

#### **ANNUAL REPORT 2010**











#### Chairman's Introduction



Writing introductions to Club Tyrone Annual Reports is one of the most fulfilling jobs in the GAA. Year-onyear the story remains positive. It's consistently about genuine, committed Tyrone gaels gladly contributing to something they think is worthwhile - the presence; the health; and the growth of the GAA in our County.

The GAA continues to make an outstanding contribution to life in Tyrone. And Club Tyrone continues as a vital part of its story.

During 2010, you and your colleague Members and Patrons gifted nearly £350,000 to Tyrone GAA. It's a startling input, particularly as the recession is biting so hard right across our County. As you know, Club Tyrone's fund-raising is currently dedicated to the Garvaghey Project. Garvaghey is a unique and powerful concept which is developing at a pace. It represents a key part of our GAA generation's legacy to those who'll come after us. I thank you for your commitment to it.

More importantly, so too will future generations of Tyrone gaels.

I also thank my Committee, a group of very special people who give their time; their talents; and their resources freely to Tyrone GAA. Just as I'm proud and honoured to work with them, I know Tyrone GAA is proud and honoured to

Finally, as we put this Report together, Tyrone; Down; and all of Ireland mourn Michaela McAreavey. We rejoice in Michaela as a golden thread within the Tyrone GAA fabric, whose unwavering goodness affected everyone lucky enough to meet her. All our futures will be darker without her. Together we pray for John; Marian; Mickey; Mark; Michael; Matthew; and all belonging to them and commit to walking with them in the difficult days ahead. D'imigh tú i mblath na hóige: ar sholas na bhFlaitheas go raibh d'anam.

Sough Mª aller

Hugh McAleer Chairman, Club Tyrone

## The Work Goes On...

The Garvaghey project remains at the heart of Club Tyrone's work with all our fund-raising efforts now concentrated on it. You have made sure the past year has been very good for Garvaghey - and for Tyrone GAA - by rising brilliantly to the funding challenge.

By the end of 2010 we had 151 Garvaghey Patrons in place, 104 individuals and 47 GAA Clubs. This commitment will produce over £750,000 for Garvaghey. It's heartening to report that our Club Patrons include two of our hurling Clubs; the Tyrone GAA Club in New York; and Tyrone Ladies. Tyrone GAA Nár laga Dia bhur láimhe. always intended Garvaghey to be for all

games and all gaels; for men and women, boys and girls; and for people beyond Tyrone. It's a very powerful statement to see those ambitions reflected in where our money is coming from.

Our Club Tyrone Members continue to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with our Garvaghey Patrons. Together in 2010 you contributed £348,228 to the Tyrone GAA cause, again setting standards of unselfish commitment which are admired and respected by so many others, both within Tyrone and far beyond.







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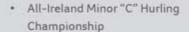


#### The Cause Endures...



Tyrone GAA experienced another highlyrewarding year in 2010. Its highlights included:

- Ulster and All-Ireland Minor Football Championships
- Ulster Senior Football Championship
- · Ulster and All-Ireland Intermediate Club Championships (Cookstown
- Schools Football Championships (Holy Trinity College, Cookstown)
- · McCormick Cup (Omagh CBS)



· Ulster Scór title (Eglish)

Club Tyrone is proud to be one of many cogs in the Tyrone GAA wheel. During the year our work, with your help, included:

- · Garvaghey launch event held in Stormont in January
- . Ulster and All-Ireland U16 Vocational . Ongoing contact with Tyrone's four Councils and funding for Garvaghey secured from Omagh and Dungannon/South Tyrone Councils
  - Event to recruit Garvaghey Patrons and Club Tyrone Members held in Belfast in March
  - · Meeting with Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure (DCAL) in March
  - Fund-raising trip to USA completed
  - Annual Club Tyrone Members Night hosted in May
  - "Night at the Dogs" fund-raising event held in October
  - Garvaghey grant applications submitted/progressed to ARC North-West (£250,000); Heritage Lottery Fund (£617,000); and Sport NI (£245,000)
  - · Monthly meetings held to manage the whole process

#### The Cause Endures ...

Club Tyrone's financial contribution, meanwhile, fits into Tyrone's overall GAA finances as follows:

#### Tyrone GAA income & Expenditure Account for



Fund-raising Fees and Affiliations Ulster and National GAA 391,000 Other costs 42,000 348,000 **Club Tyrone** 14,000 391,000 Other Income Surplus for the year

Recession or not, Club Tyrone remains vigorous; vibrant; and committed, now accounting for more than one-pound-in-every-four raised by the County.

£1.357m

TOTAL

In 1929 Tyrone GAA was technically insolvent and to raise funds organised a huge sports meeting for 29 July in Ardboe. A daydecade of depression. But Tyrone's gaels did not falter. The work went on. The cause endured. The hope still lived. And the dream never died. Those gaels are our inspiration









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#### The Lause Endures...



The Garvaghey project itself also progressed significantly in 2010. As the year began, the initial site preparation work was coming to an end. This was a key start to the overall "Ag Cothromú Gharbh Achaidh ... Levelling the Rough Field" project. The next phase was the development of five fully-floodlit, sand-carpet pitches.

