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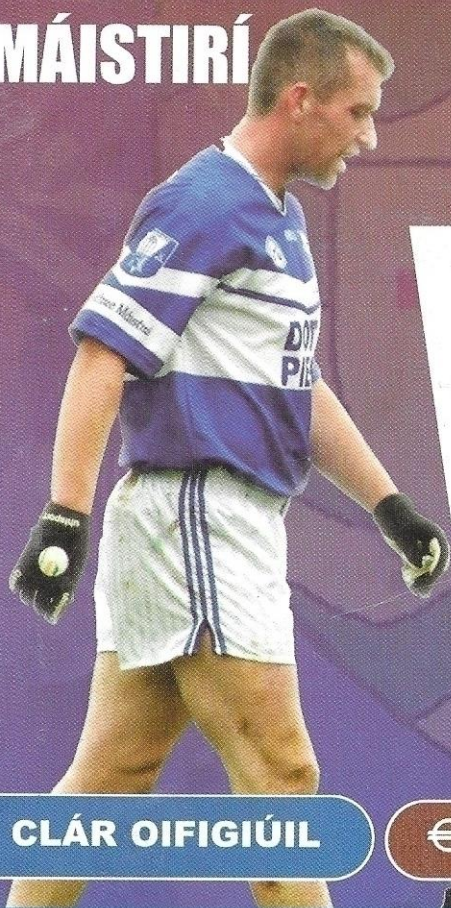
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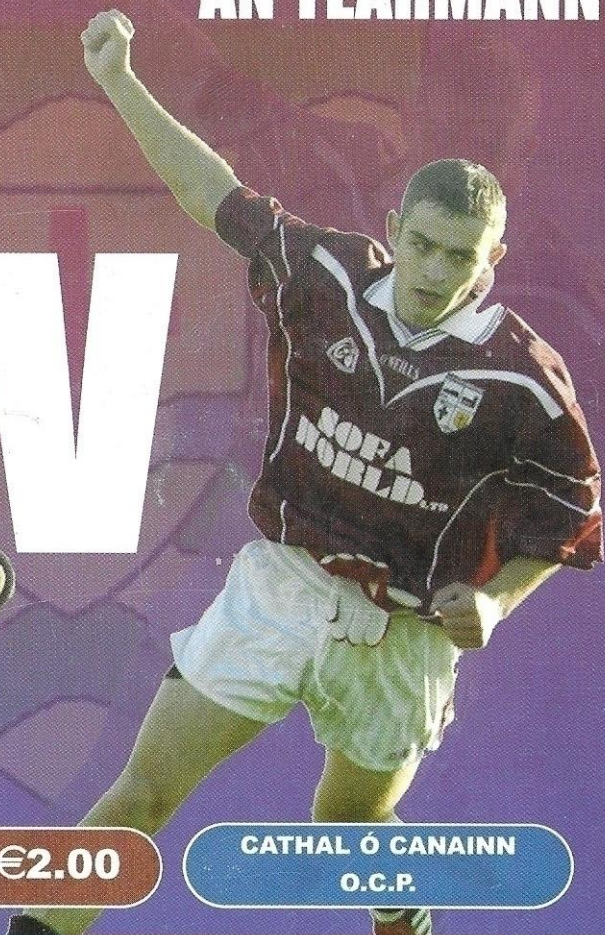


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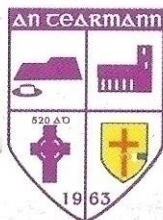
*Dé Domhnaigh, 12 Deireadh Fómhair 2003  
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4.00 Reiteoir Seamus de Faoite

**Cluiche Ceannais Minóir**

*Buncrannaigh v Naomh Conaill*

2.00 Reiteoir Seamus MacConqail



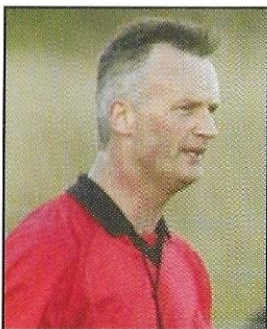
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**COUNTY SENIOR AND MINOR FINALS**

**Sunday 12th October 2003**

**Minor: Buncrannaigh V Naomh Conaill**

- 1.43p.m. Buncrannaigh take the field and line up for team photograph
- 1.46p.m. Naomh Conaill take the field and line up for team photograph
- 2.00p.m. **MINOR COUNTY FINAL**
- 3.15p.m. Captain of the winning team proceed to the presentation area for the presentation of the Minor Trophy presented by Deaglain O Cuinneagain Oifig Ogra.
- 3.30p.m. Introduction of the 1978 County Champions Naomh Columba
- 3.45p.m. Na Ceitre Máistirí take the field and line up for team photograph
- 3.48p.m. Tearmann take the field and line up for team photograph
- 3.54p.m. Both teams line up for parade
- 3.59p.m. National Anthem
- 4.00p.m. **SENIOR COUNTY FINAL**
- 5.15p.m. Captain of the winning team proceed to the presentation area for the presentation of the Dr Maguire Cup presented by Brian MacConduibh Caothaoirleach Bord na Chondae

**REFEREE FOR THE SENIOR FINAL**

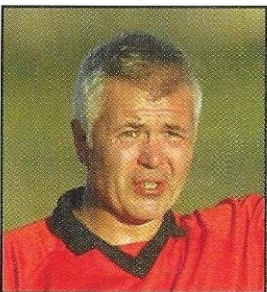


*Jimmy White*

Jimmy White is a member of the Killybegs club and has been refereeing for approximately 6 years. Jimmy has a long history with the GAA and has played in seven senior county finals, winning 5 and 3 of those were as Player-Manager. Jimmy was the Manager of the Donegal County Minor team in 1985 that won both the Ulster Minor League and Championship of that year, and in 1987 was a selector on the Donegal Under 21 All-Ireland winning team.

As a referee, Jimmy refereed the 1999 Ulster Minor League, Ulster Minor Championship Final and the Ulster Under 21 Championship Final. In 2002, Jimmy refereed two National Football League games, Ulster Club Championship and Mc Kenna Cup fixtures. This is Jimmy's second Senior Final. He has also refereed the Intermediate, Under 21, Minor and Under 16 Finals. Just two weeks ago, Jimmy was the standby referee and linesman at the drawn All-Ireland Minor Final.

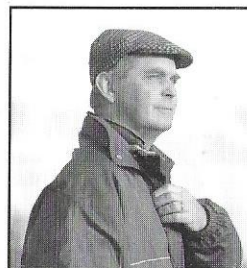
**REFEREE FOR THE MINOR FINAL**



*Seamus Mc Gonigle*

A member of the Aodh Ruadh club Seamus has been on the referees National Panel for the last four years and has officiated at all levels of the game throughout Ireland. Last year, Seamus took charge of the Minor All-Ireland Semi-Final between Kerry and Meath. Seamus has been refereeing in the county for 6 years and in that time he has refereed Under 16, Minor, Under 21, Junior, Intermediate and Senior Finals.

A much sought after referee, he is highly respected by players, as a man who keeps a game flowing while maintaining authority, control and common sense as he allows things to proceed.



Front Cover Picture: **Barry Monaghan & Kevin McMenamin**

**Fáilte an Chathaoirligh**

A Chairde agus imreoirí, cuirim fáilte libh go léir go dtí Pairc Sheain Mhic Cumhaill inniú. Tá súil agam go mbeidh cluichí iontach again agus tá fhios agam go bhfuil gach éinne ar fud an chondae ag fanacht ar an gcluiche seo.

I am delighted to welcome you back for the highlight of our calendar year, the Senior and Minor Championship Finals. In some ways it feels strange in that we are back again for a county final even though the 2002 final was played in April last. However the pairing for today's game creates another chapter in the history of the senior championship in that for Termon it is their first time to reach a senior county final. The maroon & white of Termon against the blue and white of Four Masters adds a lot of colour and noise to this special occasion and I like all supporters is looking forward to a great game of football.

Looking around both teams there is a mixture of youth and experience. Four Masters will be hoping that Barry Monaghan and Shane Carr can excel and take control of the game. Termon will be hoping that Tommy Ryan is match fit and can lead his team in what is their biggest test to date. Tommy has been a great servant to both club and county teams over the years and how fitting it is today that he should be to the forefront of this young team in their first senior county final.

The curtain raiser brings Buncrana and Naomh Conaill together in the minor final. Both clubs have invested heavily in their underage over the last few years and by reaching the Minor Final have the opportunity to claim some reward for the hard work and dedication to date. However both clubs are building for the future and I have no doubt that they will consider this game as just another step in their quest for greater things.

The Donegal Champions of 1978, Naomh Columba, Glencolmcille are celebrating their Championship victory of twenty five years ago. They too are associated with Termon because some five years earlier, Termon defeated Glen in a Junior County Final to record their first ever county title. Many of that Glen team, beaten in '73 came back in the '78 team to complete a remarkable treble. The county has been well served by the Naomh Columba club down the years and indeed Michael Oliver McIntyre was involved with me in the county senior team during the last year. The commitment and dedication of the people from the Glencolmcille parish to the promotion of GAA both at club and county level has been tremendous and I thank them greatly for loyalty.

