



MOYNALVEY GFC

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY 15TH JANUARY

GOOD EVENING EVERYONE AND WELCOME TO OUR AGM

As you are aware, our clubhouse has been under renovation works throughout the last year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our architect Shay Scanlon for his endless hours of dedication to the project and to Paul Pender of PP Construction and all other local contractors for their work which result in the facilities we host our AGM in tonight.

2015 was a busy and productive year on and off the field for the club. The first phase of our development is complete will hopefully the second phase of development of the club facilities to get underway in 2016. On the pitch, our Senior Team had a topsy-turvy year. While defeating neighbours Summerhill in the second round of the Championship, we recorded only one other victory, that against Duleek/Bellewstown, while the other three games of the group stage saw heavy defeats being shipped at the hands of Wolfe Tones, St. Peter’s Dunboyne & Rathkenny. The Div. 2 A League saw us struggle to find results for most part of the year while the latter stages saw us pick up enough points to avoid relegation trouble. Our Junior ‘B’ Team progressed from the Group stages to lose out to Slane in a Quarter Final in the Championship. In the B League Moynalvey had a reasonably successful campaign finishing mid Table in Div. 3.

Underage teams and the Ladies Team also competed well in their respective competitions, more on these later.

Well done to Padraic Harnan, Mark O’Sullivan and Darren Brennan earlier in the year who represented the club at County Senior Level, Shane Lenehan, Padraic Harnan & Brian Harnan who represented the club at County U-21 level and Conor Harnan who represented the club at Minor Grade for the County. We also had a Moynalvey clubman Denis O’Shea in charge of the Meath Minor Footballers; with another Moynalvey man Paul Conneely forming part of Denis’ back room team.

Below are the results and Tables for the Adults Men’s Teams. I would like to thank all the managers and selectors for all their support throughout the year.

Senior Championship 2015 – Group A

SFC Group A								
Team	played	won	drawn	lost	FOR	AGAINST	difference	points
St Peter’s, Dunboyne	5	4	0	1	79	58	21	8
Summerhill	5	3	1	1	84	62	22	7
Wolfe Tones	5	3	0	2	70	62	8	6
Moynalvey	5	2	0	3	69	87	-18	4
Duleek-Bellewstown	5	1	1	3	57	81	-24	3
Rathkenny	5	1	0	4	57	66	-9	2

11/04/15	Wolfe Tones	2-13	Moynalvey	0-9	Round 1
25/04/15	Moynalvey	3-10	Summerhill	0-13	Round 2
21/05/15	Moynalvey	2-18	Duleek/Bellewstown	1-10	Round 3
07/08/15	St. Peter's Dunboyne	2-10	Moynalvey	0-10	Round 4
23/08/15	Moynalvey	1-4	Rathkenny	2-10	Round 5

Feis Cup

20/03/15	Na Fianna	0-17	Moynalvey	1-13
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All County A League Division 2

All County Football A League Division 2

Team	played	won	drawn	lost	FOR	AGAINST	difference	points
St. Colmcille's	13	10	1	2	217	175	42	21
Gaeil Colmcille	12	9	2	1	188	129	59	20
Walterstown	13	10	0	3	213	171	42	20
Nobber	13	8	1	4	204	179	25	17
Rathkenny	13	6	2	5	198	170	28	14
St Michael's	13	7	0	6	183	171	12	14
Drumbaragh	13	6	2	5	153	164	-11	14
Ratoath	12	6	1	5	218	183	35	13
Moynalvey	13	5	1	7	167	184	-17	11
St Ultan's	13	4	2	7	185	197	-12	10
Castletown	13	5	0	8	209	198	11	10
Trim	13	4	0	9	211	248	-37	8
Oldcastle	13	2	1	10	120	206	-86	5
Cortown	13	1	1	11	135	226	-91	3

01/02/15	Moynalvey	0-7	Rathkenny	3-8	Round 1
15/02/15	St. Ultan's	0-12	Moynalvey	1-17	Round 2
08/03/15	Moynalvey	1-7	Nobber	0-17	Round 3
27/03/15	Drumbaragh	1-13	Moynalvey	0-13	Round 4
02/05/15	Moynalvey	0-12	Gaeil Colmcille	1-9	Round 5
13/05/15	Castletown	2-16	Moynalvey	2-7	Round 6
30/05/15	Moynalvey	2-10	Walterstown	1-17	Round 7
02/06/15	St. Colmcilles	1-13	Moynalvey	1-10	Round 8
06/07/15	Moynalvey	1-16	Cortown	1-11	Round 9
15/07/15	Ratoath	1-14	Moynalvey	0-10	Round 10
25/07/15	Trim	1-8	Moynalvey	2-12	Round 11
19/07/15	Moynalvey	1-13	St. Michael's	0-10	Round 12
29/07/15	Oldcastle	SCR	Moynalvey	W/O	Round 13

