

# Yearbook







# An Tóchar



# Nursery

# **Nursery**

Our nursery team had a great start to their football careers! We had almost 40 registered players attending from April to October. Every week our young players got the chance to learn new football skills and develop their fundamental movement skills. The boys and girls showed great levels of energy and participation thanks to our enthusiastic coaches. We look forward to seeing all our players back in the new season.

## **U8** Girls

The trainers and coaches are immensely proud of how much effort all the under 8 girls have put in the 2022 season. There has been huge improvements made during the year and the coaches are looking forward to moving up to the Under 10's in the coming year.



U8's







**U8's** 

# **U10** Girls

Thirty U10 girls registered this year with an average of 25 girls attending training weekly. The girls built on their skills from U8 and continue to improve weekly. They took part in a number of



blitz competitions and played excellently, but more importantly had great fun! Not willing to end their season the U10 girls continued until the end of November indoors, playing fun basketball.



**U10's** 





#### **U12 Girls**

We had great numbers registered this year, so much so that we had 2 U12 girls teams taking part in the League competitions. These girls are



**U12's Div 1** 

#### **U14** Girls

The U14 girls had a brilliant season. Again our numbers were strong and we had two teams, Blue in Div 1 and Navy in Div 3. The Blue team won all their league games finishing with exciting, winner takes all, game in Carnew on a beautiful Sunday in July where they were crowned Division 1 champions.

developing their skills all the time. We enjoyed several challenge games through-out the season including a couple of trips to Dublin Club and one in Meath!



**U12's Div 2** 

The Championship didn't go their way this year, but these girls are already looking forward to getting back to training in 2023.

A big congratulations to Maria Hassett, Hannah Fox, Abaigael Nolan and Tara Tierney who were all selected to represent Wicklow.



**U14's** 



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**Our U14 County players** 



**U14** presentation

### **U16** Girls

Our U16's had a challenging year in 2022 playing in both division 1 of the league and in the A Championship. We had a panel of 23 and the attendance at both training and matches was very good for the whole season. Whilst success on the field was limited, there is no doubt about the progress and improvement the panel made this year. We had a young U16 panel with 7 sixteen's and 16 fifteen-year-olds. We started indoors in February and had sixty sessions in total playing 23

matches along the way. Our U15's also played in Feile. The top tier at this age proved to be too strong for us but when we played challenge games at the division two level, we were competitive throughout. We will be back next year stronger than ever

Congratulations to both Nina Wolohan and Orla Fee who represented Wicklow with distinction reaching the U16 C Leinster Final earlier in the summer.



**U16's** 



**Our U16 County players** 

#### **Minor Ladies**

A very promising bunch formed a panel and began training mid October. The minor panel have grown from strength to strength as player potential, resilience and their work ethic flourished seeing the An Tóchar side into a Minor C-Championship Final vs St Nicholas. While the result didn't go our way, the girls gave their all and we are very proud of their effort, and their attitude.



## **Minor Ladies**

#### **Ladies Junior**

The Junior Ladies team had another successful year in 2022, culminating in a great win in the Junior B county final against Rathnew in Ashford on Saturday October 15th. This was a very competitive game throughout, with great team spirit shown by all players.

This team was once again a mixture of young and mature players. U16 players were a very important part of the team and gained valuable experience on the journey.

Having a second team is proving to be a very important stepping stone for young players, where

they can gain valuable experience which will, hopefully, prepare them for playing Intermediate football in the future.

#### Players;

Marcella Price, Sally O'Toole, Ella McAuley, Naoibh Concagh, Meabh Smith, Katherine Lawlor, Abbi Gray, Orla Molloy, Orla Fee, Eimear Gorman, Aisling Doyle, Neasa McGillicuddy, Rachel Leacy, Shauna Murtagh, Amy-Louise Price, Ruth Nolan, Grace-Ann Hassett, Holly Freaney, Sinead Doyle, Alannah McHugh, Ruth Nolan, Niaobh Concagh, Grace Cullen, Leisha Somers, Jess Brady, Ailbhe Fagan



**Junior Ladies** 

## **Ladies Intermediate**

Our Intermediate Ladies had a frustrating season with lack of competitive games once again an issue.

We played 12 games in total having trained on 72 occasions, a ratio of 6 training sessions to every game.

Div 2 League - In the 2022 league we played 5 games, 4 away (Valleymount, Tinahely, St Nicks, Clara) and only 1 at home (Carnew), we received 2 walkovers (Eire Og, Baltinglass).

