

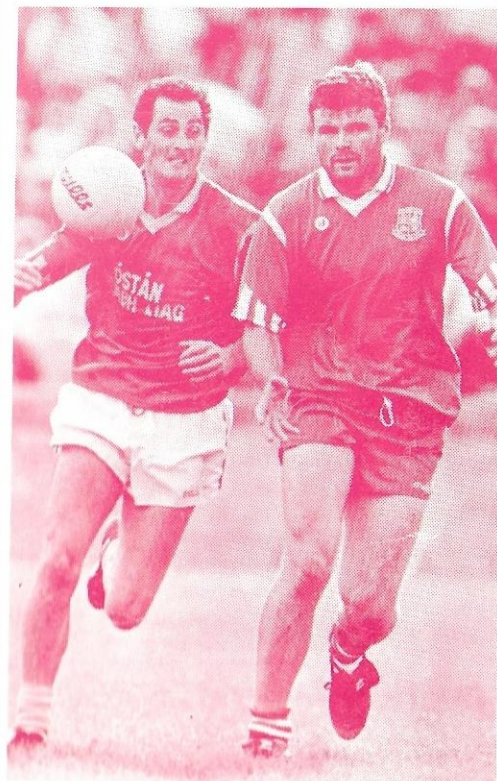


**Cluiche Ceannais Peile
Dhun na nGall 1996**



Pairc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill

DE SATHARN 28ú MEÁN FOMHAIR, 1996



5.00 p.m.

**Craobh Cheannais
Sinsear na Contae**

**Na Cealla
Beaga**

U

**Naomh
Columba**

Reiteoir: Mick McGrath (Aodh Ruadh)
Fir Line: Pat Curley & Bernard Devine.
Moltoiri: Joe Kelly, Kieran McGlynn,
Frankie Doherty, Frank Dooley.

3.00 p.m.

Craobh Cheannais Sinsear Tacaíochta na Contae

Aodh Ruadh

U

Naomh Adhamhnain

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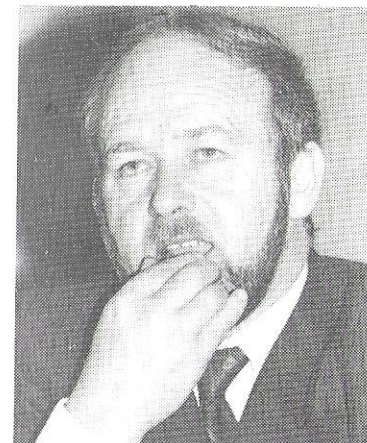
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To-day we have the showpiece of our year in Gaelic Games in the county with the Senior Championship final.

The Senior Championship this year has been truly exceptional, the best we have witnessed for a long, long time, with replays needed on so many occasions to decide.

At the end of the day, the cream has again come to the top with Killybegs and Naomh Columba back once more, in a repeat of last year's final. Hopefully, today's game will mirror what has gone before in the Senior Championship and continue the high standards already set.

The Reserve final brings together two familiar teams also in Aodh Ruadh and St. Eunan's and we look forward to a close tussle in this game also.

Today we honour the Sean MacCumhails team, senior champions of 1971, and they will be introduced to the crowd prior to the final.

My thanks to all our advertisers in today's programme and a special thanks to Co. PRO, Martina Reilly, for organising the publication.

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CLAR AN LAE

'Bord na Condae are honouring the 1971 Senior football county champions, Sean MacCumhails today.

The timetable for today's events are as follows:

- 3.00 p.m. Senior Reserve Final.
- 3.00 p.m. Sean MacCumhails team of 1971 will be met in MacCumhaill Social Centre by Donal Mac Conmidhe, Cathaoirleach Bord na Condae and other Co. officers.
- 4.15 p.m. Sean MacCumhails team proceed to the pitch.
- 4.30 p.m. Sean MacCumhails team will be introduced to the crowd.
- 4.43 p.m. Killybegs take the field.
- 4.45 p.m. Naomh Columba take the field.
- 5.00 p.m. Senior County final.

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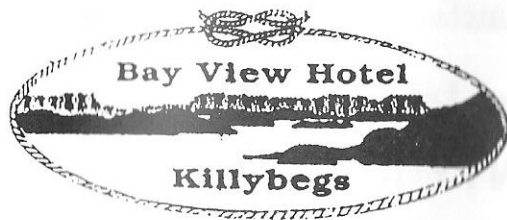
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Exceptional scoring by any standards

By Michael Daly (Donegal Democrat)

For one player to score a personal tally of 4-48 in eight championship outings is exceptional scoring by any standards, but then again the person concerned, Manus Boyle, is exceptional in many respects.

Manus Boyle has been Donegal's top scorer at inter-county level for many years now and at club level scoring averages of six and seven points per game are what people expect.

Obviously playing with a strong team like Killybegs helps but Boyle's consistency, game by game is a little bit special. He has had to score some very pressurised points to force extra-time, to win games and his penalty taking (twice) has been quite lethal.

In five games last year Boyle also finished top scorer in the domestic championship with a total of 0-21.

The top scorer from seven games so far in the 1996 championship for Naomh Columba is the under-21 county player, Pauric Gillespie, who has amassed a very respectable 2-28. Last year his tally from the completed championship was 1-6 while Noel Hegarty was the side's top scorer with 1-17.

This year Hegarty's suspension for two months seriously hampered his chances of finishing top scorer but even so he has slipped in behind Gillespie with 1-10 as Glen's second highest scorer. The scoring tables for 1995 and 1996 make interesting reading:

1995 scorers

KILLYBEGS

Manus Boyle	0-21
Conal Gallagher	2-6
Mark Boyle	1-4
Barry Cunningham	0-4
Paul Murrin	1-1
Barry McGowan	0-3
Seanie McGinley	1-0
Conor White	0-4
Jimmy White	0-2
John Cunningham	0-1
Paul Callaghan	0-1
Declan Boyle	0-1

NAOMH COLUMBA

Noel Hegarty	1-17
Conal Cunningham	1-4
Martin Gillespie	0-6
Pauric Gillespie	1-4
Paddy Hegarty	1-1
Noel McGinley	0-3
Gregory Doherty	1-1
Paul O'Donnell	1-1
Seamus Carr	0-2
Danny Cunningham	0-1
Dessie Cunningham	0-1
Gerard Cannon	0-1

1996 scorers

KILLYBEGS

Manus Boyle	4-48
Mark Boyle	2-7
John Ban Gallagher	0-11
Paul Callaghan	0-10
Barry McGowan	0-9
Conor White	1-2
Barry Cunningham	0-4
Conal Gallagher	0-3
Peter McGinley	0-2
Anthony Boyle	0-2
Andrew Mullen	0-1
John Baker Boyle	0-1
Paul Murrin	0-1
Seanie McGinley	0-1
Declan Boyle	0-1

Killybegs have scored a total of 7-103.

NAOMH COLUMBA

Pauric Gillespie	2-28
Noel Hegarty	1-10
Michael Byrne	1-8
Seamus Carr	0-10
Paddy Hegarty	0-6
Conal Cunningham	1-1
Gabriel O'Neill	0-4
Eugene Doherty	0-3
Noel McGinley	0-2
Gerard Cannon	0-1

Naomh Columba have scored a total of 5-73

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Best wishes to James Grimes and all the Aodh Ruadh team and management today.



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Best wishes to Aodh Ruadh Reserves and management.

South West continues to dominate

An tAth Seán Ó Gallchoir

Between the years 1929 and 1979 the Donegal Senior Football Championship was won by clubs from the South-West corner of the County on only two occasions. Killybegs (Killybegs/Kilcar/Glen) won in 1952 and Glencolumbkille in 1978. The 1980 final was between Ard a' Rátha and Cill Chartha. This final signalled the beginning of the dominance of club football in Donegal by the four South-West clubs (Cill Chartha, Na Cealla Beaga, Ard a' Rátha and Naomh Columba), a dominance that continues until the present day.

1980-1996

The following are the results of Donegal S.F.C. semi-finals and finals since 1980:

1980	Semis:	Cill Chartha 2-9	N. Columba 1-10
		Ard a' Rátha 1-11	Seán MacCumhailis . . . 0-7
	Final:	Cill Chartha 1-13	Ard a' Rátha 0-8
1981		Ard a' Rátha 1-5	Cill Chartha 0-5
		Na Ceithre Máistrí . . 1-9	Naomh Adhnamhnán 0-10
	Final:	Ard a' Rátha 1-7	Na Ceithre Máistrí . . . 0-6
1982		Na Ceithre Máistrí . 0-11	Bun Dobhráin 1-7
		Cill Chartha 0-10	Na Dúnaigh 0-9
	Final:	Na Ceithre Máistrí . . 1-4	Cill Chartha 0-6
1983		Naomh Adhamhnán 1-12	Na Dúnaigh 1-6
		Ard a' Rátha 3-7	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 0-15
	Final:	Naomh Adhamhnán 0-8	Ard a' Rátha 0-3
1984		Na Ceithre Máistrí . . 1-3	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. . 0-5
		Ard a' Rátha 1-5	Sean Mac Cumhaill . . . 0-1
	Final:	Na Ceithre Máistrí . . 0-9	Ard a' Rátha 1-2
1985		Cill Chartha 2-7	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. . 0-7
		Na Ceithre Máistrí . . 2-8	Gleann Fhinne 1-9
	Final:	Cill Chartha 0-9	Na Ceithre Máistrí . . . 0-7
1986		Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 2-11	Cill Chartha 1-6
		Aodh Rua C.na gC. 0-11	Na Cealla Beaga 1-7
	Final:	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 1-8	Aodh Rua, Cill na gC . 0-5
1987		Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 3-9	Aodh Rua C. na gC. . 2-8
		Cill Chartha 2-7	Ard a' Rátha 0-9
	Final:	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 2-10	Cill Chartha 1-7
1988		Na Cealla Beaga . . . 1-9	Ard a' Rátha 0-10
		Cill Chartha 2-12	An Clochán Liath 0-6
	Final:	Na Cealla Beaga . . 2-10	Cill Chartha 2-8
1989		Cill Chartha 5-9	Na Ceithre Máistrí . . . 1-4
		Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 4-8	Na Cealla Beaga 1-11
	Final:	Cill Chartha 1-9	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. . 0-9
1990		Naomh Columba . . 2-10	Cill Chartha 1-11
		Na Cealla Beaga . . 1-18	Ard a' Rátha 2-8
	Final:	Naomh Columba . . 0-10	Na Cealla Beaga 0-9

