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### ORÁID AN CHATHAOIRLIGH



Fáilte mhór romhaibh uilig inniu chuig le cluichí tabhachtacha ar an deireadh seachtaine chéanna sa dá chód.

This has been a year like no other. We need not rehearse the difficulties faced by society, by our friends, our families, our neighbours, but we as an Association have stepped up and led in our communities. The second wave is not the fault of the GAA. No organisation has had the same profoundly positive effect on Irish society as the GAA. We have been a provider of recreation and enjoyment to young and old, a creator and enhancer of community spirit, an unrivalled machine for the production of joy which has done more to improve the mental and physical health of the nation than any initiative in Irish history.

We salute the communitarian spirit and ethos of all our clubs, for delivering food parcels, and allowing our games to flourish safely when permitted. We are responsible and we value our well-deserved reputation, which is why we welcome you virtually to our games this weekend. We are delighted to link up with GAAGO for our final league match with Waterford.

Since we were last together, we have had an exceptionally successful and safe club championships, and we applaud all of our county champions for providing such joy to their communities.

In terms of today's match we are pleased that the sporting integrity of the league has been upheld by the playing of this fixture. We have made our disappointment clear in respect of event's earlier in the week, and whilst we are disappointed that we are not playing this fixture at home, we look forward to an exciting final round of fixtures. Promotion is still a possibility for us, but it might have been a hollow achievement had we not played all of our fixtures on the field of play. We are very much obliged to Geraldines GFC, Dundalk for the use of their facilities today.

The capital development ambitions within the county have continued quietly throughout 2020 and the iconic Corrigan Park will return to its original glory, with the capacity to welcome our supporters in modern comfort as soon as public health guidelines permit. The building works are complete and the results are inspiring. Corrigan Park will complement Casement as Parnell Park complements Croke.

Togadh croíthe na nGael i ngach cearn de Chúige Uladh leis an scéal faoi chead pleanála do Pháirc Mhic Áismint. All Ulster Gaels hearts were lifted with the granting of planning permission last week. We look forward to the commencement of construction as soon as possible and hope to be playing games there in 2023. We thank all public representatives for their steadfast support and guidance throughout the complicated process. We are nearly there!

Go raibh maith agaibh a chairde, we are very appreciative of your continued support, this year more than ever.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

Ciarán Mc Cavana/ Ciarán Mac an Mhanaigh

### 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 tíorán ná faoin tráill. Anocht a théam sa bhearna baoil, Le gean ar Ghaeil, chun báis nó saoil, Le gunna scréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar, Seo libh canaídh amhrán na bhfiann

TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIALS

**REFEREE** Nial McKenna (Muineachain)

**STAND BY** C Reilly (An Mhí)

LINESMAN Jake McGill (Ard Mhacha)

SIDELINE Michael Moore (An Dún)

### ODHRAN EASTWOOD

AGE 23 CLUB Naomh Éanna POSITION Corner Forward PRIMARY SCHOOL Our Lady of Lourdes, Park Lodge POST PRIMARY SCHOOL St Malachy's College HONOURS Antrim Intermediate champions 2018, Ulster Intermediate Champions 2018 OCCUPATION Assistant to the regional manager HEIGHT 6ft WEIGHT 76kg



#### INTER-COUNTY DEBUT

COMPETITION McKenna Cup YEAR 2017 OPPOSITION Fermanagh

SQUAD SECRETS HARDEST TRAINER

Colum Duffin

TOUGHEST DRILL Any running

**TEAM MESSER** Fintan Burke

FAVOURITE PRE MATCH MEAL Poached eggs and bacon

FAVOURITE MACHINE IN THE GYM All of them

**FAVOURITE WORK OUT SONG** Sicko mode – Travis Scott

#### BIOGRAPHY

**FAVOURITE VENUE** Casement Park

**FAVOURITE MUSIC** Marc Jordan's Westlife covers

FAVOURITE FILM

FAVOURITE RESTAURANT Boojum

CHILDHOOD SPORTING HERO Carl Frampton BIOGRAPHY TOUGHEST OPPONENT Darren O'Hagan TWITTER HANDLE OEastwood14 INSTAGRAM HANDLE odhraneastwood

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### CLUB FOCUS O'DONOVAN ROSSA GAC

### The dawning of a new decade has prompted fresh ambitions across the board and O'Donovan Rossa GAC is no different with development on and off the pitch the natural priority.

