

## Indianapolis GAA Chair's Report 2021

## State of the IGAA

First, I want to thank all of our members for your patience and understanding that this year would be different. After 2020, we were all excited to get back together and it was great to see everyone back on the pitch playing the sports we love. At the beginning of the year there were still a lot of unknowns that the board had to take into consideration to plan the year of events. We knew this season wouldn't be a normal one, but with a few tweaks we were able to host a full pub league for hurling and football, weekly practices, multiple events, and fall league.

It takes a lot of effort and coordination to host our pub leagues and run our club. Thank you to all of our board members for volunteering your time to make the club a success. This year we had to make a couple of adjustments to host our pub leagues and they were run smoothly with the help of all the volunteers from the field maintenance crews, the reffing staff, and the team captains. I hope everyone had fun and congrats to the championship teams. Practices were a little different this year and they ran well because of the planning and the efforts of our coaching staff. Thank you to all of the coaches for donating your time to teach us the skills/ tactics of our sports.

We are looking forward to next year and we hope to be able to get our schedule back to normal. We are planning to host our Indy Invitational again next year (tentatively June 18th). It takes a lot to host our tournament so please consider volunteering to make this the best Indy Invitational yet. We are also planning to send a big panel to Nationals. Next year Nationals will be held in Chicago from August 19th – 21st and we want to make our presence known and bring home some hardware. It has been 15 years since Indy GAA participated in Nationals for the first time (coincidentally enough in Chicago) let's make this reunion one to remember for another 15 years. Please mark your calendar and for these events and keep training during the off season so we can be in tip top shape for these tournaments.

These last couple of years have been tough and I appreciate everyone sticking it out with us. Thanks again to everyone who makes this club so special. I am looking forward to my next year of service as the club's chair. I hope everyone else is excited about our plans for next year as well.

Sincerely, David Littlejohn Indianapolis GAA Chair

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