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AONTROIM, SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER 2020

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Clár Oifigiúil



ORÁID AN CHATHAOIRLIGH



A Cháirde Gael

Fáilte mhór romhaibh uilig inniu chuig an lá is mó dúinn sa bhlian seo, 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 BeoSport for the Joe McDonough Cup game with Westmeath.

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.

We are exceptionally proud of our county hurling team, who performed heroically last week in Portlaoise in the league final to win promotion to the top tier of hurling. We presented real danger in every quarter of the pitch and having posted a similar score against Tipperary the week before, we consider that we are ready to compete at the highest level. That job starts this weekend, where Darren and the squad will commence the campaign the complement league promotion with championship success.

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 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 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

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TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE Sean Stack (Áth Cliath)

STAND BY Chris Mooney (Áth Cliath)

LINESMAN Alan Nash (Doire)

SIDELINE Colin Murray (Dún)

JOE MASKEY

AGE 23 CLUB Naomh Éanna POSITION Wing Half Back PRIMARY SCHOOL St Bernard's PS POST PRIMARY SCHOOL St Malachy's College HONOURS County 2 x Division 2A league medals (2017 and 2020), 1 x Ulster u21 (2016) Club 1 x Antrim Ifc 2018, 1 x Ulster Ifc 2018, 1 x Antrim Ihc 2019, 1 x Ulster Ihc 2019 OCCUPATION Pastry Chef HEIGHT 6ft 5" WEIGHT 101kg



INTER-COUNTY DEBUT

COMPETITION Ulster SHC YEAR 2017 OPPOSITION Donegal

SQUAD SECRETS HARDEST TRAINER Mick Bradley

TOUGHEST DRILL Tackling

TEAM MESSER Eoin O'Neill

FAVOURITE PRE MATCH MEAL Cereal

FAVOURITE MACHINE IN THE GYM Physio Bed

FAVOURITE WORK OUT SONG Beachball

BIOGRAPHY FAVOURITE VENUE Patrick Laverty pitch (Naomh Éanna)

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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."





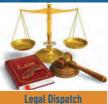
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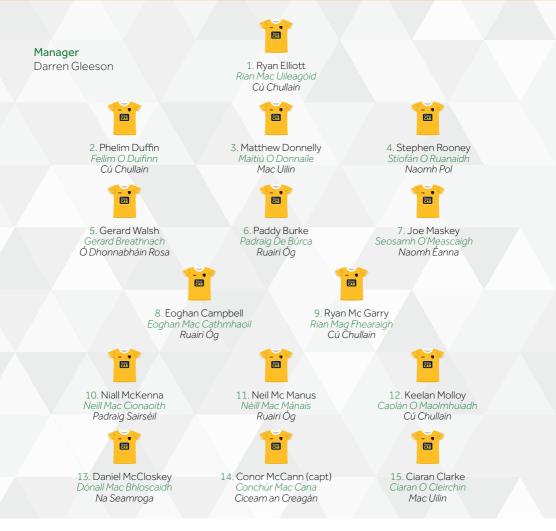
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Fir Ionaid

- 16. Conor Mc Allister (Ruairi Óg)
- 17. Martin Burke (Ruairi Óg)
- 18. Ryan Mc Cambridge (Ruairi Óg)
- 19. Aodhan O Brien (Ó Dhonnabháin Rosa)
- 20. Ronan Molloy (Cú Chullain)
- 21. Nicky Mc Keague (Cú Chullain)

- 22. Conor Mc Hugh (Roibeard Eimeid)
- 23. Simon Mc Crory (Naomh Eoin)
- 24. Tiernan Coyle (Na Seamroga)
- 25. Damon Mc Mullan (Na Seamroga)
- 26. Eoin O Neill (Cú Chullain)



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Fir Ionaid

- 16. Andrew Dermody (Castlepollard)
- 17. Alan Cox (Delvin)
- 18. Allan Devine (Castlepollard)
- 19. Brendan Doyle (Lough Lene Gaels)
- 20. Eoin Price (Clonkill)
- 21. Joey Boyle (Raharney)

- 22. Conor Kane (Castletown Geoghegan)
- 23. Shane Williams (Lene Gaels)
- 24. Shane McGovern (Crookedwood)
- 25. Brendan Murtagh (Clonkill)
- 26. Eoghan Ahearne (Raharney)



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
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- Entry into a draw for All Ireland tickets



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NEIL MGMANUS

AGE 32 CLUB Cushendall Ruairi Og POSITION Centre Forward PRIMARY SCHOOL St Marys Cushendall POST PRIMARY SCHOOL Garron Tower HONOURS Club 6 x County & 4 x Ulster Club Championships County 2 x Div 2 NHL's. 1 Walsh Cup. 10 Ulster C'ships OCCUPATION Production Manager HEIGHT 6ft 2" WEIGHT 13st 7lbs



INTER-COUNTY DEBUT

COMPETITION NHL YEAR 2007 OPPOSITION Tipperary

SQUAD SECRETS HARDEST TRAINER Conor McCann

TOUGHEST DRILL 6 min test

TEAM MESSER Sammy

FAVOURITE PRE MATCH MEAL Loaded Pancakes

FAVOURITE MACHINE IN THE GYM Glute/Ham

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BIOGRAPHY

FAVOURITE VENUE Casement

FAVOURITE MUSIC Luke Kelly

FAVOURITE FILM Perfect Storm

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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



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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.
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SUN 23 FEB 2020 KELLY PARK, PORTGLENONE ANTRIM 5-27 MEATH 1-15

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HURLING LEAGUE TABLE

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KERRY	5	4	1	0	103	76	27	8
OFFALY	5	3	1	1	145	97	48	7
MEATH	5	2	3	0	100	126	-26	4
WICKLOW	5	1	4	0	92	130	-38	2
ΜΑΥΟ	5	0	5	0	70	144	-74	0

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