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Críostóir Ó Corrain Bainisteoir Náisiúnta



Dé Domhnach 1 Bealtaine 2011, ag 10.15 r.n.

san The Headfort Arms Hotel, Ceanannas, An Mhí

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#### 1 Bealtaine 2011:

Mass is in St Colmcille's Church, Kells (opposite Hotel)

Tea/Coffee on arrival

Fáiltiú

am:

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Adoption of Standing Orders Minutes of Comhdháil 2010 Addresses from Special Guests:

Sean Boylan, Meath's former All Ireland winning Manager

Críostóir Ó Cuana, Uachtaráin C.L.G.

Report of Bainisteoir Náisiúnta

Annual Accounts 2010

Oráid an Uachtaráin, Tony Hannon

Failte an tUachtarán nua C.L.L.E., Walter O'Connor

'Strategic Planning Structures' Proposal & Vote

**Motions & Elections** 

Aon Ghno Eile

Close of Congress

ngress lunch on will take place following completion of Clár and Close of Congress



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# **Standing Orders**

In order that the proceedings of the Congress be carried out expeditiously, the following Standing Orders will be observed:

- 1. The proposer of a Resolution or an Amendment thereto may speak for 5 minutes, but not more than 5 minutes
- 2. A delegate speaking to a Resolution or an Amendment must not exceed 3 minutes. A maximum of two delegates from any one county shall speak on any one motion.
- 3. The proposer of a Resolution or Amendment may speak a second time for 3 minutes before a vote is taken, but no other Delegate may speak a second time to the same Resolution or Amendment.
- 4. The Chairman may at any time he considers a matter has been sufficiently discussed call on the Proposer for a reply, and when that has been given a vote must be taken.
- 5. A delegate may, with the consent of the Chairman, move "that the question be now put", after which, when the Proposer has spoken, a vote must be taken.
- 6. A speaker to Bainisteoir's report or to any other general discussion shall not exceed 3 minutes on any one topic.
- 7. Any motion seeking to amend a rule in Fo-Rialacha (CLLE) must have a majority equal to twothirds of those present entitled to vote and voting.
- 8. Standing Orders shall not be suspended for the purpose of considering any matter not on the agenda, except by the consent of a majority equal to two-thirds of those present entitled to vote and voting.
- 9. The Chairman may change the order of items on the agenda with the support of a simple majority of those present entitled to vote and voting.



Following the spectacular highs of 2009 in which handball was rebranded as GAA Handball, Ireland secured 37 World Championship titles, celebrated an invitation to meet President McAleese at Arás an Uachtarán as well as being presented at half-time in the All Ireland senior football final in Croke Park, saw record breaking numbers at the various Irish National tournaments and an increase in clubs and participation levels all around the country, the past twelve months was always held high hopes for GAA Handball members everywhere.

There is no doubt that the aspirations of the thousands of GAA Handball followers reached new heights in 2010 and with many exciting initiatives, development and promotion plans to come in the years ahead it can be unequivocally argued that our sport is on a rapid incline towards the higher echelons of Irish Sport once again.

I have now held the role of Bainisteoir Naisiúnta for 2 years and have found it both immensely challenging but also hugely rewarding. The phenomenal endeavour, passion and commitment exhibited by the 1000s of volunteer officials and players in all parts of this country never cease to amaze and inspire! Ultimately in the ensuing pages of this report I will reflect on the many positive and promising aspects of the brilliant year that was 2010 but it will also be time to reflect on the many demanding and tough hurdles faced by the sport and our members, players and officials also in what is undoubtedly a difficult time for our Country.

This year's annual Congress will also see further change as the tenure of Roscommon's Tony Hannon as Uachtarán C.L.L.E. will come to an end. Tony Hannon had already completed a year in this role before I took up my position and I have realised how genuine, committed and passionate he indeed is for our 'perfect game'. Tony Hannon has spent his life in the pursuit of everything good for Handball and in the past 3 years he unquestionably travelled to all sectors of Ireland to meet and inspire so many of our handballing family. I have no doubt that his influence on our game will continue for many more years to come and I must add my personal and sincere thanks for the tremenous impact he has made to our Association.

On that note, I must also personally welcome Meath's Walter O'Connor into his new role as Uachtarán C.L.L.E.. A former senior All Ireland champion, he is certainly someone who excelled on the court of play and his confidence, ambition and passion for the game are characteristics which he will no doubt utilise to resounding effect in the 3 years ahead. I wish him well in his role as the new figure-head of Irish Handball and have no doubt that he will acquit himself auspiciously, just as he has proven as a player and businessman, in an era when our sport is set to make further impressive strides forward.

As is the case in all aspects of the GAA, our clubs all over Ireland are the very foundation upon which any success achieved is built. We all must continue in our pursuit of ensuring that this ethos is maintained and indeed nourished as it will only be through the support and growth of our game in communities everwhere that we will realise our many dreams truly realised. Such is the inspiration provided by the incredible diligence shown by all our members, I can only give an assurance that our team at Croke Park will support and encourage the hopes and ambitions of everyone who has the desire to see 'GAA Handball' be the very best it can be!

Ba mhaith le Comhairle Liathróid Láimhe na hÉireann buíochas a ghabháil leis ár n-urraitheoirí flaithiúla











# (some of...) the HIGHS of GAA Handball in 2010...

- the continued support provided from within the GAA under our new brand of 'GAA Handball' has been instrumental in raising the profile of our game to heights not witnessed for quite some time
- GAA Handball made an informed and successful decision to have a separate Junior and Adult 40x20 Nationals and this saw record entries for the events
- the 2010 GAA Handball National All Star Awards Banquet, in just it's 2nd year, again proved to be an outstanding occasion in Croke Park with over 400 guests celebrating another remarkable year both on and off the courts.



Above: Some of the young Under 11 girls and boys who took part in a promotional doubles event at the Irish Nationals are pictured with Kilkenny legend, DJ Carey, World Handball Champion, Shauna Hilley, and Uachtarán GAA Handball. Tony Hannon

- the launch of the 'Legends of the Game' feature at the National All Star Awards ceremony where 9 of the games 60x30 legends came together to launch the beginning of a new era in which the many great names of handball are honoured.
- the new-look national GAA Handball website, www.gaahandball.ie, is now receiving huge hits every day and growing in popularity by the month, with well in excess of 200,000 hits now since its launch 18 months ago. GAA Handball is also receiving positive feedback on Facebook which is proving a very useful promotional resource.
- the new GAA Handball E-Zine has been issued now on 4 occasions and this will be developed even further with the aim of continuing to provide a terrific source of information in a presentable manner for handballers and all people with an interest in our game from around the world. There are now in excess of 8,500 registered individuals receiving this E-Zine and this is continuing to grow every month.
- the record numbers and the splendid club, family and social occasion of the Féile na nGael in Clare again highlighted this to be one of the most important events on the GAA Handball calendar. Our young handballers and coaches who took part in outstanding colour in



Above: A 'Legends of the Game' feature was held at the National All-Star Awards with Ducksy Walsh, John Kirby, Walter O'Connor, Joey Maher, Dick Lyng, Eoin Kennedy, Tommy O'Rourke and Tom Sheridan presented on the night while a special word was also heard from Pat Kirby in California over the big screen

the Féile parade as part of this spectacular gaelic games festival were once again a credit and a super advertisement for our games.

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- the GAA Handball One Wall Nationals in Breaffy House, Castebar, again exceeded expectations with over 400 players competing in a superb weekend and highly memorable social occasion. This is truly the social handball event of the year, with games played in a great sporting manner and the opportunity for families, friends, handballers and officials to link up and enjoy the electric atmosphere inside one venue.
- the formation of another 10 new handball clubs, bringing a total of 16 new clubs in the past 15 months, as part of a new National Development initialitive has seen the National GAA Handball Club Register cross the 200 mark for the very first time.
- the Softball Championship finals left the surroundings of Croke Park for the first time since 1984 and the packed stands in Abbeylara and Thurles were treated to fantastic occasions in both the singles and doubles deciders, which were won by Dublin and Meath. Overall the standard of play in the 60x30 Softball championships was top class and with an increase in numbers in 2010, there remains plenty of positives in relation to our great traditional game.
- One of the most successful trips to date to the USHA Junior Nationals in Chicago, with Ireland enjoying a clean sweep in the main grades from 15 & Under boys and girls to 19 & Under boys and girls, as well as a number of other title wins by Irish players
- almost € 50K of sponsorship revenue secured in 2010 for the association as part of an ongoing marketing and sponsorship plan despite very serious economic problems for the country is hugely encouraging. Plans to develop the unprecedented exposure of GAA Handball to the public will hopefully see these targets surpassed also in the future.
- the ongoing Coaching and Development initiatives have seen a major profile increase within schools and GAA clubs in Ireland.



Above: Westmeath's Robbie McCarthy and Dublin's Eoin Kennedy launch the first All Ireland Senior Softball Singles Championship final to take place outside of Croke Park since 1984. The event was held in Abbeylara in September 2010.



Above: Pictured at the launch of a brand new 5 court facility in Holy Trinity College Gookstown are a host of PE Headteachers from top schools around Ulster. Peter Canavan's school was the first of over 60 such new facilities to be developed in 2010.

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# Tuarascáil an Bainisteoira Náisiúnta

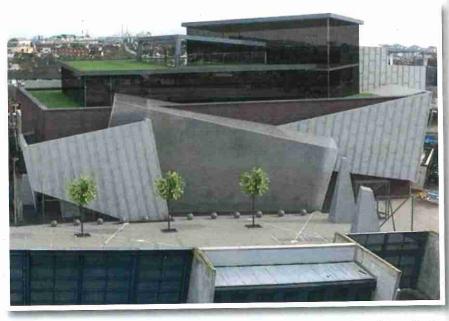
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- Some significant coaching programme included the Limerick inner-city project which was inspirational in terms of targets and objectives being attained, with over 1000 children taking part and new clubs set to follow as a result. The One Wall Schools Development initiative has surpassed all expectations with over 60 new One Wall facilities erected in schools now witnessing an explosion of interest in the game and the demand for this is growing by the week. These will be sustained and developed with plans to see further major growth in this in the future.
- hugely impressive work being done in the promotion and development of Juvenile and ladies handball at many clubs around the country. Girls Handball and the development of the ladies game in conjunction with the Sports Council's our Women in Sport programme is witnessing huge strides and growth in Ireland.
- the Ladies handball championships and competitions are now more competitive than at any stage in the past in Ireland with exceptionally high standards being achieved by so many of our brilliant young ladies stars as well as amazing growth in participation levels in our ladies games. This was also highlighted in the newly launched G.O. Handball event in Castlebar.
- the Handball residential summer camp plus the inclusion of handball in 19 different county GAA Cúl Camps is proving to be of major benefit for our sport. Many County committees and clubs are also expanding this with further handball coaching camps which can only be good for the game going forward.
- record attendances at third level coleges championships and tournaments is playing a
  major part in the development of GAA Handball and looks set to flourish even more in the
  future following so much hard work by our officials in this sphere, with the eyecatching
  international successes by our Collegiate players also of major note.
- GAA Handball's significant input into the creation of a new International One Wall Handball Federation that will be launched as par of the One Wall Nationals in June 2011 and will see in excess of 33 countries compete in the future at World level with the World Games in Cali, Columbia, a huge breakthrough for the sport worldwide.
- The first Handball TV series to be created on National TV in Ireland for over 25 years as the GAA Handball Show received a very high and impressive audience and exhibited the massive network of people, players, clubs and schools involved in the 'perfect game'. The further exciting news that this will continue through 2011 and 2012 is another major boost to the development and profile of the game.
- Paul Brady and Aisling Reilly representing Ireland and winning the US Nationals Mens and Ladies Open titles in such an impressive manner, again exhibiting the very high standards being achieved by our very best players on the world stage.
- the general electric buzz and atmosphere being witnessed at events and tournaments all over the country with more and more young people exhibiting such passion and dedication to our rapidly growing GAA sport...

HANDBALL

# (some of the...) hurdles to be jumped by GAA Handball...

Undoubtedly the most disappointing aspect of what was otherwise another excellent year for GAA Handball in 2010, was the continued delays imposed on the proposed National Handball Centre at Croke Park. Despite the fantastic complex being approved and given the go-ahead by the Dublin City Council, appeals and an Oral Hearing in Bórd Pleanala, where opposition also came from Dublin Handball, followed. Thus, one of the most ground-breaking opportunities in the history of the sport in this country, remains undecided. Following a unanimous vote



An artist's impression of the proposed fantastic new National Handball Centre complex at Croke Park.

of support at GAA Handball Congress in March 2010 for the Proposal presented on the day to delegates, everyone in GAA Handball is well aware of the incredible impact this proposed facility would have for our game. Extensive meetings and consultation also saw amendments made to provide extended facilities for the local community to utilise a social gathering place where all the groups could continue to offer terrific health benefits and sport to the children and adults in the area alike. With limited facilities in Dublin city to aid in the development and promotion of handball, this facility offered an unprecedented resource to build the game to new heights and see a remarkable increase in the games stature in Dublin City. It is clearly apparent that by having the use of such a fantastic National Handball Arena, GAA Handball would have had an enviable structure to showcase the dazzling pace and skills of our sport in the national and international arena. With the very recent launch of the 'GAA Handball Show' ensuring mass profile for the game in this country, the extensive developments at schools and county level, the clearly rapidly increasing participation levels and interest in GAA Hanbdall all around the country, it remains a major disappointment that we remain in limbo for the manifestation of this brilliant new National Centre despite immense support, especially financially, from the GAA. We continue to await progress on this development and can only hope that it transpires one way or another, whether in time for the World Championships or not. Because failure to see it materialise, while satisfying a few, will have a profund detrimental effect on the future of our game and would be a major blow to the phenomenal efforts of the thousands of players and officials who give their time so selflessly all around our country.

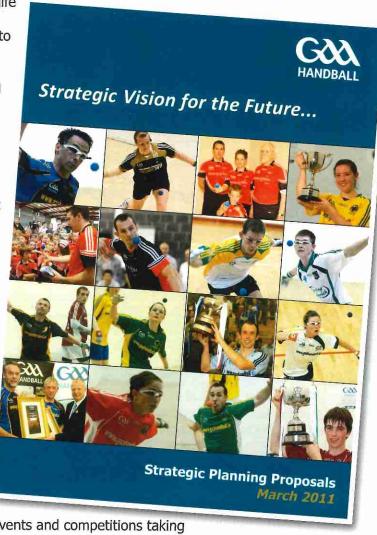
• GAA Handball's structures at National level have clearly needed to be addressed with too much duplication in our procedures, clarity becoming essential in so many aspects of our organisation, responsibilities and roles needing clear focus in all positions at National, provincial, county and club level, and the entire communications and development processes in need of much work to maintain and build a sport which is very much witnessing unprecedented growth. With this in mind, and following the National Open Forum and consultation and feedback from many other national governing bodies who have shown impressive growth, GAA Handball are now ready to launch a new structure for the Assocation as part of the 'Strategic Vision for the Future'. There are many challenges which lie ahead and none moreso than the continued workload being placed on so many of our volunteers. Under this new structure it will be hoped to alleviate much of this pressure.

