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## COMAIRLE LIATHROIO-LAIMHE NA hÉIREANN

# An Comóráil Bliantúil 1964

TUARASCÓDÁIL AN RÚNAÍ AGUS CUNTAS AN AIRSIO 1963.

TIONÓLFAR AN COMÓRÁIL i DTIG ÓSTA DAIRREADÓ, 1 AGUS 2 SRÁID DANMAIRG, DÉ CLIAÉ,  
AR 22-3-'64, AR A 2 A CLOS.

### AN CLÁR:

- (1) MION-TUAIRISICÍ.
- (2) TUARASCÓDÁIL.
- (3) TUAIRISC AN RÚNAÍ AGUS CUNTAS AN AIRSIO.
- (4) TOGAÓ NA h-OIFIGEADÓ, 1964.
  - (a) Uaétarán.
  - (b) Rúnaí.
  - (c) TEACHTA AR AN ÁRD COMAIRLE C.L.S.
- (5) NA RÚM.

### NA h-OIFISÍ, 1964.

Uaétarán: AN tADAR E, Ó MÍO (DÉ CLIAÉ).

Rúnaí: S. Ó LONGSÍG (DÉ CLIAÉ).

TEACHTA AR AN ÁRD COMAIRLE C.L.S.: S. Ó LONGSÍG (DÉ CLIAÉ).

### NA RÚM:

- (1) That an open draw be made for the All-Ireland Semi-Finals in all grades.—(Cabhair).
- (2) That Rule 58 be amended to read as follows:
  - (1) A player can play Junior softball until such time as he wins an All-Ireland Junior softball championship. He will never again be eligible to play Junior softball, and vice versa.
  - (2) Players graded Senior in Hardball shall play junior in Softball until such time as they win a Junior Softball championship, and vice versa.—(Cabhair).
- (3) That Rule 56 (1) (a) be amended to read as follows—"Senior hardball singles and doubles—five games of twenty-one aces.—(Ath Cliath).
- (4) That the following addendum be added to Rule 48 (1)—"and shall be automatically suspended for six months from the date of the match.

That a player leaving the court without the referee's permission or refusing to continue the match becomes automatically suspended for six months, and no Council or Committee of Comhairle Liathróidh Laimhe na hÉireann shall have power to modify this penalty. In the case of doubles matches, the referee should endeavour to find out if the player's partner is willing to continue the match and report accordingly. The Committee or Council in charge must award the match to the player (in singles) or players (in doubles) willing to continue.

That Rule 48 (II) be deleted.—(Ath Cliath).

- (5) That Central Council decide on using a standard hardball and that only this ball be used in all championship matches.—(Cill Connigh).

- (6) That the final stages of the Gael-Linn competition be rearranged in such a way that the final day's matches be confined solely to semi-finals and finals. All other matches to be played on earlier dates.—(Ath Cliath).

- (7) That Provincial title winners be awarded tickets for either the All-Ireland Hurling or Football finals. Players winning both hardball and softball titles be awarded two tickets.—(Municeacain).

- (8) That a whistle be used by referee in All-Ireland semi-finals and finals.—(Cill Manntain).



# Comairle Litréirí-Láimne na hEireann

A Cárde Saol,

Is éis áis moir dom do éur ós burcomair cuaras-cál bliantúil ar imeactas na bliana, 1963.

Is mian liom mo buirceas do éur mól do éac an tóime a curis liom agus mo éur o'en obair, so mór mór na bailt Comairle, na comairli cuise, na coiste comtee, agus ára Comairle Camann Litréirí Saol.

Tam as súl so mbeir crumnu maic asainn 7 so nbeanair éan obair rocreo is so mbeir an bliain roimhann Cú maic agus mos fearr na an bliain áta éarc.

Fé seo, éale págal, tuairisc ar na comórtáisi, cuntas aingair, agus jrl.

