



County: Clare

Nominee: Mary Loughnane

County Clare are honoured to nominate Mary Loughnane for this year's National Community Games Golden Volunteer Award.

It really is difficult to put into words what Mary means to The Community Games in Co Clare and beyond. Her enthusiasm & selfless dedication is without doubt unrivalled. We indeed owe her a debt of enormous gratitude because without her involvement, many scores of young children would lose out on the precious memories that last a lifetime, which she has helped to create.

As if the role of County Secretary was not enough, Mary continues to ensure that not only each and every area, but each and every participant and volunteer are dealt with as if they were one of her own. This for an area as diverse and vast as County Clare is some achievement. We're still not sure how she manages to turn up at each and every event with her trusted Canon but long may it last.

For many years now, along with her roles on the County Executive, Mary has taken literally tens of thousands of photos at local, provincial and national level. Countless memories have been preserved by her dedication and one hopes that someday we can publish our story through her photos.

Those of us fortunate enough to volunteer alongside Mary are without doubt privileged. We salute all the work that you do, the smiles that you create and the mark that you leave. It would be most fitting were Mary to receive this prestigious award in recognition of all the above and much much more besides. Words alone are but a mere snapshot in time and we hope that the snapshot provided will assist when the time comes to choose the worthy recipient.

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