improved coaches, meaning standards within clubs increases. We showcased the effect of the PDP with a video we recorded with Cork and they need to be given great credit for the organisation and structure they have in place. It is a very big county but they were able to cater for large numbers and had coaches from across clubs involved. This will bode well for their future and for all counties buying into the initiative, they will reap the rewards. It is stressed to all counties to start from Under 13 and build up and there is no issue at all with not being involved at all levels.

The National Under 17 Player Development Programme Festival Day took place in the GAA National Games Development Centre in Abbotstown on Tuesday 11th July. There is an element of competition introduced at this age grade and all teams took part in a series of games in the group stages and then progressed to knockout stages of the cup, shield and plate. Development remains to the forefront however and there are conditions on certain games, not just to challenge the players but more so to challenge the thinking of the coaches. This was another memorable day and it was heartwarming to see the camaraderie amongst the teams throughout the day.

It was essential that coaches provided maximum game time for all players in attendance, the key focus remaining on development of each player. Galway won the Plate Final, Tipperary were victorious in the Shield Final while it was Cork bringing home the Cup title. We would like to congratulate all teams involved for buying into the day and what we were trying to achieve. We also owe gratitude to our volunteers, referees and coordinators, who as always kept everything to schedule.



Club School Link Programme

We developed the Club-School Link Programme that provides guidelines for both pillars of the community to utilise their skillsets and facilities whilst also enhancing relationships in a collaborative and common purpose. This programme aims to solidify links between the two parties with an agreed level of engagement that can see previous relationships improved or new partnerships or links developed. The programme provides the opportunity for the club and school to become closer aligned to promote healthy lifestyles, learning, as well as all round fun and enjoyment for all stakeholders.

Clubs can be awarded a bronze, silver or gold recognition and can progress year on year as the partnership develops and levels of engagement rise. Depending on the setting, pupils become players and vice versa and the environment is created where both settings go hand in hand and create a space for our young people to be nurtured and to grow. They, in essence, become extensions of each other. Possible use of shared facilities can also be a factor where playing space for our young participants may be limited, thus, giving them the space in which to grow, experience fun and become lifelong participants in their own community setting.

Some of the clubs who have successfully completed the 2023 pilot programme were recognised at half time in the currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Senior Club Final. These included Naomh Séamas (Antrim) who completed two successful programmes in two different schools achieving two differing levels of recognition. They partnered with Gael Scoil Ghleann Darach to achieve a Bronze award and also with St. Joseph's Primary School to achieve the highest grade of Gold. A remarkable display of partnerships. Also from Antrim and achieving Gold were St. Erganat's GAC Moneyglass who forged links with Millquarter Primary School and completing the award set was Éire Óg GFC Craigavon of Armagh who completed the Silver award in partnership with St. Anthony's Primary School Collaborations that will no doubt go from strength to strength. Well done to all clubs involved in the pilot year.

Most clubs are already working in tandem with their local schools to promote sport and create greater awareness of opportunities to get involved in our sport in their communities. This programme provides greater recognition for this and provides the tools to guide them. Every agreement will be different as it is up to each club and school to agree what works best for them and how they can get the most out of working together. We look forward to working with more clubs for the full roll out next year.

Transition Year/ AS Level Programme

The Transition Year/AS Level programme continues to be a popular offering for schools and they have been pleased to see the full return of in-person delivery. This provides strong links for the provincial development officers to schools. The full LGFA TY/ AS Level programme involves two days for the school. On the first day the students will take part in the Ready Steady Coach workshop plus the Go Games refereeing module. In addition, they will complete a session on event management and this will give them the tools to host an event on the second day targeted at local primary schools or first year female students in the school. They will be divided into groups with some working on the games and coaching for the day, others acting as referees and a final group working on promotion of the event.

The practical nature of this programme is what receives much kudos from teachers as the students get to utilise the new skills they have learned. There were 36 programmes completed in 2023 and we have no doubt that this will increase in the coming year.



LGFA Research Pod

It is paramount that we take the findings of current research and put them into practice. There has been an increased level of research focusing on the female athlete, and on ladies gaelic football in general. The LGFA Research Pod was set up to help disseminate this information to our units, and in particular coaches at grass roots. The Pod is available as a playlist on our LGFA YouTube Channel and we will continue to work to build on the topics available to watch back. This resource has been commended by researchers providing them with an avenue to distribute their findings and most importantly be actioned within our sport. We would like to thank all the researchers for sharing their submissions and we will continue to feed these into our education programmes.

LGFA Interfirms

AIB claimed another LGFA Interfirms Cup title at the GAA's National Games Development Centre at the Sport Ireland Campus, Blanchardstown on 7th October. Captained by former Cork star Annie Walsh, winner of eight TG4 All-Ireland Senior medals during her inter-county playing days, AIB got the better of Boston Scientific by 3-10 to 3-4 in the final. With former Limerick ace Dymphna O'Brien and current Clare captain Caoimhe Harvey other players of note in the AIB ranks, they emerged victorious once again. AIB won three successive Interfirms titles from 2017-2019 and after the competition was suspended in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, AIB didn't compete last year as PWC Ireland (White) claimed

the honours. But AIB were back with a bang this year and after seeing off PWC (1) at the semi-final stage, they eventually got the better of a gallant Boston Scientific, who defeated PWC (2) in the semi-finals. Shield honours on the day went to Zurich Insurance, who overcame An Post Insurance 2-0 on kicks. The game finished level after normal time, with Zurich registering 6-3 to An Post's 4-9.

Seven teams competed in the competitive section of the Interfirms blitz, while 13 teams signed up for the recreational blitz. The LGFA Interfirms provides an opportunity for work colleagues to connect away from the workplace and to network with other organisations. A quote from the evaluation summed this up, "For a large firm this tournament provides a great way to bring together many people across our firm in different departments and offices across the country. It aligns with our values and provides a great opportunity for our staff to develop their internal network very organically while playing a sport." It is found that while the competitive event is entertaining and creates a buzz around the venue it is the recreational strand which appears to be more popular and allows players to enjoy the sport more in a non-competitive and social atmosphere.

This event will continue to go from strength to strength and the benefits for companies will be promoted further. "I learned more about my work colleagues in ten minutes on the pitch together, than I have in five years of working together- football brings out the best in everyone" quoted another participant. Events like



this can only assist organisations and will further enhance their mutual respect, communication, trust and camaraderie.

Volunteer Development

Martin Luther King famously said, “Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, What are you doing for others?” We are very fortunate to have many people across the country, and internationally, that know very well how much they are contributing to their local communities, they are our volunteers. In a year where we lost some very special people to our association, we could never put a value on the hours they volunteered for us, it is imperative that we treasure our volunteers and what they contribute to our sport. Well run clubs and on-field success usually go hand-in-hand, so a lasting contribution as a volunteer administrator can have a significant impact on how a club is funded, resourced and organised which leads to the clubs and their teams being better prepared and therefore better equipped to perform on the field of play.

Volunteer support and education will feature prominently in the new Strategic Plan and with the launch of the new LGFA Administrator Pathway in the first quarter of the year this will ensure readily made guidance will be always available for every role. Recruiting volunteers can be difficult so we need to make sure they feel valued and recognised to retain them at every level of the association. There are suites of resources available so it is important that volunteers within your unit are signposted to these.

County and Provincial Leadership Series

The level of activity increases annually across provinces and counties with more teams than ever taking part in competitions. Feedback from our County and Provincial Leadership Webinar Series was very positive so this was facilitated again with webinars for each role alongside generic topics such as Fixtures Planning and Reviewing and Preparing For and Running the County AGM. The winter series then commenced in October again with some new subjects including Leading, Managing and Governing your County and Working Together as a County Development Committee. These topics are recommended by the county officers themselves through evaluations but there needs to be greater engagement, both for the live session and with the YouTube playlist of recordings. We cannot be in every county but these as assisting to give officers the required tools to make their roles easier.

In 2022 we ran ‘The Resilient Leader’ series through online sessions for county chairpersons and secretaries but there was an appetite to get back in person so we held a County Executive Officer Conference in February. The theme was ‘Thinking Ahead... Together as County Leaders’ and it was open to all county executive officers but the chairperson and/or secretary had to attend. It was also open to all provincial executive officers. The first keynote session was titled ‘Creative, Critical and Innovative Thinking’ with Dr Karl Thomas while in the afternoon we were delighted to be joined Cliona O’Leary, Director of Corporate Affairs, Communication and Marketing with Sport Ireland

speaking about her experience of getting more people involved both in the club and in work. The participants benefited greatly from these sessions whilst there was time dedicated for counties to share ideas, think together strategically and then have an opportunity to go through frequently asked questions with President Mícheál Naughton and Operations and Planning Manager, Paula Prunty. Counties were offered €250 if they had a minimum of four officers in attendance for the full day. This day was very constructive and it will be organised again in 2024.

With the new rule in place to have a County Development Committee with strand leads for coach development, referee development, volunteer development and growth and participation it was agreed to have a joint introductory webinar and then quarterly strand specific online meetings with the relevant Head of Department. This would allow dedicated time for discussion for each area. As mentioned earlier in my report it was disappointing how many counties did not put this committee in place and therefore missed out on these communities of practice. It is hoped there will be more counties involved for the coming year. There is a section on the GAA eLearning platform accessible only to these members to allow them to communicate with each other for advice and sharing of ideas plus they can connect with resources to assist them. Counties need to ensure their committees are engaging with these sessions as too often we hear there is no support but it is also very frustrating on our side when we dedicate so much time, all late in the evenings for these, but it is not availed of. The tools we offer through these sessions will make the roles less arduous and assist with planning.

Club Leadership Series

The Club Leadership Development Programme (CLDP) provides learning opportunities for new and existing club officers in the LGFA, GAA and Camogie Association. Club officers gain the knowledge and skills necessary to fulfil their roles and it focuses on the practical aspects of the primary roles on a club executive. There is a suite of education delivered annually both in-person and online, and in 2024 there will be additional sessions face-to-face. Through this collaboration the training is more accessible as across codes there will be training in each county. It is essential for the volunteer development lead of the county development committee to reach out to their GAA counterparts in relation to this series.

The LGFA organised additional club leadership sessions as part of the spring webinar series at the start of 2023 and then towards the latter part of the year the new winter series commenced. There were sessions for individual officers and then generic topics including Volunteer Recruitment and Retention, Accessing Funding Locally and Operating Effectively as a Club. The webinars are available on the LGFA YouTube Channel under the Club Leadership series playlist. Club administrators welcome the chance to be able to watch back on these webinars in their own time and the new administrator pathway will ensure the introduction to roles sessions are available at any time.

Volunteer Support Programme

The Volunteer Support Programme has the potential to be the most effective initiative available in the association as it entails working closely with a county for a full year, offering needs specific support which is something counties are always requesting. It is extremely disappointing however that only one county applied to be involved in this and then they didn't even engage.

Following the review of our county support in 2019 the Volunteer Support Programme was devised to provide more in-depth targeted support and contact with County Boards and Clubs over a 3-year cycle. From 2020 we started a 3-year cycle of support with counties, and it did not mean we weren't engaging with other counties, but the targeted counties were receiving dedicated support. The 3-year cycle of the programme was completed at the end of 2022 with all 32 counties, and Britain, assigned a staff member and afforded the opportunity to get involved. This would enable the development staff to tailor support to the needs of each individual county. However, due to the lack of commitment and action by many counties it was agreed not to restart the cycle but rather afford counties that wanted that help to apply on an annual basis.

For the counties that did engage they are reaping the rewards and have been excelling with their strategic roadmaps, they had a clear vision to work towards together. I firmly believe that there is not a county that couldn't benefit from this initiative as there is always something they want help and guidance with, and this puts it on a plate. I urge counties to reach out and use this assistance, we are just wanting to help.

Player Development

We will have a new focus on Player Development from 2024 with the appointment of a Head of Player Development, Eilish Ward, and this will bring further resources to life to match the recently launched Gaelic Games Player Pathway. A key part of this role will be conducting a needs analysis of players from F1 stage through to E1 stage of the pathway. A player should be able to access education resources to match their stage of development.

During the year we delivered our spring and then winter series of webinars and these included topics such as Concussion Awareness, Understanding the Menstrual Cycle, Understanding the Impact of Burn Out and Fun Athletic Development. Many of the areas selected were requested through the previous evaluations and we had our own research to disseminate as part of these too. This series tends to have the lowest attendance which is disappointing considering the number of players participating in our games, we urge coaches and club administrators to please share details of these with your players. As with other webinars however the fact that these are recorded and available on YouTube really assists for people to watch back.

2023 seen the return of our 'Accelerate Your Journey' series for minor county players with ZuCar. Former Armagh star Caoimhe Morgan once again hosted the sessions and there was a slight

change in that instead of this taking place over a three-week period there was one each month in December, January and February. For the first live webinar Caoimhe was joined by Blaitheín Bogue from Fermanagh and Galway's Laura Aherne for 'Emotional and Physical Preparation as a County Player', then Dublin's Éabha Rutledge and Laurie Ryan from Clare for 'Communication and Creating a Support Network' with the series completed on the topic of 'Your Lifestyle as a County Player' with Tiarna Grimes from Armagh and Kildare's Mary Hulgraine. The players were so willing to share their experiences and they were inspiring for the young attendees. The next series commenced in December 2023 and will finish in February 2024 but we have decided to open this up to club and county minor players as feel they can all really benefit. It is essential though that coaches promote this with their players and increase engagement levels. It is an amazing opportunity for the minor players to listen to stories for some of our stars but also to ask them questions.

The LGFA investment in research has been conducive to the association using more evidence-based decision-making but most importantly allowing us to share evidence-driven education. Róisín Leahy completed her PhD on concussion in ladies gaelic football and we published this with posters, included in the club pack sent out, and delivered webinars for members. We are currently working on the final stage of this with DCU which will be the creation of a Gaelic Games Concussion Awareness workshop that can be rolled out across codes but with the most up to date information specific to our sports. This new workshop will be piloted in the first quarter of the new year and a full evaluation will be completed to ensure the content and delivery are meeting our members' needs. We need to work together to increase awareness of the concussion protocols and embed them in our coach education. This was brought to the fore with all adult county players during 2023 with our partnership with UPMC alongside the GAA, Camogie Association and the GPA for the roll out of the National Baseline Concussion Programme for intercounty male and female players. Having access to these baseline readings for players can make a huge difference for both diagnosis and recovery. There is one episode of The LGFA Show dedicated to player education and we focused this on concussion awareness for 2023.

Our PhD with John Corrigan in DCU continues focusing on injury prevalence and a new injury prevention strategy. Prior to the PhD commencing we received research funding from Sport Ireland and that allowed John to conduct stage 1 which was a complete analysis of the LGFA injury fund data for the nine-years previous. Further funding from this scheme supported parallel research to this studying the incidences of injuries, again this will be excellent input for the overall PhD. This strategy has the potential to be a game changer for the sport as it will be devised to suit our members, with data from our sport, and has been given additional time to evaluate the impact of the education developed through the research. The impact of this should be long-term leading to longer careers for players.



Donegal goalkeeper Aoife McColgan commenced her PhD in 2022 with the Technological University in Dublin and this is ongoing, the result of which will build on Glen Kelly’s previous research investigating the physical demands of our game. Results of this are available on our YouTube player education playlist and we featured an article in Peil magazine. We will continue to link with players at all levels to see what topics of support will assist them and build the portfolio for the coming year.

Partnerships

Lidl and Youth Sport Trust UK

The Lidl #SeriousSupport Schools Programme, with Lidl and Youth Sport Trust UK, continued in 2023 with one school selected from each eligible county. The mirrored LGFA Support Programme took place at the same time with a school allocated in Antrim, Armagh, Derry, Down, Fermanagh and Tyrone.

Youth Sport Trust UK train and coordinate the athlete mentors and it is an unforgettable experience for the schools involved to be recipients of these two visits from the players. Boasting an impressive array of achievements, the stellar line up of LGFA intercounty players delivering this year’s programme were Anne Marie Doran (Wicklow), Carla Rowe (Dublin), Eilish Ward (Donegal), Laurie Ryan (Clare), Méabh de Búrca (Galway), Orlagh Farmer (Cork), Samantha Lambert (Tipperary), and Therese Scott (Monaghan). This group has been added to for the 2024 roll out.

The programme is designed to educate teenage girls about the positive mental and physical health benefits of playing Ladies Gaelic Football. The programme aims to increase participation and reduce drop-out rates for teenagers in the sport. The 32 schools in total across Ireland had the opportunity to benefit from the programmes along with receiving a brand-new set of jerseys for their school team. The athlete mentors, all of whom are current or former inter-county Ladies Gaelic Football players, were committed to using sport to transform the lives of young people. The mentors introduced students to the programme’s values of Respect, Trust, Responsibility and Recognition. The initiative takes place over the course of two visits to each school and is delivered via workshops, team-building sessions and inspirational assembly talks. The students must complete a Ladies Gaelic Football project of their own throughout the year, applying the concepts they’ve learned through the workshops from the athlete mentors.

Youth Sport Trust UK completed an evaluation of the programme with some very interesting results including the fact that 91% of girls felt the initiative increased their awareness of healthy lifestyles, 83% said it had a positive impact on their awareness and perception of Ladies Gaelic Football and 65% cited that it increased their participation in Ladies Gaelic Football. 76% of attendees said the programme had a positive effect on their health and well-being with 93% of teachers stating it had contributed to a long-term sustainable change in their school’s approach to physical activity. Both teachers and the girls themselves reported positive effects of the Lidl

#SeriousSupport programme on girls' resilience, something very important in the current climate. Although the programme is targeted at the students it was progressive to see all teachers reporting that the initiative had increased their confidence in supporting young people's wellbeing therefore building their own skillset. Additional to this around two thirds of teachers reported that Lidl #SeriousSupport positively impacted the senior leadership/other staff's perception of PE, physical activity and sport, with one third of teachers neither agreeing nor disagreeing to this. This shows the overall positivity that the programme can bring across the school environment.

The 1st Year #SeriousSupport series returned for a second year in January and it was aimed at students entering their first year in post primary schools. The topics selected came from girls of that age with additional feedback from teachers. We increased this to a six-part series, from four parts the previous year, with each session recorded by one of our top players who are key role models for this age group. The sessions were the 'Importance of Sport in Transition to Post Primary School and Pitfalls to Avoid for Dropout with Carla Rowe (Dublin), 'Sport and Positive Wellbeing' with Cora Staunton (Mayo), 'School and Sport Balance: Getting the Best from Both' by Emer Gallagher (Donegal), 'Avenues to Get Involved in Sport Within Your School or Club' with Oragh Farmer (Cork), 'Be Yourself, Keep It Real' with Paris McCarthy (Kerry) and finally 'Dealing with Distractions and Anxiety' delivered by Bernie Durkan (Kildare). It can be difficult for girls to stay involved in sport as they enter post-primary school so it is hoped this resource can assist with increasing retention rates.

The sessions were easily accessible to teachers and most importantly can be inserted at a slot to suit their timetable. They were approximately 30 minutes in duration with teachers then requested to dedicate a further 10-15 minutes to discuss questions posed at the end of each topic. This time span was seen as the preferred length for teachers to match a class length. Teachers signed up to receive the private link for each session on the selected dates and they could then watch together on screen in the classroom. It was very positive to see over 200 schools register for this initiative again and we hope to progress with some additional sessions for exam years in 2024.

In 2023 Lidl launched their 'State of the Nation Teenage Girls and Sport Report' proving that offerings like these have never been more important. This examined the impact participation in sport has on female secondary school students (12-18 years of age). The research showed that girls involved in sport are significantly more likely to have high levels of body confidence compared to girls who don't play sport. They also have stronger levels of mental wellbeing, increased energy levels and lifelong friendships. 50% of respondents stated they currently play sport compared to 37% in 2017. One in three girls said they lost interest in sport during the pandemic while almost one in two said they found it hard to return to sport after the lockdown. Ladies Gaelic Football was the number one sport in terms of participation levels and with that comes on onus on the association to support and educate this

age group. The top benefits cited for playing sport were 'Good for your physical health' (73%), 'Increased mental wellbeing' (49%), 'Increased energy levels' (49%), 'Lifelong friends' (42%) and 'Increased confidence' (39%). The five most important factors for participating in team sport were a shared experience with friends, a fun training experience, the quality of coaching, representing their school and community and access to good facilities. These statistics are valuable to consider when working on areas of teenage retention.

Lidl and Jigsaw Ireland

The impact of Lidl One Good Club™ continues to escalate as clubs focus their attention on positive mental health within their communities demonstrating innovation, creativity and connectedness. The initiative ran for 10 weeks between March and May 2023 and Lidl One Good Club™ is a five-step youth mental health awareness programme for local clubs and it aims to increase awareness and knowledge of youth mental health across the LGFA community. Clubs dedicated two weeks to each theme from the '5-a-day for Mental Health' framework, holding activities under each: Connect, Give, Take Notice, Keep Learning, and Get Active. The activities were led by the club's project team and they attended two interactive webinars facilitated by Jigsaw Ireland. These sessions provided an opportunity to get a full understanding of the 5-a-day framework and most importantly to share ideas across the clubs.

Clubs excelled with their activities and then uploaded their evidence to a dedicated online portal which contained all the supporting resources and notes from the workshops. They were awarded with a badge for the completion of each theme and then on completion of the programme they received a Lidl One Good Club™ plaque for display in the club and a set of jerseys. The 'Connect' theme coincided with the Lidl National Football League Finals so all clubs were offered tickets to attend as a club, to help them to connect. The four Lidl Ambassadors shared thoughts through social media videos throughout the duration of the stages and they were Dublin's Carla Rowe, Galway's Nicola Ward, Waterford's Caoimhe McGrath and Donegal's Emer Gallagher.