## 1963 ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONS

- S.S.B.S.—J. Maher (Louth).
- S.S.B.D.—P. Downey and J. O'Brien (Kerry).
- J.S.B.S.—R. Lyng (Wexford).
- J.S.B.D.—L. and J. Gilmore (Cavan).
- M.S.B.S.—M. Henry (Sligo).
- M.S.B.D.—H. Ryan and P. Kavanagh (Wexford).
- S.H.B.S.—J. Maher (Louth).
- S.H.B.D.—P. Downey and J. O'Brien (Kerry).
- J.H.B.S.—T. Dowd (Wexford).
- J.H.B.D.—P. Supple and J. Murphy (Cork).
- M.H.B.S.—T. Morrissey (Kilkenny).
- M.H.B.D.—T. Geoghegan and G. Lawler (Kildare).

While handball was included in the G.A.A. Charter from its earliest years, it wasn't until the Irish Handball Council was established at a special meeting in Croke Park on 27th January, 1924, that it came under direct G.A.A. control. It is fitting that in this Annual Report I review the progress of this most ancient Gaelic game over the past forty years since it came under the jurisdiction of the G.A.A. Firstly, let us look at the position prior to 1924. Handball was popular in many parishes, especially in Leinster, Munster and Connacht, but there was absolutely no organisation. During these years the normal procedure was for a player to hold a title until such time as he got a suitable offer to defend it. Very often a few years elapsed between championship matches. While tournaments were sponsored in various parishes, there was absolutely no effort made to organise championships on a proper basis. Handball was very popular in these years as softball, which was in its infancy, had not found its feet. It is only reasonable to ask at this stage—Has handball benefited from coming under the jurisdiction of the G.A.A.? Unhesitatingly I say Yes. The G.A.A. brought its own well-ordered system into operation and handball for the first time was organised on a proper basis. Each G.A.A. County Committee set up a sub-committee to control and organise handball. At a later stage Provincial Councils were established. Championships were organised on same basis as football and hurling, i.e., County Provincial and All-Ireland. There was a continuity from county to All-Ireland level. Minor Championships were started for players under 18 years of age, thus ensuring a constant flow of players to junior and senior ranks. In addition, College Championships were organised through the respective College Councils. However, this progress could not have been achieved without the necessary finance. I am sure you are all too well aware that handball left to its own financial resources could not make the tremendous strides of recent years. By necessity a player's game, it does not enjoy the same patronage as the more popular football and hurling games. The total income from fees and gate receipts could not meet the extensive programmes carried out in these times. Again, the G.A.A. through its various Councils and County Committees came to our aid, and handball to-day goes from strength to strength with the assurance that every genuine effort will be ably supported by these councils and committees. During the past year a total of thirty counties affiliated, Laois and Down being the exceptions. This certainly is a big improvement from the inaugural year when twelve counties affiliated. I might mention here that in the early years the G.A.A. had to contend with a rival organisation which had not the same ideals as our parent body. However, its existence was shortlived.

### LEINSTER:

The return of Louth was welcome, and now that three clubs are active in the county we look forward to a further resurgence during the year. Carlow and Longford, with one club each, are badly in need of some driving force. While Longford's position is understandable to a degree, it is extremely difficult to explain the apathy in a county with such great traditions as Carlow. With ten clubs affiliated, Wexford is the leading county. Hand-

ball in Dublin has made great strides during the past two years and we are indebted to the G.A.A. County Committee for its generous assistance. Kilkenny and Offaly with nine clubs closely follow Wexford. It is pleasing to report the affiliations in Meath increased from one club last year to four this year. This is more in keeping with a county that always was to the forefront in handball. The recently reorganised Handball Committee in Kildare have four clubs affiliated and there is every indication of a healthy and progressive unit in action. Wicklow, despite its geographical difficulties, continues to be one of the best organised counties in the Province. Club affiliations in Westmeath have decreased over the past two years. I would appeal to the G.A.A. Committee to initiate a new drive in the county.

