



Vision

Our vision is for everyone with a physical disability to enjoy sport, physical and recreational activities on a fully inclusive basis in any environment.

Mission

To develop and promote sport, physical and recreational opportunities for people with a physical disability to reach their full potential.

Values

Fun: IWA-Sport's ethos is that having fun should be at the heart of everything we do.

Belonging: IWA-Sport is dedicated to fostering and instilling a sense of belonging and camaraderie through involvement in our programmes.

Empowerment: IWA-Sport believes that our members will be empowered to achieve greater independence, by building confidence and self-determination, through involvement in our programmes.



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WELCOME ADDRESS

For the second consecutive year, our traditional programme of activities was significantly disrupted by the Covid 19 global pandemic meaning we blended the delivery of programmes between virtual and in person at different stages during the year. We began the year delivering sports and physical activity programmes virtually in the form of our Staying Active initiatives where there was something for everyone to stay active and engaged.

As the restrictions gradually eased, we saw the return of outdoor sport initially and the return of the Para Athletics Grand Prix provided a massive lift to the IWA Sports community. As is the case with all our Para Athletics competitions, it was brilliant to see lots of young first-time athletes share the same stage with Paralympic athletes. Some were chasing Paralympic standards and others were turning up to see their friends, both motivations as important as the other.

Wheelchair Basketball also moved outdoors in the summer where a number of 3x3 events were ran in partnership with Basketball Ireland. This variation of the game is growing rapidly and is sure to remain a fixture in the IWA annual sports calendar.

Indoor individual training returned from June and training indoors in small pods was phased back during the following weeks also, but it wasn't until late September that the restrictions allowed for meaningful group training and gradually, the majority of IWA-Sport Clubs have returned to training. It was fantastic to see indoor competition return also with the return of Wheelchair Basketball with a reduced league format and the National Championships in Para Powerlifting in October.

On the international stage, our Para Powerlifters competed at an essential Paralympics qualifier in March and later at the World Championships in Tbilisi Georgia, in what was a very successful year for the sport overall.

An estimated 4.25 billion viewers were said to have tuned into the 2020 Paralympic Games that took place a year later than planned in Tokyo and once again IWA-Sport was well represented as it has been since the inaugural Games in 1960.

The demand for education and training courses was high in 2021. A number of Introductory Wheelchair Basketball and Wheelchair Rugby courses were delivered in addition to a comprehensive programme of Safeguarding 1 training courses. We also ran the inaugural Dr Oliver Murphy Youth Leadership Programme where 11 exceptional young Leaders graduated.

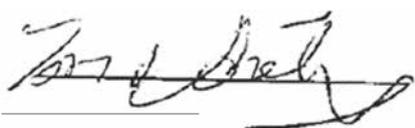
Looking at the year ahead, our National Events Programme is planned to be as busy as ever. We are once again aiming to host Senior and Junior Wheelchair Basketball competitions, the Irish Wheelchair Rugby League, Para Athletics Grand Prix Competitions and National Championships in Para Powerlifting and Swimming.

We will also see our National teams compete at European Championships in Para Powerlifting, Wheelchair Rugby, Wheelchair Basketball and the Para Youth Games. So lots to look forward too.

It's important to acknowledge the support of Sport Ireland throughout the past two years for the financial support to our organisation and also the wider Irish sports sector to allow us continue our work.

Finally, thank you to everyone that helped us to return to sport in a safe and meaningful way. The management of the safety protocols brought about a level of administration and oversight that was unprecedented, but the willingness and determination of our Members, Volunteers and staff ensured it all happened.

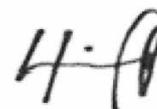
Yours sincerely,



Tom O'Doherty
Chairperson
IWA-Sport National Sports Executive Committee



Nicky Hamill
Director of Sport
IWA-Sport



PARA ATHLETICS

The Para-Athletics Grand Prix returned in 2021 having been cancelled in 2020 with a schedule as follows:

July 25th	Jamie Boyle Games	Templemore
August 7th	Munster Games	Templemore
August 21st	National Championships	IT Carlow
September 4th	Leinster Games	IT Carlow
September 18th	Connaught Games	Templemore
October 2nd	Para Athletics Fest	IT Carlow

40 athletes competed over the course of the 6 Grand Prix events, where 6 new Irish Records were recorded, with 7 more recorded at Athletics Ireland competitions.