Lidl were immensely impressed with the tremendous work of all the clubs and found it extremely difficult to select their prestigious award winners. Limerick's Dromcollogher Broadford club claimed top honours in the 'Best Overall Programme Engagement' award. Dromcollogher Broadford ran numerous events including building of a fairy village in their town park with help from the local preschool, as well as art competitions, community trail walks, local clean ups and more. They received €5,000 as overall programme award winners. Galway's Mountbellew Moylough received the 'Most Innovative Initiative' award. The east Galway club created many innovative events and activities as part of their involvement in the programme, most notably their Bee Kind to your Mind fundraiser. The fundraiser, in aid of Jigsaw, involved their One Good Club mascot the Queen Bee, crocheted and reimaged as a bee bracelet that was sold in

local stores. They received €2,500 in funding as a result. Lidl also recognised Sligo's Geevagh club with the 'Strongest Community Involvement' award. The club from south-east Sligo engaged with several local businesses, schools, community groups and clubs as part of their programme activity. This included their Paw Patrol Walk where all local dog owners were invited to an event at the Geevagh club grounds along with their four-legged friends. Their mental health and wellbeing night saw over 300 people from the locality attend a talk from trained mental health professionals while raising funds for Jigsaw. Thanks to their efforts, Geevagh received €2,500 in funding.

The evaluation of this year's programme has seen overwhelmingly positive results and impact for the participating clubs, including 100% agreeing that 'Taking part in One Good Club™ has helped their club get better at promoting and supporting youth mental health', 79% strongly agreeing that 'Since taking part in One Good Club™, they are more confident that their club could hold events to promote mental health' (100% agreement overall), 83% strongly agreeing that 'One Good Club™ has improved their understanding of the 5 a day for mental health framework' (100% agreement overall) and finally 100% of clubs collaborated with other organisations in the community, 46% of which they had never worked with before. These included local businesses, schools and youth reach centres, senior citizens associations and nursing homes, sports clubs, music and dance groups, and charities. Collaboration across the community appeared to be one of the most important aspects of the programme for clubs and this quote from the evaluation highlighted this, "I have had more

people connect with me, my team and the whole club together in the past 10 weeks than in my whole 40 years of being part of our club. We have brought young, old and all ages between together." Well done to all project teams and the impact of their hard work will be seen in their clubs for many months and years to come. "We all feel that now, we are not only one good club... we're actually one great community!"

Northern Ireland Youth Forum

In partnership with the Northern Ireland Youth Forum (NIYF) we delivered the mirrored initiative of Lidl One Good Club™ in Antrim, Armagh, Derry, Down, Fermanagh and Tyrone, called the LGFA TALK Project. There was an immense number of nominations with one club selected from each county. It is essential that we partner with an organisation with the expertise and knowledge relating to mental health for this initiative and NIYF have provided this guidance. A major step of progression this year was engaging three facilitators from within LGFA membership that are working in this field and they linked with two clubs each providing ongoing support. Donna Murdock from Down alongside Martina McCafferty and Eilish Deeney from Derry were sublime in the guidance and connection they gave to their assigned clubs.

The LGFA TALK Project is a six-week club-based initiative aimed at increasing the awareness of positive mental health in young members aged 13-18 years, and removing the stigma associated with the subject area. As with One Good Club™, the clubs put a project team in place and they organised all activities for the project. Members attended two in-person and one online training session with NIYF and the programme was delivered through



LIFEMAPS, a mental health model that harnesses valuable techniques in how to cope with the ups and downs of life. We tailored the resources specific to LGFA and the clubs used this to raise awareness of positive mental health, not only in their own club but across the community. The evaluation findings were every bit as positive as One Good Club™ with the work of the project team having a lasting impact on everyone in the club. As was the case the previous year, 100% of the youth participants themselves had a better understanding of positive mental health following their involvement.

The clubs were awarded their 'LGFA Positive TALK Club' and were presented with their plaques at the Ulster finals. They also received a set of jerseys in recognition of the exquisite effort by everyone. It was a day to remember for all involved and we look forward to working with the next clubs in 2024.

Local Sports Partnerships

Local Sports Partnerships (LSPs) are passionate about getting Ireland physically active, involved in sport and ensuring everyone in the community has the chance to be included. The LSP network engages communities across the country to deliver inclusive, impactful and sustainable opportunities tailored to local needs, getting Ireland more physically active, involved in sport and improving the mental and physical health of the nation. As an association we have worked with many of the LSP's over the past several years as our vision and goals are aligned. We published independent evaluations this year on partnerships with Donegal LSP for a Gaelic4Teens project and then Cork and Galway LSP's for the Gaelic4Mothers&Others inclusion projects.

These were fruitful projects for all parties, and I would encourage our counties and clubs to forge strong links with your LSP.

Development with the GAA and Camogie Association

2023 was another significant year for collaboration across Gaelic games and we work closely together in development. There will remain areas that each code needs to prioritise independently but where there are opportunities to make it easier for members to work together at grassroots level, there will be emphasis placed on those areas too. I am a member of the GAA Games Development Committee while Shane Flanagan, the GAA Director of Coaching and Games sits on the LGFA National Development Committee. We have LGFA representatives on multiple development workgroups and this makes sure we are up to date on each other's activities, in turn making it easier to work together on certain initiatives to avoid duplication. The launch of the Gaelic Games Player Pathway last year was a very significant step and after a huge amount of groundwork the new mirrored Gaelic Games Coach Pathway was launched in 2023. Further details of this pathway have been highlighted in the coach development section previously and ensures for the first time, all three Associations with responsibility for the promotion of Gaelic Football, Hurling, Ladies Football and Camogie will have an aligned pathway and vision for player and coach development. The Coach Pathway will aim for quality coaching at all phases of a player's development whether it is foundation, talent or elite/high performance. This change from a liner pathway allows coaches to access resources applicable to the cohort of players they are coaching, promoting a positive learning experience for



both the coaches and the players participating on their teams. It is recognised that coaches need different courses, modules and supports depending on the players they are coaching so this pathway will continue to be populated with both existing education but most importantly new and exciting supports for all coaches across codes.

The Introduction to Coaching Gaelic Games was a fine example of a collaborative introductory coaching course that would work across codes and all coaches will need to complete that first step to then get access to the 'learning space'. Some of the new aspects already agreed for 2024 in this space include as mentioned an F3 Youth Athletic Development Workshop, addition of Core Modules, a Gaelic Game How to Coach the Goalkeeper offering and a pilot Gaelic Games Community of Practice project. The inaugural Gaelic Games Coach Developer course was completed in January 2023, and this was the first time coach developers graduated to deliver courses across all codes. There will be another course in the first quarter of the new year. As highlighted the Sports Science Framework for Gaelic Games was launched in May to join the previous Gaelic Games Performance Analysis Guide for Good Practice. These resources will assist with consistency of messaging to coaches across all sports. The Female Coach Mentorship Programme is ongoing, through Women in Sport funding, and Dublin's Clíodhna O'Connor acts as coordinator of the programme. There are female coaches participating from across codes and we will continue to link with the coaches taking part.

Another symbolic launch this year was that of Go Games establishing the same policy, for the first time, across all Associations. This was a reaffirmation of our collective commitment to nurture a passion for Gaelic Games in young boys and girls and to do this through a positive coaching environment of inclusion and to ensure every child has an opportunity to learn and develop their skills. Go Games are Camogie, Hurling and Gaelic Football for children up to and including 12 years of age, where every child gets to play (a Go) in every game, for the full game and has been responsible for significant growth in participation levels since its introduction in 2010. It is estimated that juvenile membership in Gaelic Games is in the region of 250,000 young people. As part of this relaunch we were delighted to launch the Go Games Workshop which is aimed at coaches and parents of children involved in Go Games plus new branding for the programme. The short online workshop ensures that participants can apply the new Gaelic Games Go Games model effectively in coaching sessions and in running blitzes in line with national policy where games and pitch sizes can be modified to maximise full participation in the games. There is significant research in this area, with more ongoing, and the findings show that children participate in Gaelic Games for a number of reasons – to have fun, to play with friends, parental encouragement, etc. However, a lack of fun, lack of perceived competence and an over-emphasis on competitive outcomes, which usually come from coaches and parents, are major reasons for dropout. Players can generally

learn the basic skills of Camogie, Hurling and Gaelic Football with relative ease. The better players who practice more often come on faster than those who only participate in collective coaching sessions. However, players find it more difficult to develop the ability to make the right decisions - when to pass, whom to pass to, where to run, etc. – in full-sided games. However, through small-sided games the aim is to optimise their decision-making and at the same time enhance their technical development.

There are still a number of breaches of this policy which is difficult to comprehend as the policy is putting ALL children at the centre of what we do, this is paramount for the three Associations. It is in place for the development of children themselves and not for the successful careers of adults. It is imperative that clubs select age-appropriate coaches with a full understanding and awareness of Go Games. Just because they want to win the championship doesn't necessarily mean they are a bad coach, but they are certainly assigned to the wrong team. We are frequently contacted querying why an under 10 tournament for example named after a local person can now not go ahead and the answer is simple, nobody is saying you can't organise a memorial Go Games Festival of Football in honor of that person but there can be no competition, no scores kept and no cups etc. Is it not more impactful that every young girl at that event goes home with a medal or certificate with that person's name to honor them rather than just one person with a cup? All children would have something to remember them by and most importantly have a fun day in a child-centered environment. The new Gaelic Games Go Games referee self-led module will be the next launch for the coming year.

The LGFA are allocated one Go Games activity day in Croke Park every year and once again we welcomed clubs from across the country at under 10 level to the hallowed turf on 13th April. Counties were eligible to draw two clubs to participate on the day once they had organised under 10 Go Games within the county and the clubs had participated on those days. It was important to have this buy in from the counties making sure their clubs are also aware of the policy of Go Games. This year we afforded the clubs an opportunity to nominate an Under 14 player from their club to officiate on the day and they attended a training webinar and were provided with referee gear for the day. They were exceptional and some of our national referees came on the day to act as mentors for them, what an experience to introduce them to officiating. We will be building on this next year and for some of our other events.

The three Associations continued to promote the 'Be Ready to Play' programme, a coaching and sport science programme in association with UPMC. Although this was developed to help players in their return to play after the pandemic it was agreed that many aspects of this programme are very applicable every year and should be utilised by coaches and players. The sessions were recorded by some of the most renowned leaders in the field of coaching and performance. Areas

covered included games-based coaching, athletic development, psychology and wellbeing, nutrition, performance analysis, skill acquisition and biomechanics, physiotherapy, and injury prevention. This multi-disciplinary programme is free to access and is a world-class offering.

From on the pitch to off the pitch, another exciting collective initiative launched in June 2023 was Club Compás. The Club Compás Programme gives clubs a digital self-assessment tool to review their performance and get direction on how to address any operational shortcomings. Each club receives a bespoke self-assessment report that scores their performance against best practice. This report also gives them advice on 'what to do next' and learning resources available to assist. Once the self-assessment aspect of the programme is fully operational, clubs will have an option to submit applications to become accredited clubs and receive rewards in recognition of their commitment to good governance. The Club Compás has been developed to encourage club planning by providing clubs with insights into their current performance and resources to guide action planning conversations among the club executive and sub-committees. The criteria contain over 100 criteria that have been debated and approved by all relevant units of the Gaelic Games Associations. These criteria are grouped into one of three Priority Ratings: Must Do – these are mandatory tasks set out in the Official Guide or Central Council policies, Should Do – these are good practice tasks that are important to do, but are not mandatory, and Could Do – these are nice-to-do tasks that will only have a minimal impact on the club's performance if they are not done. The self-assessment tool recognises criteria that is specific to the club type for example a one club, an LGFA only club or an LGFA and GAA club only. The type of criteria each club will see in their self-assessment will depend on their club type in Foireann. This resource can really assist all our clubs.

Some of the other collaborative projects the Associations are working together on include the Club Leadership Programme, the All-Star Programme, Kellogg's Cúl Camps, Critical Incident training, the Future Leaders Transition Year Programme, GAA 5 Star Centre and Healthy Clubs. The Cúl Camps continue to be a very effective recruitment tool for our games and some of our own units organised their own camps in addition to these but they were only approved if they followed all the published camp guidelines. If a county is running a camp of their own for girls it is essential to organise a Cúl Camp first as per guidelines laid out in relation to camps and ensure to liaise with a member of development staff prior to advertising any camps to make sure the appropriate insurance and qualified personnel are in place as guidelines around camps in general have become very stringent as responsible for so many children. We have had a few cases where camps had to be postponed as these essential elements were not completed and they are imperative.

The GAA eLearning platform was updated and relaunched as Tobar. The Tobar Learning Portal provides access to online learning resources for anyone involved in Gaelic

Games including coaching, playing, refereeing, or providing administrative support at club or county level. Why Tobar? The hazel tree (crann coill) is a very important tree in Irish mythology and is associated with wisdom. Tobar is the Irish word for well, or spring. Legend has it that nine hazel trees grew around the 'Well of Wisdom' (Tobar Segais) located at the heart of the world, and within this well lived a great speckled salmon. Hazel nuts from the trees fell into the well and upon eating these hazel nuts, the salmon acquired all the wisdom of the universe. It was believed that the first person to catch and eat the salmon would then gain this knowledge. The vision for learning in Gaelic Games is that Tobar becomes the place where all members and volunteers go in their thirst for knowledge. Tobar is the source of learning in Gaelic Games. Learners can access individual progress tracking and explore supplementary resources to support their learning goals. Members will now have the ability to sync their Tobar account with their Foireann account and push their learning achievements such as safeguarding and coaching qualifications to the Games Management System. Along with the information already gathered in Foireann, clubs can now have a clearer picture of the status of their members across a spectrum of areas, assisting those club volunteer officers carry out their role more effectively. I would like to express my gratitude to David Sweeney, GAA eLearning manager, for the work completed on this platform and for his support to the team. It is a unique resource for Gaelic games and enviable to many sports. There will be further engagement with Tobar through the coach and player pathways but also the new administrator pathway.

We have worked jointly with the Camogie Association for new player education resources to be published in 2024. This entails adapting pre-existing SHE research group educational resources to be camogie and ladies football specific. Some of the topics will be Managing your Period, Back to Basics, Time to talk, Debunking Common Myths and Definitions and Disorders. There will be infographics and support videos for these areas and more. Areas like this are not sport specific and it is beneficial for us to work together closely on these projects.

One of the highlights of the year was the FRS Recruitment GAA World Games that took place in Derry from the 24th to 28th July. This is an event that I really look forward to and feel fortunate to be part of. It showcases all codes together but with players and coaches travelling from every corner of the planet to show the impact of our games at their finest. We think it is a chore to travel two hours to a game but these teams came from places like Cambodia, Australia, Canada, USA and so much more. To see so many nationalities playing our games is special, it is heartening. There are further details on the games themselves in our CEO's report but from a development perspective I am not sure if there is a better advertisement for inclusivity and comradery than these games, they are truly amazing.

It is evident that there is a vast degree of collaboration taking place between the three Associations, and this is just a portion of



it. We will continue to strive to achieve our own ambitious plans but where there are opportunities to work together we will of course investigate these to build on the already rewarding projects.

Grants and Funding

Funding through avenues like Women in Sport, Dormant Accounts, Sports Capital and Research are very important to assist the Association with specific priority projects. Our independent evaluations of these projects have demonstrated true value for money with the work we have been undertaking. It has been disappointing over the past year for all Gaelic Games Associations having to apply together for much of this funding meaning there are limited opportunities to now get projects supported, plus many of these must be collaborative not allowing each code priority for their own development areas with applications. We have worked together to submit these, but it has meant some of the key initiatives we applied for were unsuccessful in receiving funding, including no dormant account funding for 2023 outside of the Sport for All Disability Supports Club Fund.

Clubs applied through this fund from Dormant accounts in 2023 with 15 standalone LGFA applications being successful, with other clubs applying together with their GAA section. There will be an opportunity for clubs to apply through this scheme again in the coming year. We will have a second edition of our 'Heroes of Today' series commencing in January through 2024 dormant accounts funding alongside focus groups with teenagers for different playing activities also approved that fund. There was Women in Sport funding allocated across Gaelic Games for 2023 and 2024 and the applications approved were for the current Leading Provincial

Females programme as a collaborative initiative and the LGFA standalone project will be a new athlete mentor initiative with further details to be published early in the new year.

We were successful in our Sport Ireland Evaluation Grant Scheme application with University College Cork for an 'Evaluation of Gaelic4Mothers&Others' and the findings of this will help shape the future of the initiative and highlight the social impact of the programme. In addition to this we applied for the Sport Ireland Research Grant Scheme for funding for a follow up phase of our concussion PhD and this was successful, 'The development and evaluation of a concussion awareness programme.' A grant submission to the Irish Research Council was also rewarded and this is assisting to fund our ongoing PhD with DCU on an injury prevention strategy.

The association received a recovery grant through the COVID-19 Grant Scheme and this was used to develop and print the club packs that all clubs should now have received at their county board meetings. It was once off funding and we wanted to ensure it could have a lasting benefit for our clubs and hence the pack that was provided, we have received much gratitude from clubs for these resources. We are grateful to Sport Ireland for the opportunities to apply for funding and we will continue to strive to ensure there is a legacy effect through the impact of these projects.

In Conclusion

2023 certainly was a busy year but a very fruitful year at the same time. There are exciting coach and player pathways launched and we look forward to now populating these with

further resources. With our referee pathway already in place we are excited to launch our administrator pathway, giving guidance and direction to all members of the association. A new Strategic Plan brings new challenges but also new opportunities, so we are eager to start another new chapter.

Our sport is in an exciting place and it is hard to believe that LGFA is only celebrating 50 years, it has been a pleasure to even play a small part in that journey. In a year when we have been reflecting on previous decades it makes me feel indebted to the many volunteers, administrators, officials and players that originally set the foundations and then the followers that kept on building the association we have today. We have people involved that truly value our sport and dedicate their time to develop it further. We recognise and respect everyone's input and understand that we need to continue to increase support for them over the duration of the next plan. As the association grows so does the demand on our members and the associated expectations. Our aim will be to upskill them and provide tools to allow them to perform their roles more efficiently. Through this role you meet many people, and it is inspirational to hear their stories of involvement and why they do what they do. The importance of feeling connected features heavily and we need to ensure there is a place in the LGFA community for everyone that wants to participate.

One of the key aims of the LGFA is to celebrate our volunteers, officials and players and create role models on and off the pitch, ensuring respectful environments for everyone. As we see other sports across the world struggle with culture and behaviour around the match day experience, and specifically regarding the respect shown to match officials, we are committed to instilling a culture of respect and positivity amongst our people both on and off the pitch. This is why our ongoing 'Take a Second' campaign remains a priority as it promotes and celebrates positive match day behaviour between players, coaches, referees, parents and spectators, plus officers and delegates in meeting rooms. I urge our units to get behind this and action our words to show real respect.

You will see from this report the breadth of development in Ladies Gaelic Football. We are always ambitious and striving to improve our support to members. This would not be possible without the loyal and committed coach and referee developers, facilitators, speakers and all contributors to our education and initiatives. Their enthusiasm and appetite to educate others is heartening, all in their own time. I want to thank them and all the clubs and their members on our initiatives for their continued engagement and commitment, making sure our projects can succeed.

Finally, I want to express my gratitude to our development staff, both at national and provincial level. We have devoted employees who love our game and relish new challenges. We appreciated the forward-thinking of the LGFA Management Committee this year appointing more staff to support the development of the sport. This has brought fresh thinking and

new faces, adding to the already innovative and hard-working personnel in place. We work tirelessly to support and guide members using evidence-based decisions and feedback, you may not always agree but please trust in what we are doing. Thank you to the staff and for the many unsociable hours they have to work to meet members' needs, we cherish these opportunities to engage and interact. All staff across the association assist development throughout the year too and we really appreciate those chances to work together as a full team. Thank you also to my fellow managers Paula Prunty and Jackie Cahill and of course our CEO Helen O'Rourke. They are visionary and always encouraging to try new things, plus hugely knowledgeable and experienced guaranteeing productive and energetic discussions at our meetings. We support teams as part of our roles, but we have a great team internally.

So I will finish with where I started and the importance of our Association remaining ambitious. The motivation and drive of everyone involved in the previous golden 50 years of Ladies Gaelic Football have placed this sport on a pedestal, not just in Ireland but also internationally. I have no doubt they had to overcome many obstacles and areas of discomfort but as we commence the period of our new strategic plan we must remain brave, want to try new things and most importantly want to stay on that pedestal.

In the words of Joubert Botha, "I will never turn down my ambition because someone else is uncomfortable with the volume."

Let's continue to be bold and fearless, we have so much more to develop and grow.