To conclude, while we are hoping for two excellent matches today spare a thought for the men in the middle. Both Jimmy White and Seamus McGonigle give much time and effort to our games both at club and at county level. Both feature at national level on a regular basis and I congratulate them on their achievements to date and hope that many more will come their way. Jimmy win five Senior Championship medals as a player and is well aware of the pressure that players face ahead of a Championship final. I wish both referees the best of luck. I am looking forward to both finals and hoping that all teams can rise to the occasion and provide us with matches suitable for this great occasion.

**Brian Mac Conduibh, Cathaoirleach Bhord na Chontae**

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## Focal ón Eagarthóir - Cathal Ó Canainn

I welcome you all to Pairc Sean Mac Cumhaill for the 2003 Donegal Senior and Minor Championship finals. Our pairing today is unique in that following on from the success of Tyrone in the All Ireland the County final offers the team from Termon their opportunity to write their place in the history of the Donegal Senior Championship. Their opponents Four Masters have already won County Championships and will begin today's game as favorites but the game must be won on the field and hopefully both teams will match their expectations and provide supporters with a feast of football. In reaching their first senior championship final Termon have built on their successes at Under 21 and Intermediate level in the past few years. For Termon people, this is a historic day and is an achievement to treasure, cherish and be proud of. I am sure I speak for all Gaels in the county, in congratulating the Termon team and supporters on their achievements to date and trust that this historic day will be a day of celebration.

Termon's opponents today, The Four Masters Club from Donegal Town are back in their second final in three years. The Masters team has earned the right to be here with hard fought victories over St Eunan's and Ardara. Building on a very successful youth programme like Termon, the Masters team includes a wealth of youth and experience and will be seeking to make amends for the disappointment of two years ago.

The curtain raiser for today's game, is the Minor Final between Bunrana and Glenties. Bunrana, from Inishowen, provides further evidence of the growth of our national game throughout the Inishowen Peninsula. Building on the success of their U16's the Bunrana club provided many players to the minor and underage squads that represented Donegal during the year.

The Niamh Conall team from Glenties will also feel confident and have good reason to be proud of their performances to date. In their Semi-Final victory over Cloughaneely, they displayed their ability to take scores at crucial times and many of their players have represented the county at minor and underage level this year also. Like Bunrana, Naomh Conall has also worked hard to develop excellent facilities for their players and hopefully both clubs will continue to prosper in the future.

Today's referees, Jimmy White, Senior Final and Seamus McGonigle Minor Final are to be congratulated for their service to the county in the past few years. Both men are actively involved in the inter county scene and only two weeks ago Jimmy ran the line for the drawn All Ireland Minor Final.

The Naomh Columba team from Glencolmcille are honored today as Champions of twenty five years ago. Those gallant men from Glen had a remarkable year in '78 winning the Donegal Senior Championship, Donegal Senior League, All Ireland Gaeltacht and the County Under 21 Championship in one season. These players provided many hours of enjoyment for their supporters in Glen and in the following years many of them wore the county jersey with pride. Stalwarts such as Michael Oliver McIntyre, Finian Mac A Bhaird, Padraig & Seamus Carr, Sean Gavigan are a few to mention. In the following years many others players from the parish of Glencolmcille followed in the footsteps of these great men in representing Donegal at the highest level. John Joe Doherty and Noel Hegarty were part of the 92 team, the late Paddy Cunningham, Paddy Hegarty and Noel Mc Ginley are others that emerged from the success of the wonderful '78 team.

To conclude, as with all games within our association, it's a team effort that allows these events to proceed. The hosting of today's final is a big undertaking for the Sean Mac Cumhaills club and County Board officers. I congratulate them all on their efforts and I trust that all supporters agree. To the many articles provided by our four clubs and our local pressmen I thank you one in all. Michael O'Donnell has provided the photographs once again and I thank him for the colour and imagination that he brings to our programme. In the weeks ahead two new publications will be on sale for all GAA fans. Donal Campbell and Damian Dowds from Burt have written a comprehensive and wonderful book on the All Ireland Champions of '92, and of course the Donegal Year Book will be available early in December. These publications will be available in your local shops before Christmas and both books will provide an enjoyable and most comprehensive read on Gaelic games in Donegal and should be a must for every Christmas stocking.

**Name:** Barry Dunion  
**Club:** Four Masters, Donegal Town  
**Age:** 20  
**Height:** 5' 7"  
**Weight:** 11 stone  
**Occupation:** Student  
**Marital Status:** Single  
**Honours Won:** Under 12 in '94, Under 13 in '95 & '96, Under 14 in '96 & '97, Under 16 in '98 & '99, Under 18 Championship in 2001, Under 21



Championship 2001, Senior Reserve League and Championship in 2000. Captain of Ted Webb winning team in 1999, Played County Minor in 2000 & 2001 and Under 21 in 2002 & 2003. Represented Ulster Under 17's in Compromise Series in 99/00. Sigerson Cup medal with Sligo I.T. in 2002 Ryan Cup medal with Sligo I.T. in 2003. Have played in twelve County Championship finals winning ten medals.  
**Biggest Influence on Career:** John Joe O'Shea, Kieran Keeney, Enda Nolan and Dad.

# Championship Preview by Tom Cormack

Today's senior final pairing may not be one that would have been forecast by many when the draw was made last January. But, no one can deny that today's finalists are here on merit and are rightly vying for the biggest prize in Donegal football. And the fact that they have made it here today has brightened up an otherwise poor enough championship. Though in fairness to both Termon and Four Masters they have more than done their bit to liven up the fare and all the more reason they should be her on the last day.

Except for Termon's giant killing act over Sean MacCumhaill's in the semi final they only other real drama came in MacCumhaill's win over reigning champions Gweedore. But Four Masters and Termon it is, and when we take a look back at their paths no one can have any arguments. Strangely enough, both teams drew their opening games and adding to the irony is the fact that those draws were on home soil.

Four Masters were given a real fright on opening day in Tirchoonaill Park and were thanking their lucky stars at the finish of a 1-8 each draw with neighbours St. Nauls. I wonder could this be an omen Ardara too lost the

first game of 2000 to the Mountcharles men before going on to claim the title. If they drew the first leg, there was no stopping the Masters second time round and the won round two pulling up with nine points to spare. And in truth, they have not looked over their shoulders since. They raised a few eyebrows with their quarter final 0-12 to 1-7 victory over many peoples fancy St. Eunan's. Coming from behind after a shaky start, they showed the Letterkenny men a clean pair of heels in the closing

minutes to shade it at the finish. And it was a similar story in the semi final as they put another fancied side Ardara to the sword. This was more or less a carbon copy of their win over St. Eunan's - though the margin of victory was a little more comfortable on this occasion, 1-8 to 0-7. Termon got their campaign with that 0-10 each Burn Road draw with Killybegs, but like today's opponents they made no mistake second time around to come away from Fintra with a 2-12 to 1-12 victory. Something than many can boast off in the last twenty years or so. Next, it was on to Falcarragh for the quarter final, where Dungloe another team that were being whispered about, were sent packing. Four late points from the boot of Tommy Ryan did the business as they came from behind in the closing minutes to sneak it at the finish on a 2-9 to 1-12 scoreline.

And so to the semi final, and the tremor that rocked Sean MacCumhaill's, and will forever be etched in the folklore of Donegal championship football. In an amazing fourteen minutes in the middle of the first half Termon struck 4-4 to come from four points down to go twelve up and blow the Twin Town off the radar.

Pocket Kevin McMenamin pounced for three of the goals with Daireann Gibson adding the fourth. They stuff of legend! And, yet, they were lucky enough to cling on at the finish to win by two points, 4-8 to 2-11.

For that explosive period alone Termon are worthy county finalist, that period of sheer magic will live in the memory of Donegal football long after today's final has faded into the history books. That is of course, *unless lightning strikes twice.*

## HISTORY OF C.L.G. AND TEARMANN

by Netty Gibson Chairperson

"An Tearmann" (hallowed ground, áit foscaithe,) owes its humble foundations to a meeting organised by the late Danny McBride (father of Owenie, Gaoth Dobhair) in Mary Sally's in Kilmacreeannan. Being the local master in Termon N.S., he summoned as many as he could in the area, who were interested in forming a G.A.A. club.

The result of this meeting was that Club "An Tearmann" was founded with the late Danny Mc Bride as Chairman, Paddy Friel (the Cope) as Secretary, joint treasurers Danny Kelly and Charlie O'Donnell. Little did they think that this small step, would result in a giant leap 40 years later with our Senior team heading into a County Championship final.

Getting back to 1973, which was just a decade after the formation of the club, "An Tearmann" pulled off its greatest coup since its inception, when they defeated Naomh Columba in the Junior Championship final, under the expert guidance of the late Tommy Ryan, Pat Murray and Willie Brady, (who sadly passed away earlier this year). An eminent journalist stated recently, that Pat Murray explained to the referee of the day, that we (Termon) were only a "wee club and that he shouldn't be too hard on us". Pat totally refutes this and we don't believe a word of it! With a scoreline of 0-11 to 0-10, Termon emerged victors with Hughie Mc Daid (Termon) recording an astounding 6 points, being marked by county star Finian Ward.

