

Club Secretary's Report 2020

Welcome

A Chairde, fáilte roimh go leir anseo anocht. Our Annual General Meeting has come around again and today we hold our AGM virtually due to the current Covid-19 restrictions. The section reports have been made available which are very interesting and informative reports and I recommend that you take the time to read them.

I begin by offering our condolences to all of our members who have lost loved ones during the year. May they rest in peace.

The work of our Executive Committee and Sub Committees

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On the Playing fields:

The reports on all teams are reported on by Sub committee secretaries in their reports.

On the field highlights:

Our Senior hurlers played two leagues games wining both and won all of their championship games and await for a date to be confirmed to play Confey in the county final. We wish them all the best and hope that back to back championships will be celebrated in early 2021. Congratulations to all of the Naas players involved with the county senior hurling team winning the Christy Ring Trophy beating Down in the final.

In 2020 the Senior Football Team played all of six games in the Aldridge Cup 1 game, league two games and championship three games, unfortunately the lads didn't progress to the business end of the championship. The Reserve Senior Football Team had all but won their final when the game was abandoned due to a player. Due the Covid 19 restrictions the game was never re fixed. Our minor football team won all of their games convincingly, but unfortunately Covid 19 prematurely ended the season.

Our ladies football teams were no different than other teams also a had a very small number of teams and whilst no silverware was won, our Junior C championship team narrowly missed out on a semi- final spot.

In camogie the only age groups that will get to complete their fixtures are the U17's and adult teams. Our 2 U17 teams are playing in the Div1 and Div2 finals in the coming weeks. This year was a momentous year for our adult squad. This is the first time we fielded 3 adult teams in the Championship. The Junior team are through to their semi- final, and our Senior team are also in their semi-final. All these fixtures will be played in the next few week. Good luck to all involved

There was very limited game time for all of our juvenile teams and similar to the adult competitions the season all but a washed out. Congrats to the u16 hurling team winning the Div 1 championship. And hard luck to our U16 footballers who narrowly lost their U 16 championship final.

The increasing numbers of players playing for Naas and the successes on the pitch demonstrates we are doing an a lot of things right. For both girls and boys, Naas underage football and hurling continue to be very successful in their respective competitions with our hurlers and footballers participating in significant numbers on the county development squads.

Membership/Registration

Liam Whelan , with the help of the Sub Committee officers have done an excellent job in co ordinating membership and registration in 2020. Players now accept and understand the absolute importance of being registered members of the Club. This also applies to Mentors and Adults involved in working with Juvenile players. The Membership for 2021 is live . Liam continues to work on new initiatives managing the club register of players more user friendly to each section.

Any Naas team playing challenge games inside or outside the County needs insurance to cover any injury or incident. This year Naas G.A.A. applied for over 147 such games. I urge all Sub Committee Officers to make sure that mentors are aware of this rule, it is there for the safety of all concerned. Great credit goes to the Sub Committee secretaries for their efforts in this pursuit.

Many thanks to :

The Covid 19 implementation team of Brendan Kenny, Des Bergin and Cormac Kirwan who guided all of the brilliant people who signed up to be Covid supervisors for all of the various different teams wearing the Naas jersey. A heartflet thanks to everyone who helped out to ensure all club members could play and training complying with the Gov & GAA restrictions throughout the pandemic.

A massive thank you to all of our members who during 2020 went out of their way to help others during the pandemic, as a club we should and can be proud of all of the support provided by our members (young & old) to the wider community.

Mick Moriarty for all of his work in promoting the Irish language; Owen L'Estrange for making a hard job look easy as Pitch and Ball Wall coordinator; Joe Friel for his dedication and commitment to Child Welfare and compliance; Rory McDermott and the committee for all their hard work and competence in running our Juvenile Disco; John Walsh and the Development committee for the significant progress made in securing grants to fund our ambitious development programme; Andy Doyle and the Grounds committee for their endless work that often goes unseen and to all of you that do work that keeps the club ticking over; Eamon Grogan for his work in looking after the club's security system. Finally thanks to

Eddie Mullins for all the catering he provided during the year. As I have said on so many occasions, it is a privilege to work with people with so much pride, passion and energy.

