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Memorial Wall*



Calling for Support in

LISCARROLL - CHURCHTOWN - FREEMOUNT - KILBRIN
BALLYCLOUGH - LISGRIFFIN - BALLYHEA - DROMINA - KANTURK
NEWTOWNSHANDRUM - CHARLEVILLE - BUTTEVANT - MALLOW

One of the Longest Established Sporting Clubs in North Cork

Handball is probably the oldest sport played with a ball. Indeed handball was included in the ancient Tailteann Games which took place in Ireland almost 4,000 years ago. Two thousand years ago it was also included in the original Olympic Games with competitions for both men and women.

Long before the foundation of the GAA handball was played in Liscarroll most likely against the wall of the Castle in its early days. As the Castle walls fell into decay after the Battle of Liscarroll in

1642 stones from the round tower began to pile up. In the early 1800s locals decided to use these stones to build a ball court. Land agitation in the 1820s and 1830s and the Great Famine delayed construction but by 1850 a 55 x 25 foot handball alley was completed. The modern handball Club can trace its origins to the opening of this ball alley in 1850.



Join our Club

Handball is a fast paced, highly skillful, hugely entertaining and fully inclusive sport. The fitness benefits of the game are vast. Speed, agility, endurance, flexibility and coordination all come in to play in the sport that once you play for the first time, you won't ever want to stop. But what makes this game so great is that all you require to play is a ball and a wall. It's really that simple!

Liscarroll Handball Club is affiliated to GAA Handball and plays at Intermediate level. The current honorary executive and committee consists of:

President – Collette Collins **Chairman** – Pat O'Brien
Secretary – Ger Healy **Treasurer** – Tim Healy

Committee – Tony Buckley, Sean Daly, Tim Jones, John Hedigan, Dan O'Brien, Jack O'Brien, Eugene O'Sullivan and Willie Relihan.

Liscarroll Handball Club caters for young people in Liscarroll, Churchtown, Freemount and further afield.

The Alley is dedicated to the memory of local publican, farmer and War of Independence veteran Comdt Patrick O'Brien (1896-1984).

A Club to be proud of...

Liscarroll Handball Club is one of the best know Handball Clubs in Ireland and has consistently brought 'honour and glory to the little village' with victories at All Ireland and World level. Each year a major Munster Open Juvenile Tournament for boys and girls takes place after Christmas which draws large crowds to the village. The Club building was last upgraded in the 1980s and now needs a major refurbishment most especially dedicated facilities for women players. The following initiatives are planned:

- ◆ New Timber Floor to Alley;
- ◆ New Dressing rooms / Male and Female;
- ◆ New Public Toilets;
- ◆ New Exercise / Meeting Room;
- ◆ New Heating and Ventilation system;
- ◆ New Tiered Viewing Area;
- ◆ New Public Entrance and corridor accessible from the street;
- ◆ Internal redecoration;
- ◆ Painting externally.

The cost of these improvements are estimated at €50,000 which will be funded by the proceeds of the 500 Club promotion and a capital grant from the Department of Sports. In order to apply for the sports capital grant the Club must have raised its own funding which is why we are promoting the 500 Club now.

By joining our 500 Club you can help give North Cork another sports facility in which we can all take pride.

A message from Liscarroll Community Council

Liscarroll Community Council is delighted to endorse the 500 Club promotion of Liscarroll Handball Club.



Fergus Egan, Chairman



A message from the Club Chairman



Liscarroll Handball Club has a long and proud history and it is now looking forward to creating a first class facility for the benefit of current and future generations of young men and women in North Cork. You can help us in three ways:

- * For €50 individuals will have two tickets in our Club Draw and the right to have a 6 inch by 3 inch plaque dedicated to themselves, their family or a loved one on the 500 Club Memorial Wall which will be prominently located on the corridor from the new street side entrance to the Club;
- * For €100 corporate donors will have two tickets in our 500 Club Members Draw and the right to a 6 inch x 6 inch plaque. Larger corporate donations are welcome and will be allocated pro rata larger plaque space;
- * For €20 individuals will have a ticket in our Club Draw.

Cash prizes in the Club Draw will be for €1,000, €500, €250, €100 x 2 and €50 so the total prize fund is €2,000.

We look forward to your support.
Go raibh míle maith agaibh go leir.

Patrick O'Brien, Chairman



Liscarroll's World and Irish Champions

Liscarroll Handball Club members have won over 100 All Ireland medals. Highlights include:

- * Michael Fitzgibbon, World champion 1934;
- * Jimmy Hurley and Tim Twohill Doubles All Ireland champions 1938;
- * John Murphy with Paddy Supple, All Ireland Doubles in 1963;
- * Pat O'Brien and Joe Collins, World Doubles Master 1994;
- * John Hedigan with Pat Flaherty, World Masters 40' x 20' Court in 2006;
- * Shane Hedigan, Junior World Championships in 2009.

GAA Handball

GAA Handball is the governing body for Handball in Ireland, with the game also being played in strongholds worldwide such as USA, Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, UK and Spain; as well as emerging nations Holland, Italy and Ecuador. Liscarroll Handball is one of 200 Clubs in Ireland with 600 playing courts. The game is played on 60 x 30 feet and 40 x 20 feet courts. Liscarroll is a 40 x 20 feet court. For more information see www.gaahandball.ie



Membership Application

I/we would like to support Liscarroll Handball Club in its ambitious plans to provide a first class facility for current and future generations of young men and women from the area.

Name/s

Address

Email

Mobile

I enclose (please tick relevant box/es) :

€20 for a ticket in the Club Draw

€50 for two tickets and a dedicated plaque on the Memorial Wall

€100 for two tickets and a corporate plaque on the Memorial Wall

Signature

PLEASE GIVE YOUR COMPLETED TICKET TO ANY MEMBER OF LISCARROLL HANDBALL CLUB. PLEASE NOTE THE 500 CLUB RULES OVERLEAF.

For office use only

Ticket number/s

Seller's name Seller's mobile

RECEIPT

Liscarroll Handball Club acknowledges receipt of € for :

Draw Ticket/s

Memorial Wall Dedication

From

Signed on behalf of Liscarroll Handball Club

