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# Introduction

**PRONI** has in its custody a wide variety of material relating to sport and recreation, ranging from popular sports such as football and rugby, to more obscure activities such as ploughing and water-skiing. Most of these records date from the late 19th and early 20th centuries, however, PRONI's earliest records relating to sport date from as early as the mid-17th Century. Sport in Northern Ireland, which was usually organised on a provincial basis, took off in the late-19th century and much of the impetus was generated by the presence of the British armed services. The popularity of cricket, football, hockey and rugby, in particular, benefited from this presence.

Northern Ireland's sporting history is an important part of its cultural heritage and is well documented at PRONI. Minute books, correspondence, membership lists and photographs for a number of major sports clubs and organisations are available for individuals researching these topics.

Of particular interest are the records of the Irish Football Association (PRONI ref D4196) comprising of over 150 volumes of minute books, 1880-2013, relating to the various committees of the I.F.A., including the Council, International, Finance, Protests and Appeals, and Junior committees. These records span the history of organised football in Ireland and include details on the split with the League of Ireland and the expulsion of Belfast Celtic. These records are currently closed to the public, but access can be requested by contacting [access@communities-ni.gov.uk](mailto:access@communities-ni.gov.uk).

Other highlights include the Northern Ireland Women's Football Association (D4633), Ulster Branch of the Irish Rugby Football Union (D3812), Linfield Football and Athletic Club (D3852), Northern Cricket Union of Ireland papers (D4213), the Ulster Women's Hockey Union (D3982) and the Ulster Council of the Lawn Tennis Association (D3832). PRONI also holds the records of the Northern Ireland Sports Council (SCNI) which can be more easily accessed because unlike most other government records, the Sports Council has a 10-year closure date in place of the usual 30-year closure.



Pat Jennings, footballer (1972)  
INF/7/A/9/12



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ANGLING	DATE	REF. NO.
Two letters from George Absolom, Crawfordsburn, Co. Down, to Lord Dufferin, requesting financial assistance for rebuilding of local sports pavilion and permission to fish on Dufferin's private lake at Clandeboye.	1900	D1071/H/B/A/16
Letter from Max H. Smith, Hon. Secretary North East Ulster Angling Club, requesting permission to fish on Clandeboye Lake.	1900	D1071/H/B/S/418
Photograph by H.F. Cooper of Anglers in Co. Tyrone.	c.1920	D1422/B/15/56-58
Photographs of fishing scenes on the River Lagan and at the Belfast water works.	1934-1940	D2334/6/2
Records relating to fisheries and fishing rights on the Earl of Antrim's Estate.	1687-1920	D2977/3A/7
Articles of Association of the Ulster Angling Federation Ltd.	1986	D4050/14
ATHLETICS	DATE	REF. NO.
Control of athletics in Northern Ireland; proposals for an international sports stadium at Newtownabbey.	1929-1965	CAB/9/B/160
Four letters from Baron Pierre de Coubertin [founder of the modern Olympic Games], Paris, to Lord Dufferin and Mr Austin Lee about an international meeting of Athletic Sports, Dufferin's departure from the Paris Embassy.	1892-1898	D1071/H/B/C/624

Photographs of inter-varsity athletics.	<b>1948-1949</b>	<b>D2334/6/12/13-25</b>
File of correspondence, minutes of meetings, accounts, race results, etc, relating to the New University of Ulster, Coleraine, Cross Country Athletic Club.	<b>1971-1974</b>	<b>D3143</b>
Programmes of Amateur Athletic meetings held at Cherryvale, Belfast.	<b>1923-1928</b>	<b>D3325</b>
Photograph of a running race along the Antrim Road, Belfast.	<b>c.1930</b>	<b>D3598/6</b>
Programme of Athletic events and Gaelic games held at Celtic Park, Belfast.	<b>c.1905-1910</b>	<b>D3864</b>
Irish Amateur Athletic Board All-Ireland Track and Field Championship document.	<b>1947</b>	<b>D4029</b>
Minutes and reports of the Northern Ireland Athletics Coaching Committee.	<b>1985-1990</b>	<b>D4050/2</b>
Minutes of the Ulster Branch of the Irish Triathlon Association.	<b>1985-1987</b>	<b>D4050/4</b>
Constitution and annual report of the Northern Ireland Amateur Athletic Association.	<b>1987-1988</b>	<b>D4050/15</b>
Minutes and annual reports of the Northern Ireland Women's Amateur Athletic Association.	<b>1985-1988</b>	<b>D4050/18</b>

Letter from Mary Peters (Olympic Pentathlon Gold Medalist) to Arthur Campbell regarding donations from the 'Belfast Telegraph', for the track fund.	1974	D4122/A/79
Papers of the Northern Ireland Athletics Federation and its predecessors the Northern Ireland Amateur Athletics Federation and the Northern Ireland Women's Amateur Athletics Federation.	1934-1995	D4282
Records of the Ulster Secondary School's Athletic Association.	1967-2009	D4632
Monochrome photograph entitled 'Marathon' taken by Hugh Russell, CBPPU Camera Club.	1996	D4634/2/1/5
Papers relating to the Northern Ireland Veteran Athletes Association.	1976-2000	D4808
Papers of Lady Mary Peters relating to her sporting career [Closed until listed].	c.1972-2022	D4920



Dry fly fishing for trout in the river Maine (c.1959)  
D4069/4/6



<b>BADMINTON</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photographs of the Armagh Halcyon badminton team and the Milford badminton team.	<b>1928-1936</b>	<b>D2886/A/2/10/9, D2886/A/2/10/14</b>
Files relating to UB Badminton Union of Ireland.	<b>1978-1984</b>	<b>SCNI/9/3/6, SCNI/9/3/12</b>
Files relating to the Ulster Branch of the Badminton Union of Ireland.	<b>1985-1988</b>	<b>SCNI/9/5/14</b>
<b>BASKETBALL</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Minutes of meetings of the Ulster Basketball Association.	<b>1984-1990</b>	<b>D4050/5</b>
<b>BILLIARDS</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph by H.F. Cooper of Sion House, billiards room.	<b>c.1920</b>	<b>D1422/A/4/13/35</b>
Photograph by H.F. Cooper of billiards players with trophies.	<b>c.1930</b>	<b>D1422/B/15/73-74</b>
Photographs of various other sports table tennis, billiards and including a photograph of world champion snooker player Joe Davis.	<b>1930-1948</b>	<b>D2334/6/12/102-110</b>
Photographs of a YMCA billiards team, a Unionist Club snooker team and the Hibernian snooker team with their winning trophy.	<b>1934-1951</b>	<b>D2886/A/2/10/13, D2886/A/2/10/19, D2886/A/2/10/21</b>
Photographs of the billiards team at the Mountpottinger branch of the YMCA, Belfast.	<b>c.1925-1960</b>	<b>D3788/4/3/5, D3788/4/3/11, D3788/4/3/12</b>