Management Team: Barry O'Keefe, Paul Harnan, Brian Conneely, Alan Gannon



U-21 'A' Football Championship

28/10/15	Clan Na nGael	0-9	Moynalvey	6-14	Quarter-Final
11/11/15	Curraha	4-11	Moynalvey	2-9	Semi-Final

Management Team: Denis O'Shea, Liam Harnan

Junior 'B' Championship 2015 – Group A

JBFC Group A

Team	played	won	drawn	lost	FOR	AGAINST	difference	points
Moynalty	5	4	1	0	77	47	30	9
Nobber	5	3	1	1	77	61	16	7
Moynalvey	5	2	2	1	85	79	6	6
Kilbride	5	1	1	3	69	76	-7	3
Walterstown	5	1	1	3	63	91	-28	3
Duleek-Bellewstown	5	1	0	4	63	80	-17	2

19/04/15	Walterstown	0-13	Moynalvey	2-7	Round 1
26/04/15	Moynalvey	0-10	Nobber	2-12	Round 2
23/05/15	Moynalty	3-10	Moynalvey	2-13	Round 3
20/06/15	Moynalvey	5-13	Duleek/Bellewstown	1-12	Round 4
06/08/15	Kilbride	2-8	Moynalvey	2-9	Round 5
23/08/15	Moynalvey	1-6	Slane	2-7	Quarter-Final

All County B League Division 3

Football B League Division 3

Team	played	won	drawn	lost	FOR	AGAINST	difference	points
Ratoath	9	7	0	2	130	99	31	14
Trim	9	6	1	2	179	127	52	13
St Michael's	9	6	0	3	120	105	15	12
St Peter's, Dunboyne	9	5	0	4	141	131	10	10
Moynalvey	9	5	0	4	52	80	-28	10
Syddan	9	4	1	4	130	101	29	9
St Ultan's	9	3	2	4	98	102	-4	8
Cortown	9	3	0	6	97	130	-33	6
Oldcastle	9	2	1	6	80	122	-42	5
Castletown	9	1	1	7	63	93	-30	3



08/02/15	St. Ultans	0-11	Moynalvey	1-5	Round 1
07/03/15	Moynalvey	1-8	St. Michael's	1-6	Round 2
28/03/15	Moynalvey	SCR	Cortown	W/O	Round 3
11/05/15	Oldcastle	SCR	Moynalvey	W/O	Round 4
16/05/15	Moynalvey	0-8	Trim	5-11	Round 5
16/07/15	St. Peters Dunboyne	2-15	Moynalvey	0-9	Round 6
01/07/15	Moynalvey	1-13	Ratoath	0-13	Round 7
20/07/15	Castletown	SCR	Moynalvey	W/O	Round 8
11/08/15	Moynalvey	W/O	Syddan	SCR	Round 9

Management Team: Barry O'Keefe, Brian Conneely, Alan Gannon, Padraig Donoghue

Committee

Our Executive Committee met on a regular basis throughout 2015. Thanks to all who have given up their time for our community, we are blessed as a community to have people willing to offer up their time for our club, if there is anyone interested in giving of their time there are numerous avenues, e.g Development of Pitch and Grounds committee headed by John Smyth, Finance & Fundraising, Juvenile & Coaching headed by Frank O'Sullivan & Declan Smith.

Should anyone be interested in joining any of these committees please get in contact with John/Frank/Declan or e-mail secretary.moynalvey.meath@gaa.ie

Our 2015 Executive Committee comprised of the following:

Chairman: John Smyth

Vice-Chairman & Juvenile Chairman: Frank O'Sullivan

Secretary: Kathleen McDermott

Ladies Chairman: Declan Smith

Ladies Secretary: Pam Gilsonan

Juvenile Secretary: Leonora Walsh

Treasurer: Brenda Ruddy

PRO/Registrar/IT Officer: Paul Greene

Co. Board Delegate: Peter Collins

Men's Team Player Rep: John Donoghue

Ladies Team Player Rep: Celine Harnan

Children's Welfare Officer: Leonora Walsh

Safety Officer: Pat Gilsonan

Coaching Officer: Denis O'Shea

Others: Kathleen Little, Paddy O'Reilly, Ollie Gilsonan, Mick Conneely, Vinny Walsh.



Chairman's Report

I would like to thank you all for coming here tonight and to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a happy new year and I hope 2016 brings you all luck but most of all health and happiness.

