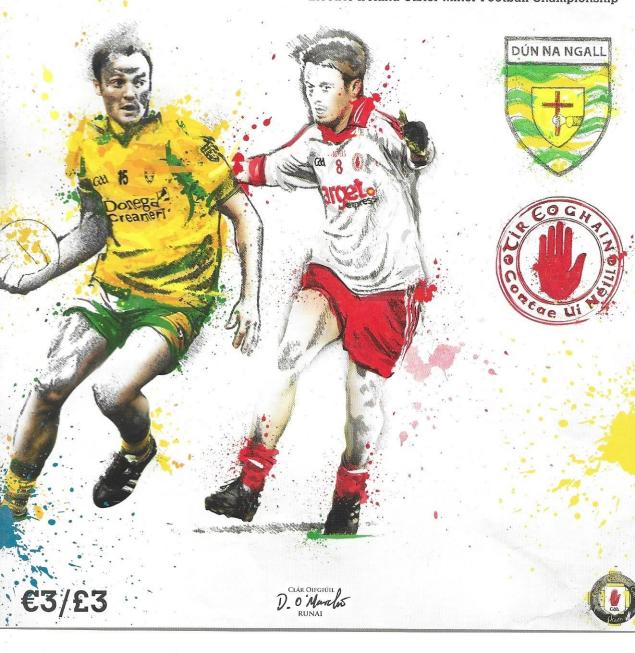
ULSTER SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2012

Craobi Peile Uladh

30ú Meitheamh 2012 | Dún na nGall v Tír Eoghain | Páirc Thiarnaigh Naofa Electric Ireland **Ulster Minor Football Championship**







Réamhfhocal

Presidents Foreword



Nothing beats being here!

Is aoibhinn an saol atá again, bheith I gCluain Eois tráthnóna Shathairn ag dúil go mór le cluichí peile leath cheannais Uladh. Tá an pheil

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The 2012 Ulster Championship has been fabulous. Great crowds attending, thank you all, fantastic games, lots of colour, warm atmosphere and high class entertainment. Nothing beats being at a GAA championship game. This year our attendances at Ulster championship matches are up approximately 20% on last year. This follows a similar increase in Ulster Club Championships, Under 21 Championship and McKenna Cup.

With the All-Ireland Club titles in both hurling and football residing in Ulster, expectations are high that a similar feat can be achieved in minor and senior football. On behalf of Ulster GAA, I thank everyone involved in the promotion, administration and delivery of our games programme. Our games are at the heart of what we do in the GAA and it is satisfying that our patrons are attending in such large numbers and crucially, are witnessing exciting, competitive and skillful games. Míle buíochas do na hImreoirí is lucht bainistíochta na bhfoirne.

The provincial championships have proven they are the most appealing sporting events in Ireland. Our GAA club and county loyalty is built on love of place, pride in locality and competitive neighbourliness. We appreciate our players, they are local heroes who live and work in our communities. Our sense of belonging to the

wider GAA family is strengthened when we compete against local provincial opposition; Today's games are centred on the North West of Ireland with teams from Tír Eoghain, Doire and Dún na nGall. Staging our Under 18 games on the same day as our seniors is very popular with players and public alike. No other sport gives its youth competitions so central a place in their games programme. The local derbies and the minors playing on the same day as the seniors are special aspects of the Ulster Championship well worth preserving.

Muineachán minors have qualified for the Ulster Final as have the senior footballers from An Dún. Today will decide their opponents and I wish everyone well. Our County Committees deserve special appreciation for promoting GAA so well in their counties and bringing their teams to this stage of the competition.

Under the County Chairmen, our County Committees are vital in strengthening our association. I thank all the officers, staff and members of Comhairle Uladh for their vision. guidance and hard work for GAA in our province. Thanks to all sponsors, referees, match officials, stewards and organisers. We also thank An Garda Síochána, Medical personnel and security for all assistance.

Tá Cumann Lúthchleas Gael ag dul ó neart go neart sa tír. Míle buíochas daoibhse as teacht agus tacaíocht a léiriú don Chumann is do chontae. Ar aghaidh linn le chéile.

Beir Bua,

Augan & Fearghail Aogán Ó Fearghail Uachtarán

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Today's Games

Saturday June 30th 2012

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Electric Ireland Ulster GAA Minor Football Championship Semi Final

(Extra Time if necessary)

Doire V Tír Eoghain

Throw In 2.45pm Referee: Brendan Rice (An Dún)

Standby: Ian Molloy (Dún na nGall)

Linesman: Enda McBrien (Fear Manach)

Sideline: Ryan Walsh (Dún na nGall) **Ulster GAA Senior** Football Championship Semi Final

Dún na nGall V Tír Eoghain

Throw In 4.30pm Referee: David Coldrick (An Mhí)

Standby:

Eddie Kinsella (Laois) Linesman:

Fergal Kelly (Longfort) Sideline:

Noel Mooney (An Cabhán)



Brendan Rice Brendan is a member of the Cumann Pheadair Naofa club in Warrenpoint.

County Down. As a player he won an Intermediate title with his club in 2001. He has refereed various underage county finals as well as the Intermediate Championship Final in 2009 and the Senior Championship Final in 2011.

Brendan refereed the quarter final match between Derry and Donegal this year and was also in charge of one of last years minor semi-finals, Cavan v Tyrone. He is joined today by his umpires Pete Farrell, Eamon Rice, Lar Devlin and Sean O'Hare



David Coldrick David is no stranger to duty in the Ulster Senior Football championship. He

refereed the 2010 Final between Tyrone and Monaghan and the drawn Quarter-Final between Tyrone and Down at Healy Park in 2008 amongst other games.

