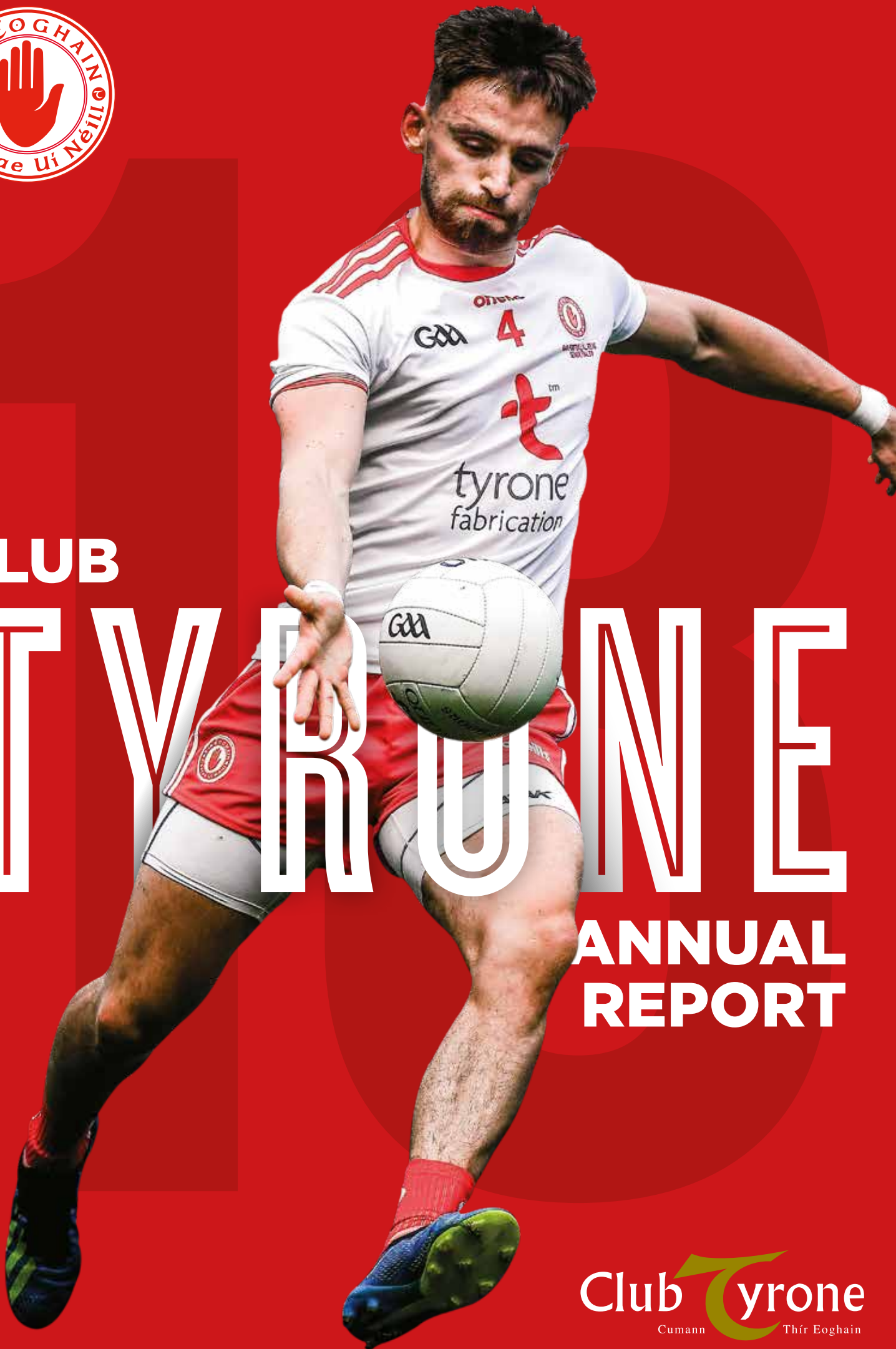




CLUB

# TYRONE

ANNUAL  
REPORT



Club  yrone  
Cumann Thír Eoghain



# STAND UP TO THE PLATE



# INTRODUCTION

## Chun Tús a Chur Le Cúrsaí

As we head towards the end of our first quarter-century, the Club Tyrone story remains positive, wholesome and inspirational.

Your 2018 contribution of £233,011 takes us past the £5.25m-mark in terms of what you've raised for Tyrone GAA since we took this road together back in the 1990s. Your money has in turn helped us lever in another £3.33m in grant aid. Without you, Tyrone and the GAA in it just wouldn't be where they are now.

That's your 'badge of honour'. And it's one you should wear strongly and proudly.

