



**Cumann Lúthchleas GaelCeann Tuirc
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Team Reports

Hurling

A full breakdown of all hurling results from Senior A, Junior and Under 21 can be seen below:

Date	Match	Results	Stage
Red FM Division One Hurling League			
23/02/2020	Na Piarasaigh V Kanturk	1-20 to 1-11	
08/03/2020	Kanturk V Glen Rovers	0-20 to 0-13	
Cork County Senior Hurling Championship			
02/08/2020	Kanturk V Cloyne	2-18 to 1-9	Group Stage
08/08/2020	Kanturk V Newcestown	3-13 to 1-17	Group Stage
29/08/2020	Kanturk V Killeagh	5-20 to 1-16	Group Stage
13/09/2020	Kanturk V Bandon	2-15 to 0-15	Quarter Final
26/09/2020	Kanturk V Charleville	3-17 to 2-26	Semi Final
Duhallow Under 21 Hurling Championship 2019 (Deferred)			
20/01/2020	Kanturk V Newmarket	3-20 to 0-14	Semi Final
24/01/2020	Kanturk V Dromtarriffe	3-17 to 2-17	Final
Duhallow Junior A Hurling Championship			
02/08/2020	Kanturk V Banteer	1-22 to 2-16	
09/08/2020	Kanturk V Kilbrin	0-19 to 1-21	
30/08/2020	Kanturk V Castlemagner	1-21 to 0-10	

Senior Hurling

The club played two Division 1 games before Covid-19 hit. In August the team played in the group stages of the SAHC overcoming Cloyne, Newcestown & Killeagh before progressing to the knockout stages. Bandon were overcome at the quarter final stage before Kanturk lost out to eventual winners, Charleville in the semi-final at Mallow.

Junior A Hurling

The club entered the Duahllow JAHC with victories over Batter and Castlemagner, with a narrow defeat to finalist Kilbrin. This was a welcome success and if the club is to continue to nurture younger players, a junior team is essential to this.

Under 21 Hurling

Kanturk were successful in the deferred 2019 Under 21 hurling championship overcoming Dromtarriffe in the final.

Football

A full breakdown of all football results from Intermediate, Junior and Under 21 can be seen below:

Date	Match	Results	Stage
Rochestown Park Hotel Division Two Football League			
02/02/2020	Ilen Rovers V Kanturk	2-10 to 2-14	
Cork County Premier Intermediate Football Championship			
25/07/2020	Kanturk V Macroom	1-11 to 1-10	Group Stage
16/08/2020	Kanturk V Nemo Rangers	0-17 to 4-8	Group Stage
05/09/2020	Kanturk V Gabriel Rangers	4-14 to 0-16	Group Stage
19/09/2020	Kanturk V Aghada	0-17 to 0-8	Quarter Final
03/10/2020	Kanturk V Cill Na Martha	0-12 to 0-11	Semi Final
2021	Kanturk V Knocknagree		Final
Duhallow Under 21 B Football Championship			
31/01/2020	Kanturk V Boherbue	3-14 to 4-12	1st Round
11/03/2020	Kanturk V Duarigle Gaels	2-5 to 1-13	Quarter Final
Duhallow Junior A Football League (Ducon Cup)			
06/03/2020	Kanturk V Kiskeam	0-8 to 4-16	

Premier Intermediate Football

One league game was completed before Covid-19 hit. In championship an opening victory over Macroom was followed by defeat to Nemo Rangers before Gabriel Rangers we defeated to set up a quarter final with Aghada which Kanturk won comfortably and this was followed by a semi-final victory of Cill na Martra to set up a final meeting with Knocknagree. However, this game was deferred in October until March 2021 with the prize for the winners a place in the county Senior 'A' football championship in 2021.

Junior A

The club entered the JAFC but due to a number of injuries was unable to field a team.

Under 21 Football

Kanturk entered the Under 21 B championship in February losing out to boherbue and Duarigle Gaels.

I wish to thank all team managements and backroom teams for their help and support throughout the year.

Duhallow

Well done to the management and players from Kanturk who were involved with the various Duhallow teams over the season. Duhallow Senior footballers run to the county semi final was the highlight of the season. The management team was led by Pádraig Kearns with Dr Brian O'Connell providing medical cover and Jackie Carroll covering logistics. The club was also represented by a Paul Walsh and John Mc Loughlin, with John Mc Loughlin captaining the side.

Cork Teams

Well done to the all players from Kanturk who represented Cork throughout the year at various grades and also to those in the juvenile club who formed part of the Rebel Óg development squads over the season.