### MUNSTER:

With seventeen clubs affiliated, Tipperary are the leading Munster county. Cork, which was only reorganised last year, continues to go from strength to strength and they now have twelve clubs affiliated. Limerick made a welcome return to handball this year with four clubs affiliating—Cappagh, Rathkeale, Ballingarry and Limerick. The position in Kerry remains the same with three clubs affiliated, and there is no likelihood of any immediate improvement. Clare and Waterford are badly in need of rejuvenation, and I appeal very strongly to the G.A.A. County Committees concerned to realise that they have a responsibility to foster and develop handball, as without their wholehearted co-operation it is impossible to make progress.

### CONNACHT:

Handball continues to make great progress in Mayo, and the past year saw ten clubs affiliating. Sligo has eight clubs affiliated and are making great efforts to roof the court at Ballymoe. Certainly a roofed court would be a very welcome addition to handball in the West. Galway, with eight active clubs, is well organised. Handball in Roscommon has shown definite signs of progress and we look to further efforts during the year. It now only remains for Leitrim to follow the lead of the other Western counties.

### ULSTER:

Interest in Ulster continues to grow and, with the exception of Down, all Northern counties are affiliated. Fermanagh affiliated for the first time this year, and we look with confidence to the future which we hope will show further progress. Cavan is still the leading Ulster county with active clubs in most of the leading districts. A welcome addition to Armagh handball was the erection of the three alleys by Clann Eireann Club at Lurgan. Antrim, Derry and Donegal are handicapped due to the lack of alleys, and until this position improves it is hard to expect great results. Would it be too much to expect the respective G.A.A. County Committees to initiate moves to have at least one regulation alley erected in each county. The position in Monaghan has deteriorated somewhat and the time is ripe for a fresh drive to re-awaken interest in the county.

### CHAMPIONSHIPS:

The full championship clár was carried out on schedule. In the case of matches arranged for Ballypatrick on 6th October, we were fortunate in being able to transfer the fixture to Horse and Jockey roofed court when torrential rain ruled out any possibility of the matches being played at this venue. The change of venue enabled us to play the matches without any appreciable increase in teams' expenses. Yet we lost what would have been a record gate at Ballypatrick. Tellis Eireann had arranged to televise the original at Ballypatrick and, while they did eventually televise them at Horse and Jockey, the poor lighting reflected itself in the film which was not all we would have desired. By his success in winning both Senior singles titles, Joe Maher of Louth made an impressive return after being out of action for a year. He now becomes the fourth player in our history to win these two titles in the same year, the other three players being—J. J. Gilmartin, John Ryan and Paddy Downey. His dual success left him an assured competitor for the forthcoming World series in New York. The renowned Kerry partnership of Paddy Downey and Jimmy O'Brien added to their lengthy list of successes when they retained the S.S.B.D. title and regained the S.H.B.D. crown. In winning the S.S.B.D. for the sixth occasion they surpassed the record of the late Joe Hassett and his brother Ned, who had won this title five times (1934-1938). It is worthy of record that the man largely responsible for the resurgence in Kerry was none other than the late Joe Hassett. When transferred to Tralee, he revived interest in the game and devoted all his spare time to training the youth. It is fitting that the two players to surpass his record are two of his proteges. Looking back over the years, it is remarkable how often members of the same family figure in our various championship matches. Again this year a well-known handball family created a most unusual record when Richie Lyng of Wexford won the J.S.B.S. title. He was following in the footsteps of his brother Jimmy, who won

this title in 1955. Incidentally, both brothers won the M.S.B.S. championship, and a remarkable coincidence is that in each case there was a gap of two years between their Minor and Junior successes. The success of Tom Dowd of Wexford in J.H.B.S. compensated for his narrow defeats during the previous three years. This was his fourth year in succession to represent Wexford in the All-Ireland series.

