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# JAMSIE BRESLIN MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT



**Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th October**

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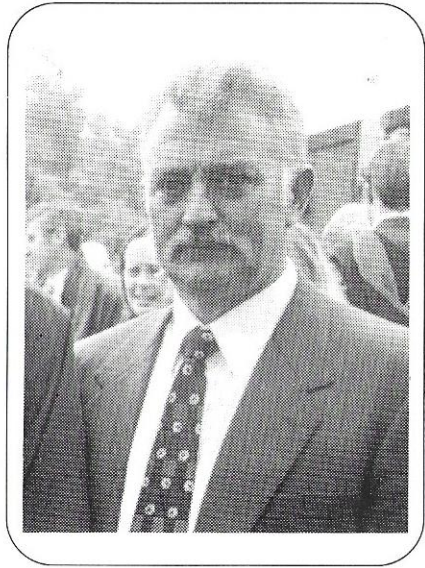
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# *An Appreciation From The Club Chairman*

The 10th of January 1998 was to be a joyous occasion for everyone in the Naomh Chonaill Club, one of our players, Jim McGuinness, was to be named Player of the Year at the annual Donegal G.A.A. Banquet.

But it will be remembered with sorrow in Glenties. On that day Jamesie Breslin passed to his eternal reward. At the age of 45 he was called from this world to serve a higher master, and we in the Naomh Chonaill Club lost one of our hardest working members. Jamesie served as treasurer of the Club for a number of years and was an excellent fund-raiser up until his untimely death, his main function was always on the financial side, and he knew that to have a successful Club you had to have a sound monetary policy.



He was one of the prime motivators of a very successful "Big Draw" during his term of office which enabled the Club to extend our dressing rooms, and was a diligent worker at our weekly "lotto".

Also as treasurer he was ever present at home games collecting at the gate, be it the "sunny days of summer or the cold and wet autumn evenings" Jamesie was always there to make a pound for his beloved Naomh Chonaill.

An ardent Donegal supporter, he travelled the country supporting the team and enjoyed the "crack". He had no enemies, only friends, and always no matter how big the crowd you always knew Jamesie was there with his distinctive laugh.

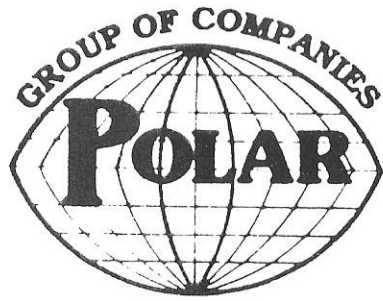
His death at an early age was indeed a severe blow to the Naomh Chonaill Club. A space has been left vacant that we will find difficult to fill.

It was a privilege and an honour to have worked alongside Jamesie Breslin in the Naomh Chonaill Club, but now that he has gone to the Biggest Club of all I am sure that the Almighty's finances are in good hands, and we definitely will have to pay on the gate.

As chairman, and on behalf of my fellow officers, our deepest sympathy is extended to his father Joe, sister Rita, brothers Joseph and Kenneth, relatives and friends on their sad loss.

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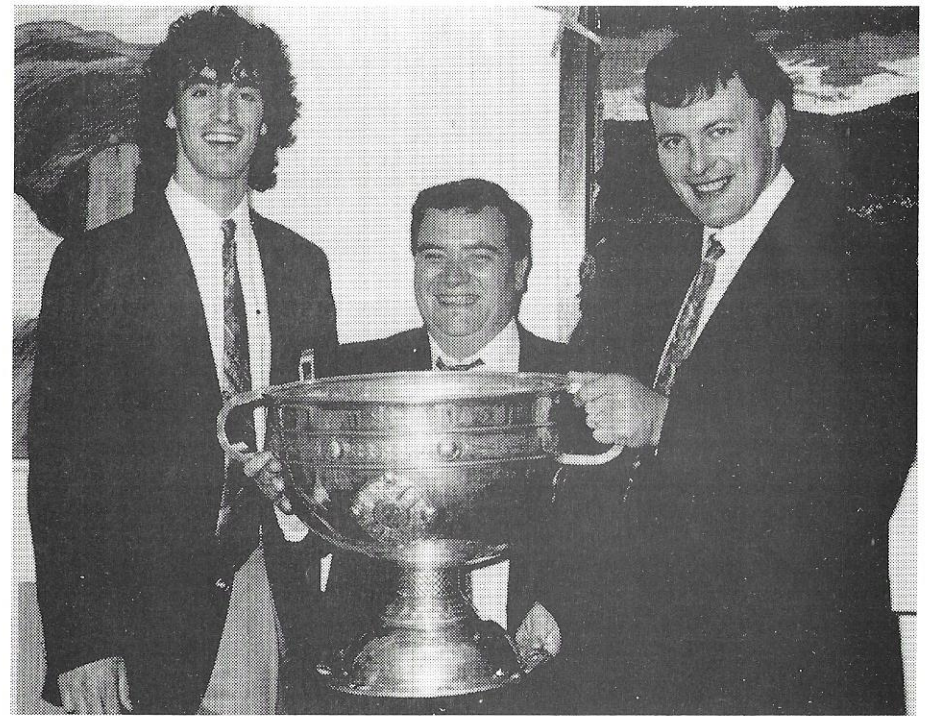


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## Naomh Chonaill Na Gleanntai

Founded in 1921, the Naomh Chonaill Club has been in existence 77 years and is by far the longest established club or committee actively involved in the life of the community in the parish of Inniskeel.

Even before its foundation the first patron of Cumann Luthchleas Gael in Donegal was Bishop O'Donnell from Kilraine, later to become Cardinal, the first secretary was Alex McDyer, N.T., also from Kilraine, in fact the present chairman, Pat Connaghan, is also a Glenties man.

The Naomh Chonaill Club has served the County Board well down through the years with members holding all major positions.