To start, I would like to mention my fellow officers Kathleen, Brenda and Paul for their hard work throughout the year. I would like to thank other committee members who did work or put themselves forward on the various sub committees throughout the year. Big thanks also to Frank O'Sullivan Vice-Chair, for his hard work on the various sub committees that he is involved with, in particular the Juvenile committee, the Juvenile Secretary Leonora Walsh for all the work over the years and I wish her the best in the future, Declan Smith Ladies chairman and Pam Gilsenan Ladies Secretary.

Thank also to our parish priest, Fr David for his prayers and support throughout the year and at this point I would like to extend my condolences on behalf of the club to those members and their families who have suffered bereavements during the year and maybe spare a thought or a prayer for those who are ill in our community tonight.

I would like to congratulate our players who represented the club on County, College or schools teams during the year, well done. Also congratulations to anybody from the parish who represented the community in any way whether it was in Hurling, Football, Camogie, Rugby, Horse Riding or Athletics.

But most important of all, I would like to say a big thank you to all our players, team coaches and selectors at every level in the Club for the hard work they have put in throughout the year, I know at times you might think it goes unnoticed but to the true Club man it doesn't and finally I would like to wish all our players in all the clubs in the parish the best of luck in the year ahead

FACILITIES

With the present works completed on the hall, of course there will be an ongoing cost in the upkeep and maintenance of these facilities which always have to be factored in when doing our yearly budgets. Please remember it takes a lot of time and effort from the people on committees to get projects completed, it must be remembered this time and effort is voluntary. These people are doing this at no cost to the club and in their own free time. With that, I offer a big thanks To Shay Scanlon, Mick O'Shea and Paul Pender for all their efforts to complete Project No. 1.

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising will always be a big part of our clubs survival. Over the years we have had various fundraising events taking place like the Strictly Come Dancing, Poker Classic, Scrap Metal collection, Race Night etc and while we still need these and many more to survive, the lotto draw is still the main source of income and the reason our club is in such a healthy financial condition at the moment, without this we wouldn't be where we are today. The lotto is still holding its own and maintaining roughly the same number of members every year, which is an achievement in itself, but it also proves that it works. However, I believe this year we can work harder on this. We can push the membership numbers up by at least another 15% by attracting new members and getting more people involved in our club. This will not happen by itself, we have to make this happen as a club and that means getting out there actively going from door to door looking for new members.



If we could increase our membership by at least 15% next year can you imagine what could be done within our club with this extra revenue...**An awful lot of work could be done.....** However, I would like to clarify that a lot of work does not always mean bricks and mortar. Over the last number of years, we have invested heavily in the facilities and as I have already said, we have top notch facilities in place. NOW, in 2016 I believe it is time to invest in the grounds. I would like to see a development plan for the pitch and grounds put in place.

2016 & BEYOND

After being chairman of this club for the last 4 years I have made the decision to step down as Chairman, to allow somebody else the opportunity to bring some fresh and new ideas into our club. I have really enjoyed my time as Chairman of this fantastic club and I would like to thank everybody for giving me the opportunity to hold this position. Moynalvey GAA Club holds a very special place in my heart I will always be a very loyal and strong supporter of the club and I will not be going away too far as I would like to stay actively involved on our development committee.

Over the 4 years as Chairman I met a lot of lovely people, travelled to a lot of clubs, met a lot of players, I have seen a huge development of our sport hall, been involved with a fantastic bunch of players, managers and selector's over the years, seen better structures put in place for our committee, seen our membership holding its own through the worst recession ever to hit this country, seen our club staying financially strong.....but most of all I learnt a lot about our club..... Both good and bad...Mostly **good I must say**

Being Chairman can be difficult because sometimes at meetings you have to bite your lip during different discussions that take place, because after all you are only chairing the meeting and you have to listen to both sides of any story so in a way I'm looking forward to getting back as an ordinary committee member where it's easier to speak your mind.

But we have some brilliant members on our committee, lads & ladies that will give their heart and soul for the club, who will do anything that's asked of them, lad's & ladies who are willing to put themselves forward for any job. Later on at the end of the meeting a new committee will be picked for the coming year ahead. I would love to see loads of new people with positive ideas getting involved on the committee as new faces are always welcomed and badly needed..... **The club and the good of the club should always come first.**

I am a great believer in the power of people, like-minded people coming together for a common aim. My wish for this club would be that the ladies club and men's clubs of the parish would work together as one, **all one club** and I believe this is something we should work hard on. In this way we create a community, Mothers, Fathers, Sons and Daughters together in one mighty club, working together as one.

That's called the power of people.....Our back bone.....And always remember.