The success of P. Supple and J. Murphy in J.H.B.D. gave Cork its first All-Ireland title since 1953. This success should be an added incentive to the present efforts to promote handball in the county. Successes come so seldom to Connacht and Ulster that there is general rejoicing, as is the case this year when Cavan and Sligo won National titles. The success of Louis and John Gilmore of Kingscourt in J.S.B.D. gave Cavan its first title in this championship since 1930. These Cavan players are well-deserving of success as they have been most consistent performers in Championship and tournament matches for a number of years. This success, following so close on S. McCabe's (Monaghan) success in J.S.B.S. last year, is further indication of the improving standard in Ulster. They also set up a record in being the first-ever Ulster players to contest a hardball final when they were narrowly defeated by Cork in J.H.B.D. Marcus Henry, one of the most impressive Minors to come out of Connacht in recent years, gained a well-deserved success when he won the M.S.B.S. and gave Sligo its first-ever Minor title. He also contested the M.H.B.S. and M.H.B.D. finals. The youngest-ever players to win National titles are the Kildare players, Tom Geoghegan and Greg Lawler, 15 years and 14 years of age, respectively. They were convincing winners of the M.H.B.D. Wexford gained their third All-Ireland title when H. Ryan and P. Kavanagh won the M.S.B.D. The success of Tom Morrissey in M.H.B.S. added a further title to Kilkenny's long list of successes.

#### GAEL-LINN:

The entry of 920 players for the current Gael-Linn competition is the second highest on record. It is pleasing the number of new clubs competing for the first time. Leinster with a total of 496 players top the list. Ulster entries total 160, while Connacht follow closely with 152 players. It is difficult to explain the small entry of 112 players from Munster. Over the years Munster clubs failed to display any great enthusiasm for this competition.

Joe Delaney of Kilkenny won the 1963 competition when he defeated the holder, J. Maher, of Louth, in the final.

We are indebted to Gael-Linn for their financial assistance, without which it would be impossible to sponsor this nationwide competition.

#### UNIVERSITIES:

For many years the Universities were the one weak spot as far as handball was concerned. However, our perseverance has been rewarded and we now have clubs in three Universities—Belfast, Galway and Dublin. It now remains for an effort to organise University College, Cork. The first Inter-Varsity competition was held in Croke Park during the year, with the three Universities and the Veterinary College competing. After a most entertaining week-end's sport, University College, Galway, defeated U.C.D. by the smallest of margins in the final. This competition is to become an annual fixture.

#### PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Each province carried out its full programme of championship matches. However, I regret to say that it was almost impossible to get results from Munster. In fact, when the Council meeting was held to arrange details for the All-Ireland semi-finals, the winners of three Munster championships were not available. In recent years Council has experienced the same difficulty with Munster. I wish to point out to all Munster counties that they are bound by rule to send a full return of all championship matches to the Provincial Council. If they fail to do so, then the only alternative left open to their representative to nominate counties to contest the All-Ireland semi-finals and finals. In addition to the names of players, it is also necessary to give their addresses so that Council can arrange suitable transport.

While giving Ulster every credit for the progress made in recent years, I would appeal to the Provincial Council to follow the same procedure as the other Provinces when arranging fixtures. Too often we see lengthy programmes of ten and twelve matches arranged for the one day at an Ulster venue. An earlier start and better planning would eliminate the necessity for such long-drawn-out programmes. During the past year some players were asked to play as many as three and four matches on the same day. It is only reasonable to ask are the player's chances of success reduced by too many matches on the same day? Personally I feel they are, as championship matches nowadays are very keenly contested and a player must be given every opportunity to do justice to himself and his county.

During the year the question of intervals during matches was raised on a few occasions. I wish to state clearly that this question is covered by rule, which stated emphatically that one, and only one, interval is allowed after the third or any succeeding game.

#### WORLD SERIES:

It has now been confirmed that the first officially sponsored World series will take place in New York during September, 1964. Following countries are expected to compete—America, Canada, Australia, Mexico and Ireland. Joe Maher of Louth, as All-Ireland champion, has automatically qualified as one of our representatives. Council will have to arrange a series of trial matches before deciding on a second representative. Last year at Congress it was decided that both singles champions travel. However, since J. Maher won both singles titles, it is necessary to hold these trials to pick a second player.