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- The recession has hit every sector of life in Ireland at present and, while in many ways this could steer many people back into handball at club level, there is continued pressure on clubs and counties to sustain the efforts they are making on 'shoe-string budgets'. As part of the new National Development Plan, to be implemented following the approval of a new strategic structure for GAA Handball, there remains great onus on us as a National Organisation to look at the best practices and principles to ensure continued support for our members, officials and players at club level.
- I have witnessed incredible levels of volunteerism in GAA Handball at all levels in Ireland with outstanding work being put in so diligently by so many in the pursuit of developing and promoting this 'perfect game' at club, county and provincial level. However, this can be mentally and physically draining for our members with such a high level of responsibility and workload quite often being left to so few. Having looked extensively at the National GAA Handball Clár there remain major issues which need to be addressed and none moreso than an overly condensed 48 week season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in which we have too many extensive the season in the season in

week season in which we have too many events and competitions taking place all year round at National level.

- Q. Are we guilty as an association of becoming too overly focussed on winning All Ireland titles? I believe that a look through the statistics of the plethora of competitions, championships, tournaments and events which we play for Gold All Ireland medals would suggest the answer to this question is unequivocally 'Yes'. The greatest problem here is that quite often it is many of the same players competing every time for titles and significantly this puts tremendous strain on officials, coaches and parents who appear to relentlessly be on call from the season's start to end. Sustaining this level of volunteerism is asking too much and under the new 'Strategic Vision for the Future' it will be vital that the National Competitions Control Committee look at all aspects of our competitions structure and we look at ways of providing 'seasonal breaks' and areas where clubs and counties are given time to develop domestically. In addition by streamlining our National competitions we would also be alleviating the high level of pressure we are currently placing on key venues and officials which are constantly providing their facilities for our use. *I see an overall streamlining of our national competitions and clár as being one of the most important challenges which can benefit our entire association going forward in the future.*
- Looking at ways to provide support in terms of helping to improve our club's venues and facilities
  around the country as well as support and training for our club, county and provincial officers to
  ensure smooth organisation at all levels of our association will be vital in our combined goal of
  developing and promoting GAA Handball to the sort of heights we all aspire to.



# **National Competitions**

Ard Comhairle were responsible for running a total of 275 competitions, having introduced a number of new events within One Wall Nationals while additionally now separating the Irish 40x20 Nationals into Adult and Junior stand-alone events, while also seeing a host of other events arranged at national and provincial level. Another exciting and welcomed development is in the ever-increasing number of clubs and counties organising successful tournaments all around the country. Such events not only provide tremendous opportunities for our players but they also help to nurture the organisational skills of our many officials in Ireland.

In the 40x20 Championships, Paul Brady (An Cabhán) retained his All Ireland Senior Singles title, as he faced Charly Shanks (Ard Mhacha) in a first ever all-Ulster senior decider in Kingscourt. This win saw Brady equal the longstanding record of Pat Kirby who won 6 in a row in the event in the seventies while providing a seventh senior singles crown in all. Brady again teamed up with Michael Finnegan for a hugely



Above: Kerry's Maria Daly enjoyed a trio of All Ireland senior title wins in 2010, her only defeat coming in the Senior 60x30 singles decider.

impressive Senior doubles success, claiming their sixth title in all, defeating Dessie Keegan and Joe McCann (Maigheo) in St. Coman's.

Eoin Kennedy (Áth Cliath) continued his dominance in the softball code with victory in the Senior Singles as the final took place at a venue outside of Croke Park for the first time since 1984, as he defeated Robbie McCarthy (Iar Mhí) for the second year running, this time in Abbeylara. Meath's Tom Sheridan became the most successful doubles player in the history of the game in 2010 as he teamed up with

| Carl Survey Contract  |       | MALE     | V. S. S. S. | FEMALE   | MIXED       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|-------|
| Competition           | Adult | Juvenile | Adult       | Juvenile | Juvenile    | Total |
| 60x30                 | 36    | 8        | 10          | 8        |             | 62    |
| 40x20                 | 34    | 8        | 10          | 8        |             | 60    |
| Hardball              | 8     |          |             | (1000)   |             | 8     |
| Team                  | 6     | 6        | -           | 2        | -           | 14    |
| Gael Linn             |       | 221      |             |          | 71          | 1     |
| Féile na nGael        |       | 6        |             | 3        |             | 9     |
| Second level          |       | 12       |             | 8        |             | 20    |
| Third level           | 19    |          | 11          |          |             | 30    |
| Irish Adult Nationals | 12    |          | 3           |          |             | 15    |
| Irish Junior Nationa  |       | 8        |             | 7        |             | 15    |
| One Wall              | 10    | 4        | 4           | 4        | The same (x | 22    |
| Opens                 | 10    | 3        | 4           | 2        |             | 19    |
| TOTALS                | 135   | 55       | 42          | 42       | 1           | 275   |

# An Chomhdhail Bire

# Tuarascáil an Bainisteoira Náisiúnta

Brian Carroll to win the Senior Doubles Softball crown in Thurles, defeating old rival Ducksy Walsh and his partner Michael Clifford in the final. Eoin Kennedy secured the Senior Hardball singles crown in another remarkable year on the Irish courts while also claiming doubles honours alongside Egin Jensen.

In the ladies codes, Kerry enjoyed a clean sweep of the senior titles in 40x20 and 60x30. Maria Daly enjoyed her best ever season on the court of play by recapturing the Senior 40x20 singles crown in St. Coman's at the expense of Antrim's Aisling Reilly while also teaming up with Ashley Prendeville to take the doubles title in the 40x20 court following a dramatic 21-20 third game win over Roscommon's Marianna and Hilary Rushe in Kingscourt.

In the ladies senior softball championships, Daly and Prendeville again claimed the doubles crown and actually met in the singles title decider in Thurles with Prendeville taking the title this time around.

A new proposal in the structure of the Open Senior Singles Championships was passed for trial in 2010 and 2011 for the 40x20 and 2010 for the 60x30.

# 60x30 Softball Championships 2010, sponsored by Martin Donnelly

There was a very exciting climax to the 60x30 Softball championships with a classic Open Senior doubles final played in Thurles, following a decision by Ard Comhairle to take the senior deciders out of Croke Park for the first time since 1984. While there was a certain uniqueness to the venue, that was not the case in the line-up as Kilkenny's Ducksy Walsh and Meath's Tom Sheridan found themselves in opposite corners again with both bidding for further senior All Ireland records. Walsh teamed up with Michael Clifford





hoping to add a 39th senior All Ireland medal to his haul while Sheridan, alongside Brian Carroll, was bidding to become the first player ever to win 11 senior All Ireland doubles titles. In the end the Meathmen prevailed to take the honours.

Dublin's Eoin Kennedy maintained his stranglehold too on the Senior Singles honours as he made it a remarkable 7-in-a-row in Abbeylara with a sensational win over rising Westmeath star, Robbie Mccarthy, who was competing in his second final. There is no doubt he is already among the 'legends of the game' and significantly remains the player at the pinnacle of a competitive senior line-up.

2010 certainly provided very positive signs in relation to the traditional game of handball with increased numbers of players although again there would remain concerns in many grades at provincial level where there were relatively few entries and in some events, no entries at all. Further work certainly needs to be done on the development of the 60x30 game and this has been highlighted many times. Having witnessed problems in relation to the hosting of All Ireland championship games, the standard of many of our 60x30 venues must be of primary concrern. In many areas of the country, players are unable to take up our 60x30 game due to having to travel large distances to their nearest court of play and that must always be considered. On that same note there can be considerable optimism derived from (a) the redevelopment and refurbishment of many of our old open 60x30 courts and (b) the high

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standard refurbishment of a number of our key 60x30 courts which stood out when applications were sought for the hosting of our All Ireland senior finals. Again, however, the problem remains that without a large spectator arena to view our senior finals in the 60x30 court we are hindering our prospects of exhibiting to the public just how brilliant our 60x30 senior finals are as a spectacular sporting occasion. This is also reflected in our decereased gate receipts in 2010 where we were simply unable to cater for the huge demand for tickets for our finals.

Thus, while the positive of bringing our senior softball championship finals out to venues around the country is unquestionable, there is the problem that we are only able to cater for a maximum number of viewers in the region of 200-240 spectators. Compare this to the prospect of 650-700 spectators being able to view our senior finals, in all codes, in a new state-of-the-art arena in Croke Park, and it becomes very evident the magnitude of this going ahead both in terms of profile and income for further development of our game.

| GAA Handball 60x30 Softball Championships 2010 (spread of titles) |            |              |                   |                |       |
|---|------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|-------|
| County  | Mens Adult | Ladies Adult |                   | Girls Juvenile | Total |
| Kilkenny  | 10         | 1            |                   | 1              | 12    |
|   | 5          |              | 1                 | 1              | 1     |
| Limerick  | 5          |              | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 |                | 6     |
| Tipperary   |            |              | 3                 | <b></b>        | 4     |
| Clare   | 1          |              | 1                 |                | 4     |
| Cork  | 1          | 2            | 1                 | 2              | 4     |
| Galway  | 2          |              |                   |                | 3     |
| Kerry   |            | 2            | **                | 1              | 2     |
| Meath   | 3          |              |                   |                | 2     |
| Wexford   | 2          | 1            |                   | *              | 3     |
|   | 1          |              |                   | 1              | 2     |
| Dublin  | 4          |              | The Little House  |                | 2     |
| Mayo  |            | I design     |                   | 1              | 2     |
| Roscommon   | 1          |              | 4                 |                | 2     |
| Waterford   | 1          |              | 1                 |                | 2     |
| Westmeath   |            | 2            |                   |                | 2     |
| Wicklow   |            | 2            |                   |                | 1     |
| Carlow  |            |              | _1                | 22             | - 1   |
| Monaghan  | 1          |              |                   |                | 1     |
|   | 1          |              | a==               |                | 1     |
| Sligo   | 1          |              |                   | 1              | 1     |
| Tyrone  |            |              |                   |                |       |

In relation to the number of All Ireland Championship titles won in 2010 by counties, it is a progressive point to state that 19 counties won All Ireland 60x30 titles compared with 16 in 2009. Kilkenny topped the list with 12 title wins in 2009 and managed the same haul again in 2010 to finish 5 clear of Limerick Limerick are one of 4 Munster Counties just behind Kilkenny with Tipperary, Clare and Cork all enjoying success too.

In respect of the success split by province, Munster (6 counties) accounted for 26 of the All Ireland 60x30 Championship titles in 2010 and thus enjoyed 1 success more that Leinster (7 counties) who collected a total of 25 titles over the 60x30 season. Connacht (4 counties) saw 9 title wins in the traditional 'big-court' come to their province with Ulster (2 counties) having 2 triumphs in 2010.

In addition to the standard All Ireland 60x30 Softball Championships, there were various team events (club and county) which took place over the course of the year and saw wins for Tipperary (2), Wexford (1), Roscommon (1), Mayo (1) and Cork (1). Connacht were also again winners of the Interprovincial Juvenile team event.

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Above: Catriona Casey (Corcaigh) and Martin Mulkerrins (Gaillimh) completed Minor Singles Championship doubles in 2010 with wins in both the 60x30 and 40x20 courts.

While Dublin and Meath collected the senior singles and doubles titles respectively in 2010, Limerick's Seamus O'Carroll continued his climb up the ladder with Intermediate Singles and Doubles success following his Under 21 triumphs of 12 months earlier. Tipperary's Fergal Collins took the under 21 singles honours this time around and Galway's Martin Mulkerrins was an impressive winner in the Minor Singles. There was no surprise to see Kilkenny's Ducksy Walsh's name on the Masters title list at the season's end too. Tom Sheridan enjoyed a Masters A Doubles success to go with his senior win while the first ever Over 35 championships went to Wexford's Gavin Buggy (singles) and Tipperary's David Maloney and Noel Murphy (doubles). Kilkenny's Billy Bourke (Silver Masters A) and Johnny Brennan (Golden Masters A) enjoyed championship doubles in their grades also.

At juvenile level, the blue ribband singles titles both went to Munster with Clare's Colin Corbett winning the Under 14 singles and Limerick's Padraig Quish taking the prestigious Under 16 singles honours.

In the ladies codes, Kerry evidently dominated the senior grade while Wicklow's Shauna Hilley emerged as a major force of the future with her Intermediate singles and doubles (with Sandra Barnes) success really standing out in 2010. Cork's Catriona Casey secured minor singles and doubles (with Aisling O'Keefe) glory to mark a remarkable year on the courts of play.



Above: Ashley Prendeville (Ciarrai) denied her doubles partner in the Ladies SS 60x30 Championship decider in Thurles while the duo defeated Mayo in the doubles final.



Above: Meath and Kilkenny meet ahead of the 2010 Senior Doubles Final in Thurles, the venue which last held the senior final outside of Croke Park in the GAA Centenary Year, 1984.

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# 60x30 Hardball Championships 2010, sponsored by M Donnelly

Dublin's Eoin Kennedy was once again the dominant force in the Hardball arena in Ireland in 2010 as the 'big alley' maestro secured both the singles and doubles honours, with his partner Egin Jensen.

The latest minor All Ireland winners in 2010 were Kildare's Niall O'Connor in the singles and Limerick's Padraig O'Carroll and Eamon Davern, who completed a unique All Ireland Minor Doubles championship treble in a terrific season.











Above: Kildare's Niall O'Connor was Minor Hardball Singles Champion in 2010

Statistically, 2010 saw a positive shift for Hardball in Ireland with an increase in numbers in all 8 grades played. It was also the highest entry overall since 1999.

The split of 2010 Hardball Championship titles went to Dublin (2), Kilkenny (2), Tipperary (1), Kildare (1), Meath (1) and Limerick (1).

A promotional drive in the hardball game, as was the case throughout GAA Handball nationally in 2010, certainly saw worthwhile results. For the first time ever, the Hardball Championship finals were recorded for TV as part of The GAA Handball Show.

# **International Hardball?**

Further progress in relation to the promotional of the traditional hardball game was looked at in 2010 and this could see an International hardball showdown in 2011 with the Basque County travelling to take on an Irish select as well as an Irish Hardball team travelling to compete against a number of countries as part of the new 'Frontball' game which has taken off accross the world in the past 18 months. Further details will follow on this plan.