Ray O Dwyer	F36	Javelin	24.27	Shot	8.56		
Mary Fitzgerald	F40	Shot	8.12				
Trix Schwedler	F44	Shot	5.87	Discus	14.84	Javelin	13.11
Ryan Meeke	F44	Discus	36.50				
Eoin Duffy	T47	100m	11.84				
Alex Lee	T64	100m	11.57	200m	24.13		
Cathal Ryan	T46	400m	53.35				
Greta Streimikyte	T13	800m	14.63	1500m	4.29.33		

2021 Grand Prix Award Winners

Jamie Boyle	Volunteer of the Year	Jean O Sullivan
Rosemary Tallon	Athletes of the Year	Ray Dwyer, Liam Kinsella, Ella Sherlock
Orla Barry	Young Athletes of the Year	Ella Sherlock, Andrew Greer, Liam Kinsella
Ann Ebbs and Jimmy Byrne Awards		IWA Sport Staff

Parallel Games Award Winners

Javelin U12:	1. Alex Donnellan	2. Kate Marie Histon	3. Niall Greagh
Shot U12:	1. Kate Marie Histon	2. Alex Donnellan	3. Niall Greagh
Discus U18:	1. Molly Marshall	2. Hussein Benhaffaf	3. Hassan Benhaffaf
Javelin U18:	1. Hussein Benhaffaf	2. Hassan Benhaffaf	3. Molly Marshall
Shot U18:	1. Molly Marshall	2. Sean Nelson	3. Hussein Benhaffaf
Track Sprints	1. Cathal Ryan	2. Andrew Greer	3. Sean Mc Cullagh
Track Middle Distance	1. Andrew Greer	2. Sean Mc Cullagh	3. Cillian Dunne



Other initiatives

IWA-Sport SDOs co delivered a 'Little Athletics' training programmes in Munster Technological University in partnership with Cork Sports Partnership, Athletics Ireland and Rebel Wheelers. 27 young athletes and their siblings took part.

WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL

3x3 Wheelchair Basketball Roadshow

As Wheelchair Basketball is traditionally played indoors, the 2020 / 2021 season was cancelled in full due to the stringent restrictions in place for indoor sport. This meant we did not see Wheelchair Basketball taking to the courts until the summer months of 2021. The appetite was great for its return, and we were delighted to partner with Basketball Ireland on their 3x3 roadshow. The NBA in Tallaght and IWA Sport in Clontarf hosted some great events in brilliant sunshine where the celebratory mood was tangible.

Junior Blitz

Like the senior programme the 2020/2021 Junior Blitz was cancelled. With the return of indoor sport in November, we held the 2021/2022 season opener in Clontarf. Returning numbers were understandably lower than normal, but the following blitz events have seen the numbers grow steadily. 2022 will also see the introduction of a new regional teenage programme which will provide an age appropriate level for this playing cohort to compete at.

Senior Competitions

Following the resumption of training in September, the Senior Clubs Competitions Committee adjusted the format of the 2021/2022 League competition to take into account the gradual return of the teams and increase the likelihood of ensuring the season could be completed. The key change saw a much reduced fixture schedule introduced. The season got underway in November with 9 teams entering competitions.

Running alongside the League fixtures, our Wheelchair Basketball Clubs once again entered into the Basketball Ireland, InsureMyHouse.ie National Cup. The Final was played in the National Basketball Arena in Tallaght in January 2022 and saw a repeat of the 2020 final between Killester and Rebel Wheelers. In what was an excellent game, and very much in the mix until the final quarter, Rebel Wheelers took the honours on a scoreline of 58 – 49 and in doing so secured an unprecedented three in a row for their Club. Captain Jack Quinn accepted the Cup and Conor Coghlan won the MVP.



PARA POWERLIFTING

The key focus for the High Performance athletes was to secure qualification to the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games, which were delayed until August/September 2021.

The main qualification competition was the World Cup Competition held in Manchester, where Nicola Dore and Britney Arendse recorded personal bests and improved their World Rankings. In achieving a personal best, Britney Arendse also secured the Bronze Medal in the 73kg category. That performance proved significant as it earned an automatic qualification slot for Britney at the Paralympic Games, qualifying in 7th place out of 8 slots available.