1991	Na Cealla Beaga . . . 2-16	Naomh Columba 1-6
	Aodh Rua C. na gC. 1-16	Sean Mac Cumhaill . . . 2-6
Final:	Na Cealla Beaga . . . 2-7	Aodh Rua C. na gC. 0-11
1992	Na Cealla Beaga . . . 2-6	Aodh Rua C. na gC. . . 0-9
	Naomh Columba . . . 1-9	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. . . 1-7
Final:	Na Cealla Beaga . . . 0-12	Naomh Columba 0-9
1993	Cill Chartha 3-10	Gleann Fhinne 2-6
	Na Cealla Beaga . . . 0-12	Naomh Columba 0-8
Final:	Cill Chartha 0-12	Na Cealla Beaga 0-10
1994	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 2-17	Na Cealla Beaga 2-5
	Naomh Columba . . . 3-9	Ard a' Rátha 1-12
Final:	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. 2-10	Naomh Columba 1-10
1995	Na Cealla Beaga . . . 2-5	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. . . 1-7
	Naomh Columba . . . 1-5	Naomh Adhamhnán . . . 0-4
Final:	Na Cealla Beaga . . . 0-10	Naomh Columba 1-6
1996	Na Cealla Beaga	Cill Chartha
	Naomh Columba . . 1-10	An Clochán Liath . . . 0-11

WINNERS 1990-96

In the last 16 years S.W. Clubs have won the S.F.C. on 10 occasions. Today's final will make that 11 out of 17 (64.7%).

South-West:	Cill Chartha (4)	1980 - 1985 - 1989 - 1993
(10)	Na Cealla Beaga (4)	1988 - 1991 - 1992 - 1995
	Ard a' Rátha (1)	1981
	Naomh Columba (1)	1990
South (5)	Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. . . (3)	1986 - 1987 - 1995
	Na Ceithre Máistrí . . . (2)	1982 - 1984
East (1)	Naomh Adhamhnán . . . (1)	1983

FINALS 1980 - 1996

Of the 34 finalists in the years 1980 - 1996, 23 have been from the South-West (67.7%).

South West	23
South	8
East	3

On only one occasion since 1980 has there been a County S.F.C. final with no S.W. club competing — the all Aodh Ruadh final of 1986. Seven finals since 1980 have been all South-West affairs — 1980, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1993, 1995 and 1996.

SEMI-FINALS 1980 - 1996

Of the 68 semi-finalists in the years 1980 - 1996, 37 have been from the four South-West clubs (54.4%), while 39 have been from the South-West division.

South-West	39	(57.4%).
South	15	(22.1%).
East	12	(17.6%).
North-West	2	(2.9%).
Inishowen	0	(0.0%).

The club semi-final breakdown is:

Cill Chartha	11
Na Cealla Beaga	10
Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S. . . .	9
Naomh Columba	8
Ard a' Rátha	8

Other interesting semi-final facts are that former kingpins Gaoth Dobhair have not appeared in any semi-final in the 1980-1996 period while Na Cella Beaga have played in the semi-final for the past nine years and Naomh Columba for the past seven years — wonderful testament to the consistency of both clubs.

DEMOCRAT CUP 1975 - 1995

The dominance and consistency of the South-West clubs are even more marked in the County's second most prestigious competition, the 'Democrat Cup', (for the league winners). South West clubs have won it in 18 of the last 21 seasons! (85.7%).

Cill Chartha	7
Naomh Columba	7
Na Cealla Beaga	3
Ard a' Rátha, Bun Dobhráin, Naomh Adhamhnán,	
Aodh Rua C. na gC.	1 each

S.F.C. 1920 - 1995

Despite the South-West's recent domination it is likely that Aodh Ruadh B.Á.S. will be the first club to overhaul Gaoth Dobhair in the overall S.F.C. winners roll of honour.

Gaoth Dobhair	12	(1935, 1938, 1941, 1944-5-6-7 1949, 1953-4-5 1961)
Aodh Ruadh, B.Á.S.	10	(1929, 1932, 1937, 1939, 1942-3, 1951, 1986-7, 1994).
Naomh Adhamhnán	7	(1948, 1956, 1960, 1967, 1969, 1972, 1983).
Naomh Iosef	7	(1966, 1968, 1970, 1973-4-5-6).
An Clochán Liath	7	(1930-31, 1933, 1936, 1940, 1957-8).
Seán Mac Cumhaill	6	(1959, 1962-3-4, 1971, 1977),.
Cill Chartha	5	(1925, 1980, 1985, 1989, 1993).
Na Cealla Beaga	5	(1952, 1988, 1991-2, 1995).
Ard a' Rátha	4	(1923, 1926, 1928, 1981).
Bun Dobhráin	3	(1920, 1934, 1979).
Na Ceithre Máistrí, Dun na nGall . . .	3	(1924, 1982, 1984).
Naomh Columba	2	(1978, 1990).
Caisleán na Finne	1	(1922).
Ruagairí Leitir Ceanainn	1	(1927).

EXPLANATION !

Why were 50 barren years succeeded by the great success of the past 20 years in the South-West? Obviously, there have been many factors, some in the South-West itself, some outside it (the decline of Gaoth Dobhair, the failure of St. Eunans to take advantage of the population explosion in Letterkenny, the shortness of the reign of the extremely talented Aodh Ruadh team of the mid-eighties etc. etc.). Inside the South-West the tremendous explosion of natural talent (the McHughes, the Hegartys, the Molloyes, the Cunninghams, the Dohertys, the McShanes, the Carrs, the Gavigans, the Boyles, the Whites, the Gallaghers, Keeney, McGowan etc.) has been bolstered by a great sense of parish pride and spirit, by inter-club rivalry, by tremendous commitment and dedication, by confidence-breeding success (since the All-Ireland win of 1992 nine out of the ten County finalists have been from the South-West corner which provided nine out of the 16 on duty on 20 Sept, 1992), by shrewd tacticians and coaches (the foremost of which, Martin McHugh, has now proved his worth at provincial and national level), by hard grafting at under-age and school levels, by the relatively low level of emigration, by coping successfully with the attractions of soccer, and by other factors.

HOPE

The success of the four South-West clubs in the past 20 years should be a source of hope for other divisions and clubs. Growth is possible. When Donegal won the Ulster S.F.C. for the first time in 1972 there were no representatives from the four S.W. clubs on the winning seventeen. When Donegal won its fourth title in 1990 there were nine representatives from the four S.W. clubs on the winning eighteen! Is iomaí casadh a thig sa rotha.

NA CEALLA BEAGA PEN PICS

SHANE MCGUINNESS: Student. Position: Forward. Age: 18. Height: 5'11". Weight: 12½ stone. Honours: Runners-up held in All-Ireland Colleges. First year on senior panel. Dedicated player with a bright future.

DERMOT MCGUINNESS: Student. Mid-fielder. 20. 6'. 13½ stone. Honours: Played in all levels of underage for club and college.

ARTHUR MEEHAN: Factory Worker. Half back. 28. 6'. 13 stone. Honours: Underage medals from U-12 to U-21, two Ulster Minor club championship medals.

ANTHONY BOYLE: Bank Official. Defender. 23. 5'11". 13 stone. Honours: Former Dungloe player. Won senior medal with Killybegs last year.

TONY HEGARTY: Marine Engineer. Half back. 35. 5'6". 12 stone. Honours: U-18 County Minor League medal plus U-21 county championship medal 1986. Senior and Junior Championship medals 1988. Recently engaged to Fiona.

DENIS CARBERY: Fisherman. Full back. Fisherman. 29. 6'1½". 14 stone. Honours: All underage championship medals plus 2 Ulster Club medals, plus Senior Championship medals 1988, 1991, 1992.

DAVID MEEHAN: Fisherman. 29. 5'10". 13 stone. Honours: Senior Championship medals in 1988, 1991, 1992, 1995. All Ireland Vocational Schools medal U-21 Ulster and All Ireland medals from 1987. All underage championship medals.

EAMONN GLANCY: A.I.B. Manager in Killybegs. Centrefield. 34. 6'. 12½ stone. Honours: Recently transferred from Milford, Eamonn has won senior medals in Mayo and played midfield for Roscommon in All-Ireland U-21 final v Donegal in 1982.

BARRY CUNNINGHAM: Surveyor. Midfielder. 29. 6'. 13 stone. Honours: Has won underage medals at all grades plus senior championship 1988, 1991 and 1992, 1995, 3 senior League. Ulster Minor League and Championship Ulster and All-Ireland U-21 medals 1987. Barry won Senior Club Championship medals with Tir Chonaill Gaels London in 1990. All-Ireland senior winner 1992.

SEANIE MCGINLEY: Student. 20. 5'8". 11 stone. Honours: Underage medals from U-12 to U-16. Seanie has come through the reserve ranks and has contributed some great scores in vital matches.

CONAL "Flipper" GALLAGHER: Insurance Agent. Half forward. 28. 5'11". 11½ stone. Honours: Underage medals from U-12 to U-21. Senior Championship 1988, 1991, 1992, 1995. Senior League 1991, '92, '93. Played county minor in 1986.

MARK BOYLE: Net Factory Worker. Half forward. 23. 5'7". 10 stone. Honours: Underage medals at U-12, U-14 and U-18. Senior and Junior medals 1988. Senior Championship and League 1991. Ulster minor winners medal 1991.

PAUL MURRIN: Net Factory Worker. Corner forward. 32. 5'7". 11 stone. Honours: 2 senior medals, 2 senior League medals. Paul is an exciting forward and has been a regular on the team this year.

JIMMY WHITE: Half forward. 36. 6'. 12 stone. Honours: Junior Championship medal 1979 and senior winner 1988, 1991, 1992, 1995. Senior League medal 1991, '92, '93.

CONOR WHITE: Fisherman. Full forward. 29. 5'10". 12 stone. Honours: Underage medals from U-12 to U-21, plus senior medal 1988, 1991, 1992, 1995, Senior League 1991, '92, '93. Ulster Minor League and Championship 1985, plus Ulster and All-Ireland U-21 1987.