To secure this victory, the management resourced players from St Conal's (where Pat was a Psychiatric nurse)

and Glenswilly, to strengthen the squad. The victorious team of 13 was: Bernie McLaughlin (Glen) John McGinley (Glenswilly) Christy McCafferty (Termon) Bernard Brady (Kilmacreeannan) Jim McFadden (Cashel) Andy Moy (Glenswilly) Joe Kelly (Glenswilly) James Trearty (Termon) Eddie Gallagher (Glenswilly) Colm McFadden (Creeslough) Hughie Mc Daid (Termon) Jimmy Mc Daid (Termon) Paddy Brogan (Donegal Town) Jim Mc Glynn (Glenswilly) Charlie McFadden (Glenswilly) With Peadar Toner (Glenswilly) and Frankie Doherty (Bonagee) being used in the semi-final. The club will always be indebted to those players for their sportsmanship and dedication. The late Tommy Ryan (Senior) had been manager from 1963 right through to 1973 with the exception of 1967 when Pat Murray coupled his skills as Chairman and manager, with the assistance of Micheal Mc Bride from 1967-1969 and Patrick Hilferty in 1971. The late Tommy Ryan was an outstanding G.A.A. personality for many years, as a distinguished footballer, team manager and trainer. A former member of Easkey G.A.A. there will always be pride of place given to the memory of Tommy both in Donegal and Sligo for his expertise. 1950 saw Tommy's debut, when Sligo won the minor championship. In 1951, 1952, 1953 and 1960 he accumulated senior championship medals with Sligo. His collection also included senior championship medals with Donegal in 1956/1960 playing with St Eunan's. In 1952 he represented Sligo in a Connacht final against Mayo. He also won Donegal league medals in 1951/1957.

Tommy's involvement with the Termon club began with its foundation. He held many integrated positions in the club - trainer/manager/selector. His quiet assuming yet firm manner and judgement earned him due respect from those involved with him. It was with great sadness that the Termon community, and indeed throughout the G.A.A. circles in Donegal and Sligo learnt of Tommy's illness and eventual death in August 1977. He will always be remembered by the club as being one of the most diligent and respected members of the community. He has left behind a legacy instilled into the hearts of past and present day footballers but more importantly has someone to follow in his footsteps, as he seems to be doing! We're hopeful, as is Physio, Tommy Kerr, that Tommy Jnr's injury will improve so that he can take his deserved place today. As a mark of respect to Tommy (Snr), the club first hosted the Tommy Ryan Memorial Trophy in 1978, which is now the longest running tournament in the county.

It is most fitting in our 40th year to applaud a man who was once "the club". So versatile was he, that he fulfilled the positions of Chairman, Treasurer, manager and trainer in the same year. A native of Termon, Pat Murray has become a most highly respected member of the Termon Club. His earnest dedication and enthusiasm and his insatiable appetite for hard work, made him a hard act to follow. On his retirement from St Conal's staff, Termon club hosted a get together of all players past and present, with whom Pat had worked, down the years and who now belong to neighbouring clubs, to bear witness to his outstanding popularity. He was and still is a great inspiration to all fellow officers, players and members alike and we will always be indebted to him.

With the introduction of N.W.M.B in '82 the combination of the dedicated efforts of those already mentioned and that of Christy McCafferty, Bernard Brady, Jimmy O'Donnell and Denis McGrenra culminated in the U-14,s & U-18,s reaching Divisional Championship finals. Having joined the Letterkenny District & Schoolboys League, the under-age teams swept the boards. Brendan Gallagher, James Brady, Tommy Ryan and Maurice McBride, of the present squad, were on the '86 Minor team which won the Super League in 1988, also in that year the Senior team captured the Junior Gaeltacht Championship. The "early intervention" formula surely rings true, if you consider that Thomas Cullen, Mark Alcorn, Paul McLaughlin, John McCafferty, Brendan McFadden, and Daireann Gibson were part of the victorious '88 teams and now play a pivotal role in the current Senior

Squad. The U-14,s in the same year included a number of those players who were beaten by Naomh Conal. Subsequent successes in the nineties include the Intermediate Championship (1991); the U-21 CE, Championship (1997) in which 14 of the current Senior panel were involved; the U-16 CE, Championship (1997) in which 6 of the current team played; North-West U-18 champions (1997); the Intermediate Reserve Championship (1998) in which 6 of the current team participated; the Intermediate Championship (2000), in which 16 of the current panel took part; Finalists in the U-21 CE, Championship (2000), losing to Cloughaneely, when 11 of the current team were involved on that occasion; Division 2 League Champions in 1998 and 2001.

With Aidan McGrenra at the helm on the Minor Board and Christy Gillespie's reinforcement at Scoil Cholmcille, which resulted in a host of children from the club being chosen to represent their county in Ulster and Croke Park, winning County Skills in 2000 and 2002, and the County McDonald's "Catch & Kick" in 2003, the youth policy is also paying dividends. The Building Project is nearing completion, with the erection of dressing rooms, kitchen, spectator stand, perimeter fencing, verti-draining of field and an automatic scoreboard, which in no small way is due to two National Lotto grants secured by Dr James Mc Daid during his time as Minister for Sport. The work of Fás men supervised by Benny Trearty has contributed greatly to the building project. The Trojan efforts of the Lotto committee and the Lotto sellers and the Gateman Patrick McGrenra are the lifeline of the club, together with generous sponsorship of Sofa World (Martin Hilferty) Jerseys, Lawrence McGettigan, Bags (Sean McBride & Danny O'Donnell) T-shirts, (Jim McFadden) Ladies T-shirts, Millbridge Ladies jerseys and refreshments and The Lagoon: Tracksuits. & After-match refreshments, all of which are very much appreciated.

I'm sure those of you who played for Termon and at the Burn Rd will agree that it's now a far cry from the invigorating plunge, into the Lurgy, with scarcely a towel between you!

Mar focal scoir we hope that, since An Tearmann won the Junior and Intermediate Championships on their first attempts, that this will be a good omen for today's match! Bhéadh lúchair orainn áit foscaithe a thabhairt do Chorn Mhig Uidhir ar feadh bliana ar a laghad!

# Sam's for the Hills

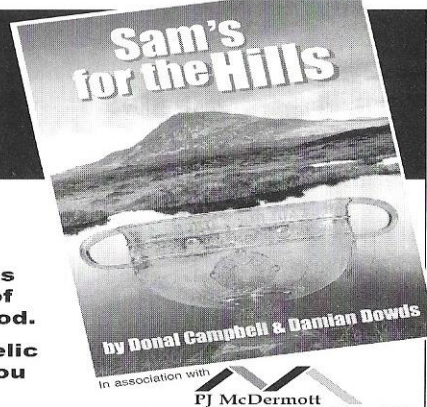
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## Paddy Murray highlights Termon's GAA history

By Declan Kerr (Tirconail Tribune)

As Termon prepare today for their historic Donegal Senior Football Championship final appearance, Paddy Murray, one of the men, who masterminded the club's first ever county success 30 years ago recalls that memorable win, a decade after the club was founded at the old school in Kilmacrennan. On Sunday, September 5, 1973 Termon made that big breakthrough defeating Naomh Columba in the Junior Championship Final at McCumhaill Park. The other mentors on that occasion were the late Tommy Ryan (snr) who was manager in 1973 while Willie Brady who was a selector sadly passed away earlier this year.

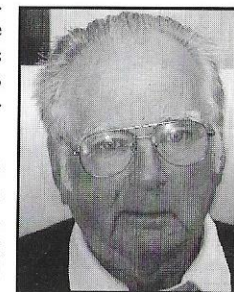
Born in the parish Paddy Murray's association with Termon GAA began in 1965, two years after the club was setup, when he agreed to take the coaching position. A year earlier Murray had guided St. Conal's Hospital to an All-Ireland Hospitals title in Croke Park. Those early days were tough as sourcing a team proved difficult and Paddy says one of the low points was down in Dunfanaghy in 1966 when the local outfit hammered them on a scoreline of 6-9 to 0-1. Their only point coming from Glenswilly man Hughie Kelly.

It was a humiliating defeat against their near neighbours and in the aftermath of the result Murray told the Termon committee that drastic changes were necessary to secure the future of the club. The priority was to strengthen the squad as they had been depending too much on players who had strong soccer affiliations. Recruits from Paddy's work base at St. Conal's were brought in like Paddy Brogan, Sean Maloney, Peter McGlynn and Jim McGlynn along with a number of players from the Glenswilly area. The club moved from the Western to Eastern Board in 1967, the same year that they donned their by now familiar maroon jerseys for the first time. That same summer a much more committed Termon went onto defeat Mulroy Gaels enroute to a championship meeting with St. Eunan's in Kilmacrennan on a ground owned by the family of the late-Hugh Strain. They pulled off a remarkable first leg victory over the Letterkenny side who had included nine players with senior championship experience. It had left the St. Eunan's manager Danny McGlinchey dumbfounded although the Cathedral town outfit did eventually progress to the next stage of the competition.

