### AN CUMANN CAMÓCAÍOCHTA



### An Chomhdháil Bhliantúil 2011

# FIRSTS for Camogie

- → Athlone IT HETAC Camogie Sports Administration Course
- **⇒** Electronic voting
- → Camogie Magazine "On the Ball"
- → Appointment of a full-time Communications and Marketing Director
- → Names on jerseys for the All-Ireland Finals
- Underage camogie in North America
- First time to have a team in CYC games
- Social inclusion event on All-Ireland Finals Day
- Referee Assessments
- → Charity partnerships with the Marie Keating Foundation and Hope Foundation
- → Three All/Ireland Camogie Finals in Croke Park on All-Ireland Day
- First time a delegate at congress posted a message on Facebook!
- Grants paid to counties for development plans
- **→** Camogie TV
- Grants paid to counties that qualified for All-Ireland senior, intermediate and junior finals

### An Chomhdháil Bhliantúil 2011

### 25 agus 26 Márta 2011

### Wellington Hotel, Belfast

Dé hAoine,	25 Márta
4.30 - 5.30pm	Development Workshops
6.00 - 7.30pm	Registration
8.00pm	Fáilte
8.15pm	Playing Rules Review
9.00pm	Adoption of standing orders
	Minutes of Congress 2010
9.15pm	Report from Director of Camogie
9.30pm	Presentation by National Hurling Director, Paudie Butler
9.45pm	Marketing and Communications plan
10.00pm	Críoch

Dé Sathai	rn, 26 Márta	
9.15am	Registration	
9.30am	Financial Accounts	
10.00am	Ard Stiúrthóir's Report	
10.30am	Tuairiscí:	
	– Provincial Councils	
	– Overseas	
	– Sub-committees	
11.15am	Break	
11.45am	Workshops	
12.30pm	President's Address	
1.00pm	Lón	
2.00pm	Consideration of motions	
3.15pm	Venue for Congress 2012	
3.30pm	Elections	
4.20pm	Uachtarán Tofa's Remarks	
4.30pm	Críoch	
7.00pm	Mass	
8.00pm	Congress Dinner	

### **BUANORDAITHE (Standing Orders)**

- 1. The proposer of a resolution or an amendment may speak for five minutes.
- 2. A delegate to a resolution or an amendment may not exceed three minutes.
- 3. The proposer of a resolution or an amendment may speak a second time for three minutes before a vote is taken. No other delegate may speak a second time to the same resolution or amendment.
- 4. An Cathaoirleach may, at any time she/he considers a matter has been sufficiently discussed, call on the proposer for a reply. When that has been given a vote must be taken.
- 5. An Cathaoirleach may consider any subject not on An Clár provided she/he receives the consent of the majority of the delegates present.
- 6. Standing Orders shall not be suspended for the purpose of considering any matter not on An Clár except with the consent of a majority equal to two-thirds of those present, entitled to vote and voting.
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### Reamhrá an tUachtarán

This year, our 2010 Annual Report is the first under the new National Development Plan 2010-2015 *Our Game Our Passion*. The development of a Plan is only the start. The successful implementation of the Plan is the real key to building the future of Camogie.

### High performance in 2010

Our National Development Plan has 94 key performance indicators. These are how we will know if we achieved our goals by 2015. This year's report to Congress illustrates that we have made an excellent start

Since the adoption of the Plan at the 2010 Congress in Kildare, we have continued or initiated work relating to over 75 per cent of these indicators. This is exceptional.

In any sector, a 75 per cent activity rate on implementing a development plan is evidence of a high performing organisation. The Association is like a big machine with lots of moving parts – clubs, counties, provinces, international units, education units, players, referees, coaches, administrators, full time workers and National Committees.

You all share in and have contributed to this level of high performance and excellence.

#### **Supporting change**

One of the key strategic decisions taken in 2010 was the adoption of a new governing document, the *Official Guide*, at our Special Congress last May. Many aspects of the new *Official Guide* take effect in 2011. These include:

- New rules for implementing modified games for players aged under 12
- New age bands for players aged under 16 and their participation in underage and adult competition.

I recognise that this involves a change from the

previous way of doing things. We agreed to change things for a very important reason. We want all young players to get the best possible chance to enjoy Camogie in an environment that supports them to develop and learn the skills of the game. The short term gain is a more fun, participative and developmental experience for every child. The medium to long term gain is that more young players will have stronger Camogie knowledge, ability and skills. Then, it is more likely that we retain more players in the transition from teenage to adult Camogie.

#### Camogie and economic challenges

Camogie is not immune from the wider economic challenges facing the country. Inter county players struggling with unemployment is a reality. To help retain our talented players at all levels, is there a role for the Association to support players into further education and employment?

Clubs losing players to emigration is another reality, though the upside of this is the opportunity to strengthen Camogie at international level.

While times are challenging, it is important that we assert the contribution that Camogie makes to economic activity. The purchase of equipment, playing gear, training gear, medals, cups, retail activity on match days, travelling to games/training, printing of books, posters, programmes, costs associated with developing Camogie grounds (and there are nine currently throughout the country) are all examples of how our sport creates consumer demand and helps money to circulate in local economies.

### Partnering us to create Camogie's future

Our Game Our Passion is characterised by its ambition to grow and expand Camogie. When several sectors are shrinking, a growing sports sector, in particular a growing women's sports sector, will also expand the economic contribution of sport. A healthier and fitter

population reduces health care costs and more connected communities add to the return on investment on sport.

For Camogie, this investment is harnessed from several partners.

Our statutory partners include the Irish Sports Council, Coaching Ireland, Sports Northern Ireland, government departments, local authorities and local sports partnerships. I acknowledge that, even with increasingly limited budgets, Camogie, while taking some cuts, continues to benefit from such grant-aid. Statutory funding and guidance and support are vital and genuinely appreciated.

The GAA's support is steadfast and goes from strength to strength. There are many clubs where a single administrative unit oversees the promotion and development of all Gaelic games and where the Gaelic codes are integral to each other.

Announced jointly in November 2010 by the Presidents of Camogie, GAA and Ladies Football Associations, the *One Club Model* concept can further build on this to the mutual benefit of all in the club and to the wider community.

At national level, there is increasing collaboration and support with the GAA. It is a genuine delight that our All Ireland Club Finals were held for the first time this year in the new Croke Park Stadium.

The local and national media continue to be extremely supportive. The expansion in media coverage is heartening though there is a need to continue to increase this further again as we strive for equal recognition of our female stars.

Our commercial sponsors are coping with trying times. I very much recognise and appreciate the financial and other support from Gala, RTE, O'Neill's Irish and International Sports, the Irish Daily Star (our new National League sponsors), John Torpey Hurleys and Coillte.

### **Appreciations**

This Congress marks the end of term for several Central Council members. Sincere thanks to Lynn Kelly, Sr. Mairéad, Morgan Conroy and Catherine O'Hara for their work.

In 2010, Mary Moran, former President, completed her term as Trustee on Central Council. Mary's extensive knowledge of Camogie rules and procedure, her experience in the Association, her integrity and impartial judgement, her common sense and her wry humour will be genuinely missed at central level.

Paul Beecher also stepped down during the year from Central Council and I thank him for his contribution too.

Much of Central Council's work is behind the scenes at meetings in Croke Park. I want to expressly acknowledge the incredible commitment and input of each member this past year. Similarly, our National Committees do extensive work and this is detailed in this report. I extend my personal thanks to all for the generosity of your time and expertise.

I would also like to especially acknowledge the retirement of Maureen Fulham. Maureen stepped aside from her role as Leinster Council Secretary in January this year after 29 years of service. Lifelong involvement in Camogie is part of our vision for the Association and Maureen certainly exemplified this.

Within the staff team, led by Ard Stiúrthóir, Sinéad O'Connor, the commitment to implement the National Development Plan and to do so to the highest standards was strongly demonstrated throughout 2010/11. Often, their work involves irregular and unsocial hours; their commitment to their professional roles is characterised by a strong team ethos, a strong work ethic and a strong passion for our game.

At Congress we launch our new Volunteering Handbook as a resource to all units. It is very appropriate to do so as 2011 is the EU Year of Volunteering. It is also very appropriate to do as voluntarism is one of our values.

In general, more men than women tend to volunteer in sport. The Camogie Association is interesting and unique because the converse is true. I welcome the increasing involvement of men. The more we reflect the make-up of the community the stronger we are. It still remains a fact though that women's renowned skill of combining work, home and family life along with volunteering in Camogie means we have the busiest and best multi-taskers around!

Thank you one and all for the gift of your time, your expertise and your loyalty.

Sidhan Mithlainn

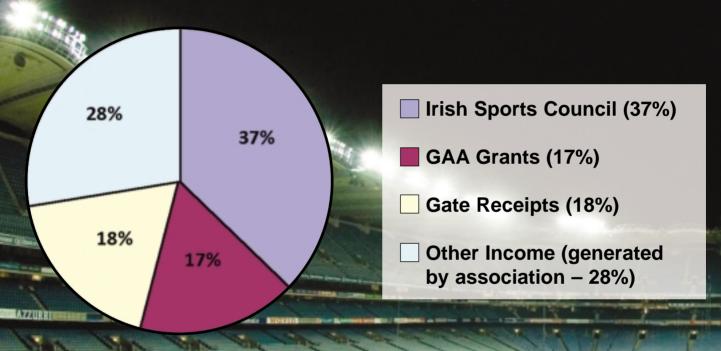
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JOAN O'FLYNN *Uachtarán* Márta 2011

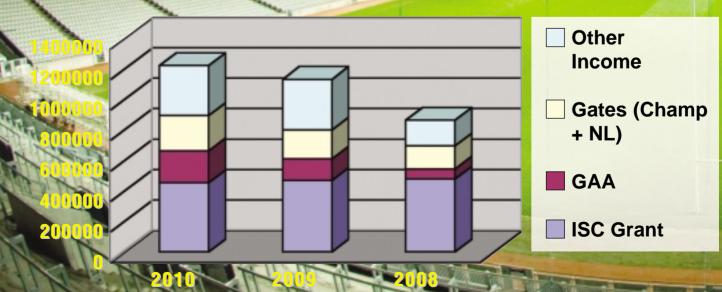


# Highlights from 2010



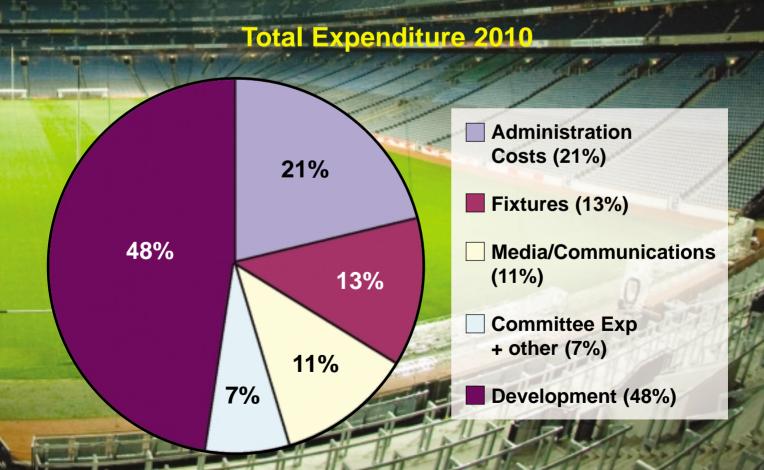


### Sources of Income 2008 to 2010



- **€ 30,000** paid to counties for County Development Plans
- **€22,000** paid in grants to counties who reached All-Ireland Senior, Intermediate and Junior Finals
- 543 coaches qualified under the "Camán Get a Grip" coaching courses

- 250 Referees attended Foundation Level One Referee Course
- 11,500 Camogie Players participated in camogie run initiatives run by the full time development team in 2010





### Tuairisc an Ard Stiúrthóra

#### Introduction

At Congress 2010 in Kildare, the Camogie Association launched its national development plan – Our Game Our Passion. Since then the Association has, at all levels, been living to the plan working to achieve the targets outlined across the five development priorities. In its first year the plan has provided us with a good road map to follow and has led to some great work being done at all levels of the Association. Our Game Our Passion reflects the needs of the Association at every level and the work that has been achieved in 2010 has helped the Camogie Association to grow stronger. I outline in my report some of the highlights of our achievements in 2010.

#### **GROWING PARTICIPATION**

#### Strengthen existing club units

Strengthening existing club units must always be at the core of the work of the Association. Clubs are the kernel on which the Association is built and supporting the development and growth of these clubs is essential if we are to continue to increase the numbers of young women and girls playing camogie and if we are to increase the skill level at which they play.

Below: U14 Schools of Excellence in Croke Park with Joan O'Flynn, Uachtarán, John Torpey and Tom Byrne, Coillte.

### Support a range of coaching and games development programmes

*Under-age inter-county development model:* The under-age inter-county development model was promoted throughout 2010 starting at congress last

year. The implementation of this model has now started in 2011. The over-riding aim of this structure is that more players from more clubs will be upskilled with the knock-on effect that there will be a greater number of players who will stay with camogie through their teenage years and ultimately that there will also be more skilled players available for inter-county selection. The benefit for clubs is that under this model at least three of every club's players will participate in these schools of excellence. The increased skill level that these players will bring back to their club team-mates will have a very positive impact on the overall standard of the club under-age teams.

U14 Schools of Excellence: The U14 Schools of Excellence supporting squads in eight counties was rolled out for the seventh year. The eight counties selected received hurleys, sliothars and t-shirts for all participants (30 per squad), completed a six week coaching programme and participated in two regional blitz days. The highlight of the programme was, as always, the activity day in Croke Park which took place on July 19th. The counties which participated were:

Monaghan
Wexford
Meath
Down
Offaly
Kerry
Galway

I would like to acknowledge the contribution of Coillte who sponsored the squads from 2003 – 2009 and I would also like to acknowledge John Torpey who came on board with the initiative in 2010.



Promotion of Go Games: Rules were adopted at annual congress in May 2010 which require games for players U12 to be developmentally appropriate. The full time development team has rolled out more than 20 workshops promoting Go Games in counties with a number of counties already running U12 games in this format in 2010. I would encourage all counties to be positive in their approach to Go Games as the aim of this approach is to develop as many young players as possible, giving them all an equal opportunity to develop and enjoy camogie.

### Strengthen camogie participation in Cúl Camps

All counties were encouraged to grow the female attendance at GAA VHI Cúl Camps. The number of girls attending in 2010 increased to 23,000 last year, a growth of 3000 since 2009 (15% increase). The full time development team linked strongly with GAA personnel to help ensure a high standard of coaches where possible and to encourage participation.

Prioritise the growth of camogie in GAA clubs

Below: An U8 Go Games team from the recently reformed Moycullen Camogie Club.



*GAA Joint Initiative:* In 2010 the GAA funded a joint initiative to support the growth of camogie clubs in existing hurling clubs. The plan includes an agreed list of clubs which are targeted by the full-time development team in their workplans. The fruits of the work on this project can be seen in new clubs as follows:

- Ballyvary, Mayo
- Tubbercurry, Sligo
- Castlerea, Roscommon
- Carnew Emmets, Wicklow
- Ballon/Ratoath, Carlow
- Carrick-on-Shannon, Leitrim
- Fourmasters, Donegal
- Ballinamore, Leitrim

Implement camogie initiatives in counties annually hosting Féile: 210 camogie players from seven secondary schools attended a blitz day in March with a further 120 attending from six schools in May. 22 clubs participated in pre-Féile blitzes which took place at five venues in May – 528 camogie players

participated. Clare reaped success at Féile 2010 winning the Division 2 title.

Create new camogie clubs in co-operation with the Gaelic games family with a particular focus on urban areas: Galway city, Tralee, Dundalk, Ennis, Dublin and Athlone were target areas for urban development initiatives in 2010. Initiatives included GAA Rapid Easter Camps, "Puckaround" initiative and primary schools coaching.

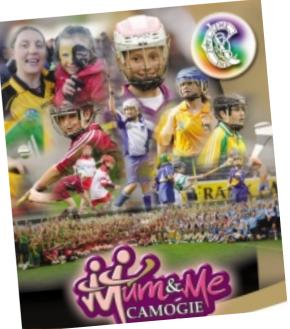
County Boards in conjunction with the county development officer identify and establish new clubs: As well as initiatives at national level to grow the number of clubs each county board has been tasked, through the national development plan, to identify a new club area in their county each year. Through the joint efforts of county development officers and the full time development team a number of new club areas have been identified and some clubs re-established including:

The Loop, Derry
Gortnahoe/Glengoole, Tipperary
Kealkill, Cork
Glenrue and Mungret, Limerick
Blessington, Arklow Rocks and Carnew, Wicklow
St Josephs, Laois
Rochfordbridge, Westmeath
Moycullen and Abbeyknockmoy, Galway

Design programme to support Mothers and Daughters: The Mum and Me Programme was designed and delivered at 13 venues nationwide including:

- Limerick
- Galway
- Wicklow
- Carlow





Over 200 participants took part in this programme which is proving extremely successful and popular with the mothers as well as the daughters. The knock-on effect of involving more parents gives them the necessary encouragement to become involved in the club in a broader manner.

Re-energise Camogie development in Fermanagh, Sligo, Leitrim and Longford and establish county boards

Undertake active outreach in primary and secondary schools and GAA clubs and implement a rage of development programmes: Work is ongoing in these four counties with development in Four Masters in Donegal which included a six week coaching programme received by St Francis N.S., taster sessions in Gaelscoil and Kilymard N.S. while in Tubbercurry promotion in schools was carried out with three taster sessions completed.

#### **Grow Camogie internationally**

Develop underage plan in US and initiate coaching and games development in a number of centres attached to hurling and/or camogie clubs

For the first time in the history of the Camogie

Association under-age development of camogie is now happening in both North America and in London. The highlight of the overseas development was the participation of six teams in the Continental Youth

Championships (CYC Games) in July 2010. The teams which participated were:

Shannon Gaels, NY

- St Brigids, NY
- Rockland, NY
- · New Haven, NY
- Philadelphia
- San Francisco

This success followed earlier ground work carried out by the Director of Camogie, Mary O'Connor and the Uachtarán. Support was given in particular to New York in 2010 which hosted the CYC games including the following:

- Equipment provided to four clubs
- Foundation coaching course delivered to participants from five clubs on June 12th and 13th
- Coaching workshop also delivered in June
- Development officer and referee travelled to the North America Finals in September 2010 and delivered coaching and refereeing workshops.

The London County Board launched its development plan in 2010 and for the first time an under-age development blitz was hosted which was attended by the Uachtarán. One additional new club is up and running in 2010 (Michael Cusacks). The underage development squad consists of approximately 30 players under the age of 14.

The development of camogie in London was further supported by the provision of travel grants for eight trips to and from London for team participation in the national league.