MANUS BOYLE: Sports Sales Manager. Full forward. 30. 5'10". 12½ stone. Honours: U-18 and U-21 county medals plus Ulster Club Minor 1984 and senior 1988. Ulster Senior Championship 1992 and All-Ireland winning medal 1992.

JOHN CUNNINGHAM. Carpenter. Corner back. 29. 5'10". 13½ stone. Honours: Underage County medals at all grades, plus two Ulster Club medals and senior medal 1988, 1991, 1992, 1995 and three senior League. Captained Donegal to All-Ireland 1987 U-21 and U-18 Ulster Championship winners 1985. Won senior Ulster medal playing at corner back. Ulster Championship 1992 and All-Ireland 1992.

BARRY MCGOWAN: E.S.B. Half back. 29. 5'11". 12 stone. Honours: Barry has won all underage Championship medals and Senior Championship 1988, 1991, 1992 and 1995 and three Senior League. Ulster Minor 1985 and Ulster and All-Ireland U-21 1987. Barry won Ulster Senior 1990, appearing in the final as a sub and played in the Ulster Final 1991. Corner back on senior All-Ireland winning team of 1992.

BRIAN CONAGHAN: Student. Full back. 22. 5'11". 13 stone. Honours: U-12, U-14, U-16 and U-18 Championship medals. Brian has been a regular on the senior team. Very dedicated, with a promising future.

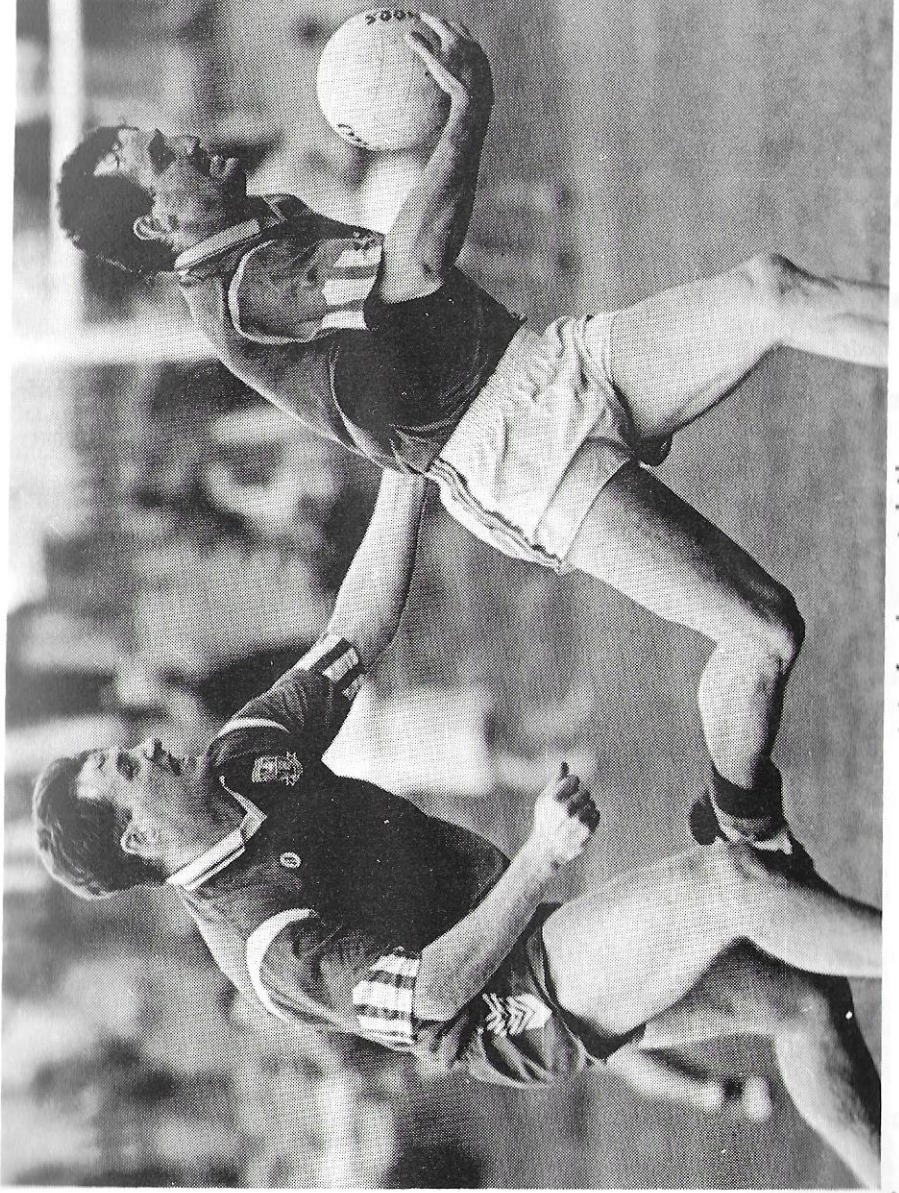
ANDREW MULLEN: Painter. 22. 5'11". 14 stone. Honours: Underage medals from U-12 to U-18.

TREVOR McNERN: Carpenter. Corner back. 20. 6'. 14 stone. Honours: U-12, U-14, U-16 medals.

Midfielder. 29. 6'. 13 stone. Honours: Underage medals at all grades, plus senior medal 1988, 1991, 1992 and 1995, Senior League 3. Ulster Minor League and Championship 1985 and Ulster and All-Ireland medals 1987.

BAKER BOYLE: Fisherman. Attacker. 37. 5'9". 13 stone. Honours: Junior League and Championship 1976; Intermediate Championship 1979; Senior 1988 and Senior League 1991.

PAUL CALLAGHAN: Student. Centrefield. 22. 6'. 13 stone. Honours: Ulster Minor Championship medal 1991, Senior League medal 1991, plus underage Championship medals.



Action from last year's decider.

NAOMH COLUMBA PEN PICS

MAIRTIN MacGIOLLA EASPHUIG: Factory Worker. Position: Goalkeeper. Age: 27. Height: 5'8". Weight: 12 stone. Honours: Underage medals, 1 senior championship, 2 league.

SEOIRSE O DOCHARTAIGH: Factory Worker. Right corner back. 20. 5'11". 11 stone. Honours: Underage honours, former county minor. Brother of John and Joe, Eugene and Brendan.

SEÁN SEOSAMH O DOCHARTAIGH (Captain): Sales Executive. Full back. 28. 5'10". 12 stone. Honours: 4 league medals, 1 championship, All-Ireland Gaeltacht, All Ireland senior and U21 and All Star 1993, underage medals.

PADRAIG MacCUNNEAGHAIN: Factory Worker. Left full back. 22. 5'8". 11 stone. Honours: 1 league medal and won honours at underage occupation.

GEAROID O CANNAIN: Student. Centre half back. 29. 5'9". 11½ stone. Honours: 1 league medal, All Ireland Vocational and underage honours. County Minor player.

DEASÚN MacCUINNEAGHAIN: Factory worker. Centre half back. 29. 5'9". 11½ stone. Honours: underage medals, 4 league, 1 championship.

NOLLAG MacFHIONNGHAILE: Factory worker. Right half back. 20. 5'10". Honours: On county U-21 team this year, has won honours at underage.

GREGOIR O DOCHARTAIGH: Midfielder. 22. 6'1". 13 stone. Honours: 1 league and underage honours.

GABRIEL Ó NÉILL: Carpenter. 5'11". 12½ stone. Honours: A county Down man and has played with St. Brendan's, London before returning to Glencolmcille this year. A brother-in-law of the Doherty brothers.

CONAL MacCUINNEAGHAIN: Student. Right half forward. 20. 5'9". 10 stone. Honours: Has won honours at underage level, Ulster V.S. medal, Ted Webb. Was on county U-21 team this year. Brother of Dessie.

NOLLAG O BEIGHEARTAIGH: Sales Executive. Centre half forward or half back. 26. 6'. 12 stone. Honours: Has won medals at underage level, 3 league medals, 1 championship, 1 Ulster V.S., 1 All-Ireland, brother of Paddy.

PADRAIG MacGIOLLA EASPHUIG: Student. Left half forward. 21. 5'10". 11 stone. Honours: Has won underage honours, 1 league. Was on U-21 county team this year.

EOGHAIN O DOCHARTAIGH: Factory worker. Corner forward. 26. 5'8". 10½ stone. Honours: Has won medals at underage level, 1 senior championship, 3 league, brother of John Joe and Georgie.

PADRAIG O HEIGHEARTAIGH: County Coach. Full forward. 30. 6'1". 12 stone. Honours: All-Ireland U-21, Club U-21, 4 senior league, 1 championship All-Ireland Gaeltacht, County senior player.

MICHIL Cook Ó BEIRN. Student. Corner forward. 21. 6'. 12 stone. Honours: Has won underage honours at club level, 1 senior league, former county minor.

SEAMUS MacGIOLLA CHEARR: Factory Worker. Corner forward. 31. 5'8". 12 stone. Honours: 4 league medals, 1 championship, 1 Shield All-Ireland Gaeltacht. Former county player. Uncle of Dermot McGinley and Dublin star Dessie Farrell.

CONAL O GAIBHEAGHAIN: Factory Worker. Midfielder. 27. 5'11. 12 stone. Honours: Underage medals, 1 senior, 3 league. First cousin of Seamus Carr.

DIARMUID MacFHIONNGHAILE: Factory Worker. 19. 5'7". 12 stone. Honours: 1 senior and reserve medal, U-16 medal, 1 Vocational School medal.

GEARÓIG Mac a'GHOILL: Student. Goalkeeper. 17. 5'9". 11½ stone. Honours: Has won underage honours, 1 reserve medal. Youngest member of the panel.

BRENDAN Ó DOCHARTAIGH: Factory Worker. Corner back. 18. 5'8". Honours: Has won underage honours, 1 reserve league. Brother of John Joe, Eugene and Georgie.

DAITHI MacGIOLLA EASPHUIG: Stonemason. Forward. 20. 5'6". 10 stone. Honours: Has won honours at underage, 1 reserve league.