In doing so, Britney became the first Irish Woman to compete in the sport of Para Powerlifting at the Paralympic Games. Nicola Dore had an equally impressive qualification journey over the past four years but just came up short for the automatic qualification slots. Nicola's work ethic throughout the Games cycle was exceptional and her efforts could not be faulted.

Within a matter of weeks following the Tokyo Games, the Paris qualification cycle began in earnest with the World Championships held in Tbilisi, Georgia. Once again Britney and Nicola competed and once again, they achieved personal bests with Britney Arendse lifting 113kg while Nicola lifting 76kg.

Following the busy international scene, we hosted the National Para Powerlifting Championships in collaboration with Weightlifting Ireland, in Cork in November.

With Britney and Nicola competing at such a high level on a regular basis, the interest was high, particularly from female competitors and a super competition was held.



OTHER SPORTS AND INITIATIVES

Wheelchair Rugby

The sport of Wheelchair Rugby was once again significantly impacted by Covid-19 restrictions in 2021. Limited club training took place at different stages during the year and a social event was held in December. As a direct result of the lack of activity the National team did not enter the European B Championships which were staged in Poland in July.

Staying Active Initiative

The Staying Active initiative was introduced in late 2020 and ran until May 2021. The purpose of the initiative was to continue delivery of programmes during the period of restrictions which saw no organised sport take place. This initiative provided a vital outlet to our Members to stay connected and take part in online physical activity. A wide range of programmes were delivered that were tailored to suit all ages and abilities.

These included:

- Operation Transformation
- Youth Service Physical Activity sessions
- Virtual Spring Fitness classes
- 10@10 – 10 minutes of physical at 10am
- Virtual Exercise Classes for Junior IWA Club Members
- Strength and Conditioning for Senior IWA Club Members
- 600 Minutes in March
- Yoga and Meditation

We would like to acknowledge and thank the many tutors who ran programmes and of course the many participants who engaged. 13 participants of various programmes were awarded Staying Active Champions for their involvement and results achieved:

Operation Transformation	600 mins in March	Virtual Club Session	Virtual Spring Fitness	SATS	Youth Services
Eric Byrne	Sinead Flanagan	Abbey Segrave	Marie Leonard	Alex Hannebry	Rebecca Nolan
Orla Platten	Pádraig Keogh	Emer McIntrye	Tim Culhane	Seán Smyth	Shauna Morgan
					Chris Cassoni

Eric Byrne - Operation Transformation

"I loved every moment of the staying active programme".

Dylan McCarthy - Senior Athlete Programme

"I enjoyed the social side of the programme and seeing and talking to everyone again! I think the programme was beneficial as it helped with my home training".

Tara and Abbey Segrave - Virtual Club Session

"Enjoyed Everything! Regular exercise, seeing people, fun. Yes, thought it was beneficial. Abby really enjoyed it."



WOMEN IN SPORT INITIATIVE

Our Women and Girls in Sport initiative continued in 2021. This initiative started in late 2019 and a comprehensive work plan was developed to support and deliver a number of participation, education and leadership programmes. The following two years has seen that plan adjust significantly as the restrictions have impacted heavily on our organised sports programme. However progress has been made across a range of areas as we plan to build a solid base from which to grow in the coming years.

In late 2021 we began the process of developing a Strategic Plan for Women and Girls in IWA-Sport and in March 2022 the plan was officially launched by Dr Una May, Chief Executive Officer of Sport Ireland.

This strategy was developed in line with the key pillars outlined in the current Sport Ireland Women in Sport Policy. The policy expresses Sport Ireland's commitment to women in sport and builds on the significant work which has already been undertaken in this area within the sport sector to date.

To that end, the pillars of Active Participation, Visibility, Leadership and Governance, Coaching and Officiating have helped us to shape our strategy, but it is specifically tailored to address the needs of our Members, and Women and Girls in Ireland with a physical disability.