Past deeds are very important. But, as always, it's the future that tasks us. We still have a lot of work to do. We have a Garvaghey debt of £0.75m to clear. We have a '£1.60m turnover a year' County to sustain. We have a new Performance Hub to build at Garvaghey (which you'll hear more of in the coming months). We need to enter more fully into the digital age in terms of our communication and engagement with our people. And we need to address succession issues within Club Tyrone.

But in the mean-time this report is about the 'the goodness that was 2018'.

Thank you for making that all happen and for having the selflessness to 'stand up to the Tyrone Gaelic plate'. The Club Tyrone family remains a very special one. It's up to us all to cherish it. Never underestimate your role in that. We certainly don't. And we, and all of Tyrone, thank you for it.



Mairc Mac Conmidhe (Needs a signature)

Cathaoirleach

15 Mí na Nollag 2016

# BADGE OF HONOUR

# WHAT, WHY, HOW, WHEN, WHERE, WHO?

**Cad é, Cad chuige, Cén chaoi,  
Cathain, Cén áit, Cé**

## **Profit + passion for a purpose Brabús + paisean chuig cuspóir mhór**

- » We believe it's vital that people's lives include structure, focus, support and a clear sense of Who they are and Where they're from
- » We respond to those needs by celebrating, promoting and developing the games, language, history, heritage and culture of Gaelic Tyrone.
- » We progress that largely by raising money, which we place under the full control of the elected Tyrone GAA County Committee
- » We also organise/deliver events, seminars, talks and publications that will deepen our understanding of our place, our heritage and our Tyrone common bonds.
- » We do all this as willing volunteers, drawing no salaries and claiming no expenses, simply because we cherish our Tyrone heritages, people and communities
- » 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, with our financials audited as part of the Tyrone GAA audit process
- » We Report annually to our donors and welcome the involvement of and feedback from all



# IT'S ABOUT PUTTING IN, NOT TAKING OUT

Is é an t-ionchur, chan an tairbhe,  
a bhfuail luach air anseo

**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



# THE HEART OF THE MATTER

## Croí na Ceiste

**Tyrone GAA is not just about County teams trying to win games. Garvaghey is not just about pitches and a building. Club Tyrone is not just about raising money. We're all about much more than that.**



...from different ages, backgrounds and abilities and use Gaelic games and linked activities to help us...



Within a clear understanding of 'putting in' rather than 'taking out' and working to a shared bigger picture we jointly come together...



...become and remain proud and content about Who we are and Where we're from and...



...support and look out for each other, both individually and communally with the result that...



...all of us perform better in life, education and business, our quality of life improves, and Tyrone grows as a better place for everybody.



**There are few bigger prizes in life and few others deliver them better for Tyrone.**



# CLUB TYRONE AT WORK

## Ag Obair



» Oversaw and managed a net cash contribution of **£233,011 to Tyrone GAA**

» Organized a Club Tyrone Golf Classic in the Lough Erne Golf Resort on 22 June

» Secured a 'gift aid' tax repayment of **£15,574** from HMRC

» Produced business cases for the planned Garvaghey Performance Hub and Healy Park developments



» Hosted, at Garvaghey, a St Brigid's Cross-Making workshop (31 January, 35 people), a talk on Gaelic Sunday (4 August, 90 people) and a celebration of Tyrone's 1968 All-Ireland Junior Champions (29 September, 120 people)

» Produced and circulated to every school in Tyrone **20,000** copies of the Red Hand Fanzine for our 'six-to-sixteen-year-old' population

» Contributed to Tyrone GAA's Red Hand View match programmes

» Hosted the Annual Club Tyrone Members' Night in May, attended by over 200 Patrons, Members and friends: also hosted a pre-All-Ireland Final chat-night at Garvaghey on 29 August attracting **150 people**

### Met formally as a Committee **13 times**

» Reported monthly to the Tyrone County Committee and to the County Convention

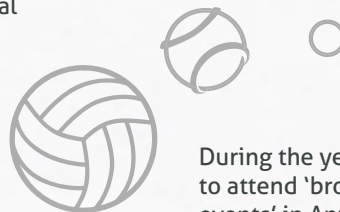
» Developed the 'Many Hands, One County' digital community involvement initiative in the lead-up to the All-Ireland Final, followed by a hosting of our 'Club Tyrone Diaspora' in the Croke Park Hotel on the eve of the All-Ireland Final

» Published the 2017 Club Tyrone Annual Report and circulated it to Members, Patrons and others



» Held our now-annual 'Meet the Players' event after the Kerry Allianz League game in March involving some

**3000 children and young people**



During the year we were delighted to attend 'brother/sister County GAA events' in Antrim (Saffron Business Forum), Derry (1993 All-Ireland celebration) and Down (1968 All-Ireland celebration), whilst also liaising with Gaelic colleagues in Armagh, Clare, Donegal, Fermanagh, Roscommon, Tipperary and Wexford.