CAOIMHIN MacFHIONNGHAILE: Mechanic. Half back. 21. 5'9". 11 stone. Honours: Has won medals at underage, 1 Vocational, 1 Tedd Webb. A first cousin of John Paul Curran.

SEÁN PÓL O CURRAIGHIN: Building Contractors. Full back. 29. 6'2". 11½ stone. Honours: 1 senior championship, 3 league, 1 U-21. Tallest player on team.

MAIRTIN O CUINNEAGHAIN: Student. Forward. 18. 5'7". 10½ stone. Honours: Has won honours at underage level, 1 senior reserve medal. A great athlete.

Manager: Michael McNelis.

Selectors: Michael Oliver McIntyre and Declan Cunningham.

Naomh Columba Honours

Senior Championship 1978; 1990.
Senior League: 1976; 1978; 1980; 1985; 1988; 1995.

Senior Shield: 1980/81.
Senior Donegal Gaeltacht C'ship: 1976; 1981; 1986.

All Ireland Gaeltacht: 1978; 1982.
Junior Championship: 1974.
Junior League: 1974.
Junior B League and Championship: 1985.
Reserve League: 1995.
U-21 Championship: 1985.
U-18 Championship: 1977; 1986.
U-16 Championship: 1984.
U-14 Championship: 1965; 1968; 1982.
U-12B Championship: 1985.

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1st round preliminary (away) v Red Hughs – win for Glen.
1st round preliminary (home) v Red Hughs – win for Glen.
1st round 1st leg away v Bundoran – win for Glen.
Quarter final v St. Eunans in MacCumhail park – a draw.
Quarter final replay in MacCumhail Park – a win for Glen.
There are one family with four brothers on the panel. The Doherty's John Joe, Eugene, Georgie and Brendan.
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(David Meehan)

2

S. de Faoite
(Jimmy White)

3

B. O Conachain
(Brian Conaghan)

4

A. O Baoill
(Anthony Boyle)

5

T. Mac Neirn
(Trevor McNern)

6

S. O Cuinneagain
(John Cunningham)

7

P. Mac Fhionnghaile
(Peter McGinley)

8

B. Mac Gabhann
(Barry McGowan) (C)

9

S. O Gallchoir
(John Ban Gallagher)

10

S. Mac Aonghusa
(Shane McGuinness)

11

B. O Cuinneagain
(Barry Cunningham)

12

P. O Ceallachain
(Paul Callaghan)

13

C. de Faoite
(Conor White)

14

M. O Baoill
(Manus Boyle)

15

C. O Gallchoir
(Conal Gallagher)

FIR IONAIÐ: 16, **M. O Baoill** (Mark Boyle); 17, **D. O Cairbre** (Denis Carbery); 18, **P. O Muireann** (Paul Murrin); 19, **E. Mac Lannchaidh** (Eamon Glancy); 20, **S. Mac Fhionnghaile** (Seanie McGinley); 21, **A. O Miochain** (Arthur Meehan); 22, **D. Mac Aonghusa** (Dermot McGuinness); 23, **A. O hEigheartaigh** (Tony Hegarty).

Manager: Pauric McShea.

Naomh Columba

1

M. Mac Giolla Easphuig
(Martin Gillespie)

2

S. O Dochartaigh
(Georgie Doherty)

3

S. S. O Dochartaigh
(John J. Doherty) (C)

4

P. Mac Cuinneagain
(Patrick Cunningham)

5

N. Mac Fhionnghaile
(Noel McGinley)

6

D. Mac Cuinneagain
(Dessie Cunningham)

7

G. O Canainn
(Gerard Cannon)

8

G. O Dochartaigh
(Gregory Doherty)

9

G. O Neill
(Gabriel O'Neill)

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Manager: Michael McNelis. Selectors: Michael Oliver McIntyre, Declan Cunningham.

Calling Time On Referees

How many times has a championship game ended in controversy because one team claimed the referee didn't play enough injury time, or because another team felt he played too much.

By Ciaran O'Donnell

The classic example of this happened two weeks ago in the All-Ireland football final, when Pat McEnaney deemed it necessary to play just 12 seconds of added time, despite the fact that there were three stoppages which one Sunday paper last week calculated at amounting to well over two minutes.

While neither team felt hard done by — Meath did look the likely winners the way things were unfolding — and this reporter was quite happy to see both sides having another go at it tomorrow, things could have been settled 13 days ago.

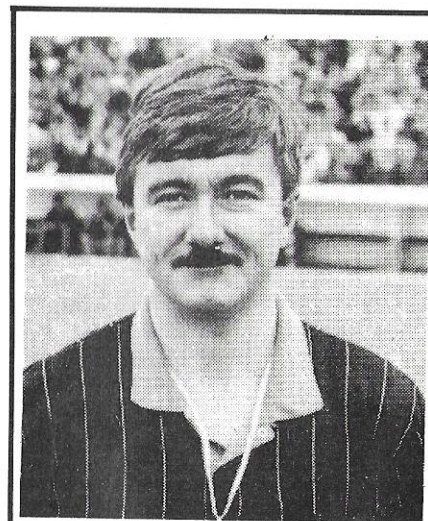
Rule 1.2, Section 5, obliges the referee to add time for "deliberate or incidental delays" which occur during a game. Good as his performance was, Mr. McEnaney chose to ignore the stoppages, as opposed to using his discretion regarding the same.

With the game now being played at such a ferocious pace, and more pressure than ever on the man in the middle, surely the time has come to ease his burden by giving the time-keeping duties to someone else.

When play is stopped, the referee can use some sort of signal, and when play is about to resume he can do likewise.

The hooter system in rugby league is one that works extremely well. Along with taking the pressure off the match official, it also allows him more time to concentrate on what is actually taking place on the field.

With various experimental rules having been introduced on the playing side (some of which were thankfully



Mick McGrath, Co. Final referee.

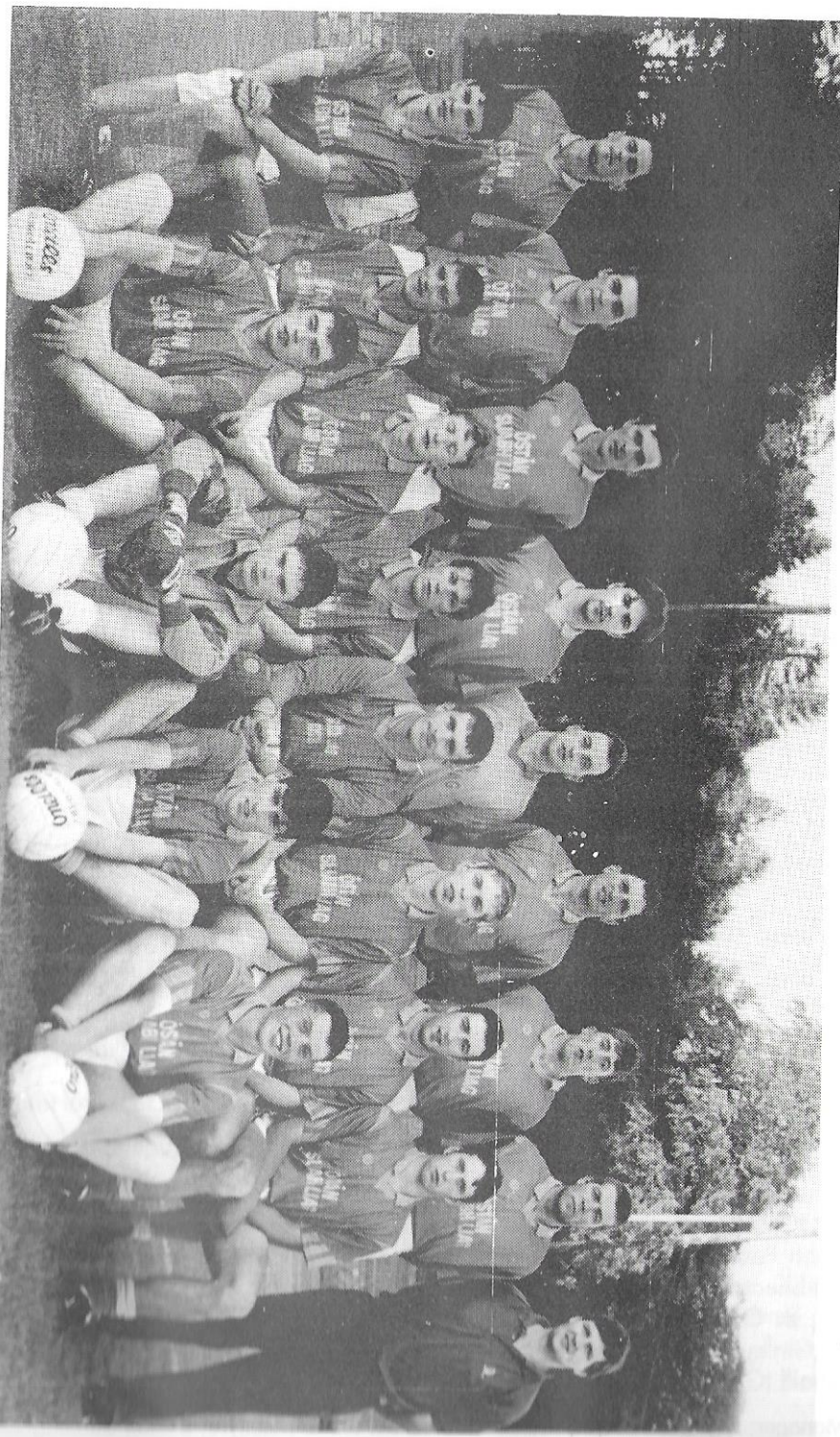
shelved) in recent times, perhaps those at G.A.A. headquarters might now consider the deploying of an official whose sole duty will be to keep tabs on the clock.

With things being so tight in the senior championship hitherto, what are the chances of today's final being decided today in injury time, or not because of the lack of it?

National League Dates '96/'97

- 13/10/'96: Donegal v. Cork.
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- 10/11/'96: Donegal v. Cavan.
- 24/11/'96: Kerry v. Donegal.
- 2/02/'97: Donegal v. Meath.
- 16/02/'97: Derry v. Donegal.
- 02/03/'97: Kildare v. Donegal.