He has been on the inter-county panel for some ten seasons and has officiated at senior championship games in all four provinces. In 2006, he took charge of his first AIB All-Ireland Club Senior Football Final. David joined the ranks of All-Ireland Senior Football Championship Final referees in 2007 when he controlled the Kerry and Cork decider.

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Cumann Lúthchleas Gael (Comhairle Uladh) Coiste na Gaeilge agus Oidhreachta

Cúrsa Gaeltachta | 24ú Cuimhneachán

sa Cuimhneac Sheamuis de Faoité

For members of C.L.G. Downings - Tír Chonaill

Ó Luain 23ú Iuíl 2012 Go Satharn 28ú Iuíl 2012

The Ulster Council of the Gaelic Athletic Association sponsors this course. The course takes place on the beautiful Ros Goill Peninsula in Donegal and Comhairle Uladh provides a wide variety of facilities and services free of charge to participating members. Do not miss this opportunity to enhance your knowledge and appreciation of our heritage.

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- (b) Improvers or those with a little Irish.
- (c) Beginners or those with little or no knowledge of the language.

Every effort is made to ensure that the course is both pleasant and inclusive. This is achieved by having classes for three levels of fluency in the language, by refined preparation for certain events and by strategic translation and summarisation techniques together with the wholehearted participation of the course members in the delivery of the programme.

3 recommendations here for this week

- (a) Speak as much Irish as possible
- Divest yourself of any degree of pretentiousness
- c) Enjoy

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Pádraig Ó Cutliffe (Ceannaire) Máire Nic Shuibhne (Ceannaire) Mícheál Mac Aoidh (Ceannaire) Máiréad Nic Dhaibhéid (Rúnaí Áitiúil) Séamus Mac Giolla Phádraig (Cláraitheoir) Míceál Ó Grianáin (Comheagarthóir Laethúil an Chúrsa)

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Clar an Lae

Saturday June 30th St Tiernach's Park, Clones

- 14.30 Doire amach ar an bPairc
- 14.33 Tír Eoghain amach ar an bPairc
- 14.45 Tús an Cluiche: Doíre v Tír Eoghain
- 15.16 Half Time / Leath Am
- 15.18 Entertainment / Siamsa
- 15.26 Start of Second Half/ Tús an dara leath
- 15.59 Críoch an Chluiche

* If Extra Time is required see below

- 16.09 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPairc
- 16.12 Tír Eoghain amach ar an bPairc
- 16.22 Paráid
- 16.28 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 16.30 Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v Tír Eoghain
- 17.06 Half Time / Leath Am
- 17.08 Cluichí Exhibition
- 17.21 Start of Second Half/ Tús an dara leath
- 17.59 Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir

*16.04 Start of First Period of Extra Time

- 16.14 End of First Period of Extra Time
- 16.17 Start of Second Period of Extra Time
- 16.28 End of Extra Time
- 16.30 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPairc
- 16.33 Tír Eoghain amach ar an bPairc
- 16.42 Paraid
- 16,48 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 16.50 Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v Tír Eoghain
- 17.26 HalfTime / Leath Am
- 17.28 Cluichi Exhibition
- 17.41 Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
- 18.18 End of Senior Game / Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir



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Ulster GAA's Disability Inclusion programme is growing from strength to strength over the last number of years. Ulster Coaches have taken a two fold approach by educating the coaches and giving children and adults with disabilities an opportunity to play our games.

For further information on GAA Disability Programmes contact:

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First Aid is provided at today's venue, by Order of Malta Personnel with ambulances located behind the Hill and at the corner of the Pat McGrane & Eastern Stand.

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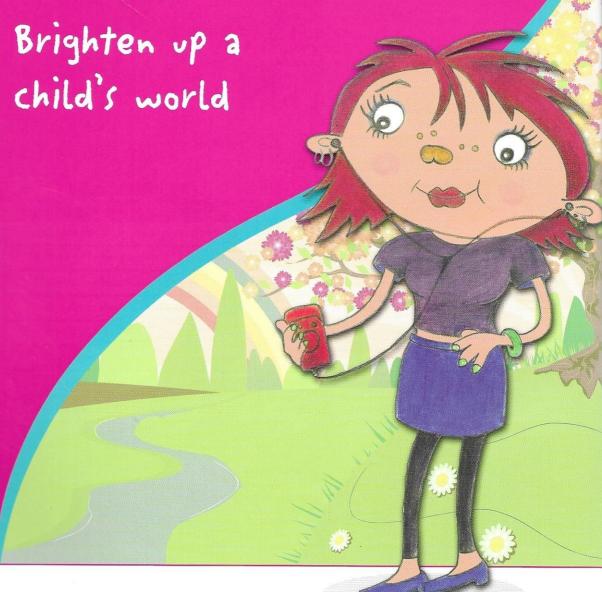
Children who have become separated from their parents/guardians should be brought to the designated First Aid Points.

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care in the sun.

Whether you are jetting off to a holiday abroad or heading down the road to watch a match it is important to follow Cancer Focus' top tips to stay safe in the sun this summer:

- Seek shade and avoid prolonged exposure when the sun is at its strongest – 11am to 3pm
- Wear clothing and a hat that protects against UV rays
- Use sunscreen with a minimum SPF of 15 and apply liberally
- Be aware of any changes to moles

We especially encourage parents and coaches to ensure that children in their care follow these tips. Skin cancer is the most common cancer in Northern Ireland and accounts for 28% of all cancers diagnosed here. Around 2,500 local people develop it each year.

If you are concerned about any aspect of cancer call UCF's free information and support helpline on 0800 783 3339 or email one of the nurses on hello@cancerfocusni.org

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Minor Preview GaelicLife

Opinions from Niall McCoy, Gaelic Life

Crazy v controlled - that's the best way to describe Derry and Tyrone's Ulster quarter-final fixtures that has led to this lastfour meeting in Clones today. The craziness was very much at the Morgan Athletic Grounds on June 10 as Tyrone, somehow, got past Armagh with a fourpoint winning margin.

