

# CLUB TYRONE ANNUAL REPORT



## 2017



Dúshraith tógtha go daingean ...  
**Foundations solidly built**

**Club Tyrone**  
Cumann Thír Eoghain



**Dragain**  
Thír Eoghain

# CHUN TÚS A CHUR LE CÚRSAÍ BY WAY OF OPENING

At a time when life seems to be dominated by negativity and too much focus on 'what's in it for me' it's just heart-warming to report another great year for Club Tyrone.

Your contribution this year of £262,779 to the Tyrone Gaelic cause brings us to just over the £5m-mark in terms of your contributions since we set out on this journey together 23 years ago. It's an inspirational figure and is one that has underwritten Tyrone's many great achievements on and off the field over that time.

Without you, Gaelic Tyrone wouldn't be where it is now. And our County would be a poorer, less dynamic and less confident place. Club Tyrone does not happen by accident. It thrives because we have a County and people in it who know and appreciate what the GAA is and who are therefore very willing to support it so selflessly. We also have a County that's very well-managed by willing volunteers who put in the time and effort needed.

And finally, we have Club Tyrone, a collaboration of talented, selfless and totally committed people who just want to see Tyrone GAA do well and who will invest accordingly to help make that happen. Few people in life have the privilege of working with such people and to such an agenda. We are among the lucky ones who do.

Mairc Mac Conmidhe



Cathaoirleach

29 Mí na Nollag 2017



# RÁITEAS FÍSE WHAT WE'RE ABOUT



## BRABÚS + PAISEAN CHUIG CUSPÓIR MHÓR ... PROFIT + PASSION FOR A PURPOSE

This part of our Annual report changes little from year to year. That's because it goes to the heart of what Club Tyrone is about, spelling out WHAT we do and WHY.

In today's world people, and our young people especially, need structure, focus, support and a clear sense of WHO they are and WHERE they're from. Those key building blocks in life are what the GAA provides and it's in that context that Club Tyrone operates, as a dynamic coming together of special people to celebrate, promote and develop the games, language, history, heritage and culture of Gaelic Tyrone.

We do this by raising money (which we place under the full control of the elected Tyrone GAA County Committee) and by organising/delivering events, seminars, talks and publications with the aim of deepening our understanding of our place, our heritage and our Tyrone common bonds. We do what we do as willing volunteers because we cherish our Tyrone heritages, people and communities. We're also wedded to the fundamental GAA values of volunteerism, self-help, 'We not me' and 'Putting in, not taking out'. We draw no salaries, claim no expenses but just feel privileged to do what we do. For us the GAA is never about burdens.

We're not just precious about WHAT we do and WHY ... we're also precious about HOW we do it. We fit wholly and unequivocally within the Tyrone GAA governance structure, work to an approved annual work-plan, meet and report monthly to the Tyrone GAA County Committee and then to the annual Tyrone GAA County Convention. Our financials are audited as part of the Tyrone GAA audit process. We also Report annually to our donors and this 2017 Report format once again reflects the important requirements of the Charity Commission for NI.



Club Tyrone Members gift £500 a year to help develop and sustain Tyrone's GAA vigour



Garvaghey Patrons donate £5,000, usually over five years, to put their mark on Ireland's best GAA concept, our County GAA Centre at Garvaghey