The Ulster Club Championship is a home game in either MacCumbhail Park, Ballybofey, or Fr. Tierney Park, Ballyshannon, on Sunday 6th October, with Naomh Columba or Killybegs taking on St. Paul's of Antrim.



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McNelis Throws Down The Gauntlet

Naomh Columba team manager, Michael McNelis, has thrown down the gauntlet to his young pretenders, "prove to me that you are good enough to win the county title."

By Charlie McGinley

Glen are appearing in the decider for the third year in a row and looking for their first title since 1990 when they defeated Killybegs 0-10 to 0-9 in the final. Since then they have failed in three finals, going down in 1992 to Killybegs (0-12 to 0-9), 1994 against Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon, (2-10 to 1-10), and last year again against Killybegs (0-10 to 1-6).

McNelis believes the key to end the six year drought will be the performance of the young players in the team.

"There is the likelihood that the big name players will cancel themselves out and to me the success or failure of our side will lie in the performances of the younger players in the team", he said.

"We need big games from the likes of Pauric Gillespie, Conal Cunningham and Gerard Cannon if we are to win the title. It's our big day and we don't want to be remembered as the team that lost three county titles in a row", he added.

McNelis was in Donegal Town to see Killybegs secure their place in the final with a 1-11 to 0-13 win against parish rivals Kilcar.

"Kilcar certainly put it up to Killybegs, but a little bit of indiscipline at the end when they gave away unnecessary frees cost them the game. Killybegs have had a few scares so far in the championship but again they are the team to beat. Their big guns, Barry McGowan, John 'Ban' Gallagher, Manus Boyle and young Mark Boyle will be the players to watch", McNelis said.

"Barry McGowan and Mark Boyle have been the key players for Killybegs so far and we need to keep a close eye on them.

"I think the players will cancel



themselves out and that means the role of the younger players will really come to the fore. We had an indifferent start to the championship with several players out because of injury and Noel Hegarty suspended for two months. However, we have been making steady progress and the final is judgement day for us", McNelis said.

"Killybegs have had the upper hand on us since 1990. It has been a barren spell for us since then. In the final last year we held a two points lead at half-time but after having had 60% or 70% of the play it was a poor return. Killybegs hit a purple patch just after the re-start and that was the turning point", McNelis added.

"They are capable of picking up the pace for a spell. In the semi-final against Kilcar it was the last ten minutes of the first half when they turned a four points deficit into a two points lead and in the quarter-final the first ten minutes of the second half in the third game against Ardara put them in the driving seat. We cannot allow them to get away like that if we are to stand a chance", McNelis said.

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Honouring the 1971 champions

Today the Sean MacCumhail's team, winners of the 1971 Senior Championship, are honoured by the Co. Board. Below we include a press report of the game.

MacCumhail's are Donegal champions

MacCUMHAIL'S 2-10

CLAN NA nGAEL 0-11

With some delightfully incisive forward play, cool MacCumhail's sped to a two points interval lead after a half-hour packed with incident and excitement in this keenly fought, tense Donegal Senior County Championship final at sun-drenched Father Tierney Park, Ballyshannon, on Sunday. And in the first seven minutes after the restart they shot over three points without reply to set a big, strong and very fit Clan na nGael fifteen a five-point target.

The lead was down to 4 points entering the final quarter, and there was promise of a Clann onslaught. Then Eunan Laverty sent forward for MacCumhail's. Full forward Michael Doherty dashed to the ball, got it, went down, clambered up again, demonstrating the grit that this side possessed. He placed a perfect through ball to the unwatched Hugh Temple, who whipped the leather past, the helpless Donal Britton, and the big Dr. Maguire Cup was heading for the Twin Towns.

But Clann would not admit it. They stormed round the MacCumhail's goal. They pounded and pummelled the defence. They hit the woodwork and had the opposing defence in dire trouble. Eight minutes remained for play and the margin was cut to five points.

Positional switches were made and excitement rose, but MacCumhail's held out against this over-anxious Clann attack that seemed blinded by a lust for goals when points were theirs. In the closing eight minutes of this championship final there was not a single score for either side.

It was a position that did not bother MacCumhail's. Their defence kicked anywhere but it seem more vulnerable than it had ever been in this successful championship campaign. It must surely have fallen to a cooler attack. But Clann were far from cool. Their great dream was being taken from them. This was their county title and it was being wiped away.

NEEDHAM SPARKLED IN CONFUSION

The only man to shine in this confused search for goals was Brendan Needham. He swung from midfield to attack, was pulled down unceremoniously by backs who could not halt him otherwise. But there was no cohesion in the Clann raids. They lacked the cool touch with which MacCumhail's had opened their own defence first half and broken apart its tight marking.

McCOOL'S SHREWD ATTACK

Much of this had sprung from Bradley and Hugh Temple on the right and a tremendously vital goal in

the 11th minute demonstrated the strength of this attack. Up the right it went and Temple swung the ball across the goals. Left cornerman eager Eugene Gallagher pounced out on the ball with the defence standing still. He turned coolly picked his spot and lashed the ball to the back of the net. It was a superb boost to MacCool's championship hopes and set them on the victory road.

Clann had more of the first half chances but failed to take them as firmly as the opposition. It was in fact only in the dying minutes of the half that they showed some real thrust up front and in that spell shaped like champions. But they failed to maintain their point scoring rate.

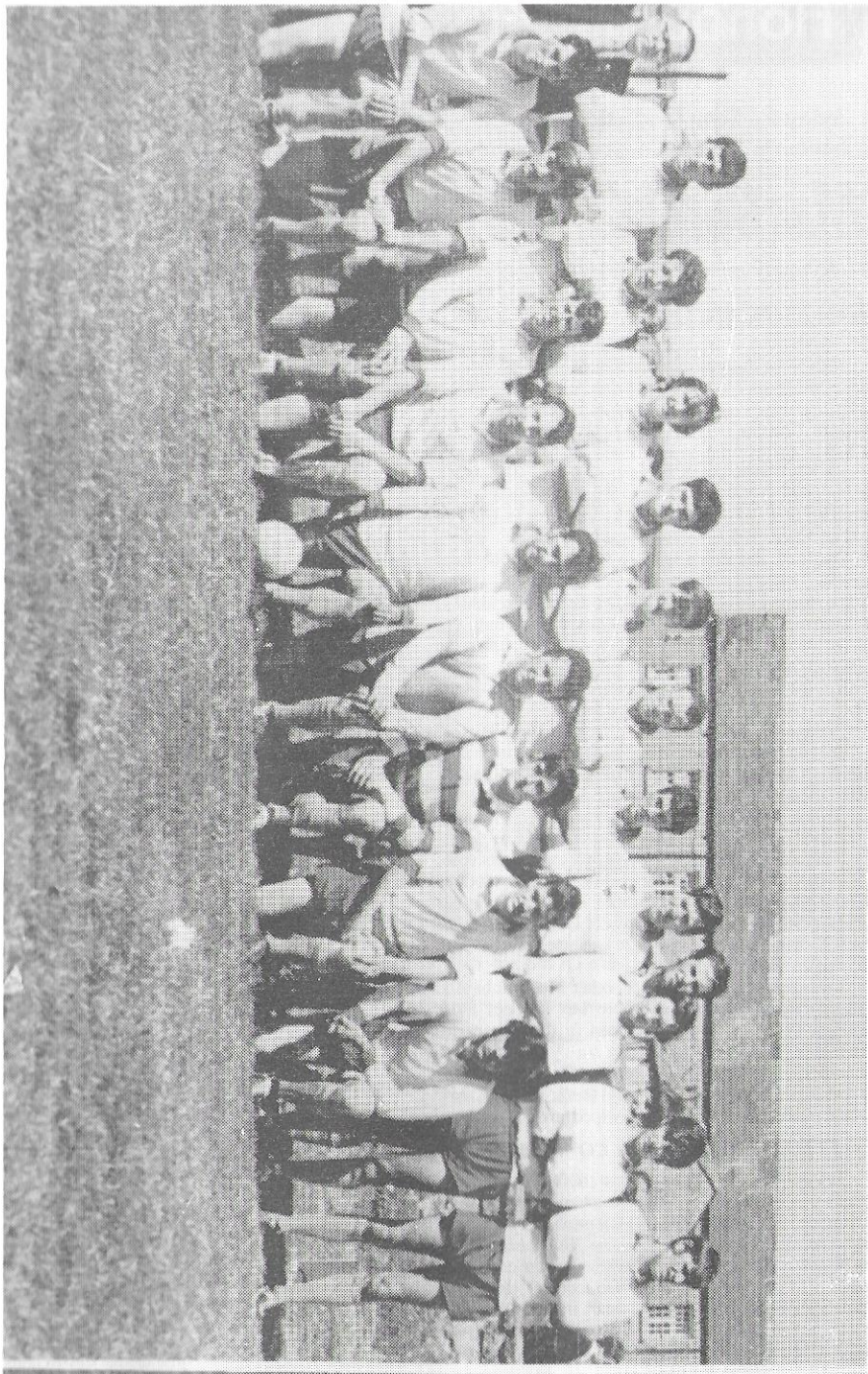
It was a big disappointment for the Donegal Town following who had cheered the royal blues to such a runaway victory over St. Eunan's at the same grounds only a week before. They had a strong and powerful looking side that seemed likely to dominate the high balls from the first whistle. Their midfield strength did present its problems but this hard-fighting Ballybofey outfit were never daunted and every man buckled down to work.

TERRIFIC OPENING HALF

Clann threw away too many first half chances while MacCumhail's made the most of theirs. The first half pace was terrific and it was no surprise that the second half got under way with some of that elan and dash missing. MacCumhail's made the most of it and after the first ten minutes of exchanges they were five points clear. Clann had missed their opportunity of speeding up the game on the restart and getting on terms. And after that Temple goal it was a helter-skelter affair with the Donegal Town side's over eagerness spoiling their chances when a cool head was required.

When Referee Charlie Brady shrilled the long whistle the MacCumhail's and their fans rejoiced. County Chairman Tom Walsh offered his congratulations to both teams on such a grand display and handed the cup to captain Hugh Temple with everyone cheering.

