

Thoughts from the Chair

I would like to welcome everybody here today for the visit of Fanad Utd for this eagerly awaited Intermediate Cup game. Fanad are a club with a great pedigree in this competition and are seasoned campaigners at this level. The cup however is all on the day and hopefully the 'Hall will make home advantage count. The last few weeks has seen us as the draw specialists in the league but we seem to find a new level in cup competitions and so we are hoping the lads will produce the goods today.

I would like to thank Joe Doherty on another great edition of the Hall Post and as usual it's a great read. Finally I join with everyone else in expressing my condolences with the Moore family on the recent passing of Una. She was a great supporter of football particularly at underage with the girls and it's through Una and people like her who give of their time so generously that the enjoyment and friendships that sport brings are passed on.

Yours in sport,

Colm Lyons, February 2006

Editorial

The Hall Post is now becoming virtually an annual event. I am very happy to be asked to take on the preparation and publication of the Hall Post, feeling strongly that it is a very important component of the club. As in previous editions, we have striven to provide as much up to date information about the club as possible, trying to cover all the bases and conveying details for each part of the club.

The growth we are experiencing and our additional prominence on local, provincial and national stages is reflected with the lists of players who are selected to play at higher levels. Over the years, one of the significant changes I have seen is now mentioning players who have played internationally for Ireland—previously we had Cork panellists, now we can proudly mention provincial representatives and International players.

In keeping with this prominence, I see one of the biggest challenges now facing the club being the requirement to bring facilities "up to speed". We are crying out for pitch development, and while this will cause disruption, it is now inevitable that we address our pitches. In this regard the formation of a Development Committee to examine all aspects of development is to be warmly welcomed. We await the results of their deliberations.

Come on the 'Hall.

Joe Doherty.



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