

Roscommon Gaels Underage Team Reports Year 2015

U8 Camogie Report 2015

We commenced training indoors in mid January in the Convent gym on Fridays for one hour 6-7pm with the U8s. The numbers were small and we made several visits to local schools to recruit players but to no avail. We moved out doors in mid March and trained for one hour on Friday evenings at the same time as the U10 and U12 camogie panels.

We eventually had a total of 24 players who consistently attended training and blitzes. We played in 5 blitzes, one per month in May until Sept. We hosted the May blitz in Lisnamult, which was one of the best attended of the year. We finished our year with an internal mini blitz among our U8s and the All Ireland Minor camogie cup was brought to the blitz by Ros Gaels players Étain Hession (Co Minor Camogie Captain) and Colleen Kelly. The girls got a chance to take photos and please God in 10 year's time some of our U8s will be bringing the cup back to our club again.

The 2015 Ros Gaels u8 Camogie Panel

Grace Campbell	Ava Connaughton	Elia Cormican	Lauren Fallon
Lauren Giblin	Mia Hennigan	Síofra Hession	Jessica Mc Sharry
Ava Naughten	Emily O Gara	Holly King	Ella Bailey
Clara King	Roirí Gately	Aoife Ní Chonnailí	Lucy Hone
Orla Kilcline	Etain Fallon	Sarah Larkin	Grace McDermott
Melissa Parker	Grace Gannon	Maeve Burton	Molly Tully

Mentors Jason Connaughton, Bridget Giblin, Teresa Hession

Assisted by Lizzie Glennon (Parent), Rachel Corcoran (TY), Roisin Coyle (TY), Jade Grehan (TY)

U10 Camogie Report 2015

Mentors

Una Ni Chuinn

Imelda Quinn

Sinead Killeen

U10 Camogie started at the beginning of January 2014 when over 30 girls attended the indoor camogie sessions in the Convent Gym. The indoor training continued until March and then training moved outdoors to our pitch in Lisnamult. Training continued every week from January 2014 through to October 2014 and we had various numbers of attendees at training sessions. The panel consisted of 26 girls.

The U10 camogie girls were scheduled to take part in 5 blitz.

- ◆ Four blitz took place in, Oran, Knockgrochrey, Lisnamult and Athleague.
- ◆ Dominicks U10 girls came in to play the Ros gael's U10 girls for three consecutive Friday's in August also.
- ◆ The U10 Gaels Camogie team also participated in a half time game at the County Hurling final in October.

The girls were disappointed with the few games they had compared to the amount of time they put in training. This will have to be rectified in the future.

The mentors organised a trip to Croke Park for the All Ireland Camogie Final in Sept to support the Roscommon County Camogie Girls. Over 40 came along that day. This was a great day out.

The U10 Camogie girls were a pleasure to work with and we looked forward to meeting them every Friday. Moving forward we have about 26 girls who have had a great grounding in Camogie and we look forward to them joining the Gaels again for the 2015 season.

U12 Camogie Report 2015

Indoor Camogie training started for under 12 on 13th February in the convent gym, with an attendance of 35 girls under the watchful eyes of Paula Connaughton, Bernie Mulry, Mary Mc Neill, Tom O Farrell and were later joined by Stephen Lohan. We moved outdoors after Easter training every Friday evening and on Tuesdays during the Summer months.

Our First Day out was on the 10th May when we participated in Caman To Connaught in Pearse Stadium on a very wet cold windy day. We had two teams on the day and a great day was had by all. This was followed by a very busy six weeks of blitz games travelling around the county and also hosting on the 6th June. We had great attendance at all these games with two teams participating and some great Camogie skills been displayed and huge improvements been noted at all games by the mentors.

The 8th of July was a very special day for the under 12 Camogie girls of Roscommon Gaels when they travelled to Croke Park after been selected to participate in Caman to Croker where they played teams from Clare, Cork, and Down. This was a fun day where they got to meet girls from all over the country, experience running on to the pitch, photographs and of course stopping off at Supermacs in Maynooth on the way home. A big thanks to all involved in making this day possible and to the TY girls who helped with supervision and Orla Dillon (TY student) who was our travelling referee on the day. Thanks to the club for their support on the day.