The new champions, conquerors of the 1970 title holders St. Josephs in the semi-final, again showed how difficult a side they are to beat. They showed great grit and spirit. They were without Dan McCool and Frank McFeely again and Clann kept a special eye on midfielder Mickey McMenamin whose superb hour had spearheaded the victory over Joseph's. But even though McMenamin was only able to show his great fielding



ability in flashes, there was scope left for his partner Eunan Laverty to shine and he availed of it.

POWERFUL CLANN — BUT LOST CHANCES

Clann na nGael must still ponder on how they lost the title. Theirs was a powerful side that opened in great style and seemed almost unstoppable. But they failed to have their midfield power reflected on the scoreboard. They fluffed easy chances even from frees. It was a much too expensive luxury. They always seemed to have more strength in their side than they demonstrated but never could have it surface in one cohesive team effort. Their big men had their great moments. Popular P. J. Flood was always in the picture first half and no one more eager to rally the side in the second half.

Hugh Travers had his big moments and then had lapses. Francie Monaghan was given little scope and was well watched. Needham could have been their trump card. He always had the defence in trouble and it was largely his efforts that got the side moving again during the second half. He came out to midfield and was in every dangerous move. The Clann's "man of the match" he somehow failed to get the support his efforts deserved.

But Clann erred in crowding the goalmouth when they had the late initiative of the hour. Paddy Brogan was always a trier and the same could be said of Paddy Woods in defence, halfback and fullback with equal efficiency. Donal Monaghan had some good spells but the defence which seemed so solid allowed the McCool's forwards to slip them easily, particularly for both of the goals. It could be said that goalie Donal Britton had no chance with either show that beat him.

And it should be said that Pearse Mullan was the most effective sub introduced, making one wonder why he came in so late.

THE PLAY

OPEN IN EXCITING CHAMPIONSHIP ATMOSPHERE

In the perfectly trimmed green sward the game got underway in real championship atmosphere. Clann had first attack but Michael Doherty and then Eunan Laverty and Donal Britton busy at the other end. In the 2nd minute Doherty gave to John Bradley who shot the opening point from 30 yards. When Temple was pushed S. Lafferty's kick went to Eugene Gallagher who gathered well and picked off number two.

Needham shot at the other end but McMenamin gathered coolly. When McCormick was fouled Travers shot the 21 free wide. Keeney's shot was stopped and McCormick held. Travers shooting the 14-yarder over the bar.

The pace was hectic, the tackling strong and in the 11th minute a big boost went to MacCool's hopes when Hugh Temple crossed and Eugene Gallagher worked

clear and banged the ball to the roof of the net. Paddy Brogan was fouled and Travers had Clann's second point. Immediately McCool's were up again with Temple and Bradley interpassing bringing in Doherty and Bradley capping it with a point. Flood and Bonnar brought the ball to Francis Monaghan and it was a Clann point. A long through ball from Lafferty found Hugh Temple who slipped the defence and shot a point.

Flood sent to Travers who had a 30-yard point and the gap was three, points again. Mickey McMenamin threatened as he went to a Eugene Gallagher through ball but Eddie Gallagher nipped in to touch for a 50. Sean Lafferty's kick was tapped by McMenamin to Seamus Kane who lobbed over another point. And next minute Eunan Laverty smacked a rasper off the crossbar.

Flood sent a 50 to Seamus Bonner whose shot was narrowly wide Needham was downed and Travers pointed the kick. McCool's raided again and Temple and Bradley brought to Ml. Doherty who was fouled and Seamus Kane pointed. On time F. Monaghan sent to Needham who pointed to leave it.

MacCumhail's 1-6, Clann na nGael 0-7.

McCOOL'S TAKE OVER

Sean Lafferty sent forward on the restart and when Eugene Gallagher was fouled S. Kane, stretched the lead. Mickey McMenamin fielded a great ball and forced a 50 that Sean Lafferty sent direct for a point. When McMenamin sent in again E. Gallagher was held and Kane pointed the 14-yarder for a clear five points lead.

Flood gave to Needham on the left and he narrowed the gap. Kane was fouled and shot another point in reply. Travers sent a free to the goalmouth but McMenamin was well up to clear. As the third quarter ended Brogan crossed to Monaghan who gave to Flood to point.

Restless Clann fans shouted for a big drive but it came from MacCumhail's and with it the clinching Hugh Temple goal. Clann did storm in and Needham's midfield free was tapped over for a point. Travers had a free cross-goals and Bonner hit it but it was Needham who tapped it over the bar. McMenamin broke up a Flood-Needham raid and it was a tussle between the Clann attack and McCool's defence to the end without another score.

Teams were:

MacCUMHAILLS: A. McFeely; John McGinty, Liam McMenamin, Liam Sweeney; Sean Lafferty, Tommy McMenamin, Andy Curran; Eunan Laverty and Mickey McMenamin; John Bradley, Mick Moriarty. Seamus Kane; Hugh Temple, Michael Doherty, Eugene Gallagher. Subs: Michael Lafferty for Moriarty, Joe Leeper for Kane. Subs not used: Dan McCool, Dermot Hannigan, Charlie Quinn, Eamon McGinty, Jimmy McHugh, Mickey Lafferty, Francis Doherty, Seamus Temple.

CLANN NA nGAEL: Donal Britton; Eugene Fox, Donal Monaghan, Austin Coughlan; Paddy Woods, Eddie Gallagher, P. J. McGarrigle; P. J. Flood and S. Bonner; Francis Monaghan, Hugh Travers, Steve McCormick; Paddy Brogan, Brendan Needham, Martin Keeney. Subs: B. Martin, I. Barry, P. Mullen.

McEniff and Granaghan top medals' list

An tAth. Seán Ó Gallchóir

1949, 1953-1955) an ghaisce chéanna.

SIX MEDALS

At least five players have won six medals — John McDermott (Ballyshannon) — 1924, 1932, 1937, 1934, 1942-3). (I'm presuming that it is the same J. McDermott in all these years); Billy Gavigan (St. Joseph's/Bundoran), (1970, 1973-76, 1979); Thomas Quinn (St. Joseph's), (1968, 1970, 1973-76); Séamus Ó Cearnaigh (Gaoth Dobhair (1941, 1944-47, 1949); and Micky Rua Gallagher (Gaoth Dobhair), (1946, 1947, 1949, 1953-1955).

I have tried to ensure that the above information is accurate but my tentativeness is an invitation to correct and discuss.

Which player holds the record for the number of Donegal S.F.C. medals won? This question is not as straightforward as it seems. Firstly, substitutes and panel-members received winning medals and their names are not recorded generally. Thus it is said that Hughie Tim Boyle of Gaoth Dobhair has 9 County Championship medals — the seven won on the playing pitch and two others as a panel member.

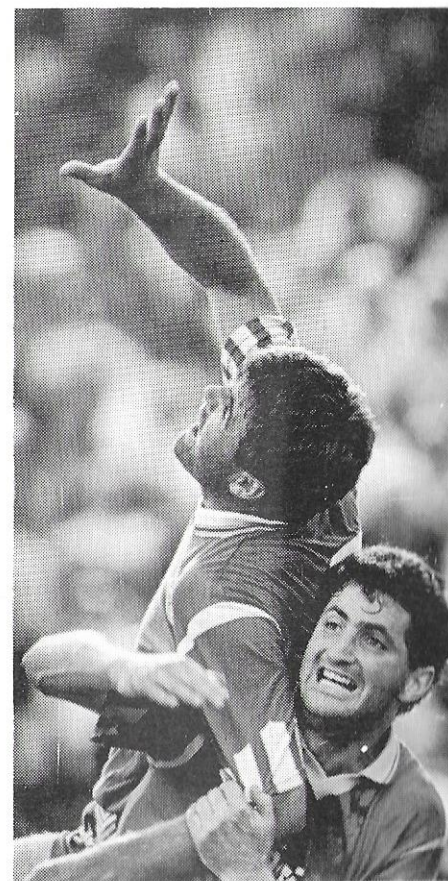
For the purpose of this short article we shall restrict ourselves to players who played on the winning team (or came on as sub.) in the County Final. On that basis eight present-day players have won 4 County Championship medals — Barry McGowan, Jimmy White, Barry Cunningham, Manus Boyle, John Bán and Conal Gallagher (Na Cealla Beaga) as well as Martin McHugh and Michael Carr (Cill Chartha). A second problem is that of the reliability of newspaper reports on the Finals, particularly finals in the twenties and thirties. Little misprints can cause confusion. Moreover, great care is needed in research. When Gaoth Dobhair won 1949 Championship the full-back was J. Gallagher. When they won again in 1953 the right corner-back and the full-back were both J. Gallagher. But the '49 man was Jackie Phadaí Óig and he did not play in '53 when 'Stout' and Nonnie were the two J. Gallaghers.

ROLL OF HONOUR

It appears that two players — Brian McEniff and Séamie Granaghan — have played on eight final-winning teams. They were on the victorious St. Joseph's team in 1965, 1968, 1970 and the four-in-a-row team of 1973-1976. They both played for the Bundoran team that won the dour final of 1979. The record of these two great clubmen will be very hard to equal.

It seems that six players have played on seven final-winning teams. The manager of this year's Killybegs team, Pauric McShea, won the same 7 County titles with St. Joseph's as did McEniff and Granaghan.