It's not often you concede 19 points and still progress, but Mickey Donnelly's side did just that as they showed a ruthless streak in front of goal, hitting 4-11, to set up the clash with the Oakleaf county.

The Red Hands were cleaned out in midfield for a large portion of the game, and if Armagh had shown anywhere close to the same composure in front of goal as their opponents, there would only have been one winner.

Indeed, when Armagh raced into a seven-point lead early on, the word in the press room was very much rout rather than revival. In those first 15 minutes, Armagh also kicked four wides and missed two glorious goal chances as Daire Martin made a brace of great stops in the Tyrone goal. But they did recover, mainly thanks to the majestic Mark Bradley, who finished with 2-7 from play. His supporting cast wasn't bad either. Sean Hackett's goal in the 16th minute was crucial as it brought the side back within four points. Conor Mallon, with number 11 on his back, put in a magnificent shift in defence



in the second half to see Tyrone over the line.

For Derry, it was a much guieter affair as they secured their first championship win since 2008 with a 2-9 to 1-7 success over Donegal on May 27.

Bradley may have starred in Armagh, but it was Terence O'Brien who was most prominent in Healy Park as his tally of 2-1 evaporated the challenge of a fancied Tir Chonaill side

Under the tutelage of Paul McIver, Derry needed just 90 seconds to make their mark as O'Neill grabbed the first of his two majors. Gerard Bradley also sparkled while Ryan Bell had a major impact from centre halfforward, as did Conor McAtamney at midfield.

McIvor's side certainly played a running game, and their ability

to beat a defensive Donegal was based on work-rate and being strong in possession. Runners from midfield and half-back helped pick the lock that was the Donegal defence, but they will have to adapt against a Tyrone side that plays much more direct football, constantly pumping ball into their full-forward line with the half-forwards running off their shoulder.

It all points towards an exciting, and high scoring, contest. It's a game when the old goals wins games cliché may just ring through. Tyrone's finishing against Armagh was of the highest standard, and their fullforward line is one of the most exciting to be seen in Ulster minor football in years.

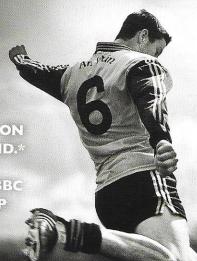
That may just be the difference between the sides, and it is the Red Hands who look most likely to secure a final spot on July 22.

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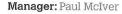
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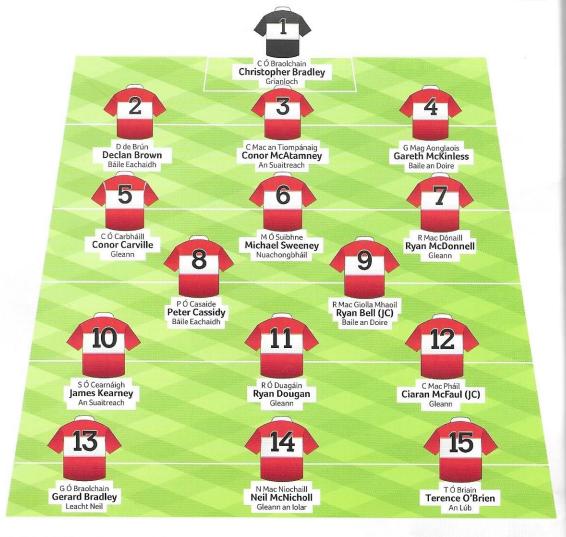
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Derry Minor Team

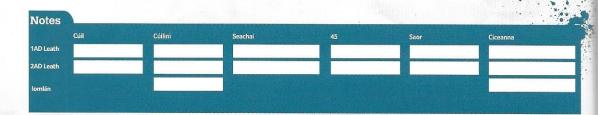






Fir Ionaid/Substitutes

- 16. Emmett McBride, Doire Colmcille 17. Conor Gallagher, Gleann 18. Cathal Mulholland, Gleann
- 19. Anthony Hargan, Ard Mór 20. Daryll Mullan, Droim Sóirn 21. Jack Barton, Ogra Mor
- 22. Dermot Breen, Diseart Mhairtín 23. Ruairi McElwee, Báile Eachaidh 24. Danny Tallon, Gleann





TÍR EOGHAIN

Manager: Michael Donnelly

Tyrone Minor Team



Fir Ionaid/Substitutes

- 16. Sean Fox, Ceapach 17. Caolan Corr, Doire Treasc 18. Anthony Devlin, Baile na Móna
- 19. Darragh Kavanagh, Gael Naomh Pádraig 20. James McGahan, An Chorr Chríochach 21. Fearghal McGarrity, Gallbhaile
- 22. Ruairi McGlone, Achadh Lú 23. Ciaran McLaughlin, An Ómaigh 24. Cormac O'Neill, An Ómaigh

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Pat Malaniff

Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon

Anyone who has ever visited the Fr. Tierney Park in Ballyshannon is likely to have had a welcome and a wide smile at the gate by the caretaker Pat Malaniff.

Now retired for some time after a long period working in Heitons hardware in the town and delivering materials all over south and south-west Donegal as far as Glencolmcille and also in north Leitrim and Sligo, Pathas found his true niche, as a front man for the Aodh Ruadh club.

As one of the many volunteers that have a love of the GAA, Pat's easy going style and ability to recount tales of past times, makes him a perfect front man. When Aodh Ruadh host home league games, Pat becomes the most important man in the ground, getting dressing rooms ready and then looking after the catering for the teams afterwards.