I would like to thank our GPO, Leon Gordon who carried many programmes during the year despite the difficulties caused by Covid 19. The work carried out by Leon during the year goes some way to helping our younger members cope with restrictions put in place to limit the impact of Covid 19. I would also like to thank the steering committee led by Mick Hoban providing direction to Leon.

I would also like to thank David Cahill (County Board Secretary) wishing Dave good luck in his new role. Dave has been of great assistance to Naas GAA during his tenure as county board secretary. Brendan Woulfe (secretary CCC) and Martina in the County Board Offices for all their work and assistance throughout the year, thanks very much. Mick Mullen has a hard job sorting out the fixtures. I have always found him to be extremely fair, helpful and approachable when problems have arisen. Cormac Kirwin has been extremely supportive to the Club and the officers in 2020.

Goodbyes to:

Many thanks to Rory McDermott for all of his hard work and competence in co ordinating our Juvenile Disco, Rory stepped down from the role of Disco co ordinator in February this year after many, many years of looking after this event. Whilst Rory would point out that it was the work of the disco committee that the discos such a great success, it also equally true to applaud Rory's effort and determination to make each disco a safe and enjoyable place for the teenagers and also generating revenues for club.

Jan O' Donoghue after four years as secretary of the juvenile hurling is stepping down and many thanks Jan for all of your hard work in promoting hurling.

Sincere thanks to Paul Murphy our bar manager who has managed the bar for almost 3 years. Paul decided to persue other career options and finsihed his employment with Naas GAA in mid October 2020. Paul will be sorely missed as he always had time for everyone and had welcome smile for all in our club.

Conclusion

I appreciate very much the work and co-operation of the Sub Committee Secretaries. It would be impossible to do the job without your help. My heartfelt thanks to; Sharon Murphy, Julanne Flanagan, Jan O' Sullivan, Elaine Redington, Jerry Ryan and Lorraine Palmer. Your support is very much appreciated.

I would also like to thank my fellow members of the Executive for their hard work and support during 2020. In particular, I would like to thank my fellow Officers Sinead Keogh, Damin McGrath, Clive Leacy and John McMahon. The workload is huge. It is somewhat concerning that it is becoming increasingly difficult to encourage people to volunteer and help out in the many different aspects of the clubs activities, whether this be helping the grounds committee or supporting the many differnt events organised by the club. There are many people in the club who have experience in the many different skills sets / functions required

to run a club of our size and I would encourage more club members to come board during 2021. We need your help to ensure the club operates to the highest standards thus ensuring the sustainability of our great club.

It is an honour for me to serve as club secretary, there have been some brilliant days, plenty of enjoyable days, some challenging days, some great days and some not great days. I can safely say I don't think I could have done the job without the support of my family. It's hard to describe in words the support my family Christine and Richie have given to me so that I could carry out the role of secretary over the past year, for which I'm truly grateful. I wish everyone a happy, peaceful and successful 2021.

Míle buiochas libh go léir.
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Minutes of 2019 Annual General Meeting

Date: December 10th 2019 Commenced 20.05 Ended 22.08

Attendance at top table: Chairperson John McMahon, Secretary Richie Hogan, Treasurer Clive Leacy, PRO Sinead Keogh, Assistant Chairperson Damian McGrath, section Chairpersons.

Apologies: Andy Doyle, Joe Morrin, Eamon McCarthy, Mick Hoban, Frank Joyce, Liam McManus and Rory McDermott.

The chairperson asked that, in the interest of efficient conduct of business, all questions be held until AOB section. This was agreed by the meeting.

The chair opened the meeting by welcoming all in attendance. Pat O'Shea was thanked for organising mass for the deceased members of the club. A minutes silence was observed by the meeting for all those members who passed away during the year

Previous Minutes

Minutes of the 2018 AGM were read out by Richie Hogan.