Scotland travelled to Dublin in 2010 for the annual camogie/shinty tournament which was won by the Irish team. The panel included the following players:

Róisín McKenna Monaghan Bríd Boylan Cavan Niamh Breen Kildare Clodagh Byrne Carlow Áine Charlton Mayo Claire Coffey An Mhí Aislina Corr Tvrone Rosie Crowe Cavan Jemma Egan Westmeath Regina Gorman Kildare Bid Grennan London Pamela Greville Westmeath Laura Gribben Armagh Shauna Jordan Tyrone Isabel Kieran Monaghan Bronagh McLernon London Colette McSorley Armagh Bernie Murray Armagh Susie O'Carroll Kildare Róisín O'Keeffe Cavan

Below: The Ireland squad at the Shinty/Camogie Ireland v Scotland international at Ratoath GAA Club, Co. Meath.



### Ensure that players of all abilities and backgrounds are catered for

Urbanisation initiatives targeting areas with social and economic disadvantage were carried out as follows:

Galway: Attendance at RAPID Easter camps, link with GAA urban committee

*Tralee:* Primary schools involved in RAPID initiative, potential for club dev in 2011 - 110 Children participated.

**Dundalk:** 3rd level student coaching in five primary schools in Dundalk, attendance at Easter RAPID camps. Approach made regarding establishment of Camogie club Pearse óg and Naomh Moinne in Dundalk

*Ennis:* Six week coaching scheme in four schools in the town followed by blitz for all participants at Eire Óg club grounds – 50 kids.

**Dublin:** Camogie in the City in five schools, 133 girls coaching in inner city and camogie day June 3rd as part of RAPID programme in St Kevins and Clanna Gael

*Sligo:* Come and Try It Day ran in Sligo with six schools attending-90 girls

### Camogie Celebrating Diversity – a social inclusion initiative

The Camogie Association made history in September when it became the first of the Gaelic Games family to celebrate inclusion and diversity in Ireland on its showcase All Ireland day. The occasion brought colour, atmosphere and warmth to the face of Croke Park in the shape of families from 52 different ethnic minority communities from all corners of Ireland. Partners in the initiative were The Integration Centre and New Communities Partnership, the GAA and Dublin City Council. The project was funded by the Social Inclusion Division of the Department of Community, Equality, & Gaeltacht Affairs as part of the EU Year to Combat Poverty and Social Exclusion.

**Below:** Social Inclusion launch at the 2010 All-Ireland Camogie Championship Finals in



Over 400 new Irish families were guests of the Camogie Association and 200 community leaders and young children were formally welcomed to Croke Park by the Uachtarán, Joan O'Flynn. The highlight undoubtedly was the sight of 32 young ethnic and Irish children forming the guard of honour on the pitch as the Senior teams were greeted by President Mary McAleese

### Increase participation in Camogie in the education sector and strengthen links between education sector and local camogie units

A targeted programme of development was aimed at participation in the primary school sector in 2010. This resulted in fifteen primary schools blitzes which were attended by 725 camogie players.

In addition 18 "Come and Try it Days" were run for secondary schools with 1,190 camogie players attending.

To support the development of camogie in schools the training of teachers is also a priority. Consequently inservice courses were delivered in three selected counties in 2010 (Laois, Waterford and Meath) and four foundation level courses were delivered to students in Mary I (2 courses), DCU and UCC.

Camogie in the education sector was also supported through ongoing support for CCAO and 2nd Level All Ireland Colleges Council. Closer relationships were also forged with Cumann na mBunscol in 2010 which will be built on in 2011.



Áine Curren, Loreto College, Kilkenny, in action against Sarah Fenton, BCS Lismore, Waterford in the Schools' Senior A Camogie All-Ireland Final. (Photo: Caroline Quinn)

Bursaries to the value of €7000 were once again presented to 3rd level students across Ireland in conjunction with CCAO:

- Sinead Cassidy Queens University
- Shauna Murphy University of Ulster Jordanstown
- Karen Tinnelly University of Ulster Jordanstown
- Sara Louise Carr University of Ulster Jordanstown
- Gemma McCullagh University of Ulster Jordanstown
- Anne-Marie McMahon NUI Galway
- Chloe Morey NUI Galway
- Emma Connolly St Mary's
- Dervlagh McGuigan St Mary's
- Jane Dolan Dublin Institute of Technology
- Marese Floyd Froebel College

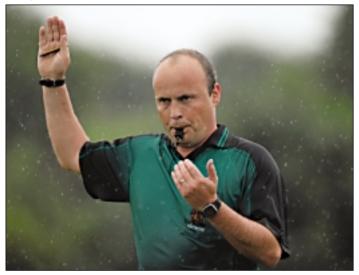
#### **IMPROVING PERFORMANCE**

To ensure the development of our clubs and players it is essential that we develop our referees, coaches and administrators. The "Improving Performance" goal focuses on the development of our coaches and referees

### Increase the number of referees at all levels of the Association

Developing our referees is essential to the development of camogie. We need to constantly focus on increasing the number of referees that we have available to us, ensure that they are properly trained and also ensure that there is progression for referees through the ranks culminating in the highest standard of inter-county referees. An area that we must also address as an association is the need for more female referees. We are delighted that for 2011 there are four new female referees on our inter-county panel and we will aim to increase this number year on year.

Below: Mike O'Kelly, referee.



At club level 250 new referees were trained up during 2010. 14 foundation level courses were delivered by the Referee Tutors in the following counties:

Carlow
Tipperary
Kildare (2)
Wilkenny
Westmeath
Wicklow
Clare
Tipperary
Wexford
Antrim
Armagh
Galway

Limerick

As well as this an information session for all GAA and Camogie referees was held in Roscommon as well as sessions on the difference between camogie hurling playing rules in a number of counties. In addition five Green Card Courses were delivered in Armagh, Cork (2), Dublin and Kildare. The Green Card course is targeted at second level students and is a great way to introduce young people to refereeing.

### Increase the standard and consistency of inter-county refereeing at national and provincial levels

The annual national seminar for inter-county referees was also held in 2010. There are now more initiatives in place to ensure a high level of inter-county refereeing than ever before. Inter-county referees passed two fitness tests (league and championship) as well as a written test. In addition assessments were carried out on inter-county referees for the first time. More than 30 games were assessed by the national panel of referee assessors.

The National Referees Committee has also put in place a Code of Conduct for referees which was approved by Ardcomhairle and signed by all referees on the national panel. It is important that referees at all levels are made aware of this code and that it is rolled out in all counties.

### Increase the availability of quality and accredited Camogie coaching at all levels within the Association

2010 was an exceptionally busy year on the coaching front. With the full roll out of the Camogie Association's Camán Get a Grip foundation level course 27 courses were delivered during the year. This included three courses in third level colleges (Mary I, UCC and DCU) and one overseas course (New York) as well as the delivery of three in-service courses for primary school teachers. To help meet the growing demand for courses 16 GAA trained tutors were assimilated by Coaching Ireland and one additional camogie tutor was qualified directly through Coaching

Ireland. Plans are in place to train a further five camogie tutors in 2011 as a joint initiative with the provincial councils which will increase our capacity to deliver courses to a greater degree.

The increased level of activity in the area of coaching over the last number of years has created the need for a very co-ordinated approach to the development of coaching within the Association. Director of Camogie Mary O'Connor led the way in developing a specific Coaching Plan which has been agreed by Coaching Ireland. This plan will guide the association through its needs for 2011.

#### Upskill coaches in established and new clubs

There is a constant need to support coaches in new and established clubs. Recognising this need the Association, through its full-time development team, has delivered workshops on the following topics to assist and upskill coaches:

- Go Games
- Drills Galore
- Fundamentals
- Coaching the Tackle
- Goal-keeping
- · Games to develop camogie/hurling

Workshops are a useful way of giving experienced coaches fresh ideas and for boosting the confidence of new coaches.

### Improve levels of player welfare at all levels within the Association

Player welfare must always be high on the priority list for clubs, counties, schools, colleges, provincial councils and Ardcomhairle. By ensuring the welfare of players we are increasing the chances of players staying with camogie and getting lifelong enjoyment from it. Player welfare will be one of the topics on the table for discussion at upcoming provincial council club forums in 2011. As well as ensuring that players have the skills to play the game they need to be aware of the nutritional needs for sportspeople and have the knowledge to help prevent injury. With this there are also compliance elements firstly in relation to complying with insurance requirements under the Association's rules and secondly in relation to Irish Sports Council Rules on anti-doping for inter-county teams. I would like to compliment the senior counties for their co-operation around anti-doping and to acknowledge the work of Mairéad Ní Mhaoleoin, National Anti-doping Officer.

### Ensure playing rules and national competitions adequately cater for players of different abilities

214 inter-county fixtures were played in 2010 under the auspices of Ardcomhairle. This is an increase of 6 fixtures over 2009. The following are the main reasons for the changes in fixture numbers in 2010:

- Change in structures to some competitions in 2010 including the introduction of a one group structure for the All Ireland Senior Championship
- Introduction of championship structure for the junior B grade with the elimination of the Division 5 league one-day blitz
- Gael Linn played at senior grade only
- Introduction of Intermediate All Ireland Club Championship

	Total No. of Fixtures	Total No.
Grade	in 2010	in 2009
Division 1	12	14
Division 2	21	15
Division 3	16	17
Division 4	6	15
Division 5	N/A	7
National League Totals	55	68
U16A	12	17
U16B	14	17
U16C	11	7
Senior Championship	25	15
Intermediate Championship	15	10
Premier Junior Championshi	p 13	12
Junior A Championship	15	15
Junior B Championship	8	7
Minor A Championship	12	9
Minor B Championship	8	10
Minor C Championship	14	8
Gael Linn	3	6
Club Championship	3 played in 201	0 7
	6 played in 201	1
Championship Totals	159	140
Overall Totals:	214	208

The number of walkovers and withdrawals remains consistent with 2009 [6 withdrawals and 16 walkovers compared with 6 and 18 in 2009]. This is an area that as an Association we must improve on. It is not good for the teams or the county boards that cannot field nor is it good for those teams they are due to play against. Withdrawals and walkovers can have a detrimental effect on the structure of competitions and I would urge counties to carefully consider their team entries each year.

The management of fixtures is a difficult task. The decisions on competition structures will not always suit all counties, nor will the timing of competitions always suit all counties. However, I do think that in the past couple of years the timing of under-age competitions has improved. There has been reaction to the timing of the U16 competition with the point being made that inter-county competition for this age group is over by the first week of May (in 2011). However, I would see this as a positive thing. It means that these quality players are back with their clubs for the entire summer affording county boards a magnificent opportunity to run competitions for this age group in the best months of the year.

In 2010 Ardcomhairle took a decision to revert to a one group championship for senior championship. This is also the case for 2011. While I see great benefit in this structure in terms of marketing the game, exposure and media coverage I have concerns about this structure from the point of view of players and clubs. It has the potential to leave club players without championship action into September. We must always be aware of the needs of the majority of players – our club players – and ensure that everything we do does not negatively impact their enjoyment and experience of camogie.

boards that made their grounds available for camogie games throughout the year. In particular I would like to thank the following venues that hosted games at

I would like to acknowledge all those clubs and county

Below: Racquel McCarry, Antrim, in action against Emma Hannon, Waterford in the Gala All-Ireland

Junior Camogie

Championship

Final at



the request of the national fixtures administration:

- Donaghmore Ashbourne Nat League Div 2 (Down v Limerick), Div 3 & 4 League Finals, U16B Semi Finals, Minor B Semi Finals, Junior B Semi Finals, Junior B Final & Replay, Junior A Final, Minor C Final, Premier Junior Final Replay)
- The Ragg (U16A Semi Finals)
- O'Brien Park, Tullamore (U16C Semi Final)
- Cloghan (U16C Semi Final)
- Fingallians, Swords Nat League Div 2 (Tipp v Antrim, Cork v Derry)
- Trim Nat League Div 2 (Cork v Antrim), Gael Linn
- Cooley Kickhams Nat League Div 2 (Derry v Offaly)
- Craobh Chiaráin Nat League Div 2 (Wexford v Down)
- McDonagh Park, Nenagh (Minor A Semi Final, Minor A Final
- Semple Stadium (Nat League Div 1 & 2 Finals, Minor A Final Replay, Sen Champ Semi Final Replay)
- Healy Park, Omagh
- O'Connor Park, Tullamore, (Div 1 League Semi Finals, U16A Final)
- Naomh Peregrine (U16B & C Finals, Junior A Semi
- Kilmallock (Minor A Semi Final)
- Dr. Cullen Park (Premier Junior Semi Final)
- Casement Park (Premier Junior Semi Final)
- Nowlan Park (Senior Champ Semi Finals)
- Clones (Intermediate Semi Final)
- Ardfinnan (Intermediate Semi Final)
- Cootehill (Minor C Semi Final)
- Ratoath (Minor C Semi Final)
- Celtic Park, Derry (Minor B Final)

At club level one of the most positive developments in 2010 was the introduction of the All Ireland Intermediate Club Championship and the announcement that both the intermediate and senior 2010 All Ireland Club Finals will take place in Croke Park. It is a fantastic incentive for clubs to have the opportunity of playing an All Ireland Final in Croke Park – it is a massive honour for the 120 club players that will have played in Croke Park on March 6th and a massive honour for their clubs, their coaches, their families and their friends and supporters.

I would like to congratulate each of the winners of our competitions in 2010. Some of the best games of camogie I have seen were served up to us in 2010. The standard of the games continues to go from strength to strength and it is for this reason that attendances at our games are increasing and that the Association is getting a higher profile in the media at all levels. Three counties achieved fantastic under-age success in 2010 - Galway, Derry and Carlow - winning



Above: Katrina Parrock, Wexford, in action against Regina Glynn, Galway in the Gala All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship Final.

Below: Aislinn Connolly, Offaly, in action against Claire O'Connor, Wexford in the Gala All-Ireland Intermediate Championship Final. the Minor and U16 grade All Ireland championships in the A, B and C grades respectively. We look forward to seeing this success materialise at adult level over the coming years in these counties. Wexford achieved the impressive Division 1 and 2 national league double and added the O'Duffy Cup to the trophy cabinet – a testament to the fantastic work that is being done in the county to promote camogie. Congratulations to Antrim, Kildare and Monaghan for their wins in the Premier Junior, Junior and Junior B championships and to Laois and Tyrone who captured the Division 3 and 4 National League titles. Four Roads of Roscommon had a fantastic win in the All Ireland Junior Club Championship in December – the last of our fixtures in the calendar year.



Féile 2010 was an outstanding success and I would like to pay tribute to the organising committee in Clare and in particular to Mary Hogan and Orla Considine for their work. Congratulations to all of the teams that competed and to those who won across the different divisions.

I would also like to acknowledge the work of our two education councils CCAO and Comhairle na nlarbunscoileanna for the work that they do in delivering competition to students at second and third level. I would like to particularly mention the joint hosting of Ashbourne and Purcell in CIT in 2010 and the work of the CCAO executive, Keith Ricken and Miriam Deasy in helping to achieve a fantastic weekend.

2011 is shaping up to be an excellent year for fixtures. An increase in the number of camogie games being played in Croke Park from two in 2009 to three in 2010 to six in 2011 is a fantastic boost for the Association [Division 1 National League Dublin v Tipperary, All Ireland Senior and Intermediate Club Finals, All Ireland Junior, Intermediate and Senior Championship Finals]. To ensure that it is viable for us to play these fixtures in Croke Park it is important that we all come to these games and show our support for the teams participating.

Congress 2012 will consider motions for playing rules. A process of consultation will begin at this congress to start the process of looking at those rules that need to be considered. The skills of camogie are what make it a spectacle to watch, a joy to play and a challenge to teach! This review should serve the purpose of enhancing these skills for our players and spectators.

### VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP

We all recognise the importance of the volunteer in the running of the Camogie Association. While we have been fortunate to build up to a full-time team of 13 people over the last eight years it is still a very small number by comparison to our number of members. For every full-time person employed by the Association there are approximately 7692 volunteers! So it is easy to see from this that it is the volunteer that will always be the lifeblood of the Association. Therefore developing our administrators is of crucial importance to the continued success of Camogie.

Congratulations to Mary Donohoe (Laois) who was recognised with a GAA President's Award for her contribution to camogie both at club level with The Harps and at county level with Laois. The 2010 Sighle

Nic an Ultaigh Award will be presented at Congress Dinner 2011.

Congratulations also to Liz Howard, Past President of the Camogie Association who was recognised by the Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism in conjunction with the Federation of Irish Sports with a 'National Administrator of the Year Award' for her contribution to camogie and GAA.

### Support the recruitment and development of volunteers at club level

The National Volunteer and Development and Leadership Committee were busy in 2010. In July of last year Ardcomhairle considered the committee's proposed volunteer policy which we are launching at Congress 2011. It is appropriate that the Association launches this document in 2011 as it is the European Year of Volunteering. The designation is recognition of the contribution of the volunteer in society across Europe. The launch of a volunteer policy for the organisation is an important step in supporting our volunteers and recognising the work that they do. The manual will be a useful guide for committees at all levels in recruiting and supporting volunteers in different roles.

### Recognise and reward the commitment and expertise of volunteers

The work of the Volunteer and Development and Leadership Committee has also included the drawing up of criteria around the implementation of a Volunteer of the Year Award. Many county boards already present such an award and I commend those that have done this over the years. For those counties that are only just beginning to look at this it is a very positive way of recognising the efforts of those who contribute most to Camogie in your county.

### **Implement Volunteer Training Programmes**

2010 saw the introduction of the County Chairs and Secretaries Network meetings. Two meetings took place in May and October. The meetings provided a good opportunity for county officers to meet each other face to face and to share ideas on different aspects of administering camogie.

Another major first for the Association in 2010 was the completion by 19 eager Camogie Administrators of a HETAC accredited Camogie specific Sports Administration course in Athlone IT. In its pilot year the course has been a fantastic success and I would like to commend Athlone IT for its work in putting this course together, for making the course interesting and

applicable to those who attended and of course to congratulate all the participants for their efforts in completing the course. The course is under review but our hope and intention is that it will be rolled out again in 2011.

### **ENHANCING CAMOGIE'S PROFILE**

The profile of camogie has improved significantly in recent years across all media. 2010 saw further improvements and enhancements to both internal and external media coverage. The combined efforts of PROs from club to county, provincial and up to national level result in significant coverage of camogie at all levels.

#### **Enhance the Profile of Camogie in Ireland**

The Communications and Website Committee has undertaken the task of re-designing the current official website. Much of the groundwork for this project is complete with the plan that a new website will be launched in 2011. Extensive work has also been carried out in addressing technical issues with the current site and I would like to thank all concerned for their work on this.

There were four regional PRO workshops held in 2010:

Ulster – Armagh City Connacht – Ballinasloe Leinster – Portlaoise Munster – Tipperary

Almost 50 PROs attended the workshops which were delivered by Alan Aherne, People Newspaper Wexford, Liz Howard, former Camogie President & Tipperary PRO, Ed Donnelly, Tipperary IT Officer, Edwin McGreal, The Mayo News. Topics covered included:

- The role of a public relations officer
- Print & Radio- how to use both effectively
- Social Media- incorporating websites & all social media for a working PRO
- Each of the Provincial Council Presidents attended the seminars and addressed the participants.

I would like to acknowledge the work of the Communications & Website Committee in providing the PRO Seminars, of those who presented on the course and to those who attended.