Nonetheless, there was steady progress on the playing field, losing a junior semi-final to St. Michael's in 1969 and going down in a league final against

Falcarragh two years later. The club was subsequently promoted to the senior league and at the time it was 13-a-side football where Termon gave a good account of themselves and helped pave the way for their capture of that historic Junior Championship title the following September.

However, the 1973 campaign did not get off to an ideal start as the team lost the first round first leg against Four Masters up in Donegal Town. They had to field minus a number of first team regulars due to an ordination in the area. It was a different story in the return game at the Burn Road and the team bounced back to eventually make the next round thanks to a decisive play-off win. In the quarter-final Termon accounted for Convoy with an Andy Moy goal helping to decide the outcome. In the last four Murray recalled the thrilling



win over a star studded Bundoran outfit helped by a crucial first half penalty save by Bernie McLaughlin from Seamie Granaghan's spot-kick. They would meet Naomh Columba in the final on September 5, 1973 in McCumhaill Park and prior to the game Murray predicted that there would only be one point in it either way and he was proved 100% correct. With Tommy Ryan (snr) as manager, Paddy as trainer and Willie Brady as selector the side squeezed over the finishing line on an 0-11 to 0-10 scoreline with Hughie McDauid registering six points despite being marked by county player Finian Ward. Also on the winning team was Hughie's brother and current Government Junior Minister Dr James McDauid. No stone was left unturned in pursuit of that Junior title with Joe Kelly who had been due to go to work in England being persuaded to stay at home until the decider had been played. Following the victory over Bundoran in the semi-final the team management made two changes for the decider with Christy McCafferty and John McGinley getting the nod ahead of Peader Toner and Frankie Doherty. 1973 final team - Bernie McLaughlin (Glenree); John McGinley (Glenswilly); Christy McCafferty (Termon); Bernard Brady (Kilmacrennan); Jim McFadden (Lackagh); Andy Moy (Glenswilly); Joe Kelly (Glenswilly); James Treaty (Termon); Eddie Gallagher (Glenswilly); Colm McFadden (Cresslough); Hughie McDauid (Termon); Jimmy McDauid (Termon); Paddy Brogan (Donegal Town); Jim McGlynn (Glenfin); Charlie McFadden (Glenswilly). Ref: Fred Sweeney (Dungloe).

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## Four Masters to end long wait?



*Dermot Mc Gettigan, Captain, holds aloft the Dr. Maguire Cup in 1984 for the club's second senior championship in three years.*



*Michael Gillespie, Chairman of the County Board presenting the Dr. Maguire Cup to Donal Monaghan, Captain of Four Masters, after winning the club's first senior championship since 1924.*

Four Masters aim to end a long wait in the 2003 Senior County Final today when they attempt to win their first Senior Championship in nineteen years, their last win being on August 26th 1984. In fact, that was their second championship in three years following a famous win in 1982 after a very long wait of 58 years, their previous and only championship until then coming away back in 1924.

There is a very strong link between the 1982 team and today's captain Barry Monaghan, his father Donal being the captain for that victory over Kilcar by 1.04 to 0.06 to bring the Dr. Maguire Cup through the Gap. Donal was playing in his fifth county final that day so it was a fitting end to a tremendous career that he collected that elusive medal. Hopefully, Barry will not have to endure so many disappointments and that today he will collect the Dr. Maguire Cup from County Chairman, Brian Mc Eniff and bring it back to Donegal Town again.

There is also a close link with the 1984 team with the present manager Michael Kelly being the Four Masters goalkeeper in the 0.09 to 1.02 win over Ardara in the Centenary Championship. A report in the Donegal Democrat on the following Thursday described Michael's performance as follows, "Michael Kelly in goals played the game of his life. He has taken a lot of stick down through the years but on Sunday he answered all his critics with a string of breath-taking saves". Michael will be hoping that at 5.30 p.m. today the critics won't be questioning his performance again twenty years later and that he has guided Four Masters to their first Senior Championship of the new Millennium.

*Sean Dunnion Jr.*

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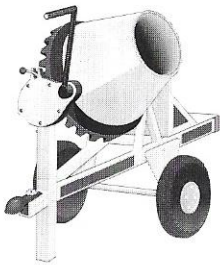
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## Maurice McBride - "The Boss"

By C.J McGinley (Deputy Editor, Derry People-Donegal News)

HE'S on a learning curve in management but Maurice McBride is just over one hour from the unique distinction of being the first man to guide Termon to the holy grail of a first ever senior championship title.

With the help of a few trusted lieutenants thirty-three years old McBride- from one of the best known football families in Donegal- stands on the threshold of making club history and setting off the mother of all parties in the parish of Termon.

"We're on the threshold of something special. The club has yearned for a county senior championship success for years. Now, we are just one hour away from history. This is what the GAA is all about- the small rural parish club succeeding against all the odds," he said.

A former Donegal Under-16, Minor and Under-21 player, Maurice rubbed shoulders with the likes of former All-Star and close personal friend, Tony Boyle and John Duffy when he played for the Under-21s back in 1991.

His brother, Sean, who is also part of his management team with John Joe McGettigan, Bernard Gallagher and Seamie Friel, played in an All-Ireland Minor semi-final for Donegal against Cork at Croke Park back in 1985.

A Regional Sales Manager with Wurth Ireland Ltd, a Germany car components and building fixings firm based in Limerick, Maurice has been a stalwart of the Termon club for as long as he cares to remember.

The third eldest in a family of seven, his late mother Mary, who died last May was one of the club's most ardent supporters. His late father, John, was the local Garda Sergeant in Kilmacrennan, where the family were all raised.

His family have their roots in the Rosses and his uncle Maurice O'Donnell, was a well known soccer player in his day. Football runs deep in the blood of the McBride's from Kilmacrennan. Brothers, Sean, Gerard and Michael hold Ulster and All-Ireland Schools titles in GAA and soccer as well as many local and Donegal titles.

Maurice, began his career with Termon at senior level over 16 years ago when he made his debut in a reserve championship match against Ballyshannon. He is now in self confessed semi-retirement, but admits he would love to take his place on the panel for Sunday's big final.

After the thrill playing in a county final the role of manager is next best. "I suppose you can't get any better- apart from

playing of course- than being manager of a team in a county senior final. I decided to give the job a full commitment this year and opted not to play. My biggest regret is not playing but the next best would be to steer the boys to a famous win," he said.

"There is an unbelievable buzz around the area for the final. It will be a memorable occasion the biggest day in the club's illustrious 40 year history. We're going into uncharted waters but I feel the focus is right and we're as well prepared as we can be for the big match," he added.

The Termon boss said the semi-final win over a fancied MacCumhalls side was the pinnacle of his career with the club.

"Only a win in the final can surpass this moment for our club, players and supporters. We're working away over the past few weeks and at this stage all we want is to get out there and get the final underway. People in the parish are talking about nothing else. We now we're on the verge of achieving something special but we'll have to work our socks off to win the title against a good Four Masters side. We've got the ability- it is all down to the day," he stressed.

We're in there now with a 50-50 chance of winning the title for the first time. You never know what will happen but we'll set out our stall for the county final and see what happens. If we play like we did in the ten minutes before half time in the semi-final we will take some beating," he added.

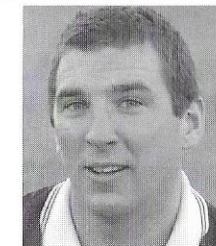
The Termon boss is still at a loss to describe the devastating ten minute blitz in the semi-final during which time they bagged 4-4 without reply to seal their place in the final. While they had a nervous second half it would have been a travesty of justice had Termon not secured a final place.

"The first half was simply unbelievable. I don't know where that first half display came from. We just absolutely blitzed MacCumhalls out of it in the final fifteen minutes of the first half. It was incredible. This outfit of ours have the talent to do that type of thing," he said.

"They have a confidence and a bit of arrogance thrown in that I've never experienced before with any football team that I've ever played with before. Maybe that's what it takes at this level. What happened with Kevin McMenamin's three goals and Darren Gibson's cracker was something you might never see again. It was incredible," he added.

Maurice McBride, will get the freedom of Termon if he managed to steer them to a first senior title. The dream lives on. Only Four Masters stand in the way of the fairytale end.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Thomas Cullen</b>
<b>Position</b>	Midfield
<b>Age</b>	24
<b>Birthplace</b>	Termon
<b>Height</b>	6'0
<b>Weight</b>	12st 7lbs
<b>Occupation</b>	Teacher
<b>Honours</b>	Inter ch'ship (2000); League Division 2 (2001); NW ch'ship (1996/1997); U-21 B title 1997 Ulster minor ch'ship; U-12 B title Boston ch'ship 2002.



