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### Failte ón Cathaoirleach

Cuirim fáilte Uí Cheallaigh chuig muintir na Laoise agus Dún na nGall go dtí Páirc Parnell ar an deireadh seachtaine seo.

The hurling clash of Dublin and Laois is bound to be of championship intensity this week-end given the current standing of both teams in the league. Of the two, Laois' performances have been better and they were very unlucky to lose at the death to Clare in the opening game. A win on that day would have been a huge boost and might well have impacted on subsequent results.

Dublin's young team has not enjoyed the type of performance that we would like. For spells in all games to date the side has displayed potential but the difficulty has been in sustaining that type of performance over the course of 70 minutes which sadly we have not been able to manage. Our difficulty in getting goals has also been a problem – so far the side has failed to find the net in the three games played. The side has managed 12,13 and 14 points in the games to date – a reasonable return - but if we could have put a goal or two with that the side would be in a position to really compete. Recent defections from the camp have certainly not strengthened the cause. When times are tough, one needs all the help we can muster and in Humphrey Kelleher and his team we have some of the most devoted hurling men in the country. The initiative outlined elsewhere in this programme – Coaching Academy – is one of the many areas where Humphrey among others has made a valuable input.

The example of Donegal's football team might be a spur to the Dublin hurlers. Pointless after three games in the Allianz League, they picked themselves up last Sunday with a one point win over All-Ireland and League champions Kerry. Such a victory will further fuel their ambitions today against Paul Caffrey's men who showed great battling qualities to rally in the closing stages to defeat Westmeath last Saturday night.

Worries about the injury to Stephen O'Shaughnessy have been allayed and its great to see the young Lucan Sarsfields player making a name for himself. Another brace of points in this game and Dublin will be in with a shout of the knock-out stages as they face into a tough double away programme against Cork and Offaly.

Appreciation to Allianz for their continued support for the National Leagues and Cumann na mBunscol.

Once again I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to today's preparations. A word of thanks to Ray McManus, Pat Murphy, Valerie Tannian and colleagues at Sportsfile.

Finally I welcome Referees Barry Kelly and Michael Ryan and their officials to the games.

Seán Ó Baille Cathaoirleach

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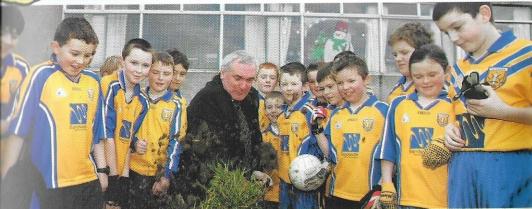
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# Na Fianna - 50 Bliain ag Fás

by Eoin Ó Ceallacháin





An Taoiseach, Bertie Ahern turns the first sod for the new club complex development at Na Fianna.

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The famous Mobhi Road club is celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year and already plans are well underway to marking this anniversary.

#### **Celebration Plans**

Among the highlights will be

- \* 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration Dinner at Citywest Hotel on Saturday April 23. (For further information contact: Brendan Quinn at 087 2588379 or Dermot McNulty on 8422246)
- Sponsored race-day at Fairyhouse on Easter Tuesday
- \* Publication of a history of Na Fianna 1955-2005

Famous Na Fianna stalwart Dessie Farrell commented "This is a huge year for the club and these events will give us a great start. We want all members and friends of Na Fianna to contact us – It's a Golden year so you could say we're getting into training early!"

#### **Brief History**

Founded in 1955, Na Fianna is in the 'parish' of Glasnevin, which comprises the many family residential areas in the Mobhi Road/Homefarm Road/Ballymun Road/ Botanic Road axis, while extending its welcoming arms also to the edges of Phibsborough, North Circular Road, Glasnevin Avenue, Drumcondra Road and Griffith Avenue, thus taking in all the Iona and Drumcondra residents also. Members partake in Hurling, Football, Camogie, Ladies Football, Handball and Céilí dancing.



■ Na Fianna men at the launch of the club's 50th Anniversary Celebrations in Croke Park (lr) Jason Sherlock, Dessie Farrell, Brendan Quinn, Mick Galvin

New Development

The Club is currently engaged in a €2.7m redevelopment of it's facilities at it Mobhi Road headquarters. Completion is targeted for late Autumn with the additional provision of

\* 8 dressing rooms \* weights room \* handball & match official dressing rooms \* club shop \* café lobby \* function room & kitchen \* meeting rooms \* extended members social facilities \* snooker room

#### **Building for the Future**

Participation in gaelic games in Na Fianna is at an all-time high

★ Over 600 juveniles ★ Over 1,000 adult members (250 playing) ★ Over 60 teams in hurling, football, camogie, ladies football & a vibrant handball section ★ Big boost to girls'

■ Ladies Football All Stars 2004 -Bernie Finlay (left) and Mary Nevin with Geraldine Giles, Úachtarán Cumann Peil na mBan

football and camogie Nursery over the past year \* First full-time coach employed in October 2004 \*
Focussed on a targeted schools programme in the local area and on improving standards through "coaching the coaches". \* The Club Juvenile Nursery is one of the most successful in the country and each year very successful Mini Leagues provide an introduction to Gaelic Games for juveniles from the surrounding areas of Drumcondra, Glasnevin, Ba1lymun, Finglas, Phibsboro and Whitehall. \* The Club Senior Football team has been highly successful in recent years. They reached the All Ireland Club Championship Final in March 2000 having become Dublin Champions for the first time since 1979. They completed a three-in-a-row of Dublin titles in 2001.

#### 2004 highlights

- ★ Bernie Finlay and Mary Nevin winning All-stars ★ Intermediate B Hurling Championship win
- \* Minor Football League win \* Under 16 hurling win \* St. Pat's and Scoil Chaitriona schools wins

#### **Prominent Members**

Paul Caffrey, the former manager of the winning Senior Football team in 1999 and 2000, was appointed Dublin Senior Football Manager on November 25<sup>th</sup> 2004. Senan Connell, Dessie Farrell and Jason Sherlock are well-established members of the Dublin

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Senior Football team in recent years. Niall Cooper (All-Ireland Under-21 medallist in 2003) and Aidan
Downes (All-Ireland Minor runner-up 2003) are current members of the Dublin Under-21 football team. Tom
Ryan was a selector of the Dublin Minor hurling team in 1983 when they won the Leinster title. Tom is a
current selector with the Dublin Under 21 hurling team. Mary Nevin and Bernie Finlay are prominent
members of the Dublin Ladies Senior Football team. All-Ireland runners-up in 2003 and 2004, they both won
All-stars in 2004. Kieran McGeeney captained Armagh to the All-Ireland Football Championship in 2002.
Vinny Bell, Bill Casey, John McCarthy and John Caffrey (brother of Paul) are well-remembered Na Fianna

Camogie has been played in

Na Fianna since the 1960s.

and Dublin players of earlier years. Jimmy Gray was County board Chairman when the Dubs of the 70s were to the fore. Donal Hickey was Development Officer of the Dublin County Board for many years, along with Con Ryan and John Leonard who ran Junior hurling competitions pre-GAC days. Seán Ó Laoire is Bainisteóir na gCluichí (Games Manager) at GAA headquarters, Croke Park.





# Ag Féachaint Siar.... Seán Mac Aogáin

The Dublin v Laois rivalry goes back to the earliest days of the Association, their first meeting taking place as far back as the 1898 Championship when the Metropolitans trounced the O'Moore's in the old Jones' Rd. by 6-15 to 1-3. The counties have met in the Leinster Championship on 31 occasions with Dublin winning 20 to Laois' 8 with drawn games in 1935, 2000 and 2003.

Recent League fixtures, on the other hand, have gone very much the way of Laois, Dublin's last victory being all of 13 years ago. Since then Laois has gone on to record four convincing victories. The home side will very much be hoping that it will be their Championship form that they produce to-day, form that has seen them earn two victories following two drawn games and just one narrow defeat in the five matches between the sides since the turn of the century.