IWA WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SPORT IN NUMBERS

38%

Overall Female Membership

17%

Overall Female Membership in Adult Programmes

39%

Overall Female Membership in Children's Programmes

85%

Female representation at 2021 Para-Powerlifting National Championships

33%

Para Athletics Grand Prix Female representation

6

IWA Female Members of the 11 athletes on the Irish Paralympic Team

57%

Staying Active Initiative Female representation

Coaching and Officiating

- Para Athletics Grand Prix Volunteers 55% Female representation
- Introductory Level Coaches certified – 7
- Dr Oliver Murphy Youth Leadership Programme – 5 females (out of 11 participants)

Leadership

Leadership Positions in our Clubs

- **Multi-Sport Junior clubs** 52% Female 48% Male
- **Senior Clubs** 24% Female 76% Male

We continued as a partner organisation in year 2 of a 3-year multi-national Erasmus project to promote a European network of Women in Sport festivals and events to create an innovative networking model that can boost equality in sport leadership, visibility and representation. Key work areas include:

- Consultation interviews x 6 with Experts/Organisers/Leaders in Sport
- Mapped sporting events in Ireland
- Virtually attended a partners workshop in December

Visibility

- Minimum of 25% dedicated social media posts
- Weekly promotion of activities on Instagram Reels
- Strategy Consultation Promotion
- Erasmus Project promotion
- Internationals Women's Day Campaign



SPORT IRELAND/DORMANT ACCOUNTS FUNDED PROJECTS

The Dormant Accounts Fund (DAF) is a scheme for the disbursement of unclaimed funds from accounts in credit institutions in Ireland to support the Actions from the National Sports Policy and the National Physical Activity Plan to implement and support programmes with a focus on persons with a disability and economically, socially & educationally disadvantaged communities.

In 2021, under the Dormant Accounts Fund, Sport Ireland awarded IWA-Sport funding under the following strands:

General Sports Inclusion	€50,000
Youth Leadership	€11,000
Volunteer Supports	€15,000
IT Accessibility	€5,000
Total	€81,000

General Sports Inclusion Strand - Community Sports Club Project

This project began in 2019 and is focused on creating new opportunities for children with physical disabilities to locally engage in sport and physical activity, on a sustained basis, with the aim of establishing a multi-sport junior Club in every county in Ireland.

The focus of the club support programme changed to adapt to the C19 environment and the need to maintain offerings to our club network in the absence of collective training and competition. A comprehensive virtual offering, 'Staying Active', was delivered in the first half of the year that catered for all ages and levels. The programme was very successful, and the testimonials verify same. More traditional forms of 'in person' club training commenced from June onwards.

Planning towards the establishment of new Multi Sport Junior Clubs for children with physical disabilities in areas where programmes aren't currently available, also continued in 2021. A key focus of the year was to continue to build and support Volunteer capacity in Clubs. Developing Return to Sport protocols with all stakeholders to allow for a safe return and then subsequently effectively communicating with our club network remained a significant undertaking during the year.





Youth Leadership Strand - Dr Oliver Murphy Youth Leadership Programme.

The inaugural Dr Oliver Murphy Youth Leadership Programme was developed in partnership with Carlow Regional Youth Services and delivered between March and June 2021. The Purpose of the programme is for IWA members between the ages of 18 and 23 to undertake training in leadership skills that can be applied to a variety of settings within our organisation as well as contributing to the personal development of the participant.

The aims of the programme are:

- To support our young members with leadership skills that may benefit on a personal and social basis in engaging in a programme that encourages initiative and opportunities.
- To develop competencies in communication skills, relationship building skills, planning and problem-solving skills, confidence and agency, resilience and determination and emotional intelligence.
- To enable participants to develop the skills, inspiration, vision, confidence, and action plans needed to be effective leaders.

- To empower participants to make a positive difference through the practice of effective leadership.

Outcomes and highlights:

- Participants meeting IWA founding Member Dr Oliver Murphy and listening to his experience as a young Leader in IWA in the 1960's.
- Participants developed a great sense of camaraderie with each other.
- Participants were from a wide range of locations throughout the country and had a wide range of interests. ·
- Many of the participants were new to the Sports section within IWA .
- Participants have gone on to Volunteer or Work in areas of advocacy through the IWA, Mental Health Ireland, inclusion in Youth Services within Carlow Regional Youth Services, volunteer roles within IWA, radio shows and television interviews. ·
- Participants became registered volunteers of IWA.
- The programme was delivered virtually over a 10 week period from 7-9pm each Tuesday evening. An online graduation took place in June with Oliver Murphy present to speak and meet with the participants.