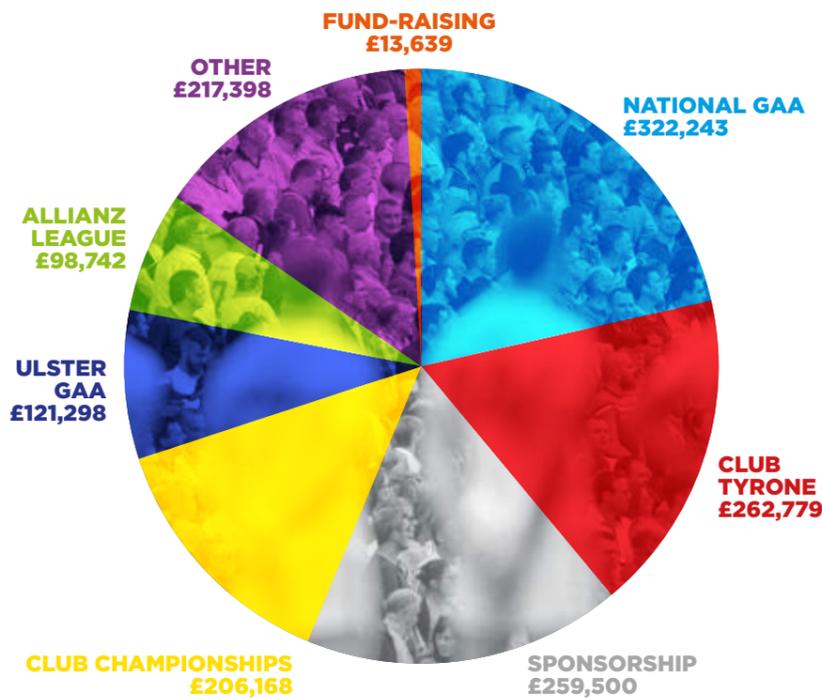
Dragain Thír Eoghain also donate £5,000, usually over five years, to help secure the playing and personal futures of our young people

# YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2017 TYRONE'S FINANCIALS

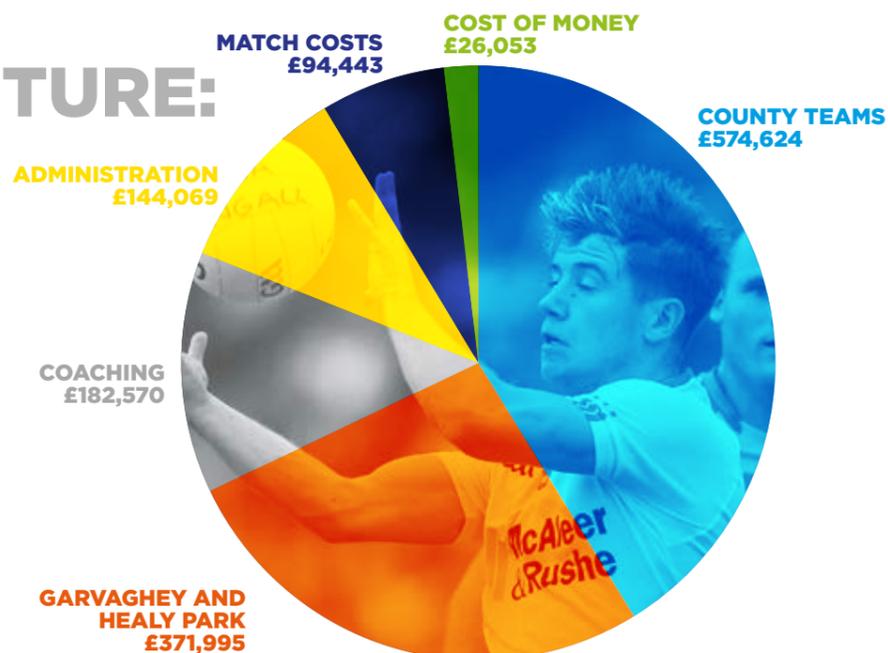
## INCOME: £1.50M

Yet again Tyrone has posted a surplus (£108,013) after another year's intensive work. Our borrowings for Garvaghey have been simultaneously reduced over the past year by £212,000, from £1.226m to £1.014m.