#### **PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

| 21st March 2004    | N.H.L.                | Portlaoise  | Laois 3-14  | Dublin 1-6  |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 31st May 2003      | Lein. Champ. (Replay) | Nowlan Pk.  | Dublin 3-11 | Laois 0-15  |
| 24th May 2003      | Lein. Champ.          | Nowlan Pk.  | Dublin 1-18 | Laois 2-15  |
| 23rd March 2003    | N.H.L.                | Parnell Pk. | Laois 3-14  | Dublin 1-8  |
| 20th May 2001      | Lein. Champ.          | Nowlan Pk.  | Laois 1-15  | Dublin 2-11 |
| 5th June 2000      | Lein. Champ. (Replay) | Tullamore   | Dublin 2-15 | Laois 1-14  |
| 28th May 2000      | Lein. Champ.          | Nowlan Pk.  | Dublin 0-18 | Laois 0-18  |
| 16th March 1996    | N.H.L.                | Portlaoise  | Laois 3-20  | Dublin 4-3  |
| 17th February 1994 | N.H.L.                | Portlaoise  | Laois 5-10  | Dublin 1-11 |
| 12th April 1992    | N.H.L. (Play-off)     | Athy        | Dublin 2-7  | Laois 1-9   |

#### PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THE TEAMS

Leinster Championship (Replay) 5th June 2000

#### **DUBLIN 2-15 LAOIS 1-14**

After a comparable marathon championship season for both teams it was Dublin who eventually advanced to a semi-final meeting with Kilkenny. The early dismissal of captain PJ Peacock and the onset of fatigue at a critical stage dearly cost a Laois team that were gunning for victory going into the last

ten minutes. It was the Dubs, however, who finished the stronger, gnawing into a two-point deficit before going on to put some distance between themselves and their adversaries. Dublin, inspired by Conor McCann and Liam Walsh at the back and driven on by goals from Sean Duignan and Shane Martin led by 2-6 to 0-9 at the break. Still trailing by four points after 52 minutes, Laois produced a remarkable Declan Conroy inspired revival to lead by two points. The dismissal of Niall Butler for a rash challenge on Laois goalkeeper John Lyons seemed to

spur the city side on to one final burst. As in the drawn game it was outstanding performances from David Sweeney and Tomas McGrane that made the difference, the pair contributing five of Dublin's final six unanswered points in the final ten minutes.

Dublin: B. McLoughlin; J. Finnegan, S.
'Power, C. McCann; L. Walsh, S. Perkins, L.
O'Donoghue; D. Sweeney (0-2), D.
McInerney; D. Henry (0-1), S. Martin (1-1), D.
Russell; T. McGrane (0-7), S. Duignan (1-1),
N. Butler (0-1). Subs: G. Ennis (0-2) for
O'Donoghue, G. Glynn for Russell, D.
McMullen for Duignan.

Laois: J. Lyons; PJ Peacock, B. Maher, N. Lacey; C. Cuddy, P. Cuddy, D. Dowling (0-1); N. Rigney (0-1), D. Rooney (0-2); D. Conroy (1-0), D. Cuddy (0-6), J. Phelan; A. Coffey (0-2), J. Young (0-1), F. O'Sullivan (0-1). Subs: J. O'Sullivan for Young, D. Culliton for Phelan, D. Keenan for Coffey, Darren Rooney for C. Cuddy, L. Tynan for Conroy.

# National Hurling League 21st March 2004 LAOIS 3-14 DUBLIN 1-6

Laois picked up their first points of the campaign with a facile defeat of disappointing Dublin at Portlaoise. At the end of the first quarter, Laois led by six points, 1-4 to 0-1, James Young firing the goal to the back of the net from a 14th

minute penalty. Excellent midfielder Young helped himself to 1-5 in the first half, and the O'Moore County led by 1-8 to 0-4 at the break.

Liam Ryan's goal six minutes into the second half brought the Dubs back within three points but Laois then stepped up a gear to pull away. David Cuddy hammered the second Laois goal when drilling home unattended from 15 metres. At the end of the third quarter, Laois were 2-12 to 1-5 to the good. James Young and Tommy Fitzgerald added points as the midlanders showed their superiority.

Substitute Eamonn Jackman got the fourth and final goal of the game 13 minutes from the end and there was simply no way back for Dublin who remain pointless, adrift at the foot of the table.

Laois: K Galvin; L Mahon, P Cuddy, C Cuddy; J Fitzpatrick, P Cuddy, M McEvoy; J Young (1-7), J Walsh (0-1); C Coonan (0-1), D Cuddy (1-2), S Dwyer; T Fitzgerald (0-1), L Tynan (0-1), D Culleton. *Subs:* R Jones (0-1) *for* S Dwyer, J Dunne *for* T Fitzgerald, E Jackman (1-0) *for* J Young, F Keenan *for* J Fitzpatrick

Dublin: G O'Meara; A de Paor, S Perkins, C O'Brien; S Hiney, K Wilson, S Daly; D Sweeney (0-1), R Fallon; C Keaney (0-2), L Ryan (1-2), M Carton; K Flynn (0-1), S Martin, T Moore. Subs: S Mullen for Martin, S Callinan for Carton, M Breathnach for de Paor



# Hurlers Record in league to date

## MARCH 13 - WALSH PARK, WATERFORD WATERFORD 2-24 DUBLIN 0-13

SCORERS - Waterford: P O'Brien, E Kelly (0-2f, 0-1 '65') 1-5 each, M Walsh 0-4, J Mullane, D Bennett 0-3 each, B Wall, D Shanahan, P Flynn, T Browne 0-1 each. Dublin: D Curtin 0-7 (0-6f), C Meehan (sline), F Chambers 0-2 each, E Carroll, J Kingston 0-1 each. WATERFORD - C Hennessey; T Feeney, F Hartley, D Coffey; E Murphy, J Murray, B Wall; D Bennett, B Phelan; D Shanahan, M Walsh, E Kelly: P O'Brien, S Prendergast, J Mullane. Subs: E McGrath for Walsh, P Flynn for Shanahan, A Moloney for Phelan. Yellow card: D Bennett replaced by T Browne. DUBLIN - G Maquire; G O'Meara, T Russell, S O'Shea: C Billings, S Hiney, P Bergin; C Meehan, G Bennett; D Sweeney, D Curtin, E Moran; E Carroll, J Kingston, F Chambers. Subs: A McCrabbe for Moran, S Daly for Bergin, M Breathnach for Chambers, S Mullen for Carroll, C Hennebry for Russell. REF - G Harrington (Cork).

## FEB 26 - PARNELL PARK CLARE 2-19 DUBLIN 0-14

SCORERS – Clare: T Carmody 1-6 (0-4f), T Griffin 0-5, N Gilligan 0-4 (0-4f), D McMahon 1-0, C Lynch 0-2, G Quinn, A Quinn (0-1f) 0-1 each. Dublin: D Curtin 0-9 (0-9f), E Carroll 0-2, K Elliott, S Hiney, G Bennett 0-1 each. CLARE – D Fitzgerald; C Harrison, C Plunkett, B O'Connell; D Hoey, S McMahon, A Markham; D McMahon, G Quinn; F Lohan, D O'Rourke, C Lynch; N Gilligan, T Griffin, T Carmody. Subs: C Forde for Hoey, D O'Connell for O'Rourke, J Clancy for Gilligan, K Kennedy for Harrison, A Quinn for Quinn. Yellow card: C Plunkett replaced by B Quinn. DUBLIN – G Maguire; G O'Meara, T Russell, S

O'Shea; C Meehan, R Fallon, M Carton; T

Sweeney, R Brennan; E Moran, K Elliott, D Curtin; E Carroll, S Hiney, J Kingston. Subs: M Breathnach for Russell, P Bergin for O'Shea, G Bennett for Sweeney, T McGrane for Brennan. REF – D Murphy (Wexford).

# FEB 20 - PEARSE STADIUM, SALTHILL GALWAY 3-19 DUBLIN 0-12

SCORERS – Galway: F Healy 0-6, Damien Hayes, K Broderick 1-2 each, G Farragher 0-4 (0-3f), D Forde 1-0, A Smith 0-2, D Collins, K Hayes, A Cullinane 0-1 each. Dublin: S Mullen 0-7 (0-5f, 0-1 '65'), E Carroll, E Moran 0-2 each, J Kingston 0-1.

GALWAY - L O'Donoghue; D Joyce, S Kavanagh, F Moore; D Collins, L Hodgins, C Coen; T Og Regan, David Hayes; A Smith, D Forde, F Healy; Damien Hayes, G Farragher, K Broderick. Subs: A Cullinane for Broderick, D Hardiman for Regan, K Hayes for David Hayes, A Callanan for D Collins, N Healy for Damien Hayes.

DUBLIN – G Maguire; G O'Meara, T Russell, S O'Shea; C Meehan, R Fallon, Damien O'Reilly; M Carton, G Bennett; S Mullen, J Kingston, E Moran; E Carroll, S Hiney, T McGrane. Subs: T Sweeney for O'Reilly, K Elliott for McGrane. Yellow card: R Fallon replaced by P Bergin.