Lyn Savage
National Development Manager



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LGFA ROLL OF HONOUR 2023

Lidl Post Primary School Championship	Winner	Runner-Up
Senior A	Loreto St. Michael's Secondary School, Meath	Sacred Heart School Westport, Mayo
Senior B	Convent of Mercy, Roscommon	Mercy Secondary School Mounthawk, Kerry
Senior C	St. Mary's College, Naas, Kildare	Virginia College, Cavan
Junior A	Loreto College, Cavan	St. Mary's High School, Midleton, Cork
Junior B	Maynooth Post Primary School, Kildare	St. Ronan's College, Lurgan, Armagh
Junior C	Presentation Secondary School, Milltown, Kerry	Dunmore Community School, Galway

All-Ireland U-14 Championship	Winner	Runner-Up
Platinum	Mayo	Cork
Gold	Derry	Tipperary
Silver	Down	Monaghan
Bronze	Wicklow	Clare

John West All-Ireland Féile Championship	Winner	Runner-Up
Division 1 Cup	New York	Naomh Mearnóg, Dublin
Division 1 Shield	Inch Rovers, Cork	Charlestown, Mayo
Division 2 Cup	St. Loman's Mullingar, Westmeath	Kilkenny City, Kilkenny
Division 2 Shield	Kildress Wolfe Tones, Tyrone	Dunboyne, Meath
Division 3 Cup	Erin's Own Lavey, Derry	Baile Dubh Tíre, Wexford
Division 3 Shield	Clann Éireann, Armagh	Clann na nGael, Roscommon
Division 4 Cup	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass, Antrim	Gaultier, Waterford
Division 4 Shield	Mungret St. Paul's, Limerick	Old Leighlin, Carlow
Division 5 Cup	London	Curry, Sligo
Division 5 Shield	Bearna, Galway	Shannon Gaels, Roscommon

All-Ireland U-16 Championship	Winner	Runner-Up
U-16 A Championship	Cavan	Cork
U-16 B Championship	Kerry	Sligo
U-16 C Championship	Antrim	Clare

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 Championship	Winner	Runner-Up
U-18 A Championship	Galway	Kildare
U-18 B Championship	Kerry	Sligo
U-18 C Championship	Donegal	Waterford

Lidl Ladies National Football League	Winner	Runner-Up
Division 1	Kerry	Galway
Division 2	Armagh	Laois
Division 3	Kildare	Clare
Division 4	Antrim	Leitrim

Yoplait HEC Championship	Winner	Runner-Up
O'Connor Cup	DCU Dóchas Éireann, Dublin	University of Limerick
Giles Cup	Ulster University, Antrim	MTU Kerry
Lynch Cup	ATU Donegal	University College Cork
Moynihan Cup	Dundalk IT, Louth	ATU Sligo
Donaghy Cup	TUS Midwest, Limerick	University of Limerick
Lagan Cup	University of Galway	DCU Dóchas Éireann, Dublin
HEC Cup	DCU Dóchas Éireann	Ulster University Magee, Derry

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's	Winner	Runner-Up
Senior Cup	Kilkerrin-Clonberne, Galway	Glencar-Manorhamilton, Leitrim
Senior Shield	Fethard, Tipperary	Clann na nGael, Roscommon
Intermediate Cup	Shelmalier, Wexford	Tempo Maguires, Fermanagh
Intermediate Shield	Bearna, Galway	Eoghan Rua, Sligo
Junior Cup	Grainne Mhaols, Galway	Shamrocks, Waterford
Junior Shield	Walterstown, Meath	Kilmore, Wexford

Beacon Hospital All-Ireland Kilmacud Crokes U-15 Club 7's	Winner	Runner-Up
Cup Final	Naomh Mearnóg, Dublin	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass, Antrim
Plate Final	Templemore, Tipperary	Feohanagh Castlemahon, Limerick

TG4 All-Ireland Championship	Winner	Runner-Up
Senior	Dublin	Kerry
Intermediate	Kildare	Clare
Junior	Down	Limerick

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Senior	Kilkerrin-Clonberne, Galway	Ballymacarbry, Waterford
Intermediate	Glanmire, Cork	Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins, Leitrim
Junior	O'Donovan Rossa, Cork	Claremorris, Mayo



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Lidl Post Primary School Senior Championship 2023

Lidl All-Ireland Post Primary School Senior 'A' Championship

Loreto College, Cavan **Loreto St. Michael's Secondary School, Meath** **Sacred Heart School Westport, Mayo** **Loreto Clonmel, Tipperary**

14th March - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'A' - Semi-Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
St Barry's GAA, Termonbarry, Roscommon	Sacred Heart School, Westport, Mayo	3-07	Loreto College, Cavan	1-12	John Devlin, Galway

16th March - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'A' - Semi-Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Emo, Laois	Loreto St. Michael's Secondary School, Meath	4-06	Loreto Clonmel, Tipperary	2-09	David Hurson, Monaghan

28th March - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'A' - Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Glennon Brothers Pearse Park, Longford	Loreto St. Michael's Secondary School, Meath	3-09	Sacred Heart School, Westport, Mayo	0-15	Shane Curley, Galway

Player of the Match: Emma Brogan, Loreto St. Michael's Secondary School, Meath

Lidl All-Ireland Post Primary School Senior 'B' Championship

Mercy Secondary School Mounthawk, Kerry **St. Mary's, Magherafelt, Derry** **Convent of Mercy, Roscommon** **Gorey Community School, Wexford**

15th March - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'B' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Fethard, Tipperary	Mercy Secondary School Mouthawk, Kerry	3-13	Gorey Community School, Wexford	4-06	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry

16th March - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'B' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Lisnaskea Emmets GAA, Fermanagh	Convent of Mercy, Roscommon	5-09	St. Mary's, Magherafelt, Derry	0-08	Shane McGoldrick, Fermanagh

30th March - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'B' - Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
MacDonagh Park, Nenagh, Tipperary	Convent of Mercy, Roscommon	2-11	Mercy Secondary School Mouthawk, Kerry	2-06	Gerard Canny, Mayo

Player of the Match: Siofra Hession, Convent of Mercy, Roscommon

Lidl All-Ireland Post Primary School Senior 'C' Championship

St. Mary's College, Naas, Kildare Virginia College, Cavan Schoil Mhuire Strokestown, Roscommon Skibbereen Community School, Cork

16th March - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'C' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Kinnegad, Westmeath	Virginia College, Cavan	0-11	Schoil Mhuire Strokestown, Roscommon	2-04	Gerard Canny, Mayo
Fethard, Tipperary	St. Mary's College, Naas, Kildare	4-14	Skibbereen Community School, Cork	3-09	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry

1st April - Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior 'C' - Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	St. Mary's College, Naas, Kildare	4-13	Virginia College, Cavan	3-03	David Hurson, Monaghan

Player of the Match: Eimear Glancy, St. Mary's College, Naas, Kildare



Lidl All-Ireland Post Primary School Junior Championship 2023

Lidl All-Ireland Post Primary School Junior 'A' Championship

Moate Community School, Westmeath Loreto College, Cavan St. Attracta's Community School, Sligo St. Mary's High School, Midleton, Cork

10th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'A' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Carrigallen, Leitrim	Loreto College, Cavan	8-06	St. Attracta's Community School, Sligo	2-07	Mel Kenny, Mayo
Fethard, Tipperary	St. Mary's High School, Midleton, Cork	2-13	Moate Community School, Westmeath	1-10	Eamonn Moran, Kerry

25th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'A' - Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Loreto College, Cavan	10-15	St. Mary's High School, Midleton, Cork	0-07	Angela Gallagher, Meath

Player of the Match: Kate Fegan, Loreto College, Cavan

Lidl All-Ireland Post Primary School Junior 'B' Championship

Presentation College, Tuam, Galway Maynooth Post Primary School, Kildare St. Ronan's College, Lurgan, Armagh
Skibbereen Community School, Cork

8th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'B' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
MacDonagh Park, Nenagh, Tipperary	Maynooth Post Primary School, Kildare	6-11	Skibbereen Community School, Cork	3-14	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon

10th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'B' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Longford Slashers, Longford	St. Ronan's College, Lurgan, Armagh	5-08	Presentation College, Tuam, Galway	2-14	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo

25th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'B' - Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Maynooth Post Primary School, Kildare	10-06	St. Ronan's College, Lurgan, Armagh	4-07	Angela Gallagher, Meath

Player of the Match: Aoife Murnane, Maynooth Post Primary School, Kildare

Lidl All-Ireland Post Primary School Junior 'C' Championship

Ballieborough Community School, Cavan Dunmore Community School, Galway Ardee Community School, Louth
Presentation Secondary School, Milltown, Kerry

14th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'C' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Fethard, Tipperary	Presentation Secondary School, Milltown, Kerry	8-12	Ardee Community School, Louth	5-10	Ciaran Groome, Offaly

16th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'C' - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Longford Slashers, Longford	Dunmore Community School, Galway	1-14	Ballieborough Community School, Cavan	2-10	Marion Hayden, Carlow

25th March - All-Ireland PPS Junior 'C' - Final (Result on the Day)

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Fethard, Tipperary	Presentation Secondary School, Milltown, Kerry	3-12	Dunmore Community School, Galway	2-12	Patrick Smith, Waterford

Player of the Match: Aideen O'Brien, Presentation Secondary School, Milltown, Kerry



All-Ireland U-14 Festival of Football 2023

All-Ireland U-14 Stage 1 – Platinum – 6th May 2023

All-Ireland U-14 Stage 1 – Platinum – 6th May 2023					
Group A:	Armagh	Dublin	Galway	Kerry	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Kerry	2-09	Galway	1-05	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Dublin	5-08	Armagh	5-05	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Kerry	2-08	Armagh	1-02	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Galway	5-04	Dublin	1-06	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Kerry	5-05	Dublin	9-08	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Galway	3-06	Armagh	6-10	
Group B	Cavan	Cork	Kildare	Mayo	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Kildare	2-05	Cavan	2-09	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Cork	2-03	Mayo	4-07	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Kildare	1-02	Mayo	3-04	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Cavan	3-07	Cork	3-05	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Kildare	1-08	Cork	0-02	
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Cavan	2-06	Mayo	3-06	

All-Ireland U-14 Stage 1 – Gold – 6th May 2023

All-Ireland U-14 Stage 1 – Gold – 6th May 2023					
Group A:	Roscommon	Tipperary	Tyrone	Westmeath	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Tipperary	2-11	Roscommon	4-07	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Westmeath	2-05	Tyrone	4-06	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Roscommon	1-06	Tyrone	1-10	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Tipperary	4-06	Westmeath	4-04	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Roscommon	1-09	Westmeath	3-11	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Tipperary	2-07	Tyrone	4-07	
Group B:	Derry	Meath	Laois	Waterford	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Meath	1-03	Derry	3-11	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Waterford	4-03	Laois	4-05	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Meath	3-10	Laois	1-03	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Derry	4-06	Waterford	3-03	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Meath	2-10	Waterford	6-06	
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Derry	3-07	Laois	0-04	

All-Ireland U-14 Stage 1 – Silver – 6th May 2023					
Group A:		Limerick	Longford	Louth	Monaghan
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Score
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Limerick	1-10	Longford	2-06	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Monaghan	1-11	Louth	3-03	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Longford	4-06	Louth	2-02	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Limerick	1-04	Monaghan	2-06	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Longford	1-04	Monaghan	4-05	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Limerick	4-08	Louth	1-10	
Group B:		Carlow	Down	Leitrim	Offaly
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Score
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Leitrim	2-04	Carlow	7-02	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Down	2-09	Offaly	2-04	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Carlow	3-03	Offaly	1-06	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Leitrim	2-07	Down	4-07	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Carlow	3-01	Down	3-13	
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus	Leitrim	2-04	Offaly	3-02	





All-Ireland U-14 Stage 1 – Bronze – 6th May 2023

Group A		Clare	Donegal	Fermanagh	Wicklow
Venue		Team	Score	Team	Score
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Clare	1-02	Donegal	1-11
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Wicklow	2-07	Fermanagh	2-02
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Donegal	2-15	Fermanagh	1-04
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Clare	2-09	Wicklow	1-09
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Donegal	3-09	Wicklow	0-03
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Clare	1-09	Fermanagh	0-03
Group B		Antrim	Kilkenny	Sligo	Wexford
Venue		Team	Score	Team	Score
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Sligo	1-03	Antrim	4-16
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Wexford	1-04	Kilkenny	4-05
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Antrim	6-12	Kilkenny	1-01
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Sligo	2-02	Wexford	2-07
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Antrim	4-06	Wexford	3-06
Technological University of the Shannon, Athlone Sports Campus		Sligo	4-09	Kilkenny	2-07

All-Ireland U-14 Quarter-Finals 2023								
Platinum Championship	Armagh	Dublin	Galway	Kerry	Kildare	Cavan	Cork	Mayo
Gold Championship	Tipperary	Roscommon	Tyrone	Westmeath	Meath	Derry	Waterford	Laois
Silver Championship	Limerick	Longford	Monaghan	Louth	Leitrim	Carlow	Down	Offaly
Bronze Championship	Clare	Donegal	Wicklow	Fermanagh	Sligo	Antrim	Wexford	Kilkenny

All-Ireland U-14 Platinum Quarter-Finals - 13th May 2023						
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee	
All-Ireland U-14 - Platinum Quarter-Final 1						
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Dublin	0-07	Cork	3-10	Kevin Phelan, Laois	
All-Ireland U-14 - Platinum - Quarter-Final 2						
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Kerry	0-16	Kildare	2-16	Shane Curley, Galway	
All-Ireland U-14 - Platinum - Quarter-Final 3						
Louth GAA Training Centre, Darver	Armagh	3-05	Cavan	4-14	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath	
All-Ireland U-14 - Platinum - Quarter-Final 4						
Technological University Shannon, Athlone	Galway	0-10	Mayo	1-08	Gus Chapman, Sligo	

All-Ireland U-14 Gold Quarter-Finals - 13th May 2023						
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee	
All-Ireland U-14 Gold Quarter-Final 1						
Louth GAA Training Centre, Darver	Tyrone	4-05	Laois	2-03	Chris Lennon, Armagh	
All-Ireland U-14 - Gold - Quarter-Final 2						
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Co Laois	Westmeath	3-05	Meath	2-14	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry	
All-Ireland U-14 - Gold - Quarter-Final 3						
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Tipperary	4-05	Waterford	2-08	Gerard Canny, Mayo	
All-Ireland U-14 - Gold - Quarter-Final 4						
Templeport St. Aidan's GAA, Cavan	Roscommon	6-13	Derry	4-20	Declan Callaghan, Donegal	

All-Ireland U-14 Silver Quarter-Finals - 13th May 2023						
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee	
All-Ireland U-14 - Silver - Quarter-Final 1						
Templeport St. Aidan's GAA, Cavan	Monaghan	5-07	Leitrim	1-06	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal	
All-Ireland U-14 - Silver - Quarter-Final 2						
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Co Laois	Limerick	0-05	Offaly	4-07	Patrick Smith, Waterford	
All-Ireland U-14 - Silver - Quarter-Final 3						
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Longford	1-08	Carlow	1-10	Ciaran Groome, Offaly	
All-Ireland U-14 - Silver Quarter-Final 4						
Louth GAA Training Centre, Darver	Louth	1-09	Down	4-10	David Hurson, Monaghan	

All-Ireland U-14 Bronze Quarter-Finals - 13th May 2023						
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee	
All-Ireland U-14 - Bronze - Quarter-Final 1						
Louth GAA Training Centre, Darver	Donegal	5-12	Kilkenny	1-06	Gráinne Sands, Down	
All-Ireland U-14 - Bronze - Quarter-Final 2						
Technological University Shannon, Athlone	Clare	4-10	Sligo	5-05	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon	
All-Ireland U-14 - Bronze Quarter-Final 3						
Portlaoise GAA, Rathleague, Laois	Wicklow	6-10	Wexford	6-02	Kerry Cunningham, Offaly	
All-Ireland U-14 - Bronze - Quarter-Final 4						
Templeport St. Aidan's GAA, Cavan	Fermanagh	0-01	Antrim	5-19	Jacqui Mulligan, Sligo	

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All-Ireland U-14 Semi-Finals 2023

Platinum Championship	Cork	Kildare	Cavan	Mayo
Gold Championship	Tyrone	Meath	Tipperary	Derry
Silver Championship	Monaghan	Offaly	Carlow	Down
Bronze Championship	Donegal	Clare	Wicklow	Antrim

All-Ireland U-14 Platinum Semi-Finals 2022 - 27th May 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
U-14 - Platinum - Semi-Final 1					
Padraig Pearses, Roscommon	Cork	5-06	Cavan	1-13	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon
U-14 - Platinum - Semi-Final 2					
Padraig Pearses, Roscommon	Kildare	1-12	Mayo	4-08	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath

All-Ireland U-14 - Gold - Semi-Finals - 27th May 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
U-14 - Gold - Semi-Final 1					
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Tyrone	2-09	Tipperary	2-12	Angela Gallagher, Meath
U-14 - Gold - Semi-Final 2					
Inniskeen Grattans, Monaghan	Meath	3-03	Derry	4-08	David Hurson, Monaghan

All-Ireland U-14 - Silver - Semi-Finals - 27th May 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
U-14 - Silver - Semi-Final 1					
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Monaghan	6-06	Carlow	2-07	Ciaran Groome, Offaly
U-14 - Silver - Semi-Final 2					
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Down	2-12	Offaly	1-04	Ray McBride, Dublin

All-Ireland U-14 - Bronze - Semi-Finals - 27th May 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
U-14 - Bronze - Semi-Final 1					
Inniskeen Grattans, Monaghan	Donegal	1-09	Wicklow	2-08	Declan Carolan, Down
U-14 - Bronze - Semi-Final 2					
GAA National Centre Abbotstown, Dublin	Clare	8-09	Antrim	4-15	Sinéad McHugh, Dublin

All-Ireland U-14 Finals 2023 - 10th June 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
All-Ireland U-14 Platinum - Final (Result on the Day)					
MacDonagh Park, Nenagh, Tipperary	Cork	0-07	Mayo	2-09	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath
All-Ireland U-14 Gold - Final (Result on the Day)					
Clan na Gael, Dundalk, Louth	Tipperary	2-06	Derry	4-09	Philip Conway, Armagh
All-Ireland U-14 Silver - Final (Result on the Day)					
Clan na Gael, Dundalk, Louth	Monaghan	0-04	Down	6-13	Sinéad McHugh, Dublin
All-Ireland U-14 Bronze - Final (Result on the Day)					
MacDonagh Park, Nenagh, Tipperary	Wicklow	4-20	Clare	3-08	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon

John West Féile Peil na nÓg

Venues:	
Division 1	Connacht GAA Centre of Excellence, Mayo
Division 2	Clonberne Sports Field, Galway
Division 3	Castlerea St. Kevin's, Roscommon
Division 4	Tubbercurry GAA, Sligo
Division 5	Tuam Stars GAA, Galway

Division 1 Group 1			
Inch Rovers, Cork	Naomh Mhuire, Galway	Charlestown, Mayo	New York
Division 1 Group 2			
St. Mary's Burren, Down	Naomh Mearnóg, Dublin	Inbhear Scéine Gaels, Kerry	Maynooth, Kildare

Team	Score	Team	Score
Division 1 - Group 1 - Round 1			
Inch Rovers	1-02	Naomh Mhuire	2-03
Charlestown	0-04	New York	3-04
Division 1 - Group 2 - Round 1			
St. Mary's Burren	1-04	Naomh Mearnóg	1-04
Inbhear Scéine Gaels	2-04	Maynooth	1-05
Division 1 - Group 1 - Round 2			
Inch Rovers	1-02	New York	2-05
Charlestown	0-03	Naomh Mhuire	1-05
Division 1 - Group 2 - Round 2			
St. Mary's Burren	3-06	Maynooth	4-02
Inbhear Scéine Gaels	0-01	Naomh Mearnóg	3-04
Division 1 - Group 1 - Round 3			
New York	2-03	Naomh Mhuire	0-00
Inch Rovers	4-02	Charlestown	2-03
Division 1 - Group 2 - Round 3			
Maynooth	0-00	Naomh Mearnóg	1-09
St. Mary's Burren	4-01	Inbhear Scéine Gaels	0-02
Division 1 - Cup Semi-Finals			
New York	4-04	St. Mary's Burren	2-01
Naomh Mearnóg	2-09	Naomh Mhuire	0-04
Division 1 - Shield Semi-Finals			
Inch Rovers	3-04	Maynooth	3-01
Inbhear Scéine Gaels	3-02	Charlestown	4-02
Division 1 - Cup Final			
New York	0-05	Naomh Mearnóg	0-04
Division 1 - Shield Final			
Inch Rovers	3-06	Charlestown	1-02

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Division 2 Group 1			
Cornafean, Cavan	Portlaoise, Laois	Templemore, Tipperary	Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney, Wicklow

Division 2 Group 2			
Kilkenny City, Kilkenny	Dunboyne, Meath	Kildress Wolfe Tones, Tyrone	St. Loman's Mullingar, Westmeath

Team	Score	Team	Score
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Division 2 - Group 1 - Round 1

Cornafean	1-02	Portlaoise	7-08
Templemore	2-06	Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	0-02

Division 2 - Group 2 - Round 1

Kilkenny City	2-01	Dunboyne	0-02
Kildress Wolfe Tones	1-04	St. Loman's Mullingar	2-02

Division 2 - Group 1 - Round 2

Cornafean	4-03	Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	5-05
Templemore	2-01	Portlaoise	3-04

Division 2 - Group 2 - Round 2

Kilkenny City	0-04	St. Loman's Mullingar	1-01
Kildress Wolfe Tones	1-02	Dunboyne	1-02

Division 2 - Group 1 - Round 3

Cornafean	0-01	Templemore	3-07
Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	2-01	Portlaoise	3-05

Division 2 - Group 2 - Round 3

Kilkenny City	0-04	Kildress Wolfe Tones	1-01
St. Loman's Mullingar	0-04	Dunboyne	0-01

Division 2 - Cup Semi-Finals

Portlaoise	1-03	Kilkenny City	2-03
St. Loman's Mullingar	2-05	Templemore	1-03

Division 2 - Shield Semi-Finals

Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	2-01	Dunboyne	1-06
Kildress Wolfe Tones	2-10	Cornafean	2-03

Division 2 - Cup Final

Kilkenny City	2-02	St. Loman's Mullingar	2-06
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Division 2 - Shield Final

Dunboyne	0-01	Kildress Wolfe Tones	2-03
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Division 3 Group 1			
Clann Éireann, Armagh	Fergus Rovers, Clare	Clann na nGael, Roscommon	Baile Dubh Tíre, Wexford
Division 3 Group 2			
Erin's Own Lavey, Derry	St. Brigid's Gaels, Longford	Scotstown, Monaghan	Naomh Ciarán, Offaly

Team	Score	Team	Score
Division 3 - Group 1 - Round 1			
Clann Éireann	2-01	Fergus Rovers	3-02
Clann na nGael	1-08	Baile Dubh Tíre	4-09
Division 3 - Group 2 - Round 1			
Erin's Own Lavey	3-04	St. Brigid's Gaels	0-03
Scotstown	1-06	Naomh Ciarán	1-05
Division 3 - Group 1 - Round 2			
Clann Éireann	2-04	Baile Dubh Tíre	2-04
Clann na nGael	2-04	Fergus Rovers	3-06
Division 3 - Group 2 - Round 2			
Erin's Own Lavey	4-05	Naomh Ciarán	1-01
Scotstown	2-08	St. Brigid's Gaels	1-00
Division 3 - Group 1 - Round 3			
Clann Éireann	12-03	Clann na nGael	0-02
Baile Dubh Tíre	7-02	Fergus Rovers	3-00
Division 3 - Group 2 - Round 3			
Erin's Own Lavey	4-07	Scotstown	2-01
Naomh Ciarán	3-08	St. Brigid's Gaels	2-02

