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St. Moninna's G.A.C. Killeavy Club News

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After a brief hiatus...

Following a short holiday of one year, four months and twenty-two days the Killeavy G.A.C bulletin returns to circulation. It is the club's sincere intention to maintain circulation on a weekly basis going forward in order to ensure our club remains at the heart of our community. The club's plan, starting next week, is to update our readers by the end of the year on what they may have missed in 2017. The bulletin will then revert back to a more traditional weekly bulletin keeping readers aware of fixtures, results and events taking place within the club.

Annual General Meeting 2017

Last week, members of Killeavy G.A.C gathered at the Annual General Meeting. Proceedings began with our annual Mass for deceased members celebrated by Fr. Naughton. Chair Larry Magennis welcomed everyone to the meeting before giving his own address. In it he paid tribute to the volunteering work of many within the club and highlighted that without them the club would cease to function. Secretary Dónal O'Neill then read the minutes of last year's meeting before giving the secretary's address. Of particular focus in the address were the Killeavy u12 girls (Championship and League winners), u14 hurlers (Féile winners) and our Senior footballers (Championship winners and promotion to Division 1b). Club Treasurer Finbar Mallon gave a detailed breakdown of the income and expenditure for 2017 which showed that the club had made a small operating profit on a turnover of more than £600,000. After the annual addresses the election of officers for 2018 saw seven new faces being elected to the club's Executive Committee:

Chair:	Larry Magennis – re-elected
Secretary:	Dónal O'Neill – re-elected
Treasurer:	Finbar Mallon – re-elected
Vice-Chair:	Michael O'Neill – re-elected
Assistant Secretary:	Ivan Whelan – newly elected
Assistant Treasurer:	Michael McCrink – newly elected
Registrar:	Laura Morgan – re-elected
Healthy Club Officer:	Fionnuala O'Neill – re-elected
Player Rep:	Clíodhna McAteer – newly elected
Officer:	Sean Callan – re-elected
Officer:	David Crilly – newly-elected
Officer:	Seamus Coyle – re-elected
Officer:	Raymond O'Hanlon – newly elected
Officer:	James Duffy – re-elected
Officer:	Joan Cameron – newly elected
Officer:	Noelle Magennis – newly elected

Larry thanked the members present for their renewed support and wished all members of the 2018 executive committee a successful year. He paid tribute to the work of Glen Matthews, Adrian Doran and Mary Magennis who had stepped down from their roles on the committee. The General Meeting was then reconvened and this year's motions were brought to the floor and discussed by members present. Motions related to the club lotto, club membership fees, underage football participation, the reintroduction of the weekly bulletin and the desire for a new code of ethics to be followed by club members, were all passed or referred to the Executive for further consideration. The chair then drew the AGM to a close by thanking all present for their valued contribution before wishing for another successful year.

Armagh GAA All-Star Awards 2017



Last Saturday night in the Carrickdale Hotel, Armagh GAA held its first ever All-Star awards. Killeavy was proudly represented on the All-Star team by Donal O'Neill and Raymie Teggart who received acclamation for the quality and consistency of their performances all year. Raymie doubled up on the night by bringing home a second major award - Intermediate Player of the Year – a just reward for a fantastic season. To finish off a great night and demonstrating the phenomenal work being achieved around the club, Killeavy also won the Scór Club of the Year for 2017 which Vice-Chair Michael O' Neill collected on behalf of the club.



All Star cast as Donal O' Neill, Michael O' Neill and Raymond Teggart pick up awards at the Armagh GAA Club All-Star Awards

**u21 Championship Final
Killeavy 1-07 Crossmaglen 1-14**

Last Sunday our u21 footballers were hoping to put the final touches to what has been a very successful season for the club. Unfortunately it was not to be as they fell at the final hurdle in their bid to win the u21 Championship.

After a tight early quarter Crossmaglen pulled ahead with some outstanding football to lead eight points to two after 20 minutes. Conor O'Neill pipped over two free kicks to leave the score 0-08 to 0-04 at half time though in truth Killeavy will regret the wasted possession at the end of this half as they failed to convert it into anything tangible on the scoreboard.

Early in the second half, Killeavy's defensive lines – particularly Conor Magennis, Ronan Magennis and Cahair McKinney got to grips with what had been a fairly rampant Crossmaglen attack and Killeavy could be seen to grow in confidence because of it. A beautiful score from Cathal Boylan was replied to by Crossmaglen's county star Rian O'Neill to leave the score poised 0-05 to 0-09. Then Niall Magennis who was the stand out player for Killeavy on the night blistered past his marker to cut inside and rifle the first goal of the match into the Crossmaglen net: 1-05 to 0-09.

Magennis proved tortuous to a Crossmaglen defence who struggled to contain him throughout and two minutes after having bagged his goal, in almost mirror fashion, he cut in again – this time firing over the bar and the game was tied 1-06 to 0-09. Having worked so hard to claw themselves back into contention Killeavy will regret the manner of the next 15 minutes which saw Crossmaglen tally 1-05 to their 0-01. Throughout the contest Killeavy were challenged with the obvious height disparity of Crossmaglen's middle third and found themselves gifting kick-outs and therefore crucial possession to their opposite numbers at key points in the game. A sloppy goal wiped out Magennis' great work on the other side and the team will no doubt be frustrated that they didn't utilise short kick-outs earlier than they did. Crossmaglen were able to keep Killeavy at arm's length in the last 10 minutes to close out what was a very strong performance from a very talented team.

For Killeavy it is now about utilising any frustration they have with last week's game and carrying it into next year's senior campaign.

Scór Champions

Success and county championships may have eluded the club last week in football but members of our Scór team ensured that Killeavy's strong tradition in the competition is maintained when our Rince Foirne (Ceili dance) team put in a magnificent performance dancing to "The Three Tunes" to lift the county title.

A little later, the Trath na gCeisteanna Boird (Table Quiz) team showed a joyful breadth of knowledge to top the mark sheets and walk away with Killeavy's first county quiz title in 35 years.

The fact that Killeavy had nine individuals and groups through to the County final is testimony to the ongoing work by a small group of people led by Anne Murphy to promote arts and culture in our club and in the wider community. Their tremendous efforts were rightfully recognised at the Armagh All Stars night when Killeavy were awarded the Armagh Scór Club na Bliana 2017. Well done all!



Killeavy's County Champion Quiz team: Conor King, Grainne Boylan, Sean Boylan and Fearghal Murphy with Armagh quizmaster Eamon McCausland



Armagh Ceili champions: Tiernan Breslin, Shane Kavanagh, Lui Duffy, Dylan Phillips, Ellen Cromie, Hannah McManus, Orla McGuinness, Aimee McAteer

Lottery News

The importance of our weekly Lotto was highlighted at the AGM last week. Despite giving away five Jackpots during the year, the Lotto still managed to contribute some £28,000 towards club funds. Thanks to all of you for making this possible. We are on a good run at the minute with the Jackpot sitting at a whopping £5,700 – now wouldn't that be nice for Christmas!

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There was **NO** winner of the £5,600 jackpot
There were **SIX** Match 3 Winners - £25 each

NAME	ADDRESS	SELLER
Betty Davey	Highfields Avenue	E. Carroll, Virgo
Anne Crilly	Lisdrum Court	E. Carroll, Virgo
Joan Lenaghan	Newry	Maura Lenaghan
Dermot Dowling	Belfast	Club Killeavy
Gail Boyd	Heslips Lane	Club Killeavy
Ciaran Magee	c/o L. Marmion	Lily Marmion

Promoter Prize – £25 – Geraldine Maguire
Prize money this week **£175** Next Jackpot

£5,700