» Hosted workshops on County Fundraising and on developing Tyrone GAA's social media presence (June/July 2018)

Ar scath a cheile a mhaireann na daoine  
**People live in one another's shelter**

# CLUB TYRONE ... BEYOND THE BUSHES

## Cumann Thír Eoghain ... Thall ó na Toim

Like most of rural Ireland 'the habit of going away' is well-ingrained in Tyrone. For many of our people work, life and family have always been far from home. But the Tyrone common bond persists and nothing else energizes it like the GAA.

In Club Tyrone we intend to play our part in that vital connectivity.

During 2018 we built on our links with our Club Tyrone London and New York 'hubs'. Our New York team hosted another wonderful Golf Classic at the marvellous Hudson National whilst our London team hope to follow suit in the spring. In July last we brought life to our ambition of building a two-way relationship with our diaspora by delivering a very well-received week's coaching in New York for young people there.

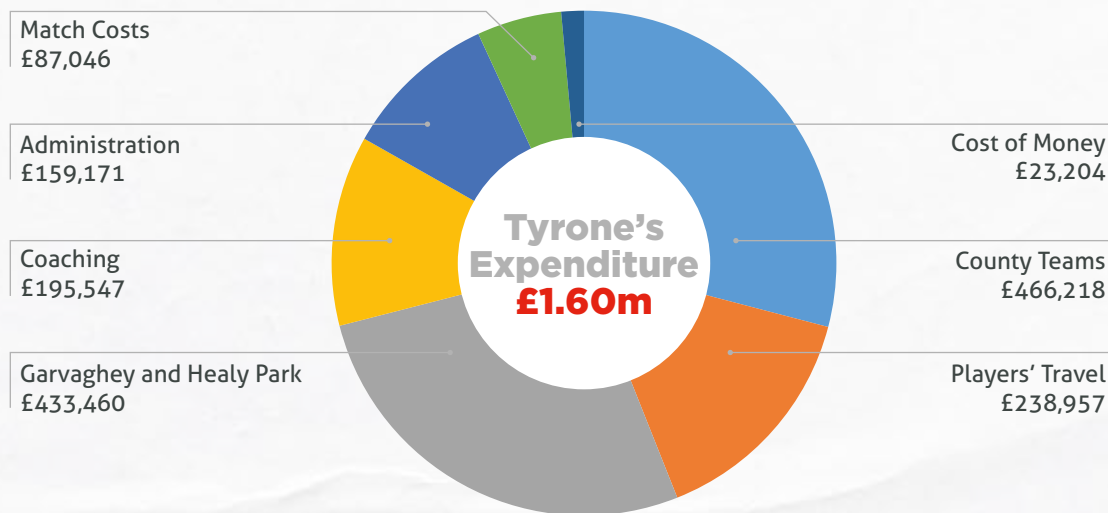
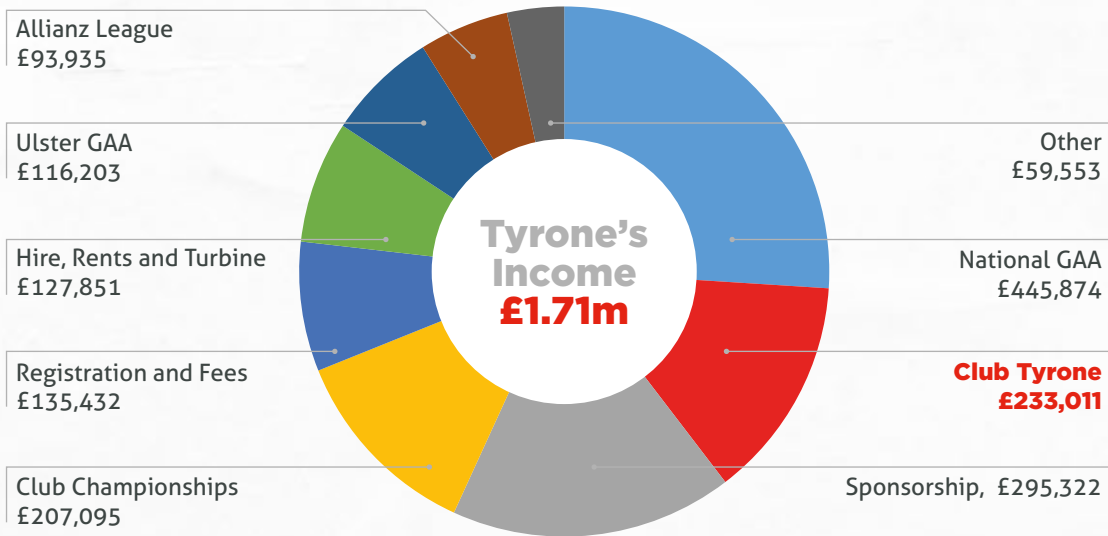






# WE LIKE NUMBER-CRUNCHING

## Is Maith Linn Brúscadh Uimhreacha



Yet again Tyrone has managed its finances well and has posted a surplus (£110,673) after another year's intensive work. During the year our borrowings for Garvaghey were 'fixed into' sterling (removing the

complications of sterling fluctuations) and have now been reduced to £749,643. We remain on target to clear that debt over the next five years. But that depends on us all playing our parts!