The first Gaelic match played in Glenties was on Sunday 24th July, 1921, between Glenties (town) and Kilraine (selection), the winners being the town by one point. The game was played at the "Curragh", Mullinard.

Another interesting fact from the early days of the club was the appearance of the famous Kildare footballer Larry Stanley at a Sports Day in Glenties in 1925.

Stanley was captain of the Kildare team who won the All-Ireland final of 1919 and was a player on the Dublin senior team of 1923 which was also successful.

He was also a noted high jumper and represented Ireland in 1924 at the Olympics in Paris where he jumped 6 ft. He cleared the same height in Glenties on Sunday 6th September, 1925.

He played with Naomh Chonaill at the sports in a seven-a-side which the club won. The sports were held in Hollymount Park (Sproule's Field) which was a portion of the land

acquired by the club in 1963, and is presently the site of our G.A.A. pitch and is named the Davy Brennan Memorial Park.

Davy was a former club and county footballer and chairman of the Donegal County Board in 1962. He died in 1963.

Playing activity at the park is always at a very high level and we cater for all ages from under-10s to adult, primary schools, comprehensive schools, senior and under-age county fixtures.

Although quite successful on the playing fields, the Naomh Chonaill Club, since its foundation has produced players to equal the best and produced some excellent teams, but the Senior County Championship still eludes us, but we strive on and one day we will capture the coveted piece of silverware.

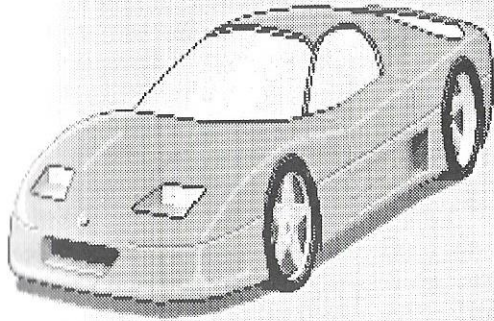
We must at this time not forget the first elected officers of Naomh Chonaill in 1921: Chairman Denis Phelan, secretary Packie Maguire, treasurer Tom O'Donohue, and all the officers, players and members who over the last 77 years have through the good times and bad kept the name of Naomh Chonaill G.A.A. Club to the forefront of our Gaelic games in Donegal.

Officers elected for 1998 at the annual general meeting were: President: Danny Boyle (deceased); Chairman: Michael Glynn; Vice-Chairman: Owen McGeehan; Secretary: Patsy Gallagher; Asst. Secretary: Brian Carr; Treasurer: Paddy Boyle; Asst. Treasurer: Eunan McGlinchey; P.R.O.: Patsy Furey; Oifigeach Na Gaeilge: Connie McKelvey.

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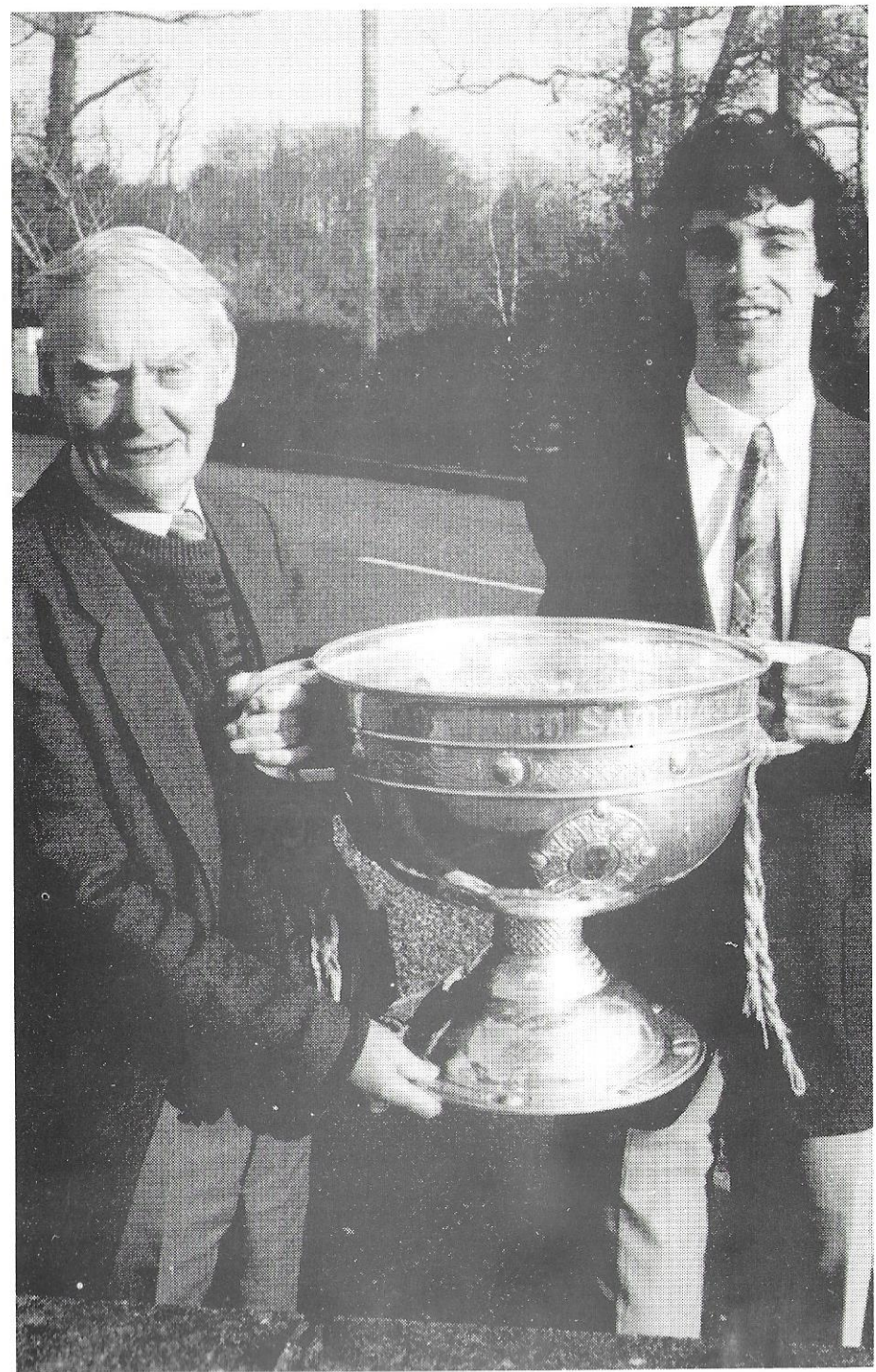
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Danny Boyle, Jim McGuinness and Sam.

