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# AONTROIM **VS** LOCH GARMAN

SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY 2PM  
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# ORÁID AN CHATHAOIRLIGH



## A Cháirde Gael

Fáilte roimhaibh uilig chuig an seasúir sraithe úr 2020 ! Tá súil agam go mbainfidh sibh idir shult agus tairbhe as an seasúir seo. Gúim gach rath agus bláth ar ár foirne uilig.

It is a great honour to welcome you all, our loyal supporters, to a new national league season. We enter this season with spirit and optimism, having enjoyed a solid pre-season, with robust performances in the McKenna Cup, the McGurk Cup and the Kehoe

Cup. Our league objectives are straightforward and achievable : to win all of our home games and achieve promotion. We wish Lenny and Darren well.

Off the pitch, we have several causes for optimism. With the recent political developments, our main strategic objective at Páirc Mhic Easmaidh has a renewed optimism and in the coming months we hope to present you with a firm position with regards to the decision on our planning application and hopefully thereafter a realistic timetable for the 21 month build project.

Having endured six years of being a county without a ground with a covered stand, three of our clubs are at varying stages of developing seated covered stands for spectators. Ó Donnabháin Rosa recently secured planning and funding to develop a 200 seater stand at Páirc Rosa and look forward to commencing work this year. Cumann Micheál Mac Dáibhéid will open their amazing brand new facilities at Páirc Mac Dhábhéid on Saturday 8th February with the visit of the All Ireland senior hurling champions Tipperary. Tipp have been a long standing anamchara to Antrim and we encourage all of you to get your tickets well in advance as we trust that the 3400 capacity ground will be close to full!

Our designated second county ground, at Corrigan Park is also undergoing a transformation with groundworks having commenced this week to build a new 400 seater stand and terracing for 2000 spectators. The project benefits from a £500,000 grant from Central Council with the balance coming from the County Board, Ulster Council, the Saffron Business Forum, Club Aontroma and the St John's GAC. In a very short time we will be able to welcome visiting counties to facilities worthy of our teams preparations. I would specifically like to single out the Glenavy and Loch gCaol clubs for their commitment and assistance in providing us with homes for our national leagues games this year, go raibh math agaibh a chairde.

Finally, I would like to commend Club Aontroma for taking the initiative and preparing our match programmes for the national league. We will all agree that the programmes for the County finals enhanced our collective enjoyment of the day and with enhanced spectator facilities on the way we hope our improved match day experience will drive attendance and appreciation for the hard work our county panels put in. Our programme today includes player profiles and the commencement of a running series showcasing the exceptional developments that our clubs are involved in, because ultimately our strength lies on our clubs. As with all progressive initiatives, there are costs engaged and I would encourage any local small businesses to avail of the advertising opportunities to promote their businesses on these pages and equally I would encourage all of our patrons to support those businesses that contribute to county development. Ni neart go cuir le chéile !!

Go raibh maith agaibh a chairde, we are very appreciative of your continued support, year in year out.

Bainigí sult as an lá!

Le gach dea-ghuá,

**Ciarán Mc Cavana/ Ciarán Mac an Mhanaigh**  
**Cathaoirleach CLG Aontroma**

# AMHRÁN NA BHFIANN

Sinne Fianna Fáil,  
atá faoi gheall ag Éirinn,  
Buíon dár slua  
thar toinn do ráinig chugainn,  
Faoi mhóid bheith saor  
Seantír ár sinsear feasta,  
Ní fhágfar faoin tóirán ná faoin tráill.  
Anocht a théam sa bhearna baoil,  
Le gearr ar Ghaeil, chun báis nó saoil,  
Le gunna scréach faoi  
lámhach na bpiléar,  
Seo libh canaídh amhrán na bhfiann

## TODAYS MATCH OFFICIALS

**REFEREE** Barry Tiernan (Áth Cliath)

**STAND BY** Niall McKenna (Muineachán)

**LINESMAN** Stephen Murray (An Lú)

**SIDELINE** Darren O Hare (An Dún)

## ON THIS DAY 26TH JANUARY

Limerick won their All-Ireland Senior hurling title on this day in 1918 when they beat Wexford, 9-5 to 1-3. It was Limerick's time in the final since they had been disqualified in the 1911 final and their County Board suspended. Willie Gleeson scored three goals for Limerick in a game where you have to assume Wexford were distracted by the success of their footballers going for a record four-in-a-row that year.

Maurice Davin the first President of the GAA and one of the founding members died on this day in 1927 at the age of eighty-four.



