

CLONDALKIN RFC AGM

HELD ON 23RD MAY 2018

CLUBHOUSE, GORDON PARK, KINGSWOOD, CLONDALKIN

Meeting

Presented by: Chris McGlin, President; Gerry Gilligan Chairman; Brian White Hon. Secretary;

Members

Signed in:

Brian White; Ciaran Collins; Tom Duffy; Terry Woodhead; Leigh Beresford; Eoghan Farrell; James Farrell; Kevin Laide; Chris McGlin; Kevin Cullen; Kieran Phelan; Eoin Maher; Eugene Noble; Alan Bracken; Michael Deveraux; Ronnie McCann; Eamon Stapleton; Dave McNamara; Frank Lynam; Winston Jebb; Sandra Healy; Lorraine McDonnell; Louise Madge; Úna Maguire; Niall Nolan; John Allen Glynn; Darren Moore; Philip Burne; Kevin Dunphy; Karl Jebb; Gerry Geoghegan; Chris Jebb; Simon King; Michael Russell; Daragh Kelly; Thomas Ankers; Ciarán O'Connor; AnneMarie Whelan; Ailbhe O'Nolan; Nils Ludriks; Ian Murphy; Neil Finlay; Andrew Heutson; Donal Cooper; Sarah-Jane Masterson; Conor Steed; Jamie Kelly; Stephen McKenna; Gerry Gilligan; Ken McMahan; Gareth Steed.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Opening	The Chairman welcomed Niall Wrynn from the Leinster Branch who was invited to address the club at our AGM. Mr. Wrynn had been invited to speak at the President's Dinner but due to Leinster Rugby commitments was unable to attend. Mr. Wrynn expressed his happiness to be able to come to Clondalkin for our AGM. He paid compliments the CRFC and to our ongoing success on the pitch. He also paid especial tribute to Tom Duffy and Eugene Noble who are active on the Leinster Branch as well as thanking the club for the number of Branch referees we have. Mr. Wrynn ended by wishing Clondalkin every success for the coming year. The Chairman thanked Mr. Wrynn and commenced with the AGM.
Minutes of 2012	Minutes of 2017 AGM were proposed for adoption by Philip Byrne and seconded by Eugene Noble.
Chairman's Address.	Gerry Gilligan gave the chairman's address. He welcomed all attendees to what is a very important event in our year. Gerry acknowledged that it had been a tough year on the pitch but despite that there were still good signs of the club growing and was encouraged by the efforts Philip Byrne and his coaching team had put in and was confident that this would show dividends for the coming season. Gerry acknowledged the volume and strength of work and continuing improvement shown by the Women's team and under age teams and wished all well for the coming season. Gerry then went on to thank the committee for its support during the year and in particular the Club Treasurer Pat Cagney who was unwell at the time and unable to attend the meeting. Gerry mentioned a thanks to our club referees and asked for more ex players to become involved in refereeing as this is a major criteria for allocation of international match tickets.
Treas. Report	Due to the absence of Pat Cagney, Kevin Cullen presented the Club Annual Accounts. Kevin acknowledged the role played by Pat in doing all the day to day work as Club Treasurer and guardian of the club finances. Kevin and the Chairman mentioned that subs paid by senior players was down about 25% and that this would be looked into and a greater emphasis was needed to ensure that all players would pay their annual sub. It was mentioned that the club physio should not be available to non members, this was referred to the Football committee for implementation. There were no questions on the club accounts.

**Outgoing
President's
Address**

Chris McGlenn mentioned that it was great to see so many new people involved in the club and how good it was to see a greater spread of generations involved. Chris thanked Niall Wrynne for attending and thanked Winston for inviting him. Chris made a special thanks to the Chairman and the rest of the committee. Chris addressed the players and encouraged them from what had proved to be a particular challenging season. Chris mentioned that the Club was now in its 45th year and praised all members past and present who had played their part in our 45 year history. Chris mentioned the importance of the sub-committee structure and requested more members get involved in anyone of the sub-committees needed to run the club. He also paid particular thanks to Philly Byrne and Kevin Laide for their commitment to and work for the club. Chris finished up by wishing the incoming President every success in the coming year.

Motions: There were no motions before the meeting.