Billiards score keeping book detailing the team members and scores as part of the social club for the workers at the Andrews flax mill.	1910-1912	D4189/D/6
<b>BLOOD SPORTS</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Antrim Hunt papers relating to hunting.	1825	D471
Counsel's opinion relating to game rights on the lands of the Irish Society at Walworth, Co. Londonderry.	1863-1866	D573/8, 11
Game books of the Earls of Abercorn, Co. Tyrone.	1939-1955	D623/C/13/48-60
Correspondence of A. Loftus, Rathfarnham, Co. Dublin.	1687	D638/2/6
Photographs of hunting races.	1935-1942	D2334/6/6
Photographs of grouse shooting scenes.	1934-1939	D2334/6/9
Letter to the 4th Earl of Antrim with references to fox hunting.	1710	D2977/5/1/4/12
Two files of correspondence relating to the Paragon Gun & Fishing Tackle specialists, Belfast.	1953-1958	D2989/B/14-15
Minute Books, Account Books, Typed history of the Killultagh and Old Rock Chichester Harriers, Lisburn, Co. Antrim.	1832-1984	D3322
Journal of Major T.M. Bailie of Poona and Bombay, India, relating to tiger-shooting.	1814-1834	D3524/1/2
Diary of Andre Allen Murray describing his participation in blood sports in Cos Monaghan, Down, Tyrone and Fermanagh.	1836-1840	D3585/G/1-3

Shooting diary and game book of Sir Oliver Nugent, Mount Nugent, Co. Cavan.	1888-1900	D3835/E/3/17-18
Game books of the Earls of Kenmare, Co. Kerry.	1844-1947	D4151/P
Minute Book and diaries of the Iveagh Harriers Hunt Club.	1902-1951	MIC200
Papers relating to the Route Hunt, Co. Antrim and the Doagh, Derry and East Antrim Hunt.	1846-1863	MIC24/1-2
Minutes, resolutions, etc, of Ballymena Hunt, Co. Antrim.	1799	T1252/3
Reminiscences of Robert Dunlop of Clough recording cockfighting at Glenwhirry and hare coursing in the Eglishe area, Co. Antrim.	1825-1875	T2815
<b>BOWLING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Letter from Captain Sheffington to Viscountess Massereene discussing bowling.	1710	D562/88
'Sketch for alteration to new house, Bowling Green, Strabane ...', by R.E. Buchanan.	1900	D623/D/5/46
Lease to Cornet Archibald Hamilton of Ballyfatten, Co. Tyrone, of premises in the bowling green of Strabane in that county.	1744	D642/B/25
Booklets entitled 'Notes of a Tour in Scotland' by Coleraine Bowling Club written by Daniel MacLaughlin Esq.	1910-1914	D1376/7/2-3
Photographs of outdoor bowling and darts matches.	1937-1947	D2334/6/12/122-131
Accounts, receipts, correspondence, minute books, etc, relating to Coleraine Bowling Club, Co. Londonderry.	1902-1914	D2587/11

File of booklets, passenger lists, etc, relating to a cruise on SS Caledonia Bowlers Touring Club.	1938	D3413/A/C/1
Survey of lands of the Belfast Bowling Club's green, College Park East, Belfast. Drawn by J H Craig.	1937	D3413/A/H/10
Photograph of bowling at Wedderburn Park, Finaghy, Co. Down.	1960	D4069/16/13
Irish Women's Bowling Association papers [Closed until listed].	1900	D4384
Transcript of an article reproduced from the Belfast Telegraph entitled 'First Irish Indoor Bowling Green Opened by Dr Gibson Uniting The People. Ballymacarrett Church's Lead'.	1930	T3870/1
<b>BOXING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph by H.F. Cooper of two boxers.	c.1940	D1422/B/15/83
Photograph by H.F. Cooper of a Boy Scout boxing match.	c.1925	D1422/B/18/11-12
Photographs including some of Belfast world champion boxer Rinty Monaghan.	1936-1950	D2334/6/12/26-40
Programme - Boxing Tournament - Ulster Association of Ex-servicemen.	1920	D2606/10
Photograph of the Royal School gymnasium showing boxing lesson, Armagh.	1934	D2886/A/1/4/25
Photograph of former boxing champion, Henry Cooper, on Sports Conference sponsored by brewery when he visited Belfast aboard 'Guinness' ship.	1980	D3643/52
A souvenir programme of international boxing contests that took place at the King's Hall, Balmoral, Belfast in March 1936.	1936	D4829/3

Ticket for admission to the National Joseph Boxing promotion tournament at the Ulster Hall, Belfast.

1939

T3857

Bowling at Wedderburn Park, Finaghy, Co. Down (1960)  
D4069/16/13





<b>CHESS</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Correspondence of Alexander McDonnell [the chess player], Mount Collyer.	<b>1835-1846</b>	<b>D1748/G/395</b>
Miscellaneous scraps including names of members of the Belfast Chess Club.	<b>1822-1867</b>	<b>D1748/G/811</b>
Photograph of 2 Guards' officers playing chess entitled 'Check!'.	<b>1856</b>	<b>D1854/5/1/4</b>
<b>CRICKET</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO</b>
Printed rules of Portadown Cricket Club, Co. Armagh.	<b>1900-1950</b>	<b>D1251/5/8</b>
List of members of Co. Fermanagh Cricket Club.	<b>1905</b>	<b>D1096/53/10</b>
Photographs by H.F. Cooper of sports including cricket teams in Strabane and Sion Mills.	<b>1910-1930</b>	<b>D1422/B/15</b>
Diary of Robert Ponsonby Staples. 'Worked hard on cricket picture', a work he later entitled 'The Ideal Cricket Match'.	<b>1902</b>	<b>D1567/G/1/1/16</b>
Minute book of Ballymena Cricket Club, Co. Antrim.	<b>1878-1887</b>	<b>D1683</b>
Photographs of the Northern Ireland Cricket Team and of the South African team.	<b>1937-1946</b>	<b>D2334/6/1</b>
Records of Belfast Cricket League.	<b>1902-1977</b>	<b>D3298</b>

Photograph of members of Lambeg Cricket team and a list of fixtures for the Derrriaghy Cricket Club.	<b>1912-1937</b>	<b>D3490/5/5, D3490/5/9</b>
Printed rules of the Leinster Cricket Club, Dublin; and printed leaflet announcing the opening meeting of the 133rd session of Trinity College Historical Society and menus for the inaugural supper, etc.	<b>1891-1902</b>	<b>D3655/2</b>
Records of Downpatrick Cricket Club.	<b>1883-1975</b>	<b>D3916</b>
Ledger of the North of Ireland Cricket Club, Belfast, Co. Antrim.	<b>1892-1918</b>	<b>D4209/A/3</b>
Scrapbook containing newspaper cuttings [kept by Lord Castlerosse, later 5th Earl of Kenmare] about cricket matches - mainly 'varsity.	<b>c.1875-1879</b>	<b>D4151/V/6</b>
Letter from Owen Sheehy Skeffington of Dublin to Denis Barritt about cricket.	<b>1962</b>	<b>D4201/A/45</b>
Correspondence concerning Denis Barritt's active interest in cricket.	<b>1927-1984</b>	<b>D4201/H/5</b>
Northern Cricket Union of Ireland papers.	<b>1914-1998</b>	<b>D4213</b>
Photograph of the Woodvale Cricket Club team containing amongst others Robert Armstrong, Billy McCleary, Constable Armstrong and Bobby Mackey.	<b>c.1935</b>	<b>D4242/D/2</b>
Papers of St Mary's Cricket Club, Belfast.	<b>1927-1970</b>	<b>D4248</b>
Papers of North of Ireland Cricket Club, Belfast.	<b>1862-1990</b>	<b>D4286</b>
Ballymena Cricket Club Papers.	<b>1854-2013</b>	<b>D4568</b>