<b>Biggest influence on career</b>	Parents Charlie & Margaret & brother James
<b>Favourite player</b>	Peter Canavan
<b>Most difficult opponent</b>	J.P. Breslin (Na Rossa)

### MATCH OFFICIALS

<b>Referee:</b>	Jimmy White
<b>Linesmen:</b>	Seamus McGonigle (Standby Referee) Kieran McShea
<b>4th Official:</b>	Paul Melaugh
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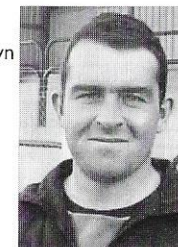
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## FOUR MASTERS PLAYER PROFILES

Name	Age	Ht.	Wt.	Occup	Honours
Paul Durcan	20	6'3"	11 st	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 21 Ch'ship Medals. Donegal U 21 Goal keeper
Damien Cassidy	23	5' 9"	11 st	Builder	Under 18 Ch'ship '96 Under 21 Ch'ship '01.
Don Monaghan	26	5' 10"	12 st	Tyre Retailer	Ulster and All-Ireland Vocational Schools, Under 21 Hastings Cup, Intermediate Ch'ship 1996 and Division 2 - 1996, Under 12, 15, 21B Ch'ship Medals.
Patrick Gillespie	22	5' 8"	11 st	Student	Under 21 Ch'ship 2001. Senior Reserve Ch'ship 2001. Minor and Intermediate Hurling Ch'ship Medals 1999.
Karl Lacey	19	5' 9"	11 st	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16 & 18 Ch'ship Medals. Ted Webb C'ship in 1999. Senior Reserve Ch'ship and Senior Reserve League Division 1 - 2000, Under 21 Ch'ship 2001.
Gareth Britton	23	6' 0"	12 st	Sportshop Proprietor	Donegal Vocational Schools Ch'ship 1995, Under 18 C'ship 1996, Under 21 C'ship 2001.
Barry Dunnion	20	5' 7"	11 st	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 21 Ch'ship Medals. Senior Reserve League and Ch'ship in 2000. Captain of Ted Webb winning team in 1999. Sigerson Cup medal with Sligo I.T. in 2002. Ryan Cup medal with Sligo I.T. in 2003.
Barry Monaghan	25	6' 0"	13 st	Tyre Retailer	Under 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 21B Ch'ship Medals, Ulster Minor Ch'ship, 2 All-Ireland Vocational Schools, Donegal Intermediate Ch'ship and Division 2 Medals in 1996.
Marcus Monaghan	21	6' 0"	12 st	Tyre Retailer	Under 12, 13, 14, 16 & 21 Ch'ship Medals.
Derek Mc Ginty	29	5' 11"	14 st	Mechanic/Storeman,	Under 21B, Intermediate Ch'ship & Division 2 '96.
Shane Carr	28	6' 0"	13 st	Plant Operator	Under 21B, Intermediate Ch'ship & Division 2 '96.
Joel Carr	25	5' 9"	12 st	Plant Operator	Under 12, 13, 14, 18, 21B, Intermediate Ch'ship 1996, Division 2 League Medal 1996.
Rory O' Donnell	26	5' 11"	12 st	Teacher	Under 12, 15, 21B Ch'ship Medals. Intermediate Reserve C'ship 1995, Intermediate Ch'ship & Division 2 - 1996.
Ciaran Cassidy	23	6' 3"	13 st	Trainee Garda	Under 13, 18, 21 Ch'ship Medals. Intermediate Reserve C'ship 1996.
Michael Doherty	19	5' 10"	11 st	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16, 18 & 21 Ch'ship Medals. Senior Reserve Ch'ship and Senior Reserve League Division 1 - 2000 & 2001.
Martin Cassidy	19	6' 0"	11 st	Student	Under 14, Under 16 & Under 18 Ch'ship Medals, Senior Reserve 2000, Under 21 Ch'ship 2001.
Kevin Clarke	18	6' 0"	11 st	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16, 18 & 21 Ch'ship Medals.
Shane Gillespie	18	5' 11"	11 st	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16, 18 & 21 Ch'ship Medals.
Sean Durcan	26	6' 1"	13 st	Quantity Surveyor	All-Ireland Div. 2 Colleges Medal, Trench Cup, Under 21B C'ship '95, Inter. Res. C'ship '95, Intermediate C'ship & Division 2 Medals in 1996, Senior Reserve 2000.
Peadar Espey	23	5' 8"	11 st	Engineer	Under 12, 13, 14, 15, 18 & 21 Ch'ship Medals. Played for County Under 21's two years ago.
Vinny Murray	24	5' 8"	11 st	Sales Representative	Under 12, 13, 14, 18 Ch'ship Medals. Ulster Vocational Schools with Abbey Vocational School.
Charles Mc Nulty	25	6' 2"	14 st	Garda	Under 12, 13, 14, 18, 21B, Intermediate Ch'ship 1996, Division 2 League Medal 1996. Senior Reserve Ch'ship in 2001.
Kevin Molloy	20	5' 8"	11 s	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16 Ch'ship Medals. Ted Webb Ch'ship in 1999, Senior Reserve 2000 & Under 21 C'ship 2001.
Lee Gorman	26	5' 8"	12 st	Defence Forces	Under 12, 15, 21B Ch'ship Medals, Intermediate Reserve Ch'ship 1996.
Niall Cassidy	26	6' 2"	12 st	Teacher	Under 12, 14, 18 Ch'ship Medals, Intermediate Reserve Ch'ship 1996, Senior Reserve 2000. Brother of Ciaran and cousin of Damien.
James Doherty	20	6' 1"	12 st	Student	Under 12, 13, 14, 16 & 21 Football Ch'ship medals. Under 12B, 14B, 16B, 18A & Intermediate Hurling Ch'ship Medals.
Enda Caldwell	27	5' 11"	12 st	Defence Forces	Under 21B Inter Ch'ship & Division 2 - 1996.

**Name:** Derek Mc Ginty  
**Club:** Four Masters, Donegal Town  
**Age:** 29  
**Height:** 5' 11"  
**Weight:** 14 stone  
**Occupation:** Agri. Diesel Mechanic & Storeman  
**Marital Status:** Single



**Honours Won:** Under 21B Championship 1995, Intermediate Championship and Division 2 - 1996.

**Biggest Influence on Career:** Michael Cooney (R.I.P.) and Gerry Molloy





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Gareth Britton

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Joel Carr

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Rory O'Donnell

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Ciaran Cassidy

15  
Micheal Doherty

Fir Ionaid:

(16) Martin Cassidy

(17) Shane Gillespie

(18) Kevin Clarke

(19) Kevin Molloy

(20) Peadar Espey

(21) Charlie McNulty

(22) Sean Durcan

(23) Vinny Murray

(24) Enda Caldwell

(25) Lee Gorman

(26) Niall Cassidy

(27) James Doherty

Manager: Michael Kelly

Referee: Jimmy White

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Paddy McDaid  
(Captain)

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Mark Alcorn

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Thomas Cullen

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Declan Alcorn

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P.J. McFadden

13.  
Tommy Ryan

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Kevin McMenamin

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John McCafferty

Fir Ionaid:

(16) James Brady

(17) Trevor Alcorn

(18) Hugh B. Kerr

(19) Paul McLaughlin

(20) Francie Friel

(21) Oisín Gibson

(22) Jimmy McElwaine

(23) Pauric Helferty

(24) Gary Gorman

(25) Brendan McFadden

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Name	Age	Ht.	Wt.	Occup	Honours
Paddy McDaid(Capt)	22	5' 10"	11 st	Lorry Driver	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 2001 Intermediate Reserve Ch'ship, 1998 North West Minor Ch'ships, 96/97
Thomas Cullen	24	6' 0"	12 st	Teacher	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 98/01 Under 21 B. Ch'ship, 97 North West Minor Ch'ship, 96/ 97 Ulster Minor Ch'ship, 96 Under 12 B. Ch'ship, 88 Boston Ch'ship, 02
Anthony Mc Grenra	22	5' 9"	13 st	Student	League Division 2, 98/01 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 97 Intermediate Reserve Ch'ship, 98 U 16 Division 3, 97 North West Minor Ch'ship, 96/9 Philadelphia Junior Ch'ship
John Mc Cafferty	24	5' 10"	11 st	Self Employed	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 98/01 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 97 North West Minor Ch'ship, 96/97 Under 12 B Ch'ship, 88 Sigerson Cup, '00 Irish Univ Team, '00 All Ireland Freshers Medal, '99 Boston Ch'ship, '02
Pauric Helferty	22	5' 11"	13 st	Salesman	League Division 2, 2000 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 Int. Reserve Ch, 1998 Under 16 Division 3, 1997 N West Minor Ch'ship 1996/1997
James Brady	35	6' 4"	16 st	Carpenter	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 2001 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1986 North American League
Mark Alcorn	24	5' 11"	12 st	Plasterer	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 U 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 N W Minor Ch'ship, 1996/1997, U 12 B Ch'ship, 1988
Kevin Mc Gettigan	29	6' 0"	14 st	Garda	Intermediate Ch'ship, 1991/2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 Ulster Minor Ch'ship, 1991 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1990/1991
Brian Trearty	22	5' 10"	12 st	Health Board Employee	League Division 2, 2001 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 Under 16 Division 3, 199 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1996/1997
Trevor Alcorn	23	5' 5"	10 st	I.T. Student	Division 2 League, 1998/2001 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 Ulster Schools Loch an Lúir Medal
Daireann Gibson	26	5' 9"	10 st	Solicitor	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 Under 12 B Ch'ship, 1988 Hasting Cup Medal, 1997 Sigerson Cup Medal, 1996 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1992
Kevin Mc Menamin	21	5' 5"	9 stone	PVC Fitter	Intermediate C'ship, 2000, Leag. Division 2, 2001 Intermediate Reserve Ch'ship, 1998 U 16 Division 3 Ch'ship, 1997, N W Minor Ch'ship, 1996/ 1997
Brendan Gallagher	35	5' 8"	12 st	Building Contractor	Intermediate Ch'ship, 1991/2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 Junior Gaeltacht Ch'ship 1988
Tommy Ryan	36	5' 11"	14 st	Publican	Intermediate Ch'ship, 1991/2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 Junior Gaeltacht Ch'ship, 1988 Division 3 League, 1984 All Ireland Medal, 1992 Ulster Senior Ch'ship Medal, 1990/1992 All Ireland Under 21 Medal, 1987 Ulster Under 21 Medal, 1987 Ulster Minor Ch'ship Medal, 1985 Dr. McKenna Cup Medal, 1991
Oisin Gibson	18	6' 1"	11 st	Student	Ulster Schools All Stars – Finalists 2003 Under 16 Division 3 Ch'ship, 1997
Adrian Mc Gettigan	28	5' 10"	11 st	Garda	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 98/01 North West Minor Ch'ship, 90/91 Ted Webb Cup, 91 All Ireland Freshers, 94
Jimmy Mc Elwaine	18	6' 1"	12 st	Builder	Cumann no mBunscoile 96 Under 16 Division 3, 1997
P.J. Mc Fadden	32	5' 11"	11 st	Carpenter	Intermediate Ch'ship, 1991/2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001
Declan Alcorn	22	6' 0"	13 st	Plasterer	League Division 2, 98/ 01 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 97 Under 16 Division 3, 1997 North West Minor Ch'ship, 96/ 97 Philadelphia Senior Champ
Jamie Gallagher	22	6' 1"	13 st	Student	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 01 Intermediate Reserve Ch'ship, 98 Under 16 Division 3 Ch'ship, 97 North West Ch'ship, 96/97
Francie Friel	24	5' 11"	11 st	Retail Store Manager	Intermediate Ch'ship, 00 League Division 2, 98/01 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 97 Inter. Reserve Ch'ship, 98 North West Minor Ch'ship, 97/98
Paul Mc Gettigan	25	6' 1"	13 st	Student	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 97 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1997
Paul Mc Laughlin	26	5' 10"	12 stone	Builder	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 Under 12 B Ch'ship, 1988 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1992
Brendan Mc Fadden	25	6' 0"	12 st	Builder	Intermediate Ch'ship, 2000 League Division 2, 1998/2001 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1997
Gary Gorman	24	6' 1"	13 st	Teacher	Intermediate Reserve Ch'ship 1998
Michael Boyle	16	6' 0"	12 st	Student	Under 15 Development Squad, 2002 Under 16 Development Squad, 2003 Under 13 College's Medal, 2000 Loch an Lúir Medal, 2001
Hugh B. Kerr	24	5'9"	11 st	Civil Engineer Technician	League Division 2, 1998/ 2001 Under 21 B Ch'ship, 1997 North West Minor Ch'ship, 1996/ 1997 Ulster College's All Star

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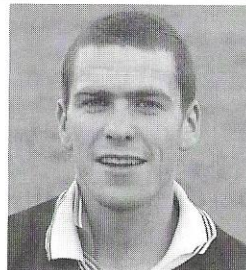
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<b>Name</b>	<b>Paddy McDaid (captain)</b>	<b>Biggest influence on career</b>
<b>Position</b>	Half-back	Tommy Ryan,
<b>Age</b>	22	Brendan Gallagher
<b>Birthplace</b>	Kilmacrennan	<b>Favourite player</b>
<b>Height</b>	5' 10"	Seamus Moynihan (Kerry)
<b>Weight</b>	11st 7lbs	<b>Most difficult opponent</b>
<b>Occupation</b>	Lorry driver	Andrew Gallagher
<b>Honours</b>	Inter. championship (2000); League Division 2 (2001); Intermediate Reserve Championship (1998) NW minor championship (1996/1997)	(St. Naul's)



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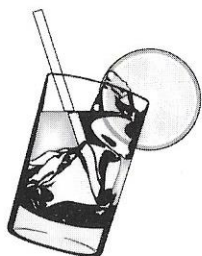
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## Minor championship final : The cream of the crop

By: Tom Comack

Today's senior final meeting may have thrown up something of a surprise pairing. But the same could not be said of today's the minor showpiece.

From day one, Buncrana and Naomh Chonaill were pencilled as potential opponents, that was if they could maintain their U16 form of two years ago. They also met in the U16 decider of 2001. And while others might have harboured notion of upsetting the form book, like cream the two fancied teams have lived up to their ratings.

The Inishowen men were convincing 4-12 to 2-8 in that U16 final, Ryan Bradley the star of the show with a return of 3-3, two of the goals coming from the penalty spot. However, it is generally accepted that today's encounter should be a much closer affair.

Both sides made it through to today on merit showing a clean pair of heels to all comers in both league and championship all sides.

The two teams are laced with quality throughout the park. Players to keep an eye for this afternoon are

Ryan Bradley, Oisín Doherty and Christopher Bell, Buncrana, Donal Cape, Dominic Bonner, Conal McNelis, and Leon Thompson, Glenties, these are all player with bright futures. They were all team mates on this year's county minor team and hopes are high that a number of them will go on to play at the highest level in the years to come.

And it is fair to say that how these player perform for their respective teams will have a big say in the final destination of the 2003 minor championship title.

Both teams are managed by two men that have devoted much of their lives to the promotion of Gaelic football in their clubs. Sean Clerkin has become synonymous with the success of Buncrana in recent year. Likewise Martin Regan has been to the fore at the resurgence of the underage game in the parish of Inishkeel, and they are so desperate for success that they have this year brought in Joe McBrearty from Killybegs to train the team. A cracking final is in prospect so why not sit back and enjoy it.

### Buncrana U -18 Team

- |                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Matthew Deeney       | 15. Christopher McDermott |
| 2. Raymond Friel        |                           |
| 3. Alan Fletcher        | 16. Noel O'Donnell        |
| 4. Michael Mc Laughlin  | 17. Michael Hagerty       |
| 5. Declan O'Keefe       | 18. Donny Bell            |
| 6. Eoghan Doherty       | 19. Caolan McCann         |
| 7. Henry O'Connor       | 20. Darren McGlynn        |
| 8. Ryan Bradley Capt.   | 21. Aidan Porter          |
| 9. Christopher Bell     | 22. Paddy Mc Laughlin     |
| 10. William Mc Laughlin | 23. Charlie Doherty       |
| 11. Oisín Doherty       | 24. Peter Gallagher       |
| 12. Matthew O'Donnell   | 25. Gerard Mc Laughlin    |
| 13. Adrian Doherty      |                           |
| 14. Darragh Irwin       |                           |

### Foireann Naomh Conall

- |                               |                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Eoghan Ó Ludhóg            | 15. Antóin Mac Tomáis    |
| 2. Aodhán Mac Suibhne         | 16. Séamus Ó Gallchóir   |
| 3. Aodh Mac Daibhéid          | 17. Séamus Trimble       |
| 4. Féilim Mac Daibhéid        | 18. Gearóid Mac Daibhéid |
| 5. Mícheál Ó Riagáin          | 19. Mícheál Ó Domhnaill  |
| 6. Dónall Mac Cába            | 20. Garbhán Mac Duibhir  |
| 7. Eoghan Mac Uaid            | 21. Brian Ó Maoildeirg   |
| 8. Doimínic Ó Cnáimhsí        | 22. Pól Ó Gallchóir      |
| 9. Conall Mac Giolla Chearáin | 23. Séamus Ó Domhnaill   |
| 10. Conall Mac Niallais       | 24. Seán Ó Gallchóir     |
| 11. Leon Mac Tomáis           |                          |
| 12. Lionard Mac Duibhir       |                          |
| 13. Dáire Ó Gallchóir         |                          |
| 14. Breandán Mac Duibhir      |                          |

Name: Barry Monaghan  
 Club: Four Masters, Donegal Town  
 Age: 25  
 Height: 6"  
 Weight: 13 stone  
 Occupation: Tyre Retailer  
 Marital Status: Single  
 Honours Won: Under 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 21 County Championships, Ulster Minor