### **Hurling Scoring Chart**

Dublin's senior hurlers have scored 0-39 and conceded 7-62 in their three Allianz HL games to date. Ten players have contributed to the scoring tally with David Curtin leading the way.

David Curtin 0-16 (0-15f)
Stuart Mullen 0-7 (0-5f 0-1 '65')
Emmet Caroll 0-5
Eoin Moran 0-2
Carl Meehan 0-2 (0-2 sline)
Fergal Chambers 0-2
Jonathan Kingston 0-2
Keith Elliott 0-1
Stephen Hiney 0-1
Greg Bennett 0-1

#### 2005 ALLIANZ NATIONAL HURLING LEAGUE

**Current League Table Positions** 

#### Allianz Hurling League Div 1A

|                      | P | W | D | L | For          | Ag           | Diff  | Pts |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|--------------|--------------|-------|-----|
| 1. Kilkenny          | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6-51         | 2-47         | 16    | 6   |
| 2. Waterford         | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3-60         | 2-43         | 20    | 4   |
| 3. Galway            | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7-51         | 5-41         | 16    | 4   |
| 4. Clare             | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4-48         | 5-36         | 9     | 4   |
| 5. Laois             | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3-34         | 2-54         | -17   | 0   |
| 6. Dublin            | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0-39         | 7-62         | -44   | 0   |
| 4. Clare<br>5. Laois | 3 | - | 0 |   | 4-48<br>3-34 | 5-36<br>2-54 | 9 -17 | 4   |

#### Allianz Hurling League Div 1B

|              | P | W | D | L | For  | Ag    | Diff | Pts |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|------|-------|------|-----|
| 1. Cork      | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3-52 | 1-34  | 24   | 6   |
| 2. Tipperary | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 9-46 | 7-42  | 10   | 4   |
| 3. Wexford   | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4-46 | 4-37  | 9    | 4   |
| 4. Limerick  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 7-46 | 6-43  | 6    | 2   |
| 5. Antrim    | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5-31 | 3-40  | -3   | 2   |
| 6. Down      | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3-30 | 10-55 | -46  | 0   |

#### Allianz Hurling League Div 2A

|              | P | W | D | L | For  | Ag   | Diff | Pts |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|------|------|------|-----|
| 1. Offaly    | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6-57 | 3-33 | 33   | 6   |
| 2. Westmeath | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6-38 | 4-33 | 11   | 4   |
| 3. Derry     | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2-23 | 2-32 | -9   | 2   |
| 4. Roscommon | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0-24 | 3-27 | -12  | 0   |
| 5. Kildare   | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2-19 | 4-36 | -23  | 0   |
|              |   |   |   |   |      |      |      |     |

#### Allianz Hurling League Div 2B

|            | P | W | D | L | For   | Ag    | Diff | Pts |
|------------|---|---|---|---|-------|-------|------|-----|
| 1. Carlow  | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 7-42  | 1-28  | 32   | 6   |
| 2. Meath   | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5-34  | 4-34  | 3    | 4   |
| 3. Wicklow | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2-40  | 3-37  | 0    | 3   |
| 4. Kerry   | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 10-42 | 9-32  | 13   | 2   |
| 5. London  | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0-35  | 3-41  | -15  | 2   |
| 6. Sligo   | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 6-28  | 10-49 | -33  | 1   |

#### Allianz Hurling League Div 3A

| N   | ) L | For                                 | Ag   | Diff   | Pts  |
|-----|-----|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 3 ( | 0 ( | 7-38                                | 3-18   | 32   | 6  |
| 1 ( | ) 1 | 3-25                                | 5-16   | 3  | 2  |
| 1 ( | ) 1 | 2-15                                | 1-17   | 1  | 2  |
| 1 ( | ) 1 | 4-16                                | 3-22   | -3   | 2  |
| 0 ( | 3   | 5-23                                | 9-44   | -33  | 0  |
|     | 1 ( | W D L 3 0 0 1 0 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 0 3 | 3 0 0 7-38<br>1 0 1 3-25<br>1 0 1 2-15<br>1 0 1 4-16 | 3 0 0 7-38 3-18<br>1 0 1 3-25 5-16<br>1 0 1 2-15 1-17<br>1 0 1 4-16 3-22 | 3 0 0 7-38 3-18 32<br>1 0 1 3-25 5-16 3<br>1 0 1 2-15 1-17 1<br>1 0 1 4-16 3-22 -3 |

#### Allianz Hurling League Div 3B

|              | P | W | D | L | For  | Ag   | Diff | Pts |
|--------------|---|---|---|---|------|------|------|-----|
| 1. Monaghan  | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5-30 | 4-30 | 3    | 5   |
| 2. Louth     | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2-27 | 0-21 | 12   | 4   |
| 3. Tyrone    | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4-26 | 3-19 | 10   | 2   |
| 4. Fermanagh | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1-23 | 3-24 | -7   | 1   |
| 5. Cavan     | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1-27 | 3-39 | -18  | 0   |

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#### Division 1A

Round 1

Feb 20:

Gaillimh 3-19 Baile Átha Cliath 0-12 An Clár 1-16 Laois 2-11

Port Láirge 0-17 Cill Chainnigh 2-16

#### Round 2

Feb 27:

Laois 0-14 Port Láirge 1-19 Baile Átha Cliath 0-14 An Clár 2-19 Cill Chainnigh 4-16 Gaillimh 1-21

#### Round 3 Mar 12/13:

An Clár 1-13 Gaillimh 3-11 Port Láirge 2-24 Baile Átha Cliath 0-13

Laois 1-9 Cill Chainnigh 0-19

#### Round 4 Mar 19/20:

Cill Chainnigh v An Clár Gaillimh v Port Láirge Baile Átha Cliath y Laois

#### Round 5

Mar 27:

Baile Átha Cliath v Cill Chainnigh Port Láirge v An Clár Laois v Gaillimh

#### Apr 10:

Allianz National Hurling League Series II, Round 6

#### Apr 17:

Allianz National Hurling League Series II, Round 7

#### Apr 23:

Allianz National Hurling League Round Series II, Round 8

# **Adult Hurling Championships**

1 Ballyboden St Endas

2 Commercials 3 Craobh Chiarain

4 Kilmacud Crokes

5 Lucan Sarsfields

6 O'Tooles

7 St Vincents

#### 8 UCD

1 Crumlin

2 Cuala 3 Erins Isle

4 Faughs

5 Naomh Mearnog

6 Naomh Olaf

7 St Brigids 8 St Judes

9 St Oliver Plunketts E Ruadh 10 St Patricks Palmerstown

1 Ballinteer St Johns

2 Ballyboden St Endas

3 Good Counsel

4 Na Fianna

5 Naomh Fionnbarra

6 St Marks

7 St Sylvesters

8 St Vincents

9 Thomas Davis 10 Trinity Gaels

1 Clanna Gael Fontenoy

2 Fingallians

3 Kevins

4 Kilmacud Crokes

5 Raheny

6 Round Towers Clondalkin

7 Setanta

8 St Peregrines

1 Ballyboden St Endas

2 Civil Service

3 Craobh Chiarain

4 Erins Isle

5 Faughs 6 Lucan Sarsfields

7 Naomh Barrog

8 St Brigids

#### JUNIOR "B'

1 Ballyboden St Endas

2 Crumlin

3 Naomh Mearnog

4 O'Tooles

5 Scoil Ui Chonaill

6 St Finnians Swords

7 St Judes

8 Whitehall Colmcilles

1 Castleknock

2 Clontarf 3 Cuala

4 Kevins

5 Kilmacud Crokes

6 Naomh Fionnbarra

7 O'Dwyers

8 St Vincents

1 Ballinteer St Johns

2 Faughs

3 Fingallians 4 Kilmacud Crokes

5 Na Fianna

6 St Judes

7 St Oliver Plunketts E Ruadh

8 Trinity Gaels

1 Craobh Chiarain

2 Good Counsel

3 Kevins

4 Liffey Gaels

5 Round Towers Clondalkin

6 St Brendans

7 St Brigids

8 St Marks

1 Civil Service

2 Lucan Sarsfields

3 Naomh Olaf

4 Parnells

5 Setanta

6 St Maurs

7 St Sylvesters 8 Thomas Davis

#### 1 Clanna Gael Fontenoy

2 Crumlin

3 Cuala

4 Faughs

5 Kilmacud Crokes

6 Na Fianna

7 Raheny

8 St Patricks Palmerstown

1 Ballymun Kickhams

2 Commercials

3 Naomh Barrog

4 St Finnians Swords

5 St Josephs OCB

6 St Monicas

7 St Peregrines 8 Thomas Davis

9 Whitehall Colmcilles

# Preview:)

## This weekend's Allianz Hurling League action

#### BIG TWO REMAIN UNBEATEN IN HURLING

Last year's All-Ireland winners and runners-up, Cork and Kilkenny, remain the only two teams with full points in Division One of the Allianz hurling League as the progamme moves towards round four next weekend.