The Intermediate Championship also proved a disappointing experience providing only 3 games, 2 of which ended with 20+ score difference.

On a more positive note, we can look ahead to the 2023 season with optimism. We now have a panel

capable of challenging for the Intermediate title & finally returning to Senior ranks.

Special mention & congratulations to Abby Magee on winning a Leinster Championship with Wicklow Minors during the Summer - well done Abby!

Panel:

Abby Magee, Alannah Delamare, Alannah McHugh, Alex Russell, Alison O'Toole, Amy McManus, Amy Murphy, Becky Molloy, Caoimhe Fagan, Ella Lawless, Eva Doyle, Eve Leacy, Jess Brady, Kerrie Langrell, Laura Kavanagh, Liadh Cronin, Lillian O'Connor, Mia Power, Niaobh Concagh, Orla Kenny, Orla Molloy, Ruth Ireland, Ruth Nolan, Sally O'Toole, Sarah O'Toole, Shauna Murtagh, Tess Ryle.



# **Intermediate Ladies**

#### **Gaelic for Mothers and Others**



2022 was our first full year playing football, we started back training on Friday the 25th of March with our new trainer John Brady. The G4MO ladies made the most of their first full year with 34 training sessions and 11 games/blitz's and we played at least 30 teams some on more than one occasion!!

There was a lot to celebrate in 2022, with 2 new babies, 2 weddings – congratulations to Deborah,

G4M&O

Anna and their respective spouses, and one engagement – congratulations to Orla and Ger.

An Tóchar G4MO had a very successful, action packed and busy year, thanks to John Brady for all the coaching sessions and for travelling with us to all our matches, his enthusiasm knows no bounds, also thanks to Ger Murphy for stepping up and giving a help out whenever it was needed, his refereeing skills are top notch!!

Thanks to the various lads who helped us out with refereeing during the year, Ger Murphy, JJ Brady, Dale Brady and Cian Brady.



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# Annacurra

#### U12 Girls

2022 saw the formation of the first juvenile LGFA team in the club. From the off, there was a huge interest from within the club and surrounding area all to be involved. 23 girls were the first registered LGFA juvenile players in the clubs history and what a year these 23 had. They played their first game on April 24th against Newcastle and came out as winners. They continued winning ways throughout the league and the culmination of their year was

at a 'Festival of Football' held in Ballinakill in September. Panel: Layla Bolster, Ali Gunning, Doireann Byrne, Cait Duffy, Millie Byrne, Amelia Doyle, Caoimhe Farrell, Laci Graham, Kate Healy, Lilli Marie Hogan, Edith Horan Flynn, Georgia Horan, Fia Morris, Emily Rose Nolan, Aoibhinn Ni Eigeartaigh, Sadhbh Ni Eigeartaigh, Isobel Penston, Kitty Sheehan, Siofra Sinnott Dalton, Blaithin Tyrrell, Sara Vieira, Lucy Weld, Jenny Wolohan.



**U12 Girls 1st ever Annacurra LGFA Juveniles** 





# **Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney**

#### **Juvenile Ladies**

AGB U8 ladies had a busy season enjoying blitz games within the county and in Wexford. Similarly, our U10 ladies participated in blitz competitions across the county and played in the Wexford U10 League. One of the highlights of the season was when we hosted the Seabreeze Festival of Football in Pearses' Park for 8s and 10s and a super family day was had by all. The U12 ladies had an extremely busy year with many games under their belts by season's end. As with 8s and 10s the focus was on improving skills and fitness and developing each player, whether returning or playing for the first time. The emphasis was very much on participation and fun for all. The 12s joined with the 8s and 10s for the hugely successful Mini All-Ireland in October, when once again our wonderful facilities in Pearses' Park and our warm hospitality ensured the families of the girls, and their counterparts in the boys' section, enjoyed a fantastic tournament with over two hundred players participating in pool games and Plate, Shield and Cup Finals. The U14 girls fielded three teams to cater for their high numbers and with a lot of newcomers at all of the above grades, coaches were kept very busy ensuring every player got the time and attention needed to help them settle in and become part of our growing football family. We congratulate our U16 ladies who took home a shield trophy at the end of their season and our minor ladies who, having won the minor shield last season, stepped up to Division 1 and gained valuable experience against the top two teams in the county in Blessington and Tinahely. Despite heavy defeats, this is where the girls want to be competing to improve their skills going forward. Five of our girls, Zara Fennell, Gráinne Flynn, Lizzie Bourke, Faye Stafford and Emer Cullen were part of the successful Wicklow Ladies' Minor Panel that won the Leinster C competition and went on to reach an All-Ireland Final. A great year all round for AGB juvenile ladies' football.