As with all aspects of life it is important to recognise the work of those who excel in their area of expertise and the Media Awards are another outlet which provides the Camogie Association with the opportunity to do this. The Media Awards in association with RTÉ for 2009 were presented after Annual Congress in Kildare. The winners were:

#### Mick Dunne Memorial Awards 2009

Photograph of the Year – Michael Kelly

PRO of the Year - Tom Allen Limerick

Broadcast of the Year - C'mon Caman produced by Big Mountain Productions

Best Published Article - "Backchat" by Dave Devereux

— The Wexford People

#### An Cumann Camógaíochta Awards 2009

Best Match Programme - Armagh

Best Provincial Newspaper coverage - Roscommon Herald Sport

Best Radio Station - KFM

Special Category - Pride and Passion – Camogie in Offaly – Paul Rouse

The President's Media Award – Ulster Camogie Council

I would like to congratulate all of the winners and thank them for the role they have played in promoting camogie in the most positive manner.

Congratulations also to Ann and Angela Downey who received an *Irish Times* and Irish Sports Council 'Lifetime Achievement Award' at the Women In Sport Awards in January 2010.

The Annual Camogie All Stars in association with O'Neills is now a well established highlight of the camogie calendar. It is a fantastic opportunity to reward and recognise the top stars of the game and the attendance of the President of Ireland, Mary McAleese added greatly to the occasion and is further recognition of the esteem in which Camogie is held. Congratulations to all the winners and our thanks to Tony Towell, Cormac Farrell and all at O'Neills for their continued support.

**Below:** Joan O'Flynn, President An Cumann Camógaíochta with the 2010 Camogie All-Star nominees, Soaring Stars, Intermediate Soaring Stars, and Young Players of the Year at the Camogie All-Stars in association with O'Neills at Citywest Hotel, Saggart, Co. Dublin.

#### All Stars 2010

Goalkeeper

Mags D'Arcy (Wexford)

Backs

Claire O'Connor (Wexford)

Catherine O'Loughlin (Wexford)

Niamh Kilkenny (Galway)

Regina Glynn (Galway)

Mary Leacy (Wexford)

Anna Geary (Cork)

Midfield

Orla Kilkenny (Galway)

Anne Dalton (Kilkenny)

Forwards

Kate Kelly (Wexford)

Una Leacy (Wexford)

Brenda Hanney (Galway)

Katrina Parrock (Wexford)

Ursula Jacob (Wexford)

Aislinn Connolly (Galway)

### Soaring Star Awards

Goalkeeper

Caroline Connaughton (Roscommon)

Backs

Rhona Torney (Antrim)

Shona Curran (Waterford)

Regina Gorman (Kildare)

Fionnuala Carr (Down)

Patricia Jackman (Waterford)

Jenny Simpson (Waterford)

Midfield

Bernie Murray (Armagh)

Kerrie O'Neill (Antrim)

Forwards

Michaela Convery (Antrim)

Áine Lyng (Waterford)

Shannon Graham (Antrim)

Sarah Ann Fitzgerald (Laois)

Jane Adams (Antrim)

Jane Dolan (Meath)

### Intermediate All Star Awards

Michaela Morkan (Offaly) Elaine Dermody (Offaly) Ciara O Connor (Wexford)



### Strengthen integrated marketing approaches between national, provincial & county levels

Achieving strong recognition for camogie as a brand for the Association under the National Development Plan. Much work has been done to strengthen that brand both in terms of media coverage, partnerships with other organisations and promotional material. 2010 saw a significant increase in print coverage of the game. The appointment of full-time Communications and Marketing Director, Claire Egan, means that there is a dedicated resource behind all media and marketing activity. This consistent approach with regards to coverage has paid off and a glance at national print coverage in 2010 paints a very positive picture. The Communications and Website Committee has also done tremendous work in the production of Camogie's first in house magazine publication "On the Ball" and the camogie-ezine which was piloted in 2010 and is now fully functioning in 2011. Members of the committee also carried out fantastic work on match programmes for 2010 – with useful and often entertaining information about our players and teams they make for great souvenirs of our competitions. The combined efforts of the committee and full-time team has resulted in almost 6000 facebook fans for camogie. I think Congress 2010 was definitely the first time I saw evidence of a delegate to congress posting a message to facebook! A definite sign of how we now communicate.

The Camogie Association also established partnerships with two very worthy organisations during the year. The first was a partnership with the Marie Keating Foundation. Eve Talbot, RDO for Dublin and Kildare, ran the hugely successful "Pink Day" in the Thomas

Davis Club in July. The event was a huge success for the teams that participated and with the combined efforts of these teams, the Thomas Davis Club, Leinster Council, Nollaig Ryan and Eve Talbot an impressive €12,000 was raised for the Marie Keating Foundation.

In December 2010 the Camogie Association announced that its official charity for 2011 would be the Hope Foundation. The event was launched in Croke Park by President Joan O'Flynn and Honorary President of the Hope Foundation Maureen Forest. RTÉ stars Jacqui Hurley and Evanne Ní Chuilinn and players Aislinn Connolly and Elaine Aylward also lent their support to the event. Events will take place in 2011 to raise fund for this deserving cause.

The biggest marketing and communications opportunity open to the Camogie Association in any given year is All Ireland Final Day and September 11th 2010 was a fantastic day for the Association. The inclusion of three All Ireland Finals (junior, senior and intermediate) gave an additional 60 players the opportunity to grace Croke Park in September. It was the first year since 2006 that the Association did not combine with the U21 Hurling Final. The day served up three cracking All Ireland Finals. Nothing could separate Antrim and Waterford who had to do it all over again in Donaghmore/Ashbourne where Antrim emerged winners. Offaly turned out a magnificent performance to capture the All Ireland Intermediate title in their first year competing at that grade putting an end to Wexford's hopes of a double. Offaly's success in recent years and their step up to the senior ranks in 2011 are in an inspiration for all counties. It was heartbreak once more for Galway in the senior decider where Wexford captured their second All

Below: President Mary McAleese meets members of the Galway team before the start of the 2010 All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship Final at Croke Park.



Ireland title in three years. It was a historic occasion for the Leacy family with Una Leacy following in her sister Mary's footsteps to captain the team to victory.

And while the games are always the showpiece there was much more to All Ireland Day. The Association was the first of the Gaelic Games to have players names on the back of the jerseys. Thank you to the counties for their co-operation in making this happen - recognition of our individual players and creating super-stars and role models in our game is vital for the continued promotion of camogie. The social inclusion initiative mentioned earlier - Camogie Celebrating Diversity – brought a fantastic inclusive element to the day. The highly successful Kilkenny teams from 1985 to 1994 bringing back to Croke Park some of the greatest legends the game has known. The attendance of both the Taoiseach Brian Cowen and the President of Ireland Mary McAleese reflects significant role that camogie plays in Irish society.

I would like to thank Gala – sponsors of the All Ireland Camogie Championships – for their support during 2010, in particular Gary Desmond and Denise Lord. Gala's sponsorship of camogie between 2006 and 2010 has been a very mutually beneficial relationship thanks to Gala's investment in Camogie and the combined work of both organisations to maximise the outcome.

The RTÉ TV, online and radio coverage of the event ensured that there was widespread awareness of the day and the games. TV viewership figures on the day peaked at a 225,000. The increased TV coverage provided by RTÉ's *The Sunday Game* throughout the summer served to significantly increase the awareness of the championship and in particular the finals and I would like to thank RTÉ for their ongoing support. Highlights packages of the seven rounds of the championship on RTÉ together with extended

Below: Gary
Desmond, CEO of
Gala, presents the
player of the
match award to
Offaly captain
Michaela Morkan
after the 2010
Gala All-Ireland
Intermediate
Camogie
Championship
Final.



highlights of the semi-finals resulted in consistent coverage of our blue riband competition. I must also acknowledge the support of the *Irish Daily Star* for its weekly coverage of the Gala Performance Award.

### Increase attendances at games particularly at national competitions

2010 saw approximately 28,000 people attend games in the Gala All Ireland Camogie Championships. Attendance on All Ireland Final Day was 17,290 but we need to work together to ensure that we grow this figure by 10% every year. We must constantly strive to get more people to come to our games at every level and to experience the thrill and excitement of a good competitive game.

Promotion is key to increasing attendances and this is being addressed through targeted radio advertising for key games, facebook advertising campaigns, PR events including photocalls and launches of major events.

### Increase revenue from commercial sponsorships and merchandising and fundraising

Two specific fundraising events were held in 2010 – a golf classic and "Camogie Goes to the Dogs." You will see from the 2010 accounts that these events raised €16,000. It is important for 2011 that we maximise the revenue from these two events but I would ask you to consider that this is income we as an association need to generate and we will therefore need support for these fundraisers.

Commercial partnerships are a priority for the Association. Strong corporate sponsorship is a necessity for the Camogie Association if we want to continue to build on the successes of recent years and all that has gone before in this report will help to build and strengthen our existing relationships and help in forging new ones.

### Document and promote the history and tradition of Camogie

The Camogie Association is an organisation with a deep and rich history. In January 2010 the Communications and Website Committee gave us all a taste of that history at the well attended Camogie History night held in the GAA Museum.

I am delighted that Mary Moran, former president, trustee and officer of the Association, is compiling a complete history of the Association at present. We look forward to seeing this project come to fruition and I would like to acknowledge the tremendous time and effort that Mary has put into this project.

### EXCELLENT GOVERNANCE AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ardcomhairle is the governing body of the Association between Congresses. During 2010 the council met 11 times on the following dates:

3rd February 2010	29th July 2010
17th February 2010	25th August 2010
10th March 2010	6th October 2010
1st May 2010	12th November 2010
2nd June 2010	15th December 2010
14th July 2010	

Meetings, for the most part, take place on a Wednesday evening requiring most of the members to travel to Croke Park after work. It is a huge commitment and takes a lot of time and effort for those involved.

motions once we overcame some technical difficulties. A big thank you to the technical operators on the day.

### Provide effective financial management and ensure financial viability of the Camogie Association

Day to day Financial Management: Managing the finances of any organisation is the most challenging aspect of running any organisation at present. Overall responsibility for the finances of the Association rest with Ardcomhairle but a lot of hard work is carried out by the Resource Management Committee and full-time Finance Manager Paula Bruen to ensure that the day to day financial management of the Association is taken care of. New processes and procedures have been introduced at national level and guidelines have

Ardcomhairle Meetings Attendance 2010				
Name	Position	Total	Note	
Joan O'Flynn	Uachtarán	10		
Sinéad O'Connor	Ard Stiúrthóir	11		
Morgan Conroy	Cathaoirleach Cúige Mumhan	6		
Jackie Brien	Cathaoirleach Cúige Connacht	9		
Catherine O'Hara	Cathaoirleach Cúige Uladh	8		
Ray Quigley	Cathaoirleach Cúige Laighin – outgoing	3	Completed term as Chairperson of Leinster at Congress 2010.	
Catherine Neary	Cathaoirleach Cúige Laighin	8	Term as Leinster chairperson began after Congress 2010	
Phyllis Breslin	Treasurer/Trustee	10		
Liz Howard	Trustee	7	Elected as Trustee in August.	
Mary Moran	Trustee – outgoing	6	Completed term as trustee at July meeting.	
Marie Kearney	Delegate – Cúige Mumhan	9		
Geraldine McGrath	Delegate – Cúige Connacht	10		
Brighidin Heenan	Delegate – Cúige Uladh	10		
Mary Connor	Delegate – Cúige Laighin	10		
Lynn Kelly	CCAO	10		
Sr. Mairéad	2nd Level	4	Took over as 2nd Level delegate in July 2010	
Paul Beecher	2nd Level	1	Stepped down as delegate in February 2010	

### Ensure that the Camogie Association's official Guide Complies with excellent governance and best practice

A special congress was held in May 2010 to consider the newly proposed official guide. After a lengthy consultation with clubs, counties and annual congress delegates all bar one section of the proposed Official Guide was passed at the event. It was another first that day for the Association when electronic voting was used to vote on the proposed rules. It proved a very efficient and effective way of considering the been established for treasurers at all levels of the Association to assist in ensuring good financial procedures.

County Board Audits: County Board audits were carried out in two counties in 2010 and this will be extended in 2011. The outcome of these audits is to help county board executives manage their affairs in an efficient and economic way. It is more important than ever that the finances of all of our units stand up to scrutiny and that the costs of running all units is managed effectively.

**Risk Management:** A process of Risk Management has also been initiated by the national Resource Management Committee. It is important that the Association protects itself against the risks to which it is susceptible. This process will be completed in 2011.

Fundraisers: In 2010 two national fundraising initiatives were organised – Camogie Golf Classic held in Kilkenny Golf Club and the "Camogie Goes to the Dogs" fundraiser. Between the two events €16,000 was generated. The events will run again in 2011 and I urge all units to support the events.

### Effectively manage the Association's full-time team

While I stated earlier in my report that the volunteers are the lifeblood of our Association I must also state that without the small but extremely dedicated full-time team the Association would not have made the progress it has made in recent years. For each member of the team the job is not just a job but also a passion. With eleven of the thirteen members of the team still playing camogie at some level it is a good indication of the commitment to and passion for camogie.

It is important that the needs of full-time personnel are catered for and that people are developed, supported and trained for their position. With the full-time team having increased from just one person in 2003 to 13 in 2010 it this is a new area of priority for the Association and an important one. The National Development Plan creates a good framework for the full-time team to work to making it a working document for the Association at national level every day of the week.

### Establish an effective membership system

Research was carried out in 2010 in relation to online membership systems. At this point in time the systems on offer were outside of budget limits. The main point around an effective membership system is that we have an accurate record of membership. A new excel registration form has been created for 2011 which will allow each club, county and provincial council to clearly see this data once they have collated the information from their subsidiary units. We must always watch the patterns emerge in our membership so that we can keep up to date and meet the demands and needs of our Association.

Ensure effective compliance with range of professional and other standards.

Vetting of our members is a priority for the

Association. Legislation is much further progressed in the North of Ireland than in the Republic in this manner with the result that those members in the six counties have been through the process for many years. I thank all of you for your work in this respect. In the 26 counties it has not yet become a legal requirement for those working with young people to be Garda vetted. However, we have made it a priority for this Association and to date we have approximately 4000 people vetted. As members of units at all levels of the Association I ask you to ensure that those working with young people in your unit are Garda vetted. Our Garda Vetting Officer, Ray Quigley, continues to do tremendous work in delivering the Garda Vetting process to clubs and counties. If your club/county has not yet started the process please do so. It is imperative that we ensure the welfare of our young members and vetting of officers is one step in a process that will help keep our players safe.

Linked to this is the awareness of and compliance with the Associations Code of Ethics and Joint Behaviour. All units must appoint a children's officer to take responsibility for the implementation of best practice. There is a wealth of information available on www.camogie.ie and county and provincial children's officers as well as our national children's officer Mairéad Ní Mhaoleoin provide tremendous support in this area

### Continue to actively support and promote enhanced relationships at all levels with the wider Gaelic Games family

Strong relationships with the GAA and Ladies Football are a must for the Camogie Association at all levels.

Our relationship with the GAA is important on many levels – as a funder, as the provider of venues for our games and as a support for our volunteers and our full time team. The GAA provided funding for the development of camogie in 2010 which can be seen in the financial accounts for the year. In additional a joint initiative was agreed with Games Development Committee of the GAA to roll out a programme targeting existing hurling clubs where no camogie club exists. The GAA has provided funding for equipment for this initiative as well as support through its personnel across the country. The combined financial and personnel support is hugely beneficial to the Camogie Association but I would like to think that hurling in those clubs where we are strengthening camogie is also benefiting from the overall improvement and investment in the game.

The Camogie Association also worked closely with the

GAA on the promotion of the VHI Cúl Camps in 2010. An increase of 3000 girls was achieved from 2009 though joint efforts between the Camogie Association, Ladies Football Association and the GAA. While the Cúl Camps are a fantastic way of reaching out to young players it is essential from the perspective of the Camogie Association that there is an opportunity for all young girls to play camogie at these camps if we are going to ask our clubs and our counties to support them. We are anxious that the potential young camogie player in Fermanagh has an equal opportunity of playing camogie at a camp as a potential young camogie player in Kilkenny.

I would like to thank Uachtarán Criostóir Ó Cuana and Ard Stiúrthóir Páraic Ó Dufaigh of the GAA for their support for the Camogie Association, the full-time teams in Croke Park at provincial level and county level. I would like to specifically mention Ronan Murphy and his team in the GAA ticket office who provide tremendous support for the operation of the All Ireland Camogie Finals. I would also like to thank Peter McKenna and his team in Croke Park Stadium for their assistance in 2010.

The provincial councils of the GAA also provide excellent support for Camogie both for our full time development officers and for the provincial and county boards.

Our relationship with Ladies Football is key – both associations have the same target audience. It is important that we support our players and make efforts to ensure that those who wish to play both games have the opportunity to do so. To this end a joint letter was issued by the two Association Presidents in December 2010 to encourage county boards from both organisations to meet with each other to ensure an effective relationship. This was preceded by a meeting of the fixtures committees of both associations at national level in November 2010.

### Strengthen relationships with wider sporting and other bodies

The Camogie Association works to build strong relationships with funding bodies, other sporting organisations and other statutory bodies. This is increasingly important in times where funding from all sources is being cut or negatively impacted by the economic crisis. It is important from a funding and support point of view that the work of the Association is known and recognised for what it contributes to communities across Ireland, the positive influence that sport has on young women and the wider health benefits it has for all who are involved. The support of

the Irish Sports Council, Sport Northern Ireland, statutory bodies including government departments, local county and city councils, local sports partnerships and other funding bodies is critical to the continued success of the Camogie Association.

The Irish Sports Council is obviously a key player in the development of the Camogie Association. I would like to thank John Treacy for his continued support in helping the Association achieve its potential. I would also like to thank outgoing chairperson Ossie Kilkenny for his support during his term as chairperson. I look forward to working with the newly appointed chair Kieran Mulvey and hope that we can continue to help the Irish Sports Council continue to deliver on its targets for sport and in particular women in sport. I would like to also acknowledge the support of Sport Northern Ireland and I hope that in the near future that Ulster Council will be in a position to appoint full time personnel with the support of SNI.

I would like to thank the Federation of Irish Sports for the work it does to lobby for sport on behalf of all sporting organisations. It is imperative that sport remains a priority on the political agenda – this is the only way that we can be sure that an appropriate investment will be made in sport annually.

### Conclusion

The National Development Plan – Our Game Our Passion – has yielded fantastic results in its first year. The plan covers every aspect of the running of the organisation both on and off the field. I think we all agree that the game cannot flourish on the field without sound structures and support off the field but our priority must always be our players at every level of the Association. During trying times in clubs, county boards, provincial councils and at every sub-committee level throughout the organisation we must always remember to enjoy the actual game. Energy, enthusiasm, teamwork and a desire to succeed are the key ingredients for a vibrant organisation. These ingredients will only come together if we remember why we are involved – for a love of the game.