"Stop being afraid of what could go wrong and start being positive about what could go right"



CONCLUSION

Now I know we have a full agenda to get through but just before we start, Ollie Gilsean has put his name forward for chairman, and I highly recommend Ollie for this job. He has been a very active committee member over the last few years and I know he will make a brilliant chairman so I would ask you all to vote for Ollie. I would like to thank anybody who helped me in my position during my time as chair and I know I have left you with a mouth full to swallow, but this truly is how I see it from my position. **I am and always will be a true supporter of Moynalvey GAA Club whether we are winning or losing.....**

Is Mise le Meas,
Seán Mac Gabhann
Cathaoirleach



Secretary's Report

In August of this year, we hosted our first Adult Championship match in 20 plus years, many thanks to all the stewards on the day, to Aidan, Tommy, Pat and Pam Gilson for making the scoreboard. To Cyril Ashe who provided the sound system and music on the day & to Cillian O'Sullivan who did an excellent job on the Public Address and to Paul Walsh and Alan Rodgers our FAS CE Scheme for their work in maintaining the Pitch during the year and on that day.

COUNTY BOARD DELEGATES

Also wish to thank Peter Collins and Paul Dunne our county Board Delegates and Declan Smith our Ladies county board Delegate who continue to attend monthly county board meetings on our behalf.

LOTTO APPEAL

Thanks to Pat Gilson , Peter Brien, Kathleen Little, Mick Conneely, Sean Deegan and Ciaran Harnan for all their hard work selling our lotto, please remember it is the clubs main source of income, so I would encourage everyone to support by playing the lotto online at www.moynalveygfc.ie. As you can see by our accounts, your membership is used to pay both men's and ladies county board to affiliate and insure our teams. Therefore, the lotto is our only source of income for the day-to-day expenses of pitch maintenance, referee fees, light, heat etc, so we would appeal to all members to purchase the lotto tickets or indeed offer to sell some.

ROOF

In order for us to install a new insulated Roof the Finance Committee successfully raised €9,880 by selling annual lotto; they also ran a Cheltenham Preview Night in Shanks Mare raising €2,880 and auctioned a framed & signed Ireland rugby jersey donated by Devin Toner, raising €1,000.

Special word of thanks to our ardent racing fans, Robbie Power, Sean Mc Dermott, Adrian O'Halloran & Ollie Gilson for organising a fantastic night.

GOLF CLASSIC

Our Golf classic was held in Rathcore Golf Club this year. Many thanks to Mick and Helen Lyons for their hospitality on the day, a very successful classic that was won by PJ Walshe's Team. Many thanks to John Donoghue, Mick O'Shea, John Collins ,Adrian O'Halloran and Paul Greene for organising and to Fintan Lawless of Corrib Foods and Marcies for supplying refreshments.

And to all who sponsored tees and entered teams.

INTEL

In October the Finance Committee also applied for a grant from Intel, many thanks to Alan Gannon and James O Neill (Intel Employees) for all of their hard work for the club. We have been successful with our application .If there are any other employees of Intel involved with our club could you please notify me at secretary.moynalvey.meath@gaa.ie

OFFICIAL OPENING

Our Official Opening was held on the 21st November, I am sure you will agree that it was a worthwhile venture having our many years of history put on our walls. Again many thanks to the Executive committee for all their help and a special word of thanks to Thomas Dunne, Robbie Quinlan, Elaine Hoban, Gillian Dunne, Margaret Lawless, Yvonne Keane, John Gildea & Giles Drum. Also thanks to the always at hand



Moynalvey official photographer John McManus who lives away in Galway but never forgot his roots and always at hand to help out.

Thank you to Marie Donoghue, Maggie Crickley, Peggy Melia, Mary Weldon and Denis O'Shea for your articles. To Fr David Brennan, Robbie Power, Pdraic Harnan, Kate Lawless and Sara Tracey also a special word of thanks.

SCHOOL COACHING LINK

To Fr David Brennan and the teachers in the schools who promote our games and to Paul Conneely who gave up his time also to spend many hours in Moynalvey and Kiltale N.S coaching we thank you. Paul also ran a strength and conditioning course during the summer for 13-16 year olds. We would encourage more of our members to attend Meath Coaching Course (Details attached at rear of document).

PRO

I would like to thank our PRO Paul Greene for his help throughout the year and his enthusiasm for our club. We have a great on line presence with the club website, Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn, he sends weekly emails to a 231 addresses. Again would appeal to all managers to send their match reports to pro.moynalvey.meath@gaa.ie

SPORTS CAPITAL GRANT

Moynalvey GFC wish to acknowledge the contribution of €75,000 from the Dept of Transport Tourism and Sport under the Sports Capital Program, as you can see from the accounts we are awaiting 5% which is held by the Dept for retention.