THE 11 GRADUATES THAT COMPLETED THE INAUGURAL TRAINING ARE:

Shannon O'Farrell-Molloy	Cian Martin
Grace Murphy	Jade Christie
Shane Barker	Dylan Farrell
Jack Mangan	Jack O Driscoll
Conor McAuley	Sinead Eva Keon
Jade Flynn Hurley	

VOLUNTEER SUPPORTS STRAND

The aim of this project is to build the capacity of IWA-Sport and other NGBs with well trained volunteers in the areas of para sport coach education and club training to support the delivery of our club programmes, national para sport events and other NGBs that run para sport programmes.

Training was delivered in the form of workshops, coach education and safeguarding and to a number of different audiences including IWA Volunteers and staff, staff and volunteers of other NGBs, and LSP and SIDO network.

	Introduction to Wheelchair Basketball Coaching	Introduction to Wheelchair Rugby Coaching
No of participants	22 men	3 men
	3 women	2 women
	25 total	5 total



OTHER SPORT IRELAND FUNDING

Communications Funding

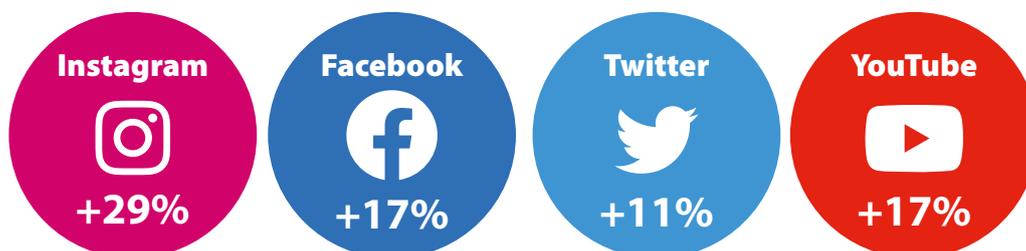
In 2021 we received funding from Sport Ireland towards the recruitment of a Sports Communications Officer in March 2021.

The overall purpose of the role is to lead on marketing and communications for IWA-Sport and oversee day-to-day marketing, branding, communications, media relations, digital content and event promotion. As a direct result of this role, our impact from a communications perspective was significant across all of our activities.

A sample of initiatives include:



Social media Growth in 2021



Tokyo 2021 Paralympic Games

Since the inaugural Paralympic Games in 1960, IWA-Sport Members have featured strongly on every Irish Paralympic Games team. This tradition continued at the Paralympic Games in Tokyo, which were held one year later than originally scheduled.

29 athletes competed in the Irish team overall in the para sports of Athletics, Archery, Equestrian, Swimming, Powerlifting, Shooting, Canoeing, Table Tennis and Cycling.



Ellen Keane

(Dublin)

Para Swimming

GOLD

WOMEN'S 100M BREASTSTROKE SB8



Niamh McCarthy

(Cork)

Para Athletics



Britney Arendse

(Cavan)

Para Powerlifting



Jordan Lee

(Keery)

Para Athletics



Patrick Flanagan

(Sligo)

Para Swimming



Gary O'

(Laois)

Para Cycling

BRONZE

MEN'S H5 TIME TRIAL



Colin Judge
(Dublin)
Para Table Tennis



Kerrie Leonard
(Meath)
Para Archery



Nicole Turner
(Laois)
Para Swimming

SILVER
WOMEN'S 50M BUTTERFLY S6



Eoin Reilly
Para Swimming



Mary Fitzgerald
(Kilkenny)
Para Athletics



Patrick Monaghan
(Kildare)
Para Athletics

SAFEGUARDING

The safety and welfare of everyone who avails of IWA-Sport activities is of paramount importance to us. During 2021 we have been busy ensuring that everyone involved in and who works on behalf of IWA-Sport are aware of their rights and responsibilities and that the structures we have in place upholds this ethos. Please read on for an update on some of our work this year and plans for the coming year.

Sport Ireland Club Safeguarding Self-Audit

Many of you reading this will be aware of the audit process that Sport Ireland launched in March 2021 that placed a requirement on all sports clubs in Ireland to complete a safeguarding audit of their club. The requirement was placed on clubs who are deemed to be relevant as described under Children First Act 2015. We have been providing support to our clubs to complete this process within the timeframe that Sport Ireland set out.