Above: Eoin Kennedy receives the senior hardball singles cup from National Manager, Chris Curran, with runner-up, Vinnie Moran

# 40x20 Championships 2010, sponsored by O'Neill's International Sports

Paul Brady (An Cabhán) and Maria Daly (Ciarraí) were the dominant forces in the 40x20 court in 2010 with each completing a Senior Singles and Doubles championship double. Brady equalled Pat Kirby's long-standing record of 6-in-a-row and collected his 7th title in all in the event thus moving within one off Ducksy Walsh's all-time record of 8 All Ireland Senior Singles Championship triumphs in the international court. He also partnered Michael Finnegan to secure their 6th Senior doubles crown at the expense of 2009 champions, Dessie Keegan and Joe McCann (Maigh Eo) in St. Coman's, Roscommon.

Maria Daly returned to the pinnacle of Irish Handball with her senior singles success, defeating Aisling reilly in the final at St. Coman's. The Ballymcelligot star then teamed up with Ashley Prendeville to claim the doubles crown in Kingscourt with a 21-20 third game win over Marianna and Hilary Rushe (Rós Comain).

At Minor level, Martin Mulkerrins (Gaillimh) emerged as an impressive singles champion with Padraig O'Carroll and Eamon Davern (Luimneach) taking the doubles honours while Catriona Casey (Corcaigh) completed the minor double in ladies, teaming up with Aisling O'Keefe in the doubles grade.





Wexford topped the list of All Ireland championship winners in the 40x20 in 2010 with 7 titles to their credit in a season when a total of 22 counties won All Ireland Championship gold.

At Juvenile level, Clare were the dominant force with 3 All Ireland 40x20 titles and Cork, Galway, Kilkenny and Wexford all on 2 each. Meanwhile the split of Juvenile championship titles by province was Munster on 6, Leinster on 4, Connacht on 3 and Ulster on 3

Overall on a provincial basis, Leinster hold top billing with 25 All Ireland championship titles in 2010 with Munster on 16, Ulster on 10 and Connacht with 7 40x20 All Ireland titles to their credit.

| GAA Handball 40x20 Championships 2010 (spread of titles) |                       |              |                      |  |       |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------|--|-------|
| County   | Mens Adult            | Ladies Adult | <b>Boys Juvenile</b> | Girls Juvenile   | Total |
| Wexford  | 5                     | -            | 2                    |  | 7     |
| Clare  | 5. <del>55.60</del> 8 | 2            | 2                    | 1  | 5     |
| Kilkenny   | 3                     | (22)         |                      | 2  | 5     |
| Offaly   | 4                     |              |                      |  | 4     |
| Antrim   | 3                     |              |                      |  | 3     |
| Cavan  | 3                     |              |                      | ==   | 3     |
| Dublin   | 3                     | .ee.         |                      | -  | 3     |
| Galway   | 1.                    |              | 144                  | 2  | 3     |
| Kerry  |                       | 3            | ÷-                   |  | 3     |
| Limerick   | 3                     |              | <del>=</del>         | and the second   | 3     |
| Mayo   | 3                     |              |                      |  | 3     |
| Tipperary  | 2                     |              | 1                    | and the same of th | 3     |
| Cork   |                       |              | 2                    |  | 2     |
| Westmeath  |                       | 2            |                      |  | 2     |
| Wicklow  | 2                     |              |                      | Mark.  | 2     |
| Armagh   | :==                   |              |                      | 1  | 1     |
| Roscommon  | 1 <del>47</del>       |              |                      | 1  | 1     |
| Down   | :== ;:                | 1            |                      | -  | 1     |
| Kildare  | 1                     |              |                      |  | 1     |
| Louth  | 1                     |              |                      |  | 1     |
| Monaghan   |                       |              | 1                    |  | 1     |
| Tyrone   |                       |              |                      | 1  | 1     |

# Tuarascáil an Bainisteoira Náisiúnta

# 40x20 Nationals (Adult & Junior) 2010, sponsored by Ladbrokes



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Above: Eoin Kennedy congratulates Paul Brady following his Mens Open triumph



Above: Ladies winner, Aisling Reilly, and runner-up, Maria Daly

For the first time, GAA Handball decided to organise two separate events in the Irish 40x20 Nationals with the Adults taking to the courts end of April and the Junior stars lighting up the courts later in the year, in November.

There was also a lot at stake with the Mens and Ladies Open winners at the Adult Nationals representing ireland in the US while the 6 winners of the main 15 - 19 Boys and Girls events at the Junior Nationals forming the Iris Junior Nationals teams.

#### **Adult Nationals**

Over 330 players competed in 15 different events with a further 12 plate competitions going ahead in a hugely successful weekend at Ulster venues. The action was televised and in the end it was Cavan's Paul Brady and Antrim's Aisling Reilly who secured the honours to claim their place of a trip to the US Nationals - where they both won their respective US titles most impressively.

A first ever 23 & Under mens title was won by Clare's Diarmuid Nash while Catriona Casey collected one of he 8 2010 National titles by taking the ladies 23 & Under honours, at just 16 years of age.

#### **Junior Nationals**

Again this provided a brilliant weekend for 350+ young players and over 800 handballing enthusiasts converged on Ulster venues over the weekend in November for a first Irish Juniors event. In addition to all the standard grades there was an excellent promotional 11 & Under doubles competition which indicated some exciting young stars of the future. Tyrone's Caolan Daly and Down's Lorraine Havern took the blue ribband boys and girls titles at 19 & Under with Cork's Killian Carroll (B17) Monaghan's Darren Doherty (B15), Catriona Casey (G17 and Lauren O'Riordain (G15) claiming their titles to mak the Official Irish National team which headed to San Diego in December.



# One-Wall Nationals 2010, in association with The Make-A-Wish Foundation



Record entries also greeted what was possibly the 'GAA Handball Social Event' of the year as in excess of 400 players competed in a brilliant series of matches in a total of 20 events. In addition there were 16 plate competitions with over 450 matches played in a weekend at the





















5 court Breaffy Resort complex and Castlebar HC.

With a large team again travelling over from England, this event proved a huge success and one in which the future looks very bright indeed. The competition was initially set up by the Sligo Handball Board 14 years earlier and they deserve the utmost credit for organising this each year and attracting great numbers from around the country. Many were again involved as part of the 2010 organising committee and played key roles in ensuring the terrific success of the One Wall Nationals.



The One Wall Nationals in Breaffy Resort is proving to be a big date in the GAA Handball Calendar



Above: Tony Healy presented a Coaching and Fun Under 10 event at the One Wall Nationals

Armagh's Charly Shanks enjoyed a 3-in-a-row triumph in the Mens Open Singles as he denied Robbie McCarthy in a thrilling tie-break final with Lorraine Havern (Down) also celebrating a tie-break final win over Mayo's Pauline Gallagher in the Ladies Open decider.

Charly Shanks, Robbie McCarthy, Dessie Keegan and James Doyle, based on their One Wall Nationals form, represented Ireland at the Italian Federation Cup in November, where they lost in a tie-break to eventual winners, Puerto Rico, and beat the Basques and Italy to claim 5th spot.

The televised One Wall Nationals episode in The GAA Handball Show received rave reviews and certainly portrayed the sport as a terrific social occasion and a brilliant game for All for Life, which will continue in the future.

Lorraine Havern, Ashley Prendiville and Pauline Gallagher, also based on their One Wall form, claimed the ELA Cup in Imperia, Italy, also with wins over Italy and the Basques. Marianna Rushe was a late withdrawal through injury from the team.

This event is going from strength to strength and so much so that GAA Handball could possibly see the inclusion of 8 International teams competing at the 2011 eventa as the build-up to the 2012 Worlds begins.

# National Competitions, Schools & Colleges handball...

# All Ireland Club Championships

'The Club' remains the heart and soul of the association and in handball one of the most satisfying areas of progress has been in the growth of our registered clubs. I will elaborate more on this under 'development' but significantly can look back to 2010 at our 'Club Championships' positively but with a degree of trepidation. The future of these competitions are vital to highlight the importance of our game being developed from club level and, while there has been considerable growth in the Junior B and Junior events, the Open Club Championships do need to be looked at, with a decline in the number of entries coming every year in both courts. This was up in 2010 but only marginally and this is an area which the statistics suggest needs to be looked at by the National CCC under the new Strategic Plan. On the courts itself, Ballaghadereen (Maigh Eo) were the dominant force again with a 40x20 and 60x30 Open Senior Club Championship double while Salthill (Gaillimh) and Kells (An Mhí) in 40x20 and St. Coman's (Ros Comain) and Ballina (Tiobraid Arann) in 60x30 were the Junior and Junior B Club championship winners respectively.

# 3rd Level Colleges Championships

The ICHA continue to organise all competitions in 3rd level colleges grades and must be congratulated in their efforts on the promotion and development of the game. The launch of a new website - www.ichahandball.org - has been received well and there is no question that the 3rd level colleges handball sphere is an area which can see tremendous growth in the years ahead.

The 40x20 Championships took place in Kingscourt and saw title wins in the Open events by Seamus O'Carroll (LIT) and Marianna Rushe (UCD) in the Mens and Ladies grades respectively while UUJ collected the Team championship honours again in the event staged in Dublin venues at the end of November. In the 60x30 event at Kilkenny venues, Kilkenny's Nicholas Anthony (WIT) denied Seamus O'Carroll a double while Ashley Prendiville (UCC) secured the ladies open crown. A total of 26 competitions took place under the ICHA umbrella and, like most other events taking place at National handball at present, witnessed record numbers with a combined total of over 400 competitors participating over the 3 tournaments.

Over 40 students who competed in Ireland also made the trip to the USA for the Collegiates Championships where further success followed in a number of grades. GAA Handball plan will certainly be planning to forge closer links to help in the promotion of 3rd level colleges handball as growth continues in all sectors of the game.



Above: some of the pictures from Féile na nGael 2010

# Féile na nGael

Undoubtedly one of the most important GAA Handball events on the national calendar, the Féile na nGael continues to go from strength to strength. A total of 86 teams participated in the 2010 event in a total of 11 competitions (8 boys & 3 girls). That means over 400 children, representing their clubs (the very hear of GAA Handball) experienced first hand the opportunity to play as part of a club team in a national event that was all about celebration and the very best that our sport has to offer. Clare played host in 2010 and deserve immense credit for a brilliantly organised Féile and I congratulate the many officials, coaches, parents and children who contributed to what had to be the outstanding occasion of the year. Tommy Hegarty was a superble efficient Féile secretary and I must also thank Sean O'Connor who is GAA Handball's representative on the GAA National Féile na nGael committee.

Congratulations to Tulla (Clare), Cashel (Tipperary) and Micheal Breathnach's (Gaillimh) who claimed our blue ribband Division 1 titles at the event and to all who enjoyed success at this dazzlin mid-summer gaelic extravaganza. We already look forward to Gaillimh 2011.

# National Competitions, Schools & Colleges handball...

# **Team Championships**

GAA Handball organise Juvenile All Ireland Team Championships in Boys U12/13, Boys U14/15 and Boys U16/17 in both 40x20 and 60x30. In 2011 Tyrone enjoyed a double in the 40x20 court at 12/13 and U14/15 while Tipperary took the honours at U16/17. In the 60x30 court it was Wexford (U12/13), Cork (U14/15) and Tipperary (U16/17) who claimed the titles respectively.

In addition to these events there is also the Girls Team of 10 Inter-Provincial series and once again it was Connacht who emerged as a dominant force winning both the 40x20 and 60x30 titles.

GAA Handball carried out a considerable promotional strategy for these events in 2011 and it is unquestionably excellent to see so many young people take part. However, going



forward I also believe that the running of the team compeitions in general will need to be looked at in order to gain maximum impact for all the children involved. Weekend tournaments for all counties in team events is one possibility as Juvenile Team events have such a great way of appealing to all involved. Likewise in the Girls Inter-Pro series where problems obtaining entries at times can be difficult and the overall structure of this should be looked at and ideas for introducing more meaningful Girls Team events is something that could have a lasting positive effect on the development of the game.

# International successes, challenges and breakthroughs...

#### **US Nationals domination!**

GAA Handball certainly maintained their dominance internationally in the 40x20 court in 2010 with the Mens and Ladies Open successes of Paul Brady and Aisling Reilly being most impressive at the US Nationals back in June 2010. Following on from this was Ireland's most successful ever trip to the US Junior Nationals in December 2010 when the squad, managed by Joe McCann and Ashley Prendiville, claimed every grade from Boys & Girls 15 & Under to 19 & Under with other Irish players who had made the trip to San Diego also enjoying success. The team was Caolan Daly (Tír Eoghain), Lorraine Havern (An Dún), Killian Carroll (Corcaigh), Catriona Casey (Corcaigh), Darren Doherty (Muineachain) and Lauren O'Riordain (Ros Comain).

Elsewhere, there was also a great deal happening on the International from with an 8 strong team of 4 male and 4 female players making the trip to Imperia in Italy in November to compete in the International Federations Cup. This event had 16 countries competing for the honours and in the Mens event the team of Charly Shanks, Robbie McCarthy, Dessie Keegan and James Doyle were unlucky to lose out in a tie-break to

Puerto Rico in the quarter-finals with their victors going on to claim the title with a final win over the USA. Because they lost in the last 8 stage they could only playoff for 5th-8th seed placings and wins over The Basque Country and Italy were enough to see them claim 5th placing overall. The ladies lost their opening round games to Holland and Puerto Rico and the team of Lorraine Havern (An Dún), Pauline Gallagher (Maigh Eo) and Ashley Prendiville (Ciarraí), following the late withdrawal through injury of Marianna Rushe (Ros Comain) went on to claim 5th seeded placing also by winning the ELA Cup. An international conference in Italy and Valencia also saw GAA Handball play a very influential role in the forming of a new International One Wall Federation of 33 countires.



# **Promotions and Development...**

# The GAA Handball Show sends handball back on national TV screens...

The last 12 months has seen immense work by GAA Handball in the very crucial fields of promotions and development and this will be increased again in 2011 through to the World Championships in 2012. Following extensive consultation the association launched it's own promotional handball TV series in conjunction with TG4 with 7 full episodes being shown on the national station and this has had a profound positive impact on the game in all sectors of the country. This dynamic approach has been instrumental in raising the profile of GAA handball and, alongside the major one wall initiatives around schools and GAA clubs throughout Ireland, there is no doubt that the sport is heading in a rapid incline upwards in terms of growth and popularity.

There are a host of major Promotional and Development initiatives already well underway in respect of planning but it has been decided to initiate these under the new **'Strategic Vision for the Future'** plan which is set to be launched at Congress 2011 and which must then be voted on by the delegates.