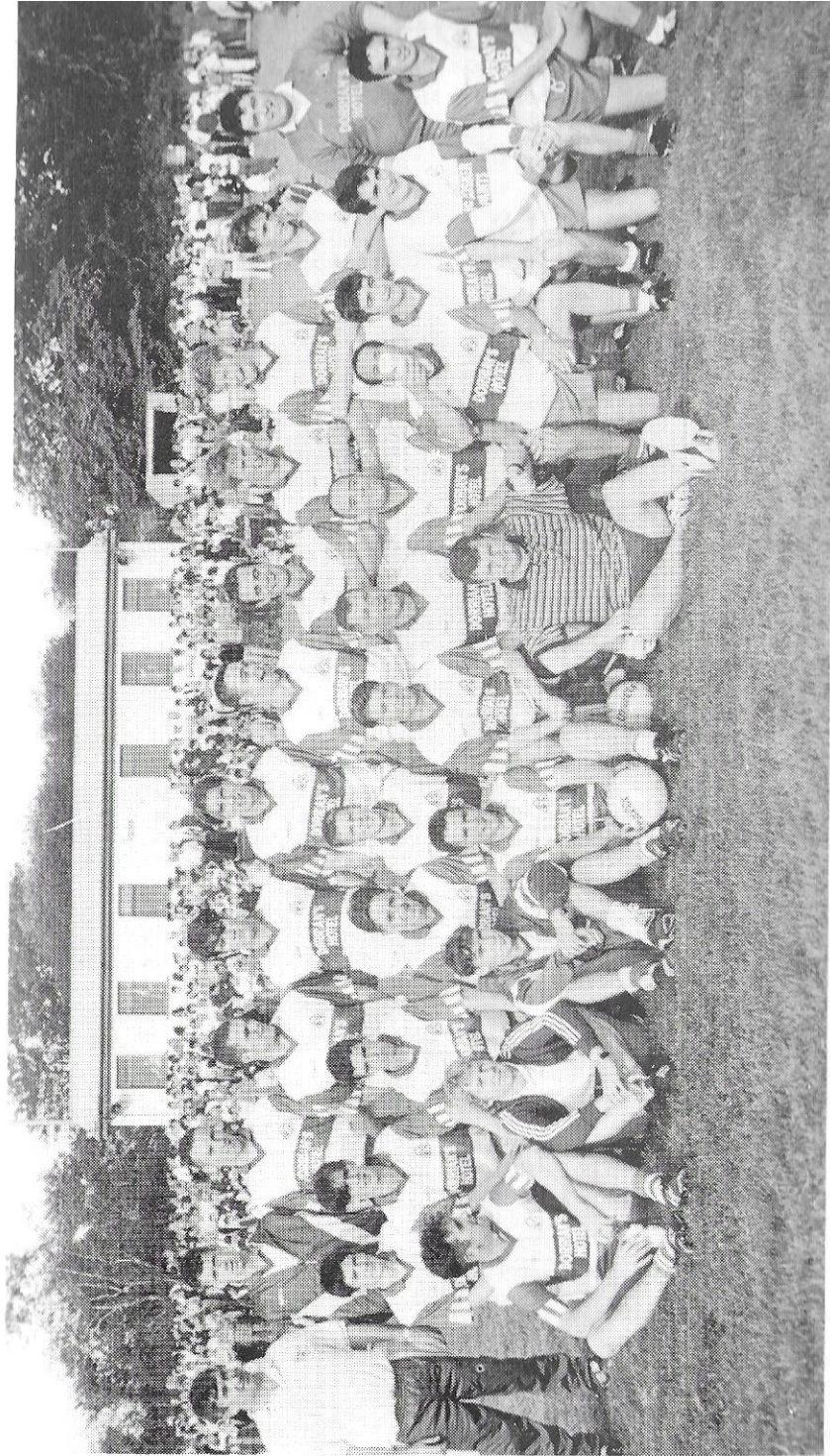
Tá seacht mbonn bainte ag cúigear as Gaoth Dobhair. Bhain an fear is cáilúla ar fad, Hiúdaí Beag Ó Gallchóir, na boinn i 1935, 1938 ansin ceathrar i ndiaidh a chéile 1944-47 agus ceann eile i 1949. Rinne Jackie Phadaí Óig Ó Gallchóir (1938, 1941, 1944-1947, 1949); Danny Neddie MacGiolla Easpaig (1933, 1941, 1944-1947, 1949); Hughie Tim Ó Baoil (1945, 1946, 1947, 1949, 1954, 1955 agus 1961) agus Antoin Rodgers (1944, 1945, 1947,



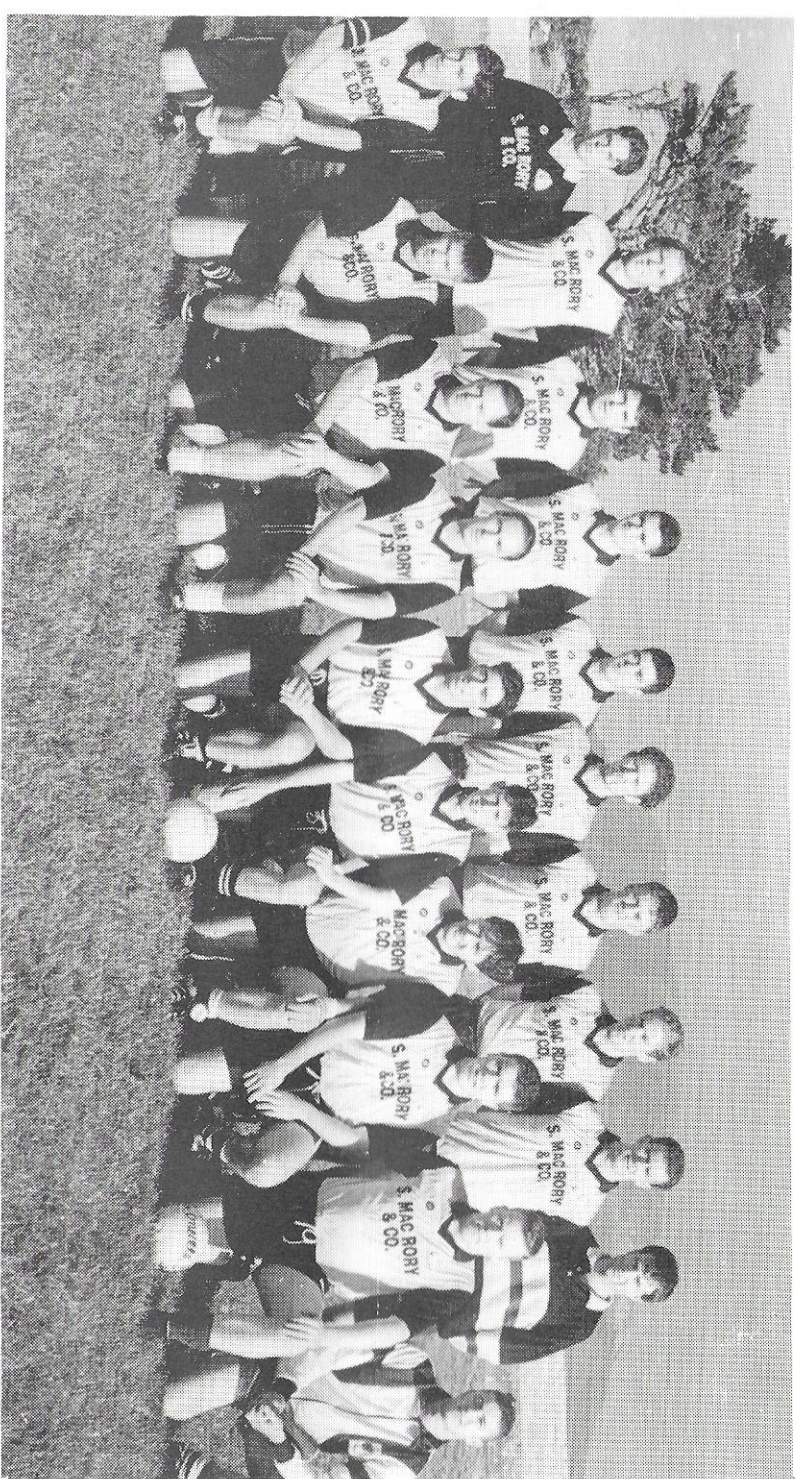
Action from last year's decider.



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The Aochh Roodh Reserve panel



The St. Eunan's Reserve panel.

AODH RUADH PEN PICS

- DAVID DOWNEY:** Student. Position: Midfield. Age: 21. Height: 6'2". Weight: 13 stone. Honours: Ulster Minor Club, U-21 Championship; Minor Championship (2); U-17 League; Reserve League.
- PAUL ROPER:** Student. Half forward. 20. 5'9". 11 stone. Honours: U-21 Championship, Minor Championship; Ulster Minor Club; Reserve League; U-17 League.
- MARTIN GILLESPIE:** Student. Half back. 24. 5'11". 12½ stone. Honours: U-21 Championship, Reserve League and Championship, Minor Championship, U-17 League, Cumann Na mBunscol, Community Games.
- CIARAN TINNEY:** Sales Rep. Defender. 32. 5'10". 12½ stone. Honours: 3 Senior Championships; 2 U-21 Championships, 2 Minor Championships, U-16 Championship, U-12 Championship, Ulster Minor League, played County U-21 football.
- JAMES GRIMES (captain):** Leisure Centre manager and fitness instructor. Corner forward. 22. 5'6". 11 stone. Honours: Ulster Minor Club, U-21 Championship, Minor Championship. Reserve League, U-17 League.
- BOBBY REYNOLDS:** Student. Corner half back. 19. 5'8". 11½ stone. Honours: Captain U-16 Championship '93. All Divisional medals, Minor Championship runners-up.
- KENNETH MCGURREN:** Student. Half forward. 19. 5'10". 11 stone. Honours: All-Ireland Community Games U-13 '90. U-16 Championship '93. All Divisional medals. Played County U-16 and Minor.
- PATRICK McGRATH:** Pottery Worker. Half back. 19. 5'10". 11½ stone. Honours: Ulster Minor club, U-16 Championship, Reserve League, Cumann Na mBunscol, All Divisional medals, played Co. U-16 and Co. Minor.
- CHRISTY COUGHLIN:** Student. Half forward. 17. 5'10". 10½ stone. Honours: Co. U-12 Championship, U-13 Championship, U-15 7-a-side, U-16 Championship, all Divisional medals.
- GARRETT BLAKE:** Forward. 16. 5'11". 11½ stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, U-13 Championship, U-12 Championship, McLarnon Cup. Played U-16 and Co. Minor '96.
- MICHAEL WARD:** Joiner. Corner Forward. 19. 5'9". 11½ stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, U-13 Community Games, All-Ireland Community Games, Cumann Na mBunscol.
- GERRY McMANUS:** Joiner. Corner back. 34. 5'7". 11 stone. Honours: Senior Championship, Reserve League and Championship. Played Co. Minor for Fermanagh.
- MARTIN GALLAGHER:** Student. Full back. 17. 6'1". 13 stone. Honours: Co. U-16, U-15 7-a-side, U-13 Championship, U-12 Championship. Played Co. U-16 and Co. Minor, McLarnon Cup '96.
- STEPHEN WARD:** Student. Midfield. 18. 6'2". 14 stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, U-12 Championship, All-Ireland Community Games, All Divisional medals, McLarnon Cup captain '96.
- MARK BOYLE:** Student. Half back. 17. 5'11. 11½ stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, U-15 7-a-sides, U-12 Championship, McLarnon Cup, Ulster Óg Sport 7-a-sides.
- RAPHAEL McGEE:** Quantity Surveyor. Centre half back. 23. 5'10". 13 stone. Honours: U-21 Championship, Minor Championship, 2 U-17 League, Trench Cup with Sligo R.T.C. Played County U-16.
- LIAM TRAVERS:** Sales Rep. Midfield. 24. 6'6". 14 stone. Honours: U-21 Championship, Reserve League and Championship, Minor Championship, U-17 League.
- BARRY GALLAGHER:** Builder. Half forward/midfielder. 26. 6'. 13 stone. Honours: Minor Championship, U-16 Championship. Played Co. Minor '88.
- GARY BRENNAN:** Army Private. Full forward. 22. 5'10". 13 stone. Honours: U-21 Championship, Minor Championship, Senior Championship, Ulster Minor Club, Senior Shield, Cumann Na mBunscoil.
- PAUL KANE:** Metal Fabricator. Goalkeeper. 25. 5'11". 13½ stone. Honours: Senior Championship, Minor Championship, Reserve League and Championship.
- K. J. GRAHAM:** Student. Corner forward. 20. 5'8". 11½ stone. Honours: Divisional U-12, 10, 14 Championships. Co. U12 Championship.
- ANDREW McSHEA:** Electrician. Corner back. 20. 6'. 12 stone. Honours: All Divisional medals, Reserve League, Reserve Player of the Year '95.
- DARREN MCGUINNESS:** Student. Corner forward. 17. 6'. 10½ stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, Ulster & Co. U-15 Óg Sport, U-12 Championship, McLarnon Cup.
- KERRY RYAN:** Pottery Worker. Half back. 20. 6'1". 12 stone. Honours: Minor Championship, All Divisional medals, played Co. Minor Hurling.
- DAVID HOEY:** Pottery worker. Forward. 18. 5'9". 14 stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, U-12 Championship, McLarnon Cup, All Divisional medals.