As we build for the future with our underage structures that hopefully translate into success in senior hurling, football, ladies football, camogie and handball in the coming years, the comfort of those who file through the gates at Rossa Park is also a priority as we vie to make our home an attractive and welcoming venue to watch our games.



Therefore, thanks to the work of our committee, O'Donovan Rossa are delighted to report that work on a new 150-seater stand is due to begin in time for completion ahead of the 2020 season.

The new, covered structure will be a great addition for spectators at the ground. It will be not only a facility for football and hurling, but will also be used by camogie and ladies football for county fixtures.

As a club with its roots firmly in the local community, the stand will also be of

particular benefit to the Bunscoil Phobal Feirste and All Saints College (situated on the site of the former Christian Brothers School on the Glen Road), neither of which have any sports facilities.

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Rossa has entered into partnership agreements with both of these schools to make their facilities available to them notjust for matches, but for school sports days and other events. The club has also undertaken to make the facility available to local community groups.

Rossa are confident that the addition of the stand will make their Shaws Road ground an attractive venue for a range of activities for the school and other community groups making Rossa Park a community sports hub for the area.

The stand will also cater for disabled spectators and will sit alongside the present standing area on the grass bank, ensuring comfort and safety for all who file through the gates, while maintaining an unrestricted view of the entire pitch regardless of position in the ground.

Much work has gone into making this new development a reality and thanks to funding by Groundwork NI, construction work is about to begin and will be completed in time for the new season that is due to start at the end of March.

This is the beginning of a new vision for Rossa Park that will benefit not just the club members, but the local community as we realise the importance of a healthy lifestyle and hope to develop our links with the community further as our plans for development of the site. 2020 is already a momentous year for Rossa with the election of our first female chairperson, Margaret Flynn, who is delighted to confirm that work has begun on the new stand: "Rossa is happy to announce we'll be carrying out development work at our home on Shaw's Road.

"We intend to erect a 150-seater stand for the comfort of our supporters, while we will also be completing other groundworks around Pairc Rossa to make it more inviting for people to come and watch our matches.

"Also, for children coming along to take part in school activities, our ground will be more inclusive for everyone in our community and we want to welcome them all in. We hope this development is the first of many over the next couple of years.

"We'd like to thanks Groundwork NI for including us in their grant programme and Whitemountain Quarries for the work they do for putting money back into the community.

"We are very happy to include this stand in our programme of development that we hope to continue in the future with a 'men's shed' and possibly a gym as resources become available."





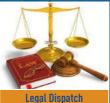
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#### Fir Ionaid

16. (GK) Michael Byrne (Uí Donnabháin Rosa)

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- 17. Ruairi McCann (Naomh Mhuire, Achadh Galláin)
- 18. Mick McCann (Clann na hÉireann, Carragan)
- 19. Conor Murray (Lámh Dhearg)
- 20. Adam Loughran (Naomh Mhuire, Achadh Galláin)

- 21. Eoin Nagle (Naomh Éanna)
- 22. Tomas McCann (Clann na hEireann)
- 23. Peter Healy (Naomh Éanna)
- 24. Kristian Healy (Naomh Eanna)
- 25. Eamon Fyfe (Con Magee, Glenravel )
- 26. Ryan Murray (Lámh Dhearg)



### **PORT LAIRGE**



#### Fir Ionaid

- 16. (GK) Paudie Hunt (Rathgormack)
- 17. Dylan Guiry (The Nire)
- 18. Jason Gleeson (Rathgormack)
- 19. James Beresford (Ballinacourty)
- 20. Jack Mullaney (Stradbally)
- 21. Seamus Cronin (Ardmore)

- 22. Rian Reddy (Modeligo)
- 23. Dermot Ryan (The Nire)
- 24. William Hahessy (Rathgormack)
- 25. James Walsh (Kilgobinet)
- 26. Sean Walsh (The Nire)



### **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
- Limited edition Saffron Forum coat
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- Entry into a draw for All Ireland tickets