Now in his 70s, he regularly gets advice and updates on how Leitrim are faring in the league and championship and that link to his roots around Manorhamilton are mentioned in jest, even though he has spent nearly all of his adult life in Ballyshannon.

For as long as can be remembered, he has been an important cog in the running of the Aodh Ruadh club, whether that be in his present role as caretaker, supporter, fund-raiser, tea-maker, key holder. He has

been a committee member of the club for many years and was honoured in recent years with the Clubman of the Year award.

He has been known to get involved in the odd dispute over whether Aodh Ruadh are performing well on the field, many times using words like 'that's terrible'!

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Having travelled all the main roads and byroads in his work for Heitons, he is known far and wide and accordingly is a friendly face when teams or individuals arrive to using the training facilities, to



set up for games or to support visiting teams.

Pat is able to converse with them and open doors in his own unique way. Getting moral support from his wife, Ursula, Pat has been widening his horizons in recent times making trips to the United States to visit daughter Denise, while he also keeps up to speed with his sons at home, Sean, Kevin and Bernard

Apart from supporting the local club, Pat is also a big Donegal supporter, making his way on a regular basis to Ballybofey, Clones, Breffni Park and Croke Park.

Senior **Preview**



The pivotal moment of Jim McGuinness' first season in charge of Donegal may well have come here in Clones, against today's opposition, at the same stage of last year's Ulster Championship. After clawing their way back level with a Tyrone side that probably should have been out of sight by half-time, Donegal forced a mistake out of the Red Hand defence to fashion a chance for substitute Dermot Molloy.

The Glenties man could have fisted the ball over the bar to give his side a late lead and a probable win. Instead he slammed it to the net to quarantee victory and a place in the Ulster Fnal.

Of course, there's no telling what Donegal might have achieved had they entered the Qualifiers at that stage, but a shot at the provincial title would have been gone and anyone at St Tiernach's Park on July 17, 2011 saw just how much it meant to take the Anglo-Celt back to the hills.

Today, as defending champions,

things are a little different for Donegal but, as they showed in their win over Derry in Ballybofey, Donegal are a little different themselves this year.

The stifling defence was still there, but there was a rapidity and directness in attack that was sometimes lacking 12 months ago. Derry were often faced with 12 men in front of them but, if they turned the ball over, six or seven of those men were flooding the Oak Leaf defence before they had a chance to regain their bearings. It resulted in a 10-point victory and contributed towards Donegal's favouritism for this afternoon's clash, but they're facing a side who made their own statement of intent in their Ulster Championship opener.

Against Armagh at the Morgan Athletic Grounds, Tyrone trusted that they had the firepower to dispose of their old rivals. They registered 19 points - the same as Donegal's 2-13 total against Derry - but didn't need any goals to reach that target.

After Armagh had hauled themselves level with three unanswered points between the 61st and 67th minute, Tyrone answered in kind in half the time as Peter Harte, Martin Penrose and Stephen O'Neill effectively put the game to bed.

While Down will be happy for the spotlight to fall on today's encounter as they sit safely in the Ulster Final after last weekend's dramatic win over Monaghan, it's hard to get away from the notion that whoever wins today will be favourites to lift the provincial title.

Last year, Tyrone did as well as anyone - bar Dublin - against Donegal. Had they taken their chances in the first half - and kicked some very scoreable frees in the second - they would have been too far in front for Molloy's late strike to matter.

Against Armagh, they struggled at times with the pace and movement of Jamie Clarke, while dealing comfortably late on

Donegal & **Tyrone**

The Story So Far

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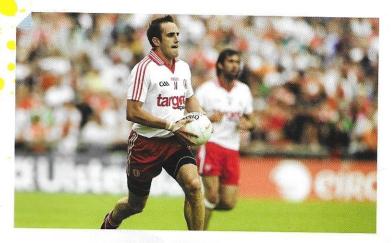
ONE TO WATCH
In every Donegal game he plays or
even doesn't play in, Michael Murphy is
inevitably mentioned. An exceptional talent
who will be again looked to for inspiration.



ROLE REVERSAL

In June 2011, the reigning Ulster champions faced a new challenge in the semi final at Clones. Twelve months on, the roles are reversed.





with the high balls the Orchard county tried to get to towering full-forward John Kingham. However, as is always the case with Donegal, it's how Red Hand manager Mickey Harte and his players deal with Donegal's defensive set-up and execution that will be the important factor in deciding the outcome of today's game.

While Donegal may have needed a last minute goal to beat Tyrone last year, they still held the then-Ulster champions to just 0-9. Harte will know a similar return this afternoon will not be enough to get his side over the line.

For Jim McGuinness and his men. it's a case of stick to the plan. While key Tyrone men like Stephen O'Neill, Peter Harte and Colm Cavanagh will be on the McGuinness radar, the most important 'target' for the Donegal players remains the same - the ball.

They'll flood back, harry, hassle and tackle to get their hands on it then, once they do, they won't let go of it until it's absolutely necessary. If the Derry match is anything to go by, they're deciding it's necessary a little quicker than they did last year.

The Derry match also showed that Michael Murphy is clearly

back to full fitness despite missing much of the League and the Ulster Championship preliminary round win over Cavan.

After impressing against Armagh, Harte may choose to deploy Joe McMahon on Murphy and their battle will be one of a number of fascinating tussles in what promises to be the match of the Championship so far - and the Championship has already provided its fair share of entertainment.

Another injury time winner might be asking a bit much but, given how close the sides appear on paper, don't dismiss the possibility and, whatever you do, don't take your eyes off what promises to be a enthralling encounter.

