



THE YEARBOOK

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Luke O' Toole's Hurling Club

“The hard work and effort from the mentors and players in Luke O' Toole's hurling club is starting to pay massive dividends if the results of 2023 are anything to go by”, this comment was taken from an extract in the Wicklow People in Dec 2023. And in truth, the reporter Brendan Lawrence had his eye on the ball.

Serious work is being put into the club and Luke O' Toole's are well able to compete with the best the county has to offer. The club keeps pushing the boundaries and skill levels keep on improving. Try as they might though, in 2024 the elusive Minor A Hurling Championship eluded the club.

The Teams

U7

The U7 team went from strength to strength. Majella O' Shea with David Bailey and Cillian Duffy put in huge work with numbers doubling from 8 to 16 by the end of the year, with retention, development and fun the key to success for the year. These young children



enjoyed picking up the hurley, some for the first time and progressed very well, even coming out on top at some blitzes. They were a credit to the club and we look forward to their progress over the coming years. Panel; Cormac Bailey, Saoirse Bailey, Denis Byrne, Cathal Byrne, Adam Byrne, Noah Byrne, Peadar Clancy, Saoirse Clancy, Tomas Dillon, Tadgh Doyle, Cailean Finn, Liam Kennedy, Darragh Langrell, Oisín McDonald, Jack Perry, Cuan NicEoghain.



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Luke O'Toole's GAA

U9

This year the U9 team showed an inspiring commitment to the game, showcasing not only their talent but also their teamwork, sportsmanship and resilience. From the very first practice to the final match, they gave their best. Under the guidance of their coaches (Alan, Sean and Peter) they instilled important values of skills, discipline and respect. Every practice session was an opportunity for improvement whether it was perfecting their grip or refining their hand eye coordination for upcoming games. Though the competition was tough they played with determination improving match on match. This season was not just about the scores it was about how much all these young players have grown in their love for hurling and how much each and every one of them has improved.

As the season ends, they should be very proud of all they have achieved, here's to our amazing U9s of 2024 a group of talented and passionate players who all have a very bright future in hurling ahead of them. Panel: Faolan Butler, Danny Byrne, Maurice Byrne, Eoghan Byrne, Jack Byrne, Patrick Clancy, Ollie Dillon, Nicholas Doyle, Fiach Doyle, Clayton Evans, Liam Fanning, Rian Finn, Cormac Lambert, Fiach Lambert, Max Maher, Fionn McDonald, Jame McNamara, Liam O' Byrne, Sean O' Byrne, Tom Flaherty, Jacob Smyth, Liam Tuke, Logan Tuke, Edward Walker. William Wu.

Niamh Walker and Georgina Finn were a godsend looking after the administration, match days and team gear for both teams, The club and coaches to the U7 and U9 teams would like to thank them for getting involved, as they say, many hands make light work, and this was very evident this year.

U11

The U11 team commenced the season with some indoor sessions in Jan & Feb in the Aughrim Sports Complex, they moved onto the field in late March as the days grew longer. After a few weeks of training with Philip Doyle, Shane O' Loughlin, David Whitty and Peter Quigley the players were ready for their Wednesday night games. The team hosted Glenealy, Arklow Rocks and Western Gaels and travelled to



play Eire Og, Western Gaels, St. Pat's, Michael Dwyers, Avondale and Arklow Rocks. In June, the team celebrated, team member Henry Doyle coming 2nd in the county skills competition. A fine achievement for Henry and a reward for all his individual practising and hard work.

This panel of young hurlers showed great enthusiasm in training and a great appreciation for learning the skills of the game. On the field of play they gave it their all and won more games than they lost, the better the opposition the harder they played.

The team finished the season with a monster blitz in Ballinakill where they played Eire Og, Carnew and Glenealy and on the same day the team made an appearance at half time of the County Intermediate hurling final in Echelon Park where the players cheered on the Intermediate team in their final. They finished a fantastic day with pizza and chips in the

complex. A big shout out must go to Joanne O' Loughlin too for all her help in the background during the year.

Overall it was a very enjoyable year for the U11 team with progress being made on the hurling field and most importantly fun was had by all. U11 Panel: Adam Myers, Beth Myers, Bobby O'Brien, Callum McNamara, Callum Sharpe, Charlotte O'Loughlin, Cian Mooney, Darragh Fanning, Donnacha O'Sullivan, Fiach Reynolds, Henry Doyle, Michael Kavanagh, Mo Quigley, Oliver Cullen, Oskar Whitty, Patrick Connelly, Sam Moules, Tommy Kavanagh, Zach O'Toole, Bradan Butler.

U13

The U13 Team started the season with a trip to Eire Og, on a lovely sunny morning in March. The team



UNDER 13'S

lost the game but learnt loads and followed it up with some impressive wins against Avondale, Barndarrig and Glenealy. The results left the team on top of the Spring league table. The Summer Series was a bit different with a mixture of wins and losses, which left the team in the same position as they started the year with a final game against Eire Og in a B trophy final in Ballinakill. These super group of lads gave everything on the day, they never gave up, but unfortunately came up that little bit short in the final. Over the season, these great bunch of lads gave 100% in training and matches, their skills improved no end and they should be extremely proud of themselves for their efforts. With the help of some U11 and new players, the U13 team ended up with a panel of 19. Major credit must go to Rob and Heather Keenaghan and Donal Rice for the way they went about coaching the lads this year. It was Rob's first year venturing into coaching and he enjoyed it immensely, Heather too did trojan work on the administration side but also with recruiting new players. Panel: Adam Myers, Alex Langrell, Callum Sharp, Ciaran Breslin, Danny Byrne, Darragh Lambert, Eamon O'Byrne, Evan Keenaghan, Evan O'Brien, Henry Doyle, Iarla Gunning, Isaac Brennan, Jack Henry, Luke Tallon, Matthew Cullen, Odhrán

Rice, Oisín Wilson, Seán Byrne, Seán Kavanagh.



UNDER 15'S - A SHIELD WINNERS

U15

The U15 team moved from indoor to outdoor but only had a week or so to prepare for the Wicklow County Hurling Feile, which seems to come that bit too early in the season for hurling. The players were ring-rusty as they took on Bray Emmetts, Western Gales, Carnew and Michael Dwyers in a 5-team round-robin. That being said the team narrowly missed out on a Feile place losing narrowly to Michael Dwyers having failed to put away some great chances early in the game.

The team finished as runners up in the Div 1 league where games were very sporadic, but two great performances against Michael Dwyers and Carnew saw them finishing 2nd behind Bray.

The Championship structure too came in for criticism - every team with the exception of Bray and Luke O'Toole's wanted to play in the B Championship, (leaving Bray and Lukes to fight it out in the A Championship) however after a few meetings with the clubs a better structure was worked out,



UNDER 17'S/MINOR - LEAGUE SHIELD & A SHIELD WINNERS

something that should have been done at the start of the year, not at the height of the season in July. Luke's finished 2nd to Carnew in their group, and then lost out to Michael Dwyers in the A Championship semi-final where they really didn't play to their potential at all in the first half and had too much of a mountain to climb in the second.

The lads regrouped for the A Shield final and came out on top against a decent Carnew team in a humdinger of a game, where again they had to come from behind before finally getting on top of Carnew on a score of 3-16 to 5-07, with Ross Weld, Kyle Juste, Daniel Duffy and Brodie O' Sullivan coming in for special mention in the backs, with Darragh O' Byrne, Peter Mooty Monaghan, Dylan Doyle and Pauric Lambert all shining in the forward line. The lads had to put in their best performance of the year to secure the win.

Fiona McAllister and Mick Juste did trojan work with the players throughout the year, but it must be said

that the running of U15 hurling in the County this year left a lot to be desired – Luke O' Toole's went several weeks on more than one occasion without any hurling games at all and they ultimately paid the price with the lack of game time when it mattered most. Panel: Padraic Lambert, Darragh O' Byrne, Oisín Fanning, Daniel Fitzgerald, Tom Clancy, Kyle Juste, Conor Quinn, Hugo Sheehan, Ross Weld (Jt. Capt.), Daniel Duffy (Jt. Capt.), Alex Penston, Dylan Doyle, Keith O' Reilly, Brodie O' Sullivan, Sean Lawlor, Peter Mooty Monaghan, James Kavanagh, Colman O' Byrne, Danny Byrne, Darragh Lambert, Evan Keenaghan, Luke Purcell.

U17

The U17/ Minor hurling team put in a massive effort in 2024. They started training indoor in Feb, did a programme of Strength & Conditioning at the same time and used the County Grounds Astro in the extremely poor weather of March and April, overall,

they put in over 50 sessions and played 14 games over a 7-month period. The team used the Player Pathway games to significant effect giving their panel of 26 players plenty of game time. Then when it came to the League/Championship they were ready to hit the ground running. In the first game they beat Carnew convincingly in a wonderful team performance on a score of 8-16 to 0-17, thereafter they received their first walkover from Eire Og. Next up was Michael Dwyers and after going ahead early they were lucky to come out winners on a score of 4-15 to 3-13. Bray, one of the favourites to win the championship were next, and with Bray missing some of their top players due to holidays Lukes came away with a convincing win 4-15 to 0-13. Arch-rivals Arklow Rocks, another of the favourites for the championship, came to Aughrim in late August and were well fired up, they took an early 1-01 lead but this seemed to only sting Luke's into action. After an almighty battle, where each team gave it as good as they got and where Luke's seemed to get scores that much easier Luke's ran out 5-11 to 2-10 winners.



Western Gaels gave us our second walkover in early September before we had an easy win over Glenealy at 8-11 to 0-06. St Pats then gave us our 3rd walkover just 2 weeks before the Championship semi-final. The results from all the games meant we had 8 wins from 8 and won the Division 1 League title, however the lack of meaningful games in September worked against us.

Luke's met Carnew in the Championship semi-final and there was no doubt they had lost a bit of their sharpness. Everything that could go wrong did go wrong on the day, and credit to Carnew, they were up for the game and really put Luke's under pressure all over the field. Luke's certainly didn't have the room they enjoyed in previous games and Carnew after putting out the fires early on dominated for periods in the 2nd half to win on a score of 1-16 to 2-08, with some fine free taking from young Colin Lawrence who hit 9 points from placed balls for the winners, while Luke's missed several goal and point chances of their own when the game was still in the mix. A disaster for Lukes but a well-deserved victory for Carnew. The team and mentors were devastated with the result, and it just shows that with all the preparation you still need that bit of luck to get you over the line.

Sean O' Shea, John Byrne, Majella O' Shea and Max Molloy managed the team and had brought them to a new level during the year but they now had a week to prepare for the A Shield Final and save their season. The coaches worked hard to get the lads focused to take on a good Arklow Rocks team in that final.

It must be said that the Rocks too had lost out in their semi-final and they too were trying to pick up the pieces. After a nervy start and playing with a strong wind Lukes struggled to get going but did slowly get scores on the scoreboard, they went into the break 0-07 to 0-01 to the good, but would it be enough playing into the strong wind and now with a man down following a sending off late in the first half. The Rocks got a tonic goal within a minute of the re-start and it looked ominous for Lukes, however some stern performances from Sean Byrne, Liam Molloy, Tiernan Byrne, Daniel Byrne, Daniel Duffy, Darragh O' Byrne, Marc O' Shea and Adam Lively turned the game back in Lukes' favour and the boys pushed on to edge 0-13 to 1-04 ahead. The Rocks had hit a few wides but when they got their second goal late on it gave them a massive boost – just 3 points in it. Fortunately, Lukes didn't panic and they worked the ball back up field to bundle the ball over the line for the decisive goal. The lads had got their confidence back and recorded a very good win at 1-13 to 2-04.

Eamonn Hughes, Coiste na Nog secretary made a fine speech and presented both the League Shield and A Shield to joint captains Adam Lively and Marc O' Shea.

It wasn't the trophy we had set our sights on at the start of the year but nevertheless the A Shield was a good consolation prize, and that with the Division 1 League title it was still a good year.

Panel; Daniel Byrne, Evan Byrne, Sean Byrne, Pearse Byrne, Tiernan Byrne, Pierce Carroll, Lucas Cronin, Cillian Duffy, Daniel Duffy, Finley Jameson, Alex Kavanagh, Adam Kearns, Callum Keenaghan, James Lambert, Pdraig Lambert, Adam Lively (Jt. Capt.), Liam Molloy, Rhyan Moules, Darragh O' Byrne, Dominic O' Loughlin, John O' Reilly, Marc O' Shea (Jt. Capt.), Darragh Rice, Cormac Sheridan, Ross Weld, Conor Wilson.