Here are some of the promotional and development initiatives already being planned:

- Launch of a new GAA Handball Clár (1st June-31st May each year) which will be distributed as part of a new GAA Handball Official Guide, including Bye-Laws and Rules (as approved at Congress) as well as contact details and important information and roles-responsibilities for committees at all levels.
- Launch of new GAA Handball Coaching Resources Packs, including Coaching DVD and Posters.
- Launch of a new 'GAA Handball Optional Annual Members Package' which will provide excellent benefits to those who take it up, including free entry to National Tournaments, Jersey/Polo Shirt and a complete DVD Package, entry to draw for All Ireland Tickets, and other exciting benefits. 75% of monies raised in this package will be distributed to Clubs as grants at the end of each year.
- GAA Handball Merchandise and Online Shop: Unfortunately due to certain restrictions the online shop had to be put on hold and it is envisaged that this will now be launched by June 2011 with a view to providing a full range of GAA Handball Merchandise that would provide much needed development funds for GAA Handball.
- IT/Communications & Publications: the launch of GAAHandball TV online, a GAA Handball digital magazine, expansion of the E-Zine, a series of Top Ace Publications and a new website/email system under the www.gaahandball.ie umbrella for clubs, counties and provinces to utilise. An intranet system for updating information and liaising for all committees will also be developed in this plan.

Ultimately while there are a host of other exciting plans afoot in GAA Handball, all will be put forward for discussion and further research under each of the new National Strategic Committees which will form the core of the proposed 'Strategic Vision for the Future' to be voted on at Congress 2011.







# Le buíochas...

I would like to say a sincere word of gratitude to a number of people. The terrific contribution of outgoing Uachtarán, Tony Hannon, who has devoted so much of his time and energy to an incredibly demanding role in GAA Handball. I wish him very well as he heads for a much deserved break but have no doubt that he will play an integral role in GAA Handball for many more years to come.

On that note I also wish Walter O'Connor the very best of luck in his new role as Uachtarán CLLE. Walter has made his mark at the very highest level on the playing court and his success there showed his passion for the game and I have no doubt that this same successful and passionate approach will reap dividends for the game going forward.

I also thank our Cisteoir, Ken Conway, who has put so much selfless time and effort into a very demanding role in our Association and to all on our National Committees, Ard Comhairle and Coiste Bainistí members, as well as our National Coaching Committee all of whom give their time so freely to ensure the very best is attained for our sport.

I must mention the brilliant support offered by the GAA. Not only do the GAA provide tremendous financial assistance towards the administration, development and promotion of the game but their constant support in all areas of our activities has been phenomenal in the sustained growth of our game. Uachtarán CLG, Críostóir Ó Cuana and Ard Stiúrthóir Chumann Lúthchleas Gael, Páraic Ó Dufaigh, and Seán Breathnach, delegate from CLG to GAA Handball, have been excellent in their approach to seeing handball grow and flourish within the GAA and, on behalf of GAA handball, I thank them sincerely for that. I also thank the Sports Council for the financial assistance and support for Handball in Ireland.

Our National Development Officer, Niamh Egan, has taken on her new role with great enthiusiasm and aplomb and I have no doubt she will continue to play a very dynamic role in the development of our game throughout Ireland. In addition I would also like to thank Brigid Doheny and John Kelly in the office and to Kathy Slattery, David Muckian and Paula O'Brien for providing so much help and quidance in relation to our accounting systems and practices.

Finally, I would like to thank all our members, officials, players, coaches and parents who play such an influential and inspirational role and without whom the high levels of growth, development and promotion being achieved would not be possible.

Is mise le meas Críostóir Ó Corrain Bainisteoir Náisiúnta, CLG Comhairle Liathróid Láimhe na hÉireanníon







With over 400 guests in attendance there is now doubt the GAA Handball National All-Star Awards in Croke Park provides an outstanding end of year celebration for all player, officials and former stars alike

# Financial Statements 2010

COMHAIRLE LIATHRÓID LAIMHE NA HEIREANN STATEMENT OF MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

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O'Connor & Associate

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2010

Management are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable Irish law and Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland, including the accounting standards issued by the Accounting Standards Board and published by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland

Management is required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of An Chomhairle and of the surplus or deficit of An Chomhaire and in preparing those financial statements, Management is required to:-

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that an Comhairle will continue its activities.

Management is responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of An Comhairle. Management is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of An Chomhairle and hence for taking and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Cionnaith Ó Chonbhuí Cisteoir, CLLE

21 March 2011

Report of the Independent Auditors

To the Members of Comhairle Liathróid Laimhe na hÉireann

# **Basis of Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the Management in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Council's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true a fair view of the state of the Council's affairs at 31 December 2010 and of its deficit for the year then ended.

We have obtained all the information and explanation we considered necessary for the purposes of our audit. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Council. The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account.

O'Connor & Associates Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors Harcourt Centre, Harcourt Road Dublin 2

21 March 2011

# **Financial Statements 2010**

#### **Revenue Account**

# for the year ended 31 December 2010

|                                   |          | 2010     | 2009     |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Income                            | Schedule | €        | €        |
| Registrations                     |          | 32,062   | 24,371   |
| Gate Receipts                     |          | 8,992    | 13,900   |
| Competition and Event Income      |          | 20,405   | 24,044   |
| Irish Sports Council Grants       |          | 110,600  | 143,746  |
| GAA Grants                        | 1        | 227,000  | 155,944  |
| Sponsorship and Subscriptions     |          | 48,950   | 61,505   |
| Profit on Sale of Merchandise     | 2        | 10,457   | 6,071    |
| Other Income                      |          | 3,288    | 3,843    |
|                                   |          | 461,754  | 433,424  |
| Expenditure                       |          | i i      |          |
| Competition and Event Expenses    |          | 71,102   | 64,808   |
| International                     |          | 50,260   | 64,664   |
| Provincial Grants                 |          | 5,630    | 4,745    |
| 3rd Level Grants                  |          | 2,934    | 635      |
| Juvenile Expenses                 |          | 14,241   | 11,372   |
| Promotional Materials             |          | 63,293   | 44,388   |
| Trophies and Medals               |          | 27,240   | 27,964   |
| Meetings and Officials' Travel    |          | 42,087   | 48,131   |
| Coaching, Leadership and Developm | ent      | 22,687   | 7,097    |
| Administration and General        | 3        | 185,293  | 196,001  |
| Depreciation                      |          | 916      | 2,453    |
|                                   |          | 485,683  | 472,258  |
| Operating (Deficit)               |          | (23,929) | (38,834) |
| Balance at beginning of year      |          | 49,314   | 88,148   |
| Balance at end of year            |          | 25,385   | 49,314   |

# Balance Sheet

# for the year ended 31 December 2010

|                         |      | 2010    | 2009    |
|-------------------------|------|---------|---------|
|                         | Note | €       | €       |
| Fixed Assets            | 2    | 1,832   |         |
| Current Assets          |      |         |         |
| Stocks                  |      | 22,824  | 2,636   |
| Debtors and Prepayments | 3    | 166,219 | 207,909 |
| Cash & Bank Balances    |      | 919     | 120     |
|                         |      | 189,962 | 210,665 |
| Current Liabilities     |      |         |         |
| Creditors               | 4    | 97,705  | 81,191  |
| Bank Overdraft          |      | 68,704  | 80,160  |
|                         |      | 166,409 | 161,351 |
| Net Current Assets      |      | 23,553  | 49,314  |
| Net Assets              |      | 25,385  | 49,314  |
| Represented by          |      |         |         |
| Accumulated Reserves    | 5    | 25,385  | 49,314  |
|                         |      |         |         |

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### for the year ended 31 December 2010

#### 1. Statement of Accounting Policies

- (a) The accounts are prepared under the historic cost convention.
- (b) Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets other than Outlay on Ceannarus is equal annual instalments over their expected useful lives. The rates applied are as follows:

| Office Equipment   | - 20% Straight line |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Computer equipment | - 33% Straight line |

(c) Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is based on normal levels of cost and activity and comprises cost of purchase and, where appropriate, cost of conversion to current condition and location.

Net realisable value comprises the actual or estimated selling price less all further costs to completion and all costs to be incurred in selling and distribution.

#### 2. Fixed Assets

|                        | Office<br>Equipment | Computer<br>Equipment | Total  |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------|
|                        | =qu.pc.it           | Equipment €           | €      |
| Cost                   |                     |                       | •      |
| At 31 December 2009    | 13,998              |                       | 13.998 |
| Additions for the year |                     | 2,748                 | 2,748  |
| At 31 December 2010    | 13,998              | 2,748                 | 16,746 |
| Depreciation           |                     |                       |        |
| At 31 December 2009    | 13,998              | -                     | 13,998 |
| Charge for year        | -                   | 916                   | 916    |
| At 31 December 2010    | 13,998              | 916                   | 14,914 |
| Net Book Value         |                     |                       |        |
| At 31 December 2010    |                     | 1,832                 | 1,832  |
| At 31 December 2009    | 12                  | _                     |        |

#### 3. Debtors and Prepayments

Grants Due from Cumann Luthchleas Gael

| Other Debtors                | 100,219  | 51,965   |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 4                            | 166,219  | 207,909  |
| 4. Creditors                 |          |          |
|                              | 2010     | 2009     |
|                              | €        | €        |
| Accruals                     | 78,971   | 31,623   |
| Taxation and social welfare  | 7,803    | 8,200    |
| Player Injury Scheme         | 10,537   | 30,916   |
| Other Creditors              | 394      | 10,452   |
|                              | 97,705   | 81,191   |
| 5. Accumulated Fund          |          |          |
|                              | 2010     | 2009     |
|                              | €        | €        |
| Balance at Beginning of Year | 49,314   | 88,148   |
| (Deficit) / Surplus for Year | (23,929) | (38,834) |
|                              | 25,385   | 49,314   |
|                              |          |          |

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#### 6. Approval of Financial Statements

The financial statements were approved by the directors on the 21 March 2011.

# Financial Statements 2010

#### Schedules to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 2009 Schedule 1 **GAA Grants** 100,000 100,000 Annual Grant 13,844 36,000 Administration Grant 25,000 Promotional Grant 42,100 66,000 Strategic Grant 227,000 155,944 Schedule 2 Profit on Sale of Merchandise 33,066 43,507 Sale of Handballs 1,869 2,636 Opening Stock 27,762 53,238 Purchases (2,636)(22.824) Closing Stock 26,995 33.050 Cost of Sales 6,071 10,457 Profit on sale of merchandise Schedule 3 Administration and General Expenses 153,204 150,584 Staff Costs 13,407 21,605 Printing, Stationary and Advertising 6.635 8,656 Postage and Telephone 6,431 7,571 Audit and Accountancy Fees 731 712 Bank Interest, Charges & Financial Costs 3,456 Consultancy Fees 280 174 All-Ireland Tickets 2,709 2,479 Miscellaneous

# The President and Members of Comhairle Liathróid Láimhe na hÉireann Cumann Lúthchleas Gael, 21 March 2011

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We have examined the records of an Comhairle for the year ended 31 December 2010.

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Income of the year amounted to €461,754. Expenditure came to €485,683, leaving a deficit of €23,929. In the preceding year there was an operating surplu of €49,314. As compared with that year the following were the principal variations in income and expenditure:

| COME                         | Increase / (Decrease |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| (4)                          |                      |
| egistrations                 | 7,69                 |
| ate Receipts                 | (4,908               |
| empetition and Event Income  | (3,639               |
| sh Sports Council Grants     | (33,146              |
|                              | 71.05                |
| AA Grants                    | (12,55)              |
| oonsorship and Subscriptions | 4,38                 |
| ofit on Sale of Merchandise  | (55)                 |
| ther Income                  | 20 22                |
|                              | 20,33                |

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#### EXPENDITURE

| Competition and Event Expenses       | 74 |
|--------------------------------------|----|
| International                        | (1 |
| Provincial Grants                    |    |
| 3rd Level Grants                     |    |
| Juvenile Expenses                    |    |
| Promotional Materials                |    |
| Trophies and Medals                  |    |
| Meetings and Officials' Travel       |    |
| Coaching, Leadership and Development |    |
| Administration and General           | (  |
| Depreciation                         |    |
|                                      |    |

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

2,660

196,001

185,293

The total assets of an Chomhairle at 31 December 2010 had a value of €191,794. Liabilities at the same date including bank overdraft of €68,704 cam €166,409. The assets exceeded liabilities by €25,385.

As in previous years Interest on Bank Borrowings has been avoided by arrangement with Central Council Cumann Luthchleas Gael.

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# O' CONNOR & ASSOCIATES,

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# Torthaí 2010...

# GAA Handball All Ireland 60x30 Softball Championships 2010

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Minor Singles: Galway (Martin Mulkerrins) dft Limerick (Padraig O'Carroll) 21-19, 21-14 Minor Doubles: Limerick (Padraig O Carroll, Eamon Davern) dft Roscommon (Mark Nally, Cian Connolly) 7-21, 21-16, 21-20

U 21 Singles: Tipperary (Fergal Collins) dft Kilkenny (Ciaran Neary) 21-13, 21-8 U 21 Doubles: Kilkenny (Ciaran Neary/Patrick Funchion) dft Tipperary (Fergal Collins/Declan Gleeson) 21-14, 21-9

Junior B Singles: Tipperary (Michael Carroll) dft Kildare (Maurice Murray) 21-18, 21-16 Junior B Doubles: Wexford (Noel Holohan/Peter Hughes) dft Tipperary (Denis White/Ray Manton) 21-11, 21-20

Junior Singles: Clare (Declan Frawley) dft Wexford (Paul Lambert) 21-8, 21-14 Junior Doubles: Roscommon (Chris Doolin/Niall McGrath) dft Limerick (JP O'Connor/Ken Boys Burke) 21-11, 21-11

Intermediate Singles: Limerick (Seamus O'Carroll) dft Kilkenny (Timmy Clifford) 5-1 scr. inj. Intermediate Doubles: Limerick (Seamus O'Carroll/Paul Hedderman) dft Kilkenny (Timmy Clifford/David Clifford) 21-14, 21-14

Open Senior Singles: Dublin (Eoin Kennedy) dft Westmeath (Robbie McCarthy) Open Senior Doubles: Meath (Tom Sheridan/Brian Carroll) dft Kilkenny (Ducksy Walsh/Michael Clifford) 21-10, 21-18

Over 35 Singles: Wexford (Gavin Boys Buggy) dft Tipperary (David Maloney) 21-10, 16-21, 21-15

Over 35 Doubles: Tipperary (David Moloney/Noel Murphy) dft Wexford (Gavin Boys Buggy/John Roche) 21-5, 21-9

Masters A Singles: Kilkenny (Michael Walsh) dft Tyrone (Niall Kerr) 21-2, 21-3

Masters A Doubles: Meath (Tom Sheridan/John Molloy) dft Tipperary (Josie O Dwyer/Willie O Dwyer) 21-7, 21-2