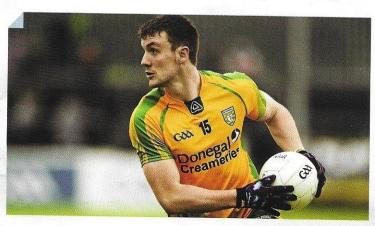
As is the case today, the past four meetings between Donegal and

Tyrone were at the Ulster semifinal stage.

Those encounters, which stretch back to 1994, were equally shared, with Tyrone winning in '94 and 2007 and Donegal getting the upper hand in 2004 and 12 months ago.

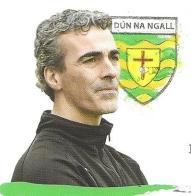
Tyrone hold the upper hand overall in Championship matches between the counties, coming out on top in nine of their 16 meetings. Donegal have won six while there was one famous draw - the 1989 Ulster Final, which finished 0-11 apiece. Tyrone comfortably won the replay 2-13 to 0-7.

Their only other meeting in the provincial final was in 1972. which Donegal won 2-13 to 1-11 to claim their first Ulster title. That 1972 meeting was the first of three consecutive Ulster Championship clashes between the counties. Tyrone dethroned Donegal the following year and went on to claim their first Ulster crown since 1957 (when they beat Donegal in the semi-final). Donegal then returned the favour in 1974 when they ended Tyrone's reign as Ulster champions before going on to lift the title again. That 1972 win had ended a four game losing run for Donegal that stretched back to the first Ulster Championship meeting between the neighbouring counties, a 4-3 to 2-0 Donegal win in 1919.

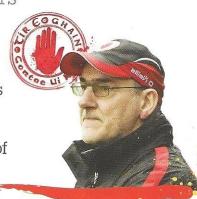


Head to Head

The Senior Managers



The tactical battle that everyone has looked forward to. A man with three All-Ireland seniors under his belt faces up to a man who is rapidly redefining the fortunes of the county of Donegal.



Jim McGuinness

Today is another big day for this group of Donegal players. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the players, management, back-room staff and all associated with the team who have worked tremendously hard over the past two years. I would like to thank sincerely all involved for the huge time and effort they have given. We were fortunate to get to play in front of our own fantastic home supporters in Mac Cumhaill Park the last day out.

The Ulster Championship is now well and truly in full flow. Last weekend saw Down and Monaghan really light up the competition, and hopefully today's eagerly anticipated game can generate the same excitement for both players and supporters alike. Our near neighbours and opponents today have been the yard stick for the rest of the province over the last decade, and will come into today's game full of confidence such is the experience in their ranks. However our lads have worked very hard to get back to this stage and I feel they have earned the right to face this great Tyrone team. My hope is that they can now meet this very difficult challenge head on.

Once again I would like to thank the players, backroom team, the medical staff, the conditioning coaches and the county board for all the effort and commitment they have shown to date. A word of thanks also to our sponsors Donegal Creameries, and the many clubs who have given up their facilities so freely these past few months, we look forward to your continued support.

Mickey Harte

Obviously we are delighted to be in the Ulster Semi-Final once again. It was a tough encounter against Armagh and we probably got a wee bit of luck at the right time when the game was evenly balanced. With just a little time to go whoever was going to get the next point was going to be in a very strong position to win the game and fortunately that score fell to us.

We are meeting a Donegal side who beat us at this stage last year. Everybody across the country will see that they are a more formidable outfit than they were then because of all of the experience that they have gained from that time. That's the challenge that is ahead of us. Having said that we are not daunted by the challenge. We do believe that we can win the game providing that we can play to our full potential. I have no doubt that Donegal will feel the same way.

They will be favourites in everybodys eyes and that's something that they will have to deal with. I have no doubt that they are well capable of carrying that tag. I think that it will be another great encounter. The Ulster Championship has been growing in stature as this season has developed. The last two games have been enthralling affairs. Last week's game was the proverbial game of two halves and exciting to the end. Our aim is to get over Donegal and set up a rematch of the 2003 Ulster Final and we believe we have the personnel to do that.







Meet the Teams

Dún na nGall, Pen Pics

Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Paul Durcan	Four Masters	28	6' 5"	15 st
Frank McGlynn	Glenfin	26	5' 11"	13 st
Neil McGee	Gweedore	26	6' 1"	15 st
Karl Lacey	Four Masters	27	5' 11"	14 st
Anthony Thompson	N. Conaill	26	6'	12.5 st
Declan Walsh	Malin	23	6'	13 st
Paddy McGrath	Ardara	23	5' 11"	12.5 st
Rory Kavanagh	St Eunans	28	6' 2"	14 st
Martin McElhinney	N. Micheal	24	6' 2"	13.5 st
Ryan Bradley	Buncrana	26	6' 2"	13.5 St
Martin O'Reilly	Mc Cools	19	5' 9"	12.5 st
Mark McHugh	Kilcar	22	5' 11"	12.5 st 12.5 st
Dermot Molloy	N. Conaill	21	6'	12.55t
Michael Murphy	Glenswilly	23	6' 2"	14 st
Colm McFadden	N. Micheal	28	6'	13.5 st
Adrian Hanlon	Dungloe	25	5' 8"	12.5 st
Michael Boyle	Termon	25	6'	16 st
Kevin Rafferty	St Eunans	30	6' 5"	14 st
Neil Gallagher	Glenswilly	31	6' 4"	15st •
Patrick McBrearty	Kilcar	19	6'	12.5 st
Daniel McLoughlin	N. Micheal	22	5' 11"	
David Walsh	N. Brid	25	6'	12.5 st 12.6 st
Tommy McKinley	N. Colmcille	21	5' 10"	12.0 St
Eamon McGee	Gweedore	28	6' 2"	12.5t -
Marty Boyle	N. Conaill	26	6' 1"	13.5 St -
Christy Toye	N. Micheal	28	6' 2"	14 st
Barry Dunnion	Four Masters	28	5' 10"	
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Peter Withrow	N. Micheal	25	6' 1"	13.5 st
Peter McGee	Gweedore	23	6' 5"	14 st 🤌 ,
Stephen Griffin	St Nauls	25	6' 2"	16 st
eo McLoone	N. Conaill	²³	6'	14 st
Gary McFadden	Glenswilly	25	6' 1"	14 st
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Our near neighbours and opponents today have been the yard stick for the rest of the province over the last decade...