# CLUB FOCUS DAVITTS



Michael Davitt GAC, Belfast was officially established in 1912 with the club headquarters established at 2a Dunville Street, Falls Road, more fondly known as the 'Shack.' This became the spiritual home of the Club and remained so right up until the seventies.



The club has maintained a presence in the immediate area and following a short tenure at Lower Clonard Street, moved to the current location at the junction of the Falls Road and Clonard Street in 1985. The social clubhouse has undergone several transformations since then; the last in December 2019 and is now a thriving social club for local Gaels and associates, with gym facilities for use by club members.

For over 100 years, the club provided social, community, cultural and sporting

opportunities to the people of the Clonard, Falls and Beechmount areas, all without a pitch or facilities of its own which meant they had to hire, train and play on various pitches scattered around West Belfast and beyond.

In 2012, the Club officers first engaged with the Diocese of Down and Connor to seek their permission to make use of a toxic wasteland that belonged to Corpus Christi College and which lay idle, along with a piece of derelict wasteland, owned by the Department of Social Development which was used and abused by local youths, a magnet for anti-social behaviour and a blight on the local community.

The Club purchased the DSD land and after a period of discussion and consultation, the Diocese very generously agreed a long-term lease for the adjoining land. After extensive planning, work began on the club's ambitious £1.65m Project in 2017 with funding secured through Belfast City Council, National Lottery Community Fund, BIFFA and strongly supported by Antrim and Ulster GAA, to extensively develop the site and transform it into a sustainable, enhanced community sports, health/wellbeing facility; a safe, attractive space for the Club, local schools and community users of all ages.



The development work was carried out by Tony Patterson Sports Grounds and the complex, named Davitt Park, is now a state of the art development that includes a grass pitch with a spectator stand, a flood-lit 4g training pitch, changing rooms, hurling wall, childrens playground, outdoor gym and walking track.

A lot of people within the Club (some sadly no longer with us) put a lot of work into making the Davitt Park dream a reality, but none more so than long serving club Chairman Tommy Shaw. Davitt Park is the ultimate legacy of the energy and drive the indefatigable and talismanic Tommy has brought to the club for many decades.

While the complex was officially opened in February 2019, the pitch has rested and grown since then but on Saturday 8th February 2020 Tommy, along with the members of Davitts GAC and hopefully a huge support will welcome our county senior hurlers for the inaugural game to be played on the pitch, against reigning All Ireland champions, Tipperary.





# GAELFAST

**TÚS NUA – ALL COUNTY –  
ALL CODES – ALL COMMUNITIES**



Gaelfast is a pioneering new approach to reignite enthusiasm and involvement in gaelic games. Our mandate is to be a catalyst for change in Belfast and across Antrim. Our mission is: All County, All Codes and All Communities.

Is tús nua é Gaelfast i bhforbhairt ár gcluichí Gaelacha i gContae Aontroma. Tús maith leath na hoibre !

Our 2019 Games Development Plan embraces All Codes. Through this,

Gaelfast has created opportunities for improving access to our County Centre of Excellence at Dunsilly. Our review of underage Development Squads is developing proposals for a new, coherent player pathway, to support the athletic and personal development of our young people from u13 to u20. Our team is forging new partnerships with primary and post-primary schools throughout Belfast and across Antrim. Working with Cumann na mBunscol and promoting





the GAA 5 Star Centre initiative, we are helping hundreds of teachers and schools upgrade their own capacity and delivery of gaelic games. Just down the road from Casement Park, we are building a strategic partnership with St Mary's University College Belfast, with its own rich heritage in gaelic games. Our ground-breaking Club Membership Survey will provide a research baseline

about the real needs of ordinary Gaels. This is the first study of its kind in Belfast and Antrim.

From the Causeway coast to the Lough shore and over the Belfast Hills to Ireland's second city, Gaelfast is striving to include everyone. You don't have to play our games to play a part in shaping the way forward for Antrim. Our Gaelfast Plan to be launched in 2020 will set out a vision and mission for the next 10-15 years. There is no five year fix or short-cut to success. Our job is to create an environment in Belfast and Antrim within which gaelic games can progress and prosper in years to come. Together we can do it. Ní neart go cur le chéile. Gabh le Gaelfast, tá síol curtha!



