



Dunnamaggin GAA

Newsletter

February **2015**

After a great career, **David Herity** announced his retirement from Inter-County Hurling, he had been on the panel since 2008. Amongst his achievements are the following:

- 5 All-Ireland SHC (2008-09,11, 12, 14)
- 5 Leinster SHC (2008-11, 14)
- 5 NHL (2003, 2009,11,13,14)
- 3 Walsh Cup (2009,12,14)
- 2 All-Ireland U21HC (2003-04)
- 2 Leinster U21HC (2003-04)
- 2 Leinster MHC (1999, 2001)
- 1 Kilkenny IHC (2000)
- 1 Interprovincial (2012)
- 2 Kilkenny U21HC A (1998-99)
- 1 Kilkenny MHC A (1998)
- 1 Leinster Senior Club League (2009)
- 1 Leinster Colleges SHC A (Callan CBS: 1998)



THANK YOU to all who supported the club in anyway last year especially to all who purchased the Scratch to match cards which were a great success for the club.



Under 21 **Southern CHAMPIONS**



U14 CHAMPIONS

Our U14 team competed in a newly structured championship this year, in which they performed brilliantly to be eventually crowned Roinn A tier 2 Champions. The picture shows the team with mentors Canice Hickey, Denis Walsh, John Walsh and PJ O'Keefe.

REGISTER NOW

Registration for all club members will be held on **Sat 21st Feb** in St.Eoghan's centre, Kilmoganny after 7:30pm mass and also on **Sunday 22nd Feb** after 11am Mass in St.Leonards hall, Dunnamaggin and also in the Scouts hall in Kells after 11.30 mass on **Sunday 22nd Feb**

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U16 ROINN B



CHAMPIONS

Dara Keane U16 team Captain receiving the Tier final trophy.

Our U8's were invited to Croke Park earlier this year to play matches against St.Martins of Wexford. There was huge excitement on the bus travelling up and when they got to play on the famous turf. Two wins against the Wexford side was capped off with the customary trip to McDonalds on the way home. Well done to all involved.



CROKE PARK

Our Under 12's finished the year strongly with some great performances in the Tullagher and Danesfort blitzes to win both of them.



Development

The Contract has now been signed for the purchase of the juvenile pitch in Kilmoganny. The purchase is subject to formal GAA Central council consent and subject to planning permission. We hope that those matters will be dealt with, and that potentially the pitch will be available for use later in 2015.



Dunnamaggin Hurling Club had nine players who played with development squads this year. Ian Walsh featured on the U14A Tony Forrester. We had three players involved in the U14B Sonny Walsh team Robbie McCauley, Adam Fitzpatrick and Darragh O'Keeffe. In U15 action was Luke Fitzpatrick and Rory Lodge. Victor Costello was our representative at U16. While on the U17 squad was Michael Cody and Ronan Coffey. Well done to all the lads.



DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

2014 TEAM ROUNDUP

U6's had a very busy year, training nearly twenty times, hosting the Kells blitz and having matches against Bennettsbridge, Danesfort, Mooncoin, Piltown, Thomastown and Gowran. Great improvement in skill was evident by the end of the year. Looking forward to seeing you all in 2015.

U8's continued to improve in the remainder of the year and played many more games. The highlight of which was the trip to Croke Park where they got to play on the famous turf. They played St.Martins of Wexford in two games and won both. The U8's also hosted the Thomas O'Shea blitz this year. They played really well in their games and made it to the B final. They also reached the B final of the Dicksboro blitz. Our U7's & U8's also took part in the annual Danesfort blitz.

U10's continued to improve throughout the season which was evident when they reached the semi-final of the Ballyhale blitz only to be beaten by eventual winners Ballygunner. They further improved on that performance by winning the Carrickshock blitz in which they showed great team work and work ethic.

U12's finished off the season with two marvellous victories in the Tullogher Rosbercon and Danesfort U12 blitzes, captained by Andy Hickey and Ger Coffey respectively. In Tullogher, the hosts were beaten in the final of their own blitz. In Danesfort, there were some outstanding performances in the first round against a very strong Middleton team, in the semi-final against a fancied Danesfort team and again in a helter skelter final against Thomastown where the players gave their all and just got over the line. A great end to the year for this talented bunch and we look forward to seeing them all again in 2015.

U14's team won the tier 2 Roinn A League/championship by beating Glenmore & Lisdowney on the way to beating Mooncoin in the final. An excellent achievement. In the League proper they were defeated by city side O'Loughlins. In the Championship having beaten Thomastown they faced James Stephens in the next round but lost. They also won the Football championship final against Ballyhale. Well done to all involved in a very busy but successful year.

U16's team won the Tier 3 league/ championship beating Glenmore in the final. In the championship proper they beat James Stephens and Muckalee to advance to the quarter final where they were beaten by the slimmest of margins against the eventual winners BallyCallan. They also jointly topped the table in the league and advanced to the semi-final having beaten neighbours Windgap & Galmoey before Clara prevented them from advancing further. They are currently at the Semi-final stage of the Football championship having beaten Piltown in the quarter final.

Minors Our minors continued their good league form and eventually finished second on the table. This put them into the shield semi-final but they did not progress further. In their championship they beat Emeralds in their first round game but were beaten by Tullogher/Rosbercon after a titanic battle in the quarter final.

Junior hurlers continued to do very well in their league/championship. The only team that beat them in the league section, Mooncoin, won the championship out. They faced eventual co finalists Rower/Inistioge in their Quarter final and forced a draw only to be beaten in the replay.

Intermediate hurlers failed to gain any points in the league section of the championship despite some very good performances and close games. They did however win when it mattered most, in the first round of the championship beating Conahy Shamrocks. They faced St.Patricks, Ballyragget in the next round, but despite some great hurling eventually lost.



Dunnamaggin GAA club extends its condolences to all club members who suffered bereavement during the past year. We would especially like to remember the following who have passed away through the year. Michael (Mossy) Moore, Joe Moore, Bezie Cahill, Mairead Moran, Maura Davis, Dick O'Keefe.



The unexpected and untimely death of Dick O'Keefe, Kilree occurred in November. Dick was a very committed member of Dunnamaggin GAA club for which he hurled with for many a year. Dick served on many committees and held many officer positions during his life. He was a dedicated fundraiser for the club through his selling of the weekly lotto and the Annual Piltown tickets, which he undertook with little fuss. Dick was a dedicated follower and supporter of Kilkenny GAA and was to be seen frequently in Nowlan Park where he acted as Steward on all the big match days. He will be sadly missed. May he rest in Peace.

PHOTO ROUNDUP



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Fees

U6, U8, U10, U12, U14	€40
Minor Player	€50
Student Player	€80
Non playing Adult	€50
Adult player	€150
Family Membership (2 Adults & All U18 Juveniles)	€160

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