U19

A big boost for the club this year too was the entering of a team into the U19 hurling Championship for the first time. Instead of letting players go elsewhere to play with other clubs, John Byrne, Sean & Majella O' Shea and Shane O' Loughlin worked to put a team together and give it a lash. As it turned out the U19 Championship proved to be extremely competitive





with every team winning and losing games in a 6-team championship. Luke's beat Dwyers by a point in the first game, lost to St Pats with a poor performance and again lost to Carnew, the eventual winners after a massive performance which saw the lads lead by 7 points 15 minutes into the second half, but Carnew being Carnew came with a late surge that saw them pull away for victory in the last 5 minutes with 2 sucker goals. Luke's received a walkover from Western Gales and still had it in their own hands to qualify for the Championship final with a win over Glenealy. Unfortunately, Lukes lost this game on a score of 3-08 to 2-14 and bowed out, leaving Carnew and Glenealy to contest the final. Overall, it was a great few weeks for these U19 players and we have no doubt if some other players had made themselves available, we could have been playing in the U19 final. Panel. Sean Byrne, Alex Kavanagh, Adam Kearns, Liam Molloy, Dominic O' Loughlin, Evan Byrne, Cillian Duffy, James Lambert, Adam Lifely, Rhyan Moules, John O' Reilly, Marc O' Shea, Darragh Rice, Cormac Sheridan, Lorcan Toomey (Capt.) Alex Kavanagh, Jack Kennedy, Joe McGuckian, Mark Shannon, Dermot Toomey.

County Representation

The Club continued with supporting the county teams throughout 2024. Marc O' Shea and Adam Lifely who were picked on both the county minor football and hurling panels made the decision to play minor hurling alongside Sean Byrne and Liam Molloy. The county Minor hurlers ventured into the Leinster Championship and although they accounted for themselves well against Meath, they were on the wrong side of a few heavy defeats to Westmeath, Antrim, Offaly and Carlow. Sean Byrne & Liam played with the U16 county squad later in the year while Dominic O' Loughlin and Finley Jameson too kept the Luke's flag flying at U16 level. At U15 Daniel Duffy, Ross Weld, Pauric Lambert, Oisin Fanning and Alex Penston helped Wicklow to the Hibernian cup final only to lose out to Down on a score of 2-12 to 4-09.



Conclusion

It must be said, that training all teams on a Thursday night was an immense help to the club this year. All the clubs, Tinahely, Annacurra and Aughrim knew when hurling was on and there was little interference from a football perspective, which was a great help, the addition of the new pitch in Aughrim too was a massive benefit. We did try the Tinahely and Annacurra pitches for training nights or matches, but their pitches are so busy it is almost impossible to get a suitable slot.

The club would like to thank all our dedicated coaches for their hard work and commitment throughout the year, the many administrative people who helped us out, the parents for sticking by us and umpiring games when asked, but most importantly we would like to thank the players from U7 to U19, they are a joy to work with, they are fun to be around and it certainly makes the life of a coach that easier in these tough economic times, when everyone can go to the pitch and have a bit of craic while learning the art of hurling. Role on 2025.

Junior B Football team Team

2024 season was a successful season for Newcastle men's team. The teams aim from the end of previous season was to get promoted in the league. Again, we lost a few key players, our captain and key play Ryan Heffernan moved to Australia, Kiki Mulligan, Kyle Sheran and Jamie Fitzgerald took a year out. This meant 2024 season was extremely challenging to an already small squad. The lads were provided with an off-season program and were assessed early January and then again 6 weeks later. The results were very encouraging and showed the squad meant business this year. We qualified as league leaders from a tough group and battled through Blessington and Donard in the quarter finals and semi finals respectively. We met our old rivals Knockananna in the final in Aughrim. We managed to squeeze past Knockananna and lift the division 4 trophy. It was great to see all the young kids wearing the Newcastle colours and singing there hears out in Aughrim. It was a Magical day for everyone involved in the club.



In the championship we again managed to top our group. We played Eire Og in the quarter finals and again showed great hunger and desire to beat a division 2 team. In the semi finals we battled through Tinahealy in horrible conditions in Arklow. However, we managed to get to another final in Aughrim. Unfortunately, on the day we didn't perform and were well beaten by a very good Avoca side. Hopefully that experience will aid the lads for another shot at the Junior B championship in 2025.

Nursery (Castle Kickers)

30+ kids were part of this group during 2024. The nursery was managed again by David Fitzgerald & Des Earls who all year put on a fantastic interactive session between the kids and their parents. As is always the case the feedback from the parents was really positive and thanks to the dedication of Dave & Des "the kickers" continues to be a huge draw for parents to get their children involved with the Newcastle Club.

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U7s

this group was managed by Sinead Kavanagh & Gary o Sullivan, it was the first year involved with coaching for both and the did an amazing job all year. The numbers for this group would be between 12-15. The U7's did not go directly into blitz's due to the group been quite young, however when they did start participating it was a very positive experience for kids, coaches and parents.

U9s

this group was managed by Orla Hamilton & Gary Doyle with assistance during the year from Colm Yeoman and Richard Merryman. The total number of boys in this group is 14, however for Blitz's the girls were drafted in and on most occasions 2 teams of 9



represented Newcastle at Go Game Blitz's. Like previous years when the boys & girls merged Newcastle proved to be very competitive during the season.

U11s

Team manager was Noel Prendergast with assistance from Anthony Duffy. The team played around 15 games made up of scheduled fixtures and arranged friendlies. From a results perspective the team only lost 2 games during the season putting in some fine performances both at home and away. Within the team there was a strong spine of really good players who worked really well together, this allowed time for the players who moved up from u9's the previous year to integrate into the team which worked really well.

U12s

Team manager was Tom Shearer with assistance from Rachel Walker / Marty O Gara and Anthony Duffy. The U12 Player Pathway which this team participated in can be very frustrating as there is only 6 scheduled games during the season which are fixed for Friday evenings and don't always suite both teams resulting is cancelled games. The alternative was to go to U13's but we would of had no players actually at the U13 age which would of left the group open to taking some heavy defeats and perhaps some players losing interest. Aside from the scheduled games friendlies were played against Roundwood / Kilcoole /Kilmack and Newtown (twice), some of these matches were brilliant games

resulting in wins, the players really enjoyed been part of the team and enjoyed the experience of these matches and should account for themselves really well as they move to U13's.



U8 & U10 Girls: Laying the Foundation

Our U8 and U10 teams have been a joy to watch this season! These young stars brought boundless energy and enthusiasm to every training session, blitz, and match. While the focus was on fun and skill-building, they also showed impressive teamwork and a natural love for the game that promises great things for the future. A big thank you to the parents and coaches for their unwavering support in fostering

such a fun and encouraging environment for our youngest players.

U12 Girls: A Year of Success and Progress

The U12 team has had an outstanding season, filled with accomplishments and growth. Their performances on the field have been inspiring, combining skill, determination, and sportsmanship to achieve consistent success in matches and





competitions. More importantly, the camaraderie and teamwork they've developed will stay with them as they continue their journey. Each player can take pride in how far they've come, and their efforts have laid the foundation for an even brighter future.

U14 Girls: A Season of Growth and Resilience

Our U14 girls again, led the way in our LGFA journey. They met every challenge head-on, learning valuable lessons and building confidence with each game. This team has shown that hard work pays off, and we are excited to see what they can achieve in the years ahead.



Juvenile's

Mini Magpies

Throughout the year the players developed their skills and had fun they learned skills such as bounce, catch, and knee solo. We also played games such as bulldog rob the nest and ship, seashore. At the end of the year, we had a party. It was amazing to see the players improve throughout the year

Management- Matthew Cooley and Aoife Murphy



U7

During the year the u7 players showed great commitment in their desire to learn the skills of GAA. Skills such as solo were learned and developed by the end of the year all the players skills had all improved dramatically. Every second Friday we had a blitz where the players could show just how much they have developed their skills. There was also a lot of time to play games such as bulldog, dodgeball and no man's land.

Management- Tracey McKenna, Matthew Cooley and Aoife Murphy



U9

Our U9's had a great year under the guidance of Owen, Dave & all the parents. We had great success at go games this year & great numbers. All players showed so much improvement with their skills throughout the season. It's been a great season, and we'd like to thank all the parents for their continued support.

Management- Owen Mayew



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U11

Our U11s finished their season with a blitz in Ballinakill at the end of September. It's been a great season, with 24 training sessions, 17 matches across U11 and U10/12 player pathway games. Special thanks to Ian McGrath, Davin Crimmins, Tom Martin and Alex Glesson. These lads were there consistently there week in week out. Big thanks also to Claran McGuirl and Shane Mooney who do a mountain of work that many don't see. None of this would be possible without these volunteers. The boys and girls gel so well together. The evolution of this team is evident and that is down to the kids willing to learn at every match and training session.



UNDER 11'S

Friendships have been made and bonds have strengthened. Thank you to all the parents for entrusting us with the development of your kids GAA skills.

Management- Ian McGrath, Davin Crimmins, Tom Martin and Alex Glesson

U13

Our 13s had another successful season on winning the A championship this year. The team faced tough opponents playing against Blessington in a nervy final in Ballinakill and with outstanding performances from all the players on the day were deserving winners in the end.

Management- Andy Halpin, Jack Martin and Cathy O'Toole



UNDER 13'S

U15

Our U15s had a great final win to finish their season with a trophy playing Michael Dwyer's in a thrilling final. The boys were up against a strong Dwyers team and were trailing for most parts of the match, but team never gave up and got a 3 point win at the final whistle. Well done to the lads on a brilliant 2024 season.

Management- Andy Halpin

MINOR

Our Minors had a good year this year! This was our first standalone minor team in nearly a decade, these lads have an awful lot to be proud of. They are acting as an



UNDER 15'S



MINOR'S

inspiration for all the younger players in the club and the growth they have shown on and off the pitch this year has been incredible! On the field we were competitive in nearly every game this year, getting a few wins along the way. With a bit of luck, we would've picked up a few more.

Next year will be huge for the lads, of the 24 lads that played this year, 22 of them are minor again next year. So, there's a lot to look forward to from this team!

Squad in full was

Zach Dunne, Mikey Daly, Sam Fenelon, Mikey Synnott, Ryan McDonald, Leon O'Connor, Max Roche, Cathal O'Toole, Luke Turley, Oisin Duffy, Aidan Heffernan, Dayle Carthy, Aaron Roy, Scott McKenna, Dylan Dunleavy, John Turley, Cayden McMahon, Bailey Collingwood, David McCormack, Gerry Hoban, Elliot Garrett, PJ Cunningham, Aaron Nolan, Matthew Doyle

Management - Shane Mooney, Cathal McNicholas

DADS&LADS

Newtown Dads&Lads, aka Newtown Ben's, was set up in Feb 2024 under the auspices of Newtown GAA. Dads&Lads is a social, non-competitive football programme for those keen to enjoy Gaelic Games outside the traditional competitive structures of the

GAA. With focus on participation, it offers men who previously played football – or those keen to lace up their boots for the First time – the opportunity to (re)discover the skills associated with our great game while tapping into the camaraderie that only team sports can provide.

Newtown Dads&Lads is proving very popular, many availing of the opportunity to meet other people within the community, getting their weekly exercise in, in a fun and welcoming environment. No previous playing experience is required and no minimum level of fitness.

Having enjoyed matches throughout the year against neighbouring clubs Newtown Ben's were delighted to have been selected to take part in the Dads&Lads 2024 National Blitz in the GAA National Games Development Centre, in Abbottstown, in September 2024, where they represented their Club and Community playing football against other teams from the length and breadth of the country. The Lads acquitted themselves very well against opponents from Antrim, Kildare and Laois with some great football on display. They are already looking forward to resuming training next year and new players are always welcome

Management- Mick Synnott



DADS & LADS



JUNIOR B'S

JUNIOR B

The junior men's team started out the season with a home match victory Ashford which they lost in a tight match. Pat "Googers" Carthy was at the helm as the team togged out to play Carnew the following week, but the pitch was deemed unplayable by the referee.

Unfortunately, after this match the commitment levels from what a small squad was there, and the team was pulled from the league. Thankfully the team entered the championship and were competitive in all their league phase matches.

Ciaran McGuirl and Stephen Kelly took the team on as player/managers. The final match versus Newcastle, a local derby, shows just what this team can produce. (Newcastle won the league final and they were in the championship final). There's a good

mix of youth and experience with players from 18-46 playing together and the squad are keen to get back next year and be competitive in the league and championship in 2025.

Management- Ciaran McGuirl and Stephen Kelly

INTERMEDIATE

Our championship started brightly with a narrow one-point win against near rivals Kilcoole thanks to a Bobby Greenan goal, this game was followed up by a thriller in Roundwood against Donard/Glen. These two crucial wins saw us through to the quarter finals where we came up against the well fancied Carnew. On another day with a bit more luck, we could have won the game having had plenty of opportunities.

On a personal note, whilst the year was a huge disappointment not to win silverware, I believe that our men's team is on the right track to winning the intermediate championship. New players have been added into the panel, we have a steady number regularly training and there has been a total shift in the application and attitude of all the players from when I first arrived three years ago.