**WITH YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT WE'LL CLEAR THE DEBT ON SCHEDULE. BUT WE DO HAVE WORK TO DO!**



## EXPENDITURE: 1.39M



# DIFRÍOCHT A DHÉANAMH MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Public benefit drives both the GAA and Club Tyrone. Club Tyrone made a difference in 2017 by supporting Tyrone GAA to:



PROVIDE AND MANAGE GAELIC SPORTING AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES FOR

**55** GAA Clubs | **550** Teams | **8,200** Youth Participants across Tyrone

Deliver coaching in Clubs and Schools across Tyrone and through **53 Tyrone GAA Summer Camps** involving over



**4,000** CHILDREN

Prepare, organize and field seven different amateur adult and underage Football and Hurling teams to represent our County and its



**182,000 people.**

**+**  
Deliver a range of initiatives to support and develop individual and community health and well-being

**Acadamh**  
Thír Eoghain

Resource Acadamh Thír Eoghain, which continues to energise the sporting and personal development of

**200**  
of our young people

Build pride and contentment in self, in community and in place for everyone living in Tyrone. We run our specific Club Tyrone events to improve people's appreciation and understanding of Tyrone as a place and of its people, history, culture and heritage. **Whilst primarily focused on Gaelic Tyrone we're committed to Tyrone in its entirety: we don't need to agree on our history to share it.**



# THALL Ó NA TOIM BEYOND THE BUSHES

**In the Tyrone psyche home is always important. But for huge numbers of our people 'home' is something that's shared between Tyrone and some other part of our planet.**

Because of that reality it's been an ambition to grow Club Tyrone beyond Tyrone and even beyond Ireland. And that ambition has been equally shared by stalwart Tyrone Gaels who find themselves far from home.

During 2017 we jointly undertook significant work to celebrate our common bonds and to build on our existing links and develop new ones. In July and August we launched Club Tyrone 'hubs' in New York and London and followed these launches up with wonderful fundraisers in both cities in the autumn. In late October we were hosted by New York's Hudson National for a quite remarkable Golf Classic and followed that up in mid-November with a similar event in the Buckinghamshire Golf Club on the edge of London.

Our New York and London initiatives are on track to generate £100,000 for the Tyrone Gaelic cause. That achievement is essentially down to the relentless work



and generosity of groups of committed Tyrone Gaels in those great cities. Gaelic Tyrone is indebted to them.

They don't forget us: we mustn't forget them. We firmly believe the links with our diaspora must be two-way and that we in turn need to make our contribution to Gaelic life there. Parallel with our 'exporting' of Club Tyrone we therefore plan next year to 'export' our Club Tyrone Summer Camps and possibly other coaching support to New York and London.

**We will all need to work hard to make sure we get that right.**



# AN CHÉAD CHEIM EILE AR AN TURAS THE NEXT STEP ON THE JOURNEY

Part of Tyrone GAA's ongoing journey involves a significant development of coaching. Our new Acadamh Thír Eoghain is revolutionizing how we develop our young players, leaving them better prepared not just for life on the field but for life off it as well. Whilst this is one of those journeys that never ends, in 2017 our Acadamh teams travelled well, winning 91% of their games (29 out of 32) and clinching a clean sweep of Ulster and All-Ireland Under 17 titles (the first ever played at that Grade).

We're now complementing all that work with a new £0.50m Performance/Activity Hub at Garvaghey, a facility which will help our players compete at the highest levels whilst at the same time facilitating a whole range of 'lower level' community-based well-being and fitness-related activities. During the year we finalized our plans for the Hub and obtained Planning Approval for it from the Fermanagh and Omagh Council.

Now we have to fund and build it. Those are strong challenges for all of us on into 2018 and beyond. But with your help we'll rise to them.