Players involved in 2020 with Cork Adult Teams

Senior Hurling

- Anthony Nash
- Aidan Walsh

Senior Football

- Paul Walsh

Under 20 Hurling

- Brian O Sullivan

Under 20 Football

- Daniel O Connell

Juvenile Club

Our Juvenile section was impacted by Covid-19 and entered championship teams at under 16 and Under 18 level. At the time of writing Kanturk will compete in the Rebel Óg Premier 2 Football championship final in 2021 against Castlehaven, best of luck to all involved.

The Juvenile club held its AGM on 20th November, with the following officers being elected:

- Chairperson: Frank Thornton
- Vice Chairperson: Pat Bradley
- Secretary: John Healy
- PRO/Assistant Secretary: Francis Kenneally
- Treasurer: Marion Walsh

Thank You to the officers and committee of our Juvenile section for their dedicated work on our behalf. Going forward work needs to be done to get both Adult and Juvenile clubs working in unison with each other, where a strong club spirit is developed.

Communications

We continue to have a presence on social media through Facebook, twitter and website. Our activities are also promoted through the media both radio (C103) and print (The Corkman) along with the parish bulletin. We recently launched a new website KanturkGaa.ie which will be the source of all our clubs information going forward.

My thanks to Donal Desmond for his support in covering twitter for league and championship matches throughout the season.

Scór

Thanks to all those who represented Kanturk in Scór na nÓg, Scór na bPaistí and Scór Sinsir. A special mention to Muirean Vaughan who won the Scór Sinsir county title in solo singing, and awaits a Munster Final in 2021.

Finance

The main fundraising during the year was through Membership fees, Club lotto, Cork GAA Clubs draw and sponsorship from Twohig's Super. Our thanks to Twohig's Super Valu, for their continued support, as our main sponsor.

Much more could & should be raised through membership, but we don't have the manpower or the interest in driving this source of income. Also, it is regrettable that some players see fit to play without contributing their membership fee. This year memberships for the first time it was decided to collect memberships electronically, in conjunction with a Clubforce. This will continue in 2021 and will be the main medium for collecting membership fees.

Many thanks to those you sell lotto's on a weekly basis and to all those your support the draw. In July 2021 we rolled out the online lotto. With numbers increasing each week it is proving to be effective.

When it comes to finance, the club continues to ‘fire fight’ as we attempt to raise funds to pay outstanding bills, and with the impact of Covid-19, this has a significant effect on the club finances. In the first three months of 2021, a further €12,000 will be required to cover affiliation fees to Cork GAA board and the Player Injury scheme to Croke Park.

The pending collection of membership fees in the early months of the New Year will not cover these expenses.

Ways and means of having a constant flow of funds into club coffers need to be found. The maths is simple. If we spend more than €50k per year we need to raise in excess of €1,000 per week. With the launch of the new Rebel Bounty Draw for 2021 this will again but further strain on the club.

Thank You to all our local sponsors, for their continued sponsorship which was very valuable during the year.

Fundraising

In May the club took on a fundraiser in aid of Pieta house, this proved to be very successful with over €8,000 raised. It was a great initiative that brought local community together. Well done to all involved.

Future

The connect between both Adult, Juvenile clubs and adult players needs to be built on. At present the relationship between all parties is in a fragile state. In 2021 this needs to be rectified, where everyone works in conjunction together for the greater good of the club.

This week saw the launch of the new ‘One Cork’. For 2021, Kanturk GAA encompassing all players, committee members, supporters, and local community need pull together to be ‘One Club’ and rejuvenate the Kanturk GAA club ethos. If Covid-19 has taught us nothing else, then let us take one focal point ‘We are all in this together’. We need to get go back to our roots and once again bring a strong connection between our juvenile and adult club.

With the future in mind, we hope to bring a new structure to Kanturk GAA club for 2021. We hope to set up several Teams, that will be spearheaded by the incoming executive. These teams will focus around: Finance, Communications, Administration, Coaching, Juvenile, Child Welfare, Development, and Culture. These teams will replace the general committee.

Conclusion

In conclusion, I wish to pay tribute to all who have played a part in our club's fortunes over the past year. To my family, fellow officers, committee members, board delegates, team managements, trainers, selectors, players, logistic personnel, jersey washers, field and clubroom caretakers, medical personnel, those who provided refreshments and anyone else who helped in any way. To one and all I thank you sincerely for the special contribution you made for the betterment of our club in 2020.

What a difference a year can make, as we sit here tonight in front of our web cameras, did we think this day 12 months ago 29/11/19 that the next AGM would be online and that the world would be encountering a global pandemic. 2020 has proved to be a very difficult year for everyone, it has shown us all that the unexpected can happen and has taught us to cherish what we have. Covid-19 has shown us the impact the GAA can have on people, live streaming of matches is the new normal, with GAA providing the much-needed lifeline for many people. For 2021, let us take what we have learnt from 2020 and make Kanturk GAA the heart of the community. And let us remember:

*“Alone we can do so little, together we
can do so much”*

Seán Ó hÉalaithe, Runaí