County Boards are in receipt of development grants for the first time in the history of the Association. The following counties have received funding of up to €3000 per county:

- AntrimCarlow
- Mayo
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- Offaly
- Clare
- Down
- Dublin
- Roscommon
- Galway
- Wexford
- Kerry

The payment of the grants is retrospective and the conditions of the funding will be strictly implemented. Again it is a very positive step for the Association to be able to help fund, in some small way, the work that is being done by counties to develop camogie. By making the Association stronger at club, county and provincial level we will have a better organisation and empowering counties to do more than just administer camogie on a day to day basis is a positive step towards making that happen.

In conclusion I would like to thank all the volunteers from club to national level who work so diligently for camogie year in year out. I would like to thank players at every level for choosing camogie as their number one sport. I would like to thank our high profile players, our inter-county stars for being wonderful ambassadors of the game and in particular I would like to thank those who worked with us during 2010 to promote camogie at a national level.

I would like to thank Ardcomhairle for its support and the Uachtarán Joan O'Flynn for her determination to see the Camogie Association succeed, for the many hours which she gives to the role in a voluntary capacity and the many miles that she travels to every corner of the country to attend club and county games and events

I would like to thank the full-time team for their continued desire to make camogie the best it can be across all aspects of the Association. During the year Jennifer Steede left her position as Regional Development Officer and I would like to thank her for her contribution to the Association during her three years with us. I would like to welcome Lizzie Flynn on board. Lizzie joined the team in December 2010 and has hit the ground running, bringing into the role a wealth of experience from her position as secretary of CCAO for four years.

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### Camogie Association sponsors

















### Comhairle Connacht

### Tuairisc 2010

Counties	No. of	No. of	Increase/
	Clubs 2010	Clubs 2009	Decrease
Galway	34	34	0
Mayo	3	4	-1
Roscommon	7	7	0
Sligo	2	1	+1
Leitrim	1	0	+1

In February, 2010 the Council were honoured by the Connacht G.A.A. Council when the Camogie Administrators Award and Senior Club players Awards were presented at their Awards Night in Castlebar.

The Council's first action in 2010 was the holding of a Garda vetting meeting for all Club and County Children's Officers in the Province. Connacht were the first province to have undertaken this. This meeting was conducted by Ray Quigley who is the Camogie Associations Authorised Signatory for Garda Vetting. A Basic Awareness Course for Children's Officers in

Below: Four Roads captain Donna Kelly with the Junior Club Championship Cup.



Galway Clubs was conducted by Marie O'Brien in March, 2010.

In May 2010 the Council hosted a Communications Workshop in Ballinasloe with PRO'S from the Clubs and Counties in the Province attending. This workshop was overseen by Claire Egan

The Province took part in the Gael-Linn Competition in May, 2010. This competition was confined to one team(Senior) per province in 2010.

The Connacht Invitational Under 14 Blitz was hosted once again in 2010 by Padraig Pearses from Woodmount on 26th June, 2010. Unfortunately Mayo did not take part in the 2010 blitz and only 4 teams were involved – 2 from Galway and I from Roscommon and Westmeath. This Blitz will have to be looked at as it is not achieving what was expected from it

The Connacht Final was won by the Galway Intermediate team. This competition appears to have lost some of its initiative as it is now played when the teams are finished or out of contention for national honours in their specific championships i.e. Junior and Intermediate championships.

The Connacht Club finals proved to be very successful with large crowds attending all games. Ballinderreen from Galway won the Junior 'B' title, Athleague from Roscommon won the Junior 'A' title whilst Sarsfields from Galway won the Intermediate Title.

The final action of 2010 was the launching of the Development Plan for 2010-2015 in November, 2010. The main priorities in the Development Plan are as follows:-

- Strengthening the existing County Units in the Province.
- Prioritising the growth of camogie in the G.A.A.
- Recognising and rewarding the commitment and experience of volunteers
- Enhance the profile of Camogie
- Increase camogie participation in the education sector and strengthen the links between the education sector and the local camogie Clubs.
- Increase the number of referees at all levels of the Association.
- Upskilling of coaches in all Clubs.

#### REPORTS FROM THE COUNTIES

#### Galway

Galway affiliated 34 Clubs in 2010. They gained national success in the Under 16 and Under 18 All-Ireland finals and unfortunately they were beaten in the All-Ireland Senior Final by Wexford after putting up marvellous displays throughout the round robin section of the championship. As a result of the Senior team's marvellous displays in the Championship, five members of the team namely - Orla Kilkenny, Regina Glynn, Niamh Kilkenny, Brenda Hanney and Aisling Connolly were chosen as All-Stars in November, 2010. Laura Mitchell from the Killimordaly Club who was a member of the Minor All-Ireland Winning team, was chosen as the Connacht Minor Player of the Year and on the night of the All Stars Award Laura was chosen as the overall Minor Player of the Year for 2010. This is the first occasion that a player from Connacht has been chosen for this prestigious award.

### Mayo

Mayo affiliated 3 Clubs in 2010 with Tubbercurry joining later on in the year as a new Club. Na Brideoga are the dominant club in the County. They take part, on an invitational basis in competitions in Galway and Roscommon. They were successful in the Roscommon Minor 'A' Championship in 2010.

#### Roscommon

Roscommon affiliated 7 Clubs in 2010 with Castlerea joining later on in the year as a new Club. Castlerea took part in a number of under age blitz's in mid summer in Roscommon. It is hoped that the Castlerea Club will return to the playing fields again after a number of years of inaction. The biggest achievement by a Roscommon Club in 2010 was Four Roads going on to win the All-Ireland Junior Club Final against Corofin from Clare in November, 2010. This was a fantastic follow on from the success of the junior county team in September, 2009 when they won the Nancy Murray Cup. It is to be hoped that this Club success will improve the standards of camogie in the other senior clubs in the County whilst eventually benefitting the County Junior team.

#### Points for the future

Our development plan which was drawn up by our Development Officer, Maeve Healy in conjunction with Caroline Murray and Mary Moran is our blue print for the next five years. It is to be hoped that all members from within the province will assist with the development of the game both in their own Club areas and in the new areas as defined, in the plan. The development of the 'One Club Model' as agreed by the GAA, the Ladies Gaelic Football Association and the Camogie Association will be another big hurdle for us to get over in the years ahead.

#### Sympathy

During 2010 the Council lost one of its former President's, Frank O'Grady from Galway who held the position of President in 1977 and went onto represent the Council at Central Council Meetings and Congress for many years. Frank showed a great interest in Camogie, right up to his death and the Council sympathises with his family on the occasion of his death

#### Congratulations

I would like to congratulate all teams and mentors on their success in 2010 and hopefully that all will continue to bring further success to the Province in 2011.

Winners/Runners Up of Provincial Championships 2010:				
Winners	Runners Up			
Galway	Roscommon			
Athleague,	Shamrocks,			
Roscommon	Galway			
Ballinderreen,	St. Dominic's,			
Galway	Roscommon			
Sarsfields,	Four Roads,			
Galway	Roscommon			
	Winners Galway Athleague, Roscommon Ballinderreen, Galway Sarsfields,			

Síníthe ag: MUIREANN UÍ CHONBHUIDH
Rúnaí na Comhairle

### Comhairle Laighean

### Tuairisc 2010

No. of	No. of	Increase/
Clubs 2010	Clubs 2009	Decrease
13	12	+1
12	12	0
33	33	0
33	33	0
6	5	+1
7	7	0
19	19	0
14	13	+1
13	11	+2
0	0	0
39	39	0
6	6	0
	Clubs 2010  13  12  33  33  6  7  19  14  13  0  39	Clubs 2010 Clubs 2009  13 12  12 12  33 33  33 33  6 5  7 7  19 19  14 13  13 11  0 0  39 39

Below: Kildare players Ciara Tallon and Susie O'Carroll celebrate after the final whistle of the All-Ireland Junior 'A' Campionship Final.

#### **Summary Report 2010**

2010 was a year to remember for Leinster Camogie. Wexford recaptured the O'Duffy Cup, and the Division



1 and 2 League titles while Offaly added the Intermediate All Ireland title to their growing list of achievements. However, Wexford's success does not end there as they captured the senior provincial titles at intercounty and club level. The roll of success for 2010 is impressive, Kildare won the Junior A All Ireland, Carlow tasted success in the All Ireland Minor C and U16C while Laois won the National League Division 3 title. Congratulations are extended to provincial club winners particularly The Harps on winning a 5th successive Leinster club title and to Kilmessan on wining the Junior Club title.

Leinster defeated Munster in the Gael Linn Senior Final and the province dominated the All Star Awards winning 9 awards with Wexford picking up 8 awards and Kilkenny 1. The manager of the year award went to Joachim Kelly of Offaly.

#### Development

The three year Leinster Development Plan (2011-2013) builds on the previous three years plan and the work completed by the Leinster Camogie Development Committee. A Development Committee is currently in place to guide the implementation of this plan and the Leinster Development Officer was elected at the 2011 AGM. This new three year Development plan is based on two key objectives of the Camogie National Development Plan 2010-2015 i.e. Growing Participation and Improving Performance which are vital to the success of Camogie Development throughout the counties of Leinster. Using these two key headings and linking with the Leinster Camogie Strategic Plan, the development plan will target the following areas:

- ➤ Target Area 1 **Primary Schools**Primary Schools Coaching Programme

  Primary Development Squads
- ➤ Target Area 2 Secondary Schools Second Level Servicing Officer TY Coaching Programme
- Target Area 3 Universities and Colleges
   Sport agus Spraoi events
   Work Placement Students

The implementation will be phased over three years (2011 to 2013) and will be overseen by the Leinster Development Committee. This committee will evaluate the process at bi-monthly development meetings and an annual Review and Treasurers report

for each financial year will be submitted to Comhairle Laighean at the end of each year.

Finally it is important to mark the occasion of the retirement of Maureen Fulham who retired as provincial secretary. Maureen spent 29 very active years as an officer of Leinster Camogie. On behalf of Leinster Council and all the counties I would like to thank Maureen for all her hard work over the years and wish her well in her future endeavours.



### Winners/Runners Up of Provincial Championships 2010:

Competition Winners Runners Up				
Senior	Wexford	Kilkenny		
Junior	Kildare	Laois		
Senior Club	Oulart-the-Ballagh,	Ballyboden St Enda's		
	Wexford	Dublin		
Intermediate				
Club	The Harps, Laois	Lisdowney, Kilkenny		
Junior	Kilmessan, Meath	Celbridge, Kildare		
Minor B	Offaly	Laois		
U16 A	Dublin	Kilkenny		
U16 B	Offaly	Laois		
U14A	Kilkenny	Dublin		
U14B	Offaly	Westmeath		
U14C	Wicklow	Laois		
*Minor A Dublin vs. Kilkenny ended in a draw.				

Síníthe ag: CATHERINE NEARY
Rúnaí na Comhairle

Replay delayed due to bad weather

Left: Una Leacy, Wexford captain, lifts the O'Duffy Cup after beating Galway in the Gala All-Ireland Senior Final.

Below: Offaly players celebrate with the Cup after the Gala All-Ireland Intermediate Final at Croke Park.



### Comhairle na Mumhan

### Tuairisc 2010

Counties	No. of	No. of	Increase/
	Clubs 2010	Clubs 2009	Decrease
An Clar	26	26	0
Ciarrai	3	3	0
Chrocaigh	58	58	0
Luimneach	25	24	+1
Portlairge	16	16	0
Tiobraid Árann	n 32	31	+1

#### **SENIOR COUNTY CHAMPIONS 2010**

An Clár Newmarket-on-Fergus

Corcaigh Inniscarra

Luimneach Granagh/Ballingarry

Portláirge Lismore Tiobraid Árann Duharra

#### Féile na nGael 2010

Glorious sunshine shone on Clare for the Féile na nGael 2010 which began on Friday June 18th with the finals taking place on Sunday June 20th.

The annual promotional visits to schools in Clare were a huge success. 75 schools were visited in total. Local Camogie stars attending included Deirdre Murphy, Fiona Lafferty and Kate Lynch. Sincere thanks to Orla, Mary and their committee, the teachers and local clubs

for the huge commitment they put in to make this competition a huge success.

The O'Duffy Cup was on the circuit as well, compliments of Cork players Mary O'Connor and Jenny Duffy. As part of preparations for Féile na nGael 2010, representatives from the Camogie Association, GAA and Handball visited many schools throughout the county.

Congratulations to Eire Óg Clare, on winning Division 2 and Kerry who won Division 4. Congratulations also to the County Skills Champions Caoimhe Costelloe (Adare, Limerick), Cloiodhna Ryan (Toomevara, Tipperary) who came 1st and 2nd respectively in the final.

### County Winners of Féile na nGael 2010

An Clar Clare hosted Féile na nGael,

therefore had no domestic

competition.

Luimneach Kilmallock
Corcaigh Douglas
Portlairge Lismore
Tiobraid Árann Toomevara
Ciarraí Kerry



Below: Katie
Cahill, Clare, in
action in the
All-Ireland Minor A
Camogie
Championship
Final in Semple
Stadium, Thurles.

### County Winners of Féile na nGael Skills Competition 2010

An Clar Siobhan Tuohy (Feakle)
Corcaigh Erin McIlhinny (Na Phiarsaigh)
Luimneach Caoimhe Costelloe (Adare)
Portlairge Orla Hickey (Brickys)

Tiobraid Árann Cloiodhna Ryan (Toomevara)

#### **Munster Poc Fada Competition 2010**

An Clár Áine McNamara
Corcaigh Grace O'Callaghan
Luimneach Martina McMahon
Portlairge Aisling Flood
Tiobraid Árann Jacqui O'Connor

#### Pan Celtic

The 39th International Pan Celtic Festival was hosted for the first time in the Gaeltacht of Corca Dhuibhne in April 2010. The people of Corca Dhuibhne/Dingle Peninsula were privileged and delighted to host this event. On behalf of Munster Camogie Council may I take this opportunity to thank the following people in Kerry who helped to make the Camogie side of events a huge success, John Foley, Dingle, Colm Murphy, Lispole, John Courtney, Annascaul, Liam Ó Rochain, Gaeltacht. Thanks to Deirdre Murphy whose commitment to this competition was an inspiration and also Rose Malone who helped grade the teams. Thanks also to Eamonn Browne and all the referees who were on hand for the weekend. We know that you all savored the majestic and beautiful peninsula of Dingle and I look forward to working with you all again next year.

### Camogie Results:

Senior A Burgess

Senior B Glen Rovers, Corcaigh Under 16 A Éire Óg, Corcaigh

Under 16 B Burgess

### Programmes run in association with County Local Sports Partnerships and other Agencies

The Local Sports Partnerships across Munster have been very generous in supporting various programmes run in clubs and counties across the province. Below is a list of activities and programmes from 2010:

- Tralee RAPID Project: Feb April 2010. Primary schools in Tralee received 6 weeks of coaching, participated in blitz days and received a hurley, sliotar and T-Shirt as part of the project.
- Camog-Aerobics: Tralee, Scartaglen and Listowel
- Gaisce Programme: TY Students of Lismore

Community College teamed up with Ballyduff Upper GAA and Cappoquin, Tallow and Lismore Camogie

- Generic Coaching Course developed in conjunction with Waterford LSP, FAI, IRFU, GAA and Ladies Football Association
- Muc n Puc Camp in Lisdoonvarna, Co Clare
- Indoor Camogie Coaching Programme, Co Clare.

#### Munster Development Plan 2011-2013

A draft development plan for Munster Camogie 2011-2013 has been put together. Sincere thanks to Rob Lotty, Orla Considine, Clare Egan, Sinéad O'Connor and Mary O'Connor for their contributions towards the plan.

#### **Teacher In-Service Course 2010**

This years Primary Teacher In Service course run by the Camogie & Ladies Football Association in conjunction with GAA and Handball was held in Ballygunner N.S. Co Waterford from August 23-27th. 25 Teachers participated in a weeks GAA activity, at the end of which they qualified as foundation level coaches in both hurling and camogie. Sincere thanks to Ladies Football Coordinator William Harmon, Ballygunner N.S., the Waterford Teacher Centre as well as all contributors to the course for making it an excellent week for all involved.

### Winners/Runners-Up of Provincial Championships 2010:

Competition	Winners	Runners Up
Sinsear	Tiobraid Árann	An Clár
Siosear	Tiobraid Árann	Corcaigh
Idirmheanach	lLuimneach	Tiobraid Árann
Mionúr Fe 18	An Clár	Corcaigh
U/16 A	Tiobraid Árann	Corcaigh
U/16 B	Portláirge	Corcaigh
Club Sinsear	Inniscarra (Corcaigh)	Grannagh/
		Ballingarry
		(Luimneach)
Club	Lismore	Newmarket-
Idirmheanach	(Portlairge)	on-Fergus
		(An Clár)
Club Siosear	Corofin (An Clar	Cappoquin
		(Portláirge)

Síníthe ag: Marion Ui Greachain Rúnaí na Comhairle

### Comhairle Uladh

### Tuairisc 2010

Counties	No. of Clubs 2010	No. of Clubs 2009	Increase/ Decrease
Antrim	22	21	+1
Armagh	18	17	+1
Cavan	9	9	0
Derry	23	23	0
Donegal	3	4	-1
Down	21	21	0
Monaghan	4	4	0
Tyrone	10	10	0

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

#### Introduction

Ulster can reflect on a year of progress and pride. All Provincial competitions were successfully completed at club and county level. On the National stage, Ulster teams featured at almost every level.

Below: Rosanna McAleese, Eoghan Rua, after scoring her team's first goal against Lismore in the All-Ireland Club Intermediate semi-final.

#### **Competitions 2010**

- Antrim lifted the Premier Junior All-Ireland against Waterford at the second time of asking.
- · Monaghan beating neighbours Cavan in the All-Ireland Junior 'B' final replay.
- Armagh fielded once again in the Nancy Murray

final, with both their Minor's and Under 16's unlucky not to claim a National

- Tyrone claimed their first National Division 4 title in front of a large crowd at a 'double header' in Omagh.
- Antrim and Derry battled it out for National Minor 'B' honours in the walled city. Derry on this occasion triumphed and again collected

- the silverware at All-Ireland Under 16 'B'
- Ulster referees featured at HQ as Antrim's Owen Elliott officiated in the Intermediate final. New Referees made their name at Provincial level as Antrim's Orla McIntyre refereed her first Ulster Under 14 final
- A successful International Shinty team featured many Ulster players with Armagh referee Una Kearney taking charge.
- Player recognition came at the end of the season for several Ulster Soaring Stars recipients' at the annual Camogie All-Stars.
- Páirc Esler Finals of 2009 were recognised, as the Province picked up the 'President's Award' at Congress 2010 There was no repeat in 2010 for a number of reasons, but plans for an even better 2011 are now in place.