Fox Contracts began work on these in the spring and by the autumn all five pitches had been laid; four were sown; and the floodlights for all five were in place. The fifth pitch will be sown this spring and work on the roadways and car-parks is currently underway.

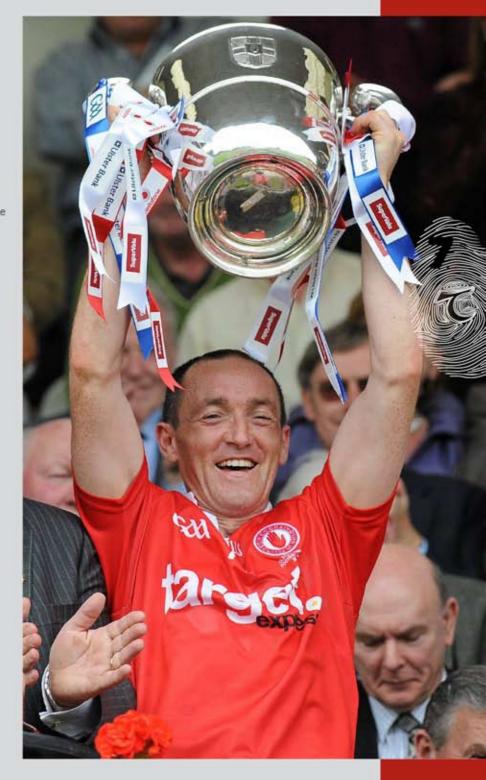
Sand carpet pitches have to mature for at least a year before they can be used so our focus now shifts on to the building. We always wanted a Garvaghey building that both "is the part and looks the building will contain:



- · Ten fully-equipped changing rooms, four designed for women
- · Team support facilities such as plunge pool; physio/medical space; referees' changing; and cardio-vascular and injury recovery equipment
- · Meeting, seminar and breakout rooms
- · A 200-seat auditorium
- · A reception area plus exhibition and interaction space
- · A "Coirneal Gaelige" where only Irish will be spoken
- · Kitchen and canteen facilities
- · Tyrone GAA offices and storage
- · An external performance area modelled on the O'Neills' fort at Tullyhogue

The building will go to tender shortly and we plan to be on-site later this year. Tyrone GAA are also proud of the major jobs contribution its construction will deliver at a time of deep recession.

"Ar scáth a chéile a mahaireas na daoine... people live in one another's shelter"



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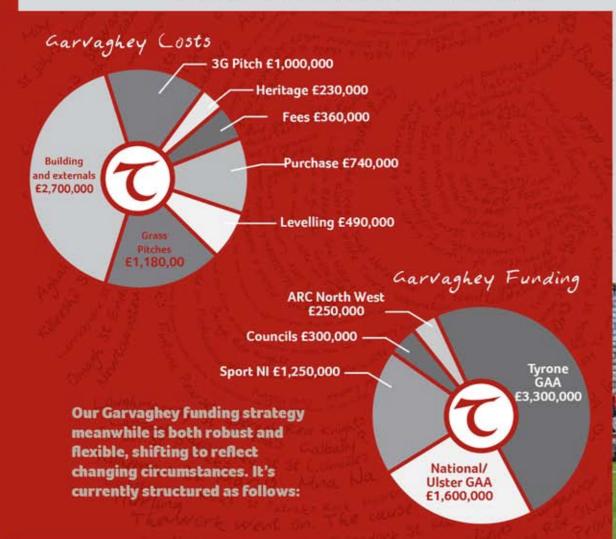




## The Dream Shall Never Die ...

Garvaghey remains on schedule... and for an official opening on 28 September 2013 (DV), ten years to the day from Tyrone's first Senior All-Ireland success.

The project is well-planned and phased and is currently costed as follows:



A specific legacy from this generation of Tyrone Gaels will be Garvaghey



We still have plenty of work to do, but a brilliant start has been made. And there are robust financial projections in place which confirm its sustainability.

In 2011 we will continue with our fund-raising – through our Garvaghey Patrons; our Club Tyrone Members; and from outside sources. If you're currently on board, stay with us. If you're not a Garvaghey Patron or a Club Tyrone Member, then we'd like you to think seriously about joining us.



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# Not Just Buying Into the Feeling...



Tyrone GAA is special. It involves special people. It works in a special way. It holds special values. It delivers special results. Above all it provides special opportunities to be part of something really worthwhile. Not everybody in life gets that chance, though most people crave it.

Bí linn is cuidigh linn. Come and join us... do your bit. Garvaghey Patrons commit to donating £5,000, usually over five years, to make Ireland's best GAA concept a reality.

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

Cead Mile Pixels buyers do their own bit, from £5 upwards, to create a legacy that will help foster and cherish Tyrone GAA.



# Creating the Feeling

#### **Standing Order**

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#### Inspiration & Motivation

I wish to enrol as a Garvaghey Patron and enclose a completed Standing Order instruction.

I've been considering this for over a year but never quite got round to doing anything about it. However, the magnificent response from the GAA community, particularly our own in Tyrone, following Michaela's death has reminded me of the importance of our GAA.

I can't ease the suffering of the Harte and McAreavey families but I can make this small contribution towards helping this great organisation in my native county.

> Yours sincerely A McC Belfast

As received from a new Garvaghey Patron, January 2011