INJURY CLAIMS FUND

I would like to remind all players to report their injuries and complete their claim form on time. The onus is on you the players to inform your manager and the insurance officer as soon as possible after you get injured. Note that the referee should also be informed of your injury if suffered during a game, to include in his match report. Also, note that mouth guards are Mandatory for players at all age grades.

SYMPATHY

During the year many of our friends family and supporters suffered loss through bereavement, to those we extend our sympathies.

THANKS

Once again we wish to pay tribute to all who have played a part in our clubs fortune, tea & sandwich makers, stewards, medical staff, coaches ,managers, lotto teams and lotto sellers, and those who wash jerseys. To one and all we thank you most sincerely for your contribution for the betterment of our club.

Also would like to wish Kiltale all the best in 2016, special thanks to Noel Regan and his committee, Ann Gilsenan, Liz Phelan and Trevor Cummings for all their support during the year.

In conclusion, a huge thank you to our chairman John Smyth for his constant support and help throughout the year, also to Pam Gilsenan, Leonora Walsh and Brenda Ruddy.

Thank you for your attendance tonight and I wish all teams in Maroon and White all the best in 2016. For those of you lucky enough to wear the Green and Gold, best wishes also.

Is Mise le Meas, Caitlín Mac Diarmada, Rúnaí



Ladies & Underage Girls

Thank you to all who helped throughout the year especially the managers, mentors and executive committee. A special thanks to Kathleen McDermott whose help was invaluable. Thanks to Leonora and Frank for all their assistance, our joint presentation night was a large success.

Our adult ladies team played in Div. 2 of league reaching the final, where they were beaten by Ratoath. In the championship, they had two big wins over Donaghmore/Ashbourne and Blackhall Gaels, which allowed them to stay Intermediate for 2016.

Thanks to Ken, David and the team.

Minors

Won against Trim and Skyrne, reached a semi-final against Na Fianna where they played brilliantly but were up against a superior side.

Thanks to Kathleen and Sean.

U-16/U-15

The U-16's reached the shield semi-final but unfortunately the date did not suit and we were forced to concede.

The U-15's had a long season in Div. 5 as Div. 6 was cancelled and all teams transferred to Div. 5. They finished up in mid table, 5th place out of 10.

Thanks to Mick and Paul

U-14's

Congratulation to our U-14 girls who started the season badly unable to field, however they rallied together from there on reaching the final in June against Ballivor, where no referee turned up. The rematch was in September where our girls had a fantastic game coming from behind to win the cup.

Congratulations to Mick, Ann and all the team.

U-13/U-12

Our U-12's had a great season winning every match and getting to the final against Blackhall Gaels. The girls put up an excellent performance but were beaten on the day.

Well done to Fintan, Jim and all the team.

U-10/U-11

Our U-11/U-10 girls played brilliantly in their championship and have improved throughout the year.

Thanks to Shelly and Ciara for training the U-10's and Declan for training U-11's.

U-8

Our U-8 girls trained all summer, unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in getting them a game. Our aim next season we will be able to play in an U-8 blitz.

Thanks to Taylor & Rachel.



We would like to congratulate Kate Lawless who represented Meath at Intercounty level, Ciara Thornton, Stephanie Walsh and Aoibhinn Corcoran who have represented Meath at U-12 level and Ciara McMahan who has completed the young whistle blower course and is now an underage referee. We hope to arrange a bag-packing day in Tesco Maynooth to help cover referee expenses.

I would like to encourage all parents to please become involved in our club help with training encourage your children to train and please buy lotto tickets this is the clubs main source of income. Finally, I would like to congratulate former player Sara Tracey who will represent Ireland at the Rio Olympics the year.

Is Mise le Leas,
Déaglán MacGabhann
Cathaoirleach na mBan

Is Mise le Leas,
Pamela Ó Giolla Seanáin
Rúnaí na mBan



Underage Boys

INTRODUCTION

- We had quite a successful where both players and mentors at all ages enjoyed the experience of training and playing in competitions.
- A big thank you to all mentors and managers for their time both on the pitch and behind the scenes for all their help and hard work on behalf of all the children. It does not go unnoticed that there is a lot of work involved in the co-ordination of managing and training a team at any level.
- To Peter Collins – Thank you for taking on the role of managing and maintaining the pitch.
- In addition a special mention to Paul Conneely for his work in the schools facilitated by both school principles.
- Thanks to the executive committee for their continued support.
- The under 12 teams were presented with new jerseys from Vincent Walsh Construction – thanks to Vinny for these.
- Vinny also provided club training tops for the under 12's – thanks again.
- The under 14 team were presented with club training tops from Moynalvey Building Services – thanks to Joe Murphy and John Corcoran for these.
- Thanks to Kathleen McDermott for all her assistance throuout the year and to Paul Greene for his great job as PRO for our club.