# Jamsie Breslin Memorial Tournament

## QUARTER-FINALS

**Naomh Chonaill** .....4-14  
**St. Naul's** .....2-7

Naomh Chonaill and St. Naul's started the Jamsie Breslin Memorial Tournament with a fine entertaining game in Glenties.

Although the first half was very competitive the home side made the most of their goal chances to lead at half-time by 3-5 to 0-3. The goalscorers were Connie Doherty, Johnny McLoone and John Timoney, while Tom Dunleavy (0-2) and John Kerrs were the St. Naul's scorers.

St. Naul's came more into the game in the second half and goals from Edward Gallagher and Tom Dunleavy narrowed the gap. However, the home side rallied again and a fine goal by John Timoney sealed the victory.

Teams and scorers:

**Naomh Chonaill:** Martin Molloy, John Doherty, Seamus Campbell, Terence Campbell, Seosamh McKelvey, Cara McGeehan, Michael McLoone, Jim McGuinness (0-3), Martin Doherty, John Timoney (2-4), Johnny McLoone (1-3), Conor McCloskey, Paddy Molloy (0-3), Joe Byrne (0-1), Connie Doherty (1-0). Subs: John Boyle, Damien Craig, Gerard Gildae, Joseph McCloskey and Matthew McDyer.

**St. Naul's:** Gerard McGready, Patrick Burke, Benny Quinn, Brian McCabe, Martin Griffin, Raphael Meehan, Vincent Kennedy, John Kerrs (0-1), Cathal McGroarty, Edward Gallagher (1-1), Seamus Cannon, Tom Dunleavy (1-4), John McGroarty, Liam McGroarty.  
**Referee:** Peter McKelvey.

**Ardara** .....5-7  
**Killybegs** .....0-10

Ardara had a good victory over Killybegs in the Jamsie Breslin Memorial Tournament in a game that was much more competitive than the scoreline suggests.

Killybegs started well with a point each from Donal Breslin, John Ban Gallagher and Manus Boyle. Ardara hit back with points from Jimmy Brennan, Don Early and two from Patrick Gallagher. Then Matthew White turned the course of the game with three well taken goals in a space of ten minutes. The half-time score was: Ardara 3-6, Killybegs 0-4. Killybegs came more into the game in the second half and hit some delightful points. However, Ardara broke away again to score two late goals from Aodh Brennan and Paddy Gallagher to seal the victory.

Teams and scorers:

**Ardara:** Conor Curran, Barry O'Brien, Niall O'Donnell, John Martin Byrne, Conor O'Donnell, Adrian Brennan, Aodh Brennan (1-1), Jimmy Brennan (0-1), Damien Diver, Darren Maguire (0-2), Joseph Brennan, Don Early (0-1), Patrick Gallagher (0-2), Paddy Gallagher (1-0), Matthew White (3-0). Subs: Malachy Gallagher, Shaun Heena, Brian Herron, Gareth Herron.

**Killybegs:** Luke Byrne, Brian Connaghan, Trevor McNern (0-1), Tony Hegarty, Colm Conneely, John Cunningham, Arthur Meehan, Barry Cunningham, Andrew Mullin (0-1), Donal Breslin (0-1), Manus Boyle (0-3), Mark Boyle (0-1), John Baker Boyle, John Ban Gallagher (0-2), Paucic Gallagher (0-1).

**Referee:** John Carr, Kilcar.

**Na Rossa** .....0-8  
**Kilcar** .....0-9

In a very entertaining and exciting match Kilcar edged out Na Rossa by a single point.

Na Rossa started well with points from Declan Bonner and John Paul McCready. Declan Gallagher and John O'Donnell hit points for Kilcar but

Declan Bonner restored the lead with two fine points. Points from Kevin Lyons and Brendan Byrne brought the sides level again and Daniel Elliot and Cornelius Campbell traded points to leave the half-time score: Na Rossa 0-5, Kilcar 0-5.

The second half was very close with Na Rossa having the best of the chances. Points by Declan Bonner and Martin Caulfield (2) for Na Rossa and Declan Gallagher, Brendan Byrne and Stephen O'Donnell for Kilcar left the sides level with a minute left. Up the field came Kilcar and Stephen O'Donnell was first to react from a rebound to snatch the winning score.

Teams and scorers:

**Na Rossa:** Martin McShane, Michael Gallagher, Pat McCahill, Gerry McHugh, Trevor Melly, Sean Bonner, Danny Gallagher, Pat Caulfield, Donal Trimble, Martin Caulfield (0-2), Declan Bonner (0-4), Johnny Breslin, Daniel Elliot (0-1), Eamonn O'Donnell, John Paul McCready (0-1).

**Kilcar:** Peter Hegarty, Michael Molloy, Seamus Cunningham, Keith Cunningham, David Raftery, David Cannon, Declan Cannon, Roger McShane, Michael Hegarty, Cornelius Campbell (0-1), Declan Gallagher (0-2), Brendan Byrne (0-2), Kevin Lyons (0-1), Stephen O'Donnell (0-2), John O'Donnell (0-1).