Photograph of the final of N.I. Senior Cup, Warringstown -v- Cliftonville.	1922	MIC202
Scorebook of Loughgall Cricket Club, Co. Armagh.	1869-1878	T1384
Ballymena Cricket Club photograph, Co. Antrim.	c.1930-1950	T2061
<b>CROQUET</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph of Bangor Hydro croquet lawn.	c.1914	D2886/B/3/2
Photographs of Rostrevor Hydro croquet lawn.	c.1910	D2886/B/11/7, D2886/B/11/11
Photograph of a man and woman playing croquet.	c.1890-1920	D3027/8/C/46/17
Minute Books of the Newcastle Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Co. Down.	1900-1930	D3767
<b>CYCLING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Three letters from W.H. Broad, Captain of the Dover Cycling Club, Victoria Hotel, Castle Street, Dover, to Lord Dufferin about prize medals which Dufferin is requested to present.	1895	D1071/H/B/B/750
Photograph of Derry Cycling Club.	c.1910	D1422/B/25/13
Copy of Bacon's Cycling Road Map of Ireland.	c.1900	D1822/2

Rules, membership list, etc, of Dalriada Cycling Club, based at Ballymoney and Coleraine, Co. Londonderry.

1898

D2800/13

Records of Belfast Cycling Club including programmes of cycling events, membership lists and application forms, secretary's reports, etc [Closed until listed].

1936-1946

D3105



Royal School cricket team, Armagh (1915)  
D2886/A/1/4/3

Two Guards' officers playing chess entitled 'Check.' (c.1856)  
D1854/5/1/4

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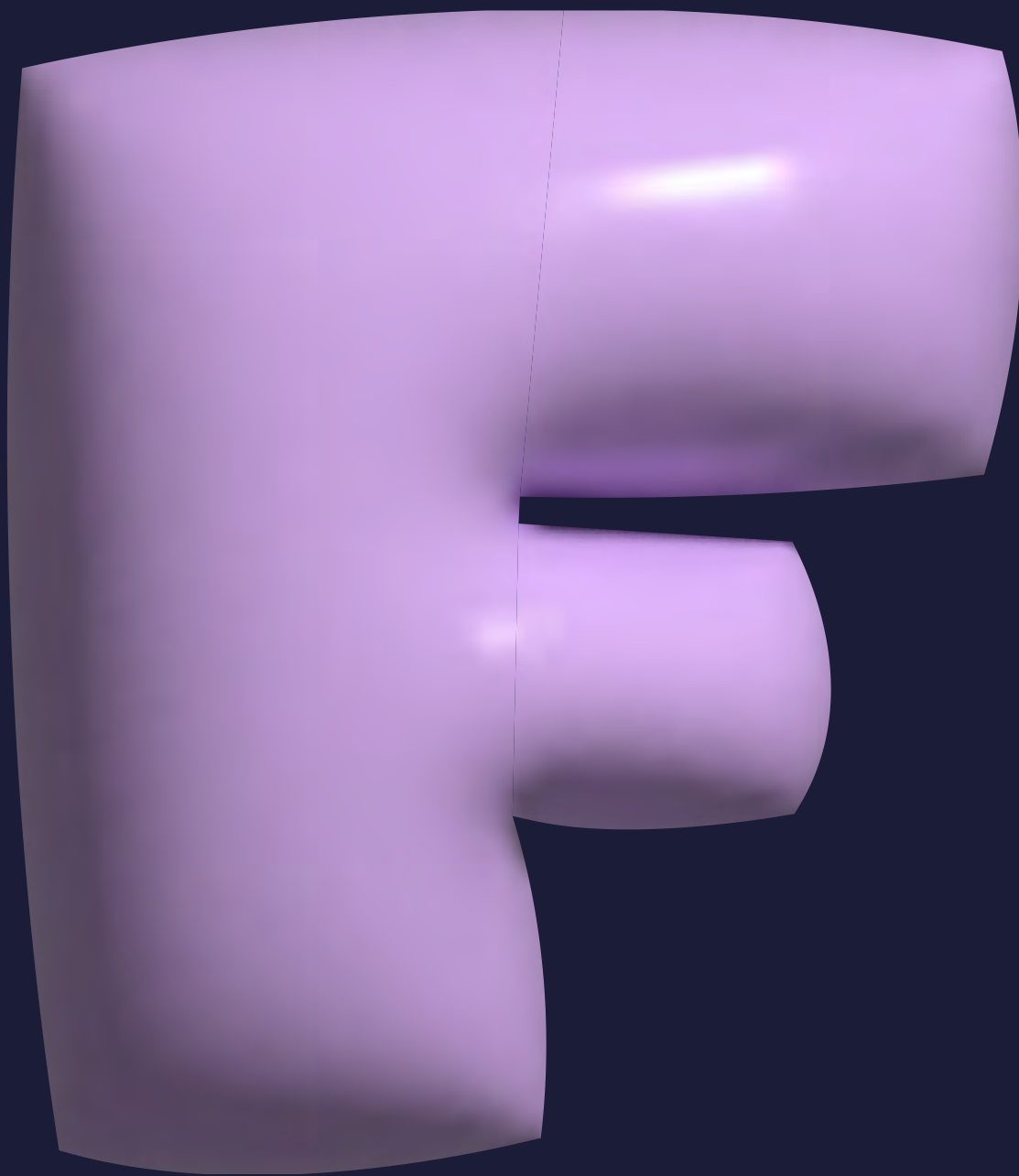


DARTS	DATE	REF. NO.
Photographs of outdoor bowling and darts matches.	1937-1947	D2334/6/12/122-131
Photograph of the Lisburn Fire Station Darts Team, winners of 'B' Division Darts Championship.	c.1975-1978	D4247/3/3/95

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EQUESTRIAN SPORTS	DATE	REF. NO.
Programme of Gymkhana Meeting.	1897	D1176/21
Photographs of equestrian sports, including polo.	1937-1946	D2334/6/12/41-53
Photographs of Annual Gymkhana at Magherafelt, Co. Londonderry.	1960	D4069/18/14
Photograph album containing black and white photographs. The album mainly consists of photographs of men in military attire, as well as photographs of men playing a game of polo.	c.1920	D4567/2/21
Photographs of various horses, show jumping and horse racing events.	c.1915-1972	D4567/6/1/12/2
Ballycastle Show Committee programme for first Ballycastle Show and Gymkhana.	1962	LA/12/50/G/1
Photograph of H.R.Charley's polo pony Simon, taken at Ladysmith's Camp.	c.1898	T1677/9/24



FOOTBALL	DATE	REF. NO.
Two letters from Joseph D. Augel, Colledge Park Football Club, Harlesden, London to Lord Dufferin, expressing sympathy on the death of the Earl of Ava, killed in the Boer War and requesting that Dufferin accept the Presidency of the Club.	1900	D1071/H/B/A/314
Photographs by H.F. Cooper of sports including football teams in Strabane, Co. Tyrone.	c.1909-1930	D1422/B/15
Printed memorandum of association of Belfast Celtic Football and Athletic Co. Ltd.	1901	D2044/7
Plans and drawings of sports and social buildings by Henry Lynn, architect.	1901-1961	D2954/A/6
Papers relating to Susan O'Neill's soccer career playing both for local teams and for the Northern Ireland team within the Northern Ireland Women's Football Association.	c.1987-1993	D3300/225
File containing letters asking for financial aid for Duncairn Old Boys, Earlsville, Crusaders and Georgeville.	1924-1931	D3413/A/D/4
Photograph of Mountpottinger Y.M.C.A. Football Club for the 1952-3 season.	1953	D3788/4/3/10
Programme of N.I. School's Football Association versus France.	1927-1987	D3811
Linfield Football Club papers, Belfast, Co. Antrim.	1934-1972	D3852
Papers of the Downpatrick Football Club.	1883-1885	D3916/F