# JAMES MCAULEY

**AGE** 23 **CLUB** Naomh Eanna **POSITION** Half Back

**PRIMARY SCHOOL** St Therese of Lisieux

**POST PRIMARY SCHOOL** St Malachys College

**HONOURS** Antrim IFC 2018 / Ulster IFC 2018

**OCCUPATION** Software Engineer **HEIGHT** 5ft 10" **WEIGHT** 13st



## INTER-COUNTY DEBUT

**COMPETITION** NFL

**YEAR** 2019

**OPPOSITION** London

## SQUAD SECRETS

**HARDEST TRAINER**

Tomas McCann

**TOUGHEST DRILL**

Shooting

**TEAM MESSER**

Kevin Quinn

**FAVOURITE PRE MATCH MEAL**

Flat white

**FAVOURITE MACHINE IN THE GYM**

Anything that works the biceps

**FAVOURITE WORK OUT SONG**

Anything Conor Murray puts on

## BIOGRAPHY

**FAVOURITE VENUE**

Croke Park

**FAVOURITE MUSIC**

Christy Moore

**FAVOURITE FILM**

Man on Fire

**FAVOURITE RESTAURANT**

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**CHILDHOOD SPORTING HERO**

Philly Curran

## BIOGRAPHY

**TOUGHEST OPPONENT**

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**CLUB YOU LIKE TO SEE DO WELL**

Anyone representing Antrim in Ulster

**FAVOURITE GROUND**

Patrick Laverty Pitch, St Endas

**TOUGHEST OPPONENT**

Kevin McCarthy

**ADVICE?**

**MOST IMPORTANT SKILL**

Be able to do the basic skills very well,  
with both feet

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Lámh Dhearg



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*Pádraig Ó Cuinneagáin*  
Lámh Dhearg



14. Ruairí McCann  
*Ruairí Mac Cana*  
Naomh Mhuire, Achadh Galláin



15. Conor Small  
*Conchúr Ó Caoilte*  
Ciceam an Creagán

## Fir Ionaid

16. Andrew Hasson (Naomh Mhuire, Ros Earcain)

17. Fintan Burke (Ciceam an Creagán)

18. Odhran Eastwood (Naomh Éanna)

19. Eamon Fyfe (Conn Mag Aoidh, Ghleann Fhreabhail)

20. Ciaran Garland (Naomh Eoin)

21. Adam Loughran (Naomh Mhuire, Achadh Galláin)

22. Dermot McAleese (Ruairí Mhic Asmáint,  
Port Chluain Eoghain)

23. Ryan McNulty (Naomh Eoin)

24. Conor Murray (Lámh Dhearg)

25. Eoin Nagle (Naomh Éanna)

26. Ben Rice (Lámh Dhearg)



# LOCH GARMAN



1. Patrick Doyle  
*Padraig O Duill*  
Starlights

Manager  
Paul Galvin



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5. Ronan Devereux  
*Ronan Debhruis*  
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6. Brian Malone  
*Briain O Maoleoin*  
Shelmaliers