#### RAFFLE:

The profit on the raffle was very satisfactory and Council are indebted to those clubs and officials who gave their help. As a result of the raffle it is now possible to meet the full expenses of our two players travelling to New York this year. It has been decided to sponsor the raffle again this year, so I would appeal to all counties and clubs to give it every support. This applies especially to those clubs who failed to make any effort during the past few years. Surplus funds from the raffle and other monies that may become available will be devoted to roofing ballcourts.

#### GENERAL:

We are glad to report the installation of lighting in Croke Park court and for this welcome amenity our thanks once again is due to Pádraig O'Caoláin. We regret his recent illness and extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery. His interest in the workings of our Council over the years has been an invaluable help and he has been most gracious to the various demands made on him. The close bonds of friendship that have developed over the years between our Council and the parent body is due in no small measure to his personal interest in the development of handball.

Hardball continues to grow in popularity. Nowhere is this more in evidence than in Connacht and Ulster where up to a few years ago only softball was played. Looking back over the past year, it is heartening to see that Connacht champions won their way to three hardball finals, while Ulster made history when their representatives contested a hardball final for the first time ever. Congratulations are certainly due to these two Provinces for their efforts to popularise this, the most ancient form of handball.

Ciste na Banban, which was established some time ago to aid Gaelic games, has promised to give a grant to Council for the development of handball. It is the intention to pass on all grants that become available to Council, to be used in the best interests of handball. These grants will be an invaluable aid to help in defraying part of the costs of roofing courts in each Province. These covered courts in each Province will give the game a tremendous boost, as matches can be played at all times irrespective of weather conditions.

I regret to say that handball continues to get a very poor showing from Telefís Éireann. It is far short of what we expected. Many of our players, officials and patrons are keen television viewers, and we must make every endeavour to have this position rectified.

A very welcome visitor to this country at the end of the year was Mr. Brendan Muldoon of South Africa. His father built the original handball alley in Johannesburg. It is pleasing to report that handball is still played there. The Irish Christian Brothers are very active supporters in that far-away country. They use our Irish softball for all their matches. South Africa is the only outside unit affiliated to our Council. We extend to them our best wishes for the success of their work and look forward to meeting them in International competition in the years ahead.

Publicity continues to improve and we are indebted to the National and Provincial Press for their help and co-operation. We are also indebted to the various periodicals that include, handball. There is one aspect of publicity that could improve, namely, the inclusion of photographs in the various papers and magazines. I would ask all county and club officials to send photos of their players, officials, etc., to the various Press correspondents as it is the intention to make every effort to use photographs as much as possible in the future.

#### FINANCE:

Financially our position continues to deteriorate as far as the No. 1 A/c. is concerned. Despite the utmost vigilance, there is a deficit of approximately £255 on the year. This added to the deficit of the past few years, leaves a total deficit of £625. I regret to say that I see very little hope of reducing this figure without further aid from the G.A.A. Central Council. With the widespread development of the game, the counties contesting the All-Ireland semi-finals and finals are drawn from all corners of each Province. Were it not for the very generous co-operation of some of our officials and members, the teams' travelling expenses would be much greater. Gate receipts at all times are most unpredictable, and, even with an improvement here, it would still be impossible to clear the deficit. The No. 2 A/c.,

which is devoted solely to the Gael-Linn competition, balances itself each year, as Gael-Linn guarantee to meet the total deficit on this competition. During the year it was decided to open a No. 3 A/c. to cater for International matches and any other items such as grants to alleys. We now have a credit balance of £326 in this account, due mainly to our recent raffles and members' subscriptions. We are thus in a position to send two players to represent Ireland at the forthcoming World series in New York without having to approach the G.A.A. Central Council for assistance. We also expect to be in a position before the end of the year to give a grant towards meeting part of the costs of roofing one court. Generally, the position has improved as we are now in a position through our No. 3 A/c. to meet

expenses that in former years could only be done with G.A.A. assistance.