Adoption of minutes was proposed by James Costelloe and seconded by Owen L'Estrange.

Secretary's Report

Richie Hogan read out the secretary's report.

Adoption of the report was proposed by Stephanie Bergin and seconded by James Costelloe.

Treasurer's Report

Clive Leacy read the financial reports.

There were a number of questions regarding applications for grants from Mick Moriarty and John McMahon informed the meeting that the club was very hopeful that we would receive grant funding in 2020. There was a question from the attendance (name not recorded) regarding what rights if any Colgans had if any regarding the supply of club clothing (Jerseys, tops, socks etc). John McMahon replied that Colgans do not have any rights with regard to exclusivity of supply for Naas GAA branded clothing.

Adoption of the report was proposed by Mick Moriarty and seconded by John Walsh.

PRO Report

Sinead Keogh read the PRO's report.

Adoption of the report was proposed by Lorraine O' Connor and seconded by Brendan Kenny.

Chairman's Report

John McMahon read the chairman's report.

Adoption of the report was proposed by James Costelloe and seconded by Brendan Kenny

Motions

There was no motions received for the AGM to consider.

AOB

There was a lively debate regarding Camogie 2019 feile and fundraising with many contributions from the attendance on the night. The main focus of discussion was regarding monies raised in excess of the cost of the Camogie feile campaign 2019. The mentors of the team and the parents of the girls playing were disappointed and annoyed that this money was not being spent on the girls who help raise the funds in the first instance. In conclusion to the debate it was agreed that a number of club officers would meet with the camogie 2019 feile group to resolve the issue.

Richie Shaw congratulated the club on its successes in 2019 and spoke the clubs ability to raise money for the development of the club facilities, where will the club access the finances required and commented on the difficulties of raising monies and attracting people to help participate in fund raising issues for the club. He queried if there was potential for a specifically target levy to help with club development plans. The chair responded by saying that the club had successfully raised monies in the past through various different events and accepted that it will be a challenge to raise the funds required to deliver the club development plans. He did advise that the club would be seeking to access funds through grant aid (sports capital funding) and secondly by a loan from Croke Park specifically aimed at club development. It is hoped that this will generate approximately €180,000. He also said that a fund raising committee would be established to organise a number of events to support the club development plans which would consider all options for financially supporting the development plans.

Bill Clere enquired about the local area plan and how the club is interacting with the local authorities. The chair responded by stating that the development sub committee led by John Walsh club development officer was in regular communications with local authorities both in writing and face to face meetings outlining our requirements and associated development plans.

Barry O' Connell raised the issue of carparking in the club and the inherent dangers in particular with very small children present at the weekends, he also reference the behaviour of some who leave behind rubbish in the club rather than tidy up after they have finished their activities in the club. The chair responded by stating that H&S is addressed at every club executive meeting including items such as carparking and the maintenance of the club grounds. He advised that it is planned that the development plans will help alleviate the parking issue.

Morgan Lawlor asked club members to support the annual "Goal Mile Challenge" on Christmas morning from 11.00 to 12.00, adding that without the support of the club it would be very difficult to make it the success the event has been over the years. Morgan appealed to help and for members to come on Christmas and support the Goal Mile.

Our Chair advised the meeting the club awards night would take place on January 18th @ 20.00 and that the night is not a fund raising event but rather a celebration of the club and its players who performed so successfully on the field of play in 2019. He also commented on the success of the *"man in the red suit"* coming to our club and thanked all involved for the wonderful day. Finally the chair informed the meeting that there would be a mass in remembrance of Paddy Hackett.

John McMahon thanked all for attending, wished everyone good wishes for Christmas and a successful 2020. He duly brought the meeting to a close at 22.10.

Richie Hogan

December 10th 2019.