7. Conor Carty  
*Conchuir Mac Cartagh*  
Castletown



8. Eoghan Nolan  
*Eoghan O Nuallain*  
Shelmaliers



9. Niall Hughes  
*Niall O hAodha*  
Kilanerlin



10. Rory Heffernan  
*Rory O hIfernáin*  
Castletown



11. James Stafford  
*Seamus Stafort*  
Glynn/Barntown



12. Tom Byrne  
*Tomás Ó Bróin*  
Kilmore



13. Mark Rossitor  
*Marc de Roasítear*  
Gusserane



14. Jonathan Bealin  
*Seanachain O Bairr*  
Castletown



15. Ben Brosnan  
*Benedict O Brosnain*  
Castletown

## Fir Ionaid

16. Ivan Meegan (*Ferns St Aidans*)

17. Oisín Foley (*Crossabeg/Ballymurn*)

18. Robbie Barron (*St. James's*)

19. Glen Malone (*Shelmaliers*)

20. Dermot Flood (*St. Mary's Maudlintown*)

21. John Dunne (*HWH Bunclody*)

22. Conor Devitt (*Kilanerlin*)

23. Sean Nolan (*Horeswood*)

24. Michael Molloy (*Kilanerlin*)

25. Liam Coleman (*Casstletown*)

26. Alex Lynch (*St. Marys Maudlintown*)



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# MARC JORDAN

**AGE** 26 **CLUB** Lamh Dhearg **POSITION** Midfield/ Half Foward

**PRIMARY SCHOOL** St Joseph's PS Crumlin

**POST PRIMARY SCHOOL** St Mary's CBGS

**HONOURS** Ulster Minor Club Football Championship, Mcclarnon Cup

**OCCUPATION** Transponster **HEIGHT** 6:1 **WEIGHT** 87kg



## INTER-COUNTY DEBUT

**COMPETITION** NFL (for London)

**YEAR** 2017

**OPPOSITION** Carlow

## SQUAD SECRETS

### HARDEST TRAINER

Kevin Quinn

### TOUGHEST DRILL

Tackle grids

### TEAM MESSER

Fintan Burke

### FAVOURITE PRE MATCH MEAL

Pasta Bolognese

### FAVOURITE MACHINE IN THE GYM

Whatever machine Conor Small is on

### FAVOURITE WORK OUT SONG

Ann Lee - 2 Times

## BIOGRAPHY

### FAVOURITE VENUE

Casement

### FAVOURITE MUSIC

Anything Kevin Quinn sings

### FAVOURITE FILM

Cool Runnings

### FAVOURITE RESTAURANT

Goodfellas

### CHILDHOOD SPORTING HERO

Donnchadh Walsh

## BIOGRAPHY

### TOUGHEST OPPONENT

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## OTHER CLUBS

### CLUB YOU LIKE TO SEE DO WELL

Ulster Club San Francisco, St. Enda's

### FAVOURITE GROUND

Casement

### TOUGHEST OPPONENT

An in-form Aidan McGarrity

## ADVICE?

### MOST IMPORTANT SKILL

Work ethic

### TIPS FOR NEXT GENERATION

Work harder than the person beside you

### GOAL FOR 2020

Win Division 4. Re-set after that



## RÉ ÚR AONTROMA

### A NEW ERA FOR ANTRIM

#### A NEW ERA FOR CLUB AONTROMA

The management and development of the GAA in Antrim is in a strong, confident and vibrant era.

With our new and ambitious capital projects at Casement Park and Corrigan Park and our Centre of Participation at Dunsilly, as well as the GaelFast initiative, we have much to look forward to and plan for.

Our shared goal is to increase support for Gaelic Games and cultural activity within our county and to promote support for our county teams.

Our new committee seeks to attract more members into Club Aontroma to increase the funds raised for the GAA in Antrim.

With the relaunch of our membership scheme we invite new members to be grass roots ambassador for our county. Membership is £10 per month, which affords entry to All Ireland final ticket draws and free admission to our county finals.

Our county is blessed with the success of the Saffron Business Forum and the crucial funds which it generates, however Club Aontroma will provide grass root access to support our teams and Gaelic ethos and ambitions for the future.

Ní neart go cuir le céile



## BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

### £10 PER MONTH

- Entry to a draw for 2 tickets for 2020 All Ireland football final and a night for 2 in a hotel
- Entry to a draw for 2 tickets for 2020 All Ireland hurling final and a night for 2 in a hotel
- Free entry to Antrim SHC final
- Free entry to Antrim SFC final
- Free entry to Antrim Camogie final
- Free entry to Antrim Ladies Football final

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## WHY JOIN CLUB AONTROMA

1. Because Antrim belongs to all of us, it is our place and our home
2. Because we share as a collective ambition, a desire to see our county being successful and the Antrim jersey being something all of our children aspire to wearing and taking pride in.
3. Because we are committed to community, parish, club and county and we cherish the volunteerism that the GAA is built on. We are about contributing, not benefitting. We, not me.
4. Because we believe in Saffron.



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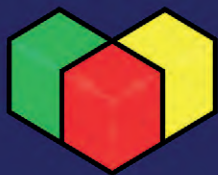
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# Saffron Business Forum

The Saffron Business Forum has nearly 100 members and facilitates local businesses with an affinity to Antrim GAA promote their business interests and gain access to a wider market by association with a large sporting organisation.

The Saffron Business Forum will promote business between its members and others through networking events, business referrals and social media. The forum hosts four business networking events every year, which consist of one fundraising lunch and three business breakfasts.

## Members and Associates include

- Antrim GAA Corporate & Commercial Sponsors
- Other Corporate and Commercial Business representatives
- Antrim GAA Patrons
- Local Businesses and SME's



## Benefits of Membership include

- Networking opportunities
- Business Referrals
- Business Information Seminars & Workshops
- Marketing and Promotional Initiatives
- Representation and Lobbying
- Antrim Championship pass
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- Entry into a draw for All Ireland tickets



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# THE SAFFRON GAEL



An online platform covering all things GAA in the Saffron County

Since our launch in May 2017 the Saffron Gael has had over 3 million views and has proved a popular source of information for the Gaels of Antrim. Our coverage of underage competition is unrivalled with reports and photographs on the vast majority of finals in hurling, football and camogie.

The demise of local newspapers like the Ballymena Chronicle and the County Antrim Post, and the decreasing coverage of our games in North Antrim in particular, was the catalyst for us to start a website that would focus solely on GAA within the county. From the start it has proved popular with numbers growing each year. Up to last weekend we have published 3,690 reports and previews of games plus tens of thousands of photographs. We survive largely on a team of volunteers who share our love of the games, and without them we simply could not survive. However they all need to get expenses to cover their costs of travelling

and updating equipment so we are asking for your support to keep it all going.