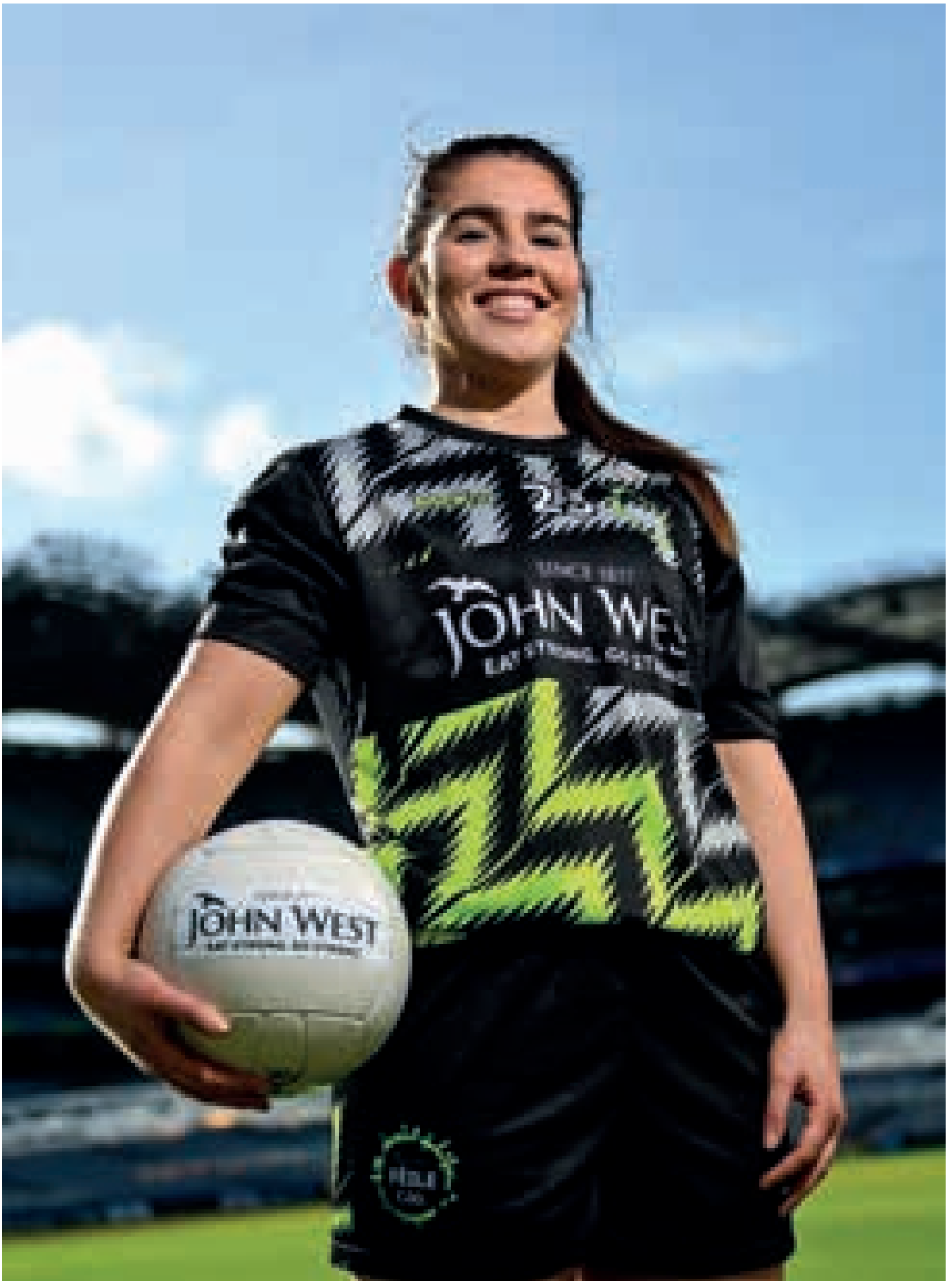


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Division 3 - Cup Semi-Finals			
Baile Dubh Tíre	1-06	Scotstown	1-03
Erin's Own Lavey	0-06	Fergus Rovers	0-04
Division 3 - Shield Semi-Finals			
Clann Éireann	5-09	St Brigid's Gaels	0-02
Naomh Ciarán	0-04	Clann na nGael	1-05
Division 3 - Cup Final			
Baile Dubh Tíre	1-04	Erin's Own Lavey	1-06
Division 3 - Shield Final			
Clann Éireann	4-02	Clann na nGael	3-03

Division 4 Group 1			
St. Ergnat's Moneyglass, Antrim	Old Leighlin, Carlow	CT Gaels, Sligo	Gaultier, Waterford
Division 4 Group 2			
An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Donegal	Kiltubrid, Leitrim	Mungret St. Paul's, Limerick	Cooley Kickhams, Louth

Team	Score	Team	Score
Division 4 - Group 1 - Round 1			
St Ergnat's Moneyglass	1-06	Old Leighlin	1-03
CT Gaels	0-00	Gaultier	1-06
Division 4 - Group 2 - Round 1			
An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)	3-10	Kiltubrid	0-00
Mungret St. Paul's	1-01	Cooley Kickhams	3-04
Division 4 - Group 1 - Round 2			
St Ergnat's Moneyglass	1-03	Gaultier	2-05
CT Gaels	0-02	Old Leighlin	0-06
Division 4 - Group 2 - Round 2			
An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)	2-06	Cooley Kickhams	2-06
Mungret St. Paul's	2-07	Kiltubrid	0-01
Division 4 - Group 1 - Round 3			
St Ergnat's Moneyglass	7-07	CT Gaels	1-01
Old Leighlin	1-03	Gaultier	3-05
Division 4 - Group 2 - Round 3			
An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)	2-08	Mungret St. Paul's	3-02
Kiltubrid	0-00	Cooley Kickhams	4-08
Division 4 - Cup Semi-Finals			
Gaultier	2-05	An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)	2-04
Cooley Kickhams	2-02	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	4-04
Division 4 - Shield Semi-Finals			
Old Leighlin	2-06	Kiltubrid	0-00
Mungret St. Paul's	3-04	CT Gaels	1-03
Division 4 - Cup Final			
Gaultier	2-05	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	2-06
Division 4 - Shield Final			
Old Leighlin	0-04	Mungret St. Paul's	3-03



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Division 5 Group 1			
Roslea, Fermanagh	Mohill, Leitrim	Delco Gaels, USGAA	Shannon Gaels, Roscommon
Division 5 Group 2			
Bearna, Galway	London, Britain	Islandeady, Mayo	Curry, Sligo

Team	Score	Team	Score
Division 5 - Group 1 - Round 1			
Roslea	1-09	Mohill	0-01
Delco Gaels	5-02	Shannon Gaels	2-03
Division 5 - Group 2 - Round 1			
Bearna	0-02	London	5-03
Islandeady	1-03	Curry	1-05
Division 5 - Group 1 - Round 2			
Roslea	0-02	Shannon Gaels	1-02
Delco Gaels	4-03	Mohill	1-02
Division 5 - Group 2 - Round 2			
Bearna	3-02	Curry	2-05
Islandeady	1-03	London	6-06
Division 5 - Group 1 - Round 3			
Roslea	1-03	Delco Gaels	0-03
Shannon Gaels	3-04	Mohill	1-01
Division 5 - Group 2 - Round 3			
Bearna	3-02	Islandeady	3-02
Curry	0-02	London	6-07
Division 5 - Cup Semi-Finals			
Roslea	1-03	Curry	2-04
London	1-07	Delco Gaels	0-02
Division 5 - Shield Semi-Finals			
Shannon Gaels	3-03	Islandeady	2-05
Bearna	3-05	Mohill	0-01
Division 5 - Cup Final			
Curry	2-02	London	2-06
Division 5 - Shield Final			
Shannon Gaels	1-01	Bearna	4-03

All-Ireland U-16 Championship 2023

All-Ireland U-16 'A' Championship – Semi-Final (Result on the Day) - 5th July 2023					
Cavan		Cork		Dublin	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
St. Faithleach's, Roscommon	Mayo	1-10	Cavan	3-10	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon

All-Ireland U-16 'A' Championship – Semi-Final (Result on the Day) - 6th July 2023					
Cahir, Tipperary		Dublin		Cork	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
		3-05		1-13	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath

All-Ireland U-16 'A' Championship - Final (Result on the Day) - 16th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Bretland Park, Offaly	Cavan	1-09	Cork	0-12	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath

All-Ireland U-16 'A' Championship Final Replay - 28th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
LIT Gaelic Grounds, Limerick	Cavan	2-12	Cork	1-13	Eoghan O'Neill, Kildare

All-Ireland U-16 'A' Championship Final - Player of the Match: Fainche Higgins, Cavan

All-Ireland U-16 'B' Championship - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day) - 5th July 2023					
Armagh		Kerry		Meath	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Templeport St. Aidan's GAA, Cavan	Sligo	4-07	Armagh	1-14	Gerard Canny, Mayo
Cahir, Tipperary	Meath	2-09	Kerry	3-10	Eoghan O'Neill, Kildare

All-Ireland U-16 'B' Championship - Final (Result on the Day) - 16th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Duggan Park, Ballinasloe, Galway	Sligo	2-13	Kerry	4-10	Ciaran Groome, Offaly

All-Ireland U-16 'B' Championship Final - Player of the Match: Mary Kate Smith, Kerry

All-Ireland U-16 'C' Championship - Semi-Final (Result on the Day) - 5th July 2023					
Antrim		Clare		Leitrim	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Lisnaskea, Fermanagh	Leitrim	0-04	Antrim	9-14	Declan Carolan, Down
St Barry's GAA, Termonbarry, Roscommon	Clare	6-17	Louth	6-06	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath

All-Ireland U-16 'C' Championship - Final (Result on the Day) - 16th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Clane GAA, Kildare	Antrim	3-12	Clare	1-06	Angela Gallagher, Meath

All-Ireland U-16 'C' Championship Final - Player of the Match: Aoibheann Monaghan, Antrim

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 Championship 2023

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'A' Championship – Semi-Finals (Result on the Day) - 19th July 2023

Kildare		Cork		Monaghan		Galway	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Longford Slashers GAA, Longford	Galway	2-15	Monaghan	0-09	Maggie Farrelly, Cavan		
Staker Wallace, Longford	Kildare	2-09	Cork	2-07	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow		

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'A' Championship - Final (Result on the Day) - 5th August 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Glennon Brothers Pearse Park, Longford	Galway	3-11	Kildare	1-08	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'A' Championship Final - Player of the Match: Aoibinn Eilian, Galway

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'B' Championship – Semi-Finals (Result on the Day) - 19th July 2023

Kerry		Dublin		Cavan		Sligo	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Cahir GAA, Tipperary	Kerry	1-12	Dublin	2-03	Kevin Phelan, Laois		
Tang GAA, Westmeath	Sligo	2-15	Cavan	0-11	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo		

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'B' Championship - Final (Result on the Day) - 5th August 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
MacDonagh Park, Nenagh, Tipperary	Sligo	1-06	Kerry	2-06	Gavin Finnegan, Down

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'B' Championship Final - Player of the Match: Leah McMahon, Kerry

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'C' Championship – Semi-Finals (Result on the Day) - 19th July 2023

Donegal		Waterford		Leitrim		Westmeath	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Lisnaskea Emmetts GAA, Fermanagh	Donegal	4-18	Leitrim	0-02	Gus Chapman, Sligo		
Netwatch Dr. Cullen Park, Carlow	Westmeath	0-12	Waterford	3-14	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry		

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'C' Championship - Final (Result on the Day) - 5th August 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Coralstown/Kinnegad, Westmeath	Waterford	1-09	Donegal	1-14	David Hurson, Monaghan

ZuCar All-Ireland U-18 'C' Championship Final - Player of the Match: Ava Walsh, Donegal

Lidl Ladies National Football League 2023

Lidl Ladies National Football League 2023 - Division 1							
Donegal	Galway	Mayo	Kerry	Cork	Dublin	Meath	Waterford
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 1- 21st January 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Tuam Stadium, Galway	Galway (H)	0-11	Donegal	0-06	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry		
DCU St. Clare's, Dublin	Dublin (H)	1-11	Meath	0-08	Kevin Phelan, Laois		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 1- 22nd January 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Connacht Centre of Excellence, Mayo	Mayo (H)	0-12	Cork	2-11	Shane Curley, Galway		
Piltown, Kilkenny	Waterford (H)	1-08	Kerry	1-09	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 2 - 28th January 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Connacht Centre of Excellence, Mayo	Mayo (H)	0-13	Kerry	3-05	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal		
Letterkenny, Donegal	Donegal (H)	0-05	Meath	1-07	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 2 - 29th January 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Tuam Stadium, Galway	Galway (H)	1-13	Dublin	0-07	Garryowen McMahon, Mayo		
Piltown, Kilkenny	Waterford (H)	2-09	Cork	2-09	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 3 - 4th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Austin Stack Park, Tralee, Kerry	Kerry (H)	2-10	Donegal	1-11	Shane Curley, Galway		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 3 - 5th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Dungarvan, Waterford	Waterford (H)	2-09	Mayo	0-13	Kevin Phelan, Laois		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 3 - 6th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Páirc Tailteann, Navan, Meath	Meath (H)	0-09	Galway	0-09	Gavin Finnegan, Down		
Páirc Uí Rinn, Cork	Cork (H)	3-15	Dublin	4-13	Garryowen McMahon, Mayo		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 4 - 18th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Páirc Tailteann, Navan, Meath	Meath (H)	0-09	Mayo	2-06	Eddie Cuthbert, Down		
Austin Stack Park, Tralee, Kerry	Kerry (H)	3-15	Dublin	1-10	Patrick Smith, Waterford		
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 4 - 19th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Letterkenny, Donegal	Donegal (H)	0-07	Waterford	2-09	Gus Chapman, Sligo		
Pearse Stadium, Galway	Galway (H)	1-15	Cork	4-04	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal		

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Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 5 - 25th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Brosna, Kerry	Kerry (H)	1-18	Meath	0-09	Shane Curley, Galway
DCU St. Clare's, Dublin	Dublin (H)	2-11	Mayo	2-07	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 5 - 25th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Mallow, Cork	Cork (H)	5-11	Donegal	0-01	Kevin Cororan, Mayo
Dungarvan, Waterford	Waterford (H)	0-05	Galway	0-10	Kevin Phelan, Laois

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 6 - 17th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Letterkenny, Donegal	Donegal (H)	0-06	Dublin	2-13	Anthony Marron, Monaghan
Páirc Uí Chaoimh, Cork	Cork (H)	1-17	Kerry	2-06	Kevin Phelan, Laois

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 6 - 19th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Ballinlough, Meath	Meath (H)	2-05	Waterford	1-09	Maggie Farrelly, Cavan
Hastings Insurance MacHale Park, Castlebar, Mayo	Mayo (H)	2-06	Galway	0-13	Gus Chapman, Sligo

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 7 - 25th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc Uí Rinn, Cork	Cork (H)	2-08	Meath	0-11	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Round 7 - 26th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Letterkenny, Donegal	Donegal (H)	3-02	Mayo	5-09	Shane Curley, Galway
Tuam Stadium, Galway	Galway (H)	0-17	Kerry	3-11	Garryowen McMahon, Mayo
Parnell Park, Dublin	Dublin (H)	5-08	Waterford	0-07	Gavin Finnegan, Down

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 1 - Final (Result on the Day) - 15th April 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc an Chrócaigh, Dublin	Kerry	5-11	Galway	1-10	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow

Lidl Ladies NFL Division 1 Final - Player of the Match: Kayleigh Cronin, Kerry

Lidl National Football League Division 1 Relegation 2023

Relegated to the Lidl National Football League Division 2 for 2024 - Donegal

Lidl Ladies National Football League 2023 - Division 2

Tyrone	Roscommon	Tipperary	Westmeath	Monaghan	Laois	Cavan	Armagh
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Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Round 1 - 22nd January 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
O'Moore Park, Laois	Laois (H)	3-14	Monaghan	1-06	Declan Carolan, Down
Drumlane, Cavan	Cavan (H)	0-05	Armagh	2-08	Anthony Marron, Monaghan
Fethard Town Park, Tipperary	Tipperary (H)	1-13	Westmeath	1-11	Gus Chapman, Sligo
O'Neill's Healy Park, Tyrone	Tyrone (H)	1-15	Roscommon	1-12	Eddie Cuthbert, Down

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Round 2 - 29th January 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
St. Tiarnach's Park, Clones, Monaghan	Monaghan (H)	1-12	Tyrone	2-04	Gavin Finnegan, Down
St. Loman's Mullingar, Westmeath	Westmeath (H)	7-08	Laois	0-11	Shane Curley, Galway
Kiltoom, Roscommon	Roscommon (H)	0-12	Armagh	2-13	Kevin Phelan, Laois
Fethard Town Park, Tipperary	Tipperary (H)	3-13	Cavan	0-10	Patrick Smith, Waterford

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Round 3 - 5th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Middletown, Armagh	Armagh (H)	1-13	Monaghan	1-03	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal
Knockbride, Cavan	Cavan (H)	2-08	Westmeath	3-04	Eddie Cuthbert, Down
Crettyard, Laois	Laois (H)	3-08	Tyrone	3-07	Angela Gallagher, Meath
Fethard Town Park, Tipperary	Tipperary (H)	0-06	Roscommon	0-04	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Round 4 - 19th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Fethard Town Park, Tipperary	Tipperary (H)	3-05	Laois	1-12	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry
Donaghmoyne, Monaghan	Monaghan (H)	2-06	Cavan	1-10	Declan Carolan, Down
O'Neill's Healy Park, Tyrone	Tyrone (H)	1-07	Armagh	5-10	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo
Kiltoom, Roscommon	Roscommon (H)	1-11	Westmeath	3-07	Garryowen McMahon, Mayo

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Round 5 - 26th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TEG Cusack Park, Mullingar, Westmeath	Westmeath (H)	1-12	Tyrone	2-13	Patrick Smith, Waterford
Magheraclone, Monaghan	Monaghan (H)	0-07	Tipperary	1-11	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal
Kingspan Breffni Park, Cavan	Cavan (H)	2-09	Roscommon	2-08	Gavin Finnegan, Down
BOX-IT Athletic Grounds, Armagh	Armagh (H)	0-10	Laois	0-05	Anthony Marron, Monaghan

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Round 6 - 19th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Fethard Town Park, Tipperary	Tipperary (H)	2-15	Tyrone	1-07	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow
The Rock GAA, Laois	Laois (H)	4-06	Cavan	2-08	Patrick Smith, Waterford
Éire Óg, Monaghan	Monaghan (H)	0-13	Roscommon	0-13	Declan Carolan, Down
BOX-IT Athletic Grounds, Armagh	Armagh (H)	3-15	Westmeath	1-06	Gavin Finnegan, Down

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Round 7 - 26th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Fethard Town Park, Tipperary	Tipperary (H)	0-10	Armagh	3-12	Justin Murphy, Cork
Newtownstewart, Tyrone	Tyrone (H)	0-00	Cavan	0-00	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal
St. Loman's Mullingar, Westmeath	Westmeath (H)	2-10	Monaghan	1-11	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo
Crettyard GAA, Laois	Laois (H)	2-09	Roscommon	1-05	Eddie Cuthbert, Down

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 2 - Final (Result on the Day) - 15th April 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc an Chrócaigh, Dublin	Armagh	4-09	Laois	2-10	Gus Chapman, Sligo

Lidl Ladies NFL Division 2 Final 2023 - Player of the Match: Aimee Mackin, Armagh

Lidl Ladies National Football League - Relegation 2023

Relegated to the Lidl National Football League Division 3 for 2024 - Roscommon



Lidl Ladies National Football League 2023 - Division 3							
Down	Kildare	Louth	Longford	Clare	Wexford	Sligo	Offaly
Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Round 1 - 22nd January 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Curry GAA, Sligo	Sligo (H)	0-05	Clare	3-15	Gerard Canny, Mayo		
St. Conleth's Park, Kildare	Kildare (H)	3-13	Down	0-06	Ciaran Groome, Offaly		
Darver, Louth	Louth (H)	2-12	Longford	1-09	Brendan Rice, Down		
St. Patrick's Park, Enniscorthy, Wexford	Wexford (H)	2-13	Offaly	2-04	Patrick Smith, Waterford		

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Round 2 - 29th January 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Cooraclare, Clare	Clare (H)	2-03	Wexford	3-09	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath		
Páirc Esler, Newry, Down	Down (H)	2-08	Sligo	0-09	Philip Conway, Armagh		
Bretland Park, Clara, Offaly	Offaly (H)	0-07	Louth	2-12	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon		
Manguard Kildare GAA Centre of Excellence, Kildare	Kildare (H)	4-16	Longford	0-06	Brendan Rice, Down		

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Round 3 - 5th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
St. Patrick's Park, Enniscorthy, Wexford	Wexford (H)	1-04	Down	0-08	Justin Murphy, Cork		
Cooraclare, Clare	Clare (H)	0-07	Kildare	0-09	Ciaran Groome, Offaly		
Darver, Louth	Louth (H)	2-10	Sligo	2-09	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath		
Emmet Park, Longford	Longford (H)	2-10	Offaly	1-10	Philip Conway, Armagh		

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Round 4 - 19th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Connolly Park, Collooney, Sligo	Sligo (H)	0-07	Wexford	0-08	Gerard Canny, Mayo		
Páirc Esler, Newry, Down	Down (H)	4-13	Longford	0-07	Philip Conway, Armagh		
Bretland Park, Clara, Offaly	Offaly (H)	1-13	Clare	2-11	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon		
Manguard Kildare GAA Centre of Excellence, Kildare	Kildare (H)	0-07	Louth	1-05	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath		

