



Éire Óg Club Stories



Éire Óg stories is a new series where we will be chatting to members of the club and getting to know what makes Éire Óg special for them. Next up is dual player on both the Ladies Camogie team and Ladies football team- Ellie O'Neill



What were your first GAA memories?

My first few memories of getting started in the GAA are of Con Ó'Súilleabháin coaching me in St. Laurence's school. This is what got me seriously interested in Gaelic football.

Who supported you on your sporting journey?

I have always pucked the ball around with my brothers since I've been able to walk and this is what grew my interest in camogie. I also remember being involved in the cul camps every year taking part in both the gaelic football camp and the hurling camp. Shay Ahern and Ray McTague coached my gaelic football team from u10 up and they brought us from strength to strength.

Who inspired you to keep going in the GAA?

As a young child seeing my sister play gaelic football and my brothers playing hurling, they inspired me back then and still inspire me to this day to keep up, to practice and to enjoy playing sports to the best of my abilities. As a child sadly there were no camogie underage teams in Éire Óg at that time so I had to wait until about 2016 when I joined the adult team. This was amazing and a little daunting. The ladies gave me such encouragement and support and we have such fun at all the games, winning and losing makes no difference to the mood of the team.



What is your greatest club memories?

The greatest memories I have from the club are now having best friends that I've made from both my gaelic football and camogie teams of all different ages and being able to play two sports that I'm passionate about with them.

What's your legacy?

As I've gotten a little older, I want to make sure I give back so all kids in Greystones get the opportunity to play and love camogie and gaelic football. I coach at the summer kid cul camps to make sure the kids get to enjoy Éire Óg as much as I did as a child.

Ní neart go cur le chéile

There is no strength without unity

If you would like to nominate someone to tell their club story, please contact Olive Farrell (farrell.olive@gmail.com) or Daniel English (englishdaniel@hotmail.com).