Club Secretary



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Notice To all club members

Naas GAA Nominations for Club officers 2021

Uachtarán (President):	Pat O' Shea
Leas Uachtaráin (Vice Presidents):	Liam McManus Morgan Lawlor
Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):	John McMahan.
Rúnaí (Secretary):	Richie Hogan.
Cisteoir (Treasurer):	Clive Leacy.
Leas-Chatthaoirleach (Vice Chairperson):	Damian McGrath.
Oifigeach Caidreamh Poiblí (P.R.O.):	Sharon Murphy
Oifigeach na Gaeilge (Irish Officer):	Michael Moriarty.
Leas-Rúnaí (Assistant Secretary):	None Received
Comhordaitheoir an Faiche (Pitch Co-ordinator):	Owen L'Estrange.
Cláraitheoir an Chlub (Club Registrar):	Liam Whelan.

Nominations for sub committee officers 2021

Camoige

Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):	Sinead Keogh.
Rúnaí (Secretary):	Lorraine Palmer.
Cisteoir (Treasurer):	Catherine Conway.



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Juvenile Hurling

Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):
Rúnaí (Secretary):
Cisteoir (Treasurer):

Shane Donnelly.
Leona Malone.
Nuala Ryan.

Juvenile Football

Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):
Rúnaí (Secretary):
Cisteoir (Treasurer):

Derrick Lynch.
Julanne Flanagan.
Mick Neville.

Grounds

Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):
Rúnaí (Secretary):
Cisteoir (Treasurer):

Andy Doyle.
Gerry Ryan.
Martin Hoban.

Senior Football

Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):
Rúnaí (Secretary):
Cisteoir (Treasurer):

Frank Joyce.
Alan Archibald.
Michael Kelly.

Ladies Football

Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):
Rúnaí (Secretary):
Cisteoir (Treasurer):

James Costello.
Elaine Reddington.
Sean Conboy.

Senior Hurling

Cathaoirleach (Chairperson):
Rúnaí (Secretary):
Cisteoir (Treasurer):

Austin Bergin.
Eoin Moore.
David Delahunty.

Richie Hogan

Club Secretary

2020 Club Executive - Elected at 2019 AGM

POSITION	NOMINATION	Proposed by	Seconded by
President	Pat O'Shea	Club Executive	Gerry Halton
Vice Presidents	Morgan Lalor Liam McManus		
Cathaoirleach	John McMahon	Richie Hogan	Frank Joyce
Runaí	Richie Hogan	Clive Leacy	John McMahon
Cisteoir	Clive Leacy	Sinead Keogh	Andy Doyle
Leas Cathaoirleach	Damian McGrath	Owen L'Estrange	John McMahon
Oifigeach Caidreamh Poibli	Sinead Keogh	John McMahon	Frank Joyce
Childrens Officer	Joe Friel – Nominated by outgoing Executive 2019		
Club Registrar	Liam Whelan	Richie Hogan	Owen L'Estrange
Pitch Co-ordinator	Owen L'Estrange	Sinead Keogh	John McMahon
Irish Officer	Mick Moriarty	John McMahon	Sinead Keogh
County Board Delegate Hurling	To be appointed at the first Executive meeting		
County Board Delegate Football	To be appointed at the first Executive meeting		
Grounds Committee Representative	Andy Doyle	Grounds Committee	Subject to ratification at the meeting of the newly Elected Executive
Adult Football Representative	Frank Joyce	Senior Football	
Adult Hurling Representative	Austin Bergin	Senior Hurling	
Juvenile Football Representative	Derrick Lynch	Juvenile Football	
Juvenile Hurling Representative	Liam Hennessy	Juvenile Hurling	
Camogie Representative	Damian McGrath	Camogie	
Ladies Football Representative	James Costello	Ladies Football	
Disco Co-ordinator	To be appointed by the incoming Executive Committee		
Chairman's Nominee	To be appointed by the incoming Chairperson and ratified at the first Executive meeting		
Club Development Officer	To be appointed by the incoming Executive Committee		
Fundraising	To be appointed by the incoming Executive Committee		