Irish Football Association Papers [Restricted Access].	<b>1880-2013</b>	<b>D4196</b>
Manuscript by Neal Garnham on soccer prior to Partition.	<b>c.1999</b>	<b>D4301</b>
Papers relating to the Irish Football League.	<b>1915-2004</b>	<b>D4511</b>
Papers of the Northern Ireland Women's Football Association.	<b>1973-1993</b>	<b>D4633</b>
Collection of scrapbooks compiled by Chris Unwin relating to the Northern Ireland Women's Football Association.	<b>c.1977-1990</b>	<b>D4673</b>
News sheets of the Northern Amateur Football League (NAFL) entitled 'Star Soccer'.	<b>1980-2008</b>	<b>D4713</b>
File on Lurgan Glenavon Supporters' Club, Co. Armagh.	<b>1948-1949</b>	<b>FIN/15/6/A/6</b>
Photograph of Barn Football Club, Carrickfergus, Co. Antrim.	<b>1898-1899</b>	<b>T3460</b>
Photographs and newspaper cuttings relating to the Linfield Football & Athletic Club, Belfast, Co. Antrim.	<b>1915-1916</b>	<b>T3824</b>

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<b>GAELIC FOOTBALL</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Appeal from Committee of McAllister-McVeigh Memorial Park [G.A.A. grounds] for subscriptions.	<b>c.1945</b>	<b>D2162/M/7</b>
Outdoor photograph of Gaelic football practice at St Patrick's College playing fields, Moy Road.	<b>1920</b>	<b>D2886/A/1/4/44</b>
Photograph of the Madden Gaelic football team.	<b>1946</b>	<b>D2886/A/2/10/16</b>
Photograph of GAA match.	<b>c.1950</b>	<b>D2991/J/4/4</b>
Photograph of St Columb's College GAA team.	<b>c.1920-1921</b>	<b>D1422/B/15/55</b>
Book titled 'An Dún: the G.A.A. story' by Sighle Nic An Ultaigh.	<b>c.1988</b>	<b>LIB/1743</b>
Book titled 'O'Donovan Rossa Gaelic football Club, Magherafelt : the first fifty years'.	<b>1988</b>	<b>LIB/1744</b>
Files relating to the Dungannon Thomas Clark Gaelic Football Club.	<b>1980-1982</b>	<b>SCNI/9/5/27</b>
File relating to the Derrygonnelly Harps Gaelic Football Club.	<b>1985-1992</b>	<b>SCNI/9/5/19</b>
<b>GLIDING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Log books of the Ulster Gliding Club.	<b>1932-1939</b>	<b>D1490</b>
Ulster Gliding and Aviation Club, Belfast, articles of association and newsletters.	<b>1932-1982</b>	<b>D2498</b>
File discussing the eligibility of Ulster Gliding Clubs to participate in the Imperial Air Ministry Grants.	<b>1935</b>	<b>FIN/18/15/75</b>

File relating to the control of gliding and power flying over Northern Ireland during the Second World War.	<b>1934-1946</b>	<b>HA/8/573</b>
<b>GOLF</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Lease of foreshore at Royal County Down Golf Club, Newcastle.	<b>1966</b>	<b>CL/1/84</b>
Two letters, the first with an enclosure, from Ella Carson, Royal Belfast Ladies' Golf Club, Carnalea, to Lord Dufferin about a prize medal which he is presenting to the club.	<b>1897</b>	<b>D1071/H/B/C/185</b>
Three letters from J.F. Dixon, Hon. Secretary to the Cinque Ports Golf Club, Victoria Road, Deal, to Lord Dufferin about Dufferin's consenting to become President of the Club.	<b>1892-1893</b>	<b>D1071/H/B/D/169</b>
Photographs by H.F. Cooper of sports including Strabane Golf Club, Co. Tyrone.	<b>c.1930</b>	<b>D1422/B/15</b>
Letters concerning Portrush Golf Club, Co. Antrim.	<b>1929-1930</b>	<b>D1835/54</b>
Accounts and papers relating to Woodville Golf Club, Lurgan.	<b>c.1918-1930</b>	<b>D1929/20</b>
Belfast Telegraph photographs of various golf events.	<b>1930-1950</b>	<b>D2334/6/4</b>
Plans and drawings of sports and social buildings by Henry Lynn, architect.	<b>1901-1961</b>	<b>D2954/A/6</b>
Photographs of members of the Ulster delegation to the Ottawa Conference playing golf.	<b>1932</b>	<b>D3300/21</b>
File relating to Belvoir Park Golf Club, Belfast.	<b>1927-1941</b>	<b>D3413/A/D/3</b>

File relating to Ormeau Golf Club, Belfast.	1927-1929	D3413/A/D/6
Photograph albums of Thomas Paul of Belfast containing golfing photographs.	c.1895-1903	D3810/3, D3810/6, D3810/12
Minute Book of Wine & Spirit Trade Golf Club also containing some correspondence involving the Vintners' Golfing Society.	1949-1960	D3833/1/5
Plans relating to Killarney Golf course and Clubhouse.	1938-1953	D4151/S/8
Minute books of the Royal Belfast Golf Club Papers.	1881-1901	D4650
Photograph of Royal Belfast Golf Club, Carnelea, Bangor Co Down.	c.1890-1900	T2418/4/248
Maps and papers relating to the Rossmore Estate in Co. Monaghan and the Rossmore Golf Club.	1881-1944	T2929/42
Minute book of the Royal Co. Down Ladies Golf Club papers.	1894-1898	T3796
Papers of the Royal County Down Golf Club consisting of a digital copy of a map of the golf courses 1907 [Closed until listed].	1907	T3972
<b>GREYHOUND RACING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photographs of a man with greyhounds.	c.1910	D1422/B/15/25-26, D1422/B/15/71
Lord Lurgan's greyhound account book.	1830-1890	D1928/A/6/2, D1928/A/6/4
Meeting card, of the second day of the Montalto Coursing Club, Ballynahinch, in the Montalto demesne.	1912	D3086/7

Photograph of the coursing greyhound 'Master McGrath', owned by Lord Lurgan, with his trainer Joe Walsh.

c.1869

T2673/2

## GYMNASTICS

DATE

REF. NO.

Photograph of St Patrick's College gymnastics team with their instructor, Armagh.

1928

D2886/A/1/4/47

Photographs of the Mountpottinger YMCA Gymnastic Club, Belfast.

1915-1930

D3788/4/3/1-4,  
D3788/4/3/9

Minutes of the Executive meetings of the Northern Ireland Amateur Gymnastics Association.