Presentation Night

Back in November we had a presentation night to celebrate our participation in the games. Thanks to Leonora and Pam for organizing the event and to Padraic Harnan, Jenny Rispin and Mark O'Sullivan for presenting the medals. This night was a great success and enjoyed by all who attended.

SUMMARY OF AGE GROUPS

NURSERY

Our nursery programme continues to be a huge success. Thanks to David Dunne and Mick O'Shea for running this. Thanks also to all new parents who have been helping all year – Robbie Quinlan, John Donoghue, Brian Conneely, Denis O'Shea, Willie Byrne, Jim Corcoran, Barry O'Keeffe, Terry Pender.

There are over 35 children registered for the nursery – the average attendance was 25/26 every week. We encourage as many parents (both Mums and Dads!!) to get involved in helping with this age group. There is a two hour training course available for parents to attend to gain knowledge on training children of this age. The Child Protection Course is also compulsory for anyone who is training children at any age.

UNDER-8

Paul Regan and Giles Drum looked after this age group. Great numbers at training – 15-16. They participated every second Saturday in a series of blitzes. The kids really enjoyed the year.



UNDER-10

Ollie Gilsenan and Adrian O'Halloran had a great turnout and competed well in the various blitz competitions that took place every second Saturday from April onwards. A few blitzes were missed due to low numbers available. Their numbers were 12 to 15 and they also competed in Summerhill under 10 competition on Tuesday nights. The kids seldom missed training which was testament to their enjoyment of the activities.

UNDER-12

Vinny Walsh and Anthony Quinn trained this group of boys. They had a great season – they made it through to the final but were beaten by 2 points by Slane in a very exciting match. Low numbers at this age level, so it was necessary to pull form under 10's for numbers at matches. The team had a get together at the club house after their final with pizza and chips.

UNDER-13

Damian Clarke , Anthony Quinn, Frank O'Sullivan, Brian Gilsenan and Stephen McCormack, John Deegan, with help from many others looked after this bunch. They trained very well and even learned how to do a proper warm up and warm down (thanks to Frank!!) There could well be great leaders, even future presidents from this group as they were not afraid to voice and offer their opinions on all sorts of issues including team selections and tactical switches. The most memorable matches were away games in the wind and rain to places like Syddan and Moynalty. They revelled in these battles eventually being beaten in the final stages of the competition by Moynalty.

UNDER-14

Joe Murphy, Dara Voyles and John Deegan had an excellent year. They won the division 6 spring league and also were successful in winning the division 5 summer league, both against Blackhall Gaels. They reached the semi-final of the championship and the final of the follow on shield where they were beaten by Dunsany. They trained once and sometimes twice a week and had a very steady 16 in their panel including four under 14s. There was a great sense of fun around this group and they are well ready to move up to the next grade. The team had a get together at the club house after both their final with pizza and chips.

UNDER-15

Joe Murphy, Tomas McCabe, John Deegan and Dara Voyles looked after this age group in the Autumn.

UNDER 16 AND UNDER 18 –JENKINSTOWN GAELS

At minor level Padraig Donoghue was lead coach assisted from Moynalvey by Fintan Lawless. There were 24 in the panel altogether (50/50 split Moynalvey and Blackhall Gaels). We had five under 18, four under 17 and three under 16s playing. Jenkinstown played at division 2 in the league with approx 16-17 at every match. We had a good run in the championship and we were beaten by Oldcastle in the final. Five under 16s played that day.

The U16s competed well in the league but found the going tough especially against teams like Dunboyne. Tom McCabe kindly mentored this team on behalf of Moynalvey.



Summary of the Coiste Na Nog and Coiste Fe-18 Meeting held last Thursday 7th January

3 key points from the meeting:

1. Leinster GAA are introducing Meath /Kildare competitions where it is likely that clubs will join up to field teams in these competitions. This initiative is being introduced because of reports that currently many clubs play the same few neighbours repeatedly. This will provide challenging inter-county competition against new opponents. It was suggested that clubs with low numbers might have to amalgamate to field teams. (Jeninstown model leading the way!).

Dates for the U-16 competition have already been circulated.

2. U17s not allowed play at senior level.

In the future, it is likely that minor competitions will be replaced by U-17.

In addition, there were suggestions that U-14 cannot play U-16 and that two-year rule applies through all ages. The background thinking is to ensure that weaker players all get to play at their age group and are not dropped in favour of a whiz underage younger player!

This was rejected heavily by clubs who said they could not field teams with this rule in place.