#### 2010 Achievements

- New clubs emerged in both Armagh and Down.
- Great work by RDO Yvonne Byrne and Gavin Craig in Donegal sees participation levels growing with new clubs emerging.
- Go Games continue to be implemented across Ulster for the fourth year.
- Volunteer Development continues as Ulster Camogie benefits from the Ulster GAA courses in administration and coaching.
- Ulster Counties have increased their coaching capacity, reporting a good uptake of attendance and demand for Foundation and Level one Coaching Courses.
- Over 60 coaches attended a coaching clinic with Veronica Curtin on 30 January 2011. Additional Hurling & Camogie days are scheduled for February and following months.
- The appointment of an Ulster Development Officer and the launch of the Ulster Coaching & Development committee in November 2010 will serve to deliver aspects of the National Strategic plan. This committee spearheaded by Mary Connolly works closely with Director of Coaching Mary O'Connor and is currently working with the Ulster GAA on areas of common purpose including Schools coaching.
- In November 2010, Ulster held its inaugural 'Awards Lunch'. This was a great success and one that will be built upon in 2011. Awards catagorories included Ulster Senior Player Of The Year, Intermediate,



- Junior, Minor and Under 16. Best Programme, PRO of the Year and Volunteer of the Year recognised members both on and off the field.
- The establishment of a PRO committee led by newly elected Ulster PRO Cóilín Duffy has already recruited members with backgrounds in radio, TV and print media.
- The Ulster website was revamped in November 2010, using face book, twitter and You Tube to sell the Camogie brand.
- The profile of Ulster players rose off the field as well as on with the Council driving a 'Party Against Poverty' and Conservation campaigns with the Ulster Ladies Football Council.
- Ulster Camogie made front page news, TV and Radio on many fronts including health, show case events, fundraisers and success on the field.
- Peace and reconciliation funding was applied for and awarded to Ulster Camogie in July 2010 as an important link was forged with Ulster Hockey in a unique project in North Belfast between St Enda's Camogie club, Breda and Mossley Ladies Hockey club. They first venture was a trip to the All-Ireland Camogie finals in 2010.
- Coverage in 'non-traditional' papers followed this project and enhanced the standing of our game across the Province.

goals at all levels, aspirations, empowerment and a delivery programme for 2011 and beyond.

#### **2011 GOALS**

- To build the Ulster brand.
- Consolidate what we have and hit all targets set within the Strategic Plan for 2011/2012.
- Re-train Ulster Officers in all areas of good governance, modernisation and best practice.
- To run an Under 16 Féile with the finals on Saturday September 3rd at the 'Dub' Belfast.
- Continue to host an Ulster Under 14 Féile with the Ulster GAA Council.
- Secure Sport NI Funding enabling the recruitment of a full time Business Administrator and Development Officer.
- To showcase the Ulster Finals on 25th June at the Athletic Grounds Armagh, with restructured Championships enabling all three finals on one day – Senior, Junior and Intermediate. Target attendance 6,000.
- Work with Ulster Ladies Football and Hockey in all areas of common concern and mutual benefit.
- Enjoy the game.

Síníthe ag: BRÍD UÍ GIOLLAGÁIN Rúnaí na Comhairle

Ulster Camogie			
officers	Winners/Runners Up of Provi	ncial Championships 2010:	
completed and	Competition	Winners	Runners Up
passed an	Senior Championship	Antrim	Derry
extensive audit in	Intermediate C'ship	Armagh	Cavan
'Good	Junior C'ship	Cavan	Monaghan
Governance and	Minor C'ship Cup	Derry	Antrim
Best Practice,'	Minor C'ship Shield	Armagh	Tyrone
ending a troubled	U16 C'ship Cup	Derry	Antrim
period which	U16 C'ship Shield	Armagh	Tyrone
culminated in	U14 C'ship Cup	Antrim	Derry
some very	U14 C'ship Shield	Tyrone	Cavan
negative	Ulster Club A C'ship	Antrim only participants	
headlines in July	Ulster Club B C'ship	Eoghan Rua, Derry	Clonduff, Down
2010.	Ulster Club C C'ship	Tir na Nog, Antrim	Kilrea, Derry
<ul> <li>Bad weather</li> </ul>	Ulster Club Bridie McMenamin	Derrytresk, Tyrone	Castletara, Cavan
postponed the	Ulster Club Prem. League	Rossa Belfast, Antrim	Loughguile, Antrim
Ulster Players	Ulster Club Shield League	Ballinascreen, Derry	Ballycastle, Antrim
Forum, which will	Mid Ulster League	Derrylaughan, Tyrone	Madden, Armagh
now take place	U14 Blitzs A,B and C	Antrim A	Armagh
on Monday		Antrim B	Derry B
March 21 2011		Cavan A	Tyrone A
in Belfast. This	Also Under 14 Feile in	Div 1 Loughguile, Antrim	St John's Belfast, Antrim
area of	conjunction with the GAA	Div 2 Portglenone, Antrim	Glen Maghera, Derry
development will	6 divisions	Div 3 Ballymacnab, Armagh	Ballygalget, Down
address issues		Div 4 Madden, Armagh	Magherafelt, Derry
around player		Div 5 Granemore, Armagh	Keady, Armagh
welfare, players		Div 6 Castleblayney, Monaghan	Eire Óg, Armagh

### Comhairle Western Australia

### Tuairisc 2010

No. of No. of Increase/
Clubs 2010 Clubs 2009 Decrease
1 0 +1

Club name: 'Camogie WA'

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

### **Introduction & Growing Participation**

2010 has been a historic year for Western Australia with the establishment of WA's first ever Camogie team. 'Camogie WA' has gone from strength to strength with increasing numbers of girls training every week. Initially with around five girls casually having a puck about interest quickly grew and the number of girls attending training increased with up to 30 girls.

With coaching support from 'Hurling WA' including the sharing of goal posts and sharing fundraising events, the club have been able to pay for the use of training grounds at RA Cooke Reserve in Morley. The team train Tuesday and Thursday nights (7pm – 8:45pm).

A number of fundraising events have taken place in an effort to raise funds for the club to purchase some Hurleys, Helmets and Sliotars. A very successful fancy dress fundraiser was held for Camogie WA on the 11th Sept in the Irish Club, Subiaco with large numbers turning out to support the night. Everyone who attended made a huge effort. Many local Perth companies and individuals offered sponsorship, with the Irish Club in Subiaco providing use of the venue. Several barbeques at Bunning's Warehouse have also increased revenue. The funds have enabled us to purchase hurls and helmets from Ireland.

'Catalpa Formwork' has also sponsored funds for team jerseys which have just been ordered from Ireland.

#### **Improving Performance**

There have been visible improvements in both fitness and skill as dedicated girls and coaches have trained over the past months. CamogieWA have high confidence in representing the state in the 7 aside Melbourne tournament in February. Many girls have played at county level in Ireland and bring invaluable experience and team building qualities to the team. The girls & committee members' co-ordinate many team bonding sessions and there have been many great friendships formed.

### **Enhancing Camogie's Profile & Excellent Governance and Organisational Development**

A Committee was established in order to create governance for the club and meetings are held regularly with Meeting Minutes recorded. The Committee aim to enhance Camogie WA's profile via PR such as use of 'The Irish Scene' and by creating a 'Facebook page'. Many girls have contacted the Committee via these channels and this is visible as the numbers grow in attendance every week.

### Winners/Runners Up of Provincial Championships 2010:

Entered for Feb 7-a-side tournament on 13th February 2011. Camogie WA will be taking a team of 14.

Síníthe ag: CHANTELLE McNEILL, Rúnaí



### **NSW Camogie**

### Tuairisc 2010

No. of	No. of	Increase
Clubs 2010	Clubs 2009	Decrease
5	5	0

Club names: Central Coast

Clan NaGael Cormac McAnallens Craobh Padraig Michael Cusacks

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

The move to the new playing grounds at Mona Park was a positive for the camogie codes as they not only had a bigger dedicated pitch but it was also situated in a position where stray balls from the main pitch no longer was a threat.

The increase in playing space opened up the game as it allowed greater time on the ball. This lead to high scoring games and with the increase in skill level amongst all teams, both competitions were highly competitive with their finals amongst some of the best games played in all codes in the 2010 season.

This season saw a milestone in the fledgling camogie competition with Clan NaGael's league triumph marking the first time a camogie final was won by a team other than the Central Coast since camogie was introduced into the NSW GAA season.

We are expecting another exciting season in 2011 as the level of passion and skill levels continue to rise amongst the 5 camogie teams. While we are not at a point where we could consider a 15 a side competition the existing 7 a side competition continues to attract more players and spectators as it cements itself as a valuable addition to the NSW GAA.

### Winners/Runners Up of Provincial Championships 2010:

Competition	Winners	Runners Up
League	Clan NaGael	Central Coast
Championshi	p Central Coast	Clan NaGael

Síníthe ag: MARK McGUINNESS Rúnaí NSW

Karen Brien celebrates at the final whistle after overcoming Oulart/The Ballagh in the All-Ireland Senior Camogie Club Championship semi-final at Duggan Park, Ballinasloe.

Below: Killimor's



### **London County Board**

### Tuairisc 2010

No. of	No. of	Increase/	
Clubs 2010	Clubs 2009	Decrease	
7	7	0	

Club names: Croydon CC,

Tara CC,

Brother Pearses CC, Fr Murphy CC, Green Isle CC, Erin go Bragh CC, John Mitchels CC,

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

The London County Board convention took place on the 15th of January in the Camden Irish Centre. It was well attended with several representatives present from each club.

2010 was a busy year for the London County Board with the formation of the development committee and London competing in both the National League and Junior Championship. The Development committee had great success with several "Camogie Days" culminating in the visit of President Joan O'Flynn to our final "Camogie Day", where she was able to watch the Junior League Final and our under age girls play a challenge game. They also sought to forge a stronger relationship with our male counterparts and the British Provincial Council.

The number of registered members continues to grow and people are continuing to contact the board and

development committee to seek advice in how best to form new clubs. London's development as a whole was well recognised in the improvements made by the County team this year securing a place in the All-Ireland Semi-finals.

Unfortunately, the treasurer's report showed that the board was in the red despite the large efforts made by the board to secure sponsorship and raise funds through several fundraisers.

This year's convention was also the dawning of a new era with some of the Counties most dedicated servants deciding that it was time to take a break and allow others to continue their good work. A special big thank you was said to Katie Forde who has served the county whole heartedly in many roles over the past number of years.

## Winners/Runners Up of Provincial Championships 2010: Competition Winners Runners Up Senior Championship Tara Fr Murphys Senior League Tara Croydon Junior Championship John Mitchels Tara

Green Isle

John Mitchels

Síníthe ag: SORCHA NÍ hAILIN

Junior League

Rúnaí

**Below:** The agony of defeat.



### **NACB Board**

### Tuairisc 2010

No. of No. of Increase
Clubs 2010 Clubs 2009 /Decrease
7 7 0

Club names: Boston Eire Óg

San Francisco Shamrocks

Chicago St Mary's Milwaulkee Washington DC St. Louis Denver

#### **NACB Camogie Report**

2010 was a groundbreaking year for the NACB Camogie group at both adult and youth levels. Following a meeting of Camogie Club Representatives and Camogie Development Manager Mary O'Connor in Chicago, a new format for North American Championship Finals was devised. Seven clubs were split into 2 groups and a Round Robin Tournament was run in which the competition was self – grading. Aileen Lawlor and Deirdre Murphy did an outstanding job on the weekend, officiating all games and also holding a Coaching Clinic on Saturday. The format proved to be a huge success with the clubs all of whom had multiple games over the weekend. Thanks to Deirdre and Aileen and to Joan O'Flynn for the support at our finals.

A Final Chicago St. Mary's 4-11
San Francisco Shamrocks 3-3
B Final Milwaukee 1-2, Denver 1-0
C Final Washington DC Gaels 5-2, St. Louis 0-1

The 2010 Continental Youth Championships were held in July in New York.

For the first year since the inception of this event Camogie was played at the CYC, and with President Joan O'Flynn on hand to watch, seven teams competed from U8-U12, and a county competition between NACB and NY was held. We again thank everyone for the help and huge support we have gotten from you and it is a great credit to Joan, Sinéad, Mary and their team for having the belief in our young girls. Thanks also to the Coaches and Parents as well as all the girls who took part, for their determination and perseverance in making history over the last 12 months.

U12 Camogie		
Premier Final	NY 0-0	NACB 4-0
U8 Camogie Final	New Haven 8-0	St. Brigids 2-0
U10 Camogie Final	Rockland 2-0	St. Brigids 1-0

Finally I would like to wish Joan every success in her endeavors for the future. She has been a great Ambassador for the sport and no doubt will continue to be. Thank you Joan for all your help and encouragement.

Good Luck to all in 2011.

Síníthe ag: LIAM Ó MAOLDOMHNAIGH

Rúnaí NACB



**Below:** The North American County Board Under-12 team at the CYC games.

### **European Board**

### Tuairisc 2010

No. of Clubs 2010 4	No. of Clubs 2009 4	Increase/ Decrease
Club names:	Belgium Luxembourg Paris Zurich	

#### Introduction

2010 was another year of growth for camogie in Europe with a 10% growth in playing numbers. The Belgium club also travelled to the Tara 7's in London and came away with the Junior trophy.

#### **Competitions 2010 (Provincial)**

The camogie championship rounds were organised at four venues (The Hague, Brussels, Zurich and Paris) alongside the European Hurling championship. Each team's best three results counted and after some fierce competition the Belgium team emerged as Championsfor the first time, with Luxembourg, who had won the first two European Championships, as gallant runners-up

### 2010 Achievements under the National Development Plan

#### Growing Participation

10% growth in players, with significant advances in Paris and Zurich, whilst Belgium continued to be the largest club. Unfortunately, Luxembourg suffered from the downturn in the banking industry which reduced the number of students spending a year in the city. Hopefully, the current recession in Ireland will have some positive impact on camogie numbers in Europe. Some youth development work is taking place in Munich.

#### Improving Performance

Standards continued to improve with most teams competitive at each round. Keeping teams at 7's with the option to move up to 9's on the day if all teams agree is proving to be the best format for camogie to develop at this point in Europe.

Volunteer Development and Leadership

All clubs in Europe are fully integrated (GAA, ladies football and camogie) so this is a shared responsibility. However, there are signs that dedicated camogie administrators/coaches are beginning to emerge.

### Enhancing Camogie's Profile

Camogie receives equal billing with hurling in the organisation of the calendar, daily administration and tournament organisation.

Excellent Governance and Organisational Development

This year we had an election at our Convention in Stockholm for the position of camogie officer on the European Board for the first time ever.

#### Other

The Board would like to express our thanks to the Uachtaran for interest and helpful suggestions on how to support camogie development in Europe and these will be followed-up on during meetings at Congress.

#### Conclusion

The Board would like to thank our outgoing Camogie Officer, Becky Mattes of Belgium, for her excellent work and dedication and we look forward to her good work being carried on and developed by Fiona Byrne (Luxembourg) who will carry out the role in 2011.

### Winners/Runners Up of Provincial Championships 2010:

Competition	Winners	Runners Up
Championship	Belgium	Luxembourg

Síníthe ag: TONY BASS Rúnaí

### **CCAO**

#### Tuairisc 2010

No. of Colleges/ No. of Colleges/ Increase/
Institutes 2010 Institutes 2009 Decrease
27 30 -3

Ainmneacha na gColáistí: UCC, UCD, UL, NUIG, UUJ, CIT, WIT, AIT, NUIM, QUB, St Pat's, Trinity, DCU, DIT, IT Carlow, IT Tralee, Mary I, DkIT, LIT, Sligo IT, St Mary's, Coláiste Freobel, Marino, Crumlin College of Further Education, UUC, GMIT, Tipp Institute

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

For the first time in the history of third level camogie both the Ashbourne and Purcell Cup and Shield competitions were played as a joint event over the one weekend, making it the largest third level female sporting event in Ireland during the last year. Our Fr. Meaghair competitions was a success in which many of the smaller colleges competed. Division 1 and 2 of the league were played out and while the second blitz day for Division 3 did not take place the first division 3 blitz was successful. The Fresher's 7-a-side competition was also played.

### 2010 ACHIEVEMENTS UNDER THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

#### **Growing Participation**

Camogie at Third Level was played in 27 colleges and we are trying to increase these numbers every year.

#### **Improving Performance**

A number of Coach Education programmes are held in Third Level Colleges annually. The Women in Sport



Third level CCAO Bursary recipients photographed in Croke Park.

At the announcement of the awards are (from left): Clare's Anne Marie McMahon, NUI Galway; Derry's Shauna Murphy, UUJ; Tipperary's Marese Floyd, Froebel College of Education, Dublin; Down's Karen Tinnelly, UUJ; Clare's Chloe Morey, NUI Galway; Derry's Dervlagh McGuigan, St. Mary's Belfast; Antrim's Emma Connolly, St. Mary's Belfast and Down's Sara Louise Carr, UUJ.

programme is held in conjunction with second levels in a number of third level colleges annually.

#### **Volunteer Development and Leadership**

In conjunction with the National Education Sub Committee workshops were held to hear the views of the students. We now have a number of Executive members who had previously received Camogie Scholarships.

#### **Enhancing Camogie's Profile**

www.ccao.ie our website is up and running, it provides information on all third level activity and is up dated on regular basis. The Ashbourne and Purcell competitions were jointly held for the first time ever in 2010, this proved to be a great success with16 teams and over 1000 players and mentors in Cork It for the weekend. The attendance at the final was over 1200 with the all seated stand in CIT full.

Below: Patricia Jackman, Waterford, in action against Katie McAleese, Antrim in the Gala All-Ireland Junior Camogie Championship Final at Croke Park.

### Excellent Governance and Organisational Development

Our executive is made up of both members with vast experience and little experience of camogie at committee level. This blend helps bring new ideas to the table as well as ensures the smooth running of competitions

#### Other

As an organisation we need a development plan for colleges camogie. This will hopefully be completed in the next few months. The number of matches played by each college and our competition structures need to be analysed and reviewed.

#### Conclusion

Ag deireadh, bhí bliain maith ag an CCAO. Míle buíochas le chach a thug cabhair duinn I rith na bliana

#### Winners/Runners Up of Championships 2010:

Competition	Winners	Runners Up
Ashbourne Cup	WIT	UCC
Ashbourne Shield	UL	CIT
Purcell Cup	DIT	IT Tralee
Purcell Shield	QUB	NUI Maynooth
Fr. Meaghair Cup	St. Mary's	Dundalk IT
Fr. Meaghair Shield	Coláiste Freobel	UU Coleraine
Freshers Competition	WIT	UCC
Division 1 League	WIT	UCD
Division 2 League	IT Tralee	DIT

Síníthe ag: RÍONA NÍ BHUACHALLA Rúnaí na Comhairle



### Comhairle Chamógaíochta na nIarbhunscoileanna

Tuairisc 2010

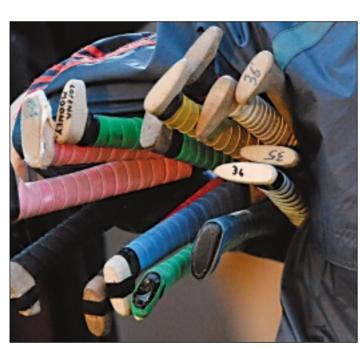
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Scho	ols 2010	Schools 2009	Decrease
Cúige Chonnacht	16	13	+ 3
Cúige Laighean	42	22	+ 20
Cúige			
na Mumhan	79	70	+ 9
Cúige Uladh	40	38	+ 2

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

2010 saw four schools win All Ireland titles with two schools doing the double. Loreto Kilkenny won the Senior A and Junior A double and Presentation Thurles won the Senior C and Junior C double. In claiming the double Loreto Kilkenny won the All Ireland Colleges Senior A title for the first time in their history defeating BCS Lismore in a pulsating final.