Our League campaign commenced on the 11th July where we again fielded two teams for this competition , Hawks and Eagles. This was very well organised by fixtures co-ordinator John Haughey. However it did prove difficult for us in August to field the two teams due to girls away on holidays but we succeeded with a struggle, reaching the C and D county finals, again hosted by the Gaels in Lisnamult on 5th September and both teams were victorious on the day and were presented with their county medals in November at family night in the Hyde.

Overall Roscommon Gaels under 12 Camogie were a very busy bunch of girls. They showed dedication, commitment and pride in their jersey at all times and their skills have improved from strength to strength. A huge thank you to them, their parents, our mentors and management and the Roscommon Gaels family for giving them the opportunity to play such a wonderful game. We look forward to working with them all in 2016 and building on our successes. Happy new year to all.

Mary McNeill and Mentors.

U14 Camogie Report 2015

U14 camogie training began in mid-January and continued twice a week until the end of June. We had a panel of 28 fantastic girls who played competitively in every match. We competed strongly in the Féile championship beating Four Roads, St Dominics, Tulsk, Athleague, Oran and Pearses in the rounds. We wound up in the county Féile semi final against St Dominics but alas victory was not to be ours on that day. We reached the League county final against Pearses but once again were out of luck. We are grateful to the girls who all gave a huge commitment to camogie in 2015. Ella Killion won the county U14 Féile camogie skills competition and went on to represent club and county at the All-Ireland U14 camogie skills competition.

RosGaels were represented on the Roscommon U14 county team by 8 players as follows: Ella Killion, Mia Fallon, Amy McNeill, Riese Donlon, Ava Giblin, Emily Horan, Katie Johnson and Isabelle Cullen. These girls paraded in Croke Park on All-Ireland camogie finals day.

Riese Donlon also had the honour of representing one of our feeder schools, Gaelscoil de hÍde, on All-Ireland hurling final day by playing on the day in the Cumann na mBunscoil mini-games.

U16 Camogie Report 2015

U16 camogie training began in July with a panel of 26 girls. We competed in the annual Connaught U16 blitz in Ballyhaunis. We competed well in all games and reached the county U16 'B' final which we won and were awarded the county U16 shield. The girls were presented with their winners medals at the club family night on November.

Minor Camogie Report 2015

The minors were playing with the Juniors or the U16s for the summer. We had had a very short playing season as we played our three group matches in the space of a month late July and early August - v Tulsk (home and won) and home to Athleague (home and Lost) and Pearses (home and lost). These results meant that Tulsk, Pearses and Gaels were all on the same points and had to play off to get the runner up position in the group for the semi final spot v Oran. We played Pearses in Woodmount and lost by the narrowest of margins one point. That ended the year for the minor girls and we were disappointed that we did not qualify for the semi final.

Ros Gaels Minor Players 2015

Etain Hession	Colleen Kelly	Rachel Corcoran	Amy Dolan
Swetha Ganesh	Jessica Mc Dermott	Erica Neilan	Caoimhe Shanagher
Aoife Tully	Fiona Tully	Emer O'Rourke	Niamh Madden
Lisa Mullen	Aífe Feeley	Roisín McCaffery	Niamh McCourt
Aine O'Connor			

U8 Boys Football 2015

Training

The year commenced on Tuesday March 24th with an indoor 'ABC' session in the Hyde Centre. This session was facilitated by one of the county coaching officers, Peter Carney. We had another 4 of these sessions in the convent gym over the following 4 Saturdays. These indoor sessions worked on the areas of agility, co-ordination and balance which are seen as very important early learning blocks for kids of this age. The sessions were very well attended, with approx. 45-55 kids and on average 6-8 coaches.