**Le cheile ar son Thír Eoghain ... Together for Tyrone.**

# MAKING A DIFFERENCE

## Difríocht a Dhéanamh

Public benefit has always driven both the GAA and Club Tyrone. Club Tyrone created significant public benefit in 2018 by supporting Tyrone GAA to:

- » Provide and manage Gaelic sporting, cultural and heritage activities for  
**55 GAA Clubs, 550 teams and 11,500 adult and 8,200 youth participants across Tyrone**
- » Deliver coaching in Clubs and Schools across Tyrone and through  
**50 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, and which this year attracted a gross attendance of well over  
**250,000 people across Ireland**
- » Resource Acadamh Thír Eoghain, which continues to energise the sporting and personal development of  
**200 of our young people**
- » Manage and maintain the Garvaghey Centre, our multi-layered facility which delivered Gaelic sporting and cultural activity for over  
**52,000 people this year**
- » Deliver a range of initiatives to support and develop individual and community health and well-being
- » Build pride and contentment in self, in community and in place for everyone living in Tyrone and help us all to better understand and appreciate our people, history, culture and heritage

**BUILD  
PRIDE**



Legacy has always been at the heart of what Tyrone GAA, Club Tyrone and Garvaghey have been about.

But without being morbid, have you ever thought of leaving a personal legacy to Tyrone GAA? It's a great way of helping pass on Tyrone and the GAA in it to those who come after us. Think about it. And maybe act on it.

# OIDHREACHT LEGACY

**“Something that’s cherished which is passed on to someone who’s cherished”**

# THE WORK GOES ON





# TYRONE'S PERFORMANCE HUB

## Mol Gníomhaíochta Thír Eoghain

**We've always preached that 'The work goes on, The cause endures.'**

Since it opened in 2013 our Garvaghey center has thoroughly flourished and prospered, doing all we'd planned it to do and much, much more. Over 50,000 people a year use it. That's a thousand people a week, including County teams, Clubs, Schools and individuals. But we're now going to make things even better there.

When we first planned Garvaghey, we didn't 'do' strength and conditioning, nor had we as strong a community or individual interest in health and well-being. So Garvaghey doesn't include an indoor training/performance space. This results in gaps in preparing Tyrone's Inter-County GAA squads. It limits our Club and School users to 'on-the-grass' work. And it denies the 5,000+ people pa using Garvaghey's external walkways and 'green gym' stations any indoor provision, even for 'warm-up/warm-down' before and after their walking/jogging/running. Those are the things we're now going to address.

To shape our response, we spoke with our County Managers, coaches, GAA Clubs, local community groups and others. And we looked at several facilities elsewhere.

**Preparing the team, watching the team you help us prepare our Tyrone teams and in return we'll help you watch them**  
ullmhú na foirne, ag amharc ar an fhoireann

Out of all that we scoped our Garvaghey Performance Hub, a 28m x 12m building containing:

- » 'Best-in-class' multi-use strength and conditioning work stations
- A sprinting/testing track
- » Multi-use spaces, including audio-visual facilities
- » A nutrition station, rest/relaxation area, locker area and accessible toilet

Very importantly, it has been designed flexibly, so that over time, as demands and needs change, we will be able to apply it to different uses.

Our Hub will cost the best part of £0.50m. Whilst we will get some GAA and other support it will, again, be the Gaels of Tyrone who will largely fund this asset for our County. We're going to roll out a 'Hub Heroes' funding model, based largely on the inspirational Garvaghey Patron and Dragain Thír Eoghain schemes which have produced over £1.80m for investment in Tyrone GAA. This time round though we'll include a 'Tyrone ticket package' in our offer. But that detail is for later. And you'll hear it all as we get in touch.

**Long life, Loose fit, Low energy the classic architectural principles which underpin the design of our Hub**  
Buanseasmhach, scaoilte, ísealfhuinneamh



# OUR PEOPLE

## Ár Daoine



Honoured and delighted to work at helping take Club Tyrone forward in 2018 were:

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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), Fehin Quinn (Killyclogher) and Jimmy Treacy (Carrickmore) as well as from the Tyrone County Committee, its officers and its other Sub-Committees.

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Dragon Thír Eoghain (£1,000 per year)

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Cumann Thír Eoghain

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**“Ná breithnigh ar gach lá de réir an fómhar a bhaineann tú, ach de réir na síolta a chuireann tú san fhód.”**

**“Don’t judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant.”**



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