1983

D4050/12



Maddens Gaelic Football team (1946)  
D2886/A/2/10/16



Two images of 'Marie', a golfer (1921)  
D3480/22/1



<b>HANDBALL</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph of Royal School handball alley.	<b>c.1950</b>	<b>D2886/A/1/4/28</b>
Photograph of St Patrick's College handball alleys.	<b>1920</b>	<b>D2886/A/1/4/42</b>
<b>HOCKEY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photographs by H.F. Cooper of sports including hockey teams in Co. Tyrone and Co. Donegal.	<b>1907-1930</b>	<b>D1422/B/15</b>
Collection of 10 photographs of hockey and lacrosse.	<b>1935-1951</b>	<b>D2334/6/12/54-63</b>
Photograph of Armagh Girls High School hockey team.	<b>1933</b>	<b>D2886/A/2/10/12</b>
Minute book of the Osborne Hockey Club. Belfast, Co. Antrim.	<b>1909-1914</b>	<b>D3888</b>
Cards relating to the Down Hockey Club.	<b>1900-1903</b>	<b>D3916/G</b>
Papers of the Ulster Women's Hockey Union.	<b>1905-1993</b>	<b>D3982</b>
Minutes of the Council meetings of the Ulster Women's Hockey Union.	<b>1985-1989</b>	<b>D4050/17</b>
Papers of the East Antrim Hockey Club [Closed until listed].	<b>c.1906-2002</b>	<b>D4928</b>
Photograph of Charley/Richardson family hockey team.	<b>1900</b>	<b>T1677/9/22</b>
<b>HORSE RACING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Antrim Hunt papers relating to horse-racing and hunting.	<b>1825-1836</b>	<b>D471</b>

Letters relating to horse racing at Lisnagarvey, Lisburn, Co. Antrim, Enniskillen races.	<b>1665-1770</b>	<b>D562/34</b>
Photographs of various horse races.	<b>1934-1949</b>	<b>D2334/6/5</b>
Letters to Lord Londonderry from the Prince of Wales/Edward VII, containing racing news [Closed until listed].	<b>1896-1908</b>	<b>D2846/2/3</b>
Letter to the 4th Earl of Antrim with references to horse racing.	<b>1710</b>	<b>D2977/5/1/4/12</b>
Official race cards for horse races at Maze Racecourse and Clifton Park Racecourse.	<b>1910-1911</b>	<b>D3086/5-6</b>
Papers of Lord Londonderry relating to horseracing activities.	<b>1867-1925</b>	<b>D3099/1/C</b>
Records of Down Royal Corporation of Horsebreeders.	<b>1723-1971</b>	<b>D3276</b>
Photograph album containing black and white photographs of various horse racing competitions held across Ireland.	<b>1946</b>	<b>D4567/2/55</b>
Letter relating to Bellewstown Races, Co. Meath.	<b>1808</b>	<b>T2519/6/2/14</b>
Account of the Castlebar Races.	<b>1798</b>	<b>T3048/1/4</b>
<b>HURLING AND CAMOGIE</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Agreement between Bernard Hughes Ltd and the Committee of the Lurgan and District Hurling G.A.A. League to present a silver cup to the league.	<b>1933</b>	<b>D3338/L/1/3</b>
Letter from James N. Richardson, Mountmellick, Co. Laois, to his step-mother, Mrs John G. Richardson, Moyallon House, Gilford, Co. Down, discussing the sport of hurling.	<b>1850-1860</b>	<b>T2571/3/3</b>



<p>Copy of a booklet entitled 'The Armagh Camogie Story: Fifty years of earnest endeavour in the cause of our Gaelic Games' with an introduction by Cardinal Tomás Ó Fiaich.</p>	<p><b>1977</b></p>	<p><b>T3926/1</b></p>
<p>Copy of a booklet entitled 'Oscailt Oifigiuil Pairc Pádraig S Uí Néill Coillidh Uí Chanannain' celebrating the opening of Middletown, Co Armagh, Football and Hurling Club's new facilities at the P J O'Neill Park.</p>	<p><b>1992</b></p>	<p><b>T3926/2</b></p>





Women's hockey team, possibly in front of Royal School, Raphoe, Co. Donegal (c.1910)  
D1422/B/15/34



Ice hockey (c.1930-1934)  
D4567/2/31

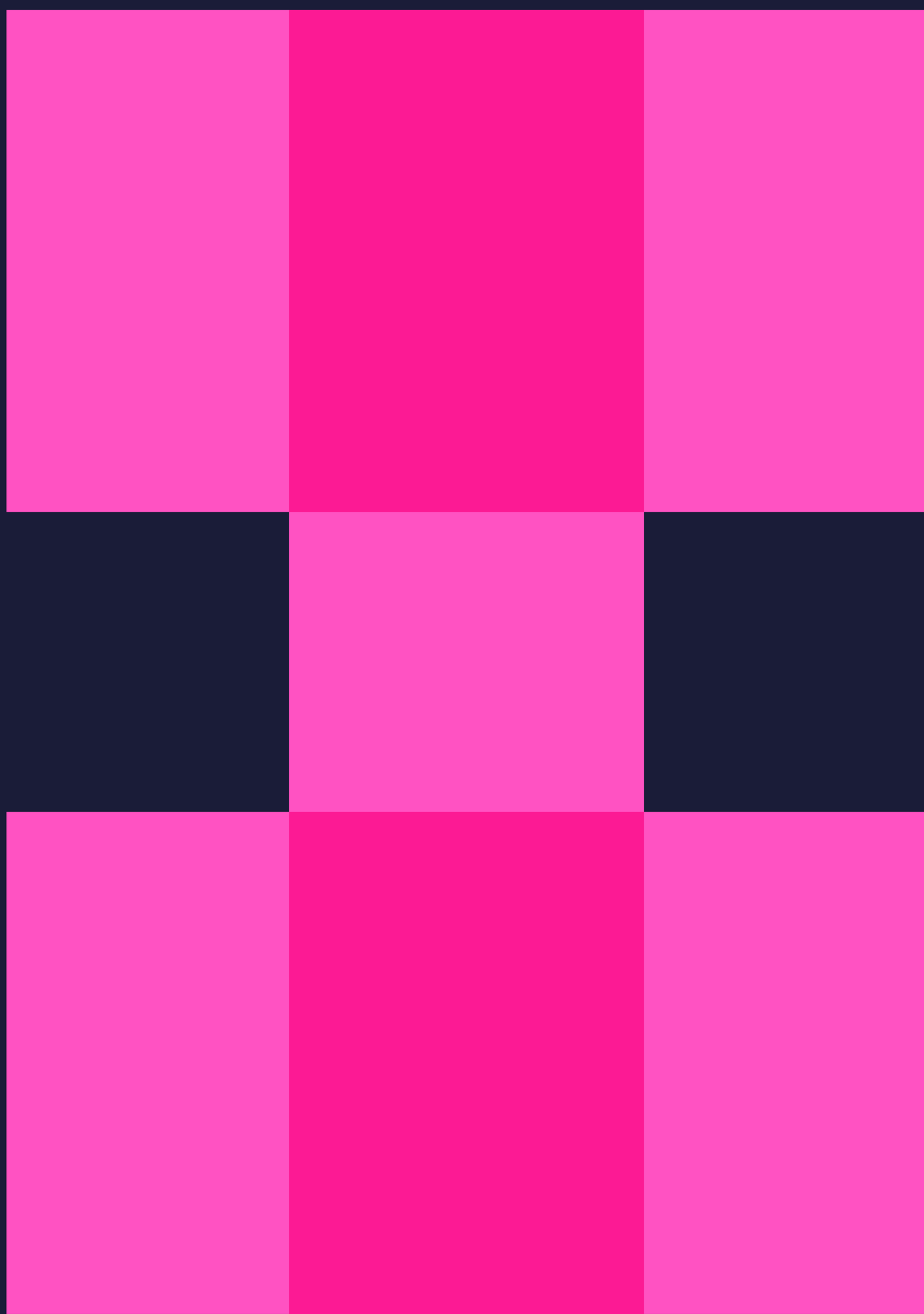


Gymkhana, Magherafelt (c.1959)  
D4069/18/14



Maze Racecourse, Co. Down (1959)  
D4069/15/6







ICE HOCKEY	DATE	REF. NO.
Photographs of winter sports including skiing and ice-hockey.	1935-1947	D2334/6/12/93-101
By-laws of the Northern Ireland Ice Hockey Association.	1986	D4050/21
Photograph album featuring photographs of Lady Edith, Lady Margaret, Lady Helen and Lady Mairi playing ice hockey together.	1930-1934	D4567/2/31
Papers of Belfast Giants 2008 Limited [Closed until listed].	c.2000-2011	D4488