**Referee:** Peter McKelvey.



Jamsie at under-age function in 1990.

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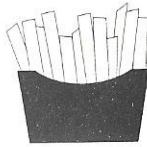
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## Semi-Final Teams

### NAOMH CHONAILL:

Under team manager Hughie Molloy, Naomh Chonaill had high hopes for a good year in 1998. Though they welcomed back John and Gerard Gildea from the U.S.A. they lost players of the calibre of Hudie Campbell, Matthew Mannering, Stephen McKelvey. This weakened the balance of the team and they proved no match for Kilcar in the Championship. In the League they recorded good victories over Na Rossa, MacCumhaills, Aodh Ruadh and Dungloe and were just narrowly defeated by St. Eunan's, Killybegs and Naomh Columba. Young players to make their debut for the senior team this year were u-16 player Conal McKelvey, and minors Michael McLoone, Martin Molloy and Terence Campbell. As Jamsie was a good friend of all the senior panel we will be striving to be the first name on the Jamsie Breslin Memorial Cup. Naomh Chonaill defeated St. Naul's in the quarter-final.

### KILCAR:

Down through the years Kilcar have been known as great Championship battlers and under manager Michael Molloy this year was no exception. After poor League form most people thought Kilcar would have trouble to beat Naomh Chonaill in the first round. After two solid displays they qualified to meet Aodh Ruadh in the quarter-final. They dominated this game for long periods and were unlucky to lose out to the eventual county champions. Apart from the famed McHughs, Kilcar have great players in Roger McShane, Seamus Cunningham, Kevin Lyons, Brendan Byrne, Stephen O'Donnell, and youngsters Michael Hegarty, Declan Gallagher and Dara Byrne. Kilcar played well to beat a spirited Na Rossa side by a point in the quarter-final.

### ARDARA:

After two 21 Championships and many more under-age successes this young Ardara side have shown this year they have arrived at senior level. With manager Patrick Gallagher still playing good football, their first success was a memorable victory in the All-Ireland Gaeltacht competition in Falcarragh in early June. With a Championship preliminary game with Na Rossa and first rounds with Gweedore they sailed through to meet Cloughaneely in the quarter-final. They showed a touch of class as they defeated Cloughaneely on a wet Sunday evening in Glenties. Although they were beaten by Aodh Ruadh by a single point in the semi-final many believe their day will surely come. Ardara have a wealth of young talent with players like Don Early, Jonathan Boyle, Martin Bennett, Peter McHugh, Aodh Brennan and Fergal Heena. They surely missed the strength of Martin Gavigan who was injured earlier in the year. Ardara defeated Killybegs in the quarter-final of the Jamsie Breslin Memorial Tournament.

### NAOMH COLUMBA:

Naomh Columba, as it has been well documented recently, have been the most consistent and also the unluckiest team for the past decade. Under team manager P. J. McGinley they qualified for the county final with victories over Carndonagh, Four Masters and St. Eunan's only to lose narrowly to Aodh Ruadh. They are still in with a shout in the League. With experienced players such as Noel Hegarty (surely one of the best ever players), John Joe Doherty, Noel McGinley, Pauric Gillespie, and young players Martin Cunningham, Gerard McGill, Gerard Cannon and Conal Cunningham, they will be the team to beat. Naomh Columba, due to a mix-up in dates, received a bye in the quarter-finals.



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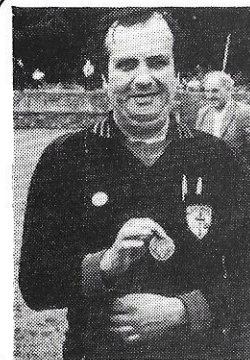
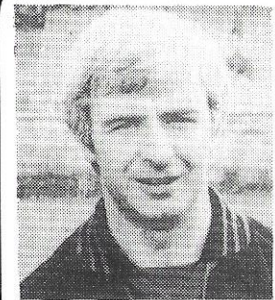
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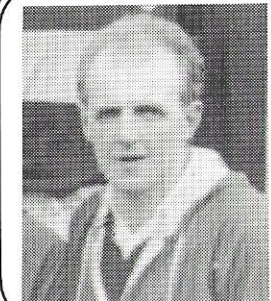


## KIERAN McGLYNN

Kieran has been active in G.A.A. affairs for 25 years. He was secretary of the Glenfin Club for 13 years from 1975 and has been club referee for the past 17 years. He was the man in charge of the 1988 county senior final and has refereed numerous other finals at all levels. Over the years he has refereed at all local tournaments as well as the All-Ireland Comortas Peil na Gaeltachta.

## JOHN CARR

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## **Jamsie Breslin Memorial Tournament**

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### **Programme of Events**

**Saturday Oct. 3rd:**

**First Semi-final:**

**Ardara v. Naomh Columba**

Throw-in 3.00 p.m.

Referee: Peter McKelvey.

**Second Semi-final:**

**Naomh Chonaill v. Kilcar**

Throw-in 4.30 p.m.

Referee: Kieran McGlynn.

**Sunday Oct. 4th:**

**Jamsie Breslin Memorial Tournament Final**

Throw-in at 5.00 p.m.