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- 22. Daniel McLaughlin, Naomh Mícheál 23. Martin O'Reilly, Sean Mac Cumhaill
- 24. Dermot Molloy, Naomh Conaill 25. Declan Walsh, Málainn 26. Adrian Hanlon, An Clochan Liath













TÍR EOGHAIN



Fir Ionaid/Substitutes

- 16. John Devine, Aireagal Chiaráin 17. Aidan Cassidy, Eochar 18. Mattie Donnelly, Trí Leac
- 19. Ciaran Gervin, Doire Locháin 20. Stephen McNulty, Cluain Eo 21. Michael Murphy, An Gallbhaile
- 22. Jonathan Lafferty, Urnaí 23. Ryan McMenamin An Droim Mhór 24. Niall McKenna, Domhnach Mór
- 25. Darren McCurry, Éadan na dTorc 26.Brian McGuigan, Árd Bó

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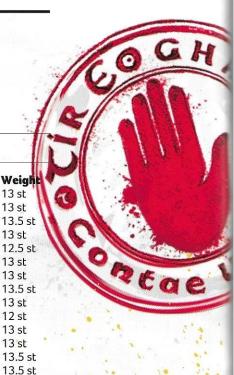
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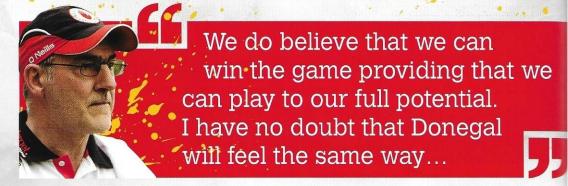
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Meet the Teams

Tír Eoghain, Pen Pics

Name	Club	Age	Height
Aidan Cassidy	Augher	25	6'1"
Aidan McCrory	Errigal Ciaran	24	5 '11 "
Brian McGuigan	Ardboe	32	5'10"
Cathal McCarron	Dromore	24	6'
Ciaran Gervin	Derrylaughan	21	5'11"
Colm Cavanagh	Moy	25	6'3"
Conor Clarke	Omagh	20	6'2"
Conor Gormley	Carrickmore	31	5 ' 11 "
Damian McCaul	Donaghmore	25	6'1"
Darren McCurry	Edendork	19	5'8"
Davy Harte	Errigal Ciaran	30	5'10"
Dermot Carlin	Killyclogher	29	5'10"
Joe McMahon	Omagh	29	6'2"
John Devine	Errigal Ciaran	29	6'1"
Jonathan Curran	Coalisland	26	5'11"
Jonathan Lafferty	Urney	25	6'
Justin McMahon	Omagh	26	6'2"
Mark Donnelly	Carrickmore	28	5 ' 11 "
Martin Penrose	Carrickmore	28	5 '10 "
Matthew Donnelly	Trillick	22	5 ' 11 "
Michael Murphy	Galbally	25	6 ' 1 " 🅦
Niall McKenna	Donaghmore	22	6'1"
Owen Mulligan	Cookstown	31	5 ' 11 "
Pascal McConnell	Newtownstewart	32	6'4"
Patrick McNeice	Coalisland	22	5 ' 11 "
Peter Harte	Errigal Ciaran	22	5 ' 10 "
Peter Hughes	Eskra	23	5 ' 10 "
PJ Quinn	Moortown	26	6'
Ronan McNabb	Dromore	22	5'11"
Ryan McMenamin	Dromore	35	5 11 "
Sean O'Neill	Dromore :	23	5 ' 10 "
Stephen McNally	Coalisland	25	5 11 "
Stephen McNulty	Clonoe	27	6'
Stephen O'Neill	Clann na nGael	31	6'





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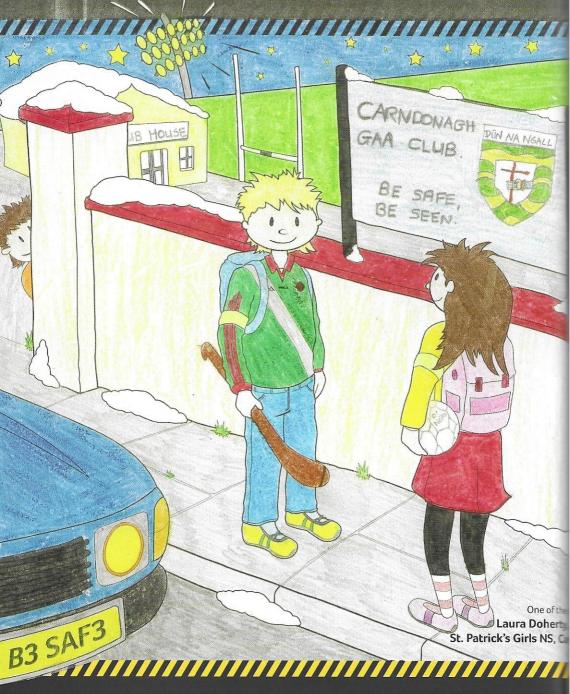




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James Devlin

Moortown St Malachy's

Leading A New Generation of St Malachy's Talent. It's been some 12 months for the Devlin family from the Moortown club

Last weekend Jamie Devlin was part of U14 football squad from Moortown which proudly represented Tyrone in the All-Ireland Feile na nÓg finals in Laois/Offaly. Jamie was also part of the Holy Trinity U14 team which won an Ulster Vocational Schools Championship. Big brother Anthony lined out at midfield in the all conquering Holy Trinity team which won Ulster and All-Ireland Vocational School titles back in the spring. The Moortown club themselves were promoted back to Tyrone Senior Football at the end of last season. The man overseeing the rejuvenated Moortown setup is former Tyrone County Player and current chairman James Devlin.