Again we are indebted to the G.A.A. Central Council and its officers, especially Aodh O Broin, and general secretary, Padraig O Caoimh, for their continued guidance and assistance.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the happy repose of the souls of all deceased members.—Go nDeanaidh trocaire ar a n-Anamaca.

Ar son Comhairle Liathraidh Laimhe na hEireann,

SEOSAMH O LOINGSIGH.

SUMMARY OF CHAMPIONSHIPS WON SINCE THE COUNCIL WAS ESTABLISHED  
IN 1924. - 1963

County	SSBS.	SSBD.	SHBS.	SHBD.	JSBS.	JSBD.	JHBS.	JHBD.	MSBS.	MSBD.	MHBS.	MHBD.	TOTAL
Kilkenny	7	6	12	10	5	5	7	8	2	2	3	2	69
Tipperary	2	8	—	3	3	5	7	7	—	2	3	2	42
Dublin	5	3	12	5	2	3	2	2	—	1	—	—	35
Wexford	5	1	4	6	5	1	2	2	2	3	2	1	34
Kerry	2	8	4	5	2	1	3	—	3	4	1	—	33
Kildare	—	—	2	1	—	1	9	7	—	—	1	4	25
Roscommon	8	2	—	1	1	2	—	—	2	1	—	—	17
Limerick	—	2	—	1	1	3	—	—	2	2	—	2	13
Cork	1	1	—	3	—	—	2	4	—	—	—	—	11
Mayo	1	—	—	—	1	5	—	—	—	4	—	—	11
Louth	3	—	2	—	2	1	1	1	—	—	—	—	10
Meath	—	—	2	3	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	8
Wicklow	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	1	1	—	7
Carlow	—	—	1	—	1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	5
Offaly	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	5
Galway	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	4
Cavan	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3
Clare	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	3
Sligo	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3
Waterford	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Westmeath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2
Armagh	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Monaghan	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1

**IRISH AMATEUR HANDBALL ASSOCIATION GAEILIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1963.**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
1963—Dec. 31.	£	s	d	1963—Dec. 31.	£	s	d
To Teams' Expenses:				By Affiliation Fees:			
Armagh ... ..	21	10	0	Antrim ... ..	0	8	0
Cavan ... ..	56	7	0	Armagh ... ..	0	4	0
Clare ... ..	21	10	6	Carlow ... ..	0	2	0
Cork ... ..	32	10	0	Cavan ... ..	0	12	0
Kerry ... ..	38	14	0	Clare ... ..	0	6	0
Kildare ... ..	12	9	6	Cork ... ..	1	4	0
Kilkenny ... ..	19	10	0	Derry ... ..	0	4	0
Limerick ... ..	5	10	0	Donegal ... ..	0	4	0
Louth ... ..	15	16	6	Dublin ... ..	0	14	0
Mayo ... ..	55	15	6	Fermanagh ... ..	0	4	0
Monaghan ... ..	20	5	0	Galway ... ..	0	16	0
Roscommon ... ..	5	11	0	Kerry ... ..	0	6	0
Sligo ... ..	72	17	6	Kildare ... ..	0	10	0
Tipperary ... ..	32	6	0	Kilkenny ... ..	0	18	0
Tyrone ... ..	7	5	0	Leitrim ... ..	0	2	0
Wexford ... ..	72	5	6	Limerick ... ..	0	14	0
Players' Expenses paid direct by Association ... ..	92	5	3	Longford ... ..	0	2	0
			582 8 3	Louth ... ..	0	6	0
Handballs ... ..			26 16 7	Mayo ... ..	1	0	0
Advertising ... ..			10 11 0	Meath ... ..	0	8	0
Medals and Engraving ... ..			62 0 0	Monaghan ... ..	0	4	0
Insurance on Trophies ... ..			2 12 6	Offaly ... ..	0	18	0
Postage ... ..	16	9	0	Roscommon ... ..	0	8	0
Less: Refunds from Gael Linn ... ..	8	11	4	Sligo ... ..	0	14	0
			7 17 8	Tipperary ... ..	1	14	0
Honorary Secretary's Travelling and Hotel Expenses ... ..			15 10 0	Tyrone ... ..	0	4	0
Printing and Stationery ... ..			22 2 4	Waterford ... ..	0	4	0
Telephone ... ..	15	2	7	Westmeath ... ..	0	8	0
Less: Refund from Gael Linn ... ..	5	10	0	Wexford ... ..	1	0	0
			9 12 7	Wicklow ... ..	0	12	0
Meeting Expenses ... ..			57 0 1				15 10 0
Secretary's Honorarium ... ..			100 0 0	Gate Receipts:			
Audit and Accountancy Fees ... ..			10 10 0	Aug. 11 at Newport ... ..	12	1	0
Bank Interest and Charges ... ..			5 3 0	18 at Tuamgraney ... ..	8	14	6
Rent of Rooms ... ..			0 15 0	18 at Taghmon ... ..	8	2	6
Rent of Alleys:				25 at Kingscourt ... ..	8	17	6
Ballymore Eustace ... ..	3	5	0	25 at Ballymote ... ..	19	0	0
Ballymote ... ..	2	18	0	Sept. 8 at Ballymore Eustace ... ..	22	8	6
Clogh ... ..	3	13	0	15 at Taghmon ... ..	22	0	0
Horse and Jockey ... ..	3	7	0	29 at Clogh ... ..	26	16	1
Kingscourt ... ..	1	15	6	Oct. 6 at Horse and Jockey ... ..	23	16	0
Newport ... ..	2	4	0				151 16 1
Taghmon ... ..	4	16	6	Grant from Central Council ... ..			500 0 0
Tuamgraney ... ..	1	15	0	Sale of Handballs ... ..			12 1 8
			23 14 0	Sale of Rule Books ... ..			2 5 6
Mass Offerings ... ..			2 0 9	Balance, Excess for Year of Expenditure over Income ... ..			257 1 6
			938 14 9				938 14 9