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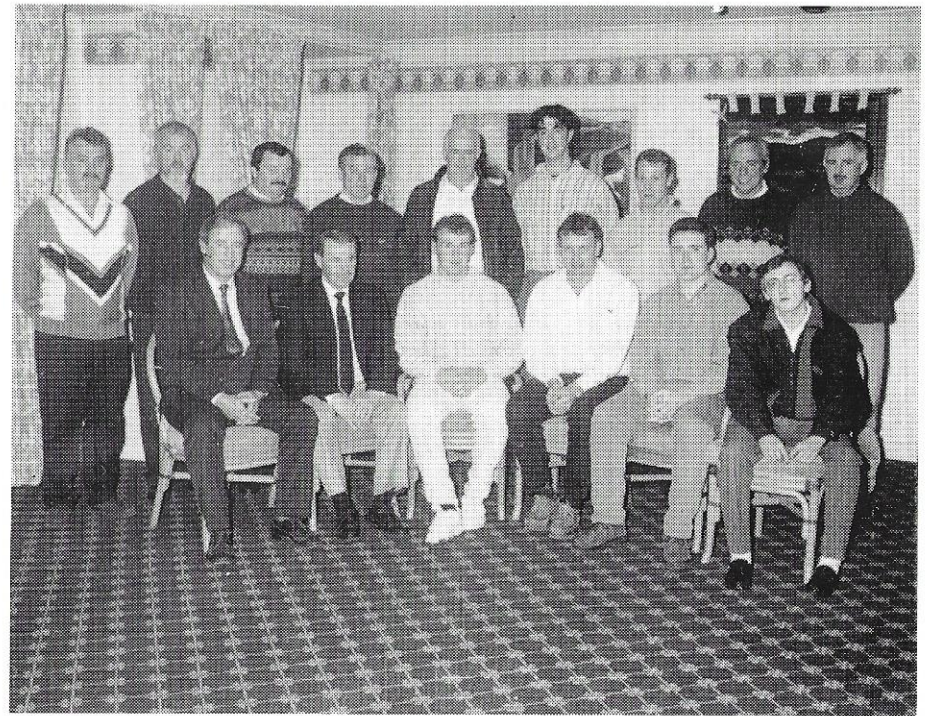
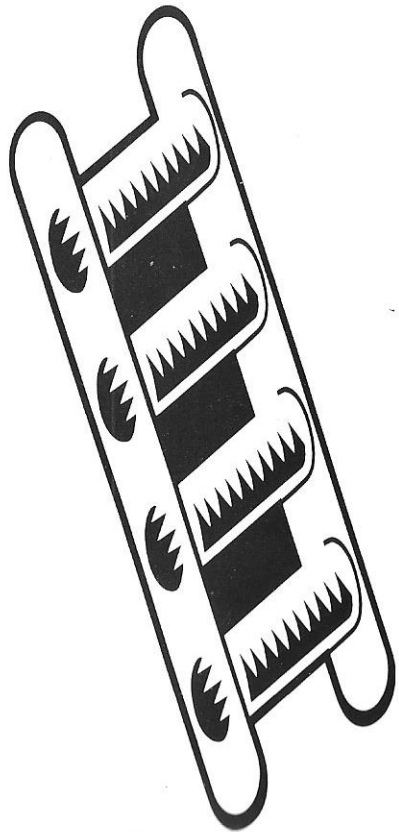
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**Naomh Chonail Senior Reserve Team.**

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## A Sad Year For Naomh Chonaill

1998 has been a sad and tragic year for the Naomh Chonaill Club. We have lost some of our most hard-working and stalwart members. Death at any time is a major blow, not only to G.A.A. clubs but to family, relatives and friends.

In January the sudden death of Jamsie Breslin was a shock to the whole community. In April, a former player, Vincent Sweeney, departed this life.

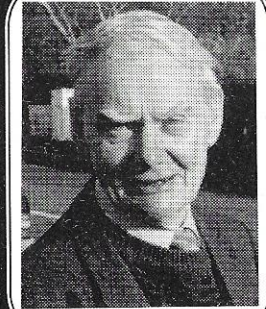
Danny Boyle, our President, who served the Club all his life, was taken suddenly and without warning on the 5th July.

The tragic death of Mark McGuinness on the 3rd August in a car accident that touched the whole community and beyond.



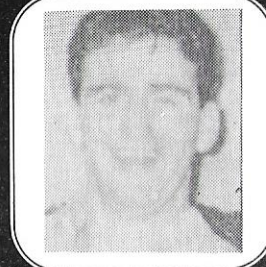
### DANNY BOYLE

The few words in this booklet would be very inadequate to detail the life of Danny Boyle in Cumann Luthchleas Gael. Danny played at all levels for Naomh Chonaill and represented the county with distinction. He was secretary of the club at the tender age of 21 and treasurer of the County Board for eight years. He held all positions in the South-West Divisional Board and all officerships in the Naomh Chonaill Club. A noted historian on G.A.A. affairs, his book "The Fields of Inniskeel", a history of Naomh Chonaill from its foundation in 1921 to 1965, was a compulsive read for all. He was instrumental in the purchase of our present grounds at Carrickbrack where the club has one of the best playing surfaces in the county. At the time of his death he was the President of Naomh Chonaill and is sadly missed.



### MARK McGUINNESS

The tragic death of Mark McGuinness in August was once again to shock the whole community. He played at all levels for Naomh Chonaill and was admired by his fellow players. Known affectionately as "The Giant", he was tall in stature and an imposing figure on the field of play. Mark had a great love for underage football and enjoyed transporting the teams to the matches. He had a way with young people and they adored him. His death in a car accident was a tragic way to end such a young life.



### VINCENT SWEENEY

A former Naomh Chonaill player who represented the club at county level in the 40s, Vincent Sweeney also passed away in 1998 after a short illness. A former goalkeeper with the club, Vincent also had a great knowledge of Cumann Luthchleas Gael and was a great supporter of the Donegal county team.