We moved outside to Lisnamult on Saturday April 25th from 10-11am each morning. All sessions started promptly at 10 as drills were already set up with coaches arriving 15 - 20 mins earlier to facilitate this. We worked off a registered list of approx. 64 lads aged between 5 & 8 (approx. breakdown; 20 8yr olds, 25 7yr olds, 16 6yr olds & 3 5yr olds). The average turnout each Saturday was about 40 lads).

We split each session into two / three groups of the older and younger lads. Each session concentrated on 3 key skills followed by a game for approx. 25 mins. We concentrated an increased emphasis on game time this year, basing it on the idea of small sided games i.e. games that were no more than 6 / 7 a side and played on a small area. The aim of small sided games is to ensure that all kids playing get as much time as possible on the ball to put the skills learned in drills into practice. We also restricted 'plays' during these games to encourage the notion of team work but also to encourage the development of some of the weaker players. Any lads that were seen to be struggling with certain skills on occasion were given some extra coaching and encouragement/ praise. Any areas of weakness noted during blitzes were worked on with the appropriate drill at the next training session.

Games

We attended 7 blitz days during the year including the county blitz in the Connaught GAA centre, one hosted by ourselves in Lisnamult and also the St.Dominics tournament at the end of September. We also travelled to play a game against Garrycastle in Athlone. We usually had 3 teams playing at each of these days ensuring that all the lads each had game time. In situations where we had subs we ran subs in and out every 2 mins. We restricted playing in the blitz games to the 7 & 8 year olds. To compensate for that we arranged 4 U6 games against Oran during the summer and on the Saturdays that the 7 & 8 year olds had a blitz we had training for the 6 year olds on the Friday evening. Performance wise we were very strong at all the blitzes which bodes well for the future.

We finished the year off on Oct 2nd when we played The Bernie Hoare Tournament which involved four teams from our own lads and was played under lights in Lisnamult.

In total we had 34 outings between training and games. We took one Saturday off during the year to give all involved a break. Details of each training session was communicated to parents each Wednesday / Thursday by text (or earlier in the week if trying to confirm numbers for blitz attendance).

We had a very dedicated group of coaches involved and a big thank you must go to the following; Jason Hoare, Joe Biesty, Derek Dolan, Gary Dunne, Gareth Carroll, Declan Hussey, Marty Rodgers, Mick Byrne, Gerry Donoghue & Francie Hoare.

It is vital at this age group where there are large numbers involved that one can try and get 3 or 4 new faces involved each year to ensure some continuity for the following year.

U10 Boys Football 2015

- ◆ 19th February 2015 – 1st Training session for the U 10's – continued indoors for 6 weeks
- ◆ 26 Kids involved
- ◆ Organised our own U 10 Tournament which consisted of 6 teams – Ourselves, Clonguish, St Mary's, Tubberclair, Pearses & Ballinasole. We had 2 teams – 9 yr old's & 10 yr old's
- ◆ Fixtures were made & it was up to each home team to give me the results.
- ◆ All our games were very competitive but neither team made the finals
- ◆ Clonguish won the U 10 final in Lisnamult & Tubberclair won the U 9 Final also in Lisnamult. Finish on 12th September
- ◆ We got great pleasure from playing teams outside of our county & it really benefited our young stars.
- ◆ If we didn't play games we trained Saturday Mornings & during the summer Thursday evenings
- ◆ 30th April – As part of the County Roscommon football open training session – we were asked to play in a mini tournament beforehand. We played both St Dominics & Clan. The clan game was a super game of football & our lads played extremely well – probably the best performance of the year
- ◆ We played further challenges throughout the year – Kilbride are always competitive against us in 1 of these games & we just about shaded both games
- ◆ Also throughout the year we played county blitz's in Ballyforan, St Faithleachs, Kilbride, Lisnamult & Clan Na Gael
- ◆ A County Blitz was organised in early Sept in Began where we played Western Gaels, Michael Glavey's and Eire Og
- ◆ We finished up in late September – a really enjoyable year had by all

U12 Boy Football 2015

The management team consisted of Paul Hoare, Ross Shannon, John Donnellan & Mickey Dowd.