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Round 5 - 26th February 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Glenisk O'Connor Park, Offaly	Offaly (H)	2-06	Kildare	3-17	Gerard Canny, Mayo		
Emmet Park, Longford	Longford (H)	2-09	Sligo	0-20	David Hurson, Monaghan		
Cusack Park, Ennis, Clare	Clare (H)	0-06	Down	0-04	Justin Murphy, Cork		
Darver, Louth	Louth (H)	1-05	Wexford	2-06	Ciaran Groome, Offaly		

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Round 6 - 19th March 2023							
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		
Chadwicks Wexford Park, Wexford	Wexford (H)	7-08	Longford	1-03	Ciaran Groome, Offaly		
Enniscrone, Sligo	Sligo (H)	1-05	Kildare	3-15	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon		
Burren, Down	Down (H)	4-14	Offaly	1-07	David Hurson, Monaghan		
Doonbeg, Clare	Clare (H)	1-14	Louth	1-05	Justin Murphy, Cork		

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Round 7 - 26th March 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Emmet Park, Longford	Longford (H)	2-03	Clare	7-15	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon
Darver, Louth	Louth (H)	1-09	Down	2-10	Philip Conway, Armagh
Manguard Kildare GAA Centre of Excellence, Kildare	Kildare (H)	1-10	Wexford	0-06	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath
St. Mary's GAA, Sligo	Sligo (H)	1-13	Offaly	2-12	Gerard Canny, Mayo

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 3 - Final (Result on the Day) - 16th April 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Parnell Park, Dublin	Clare	2-10	Kildare	2-11	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal

Lidl Ladies NFL Division 3 Final - Player of the Match: Róisín Byrne, Kildare

Lidl Ladies National Football League - Relegation 2023

Relegated to the Lidl National Football League Division 4 for 2024 - Longford



Lidl Ladies National Football League 2023 - Division 4

Division 4A	Antrim	Carlow	London	Fermanagh
Division 4B	Kilkenny	Limerick	Leitrim	Derry

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4B - Round 1 - 22nd January 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Aughawillan, Leitrim	Leitrim (H)	5-15	Derry	1-02	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon
Dunmore, Kilkenny	Kilkenny (H)	0-02	Limerick	4-13	Sinéad McHugh, Dublin

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4B - Round 2 - 29th January 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Owenbeg, Derry	Derry (H)	1-01	Wicklow	4-10	Christopher Morgan, Down
St. Mary's, Leitrim	Leitrim (H)	7-26	Kilkenny	0-05	Ray McBride, Dublin

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4A - Round 1 - 5th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Netwatch Dr Cullen Park, Carlow	Carlow (H)	5-09	London	1-04	Eoghan O'Neill, Kildare
Davitt Park, Antrim	Antrim (H)	1-13	Fermanagh	1-06	Christopher Morgan, Down

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4B - Round 3 - 12th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Baltinglass, Wicklow	Wicklow (H)	0-08	Limerick	3-06	Ray McBride, Dublin
Dunmore, Kilkenny	Kilkenny (H)	1-08	Derry	1-18	Eoghan O'Neill, Kildare

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4A - Round 2 - 19th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
McGovern Park, Ruislip	London (H)	1-07	Antrim	9-19	Sinéad McHugh, Dublin
Darver, Louth	Fermanagh (H)	1-11	Carlow	2-05	David Hurson, Monaghan

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4B - Round 4 - 19th February 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Sean Finn Park, Rathkeale, Limerick	Limerick (H)	4-09	Leitrim	1-18	Ciaran Groome, Offaly
Baltinglass, Wicklow	Wicklow (H)	10-21	Kilkenny	0-02	Ray McBride, Dublin

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Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4A - Round 3 - 5th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Donagh, Fermanagh	Fermanagh (H)	3-10	London	0-06	Christopher Morgan, Down
Davitt Park, Antrim	Antrim (H)	6-16	Carlow	2-07	Eddie Cuthbert, Down

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4B - Round 5 - 5th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Owenbeg, Derry	Derry (H)	0-04	Limerick	2-07	Philip Conway, Armagh
Aughrim GAA, Wicklow	Wicklow (H)	0-09	Leitrim	3-13	Eoghan O'Neill, Kildare

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4 - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day) - 26th March 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Whitehall Colmcille GAA, Dublin	Antrim	3-16	Limerick	1-11	Ray McBride, Dublin
Templeport St. Aidan's GAA, Cavan	Fermanagh	1-10	Leitrim	1-12	Christopher Morgan, Down

Lidl Ladies NFL - Division 4 - Final (Result on the Day) - 16th April 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Parnell Park, Dublin	Antrim	1-19	Leitrim	2-06	Justin Murphy, Cork

Lidl Ladies NFL Division 4 Final - Player of the Match: Orlaith Prenter, Antrim



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Date: Saturday 12th August - Venue: Naomh Mearnóg, Portmarnock, Dublin					
currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior Championship - Group 1					
Donaghmore Ashbourne, Meath		St. Conleth's, Laois	Bredagh, Down	Kilkerrin-Clonberne, Galway	Banner, Clare
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Round 1					
Donaghmore Ashbourne	0-03	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	6-07		
St. Conleth's	5-05	Banner	7-03		
Bredagh		Bye			
Round 2					
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	6-08	St. Conleth's	0-08		
Donaghmore Ashbourne	4-07	Bredagh	4-04		
Banner, Clare		Bye			
Round 3					
St. Conleth's	2-07	Donaghmore Ashbourne	1-07		
Banner	5-05	Bredagh	2-06		
Kilkerrin-Clonberne		Bye			
Round 4					
Banner	0-03	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	6-06		
St. Conleth's	2-08	Bredagh	4-05		
Donaghmore Ashbourne		Bye			
Round 5					
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	7-06	Bredagh	0-04		
Banner	4-04	Donaghmore Ashbourne	3-05		
St. Conleth's		Bye			

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior Championship - Group 2					
Knockmore, Mayo		Claregalway, Galway	Kinsale, Cork	Blessington, Wicklow	Cookstown Fr. Rock's, Tyrone
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Round 1					
Knockmore	3-09	Blessington	2-03		
Claregalway	7-08	Cookstown Fr. Rock's	2-04		
Kinsale		Bye			
Round 2					
Blessington	2-06	Claregalway	2-06		
Knockmore	5-06	Kinsale	0-04		
Cookstown Fr. Rock's		Bye			
Round 3					
Claregalway	4-03	Knockmore	3-11		
Cookstown Fr. Rock's	3-00	Kinsale	7-08		
Blessington		Bye			
Round 4					
Cookstown Fr. Rock's	2-04	Blessington	8-07		
Claregalway	6-11	Kinsale	5-03		
Knockmore		Bye			

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Round 5			
Blessington	3-11	Kinsale	3-03
Cookstown Fr. Rock's	1-04	Knockmore	9-06
Claregalway		Bye	

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior Championship - Group 3				
Clann Éireann, Armagh	Fethard, Tipperary	Maigh Cuilinn, Galway	Kinawley Brian Borus, Fermanagh	Naomh Bríd, Antrim
Team	Score	Team	Score	
Round 1				
Clann Éireann	5-06	Kinawley Brian Borus	1-07	
Fethard	6-06	Naomh Bríd	2-06	
Maigh Cuilinn		Bye		
Round 2				
Kinawley Brian Borus	2-06	Fethard	4-07	
Clann Éireann	6-09	Maigh Cuilinn	0-07	
Naomh Bríd		Bye		
Round 3				
Fethard	1-05	Clann Éireann	6-10	
Naomh Bríd	6-06	Maigh Cuilinn	3-05	
Kinawley Brian Borus		Bye		
Round 4				
Naomh Bríd	5-07	Kinawley Brian Borus	4-10	
Fethard	8-07	Maigh Cuilinn	6-09	
Clann Éireann		Bye		
Round 5				
Kinawley Brian Borus	8-06	Maigh Cuilinn	2-06	
Naomh Bríd	2-08	Clann Éireann	4-09	
Fethard		Bye		

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior Championship - Group 4						
O'Neill Shamrocks, Armagh		Simonstown Gaels, Meath		Glencar Manorhamilton, Leitrim	Cahir, Tipperary	Clann na Gael, Roscommon
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team
Round 1						
O'Neill Shamrocks	5-07	Cahir	2-11			
Simonstown Gaels	3-02	Clann na Gael	5-05			
Glencar Manorhamilton		Bye				
Round 2						
Cahir	5-04	Simonstown Gaels	1-10			
O'Neill Shamrocks	4-05	Glencar Manorhamilton	8-05			
Clann na Gael		Bye				
Round 3						
Simonstown Gaels	5-08	O'Neill Shamrocks	5-04			
Clann na Gael	4-05	Glencar Manorhamilton	5-04			
Cahir		Bye				
Round 4						
Clann Na Gael	6-05	Cahir	2-03			
Simonstown Gaels	2-06	Glencar Manorhamilton	2-10			
O'Neill Shamrocks		Bye				
Round 5						
Cahir	2-04	Glencar Manorhamilton	5-09			
Clann na Gael	3-09	O'Neill Shamrocks	2-01			
Simonstown Gaels		Bye				

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior Championship - Semi-Finals 2023			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Winners Group 1		Winners Group 3	
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	5-08	Clann Éireann	0-05
Winners Group 2		Winners Group 4	
Knockmore	2-10	Glencar Manorhamilton	4-07

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior Shield - Semi-Finals 2023			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Runners-Up Group 1		Runners-Up Group 3	
Banner, Clare	5-02	Fethard	5-05
Runners-Up Group 2		Runners-Up Group 4	
Blessington	1-08	Clann na Gael	4-08

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior Championship - Final 2023			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	4-10	Glencar Manorhamilton	1-07

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Senior - Shield Final 2023			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Fethard	5-06	Clann na Gael	2-08

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Date: Saturday 12th August - Venue: Naomh Mearnóg, Portmarnock, Dublin					
currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Intermediate Championship - Group 1					
Carrickmacross, Monaghan		MacHale Rovers, Mayo	Foxrock Cabinteely, Dublin	Suncroft, Kildare	Ballyduff Upper, Waterford
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Round 1					
Carrickmacross	1-07	Suncroft	3-06		
MacHale Rovers	6-02	Ballyduff Upper	5-04		
Foxrock Cabinteely		Bye			
Round 2					
Suncroft	4-06	MacHale Rovers	2-06		
Carrickmacross	3-11	Foxrock Cabinteely	1-03		
Ballyduff Upper		Bye			
Round 3					
MacHale Rovers	0-03	Carrickmacross	1-09		
Foxrock Cabinteely	4-04	Ballyduff Upper	3-04		
Suncroft		Bye			
Round 4					
Ballyduff Upper	3-03	Suncroft	4-08		
Foxrock Cabinteely	2-08	MacHale Rovers	5-06		
Carrickmacross		Bye			
Round 5					
Suncroft	8-00	Foxrock Cabinteely	2-01		
Ballyduff Upper	1-09	Carrickmacross	7-13		
MacHale Rovers		Bye			

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Intermediate Championship - Group 2					
Shelmalier, Wexford		John Mitchels, Lancashire	Bearna, Galway	Kilcock, Kildare	Newtownbutler First Fermanaghs, Fermanagh
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Round 1					
Shelmalier	8-07	Kilcock	0-02		
John Mitchels	1-06	Newtownbutler First Fermanaghs	4-12		
Bearna		Bye			
Round 2					
Kilcock	4-07	John Mitchels	7-07		
Shelmalier	4-07	Bearna	0-03		
Newtownbutler First Fermanaghs		Bye			
Round 3					
John Mitchels	3-06	Shelmalier	7-06		
Bearna	6-08	Newtownbutler First Fermanaghs	1-07		
Kilcock		Bye			
Round 4					
Newtownbutler First Fermanaghs	4-09	Kilcock	4-09		
Bearna	3-11	John Mitchels	2-11		
Shelmalier		Bye			
Round 5					
Kilcock	2-05	Bearna	8-08		
Newtownbutler First Fermanaghs	2-08	Shelmalier	7-07		
John Mitchels		Bye			

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Intermediate Championship - Group 3							
Eoghan Rua, Sligo		Ratoath, Meath		Tempo Maguires, Fermanagh	Killoe, Clare	Naomh Molaoise, Roscommon	
Team	Score	Team	Score				
Round 1							
Eoghan Rua	9-05	Killoe	3-04				
Ratoath	2-06	Naomh Molaoise	1-06				
Tempo Maguires		Bye					
Round 2							
Killoe	5-04	Ratoath	2-08				
Eoghan Rua	0-09	Tempo Maguires	3-04				
Naomh Molaoise		Bye					
Round 3							
Ratoath	1-09	Eoghan Rua	5-03				
Tempo Maguires	7-04	Naomh Molaoise	0-09				
Killoe		Bye					
Round 4							
Naomh Molaoise	5-04	Killoe	8-03				
Tempo Maguires	8-04	Ratoath	3-07				
Eoghan Rua		Bye					
Round 5							
Killoe	4-06	Tempo Maguires	5-05				
Naomh Molaoise	4-06	Eoghan Rua	4-10				
Ratoath		Bye					

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Intermediate Championship - Group 4							
Scoil Uí Chonaill, Dublin		Oughterard, Galway		Naas, Kildare	Parnells, London	St. Peter's Lurgan, Armagh	
Team	Score	Team	Score				
Round 1							
Scoil Uí Chonaill	0-03	Parnells	3-08				
Oughterard	15-04	St. Peter's Lurgan	0-03				
Naas		Bye					
Round 2							
Parnells	5-03	Oughterard	4-06				
Scoil Uí Chonaill	4-06	Naas	6-05				
St. Peter's Lurgan		Bye					
Round 3							
Oughterard	3-05	Scoil Uí Chonaill	0-02				
Naas	1-05	St. Peter's Lurgan	0-05				
Parnells		Bye					
Round 4							
St. Peter's Lurgan	0-02	Parnells	8-06				
Naas	0-03	Oughterard	6-08				
Scoil Uí Chonaill		Bye					
Round 5							
Parnells	4-08	Naas	2-04				
St. Peter's Lurgan	0-08	Scoil Uí Chonaill	3-02				
Oughterard		Bye					

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Winners Group 1	S/F 1	Winners Group 3	
Suncroft	1-06	Tempo Maguires	3-04
Winners Group 2	S/F 2	Winners Group 4	
Shelmaliar	5-04	Oughterdard	2-04

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Runners-Up Group 1	S/F 1	Runners-Up Group 3	
Carrickmacross	3-03	Eoghan Rua	5-06
Runners-Up Group 2	S/F 2	Runners-Up Group 4	
Bearna	6-03	Parnells	3-09

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Tempo Maguires	1-07	Shelmaliar	5-07

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Eoghan Rua	3-06	Bearna	4-08



Date: Saturday 12th August - Venue: St. Sylvester's, Malahide, Dublin					
currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Junior Championship - Group 1					
Mícheál Breathnach, Galway		Railyard, Kilkenny	St. Brigid's, Mayo	St. Sylvester's, Dublin	Walterstown, Meath
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Round 1					
Mícheál Breathnach	2-08	St. Sylvester's	3-04		
Railyard	3-02	Walterstown	5-09		
St. Brigid's		Bye			
Round 2					
St. Sylvester's	2-06	Railyard	5-02		
Mícheál Breathnach	0-03	St. Brigid's	6-11		
Walterstown		Bye			
Round 3					
Railyard	7-06	Mícheál Breathnach	2-02		
St. Brigid's	3-06	Walterstown	0-05		
St. Sylvester's		Bye			
Round 4					
Walterstown	8-03	St. Sylvester's	3-03		
St. Brigid's	4-07	Railyard	2-04		
Mícheál Breathnach		Bye			
Round 5					
St. Sylvester's	0-04	St. Brigids	4-07		
Walterstown	7-06	Mícheál Breathnach	2-03		
Railyard		Bye			

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Junior Championship - Group 2					
Clonmore, Armagh		Beann Eadair, Dublin	Éire Óg, Clare	The Heath, Laois	Northern Harps, Roscommon
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Round 1					
Clonmore	1-06	The Heath	4-02		
Beann Eadair	3-04	Northern Harps	4-06		
Éire Óg		Bye			
Round 2					
The Heath	1-08	Beann Eadair	5-01		
Clonmore	4-06	Éire Óg	0-00		
Northern Harps		Bye			
Round 3					
Beann Eadair	3-04	Clonmore	2-09		
Éire Óg	0-02	Northern Harps	6-07		
The Heath		Bye			
Round 4					
Northern Harps	9-04	The Heath	0-06		
Éire Óg	1-04	Beann Eadair	6-06		
Clonmore		Bye			
Round 5					
The Heath	1-08	Éire Óg	0-05		
Northern Harps	3-03	Clonmore	2-06		
Beann Eadair		Bye			

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John Lockes, Kilkenny	St. Mary's Killenerin, Galway	East Clare Gaels, Clare	Whitehall Colmcille, Dublin	Naomh Columba, Donegal
Team	Score	Team	Score	Score
Round 1				
John Lockes	6-02	Whitehall Colmcille	4-05	
St. Mary's Killenerin	2-05	Naomh Columba	7-06	
East Clare Gaels		Bye		
Round 2				
Whitehall Colmcille	6-03	St. Mary's Killenerin	2-02	
John Lockes	12-05	East Clare Gaels	0-05	
Naomh Columba		Bye		
Round 3				
St. Mary's Killenerin	6-03	John Lockes	4-08	
East Clare Gaels	0-04	Naomh Columba	12-06	
Whitehall Colmcille		Bye		
Round 4				
Naomh Columba	2-11	Whitehall Colmcille	0-05	
East Clare Gaels	2-02	St. Mary's Killenerin	4-03	
John Lockes		Bye		
Round 5				
Whitehall Colmcille	8-07	East Clare Gaels	1-02	
Naomh Columba	6-04	John Lockes	8-07	
St. Mary's Killenerin		Bye		

Penalty Shootout: Naomh Columba 3 John Lockes 0

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Junior Championship - Group 4

Naomh Mearnóg, Dublin	St. Finian's Swords, Dublin	Dundrum, Down	Donaghmore/Ashbourne, Meath
Team	Score	Team	Score
Round 1			
Naomh Mearnóg	4-04	Dundrum	4-10
St. Finian's Swords	3-07	Donaghmore/Ashbourne	2-05
Round 2			
Dundrum	4-07	Donaghmore/Ashbourne	1-08
St. Finian's Swords	2-04	Dundrum	3-12
Round 3			
St. Finian's Swords	5-05	Dundrum	2-04
Donaghmore/Ashbourne	6-05	Naomh Mearnóg	7-06

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Junior Championship - Group 5				
Curry, Sligo	Erin Go Bragh, Dublin	Wanderers, Dublin	Naomh Eoin, Antrim	Shamrocks, Waterford
Team	Score	Team	Score	
Round 1				
Curry	1-07	Naomh Eoin	2-11	
Erin Go Bragh	2-02	Shamrocks	12-08	
Wanderers		Bye		
Round 2				
Naomh Eoin	7-07	Erin Go Bragh	0-04	
Curry	3-09	Wanderers	1-07	
Shamrocks		Bye		
Round 3				
Erin Go Bragh	2-06	Curry	3-09	
Wanderers	2-05	Shamrocks	9-04	
Naomh Eoin		Bye		
Round 4				
Shamrocks	1-04	Naomh Eoin	0-06	
Wanderers	3-12	Erin Go Bragh	4-07	
Curry		Bye		
Round 5				
Naomh Eoin	3-05	Wanderers	0-05	
Shamrocks	4-11	Curry	3-05	
Erin Go Bragh		Bye		

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club 7's Junior Championship - Group 6				
Craobh Chiaráin, Dublin	St. Brigid's, Longford	Grainne Mhaols, Galway	Wolfe Tones, Armagh	Kilmore, Wexford
Team	Score	Team	Score	
Round 1				
Craobh Chiaráin	3-00	Wolfe Tones	5-05	
St. Brigid's	1-01	Kilmore	5-06	
Grainne Mhaols		Bye		
Round 2				
Wolfe Tones	2-04	St. Brigids	5-08	
Craobh Chiaráin	1-05	Grainne Mhaols	10-6	
Kilmore		Bye		
Round 3				
St. Brigid's	9-04	Craobh Chiaráin	1-03	
Grainne Mhaols	4-05	Kilmore	3-05	
Wolfe Tones		Bye		
Round 4				
Kilmore	3-11	Wolfe Tones	2-01	
Grainne Mhaols	3-11	St. Brigid's	2-04	
Craobh Chiaráin		Bye		
Round 5				
Wolfe Tones	2-01	Grainne Mhaols	3-11	
Kilmore		Craobh Chiaráin	WO	
St. Brigid's		Bye		

Craobh Chiaráin went home and did not play last game.