The St Malachy's lifted the coveted senior championship title in 1992 with the likes of Stephen and Chris Lawn, Fred McVeigh, Paddy McGuigan and 'Big James' leading the way for the Loughshore club. James Devlin was captain of that 1992 side and was one of the main reasons they were successful. A real driving force from the middle of the park he possessed great fielding ability and was teak and tough. James represented Tyrone at all levels and enjoyed every minute of it.

James had played for almost twenty years at club level with

limited success but things were about to change as Under 16 and Minor league titles were followed by the Minor double in 1990. Moortown were fast becoming a force to be reckoned with as a golden crop of underage players were all coming through at the one time and they were to help shape the history of the famous club with a few of them of course going on to become household names wearing the Tyrone jersey.

In 1991 Moortown put their best run together in the championship for years and found themselves in a Semi-Final against holders Coalisland. Three weeks prior to that Semi Final James broke his collar bone but it didn't prevent him playing. He strapped myself up and played because he feared it might be the last chance of reaching a Senior Championship Final. In the end they were well beaten by Coalisland.

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The following season Moorto travelled to Coalisland for a league game and it looked lied déjà vu as they scored three gat the start of the game. Led James, at midfield, Moortown rolled up their sleeves and caback and win by a point in whe describes himself as was of the best games of footbal that I was ever involved in". Twin, gave James and Moortothe belief needed going into 1992 championship campair

So can the present crop of plabuild on their underage succe and take it to senior level just as their predecessors did? On time will tell how far the present Moortown teams can emulate that 1992 team. A great clut was led and continues to be by the man affectionately knas 'Big James'.

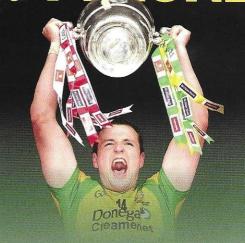
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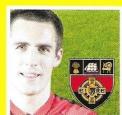
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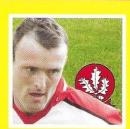
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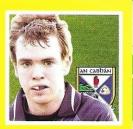
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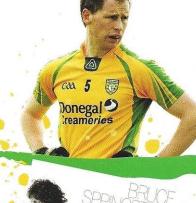


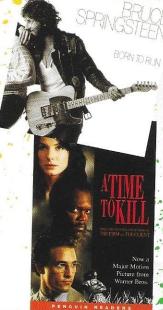
Anthony Thompson

For Club & County

Name: Anthony Thompson. Club: Naomh Conaill. Favourite position: Half Back. Favourite pitch: Davy Brennan memorial park. Hobbies: Golf, snooker & unfortunately repeating exams lately. Childhood hero: Anthony Tohill. Best player you have played with: Leo "House" McLoone. Best player you have played against: Michael Murphy. Best game you have been involved in: Ulster Final 2011. Best game you have ever seen: 1992 All-Ireland Final. Best trainer within the squad: Ryan Bradley and Neil McGee. Worst trainer within the squad: Patrick McBrearty (haven't seen him lately with leaving cert exams) Worst training drill: 1 v 1 tackling drill. Best motivator within the squad: Paddy McGrath. Pre match meal: Chicken and pasta.

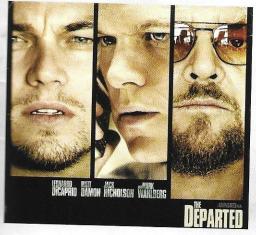
Any superstitions: None. Favourite song: Bruce Springsteen, Born To Run. Favourite film: The Departed. Favourite holiday destination: Las Vegas. Favourite drink: Powerade. Favourite meal: Muriel's Lasagne and Chips. Favourite book: A time to kill. Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own: Neighbours Na Rossa ..!! Which county do you like to see do well apart from your own: Roscommon. Advice for youngsters: Train hard. Young player within your club to look out for: Daniel Gildea & Neil Francis Boyle. If you won the Lotto: I would never leave college. Aim for 2012: Pass my repeat exams.





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Coaching and Games Development Programmes in Ulster

The Coaching and Games Development Programmes in Ulster and within our counties are as diverse and interesting as ever.

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Improve Your Club Through Club Maith

Club development is something all our clubs undertake whether in a deliberate nature or not. Although Club Maith is Ulster GAA's club accreditation scheme, more importantly it is a process through which clubs will continue to develop.

"Applying For Club Maith" workshops have been delivered in each county through the Club Officer Development Course at the beginning of the year. The Club Maith website continues to be updated regularly and holds a raft of information, policy templates, case-studies and so forth which should assist clubs. Queries should be directed to maura.kelly.ulster@gaa.ie

The process is simple. Clubs should log-onto the Club Maith website www.ulster.gaa,ie/club-maith where they can download the Initial Application Form, and Club Maith Portfolio. The Initial Application Form should be completed and sent to Ulster GAA, registering the club in the scheme. Clubs should then begin working their way through the Club Maith Portfolio. This has been updated in January 2012 following liaison with clubs, and volunteers who have been through the process.