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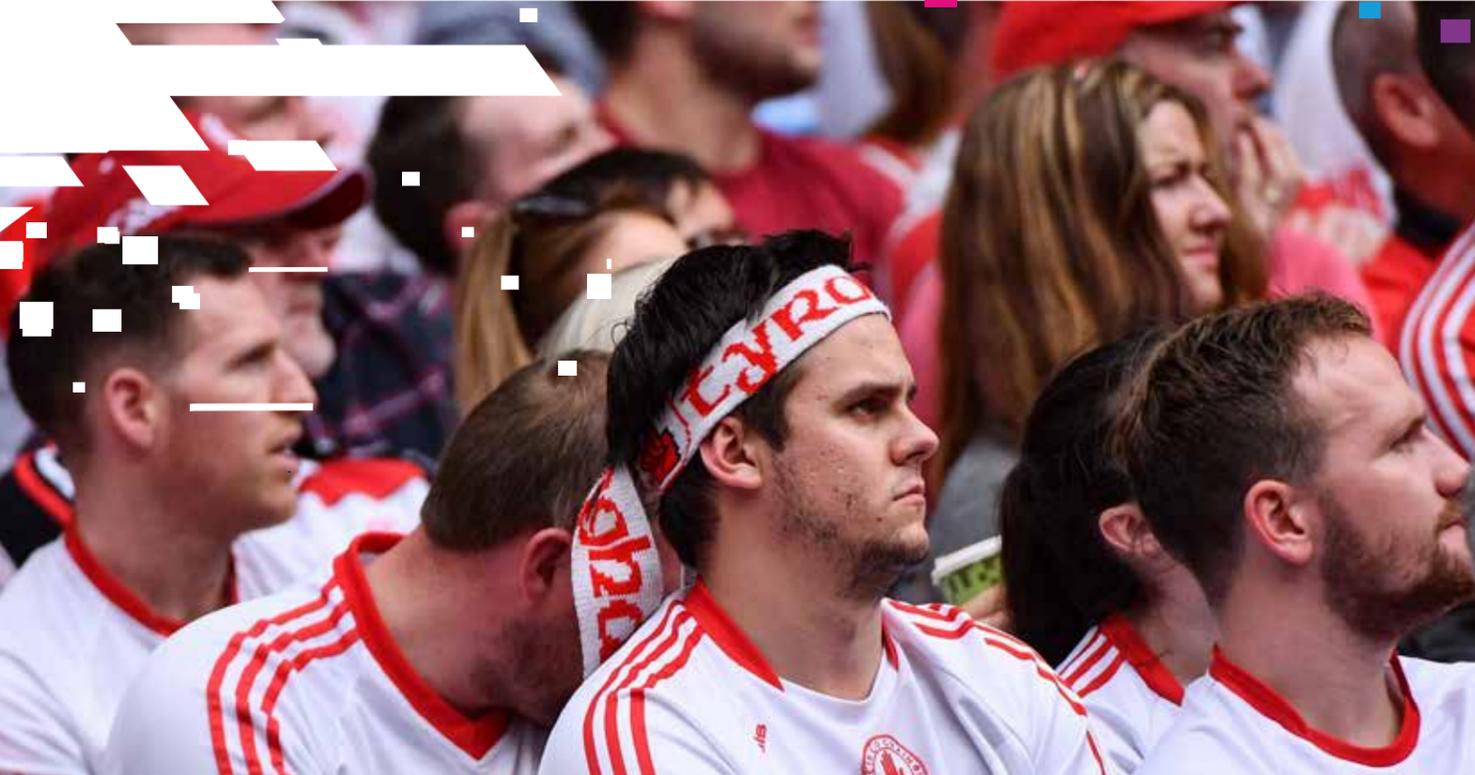