Cork have beaten Limerick, Wexford and Antrim while Kilkenny have accounted for Waterford, Galway and Laois as the 'Big Two' power their way towards the top flight for phase two.

This weekend's programme is as follows:

#### DIV 1A: GALWAY, CLARE WATERFORD PURSUE KILKENNY

Saturday: Dublin v Laois, Parnell Park, 2.0. Sunday: Galway v Waterford, Pearse Stadium, 1.45; Kilkenny v Clare, Nowlan Park. While Laois and Dublin are more concerned with relegation issues, Kilkenny, Galway, Waterford and Clare are all vying for the three places in the top section for phase two. Kilkenny (6 pts), who have still to play Clare and Dublin, are best placed of the quartet and can actually ensure themselves of a top three finish if they beat the Banner at home on Sunday. Galway and Waterford, who meet in a televised game at Pearse Stadium are in joint second place on four points so their clash could be one of the highlights of the

#### DIV 1B: CORK SET CRACKING PACE

day.

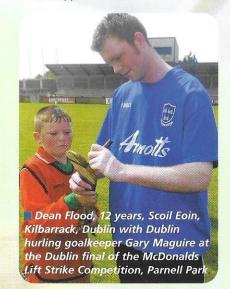
Sunday: Wexford v Limerick, Wexford Park; Antrim v Tipperary, Casement Park; Down v Cork, Ballycran.

Three played; three won; For 3-52 Against 1-34. That's the proud record of All-Ireland champions, Cork as they head for Ballycran to take on a Down team that is deep in relegation trouble after losing all three games. The clash of Wexford and Limerick is vital to both sides. Wexford are two points clear of Limerick so a win would all but ensure them a place in the top section for phase two but if Limerick win, it will all come down to the last round. Tipperary face a long trip to Casement Park, knowing that a win could guarantee them a top flight place in phase two.

#### OFFALY AND CARLOW ON FULL POINTS

Offaly and Carlow are the only sides in Division 2 to have picked up full points from three games. Westmeath, Derry, Meath and Wicklow are in hottest pursuit in a contest where the top two in Div 2A and 2B qualify for the semi-finals.

This weekend's Div 2 and 3 programme is as follows: Div 2A: Saturday: Kildare v Roscommon, Leixlip, 3.30; Div 3B: Monaghan v Louth, Gavin Duffy Park, 3.30; Tyrone v Fermanagh, Carrickmore, 3.30. Sunday: Westmeath v Derry, Mullingar, 3.30. Div 2B: Kerry v Wicklow, Kilmoyley, 2.0; Carlow v Meath, Dr.Cullen Park, 1.45; London v Sligo, Ruislip, 1.0; Div 3A: Donegal v Longford, Letterkenny; Armagh v Leitrim, Carrickcruppin.



#### by Mick Hanley

An exciting new initiative for Dublin hurling came on stream this week with the launching by the Dublin County Board of the Coiste Átha Cliath Coaching Academy. The scheme caters for up to 360 players - a school of excellence for Under 13 to Under 15's while the Development squads will cover the Under 16 and Under 17 age groups.

A top class team of thirty-four people will act as mentors to the eleven squads including former Dublin inter county managers

and players. They will be supported by three regional liaison officers Tom Quinn, St, Vincent's senior hurling manager and former Dublin captain, Jimmy Boggan, former Dublin manager and Nicky English, former Tipperary player and manager. All in all there is a tremendous amount of experience in this group who have volunteered for the project.

The scheme will enhance and establish an effective two-way communication

structure between the County
Board and the clubs at underage level. It
will see the County Board provide coordination, planning, evaluation, finance and
equipment with the clubs providing access to their
facilities where possible. As a result of

this communication network future initiatives can be put into place in an easier constructive way.

■ Tom Russell, Dublin's cornerback

MENTORS... MENTORS...MENTORS...MENTORS...

#### North

- U13 Denis Forde, Murty Ryan, Pat Fanning.
- U14 Tommy Naughton, Peter Pringle, Jimmy D'arcy.
- U15 Andy Cunningham, Shane Dalton, Ben Dormey.

#### South

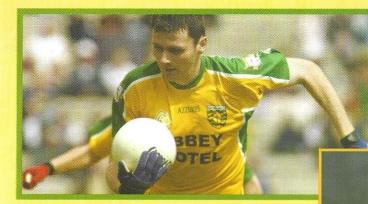
- U13 Ciaran McGuire, John Ryan, Damien Byrne.
- U14 John Twomey, Richard Stakelum, Pat Halpin
- U15 Eddie Gough, Tommy McKeon, Ken Hanamy.

#### West

- U13 John Murphy, Liam McMahon, Mick O'Sullivan.
- U14 Martin McKenna, Pat Lawless, Paul McManus
- U15 Frank Bennett, Michael O'Grady, Shay Boland

#### **Development Squads**

- U16 Eimear Dignam, Joe Fortune, Dwain Moore.
- U17 John Treacy, Declan Feeney, Vincent Teehan, Denis Callinan.



Christy Toye - captain of the Sligo IT side that captured the Sigerson Cup this year and the scorer of spectacular goals.

# **Donegal Destroyers**

Brian McEniff (Manager) has been "Mr Donegal Football" for several years - an All-Star corner back, manager of Ulster for many years, manager of Donegal when they won their first All-Ireland senior title in 1992 and a former County Chairman. Donegal are always a force when the hotelier is in charge.



Colm McFadden a player with a classy left foot

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Barry Monaghan - a tenacious defender





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# **ÁTH CLIATH**

Gearóid Mag Uidhir

**GARY MAGUIRE** Ballyboden St. Enda's

Gearóid Ó Méara GERARD O'MEARA O'Tooles

5. Cathal Billings CATHAL BILLINGS St. Vincents

Siomoin Ó Dálaigh SIMON DALY Ballyboden St. Enda's

> 6. Seán Ó Sé SEÁN O'SHEA Kevins

Tomás Ó Ruiséil TOM RUSSELL St. Vincents

Gréagóir MacBeinéid **GREG BENNETT** Rahenv

Cearúll Ó Miacháin **CARL MEEHAN** St. Vincents

Stiofáin Ó hAidhne STEPHEN HINEY Ballyboden St. Enda's

10. Dáibhéid Mac Curtáin DAVID CURTIN Ballyboden St. Enda's

13. Eiméid Ó Cearúill **EMMETT CARROLL** Ballyboden St. Enda's

11. Seán Mac Clochaire JOHN KINGSTON Craobh Chiaráin

14. Maghnus Breathnach MAGHNUS BREATHNACH Thomas Davis

12. Fearghal MacAmbróis **FERGAL CHAMBERS** Ballinteer St. Johns

15. Ailein MacCrabba ALAN McCRABBE Craobh Chiaráin

#### 16. Liam de Búrca, Willie Burke, St. Brigids

- 17. Ceith Mac Uileagóid, Keith Elliott, Craobh Chiaráin
- 18. Daragh Ó Braonáin, Daragh Brennan, Lucan Sarsfields
- 19. Taidhain MacSuibhne, Tim Sweeney, Ballyboden St Enda's
- 20. Stuart Ó Maoláin, Stuart Mullen, St. Oliver Plunketts' Eoghan Ruadh
- 21. Pádraig Ó Beirgín, Patrick Bergin, St. Oliver Plunketts' Eoghan Ruadh
- 22. Tomás Somacháin, Tommy Somers, Lucan Sarsfields
- 23. Eoin Ó Móráin, **Eoin Moran**, Round Towers Clondalkin
- 24. Colum de Hindeberg, Colm Hennebry, Crumlin