We have attracted a number of sponsors whose financial support has been invaluable and the clubs within the county have been very supportive but we need that little bit more to keep the whole thing going. From the start we have had a donate button on the site where a good few regulars contribute through PayPal and to them we are deeply indebted.

In an effort to establish a more sound footing we are asking you the reader to contribute £5 per month through direct debit. £5 a month, that is less than a cup of coffee a week to show your support for the coverage of our games.

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# A LOOK BACK AT SCÓR 2019/20



As the Scór na nÓg All Ireland Final 2020 approaches, I thought it would be nice to look back at Scór 2019 and Scór 2020 so far as it was the most successful year for Antrim in the history of our Scór participation. 2019 was the year that Antrim won 3 Scór na nÓg Ulster and All Ireland titles and 1 Ulster Scór Sinsir title. To win 3 All Ireland titles in one day was absolutely unbelievable and such an incredibly proud day for the County.

We were represented in 4 categories in the All Ireland Final in Castlebar on 16th February 2019. Ceili Dancing (Aghagallon), Recitation (Mary Kate Bonnes, Randalstown), Léiriú Stáitse (Aghagallon) and Quiz (Con Magee's, Glenravel). To have 4 acts reach an All Ireland Final was a huge achievement for any County.

When the results were announced in Castlebar, the Antrim crowd lifted the roof off the TF Royal Theatre with shouts of pure elation and pride after witnessing 3 acts win All Ireland titles. This was an outstanding achievement for the clubs in the County and now we have taken 17 All Ireland medals and 3 All Ireland Cups home to Aghagallon and Randalstown. These medals were presented by Uachtarán CLG John Horan and Aidan Brennan, Chairperson of National Scór. This was a once in a lifetime achievement and something of this magnitude has never been achieved in Antrim before.

In Scór Sinsir, Bronagh McIlfatrick from Dunloy Cuchullains reached the Ulster Final in the solo singing category and the Moneyglass Instrumental group, made up of Ciaran Martin, Emma McGlone, Darren McPeake, Alexander Meyer and Molly Walls won their 2nd Ulster title, competing and narrowly missing out on an All Ireland title in Castlebar in April.

Antrim was also represented at headquarters in Croke Park. A group of musicians from Rasharkin entertained guests in Croke Park at an LGFA function. In August 2019, the LGFA asked Meabh McNeill if she would sing Amhrán na bhFiann with the Artane Band at the All Ireland Senior Final in Croke Park. Meabh was absolutely delighted and

honoured and sang in front of 56,000 people on All Ireland Final day.

This year has been extremely successful so far in Scór na nÓg with 4 Antrim acts reaching the Ulster Final. The Aghagallon Ceili Dancers and Novelty Act, Creggan Ballard Group and Glenravel Quiz team all competed in the Ulster Final on Saturday 4th January in Threemilehouse with Aghagallon retaining their title in Ceili Dancing. I wish them all the best in the All Ireland Final on 1st February in Killarney.

This success, of course, does not come without hard work. I wish to thank all of the Cultural Officers in the County who have helped and continue to help to promote Scór and to develop it further in the County. I appreciate all of the efforts in all of the communities throughout the County. Thank you to the parents and mentors who foster the love of Scór at home and at Scór practices. I hope that this amazing success will inspire and encourage all the clubs in the County to take part in Scór in the future. It is a wonderfully inclusive competition that showcases all that is great about the Irish Culture. The Scór Sinsir County Final will take place on Sunday 1st March 2020.

Go raibh maith agaibh as an tacaíocht agus an obair a dhéanann sibh sna clubanna ar fud an Chontae.

**Bronagh Lennon**  
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SLIGO VS ANTRIM

**SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY** AT RUISLIP, LONDON  
LONDON VS ANTRIM

**SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY** AT GLENNAVY  
ANTRIM VS CARLOW

**SUNDAY 1 MARCH** AT GLENNAVY  
ANTRIM VS LIMERICK

**SUNDAY 15 MARCH** AT AUGHRIM, WICKLOW  
WICKLOW VS ANTRIM

**SUNDAY 22 MARCH** AT GLENNAVY  
ANTRIM VS WATERFORD

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**SUNDAY 26 JANUARY** AT ARKLOW  
WICKLOW VS ANTRIM

**SUNDAY 2 FEBRUARY** AT LOUGHGIEL  
ANTRIM VS MAYO

**SUNDAY 16 FEBRUARY** AT TULLAMORE  
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**SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY** AT LOUGHGIEL  
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