- **Training:** Training started on the 26th February and finished at the end of October with an internal tournament for the Jackie Brennan trophy. Training consisted of two sessions a week, Thursdays & Sundays with matches slotted in accordingly.
- **Matches :** We competed in Division 1 Spring & Summer leagues in Roscommon against Clann Na nGael, Pdraig Pearses, St Brigids, Boyle, Strokestown, St Dominics & St Ciarans. Our Division 1 team reached the summer league quarter final losing narrowly to Boyle. Our 2nd team played in Division 5 Spring & Summer leagues where they played St Ciarans, Kilmore, St Dominics, St Croans. We were defeated by St Croan's in the summer league final. We also took part in the Ballinasloe u12 tournament in April, May & June where we played Ballinasloe, Athlone, Clann Na nGael, Moate, Loughrea, Tubberclair in an u11 & u12 tournament. All in all the lads got loads of football with a total of 20 games played. We were very competitive against all teams.
- **Conclusion :** We had 27 boys registered in total with the majority turning up for training. The skill level of the boys improved greatly throughout the year. We should continue to take part in the Ballinasloe tournament with two teams as well as entering two teams in the Roscommon Spring & Summer leagues.

U14 Boys Football 2015

Roscommon Gaels fielded two under 14 football grades in 2015, playing in divisions 1 and 4 in the league and championship respectively.

U-14 League Division2:

The under 14 Division 2 league was a competitive division and after a promising start with a win over Pdraig Pearses, Roscommon Gaels suffered losses to Tulsk, Strokestown, Western Gaels and St.Ciarans. This left the team with the task of defeating Kilmore / Shannon Gaels to ensure Division 2 status. The team put in a strong performance to easily defeat Kilmore in our final league match but left us with much to improve on for the Championship phase of the competition.

U-14 Championship Division 2:

After some hard work at training and greater application by the team, Roscommon Gaels had much greater success in the Championship phase. A narrow defeat to Western Gaels was followed by a fantastic win over Tulsk, and further wins over St. Ciarans, Pdraig Pearses and Eire Og qualified us for a semi-final place. A defeat to Castlerea in the final game was disappointing but did not affect our semi-final placing.

In the Championship semi-final we faced Tulsk in Oran and in a miserable game, we emerged victorious with two late goals.

In the Division 2 Final we faced Western Gaels and unfortunately, after another gallant fight back, we just fell short by 4 points. This was a huge disappointment for the players and many supporters who attended the final however the group should be very proud of this achievement and drive on for further success in the future.

At the beginning of the year we set a target of reaching the semi-final stages of the league and championship. We met that target in the Championship and it was a credit to the panel of players who showed great determination to be there on final day. Some of these players have improved immensely from last year and will no doubt continue to improve and will win championships in the not too distant future.

U-14 League Division 4:

The under 14 Division 4 league was an opportunity to have all players involved participate and compete throughout the year and many of our younger players gained huge benefit from taking part in this competition. We began the competition with a great win over Boyle in which the team played excellently throughout. We then suffered defeats to Clan na Gael, St. Croans and St. Brigits. We again lost narrowly to Michael Glaveys and we finished the league campaign with a win over St. Dominics. It was great for such a young group to register 2 wins in the league.

U-14 Championship Division 4:

The under 14 Division 4 championship was highly competitive and some strong very performances were put in from Roscommon Gaels. Defeats to Boyle (a much changed Boyle team in which the eligibility of many players was questionable), Clann na Gael, St. Croans and St. Brigits did not provide a great start even though our performances were very good. The St. Brigits game was a fantastic match which showed how well the team were capable of playing with the Gaels only going down narrowly to a physically stronger team at the end. We finished the campaign with a win over Elphin which again was a just reward for the efforts made.

With a lower number of teams taking part compared to the league competition, every game was a significant challenge for the Gaels but participation in this competition ensured regular football throughout the summer for all players involved. This group of players showed tremendous fight and skill levels and played with huge enthusiasm all year long.