#### **ÁTH CLIATH**

1adh Leath Cúilíní Cúil 2adh Leath Cúilíní Cúil Iomlán Cúilíní Cúil

P. Ó Maoileanaigh PATRICK MULLANEY Castletown

**LAOISE** 

P. Ó Cuidithe PATRICK CUDDY Camross

S. Ó Dubhuir SEAMUS DWYER Ballinakill

Manager: Paudie Butler Selectors: John Delaney, Frank Keenana

> M. Mac Fhíobhuí MICHAEL MCEVOY Clough-Ballacolla

> > P. MacMathúna PAT MAHON Rathdowney

S. Ó hÓgáin JAMES YOUNG Clonaslee-StManman's

9. S. Breatnach JAMES WALSH Ballinakill

10. C. Ó Cuanáin CANICE COONAN Clough-Ballacolla

B. Caimpion

**BRIAN CAMPION** 

Rathdowney

S. Mac Giolla Phádraig

JOE FITZPATRICK

Rathdowney

13. R. Mac Seoin **ROBERT JONES** Kilcotton

LAOISE

Cúilíní

Cúilíní

Cúilíní

1adh Leath

2adh Leath

Cúil

Cúil

Cúil

Iomlán

11. S. Ó Ruanaidh JOHN ROWNEY Clonaslee-StManman's

14. M. Ó Ruanaidh MARK ROONEY Clonaslee-StManman's

12. L. Ó Teimhneáin LIAM TYNAN Errill

15. D. Mac Collatain DAMIEN CULLETON Camross

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- 17. A. Ó Dubhshlaine, Alan Delaney, Rathdowney
- 18. C. Ó Cléirigh, Colm Clear, Portlaoise
- 19. C. Ó Bróithe, Cathal Brophy, Trumera
- 20. É. Seac, Eamon Jackman, Ballinakill 21. D. Breathnach, Damien Walsh, Ballinakill
- 22. S. O Sé, Jack O'Shea, Errill
- 23. S. Ó Dubhshlaine, John Delaney, Clough-Ballacolla
- 24. R. Ó Conraoi, Rory Conroy, Clonaslee-St. Manman's









# CATCH JULIANGE EVERY MONDAY IN STAR ATH CLIATH

Stiofáin Cluxton STEPHEN CLUXTON Parnells

Pól Ó Gríofa PAUL GRIFFIN Kilmacud Crokes

5. Pól Ó Cathasaigh PAUL CASEY Lucan Sarsfields

Pádraig Mac Críosta PADDY CHRISTIE (CAPT) Ballymun Kickhams

> Brian Ó Cuilínn **BRYAN CULLEN** Skerries Harps

Stiofáin Ó Seachnasaigh STEPHEN O'SHAUGHNESSY Lucan Sarsfields

> Peadar Mac Aindriú **PEADAR ANDREWS** St. Brigids

Ciarán Ó Faoláin CIARAN WHELAN Raheny

Darren Ó hEoghamáin DARREN HOMAN Round Towers

10. Cóilín Ó Moráin **COLIN MORAN** Ballyboden St. Endas

13. Marc Ó Uachán MARK VAUGHAN Kilmacud Crokes

11. Shane Ó Riain SHANE RYAN Naomh Mearnóg

14. Conal Ó hÉanaigh **CONAL KEANEY** Ballyboden St. Endas

12. Déaglán Ó Maolalaidh **DECLAN LALLY** St. Brigid's

> 15. Tomás Ó Coinn TOMÁS OUINN St. Vincents

#### 16. Brian Ó Murchú, Bryan Murphy, Naomh Barróg

- 17. Comán O Gógan, Coman Goggins, Ballinteer/St. John's
- 18. Barra Ó Cathail, Barry Cahill, St. Brigids
- 19. Dáibhéid Mac Éinrí, David Henry, Raheny
- 20. Donnacha Bastick, Denis Bastick, Templogue / Synge St
- 22. Jason Ó Scorlóg, Jason Sherlock, Na Fianna
- 23. Dáibhéid Ó Ceallacháin, David O'Callaghan, St. Marks,
- 24 Reamonn mac Coscair, Ray Cosgrove, Kilmacud Crokes

#### **ÁTH CLIATH**

1adh Leath

Cúil Cúilíní

2adh Leath

Cúilíní Cúil

Iomlán

Cúilíní Cúil

# **DUN NA nGALL**

P. Ó Durcain Paul Durcan

Na Ceithre Maistri

Manager: Brian McEniff Mentors: John Cunningham, Michael Lafferty Raymond Munroe

N. Mac Riada Nial McCready Aodh Ruadh

S. MacGiolla Chearra Shane Carr Na Ceithre Maistri

R. Mac Suibhne Raymond Sweeney An Clochan Liath

6. B. Ó Muineachain Barry Monaghan Na Ceithre Maistri

E. Mac Aoidh Eamon McGee Gaoth Dobhair

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7. C Ó Casaide **Kevin Cassidy** Gaoth Dobhair

8. N. Ó Gallchoir Neil Gallagher Gleann Sulai

S. Mac Diarmada Stephen McDermott Gleann Fhinne

10. C. Ó Tuaith **Christy Toye** Naomh Michael

13. C. MacPhaidin Colm McFadden Naomh Michael

11. M. Oheigheartaigh Michael Hegarty Cill Chartha

> 14. R. Ó Brochlain **Rvan Bradley** Buncranniagh

B. Ó Ropier **Brian Roper** Aodh Ruadh

15. R. Ó Caomhánach Rory Kavanagh Naomh Adhamhain

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Cúilíní

2adh Leath

Cúil Cúilíní

Iomlán

Cúilíní Cúil

16. M.Ó Baoil, Michael Boyle, An Tearmain

17. D. Ó Duibhir, Damien Diver, Ard an Ratha

18. C. de Lasa, Carl Lacy, Na Ceithre Maistri

19. B. O Duinin, Barry Dunnion, Na Ceithre Maistri

20. A. MacSuibhne, Adrian Sweeney, An Clochan Liath

21. B. O Duibheannaigh, Brendan Devenney, Naomh Adhamhain

22. M. O Caulfield, Martin Caulfield, Na Rossa

23. E. O Redden, Eamon Reddin, Beart

24. P. MacUltaigh, Paddy McNulty, Sean MacCumhaills

# 21. Seanán Ó Conaill, Senan Connell, Na Fianna





# Ag Féachaint Siar .... Seán Mac Aogáin

The 18 clashes between Dublin and Donegal since 1984 have produced some thrilling encounters, with seldom more than a few points separating the teams at the finish. No doubt, the most memorable of these was the 1992 All-Ireland final when, amid scenes of rapturous joy, a rampant Donegal overcame the Dubs to win their first All-Ireland title.

Strangely, the counties didn't meet at senior level in the first 100 years of the Association and it wasn't until Centenary Year, 1984, that they met for the first time in a Div. 2 league match in Ballybofey. This was a game not without incident – especially in the closing minutes when Dublin scored what was to be the winning goal as Barney Rock fisted home a John McCarthy centre with one minute of normal time remaining. When the referee disallowed a Seamus Bonnar goal three minutes into injury time, the home crowd was less than pleased and there were angry scenes after the final whistle.

To date, the counties have met in the National League on 15 occasions, with Dublin holding a 9-5 advantage with one draw - the 1993 final. Perhaps, the most extraordinary match between the sides was the 1992 League quarter-final played in Breffni Park. Dublin trailed for most of the hour but grabbed a sensational victory with a goal apiece from current Dublin selector Paul Clarke and Vinny Murphy in the last two minutes, to win by 3-6 to 1-10. This was surely the perfect spur for Brian McEniff as he plotted the downfall of the same opposition in the All-Ireland final five months later!

#### **PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

| 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2003    | NFL                  | Ballyshannon | Dublin 1-10  | Donegal 0-9  |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 17 <sup>th</sup> August 2002 | All-Ire Qual. Replay | Croke Pk.    | Dublin 1-14  | Donegal 0-7  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> August 2002  | All-Ire Qualifier    | Croke Pk.    | Dublin 2-8   | Donegal 0-14 |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2002   | NFL                  | Parnell Pk.  | Dublin 2-10  | Donegal 0-14 |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 2001   | NFL                  | Ballyshannon | Dublin 0-11  | Donegal 0-8  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2000   | NFL                  | Parnell Pk.  | Dublin 1-11  | Donegal 0-11 |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb. 1999   | NFL                  | Ballyshannon | Donegal 1-8  | Dublin 0-9   |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 1994   | NFL                  | Croke Pk.    | Donegal 0-12 | Dublin 1-8   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 1993    | NFL                  | Ballybofey   | Donegal 0-11 | Dublin 0-7   |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> May 1993     | NFL Final Replay     | Croke Pk.    | Dublin 0-10  | Donegal 0-6  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 1993     | NFL Final            | Croke Pk.    | Donegal 0-9  | Dublin 0-9   |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 1992  | All-Ireland Final    | Croke Pk.    | Donegal 0-18 | Dublin 0-14  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> April 1992   | NFL Qr. Final        | Cavan        | Dublin 3-6   | Donegal 1-10 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct. 1990    | NFL                  | Ballybofey   | Donegal 2-11 | Dublin 1-9   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> March 1990   | NFL                  | Ballybofey   | Donegal 1-10 | Dublin 0-9   |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 1989   | NFL                  | Croke Pk.    | Dublin 0-10  | Donegal 0-9  |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 1985   | NFL                  | Croke Pk.    | Dublin 0-15  | Donegal 0-8  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec. 1984    | NFL                  | Ballybofey   | Dublin 1-6   | Donegal 1-4  |
|                              |                      |              |              |              |



■ Tomás Quinn; shoots past London goalkeeper Michael Lillis to score a first half penalty in last years championship.

#### PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THE TEAMS

National Football League Final Replay 9th May 1993

#### DUBLIN 0-10 DONEGAL 0-6

Seven days earlier the Dublin team had left Croke Park bewildered that the League title was not already in their possession. And when Tommy Carr was sent off for a late trip on Brian Murray in the fifth minute of this replay in front of 59,703 spectators, one wondered if this would be another "nearly" day for Dublin.

Dublin completely dominated midfield where Paul Bealin and Jack Sheehy won two out of every three balls. When the ball was broken it was gobbled up by Dublin's eager half-backs or dynamic wing-forward Niall Guiden. Dublin kicked eight points, four from Paul Clarke, in the first half while Donegal had to wait until the second last minute of the half for their first score, a Manus Boyle free.

A Barry Cunningham point opened the second period and we expected the Donegal comeback would be fiery. In reality, they needed a goal but the two chances that were presented were spurned. Manus Boyle mis-kicked his effort after a fine catch and turn, while Noel Hegarty was unlucky as his 17<sup>th</sup> minute effort went narrowly wide at a time when a goal would have reduced the lead to a single point. Almost immediately, Vinny Murphy, despite being well marked by Matt Gallagher, increased Dublin's lead and the likelihood of a comeback faded.

**Dublin:** J. O'Leary; C. Walsh, D. Deasy, P. Moran; E. Heery, P. Curran, M. Deegan; J. Sheedy, P. Bealin; J. Gavin, T. Carr, N. Guiden; P. Clarke, V. Murphy, M. Doran.

Donegal: G. Walsh; JJ Doherty, M. Gallagher, B. McGowan; D. Reid, N. Hegarty, M. Shovlin; A. Molloy, B. Murray; J. McHugh, B. Cunningham, J. McMullan; D. Bonnar, T. Boyle, M. Boyle.

*Subs:* S. Maguire for McMullan, M. Gavigan for Shovlin, M. McHugh for Cunningham.

# Dublin Senior Footballers -Record in league to date

# MARCH 12 - PARNELL PARK DUBLIN 0-11 WESTMEATH 0-9

SCORERS – Dublin: T Quinn 0-7 (0-6f), D Lally, C Keaney, D Homan, S Connell 0-1 each.

Westmeath: D Dolan 0-4 (0-4f), J Fallon 0-2 (0-1f), M Ennis, D O'Shaughnessy, Denis Glennon 0-1 each.

DUBLIN – S Cluxton; P Griffin, P Christie, S O'Shaughnessy; P Casey, B Cullen, P Andrews; C Whelan, S Ryan; C Moran, L Og O hEineachain, D Lally; M Vaughan, C Keaney, T Quinn. Subs: S Connell for O hEineachain, C Goggins for O'Shaughnessy, J Sherlock for Vaughan. Yellow card: C Whelan replaced by D Homan.

WESTMEATH – G Connaughton; J Davitt, D O'Donoghue, J Keane; D McDermott, D Healy, M Ennis; R O'Connell, D O'Shaughnessy; J Brennan, M Flanagan, P Mulvihill; A Mangan, Denis Glennon, D Dolan. Subs: J Fallon for Mulvihill, P Tormey for Brennan, D Heavin for McDermott, David Glennon for Mangan. Yellow card: D O'Donoghue replaced by D Kilmartin.

REF - P McEnaney (Monaghan).

# MARCH 5 - AUSTIN STACK PK, TRALEE KERRY 2-13 DUBLIN 2-11

SCORERS - Kerry: D Quill 1-5 (0-1f), R O'Connor 0-4 (0-2f), P Galvin 1-0, E Brosnan 0-2, L Hassett, C Cooper 0-1 each. **Dublin**: C Whelan 1-2, D Lally 1-1, C Keaney, M Vaughan 0-2 each, T Quinn (0-1f), L Óg Ó hÉineacháin, S Ryan, S Connell 0-1 each.

KERRY - D Murphy; M Ó Sé, T O'Sullivan, M Lyons; A O'Mahony, D Ó Sé, S Moynihan; K Donaghy, T Ó Sé; P Galvin E Brosnan P Kelly: D Quill R O'Connor C Cooper. Subs: W Kirby for Donaghy, B Sheehan for Hassett. Yellow card: L Hassett replaced by P Kelly. DUBLIN - S Cluxton; P Griffin, P Christie, S O'Shaughnessy; P Andrews, B Cullen, P Casey; C Whelan , S Ryan D Lally L Óg Ó hÉineacháin S Connell; D O'Callaghan, C Keaney, T Ouinn. Subs: M Vaughan for O'Callaghan, C Moran for Casey, J Sherlock for Ó hÉineacháin, D Homan for Quinn. Yellow cards: P Andrews replaced by C Goggins, S O'Shaughnessy replaced by B Cahill, D Homan. REF - M Deegan (Laois).

# FEB, 13 – HEALY PARK, OMAGH TYRONE 1-10 DUBLIN 0-9

SCORERS - Tyrone: E Mulligan 1-3 (0-2f), M Coleman, R Mellon 0-2 each, S O'Neill (0-1f), C McCullagh, B Dooher 0-1 each. Dublin: T Quinn (0-3f) 0-4, C Whelan 0-3, D O'Callaghan, R Boyle 0-1 each. TYRONE - P McConnell; R McMenamin, C Lawn, E Bradley; B Robinson, G Devlin, C Gormley; B Meenan, P Donnelly; B Dooher, O Mulligan, S Cavanagh; M Coleman, S O'Neill, R Mellon. Subs: C McCullagh for Lawn, J McMahon for Robinson. Yellow card: M Coleman replaced by B Donnelly. DUBLIN - S Cluxton; P Griffin, P Christie, S O'Shaughnessy; P Casey, B Cullen, P Andrews; C Whelan, S Ryan; C Keaney, J Sherlock, D Henry; D O'Callaghan, S Connell, T Quinn. Subs: C Goggins for O'Shaughnessy, R Boyle for Henry, D Homan for Ryan, R Cosgrove for Keaney, L Og O hEineachain for Sherlock. Yellow card: C Whelan replaced by J Magee. REF - G Kinneavy (Roscommon).

## FEB, 5 – PARNELL PARK DUBLIN 2-13 MAYO 1-15

SCORERS - Dublin: T Quinn 2-2 (0-1 '45'), C Whelan, S Connell 0-2 each, P Andrews, D Henry, R Boyle, D O'Callaghan, A Brogan, S Ryan, B Cullen 0-1 each. Mayo: C McDonald 0-5 (0-1f, 0-1 pen, 0-1 sline), C Mortimer 0-4 (0-1f), A Costello 1-0, J Prenty 0-2, J Gill, A Moran, D Munnelly, P Kelly 0-1 each. DUBLIN - S Cluxton; P Griffin, P Christie, S O'Shaughnessy; P Casey, B Cullen, P Andrews; C Whelan, S Ryan; D Henry, J Sherlock, S Connell; D O'Callaghan, R Boyle, T Quinn. Subs: A Brogan for Boyle, R Cosgrove for Brogan, D Lally for Henry. Yellow card: S Cluxton replaced by B Murphy. MAYO - F Ruddy; P Kelly, D Heaney, L O'Malley; G Mullins, J Nallen, P Gardiner; J Gill, J Kilcullen; A Moran, C McDonald, A Kilcoyne; C Mortimer, D Munnelly, J Prenty. Subs: K Higgins for Heaney, C Moran for Mullins, BJ Padden for Munnelly, A Costello for A Moran. Yellow card: A Costello replaced by A Roche.

### **Football Scoring Chart**

Dublin senior footballers have scored 4-44 and conceded 4-47 in their four Allianz FL games to date. Fifteen players have contributed to the scoring tally with Tomas Quinn top-scorer.