## **Junior Ladies**

This years AGB ladies section has achieved a great amount of success We started off the season with a young sided junior ladies team with only 4 ladies Doireann O Reilly, Claire Murray, Emily Mitchell and Captain Rebecca O Sullivan that brought the leadership and great inspiration for a very young sided team. The girls had a great season from winning league games to losing some, but the girls never gave up all the way through. They met a strong Coolkenno side in the quarter final however even though it didnt go our way, the girls kept the heads high and pushed on towards the Junior

B Semi Final The girls believed in themselves in the Semi final and came out with a successive score of 4-6 to 1-01. The ladies were thrilled, they believed that they could and they did reach the final. The final was a huge success with the ladies never giving up for the 60mins played, all players gave 100%, management could not be any prouder of these ladies From the first training session to the final minute of the Junior B Shield the ladies knew that all the work and effort, all the trainings and games over the season, was all worth it in the end -The Junior Ladies were crowned Junior B Shield Winners. The Junior Team is a team of young, driven and talented ladies, the season was a huge success and they should be so proud of themselves A big thank you to all the junior girls for their time and effort over the season and also a big thank you to the under 16 girls who helped the junior team throughout the year James Furlong, Manager, Loretta O"Sullivan, Admin Roisin O"Reilly & Annie Conroy, Selectors.





**Junior Ladies** 

## **Senior Ladies**

Our senior ladies started off on a bad foot with the loss of around 14 senior players from last years panel. I (John murphy) as chair of the ladies committee along with Eugene Bentley we exhausted all avenues both outside and inside of the club in search of a manager to take on the team when the outgoing manager of 2 years stepped away. With no joy, myself with the help of Eugene Bentley took on team so they could compete this year. Myself and Valerie Whelan met with the ladies county board to plead with them to regrade the team from senior but our pleas were not looked upon favorably and with that we knew that it was going to be a very tough year. Throughout the season the commitment in training was at a low and we depended on some of the junior players to help fulfill some of the fixtures. Thanks to James Furlong who took the girls for training along with the Junior Team . I constantly drilled into the girls that they were as good as any senior team and with that we had plenty of positive games during league and a lot of challenge matches against some teams from

Wexford, Carlow and also Dublin. We completed very well against these strong teams from other counties which I feel gave the girls belief in themselves and in their ability. We continued through a tough championship group and made our way to the Senior B final. We knew that this was not going to be an easy game up against a strong Baltinglass team. The girls came out of the traps and from the 1st whistle we stole the show leaving Baltinglass dragging behind us for the whole game. The Ladies successfully took a beautiful piece of silverware back down the road to Arklow. This win has lifted the girls spirits after a very hard year and are well able to succeed to next year. It was a pleasure to work with this array of ladies and wish them the best for the season next year. A special word of thanks to Loretta, Joanne and Valerie for all their hard admin work that is not always seen. Without these ladies we wouldn"t have a team on the pitch in freshly washed jerseys or team sheets for the refs and most importantly the girls attending training. Thanks to parents for getting the girls to training and matches and most importantly the girls themselves for bringing the laughs and banter to training and most

importantly showing up and representing the club in the best manner possible Senior Championship Panel Captain Annie Conroy, Doireann o Reilly, Doireann Kavanagh, Aoife Kavanagh, Ellie Doran, Emer Cullen, Doireann Killoran, Grainne Flynn, Lucie Kindlon, Muireann O Connor, Niamh Geogahan, Naomi Devereux, Ava o Neill, Róisín O Reilly, Deirbhla Gavaghan, Aine Ní Chonchuir, Lizzie

Bourke, Zara Fennel, Ciara Lancaster, Kate Priest ,Niamh Kavanagh Missing from Championship Panel was Jess Hurley and Keelan Stafford who had played early who we lost half way through the season due injuries and emigration Thanks to some of junior panel for helping out during the league Hannah O Sullivan, Rebecca O Sullivan, Abi Whelan, Lara Prestige, Emma Keane, Sarah Flusk.