- GERARD FERGUSON.** Student. Corner back. 18. 5'11". 11 stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, U-12 Championship, McLarnon Cup '96. All Divisional medals.
- JAMIE McCAULEY:** Student. Corner half back. 18. 5'8". 11½ stone. Honours: U-16 Championship, U-12 Championship. All Divisional medals. Primary Schools medals Rockfield N.S.

- BRENDAN BOYLE.** Student. Half back. 18. 5'10". 11 stone. Honours: McLarnon Cup, U-16 Championship, U-12 Championship, All-Ireland Community Games, Primary Schools, Rockfield N.S.
- DERMOT SLEVIN:** Student. Corner forward. 21. 5'10". 12 stone. Honours: All Divisional medals. Minor Championship Runner-up.

Aodh Ruadh Reserves path to the final

- 1st June: Lost 1st leg, 1st round, in Fintra against Killybegs: Killybegs 0-9, Aodh Ruadh 1-5.
- 22nd June: Won 2nd leg, 1st round, in Ballyshannon: Aodh Ruadh 2-4, Killybegs 0-5.
- 13th July: 1st round play-off v. Killybegs, in

Donegal: Aodh Ruadh 1-9, Killybegs 2-5.

- 24th August: Quarter-final v. Ardara, in Donegal: Aodh Ruadh 1-6, Ardara 0-4.
- 8th September: Semi-final v. Kilcar, in Donegal: Aodh Ruadh 2-15, Kilcar 2-9.

ST. EUNANS PEN PICS

- EUGENE DUFFY (Captain):** Position: Half back. Age: 21. Height: 5'11". Weight: 13 stone. Honours: U-14, U-16, U-18, Ulster Runner-up.
- PHILIP RAINEY:** Back/forward. 20. 5'9". 12 stone. Honours: U-16, U-18 championship. Ulster U-18 runners-up.
- PADDY FLOOD:** Corner forward. 30. 5'8". 11 stone. Honours: Senior Reserve Championship, Div. 1 Shield. 3 Co. Senior Hurling Championship (Burt). 1 Dublin Junior Hurling championship.
- SEAMUS NALLEN.** Corner back. 20. 5'9". 13 stone. Honours: 1 U-14, 2 U-18.
- BRIAN McMONAGLE.** Midfield. 21. 6'1". 13½ stone. Honours: U-14, U-16, U-18 championship, Ulster U-18 runners-up.
- DWYER RAFFERTY:** Forward. 22. 5'10". 12 stone. Honours: Senior Res. Championship, Div. 1 Shield.
- TENERENCE DIVER:** Defender. 26. 5'11". 14 stone. Honours: Senior Res. Championship, Div. 1 Shield.
- LEO KELLY:** Half forward. 20. 6'. 12 stone. Honours: U-14, U-16, U-18.
- GARY DOYLE:** Back. 20. 6'. 12½ stone. Honours: U-14, U-16, U-18 championship.
- JOHN ANDERSON:** Back. 20. 6'. 13 stone. Honours: U-14, U-16, 2 U-18, Ulster Club runner-up.
- RONAN MULLIGAN:** Half back. 18. 5'10". 11½ stone. Honours: U-16, 2 U-18 championship, Ulster Minor Championship.

- JOE HIGGINS:** Half forward. 27. 5'8". 11 stone. Honours: U21 championship.
- NOEL McDERMOTT:** Half back. 22. 5'10". 12 stone. Honours: U-12, U-13, U-14.
- STEPHEN CROSSAN:** Half forward. 19. 5'10". 11 stone. Honours: 1 U-16, 2 U-18, 1 McLarnon Cup.
- PETER CURRAN:** Half back. 26. 5'11". 12½ stone. Honours: U-12, U-14, U-16.
- JOE McMANUS:** Midfield. 35. 5'10". 11½ stone. Honours: Co. Sligo U-18 Championship and 2 Intermediate League, Senior Res. Championship, Div. 1 Shield.
- CATHAL ROARTY:** Fullback. 32. 5'10". 12 stone. Honours: Senior Championship '83, Senior League '86, Herald Cup winner.
- BRIAN KELLY:** Half back. 24. 5'10". 11½ stone. Honours: Senior Res. Championship U-12 '84.
- STEPHEN COLLINS:** Forward. 21. 5'11". 13 stone. Honours: U-14, U-16, U-18.
- CIARAN McMONAGLE:** Centre half forward. 19. 6'3". Honours: U-16, U-18.
- BRIAN McBREARTY:** Goalkeeper. 21. 5'7". 14½ stone. Honours: U-14, U-16, U-18.
- SHANE SULLIVAN,** Midfield. 19. 6'3". 14 stone. Honours: 2 U-18.
- PAUL McGOVERN:** Half forward. 26. 6'1". 13½ stone. Honours: U-21 Championship.
- JOHN DALY.** Corner back. 24. 5'10". 11½ stone. Honours: Senior Reserve Championship, Div. 2 Reserve League.

Naomh Adhamhnain

1
B. Mac Briartaigh
(Brian McBrearty)

2
S. O Neallain
(Seamie Nallen)

3
C. O Rabhartaigh
(Cathal Roarty)

4
S. Andarsan
(John Anderson)

5
N. Mac Diarmada
(Noel McDermott)

6
T. O Duibhir
(Terence Diver)

7
E. O Dufaigh
(Eugene Duffy) (C)

8
S. O Suilleabhain
(Shane Sullivan)

9
B. Mac Maonghail
(Brian McMonagle)

10
S. O hUigeann
(Joe Higgins)

11
C. Mac Monghail
(Ciaran McMonagle)

12
S. Mac an Chrosain
(Stephen Crossan)

13
P. O Maoltuile
(Paddy Flood)

14
P. Mac Samhrain
(Paul McGovern)

15
D. Raifeartaigh
(Dwyer Rafferty)

FIR IONAIÐ: 16, **G. O Dughail** (Gary Doyle); 17, **S. O Dalaigh** (John Daly); 18, **L. O Ceallaigh** (Leo Kelly); 19, **B. O Ceallaigh** (Brian Kelly); 20, **R. O Diolun** (Ronan Dillon); 21, **P. O Curraighin** (Peter Curran); 22, **P. O Raine** (Philip Rainey); 23, **S. Mac Manais** (Joe McManus).

Manager: Noel Cassidy.

Aodh Ruadh

1
P. O Cathain
(Paul Kane)

2
B. Mac Ranaill
(Bobby Reynolds)

3
P. Mac Craith
(Patrick McGrath)

4
G. Mac Manuis
(Gerry McManus)

5
M. Mac Giolla Easphuig
(Martin Gillespie)

6
R. Mac Aoidh
(Raphael McGee)

7
K. O Riain
(Kerry Ryan)

8
L. O Treabhair
(Liam Travers)

9
D. O Domhnaigh
(David Downey)

10
P. O Roipear
(Paul Roper)

11
G. O Braonain
(Gary Brennan)

12
C. Mag Corrain
(Kenneth McGurren)

13
S. O Greachain
(James Grimes) (C)

14
S. Mac a Bhaird
(Stephen Ward)

15
M. Mac a Bhaird
(Michael Ward)

FIR IONAIÐ: 16, **G. De Blaca** (Gareth Blake); 17, **B. O Gallchoir** (Barry Gallagher); 18, **C., O Tionnaigh** (Ciaran Tinney); 19, **D. Mac Aonghusa** (Darren McGuinness); 20, **M. O Baoill** (Mark Boyle); 21, **A. Mac Se** (Andrew McShea); 22, **K. S. O Greachain** (K. J. Graham); 23, **D. O hEochaidh** (David Hoey); 24, **G. O Fearghusa** (Gerard Ferguson); 25, **S. Mac Amhlaidh** (Jamie McCauley); 26, **B. O Baoill** (Brendan Boyle); 27, **D. O Sleibheann** (Dermot Slevin); 28, **C. O Cochlainn** (Christy Coughlin); 29, **M. O Gallchoir** (Martin Gallagher).

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