Masters B Singles: Kilkenny (Canice Quigley) dft Tipperary (Paul Maher) 21-18, 15-21, 21-17

Masters B Doubles: Meath (Joe Lynch, Christy McGovern) dft Tipperary (John Lee/Paul Maher) 21-7, 21-7

Silver Masters A Singles: Kilkenny (Billy Bourke) dft Cork (John Herlihy) 21-4, 21-0 Silver Masters A Doubles: Kilkenny (Billy Bourke/Philly Parsons) dft Cork (John Herlihy/John Hedigan) 21-12, 21-4

Silver Masters B Singles: Kilkenny (Richie Falsey) dft Tipperary (Paul Maher) 14-21, 21-7, 21-8

Silver Masters B Doubles: Tipperary (Paul Maher/Martin Spain) off Wexford (Stephen & Brendan Murphy) 21-14, 7-21, 21-11

Golden Masters A Singles: Kilkenny (Johnny Brennan) dft Tipperary (Pat Ryan) 21-19, 11-21, 21-19

Golden Masters A Doubles: Kilkenny (Johnny Brennan/Joe Hennessy) dft Tipperary (Tony Flaherty/Pat Griffin) 21-20, 19-21, 21-18
Golden Masters B Singles: Mary (Fearly Mesters) 45 Class (De Doubles) 24-40, 24-47

Golden Masters B Singles: Mayo (Frank Macken) dft Clare (Pat Donnelan) 21-12, 21-17 Golden Masters B Doubles: Mayo (Frank Macken /Aiden Bell) dft Clare (Pat

Donellan/Stephen Mc Inemey) 21-7, 21-13

Diamond Masters A Singles: Tipperary (Packie Mullins) dft Kilkenny (Paddy Reilly) 21-20, 21-6

Diamond Masters A Doubles: Kilkenny (Paddy Reilly/Seamus Reade) dft Tipperary (Jim Ryan/Sean Lee) 21-8, 21-11

Namond Masters B Singles: Monaghan (Michael Todd) dft Louth (Sean Devlin) 21-2, 21-11
Diamond Masters B Doubles: Cork (Tim Joe Healy/Jim O Rourke) dft Kilkenny (Jim

Dooley/Con Moore) 5-21, 21-12, 21-6
Emerald Masters A Singles: Limerick (Tom O'Brien) dft Carlow (John Rossiter) 21-5, 19-21, 21-6

Emerald Masters A Doubles: Tipperary (Packie Mullins/Billy Mullins) dft Carlow (Sean Ryan/Andy Ryan) 21-7, 21-8

Emerald Masters B Singles: Galway (John McMyler) dft Tipperary (Jim Quinn) 21-19, 21-14 Emerald Masters B Doubles: Kilkenny (Joe Anthony/Liam O'Mathúin) dft Tipperary (Andy Purcell/Jim Looby) 21-17, 21-17

Ruby Masters Singles: Waterford (Mossie Butler) dft Dublin (Mick O'Brien) 21-13, 12-21, 21-20

Ruby Masters Doubles: Sligo (Paddy Walsh/Michael Kelly) dft Cork (Pat O Brien/Michael Jordan) 21-4, 21-16

#### GAA HANDBALL Ladies All-Ireland 60x30 Championship Finals sponsored by M DONNELLY

Ladies Minor Singles: Cork (Catriona Casey) dft Mayo (Amy Corrigan) 21-9, 21-10 Ladies Minor Doubles: Cork (Catriona Casey/Aisling O'Keeffe) dft Mayo (Leona Ryder/Amy Corrigan) 21-16, 8-21, 21-8

Ladies Junior B Singles: Westmeath (A. McCarthy) dft Limerick (S. Lehane) 21-4, 21-7. Ladies Junior B Doubles: Westmeath (Aoife McCarthy/Niamh Egan) dft Limerick (Siobhan Lehane/Jacqui Enright) 21-10, 21-14

Ladies Junior Singles: Wexford (Martina Walsh) dft Mayo (Stephanie Coleman) 21-19, 21-5 Ladies Junior Doubles: Kilkenny (R. Mulholland & M. Walshe) dft Clare (E. O' Grady & A. Fitzgerald) 21-13, 21-4.

Ladies Intermediate Singles: Wicklow (Shauna Hilley) dft Kerry (Catriona Casey) 21-5, 21-8

Ladies Intermediate Doubles: Wicklow (Shauna Hilley/Sandra Barnes) dft Kerry (Catriona
Casey/Lisa Falvey) 21-13, 21-0

Ladies Open Senior Singles: Kerry (Ashley Prendiville) dft Kerry (Maria Daly) 21-17, 21-12 Ladies Open Senior Doubles: Kerry (Ashley Prendiville & Maria Daly) dft Mayo (Pauline Gallagher & Amy Corrigan) 21-6, 17-21, 21-10

# GAA Handball All-Ireland 60X30 Hardball Championships Finals 2010





Minor Singles: Kildare(Niall O'Connor) dft Limerick (Padraig O'Carroll) 21-13, 7-21, 21-17
Minor Doubles: Limerick (P O'Carroll/E Davern) dft Kilkenny (E Hennessy/P Maher) 21-15,
21-9

Junior Singles: Nicholas Anthony (Kilkenny) dft Maurice Murray (Kildare) 21-2, 21-6 Junior Doubles: Keith Bourke & William Love (Kilkenny) bt Carl Browne & Joe Cummins (Meath) 21-19, 19-21, 21-16.

Senior Singles: Eoin Kennedy (Dublin) dft Vincent Moran (Mayo) 21-6, 14-21, 21-9
Senior Doubles: E. Kennedy & E. Jensen (Dublin) bt S. O' Carroll & C. J. Fitzpatrick (Limerick) 21-20. 5-21. 21-17.

Masters Singles: T. Sheridan (Meath) bt M. Dowling (Kildare) 21-6, 21-6.

Masters Doubles Final: Tipperary (John Lee & Pat Flaherty) dft Wicklow (Pat Quaile & Richard Willoughby) 21-7, 5-21, 21-15

# GAA HANDBALL All Ireland 40x20 Championship Finals 2010 sponsored by O'Neills





Minor Singles Final: Galway (Martin Mulkerrins) dft Limerick (Padraig O'Carroll) 21-12, 21-10

Minor Doubles: Limerick (Padraig O Carroll/Eamon Davern) dft Galway (Martin Mulkerrins/Seamus O'Conneely) 21-14, 21-18

U 21 Singles: Tipperary (Fergal Collins) dft Mayo (Stephen Cooney) 21-17, 18-21, 21-16 U 21 Doubles: Mayo (Stephen Cooney/lan McLoughlin) dft Cork (Tadgh Carroll/John O' Keeffe) 21-14, 21-14

Junior B Singles: Wexford (Paul Lambert) dft Monaghan James Gavaghan) 18-21, 21-15, 21-9

Junior B Doubles: Wexford (Paul Lambert/Peter Hughes) dft Cork (Tom McDonagh/John McDonagh Jnr) 21-6, 21-6

Junior Singles: Offaly (David Hope) dft Monaghan (Terry Kiernan) 21-4, 21-1 Junior Doubles: Cavan (James Brady/Patrick Clerkin) dft Roscommon (Philip O'Connor/Cormac O'Brien) 9-21, 21-16, 21-11

Intermediate Singles: Limerick [Seamus O Carroll] dft Kilkenny (Brian Manogue) 21-12, 21-19

Intermediate Doubles: Limerick (Seamus O Carroll/CJ Fitzpatrick) dft Kilkenny (Eddie Boys Burke/Brian Manogue) 21-13, 21-13

Senior Singles: Cavan (Paul Brady) dft Armagh (Charly Shanks) 21-17, 21-7 Senior Doubles: Cavan (Paul Brady/Michael Finnegan) dft Mayo (Dessie Keegan/Joe McCann) 21-11, 21-13

Masters A Singles: Kilkenny (Michael Walsh) dft Cork (Stephen Palmer) 21-4, 21-6 Masters A Doubles: Kilkenny (Michael Walsh/Pat Maher) dft Antrim (Paddy Crothers/J. McGarry) 9-21, 21-11, 21-17

Masters B Singles: Offaly (Noel Murphy) dft Cork (John Kiersey) 21-10, 21-17
Masters B Doubles: Mayo (Joe Dowling/James Towey) dft Antrim (Kieran O'Hare/Tony
Devlin) 21-20, 21-10

Silver Masters A Singles: Kilkenny (Billy Bourke) dft Antrim (Stephen Madden) 21-3, 21-7 Silver Masters A Doubles: Dublin (Egin Jensen/Frank Daly) dft Antrim (Stephen Madden/Joe McAllister) 21-17, 21-16

Silver Masters B Singles: Mayo (Brendan Judge) dft Clare (John Cawley) 7-21, 21-4, 21-7 Silver Masters B Doubles: Wexford (Declan Hart/Fintan Doyle) dft Antrim (Stephen Roberts/Gerry Rafferty) 21-12, 21-10

Golden Masters A Singles: Kildare (Michael Dowling) dft Clare [Pat Donellan] 21-13, 21-7 Golden Masters A Doubles: Antrim (Thomas Maguire/Tony Caddell) dft Roscommon (Ger Walsh/Dermot Doolin) 4-21, 21-7, 21-16

Golden Masters B Singles: Antrim (Paddy Roberts) dft Wicklow (Eamonn Rice) 21-15, 19-21, 21-19

21, 21-19 Golden Masters B Doubles: Wicklow (Eamonn Rice/Drew Keogh) dft Limerick (Jimmy Fanning/Jack Dillon) 21-17, 21-15

Diamond Masters A Singles: Wexford (Ned Boys Buggy) dft Tipperary [Jim Ryan] 21-13, 13-21, 21-18

Diamond Masters A Doubles: Tipperary (Jim Ryan/Packie Mullins) dft Kilkenny (Seamus Reade/Paddy Reilly) 21-11, 21-10

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Diamond Masters B Singles: Louth (Sean Devlin) dft Cork [Tim Joe Healy] 21-10, 21-10 Diamond Masters B Doubles: Wexford (Ger McWilliams/Jim Bergin) dft Kerry (Declan Ryan/Liam Cummins) 21-3, 21-0

Emerald Masters A Singles: Offaly (Billy Mullins) dft Limerick (Tom O Brien) 21-15, 8-21, 21-19

Emerald Masters A Doubles Final: Offaly (Billy Mullins/Jim Gilfoyle) dft Limerick [Tom O Brien/John Frazer] 21-18, 21-15

Emerald Masters B Singles: Wicklow (Gerry McGrath) dft Antrim (Robert McMahon) 21-11,

Emerald Masters B Doubles: Dublin (Paddy Clerkin/Jimmy Heffernan) dft Antrim (John McManus/Charlie Monaghan) 21-19, 21-11

Ruby Masters Singles: Dublin (Eddie Flynn) dft Antrim (Seamus Graham) 21-15, 21-19 Ruby Masters Doubles: Antrim (Seamus Graham/Richard Murphy) dft Wicklow (Paddy Lennon/Dick Doyle) 21-13, 21-9

#### **GAA Handball** Ladies All Ireland 40x20 Championship Finals 2010 sponsored by O'Neills

Ladies Minor Singles: Cork [Catriona Casey] dft Mayo (Amy Corrigan) 14-21, 21-10, 21-13 Ladies Minor Doubles: Cork (Catriona Casey/Aishling O Keeffe) dft Mayo (Amy Corrigan/Leona Ryder) 21-6, 21-8

Ladies Junior B Singles: Westmeath (Aoife McCarthy) dft Clare (Aishling Fitzgerald) 21-2,

Ladies Junior B Doubles: Westmeath (Aoife McCarthy/Niamh Egan) dft Clare (Aishling Fitzgerald/Edel O Grady) 20-21, 21-6, 21-8

Ladies Junior Singles: Clare (Lisa Loughnane) dft Kilkenny (Marie T O'Neill) 21-20, 21-11 Ladies Junior Doubles: Clare (Annmarie Fitzgerald/Louise Hayes) dft Kilkenny (Rachel Hogan / Marie Walshe) 21-10, 15-21, 21-9

Ladies Intermediate Singles: Down (Lorraine Havern) dft Wicklow (Shauna Hilley) 19-21, 21-16, 21-17

Ladies Intermediate Doubles: Kerry (Lisa Falvey/Catriona Casey) dft Carlow (Ciara Mullins / Miriam Rvan) 21-8, 21-16

Ladies Senior Singles: Kerry (Maria Daly) dft Antrim (Aisling Reilly) 21-18, 21-19 Ladies Senior Doubles: Kerry (Maria Daly & Ashley Prendiville) dft Roscommon (Marianna Rushe & Hilary Rushe) 21-13, 19-21, 21-20

#### **GAA Handball** All Ireland 60x30 Club Championships 2010

#### SENIOR OPEN CLUB 60x30 Championships Final:

Ballaghaderreen, Mayo (Dessie Keegan, Joe McCann, Vinnie Moran, Paul Flynn) dft Broadford, Limerick (C J Fitzpatrick, Christopher Enright, Pat Doody, Anthony Donnelly, Pat Murphy) 105-19

#### JUNIOR CLUB 60x30 Championships Final

St. Coman's, Roscommon (Chris Doolin, Shane Hennelly, Niail Gordon, Niail McGrath) dft Cashel (Tipperary) (Denis While, Ray Manton, John Ferncombe, Paul McGrath Willie O'Dwyer)

#### JUNIOR B CLUB 60x30 Championships Final

Ballina, Tipperary (Paddy Coillins, Michael Carroll, Noel Moroney, David Hickey, Declan Gleeson) dft St. Canices, Kilkenny (Chris Dawson, Richie Falsey, Kevin Woods, Jimmy Long) 122-73

#### **GAA Handball** All Ireland 40x20 Club Championships 2010

#### SENIOR OPEN CLUB 40x20 Championships Final

Ballaghaderreen, Mayo (Dessie Keegan, Joe McCann, Vinnie Moran, Stephen Cooney, Paul Flynn) dft Ballydesmond (Tony Healy, Brendan Fleming, Niall Fleming, John Keeffe) 96-71

#### JUNIOR CLUB 40x20 Championships Final

Salthill, Galway (Kevin Cradock, Bernie McDonagh, John Ward, Tom Sweeney, Trevor Hannon) dft Liscarroll, Cork (Shane Hedigan, Tom O Neill, Arthur O Neill, Denis O Neill, John Hedigan) 115-104

#### JUNIOR B CLUB 40x20 Championships Final

Kells, Meath (Peter Flanagan, Christy McGovern, Michael Sheridan, Peter Reilly) dft St. Mellans Truagh, Monaghan (Conor McGinnity, Christopher McKenna (PJ), Ian Treanor, Eamon Todd, Keith Sheeran) 96-38