Tomas Quinn 2-14 (0-10f, 0-1 '45')
Ciaran Whelan 1-7
Declan Lally 1-2
Senan Connell 0-4
Conal Keaney 0-3
David O'Callaghan 0-2
Robbie Boyle 0-2
Shane Ryan 0-2
Mark Vaughan 0-2
Peadar Andrews 0-1
David Henry 0-1
Alan Brogan 0-1
Bryan Cullen 0-1
Liam Óg Ó hÉineacháin 0-1
Darren Homan 0-1

#### 2005 ALLIANZ NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

**Current League Table Positions** 

#### Allianz Football League Div 1A

REF - P Russell (Tipperary)...

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|  | P | W | D    | L     | For  | Ag   | Diff | Pts |
| 1. Tyrone  | 4 | 4 | 0    | 0     | 3-51 | 0-42 | 18   | 8   |
| 2. Mayo  | 4 | 3 | 0    | 1     | 5-51 | 5-46 | 5    | 6   |
| 3. Kerry   | 4 | 2 | 0    | 2     | 5-43 | 4-49 | -3   | 4   |
| 4. Dublin  | 4 | 2 | 0    | 2     | 4-44 | 4-47 | -3   | 4   |
| 5. Cork  | 4 | 1 | 1    | 2     | 3-42 | 2-43 | 2    | 3   |
| 6. Westmeath   | 4 | 1 | 1    | 2     | 2-44 | 5-39 | -4   | 3   |
| 7. Donegal   | 4 | 1 | 0    | 3     | 3-42 | 5-42 | -6   | 2   |
| 8. Offaly  | 4 | 1 | 0    | 3     | 4-48 | 4-57 | -9   | 2   |

#### Allianz Football League Div 1B

|             | Р | W | D | L | For  | Ag   | Diff | Pts |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|------|------|------|-----|
| 1. Wexford  | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 7-56 | 6-39 | 20   | 6   |
| 2. Armagh   | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 6-39 | 3-41 | 7    | 6   |
| 3. Galway   | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 6-39 | 1-36 | 18   | 4   |
| 4. Kildare  | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2-47 | 3-41 | 3    | 4   |
| 5. Laois    | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1-52 | 5-39 | 1    | 4   |
| 6. Down     | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4-37 | 1-47 | -1   | 4   |
| 7. Limerick | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3-33 | 4-43 | -13  | 2   |
| 8. Sligo    | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2-42 | 8-59 | -35  | 2   |

#### Allianz Football League Div 2A

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|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|------|------|------|-----|--|--|--|
|                                | Р | W | D | L | For  | Ag   | Diff | Pts |  |  |  |
| 1. Longford                    | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4-49 | 0-33 | 28   | 7   |  |  |  |
| 2. Fermanagh                   | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 6-45 | 1-44 | 16   | 6   |  |  |  |
| 3. Monaghan                    | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1-62 | 6-29 | 18   | 5   |  |  |  |
| 4. Roscommon                   | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2-55 | 5-35 | 11   | 4   |  |  |  |
| 5. Leitrim                     | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1-46 | 2-38 | 5    | 4   |  |  |  |
| 6. Clare                       | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3-30 | 1-37 | -1   | 3   |  |  |  |
| 7. Carlow                      | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4-42 | 1-57 | -6   | 3   |  |  |  |
| 8. London                      | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0-18 | 5-74 | -71  | 0   |  |  |  |

#### Allianz Football League Div 2B

|   |              | Р | W | D | L | For  | Ag   | Diff | Pt |  |  |
|---|--------------|---|---|---|---|------|------|------|----|--|--|
|   | 1. Derry     | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3-55 | 3-31 | 24   | 7  |  |  |
|   | 2. Meath     | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 5-50 | 3-39 | 17   | 7  |  |  |
|   | 3. Cavan     | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 5-43 | 3-36 | 13   | 6  |  |  |
|   | 4. Antrim    | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4-53 | 5-42 | 8    | 4  |  |  |
|   | 5. Louth     | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2-45 | 3-43 | -1   | 3  |  |  |
|   | 6. Wicklow   | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4-40 | 5-50 | -13  | 3  |  |  |
|   | 7. Waterford | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3-30 | 4-55 | -28  | 2  |  |  |
|   | 8. Tipperary | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2-25 | 2-45 | -20  | C  |  |  |
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## Senior footballer's results todate and remaining fixtures

#### Division 1A

#### Round 1

Feb 4: Corcaigh 1-12 Ciarrai 0-8 Feb 5th:

Baile Atha Cliath 2-13 Maigh Eo 1-15

Feb 6th:

Dun na nGall 0-10 Tír Eoghain 1-11 Uíbh Fhailí 2-11 Iar Mhí 0-14

#### Round 2

#### Feb 13:

Tír Eoghain 1-10 Baile Átha Cliath 0-9 Maigh Eo 2-10 Dún na nGall 1-11 Iar Mhí 1-9 Corcaigh 2-6 Ciarraí 2-13 Uíbh Fhailí 0-16

#### Round 3

#### Mar 5:

Ciarraí 2-13 Baile Átha Cliath 2-11 Mar 6:

Tír Eoghain 0-18 Uibh Fhailí 0-9 Iar Mhí 1-12 Dún na nGall 1-11 Maigh Eo 0-14 Corcaigh 0-11

#### Round 4

#### Mar 12:

Baile Átha Cliath 0-11 Iar Mhí 0-9

Mar 13:

Corcaigh 0-13 Tír Eoghain 1-12 Uibh Fhailí 2-11 Maigh Eo 2-12 Dún na nGall 1-10 Ciarraí 1-9

#### Round 5

#### Mar 19/20:

Baile Átha Cliath v Dún na nGall Tír Eoghain v Maigh Eo Ciarraí v Iar Mhí Uibh Fhailí v Corcaigh

#### Round 6

Mar 26: Corcaigh v Baile Átha Cliath. Pairc Ui Rinn, 4.30 Mar 27:

lar Mhí v Tír Eoghain Maigh Eo v Ciarraí Dún na nGall v Uibh Fhailí

#### Round 7

#### Apr 3:

Uibh Fhailí v Baile Átha Cliath Dún na nGall v Corcaigh Ciarraí v Tír Eoghain Maigh Eo v Iar Mhí

## Groupings for 2005 Dublin Adult Football Championships

#### SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

O'Tooles v Trinity Gaels St Annes v Raheny St Marks v St Oliver Plunketts Eoghan Ruadh Na Fianna v UCD or Erins Hopes Erins Isle v Thomas Davis

St Maurs v St Judes

Naomh Fionnbarra v Ballinteer St Johns

Kilmacud Crokes v St Brigids

St Finnians Swords v St Sylvesters

Naomh Barrog v Ballymun Kickhams

Parnells v Naomh Olaf

St Marys Saggart v Fingallians

St Vincents v Clontarf

Naomh Mearnog v Whitehall Colmcilles

Garda v Round Towers Clondalkin

Lucan Sarsfields v Ballyboden St Endas

#### INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Thomas Davis v Skerries Harps

St Marys Saggart v Clann Mhuire

St James Gaels v Good Counsel

St Brigids v Bye

Innisfails v St sylvesters

St Peregrines v St Vincents

St Patricks Palmerstown v Clanna Gael Fontenoy

Templeogue Synge Street v Bye

Craobh Chiarain v O'Dwyers

Kilmacud Crokes v Scoil Ui Chonaill

Cuala v Fingal Ravens

Fingallians v Lucan Sarsfields

St Judes v Garristown

St Margarets v Ballymun Kickhams

Naomh Mearnog v Robert Emmetts

Ballyboden St Endas v Round Towers Lusk

#### JUNIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Na Fianna v Lucan Sarsfields

Thomas Davis v St Oliver Plunketts Eoghan Ruadh

St Josephs OCB v Civil Service

Crumlin v Erins Isle

Wanderers v St Monicas

St Annes v St Judes

Kilmacud Crokes v Raheny

St Brigids v St Margarets

Parnells v Naomh Olaf

Bank of Ireland v O'Tooles

St Patricks Donabate v Starlights

St Peregrines v Whitehall Colmcilles

Ballyboughal v Round Towers Clondalkin

Ballinteer St Johns v Naomh Barrog

St Finnians Newcastle v Skerries Harps

Clontarf v Garda

# Preview:

# This weekend's Allianz Football League action

#### ONLY FOUR TEAMS UNBEATEN IN ALLIANZ FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Tyrone, Longford, Derry and Meath are the only unbeaten teams after four rounds of the Allianz Football League which underlines just how competitive the 2005 campaign is turning out. Tyrone hold the distinction of being the only team in any group to have picked up full points as Longford, Derry and Meath have all drawn one game each. Tipperary and London are the only teams still to pick up a point.