# CHUN TÚS A CHUR LE CÚRSAÍ **CLUB TYRONE AT WORK IN 2017**

- Oversaw and managed a net cash contribution of £262,779 to Tyrone GAA
- Oversaw sponsorship income of £130,000 for Tyrone GAA
- Secured a 'gift aid' tax repayment of £18,736 from HMRC
- Established Club Tyrone 'hubs' in New York and London
- Produced and circulated to every school in Tyrone 20,000 copies of the Red Hand Fanzine
- Hosted the Annual Club Tyrone Members' Night in May and a Dragain Thír Eoghain recruitment event in April
- Hosted our Sponsors at the Dublin/Tyrone and Tyrone/Mayo Allianz League games
- Held our now-annual 'Meet the Players' event after the Tyrone/Mayo Allianz League game
- Hosted, at Garvaghey, a St Brigid's Cross-Making workshop, a Bonfire Night event and a Hallow'een Event as well as talks on Hugh O'Neill, Tom Clarke and 'Brexit and the GAA'
- Delivered Anniversary Celebration events re Tyrone's 1967 Minor and Vocational teams and 1990/92 Under 21 teams
- Contributed to Tyrone GAA's Red Hand View match programmes
- Published the 2016 Club Tyrone Annual Report and circulated it to Members, Patrons and others
- Met formally as a Committee 13 times
- Reported monthly to the Tyrone County Committee and to the County Convention



# ÁR DAOINE OUR PEOPLE



### Honoured and delighted to work at helping take Club Tyrone forward in 2017 were:

Mark Conway*, Chair, Kildress	077 1082 1711	Patsy Forbes, Ardboe	028 8673 7348
Damian Harvey*, Secretary, Cookstown	077 1709 5852	Patrick Harte, Pomeroy	028 9064 0544
Roisin Dooher*, Treasurer, Owen Roes	077 3441 3993	Martin Haughey, Gortin	079 7790 1103
Adrian Colton, Dromore	028 9069 1065	Eunan Lindsay, Glenelly	078 8945 2188
Eileen Connolly, Newtownstewart	079 0446 0870	Colin McMenamin, Drumquin	077 1492 1396
Declan Devlin, Omagh	077 9518 2257	John Mulgrew, Donaghmore	028 8772 5760
Jackie Duffy*, Moy	028 9062 0700	Michael Winters, Trillick	075 4250 3145

\*Club Tyrone Charity Trustees

We're also supported with precious advice and input from Niall Laird (Omagh), Hugh McAleer (Beragh), Paul McAnallen (Moy), Bernie McGirr (Augher), Brian Murray (Drumragh) and Jimmy Treacy (Carrickmore) as well as from the Tyrone County Committee, its officers and its other Sub-Committees.

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TO MAKE PAYMENTS DIRECT FROM YOUR ACCOUNT.  
PLEASE COMPLETE ALL THE FORM:

(Banks and Building Societies may refuse to make such payments from some types of accounts)



### STANDING ORDER BUY INTO THE FEELING

- I wish to enrol as a  
 Garvaghey Patron (£1,000 per year)   
 Club Tyrone Member (£500 per year)   
 Dragon Thír Eoghain (£1,000 per year)
- Name & postal address of your Bank/Building Society:
- Name(s) of Account Holder(s):
- Account Number:
- Branch Sort Code:
- Please pay:  
 Cumann Thír Eoghain  
 Account Number: 8537 1264 Sort Code: 90-50-02  
 Bank of Ireland, 23-25 Campsie Place, Omagh,  
 Co Tyrone BT79 OAE  
 The sum of £   
 Annually £1,000/£500 £   
 Quarterly £250/£125 £   
 Monthly £83.33/£41.67 £   
 from the account detailed on this instruction  
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- Title to appear on Garvaghey Patron plaque  
 (max 35 characters, incl. spaces)
- Signature:  
  
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- I am a UK taxpayer. I would like income tax  
 to be reclaimed on my donation under the  
 Gift Aid scheme.  
 Yes  No
- Please make immediate payment if the first  
 payment date is missed.  
 Please tick

Please send the completed form to: Roisin Dooher,  
 C/O Tyrone GAA Centre, 230 Radergan Road,  
 Garvaghey, Dungannon, Co Tyrone, BT70 2EH

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**Muna ndéanfaidh muid é seo, ní dhéanfaidh aon duine é. Agus níor chóir dóibh. Is fúinn féin atá sé....**  
**If we don't do this, no one else will. Nor should they. It's up to us.**



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**Club Tyrone**  
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