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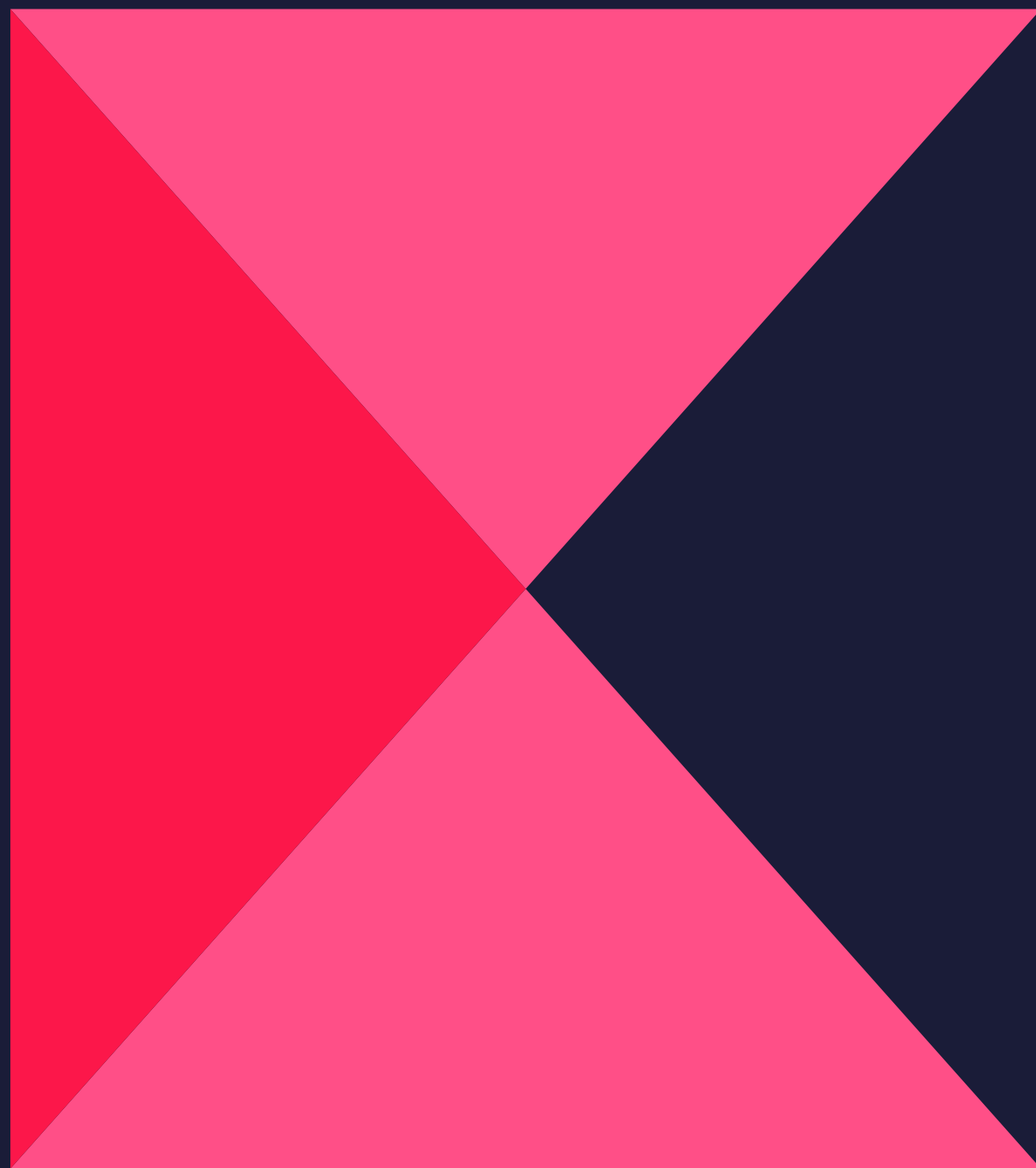




JUDO	DATE	REF. NO.
Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Northern Ireland Judo Federation.	1989	D4050/16
Papers relating to the Northern Ireland Judo Federation.	1978-1981	SCNI/9/3/9

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KARATE	DATE	REF. NO.
Constitution and minutes of the Northern Ireland Karate Board.	<b>1987-1989</b>	<b>D4050/11</b>

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LACROSSE	DATE	REF. NO.
Letter from John Sinclair, Hon. Secretary, Northern Lacrosse Union (Ireland), Belfast, inviting Dufferin to become President of the Union.	1879	D1071/H/B/S/309
Folder of Lacrosse sporting papers - circular letters, notices of matches and international cap. A. H. Dill, Knock, Belfast.	1878-1886	D1518/1/8

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<b>MOTOR CYCLING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photographs of motor gymkhana taken by H. F. Cooper.	<b>c.1920</b>	<b>D1422/B/15/52-54</b>
Photographs of various motorcycle events.	<b>1928-1950</b>	<b>D2334/6/7</b>
Motor Cycle Union of Ireland minute book.	<b>1912-1921</b>	<b>D3133</b>
Programmes for the Ulster Trophy Races, papers of Omagh Motor Club, Co. Tyrone.	<b>1951-1968</b>	<b>D3356</b>
Minutes of the AGM of the Motor Cycle Union of Ireland.	<b>1985</b>	<b>D4050/7</b>
Photographs of early motorcycle racing and time trials [Unlisted but digitally available on request].	<b>c.1910-1930</b>	<b>D4458</b>
File of letters to Lord Craigavon relating to the Ulster Grand Prix.	<b>1928</b>	<b>PM/9/21</b>
<b>MOTOR RACING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photographs of motor racing, particularly relating to Mole's Trial in Strabane, taken by H. F. Cooper.	<b>c.1910</b>	<b>D1422/B/15/19-24</b>
Photographs of the Ulster Grand Prix motorcar races at Cookstown and Cavehill.	<b>1928-1935</b>	<b>D2334/6/7/1-9</b>
Photographs of the European Grand Prix, motorcar races.	<b>1948-1949</b>	<b>D2334/6/7/41-52</b>
Programmes for the Ulster Trophy Races, papers of Omagh Motor Club, Co. Tyrone.	<b>1951-1968</b>	<b>D3356</b>



