



Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye..

What an absolutely fantastic year it has been for our club and we wanted to summarise our achievements, which are a credit to each of our members.



Carlow Dragon Boat Club To Switch on Christmas in Carlow

We were absolutely delighted to have been invited by the Carlow Chamber to turn on the Christmas lights in Carlow, this Saturday November 25th as part of the wonderful, [Christmas in Carlow Celebrations](#)

It would be super to have as many club members (and your little people) join in. We are meeting at Bank of Ireland, Shamrock Plaza at 4pm where we will participate in the [Eist Candle Light Walk of Hope.](#)



Regattas to Remember

What an incredible summer it has been for us. The European Club Championships in Divonne saw us win Gold in the 2,000m, Silver in the 500m and Bronze in the 200m. There is no doubt about it, we will be back in 2019 to fight to retain the titles and maybe upgrade a couple of them to gold!

Meanwhile, on home soil between our Carlow Crusaders, Carlow Dragons and our under 18's team we gathered up a fine collection of silverware at the [Irish Dragon Boat Association](#) regattas in Athy, Carlow and Dublin. We have established ourselves as a club to be reckoned with.



Amazing Fun(d) Raising

The Development of our club relies heavily on the ongoing efforts of our Fund Raising team and the commitment of each of our members. In the last twelve months we have hosted a Pub Quiz in [Carlow LTC](#), Multiple Clothes Drives (and you thought your granny's old curtains had no value?), Cake Sales (we have some master bakers in our midst), we have bag packed and bucket rattled and what did we manage to secure with all of that ?

1. Our Own Boat (complete with drum and dragon!)
2. Paddles and Buoyancy aids
3. Vital Land based Training Equipment
4. Not one club house, but two !

Not bad for a club that is 4 1/2 years old and used to rent all the equipment including the boat and huddled around car boots after training.



Incredible Recognition



In the last 18 months, our club had three amazing accolades bestowed upon it. We have been awarded the [Carlow Nationalist Sports Person / Club of the quarter](#) on two occasions and the Lord Mayors Award once.

***New Members are Always Welcome.
No experience necessary. Aged 16 and over.***
[Click Here and Contact the club via email for more information](#)

We were delighted to work with [County Carlow Sports Partnership](#) during the summer for the Carlow Town Park Activity Hub 2017. Through this initiative, the people of Carlow had the opportunity to try numerous river based sports and activities including Dragon Boat Racing.

The Generation Games in IT Carlow, was another wonderful opportunity for the community to learn more about our sport and try some of our land based training equipment, also know as the dreaded paddle machine!

Huge Congratulations to our newly qualified helms Margaret and Niamh and also our 'Novice' Jane who should have the N plates off once she gets some practice under her belt. The river will be a safer place with you three in charge !