The first night 3 years ago saw 6 players show up for training. This year on average we had 18 players training every night. This highlights a 200% increase in players regularly training. Whilst we have no trophies to show for our progress, we do have positive signs of progress that no trophy can show. The group is now an extremely positive environment to be around and is a welcoming and enjoyable place to be in. Player's commitment and dedication has also improved, and this can be seen in the physical



improvements in all players over the past three years. Finally, this group of players are now positive role models for the younger teams to look up to and aspire towards and to ultimately emulate.

We have changes to the management team made for 2025 and we have identified other areas for improvement, and we are hoping to welcome back some players who have been abroad.

Football is a game of fine margins. We were on the right side of those margins twice this year and unfortunately in the quarter final we were on the wrong side of those margins. I firmly believe that 2025 will be a great year for this team and I am excited for the challenge and numerous opportunities that 2025 will bring for this group.

I finally want to express my gratitude towards everyone for sticking by this group of players and myself for the past three years. Things haven't always been easy. Results haven't always gone our way, and it would be very easy for everyone to point fingers. We have a committed group of players and an

executive committee who aim to deliver the best in class for our club. I want to thank Eoin O'Riordan, Dominic Leech but most importantly of all, James Kelly, our greatest advocate and supporter, for their unwavering support over the past 3 years.

Let's everyone row in to make 2025 successful. A team needs their community behind them and the community needs a team to be proud of. Let's work towards senior football for 2026.

Newtown Abú

Management- James Flood, Stephen Kelly, John Healy

U10

U10 girls 2024 was a fantastic success lead by a super garlic for girls' campaign, and the management team kept things going following this campaign.

The girls have continued to improve week on week, all showing great interest in training.

We played one blitz in Ashford, and this was a super success with great support from parents. Other organised blitz had to be cancelled due to weather conditions.

2025 will be a great year as the girls improve in skill and confidence and have fun playing football. We will definitely be organising more games.

Management- Ross Doran and Dominic Leech

U12

Our U12's had a great season again this year under the guidance of Kirsty Mooney, Emma Walsh &



Sophie Lacey. They started their season off in Div3, where they proved to be very strong so after four games the division was restructured and they moved up to Div2. Where again they proved to be very strong. A highly talented group with a huge panel of 27, even with such high numbers each player showed their ability to adapt to whatever team we put out and worked so hard as a team throughout the whole season. Nine of our U12's will move up to U14's next season and we wish them all the best. We finished the season with a fun night/Halloween dress up in the clubhouse which was a lot of messy fun. Kirsty, Emma & Sophie would like to thank all our supporters, especially all the parents that travelled each week to make sure we always had great numbers. It's been a fantastic season and we're already looking forward to 2025

Management- Kirsty Mooney, Emma Walsh and Sophie Lacey

U14

Our U14s had a tough season this year as it was a big step up in the league as they are a young team.





Championship was a bit closer, and the girls have worked very hard all year as a team and will be back next season with a bang!

Management- Emma Byrne, Ava McGlynn, Keely Merriman

G4MO

Newtown Gaelic for Mothers & Others, aka Newtown Maggie's continues to prove hugely successful, a year on. Introducing mothers and other women to Ladies Gaelic Football in a fun, non-competitive and social environment whilst providing an opportunity for women to get their weekly exercise in, in a fun way while meeting other women in the area, where everyone is welcome.

We had a fantastic year where we were delighted to be selected to take part in the South Leinster Blitz in Bray Emmets GAA in June '24 and subsequently the National Blitz in Naomh Mearnog and Sylvesters GAA Club in Malahide in September '24. However, the highlight of the year was being selected to go to New York in October '24 to take part in a Festival of Gaelic Football in Rocklands GAA, representing our Club, Community and County. The Ladies organised several fundraisers to help with the expenses involved in making the Maggie's dream a reality. We were overwhelmed with the support received within the community from local businesses, individuals and Newtown GAA. Thank you to our steadfast

sponsors, Henry & Rose Newtown, Wicklow Wolf and GSD Supply NY. A special mention to Cassidy Travel who kitted the team out with special New York Tops for the occasion and Gerry Davis, originally from Newtown and now living in New York, who went above and beyond to ensure the Ladies trip went smoothly by organising and sponsoring their airport transfers. 21 women travelled to play Gaelic Football in New York making memories to last a lifetime. They played teams from Derry, Armagh, Meath and Rockland Shamrocks NY and some great football was on display, along with plenty of craic and the

usual laughter, in keeping with the social ethos of Gaelic for Mothers and Others.

Management- Margaret Synnott, Nicola Fitzsimons

LADIES

As the 2024 season ends, we celebrate the resilience and progress of the Newtown Ladies GAA team. Despite a challenging start, the team's hard work paid off with a spirited victory over Roundwood, and a draw against neighbours Ashford, showcasing their determination and growth.

The ladies took part in the shield semi-final against a strong St. Nicks side tested their strength, and while victory wasn't ours, the performance highlighted just how much the team had improved.

This season has laid a solid foundation, and with continued dedication and support, there's no doubt 2025 will be an even stronger year for Newtown Ladies GAA.

Management- Shay Power, Amy Mooney, Dawn Mckenna, Lydia Sinnott Elliott, April McKenna.





NEWTOWN MAGGIE'S OUR GAELIC FOR MOTHERS & OTHERS



NEWTOWN LADIES



Nursery/Academy

The 2024 Nursery/Academy program was another fantastic year for our youngest members, with boys and girls aged 3 to 6 coming together every Saturday morning from 11:15 to 12:00. This program is much more than just an introduction to football—it's about movement, exercise, making lifelong friends, and learning the basic rules of the game in a fun, welcoming environment.

Despite some challenging weather (and calling off only one Saturday), the dedication of the children and their parents shone through every week. Rain or shine, the energy on the pitch never wavered, and it's this commitment that gives us great confidence in the future of the club across all codes.

One of the standout moments of the year was the monster water fight on a sunny Saturday morning in August. On an unusually warm September morning we topped off the year with ice cream to celebrate a fantastic day and year. It's these small moments that highlight what the Nursery/Academy is all about—



fun, community, and creating memories that will last a lifetime.

We owe a huge thank you to the incredible team of coaches who made this year so special. Coaches Paul, Martin, Benny, Jason, Mark, Arlene, and many others gave up their Saturday mornings to ensure every session was as enjoyable as possible for the kids. Their dedication, energy, and enthusiasm can't be overstated, and the club is so grateful for their time and effort.

The future of the club looks incredibly bright, thanks to the fantastic foundation being built at Nursery level. However, we always need more help to continue growing and improving. If you or someone you know would like to get involved, we warmly invite you to reach out to a member of the committee.

To all the players, parents, and coaches who made 2024 such a success—thank you! Here's to another brilliant year in 2025!





SUPER 7'S

SUPER 7s

What a year they have had!! 33 boys registered, and turned up for almost all training sessions. A blitz every 2nd weekend, with all wins, 2 monster blitz on the big pitches in the centre of excellence ballinakill boosted their confidence and helped them grow and see their potential. These kids have showed great enthusiasm, Super improvement on their skills and great consistency every week from March to September. Bruiser byrne, benny Doyle, Rob hitchcock and tony Doyle have been Impeccable roll models to these lads over the year, never missing a training session, blitz or team meeting. The skills, encouragement and team spirit has been simply the best with our 2024 "Super 7s". We look forward to next year where some move to u9s and a new bunch of kids join u7s.



UNDER 9'S

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors this year "ICON fastners" & "Derek Quinn bricklaying", your continued support is welcomed and greatly appreciated.



UNDER 9'S - DUNSHAUGHLIN FESTIVAL OF FOOTBALL



Under 9s

The U9 Gaelic Football team for 2024 has shown great potential, with a dedicated group of young players eager to learn, improve, and showcase their skills on the field. The team's efforts this season have been focused on skill development, teamwork, and sportsmanship. With a mix of returning players and new faces, the team has grown both in experience and confidence.

Coaching and Support: Under the guidance our experienced coaches, the team has worked to improve fundamental skills such as ball control, passing, shooting, and tackling. The coaches have focused on creating a fun and supportive environment, ensuring that every player has the opportunity to develop at their own pace. Parental





support has also been invaluable, with many stepping up to assist at training sessions and match days.

Training Highlights: Training sessions have been held regularly throughout the year, with a clear focus on technical skill development and fitness. The players have worked on their hand-passing, soloing, and kicking technique, alongside improving their understanding of team play and positioning. The emphasis has been on building individual confidence and fostering a strong sense of teamwork.

Match Results and Performance: The goal of this U9 team is skill development and enjoyment, the players participated in all Go games fixtures, Monster blitzes and the Dunshaughlin festival of football in memory of Denis Kealy and Maria Kealy Johnson.

Our highlight of the year was certainly the Dunshaughlin festival of football on the 4th of May when we competed against Dunshaughlin (Meath) Naomh Mearnog (Dublin) Cavan Gaels (Cavan) Blackhall Gaels (Meath). It was a wonderful occasion for all the boys to experience and it was their first time travelling outside the county, all together by bus to represent Rathnew Gaa. A massive thank you to Dunshaughlin for the invite and the fantastic hospitality on the day, our boys are already looking

forward to next year's blitz.

We are excited to see what next year holds for the team, and we look forward to watching their continued development both as individual players and as a team. The future looks bright for these young Gaelic footballers.

Thanks to the Club and Parents for their continued support and time. Tommy , Leighton, Damien.

Under 11s



The Rathnew U11's started the season with a bang. They were selected to take part in a Festival of Football that was brilliantly organised by the Dunshaughlin and Royal Gaels Clubs. We travelled



to Dunshaughlin GAA grounds with the players, and we were in for a treat with a BBQ laid on with cakes and treats for everyone. The kids that travelled were exemplary in their behaviour and were a pleasure to lead. The Festival finished off with Rathnew securing a flurry of medals between all the age groups that took part.

We had a jump-start on our competitors when our season started properly, and we won a great game away to Bray Emmets.

We then had a home win with some standout performances from our lads new to football. We then travelled in the road to our neighbours in Dunbur for our first test with St. Pats. Three home games followed by another game against St. Pats before our trip to Baltinglass, which was unfortunately called off due to a bereavement in our club as a result our August was very quiet.

Our competitive year ended with an end of season tournament in Ballinakill to finish the year off. The boys we again exemplary in their behaviour, and for the third time in the year, we were approached by the referee afterwards to commend the lads for their behaviour representing our prestigious club. It was a pleasure to work with the other coaches and parents. Some of the support we got, especially our away games, was brilliant.

Thanks to all involved in the club. Rathnew abu.

Under 13s



This year our club had two under 13 teams competing in competitive football for the first time in our long history. We had a team in the A championship who had a great season reaching the county final where they came up short after a thrilling final that was level with 3 minutes to play but Eire Og finishing stronger to win the cup. Then we had a team in Div 3 NE and what a season these young men had winning the shield this team was made up with 11 12 and 13 year olds and done the club super proud. Not



to forget the coaching team that over looked the season some clubs would pay to have these men and their experience manage their senior teams. Robert Merrigan, Barry Mernagh, Tommy Gill, John Nolan and Ian Browne

Under 15s

The Rathnew u15 season began in late February when a team meeting was called to make a plan for the year ahead. With 17 young men showing up on the first night this quickly grew to a 25 strong panel training twice a week in all conditions with that strong work ethic evident from day one, Ross, Dean and Keith knew they had a determined squad. The lads didn't reach their full potential in the league but when



the Wicklow Féile Peile nOg was held in Annacurragh the village men didn't disappoint and brought home their first silverware of the year to the village and earning the right to represent Co.Wicklow in the John West Féile Peile nOg. A strong panel headed to the regional finals to compete with the cream of the crop from all over Ireland and England. The Rathnew outfit were in flying form and went unbeaten in the Féile



beating Lancashire in the semi and GAA legends Carrick Swans of Tipperary in a thrilling final. Another hero's welcome awaited in the village for the returning champions, Who next set their sights on the championship a great championship run ended with a narrow loss in a hard fought final in Rathdrum but all in all an incredibly successful season with winning Féiles to championship finals the whole panel gave their all right to the end. Rathnew is proud of all of you.

Under 17s

The Rathnew u17s had a very successful season in 2024 the boys got together in march and a plan was made for the season ahead. This was always going to be a young team with the majority of the squad coming from the 2008 bracket and a few from the 2009 bracket to bolster the 2007 boys we had. The boys started off very well training hard and then winning the player pathway convincingly.

The management had hoped to get these boys into the A championship but the reluctance of other clubs to go in that championship meant that there was uneven numbers so the Rathnew minors ended up in the B championship. The squad set the standard in this championship and were the team most opponents wanted to beat but our boys weren't having it and only lost the one game for the season.