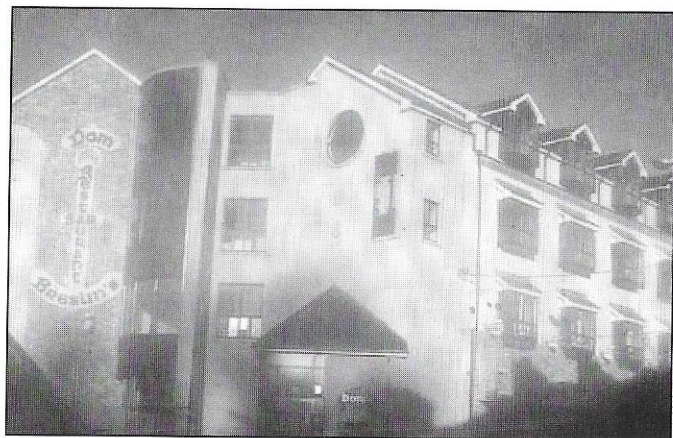
Championship, 2 All-Ireland Vocational Schools, Donegal Intermediate Championship in 1996.  
 Favourite Position: Centre-half-back  
 Favourite Grounds: Tír Chonaill Park  
 Favourite Other Sports: Soccer, Basketball and Rugby  
 Most Memorable Game: All-Ireland Vocational School's Final in 1996  
 Biggest Influence on Career: Gerry Molloy (Four Master's)

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## FOUR MASTERS – GOING FOR GOLD

By Peter Campbell (Donegal Democrat)

It's funny the way things click into place sometimes. Getting to a second final in three years is quite a good record, especially for such a young team as Four Masters have. But it doesn't just happen. The calm and collected approach of having a steady hand on the controls certainly helps. The Donegal Town club have that in a good officer board and a quiet, efficient manager in Michael Kelly, who is not one for outlandish quotes or venting anger on the sideline. Their methods have certainly paid off, even if their arrival in the 2003 final would probably not have been tipped back in the Spring of the year. Then again, tipping has been something of a hazardous game in the county during this year's Championship.

I remember when the draw was made in the Central Hotel, there was a huge intake of air among the Four Masters contingent with chairman, Paul Duncan, not looking beyond the first round as they had drawn neighbours and arch rivals, St. Nauls. Few would have thought in Tironaill Park on the evening of that first leg that the Donegal Town men had what it would take to reach the final. They found that evening probably the most uncomfortable of the campaign and although they were the better side, they were happy to escape with a draw.

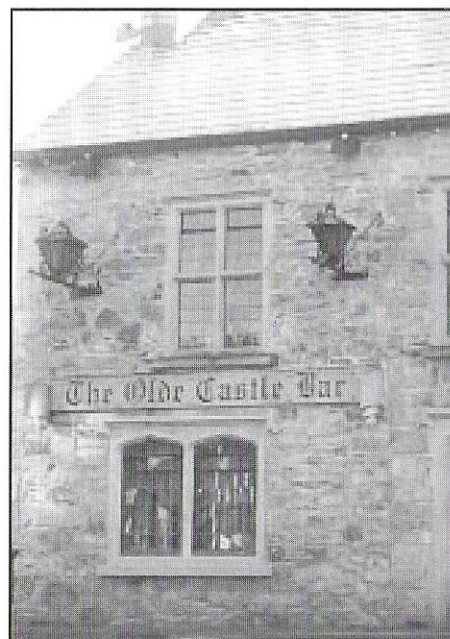
From then on the Senior Championship has been a happy journey for Four Masters. They have got stronger as the campaign went on and their fitness and application has been akin to what you expect from Armagh – keep in touch for forty minutes and then

gradually pull away, but never winning by any great margin.

They did, however, have plenty to spare in the first round, second leg in Mountcharles. They had time to put right the wrongs of the first leg and their superior footballing ability throughout the team was always going to shine through. Today, they are back in the same position as they were in 2001. That trip ended with defeat at the hands of St. Eunan's, a defeat they have already avenged during this year's run.

They are a little stronger now, and also a little wiser. The time in between has allowed a few of their underage stars to develop. Back in 1991 Barry Dunnion was in his first senior season. This year he has Karl Lacey to keep him company in the half-back line, while up front they have another pearl in Michael Doherty. Even on the bench they have the likes of Shane Gillespie and Kevin Clarke – so much talent to complement the Monaghans, Carrs, Cassidy's, etc. That underage conveyor belt has been the key to the success of the Donegal Town side. And it still continues as they have quite an array of talent at U-14 level also, names like McMonagle and Keeney, who could well be featuring on days like this by the end of the decade.

The Good Ship Four Masters has been steering a course to big county final days for some time. Its arrival at an October date in MacCumhaill Park in 2003 might not have been flagged back in Spring, but destiny has decided otherwise.



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## Buncrana Minors - Player Profiles

Name	Age	Height	Weight	Position	Achievements
Matthew Deeney	16	6ft 2"	13st	Goalkeeper	County U16 Medals in 2001 & 2002. Runner up medal in Ulster U17 comp 2003. Member of Co.Dev Squad U15,U16.
Raymond Friel	18	6ft2"	13st	Back	Co. U16 2001 Inishowen A Titles 13,14,16,18 Co. U14 A Runner Up
Alan 'Boo' Fletcher	17	5ft 9"	12st	Back	County U16 medal in 2001. Ulster Runner up Medal in 2003
Michael 'Winkers' McLaughlin	16	5ft 8"	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> st	Back	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal 2003 Co.Dev Squad U14,15,16. U16 Div I County Medal 2001,2002
Declan O'Keefe	17	5ft 10"	10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> st	Back	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal 2003 County Div I under 16 titles in 2001 & 2002
Eoghan Doherty	17	5ft 8"	11st	Back	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal County U16 Medals in 2001,2002. County Dev. Squad U15,U16
Henry O'Connor	16	6ft	11st	Back	U16 County Championship medals in 2001 & 2002. Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal 2003
Ryan Bradley	18	6ft	13st	Midfield	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal 2003 U16 County Medals in 2001,2002. County Minor 2003
Christopher Bell	17	6ft 2"	12st	Midfield	Ulster U17 Runner Up medal 2003 County U16 medals in 2001 & 2002. County Minor 2003
William McLaughlin	17	5ft 7"	9st7lbs	Forward	Ulster U17 Runner Up medal 2003 County U16 medals in 2001 & 2002. All Ireland Champion Boxer
Oisín Doherty	17	6ft	10st7lbs	Forward	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal 2003. County U14 Runner Up Medal 1999. County U16 Medals in 2002 & 2003. County Dev Squads U14,15,16. County Minor 2003
Matthew O'Donnell	18	5ft 9"	13st	Back	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal 2003. County U16 medals in 2001&2003. County Minor Medal 2000
Adrian Doherty	16	5ft 8"	9st	Forward	Under 12,13,14,16,18 Inishowen Titles. Under 16 Division A Championship Winner. Under 16 Northern League Winner. Under 15 Inishowen Óg Sport Title. Under15 Donegal Óg Sport Winner. Under 17 Ulster Championship Runner Up. Under 14 Player of the Year.
Dara Irwin	16	6ft		Full Forward	12 Donegal 'A' Runner Up. U14 Runner Up Donegal. U15 Donegal Óg Sport Winner. U16 County Champions 2001,2002. Donegal Dev Squads
Christy McDermott	16	5ft 8"	9st	Forward	County U16 medals in 2001 & 2002. Co. Dev Squad U14,15,16. U17 Ulster Runner Up Medal 2003
Noel O'Donnell	17	6ft 3"	10st	Goalkeeper	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal. County Medals at U16 in 2001/2002
Michael Hegarty	16	5ft 7"	10st	Forward	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal, U16 County Medals in 2001/2002. County U16 Dev. Squad
Donny Bell	15	5ft 8"	10st	Forward	Ulster U17 Runner Up medal 2003. U14 County 2002
Caolán McCann	16	6ft	11st	Back	Ulster U17 Runner Up Medal in 2003. County U16 medals in 2001/2002
Darren McGlynn	16	5ft 11"	10st	Back	Under 12,13,14,15,16,18 Inishowen Titles. Under 16 Div A Donegal Champ. Under 16 Northern League Winner. Under 15 Donegal Óg Sport Title. Under 17 Ulster Runner Up
Aidan Porter	15	5ft 8"	9st7lbs	Back	Ulster U17 Runner Up. Co. Dev Squad at U14,U15. U14 Medal 2002
Paddy McLaughlin	16	5ft 8"	9st7lbs	Forward	Ulster U16 Runner Up Medal 2003. County U16 Medals in 2001/2002.
Charlie Doherty	15	5ft 7"	10st	Back	Ulster U17 Runner up Medal 2003. County U16 medals in 2001/2002
Gerard McLaughlin	18	6ft 2"	11st	Forward	U16 County medals in 2001 & 2002. U14 County Runner Up medal & U13 medal
Peter Gallagher	17	6ft 1"	11st7lbs	Forward	Ulster U17 Runner Up 2003. County U16 medal in 2001/2002

## Glenties Minor Team Profiles

Name	Age:	Height:	Weight:	Honours:
Eugene Molloy:	17	6'1"	13.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU;U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Adrian Sweeney:	17	5'10"	10.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU;U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport;U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Hugh McDevitt:	17	6'3"	12.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Phelim McDevitt:	16	6'1"	13	U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport;U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Michael Regan:	17	5'10"	12	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Donal Cape	17	6'0"	12	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Owen Wade	15	5'7"	11.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Dominic Bonner	18	5'11"	11.8	U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Anthony Thompson	17	5'11"	12	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU;U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Brendan McDyre	16	5'7"	9.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Leonard McDyre	17	5'11"	12	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Conal McNelis	17	5'10"	11.8	U12B; U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U14 CC RU;U15 Og Sport Co.;U15 Gaeltacht; U16 Div; U16 CC RU;U18 Div.
Dara Gallagher	15	5'10"	11.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Conal Herron		5'10"	18	12 U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Michael O'Donnell	16	5'7"	10.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Gerard McDevitt	17	5'10"	11.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Jimmy Trimble	17	5'10"	11.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Garvan McDyre	16	6'2"	12	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
John G. Gallagher	18	5'10"	11	U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
James Gallagher	17	5'11"	11.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Paul Gallagher	18	5'10"	12	U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
James O'Donnell	17	5'7"	10.8	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.
Brian Reid	16	5'9"	11	U12A Co.; U14 Div; U14 CC RU; U14 Co. Feile; U15 Div Og Sport; U15 Og Sport Co.; U15 Gaeltacht;U16 Div; U16 CC RU; U18 Div.