**IRISH AMATEUR HANDBALL ASSOCIATION GAEILIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.**  
**INTERNATIONAL AND TOURNAMENT ACCOUNT.**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1963.**

EXPENDITURE				INCOME			
1963—Dec. 31.	£	s	d	1963—Dec. 31.	£	s	d
To Prizes for Raffle ... ..			18 5 0	By Members' Subscriptions ... ..			46 8 0
Printing ... ..			21 19 6	Gross Receipts from Raffle ... ..			153 7 3
Advertising ... ..			1 13 0				
Postage ... ..			5 5 7				
Audit and Accountancy Fee ... ..			2 2 0				
Rent of Room ... ..			0 10 0				
Balance, Excess for Year of Income over Expenditure ... ..			150 0 2				
			199 15 3				199 15 3





**IRISH AMATEUR HANDBALL ASSOCIATION GAEILIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1963.**

LIABILITIES				ASSETS			
		£ s d	£ s d		£ s d	£ s d	
Bank Overdraft, No. 1 Account ...		628 6 7		Due for Handballs, Clare ...		1 17 9	
Less:				Collectors Bags, per last Balance Sheet ...		1 2 6	
Balances to Credit:				Deficiency, as at 31st December, 1962	263 17 9		
No. 2 Account	£20 0 1			Add: Excess for Year of Expenditure over Income, General Account	257 1 6		
No. 3 Account	£326 19 3	346 19 4			£520 19 3		
			281 7 3	Less: Excess for Year of Income over Expenditure, International Tournament Account ...	159 0 2		
Sundry Creditors for:				Deficiency at date ...		370 19 1	
Medals ...	60 0 0			For record purposes only:			
Audit and Accountancy Fees ...	15 15 0			Dr. Harty Cup in possession of J. Maher (Louth).			
Teams' expenses—Gael Linn:				Purcell Cup in possession of J. Maher (Louth).			
Maynooth	£1 0 0			Irish Press Cup in possession of P. Downey and J. O'Brien (Kerry).			
Cork	£10 5 0			Irish Independent Cup in possession of P. Downey and J. O'Brien (Kerry).			
Bray	£1 0 0	12 5 0		New Ireland Cup in possession of P. Supple and J. Murphy (Cork).			
Telephone Expenses due Venue Secretaries ...		4 12 1		Canon Carroll Cup in possession of L. and J. Gilmore (Cavan).			
			92 12 1	Dunlop Shield in possession of R. Lyng (Wexford).			
				Elvery Shield in possession of T. Dowd (Wexford).			
				Gaelic Weekly Cup in possession of H. Ryan and P. Kavanagh (Wexford).			
				Corn Comhairle na Mumhann in possession of M. Henry (Sligo).			
				Joe Hassett Memorial Cup in possession of T. Morrissey (Kilkenny).			
				Paddy Purcell Memorial Cup in possession of G. Lawler and T. Geoghegan (Kildare).			
				Gael Linn Cup in possession of J. Delaney (Kilkenny).			
			373 19 4			373 19 4	