The foundation of this team was built on a good



attitude and a squad mentality and all players played their part when required and it was great to see the senior lads on the field guide this young team to victory in the B championship.



Development Squad / Junior C 2024 Recap

The 2024 season was a fantastic year for the Development Squad/Junior C team, marked by growth, camaraderie, and plenty of football. What started with just 9 or 10 lads training on a Tuesday night steadily grew into a group of nearly 30 players training twice a week by the end of the year. This in itself is a massive success and a credit to everyone involved.

We saw a mix of returning players, like Ryan O'Toole, Emmet Ronan, Tran Tang, and Corey Devlin, alongside older lads who rediscovered their love for the game, such as Stephen Byrne, Aidan Ryan, Martin Cowop, James Hollingsworth, and Sean Jameson. The result was a vibrant squad with players of all ages and abilities, coming together to play, compete, and enjoy the sport.

On the pitch, we had a very successful league

campaign, losing just one match. Unfortunately we missed out on the league play-offs. Despite this setback, the squad pushed on and reached the Junior C semi-final, facing Annacurra on a cold night in Ballinakill. Unfortunately, we were beaten in that game, with a mix of injuries and players away on holidays proving difficult to overcome. However, credit must go to every player who took to the field that night—they gave it their all and showed great determination.

The biggest success of the year wasn't just in the results but in the fact that we provided football for over 30 players of different ages and abilities. Whether returning to the sport, new to the village, or simply looking for a way to stay involved, everyone was welcomed. The atmosphere was always positive, with great craic and not a cross word between players or coaches. This sense of camaraderie and community is what made 2024 such a success.

The team was led by manager Harry Murphy, with Pat Bomber Murphy and John Sayer as selectors, and Peter Dignam as trainer. Their leadership and dedication were crucial in creating such a positive environment and keeping the squad motivated throughout the year.

As we look to 2025, there's plenty to build on, and we're already excited to see what the future holds. Thanks to everyone who trained, played, supported, or helped out this year—here's to another great season ahead!

Junior A

Our Junior A lads had a mixed year. Started really well in the league, winning the first seven games playing great football. We had a set back in the last three matches, losing two and drawing one. We finished third in the league making a semifinal but were beaten by Aughrim.

We got a tough group in the championship, losing players to injury and of course lads moving up to the senior ranks too made things a bit tough and we didn't make it out of the group. We lost three games to the teams that made the semifinals and the eventual winners came from this group. We used 46 players in 2024 across the league and championship, we have some great talent coming through.

Many thanks to our Junior A coaching team of Staff, Dando, Gary and Pat, our physio's Lee and James, of course we can't forget Ethna for always having a fresh set of gear ready at all times.

Senior

2024 delivered yet another decent year for the men's Seniors as the predominantly young panel showed their commitment and dedication to the red and green with great numbers showing up to compete for a spot on the team and bringing up the training intensity from the get-go.

Having battled through another league campaign unbeaten again, the Seniors got to their second Dunne Cup Final in a row, losing out narrowly to a fit and organised Éire Óg side on the day. Our lads went on to top the Championship Group with some great displays of football but were unlucky to suffer some serious injuries along the way.

With this in mind lady luck turned her back in the quarterfinals however, despite a brave performance we went down to Tinahely, who went on to win the championship. It's hard not to think we left a bit out there, and that there is more to come from this side. This translates as plenty of positives for 2025, as we continue to build a cohesive team and strong panel.



UNDER 8'S

Under 8 Girls

The 2024 season for our U8 girls started with small numbers but huge excitement. We set out with just seven players for our first tournament, but as the year progressed, so did our numbers and enthusiasm. For every Blitz after that, we were proud to field two teams, each with at least seven players.

Throughout the year, we faced some very competitive teams, including An Tochar, St. Patrick's, Ashford, Bray Emmets, and more. A particular highlight was hosting our very own Monster Blitz in our home field, which was a fantastic day for players and supporters alike.

Unfortunately, the season concluded without the much-anticipated Monster County Blitz and Ballinakil, as it was cancelled due to poor weather and never rescheduled. Nevertheless, the spirit and progress of the team remained undiminished.

The girls showed incredible growth, skill, and passion throughout the season. Most of this fantastic group will move up to U10s next year, leaving behind a core of 4–5 players who will remain at U8 level. This dedicated group will form the backbone of next year's

U8 team, ensuring a solid foundation for continued development.

A massive thank you is due to all the parents who supported the team throughout the year, from attending matches to helping at training sessions and events. A special word of thanks to Coach Tony and Coach Margaret, whose dedication and leadership were instrumental in the team's success.

The enthusiasm from the girls was contagious. They craved football and training, so much so that we ended up training twice a week—Tuesday evenings



UNDER 8'S



and Saturday mornings. If they had their way, they would have trained every day! Their eagerness and improvement were evident from day one, and it was a privilege to see their skills and confidence grow over the season.

As we look forward to 2025, the future is incredibly bright. With the majority of the team moving up to U10s, they will bolster an already strong group, while next year's U8s will be well-positioned to continue their fantastic progress. Many of these girls have come through the Saturday morning nursery program, which highlights the strength of our grassroots initiatives.

Well done to all the players, coaches, and supporters for an incredible year. Here's to more football, fun, and success in 2025!

Under 10 Girls



Our under 10s took part in many great blitzes throughout the 2024 season. We had over 30 girls training most nights. The improvement we have made this year is incredible, every training session and match we had two teams and their attitude is a credit to see. A big thank you to the parents for bringing the kids to training and every match. Their efforts haven't gone unnoticed with many coaches on the opposition teams complimenting our girls. The future is very bright for this team and Rathnew ladies football.



Under 12 Girls



Our U12s girls started their journey in March! We had



a panel of 27 girls who wore the Red and Green with pride, passion and determination week in week out!!

Our girls played in Division 2 and with all the hard work in training these young ladies developed and grew into a tight little unit to become the fine footballers we have seen throughout the year.

A big shout out to all the parents and supporters who followed us all over the county and supported us during the year. On a coaching perspective these young ladies are a pleasure to work with, their unity on the pitch is second to none.

These young ladies make a massive jump next season to competitive football at U14 but knowing them there is nothing that will faze them and they will be looking forward to another great year of football and friendship ahead. The Future is bright!

Under 14 Girls

Despite concern at the start of the year that we might struggle to field a team, our U14 team went on to



UNDER 14'S

have a very successful season.

With league wins over Blessington, St. Pats, Eire Óg, Ashford and Newtown, the girls went into the Championship with confidence. They began with a walkover from Ashford and had two comprehensive wins against Blessington and An Tochar, and despite finishing their final group game with a defeat to Eire Óg, they still topped their group, and progressed to the semi-finals. Unfortunately the girls came up against a very strong Clan na Gael team which ended their championship run.

The girls were brilliant all year. Natasha and Ronan are so proud of them. Well done to the U12 girls who stepped up to help out. Here's looking forward to another great season next year.

U16 Girls

The girls started training in March this year and we had great numbers from the start, it showed from the start that these girls were going to be a dedicated bunch. Every Tuesday and Thursday Pam and Jason

had the girls up giving it their all in every session in Merrymeeeting.

Our girls were very competitive in their league campaign, they showed some fantastic displays of football throughout. The league may not have gone our way but it certainly set us up well for a great Championship run. Some outstanding performances from everyone in this team saw them secure a well earned place in the final against Ashford. This amazing group of girls gave everything and more this season, especially on the day of the final, unfortunately we didn't get our hands on that cup. They had an amazing season and were an absolute pleasure to work with.

Minor Ladies

It was an early start to the season for our Minor girls with their first league me match in March. It was a great bunch of girls ranging in age from 14 up to 18. These girls played great football for the league season, finishing second in their group. A big break in the season while the girls all competed in u14s, u16s and ladies fixtures meant it was October before the Minor Championship kicked off. We cannot commend these girls enough, lashing rain and dark evenings and they just kept showing up. In true Rathnew spirit these girls never gave up, their grit and determination won them a place in the Minor C final in November against the hotly tipped Coolkenno.



UNDER 16'S



Every single girl in this panel played their hearts out and gave it everything on the pitch. We always knew these girls were something else, Dec and Pam knew if they got the girls to the final they'd come out on top. Well did they ever, they pulled off a massive well deserved victory. Rathnew Lgfa's first ever Championship silverware. Girls you made history in our little club, always cherish this moment and carry it forward to your future teams.

Senior Ladies

Training started with incredible effort from the girls doing running sessions in training and solo runs on the off nights showing the drive they had to succeed. The league started and the girls had two strong wins, they lost their only game of the league to St. Pats by 1 point. Instead of dropping the heads the girls used their sorrow to win their next three league matches beating Clara by 13, Ashford by 6, roundwood by 5 and AGB by 12. The winning did not stop there as the girls won every match in the cup to make it to the cup final against Annacurra. Selector Shauna Melia put this down to the jellies she provided at half time. The final day came, and the girls were confident. Leading at half time there was no doubt in anyone's mind the cup was coming home but after an absolute battle they lost out. The girls picked themselves back up once again and trained hard for the championship,

winning all their games in the group stages and prevailing to the semifinal where they faced a very good Greystones team. Greystones won on the day and went on to win the championship. Throughout the year many people performed exceptionally well. With the introduction of Kiva Doyle into the full back line creating one of the most solid lines on the pitch alongside Sophie Murphy and Natasha Byrne. Not to

forget the incredible saves made all year by young player of the year Jess Harte in the goal that saved us on many occasions. Players play of the year was Aisling Hayden. With Aisling slotting in very comfortably into the centre forward position she possessed the ability to score points from 40-45 yards out like clockwork showing many of the senior men's team how it's done. Player of the year was Ria Gregory. Ria worked tirelessly every game using her speed to beat 3-4 players each time to slot the ball over the bar and into the net on some occasions. Overall, it was a good year for the girls and we look forward to the year ahead.





2024 was another busy year for St Nicholas with teams playing at U13, U15 and U17 along with U12 and U14 Player Pathway. It's great to be at the club grounds any night of the week to see all the children, at all levels training and playing matches. It is also great to see some of our players represented on various county development squads, which is a fantastic opportunity for them.

Our very own Pat Kehoe Captain Wicklow U16s who beat our neighbours Kildare in the O'Donovan Shield Final, a sign of good things to come.

OUR COUNTY CAPTAIN

U15 Boys

As always one of the most memorable sporting events of the calendar year is the U15 Football John West Feile Peile na nOg, and St Nicholas were very privileged in early May to host Group 2 qualifiers and on a morning filled with clear blue skies, we welcomed Bray Emmets, An Tochar and Tomnafinogue to the parish of Dunlavin/ Donard Glen at the GAA grounds in Dunlavin. Sadly St Nicks were unlucky on the day and could not replicate their Feile success of 2023 with Bray Emmets coming out on top on the day. There were a few stand-out games throughout the summer wins against Annacurra and Kiltegan and a thrilling match against Rathnew in the league with a loss. The u15's participated in a Plate Final against Kilcoole and unfortunately, Kilcoole were the better team on the day.

U13 Boys

For many in this age group it was their first year to experience playing for St Nicholas, a big leap for



U15 BOYS



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U13 BOYS

them. In Wicklow we played in the Division 1 League and Championship and the team had showed plenty of experience proving they were more than capable of competing with some great wins during the summer. Early September, their biggest match was to come, competing for silverware as they travelled to Ballinakill with huge support in tow, to take on Bray Emmets with a convincing win on the night. It was great achievement to be able to put some silverware into the cabinet. Well done to the lads.

U17s Boys

St Nicks has a great bunch of lads on our 2024 minor team. They worked very hard together with their mentors and all their hard work paid off and we got to a minor semi-final taking on An Tóchar in Blessington. For 45 minutes things were going well. A few mistakes and bit of panic let An Tóchar back into the game. The Lads tried hard to get back but could not get the scores to win a huge disappointment all round. The lads regrouped again for the Shield Final and travelled to Aughrim to line out on the County Grounds against AGB. A great performance saw St Nicks come away with the win. A nice way for the Lads to end the year as they revert back to play with their home clubs in Donard Glen and Dunlavin and we wish them continued success in their footballing

careers.

Looking back

2024, another successful year for the Juvenile Club of St Nicholas, but of course, when looking back it is always a time to be thankful, and with thanks in mind, we must extend a massive thank you to the executives of Dunlavin and Donard Glen GAA clubs, who assist us with the ongoing success of the Juvenile Club. A huge thank you to all our mentors and of course the families, the parents and the players, without your continued support, all of the happy nights on the pitch would not exist. Finally we cannot end 2024, with extending good wishes to our Chairman Fred Walsh and Secretary Maeve Miley, who are stepping away from our executive, you both have left our club in a healthier place.



U17 BOYS

ST. PATRICK'S, WICKLOW

2024 was another busy and successful year for the Club. The team reports below give a great overview of the playing activity during the year, but there was lots more going on.