3. Coaches in clubs;

Gerry McEntee and John O'Loughlin (Laois midfielder) addressed the meeting, describing how 55 full time coaches operate through Dublin clubs, half of the wages funded by clubs and half by Sports Ireland. John is such a coach in the St Bridget's club area and he goes into the six feeder schools very regularly coaching boys and girls in hurling and football. These employed coaches then mentor the other existing club coaches and oversee their coaching programs. They also facilitate Saturday blitz activity during the year.

Gerry suggested that smaller neighbouring clubs could pool resources to make this happen and there is a need for political help to get Sports Ireland and other key funding. This concept is well worth exploring in my opinion.

Moving Forward

Moynalvey GFC take great pride in our Juvenile section of our club. This can be attributed to all the dedication from the committee, mentors and parents.

Parental involvement is crucial moving forward. We need volunteers to help on and off the pitch. The key areas which help is required in is assisting coaches (ie sending texts, co-ordinating games, booking pitches) and the washing of jerseys.

We look forward to another great year of football for all the children.

Is Mise Le Meas,
Proinnsias Ó Súilleabháin
Cathaoirleach Ógánaigh

Is Mise Le Meas,
Leonora Breathnach
Rúnaí Ógánaigh



PR/Social Media

Reporting on Match Fixtures/Results & Reports along with club news is an integral part of keeping club supporters/followers up to date with the everyday goings on of Moynalvey GFC.

Public Relations cannot be maintained without the aid of individuals such as team managers/mentors, the Adult Men's & Ladies' & Juvenile secretaries. While almost 40 games are covered by the Adult men's PRO between both teams it is impossible for all information for all teams, especially underage to be gathered/published by one or two individuals.

Therefore more match reports, especially from underage teams/mentors/underage PRO's need to be submitted to pro.moynalvey.meath@gaa.ie in order for them to be published on our club website and other social media outlets as listed below. In addition to the reports being published on the below outlets they are submitted to the Meath Chronicle and www.Hoganstand.com/Meath page.

Nothing means more to a 12/14 year old to see his/her name on the internet/local media after playing.

Apart from the club website (www.moynalveygfc.ie) we have the following way of informing people of club news/events/fixtures/results/reports:

- Weekly lotto Results e-mail sent to: 231 e-mail addresses.
(Should you wish for your e-mail address to be added please do so on our club website).
- Twitter Account: 729 Followers, however approximately only 156 are directly involved with Moynalvey.
- Facebook Page: 437 Page Likes
- LinkedIn Account: 151 Connections

From the above numbers a possible target audience that our information published may hit weekly is a possible 417 people with direct connections with Moynalvey GFC either currently or in the past.

DOWNLOAD THE CLUBIFY APP TO YOUR PHONE:

Clubify is a News & Media platform providing clubs with a medium for communicating with their supporters using the latest mobile technologies.

The FREE platform is made up of:

1. Smartphone App (Android & Apple)

- Providing News Feeds, Fixtures
- Results for Clubs & Societies
- Support for following multiple Clubs/Societies on a single App
- Support for Customised push notifications for subscribers based on updates by the Club/Society
- Support for Fund Raising via the App for Clubs/Societies.

The main idea for the App came about when the designers were researching ideas for Club websites and found that while most clubs had websites no club had a Smartphone application. While websites are still an important communication medium, the majority of supporters nowadays use their Smartphone for accessing the internet. Most websites cannot be rendered for acceptable viewing on small screens so a smart phone App would be seen as the future for clubs.



The main features of the app include:

- News
- Fixtures
- Results
- Notifications

Subscribers using Clubify will receive notifications to their handset when the club updates their App with news/fixtures/results.

Push Notifications are central to the whole mobile experience. A lotto winner, a big result or a fixture changed at the last minute. You can be notified immediately with Push Notifications. Even those looking at Facebook and Twitter can miss things. Notifications are sent by the administrator of your club on clubify, these can be specific to a certain team as selected by you in the “notifications” of the settings area of your clubify app.

- Download the ClubifyApp
- Register.
- Select Moynalvey GFC as your club in the “Club Feeds” (More than one club can be selected).
- In the “Notifications” section select what area you want to receive notifications for or for what Team.



Election of Officers for 2016:

Chairperson: Ollie Gilsenan (replacing the outgoing John Smyth)

Vice-Chairperson & Juvenile Chairperson: Frank O'Sullivan

Secretary: Kathleen McDermott

Treasurer: Donal Smith (replacing the outgoing Brenda Ruddy)

Club Delegate (s): Peter Collins & Pdraig Dunne

Insurance Officer & Coaching Officer: Paul Conneely

PRO & IT Registrar: Paul Greene

Children's Officer: Leonora Walsh

Safety Officer: Pat Gilsenan

Adult Men's Player Rep: Stephen Donoghue

Adult Ladies Player Rep: Aideen Smith

Chairperson of Ladies Committee: Declan Smith

Secretary of Ladies Committee: Pam Gilsenan

Other Executive Committee Members: Mick Conneely, Peter Brien, Paddy O'Reilly, Kathleen Little.