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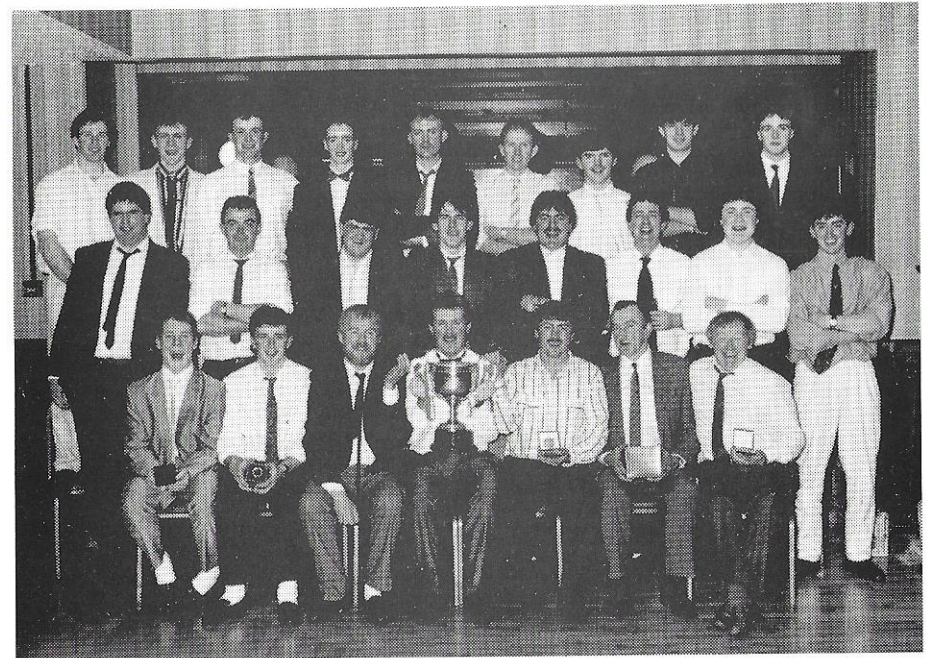
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Naomh Chonail - Div. II winners 1988.



Naomh Chonail - Donegal Gaeltacht winners - on trip to Cork in June 1974.

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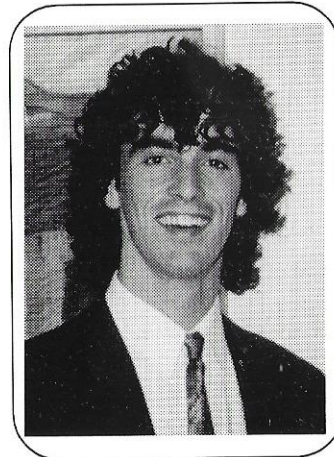
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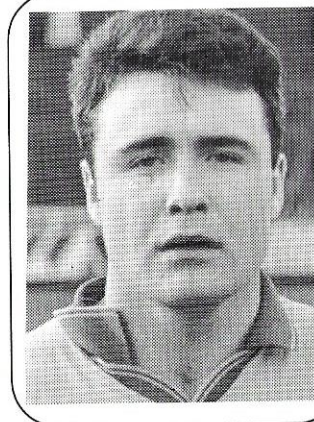
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## They brought honour to Naomh Chonaill

After a fine career at under age level the first glimpse of the talent of Jim McGuinness at senior level came when he played a prominent part in Naomh Chonaill's victory over Bundoran in the Intermediate final of 1990. He was soon drafted into Brian McEniff's Senior County Squad and was a member of the All-Ireland winning panel of 1992. Despite some stirring displays for his club Jim dropped out of the County scene and did not return until 1996. At the beginning of the 1997-98 league campaign Jim was installed at midfield and turned in some majestic displays including two man of the matches awards in the County's march to the League semi-final. He was picked to play for Ulster and emulated his friend and mentor Columba McDyer by becoming just the second Glenties man ever to win a Railway Cup Final. He also played a starring role for his college - Tralee RTC in their victory in the prestigious Sigerson Cup competition. Jim was one of the stars of the county team that just failed narrowly to win this year's Ulster Championship. Jim has been a tower of strength for his club Naomh Chonaill and we wish him the very best as he is currently taking part in trials for Colm O'Rourke's international team to play Australia.



Jim McGuinness



John Gildea

Even at a young age it was evident John had what it took to be a very good footballer. John played at all levels at under age for his club Naomh Chonaill. He also played at minor and under 21 level for Donegal. Due to work commitments and spells of emigration John had only played a handful of senior games for Donegal until this year. Back home from the U.S.A. last October he received a six month suspension for playing illegally in America. He continued to train with the county squad and as soon as the suspension ended he was immediately named in Declan Bonner's first fifteen for the league semi-final against Offaly. He has held his place ever since. His finest hour came against Cavan in the Ulster semi-final. Donegal were a man down and under pressure. John was shifted to midfield and he became the architect of a fine victory for Donegal. Good news for club and county is that John has settled in Donegal and should be around the scene for many years to come.

# Naomh Chonaill U-12 County Champions

History was made in the Naomh Chonaill club on 28th of June, 1997 in McDevitt Park, Fintra, when our U-12 team overcame a strong challenge from neighbours Ardara to capture the U-12 'A' (Div. 1) Co. championship for the first time ever. According to Co. Minor Board records the last underage championship title (proper) to come to the parish was Juvenile (U-16) in 1971.

Although numerous underage 'B' titles (u-12, U-13, U-14 and Minor) were won since 1988 this was the 'icing on the cake' for the club's underage structure and was due reward for those people who have done so much and given of their time so willingly in the administration, management and coaching of our youth since the formation of the club's Minor Board in the mid-eighties.

For the management team of Connie Doherty, Michael Quinn, Martin Doherty, Patrick Gill and all the players that Sunday in Fintra was the culmination of a four month campaign that started on the training pitch in Glenties on Tuesday March 3rd and continued unabated for a further 38 coaching/training sessions that saw the team go through the entire campaign undefeated.

The Divisional championship started with a surprisingly easy away victory in Ardara on Wednesday April 8th. Further wins for the team at home to Na Rossa, Naomh Columba, Kilcar and away to Dungloe, Naomh Mhuire and Killybegs, (the games v Killybegs and Naomh Mhuire the toughest) ensured a divisional final spot, the opponents, Ardara, the venue Fintra. Although Naomh Chonaill started shakily they soon settled to their task and had a fairly convincing victory 5-12 to 2-8. Captain, Donal Cape accepted the cup on behalf of the team.