In February, friends and former teammates of Jim Connors lined out to remember Jim in a match that raised €3,695 for the Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association.

In July, we had a brilliant day with over 500 footballers from Wicklow, Dublin, and Kildare visiting Dunbur to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the LGFA in everything from Nursery to Adult football.

In September we held a Family Fun Day with the launch of our Mini All-Ireland for our girls and boys from U8's to U13's.

During the year, there was great fun at our Club Easter, Summer, and Halloween camps.

We ran a series of Coaching Workshops for all of our coaches from U7 up to Adult level. The workshops were very interesting and enjoyable, with lots for our coaches to take back to their own teams.



and want to come back to every week.

We had nearly 70 5-6 year olds progressing on again this year where we encouraged skills through games and play where we noticed great development. By the end of the year we were playing mini matches in both football and hurling.

2024 players: Keelan McVicar, Aliona O'Gara, Raimee Sillery, Robin Fogerty, Evie Doyle, Sean Connelly, Aria Clarkin, Olivia McWalter, Fionn Cheevers, Koa O'Reilly, Maia Morton, Ezra O'Connell, Sasha Manka, Jack O'Neill, Kayleigh Morrissey, Conor Murphy, Aisling Kelly, Mary Doyle, Finn Dunne, Iseult O'Halloran, Donagh Maksim, Jack Drummond, Liliana Marini, Jaxon Cox Crowe, Ivy Kelly, Eoin Ivers, Astrid Wickham, Connie Merrigan, Thomas Martin, Kara Walsh, Niamh

St. Pat's hadn't entered the Scór competitions for a few years so we were delighted to have a team in the Tráth na gCeist in 2024. Paddy O'Keane, Ronan Murray, Peter O'Keane, and Ken O'Grady finished just outside the final shake-up but we hope to be back again in 2025!

Scór na nÓg took place in September and the Club were delighted to present the Michael Murphy Memorial Cup for the Tráth na gCeist on behalf of Micheal's family. The Cup was presented to the first winners, Hollywood, by Mark Murphy.

2024 was also a year where we made great progress on development of our new facilities on Greenhill Road. We're looking forward to seeing our first new pitch take shape over the coming months. We also completed several projects in Dunbur, most notably the new pitch fencing and our new scoreboard.

NURSERY

We feel we have made great progress again this year in Boys and Girls Football, Hurling and Camogie. We had nearly 50 new 2.5-4 year olds registered this year with a focus on having fun with games to help socialise and make Dunbur a fun place they enjoy

Bradley, Daniel Nagle, Lily Hempstead, Sean Smullen, Conor McGettigan, Ethan Cregg, Olivia Laughlin, Naoise Murley, Aodha Murphy, Molly Farmer, Scott Doyle, Lucy Sinnott, Ethan Harbott, Tadhg Curran, Laoise McWalter, Roisin O'Kane, Nina Vesey, Eabha O'Shea, Emily Quinn, Raimee Sillery, Saoirse Clarkin, Harry Duffy, Daire Murphy, Molly Flood, Laura Dineen, Tiernan Duffy, Thea Vickers, Emily Franey, Bláithín Egan, Jack Reilly, Adah Glynn, Diego Valero, Ruthy Lakshmanaraj, Ronan O'Sullivan, Lucy Harrington, Luca Fitzpatrick, Millie Cannon, Willow Fogerty, Chloe Casey, Liam Earls, Aodh Byrne, Senan Dunne, Ruairí Dumas, Atticus O'Connell, John Ivers, Belle Murley, Florence Catherine Sheehy, Riley Doyle, Kitty Doyle, Minnie Doyle, Oisín Ó Broin, Isla Hobbs, Harry Boland, Síomha Curran, Ruairi McGettigan, Cúan O'Neill, Bowie McHugh, Charlie Kelly, Jake Ryan, Ollie Soyle, Art O'Halloran, Cian Walsh, Fíadh Healy, Adam Duffy, Cillian Earls, Rian Gormley, Dara Dunne, Molly Duffy, Callum Doyle, Eloise Travis, Mary Doyle, Nico Sheekey, Jack O'Neill.

Coaches: Tom Dunne, Ronan Connolly, Garrett Drummond, Stephen Duffy, Tom Murphy, Tomás Curran, Grace Sexton, Gianpaolo Imperarice, Wayne Doyle, Frankie Doyle, Ciaran Doyle, Leona Franey, Caoimhe Lawlor, Aoibheann O'Gara.

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U7 BOYS FOOTBALL

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Our U7's played every second Friday night in Go Games blitzes – we fielded 4 teams every blitz, with 6 teams attending the monster blitz at the end of the year in Ballinakill.

We had a player of the week trophy each week at training as an incentive for the lads to put in an effort at training and skill improvement was rewarded on a weekly basis.

This season turned out to be a great success with a massive turn out for our end of season wrap-up. We had 42 lads receiving a training top kindly sponsored by club legend Daragh O'Sullivan and his company, Seafield Landscaping.

Coaches: John Joe McCoy, Shane Morley, Rebecca Hollingsworth, Stuart Donoghue, Ciaran Doyle, Ronan Monaghan, Ramesh Lakshmanaraj, Alan Coady.

U7 BOYS HURLING

U7 boys took part in a number of Go Games throughout the year, each player working hard on their individual skills and working as a team and showing huge improvements towards the end of the season.

All of the lads showed up to training with great enthusiasm and it transferred over to their matches with some skilful scores as a result. Plenty of new friendships were created which was a pleasure to witness.

A huge thank you to our sponsor, former senior player Daragh O'Sullivan who contributed to our end of year presentation with a training top for each player.

2024 players: Coley, Bobby, Ollie, Louie S, Ryan, Tom, Cuan, Rian, Harrison, Louie N, Jack, Graham, Arden, Ryan, Timmy, Ruari, William, Dara, Bill, Jackson, Nolan, Coalin, Josh, JJ, Robert, Oisín.

Coaches: Shane Murley, Ramesh Lakshmanaraj, Ronan Monahan.

U9 BOYS FOOTBALL

It was a good year for the U9 footballers. Training started in March with 50+ boys involved. One or two training sessions were held each week (usually 30-40 attended) with clear progress and increased



U9 BOYS FOOTBALL

complexity over the year.

The Go Games were well attended, usually with 4 teams playing.

The season closed with a fun day, presentation of training tops kindly sponsored by one of the parents, and a party.

2024 players: Conor Roach, Daire O'Kane, Ryan Dowling, Sam Duffy, Tom Keating, Zac Fitzpatrick, Lorcan Reddin, Sean Ruttledge, Liam Earls, Owen Smullen, Logan Dunne, Billy Winters, Paddy Smith, Alex Marini, Sonny Cosgrove, Daniel Martin, Feidhlim Byrne, Josh McCoy, Michael Brock, Phoenix McDonnell, Kai Dunne, Tom Guiney, Scott Marah, Cian Convery, Harry McWalters, Domenico Morelli, Patrick Kinsella, Tommy Quinn, Eoghan Delaney, James Jordan, Fionn O'Brien, Albie Lambert. Ben Doyle, Caelan O'Mahoney, Cal Savage, Casey Kavanagh, Charlie Costello, Christopher Madden, Cian Healy, Eli Lynch, Faolan Maher, Harry O'Sullivan, Jack Fitzpatrick, James Nagle, Joseph Ivers, Josh O'Mahoney, Jude Luca Kajani, Logan Newsome, Mortimer Sheehy, Noah Fitzpatrick, Oisín Fitzpatrick, Oisín O'Brien, Oisín Wrafter, Sam Conroy, Tadhg Lambe, Tiernan Rogers, Toby Duffy, Jim Connors, Jamie Lavery, Caolan Byrne, Freddy Breen.

Coaches: John O'Kane, Donal Convery, David McWalters, Damien Conroy, Brendan Fitzpatrick, Kevin Ivers, Peter Duffy.

U9 BOYS HURLING

The boys trained on Monday evenings and had Go Games on alternate Fridays with football. We also attended two monster blitzes in Ballinakill. It was a

successful year with the boys being very competitive in all fixtures and showing lots of improvement over the year.

Thanks to all of the coaches for their commitment throughout the year and a big thank you to Black Castle Scenery Ltd. (Ben & Aisling Gillespie) for their very generous sponsorship of training tops for the boys.

2024 players: Albie Lambert, Caolan Byrne, Charlie Costello, Cian Convery, Conor Kirwan, Daire O'Kane, Erik Gaynor, Jack Fitzpatrick, James Moorehouse, James Nagle, Jim Connors, John O'Brien, Joseph Ivers, Junior Connors, Kai Gaynor, Liam Russell, Logan Dunne, Lorcán Gillespie, Lorcan Reddin, Mortimer Sheehy, Paddy O'Brien, Paddy Smith, Ruari Baines, Ryan Dowling, Sam Duffy, Séamus Keegan, Sean Rutledge.

Coaches: Kevin Ivers, Donal Convery, Brendan Fitzpatrick, Johnny Connors.

U11 BOYS FOOTBALL

We had our first session of the year on Tuesday 23 January in Dunbur hall and we trained indoors most Tuesdays and Friday evenings until the start of April when we were able to move outdoors.

We continued to train twice a week until the end of September (weather permitting) unless we had a match on a Wednesday. A big thanks to all in the club involved in keeping Dunbur in such good condition and available throughout the year and also to Bosco for arranging to have CCM available on Tuesday evenings.

Thanks to the parents, we had good turn outs for every training session and games. The boys have all made good progress and they were all a pleasure to work with throughout the year.

We had a very enjoyable and successful group series. Our 2013 boys played in Group 1 and our 2014 boys played in Group 4. The boys represented themselves and the club proudly and played with great skill and determination throughout the year, but above all had fun.

A big thanks to all the coaches and others involved throughout the year in looking after the boys.

2024 players: Eoghan Cannon, Kristofers Schaffer, Jack Murphy, Andrew Gough, Jack Sullivan, Ronan McVicar, Shane O'Sullivan, Donnchadh Keating, Jacob Kellett, Liam Kelly, Rian Jameson, Rohan O'Meachair, Nathan Quinn, Tom Gavin, Rhys Byrne, Jude Lambe, Sean Kinsella, Jack Lane, Cillian



Theobald, Eli Young, Cillian Tighe, Tom O'Neill, Aidan Mitchell, Jasper Baltrusaitis, Arthur Kavanagh, Tom Donohoe, DJ Wrafter, Conor O'Brien, Callum Dunne, Jacob Harbott, Finn Savage, Teddy Lucy, Taj Fitzsimons, Eoin McVeigh, Aaron Fitzpatrick, Ted Jameson, Ryan Goucher.

Coaches: Mike Cannon, Brian McVicar, Theo Theobald, Sean O'Brien, Brian Fitzsimons, John Lane, Manus Quinn.



U11 BOYS FOOTBALL



U11 BOYS HURLING

Our U11 hurlers commenced the season back in March. We trained alternative Tuesday and Thursday evenings, with a match every second Wednesday and an U10 Player Pathway match scheduled for the second Monday of each month.

There was an even divide of players of which approximately half will move up to U13's next season. We have some excellent players coming up from U9's to U11's next season who showed their skills at our U10 Player Pathway matches. The U11 squad will be larger next season which is great to see.

Jack Murphy represented the club at the U11 Hurling Skills in Aghrim in June.

We were invited to participate in a blitz in Éire Óg Greystones back in August – they had a great afternoon, lots of hurling and lots of sweets. Éire Óg were excellent hosts.

We wrapped up the season with the annual final blitz in Ballinakill.

2024 players: Rhys Byrne; James Connors; Tom Donoghue; Alex Douglas; Ryan Ezra Dillep; Andrew Gough; Jacob Harbott; Rian Jameson; Jude Lamb; Jack Lane; Aidan Mitchell; Jack Murphy; Bill O'Brien; Conor O'Brien; George O'Brien; Kristofers Schäffer; Cillian Theobald.

Coaches: John O'Brien, Sean O'Brien, John Lane, Liam Theobald.

U13 BOYS FOOTBALL

At the start of the season, we played several clubs in what was a type of grading process to determine what level we were capable of playing at. When we had finished playing our pre-season matches, we decided to enter our 2011 players into the U13 Division 1 League and we entered our 2012 players into the U13 Division 3 League.

The 2011's got on very well and finished in third place in the league. We then played our neighbours, Rathnew in the semi-finals of the cup. Unfortunately, we lost that one. We then played Tomnafinogue in the trophy final. That result did not go our way either.

Although we did not win a trophy, there were a lot of positives to take from the season. More importantly, the boys enjoyed the season immensely. The future is bright.

Our 2012's took time to get going. Having lost their first few matches in Division 3, their hard work in training paid off and they were competing with more success as the season went on. They ended up finishing in mid-table. This is a team that shows great potential. Several of the players moved up to play in Division 1 when required and proved themselves to be more than capable. All in all, both teams did well with a mix of new and experienced players. Roll on season 2025.