One of the most pleasing aspects is that the number of schools participating increased across all four provinces.

Comhairle na nlarbhunscoileanna introduced a Junior C and Senior C competition two years ago and this has increased interest among the weaker schools in all provinces. We introduced quarter finals for the Dublin and Connacht schools and some great encounters were witnessed here.



We have introduced Junior D and Senior D competitions for the 2010/2011 competitions onwards. By introducing these new competitions we are giving more schools an opportunity to win an All Ireland title.

While last year we had the opportunity to play a number of our semi finals and finals at major venues, it would enhance the profile of Colleges Camogie and give a great lift of confidence to the girls if we could play more of our games at national venues, something we must work on for the future.

In November 2010 an advertisement for a Servicing Officer for Comhairle na nlarbhunscoileanna was placed on www.camogie.ie and following interviews Paul Beecher was appointed as Servicing Officer.

In conclusion Comhairle na nlarbhunscoileanna wishes the best to all the teams competing and hope that all the girls competing will form long lasting friendships even after their playing days have finished.

Winners/Runners Up of Championships 2010:					
Competition	Winners	Runners Up			
Senior A	Loreto Kilkenny	Blackwater			
		Community School			
		Lismore			
Senior B	Coláiste Choilm	Borris Vocational			
	Baile an Chollaig	School Carlow			
Senior C	Presentation	Banagher			
	Thurles	Community College			
Junior A	Loreto Kilkenny	St. Brigids Loughrea			
Junior B	St. Flannans Ennis	St. Louis Grammar			
		School Ballymena			
Junior C	Presentation	Grennan College			
	Thurles	Thomastown			
Sevens A	Loreto Kilkenny	St Brigids Loughrea			
Sevens B	Presentation	Loreto Coleraine			
	Kilkenny				
Sevens C	Coláiste Phobail	Laurel Hill Limerick			
	Roscrea				
Interprovincial	Munster	Leinster			

Síníthe ag: PROINNSIAS Ó CRÍODÁIN
Rúnaí na Comhairle

### **Competitions Management Committee**

Members: Brenda Craig

Jenny Cultra Rachel Hogan Marion Graham Maeve Healy

Regina Gorman (Fixtures Administrator)

8

No. of Meetings held:

### Function of Competitions Management Committee is as follows:-

- Produce Annual National Fixtures Programme for 2011
- Liaise with Ladies Football National Fixtures
   Committee when drawing up Fixtures plan
- Oversee running of all National Fixtures
- Liaise with referees Committee and appoint Referees for all National Fixtures
- Review annually the Competition Guidelines
- Deal with all correspondence relating to Competitions
- Make recommendations when necessary to Ard Chomhairle

#### Achievements 2010

 Completion of all National Fixtures on schedule 214 Games – 143 Adult/71 Underage Adult League – 4 Divisions

Adult Championship – 5 competitions

Minor Championship – 3 competitions

U16 Championship – 3 competitions

- Introduction of three Camogie Finals on All Ireland Finals Day
- Senior and Intermediate Club Finals being played in Croke Park for first time.
- Introduction of Fixtures and Results system visible to all via www.camogie.ie – this can be updated with results by referees immediately after games
- Several Counties secured use of County GAA grounds to play National League and Championship matches.
- Increase in number of Double Header games with other GAA codes (Football and Hurling)
- Referee's Assessment has helped role of Fixture appointments

#### Plans for 2011 / 12

- Continue to work nationally with Gaelic Games
   Family especially in regards to Fixtures. Clubs and
   County Boards and Provincial Councils must develop
   similar links with their GAA family locally.
- As per rule, National fixtures will be available to Counties and Provincial councils by end of October
- Continue to use the Referee's Assessment program when assigning referee's to fixtures.



The Camogie Association announced that the 'Irish Daily Star' will sponsor the National Camogie Leagues in a two year deal. The news was announced at a photocall to mark the beainning of this year's National League. Twenty three counties will play in four divisions with finals taking place in April. Pictured at the launch were Una Leacy, Wexford; Joan O'Flynn, President An Cumann Camógaíochta; Paul Cooke, Managing Director, 'Irish Daily Star' and Aislinn Connolly, Galway.

# Volunteer and Officer Support and Development

Members: Máire Ní Cheallaigh

Gráinne Nic Gabhann Caitríona de hÓra

No. of Meetings held:

the Association and were delighted that the Uachtarán took time out from her busy schedule to attend one of our meetings.

We also took part in the review sessions organised by

Our thanks also to all in Páirc an Chrócaigh who helped us during the year.

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

At the start of the year, as usual, we revisited our terms of reference to set our targets for the year. We finalised the policy on the Volunteer which is to be launched this year – the International Year of the Volunteer. This policy will be available in booklet form and on the Association's website. We also finalised the terms of reference for the Volunteer of the Year Award and the Distinguished Service Award. Some counties have already set up their Volunteer of the Year awards. We have redone the role of the various officers and this has been passed by Ard Chomhairle and this will also go on the website and be at the back of the booklet on the Volunteer. We hope that it will be a useful resource for all units of the Association.

Below: Leading camogie stars and broadcasting personalities are uniting behind the efforts of an Irish charity, The Hope Foundation, to raise funds for the street and slum children of Calcutta. The partnership 'Camogie for Hope' will work to raise awareness of the work carried out by the charity and liaise on select fundraising initiatives including a charity 'All Stars' camogie match. Furthermore a fundraising run in Calcutta, the 'Kolkatta 10k' is taking place in the Indian city in March, with further information available on www.hopefoundation.ie . Pictured at the launch (from left): Joan O'Flynn, President, An Cumann Camógaíochta; Aislinn Connolly, Galway; Evanne Ni Chuilinn, RTE; Elaine Aylward, Kilkenny; Jacqui Hurley, RTE and Maureen Forrest, CEO of The Hope Foundation.



### **National Coaching and Games Development**

Members:

(Coaching) Sheila O'Donohoe (Chair), Collette Coady, Brigid Barnaville, Mary O'Connor, Ger Gribben, Fiona O'Driscoll, Damien Young, Siobhán Ryan, Kitty Fagan and Caroline Murray

(Education) Sheila O'Donohoe (Chair), Mary O'Connor, Jennifer Steede, Yvonne Byrne, Mairéad O'Callaghan, Noeleen Rooney, Noelle O'Driscoll, Lynn Kelly and Geraldine Kinane

(Participation) Sheila O'Donohoe (Chair), Katie Forde, Germaine Noonan, Valerie Crean, Maeve Healy, Mary Connolly and Noelle Kennedy

Coaching (6),

Education (3),

Participation (1)

the 2010 Gala Championship

No. of Meetings held:

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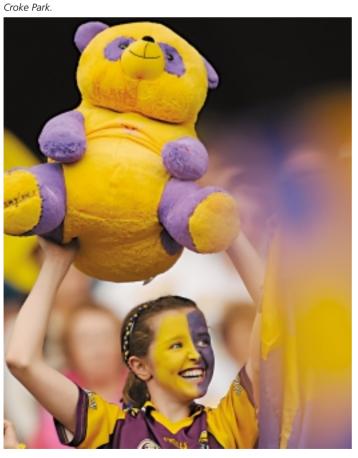
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#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

#### Introduction

This committee consists of three sub-groups, coaching and games development, education and participation

#### **Objectives 2010**

The key objectives incorporate the terms of reference and the key performance indicators from the Development Plan 2010-2015 specific to this committee include all of those outlined in Priority 1 Growing Participation and in Priority 2 Improving Performance (goals 2c, 2d,2e and 2g). These include the establishment and overseeing the implementation of a five year Coaching and Games Development strategy and Coaching Plan by each county and Provincial Development Committee, liaison with Coaching Ireland, Irish Sports Council, the GAA and other relevant bodies concerned with coach education, overseeing establishment and implementation of an integrated five year strategy for Camogie at primary, post-primary and colleges' levels to meet the needs of all players, develop and implement ways to strengthen the links between schools, colleges and clubs, review the level of participation in primary, secondary and third level colleges in Camogie competitions and to oversee the development and implementation of a five year participation and games development strategy, taking particular account of the meeting the needs of new players, developing players, players from a range of social and ethnic backgrounds and abilities and players overseas.

#### Key achievements in 2010:

- 27 Caman Get a Grip! (Foundation courses delivered) with 543 coaches qualified across all four provinces, in three third level colleges (DCU, Mary Immaculate College and UCC) and in North America plus delivery of in-service courses for primary school teachers in 3 counties; (2009: 15 courses and 266 coaches qualified)
- Successful extension of the Gaisce award for young coaches into Galway-Mayo IT and Lismore Secondary School, Waterford
- One new tutor trained via Coaching Ireland programme
- · Assimilation course devised and delivered in

- conjunction with Coaching Ireland and the GAA yielding an extra 16 camogie tutors and bringing the total number of active tutors to 28
- Coaching Plan (road map for next 12 months on all aspects of coaching, supporting coaches and player development) agreed in conjunction with Coaching Ireland, the full time team and tutors
- Assisted in the selection of the Coillte Schools of Excellence
- Input to the GAA's National Coaching and Games
  Development Conference (child centered theme this
  year) was held in conjunction with camogie, ladies
  football, handball and rounders
- Liason with the VHI Cúl Camp National Programme
- Streamlining of the booking procedure for coaching courses
- Review of participation in camogie across third level colleges with recommendations made to the executive body, CCAO
- Input to targeting a variety of ethic groups to attend All Ireland final day in September

#### Overall review of 2010

2010 was a busy year with a significant amount of progress achieved especially on the coaching front. The fruits of the assimilation course together with the almost doubling of the number of Caman Get a Grip

courses delivered and the huge enthusiasm for the Coillte Schools of Excellence are notable highlights of the year. We look forward to 2011 and to providing more coaching courses across the provinces and overseas, to reviewing the Caman Get Hooked (Level 1 course), to extending the Gaisce award to more counties, to having an additional five new tutors qualified, to promoting greater awareness of the Player Pathway, to assessing the competition structures across schools/colleges and to developing club/county/school/college links to liason with the GAA Urban Development committees so as to grow participation in urban centres.

#### **Concluding Remarks:**

We continue to strive to achieve the goals as earmarked for coaching and games development under their terms of reference and as per the National Development Plan. A huge thanks to all our active tutors for their work and commitment, a warm welcome to our newly assimilated tutors and a special word of thanks to the team of Fiona O Driscoll, Damien Young, Yvonne Byrne, Jenny Duffy, Caroline Murray, officers Ger Gribben and Collette Coady who devised and delivered the assimilation course. We acknowledge also all the very valuable support of both Coaching Ireland and the GAA.



Joachim Kelly, Offaly, is presented with his 2010 Camogie Manager of the Year award by Cormac Farrell, Marketing Director, O'Neills, at the 2010 Camogie All-Stars in Citywest Hotel.

### Child Protection and Welfare

Members: Mairéad Ní Mhaoileóin

Anne O'Brien Kathleen Woods Maria Grandfield Marie O'Brien

No. of Meetings held:

- 2 ordinary committee meetings
- Attendance at GAA Child Protection Seminar
- ISC tutor updating by some members of committee.

Below: A young Offaly supporter watches on during the closing moments of the 2010 Gala All-Ireland Intermediate Camogie Championship Final between Offaly and Wexford at Croke Park

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

#### Introduction:

- The work of the Child Protection and Welfare Subcommittee is ongoing and is constantly changing.
- Initially it dealt more with raising awareness within Camogie of the need at all times to promote the welfare of young people in our clubs. But as we became more aware of this need it became necessary to ensure that the Code of Ethics and

Good Behaviour is relevant to all of us at all times.

 The Code, which includes procedures, policies and codes of behaviour is an evolving document. The subcommittee is constantly reviewing this code and keeping it updated as a working document.

#### **Objectives and Achievements 2010:**

- A number of County Children's Officers attended the Child Protection Information Day hosted by the GAA
- The Code of Ethics needs to be updated on a regular basis to take cognisance of changing legislation.
- The most recent updates to The Code of Ethics and Best Practice are posted on www.camogie.ie on a regular basis where they are available to all our members.
- The Joint Code of Behaviour is in its second edition and now includes a section on Breaches of the Code of Behaviour.
- Up skilling / re skilling of subcommittee members needs to be given priority at all times so as we can act as a resource to An Cumann Camógaíochta at



- all times in matters of child protection and welfare.
- The RDO's have all completed the ISC Basic Awareness Workshop.

#### Overall review of 2010:

- A number of sections of our Code of Ethics were updated and uploaded to www.camogie.ie for easy access to all our members. These include; guidelines for club children's officers and on the use of mobile phones, recruitment complaints and reporting procedures, club membership, recruitment, accident and incident forms.
- Although the Joint Code of Behaviour is in its second edition a large number of clubs are not aware of its existence and are not fully implementing it. We need to be more proactive in promoting it.
- All adults including coaches have a crucial leadership role to play in sport. The trust implicit in coach-child relationships in sport places a duty of care on all coaches to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of the child while taking part in Camogie activities. It is of the utmost importance that all officers and officials are aware of the Code of Ethics and Good Practice and comply with all aspects of it.
- The appointment of Children's Officers is an essential element in the creation of a quality atmosphere. They act as a resource with regard to children's issues. We do not have active fully trained Children's Officers appointed in every club and county.

#### Objectives 2011:

- Training for Children's Officers needs to be run and attendance needs to be mandatory for County Children's Officers.
- It should be mandatory for referees and coaches from foundation level up to attend a Basic Awareness course before being fully certified.
- Garda Vetting of all volunteers which is being coordinated by the Garda Vetting Officer and is an ongoing process and should be mandatory.

#### **Concluding Remarks:**

- Young players have the right to participate in games and competitions at levels with which they feel comfortable. By limiting the ages at which players can participate and by introducing small sided games for children we have shown that we value our players and we facilitate them in participating in an age appropriate manner.
- The appointment of Children's Officers is an
  essential element in the creation of a quality
  atmosphere. They act as a resource with regard to
  children's issues. It is important that we proceed
  with specific training for Children's Officers at both
  club and county level in order to support them in
  their work.



Below: Any players out there!!!!!... Claire Dallat, Queen's University (right) and Laura Newman, National University of Ireland watch the play during a rising mist at the Purcell Shield Final at Cork Institute of Technology Cork

### Referees' Support & Development

Members: Dermot Connolly

Una Kearney Aileen Lawlor Rosie Merry Frank McDonald Pat McGivern Fintan McNamara.

John Pender was invited onto the committee as assessment co-ordinator in June.

Cathal Egan stepped down from the committee in September.

No. of Meetings held: 3

#### **OBJECTIVES 2010**

#### **Referee Courses**

- Increase the number of Foundation, Green Card & Advanced Referee Courses being facilitated
- Offer support to RDO's in facilitating referee courses
- Review and update all referee courses when necessary
- Inform County Boards of participants contact details from courses
- Regularly update a national database on participants from Referee courses
- Update & inform GAA Referees of the differences between Camogie & Hurling

#### Recruitment

- Recruit new referees at club level
- Recruit new referees from the GAA
- Liaise with Cumann na Bunscoil & GAA regarding new initiatives – Young whistlers

#### **National Referees**

- Hold a seminar for all National Referees prior to start of League
- Ensure all National Referees have acquired a minimum standard of fitness for both the League and Championship campaigns
- Review fitness testing and minimum fitness standards
- Ensure all referees are wearing the Camogie Referees' uniform correctly
- Ensure all games are started on time and follow correct match day procedures
- Ensure National Referees complete Referee Report

Forms

- Introduce a written assessment on the Playing Rules, set & marked independently of current National Referees
- Start the assessment programme for National League and Gala Championship matches

#### General

 Ensure all National Referees are made fully aware of the Code of Conduct for Referees and that each individual signs the form

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS 2010**

#### Referee Courses

14 Foundation Courses were held in 2010. The following counties hosted courses:

Leinster: Carlow, 2 x Kildare (one of the courses

was on the Go Games),

Kilkenny, Westmeath & Wicklow

Munster: Clare. Limerick. Tipperary & Wexford

Ulster: Antrim, Armagh & Down

Connaught: Galway

An information session was held for all GAA & Camogie Referees in Roscommon

Five Green Card Courses have been held in the following counties:

Armagh, 2 x Cork, Dublin and Kildare

Contact information from all course participants was forwarded to the respective county secretaries

All new referees names and contact details were added to a National database

Differences between Hurling and the Camogie Playing Rules was updated, all participants at courses and Inter-County Referees were supplied with this leaflet.

Information sessions on the difference between Camogie and Hurling Playing Rules have also been held in a number of counties.

#### Recruitment

Through Foundation and Green Card Courses approx 250 new referees at Club level.

A number of new Inter-county Referees were also nominated onto the National list

#### **National Referees**

A national seminar for referees was held. An Uachtarán, Ardstúirthóir and Director of Camogie attended

Fitness assessments were held in various locations to ensure Inter-County Referees had acquired the minimum level of fitness for both the League and Championship campaigns.

All referees that passed the written rule test officiated at Championship games

Copies of sample completed Referee Report Forms were given to all National Referees

The majority of match officials wore the referees' uniform correctly

A number of new Inter-County referees were invited onto the National Panel for 2010

The assessment program was started and over thirty games were assessed

An assessment co-ordinator, John Pender was

officials make their way to the pitch for the Ashbourne Shield Final at Cork Institute of Technology.

Below: Match



appointed to liase with the Referees' Com, assessors and the Competitions Com.

The assessors met several times through the year

#### General

The Code of Conduct was implemented and signed by all National Referees.

#### **OVERALL REVIEW OF 2010**

Progress has been achieved in all areas of refereeing development in 2010. The number of referee courses requested by counties was doubled from the previous. This is heartening as it shows clubs and county boards realise that they need individuals to receive adequate training to become referees in the camogie rules. At National level, all nominated referees were invited to the referees' seminar where a number of different items were discussed – assessment, code of conduct, appointments, interpretations of rules etc.. Fitness tests were held twice last year and for the first time national referees were required to complete and pass the written rules test prior to the start of the Gala championship games. Referees receive updates during the year via the Referees Newsletter or via email.

The assessment program was initiated during 2010 and over thirty games were assessed at different levels. The assessors met several times during the year to continue with their training and discuss various aspects that arose during the process. John Pender was invited onto the committee to act as assessment co-ordinator between the assessors, referees committee and the competitions committee.

Through Pat McGivern (Cumann na Bunscoil rep) we are kept up to date on initiatives which are taking place with the GAA.

#### **Concluding Remarks:**

Progress has been made over the course of the last year and although we may all be tempted to apply a quick fix to some areas such as assessment or increasing the numbers of referees we recognise it is better to invest time and effort in order to reap the rewards long term. The number of referees is small compared to number of players or people getting involved in coaching, but it is an essential and an important role within the Camogie Association. We cannot have games without match officials. But it is equally important that we have good camogie referees who know and apply the rules throughout all levels in the association. Counties and schools are to be commended for their work in promoting courses. Referees perform sometimes a thankless job and they should be acknowledged for their time and effort.