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### EOIN NAGLE

AGE 21 CLUB Naomh Éanna POSITION Defender PRIMARY SCHOOL Park Lodge POST PRIMARY SCHOOL Aquinas HONOURS Antrim Minor Football Championship Antrim/Ulster Intermediate Football Championship OCCUPATION Student HEIGHT 6ft WEIGHT 80kg



#### **INTER-COUNTY DEBUT**

COMPETITION NFL YEAR 2019 OPPOSITION Waterford

SQUAD SECRETS HARDEST TRAINER Colum Duffin

**TOUGHEST DRILL** Running Blocks

TEAM MESSER Ryan McNulty

FAVOURITE PRE MATCH MEAL Chicken Pesto

FAVOURITE MACHINE IN THE GYM Chest Flys

FAVOURITE WORK OUT SONG Pump It Up - Endor

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

**FAVOURITE VENUE** Gerry Devlin Park

FAVOURITE MUSIC Rap

FAVOURITE FILM Coach Carter

**FAVOURITE RESTAURANT** Pizza Works

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#### 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

#### **GIFT AID**

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#### WHY JOIN CLUB AONTROMA

- 1. Because Antrim belongs to all of us, it is our place and our home
- 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.
- 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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#### 26 JANUARY 2020 ANTRIM 3.10 WEXFORD 0.13

P CUNNINGHAM 0-6; R MCCANN 2-1 E WALSH 1-00; C DUFFIN 0-2 P MCBRIDE 0-1

#### 2 FEBRUARY 2020 SLIGO 0.15 ANTRIM 0.14

P CUNNINGHAM 0-8; C MURRAY 0-2 D LYNCH 0-1; E WALSH 0-1 C DUFFIN 0-1; O EASTWOOD 0-1

#### 9 FEBRUARY 2020 LONDON 0.10 ANTRIM 0.14

P CUNNINGHAM 0-4; D MCALEESE 0-3 P MCBRIDE 0-3; C DUFFIN 0-1 N DELARGY 0-1; C MURRAY 0-1 R MCCANN 0-1

#### 23 FEBRUARY ANTRIM 0.11 CARLOW 1.8

P CUNNINGHAM 0-3; O EASTWOOD 0-3 C MURRAY 0-2; D LYNCH 0-1 C DUFFIN 0-1; P MCBRIDE 0-1

#### 1 MARCH ANTRIM 2-21 LIMERICK 1-12

P GALLAGHER 0-1; P HEALY 0-1; C DUFFIN 0-2 P MCBRIDE 0-7,1F; O EASTWOOD 2-3; C MURRAY 0-3 D MCALEESE 0-1; P CUNNINGHAM 0-3

#### 17 OCTOBER WICKLOW 7.11 ANTRIM 0.7

P MCBRIDE 0.2; T MCCANN 0.2,1F; D MCALEESE 0.1 K QUINN 0.1; P CUNNINGHAM 0.1

#### SCORERS 5.77

P CUNNINGHAM 0.25 (0.17F) P MCBRIDE 0.14 (0.4F) O EASTWOOD 2.7 R MCCANN 2.2 C MURRAY 0.8 C DUFFIN 0.7 D MCALEESE 0.5 E WALSH 1.1 D LYNCH 0.2 T MCCANN 0.2 (0.1F) N DELARGY 0.1 P GALLAGHER 0.1 P HEALEY 0.1 K QUINN 0.1





#### **FOOTBALL** LEAGUE TABLE =

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WICKLOW	6	4	0	2	16-69	9-54	36	8
WEXFORD	6	4	0	2	10-63	8-50	19	8
LIMERICK	6	4	0	2	9-57	4-74	-2	8
ANTRIM	6	3	1	2	5-77	9-69	-4	7
SLIGO	6	3	0	3	10-72	6-78	6	6
CARLOW	6	2	2	2	6-65	7-66	-4	6
WATERFORD	6	2	1	3	5-50	7-54	-10	3
LONDON	6	0	0	6	3-47	14-55	-41	ο

Includes Goals (GF/GA)

Head to Head Rule Applies

#### ROUND SEVEN SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24 (2PM)

Antrim v Waterford (Dundalk); Sligo v Limerick (Markievicz Park); Wexford v Wicklow (Chadwicks Wexford Park)

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