**Senior Ladies** 





# **Ashford**



# **U8** Girls

# **Ashford Under 8 Girls**

This year's group of U8 girls were a happy, enthusiastic & lively bunch of girls who really enjoyed training with their friends every week. For many it was their first time playing matches & going to blitz, every one of them gave it their all and never stopped smiling. The future is bright for Ashford LGFA with all these future stars.



**U10** Girls



## **U10** Girls

#### **Ashford Under 10 Girls**

Our u10 girls enjoyed another great year of football with numbers in the 20's every week for training. Similar numbers lined out in The Black n Amber at the Blitz's throughout the year with 2 teams being fielded on every occasion. The girls showed great growth and improvement in all areas of the game and those moving up to u12 proved they are more than ready with a friendly V Clara at this age grade at the end of the year.

We look forward to next year with those remaining at u10 and we cant wait to welcome those moving up from u8. We would love to welcome new faces when training recommences in 2023 so encourage anyone who may be interested to come along and give it a go!

Finally thanks to coaches Brian, Ken, Sarah, Gemma and Michelle for their efforts with the girls during the year.



# **U12** Girls

#### **Ashford under 12 Girls**

Our under 12 girls had a fantastic year. There was great numbers at all training sessions and matches and you could see just how much this group enjoy their football. The main thing that stands out in

this group is the sense of team spirit and togetherness. We are excited to see how they develop over the coming years and we hope they will all continue to represent the club for years to come.

#### **Ashford under 14 Girls**

2022 was an exciting season for our U14 Ladies. These young ladies worked extremely hard and we reached the semi-final in the Division 2
Championship which is an enormous achievement considering we only had a panel of 18 players. The girls played even harder to get so far and it's a credit to them all that we reached the semi-final with holidays and other commitments over the summer months. We also had some new players join us this year which is amazing to see at this age

group. Congratulations to them all. We know you wear the Black and Amber jersey with pride and we cant wait to see what the next season brings for you all. A special mention to Layla Whelan who also played for her County on the U14 panel this year. Congratulations on this achievement. We finished up our season with a team bonding night of bowling and pizza which showed the girls true competitiveness! A great evening was had by all the team.



#### **U14** Girls

#### **Ashford Under 16 Girls**

There were 22 girls on the U16 panel this year, 5 of which were brought up from our U14 team. The girls had a fantastic season, beating Newtown in the 'C' Championship Final which will see them moving up to Division 2 next season. This group of girls continue to grow from strength-to-strength

year after year. They are Ashford's first ever ladies team and continue to pave the way and set standards for the many younger girls who are following in their footsteps. The future looks bright for this team as their sheer dedication and hard work continues to pay off. We look forward to seeing what 2023 brings.



# **U16** Girls

## **Ashford Mother and Others**

The Mothers and Others is a continued success story within our club. Over 30 ladies were involved again this year and they even got to run out in the Black n Amber jersey on multiple occasions. Friendships have been made that will last forever and this group of ladies continue to impress

everyone that comes along to watch them with their football skills. the group didn't even want to stop training for winter but Brian needed a break so they let him off for a while. The laughter and craic was in full flow all year and we cant wait for more of the same when they get back on the pitch. Well done to all involved!



**Ashford Mother and Others** 





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**Ashford at LGFA Finals in Croke Park** 



# **Baltinglass**

LGFA

The u8 girls trained every Saturday morning and participated in 6 blitzes throughout the year. The u8 and u10 girls finished their season playing in the James Byrne and Joe McHugh cups at the end of Sept. The u10 girls were delighted to play at half time in the LGFA Intermediate club final held in our grounds in October.

The u 12 girls trained from February to October completing over 50 training sessions. They had 17 matches against 10 different clubs in 3 different counties. The girls participated in a great new tournament held in Tinryland on a hot July weekend reaching the final but narrowly losing out.

The u14 girls started training in February with 2 training sessions per week and trained right up to December. During the league they competed well just losing out by a small margins. They played some excellent football throughout the championship losing to An Tóchar in the semi final.

The u16 girls started training early in the year and playing pre season challenge games, the girls giving great commitment from the start. They competed in the division 1 league and A Championship. The girls had some great wins throughout the league and championship. They faced a really strong Blessington team in the semi final of the Championship which was the end of their Championship journey.

A bad year for our senior ladies again backed up by a lot of junior players proved a tough year in league and championship matches.

The minor girls had a great run in the Championship at the end of the year and unfortunately lost to by a single point to St. Pats in the final.

At the end of the year we started training for our very first Gaelic4mothers&Others group with large numbers turning out for the weekly training session.



**U12 Girls** 