2024 players: Dylan Butler, Will Carey, James Carroll, Michael



U11 BOYS HURLING



Carroll, Gerry Connors, Samuel Connors, Eoghan Daye, Chris Delahunt, Callum Dunne, Ryan Gaskin, Matthew Gough, Kai Jameson, Rhian Kavanagh, Charlie Lawlor, Ben Morrissey, Mikey O'Neill, Joe O'Reilly, Eoghan Quinn, Artur Safonovs.

C.J. Armstrong, Brendan Baines, Kayden Connolly, Shane Davis, Davey Driver, Lochlan Greene, Zach Hollingsworth, Alfie Kajani, C.J. Keogh, Luke McCoy, Charlie Mitchell, Daire Mitchell, Jamie Noctor, Billy Nolan, Senan O'Brien, Sam Reade, Matthew Stapleton, Dylan Tuite.

Coaches: Shaun Carroll, William Carey, Brian Gleeson, Alan Lawlor, Tommy Kelly, Brian Finnegan.

U13 BOYS HURLING

The under 13 boys had a very good season. They commenced back on 7th February and they ended the season in the middle of September. The boys started with 4 weeks of indoor sessions in CCM hall, focusing in on improving their skills.

We then took to the field in March, every Wednesday and Friday evening. Training sessions ran for one hour. This worked really and numbers attending training regularly were good.

We had a panel of 19 players. The boys were very committed to the training and each player developed individually throughout the year.

We had a tough start to the year in the Division 1 league with some big losses early in the season. The coaches quickly identified four areas of focus for the year ahead being fitness, hooking and blocking and getting out in front of our marker. The development week on week with the players was evident and the team started to be competitive in matches without getting a victory. This was hugely encouraging for the players, and they could see their own development and the confidence was starting to grow.

The team's growth was there to see and they had a great win in the B Championship semi-final against Luke O'Tooles, putting in a very strong team performance. Their work and determination to develop was evident for everyone to see when they put in an unbelievable performance in the final against Western Gaels, coming out on top by two points in a very entertaining final.

As coaches we were extremely proud of the team. The final showcased their work through the year as their fitness showed, their hooking and blocking was brilliant and their desire to get out in front and win the ball was clear throughout the team from starters to the subs that came on. A huge achievement for the



U13 BOYS HURLING

team and well deserved after a determined campaign.

2024 players: Ben Morrissey, Samuel Connors, Ryan Gaskin, MJ Conway, Oisín Rizzo, Jack Collins, Matthew Gough, Charlie Lawlor, Gerry Connors, Aidan Dewar, CJ Keogh, Brendan Baines, Jamie Noctor, Bill O'Brien, Andy Berry, Arthus Safonovs, Matthew Stapleton, Kayden Connolly, Sam Moriarty.

Coaches: Tomás Morrissey, Peadar De Hora, Paul Gaskin, Marky Conway, Ronan Gough.

U15 BOYS FOOTBALL

The U15 Boys Football team played in the Division 1 league, Division 1 Féile and the A Championship this season.

The league started in early April. The team performed well in each of the five competitive matches and finished the league on a high winning the Shield.

The team was entered into Féile at the end of May and won three out of four matches in Division 1. The Féile competition was a great success for the players and coaches.

The team qualified for the A championship after a successful league campaign. The players continued to develop and improve throughout the Championship and achieved their goal of reaching the final which was played in Aughrim on the county

grounds on Sunday 14th September. The players performed incredibly well on the day and narrowly lost out by one score in the end.

A big focus again this year was on player retention, recruitment, skills development and games development. The coaches were successful in the recruitment of three new players who all played their part throughout the season. This team was made up of primarily players born in 2009, throughout the season a number of the players born in 2010 played on this team and a number of them secured a starting position in all of the Championship matches. A special mention to Sean O'Brien who captained the

team for the Championship campaign – he led by example on and off the pitch.

Thanks to Gary Duffy and Dean Healy for their coaching support during the year, to Eugene Dooley for sponsoring the polo tops for the county final and all of the parents for bringing the players to training and matches throughout the season. Thanks to the county board, especially, Tiernan Hall, for a very well run League, Féile and Championship programme.

2024 players: Sean O'Brien (captain), Luke Connolly, Nathan Gough, Cathal Byrne, PJ Lane, Sam Goodbody, Ben O'Leary, Charlie Gavin, NJ Sinnott, Dan Farrell, Cillian Czwalina, Callum Farrell, Daniel Connolly, Liam Cawley, Jack Madden, Harry Bowen, Alex Healy, William Murphy, Oscar Doyle, Tom Donnellan.

Coaches: Joe Cawley, Sean O'Brien, Steven Farrell.

U15 BOYS HURLING

The U15 boys had a respectable but overall disappointing season in which we failed to achieve our stated aim of winning the B Championship.

The team commenced back in early January doing strength and conditioning work in the gym. This was a great way to start and brought a lot of the boys into the gym for the first time. I do think this is an area we can improve on and will be needed again in 2025 with the majority of the team remaining in place for the 2025 season.

We held a parents information meeting on 26th February in which we set out the plan for the year ahead. We took to the field in early March, every Monday and Friday evening. Training sessions ran for 45 minutes after football on a Monday and for 1½ hours on a Friday. The Monday night did not really



U15 BOYS FOOTBALL



work out as players were tired after a tough football session. At times this led to disrupted sessions.

Overall numbers were low enough at training throughout the year and this is something that we will need to review ahead of the 2025 season. We had a panel of 19 players with only five 2009 born players. We were also assisted throughout the year by a number of the U13 players.

Our first match out as a team was in the Féile. We were very unfortunate to lose out to St Josephs (Glenealy & Barndarrig) on the day. The team had a strong league campaign despite losing their first match. The team had some excellent performances with a great win against St Joseph's in Dunbur being the highlight. We went on to finish second in the league which gave us good belief heading into the B Championship. Unfortunately, the setup of the championship changed, and the team were drawn in a group with Bray and Michael Dwyers, the two strongest teams in the championship. Despite this we put it up to Bray at times and showed what the team can be about.

We ended up finishing third in our group which meant we were drawn in the B Championship semi-final against Avondale. They finished in the same position

in Division B and it was a competitive match but Avondale come out victors by eight points. We regrouped as a coaching team and a playing team to win the B Shield final against Éire Óg. Although it was not what we hoped to achieve it was good to finish with some silverware for the team.

It was great to see the return of Sean O'Brien, Cillian Czwalina, and Tom Donnellan to hurling after a number of years away from the game. Player of the season had to be Nathan Gough who was phenomenal throughout the season.

2024 players: Nathan Gough, Cillian Czwalina, Sean O'Brien, Tom Donnellan, Orin Nualasa, Tommy Morrissey, Conor Marah, Bill Guinan, Ben O'Leary, Ryan Cox, Patrick Treanor, Eoin Treanor, Callum Farrell, Luke Connolly, Daniel Connolly, Josh Callery, Jack Madden, Aiden Kelly, Callum Reid, Ryan Gaskin, Ryan Gaskin, Ben Morrissey, Matthew Gough, Charlie Lawlor, Jamie Noctor, MJ Conway.

Coaches: Tomás Morrissey, Damien Marah, Bosco Guinan, Wayne Farrell.

U17 BOYS FOOTBALL

We commenced the season back in November '23 with a few months of S&C. Numbers were very good for this and the boys loved this. We went back on the field at the end of February and numbers were very good. We trained two nights every week and the numbers for each session were between 15 and 20.

We played in the player pathway league and won two out of four matches. The championship started early in July and we played ten matches winning seven of these. Unfortunately we missed out on a championship final due to score difference. We ended up playing a shield final where we narrowly lost by a point to Kilcoole. We also arranged a few

friendlies to try keep give the lads some game time.

As a group of coaches we were happy with the season, as the boys put in a lot of dedication and developed a lot.

2024 players: Alfie Doyle Danny Salazar Daniel Mitchell Cathal Cannon Jack Neville Josh McCann Chris Schmidt Cillian Rice Jack Healy Arran Czwalina Deon Fielding George Connors Finn Dunne Senan O'Donovan Ross Coombes Alex Dunne Jack O'Leary Danny MC Coy Eoin Mitchell Ben Cullinan Daniel Safonov, Adam O'Brien Liam Delaney Cillian Czwalina NJ Sinnott Nathan Gough Jack Reid Eoin Lawlor Joe Culleton.

Coaches: Christian Czwalina, Padge McWalter, Paddy Culleton, Ronan Connolly, Gary O'Leary.

U17 BOYS HURLING

Our minor hurlers commenced the season in March in preparation for the U17 Spring league which commenced in April and where we got pre-season games in against Western Gaels, St. Josephs, Luke O'Tooles and Bray Emmets. While wins were scarce, we were bleeding a number of younger players and the team was improving from game to game.

There were nine teams competing in the minor championship and we got early momentum with wins over Western Gaels and Éire Óg, before just coming up short away to Arklow in our third game.

With a tight panel and calling on some U15's to help out (each very much held their own), we found it difficult to get our strongest team on the field over the season between holidays and some injuries to key players at the business end of the championship.

We finished on three wins and went forward to the B Championship semi-final where we met a Michael Dwyers team who we had already beaten in the earlier rounds. Dwyers were better on the night and our season concluded with a comfortable win over Éire Óg in the Shield final.

Many of the U17's have been getting more hurling in the U19 competition and doing really well which bodes well for the club as these players transition to the adult section.

County reps: Minor – Jack O'Leary, Eoin Lawlor; U16 – George Connors, Senan Shorthall, Jack O'Leary

Sponsorship: Thanks to Paul O'Brien Heating & Plumbing and to Mark Johnston Motors for sponsorship towards zip tops for the team.

2024 players: Liam Delaney, Aaron Nugent, Mathew





U17 BOYS HURLING

Leonard, Michael O' Brien, Miley Connors, Senan Shorthall, George Connors, Alfie Doyle, Senan O' Donovan, Eoin Lawlor, Joe Culleton, Jack O' Leary, Tiernan O' Neill, Leon Noctor, John Brien, Nathan Gough, Cillian Czwalina, Daniel Safanovs, Danny Mc Coy, Callum Farrell, Adam O' Brien.

Coaches: Alan Lawlor, Paddy Culleton, James Phelan, Jim Browne, Michael Doyle.

JUNIOR MEN'S FOOTBALL

Junior A's had their first season in Division 2 after promotion the previous year. In what was a tough league campaign competing against numerous Intermediate championship teams, the team finished the league in 9th position securing their status in Division 2 for next season.

For the Junior A championship, we started with a draw against Blessington, which was followed up with a one point loss vs An Tóchar, a strong win vs Bray and a loss against Kilmacanogue, qualifying for the quarter final. Unfortunately in the quarter final, we were beaten by Ashford.

The team used a total of 42 players this season, with 8 of these going on to play senior championship also. Captain for the year was Ciaran Doyle, who was

supported by Niall Earls.

2024 players: Ian Murphy, Pat Sammon, Tom Phelan, Aaron Lynch, Mark Evans Alex Sinnott, Andy O'Brien, Bee O'Brien, Ben Bowen, Bill O'Brien, Christy Moorehouse, Johnno Moorehouse, James Byrne Cormac Byrne, Conor Brennan, Adam Cox, Sam Culleton, Damian Conroy, Niall Earls Fionn Greene, Pdraig Higgins, Ian Murphy, James Kavanagh, Jamie Owens, Daniel Kavanagh Ken O'Grady, Matthew Ryan, Patrick Murphy, Paul Marah, Reese Kelly, Ryan McConnell, Sean O'Brien, Christopher Kavanagh, Stephen Johnson-Barker, Terry Healy, Tom O'Brien, Ciaran Doyle, Stephen Duffy, Jack Kelly, Fionn Luddy, Adam Heaybeard, Lorcan Byrne.



JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Coaches: Stephen Duffy, Daragh McEvoy, Paul Earls, Colm Byrne, Joe Duffy, Ciaran Doyle, Wayne Doyle.

SENIOR MEN'S FOOTBALL

Division 1A: Following our relegation from Division 1 last year, we played this year in Division 1A. Our aim in the league for the year was to gain promotion back to Division 1. The league was made up of Baltinglass, Coolkenno, Kiltegan, Kilcoole, Kilmacanogue, Dunlavin, and ourselves. After the first round of matches we finished 2nd in the league and qualified for the promotion playoff round robin. Unfortunately we did not win any of our round robin matches and we therefore failed to gain promotion back into Division 1.

Senior Championship: Our main aim for the team this year was to win the senior football championship. We were drawn in Group 1 of the championship along with An Tóchar, Kiltegan, Tinahely, Baltinglass, and Blessington.

We started the championship campaign off with a drawn match vs. Kiltegan. This was followed up with a three point loss to An Tóchar. We lost our next two matches by 1 point to Tinahely and Baltinglass. In our final group game we needed to beat Blessington to avoid a relegation playoff. We finished the campaign beating Blessington by two points, sending them to the relegation playoff.