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Winners Group 1		Winners Group 2	
St. Brigid's	3-04	Northern Harps	2-05
Winners Group 3		Winners Group 4	
Naomh Columba	4-13	Dundrum	5-08

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Runners-Up Group 1	Q/F 1	Runners-Up Group 2	
Walterstown	3-09	Clonmore	4-03
Runners-Up Group 3	Q/F 2	Runners-Up Group 4	
John Lockes	1-02	St. Finian's Swords	6-07

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Winners Group 5	S/F 1	Winners Q/F 1	
Shamrocks	7-04	St. Brigid's	6-06
Winners Group 6	S/F 2	Winners Q/F 2	
Grainne Mhaols	6-12	Naomh Columba	0-05

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Runners-Up Group 5	S/F 1	Winners Q/F 1	
Naomh Eoin	0-04	Walterstown	6-14
Runners-Up Group 6	S/F 2	Winners Q/F 2	
Kilmore	6-05	St. Finian's Swords	1-05

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Shamrocks	2-06	Grainne Mhaols	5-06

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Team	Score	Team	Score
Walterstown	3-08	Kilmore	3-07

Beacon Hospital All-Ireland Kilmacud Crokes U-15 Club 7's 2023

Venue: Kilmacud Crokes, Dublin - Date: 12th August 2023

Group 1 - Glenalbyn							
Kilmacud Crokes, Dublin		St. Trea's Ballymaguigan, Derry		Newtown Blues, Louth		Donoughmore, Cork	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Kilmacud Crokes	1-02	Newtown Blues	0-00	St. Trea's Ballymaguigan	5-06	Donoughmore	3-04
St. Trea's Ballymaguigan	5-06	Donoughmore	3-03	Kilmacud Crokes	1-06	Newtown Blues	1-03
Kilmacud Crokes	1-06	St. Trea's Ballymaguigan	8-09	St. Trea's Ballymaguigan	6-09	Donoughmore	4-05
St. Trea's Ballymaguigan	6-09	Donoughmore	4-05	Kilmacud Crokes	3-01	Newtown Blues	1-03
Kilmacud Crokes	3-01	Newtown Blues	1-03	Newtown Blues	1-06	St. Trea's Ballymaguigan	8-09
Newtown Blues	1-06	Donoughmore	4-05	Donoughmore	4-05	Donoughmore	4-05

Group 2 - Glenalbyn							
Fergus Rovers, Clare		Clanna Gael Fontenoy, Dublin		Killinkere, Cavan		Naomh Ciarán, Offaly	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Fergus Rovers	12-03	Killinkere	2-03	Clanna Gael Fontenoy	1-03	Naomh Ciarán	7-04
Clanna Gael Fontenoy	1-03	Naomh Ciarán	7-04	Fergus Rovers	8-04	Killinkere	4-04
Fergus Rovers	8-04	Naomh Ciarán	2-02	Clanna Gael Fontenoy	12-04	Clanna Gael Fontenoy	3-02
Clanna Gael Fontenoy	12-04	Killinkere	4-04	Fergus Rovers	5-08	Naomh Ciarán	7-08
Fergus Rovers	5-08	Clanna Gael Fontenoy	3-02	Killinkere	2-02	Naomh Ciarán	7-08
Killinkere	2-02	Naomh Ciarán	7-08	Naomh Ciarán	7-08	Naomh Ciarán	7-08

Group 3 - St. Benildus							
Kilkerrin-Clonberne, Galway		Claremorris, Mayo		Garrycastle, Westmeath		Baile Dubh Tíre, Wexford	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	2-01	Garrycastle	4-04	Claremorris	3-03	Baile Dubh Tíre	5-02
Claremorris	3-03	Baile Dubh Tíre	5-02	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	1-01	Baile Dubh Tíre	5-04
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	1-01	Baile Dubh Tíre	5-04	Claremorris	2-01	Garrycastle	2-04
Claremorris	2-01	Garrycastle	2-04	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	3-00	Claremorris	4-04
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	3-00	Claremorris	4-04	Garrycastle	4-03	Baile Dubh Tíre	3-06
Garrycastle	4-03	Baile Dubh Tíre	3-06	Baile Dubh Tíre	3-06	Baile Dubh Tíre	3-06

Group 4 - St. Benildus							
St. Ergnat's Moneyglass, Antrim		Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney, Wicklow		Gaultier, Waterford		Fenagh, Leitrim	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	6-01	Gaultier	1-05	Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	6-05	Fenagh	0-04
Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	6-05	Fenagh	0-04	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	9-05	Gaultier	3-05
St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	9-05	Gaultier	3-05	Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	3-00	Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	2-02
Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	3-00	Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	2-02	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	6-06	Fenagh	1-02
St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	6-06	Fenagh	1-02	Gaultier	4-04	Fenagh	1-02
Gaultier	4-04	Fenagh	1-02	Fenagh	1-02	Fenagh	1-02

Group 5 - Silver Park							
Naomh Mearnóg, Dublin		John Lockes, Kilkenny		Ballyroan, Laois		CT Gaels, Sligo	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Naomh Mearnóg	9-05	Ballyroan	4-03	John Lockes	5-05	CT Gaels	3-06
John Lockes	5-05	CT Gaels	3-06	Naomh Mearnóg	4-04	CT Gaels	1-02
Naomh Mearnóg	4-04	CT Gaels	1-02	John Lockes	5-01	Ballyroan	9-06
John Lockes	5-01	Ballyroan	9-06	Naomh Mearnóg	5-05	John Lockes	0-04
Naomh Mearnóg	5-05	John Lockes	0-04	Ballyroan	8-02	CT Gaels	2-01
Ballyroan	8-02	CT Gaels	2-01	CT Gaels	2-01	CT Gaels	2-01

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Group 6 - Silver Park

Naomh Mhuire, Galway		Feohanagh Castlemahon, Limerick		Clann Éireann, Armagh		Templemore, Tipperary	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Naomh Mhuire	7-04	Clann Éireann	2-04				
Feohanagh Castlemahon	3-02	Templemore	6-04				
Naomh Mhuire	6-04	Templemore	2-04				
Feohanagh Castlemahon	6-02	Clann Éireann	8-04				
Naomh Mhuire	11-02	Feohanagh Castlemahon	4-06				
Clann Éireann	12-02	Templemore	3-02				

Group 7 - Silver Park

Dunboyne, Meath		St. Brigid's Gaels, Longford		Old Leighlin, Carlow		Fossa, Kerry	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Dunboyne	5-07	Old Leighlin	0-02				
St. Brigid's Gaels	3-05	Fossa	10-01				
Dunboyne	1-04	Fossa	4-05				
St. Brigid's Gaels	10-04	Old Leighlin	1-02				
Dunboyne	7-05	St. Brigid's Gaels	6-02				
Old Leighlin	2-03	Fossa	14-05				

Group 8 - Silver Park

Erin's Own Lavey, Derry		St. Mary's Burren, Down		Munterconnaught/Mountnugent, Cavan		Naomh Columba, Donegal	
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score	Team	Score
Erin's Own Lavey	11-05	Munterconnaught/Mountnugent	2-01				
St. Mary's Burren	7-03	Naomh Columba	3-04				
Erin's Own Lavey	9-01	Naomh Columba	0-06				
St. Mary's Burren	13-04	Munterconnaught/Mountnugent	3-02				
Erin's Own Lavey	3-04	St. Mary's Burren	7-04				
Munterconnaught/Mountnugent	8-04	Naomh Columba	10-05				

Plate Round 4

Team	Score	Team	Score
Kilmacud Crokes	6-02	Killinkere	2-04
Newtown Blues	3-03	Clanna Gael Fontenoy	11-00
Claremorris	5-01	Fenagh	2-04
Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney	2-01	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	2-02
John Lockes	2-02	Feohanagh Castlemahon	7-03
Templemore	5-03	CT Gaels	3-02
St. Brigid's Gaels	4-08	Munterconnaught/Mountnugent	1-06
Naomh Columba	6-03	Old Leighlin	2-04

Plate Quarter-Finals

Team	Score	Team	Score
Kilmacud Crokes	3-06	Claremorris	5-05
Clanna Gael Fontenoy	5-03	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	6-06
Feohanagh Castlemahon	8-05	St. Brigid's Gaels	4-03
Templemore	9-04	Naomh Columba	2-03

Plate Semi-Finals			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Claremorris	3-02	Feohanagh Castlemahon	8-06
Kilkerrin-Clonberne	0-03	Templemore	6-05

Plate Final			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Feohanagh Castlemahon	4-01	Templemore	6-05

Cup Round 4			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Naomh Ciarán	4-00	St. Trea's Ballymaguigan	3-03
Fergus Rovers	9-03	Donoughmore	6-00
Baile Dubh Tíre	4-02	Gaultier	4-03
Garrycastle	1-04	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	4-04
Naomh Mearnóg	4-03	Clann Éireann	2-03
Naomh Mhuire	8-04	Ballyroan	3-03
Fossa	4-05	Erin's Own Lavey	5-02
St. Mary's Burren	4-03	Dunboyne	2-04

Cup Quarter-Finals			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Naomh Ciarán	4-02	Gaultier	6-04
Fergus Rovers	6-04	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	6-09
Naomh Mearnóg	7-02	Erin's Own Lavey	3-00
Naomh Mhuire	6-05	St. Mary's Burren	4-03

Cup Semi-Finals			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Gaultier	3-06	Naomh Mearnóg	6-05
St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	7-07	Naomh Mhuire	5-03

Cup Final			
Team	Score	Team	Score
Naomh Mearnóg	6-04	St. Ergnat's Moneyglass	5-04

Player of the Tournament: Cara Cormican, Naomh Mhuire, Galway

TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Championship 2023

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship 2023

Group 1:	Armagh	Laois	Mayo
Group 2:	Donegal	Meath	Waterford
Group 3:	Cavan	Dublin	Kerry
Group 4:	Cork	Galway	Tipperary

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Round 1 - 17th June 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 1 - Round 1					
Laois Hire O'Moore Park, Laois	Laois (H)	2-08	Armagh	3-12	Patrick Smith, Waterford
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 2 - Round 1					
Naomh Padraig Leifear, Donegal	Donegal (H)	2-10	Waterford	1-08	Shane Curley, Galway
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 3 - Round 1					
Parnell Park, Dublin	Dublin (H)	1-09	Kerry	2-08	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 4 - Round 1					
Pearse Stadium, Galway	Galway (H)	3-11	Cork	1-11	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Round 2 - 25th June 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 1 - Round 2					
BOX-IT Athletic Grounds, Armagh	Armagh (H)	2-10	Mayo	1-11	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 2 - Round 2					
Fraher Field, Waterford	Waterford (H)	1-08	Meath	1-13	Kevin Phelan, Laois
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 3 - Round 2					
Kingspan Breffni Park, Cavan	Cavan (H)	1-08	Dublin	5-15	Gus Chapman, Sligo
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Group 4 - Round 2					
Moyne Templetuohy, Tipperary	Tipperary (H)	3-04	Galway	4-10	Garryowen McMahon, Mayo

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Round 3 - 1st July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship – Group 1 - Round 3					
Hastings Insurance MacHale Park, Castlebar, Mayo	Mayo (H)	2-15	Laois	0-08	Maggie Farrelly, Cavan
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship – Group 2 - Round 3					
Páirc Tailteann, Navan, Meath	Meath (H)	0-12	Donegal	1-10	Declan Carolan, Down
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship – Group 3 - Round 3					
Austin Stack Park, Tralee, Kerry	Kerry (H)	2-21	Cavan	2-05	Patrick Smith, Waterford
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship – Group 4 - Round 3					
Clonakilty GAA, Cork	Cork (H)	8-12	Tipperary	2-03	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Quarter-Finals - 15th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Quarter-Final 1 (Result on the Day)					
Pearse Stadium, Galway	Galway (H)	1-06	Mayo	0-10	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Quarter-Final 2 (Result on the Day)					
BOX-IT Athletic Grounds, Armagh	Armagh (H)	2-06	Cork	0-14	Maggie Farrelly, Cavan
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Quarter-Final 3 (Result on the Day)					
Austin Stack Park, Tralee, Kerry	Kerry (H)	2-08	Meath	0-10	Shane Curley, Galway

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Quarter-Final 4 (Result on the Day) - 16th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
MacCumhaill Park, Ballybofey, Donegal	Donegal (H)	0-06	Dublin	3-12	Garryowen McMahon, Mayo

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day) - 29th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Semi-Final 1 (Result on the Day)					
FBD Semple Stadium, Thurles, Tipperary	Kerry	1-16	Mayo	1-11	Gus Chapman, Sligo
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Semi-Final 2 (Result on the Day)					
FBD Semple Stadium, Thurles, Tipperary	Dublin	2-19	Cork	0-13	Jonathan Murphy, Carlow

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Final - 13th August 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc an Chrócaigh, Dublin	Dublin	0-18	Kerry	1-10	Shane Curley, Galway

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship Final 2023 - Player of the Match: Hannah Tyrell, Dublin

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship Relegation 2023

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Relegation Qualifiers (Result on the Day) - 15th July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Relegation Qualifier 1 (Result on the Day)					
Kiltoom, Roscommon	Laois	0-10	Cavan	1-05	Eddie Cuthbert, Down
TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Relegation Qualifier 2 (Result on the Day)					
Piltown, Kilkenny	Waterford	0-13	Tipperary	0-14	Paul Burke, Louth

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship - Relegation Playoff - 22nd July 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Crettyard GAA, Laois	Cavan	0-08	Waterford	1-20	David Hurson, Monaghan

Relegated to the TG4 Intermediate Championship for 2024 - Cavan



TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship 2023					
Group 1:	Kildare	Leitrim	Louth		
Group 2:	Clare	Offaly	Tyrone	Wicklow	
Group 3:	Monaghan	Roscommon	Wexford		
Group 4:	Antrim	Longford	Westmeath		
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Round 1 - 11th June 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 1 - Round 1					
Páirc Sheáin Mhic Dhiarmada, Carrick-on-Shannon, Leitrim	Leitrim (H)	4-08	Kildare	5-10	Gerard Canny, Mayo
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 2 - Round 1					
Bretland Park, Clara, Offaly	Offaly (H)	1-12	Clare	1-17	Eoghan O'Neill, Kildare
Lannliere GFC, Louth	Tyrone (H)	3-10	Wicklow	1-10	Paul Burke, Louth
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 3 - Round 1					
Dr Hyde Park, Roscommon	Roscommon (H)	1-07	Wexford	0-11	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 4 - Round 1					
St. Loman's Mullingar, Westmeath	Westmeath (H)	4-07	Antrim	2-17	Anthony Marron, Monaghan
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Round 2 - 18th June 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 1 - Round 2					
Cooley Kickhams, Louth	Louth (H)	1-09	Leitrim	2-08	Anthony Marron, Monaghan
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 2 - Round 2					
Cusack Park, Ennis, Clare	Clare (H)	4-22	Wicklow	0-05	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo
O'Neills Healy Park, Omagh, Tyrone	Tyrone (H)	4-16	Offaly	1-07	Christopher Morgan, Down
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 3 - Round 2					
Shelmalier, Wexford	Wexford (H)	3-08	Monaghan	1-09	Ray McBride, Dublin
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 4 - Round 2					
Glennon Brothers Pearse Park, Longford	Longford (H)	0-06	Westmeath	3-14	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Round 3 - 25th June 2023					
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 1 - Round 3					
Manguard Plus Centre of Excellence, Kildare	Kildare (H)	2-08	Louth	0-03	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 2 - Round 3					
Baltinglass, Wicklow	Wicklow (H)	2-09	Offaly	0-13	Paul Burke, Louth
Glennon Brothers Pearse Park, Longford	Clare (H)	2-09	Tyrone	3-06	Shane Curley, Galway
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 3 - Round 3					
Éire Óg GAA, Monaghan	Monaghan (H)	0-16	Roscommon	0-10	Eddie Cuthbert, Down
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Group 4 - Round 3					
Erin's Owen, Cargin, Antrim	Antrim (H)	1-18	Longford	0-08	Gavin Finnegan, Down

TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Quarter-Finals (Result on the Day) - 9th July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Quarter-Final 1 (Result on the Day)					
Chadwicks Wexford Park, Wexford	Wexford (H)	3-10	Leitrim	2-10	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Quarter-Final 2 (Result on the Day)					
Davitt Park, Belfast, Antrim	Antrim (H)	5-06	Monaghan	0-08	Philip Conway, Armagh
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Quarter-Final 3 (Result on the Day)					
Manguard Plus Centre of Excellence, Kildare	Kildare (H)	1-12	Tyrone	0-05	Gus Chapman, Sligo
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Quarter-Final 4 (Result on the Day)					
Cusack Park, Ennis, Clare	Clare (H)	3-14	Westmeath	3-08	Kevin Corcoran, Mayo

TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Semi-Finals (Result on the Day) - 23rd July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Glennon Brothers Pearse Park, Longford	Antrim	1-13	Clare	2-14	Anthony Marron, Monaghan
Parnell Park, Dublin	Kildare	1-04	Wexford	0-02	Philip Conway, Armagh

TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Final - 13th August 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc an Chrócaigh, Dublin	Kildare	2-11	Clare	2-10	Gus Chapman, Sligo

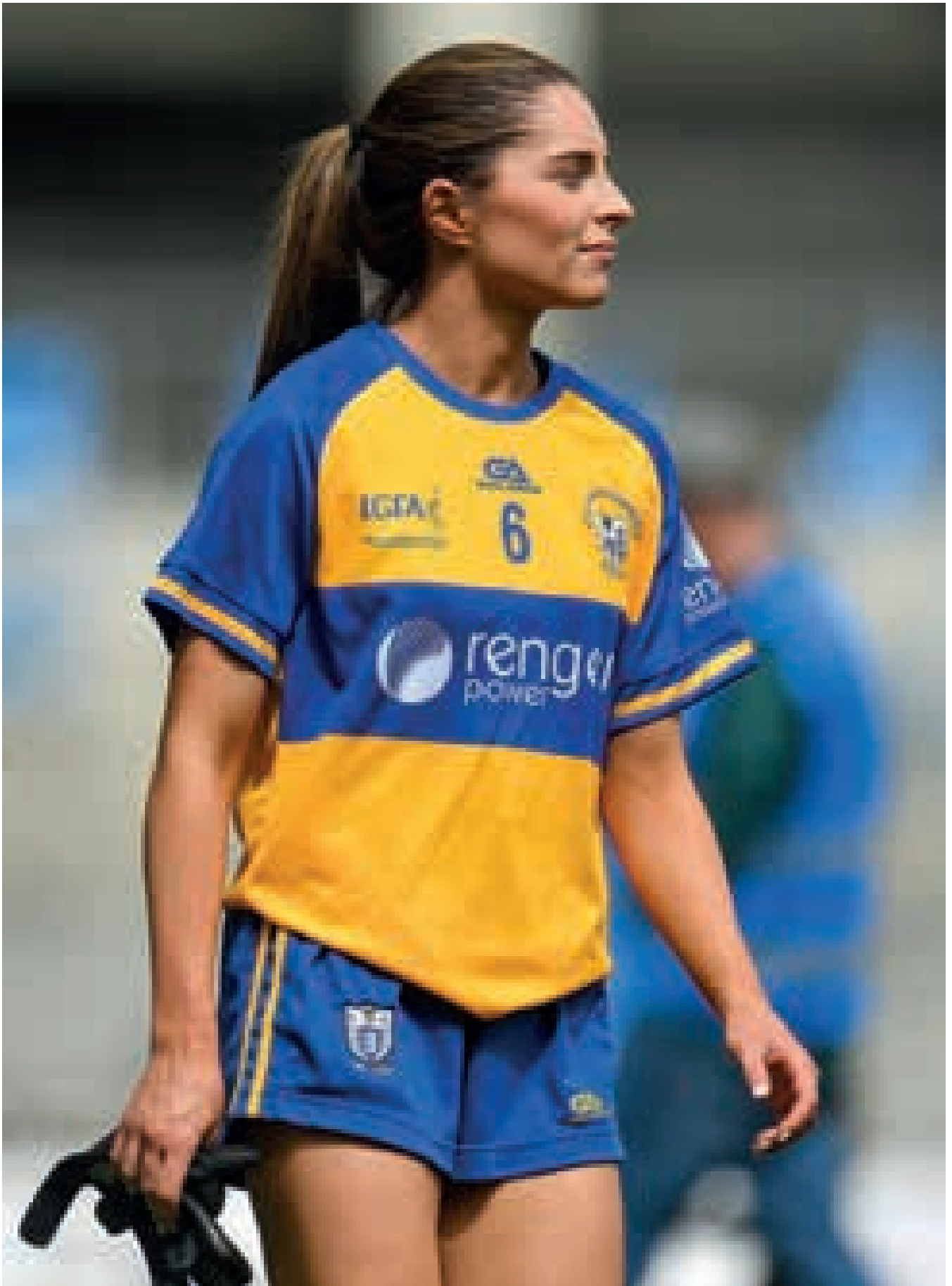
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship Final 2023 - Player of the Match: Róisín Byrne, Kildare

TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship Relegations 2023

TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Relegation Playoffs - 8th July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Relegation Playoff 1					
Kinnegad, Westmeath	Offaly	4-05	Longford	1-08	David Hurson, Monaghan
TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship - Relegation Playoff 2					
Kinnegad, Westmeath	Louth	2-08	Roscommon	2-12	Kevin Phelan, Laois

Relegated to the TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship 2024 – Longford and Louth



TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship 2023

Group A:	Sligo	Down	Kilkenny	Limerick
Group B:	Derry	Fermanagh	Carlow	London

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Round 1 - 17th June 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group B - Round 1					
McGovern Park, Ruislip, London	London (H)	2-12	Derry	1-04	Justin Murphy, Cork

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Round 1 - 18th June 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group A - Round 1					
Markievicz Park, Sligo	Sligo (H)	2-05	Down	1-13	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group A - Round 1					
John Locke Park, Kilkenny	Kilkenny (H)	1-05	Limerick	7-21	Sinéad McHugh, Dublin
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group B - Round 1					
Lanniere GFC, Louth	Fermanagh (H)	1-13	Carlow	0-09	Declan Carolan, Down

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Round 2 - 1st July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group B - Round 2					
Donagh, Fermanagh	Fermanagh (H)	3-12	London	2-10	Aaron Clogher, Roscommon

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Round 2 - 2nd July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group A - Round 2					
Páirc Esler, Newry, Down	Down (H)	13-24	Kilkenny	0-04	Sinéad McHugh, Dublin
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group A - Round 2					
Newcastlewest GAA, Limerick	Limerick (H)	2-07	Sligo	1-07	Ciaran Groome, Offaly
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group B - Round 2					
Netwatch Dr Cullen Park, Carlow	Carlow (H)	6-11	Derry	2-06	Angela Gallagher, Meath

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Round 3 - 8th July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group A - Round 3					
Crettyard GAA, Laois	Kilkenny (H)	1-05	Sligo	7-19	Justin Murphy, Cork