We have examined the foregoing Accounts and Balance Sheet of the Irish Amateur Handball Association, have compared them with the Books and Vouchers submitted to us and we certify them to be correct and in accordance therewith.

9, Parnell Square East, Dublin 1.  
31st January, 1964.

**D. O'CONNOR & CO.**  
Chartered Accountants,  
Auditors.

### AUDITORS' REPORT

The President and Members of:  
Irish Amateur Handball Association,  
Gaelic Athletic Association,  
per Seosaimh uasal O Loingsigh,  
Honorary Secretary.

A Chairde,

We have audited the Books of the Association for the Year ended 31st December, 1963. Enclosed please find General Income and Expenditure Account; Gael Linn Account and International and Tournament Account together with Balance Sheet, showing the financial position of the Association at 31st December, 1963.

#### GENERAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Income of the Year, consisting of Affiliation Fees, £15 10s. 0d.; Gate Receipts £151 16s. 1d.; Grant from Central Council £500 0s. 0d.; Sale of Handballs £12 1s. 8d. and Sale of Rule Books £22 5s. 6d., amounted to £681 13s. 3d. Expenditure came to £938 14s. 9d. Expenditure exceeded Income by £257 1s. 6d.

As compared with the preceding Year when Expenditure (to the nearest £) exceeded Income by £203. Income was less by £28 and Expenditure was greater by £26. The decrease in Income was mainly attributable to a decline of £21 in Gate Receipts and to a decline of £8 in the Sale of Rule Books. On the Expenditure side of the Account, Teams' Expenses were greater by £14; the charge for Medals and Engraving was less by £7; the charge for printing and stationery was less by £18; Postage was less by £6 and Secretary's Honorarium was greater by £50.

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#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Expenditure of the Year, including Players' Expenses, £200 4s. 7d., came to £304 12s. 3d. Gate Receipts amounted to £52

1s. 3d. The Excess of Expenditure over Income, viz., £252 11s. 0d., was met by a Grant received from Gael Linn.

#### INTERNATIONAL AND TOURNAMENT INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Income of the Year, comprising Members' Subscriptions, £46 8s. 0d., and Gross Receipts from Raffle £153 7s. 3d., came to £199 15s. 3d. Expenditure, including Prize and other Expenses of Raffle, amounted to £49 15s. 1. There was a Surplus in this Account of £150 0s. 2d.

#### BALANCE SHEET

The Assets of the Association at 31st December, 1963, amounted to £3 0s. 3d. Liabilities at the same date, including Bank Overdraft (net) £281 7s. 3d., came to £373 19s. 4d. Liabilities exceeded Assets by £370 19s. 1d.

No value was placed on Cups and Trophies which are set out, for record purposes only, on the face of the Balance Sheet. During the Year a further Cup, viz., Paddy Purcell Memorial Cup, was presented to the Association.

As usual, the Books were presented in good order for audit and were vouched satisfactorily.

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