Sincere thanks to outgoing chairman John Smyth, outgoing Treasurer Brenda Ruddy and outgoing Juvenile secretary Leonora Walsh for all their hard work on the committee over the last few years! Also best of luck to all newly elected officers in their positions.

Ratification of Membership Fees for 2016:

- **Family:** €100
- **Player:** €70
- **Student:** €50
- **Non Playing Adult:** €40
- **Juvenile:** €40

Upcoming Coaching Courses in Meath

Foundation Courses

Venue	Code	Date	Book with...
Trim	Football	January 19 th & 26 th	christine.obrien.gda.meath@gaa.ie
Dunboyne	Dual (Football & Hurling)	January 21 st & 23 rd	jamie.queeney.gda.meath@gaa.ie
Oldcastle (Show Hall)	Football	January 25 th (Theory Online)	martin.doyle.gda.meath@gaa.ie
Syddan	Football	January 25 th & 27 th	dudley.farrell.gda.meath@gaa.ie
Dunganny	Hurling	February 2 nd & 6 th	peter.durnin.gda.meath@gaa.ie
Skryne	Football	February 10 th & 13 th	jamie.queeney.gda.meath@gaa.ie
St Colmcilles	Football	February 15 th & 17 th	jenny.rispin.gda.meath@gaa.ie

Code of Best Practice

Venue	Date/Time
Dunganny	February 3 rd 7pm
St Marys, Donore	February 22 nd 7pm
Cortown	March 9 th 7pm
Dunganny	March 30 th 7pm

Bookings through Dudley Farrell on 087-9033789 or dudley.farrell.gda.meath@gaa.ie.

€10pp

* Child Protection Awareness Workshop must now be completed as part of the Foundation Award.

Award One Courses

Gaeil Colmcille	Football – Youth/Adult	January 20 th
Dunboyne	Football – Youth/Adult	January 26 th
Dunganny	Hurling – Youth/Adult	February 27 th
Seneschalstown	Football – Child (U12)	February 29 th
Boardsmill	Hurling – Child (u12)	March 1 st

Modules cover communication, building and breaking skills, physical literacy, team play and more! All dates have to be attended to receive full certification and participants must have completed the Foundation Award.

Booking through Jenny Rispin on 087-7811215 or email jenny.rispin.gda.meath@gaa.ie
 Cost: €70pp. If four people from the same club attend a course, one place will be free. (4 for the price of 3).

A reminder of the Mandatory Coaching Standards passed by Árd Comhairle!

Mandatory Coaching Standards

Árd Chomhairle has approved the following standards for Inter-County and Club teams from 2016:

Inter County Management Teams

- By the start of the 2016 season, all Inter-County Management teams will contain an Award 2 coach. This person would ideally be the head coach. Applications for a derogation can be made to the National Games Development Committee where deemed to be in the best developmental interests of the relevant team.
- By the start of the 2018 season, all Inter-County Head Coaches will be Award 2 qualified.

Club Management Teams

- By the start of the 2016 season, all Club Management teams will contain an Award 1 coach. This person would ideally be the head coach.
- By the start of the 2018 season, all Club Head Coaches will be Award 1 qualified.

The following initiatives have been prioritised to support the roll out of these standards across the Association.

1. The delivery mechanisms for the GAA Coach Education Programme to be expanded to include Online (learning.gaa.ie), Communities of Practice and Mentoring.
2. Recognition of relevant competencies gained through non-GAA programmes or internal programmes, currently not formally linked to the GAA Coach Education Programme, will be facilitated and quality assured.
3. An assimilation programme will be established to recognise the competencies of managers and coaches who have gained experience and expertise without gaining GAA CEP qualifications to date.

Go Games Referee Course

Venue	Date/Time
St Colmcilles	
+	

Nursery Workshops

St Vincent's, Ardcath		
Donaghmore/Ashbourne		January 16 th
St Cuthberts		
Kildalkey		
Dunganny		February 13 th

New Referee's training Course:

(In Dunganny on the following nights)

Participants must attend both nights.

The course is for anybody interested in Refereeing in both codes.

The names should be forwarded to the Referee administrator as soon as possible
refereesadministrator.meath@gaa.ie

- Night 1 - Monday, 15th February 2016 at 8 p.m.
- Night 2 - Monday, 22nd February 2016 at 8 p.m.