Féile na nÓg 2015:

Roscommon Gaels entered the Feile competition and it was a great opportunity to have some of the under 12 players partake with the under 14 squad. We had a great win over Castlerea but unfortunately went down to St. Ciarans in the next round – thanks to all the players, especially the under 12s and their coaches for their support in this competition.

The commitment shown by the Division 1 and Div 4 panel (often with limited numbers available), was outstanding throughout the year. Attendance at training and games remained at a consistently high level and sincere thanks to the players, mentors and parents for their support throughout 2015, in particular John Walker and Leo McGuinness. Thanks also to the very supportive minor board for their consistent support.

As in 2015, consideration should be given to the most appropriate Divisions for our teams to participate in as a division in which we can be consistently competitive would benefit all players involved.

U16 Boys Football 2015

The U16 panel consisted of 20 players, playing in Div.1. The league results were disappointing but there were some good performances with a narrow defeat to Oran and a good 1st half performance vs Clann. We lost to Brigids, were forced to give a bye to Tulsk and we received a bye vs Kilmore.

Kieran Kilcline came on board as coach/trainer for the c/ship which proved to be a great move, as Kieran brought a new improved level of training to these U16 lads.

We started the c/ship with an excellent win away to Tulsk (after being down 7 points at half time). We then drew with Oran in a hard fought match. This was followed by a very narrow defeat to Clann with an excellent performance from the lads. A defeat to Strokestown left us with a must-win game away to Brigids. With 14 U16s players & 1 U14 player we played Brigids and held them to 1 point at half time in a very good game of football. We ran out steam in the 2nd half and Brigids ran out decisive winners.

Thanks to Kieran Kilcline, James Gleeson, John McNamara, Anthony McCormack, Hugh Murphy & Cahal Mahon

Minor Football 2015

The season commenced with training in January without a management team in place.

The start of the season clashed with the successful run of the CSB Senior team who reached the All-Ireland schools final. This coupled with a small panel led to small numbers training, and not having all our players available for matches.

The team played division 2 of the league and had a number of close games however wins were hard come by. The team ended up in a relegation playoff with Elphin and following a closely fought match ended up maintaining Div 2 status after extra time.

The Championship proved to be a similar story to the league with the team competing well but unable to win any match. Again poor training numbers, with the team dependant on under-16 players, made it difficult for this group to make progress. The final championship match saw 12 under 16 players take the field and while this auger well for this group in the future there was a distinct under performance by the minors this year.

This is a key player level within the club and more commitment is required from the senior club to support the development of these players.

Thanks to Anthony McCormack, John Walker and Michael Sweeney for the work put into this group during the year.

U8 Hurling 2015

Training commenced in February, indoor in the convent gym .Sessions were held once a week and nos averaged about 30/40 .Training moved outdoors in March and we trained every monday @6pm for 1 hour .Again nos averaged between 25/30. Coiste Iomana organised 5 blitzes during the season culminating with the county blitz in Padraig Pearses Gaa Grounds , Woodmount on 5th September.Roscommon Gaels participated in all blitzes with nos averaging 20/25. Friendly games were also played against Athleague/Tremane, Oran,Four Roads and Southern Gaels. The culmination of our season was a final training session held under lights and attended by some of our All Ireland winning Nicky Rackard senior county players including our own Cillian Egan. Afterwards there was a small presentation to all players , pictures taken with the cup and senior players . Huge thanks to Ronan O Meara, Peter Kelleghan and Cillian Egan. Thanks to my fellow coaches Fergal Cormican , Shane Nerney, Tommy Mulry , Mike Heneghan, Michael King for their help during the year. Sean Mulry

U12 Hurling 2015

The U12 hurling panels commenced training in the gym in mid February and did three sessions indoors. We moved outdoors in early March and played in the Suck Valley League in March and April. We played Mountbellew/ Moylough (home & lost), Kiltormer (away and won), Athleague/Tremane (home & won) and Ballinasloe (away & lost). We also had challenge matches v Athlone (home and away) and Longford Slashers. These were all great games to get ready for the county competition.