Photographs of R.A.C Tourist Trophy Races held over the Newtownards Circuit, Co. Down.	<b>1929</b>	<b>D3911</b>
Lord Dunleath's papers relating to the Ards TT race and the Ulster Vintage Car Club.	<b>1939-1994</b>	<b>D4179/3</b>
Photographs of various Ulster Tourist Trophy (TT) races in Northern Ireland but mainly from the Dundrod, Co Antrim, Circuit.	<b>c.1929-1961</b>	<b>D4588/3</b>
Official souvenir programme and annotated photographs of crashes at the 1955 Ulster Tourist Trophy (TT) at Dundrod, Co. Antrim.	<b>1955</b>	<b>D4710</b>





PLOUGHING	DATE	REF. NO.
Agriculture (Ploughing Grants) Bill 1952.	1952	CAB/9/R/107
Certificate given to Robert McCoy, Corboe, Co. Tyrone as 1st prize in a ploughing match on John W. Maxwell's Estate, Killyfaddy, Co. Tyrone.	1846	D1444/20
Letter about a ploughing match to be held at Dervock, Co. Antrim.	1893	D1451/104
Photograph of a ploughing match at Milford, Co. Armagh.	1922	D2886/A/2/1/7/7
Official handbook and The Farmer's Journal relating to the 1959 World Ploughing Contest at Armoy, Co. Antrim.	1959	D3300/47
Bundle of 7 photographs of a 'ploughing challenge' at Ballynahinch, Co Down.	1953	D4122/B/39
Poster advertising ploughing match to be held at Ballygoskin, Co. Down.	1853	T1862/3



<b>RAMBLING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Minutes of the Committee meetings of the Ulster Federation of Rambling Clubs.	<b>1985-1988</b>	<b>D4050/13</b>
Photograph albums and bundles of photographs relating to hill-walking.	<b>1926-1960</b>	<b>D4122/B/115, D4122/B/170-171, D4122/B/174, D4122/B/178</b>
Records of the Belfast C.H.A (Countrywide Holiday Association) Rambling Club [Closed until listed].	<b>c.1926-2012</b>	<b>D4651</b>
<b>ROWING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph of Cunard rowing cutter with crew.	<b>c.1920</b>	<b>D1422/B/3/40</b>
Photographs of rowing and including chairmen of various sporting associations.	<b>1946-1964</b>	<b>D2334/6/12/111-121</b>
Photographs of the Bann Rowing Club boathouse in Coleraine.	<b>c.1920-1923</b>	<b>D2766/6, D2766/19</b>
Minutes of the Ulster Branch of the Irish Amateur Rowing Union.	<b>1986</b>	<b>D4050/1</b>
Belfast Rowing Club papers.	<b>1920-1987</b>	<b>D4079</b>
Laganside Corporation correspondence with Irish Amateur Rowing Union, Lagan Scullers.	<b>1993-1995</b>	<b>LAG/3/3/4</b>
Book titled 'Belfast rowing club 1880-1982' by Walter F. Mitchell.	<b>1994</b>	<b>LIB/1742</b>
Minute book of Newry Rowing Club, Co. Down.	<b>1907-1935</b>	<b>T3147</b>

Photograph of 'Dublin University Four' rowing team.	<b>c.1900-1945</b>	<b>T3949/3/3</b>
<b>RUGBY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph by W. Lawrence of a rugby team.	<b>c.1885</b>	<b>D1449/15/2/7</b>
Photographs of various rugby events.	<b>1935-1951</b>	<b>D2334/6/8</b>
Photographs of the Royal School rugby team and events.	<b>c.1917-1929</b>	<b>D2886/A/1/4/4, D2886/A/1/4/15-16</b>
Photograph of Armagh rugby team, winners of Provincial Towns' Rugby Cup.	<b>1946-1947</b>	<b>D2886/A/2/10/17</b>
Irish Provincial Towns' Rugby Football Union Papers.	<b>1899-1985</b>	<b>D3802</b>
Ulster branch of the Irish Rugby Football Union papers.	<b>1921-1986</b>	<b>D3812</b>
Photographs of regimental rugby teams and silver trophies.	<b>c.1910</b>	<b>D3835/G/6</b>
Records of the Irish Rugby Football Union (Ulster Branch), Belfast.	<b>1886-1983</b>	<b>D3867</b>
Letter from Arthur Campbell to the Secretary of the Irish Rugby Football Union, Dublin, regarding the Ireland versus England rugby match at Dublin on 13 Feb 1926.	<b>1986</b>	<b>D4122/A/201</b>
Papers of the North of Ireland Cricket and Rugby Club.	<b>1862-2000</b>	<b>D4286</b>
Papers of the Collegians Rugby Football Club.	<b>1949-1996</b>	<b>D4490</b>

Reports on Meets, Socials and Rallies, including Bank Holiday meet at City of Derry Rugby Football Club and NI Regional Rally at Cook Rugby Club, Shaws Bridge, Belfast.	<b>1997</b>	<b>D4702/8/2/4/1</b>
Photograph of the Royal Belfast Academical Institution (RBAI) under-15 Rugby Team.	<b>c.1915-1916</b>	<b>D4818/1/2/6</b>
Grants awarded from the Department of Education in relation to Ravenhill Rugby Football Grounds.	<b>1987-1993</b>	<b>DFP/18/3/1</b>
Photograph of Willie John McBride, rugby player.	<b>1973</b>	<b>INF/7/A/9/13</b>
City of Derry Rugby Football Club centenary brochure 1881-1981: a club history.	<b>1981</b>	<b>LIB/1738</b>
File relating to Ballymena Rugby Football Club.	<b>1963-1970</b>	<b>PM/5/97/5</b>
Fixture Card Booklet for the Civil Service (N.I.) Rugby Football Club for the season 1948-1949.	<b>1948-1949</b>	<b>T3899/5</b>
Copy images of Portadown Rugby Team.	<b>c.1884-1945</b>	<b>T3949/1/2, T3949/1/54-55</b>



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Pamphlet about 'The Owen Glendower'.	1812-1865	D908/2
Seven volumes of yacht logs belonging to the Earl of Gifford.	1857	D1071/G/B/19
Yachting papers of Frederick, 1st Marquess of Dufferin.	1850-1900	D1071/H/X
Three certificates of Bangor Corinthian Sailing Club.	1886	D1305/2
Membership register of Lough Erne Yacht Club, Co. Fermanagh.	1870-1913	D2367/2-3
Glass plate negatives of yachts [Closed until listed].	c.1900	D2658/15
Papers of Royal Ulster Yacht Club, Bangor, Co. Down [See also MIC283].	1867-1951	D2747
Letters to Lady Londonderry from the Duke and Duchess of Leeds, relating to sailing.	1906-1917	D2846/2/16
Papers relating to yachting expeditions of the 2nd Earl Belmore in the Mediterranean and Middle East.	1813-1941	D3007/H/5
Minute books of Ballyholme Yacht and Sailing Club, Bangor, Co. Down.	1907-1976	D3246