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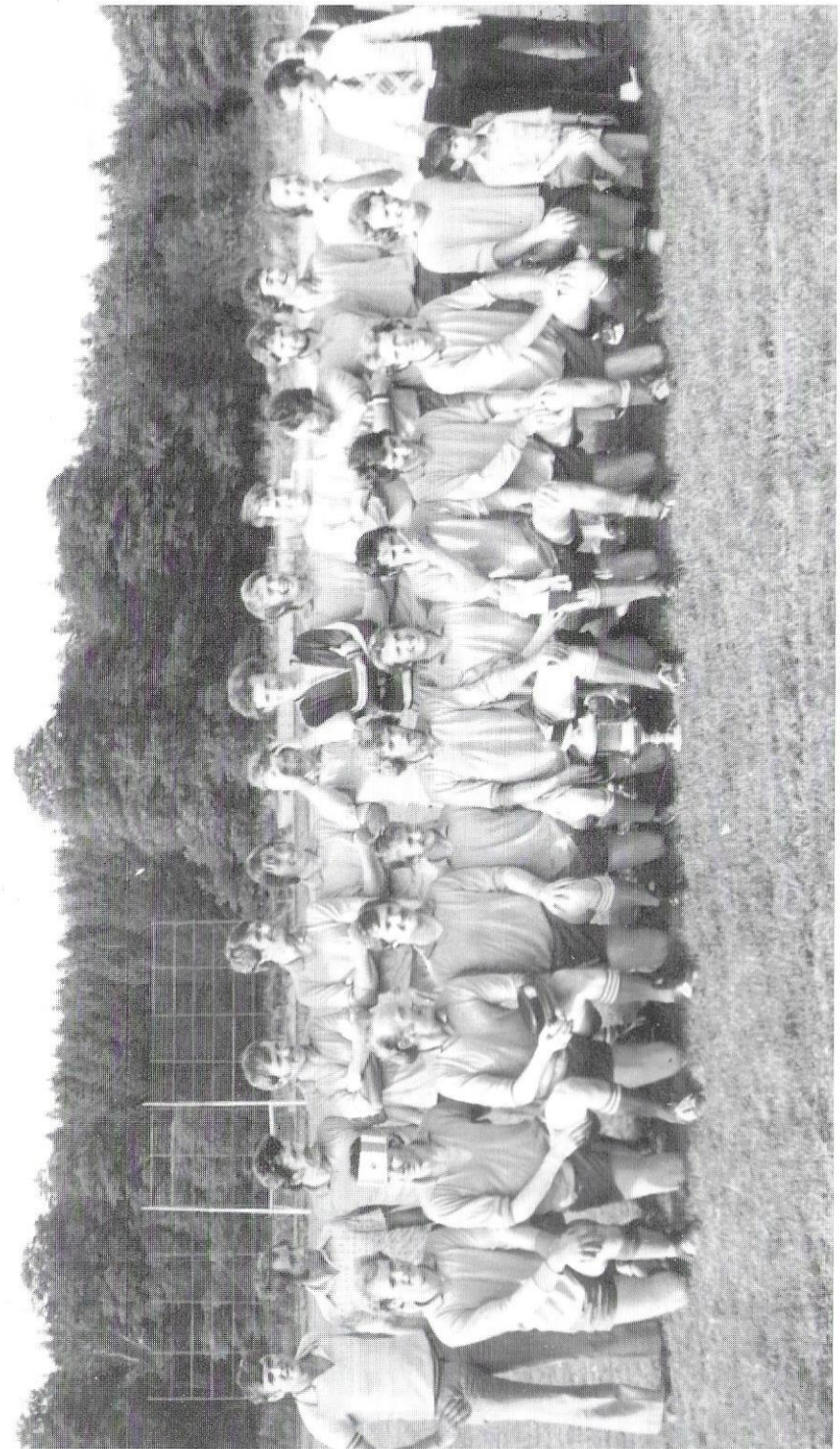
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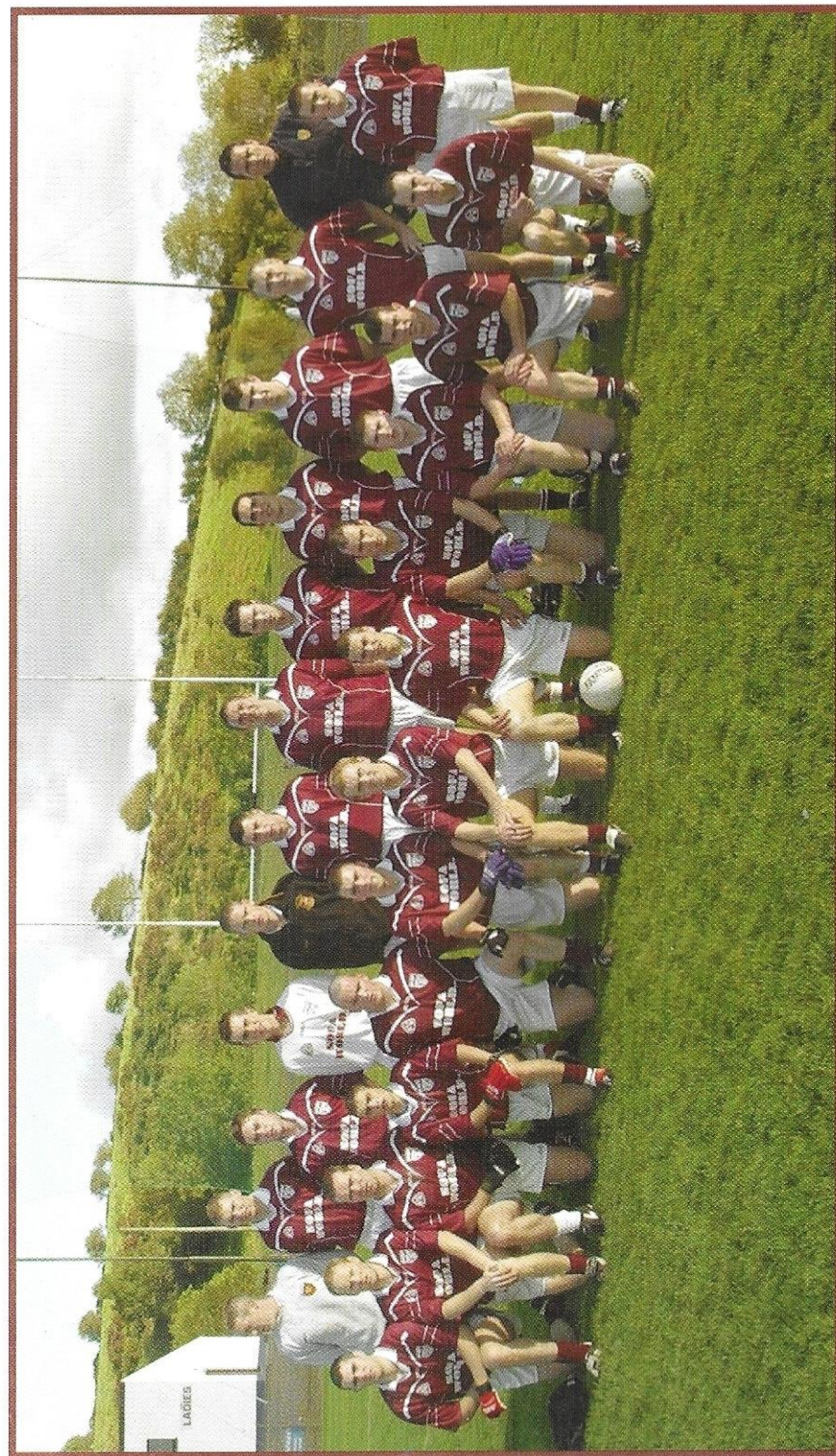
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