### **Communications and Website**

Members: Alan Ahearne
Niamh Archibald
Mary Burke
Eoghan Corry
Shane D'Arcy
Katie Forde
Liz Howard
Mary Moran
Joan O'Flynn
Claire Egan

Number of Meetings held: 5

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

#### Introduction:

The Communications and Website Committee was tasked with improving the profile of the sport and putting efficient internal and external communications vehicles in place.

#### **Objectives 2010**

- Oversee the development and implementation of a five year Communications Strategy and annual action plan
- Review and advise on the presentation of fixtures in national competitions
- Review and advise on the content and layout of match programmes for national fixtures
- Liaise with other national Committees with a view to maximising the use of www.camogie.ie as a communications and public relations resource to our membership and the general public
- Develop a monthly electronic bulletin to members on news, development initiatives and decisions at national level that impact on the membership
- Oversee and adjudicate the annual Media Awards
- Oversee the publication of an official history of Camogie
- Explore the feasibility of a twice-yearly magazine and act as its editorial committee
- Liaise with relevant bodies as appropriate



 Provide regular reports to Ardchomhairle and a report to Annual Congress.

#### **OVERALL REVIEW OF 2010**

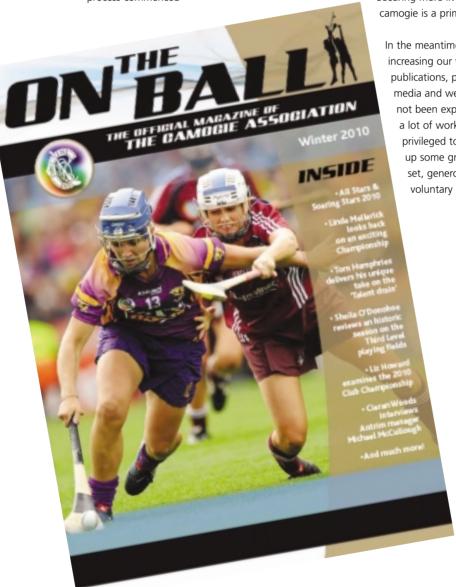
- Full time communications officer appointed for the first time has transformed the profile of the game and presented new opportunities.
- PRO training day held in all four provinces in 2010 and national PRO day programme planned for March 2011.
- Match programmes with substantial editorial content produced for League and Club finals and championship. The programme for the league final was the first full-service match programme for that competition.
- Revamp of camogie.ie commenced, bugs in system tackled, a re-hosting approved and re-design process commenced

- Spring and autumn editions of On the Ball camogie magazine published
- History of camogie completed and publication cycle approved, history day held early 2010 for camogie hosted at GAA museum in Croke Park and further history day planned for 2011.
- Media awards hosted at Congress 2010 and arranged for March 2011.
- Monthly ezine tested in early months of 2010 and launched in 2011.
- Facebook, Twitter and Myspace sites developed and camogie articles uploaded to external information sites. Camogie's Facebook site now has 5,500 followers from a standing start in Jan 2010 (this compares with 1,300 each for the FAI and IRFU).

#### **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

Securing more live television coverage for camogie is a primary goal of the association.

In the meantime our profile can be boosted by increasing our visibility using our own print publications, programmes, magazines, social media and web access – areas which have not been exploited fully in the past. There is a lot of work to do. This committee is privileged to take the opportunity to make up some ground, utilising a valuable skillset, generously made available on a voluntary basis by its members.



### **All-Stars Committee**

Members: Maura Mc Cloy

Maíre Uí Scolaí Eamonn Browne Sheila O'Donohoe Brónagh Gaughan Mags Finn

No. of Meetings: 6

The All-Stars Committee agreed on criteria for the selection of All-Stars, Soaring Stars and Intermediate Soaring Stars.

Criteria as follows:

- Skill level (40%)
- Effectiveness (30%)
- Work rate (15%)
- Role mode/sportsmanship (15%)

The Young Player of the Year award was changed to Minor player of the year award following a recommendation from Ardcomhairle and is now an award for minor grade only.

The Committee members travelled to games at all

grades throughout the season with nominations and final selections issued in October and November respectively.



Left: Joan O'Flynn, President of the Camogie Association makes a presentation to Guest of Honour President Mary McAleese at the 2010 Camogie All-Stars.

### Player Welfare Committee

Members: Stellah Sinnott

Sally O'Grady Jane Adams Aoife Lane Rena Buckley Elaine Dermody Susan O'Carroll Aileen Donnelly

Áine O'Mahony

Paula Rankin

No. of Meetings held: 3

#### **SUMMARY REPORT 2010**

Early in 2010, a meeting of the Player Welfare Group was held in Dublin. An Uachtarán Joan O'Flynn joined



the meeting for a time to discuss the remit and challenges of this particular group. Thereafter, there was a discussion to establish a work plan for this committee and thus, outline the information required to eventually compile a Camogie Player Welfare Handbook. After some initial deliberations, it was envisioned that this book would include the following sections:

- Maintaining Good Health
- Maximising Performance
- Anti-Doping
- Expenses
- Injuries and Rehabilitation

Subsequently, it was decided that the actions of the committee should be guided by the status and needs of camogie players throughout Ireland. The benefit of this is twofold; firstly, such an undertaking would identify all of the issues that constitute player welfare according to players themselves and secondly, efforts to promote player welfare should be grounded in the current health, knowledge, training, financial status etc of camogie players. Therefore, it was agreed that a questionnaire should be compiled, drafted and administered (online) to a sample of inter-county and club camogie players. An initial draft of this questionnaire was distributed to group members and included sections on health behaviours (diet, alcohol, smoking), anti-doping, expenses, injuries and education among others. It is hoped that it will be finalised and administered early in the 2011 season to facilitate the subsequent generation of a Player Welfare Handbook towards the end of the year.

**Left:** Michaela Morkan, Offaly captain, lifts the Jack McGrath Cup after victory over Wexford in the 2010 Gala All-Ireland Intermediate Camogie Championship Final at Croke Park.

Right: Danielle McCrystal, Derry, is presented with her 2010 Camogie Ulster Young Player of the Year award by Joan O'Flynn, President An Cumann Camógaíochta and Cormac Farrell, Marketing Director, O'Neills, at the 2010 Camogie All-Stars.



Below: Aisling Dunphy, Kilkenny, is presented with her 2010 Camogie Leinster Young Player of the Year award by Joan O'Flynn, President An Cumann Camogaíochta and Cormac Farrell, Marketing Director, O'Neills, at the 2010 Camogie All-Stars.



Above: Laura Mitchell, Galway, is presented with her 2010 Camogie Young Player of the Year award by Joan O'Flynn, President An Cumann Camogaíochta and Cormac Farrell, Marketing Director, O'Neills, at the 2010 Camogie All-Stars.



Left: Sarah Carey, Limerick, is presented with her 2010 Camogie Munster Young Player of the Year award by Joan O'Flynn, President An Cumann Camógaíochta and Cormac Farrell, Marketing Director, O'Neills, at the 2010 Camogie All-Stars.

### An Cumann Camógaíochta



# Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2010

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#### **REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2010**

	Page	2010 €	2009 €
INCOME			
Grants An Chomhairle Spóirt Grants Cumann Lúthchleas Gael Other Income	54 54 54	454,520 208,867 559,023	468,858 140,000 523,047
Total Income		1,222,410	1,131,905
EXPENDITURE			
Total Expenditure	55	(1,182,243)	(1,016,785)
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		40,167	115,120
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD		509,192	394,072
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD		549,359 ======	509,192 ————

Sinéad Ní Chonchúir

Árd Stiúrthóir

Siobhán Ní Fhloinn Uachtarán



#### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2010**

	Note	€	31.12.10 €	3 €	21.12.09 €
FIXED ASSETS	1	-	-		
INVESTMENTS	3		-		127
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors/Prepayments Stock Bank Deposits	4	85,485 6,150 754,483		133,397 7,520 606,285	
		846,118		747,202 ———	
CURRENT LIABILITIES Creditors/Accruals	5	(296,759)		(238,137)	
		(296,759)		(238,137)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			549,359		509,065
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			549,359		509,192
Represented By:					
REVENUE ACCOUNT		549,359	509,192		
		549,359 ———	509,192		



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Sinéad Ní Chonchúir Ard Stiúrthóir Siddan Mithlan

Siobhán Ní Fhloinn *Uachtarán* 

#### **INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2010**

Page	2010 €	2009 €
Grants An Chomhairle Spóirt (Note 5) Cumann Lúthchleas Gael Grants (Note 7) Open Draw Championships National Leagues Fines/Appeals Sponsorships Affiliation Fees Deposit Interest Profit on Sale of Stock Fundraising Statutory Funding Club Levy All Ireland Tickets Development Initiatives	454,520 208,867 218,438 12,240 950 107,500 122,800 11,472 - 16,005 11,278 42,730 15,610	468,858 140,000 179,658 10,099 500 104,000 121,120 23,640 (742) 27,056 20,490 27,996 9,230
TOTAL TO REVENUE ACCOUNT 55	1,222,410	1,131,905



#### **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2010**

	2010	2009
	€	€
Salaries/Pension Administration	257,751	187,793
Salaries/Pension Coaching/Development	258,838	259,004
Office Administration Expenses	14,979	16,405
Expenses for Ard-Chomhairle & Sub-Committees	49,309	33,180
Coaching/Development	26,003	29,072
Insurance	3,742	3,602
Audit & Accountancy Fees	3,993	3,993
Bank Interest & Charges	1,558	1,815
Revenue Interest		955
Postage & Stationery	18,780	20,115
Administration of Fixtures	147,834	51,832
Special Budgetary Measures Administration	58,464	84,634
Special Budgetary Measures Development	63,390	96,829
Women in Sport	48,617	38,267
Strategic Planning	7,574	6,851
Credit Card Commission	1,000	1,155
IT Costs	11,502	10,323
Promotional Material	6,294	4,726
Media Costs	38,330	70,783
All Star Banquet	37,578	43,203
Sundry Expenses	14,068	13,067
Shinty/Overseas	33,474	19,003
Telephone	6,019	7,957
Staff Training	6,737	3,622
Other Core Activities	15,257	8,599
New Club Start Up Grants – Expenditure	16,166	_
New Club Start Up Grants – Deferred Income	19,834	_
Irish Sports Council Training Grant – Deferred Income	3,829	_
Coach/ Tutor Training	5,415	_
Social Inclusion	5,908	_
TOTAL EXPENDITURE TO REVENUE ACCOUNT	1,182,243	1,016,785



#### STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### **STOCKS**

Stocks are valued at cost.

#### **DEPRECIATION**

Depreciation is calculated to write off the assets over their useful lives as follows:

Equipment 20% Straight Line

#### **INVESTMENTS**

Investment in GAA Development Fund was written off during the year.

#### **PENSIONS**

Cumann Camógaíochta operates a defined contribution pension scheme for a number of its employees. The contributions are charged to the expenditure account in the period in which they are made.

#### **GRANTS**

In line with a directive from the Irish Sports Council, grants underspent by An Cumann Camogaíochta are treated as deferred income and accounted for separately in the balance sheet.

A similar policy has been adopted in relation to grants received from Cumann Lúthchleas Gael for club start up grants.



#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31st December 2010

#### FIXED ASSETS:

	Total €	Equipment €
Opening Balance	48,556	48,556
Closing Balance	48,556	48,556
Depreciation Opening Balance Charge for period	48,556 -	48,556 -
Closing Balance	<u></u> 48,556	48,556
NET BOOK VALUE 31.12.2010		
NET BOOK VALUE 31.12.2009	<del></del>	

The written down value of equipment on lease amounts to € Nil

#### 2. STAFF NUMBERS AND COSTS

	2010	2009
The average number of employees was	14	13
	====	
Staff Costs comprise of:		
	2010	2009
	€	€
Salaries	502,724	432,780
Employers PRSI Costs	46,886	43,913
Employers Pension Contributions	14,890	8,371
Closing Balance	564,500	485,064



#### 3. **INVESTMENTS**

The investment in Páirc Uí Chaoimh was written off during the year.

#### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the year ended 31st December 2010

4.	DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS		
		2010	2009
		€	€
	Debtors	63,040	_
	Prepayments	22,445	133,397
	Closing Balance	85,485	——— 133,397
	closing building	====	====
5.	CREDITORS/ACCRUALS		
	(amounts falling due within one year)		
		2010	2009
		€	€
	Creditors	88,449	125,183
	Accruals	149,213	82,642
	PAYE	5,291	4,539
	PRSI	6,773	5,728
	Sundry Creditors	1,351	-
	Deferred Income (Irish Sports Council)	3,829	6,545
	Deferred Income (GAA)	19,834	-
	Players welfare scheme	13,500	13,500
	Insurance Rebate	8,519	_
	Closing Balance	296,759	238,137
	_		

#### 6. AN CHOMHAIRLE SPÓIRT (Irish Sports Council)

	Grant Received	Expenditure
	€	€
Administration & Support	179,520	287,387
Women in Sport	25,000	48,617
Special Budget Measures Administration	250,000	406,402
	454,520	742,406
	=====	

The above expenditure includes salary costs

A Quality Initiatives Grant of €7,000 received in 2009 towards Administration

Training Courses for Facilitators was underspent by €3,829 at the year end.

This amount, in line with a Directive from the Sports Council, has been included in the balance sheet as deferred income



#### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the year ended 31st December 2010

#### 7. CUMANN LÚTHCHLEAS GAEL GRANTS

	2010 €	2009 €
Overseas	20,000	15,000
Árd Chomhairle	50,000	50,000
Social Inclusion	3,000	-
Development	99,867	75,000
Start Up	36,000	-
	208,867	140,000

#### 8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Árd Chomhairle has committed funds to the following projects at the year end

a) History of Camogie €25,000 b) Capital Funding €100,000

#### 9. **PRIOR YEAR COMPARISONS**

Some prior years figures have been re-analysed due to the expansion of income and expenditure headings in the current year.

#### 10. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

The accounts were approved by Árd Chomhairle on 16th February 2011.



#### **P.S.KENNNEDY & ASSOCIATES**

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

To the Árd Chomhairle An Cumann Camógaíochta

We have audited the Árd Chomhairle's Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2010 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, Balance Sheet and related notes 1 to 10. These financial statements have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely for the Árd Chomhairle An Cumann Camógaíochta. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Árd Chomhairle those matters which we are required to state to them in an auditors report and for no other purpose.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Árd Chomhairle, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective Responsibilities of Árd Chomhairle and Auditors

The Árd Chomhairle of An Cumann Camógíochta is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the accounting policies.

Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in Ireland by statute, and are in accordance with auditing standards as promulgated by the Auditing Practices Board in Ireland and by our profession's ethical guidelines.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the accounting policies. We also report to you whether in our opinion proper books of accounts have been kept. In addition we state whether we have obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit and whether An Cumann Camógaíochta's Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure account are in agreement with the books of account.

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board and generally accepted in Ireland. 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 estimate and judgements made by the Árd Chomhairle in the preparation of the financial statements and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the organisations circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed 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 misstatement, whether caused by fraud or irregularity or error.

However the evidence available to us was limited as, An Cumann Camógaíochta, in line with other similar organisations derives a portion of its income from receipts which are outside its control until received and entered in the accounting records. The completeness of such income is therefore not susceptible to independent audit verification.

In forming our opinion we evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.



#### **Qualified Audit Opinion Arising from Limitation in Audit Scope**

Except for any adjustments that might have been found necessary had we been able to obtain sufficient evidence concerning income not subject to independent audit verification, in our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the surplus for the year and state of affairs of An Cumann Camógaíochta as at 31st December 2010 and have been properly prepared in accordance with the accounting policies therein.

In all respects, with the exception of the matters stated above,

- 1) We have obtained all the information and explanations we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit and
- 2) In our opinion proper books of accounts have been kept by An Cumann Camógaíochta.

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The financial statements are in agreement with the books of account

P.S. Kennedy & Associates

Incorporated Public Accountants,

Registered Auditors,

55 The Moorings,

Malahide,

Co. Dublin.

17th February 2011



### **Motions**

#### That Rule 2.7 be introduced as follows:

"The National Flag should be properly displayed at all games as far as is practicable and in accordance with protocol

Ardchomhairle

#### 2. That Rule 4.3 be introduced as follows:

"Where the title of Honorary President is conferred on a member by a unit this position will be a lifelong position and will entitle the Honorary President to speaking rights at the relevant unit level of the Association .The Honorary President will have voting rights only at club level. The Honorary President must be a registered member of the Association."

Ardchomhairle

#### 3. That Rule 21.3 be amended to read as follows:

Fees for objections and appeals are as follows

 To a county board (THD Committee)
 €50

 To a provincial council (THD Committee)
 €100

 To National THD Committee
 €100

 To National Appeals Committee
 €100

To a College Council (HD Committee as per their bye laws

Appeal for Clemency €50

Loch Garman

#### 4. That Rule 21.1 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended to read as follows:

- 21.1 Affiliation fees are set by Annual Congress and will be subject to revision at Congress each year.

  The affiliation fees are set out as follows:
  - 21.1.1 €300 per Club per annum paid to the County Board. The County Board must forward €270 on behalf of each affiliated Club within the County to the Provincial Council. The Provincial Council must forward €240 on behalf of each affiliated Club within the Province to Ardchomhairle.
  - 21.1.2 Clubs, in their first year of registration with a county board or provincial council, will only have to pay half the fee outlined above. The allocation between county board, provincial board and central council will be the same proportion as the full fees as in 21.1.1. Only those clubs that are being re-established after a lapse of at least five years will be eligible for this once off affiliation rate.
  - 21.1.3 Overseas Councils/Boards and National Education Councils (excluding Cumann na mBunscol) will pay €300 per annum direct to Ardchomhairle.

Ardchomhairle

#### That Section 22 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be renamed to Code of Conduct and Accountability and that the following be added as Rule 22.1:

22.1 That all Officers of the Association shall comply with the Code of Conduct for All Officers of the Camogie Association. Any alleged breach of the Code must be investigated according to the procedure outlined in the Code. This procedure only applies to non-games related breaches.

Ardchomhairle

### 6. That Rules 22.1 to 22.5 be re-numbered as follows and that Rule 22.1 (being renumbered to 22.2) be amended as follows:

22.2. Each Unit within the Association is responsible for its finances. Financial management practices must be compliant with all legal requirements, with third party funding requirements and professional accountancy standards requirements. All units will have power to acquire, hold and develop, sell, lease, mortgage charge, exchange or sell Real and Personal Property, and to borrow or raise money in promotion of the objects of the Club, subject to the overall authority of Ardchomhairle. The property shall not be leased, mortgaged, charged, exchanged, sold, conveyed, transferred or

- otherwise dealt with without the consent of Ardchomhairle, or as may be set out in any separate Declaration of Trust
- 22.3. All county boards and national education councils must comply with financial procedures as agreed and issued by Ardchomhairle. Sanction for failure to comply is withdrawal of voting rights for the unit concerned at Annual Congress. For Provincial Councils see Rule 12.1.b.
- 22.4. The funds of any Unit of the Association must be lodged in a bank or other financial institution. All payments issued on behalf of the Unit must be authorised by at least two members of the core Executive Committee of the Unit concerned. All payments are required to have at least two signatories from the core Executive Committee of the Unit concerned. Decisions on signatories and payment procedures must be formally agreed and recorded at Executive Committee meeting(s) of the relevant Unit.
- 22.5. A Unit failing and refusing to comply with Rules 22.2 to 22.4 will be suspended until compliance is agreed and implemented.