The Co. quarter-final was against Four Masters. Played in Ardara the Glenties lads won with relative ease. The Co. semi-final against the hotly tipped Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon saw the 'mother of all battles' in Fintra. This match was nip and tuck throughout and in the end, a one point winning margin was just about deserved in a game that really saw the Naomh Chonaill youngsters come of age, with a gutsy, never say die attitude that saw them through.

Ardara had beaten Malin in the other semi-final and the stage was set for an all S.W.

County final against the 'auld enemy' the venue, once again Fintra. Naomh Chonaill had beaten Ardara in their two previous encounters but the Glenties mentors knew that this counted for nothing and that Ardara, under John McConnell and Anthony Molloy were steadily improving.

This game had it all – ten goals, 21 points and two teams who played outstanding football in front of what must have been the largest ever attendance at an U-12 final staged on its own.

During the first half there were anxious looks on the Glenties management as the advantage of the breeze was not yielding the scores and going into the interval it looked like it was going to be Ardara's evening as Naomh Chonaill never seemed to get out of low gear. Half time score: Naomh Chonaill 0-10, Ardara 2-4.

However, all this changed at the break when bainisteoir, Connie Doherty gave a passionate, rip-roaring speech about effort and commitment and it certainly uplifted 15 players in blue and within three and a half minutes of the restart midfielder, Conal McNelis had cracked in three outstanding goals. Ardara, although they rallied hard, after that shell-shock they could not catch up and Naomh Chonaill went on to record a memorable victory.

The cup was presented to captain, Conal McNelis by Co. Minor Board chairman, John Friel. Such was the crowd on the field at this juncture, one could have been forgiven for thinking it was the senior championship final.

Once again, well done and congratulations to all concerned!

The official team and subs on that Co. Final day:

Hugh McDevitt, Darragh Gallagher, Eugene Molloy, Jimmy Trimble, Aidan Sweeney, Donal Cape, Gerard McDevitt, Anthony Thompson, Conal McNelis, Brendan McDyre, Leonard McDyre, Aoife McDonnell, Michael O'Donnell, Patrick Mannering, James Gallagher. Subs.: Garvan McDwyer, Brian Reid, Leonard Quinn, Barry McGeehan, Gerard McMonagle, Grainne McLoone, Fiona Quinn, Sean McDyre and Eoin Waide.

\* Michael Regan, who would have been in the first fifteen was abroad on holidays and missed the final.



Naomh Chonaill U-12's, County Champions 1998.



U-12's with county trophy.

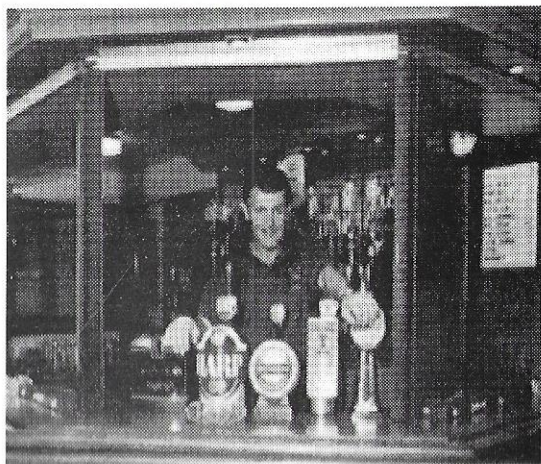


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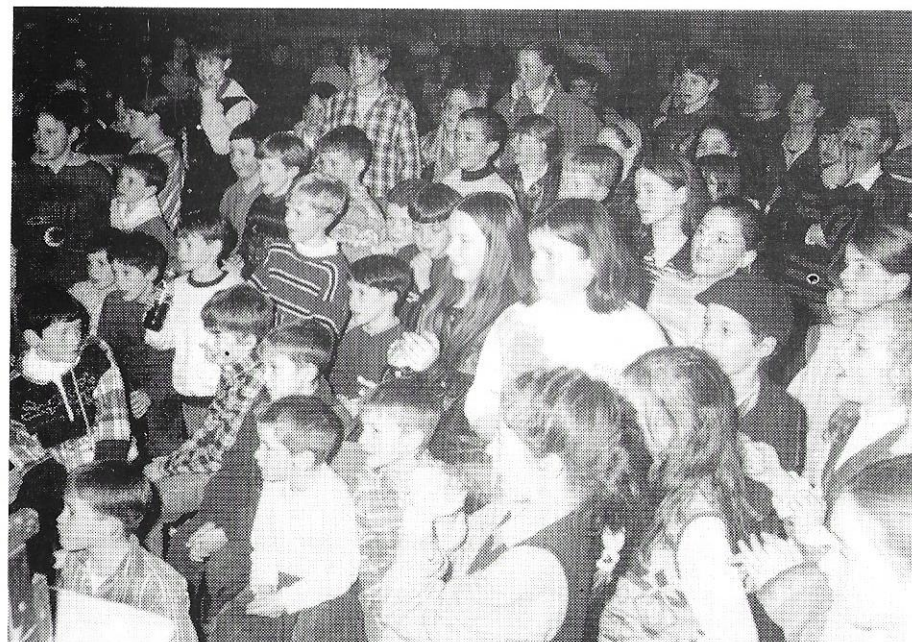


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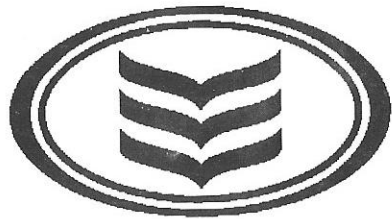
Naomh Chonail u-16s 1998 with mentor Con McKelvey.



U-10 team 1994/95 at a club function.