The team performed well in all of our championship matches however ultimately we failed in our main objective for the year.

The team was very well coached by Gary and Stephen and the players are all very coachable. They did what they lads asked of them and with another year of this coaching under their belts I feel the team will progress massively.

I would like to thank Gary and Stephen for all their incredible work on and off the pitch and I would like to thank Liam for all his hard work and support.

I would like to congratulate Dean Healy, Patrick O'Keane, Shane Doyle, and Gary Duffy for being a part of the Wicklow County Senior Football panel.

I would also like to congratulate Dean for representing Leinster in this year's Railway Cup series. It is a massive honour for Dean and the club.

Many thanks to our main sponsor Wicklow Tyre Service for their continued support and Seafeld Landscaping for sponsoring training tops.



2024 players: Shane Doyle, Ian Murphy, Pat Sammon, Cian O'Brien, Shane Murley, Mark O'Brien, Ken O'Grady, Wayne Doyle, Jem Kavanagh, Simon Bouchier, Ciaran Doyle, Padraig Higgins, Lorcan Byrne, Cormac Byrne, Tom Phelan, Dean Healy, Patrick O'Keane, Paul Marah, Bryan Doyle, Alex Sinnott, Jordan Pettigrew, Jonathan Delahunt, Tommy Kelly, Conor O'Brien, Ronan Murray, Stephen Duffy, Jamie Owens, Stephen Johnson Barker

Coaches: Barry Fitzgerald, Gary Duffy, Stephen Duffy, Liam Keogh, Manus Quinn (Admin)

ADULT HURLING

2024 was a great year for the hurling setup, even though we were unfortunate not to come out without any silverware. The lads put in a huge effort for the duration of a long year. We commenced in early January and played our final game in September. We participated in several competitions taking us out of the County and into neighbouring counties around Leinster, which were of great benefit and development to the team.

Competitions participated in:

Wicklow Senior League: Played 5 matches and re-established our position back at Senior level after an absence of a year. The team was competitive, showing the year in Intermediate had been of benefit.

Leinster Spring League: Played 5 matches, eventually narrowly losing the final to a team from Kilkenny. Great experience travelling to numerous counties and benefiting from playing different styles and grades of opponents. High performance level

games in a competitive manner allowing both the individual and team to develop and learn how to deal with stressful situations.

Dublin Adult League Division 5: Played 12 matches and just missed out on promotion in our first attempt of participation. Allowed all players valuable game time which is difficult to obtain in County Wicklow due to the small number of teams at Senior level. Again great experience allowing members play competitive games against good opposition, gaining fitness and knowledge of what is require to be a competitive team.

Wicklow Senior Hurling Championship: Competed

well and finished fourth in the group. We were unlucky with the results in some matches which resulted in us missing out on a semi-final spot due to a head to head rule. This was the pinnacle of the year. All previous matches and training lead to this competition. We progressed in all aspects due to togetherness and commitment from all the panel. Teamwork, communication skills, resilience and commitment improved greatly over the year which also gives the lads the tools to improve in the Championship in 2025.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Chairperson, the Club, and our sponsors for their continued support and assistance with the Adult Hurling setup. It is always greatly appreciated and it doesn't go unnoticed. Our sponsors are Ceart, Exchange House, Fancos and also Peter O'Reilly who without his assistance we would not be able to provide all the extras for our players. The management put in a huge commitment traveling with the team to the numerous games and attending the training sessions. I would like to show my appreciation to Mick Byrne, John Gill, and Paul O'Brien for agreeing to continue on to the coming year and hope we can improve and this year's performance.

Finally I would like to show my gratitude to John Greengrass O'Brien for all the excellent work he does behind the scenes. Without his continued support we would we be lost. He always goes above and beyond with his efforts for the club.





U8 & U10 CAMOGIE

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In 2024 our U8 and U10's started with 30 players from March to end of June where the numbers dropped to 20-25 players.

Our first blitz was on 25th May where we had two teams. St Pat's held an U8 and U10 blitz in Dunbur on August 17th with away clubs Avondale, Kilcoole and Éire Óg.

We played eight blitzes this season with a finishing blitz on October 6th in the rain in Ballinakill with two teams.

Coaches: Ciara Fitzpatrick, Colin Byrne, Margaret Leonard.

U12 & U13 CAMOGIE

In 2024 unfortunately we started with nine U12's and therefore unable to field a team for U12. The U12's continued training with the U14's and played up in the U14 Division 3 League and Championship.

It was a challenging season for the U12's this year but U13's new development league matches started in September with matches against Kilcoole and Éire Óg. The U13's reached a final against Kilcoole.

Coaches: Margaret Leonard, Yvonne McGarry.



U12 & U13 CAMOGIE



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U14 CAMOGIE

In 2024 our U14's played in both the Division 3 League and Championship. It was a challenging season for the Under 14's this year as we struggled with numbers especially during the summer when many of the girls were on holidays or away at Irish College. We were very lucky that a number of U12 girls stepped up to play with the U14's.

We played against teams from Kilcoole, Éire Óg, Donard The Glen, and Glenealy in both league and championship. While not successful this year in terms of winning games, the team never gave up and always gave a good account of themselves and there's a lot of positives to take forward to next season. Special thanks also to Margaret Leonard who was always available to support when needed.

2024 players: Ava Blanchfield, Mia Byrne-Lucey,

Roisin Kirwan, Lucie Carey, Aoife Kirwan, Ciara Lawlor, Kya Dickenson, Aoife Nolan, Eva Doyle, Cara Nolan, Abigail Griffiths, Ciara O'Brien, Lilly Ellen Jordan, Tara O'Neill, Erika Kanevskaya, Sadbh Kavanagh, Kate Ryan, Megan Kearney Collinge, Alice Shanley.

Coaches: Conor Lawlor, Yvonne McGarry, Pat Ryan.
Support: Geraldine Nolan, Michelle Griffiths.



U16 CAMOGIE

U16 CAMOGIE

Our U16 camogie team had a very enjoyable and successful season in 2024, reaching the Division 3 league final and winning the “C” championship.

We started the league campaign off with a home game against Avondale and after a tough battle, Avondale came away with the win. The team regrouped and after wins against Donard, Avoca, and Kilcoole, we were through to the final where we once again would meet Avondale. Unfortunately after battling very hard on the day we fell just short again.

It was now championship time, from July onwards and with Irish College, holidays and some injuries we found ourselves tight on numbers and a number of the U14's stepped up and gave great performances with the U16 group.

We were in a group with Donard, Avoca, and

Kilcoole, with a double round to be played before the knockouts. The girls went unbeaten culminating in a very tough battle in the final vs Donard, where two quick goals just after half time helped secure victory on the night.

Well done to Kayla Renwick, Freya Renwick, and Caoimhe Doherty who represented the county at U16 camogie this year. Roisin Leonard played on the County U15 team.

2024 players: Ashley Browne, Ciara Lawlor, Katie Lawlor, Emily Carey, Roisin Leonard, Lily Neville, Caoimhe Doherty, Aoife Nolan, Eva Doyle, Aoife O'Sullivan, Reece Hughes, Edie Renwick, Aoife Hunter, Freya Renwick, Kayla Renwick, Lilly Jordan, Grace Ryan, Caoimhe Kavanagh, Kate Ryan, Elena Scanlan, Caoimhe Lawlor, Cadhla Teevan.

Coaches: Alan Lawlor, Pat Ryan, Margaret Leonard.



U8 GIRLS

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U8 GIRLS FOOTBALL

St Pat's U8's had an enjoyable year with 35 girls participating in training and Go Games throughout the year. Grouped with Rathnew, Ashford and An Tóchar, the St Pat's girls improved throughout the four blitzes hosted by each club. From blitz to blitz, confidence and skills grew and grew as the St Pat's girls carried their training into games.

Naomh Éanna, Gorey were our hosts in August and they travelled to Dunbur in early September to play the final blitz of the year with near neighbours Ashford making the short journey also.

The girls participated in the St Pats LGFA celebration day and the Family day in September with in house games showcasing their skills and teamwork on the

The highlight of the year came on the last day of our season, as the girls accompanied our Senior Ladies during the parade on County Final day and played two very enjoyable games against Tinahely at half-time – a great experience for players, coaches and parents to finish the year.

A big thank you to the players, coaches and parents for all their efforts throughout the year.

2024 players: Mila Duffy, Darcy Dunne, Saoirse Daye, Clodagh O'Brien, Noa Haviv, Lauren Connolly, Hannah Lalar, Fiadh Byrne, Emma McKenna, Avianna Harrington, Rebecca Brogan, Tess Cornyn, Sadhbh Dunne Conroy, Alice Pickering, Tess Mitchell, Ella Fitzgerald, Kate Jameson, Abigail Murphy, Cara Theobald, Niamh Byrne, Sienna Dunne, Orla Murphy, Grace Franey, Saoirse Forsyth,



U10 GIRLS





U12 GIRLS

Esme Glynn, Julia Jurek, Carla Marini, Ella Ryan, Lucy Dalton, Mila Monahan, Robyn Carolan, Caoimhe Byrne, Mia Nolan, Indi Bradshaw, Ivy McGivern, Cara Byrne, Marie Anne, Aoise Ellison.

Coaches: Joe Duffy, Leona Franey, Tom Dunne, Tom Murphy, Amanda Daye, Brian Harrington.

U10 GIRLS FOOTBALL

We had 28 training sessions in total from March to October. We originally started with one session a week in March through to May before introducing a second mid-week session in CCM. This extra practice really brought the girls on in terms of confidence and competence in the core skills. The targeted areas for improvement were competing for the ball, kicking and team play.

We entered 7 blitzes in total playing against various opposition including Rathnew, Ashford, Newcastle, Roundwood, and AGB. From the first blitz in Roundwood at the start of the year, the girls made huge progress and always showed great enthusiasm



and attitude in training.

The girls thoroughly enjoyed the county final day forming a guard of honour for the senior girls in Aughrim. They also played half time games against Tinahely and Aughrim. The senior ladies are fantastic role models for the girls and our gang came home buzzing with excitement after the big match day experience.

It was an action packed itinerary and a very enjoyable experience for coaches and players alike – well done girls!

2024 players: Holly Carton, Clodagh Byrne, Siún Fitzpatrick, Maria Cornyn, Phoebe Mackay, Indra Vickers, Daire Dunne Earls, Jaime Farrell, Seren Ní Dhubhghlas, Maria Murley, Sophia Murley, Kate Jameson, Ellie Mae Doyle, Kiya Anderson, Hannah Lawlor, Caitlin Coady, Ena Roche, Leila Cronin, Charlee Doyle, Emily Loughlin, Daisy Donoghue, Anouk Lambert, Hannah Murphy, Liadh Fitzsimmons, Mina Kennedy, Eva Dunne, Grace O'Brien, Sophia Snell, Eilbhe Phelan.

Coaches: Brian Cornyn, Colin Byrne, Declan Murley, Carol Jameson, Wayne Doyle, Bryan Farrell.

U12 GIRLS FOOTBALL

Our U12 girls had an excellent season this year. Our large numbers allowed us to enter two teams which we split by age. Girls born in 2012 (U12) competed in Division 1, while girls born in 2013 (U11) competed in Division 4.

The U12's acquitted themselves very well in Division 1, competing very well in all games and showing great development as the season progressed, culminating with an excellent win over An Tóchar in the Wicklow LGFA end of season Festival of Football held in Ballinakill.

The U11's performed extremely well in Division 4, making great progress as the season went on in terms of confidence, teamwork and skill levels ensuring they are ready to move to a higher division in 2025.

Both teams had an enjoyable day, despite the weather, in our Festival of Football to celebrate the LGFA 50 year Anniversary competing against strong visiting teams such as Cuala, Celbridge, Fingallians, Rathnew and An Tóchar. This was a great experience for the girls to play against teams from outside the county as well as renewing rivalries with our close neighbours.

The girls finished the season by participating in the Mini All-Ireland at our Club Fun Day. They all performed brilliantly on the day and it was a great way to finish our season and we look forward to 2025.

Big thank you to all the coaches and parents for their help throughout the year and also a big thank you to Maria in Buttons Montessori for her kind contribution towards our end of year party.

2024 Panel: Caia Byrne, Julia Conroy, Clodagh Cosgrave, Chloe Cowen, Kya Dickenson, Heidi Devlin, Sienna Kennedy Duffy, Katie Mae Earls, Eabha Forsythe, Anaelle Grace, Emilia Jolley, Skyla Kavanagh, Alannah Kingne, Aine Leonard, Erin Marah, Ruby McEvoy, Millie McKay, Piper Ni Dhubhghlas, Adrianna Ortega Kiely, Lyra Pickering, Beatrice Adolfo, Elena Marini, Elina Stosa.