Nominations: The following positions were filled by nomination. Chair and Int. Tickets Sec. Gerry Gilligan; Hon. Treas. Pat Cagney; Hon. Sec. Brian White; President Elect; Úna Maguire; Leinster Liaison Officer; Frank Lynam; Football Rep. Ciaran Collins; Dev. Chair. Kieran Phelan; Fixtures Sec. Terry Woodhead; PRO Frank Purcell; Club Welfare Officer Gareth Steed;

AOB: Gareth Steed addressed the meeting and made a plea for more coaches at youth level. This was seen as a crucial part of the club that if done right would ensure more players graduated to senior playing level. He requested that in particular current or past players would give some of their time back to assisting.

The Chairman spoke about the demand for international tickets for the Autumn series and asked that those who wanted tickets to contact him as soon as possible.

P. Byrne sent Eoin Delaney's apologies as he was unable to attend. Philly said that to there was still a lot of work to be done to build on his first year, in particular with making connections with the youth sections. In this regard he mentioned, Mikey Russell who along with others was setting up a leadership group to assist with coaching and mentoring. He also mentioned the need for more players/ex-players to get involved in coaching and partake in the coaching courses. Philly submitted a progress report to the meeting which is appended.

The Chairman then introduced the incoming President, Ciaran Collins and wished him well for the coming year.

Incoming president congratulated Chris on his Presidency and said that it was great to see the club in such a good place from a structure and financial position. Ciaran said that he knew that the coming year would also show good improvement on the pitch. Ciaran said that he had two goals for the coming year; 1) to ensure that there was enough equipment, facilities and support for teams to do their best on the pitch – in this regard he reiterated that the club needed all subs paid and encouraged players to ensure that all paid up. 2) That he would assist and encourage everyone in the club to have a positive attitude in everything they do for the club and to give support to coaches – through optimism, commitment, passion and team work. Ciaran thanked the meeting and looked forward to working for the club in the coming year.

Signed: _____

Brian White,
Hon. Secretary,
Clondalkin R.F.C

Year 1 Progress Update -- Rugby Committee

Women

Playing numbers around 24-26. Coaching succession plan in place. Reached final of Flood Cup.

Seniors

1sts -relegated, 9 1st team debutants. (2016-17 had 3, 2015-16 had 4). QF Towns Cup. 2nd in Hosie Cup. 3 players were selected for Leinster Juniors – a club record. Won 5 of last 7 games.

2nds – Top 4 in the league. Quarter Finals of Towns Cup. 2nd in Lalor Cup.

3rds – 2nd in the league, losing by a point to AIB. 10 3rd team debutants. Used 60+ players. Semi-finalists of Towns Cup. 2nd in Speirs Cup.

Established a pathway for U-17/U-18 players, with 4 playing their first senior games in April.

Coaching team of all ex-CRFC players, which will learn from the experiences of the past season.

There are 41 players who are 25 or younger for next season, with 27 being under 21. 19 of the under-25s have played 1st team rugby. There must be sufficient investment in facilities and systems to ensure that development continues and accelerates.

Underage

Under 17/18s – Playing group of 15-18 players. 4 have made senior debuts. The rest have all attended senior training in the past season. Lost to Carlow in the QF of Towns Cup.

Under 14/15s – Playing group of 23-26 players. 2 players attended Leinster North Midlands training, with one making the panel. Played over 25 games this season. Won the Leinster Plate and finished 2nd in the league.

Under 12s – Playing group of 55 players.

Under 11 – Playing group of 20 players

Under 10 – Playing group of 15 players

Minis – Group of mixed U7 & U8's of 25-30 players

Coaching

Following qualifications from Leinster Rugby:

Level 4 -1 coach

Level 3 – 1 coach

Level 2 – 2 coaches

Level 1 -

Football committee has tried to push coaches to obtain coaching badges and will continue to do so.

Goals/To Do List

1. Certain facilities improvements to grow culture and develop young players coming through
2. Coaches at youths and minis age groups. Mentor system to be put in place.
3. To Develop and grow a girls mini section.
4. Clear Clondalkin Playing Values clarified -- in simple language
5. Development workshops to be taken by the football committee to ensure that the playing style and values are in place in all sections.
6. Maintain and grow playing numbers at each age grade.
7. Graduate all U-17/18s to Senior level throughout the 2018-19 sesason.
8. Continue to put coaches on coaching courses over the coming season.