The Club Maith scheme has gained considerable status among organisations other than Ulster GAA. In the most recent Sport NI funding application Club Maith registered clubs were awarded marks for being a registered in the scheme, and Club Maith continues to be a consideration when allocating Ulster GAA club development grants. However, the true value of Club Maith is the scheme's ability to improve your Club. Feedback from clubs who have been through the process has been very positive.

Drumhowan Geraldines were the first Monaghan club to become accredited and club secretary Noel Duffy acknowledges the positive impact the process has had on the club. "Our administration and communication improved as a result of going through Club Maith. It gave us that push to relaunch our website, and create a Facebook page. We also launched our first Club Development Plan. Greater playing opportunities were scheduled for young players and we had our first Summer Camp as a result. Club Maith helped us realise that while we have areas to improve on, we are contributing hugely to our community already.".

Greencastle St Patricks were awarded a Gold Club Maith award in December 2011. Fiona Teague feels the accreditation has improved the Club's standing in the Community. "As Gael's we are very proud to be involved with a club who is committed to promoting Gaelic Games to the highest possible standard. As parent's we are confident our children and young people are provided with a quality sporting experience in a safe environment".

Club Maith deals with all areas of club business something Bernie Deighan, from recently accredited Bredagh GAA, reflected on. "The process helped us in Bredagh to really focus on how to develop our club as a community based organisation as well as striving to improve performance on the pitch. We found it useful to encourage all volunteers involved in the running of our club to be aware of the importance of sound governance and that policies exist for the protection of all members. It also reaffirmed our need to be strategic in our approach to developing coaches, players and club facilities."

Once accredited the award is valid for three years, after which time the club will be asked to re-submit their entry. Trained facilitators are sourced by Ulster GAA to assess clubs in a fair and informal manner. Currently Ulster GAA are looking for additional Facilitators with training scheduled for Saturday 8th September 2012. If you have experience of serving on a club or county committee, and would like to become a Club Maith Facilitator please contact Ulster GAA on maura.kelly.ulster@gaa.ie

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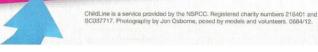


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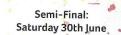
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In the pursuit of long term player development and the player pathway to performance Comhairle Uladh CLG, through the work of the Third Level **Development Officer Gary** Mallon have been partners with Further Education Colleges and County Boards in setting up and delivering Gaelic academies. These academies have allowed GAA players to develop their talents while continuing their education. Starting with one college we now currently have 6 colleges involved.

South Regional College and Armagh County Board led the way back in 2008 and even brought the players to Malta for warm weather training in 2009. Since then Cavan College of F.E, Monaghan IT, Letterkenny IT Donegal, South West College Enniskillen and North West Regional College Derry have teamed up with their respective County Boards and taken advantage of this unique opportunity.

In September 2012 these academies will take a new approach, North Regional College Magherafelt have partnered with Derry GAA with the help of Chris Collins, Derry Games Development Manager and are offering students places on a Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport, equivalent to 3 A Levels. This will consist of a group of talented GAA players forming 1 class, and will allow players to develop their skills

and gain a nationally recognised qualification, as well as NGB awards. They will also get the opportunity to work in outreach work in local schools, and bring all these skills and knowledge back to their clubs.

The other Counties, Further Education Colleges and Institutes were not to be out done and are currently drawing up timetables and planning for next term at this moment with the intention of offering an academic qualification.

The academy course will offer modules such as principles of anatomy, physiology of sport, physiology of fitness, sports psychology, rules and officiating, lifestyle management in addition to developing practical and coaching skills.

This is a 2 year course, and player students will have attained the qualification as well as having trained and played together as a team in College competitions thus vastly enhancing them individually with the skills of the game along with attaining the ability to coach the skills to others, and instilling team ethers.

If you are serious about playing Gaelic games and wish to further your education why not look up your regional college of Further Education and give yourself a chance to play at the top level a College and County.





Colm Cavanagh

For Club & County

Name: Colm Cavanagh. Club: Moy. Favourite position: Midfield. Favourite pitch: Field of Dreams, Moy. Hobbies: Films, Golf, Snooker. Childhood hero: Peter Canavan. Best player you have played with: Anthony Rafferty (Best two feet about). Best player you have played against: Niall Kelly,

a real jersey hugger. Best game you have been involved in: Moy V Omagh Minors 2005 Championship Semi Final. Best game you have ever seen: Tyrone V Armagh 2005 (Great Bus Journey home).

Ronan McNabb. Worst trainer within the squad: Aidy McCrory, (never off the physio table).

Best trainer within the squad:

Worst training drill: Envelopes. Pet hate: Cutting Cones (Dermy Carlin is shocking for it).

Best motivator within the squad: Stephen McNally a real vocalist.

Pre match meal: Depends if there is anything left after Mattie Donnelly gets his meal. Any superstitions: Championship Haircut.

Favourite song: ACDC

Thunderstruck.

Favourite film: The American. Favourite holiday destination:

Favourite drink: Water. Favourite meal: Moy Chinese (Big Jeff throws up great cuisine). Favourite book: Alan Sugar -What You See Is What You Get. Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own: I keep being told that I am a Fianna man so I'll go with Coalisland. Which county do you like to see

do well apart from your own: Monaghan.

Advice for youngsters:

Train Hard and stay committed. Young player within your club to look out for: Harry Loughran. If you won the Lotto:

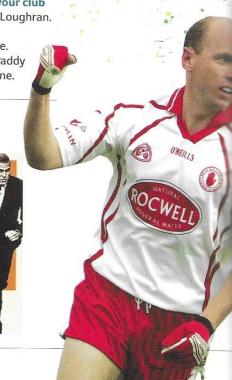
I would buy a racehorse. Aim for 2012: I'll Let Paddy Power weigh up that one.

Best thing about the GAA:

Community Spirit & Friendships.









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