# **GAA Handball** All Ireland Juvenile 60x30 Championship Finals 2010

BOYS U14 Singles: Clare (Colin Corbett) dft Roscommon (Enda Connelly) 15-9, 15-8 BOYS U14 Doubles: Tipperary (Padraig O'Donoghue/Jonathan Hayes) dft Kilkenny (Emmett Landy/Brian Mahon) 14-15, 15-8, 15-9

BOYS U15 Singles: Carlow (Martin Mullins) dft Cork (Ryan Harkin) 15-10, 4-15, 15-9 BOYS U15 Doubles: Clare (Barry Nash/Niall Bolton) dft Kilkenny (Adrian Farrell/Pat

Brennan) 15-10, 15-1

BOYS U16 Singles: Limerick (Padraig Quish) dft Leitrim (Donal Wrynn) 21-20, 21-11 BOYS U16 Doubles: Cork (Dennis O Neill/Patrick Herlihy) dft Roscommon (Colm Walshe/Cathal Connelly) 15-21, 21-9, 11-6

BOYS U17 Singles: Clare (Jamie Lynch) dft Mayo (Martin Maughan) 21-8, 21-6 BOYS U17 Doubles: Waterford (Tom Aird/Luke Falconer) dft Dublin (John Walsh/Brian Treanor) 12-21, 21-16, 11-4

GIRLS U14 Singles: Galway (Cianna Ni Churraoin) dft Kerry (Emer Lynch) 15-0, 15-0 GIRLS U14 Doubles: Tyrone (Maeve McElduff/Aoife Kelly) dft Carlow (Shannon Byrne/Michelle Nolan) 15-2, 15-3

GIRLS U15 Singles: Galway (Mary Fahy) dft Waterford (Aoife Landers) 15-0, 15-12 GIRLS U15 Doubles: Kilkenny (Catherine Foley/Mary Buggy) dft Clare (Natasha Coughlan/Michelle Nihill) 13-15, 15-0, 15-2

GIRLS U16 Singles: Roscommon (Lauren O'Riordan) dft Kilkenny (Rachel Hogan) 21-5, 2

GIRLS U16 Doubles: Limerick (Martina McMahon/Christy Carroll) dft Kilkenny (Mary Phelan/Ciara Mahon) 21-14, 19-21, 11-5

GIRLS U17 Singles: Kerry (Cornelia Prendiville) dft Roscommon (Aoife McDonagh) 15-21, 21-1, 11-0

GIRLS U17 Doubles: Dublin (Lisa McKenna/Susan Clinton) w/o Galway

#### **GAA Handball** All Ireland Juvenile 40x20 Championship Finals 2010

BOYS U14 Singles: Clare (Colin Corbett) dft Wicklow (Daniel Curry) Clare 15-11, 15-8 BOYS U14 Doubles: Tipperary (Pauric O'Donoghue & Johnathan Walsh) dft Kilkenny (John Walsh & Emmett Landy) 15-7, 15-8

BOYS U15 Singles: Wexford (Galen Riordain) dft Limerick (Padraig Quish) 21-16, 21-14. BOYS U15 Doubles: Cork (Daniel Relihan & Michael Hedigan) dft Wexford (Graham Park & Padraig Foley) 21-3, 21-9 BOYS U16 Singles: Monaghan (Darren Doherty) dft Leitrim (Donal Wrynn) 6-21, 21-12, 11

BOYS U16 Doubles: Clare (Barry Nash & Niall Bolton) dft Carlow (Martin Mullins/Cian

Lawlor) 21-15, 19-21, 11-9

BOYS U17 Singles: Wexford (Dean Corrigan) dft Tyrone (Conor McElduff) 15-21, 21-11, 11

BOYS U17 Doubles: Cork (Colin Kearney & Ciaran Buckley) dft Kilkenny (Sean Foley & Darren Walsh) 21-2, 21-1

GIRLS U14 Singles: Galway (Cianna Ní Churraoín) dft Armagh (Aoife McConville) 15-0, 15 GIRLS U14 Doubles: Tyrone (Meabh McElduff & Aoife Kelly) dft Carlow (Shannon Byrne Michelle Nolan) 15-8, 15-3

GIRLS U15 Singles: Kilkenny (Catherine Foley) dft Kerry (Anna Prendiville) 21-14, 21-11 GIRLS U15 Doubles: Galway (Mary Fahy & Shannon Keady) dft Clare (Natasha Coughlin Michelle Nihill) 21-5, 21-9

GIRLS U16 Singles: Roscommon (Lauren O'Riordain) dft Limerick (Martina McMahon) 21 3.21-19

GIRLS U16 Doubles: Kilkenny (Ciara Mahon & Mary Phelan) dft Clare (Paula Loughnane

GIRLS U17 Singles: Armagh (Sionann McConville) dft Carlow (Melanie Byrne) 21-13, 21-GIRLS U17 Doubles: Clare (Alice Akers & Stacy Wright) dfl Dublin (Lisa McKenna & Sus Clinton) 21-17, 21-12

#### **GAA Handball** Irish Adult 40x20 Nationals 2010 sponsored by Ladbrokes





Men's Open Singles: Paul Brady (Cavan) dft Eoin Kennedy (Dublin) 21-5, 21-8 Ladies Open Singles: Aisling Reilly (Antrim) dft Maria Daly (Kerry) 21-17, 21-11 Men's 23 & U Singles: Diarmaid Nash (Clare) dft Martin Mulkerrins (Galway) 21-6, 21-12 Men's A Singles: Brendan Fleming (Cork) dft Shane O'Neill (Tyrone) 21-12, 21-5 Men's B Singles: Niall O'Connor (Kildare) dft Jerome Willoughby (Wicklow) 21-14, 13-21.

Men's C Singles: Paul Lambert (Wexford) dft Daniel Fenion (Carlow) 10-21, 21-17, 11-2 Masters A Singles: Michael 'Ducksy' Walsh (Kilkenny) dft Tom Sheridan (Meath) 19-21, 14, 11-4

Masters B Singles: Noel Murphy (Offaly) dft Martin Vahey (Mayo) 21-4, 21-3 Silver Masters Singles: Paddy Donovan (Laois) dft Sean McNally (Down) 21-2, 21-11 Golden Masters A Singles: Kevin Geraghty (Mayo) dft Robbie McCarthy (Westmeath) 21

Golden Masters B Singles: John Kelly (Louth) dft Frank Kerins (Dublin) 21-18, 21-18 Diamond Masters Singles: Eugene Kennedy (Dublin) dft Ned Buggy (Wexford) 21-12.2 Emerald Masters Singles: Tony Breen (Wexford) dft Peter Larkin (Monaghan) 21-18, 21-Ladies 23 & U Singles: Catriona Casey (Cork) dft Lorraine Havern (Down) 21-18, 21-12 Ladies B Singles: Clodagh McManamon (Mayo) dft Aoife McCarthy (Westmeath) 21-10. 21, 11-9

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#### GAA Handball Irish Junior 40x20 Nationals 2010

Boys 19 & U A Final: Caolan Daly (Tyrone) dft Stephen Cooney (Mayo) 21-19, 13-21, 11-9 Boys 17 & U A Final: Killian Carroll (Cork) dft Niall O'Connor (Kildare) 21-10, 21-3 Boys 15 & U A Final: Darren Doherty (Monaghan) dft Martin Mullins (Carlow) 21-20, 18-21, 11-2

Boys 13 & U A Final: Daniel Curry (Wicklow) dft Niall Allison (Tyrone) 15-5, 15-4 Boys 11 & U Doubles: Jerome Cahill, Daniel Ryan (Tipperary) dft David Walsh, Tadhg O'Neill (Cork) 15-9, 10-15,11-2

Boys 13 & U B Final: Padraig Cooney (Kilkenny) dft Jack Campbell (Tyrone) 10-15, 15-5, 11-7

Boys 15 & U B Final: Daniel Relihan (Cork) dft Michael Hedigan (Cork) 15-9, 15-10
Boys 17 & U B Final: Cathal Sheridan (Cavan) dft Darren Whelan (Cork) 14-15, 15-13, 11-8
Girls 19 & U A Final: Lorraine Havern (Down) dft Shauna Hilley (Wicklow) 21-10, 21-10
Girls 17 & U A Final: Catriona Casey (Cork) dft Aisling O'Keeffe (Cork) 21-1, 21-1
Girls 15 & U A Final: Lauren O'Riordan (Roscommon) dft Clana Ni Churraoin (Galway) 21-9

Girls 13 & U A Final: Aoife McConville (Armagh) dft Caoimhe Shanagher (Roscommon) 10-15, 15-5, 11-4

Girls 13 & U B Final: Aoibhinn Henderson (Armagh) dft Niamh Coleman (Armagh) 15-12, 5-15, 11-2

Girls 15 & U B Final: Adhna Ní Bhraonáin (Galway) dft Natasha Coughlan (Clare) 2-15, 15-9, 11-7

Girls 11 & U Doubles: Heather Spellman, Elaine Nee (Galway) dft Lauren Farrell, Emily Sheridan-Fox (Meath) 15-5, 15-6

#### GAA Handball Irish One-Wall Nationals 2010

In association with The MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION



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Men's Open: Charly Shanks (Armagh) dft Robbie McCarthy (Westmeath) 15-3, 13-15, 11-7
Ladies Open: Lorraine Havern (Down) dft Pauline Gallagher (Mayo) 6-15, 15-6, 11-7
Men's B: Michael Donnelly (Tyrone) dft Darren Flynn (Longford) 24-14
Men's C: Shane Heraty (Mayo) dft Ciaran Neary (Kilkenny) 19-15
Men's U23: Caolan Daly (Tyrone) dft C J Fitzpatrick (Limerick) 20-15
Ladies B: Niamh Egan (Westmeath) dft Anita Ganguly (England) 23-13
Ladies Challenger: Bairbre Ní hAinlí (Galway) dft Michelle Warren (Tyrone)
Girls U12: Niamh Coleman (Armagh) dft Eimear Ní Bhiadha(Galway) 20-17
Girls U14: Cianna Ní Churraoin (Galway) dft Maeve McElduff (Tyrone) 19-15
Girls U16: Lauren O'Riordan (Roscommon) dft Martina McMahon (Limerick) 20-13
Girls U16: Leona Ryder (Mayo) dft Amy Corrigan (Mayo) 18-16
Boys U12: Sean Kerr (Tyrone) dft Desmond Conneely (Galway) 23-11
Boys U16: Colin Crehan (Clare) dft Donal Wrynn (Leitrim) 24-16
Boys U18: Killian Carroll (Cork) dft Niall O'Connor (Kildare) 31-13
Masters: Sean McNally (Down) dft Aengus Cunningham (Roscommon) 19-15
Golden Masters: Eammon Conneely (Galway) dft Francis McCann (Sign) 11-8

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Emerald Masters: Richard Willoughby (Wicklow) dft Gearoid O' Flatharta (Galway) 19-12
Diamond Masters: Vincent Wrynn (Kildare) dft Morgan Darcy (Galway) 16-15
Ruby Masters: Seamus E O'Fatharta (Galway) dft Tadgh O' Curraidhin (Galway) 20-13

# GAA Handball Boys 60x30 Team Championship 2010

#### U12/13 Team of 6 FINAL:

Wexford (Thomas Hall, Adam Hanrahan, Kevin Shannon, Oisin Foley, Seamus Sinnott, Stephen Lawlor and Keith Armstrong) dft Tyrone (Sean Kerr, Pauric Mullen, Matthew McSorley, Aaron Owens, Jack Campbell, Niall Allison) 86-42

#### U14/15 Team of 6 FINAL:

Cork (Kurt Bowes, Aidan Kerins, John O Neill, Brian Sheehan, Michael Hedigan, Daniel Relihan, Michael Dunne, Tirmmy Dunne) dft Carlow (Jim O'Leary, Daniel O'Leary, Paddy Shanahan, Joey Curtis, Michael Connors and Kevin Hosey) 90-38

#### U16/17 Team of 6 FINAL:

Tipperary (Adrian O Dwyer, Anthony Crotty, Dillon Ryan, Shane Mc Cormack) dft Wexford (Walter Lawlor, James Maddock, Dean Power, Brian Busher, John Keogh) 60-34

#### GAA Handball Boys 40x20 Team Championships

#### U12/13 Team of 6 FINAL:

Tyrone (Sean Kerr, Pauric Mullen, Turlough Clarke, Niall Allison, Ronan McKay & Jack Campbell) dft Wexford (Oisin Foley, Rowan White, Danny McWilliams, Thomas Hall, Adam Hanrahan, Ben O'Shea) 82-56

#### U14/15 Team of 6 FINAL:

Tyrone (Paul McKay, Conal McElduff, Aaron Owens, Gerard Keenan, Luke Kelly & Mathew McSorley) dft Carlow: Daniel O Leary, Jim O'Leary, Michael Connors, Adam Nolan Carlow, Joey Curtis, Owen O'Gorman 75-51

#### U16/17 Team of 6 FINAL:

Tipperary (Brendan Ryan, Adrian O Dwyer, Ollie Harte, Kieran Cahill, Dylan Ryan, Paddy Kelly) dft Galway (Alan Kelly, Patrick Hogan, Tyler O Flatharta, Colm McDonnachada, Eric O Fatharta, Tony Keane dft) 43-18

# Girls Inter-Provincial 60x30 Team of 10 Tournament 2010

FINAL: Connacht (Cacimhe Shanagher, Fiona Tully, Lauren O'Riordan, Jennifer Fahy, Ciana Ni Churraoin, Mary Fahy, Sinead Ni h-Ainli, Jennifer Fahy, Aoife McDonagh, Adhna Ni Bhraofnan, Elaine Mitchell, Heather Spelman) dft Munster (Catriona Casey, Aisling O Keefe, Cornelia Prendiville, Martina Mc Mahon, Aoife Landers, Anna Prendiville, Natasha Coughlan, Michelle Nihill, Mairead Brosnan, Michaela O Donoghue, Aileen Twomey, Roisin Cahill) 88-39

# Girls Interprovincial 40x20 Team of Ten Tournament 2010

FINAL: Connacht (Cianna Ni Churraoin, Caoimhe Shanagher, Shannon Keady, Mary Fahy, Lauren O'Riordan, Sinead NiAinli, Jennifer Fahy, Roisin Ni Conghaile, Arny Corrigan, Leona Ryder, Aoife McDonagh, Fiona Tully) dft Munster (Anna Prendeville, Alleen Tworney, Michelle Nihill, Martina McMahon, Natasha Coughlan, Alana O Brien, Shauna O Brien, Paula Loughnane, Aisling O Keefe, Catriona Casey, Aine Casey, Lisa Loughnane) 127-78