File containing regatta fixture leaflets for the Ballyholme Yacht Club, Co. Down.	<b>1923-1938</b>	<b>D3413/A/D/1</b>
Photograph albums of Thomas Paul of Belfast containing sailing photographs.	<b>1895-1897</b>	<b>D3810/3</b>
Log books and journals relating to the yacht 'Kara'.	<b>1858-1898</b>	<b>D4131/J/3</b>
Papers relating to various sailing clubs including the Royal Ulster Yacht Club [Closed until listed].	<b>1888-1926</b>	<b>D4588/4</b>
Minute Book of the Northern Yacht Club, Belfast.	<b>1824-1838</b>	<b>T3198</b>
<b>SKIING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Correspondence between Lady Londonderry to Herr Hans Faulkner detailing plans for a ski race that Lady Londonderry was involved in organising.	<b>1937</b>	<b>D3099/11/37/4</b>
Minutes of the Ulster Ski Council Ltd.	<b>1985</b>	<b>D4050/3</b>
Papers relating to various ski clubs and organisations in Northern Ireland.	<b>1963-2007</b>	<b>D4462</b>
<b>SUB AQUA</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Minutes of the AGM's of the Northern Ireland Federation of Sub-Aqua Clubs.	<b>1984-1988</b>	<b>D4050/6</b>
Files relating to the Newry Sub-Aqua Club.	<b>1977-1983</b>	<b>SCNI/9/5/5</b>

SWIMMING	DATE	REF. NO.
File relating to the building of a public swimming pool in Newcastle, Co. Down.	1931	CAB/9/B/188
Photographs of swimming events.	1928-1947	D2334/6/12/64-72
Minutes of the AGM's of the Irish Amateur Swimming Association.	1985-1987	D4050/19
Papers of the Belfast Amateur Swimming Club.	1902-1982	D4461
Papers of Victoria Amateur Swimming and Life Saving Society.	c.1900-2000	D4769

View from backing wall, Donaghadee, Co. Down (1958)  
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<b>TABLE TENNIS</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph of St Patrick's Table Tennis Club.	c.1930	D1422/B/15/72
Photographs of various other sports table tennis, billiards and including a photograph of world champion snooker player Joe Davis.	1930-1948	D2334/6/12/102-110
Papers of the Tyrone County Table Tennis Association [Closed until listed].	1948-1970	D3178
Minute books of the Executive Committee of Irish Table Tennis Association (Ulster Branch).	1985-1989	D4050/9
Minute book of the Ninth Belfast Old Boys Association Table Tennis Club.	1926-1983	D4226
<b>TARGET SHOOTING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Correspondence with John Lang of the St Andrews University Artillery Battery Shooting Club.	1890-1891	D1071/H/B/L/52
Photograph of the winners of Challenge Shield from the Artigarvan Unionist Club.	1913	D2618/A/F/10
Minute book of the Co. Down Rifle League.	1905-1915	D2705

Minute book of the Queen's University Air Gun Club.	1927-1930	D4060/14
Files relating to the Coagh Clay Pigeon Club.	1977-1981	SCNI/9/5/24
<b>TENNIS</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Bundle of Copy Draft Deeds relating to John Ross to Strandtown Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club Ltd., Belmont, Strandtown, Belfast.	1921-1922	D1326/18/71
Photograph by H.F. Cooper of a Sion Mills tennis match, Co. Tyrone.	c.1920	D1422/B/15/62
Circular from Newcastle Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club regarding renewal of annual subscription and enclosing copy of agenda for Annual Meeting and Statement of Accounts.	1938	D1700/5/6/54
Photographs of tennis matches.	1935-1949	D2334/6/12/83-92
View of tennis court and players, Baronscourt Demesne.	c.1910	D2618/A/B/3
Photograph album of Killymoon Tennis Club, Cookstown, Co. Tyrone.	1882	D2829
Photographs of a ladies singles tennis match.	c.1920	D2886/A/2/10/5
Photographs of individuals playing tennis.	c.1890-1920	D3027/8/C/11/13-14
File of J.H. Craig of Belfast relating to St John's Tennis Club.	1927-1928	D3413/A/D/5

List of competitors at the N.I.C.C. Lawn Tennis tournament.	<b>1883</b>	<b>D3642/E/1</b>
Minute books of Newcastle Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Co. Down.	<b>1900-1930</b>	<b>D3767</b>
Papers of Adelaide R. Palmer containing photographs and references to tennis parties in Tandragee, Co. Armagh.	<b>1892-1897</b>	<b>D3821</b>
Records of Downshire Lawn Tennis Club, Belfast, Co. Antrim.	<b>1891-1940</b>	<b>D3823</b>
Ulster Council of the Irish Lawn Tennis Association papers.	<b>1927-1970</b>	<b>D3832</b>
Minutes of meetings of the Ulster Council of the Irish Lawn Tennis Association.	<b>1985-1989</b>	<b>D4050/8</b>
Photograph of a tennis group at Glenmachan.	<b>1911</b>	<b>D4185/A/1/5</b>
Ninth Belfast Old Boys Association Lawn Tennis Club minute books, accounts and membership records.	<b>1926-1983</b>	<b>D4226</b>
Minute books of the St Mary's Cricket and Tennis Club.	<b>1927-1950</b>	<b>D4248/A/1/1-2</b>

Papers of the Downshire Lawn Tennis Club, Belfast.	<b>1891-1904</b>	<b>T829</b>
Photograph showing tennis being played at Wallace Park, Lisburn, Co.Antrim.	<b>c.1900</b>	<b>T1677/9/3</b>
Photograph taken at Seymour Hill, Dunmurry, Co Antrim showing tennis being played in the grounds.	<b>c.1900</b>	<b>T1677/10/9</b>
Photograph showing tennis being played at Clonmore house.	<b>c.1900</b>	<b>T1677/10/38</b>
Photograph of Portstewart tennis courts.	<b>c.1938</b>	<b>T3260/1/22</b>
Holiday postcard showing tennis players at grounds in Ballycastle, Co. Antrim.	<b>1915</b>	<b>D3670/A/9</b>
<b>TRAMPOLINING</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Minutes of the Northern Ireland Trampolining Association.	<b>1989-1990</b>	<b>D4050/10</b>
Files relating to the Northern Ireland Trampoline Association.	<b>1984</b>	<b>SCNI/9/3/3</b>
<b>TUG OF WAR</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>REF. NO.</b>
Photograph of a tug of war team in Sion Mills.	<b>c.1915</b>	<b>D1422/B/15/48</b>
Photograph of soldiers' tug of war.	<b>c.1914</b>	<b>D2886/A/2/9/4</b>
Photograph album containing photographs of many people partaking in a game of tug of war.	<b>c.1920</b>	<b>D4567/2/21</b>



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WATER SKIING	DATE	REF. NO.
Minutes of the meetings of the Irish Water Ski Federation.	1985-1988	D4050/20

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## OTHER SPORTS

OTHER SPORTS	DATE	REF. NO.
Minute book of Whitehead Sports Association, Co. Antrim.	1933-1938	D2966/58
Minute book and photograph relating to the All Saints' Gymnasium Club, Belfast.	1894-1898	D3899
Records of the Church of Ireland Young Men's Society (C.I.Y.M.S.).	1850-1996	D3936
Audio-visual material relating to sport can be found through the UTV Film and Tape Archive held at PRONI. Material already digitised can be accessed freely online at	1959-2018	D4677
Minutes of the Sports and Recreation Committee, Craigavon.	1967-1973	DC/2/P
Document containing correspondence between Belfast Hospitals sports gala committee and the commissioners of charitable donations.	1921	FIN/1/26
Sports Council of Northern Ireland papers.	1955-1994	SCNI
Youth and Sports Council.	1965-1971	SO/2/E/7



Tennis match, Sion Mills (c.1920)  
D1422/B/15/62



Soldiers tug of war (1914)  
D2886/A/2/9/4





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