



County: Cork

Nominee: Sean Delea

Sean Delea hails from Turners Cross, in Cork city and has been involved in the community games since 1974, shortly after Cork became an active county in 1972. Initially, he became involved because his son Wayne was participating but he has continued on as a volunteer long after his son grew up.

He was born in 1941 and even though he is now over 75 he is still an active part of Cork Community Games and on the County Board to this day. He is currently Chairperson and president of the Cork Executive Committee and consistently attends every meeting. Sean is very anxious that the whole 'community' aspect of the community games remains a vital factor insists in active 'face to face' communication with areas rather than the online or social media route.

Sean will always be seen at most of the county events and is the 'money man' – sitting in draughty hallways and doorways collecting entrance fees and handing out programmes. He is also a good man to have his photo taken with winning teams and participants though!

Sean is still an active participant in his local area, Turners Cross and is currently the treasurer and the area delegate. During his time as a volunteer he has spent time in most of the committee roles and would be the driving force behind the area. He believes that we are all responsible for giving back to our community and ensuring that the children of the future have the same great benefits from the Community Games as did the children in the 1970s and 1980s.

Sean has seen the Community Games progress from Mosney to Athlone and on now to Abbotstown in 2017. He has embraced the whole concept of the community games with enthusiasm and dedication and is one of the rocks that Cork Community Games is built on. We hope that he will be an active member for many years to come and we wish him all the best with this award.