This weekend will again feature a double football-hurling round, with action both Saturday and Sunday. Three games will be shown 'live' on TG4, starting on Saturday night with the Kerry v Westmeath clash in Tralee (7.30). There will be a televised double header from Pearse Stadium on Sunday when Galway hurlers take on Waterford at 1.45 followed by the Galway-Laois football clash at 3.30.

#### DIV 1A: TYRONE WITHIN TOUCHING DISTANCE OF SEMI-FINALS

Saturday: Kerry v Westmeath, Tralee, 7.30. Sunday (3.30 unless stated): Dublin v Donegal, Parnell Park; Tyrone v Mayo, Omagh; Offaly v Cork, Tullamore.

Four wins from four games have left Tyrone within touching distance of the League semifinals, a process they would greatly enhance if they were to beat Mayo in Omagh on Sunday, It promises to be quite a game as Mayo have also shown excellent form, winning their last three games against Donegal, Cork, and Offaly. Also, Mayo have something of a psychological edge over Tyrone, having beaten them by four points (0-16 to 1-9) in last year's All-Ireland quarterfinal. With one of the top two set to drop points, both Kerry and Dublin will be hoping to cash in. Kerry will be at home to Westmeath in Tralee under lights on Saturday night in a game which will have an extra edge as former Kingdom manager, Paidi O Se takes the Leinster champions back to his native county. Dublin face a crucial home tie against Donegal, who showed much improved form last Sunday when beating Kerry by a point. Cork started the League well but have faltered a bit and will be in relegation territory if they lose to Offaly who themselves are in dire need of points after losing their last three games.

#### DIV 1B: SIX COUNTIES WITHIN TWO POINTS OF EACH OTHER

Sunday (3.30 unless stated): Kildare v Limerick, Newbridge; Down v Wexford, Newcastle;

Galway v Laois, Pearse Stadium; Sligo v Armagh; Markievicz Park.

This was an extremely close group in 2004 with semi-final and relegation issues remaining in doubt until the final minutes of the final round. All the signs are that it will be the same again this season as six teams are within two points of each other heading into Round 5. Limerick and Sligo are the back-markers but have high hopes of making rapid progress after beating Wexford and Galway respectively last Sunday. Limerick will be away to an equally improving Kildare while Sligo will be at home to Armagh who are looking for their 4th straight win.

Galway host Laois in Pearse Stadium in a game that could decide which side keeps in line for a semi-final place while Wexford, who lost to Sligo in Markievicz Park by a point last Sunday, face another long trip to Down who will be trying to avoid their 3rd successive defeat.

#### DIV 2A: LONGFORD, FERMANAGH MOVE INTO PROMOTION GROOVE

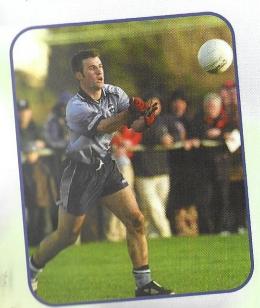
Sunday: (Games at 3.30 unless stated): Fermanagh v London, Enniskillen, 2.30; Monaghan v Roscommon, Clones; Longford v Leitrim, Pearse Park; Carlow v Clare, Dr.Cullen

Although only four points separate seven counties, Longford and Fermanagh know that if they win their remaining three games, they will clinch the two promotion places. Fermanagh have the easier task on Sunday against a London side that has lost all four games so far. Leaders, Longford will be away to Leitrim, who

lost to Carlow last Sunday. The clash of Monaghan and Roscommon in Clones is vital for both sides as the losers could be out of the promotion hunt. Clare have become something of the draw specialists, having finished level in three of their four games so far while opponents Carlow showed improved form last Sunday, beating Leitrim by two points.

## DIV 2B: THREE MAKE VITAL BREAK TOWARDS PROMOTION

Saturday: Antrim v Derry, Casement Park, 3.30. Sunday (Games at 3.30 unless stated): Louth v Meath, Drogheda; Wicklow v Tipperary, Aughrim; Waterford v Cavan, Dungaryan, 1.0. Antrim, Louth and Wicklow still have an outside chance of getting into the promotion hunt but it looks very much like a three-horse race for the vital two places as Derry, Meath and Cavan pull away from their pursuers. All three will be 'away' next weekend, with Cavan having what appears to be the less arduous test against Waterford who have won only once so far. Derry face a tricky away tie against Antrim on Saturday while Meath have an equally demanding test against local rivals Meath in Drogheda. Tipperary, who together with London, are the only county in any Division not to take a point so far, will be away to Wicklow who haven't been quite as effective as last year when they came within a point of clinching promotion.



■ Bryan Cullen (Dublin)

HE new Hill 16 and Nally End terrace in Croke Park was officially opened last Monday by the president of the GAA Sean Kelly, in the presence of An Taoiseach, Bertie Ahern TD.

The terrace is the fourth and final phase in the redevelopment of Croke Park and its completion has ensured that the stadium, with an official capacity of 82,300, is among the largest and most sophisticated in Europe.

Since the first All-Ireland finals were played on the site of the current stadium in 1896, Croke Park has become imprinted on the national conscience and is a site of much cultural and historic significance.

Bought by the GAA in 1913, the venue was named in honour of Archbishop TW Croke of Cashel, who was the first patron of the Association. At the Northern End of the ground, the Hill 16 terrace was first built in 1917 using rubble from the 1916 rising.

Ironically the bank was first known as Hill 60, after a World War 1 battle site in France. In 1952, the Nally Stand was constructed alongside Hill 16 at the Northern end of the ground in honour of the Mayo born land league activist PW Nally. It remained in use until the All-Ireland finals of 2002.

The genesis of the redevelopment of Croke Park and Hill 16 in particular goes back two decades to 1983. At the All Ireland Football Final of that year there was a near tragedy in the grassy-sloped embankment that represented an outdated and increasingly dangerous Hill 16 terrace.

Thus in 1987, the first redevelopment of the old Hill began. It re-opened its gates for the All Ireland hurling final of 1988. With the completion of redevelopment work on the New Cusack, Hogan and Canal End stands work began on the new Hill 16 and Nally End terrace in October of 2003. The new terrace was partially in operation for the 2004 All-Ireland hurling and football finals.

Dubs beloved hilling terrace officially re-opened

Speaking at the official opening, the president of the GAA, Sean Kelly said: "Croke Park has been a sporting cathedral, a field of dreams for countless generations of our people. We are delighted that the northern end of the ground has now been redeveloped to the same standards as the other areas.

"The stadium generally and indeed the new terrace could not of course have been developed to the existing scale without the support of our clubs and the Irish business sector and without the significant support of the Government."

Kelly said that he was delighted that An Taoiseach could make time to be in Croke Park in one of his busiest weeks. He said that he knew that Hill 16 had a special significance for Mr Ahern who had watched more games than most from its particular cauldron of unique atmosphere.

He also paid tribute to the constant presence and dynamism of the GAA's Director General Liam Mulvihill for driving the redevelopment and to Peter Quinn and the various elements of the design team who ensured it's successful completion.

He said that great credit is also due to Peter McKenna who was Project Manager for the Northern End redevelopment.

#### Hill 16 Project Management Team

The team included chairman, former President Peter Quinn, GAA Director General, Liam Mulvihill, Project Manager was Croke Park Stadium Director, Peter McKenna.

- Architects were Gilroy & McMahon (Des McMahon)
- Structural Engineers were Horgan Lynch & Partners (Frank Murray)
- Mechanical & Electrical Firm was Petits (Nick Penston)
- Solicitors were Reddy Charlton & McKnight (Paul Keane)
- Safety Consultants were MSA (Michael Slattery)

#### Costs of Hill 16/Nally End

The projected cost of Hill 16 was €27 million. The final cost was €21 million, realising a saving of €6 million.

#### Overall Costs of Croke Park Redevelopment

The overall cost has been €265 million. The current debt is €36 million. The project has been paid for through Government aided lottery funding of €90.5 million, allocated since 1994 and exchequer funding of €19.5 million to render the stadium ready and suitable to host the Special Olympics in 2003. The GAA has already expended €119 million from its own funds on the stadium.

#### **Current Imminent Works**

- © Completion of 252 room Croke Park Hotel by end of August 2005.
- Installation of large screen on Northern End in Summer 2005.
- © Completion of new players Lounge in dressing-room level 2005.

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