When some people hear the word audit, they can think that it is designed to catch people out. This is not the intention because it is designed to highlight what we are doing well, multiply that across our clubs and if we need to improve in any area, we agree the actions that we need to take to do so. We are all in this to ensure that the sport that we provide is the safest it can be for everyone. The audit process closes in March 2022 and we will be working with the clubs to support them to address any gaps that may be identified.

Our Safeguarding training uptake in 2021 by numbers

45 volunteers SG1 IWA delivered	1 volunteer SG1 LSP Delivered	2 Volunteers SG 2 LSP Delivered	6 volunteers and staff completed the online refresher course
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Safeguarding training is continuing to be delivered through MS Teams platform and we have had a great response to this new way of delivering the training. Our aim is to keep implementing this training ensuring that everyone is compliant.

We have expanded our capacity to deliver the Sport Ireland Safeguarding Training by adding two more SG1 Tutors to be able to deliver SG1 and to have the capacity to deliver SG2 and SG3 internally. A calendar of dates is now online offering opportunities for people to sign up to ensure their awareness is maintained.

Club Child Safeguarding Statement (CSS)

The IWA-Sport NGB CSS and risk assessment was reviewed in 2021 and we have published the updated version on our website for public viewing. We are continuing to work with clubs and sections to ensure that all CSS documentation is kept up-to-date so that we are compliant with all aspects of the Children First Act 2015.

Anti Doping Update

In 2021, there was one athlete on the registered testing pool (RTP), meaning this athlete was subject to monitoring and testing on an ongoing basis. The athletes was tested 3 times 'out of competition'.

In addition a number of our members are also on the RTP under the guise of Paralympics Ireland.

GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY

In conjunction with the Director of Sport the National Safeguarding Officer briefs the National Sports Executive Committee at every meeting to ensure they are fully informed of all safeguarding developments for IWA-Sport. The work of NSEC is instrumental in ensuring that our systems and structures are robust and compliant with the relevant safeguarding legal requirements. The IWA CEO receives a monthly briefing on all safeguarding developments including the concerns and cases that arise.

Collaborations

The National Safeguarding Officer represents IWA-Sport at the Sport Ireland Children in Sport Working Group. Although this group has not met during 2021 we are kept informed of all developments in relation to children in sport and work to ensure that we share these across our networks.

We have recently been successful in obtaining a seat at the Council of Europe Expert Group of Safe Sport. There will be more details on the work of this group in 2022 but this is an exciting development that should extend our networks and influence.



STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

Irish Disability Sport Working Group

The Irish Disability Sport Organisations Working Group comprises of representatives from IWA-Sport, Cara, Special Olympics Ireland, Vision Sports Ireland & Paralympics Ireland. The Groups purpose is to actively promote disability sport in Ireland, as well as to share experience and support each other at a strategic level and potentially at an operational level. The primary focus of work for 2021 was to input into the position paper regarding the impact of Covid 19 on people with a disability.

Weightlifting Ireland

Our partnership with Weightlifting Ireland continues to grow from strength to strength. Areas of cooperation include, grassroots sports development, training and competition opportunities, coach and officials training and education, sharing of equipment. Notably in 2021 we jointly hosted a National Para Powerlifting Championships in Cork.

Wheelchair Tennis

We partnered with Tennis Ireland to deliver a Wheelchair Tennis programme as part of their Enjoy Tennis initiative. IWA-Sport Members took part in programmes in Dublin, Cork, Wexford and Kildare.

Eight young participants enjoyed a programme in Clontarf from September to November.



IWA-Sport / ExWell Medical partnership

A new long-term partnership with ExWell Medical began in August at the IWA sports centre in Clontarf. ExWell Medical is an established community-based chronic illness rehabilitation programme. Founder and Medical Director Dr. Noel McCaffrey has been providing supervised exercise classes and nutrition services to patients with a range of chronic illnesses since 2006.



ExWell Medical offers community-based supervised exercise classes, as well as home programmes to people with many different long term illnesses. The rationale behind ExWell Medical is that a large proportion of the disability and unwellness that comes with any long term illness is caused by becoming deconditioned.