Ardchomhairle

Rules affected by this change:

#### Rule 6.4 (h) be amended to read as follows:

Appoint a Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee to hear and adjudicate on transfers, objections and to independently investigate irregularities and have autonomy to suspend, fine or disqualify clubs or individuals for games breaches of the Rules of the Association or any bye-laws made thereunder in accordance with the Disciplinary Code. The committee will act in accordance with the procedures agreed and issued by Ardcomhairle. All non-games breaches of the Rules of the Association will be dealt with in accordance with Section 22 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Officers.

#### Rule 7.4 (h) be amended to read as follows:

Appoint a Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee to hear and adjudicate on transfers, objections and to independently investigate irregularities and have autonomy to suspend, fine or disqualify clubs or individuals for games breaches of the Rules of the Association or any bye-laws made thereunder in accordance with the Disciplinary Code. The committee will act in accordance with the procedures agreed and issued by Ardcomhairle. All non-games breaches of the Rules of the Association will be dealt with in accordance with Section 22 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Officers.

#### Rule 8.1 (d) be amended to read as follows:

Appoint a Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee to hear and adjudicate on objections and to independently investigate irregularities and have autonomy to suspend, fine or disqualify post-primary schools, third level clubs or individuals for games breaches of the Rules of the Association or any bye-laws made thereunder in accordance with the Disciplinary Code. The committee will act in accordance with the procedures agreed and issued by Ardcomhairle. All non-games breaches of the Rules of the Association will be dealt with in accordance with Section 22 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Officers. National Education Councils only have the power to expel clubs or individuals for breaches of the rules. For Further appeal reference Rule 10.8.

#### Rule 9.2 (d) be amended to read as follows:

Appoint a Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee to hear and adjudicate on transfers, objections and to independently investigate irregularities and have autonomy to suspend, fine or disqualify clubs or individuals for games breaches of the Rules of the Association or any bye-laws made thereunder in accordance with the Disciplinary Code. The committee will act in accordance with the procedures agreed and issued by Ardcomhairle. All non-games breaches of the Rules of the Association will be dealt with in accordance with Section 22 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Officers. International camogie boards only have the power to expel clubs or individuals for breaches of the rules. For appeals refer to Rule 10.8.

#### Rule 10.8 be amended to read as follows:

The National Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee will hear and adjudicate on transfers, objections and appeals and independently investigate irregularities and will have autonomy to suspend, fine or disqualify clubs or individuals for games breaches of the Rules of the Association or any bye-laws made thereunder in accordance with the Disciplinary Code. The committee will act in accordance with the procedures agreed and issued by Ardchomhairle. It will be the final appeal on decisions from Provincial Council Transfers, Hearings, and Disciplinary Committees. *All non-games breaches of the Rules of the Association will be dealt with in accordance with Section 22 of An Treoral Oifigiuil and in accordance with the Code of Practice for Officers.* Ardchomhairle has the power to expel clubs or individuals for breaches of the rules.

Ardchomhairle

#### 7. That Rule 28.4 be amended to read as follows:

A player must meet the following age criteria in order to be eligible to participate in competitions:

U12 Be Under 12 and over 7
U14 Be Under 14 and over 9
U16 Be Under 16 and over 11
U18 Be Under 18 and over 13

Adult Be over 14 except in the case of inter-county competitions where a player must be over 15

'Under' means that a player must be under the age limit by midnight on the 31st December of the year prior to the Championship year e.g. to play U16 a player must be aged 11 years or under on the 31st December prior to the championship year.

'Over' means a player must be over the age limit by midnight 31st December Of the year prior to the Championship (e.g. to play under 14 a player must be 9 Years of age on the 31st December prior to the Championship year).

For breaches of the above rule, the penalty is the awarding of the game to the opposing team where applicable and a suspension of up to six months to the person(s) in charge of the team in which the breach is committed (Ref Rule 41 for player playing illegally)

Loch Garman

#### 8. That Rule 31.7 be introduced as follows

"A player who has commenced a competition in a county will not be eligible to complete that competition with her club or county, if she has legally transferred and is playing with another club or county except in instances where the player is playing on a CC6 when Rule 32.5 will apply. She will not represent both clubs or counties in the same competition."

Ardhcomhairle

#### 9. That Rule 33.1 be amended to include the following:

Eligibility to participate in competition will be on the following basis:

- (a) County competitions will be open to all affiliated clubs within the county and as otherwise agreed at the county convention (Ref 6.4(b)).
- (b) Provincial competitions will be open to all affiliated counties within the province (Ref 7.4 (b)).
- (c) All Ireland competitions will be open to all affiliated counties (Ref 10.6 (o)).

Ardchomhairle

#### 10. That Rule 34.4 to be amended as follows:

"Venues for All-Ireland quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals of competitions under the auspices of Ardcomhairle will be decided by the National Competitions Management Sub-Committee."

Ardchomhairle

#### 11. That An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended to include the following Rule 34.6:

Unless notified by Ardchomhairle the home County Board/Provincial Council will make arrangements to collect gate receipts at all fixtures under the auspices of Ardchomhairle. Such gate receipts must be forwarded by the County/Provincial Secretary to the Ard Stiúrthóir within fourteen days of the date of the fixture. Failure to do so will result in a fine being imposed by Ardchomhairle on the County/Council.

Ardchomhairle

#### 12. That An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended to include the following Rule 34.6:

Gate receipts from National Leagues games run under the auspices of Ardchomhairle excluding the semifinals and finals will be shared on a 50/50 basis with the Host County.

**Ulster Council** 

#### 13. That Rule 35.5 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended to read as follows:

Each provincial Council Secretary must notify the Ard Stiúrthóir of the winners of all provincial club championship finals by the 30th November.

Loch Garman

#### 14. That Rule 35.5 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended to read as follows:

Each provincial Council Secretary must notify the Ard Stiúrthóir of the winners of all provincial club championship finals by the 30th November.

Cill Chainnigh

#### 15. That Rule 35.5 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended as follows:

Each Provincial Council Secretary must notify the Ard Stiúrthóir of the winners of Provincial Junior Club Championship Finals by the 31st October. Each Provincial Council Secretary must notify the Ard Stiúrthóir of the winners of Provincial Intermediate and Senior Club Championship Finals by 30th November (including replay date).

Ardchomhairle

#### 16. That Rule 37.1 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended to read as follows:

Ardchomhairle will each year present:

- (a) An All-Ireland Perpetual Cup/Trophy and up to thirty medals to the winning team in each All-Ireland competition under its auspices. As the design of All-Ireland and National League medals is the property of Ardchomhairie, the awarding of more than thirty such medals will not be permitted.
- (b) Runners-up medals to the losing teams in every All-Ireland minor competition under its auspices

Loch Garman

#### 17. That Rule 39.7 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be deleted as follows:

For all inter-county matches where there is a distance of more than 200 miles between the counties involved, that the game be played at a venue which is approximately half-way between both counties.

Ardhcomhairle

#### 18. That Rule 39.7 of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be amended to read:

For all inter-county matches where there is a distance of more than 150 miles between the counties involved, that the game be played at a venue which is approximately half way between both counties.

Loch Garman

#### 19. That Rule 41.9 be amended to read as follows:

- (d) "- for a first offence should she/he deem that the player's conduct warrants such. Such player shall be dealt with by the committee in charge in accordance with Rule 44.
- (e) A player dismissed from the field of play in a, b, c, or d above stand suspended until they appear before the relevant Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Committee which will decide on the action to be taken (Ref Rule 27 and Rule 44). This meeting must be held within sixteen days of the date of the match in question.

In all instances, substitution of a dismissed player will not be permitted. In the event of extra time teams revert to fifteen players. Players dismissed under Rule 41.9 a, b, c or d above during normal time may not play in extra time.

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#### 20. That Section 16 Penalties of An Treoraí Oifigiúil be replaced with Section 44 as follows:

#### 44. Penalties

#### 44.1. Player dismissal

- 44.1.1. A player dismissed from the field of play during a match by the Referee will stand suspended until the decision of the Transfers Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee is advised to her per Rule 27. Subject to the decision of the Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee, the player may be further suspended at their discretion and where applicable in accordance with Rule 44.1.2 below.
- 44.1.2. The following mandatory penalties apply in the following circumstances:
  - a. Persistent dissent by a player or team official towards a referee's decision
    - An automatic two match ban for the player or official in the competition that the offence took place.
  - b. Abusive language towards a referee, match official or other players
    - An automatic two match ban applicable to all official competitions sanctioned by the

- committee in charge that the player or official is involved in. For the purposes of a match ban tournaments and challenge/friendly games are not considered official competitions.
- The Unit which the player/official was representing in competition will be fined €100 for a first offence. The fine will increase by €100 for each subsequent guilty offence within the calendar year, i.e. for the 3rd guilty offence in same year the fine will be €300
- Should the Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee adjudge the offence sufficiently serious, it may disqualify the offender's team from the competition in question.
- c. Punching, hitting (without a hurley) or kicking a player in a manner that the referee deems non-accidental
  - An automatic three match ban applicable to all official competitions sanctioned by the committee in charge that the player or official is involved in.
- d. Kicking, hitting or striking of a match official by a player or team mentor or known partisan in a manner that the Referee deems non-accidental.
  - An automatic 48 weeks suspension from all camogie membership and activity.
- e. Striking a player with a hurley in a manner that the Referee deems non-accidental.
  - An automatic six match ban applicable to all official competitions sanctioned by the committee in charge that the player or official is involved in.

In the case of a. to e. above, all penalties will carry over from one season to the next until the ban is fully served.

#### 44.2. Player playing illegally (also see Rule 28.4 for breeches of underage eligibility)

- 44.2.1 A player adjudged guilty of the offence of knowingly playing illegally with a Club or team in any of the following circumstances will be suspended by the relevant Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee for a period of 3 months. An investigation must be undertaken to ascertain whether the player knowingly played illegally. The team with which the player played illegally must forfeit the match to its opponents.
- 44.2.2. The following penalties will be imposed by the Unit in charge of the competition on a Unit adjudged guilty of fielding an illegal or suspended player, players or team:
  - The team must forfeit the match to its opponents and may be disqualified from the remainder of the competition in question;
  - Team Officials responsible will, if knowledge of the circumstances be proven, be suspended for at least three months:
  - Unit Officers will, if knowledge of the circumstances be proven, be suspended for at least
- 44.2.3. Where a competition is confined to a specific under age-group, the following penalties will be imposed by the Unit in charge of the competition on a Unit adjudged guilty of fielding an illegal player, players or team:
  - The team must forfeit the match to its opponents and may be disqualified from the remainder of the competition in question;
  - Team Officials responsible will, if knowledge of the circumstances be proven, be suspended for at least six months:
  - Unit Officers will, if knowledge of the circumstances be proven, be suspended for at least six

#### 44.3. Player leaving field without referee's permission

- 44.3.1. A player who leaves the field before the end of a match without the Referee's permission will stand suspended until the decision of the Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee is advised to her as per Rule 27.7. Subject to the decision of the Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee, the player may be further suspended at their discretion.
- 44.3.2. A team which leaves the field before the end of a match without the Referee's permission, or which refuses to continue with the match, will stand suspended until the decision of the Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee is advised to the team per Rule 27.7. Subject to the decision of the Transfers, Hearings and Disciplinary Sub-Committee, further suspensions may be issued at their discretion.

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### **Nominations**

	Nominated by
<b>Uachtarán Tofa (President Elect)</b>	
Aileen Lawlor (Westmeath)	CCAO
	Cork
	Dublin
	Kildare
	Kilkenny
	Laois
	Leinster
	Louth
	NACB
	Waterford
	Westmeath
	Wexford
Catherine O'Hara (Antrim)	Antrim
Catalerine o Hara (Antamy	Armagh
	Down
	Monaghan
	Tyrone
	Ulster

<b>Coaching &amp; Games Development Representative</b>	
Sheila O'Donohoe (CCAO)	CCAO
	Cork
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	Westmeath

PR & Communications Representative	
Cóilín Duffy (Derry)	Antrim Ulster
Miriam O'Callaghan (Offaly)	Offaly
Gerry O'Sullivan (Dublin)	Dublin Cork Kilkenny Westmeath

## Torthaí na gComórtas 2010

Competition 2010	Winners	Runners Up	Referee	Player of the Match
Senior – O'Duffy Cup	Wexford 1-12	Galway 1-10	Karl O'Brien, Dublin	Katrina Parrock, Wexford
Intermediate	Offaly 2-12	Wexford 2-10	Owen Elliott, Antrim	Michaela Morkan, Offaly
Premier Junior	Antrim 2-10	Waterford 0-12	Killian Looney, Cork	Rhona Torney, Antrim
Junior A Championship	Kildare 3-10	Armagh 2-08	John Thompson, Carlow	Bernie Murray, Armagh
Junior B Championship	Monaghan 0-12	Cavan 1-08	Mike Sheehan, Cork	Eileen McElroy, Monaghan
Minor A Championship	Galway 2-12	Clare 2-08	Killian Looney, Cork	Laura Mitchell, Galway
Minor B Championship	Derry 3-10	Antrim 0-09	Donal Ryan, Dublin	Niamh McQuillan, Derry
Minor C Championship	Carlow 5-10	Armagh 1-12	Justin Heffernan, Wexford	Eleanor Treacy, Carlow
U16 A Championship	Galway 2-11	Tipperary 2-07	Mike O'Kelly, Cork	Maria Cooney, Galway
U16 B Championship	Derry 3-09	Limerick 1-06	Killian Looney, Cork	Shauna Quinn, Derry
U16 C Championship	Carlow 4-08	Meath 1-03	Gerry McGough, Dublin	Eleanor Treacy, Carlow
Gael Linn Senior	Leinster	Munster	Cathal Egan, Cork	Katie Power, Leinster
National League – Div 1	Wexford 1-07	Kilkenny 1-06	Alan Lagrue, Kildare	
National League – Div 2	Wexford 2-09	Offaly 1-09	Karl O'Brien, Dublin	
National League – Div 3	Laois 2-10	Meath 2-05	Owen Elliott, Antrim	
National League – Div 4	Tyrone 3-12	Westmeath 1-09	Con Ó Céadaigh, Wicklow	
All Ireland Senior				
Club Final	To be played March 2011			
All Ireland Intermediate Club Final	To be played March 2011			
All Ireland Junior Club Final	Four Roads 1-09	Corofin 0-06	Cathal Egan, Cork	Lizzie Glennon-Tully, Four Roads
Ashbourne Cup	WIT 0-11	UCC 1-06	John Morrissey, Tipperary	Katrina Parrock, WIT
Ashbourne Shield	UL 1-10	CIT 1-04	Cathal Egan, Cork	Áine Lyng, UL
Purcell Cup	DIT 1-05	IT Tralee 0-05	Mike O'Kelly, Cork	Jane Dolan, DIT
Purcell Shield	Queens 1-08	NUI Maynooth 0-08	John O'Leary, Cork	Keelin Bradley, Queens
Fr. Meachair Cup	St. Mary's, Belfast 1-08	Dundalk I.T 1-04	Gerry McGough, Dublin	
Fr. Meachair Shield	Froebel College 4-04	Coleraine 1-00		
2nd Level Senior A	Loreto, Kilkenny 2-05	BCS, Lismore 1-07		
2nd Level Senior B	Coláiste Choilm, Ballincollig 3-09	Borris Vocational 2-05		
2nd Level Senior C	Pres, Thurles 3-18	Banagher College 1-01		
2nd Level Junior A	Loreto, Kilkenny 1-16	St. Brigid's, Loughrea 2-07		
2nd Level Junior B	St. Flannin's, Ennis 2-17	St. Louis, Ballymena 2-03		
2nd Level Junior C	Pres, Thurles 6-11	Grennan College 1-03		
Féile na nGael Div 1	Lucan Sarsfields, Dublin 6-4	Burgess Duharra, Tipperary 0-2		
Féile na nGael Div 2	Eire Óg Clare 2-3	Camross, Laois 1-1		
Féile na nGael Div 3	Celbridge, Kildare 5-1	Wolfe Tones, Clare 1-1		
Féile na nGael Div 4	Cillard , Kerry 4-5	Killanena, Clare 0-0		
Féile Skills	Caoimhe Costelloe, Adare, Limerick			
Kilmacud 7's	Cashel, Tipperary 4-6	Leitroim Fontenoys, Down 2-2		
Pan Celtic Senior A	Burgess-Duharra 2-09	Ballygarvan 0-03		Chrissie Doherty, Portglenone
Pan Celtic Senior B	Glen Rovers 2-05	Éire Óg 2-03		
Pan Celtic U16 A	Éire Óg 2-04	Carrigaline 1-02		
Pan Celtic U16 B	Burgess 4-05	St. Annes 2-00		
Poc Fada Winner	Patricia Jackman, Waterford			
Shinty	Ireland 6-09	Scotland 2-02		

### Camogie Dates 2011

#### MARCH

6th: All Ireland Intermediate & Senior Club Championship Finals, Croke Park

25th-26th: National Congress, Wellington Park Hotel, Belfast

#### **APRIL**

3rd: Irish Daily Star Camogie League Division 1 Semi Finals; Irish Daily Star Camogie League Division 2 Playoffs

9th: 2nd Level Colleges Junior Finals

17th: Irish Daily Star Camogie League Division 1 & 2 Finals

23rd: U16 A, B, C Championship Semi Finals

24th: Irish Daily Star Camogie League Division 3 & 4 Finals

#### MAY

7th: U16 A,B ,C Championship Finals 15th: Gael Linn Junior Interprovincial

#### JUNE

11th: Beginning of All Ireland Senior & Intermediate Championships29th: Beginning of All Ireland Minor A, B & C Championships

#### JULY

17th: All Ireland Minor A & B Championship Semi Finals; All Ireland Minor C Playoffs

24th: All Ireland Minor C Championship Quarter Finals

*30th:* Poc Fada, Annaverna Mountain

31st: All Ireland Minor A & B Championship Finals; All Ireland Minor C Championship Semi Finals

#### **AUGUST**

6th: All Ireland Premier Junior Championship Playoffs; All Ireland Junior A Championship Playoffs

7th: All Ireland Junior B Championship Playoffs
13th: All Ireland Senior Championship Semi Finals

20th: All Ireland Intermediate, Premier Junior & Junior A Championship Semi Finals

21st: All Ireland Junior B Championship Semi Finals

28th: All Ireland Minor C Championship Final, All Ireland Junior B Championship Final

#### **SEPTEMBER**

11th: All Ireland Senior, Intermediate & Premier Junior Championship Finals, Croke Park

17th: All Ireland Junior A Championship Finals

#### **NOVEMBER**

5th: All Stars

TBC: All Ireland Club Junior Semi Finals
TBC: All Ireland Club Junior Final





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