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Round 3 - 9th July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group A - Round 3					
Newcastlewest GAA, Limerick	Limerick (H)	1-08	Down	1-13	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group B - Round 3					
Netwatch Dr Cullen Park, Carlow	Carlow (H)	4-11	London	3-06	Ray McBride, Dublin
TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Group B - Round 3					
St. Treas GFC Ballymaguigan, Derry	Derry (H)	1-11	Fermanagh	3-13	Gerard Canny, Mayo

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Semi-Final - 22nd July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Glennon Brothers Pearse Park, Longford	Limerick	0-10	Fermanagh	1-06	Ciaran Groome, Offaly

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Semi-Final - 23rd July 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Parnell Park, Dublin	Down	1-09	Carlow	0-08	Justin Murphy, Cork

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship - Final - 13th August 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc an Chrócaigh, Dublin	Down	1-07	Limerick	0-08	Angela Gallagher, Meath

TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship Final - Player of the Match: Orla Duffy, Down



currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Club Championship 2023
currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Senior Club Championship 2023

Kilmacud Crokes, Dublin		Clann Éireann, Armagh		Kilkerrin-Clonberne, Galway		Ballymacarbry, Waterford	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee		

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Senior Club Championship - Semi-Finals - Result on the Day - Sunday 3rd December 2023

Clann Éireann GAC, Armagh	Clann Éireann	0-05	Ballymacarbry	1-10	Anthony Marron, Monaghan
Parnell Park, Dublin	Kilmacud Crokes	1-10	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	0-15	Patrick Smith, Waterford

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Senior Club Championship - Final - Result on the Day - Saturday 16th December 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc an Chrócaigh, Dublin	Ballymacarbry	1-09	Kilkerrin-Clonberne	0-18	Maggie Farrelly, Cavan

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Senior Club Championship Final Player of the Match: Lynsey Noone, Kilkerrin-Clonberne, Galway

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Intermediate Club Championship 2023

Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins, Leitrim		Glanmire, Cork		Na Fianna, Meath		Steelstown Brian Ógs, Derry		Tir Chonaill Gaels, London	
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee				

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Intermediate Club Championship - Quarter-Final (Result on the Day) - Saturday 25th November 2023

McGovern Park, Ruislip, London	Tir Chonaill Gaels	0-09	Glanmire	2-05	Anthony Marron, Monaghan
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currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Intermediate Club Championship - Semi-Final (Result on the Day) - Saturday 2nd December 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc Sheáin Uí Eislín, Leitrim	Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins	1-10	Steelstown Brian Ógs	1-08	Gus Chapman, Sligo

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Intermediate Club Championship - Semi-Final (Result on the Day) - Sunday 3rd December 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Mallow GAA Sports Complex, Cork	Glanmire	1-07	Na Fianna	0-06	Seamus Mulvihill, Kerry

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Intermediate Club Championship - Final - Saturday 16th December 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Páirc an Chrócaigh, Dublin	Glanmire	5-08	Ballinamore Sean O'Heslins	1-06	Siobhán Coyle, Donegal

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Intermediate Club Championship Final Player of the Match: Orlaith Roche, Glanmire, Cork

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Junior Club Championship 2023

Claremorris, Mayo		Craobh Rua, Belguim, Europe		Erin's Own Lavey, Derry		Glasgow Gaels, Scotland		Gusserane O'Rahilly's, Wexford	
O'Donovan Rossa, Cork									
Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee				

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Junior Club Championship - Preliminary Round (Result on the Day) - Saturday 28th October 2023

Maastricht, Holland	Glasgow Gaels	1-07	Craobh Rua	0-01	Gerard Canny, Mayo
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currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Junior Club Championship - Quarter-Final (Result on the Day) - Saturday 25th November 2023

Clydebank Community Sports Hub, Scotland	Glasgow Gaels	2-00	O'Donovan Rossa, Cork	2-14	Christopher Morgan, Down
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currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Junior Club Championship - Semi-Final (Result on the Day) - Saturday 2nd December 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
O'Donovan Rossa GAA, Cork	O'Donovan Rossa	2-12	Gusserane O'Rahilly's	0-06	Ciaran Groome, Offaly

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Junior Club Championship - Semi-Final (Result on the Day) - Sunday 3rd December 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Canon Gibbons Park, Claremorris, Mayo	Claremorris	5-04	Erin's Own Lavey	2-11	Paul McCaughey, Westmeath

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Junior Club Championship - Final - Sunday 17th December 2023

Venue	Team	Score	Team	Score	Referee
Parnell Park, Dublin	Claremorris	0-11	O'Donovan Rossa	2-07	Ray McBride, Dublin

currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Junior Club Championship Final - Player of the Match: Éabha O'Donovan, O'Donovan Rossa, Cork



**MOTIONS AND
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MOTIONS

DEFINITIONS

Management

Speaker: Robbie Smyth

Amend 'Disciplinary Action' to read:

Disciplinary Action: means the disciplinary procedures commenced under section 6.1 of Part Three of the Official Guide.

Management

Speaker: Robbie Smyth

Add 'Moderate Impact'

Moderate impact is not extreme or excessive

GENERAL

Management

Speaker: Robbie Smyth

Amend Rule 17 to read:

Any irregularities in the affairs of the Association which occurred within the previous 24 months and which fall under the purview of the CODA Rules must be investigated by the club disciplinary officer and/or the relevant CODA Officer.

FINANCE

Management

Speaker: Geraldine Giles

Amend Rule 39 to read:

The Treasurer shall have charge of all financial affairs of the Club, School and College Committees, Divisional Boards, County Boards, Provincial and Central Council and operate such affairs as requested by the relevant Board, Committee or Council.

Employed Financial Administrators of the Association shall be responsible for the day to day financial transactions to the relevant Treasurer(s) and Management Committee of the Association.

A Financial Report, showing Income & Expenditure, monies owed to and by the board along with supporting bank statements, shall be circulated at each meeting of the Club, Divisional Board, County Board, Provincial and Central Council and to each meeting of the Management Committee of Central Council. The reports shall also show how funds are invested.

County Boards must submit annual statutory financial accounts by an Accountancy firm / a qualified independent Accountant giving a full report on the Accounts. Where the turnover of the County Board exceeds an amount determined by the relevant statutory authorities a full audit must be completed.

Financial statements of Provincial Councils and Central Council must be fully audited by an independent Accountancy firm with the firm giving a full annual report on the Accounts.

The Treasurer shall hand over to the incoming Executive/Management Committee all financial records and documents held upon retirement at the end of the year or upon resignation at any time during the year. Failure to do so may be investigated by the CODA Officer of the next highest level of the Association.

Management

Speaker: Geraldine Giles

Amend Rule 40 to read:

The Committee, Board, or Council represented by the Treasurer/Financial Administrator shall furnish a balance sheet of the accounts for the year just ended, to the Club, County Board, Provincial and Annual Congress. The Financial Year ends on 30th September each year. These must be supported by bank statements.

Failure to do so shall result in suspension until furnished. In the absence of a County Board, the accounts shall be forwarded to Provincial or Central Council as appropriate.

COUNTY BOARD

Management

Speaker: Geraldine Giles

Amend Rule 179 to read:

County Boards shall furnish to their Provincial Councils and the National Finance Committee by 15th January each year, **financial reports, including an accountant's report as set out in the prescribed format by an independent accountant for the County**, together with supporting bank statements for the previous financial year. Failure to do so shall incur a fine of €500 and may involve suspension until they are furnished.

MEMBERSHIP

Management

Speaker: Geraldine Carey

Add to Rule 50 at (i)

Youth Non Playing (Present fee €15.00 to Central Council + €1 Development Fund + club, County Board and Provincial Council).

Management

Speaker: Geraldine Carey

Add to Rule 50 at (j)

Referees (Optional) (Present fee €15.00 to Central Council + €25.00 Injury Fund (optional) + €1 Development Fund + club, County Board and Provincial Council).

Management

Speaker: Geraldine Carey

Add to Rule 50 to read:

County managers, trainers, coaches, selectors, female liaison officers, team officials and water girls must also be registered.

CLUBS

Management

Speaker: Pádraic Ó Ciardha

Amend Rule 118 to read:

Each Club shall annually register its players, officials, team mentors, (managers, selectors, trainers, coaches, **Female Liaison Officer (FLO) water girls**, on the official electronic system as per Rule 50.

INJURY FUND

Management

Speaker: Hugh Devenney

Amend Rule 67 to read:

Exemptions from the Fund shall be:

- (a) **Non-registered LGFA players participating in official Schools Competitions**
- (b) Non-playing members of the Association whose participation in the scheme shall be optional
- (c) International Units as sanctioned by Central Council
- (d) Players participating in Gaelic4Mothers&Others. However, all participants must have their own personal injury cover to participate
- (e) Under 14 players under the control of the Provincial Council of Britain
- (f) HEC registered players where proof of insurance cover from the college can be provided

Management

Speaker: Hugh Devenney

Add to Rule 72

Only one LGFA Injury Fund claim can be opened per injury sustained. The maximum benefit permitted under the Fund per injury is €5500.

Management

Speaker: Gerry Doherty

Amend Rule 75 to read by deleting paragraphs 2 – 5 and adding (a) and (b):

All applications for payment of money from the Injury Fund, shall be signed by the County Secretary or other authorised officer, on an official full Injury Claim Form and shall be accompanied by original receipts, medical certificates where applicable, and any other documentation as required by Central Council.

- (a) **The full Injury Claim Form must be signed by the Club Secretary and the County Secretary or their authorised Officers.**
- (b) **County Secretaries or other authorised officers shall set up a Register of Claims showing the date of injury, date of claim, date received and date sent to Central Council.**

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CODE OF ETHICS

Management

Speaker: Con Moynihan

Amend Rule 90 to read:

Notwithstanding Rules 128, 129, 130 and 131, a player, parents or guardian may apply in writing to the Management Committee of Central Council for permission to deviate from **Rule 128 following a hearing/investigation** under the Code of Behaviour (underage) and seek permission to play with another club. Such permission may be granted where findings are deemed to warrant it, subject to approval by Central Council.

Management

Speaker: Con Moynihan

Delete Rule 132

INTERNATIONAL

Management

Speaker: Gerry Doherty

Amend Rule 109 to read:

A player may play with her Home Club in Ireland and a Club in her European Country of study and vice versa, provided she is participating in a recognised programme of study in that European Country, or Ireland for at least 10 weeks duration, and she obtains permission from Central Council **on an annual basis**.

These players may play with their Home Club or County in their respective Championships or other competitions. However, in accordance with Rule 138, these players can only play in one club 15-a-side championship in any year. This does not apply to Home Club players studying in Ireland or Britain.

CLUBS

Munster

Speaker: Eamonn O'Connor

Amend Rule 112 to read:

A Club must have at least 15 playing members that are eligible to play in the age group or grade of football in which the Club intends fielding a team and 3 registered adult officials, at least one of whom must be female, before it can affiliate to the Association. Only a properly registered and affiliated Club, as outlined above, can take part in Divisional, County, Provincial or National Competitions, or be entitled to representation on Committees, County Boards or Councils.

Clare

Speaker: Sean Lenihan

Amend Rule 119 to read:

Where a Club has two teams competing in Championship games within the County, it must submit the names of its 20 best players the Higher Grade team (A Team) to the County Board before the Championship commences.

Leitrim

Speaker: Kathy Butler

Amend Rule 119 to read:

Where a club has two teams competing in the Championship games within the County it must name its best **18** players for the higher grade championship game (A Team). Any player outside of this number can play higher grade and in the lower grade.

Wexford

Speaker: Billy Stafford

Amend Rule 119 by inserting "Adult" in line 1 between two and teams to read:

Where a Club has two **adult** teams competing in Championship games within the County, it must submit the names of its 15 best players for the Higher Grade team (A Team) to the County Board before the Championship commences. Should any other player outside of this list play in the Higher Grade Championship, they cannot play the Championship in the Lower Grade.

Wexford

Speaker: Billy Stafford

Add New Rule

In underage competitions up to Under 18, where a club has two or more teams they must name their first 15 for each team. Any players outside of this 15 can play up in the Group stages of a championship without affecting their status.

However from knockout stages including relegation knockout games they cannot play with the lower grade team once they play with the higher grade team in the knockout stages.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY FOR CLUB, COUNTY AND PROVINCE

Kerry

Speaker: Nora Fealey

Amend Rule 127 (c) to read:

“permission may be obtained from the County Board, for the players of not more than **three** Clubs in this position, to form an amalgamated Under 12, Under 14, Under 16, or Under 18 team.”

Management

Speaker: Pádraic Ó Ciardha

Amend Rule 127 (c) to read:

In exceptional circumstances, where Clubs are not in a position to field **a specific underage team** from their own resources, permission may be obtained from the County Board, for the players of not more than two Clubs in this position, to form an amalgamated team **at that specific age group**.

Applications to form an amalgamated team **in a specific age group** must be made on an annual basis prior to the commencement of the competition or a date set earlier by the County Board, whichever is earliest. The application shall set out the circumstances and details for such a request in full and receive approval of the County Board in charge.

Each Club Executive must agree on team mentors who are registered members and compliant with safeguarding regulations. Each Club Executive must also nominate and ratify one of the Club Children’s Officers to act as Children’s Officer for the amalgamated team from AGM to AGM.

Club Executives may agree to put arrangements in place to change or rotate this appointment as appropriate as long as it is ratified annually by each Club Executives. The Clubs may decide to have the same individual or the same Club continue holding these positions if it suits the Clubs as long as that decision is both taken and ratified annually.

The amalgamated team may not apply under Rule 127 (d) for permission for any player or players from another Club to play with the said amalgamated team.

Management:

Speaker: Pádraic Ó Ciardha

Amend Rule 127 (d) to read:

Where a Club is unable to field a team **in a specific underage group** from their own resources, permission may be granted by the County Board for such a player or players, from that Club, to play with another Club or Clubs **in the same County**, that is providing football at **that specific** age group, except as pertains in Rule 127 (c). Permission must be sought from the County Board on an annual basis and should be noted in the County Board minutes.

Management

Speaker: Pat Quill

Amend Rule 130 to read:

Where a club is unable to field at adult level within her CCA, and she wishes to seek permission to play with another Club she must apply on the Official Application Form and forward it to the County Board, Provincial Council and the National Grading Committee of Central Council.

She cannot transfer or get permission to play with another Club outside her CCA whilst there is a Club in her CCA, unless she is exempted under Rule 128, (Home Club). This permission is to be renewed on an annual basis.

Where there is no Adult Club football within her CCA, and she wishes to seek permission to play with another Club **in the same County** she must apply on the Official Application Form and forward it to the County Board for approval or otherwise., **unless she is exempted under Rule 128**. The County Board must then forward the completed application form to the relevant Provincial Council and the National Grading Committee of Central Council. The Grading Committee will make the final decision subject to appeal as per CODA Rules.

The closing date to submit the Official Application form to the County Board, for a player seeking permission to play Adult Football, is 4 weeks prior to the commencement of the competition. The maximum number of players allowed to obtain permission to play for any Club shall be four. This permission is to be renewed on an annual basis.

In the context of this rule, Adult refers to Junior, Intermediate and Senior competition as per Rule 271. Applications for permission to play for any other adult competitions organised by a County Board shall be decided by the County Board.

Management

Speaker: Trina Murray

Amend Rule 137 to read:

When a player is transferred to a Club in another County, on or after 1st August in any year, she shall not be eligible to take part in the County, Provincial and All-Ireland Club Championship of that year, unless she has played previously with the Club to which she has been transferred and subject to the provisions of Rule 130.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE COMMITTEES

Management

Speaker: Con Moynihan

Amend Rule 151 to read:

The County Board, Provincial Council and National Committees of the Schools and Colleges are subject to the rules of the relevant Committee or Councils of the Ladies Gaelic Football Association. They shall retain authority in the administration of their own affairs. They shall have the same powers as those of the Ladies Gaelic Football Association in dealing with the organising and controlling of competitions within the Schools or Colleges. They may apply to Central Council to deviate from specific rules.

GRADING OF COUNTIES AND COUNTY PLAYERS

Management

Speaker: Trina Murray

Delete Rule 144

Delete Rule 145

Delete Rule 146

Delete Rule 147

Delete Rule 148

COUNTY BOARDS

Kilkenny

Speaker: John Leamy

Amend Rule 166 to include the role of assistant PRO.

The County Board should consist of:

- (a) Chairperson
- (b) Vice Chairperson
- (c) Secretary
- (d) Assistant Secretary
- (e) Treasurer
- (f) Assistant Treasurer
- (g) Registrar
- (h) PRO
- (add) Assistant PRO
- (i) Culture and Language Officer
- (j) Chairperson of County Development Committee
- (k) Children's Officer (Appointed)
- (l) Officers of the Provincial and Central Councils from within the County
- (m) Delegates to Provincial and Central Councils
- (n) An elected representative of each Divisional Board
- (o) Chairperson of the County Fixtures Committee
- (p) Members of sub-committees of Provincial and Central Councils who have voting rights within their respective Councils and who are from within the County
- (q) Chairpersons of sub-committees of the County Board
- (r) Three delegates, who are registered members, from each affiliated Club, one of whom must be a current player.

Where a County has a Schools or Colleges Committee it shall be entitled to two voting delegates on the County Board. The County Board shall hold office until the end of the next Annual Convention. It shall be subject to the authority of Provincial and Central Council.

Management

Speaker: Kathleen Kane

Amend Rule 166 at (j) to read:

Chairperson of County Development Committee (appointed as per Rule 168)

Meath

Speaker: Colm McManus

Amend Rule 170 to read:

County Boards shall have within their respective Counties:

- (a) Power to approve or reject applications to affiliate from new clubs. They also have the authority to set and collect affiliation fees
- (b) Power to control registration fees within the county in line with Rule 50
- (c) Responsibility for the Management of County teams and responsibility for ensuring that managers, mentors, trainers, team officials and coaches are registered with the Association. County Boards may defer club games within 3 days (excluding the day of the fixture) before a competitive U-14, U-16 or U-18 Inter-County fixture and players from the U-14, U-16 or U-18 county panel must be allowed to play with their clubs outside that three-day period.
- (d) Control and organisation of all competitions within the County subject to the rules of the Official Guide, ratified Bye-Laws and competition regulations
- (e) Power to raise finance
- (f) Power to control, administer and utilise funds and property of the Association within the County
- (g) Power to grade or re-grade players and teams at Club level. County Boards must notify Provincial and Central Councils on the official grading form by the 1st March, of Clubs that are being proposed to be downgraded for Championship purposes within their Counties, and the reasons why they should be downgraded. The grading of Clubs shall be subject to approval of Central Council. Counties who operate a promotion and relegation championship structure within their counties must notify Provincial and Central Council on the official grading form of the club/s who are relegated for the following season, by the 31st January each year.
- (h) Authority to send nominations and motions to Provincial and Central Council.

Roscommon

Speaker: Grace O'Brien

Amend Rule 180 to read:

County Boards may allow players from three Junior clubs, or, one Junior and one Intermediate club to combine to form a Senior team, without losing their Junior or Intermediate status.

A combined team which wins the County Senior Championship shall be permitted to represent the County Board in the Provincial and All-Ireland Club Championship. County Boards may allow two Junior clubs to combine to form an Intermediate team without losing their Junior status.

A combined team which wins the County Intermediate Championship shall be permitted to represent the County Board in the Provincial and All-Ireland Club Championship.

Application to form a combined team must be made on an annual basis prior to the commencement of the competition or a date set earlier by County Board, whichever is the earliest. The province must be notified of this change.

CENTRAL COUNCIL**Management**

Speaker: Trina Murray

Add to Rule 240 at (f)

Power to grade or re-grade a County for Inter-County Championships.

TRANSFERS**Management**

Speaker: Marie Hickey

Amend Rule 256 to read:

All transfer applications must be made on the official transfer form or website application and approved by Club, County Board, Provincial or Central Council or sub-committees thereof depending on the categories of transfer.

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Documentary proof of the address at which a person is registered for statutory purposes or, for an Underage Player, whose parent or guardian are registered for statutory purposes, is required to approve a transfer and is limited to at least two of the following documents:

- (i) Utility bill
- (ii) Document issued by a government department
- (iii) Bank statement or
- (iv) Copy of Tax Credit Certificate

Where the relevant body is not satisfied that the requisite documentary proof was provided, the transfer shall be refused.

A player transferred to a Club, who, at any time within a period of 24 weeks from the date of transfer, is found to be no longer resident within the Club Catchment Area, may be liable to sanction under the CODA Rules, and the Club may also be liable to sanction under the CODA Rules.

Tyrone

Speaker: Caitriona McCaffrey

Amend Rule 256 to read:

All transfer applications must be made on the official transfer form or website application and approved by Club, County Board, Provincial or Central Council or sub-committees thereof depending on the categories of transfer.

Where the relevant body is not satisfied with the evidence provided, the transfer may be refused. Transfers where a change of address is stated, a proof of address MUST be included, dated within the last 3 months and attached to the transfer form. In the event of an underage form being submitted it must include parental/ guardian proof of address. Any club submitting a transfer must have a delegate at the relevant meeting, should any queries arise, to prevent the holding up of a transfer.

A player transferred to a Club, who, at any time within a period of 24 weeks from the date of transfer, is found to be no longer resident within the Club Catchment Area, may be liable to sanction under the CODA Rules, and the Club may also be liable to sanction under the CODA Rules.

Munster

Speaker: Eamonn O'Connor

Amend Rule 261 to read:

The County Board shall have power to refuse or grant transfers in accordance with the rules of the association. This decision may be appealed as per the CODA Rules.

Munster

Speaker: Eamonn O'Connor

Amend Rule 263 to read:

If the player is residing in the CCA of the club to which she is transferring, or if she is returning to her Home Club, the County Secretary or authorised person, shall sign the transfer form and immediately forward it to the Provincial or National Secretary as outlined in Rule 257.

Management

Speaker: Marie Hickey

Amend the word 'sign/signed' to 'authorise/authorised' in the following rules to accommodate new Player Transfer System on Foireann

Rule 262

A player seeking an Inter-Club transfer outside the County in which she last played, must seek her release from her former Club by completing the official transfer form.