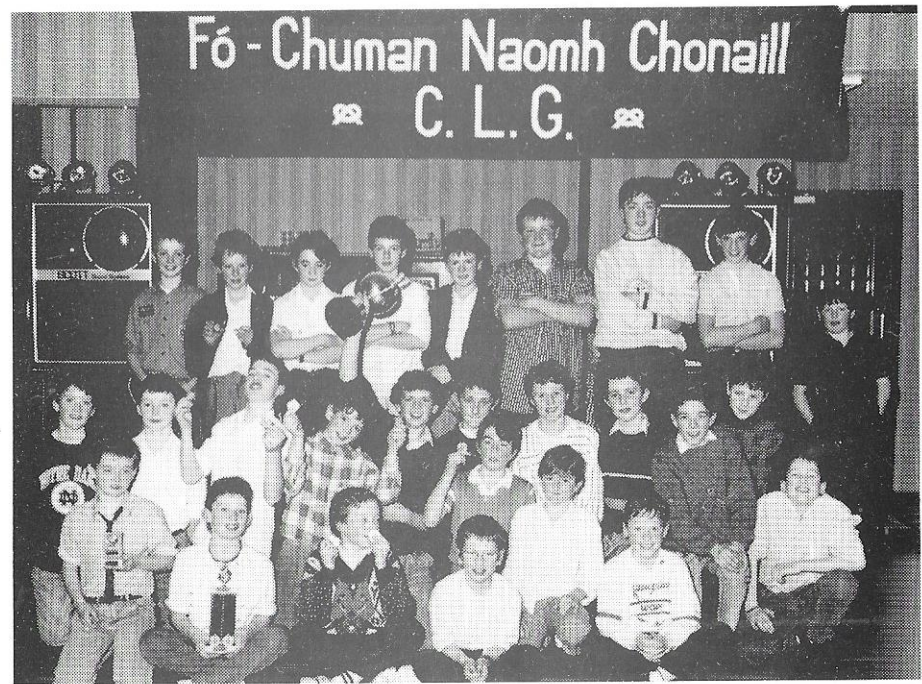
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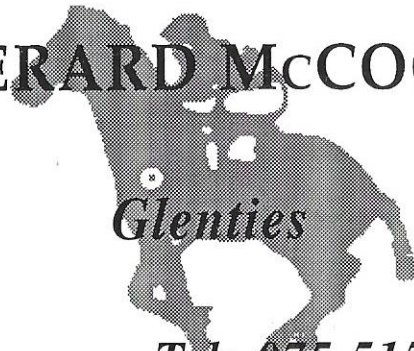
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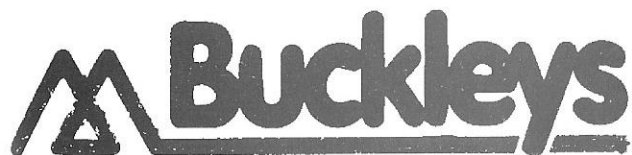


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And who shall bid me stay;  
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With sweet and honeyed mouth,  
But it's O! to be in Glenties  
When the wind is from the south!

O! I will go to Glenties,  
Beneath the kindly skies,  
When all the land is flowering,  
With longing in my eyes;  
And spring with all her comeliness  
Is in the fields again  
But it's O! to be in Glenties  
For the healing of my pain!

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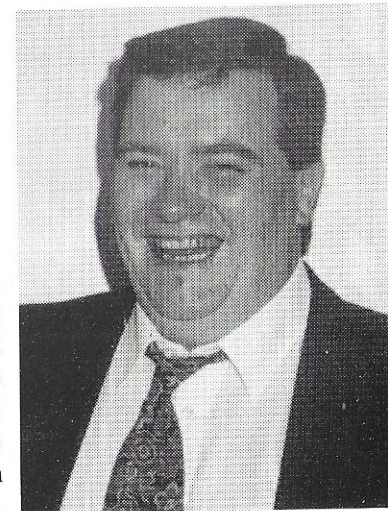
Danny Boyle, our deceased president, once wrote about the 'real heroes' –

The great strength of the Gaelic Athletic Association has always been in the unselfish service given by many people over the years in performing the chores so necessary to keep clubs alive.

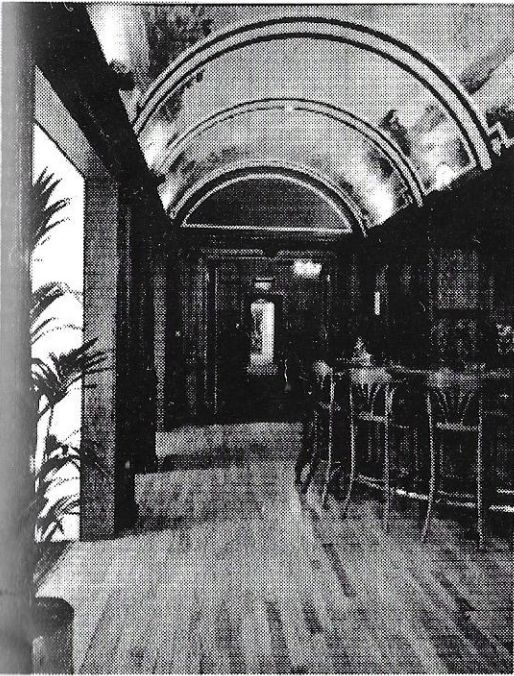
In our parish we had many of those heroes. Like the people who prepared pitches for games or stood unsheltered in all kinds of weather to collect at gates. The people who sacrificed sleep as they spent hours in halls assisting at club functions and did the 'one-hundred – and – one' other things so essential for the club's survival. Not forgetting the mothers or wives who put up with much inconvenience in sometimes having to tolerate great thoughtlessness.

Our heroes are but a small section of the people who by their work have ensured that the G.A.A. remains strong and virile.

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