#### Intervarsities 60x30 Softball Championships 2010

Men's A Singles: Nicholas Anthony (WIT) bt Seamus O'Carroll (LIT) 12-21, 21-16, 11-7 Men's B Singles: Mike Donovan ( Athlone IT) bt Johnny Westlake (Carlow IT) 15-3, 15-4 Men's C Singles: Colin Clarke (UL) bt P J O'Brien (UCC) 15-0, 15-4 Ladies Open: Ashley Prendiville (UCC) bt Shauna Hilley (Tralee IT) 12-21, 21-12, 11-8 Ladies B Singles: Amanda Geoghan (Tralee IT) bt Laura Anne Furlong (UL) 15-0, 15-11 Ladies B Doubles: Tallaght IT (S Coleman, A Dunne) bt UL (A Brislane, L Furlong) 15-6, 15-7 A Team Final: Waterford IT (N Anthony, P Funchion, M Fennelly, P Nolan) bt DCU (C Neary, P Hughes, J Horgan, B O'Sullivan) 90-48
B Team Final: NUIG (N McCartan, S Hayes, J Cullane, A Leamy) bt Carlow IT (J Farrell, I Curran, J Westlake, K Barrett) 81-68
C Team Final: UL (C Clarke, E McNicholas, B O'Hara, L Furlong, A Brislane) bt UCD (A Armstrong, N McCormack, J Dowling, J Greavy) 84-57

#### ICHA 40x20 Team Championship Finals

A Team Final: UUJ (Darragh Daly, Brian Donaghy, Michael Donnelly, Padraig McGlinchey) dft NUIG (Diarmuid Nash, Ciaran Boys Burke, Ian McLoughlin, Niall Malone) 108-63

B Team Final: DCU (Conor O'Gorman, Colin Grace, Shane Briody, Brian O'Sullivan) dft NUIG (Nevan McCartan, John Cunnane, Alan Learny, John Kennedy) 64-58

C Team Final: QUB (Michael Armstrong, Gearoid Murphy, Natalie Ni Shim, Anna Nadine) dft DCU (Patrick Curran, Ed Dunphy, Shane Duffy, Tom Walsh, M Boys Burke) 78-70

Ladies A Doubles: NUIG (Lisa Falvey, Siobhan Tully) dft NUIG (Leona Doolin, Nicola Kelly) Ladies B Doubles: DCU (Maria Burke, Aileen Quinn) dft DCU (Siobhan Brennan, Marina Kilduff) 15-2: 15-2

# ICHA 40x20 Intervarsities Championships 2010

Mens Open Final: S O Carroll (LIT) dft S Hedigan (ITT) 21-10,20-21,11-8 Mens A Final: D Walsh (UCC) dft N Malone (NUIG) 21-13, 21-8 Mens B Final: J Casey (UCC) dft M Donovan (Port) 21-9,21-12 Mens C Final: P Healy (LIT) dft M Boys Usher (UCD) 21-8,21-8 Mens Contender Final: D Smith (UCD) dft S Briody (DCU) 21-11, 21-15 Mens Challenger Final: D Healy (UL) dft N Brady (AIT) 21-19, 21-12 Mens Beginner Final: C Grealis (DIT) dft C Keane (UCC) 21-19,21-7 Ladies Open Final: M Rushe (UCD) dft S Hilley (ITT) 21-15, 21-8 Ladies A Final: D. Donohoe (UL) dft K. Lawlor (UL) 21-6, 21-10 Ladies B Final: L Keever (DIT) dft S Tully (NUIG) 21-14, 21-9 Ladies C Final: S Brennan (DCU) dft N Ni Shim (QUB) 16-21, 21-3, 11-8

# GAA Handball All Ireland 60x30 Colleges (2nd Level) Championships 2010

BOYS SENIOR SINGLES Final: St. Mary's College (Martin Mulkerrins) dft St. Peter's, Wexford (Dean Corrigan) 15-7, 12-15, 15-9
BOYS SENIOR DOUBLES Final: Roscommon CBS (Cian Connolly, Mark Nally) dft Colaiste Eamann Ris, Callan (Sean Foley, Peter Funchion) 15-9, 15-4
BOYS INTERMEDIATE SINGLES Final: Colaiste Bhride Carnew (Keith Kavanagh) dft John the Baptist Community School, Hospital, Limerick (Padraig Quish) 15-13, 4-15, 15-13
BOYS INTERMEDIATE DOUBLES Final: Patrician Academy Mallow, Cork (Patrick Herilhy/Ryan Harkin) dft St. Peter's, Wexford (Galen Riordan & Padraig Foley) 15-10, 15-6
BOYS JUNIOR SINGLES: St. Josephs College, Tulla, Clare (Colin Corbett) dft Omagh CBS, Tyrone (Pól Clarke) 10-15, 15-9, 15-3

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BOYS JUNIOR DOUBLES Final: Cashel Community School (Jonathan Walsh/Padraig O Donoghue) dft Kells CS (Evan & Dillon Sheridan) 15-7, 7-15, 15 13

GIRLS SENIOR SINGLES Final: St. Brigid's Callan (Rachael Hogan) dft Rice College, Westport (Clodagh McManamon) 21-1, 21-7

GIRLS SENIOR DOUBLES Final: Boherbue Comprehensive School, Cork (Aishling O Keeffe/Caltriona Casey) dft Dominican College, Dublin (Lisa McKenna & Susan Clinton) 15-1,15-1

GIRLS JUNIOR SINGLES Final: Convent of Mercy, Roscommon (Lauren O'Riordan) dft Loreto Secondary School, Kilkenny (Ciara Mahon) 15-0, 15-2

GIRLS JUNIOR DOUBLES Final: Colaiste na Coribe, Gallaimh (Ciana Ní Churraoin, Roisin Ní Chonghaile) dft Dean Maguirc College, Carrickmore (Aoife Kelly/Alicia McCrory) 15-0, 15-3

# **GAA Handball** All-Ireland 40x20 Colleges (2nd Level) Championships 2010

#### **Boys Finals**

Senior Singles: P. O' Carroll (Salesian College, Pallaskenry) bt L. O' Reilly (Belfast CBS) 21-7, 21-1

Senior Doubles: E. Hennessy & P. Maher (Ballyhale CS) bt C. Halpin & J. Fahy St. Joseph's College, Tulla) 21-5, 21-11.

Intermediate Singles: M. Mulkerrins (St. Mary's College, Galway) bt N.O' Connor (Confey College, Leixlip) 21-3, 21-9.

Intermediate Doubles: C. Connolly & M. Nally (Roscommon CBS) bt C. McKenna & T.

McElvaney (St. MacCartan's College, Monaghan) 21-11,21-13.

Junior Singles: D. Doherty (St. MacCartan's College, Monaghan) bt C. Crehan (Ard Scoil Ris,

Dublin) 21-10, 21-15, Junior Doubles: N. Bolton & C. Corbett (St. Joseph's College, Tulla) bt G. McCrystal & P. McCrory (Dean Maguire, Carrickmore) 21-13, 21-17.

#### Girls Finals:

Senior Singles: L. Havern (St. Mary's HS, Newry) bt L. Ryder (Sacred Heart College, Westport) 21-3, 21-7.

Senior Doubles: A. O' Keeffe & C. Casey (Boherbue CS) bt F. McKenna & E. Connolly (St. Catherine's College, Armagh) 21-9, 21-3.

Junior Singles: L. O' Riordan (Convent Of Mercy, Roscommon) bt C. Mahon (Loreto College,

Junior Doubles: C. Ni Churraoin & R. Ni Chonghaile (Colaiste NaCoirbe, Galway) bt M. Phelan & A. Maher (Castlecomer CS) 21-9, 21-16.

#### FEILE na nGael 2010

40 x 20 Boys Division 1: Tulla (Clare) df Carrickmore (Tyrone) 38-24

40 x 20 Boys Division 2: Killimagh (Mayo) df St Bridget's Monavea (Laois) 42-13

40 x 20 Boys Division 3: Friary Abbeyside (Waterford) df St Patricks (Cavan) 42-31

40 x 20 Boys Division 4: Goresbridge (Kilkenny) of St Canices (Kilkenny) 32-21

40 x 20 Boys Division 5: Mallow (Cork) df Cullohill (Laois) 35-30

40 x 20 Boys Division 6: Broadford (Limerick) df Brian Boru (Dublin) 38-34 60 x 30 Boys Division 1: Cashel (Tipperary) df Mullinvat (Kilkenny) 42-23

60 x 30 Boys Division 2: Clogh (Kilkenny) df Ballina (Tipperary) 42-17

40 x 20 Girls Division 1: Michael Breathnach (Galway) of Ballymacelligott (Kerry) 31-23

40 x 20 Girls Division 2: Leixlip (Kildare) of Clooney/Quin (Clare) 35-34

40 x 20 Girls Division 3: Leixlip (Kildare) df Knock (Mayo) 42-13

#### Feile na nGael Skills Awards 2010

# Boys Skill Awards:

Division 1 40 x 20 Winner: Ryan Mullen, Carrickmore, Tyrone

Division 1 40 x 20 Runner Up: Darragh Mulkerins, Moycullen, Galway

Division 2 40 x 20 Winner: Ramos Ramunuskus, Monaghan Harps, Monaghan

Division 2 40 x 20 Runner Up: David Mulhall, St Bridgits Moneva, Laois Division 3 40 x 20 Winner: Kieran O Neill, Friary Abbeyside, Waterford

Division 3 40 x 20 Runner Up: Luke O Dea, St Patricks, Cavan

Division 4 40 x 20 Winner: Sean Carey, Goresbridge, Kilkenny

Division 4 40 x 20 Runner Up: Conor Burke, Newport, Mayo

Division 5 40 x 20 Winner: Sean Muddiman, Leixlip, Kildare Division 5 40 x 20 Runner Up: Dylan Quegan, Crinkle, Offaly

Division 6 40 x 20 Winner: Shane Murphy, Broadford, Limerick

Division 6 40 x 20 Runner Up: Daniel Varley, Brian Boru, Dublin

Division 1 60 x 30 Winner: Padraic O Donoghue, Cashel, Tipperary

Division 1 60 x 30 Runner Up: Jamie Hall, Castlebridge, Wexford

Division 2 60 x 30 Winner: Brian Mahon, Clogh, Kilkenny

Division 2 60 x 30 Runner Up: David Burke, Ballina, Tipperary

Girls Skill Awards:

Division 1 40 x 20 Winner: Clana Ni Currain, Michael Breathnach, Galway

Division 1 40 x 20 Runner Up: Mary Fahy, Williamestown, Galway Division 2 40 x 20 Winner: Aine O Keffee, Leixlip, Kildare

Division 2 40 x 20 Runner Up: Shannon O Brien, Friary Abbeyside, Waterford

Division 3 40 x 20 Winner: Doirean McNamara, Leixlip, Kildare

Division 3 40 x 20 Runner Up: Maeve Ni Dhailaigh, Na Fianna, Dublin

# USHA (40X20) Four-Wall Junior National Championships (Irish Results Only):

Boys 19 & Under Singles (Final): C. Daly (IRL/Tyrone) bt S. Cooney (IRL/Mayo) 19-21, 21-17, 11-1.

Boys 17 & Under Singles (Final): K. Carroll (IRL/Cork) bt B. Bidegain (USA/California) 21-5, 21-9

Boys 15 & Under Singles (Final): D. Doherty (IRL/Monaghan) bt T. Stoffel (USA/Minnesota) 21-8, 21-10.

Boys 19 & Under Doubles (Final): S. Cooney (IRL/Mayo) & D. Cordova (Mexico/Chihuahua) bt C. Daly & C. McElduff (IRL/Tyrone) 21-8, 21-12. Boys 17 & Under Doubles (Final): B. Bidegain (USA/California) & J. Audet (Canada/Ontario) bt K. Carroll (IRL/Cork) & D. Doherty (IRL/Monaghan) 21-19, 15-

Boys 15 & Under Doubles (Final): P. Clarke (IRL/Tyrone) & T. Stoffel (USA/Minnesota) bt G. Mendiola & A. Serrano (USA/California) 21-10, 21-6. Boys 13 & Under Doubles (Final): C. McGrath & B. Ramirez (USA/California) bt A. Owens & P. Cooke (IRL/Tyrone) 21-9, 21-5.

Girls 19 & Under Singles (Round-Robin): 1st Place: L. Havern (IRL/Down). Girls 17 & Under Singles (Round-Robin): 1st Place: C. Casey (IRL/Cork). Girls 15 & Under Singles (Round-Robin): 1st Place: L. O' Riordan (IRL/Roscommon).

Girls 13 & Under Singles (Round-Robin): 1st Place: A. Kelly (IRL/Tyrone). Girls 19 & Under Doubles (Final): L. Havern (IRL/Down) & C. Casey (IRL/Cork) bt M. McElduff (IRL/Tyrone) & L. O' Riordan (IRL/Roscommon) 21-1, 21-4.



Uachtarán, Tony Hannon, presents Maria Daly and Ashley Prendeville (Ciarraí) with the Ladies Senior 40x20 Doubles Cup and is pictured with runners-up, Marianna Rushe and Hilary Rushe (Ros Comain)



Eoin Kennedy (Áth Cliath) is pictured with the Irish Press Cup following his All Ireland Senior Softball Singles Championship 7-in-a-row triumph in Abbeylara.

# Na Rúin: Motions

 That the name of the Association - 'Irish Handball Council'/ 'Comhairle Liathróid Láimhe na hÉireann' be amended to 'GAA Handball Ireland'/ 'Liathróid Láimhe CLG na hÉireann' where relevant in all future correspondence and in the Fó-Rialacha. (Ref: Bye-Laws pertaining to same)

MOTIONS Listed below, Nos 2 - 5, ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF THE NEW 'GAA HANDBALL STRATEGIC VISION FOR THE FUTURE PLAN'. This will be dealt with first and voted upon, requiring a 2/3 majority. If this is passed motions listed below (no. 2-5) will automatically be approved for this purpose.