We had a fabulous trip to Croke Park on 31/3/15 when the lads got to play three matches in our premier stadium, had a tour of the grounds and time in the museum. It was a wonderful experience for all the players, their mentors and the few parents that accompanied us that day. It was a magnificent opportunity to play hurling with your club and your friends in Croke Park and it will last long in the memory of all who were there that day.

We played in the U12 league which started in early July and went onto to 18th of September. We played and beat Oran, Dominics, Carrick on Shannon, Athleague/Tremane and Four Roads in the round matches and lost only to Pearses by 2points. This saw us into the semi- final which was a tense and tight battle but we ended up victors which saw us up against Pearses again in the final. This was a great and skilful match which was right in the balance until about 6 mins from the end Pearses broke from midfield and scored a goal which had us chasing the game until the end. We put up a great fight to the end but lost on the night in a great game of hurling.

The lads played a lot of hurling this year. The main competition runs through the summer so we never had our full panel except for one match and the semifinal and final. The only down side for the lads was that there was a big congestion of matches at the end of the year and they ended up playing too many matches very close together and they were very tired at the end of the season especially around semi final and final time. They were an outstanding bunch of lads to train who were extremely dedicated and willing to listen and learn. Thanks to their parents who were a great support to them all year and thanks to McNulty's Furniture who sponsored the u12 hurlers and footballers training tops which are worn with pride by all.

U12 Hurling Panel 2015

Shannon Aaron (Joint Capt)	Hoare Fionn (Joint Capt)	Dowd Rodhan
Fleming Jack	O'Reilly Ethan	Hession DJ
Conlon Ryan	Killion Finn	Dolan Conor
Gregory Luke	Kevin Connaughton	Halliday Philip
Connolly James	Lambe Senan	O'Gara Jack
Johnson Ben	Looby Aodhán	Hughes Daire
O'Mara Peter	Shanagher Mark	Feeley Cormac
Donnellan Jack		

Mentors Teresa Hession, Pat Clancy, Tom Killion, Padraig Conlon

U14 Hurling 2015

The U14 hurling and football panels commenced strength and conditioning training in the gym early January under the guidance of Noelie Penny in preparation for the Feile competition in late February. We moved outside three weeks before Feile began.

We played Easkey away and Carrick on Shannon at home in the Suck Valley League which were good warm up games.

Feile kicked off in late February and we played Padraig Pearses (home & won), Athleague/Tremane (away & won), Dominics (away & lost), Four Roads (home & lost) and Oran (away & won). This saw us into the feile semi final v St. Dominics and despite an excellent second half performance we lost to them. Our skill level was excellent but our physical size seemed to go against us.

We were then out in the U14 league in May which did not end until late Sept. We played Dominics at home and a very under-strength team lost narrowly to the Doms and we beat Athleague / Tremane to see us into the league semi final v Pearses. This was played in late Sept and it was a titanic and very, very physical battle to the final whistle which we lost by two points.

We also participated in the Connacht regional Club hurling Feile in Ballyhaunis in June and had two wins and one loss v clubs from Mayo and Galway.

We also had a club skills competition which saw Richard King, Aodha Hession and Dylan Hanly win to go and represent the club in the county skills final. Richard King won this final and went onto represent Roscommon in the national finals in Laois in June.

Our year finished in September with no silverware but very good performances on the field. This was a very skilful and dedicated panel with 50% of the panel U14 and 50% U13s who put in a good year's work and we were very disappointed not to make Feile this year. Thanks to Dermot Hughes Toyoto Garage for sponsoring the U14 hurling and football panels with a set of jerseys in 2015.

U14 Hurling Panel 2014:

Conlon Dean	Matthew McGarry Glancy	Kevin Glynn
Connaughton Oisin	Corcoran Michael	Coyle Ciaran
Doyle Leigh	Farrell Oisin	Erik Horvath
Farrell Tom	Feely Diarmuid	Kiernan Eoin
Hanily Coman	Hanly Dylan	Hession Aodha
Hoare Orin	King Richard	Ronan Lambe
Mooney James	O'Doherty Eric	Tully Sean
Walker Simon	Harry Mahon	Louis McCaffery
Keelan Mullarkey	Mark Purcell	DJ Hession

Coaches: Pat Clancy, Teresa Hession and John Walker.