The form must be authorised by her former Club and County Secretaries, who must forward it to the Secretary of the County to which she is transferring, who in turn must forward to the relevant Provincial Secretary, CEO or authorised person.

Rule 263

If the player is residing in the CCA of the club to which she is transferring, or if she is returning to her Home Club, the County Secretary may authorise the transfer and immediately forward it to the Provincial or National Secretary as outlined in Rule 257.

Rule 264

If the player is NOT residing in the CCA of the Club to which she is transferring, or if she is not returning to her Home Club, the transfer must be:

- (a) Discussed and approved by the County Board to which she is transferring
- (b) The transfer form endorsed to that effect, authorised by the County Secretary, and
- (c) Forwarded to the Provincial Secretary, CEO or authorised person as outlined in Rule 257.

Rule 265

Where a player's former Club or county Secretary refuses to **authorise** the transfer form, the player should contact the County or Provincial Secretary or the National CEO as appropriate.

Rule 267

The procedure to be followed to obtain an Inter-County Transfer is:

- (a) The player must seek her release from her former County by completing the official transfer form
- (b) The Secretary shall authorise it and forward it to the Secretary of the relevant Committee, Board or Council as outlined in Rule 257.

Rule 268

An Inter-County transfer becomes effective as soon as it is approved by the appropriate authority. The appropriate Secretary, CEO or authorised person shall authorise the transfer and return a copy to the applicant and the County Secretary.

COMPETITIONS**Armagh****Speaker: Sinead Reel****Amend Rule 273 to read:**

Underage players can only play in their own age group at Inter-County level for U-14 and U-16 (Effective 1st January 2024).

At County U-18 level, players may play in their own age group and one grade above. Over 18 grade is deemed an adult grade.

At club level, underage players can only play in their own age group and two grades above it, with grades deemed as **the grades that are played in their respective county**.

All grades from Under 12 down shall be governed by the Go Games policy.

At Inter-County and Club level, players must firstly play and train with their own age group.

Armagh**Speaker: Sinead Reel****Add at Rule 273 (a)**

County boards may organise competitive underage age competitions & leagues by school year to help with player retention.

This means that the cut-off date for being in the respective age grades can be the 1st of July each year OR the 1st January, if a county board chooses to structure competitions this way.

Example:

U-14 by school year, player must be U-14 at 1st July.

OR

U-14 by calendar year, player must be U-14 at 1 January.

Please note this only applies from U-13 age grades upwards, Go Games policy covers U-12 age grade and below.

Management**Speaker: Pat Quill****Amend Rule 273 to read:**

Underage players can play in their own age group at Inter-County level for U-14 and U-16.

At County U-18 level, players may play in their own age group and one grade above. Over 18 is deemed as adult grade.

At club level, underage players can only play in their own age group and two grades above except grades from Under 12 and below who must play in line with the Gaelic Games Go Games Policy. An Under 12 player may play their own grade and Under 14.

Grades are deemed as Under 14, 16 and 18. An Under 14 can play Under 14, 16 and 18. An Under 16 can play Under 16, 18 and Adult and Under 18 can play Under 18 and Adult.

Uneven age grades between these are deemed as the age above e.g. Player eligible for Under 15 is deemed as Under 16 age grade.

At Inter-County and Club level, players must firstly play and train with their own age group.

Management**Speaker: Tonya Allen****Amend Rule 284 to read:**

Games in Under 7 to Under 12 shall be organised on the Go Games Model in line with the Gaelic Games Go Games Policy.

A breach will be referred to the Provincial or National CODA for sanction.

MEDALS AND TROPHIES

Down

Speaker: Seamus O'Hanlon

Amend Rule 308 to read:

In all National and Provincial 15-a-side competitions, the respective Councils shall present 30 winners medals or trophies, and 30 runners up medals or trophies, to the finalists Concerned, no later than 8 weeks after the respective final. Exception is in the All-Ireland 7-a-side competitions, where 12 medals or trophies shall be presented to both the winners and runners up, no later than 8 weeks after the respective final.

TEAMS

Management

Speaker: Robbie Smyth

Amend Rule 313 to read by adding school and college and deleting Maor Foirne

A team shall consist of 15 players and a panel of 30 players. Teams are allowed a maximum of 10 officials at Inter-County level and 7 officials at club, school and college level one of whom must be a female liaison officer. Only the manager and one other team mentor along with the medic are permitted on the sideline. The County Female Liaison Officer shall not be involved in coaching or team selection. Team officials must be 18 years or older for County Teams and Adult Club Teams.

SUBS AND SIN BIN

Munster

Speaker: Eamonn O'Connor

Add to Rule 329 at paragraph 5:

A player after having received a yellow card from the referee and is sin binned for the relevant time, returns to the field of play without permission from the referee, she will receive an additional second yellow card followed by a red card.

ATTIRE

Management

Speaker: Mary Connolly

Amend Rule 348 to read:

Players shall not wear jewellery, (with the exception of wedding rings which must be covered by a tape), hair slides, fitness or health devices on the arm, or any other items that may cause injury while playing Ladies Gaelic Football.

If in the referee's opinion any player is not safely attired, she shall be asked to rectify the situation. Should she refuse to do so the referee shall order her off the field until the situation is rectified.

FOULS

Management

Speaker: Pat Quill

Add to Rule 405 at (j):

Playing the ball away with the foot, without intent, while another player is about to pick it up.

Management

Speaker: Pat Quill

Add to first paragraph of Rule 406 to read:

The following fouls shall be penalised by a free being awarded to the opposing team. Repetition of these fouls, except for those occurring unintentionally, shall constitute a Yellow Card offence with penalties as outlined in Rule 407.

Management

Speaker: Eileen Jones

Amend Rule 406 (a) to read:

Pushing or holding an opponent with the hand, forearm, or other body part.

Management

Speaker: Eileen Jones

Add to Rule 406 at (s):

Pinching an opponent.

Tipperary

Speaker: Michael Towey

Amend Rule 406 (r) to read:

Charging at an opponent who must be stationary.

Management

Speaker: Eileen Jones

Amend Rule 407 (c) to read:Charging of an opponent **with moderate impact, including charging with** the shoulder to the upper body**Tipperary**

Speaker: Michael Towey

Amend Rule 407 (c) to read:

Charging of an opponent with the shoulder to the upper body" to "Charging of an opponent who must be stationary with the shoulder to the upper body.

Management

Speaker: Eileen Jones

Add to Rule 407 at (l):

Deliberate body collide to take a player out of the movement of play.

Management

Speaker: Eileen Jones

Add to Rule 408 (b)Kicking, or **attempting to kick**, an opponent or colleague.**Dublin**

Speaker: Bernard Egan/Fintan Keeling

Amend Rule 408 (k) to add the term transphobic to the listing of fouls.

The following fouls shall be penalised by a free being awarded to the opposing team, and the offending player shown the Red Card and ordered off the field of play without caution. She shall be suspended for a minimum of two official competitive games within the age group or grade where the red card was issued and may be subject to further disciplinary action under the CODA rules.

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(k) Using racist, sectarian, **transphobic** or homophobic language or gestures towards an opponent,**Fermanagh**

Speaker: Tanya Rhatigan

Amend Rule 408 (i) to read:

Biting or nipping an opponent or colleague.

This new rule to be penalised by free to the opposing team and the offending player shown a red card and ordered off the field of play without caution.

KICK OUT**Management**

Speaker: Pat Quill

Amend Rule 434 to read (added additional piece to the top)

The ball must be kicked forward from the hands or off the ground on or before the 20 metre line, directly in front of the goalposts, for a kick out after a score or wide in all competitions. All players, except the kicker and the goalkeeper shall be outside the 20 metre line, and at least 13 metres from the ball until it is kicked. Where a kicker other than the goalkeeper is taking the kickout, the goalkeeper must remain in the small rectangle until the ball is kicked. Where player/s offends, a free shall be awarded to the opposing team on the 20 metre line opposite to where the foul occurred.

If an attacking player deliberately delays the kick out the ball shall be moved forward 13 metres.

REFEREE**Meath**

Speaker: Colm McManus

Amend Rule 440 to read:

All club from Under 13 to Adult games within counties must be officiated by a referee who has completed an LGFA referee education course and they must attend an annual referee refresher course to maintain qualifications. **If the referee fails to show at a club fixture the two clubs involved may agree on a qualified LGFA referee to officiate and if no agreement the match will be rescheduled.**

MOTIONS AND NOMINATIONS

Dublin

Speaker: Bernard Egan/Fintan Keeling

Amend Rule 453, last paragraph to read:

However, if a disciplinary matter arises the report shall be forwarded to the relevant CODA within 48 hours of the incident, if the referee is under 18 years then the report shall be forwarded to the relevant CODA within 96 hours of the incident.

CODA RULES

Management

Speaker: Marie Hickey

Delete 'Non Member' from Rule 3.1.8 (c)

The rights of the parties at the hearing to call witnesses of fact (whether Member or non-Member), to cross examine, to be accompanied, to deliver submissions

Management

Speaker: Marie Hickey

Add to Rule 7.5 (a) to read:

Be accompanied at the hearing by either a member of the LGFA, a member of the public above 18 years of age or if the member is a minor, by a parent or guardian. A parent, guardian or children's officer may make a closing statement.

The person accompanying is not permitted to contribute to the hearing.

Legal representatives are specifically excluded.

Management

Speaker: Marie Hickey

Add to Rule 6.1 (e) to read:

The CODA on receiving a Disciplinary Report (see appendix 9) relating to a **breach of rule** or misconduct off the field of play, received within 7 days of alleged incident occurring.



NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS 2024

President Elect:

Trina Murray, Westmeath (Nominated by Armagh, Cork, Donegal, Dublin, Kerry, Kildare, Kilkenny, Laois, Louth, Meath, Offaly, Sligo, Tipperary, Warwickshire, Westmeath, Wexford and Wicklow)

Con Moynihan, Galway (Nominated by Galway, Monaghan and Roscommon)

Seamus O'Hanlon, Down (Nominated by Derry)

Assistant Secretary:

Kathleen Kane, Sligo (Nominated by Cork, Monaghan, Roscommon, Sligo, Westmeath and Wicklow)

Treasurers:

Geraldine Carey, Roscommon (Nominated by Armagh, Cork, Donegal, Monaghan, Roscommon, Sligo, Westmeath and Wicklow)

Mary Connolly, Tyrone (Nominated by Armagh, Cork, Donegal, Down, Monaghan, Sligo, Tyrone, Westmeath and Wicklow)

Culture & Language Officer:

Hugh Devenney (Nominated by Armagh, Cork, Donegal, Down, Monaghan and Sligo)

LGFA ANTI-DOPING

Education/Awareness

Education/Awareness

Updates by email all County Secretaries, Team Management and Players in relation to certified On-Line annual Anti -Doping training and all relevant WADA Anti-Doping information including 2023 major modifications, and explanatory notes.

ladiesgaelic.ie/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/2023_Summary_of_Modifications.pdf

Inter-County Anti-Doping Online Educational Workshops as per Government Grant Funding requirement completed by Adult Senior Teams.

1,334 players and team management completed training.

A player may not participate on a county adult team without completing this training.

Collaboration with Gaelic Games Family to provide a unified Education Programme which was updated for 2023 submission and again for 2024.

Promotion of WADA's digital campaign "Play True Day" which took place on Friday 14 April 2023.

Website links to Sport Ireland Anti-Doping Website.

Further information and education available on Sport Ireland website & to report instances of doping; sportireland.ie/anti-doping/athlete-zone/athlete-zone and LGFA Website: ladiesgaelic.ie/resources/anti-doping-guidelines/

Sport Ireland Analysis of LGFA Players Tested in 2023

Total LGFA Players subjected to In-Competition Tests = 8

All 8 Players were confirmed as negative for the presence of a prohibited substance or the use of a prohibited method.

2023 COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE RECORDS

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Name	19th January 2023	25th January 2023	9th February 2023	30th March 2023	25th April 2023	24th May 2023	22nd June 2023	2nd August 2023	30th August 2023	27th September 2023	25th October 2023	7th December 2023	26th January 2024	27th January 2024	8th February 2024
Mícheál Naughton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Helen O'Rourke	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
Con Moynihan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Trina Murray	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
Robbie Smyth	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gery Doherty	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Patricia Morrison	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
Kathleen Kane	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
Mary Connolly	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Geraldine Carey	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
Eileen Jones	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
Hugh Devenney	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Marie Hickey	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pat Quill	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Geraldine Giles	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peter Rice	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	-	-	-	-
Martin Coleman*	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brendan Tobin**	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
Bronagh McGrane*	✓	✗	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pádraic Ó Ciardha	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tonya Allen***	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗

(* Term ended in March 2023 (** Term commenced in April 2023 (***) Term commenced in June 2023

NATIONAL FIXTURES COMMITTEE

Name	9th January 2023	23rd January 2023	7th February 2023	27th February 2023	1st June 2023	3rd July 2023	30th July 2023	15th November 2023	5th December 2023	3rd January 2024	23rd January 2024	21st February 2024
Geraldine Carey	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jimmy Murphy	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
David McCabe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fran Mullins	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
Michael Fitzpatrick*	✓	✓	✓	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓
Mary Courtney**	-	-	-	-	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lar Roche	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Jim Shannon	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
John Joe Brady	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
Liam Shinnick	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

(* Term ended at Congress 2023 (** Term commenced April 2023

NATIONAL ALL-STARS COMMITTEE

Name	16th February	20th April	31st August	4th September	4th October
Con Moynihan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Keith Gilroy	✓	✓	✓	x	x
Trina Murray	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Finbarr O'Driscoll*	x	-	-	-	-
Aisling Clery**	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
Peter Jordan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dan O'Mahony*	-	-	-	-	-
Larry Mason**	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Martina Dillon	✓	✓	x	✓	✓
Gerry Doherty	✓	✓	✓	✓	x
Nadine Doherty	✓	✓	x	✓	✓
Mícheál Naughton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

(*) Term ended at Congress 2023 (**) Term commenced April 2023

NATIONAL GRADING COMMITTEE

Name	13th February	8th March	4th April	19th June	25th July	10th February 2024
Mary Herson*	✓	-	-	-	-	-
Liam McDonagh**	-	x	✓	x	✓	x
Agnes McDonagh	✓	✓	✓	x	✓	✓
Tony Lennon	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	x
Arthur Corrigan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mary Shinnick	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eamonn O'Connor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Annette Boyle	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Seamus O'Hanlon	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Leona Tector	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

(*) Term ended at Congress 2023 (**) Term commenced April 2023

2023 TEAM PHOTOS

TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship Winner: Dublin



TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Championship Winner: Kildare



TG4 All-Ireland Junior Championship Winner: Down



Lidl NFL Division 1 Winner: Kerry



Lidl NFL Division 2 Winner: Armagh



Lidl NFL Division 3 Winner: Kildare



Lidl NFL Division 4 Winner: Antrim



currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Ladies Senior Club Football Championship Winner:
Kilkerrin-Clonberne, Galway



currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Ladies Intermediate Club Football Championship Winner:
Glanmire, Cork



currentaccount.ie All-Ireland Ladies Junior Club Football Championship Winner:
O'Donovan Rossa, Cork



ZuCar All-Ireland Football U-18 A Championship Winner: Galway



ZuCar All-Ireland Football U-18 B Championship Winner: Kerry



ZuCar All-Ireland Football U-18 C Championship Winner: Donegal



All-Ireland U-16 A Winner: Cavan



All-Ireland U-16 B Winner: Kerry



All-Ireland U-16 C Winner: Antrim



All-Ireland U-14 Platinum Winner: Mayo



All-Ireland U-14 Gold Winner: Derry



All-Ireland U-14 Silver Winner: Down



All-Ireland U-14 Bronze Winner: Wicklow



Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior A Winner: Loreto St. Michael's Secondary School, Meath



Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior B Winner: Convent of Mercy, Roscommon



Lidl All-Ireland PPS Senior C Winner: St. Mary's College, Naas, Kildare



Lidl All-Ireland PPS Junior A Winner: Loreto College, Cavan



Lidl All-Ireland PPS Junior B Winner: Maynooth Post Primary School, Kildare



Lidl All-Ireland PPS Junior C Winner: Presentation Secondary School, Milltown, Kerry



TG4 Senior Player's Player of the Year
Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, Kerry



TG4 Intermediate Player's Player of the Year:
Róisín Byrne, Kildare



TG4 Junior Player's Player of the Year:
Natasha Ferris, Down



LGFA Hall of Fame Award:
Christina McGinty, Dublin



GAA President's Award:
Eléna Byrne, Kilkenny



TG4 Intermediate Team of the Championship



Back row from left: Orlaith Prenter, Antrim, Neasa Dooley, Kildare, Laoise Lenehan, Kildare, Róisín Murphy, Wexford, Grace Clifford, Kildare, Sarah O'Neill, Antrim, Lara Dahunsi, Antrim and Caoimhe Harvey, Clare. Front row from left: Róisín Byrne, Kildare, Chloe Moloney, Clare, Lauren Burke, Kildare, Mícheál Naughton, Ladies Gaelic Football Association President, Rónán Ó Coisdealbha, TG4 Head of Sport, Chloe Foxe, Wexford, Síofra Ní Chonaill, Clare, and Fidelma Marrinan, Clare.

TG4 Junior Team of the Championship



Back row from left: Sara Doyle, Carlow, Karen O'Leary, Limerick, Deborah Murphy, Limerick, Yvonne Lee, Limerick, Grace Lee, Limerick, Orla Boyle, Down and Aoife Laverty, Down. Front row from left: Blaithin Bogue, Fermanagh, Meghan Doherty, Down, Laoise Duffy, Down, Mícheál Naughton, Ladies Gaelic Football Association President, Rónán Ó Coisdealbha, TG4 Head of Sport, Orla Duffy, Down, Molly McGloin, Fermanagh and Amy McGivern, Down.

Lidl NFL Team of the League: Division 1



Back row from left: Ailbhe Davoren, Galway, Olivia Divilly, Galway and Sarah Ni Loingsigh, Galway. Front row from left: Nicola Ward, Galway, Micheál Naughton, Ladies Gaelic Football Association President, Joe Mooney, Senior Partnerships Manager, Lidl Ireland, and Eimear Kiely, Cork

Lidl NFL Team of the League: Division 2



Back row from left: Blaithín Macken, Armagh, Ellen Healy, Laois, Mo Nerney, Laois, Aimee Mackin, Armagh, Clodagh McCambridge, Armagh, Lucy Power, Westmeath, Anna Carr, Armagh, Aishling Moloney, Tipperary and Clodagh Dunne, Laois. Front row from left: Erone Fitzpatrick, Laois, Grace Ferguson, Armagh, Lauren McConville, Armagh, Micheál Naughton, Ladies Gaelic Football Association President, Joe Mooney, Senior Partnerships Manager, Lidl Ireland, Anna Rose Kennedy, Tipperary, Aoife McCoy, Armagh and Niamh Coleman, Armagh.

Lidl NFL Team of the League: Division 3



Back row from left: Laoise Lenehan, Kildare, Meghan Doherty, Down, Natasha Ferris, Down, Chloe Moloney, Clare, Róisín Murphy, Wexford, Ciara Banville, Wexford, Síofra Ní Chonaill, Clare and Claire Dunne, Sligo. Front row from left: Neasa Dooley, Kildare, Grace Clifford, Kildare, Róisín Byrne, Kildare, Mícheál Naughton, Ladies Gaelic Football Association President, Joe Mooney, Senior Partnerships Manager, Lidl Ireland, Caoimhe Harvey, Clare, Laura Collins, Louth and Fidelma Marrinan, Clare.

Lidl NFL Team of the League: Division 4



Back row from left: Cathy Carey, Antrim, Orlaith Prenter, Antrim, Ana Mulholland, Antrim, Lara Dahunsi, Antrim, Sarah O'Neill, Antrim, Molly McGloin, Fermanagh, and Courtney Murphy, Fermanagh. Front row from left: Anna McCann, Antrim, Leah Fox, Leitrim, Róisín Ambrose, Limerick, Mícheál Naughton, Ladies Gaelic Football Association President, Joe Mooney, Senior Partnerships Manager, Lidl Ireland, Laura O'Dowd, Leitrim, Charlene Tyrrell, Leitrim and Niamh McIntosh, Antrim.

The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
January: Róisín Byrne, Kildare



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
February: Síofra O'Shea, Kerry



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
March: Kate Kenny, DCU Dóchas Éireann



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
April: Aimee Mackin, Armagh



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
May: Orlaith Prenter, Antrim



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
June: Fidelma Marrinan, Clare



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
July: Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, Kerry



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
August: Hannah Tyrrell, Dublin



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
September: Niamh Murray, Clann Éireann, Armagh



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
October: Niamh O'Dea, Banner, Clare



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
November: Róisín McHugh, Ballinamore
Sean O'Heslins, Leitrim



The Croke Park Player of the Month Awards
December: Lynsey Noone, Kilkerrin-Clonberne,
Galway



GLENVEAGH HOMES LULU CARROLL OVERALL VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Margaret Buckley, St. Valentine's, Cork



GLENVEAGH HOMES VOLUNTEER HALL OF FAME

Michael O'Loughlin, Mountmellick Sarsfields, Laois



GLENVEAGH HOMES LOCAL JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

Daragh Nolan, Leinster Leader



GLENVEAGH HOMES SCHOOL COACH OF THE YEAR

Sean Costello, Dominican College, Griffith Avenue, Dublin



GLENVEAGH HOMES PRO OF THE YEAR

Siobhan McCluskey, Emyvale, Monaghan



GLENVEAGH HOMES COUNTY/PROVINCIAL OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Lisa Walsh, Cork



GLENVEAGH HOMES YOUNG VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Dúana Coleman, Pádraig Sáirséil, Antrim



GLENVEAGH HOMES CLUB COMMITTEE OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Deirdre Colgan, St. Margaret's, Dublin



GLENVEAGH HOMES COACH OF THE YEAR

Áine Reilly, St. Mary's Convoy, Donegal



GLENVEAGH HOMES INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

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