- 2. 33. (A) The Ard Comhairle shall consist of President; the Bainisteoir, without voting rights; the President-elect, if in office; the immediate past President for the year following his term as President; the Vice-presidents, being the Presidents of each Provincial Council; the handball representative on the G.A.A. Central Council, the G.A.A. Liaison Officer, the four Provincial Administrators, 1 non-GAA Handball Representative (nominated by an tUachtarán in conjunction with Bainisteoir Naisiúnta) all with voting rights.
  - (B) The President, Bainisteoir, President-elect, immediate past President and non-GAA Handball Representative shall not be represented by proxies at meetings of the Council. A Provincial President may be represented by another officer of the Provincial Council with 7 days prior notice.
  - (C) Should a vacancy occur in representation, such vacancy shall be filled by the body concerned.
  - (D) A member absent, without just cause, from three consecutive meetings shall automatically become disqualified from membership of t he Council for that year. This shall also apply to all members of subcommittees.
  - (E) The Ard Comhairle shall be a sub-committee of the G.A.A. Central Council, and shall be responsible to that body for the general workings of The Irish Handball Council. It shall also pay the authorised expenses of the various elected National Committees and its officials

#### **Ard Comhairle**

#### POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF ARD COMHAIRLE

- 34. (A) It is the supreme governing body of The Irish Handball Council on all handball matters between Annual Congresses.
  - (B) It shall have the authority to interpret handball rules.
  - (C) It shall control the All-Ireland Championships.
  - (D) It shall, at its first meeting each year ratify members to the various national Committees (within the Association's Strategic Plan) as decided from time to time by Annual or Special Congress. It shall also appoint representatives to the National Strategic Planning Committees and Chairman of said Committees, whom shall hold office for a maximum 5 year term or such lesser term as may be decided.
  - (E) Ard Comhairle will meet at least 8 times per calendar year.
  - (F) Nothing in this Bye-Law shall be construed so as to admit to Ard Comhairle or its sub-committees authority to introduce, enact or rescind Bye-Laws or in any way vary or delegate the power reserved to Congress by Bye-Law 27. This rule shall in all aspects be subject to Bye-Law 27 and in the event of conflict Bye-Law 27 shall prevail.

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4. 36. A minimum of 5 days written notice shall be given by the Bainisteoir to all members for meetings, except in an emergency, when he may, in consultation with the President, summon a meeting with shorter notice. A Special Meeting may be convened by the Bainisteoir on a request of a majority of the members.

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- (A) The National Advisory Committee shall consist of the President, Bainisteoir (without voting rights), National Children's Officer, I.C.H.A. Representative, Strategic Planning National Committee Chairpersons, Provincial Player Representatives (Under 30), Provincial Youth Officer, County Committee Delegate.
  - (B) Subject to the overall jurisdiction of Ard Comhairle, it shall be the GAA Handball Advisory body and at 3 Meetings per calendar year will report and provide reports & recommendations as follows:
  - Reports & Updates given by Strategic Planning Committee Chairpersons
  - Provide recommendations in respect of Rules & Regulations & Competition structures to An Ard Comhairle and request to put forward said recommendations as motions to Congress each March.

- (C) It shall have authority to make recommendations on policy and to Ard Comhairle.
- (D) It shall submit to the Ard Comhairle, for its consideration and adjudication, recommendations on requests for interpretation of Rule received in writing by the Balnisteoir Náisiúnta.
- (H) It shall furnish a report on its activities to each meeting of the Ard Comhairle.
- (I) The Central Competitions Control Committee shall consist of An Bainisteoir Năisiúnta, the four Provincial Appointed Representatives and two other members appointed by the Ard Comhairle. It shall have a three year term of office. It shall be responsible for all arrangements and control of any matter arising from competitions under the jurisdiction of the Ard Comhairle and matters arising from same, including disciplinary matters other than those functions reserved to the G.A.A. Central Hearings Committee. It shall investigate and process matters relating to the Enforcement of Rules, including hearing Objections and Counter Objections, from competitions under its control.
  Requests for a Hearing shall be heard by the Central Hearings
- (J) The Central Hearings Committee shall consist of a Chairperson, appointed by Ard Comhairle, and 3 members appointed by the Ard Comhairle.
- It shall adjudicate on all Disciplinary matters where a Hearing is requested, relating to the Enforcement of Rules arising from matters under the jurisdiction of the Ard Comhairle.
- Exception: A Hearing of an Objection/Counter Objection is a matter for the Central C. C. C. It shall hear all appeals against decisions of Provincial Committees.
- (K) The National Development Committee (Under the Strategic Plan) shall comprise: Chairman appointed by Ard Comhairle, National Development Officer, 4 Representatives appointed by Provincial Councils, 1 Rep appointed by Chairman. It will have a 3 year term in office.
- (L) The National Communications & IT Committee (Under the Strategic Plan) shall comprise: Chairman appointed by An Ard Comhairle, National Manager, 1 Representative appointed by the GAA, 4 Reps appointed by An Ard Comhairle. It will have a 3 year term in office.
- (M) The National Coaching Committee (Under the Strategic Plan) shall comprise: Chairman appointed by An Ard Comhairle, National Children's Officer, National Development Officer, 4 Reps appointed by Provincial Councils, 1 National Coaching Tutor appointed by Chairman.

It will have a 3 year term in office.

In general, the 4 National Committees (I, K, L & M) shall implement annual work programmes based on a rolling Strategic Plan for GAA Handball as approved by Annual Congress, Special Congress or Ard Comhaitle

Ard Comhairle shall act as a resource to facilitate training, project management and support services as required for the National Committees.

- (N) GAA Handball shall be entitled to one representative on the G.A.A. Central Council with power to vote. Such representative shall be elected each year at Annual Congress and shall automatically be a member of Ard Comhairle.
- (O) The Irish Handball Council recognises the ICHA/CAOLL as the National Governing Body for Third Level Handball in Ireland.

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#### ANNUAL CONGRESS

- The functions of Annual Congress shall be:
  - (A) To consider Reports and Audited Accounts of the Central Council and its subsidiary Councils for the preceding year up to 31 October.

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- 28. A candidate for the position of President and representative on the G.A.A. Central Council shall be nominated by a County Committee. Such nominations shall be made on the Nomination Paper, which shall be sent to the County Committee at least eight weeks prior to the Annual Congress, and which shall be completed and returned to the Bainisteoir
  - at least six weeks before Congress.

    A President or representative to the G.A.A. Central Council shall not hold office for more than three consecutive years.
  - A President shall be elected one year prior to the commencement of his term of office and for that year shall be referred to as the President-elect. In the case of death or permanent incapacity of the President, the Central Council shall have the authority to appoint from among its

# Na Rúin: Motions

Provincial Presidents (Vice-Presidents) an acting President, who shall perform the duties of the Presidency until the next Annual Congress. Ard Comhairle

THE CLUB:

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Members shall not play in competitions except under the auspices of County Committees, Provincial Councils or Central Council, unless having applied to GAA Handball for clearance to do so. The penalty for infringement of this rule shall be suspension for 48 weeks. Ard Comhairle

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COUNTY CONVENTION:

(C) It shall elect the following officials for the ensuing year as the Executive of the County Committee: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Youth Officer, Communications Officer (PRO), Coaching & Development Officer.

It shall further elect:

- (i) Delegates to Annual Congress
- (ii) Delegates to Provincial Convention

(iii) Delegate to County GAA Committee

(D) A candidate for any position shall be nominated by a Club. Motions for consideration by the County Convention shall be submitted 15 19. by Clubs. Such Nominations and Motions shall be submitted on the official Nominations and Motions paper, which shall be sent to the Clubs at least four weeks prior to the County Convention and which shall be completed and returned to the County Secretary at least two weeks prior to the Convention.

(E) The County Secretary shall send out an agenda, which shall include his Report and the Audited Accounts for the year, with Nominations and Motions, to each Club Secretary, the outgoing County Committee members and the GAA County Secretary at least one week before the Convention. A copy of these documents shall, at the same time, be forwarded to the Central and Provincial Councils within 4 weeks following the County Convention. Failure to do so may involve suspension for that County.

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COUNTY COMMITTEE

10. 14. (A) A County Committee shall consist of the following officers: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, Youth Officer, Coaching & Development Officer, Communications Officer (PRO), two representatives from each affiliated Club, Provincial Council representative (who shall be ex-officio members), one delegate to the G.A.A. County Committee and one representative from the G.A.A. County Committee (in County where applicable). All members shall have

(B) The County Competitions Control Committee shall consist of three members appointed annually by the County Committee. It shall be responsible for all arrangements for the control of any matter arising from competitions under the jurisdiction of the County Committee, including disciplinary matters other than those reserved to the G. A. A. County Hearings Committee. It shall investigate and process matters relating to the Enforcement of Rules, including hearing objections and Counter Objections. It shall consider and make recommendations to the County Committee on applications for transfers and grading within the county. Requests for a Hearing shall be heard by the Provincial Handball Hearings Committee.

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(G) Prior to 1 May each year a County Committee shall submit to the Provincial Council a list of all affiliated Clubs in the county with a fee of €15.00 per Club (one half of which shall be transferred to Central Council before 1 July each year). Counties failing to comply with this rule shall forfeit representation on the Provincial Council and shall not be allowed compete in the current year's championships until lists and fees are furnished.

REMOVE THIS BYE-LAW

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(H) A County Committee shall submit to the Provincial Administrator not 12 later than 1 February each year, a report in writing as to the position of the game in the county and also details of competitions held during the preceding year. From the information supplied, the Provincial Secretary shall submit a report on county organisations to the Provincial and Central Councils and to the G. A. A. Provincial and Central Councils. REMOVE THIS BYE-LAW

PROVINCIAL CONVENTION

15. A Provincial Convention shall be held at least four weeks prior to Annual 19 Congress unless the Provincial Handball Convention is being held in conjunction with the Provincial GAA Convention. In this instance the date must be confirmed at least 4 weeks prior to

Convention to Central Council. It shall consist of:

(a) Members of the outgoing Provincial Council (voting rights as on the

(b) Two representatives from each affiliated county or one representative where there is only one Club in a county and it is affiliated to the Provincial Council.

That Provincial GAA Handball President will replace Provincial Chairperson in all future Bye-Laws.

The functions of the Provincial Convention shall be to consider Audited Accounts, Motions and general Provincial Activities. It shall elect by secret ballot the following officers: Provincial GAA Handball President, Administrator (subject to provisions made hereafter), Treasurer, Youth Officer, Development Officer, Coaching Officer and a Player Representative (Under 30) who shall hold office until the election of officers at the next Annual Convention. It shall also elect a delegate to the G.A.A. Provincial Council. The player representative shall represent the province on the Central Council.

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The Provincial Administrator shall send an Agenda, which shall include his Report and the Audited Accounts for the year, with the Nominations and Motions, to each County Secretary, to the outgoing Provincial Council members, to the G.A.A. Provincial Council and to GAA Handball Central Council at least two weeks before the Convention.

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A Provincial Council shall consist of a President, Administrator, Treasurer, a delegate to the GAA Provincial Council, Youth Officer, Communications Officer, Development Officer, Coaching Officer and a Player Representative (Under 30) together with two representatives from each affiliated county.

The President shall not hold office for more than three consecutive years. The immediate past Council President shall be an ex-officio member for the year following his termination of office.

The Provincial Council Management Committee shall comprise of a President, Administrator, Treasurer, a delegate to the GAA Provincial Council, Communications Officer and Youth Officer.

The Provincial Council Management Committee shall appoint annually a Provincial Competitions Control Committee which shall consist of three members.

The Provincial C.C.C. shall be responsible for all arrangements for the control of any matter arising from competitions under the jurisdiction of the Provincial Council and matters arising from same, including disciplinary matters other than those reserved to the G. A. A. Provincial Hearings Committee.

It shall investigate and process matters relating to the Enforcement of Rules, including hearing objections and Counter Objections from competitions under its control.

Requests for a Hearing shall be heard by the Provincial Handball Hearings Committee.

The Provincial Council Management Committee shall appoint a Provincial Hearings Committee consisting of three members, none of whom shall be a member of the Provincial C.C.C. or Management Committee, save that the Provincial Administrator may act as a nonvoting Secretary to the Hearings Committee (in addition to the 3 members) when dealing with appeals.

It shall adjudicate on all Disciplinary matters where a Hearing is requested, relating to the Enforcement of Rules arising from matters under the jurisdiction of the relevant County C.C.C. and Provincial

Council C.C.C. Exception : A Hearing of an Objection/Counter Objection is a matter for the Provincial C.C.C. It shall hear all appeals against decisions of County Committees.

Ard Comhairle

The Provincial Council shall appoint the following sub-committees (A) Competitions Control Committee (B) Development Committee (C) Coaching Committee , (D) Youth Committee , (E) Promotions Committee and (F) Facilities Committee.

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Ard Comhair

(A) A Provincial Council shall submit to Central Council before 1 July each year, a list of Clubs in each county under its jurisdiction together with a fee of €7.50 per Club.

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31. (C) Motions to revise Playing Rules may be tabled only every three years, and in such years they shall take precedence in Motions of Annual Congress Agenda.

Ard Comhair

# Na Rúin: Motions

32. At least two weeks before Annual Congress each county, in accordance with representation, and also the President and Director General of the G.A.A. shall be issued with copies of the Bainisteoir's Report, Audited Accounts, the Agenda and the list of Nominations and Motions.

That an All Ireland Intermediate Club Championship be organised in 60x30 nd 40x20. The competitions to be run on the same lines as the existing 60x30 and 40x20 Junior B, Junior and Open Club Championship.

Chill Mhantáin

CHAMPIONSHIPS

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47. (G) That an Over 35 A & B Singles and Doubles 40x20 & 60x30 Championship be organised.

 (i) Over 35 'A - Confined to players over 35 years of age and under 40 years of age.

(ii) Over 35 'B' - Confined to players over 35 years of age and under 40 years of age, who have not won Minor, Under 21, Junior B, Junior, Intermediate or Senior All-Ireland titles.

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That a player who wins a B Doubles titles in Masters, Silver Masters, Golden Masters, Diamond Masters, Emerald Masters but not a singles title, is still eligible to play in Singles in B Championships but must go up to A grade in Doubles Championships.

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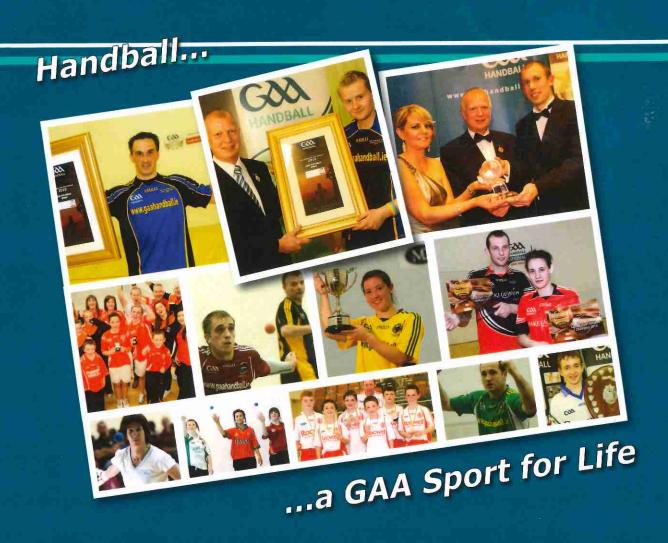
# Ainmniúcháin: Nominations

Cisteoir:

Cionnaith Ó Chonbhuí

(Chill Mhantáin, Luimneach, Corcaigh)

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