U16 Hurling 2015

Unable to field a team in 2015.

Minor Hurling 2015

Unable to field a team in 2015.

U8/10 Girls Football 2015

Our U8/10 girls started training in April. The team of coaches Ann Hanly, Amy Dolan, Genevieve Harlow, Chloe Johnson. Both teams participated in the Brideswell pattern football tournament. A great day had by all with medals presented to all participants. The Ladies County board set out a schedule placing us in the Mid South group. We played our games every Wednesday from June through to September. Games were ran on a home and away basis. There was a great enthusiasm for these games from both the Girls and their parents. Our last training we had a mini blitz among ourselves with both age groups mixed together. It was a great year for these age groups with plenty of opportunity for development through all the games. Also the girls mixed well with the other teams.

We rounded off a great year with a trip to the Ladies All Ireland Final in Croke Park.

U12 Girls Football 2015

The u12 ladies football season got up and running in April. From day one, attendance at training was excellent and numbers began to steadily increase week by week. Training sessions were well structured and took place on Wednesday evenings in the Hyde. Serena was super in her professionalism, TY girls; Emily Dolan and Rachel Corcoran were always on hand to give assistance and Leo provided encouragement always. During the early stages of the competition, we faced formidable opponents; St Brigids, Clann na nGael, St Barry's, Kilbride and St Dominics. These were challenging games, however the objective was to give each child a chance to play and to be given optimum game time. We feel that we achieved this goal. Despite the fact that we were not victorious on these outings, we managed to qualify for the Division 2B County Semi Final, which we won. Consequently a county final awaited in June where we played Shannon Gaels in Ballyleague. This was a super contest with both sides equally matched ; a game not for the faint hearted !! The sides were level at full time so extra time awaited. The game ended all square so a replay a week later was the result. This was another great game where each girl showed heart, determination, commitment and pride in her jersey. It resulted with Roscommon Gaels emerging victorious on what was a memorable evening for the girls. An exceptional amount of parents showed out in support and the girls were treated in Magnums that evening - thank you to the club for this. It was a thoroughly enjoyable season and being county champions was the icing on the cake! The girls were always committed and we rarely had less than 20-30 children at training. Thanks to Ann and Karen for their support, Liam who helped over the summer, Elaine Daly who co-ordinated fixtures. Six of our girls participated in a county development panel - well done to them. Congratulations to all the u12 ladies on their season ; they should all be very proud of their efforts. The future of the club is bright with these young ladies.

U14 Girls Football 2015

The u14 girls started training at the end of March, they competed in Feile but lost the first round game. They trained once a week for the rest of the year. They played a no of challenge games, their league started in August. They won all their league games to qualify for the semi-final, which they won. They played Shannon Gaels in the final which they lost by two points after a great game. The girls were a pleasure to train .Their parents and the club can be very proud of them. Thanks to Chris and Karen for their help.
Regards Anthony

U16 & Minor Girls Football 2015

Our U16 ladies under the Management of Tommy Grehan Paul McNally and Ann Hanly started training early in January with their competition starting in March. The girls played 5 games to reach Semi final v Castlerea. Then the final which they won was played in St. Barry's V Strokestown. Well done to all and thank you to the management.

Our minor and senior panels struggled this year due to emigration and girls abroad in colleges. We hope that this year we will be able to field as many have retired and our panel will be very young.

On behalf of the Roscommon Gaels Ladies Gaelic teams I would like to thank Phillip Mullen for his patience and help with pitches.

To Mick Flave for having the Hyde open for us.

To Shane Hoare for all his help Thank you.

And to Harry Hoare for all your assistance and gear when needed.

To all management teams a big Thank you and hopefully you will all be back in action in 2016.

Ann Hanly