Amy Byrne, Chloe Cannon, Lucie Carey, Abby Carolan, Isabelle Keating, Sadhbh Fitzsimons, Charlotte Flynn, Olivia Guinan, Ruby Herlihy, Isobelle Hogan, Grace Ivers, Sophie Jones, Siofra Keegan, Noelle Kelly, Fainche Maher, Anya Moore, Amy McKenna, Fia Monahan, Sophie O'Connor, Summer Robinson, Laura Rutelage, Eva Samson, Faye Smullen, Lucy Smullen, Eva Snell, Aoife Turner.

Coaches: Gary Duffy, Sean Forsythe, Liz Malone, Daragh McEvoy, Bosco Guinan, Carol Byrne, Ronan Monaghan.

U14 GIRLS FOOTBALL

Our Season began in mid-February with indoor training initially working mainly on fitness levels and building stamina. We moved to outdoor training at the end of March and continued to train twice a week on Tuesdays and Saturdays through the season. Attendance was overall very good for training sessions helping the girls with both their personal development in the sport and developing together as a team.

We had two teams for the Under 14 League – Division 1 and Division 3 teams. The league commenced the end of March and the girls had matches approximately every two weeks giving plenty of game-time for all.

The Under 14 Championship commenced early August and again we had two teams who played in the A Championship and C Championship.

Despite the results of both the League and Championship not going our way, the girls showed a lot of promise and potential and we look forward to seeing them develop further in the future.

Four of our Under 14 Girls made the county Under 14



Panel this season – Ellie Barcoe, Millie Kenny, Eddie Renwick, and Allesia Snell – and we are all very proud of their achievements. Well done girls.

In July, our team got very generous sponsorship from Fachtna Whittle for gear bags for all the girls. The bags carry the Whittle Name in memory of Fachtna's late father Tommy. Many thanks to Fachtna from all of the Under 14 team.

It has been a pleasure to be involved with this great bunch of girls this season. They all showed great commitment and as a result we have seen great improvement and development in all the girls involved.

Thank you as always to all the parents for their support throughout the season.

2024 players: Ellie Barcoe, Kayleigh Bouchier Crowley, Alex Carthy, Ruth Connolly, April Donohoe, Lilly Dunne, Anna Healy, Chloe Jones, Eira Kavanagh, Millie Kenny, Lucy Kilcoyne, Ciara Lawlor, Ciara Mitchell, Lauren Mooney, Aoife Nolan, Edie Renwick, Kate Ryan, Allesia Snell, Olivia Stephenson.

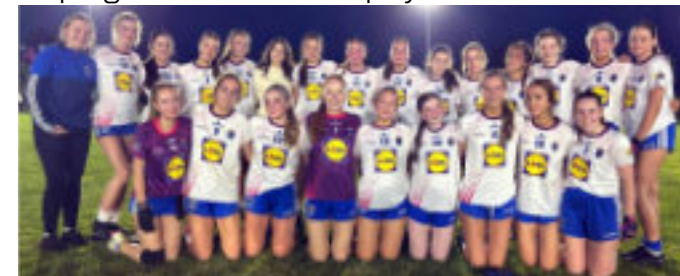
Kate Barcoe, Kate Byrne, Catherine Cummins, Katie Czwalina, Aoibheann Delahunt, Louise Dunne, Sarah Dunne, Summer Fitzsimons, Saorla Hartley, Eliza Hogan Ryan, Laila Lynch, Meabh McNamara, Ciara McVeigh, Jan Musiol, Cara Nolan, Alicia Quinn, Emily Reddin, Lexi Sinnott, Cerys Young.

Fia Monahan, Faye Smullen, Lucy Smullen, Eva Snell.

Coaches: John Gerard McGettigan, Pat Harris. FLO/ Admin: Emma Czwalina, Leanne Ryan.

U16 GIRLS FOOTBALL

The U16 girls started back training at the end of March attending strength and conditioning classes in the S&C Collective, Rathnew. Due to large numbers and with the help of the under 14's we fielded two league teams in Divisions 1 and 3. This allowed for ample game time for all the players.



Division 1 found the standard difficult with a handful of wins. The Division 3 team thrived with lots of wins & some great performances.

After careful consideration we decided to only field one team in the A championship. After a summer of hard training and developing a new style of play, we hit the ground running in the championship.

In the group stage we faced AGB, Blessington, and Dunlavin. With two wins out of three, we progressed to the semi-final where we faced Tinahely in the match of the year, winning by 2 points after a fantastic display of football. This made us the first St. Pat's U16 team to reach an A county final in eight years.

In the lead up to the final, we were very thankful to receive sponsorship from DNG Thornton Properties for new training tops. We also received sponsorship of food and drink from Gallagher's Supervalu Wicklow for the match. Unfortunately we lost out in the final to a strong AGB side in Ashford. Following the game the girls enjoyed pizza in the clubhouse.

After a very successful season we look forward to next year and trying to finish with silverware. A special mention to Rose Donohoe, Kayla and Freya Renwick who represented Wicklow on the county panel this year.

2024 players: Alannah Delahunt, Alessia Snell (U14), Aoibhinn Hartley, Aoife Marah, Aoife Hunter, April Donohoe (U14), Edie Renwick (U14), Ellie Barcoe (U14), Emily Carey, Emily Cowan, Emily Byrne, Emma Labor, Freya Renwick, Grace Ryan, Hannah Mahon, Hayley Rose Thornton, Kaila Masculin, Katie Lawlor, Kayla Renwick, Keelagh Young, Lauren Beacom, Lily Dunne (U14), Lily Neville, Lucy Kilcoyne (U14), Maeve Ledesma, Meg Carey, Millie Kenny (U14), Naoise Hannon, Nicole Peterson, Olivia Pennell, Reece Hughes, Ruby Hasler, Saoirse O'Brien, Sophie O'Callaghan.

Coaches: Mark Donohoe, Jason Carey, Colin O'Brien, Ian O'Callaghan, Amy Kavanagh, Siobhan Hollingsworth.

U18 GIRLS FOOTBALL

League: Our minor ladies started back training on 1st February in preparation for the minor league in March. We were in a group with Kilcoole, Eire Óg, and Valleymount. Our two county players, Eadaoin O'Keane and Isabelle Ledesma were ineligible to play with us.

We started off with a good win against Valleymount on 10th March before poor weather and unplayable



pitches forced the competition to be delayed until April. Narrow defeats in very entertaining games to Eire Óg and Kilcoole saw the campaign finish.

Championship: We competed in the A Championship and our group consisted of Baltinglass and AGB. We got off to a slow start in our first game against Baltinglass away but and while putting in a much improved second half performance there was too much to do to overcome the home side. We had AGB at home in our second game. This was a highly competitive game in stormy and difficult conditions and just came up short by one point.

2024 players: Aisling Turner, Amy Lalor, Alannah Kilcoyne, Aoibhinn Hartley, Aoife Hunter, Bethany Hastie, Eadaoin O'Keane, Edie Renwick, Emily Carey, Emily Byrne, Emma Labor, Erica Byrne, Freya Renwick, Freya Keegan Cullinan, Grace Ryan, Grace Donoghue, Isabel Ledesma, Isobel Malone, Kalia Macklin, Katie Lawlor, Kayla Renwick, Lara Chassagne, Meabh Greene, Meave Ledesma, Marie Galligan, Meg Carey, Millie Phelan, Molly O Keefe, Naoise Hannon, Nicole Cawley, Reece Hughes, Rose Donoghue, Ruby Hasler, Saoirse O'Brien, Sophie O Callaghan, Tess Carey, Tilly Byrne McGettigan.

Coaches: Willie Carey – Lead, Peter Porter, Joe Cawley, Rob Greene – Administration, Caroline Galligan – FLO.

JUNIOR LADIES FOOTBALL

Our Junior ladies played in the Division 4 league with An Tóchar, Rathnew, Kilbride, Clara Gaels, Ashford, Bray Emmets, and Newtown.

Our campaign started out on 16th April with a home win against An Tóchar. Ten days later we faced

Rathnew away and in a thrilling encounter we claimed a deserved victory with a point deep into injury time. We maintained our 100% win record with further victories against Kilbride, Clara Gaels, Ashford and finally against Bray on June 6th to win the league. Our final game against Newtown was not played.

We competed in the A Championship. The following teams made up our group: AGB, Bray Emmets, Eire Og and Valleymount. Our first game in the competition was away to AGB on 13th August. AGB put in a very strong second half performance to win well. We were back to winning ways in the next round in Dunbur on 21st August with a five point victory against Bray Emmets. Next up was an experienced Eire Og side who pulled away from us in the second half with some well taken points. Valleymount was our final group game at home on September 1st. In an evenly contested game Valleymount had just enough to come out on top by four points.

On 22nd September we played Barndarrig in the Junior A Shield Final in Dunbur. In difficult conditions we came up short but battled right to the final whistle. Some late points by the visitors had them win 1-9 to 1-3.

The junior team had a successful and enjoyable 2024. The coach's aims were to build and develop the skills and understanding of the game for each player while also being competitive.

2024 players: Aisling Turner, Amy Kavanagh, Amy Lalor, Aoibhinn Hartley, Aoife Hunter, Bethany Hastie, Emily Carey, Emma Labor, Erica Byrne, Freya Renwick, Grace Ryan, Grace Donoghue, Isobel Malone, Kalia Macklin, Katie Lawlor, Katie Shea, Kayla Renwick, Liz Malone, Lara Chassagne, Laura Leonard, Meabh Greene, Meave Ledesma, Marie Galligan, Meg Carey, Millie Phelan, Molly O Keefe, Naoise Hannon, Nicole Cawley, Rebecca Hollingsworth, Reece Hughes, Rose Donoghue, Sophie Porter, Sophie O Callaghan, Tess Carey, Vicky Ronning.

Coaches: Willie Carey – Lead, Peter Porter, Joe Cawley, Rob Greene – Administration, Caroline Galligan – FLO.





SENIOR LADIES

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St. Patrick's Championship campaign began in August with a home match against Blessington. Both teams were eager to start strong, resulting in a fiercely competitive game. After exchanging scores, St. Patrick's asserted dominance and secured a narrow victory, setting a positive tone for the season.

Round 2 was a tough away game against rivals AGB, where St. Patrick's lost by five points. However, they bounced back impressively against reigning champions Tinahely, falling short by just two points. The intensity of these matches fuelled their determination for the next challenge.

In Round 4, St. Patrick's faced a steadily improving Bray team. A standout defensive performance led to a one-point victory. Momentum continued into Baltinglass, where a strong start clinched their place in the semi-finals. Facing AGB again, St. Patrick's triumphed by a single point, eagerly anticipating the final against Tinahely.

The atmosphere was electric as St. Pat's took to the field for the County final but nerves were palpable in the early minutes. However, as the first half progressed, St. Pat's began to find their rhythm,

showcasing resilience and determination. A standout moment came from Niamh O'Brien, whose goal ignited the team and the crowd alike. Following her lead, Sinead McGettigan delivered a stunning goal that showed the tenacity that has become synonymous with St. Pat's this year. By half-time, the team had managed to carve out a narrow two-point lead setting the stage for a thrilling second half. Unfortunately Tinahely edged ahead in the second half and secured their victory in the end.

While it was a disappointing end for St. Pat's, their performance throughout the match highlighted their growth and potential. With the spirit and talent they displayed, there's much to look forward to in the 2025 season.

2024 players: Rioghna McGettigan (Captain), Lucy Dunne, Amy Lalor, Sinead McGettigan, Molly Callery, Ellen Griffin, Laura Leonard, Niamh O'Brien, Eadaoin O'Keane, Aoife Caffrey, Naoise O'Reilly, Marie Galligan, Holly McSorley, Saoirse O'Reilly, Milly Phelan, Sarah Evans, Isabel Ledesma, Kate Hennessy, Kirsty Dunne, Molly Sweeny.

Coaches: Brian McSorley, John McGettigan, Don Griffin, Barry Dunne, Marie O'Brien, Lorraine O'Reilly.

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This year we had a number of firsts. We participated in the South Leinster Blitz which was held on 15th June in Bray Emmets grounds. This was a great day out which saw us play a number of teams from across Leinster that we would not get to normally play.

We also hosted our own blitz this year, which was a club first. It was held in conjunction with the LGFA 50th anniversary celebrations that the club hosted in July. We were delighted to host Newtown, AGB, Éire Óg, and Bray Emmets. It was a great success with positive feedback from all involved, and we look forward to hosting more blitz games next year.

We ended the season by visiting both Éire Óg and Naomh Éanna in Gorey for two great blitzes. Overall we had a great year and played many games. We encourage anyone interested in joining to give it a go as we are always looking for new players to ensure our team can continue to train and participate in games.

We would like to thank everyone involved in helping our team out this year, including Dean, Gary, Amy and our coach, Peadar De Hóra.



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