Local Sports Partnership Collaborations

A list of projects and collaborations with the Local Sports Partnership network includes:

- IWA-Sport/Sports Inclusion Disability Officer Information Day National upskilling event.
- Cork Sports Partnership and Athletics Ireland supporting the Cork Little Athletics Program
- Waterford Sportability, Para Athletics, Para Powerlifting and Para Cycling initiatives.
- Dunlaoire Rathdown Sportability summer camp
- Meath LSP summer Camp
- Kilkenny LSP summer camp
- Cork Sports Ability Network
- Wicklow Sports Partnerships, Supporting the development of accessible beaches
- Disability Federation of Ireland, Beach Access consultancy
- Tallaght IT / South Dublin Sports Partnership - National Accessibility Week
- Carlow and Kilkenny LSP Accessible Activity Packs
- Mayo LSP Come and Try

National Governing Bodies

We continued to work closely with a number of National Governing Body and Local Sports Partnerships as listed below.

- Basketball Ireland – 3x3, National Cup Finals, officials training and support
- Paralympics Ireland – International federation liaison / Classification programme
- Weightlifting Ireland – Support for High performance programme leading to MoU between organisations
- Table Tennis Ireland – Promotion of Para Table Tennis
- Tennis Ireland - Enjoy Tennis programme
- Olympic Handball
- Athletics Ireland
- GAA – Summer Camps and promotion of Wheelchair Hurling

John Paul Construction

A refurbishment of the ground floor of the Dr Oliver Murphy Sports Centre was completed by charity partner John Paul Construction and gives the interior of the ground floor space a much-needed new look for the benefit of its many members and visitors. The work included the installation of a new reception area, new flooring, and a paint upgrade of the interior area.



With the facility serving many Irish Wheelchair Association members and the local community for a variety of activities including a full accessible and inclusive gym, a full-sized sports hall for a wide range of wheelchair sports and other sports clubs, the new look gives a warm welcome to all visitors.

Governance

The IWA-Sport AGM was held virtually on May 8th 2021. The members of the Committee, and attendance at meetings in 2021 were:

		Elected/Co-opted/ Resigned	Attendance 2021
Chairperson Tom Doherty	Director	Elected May 8th	11/12
Secretary Adrian Donoghue	External member	Elected May 8th	10/12
Treasurer Iqura Naseem	External member	Elected May 8th	5/6
Committee Member Deirdre Mongan	External member	Elected May 8th	8/12
Committee Member Ciara Staunton	External member	Elected May 8th	10/12
Co-opted Mary Brannigan	External member	Co-opted June 1st	11/12
Daragh Kennedy	Staff	Permanent member	10/12
Laura McDermott	Director	Board Representative	11/12

Sport Ireland Compliance

We completed all requirements as requested by Sport Ireland with regards to the terms and conditions of all funding received. Additionally, we provided a submission for the mid-year review in addition to submitting the 2022 core grant application.

FUNDING AND GRANTS

Sport Ireland

- €285K Core Grant funding
- €40K Women in Sport
- €18k Special events (towards specific international competitions)

Dormant Accounts (as noted on Dormant Accounts page)

IWA-Sport was successful with an application for Dormant Account funding to the value €101,500. Specifically the funding will go towards the following projects:

- €50K Phase 3 of Community Sports Club Project.
- €11K Youth Leadership
- €15K Volunteer Training & Supports Programme
- €5K IT Accessibility Grant
- €5K Sports Inclusion Disability Projects Capital Support

Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media

- €12,000

Donations/Fundraising

Funding was provided by Lord Taverners Ireland towards the purchase of two buses to support IWA Services in the North East and Galway.

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- Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media – Catherine Martin.
- Minister of State with responsibility for Gaeltacht and Sport – Jack Chambers.
- Sport Ireland – John Treacy (outgoing), Dr Una May (incoming) and staff.
- IWA CEO – Rosemary Keogh.
- IWA Senior Management Team.
- Section Co-ordinators, National Team Managements
- Paralympics Ireland – CEO Miriam Malone, Members Forum and Staff.
- All volunteers, athletes, families and friends of IWA-Sport.
- Our corporate sponsors who support our programmes.
- Lord Taverners Ireland
- John Paul Construction
- The many agencies and organisations that support our work at so many levels.



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