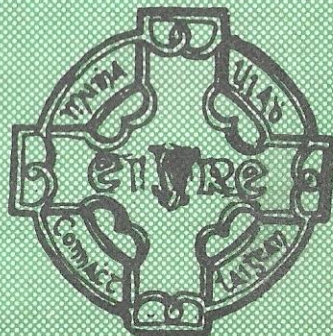


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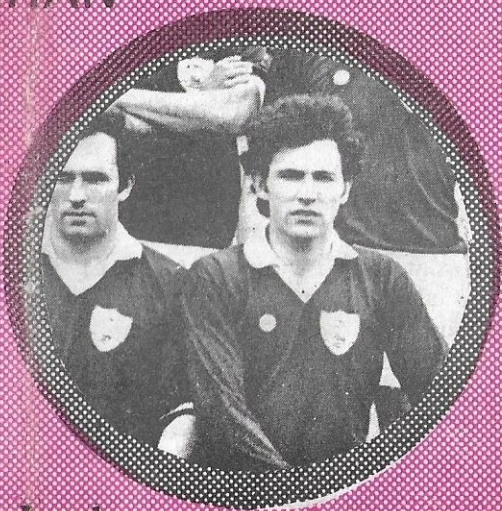
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MINOR FOOTBALL
GALWAY V DERRY
REFEREE P. KAVAGHAN

MEATH 2.00 P.M.
WILLWOOD -
TAILTEANN
UNDER 16 -
HURLING FINAL
REFEREE
M. SHERIDAN
DUBLIN 12.30 P.M.



30 P.

John Sheehy Oifigiúil Luach

MAGNIFICENT SEVEN

The emergence of Donegal from Ulster has added a fabulous and refreshing air to this year's senior football race. The men from the land of the O'Neills and O'Donnells come with a rapidly growing reputation as one of the coming forces in Gaelic Football and the only thing which remains to be proved is that they can overcome the "Croke Park Jitters" which has afflicted far too many Ulster sides in recent years. The feeling is that the present Donegal side will clear that obstacle and do so in style. The Donegal resurgence began with last year's Under-21 all-Ireland triumph, a major first for a Donegal side. They have not looked back since and, with seven of the victorious Under-21 side in their panel spirits are remarkably high. None of that magnificent seven have figured on a losing championship side for over a year now and that must surely boost the already rising confidence in the Donegal camp. Winning can become a habit and even the most testing occasion can become less than a chore when ones tails are up.

ENTHRALLED

This year Donegal served due warning to all and sundry that they meant business when they shocked hot favourites Armagh in the first round of the Ulster title race. That was back in mid-June and their margin of victory was 1-10 to 0-7, a handsome margin against a side which was not expected to be unduly troubled by the wearers of the green and gold. In blustery and showery conditions at Ballybofey 8,000 people were enthralled at the manner in which Donegal took the game to Armagh and even more impressed at the confidence of the side. With the wily and highly experienced Seamus Bonner leading the young stars of the county a new name emerged as a hero on the day. That was wing forward Martin McHugh who contributed five of the points but, more impressively, gave an ultra stylish performance. It was one of the most exciting displays seen at the venue for a long, long time.

DONEGAL, A NEW FORCE?

With Charlie Mulgrew and Brendan Dunleavy benefitting from the works of advice dished out by Bonner and McHugh's great showing to the fore - he had to retire after 43 minutes through injury - the stage was set for further progress. On 17th June it was Monaghan's turn to feel the full blast of Tir Connail. At Irvinestown Donegal won by 1-14 to 1-9 and suddenly people began to feel that, perhaps, we were witnessing a new force akin to the Down side of the 1960's. And the win was achieved without the services of the brilliant McHugh who decided to rest his injured hip on the night before the game. And to add even more glitter to the win bright stars Dessie Mulligan and Kevin Treanor had to receive pain-killing injections before the match. No wonder Donegal are making such an impression on the populace at large. And to add to the list of impressive doings was the fact that Donegal twice hit the post in the first half and had a goal disallowed.

CAVAN FRUSTRATED AT CLONES



1980

THE DONEGAL SENIOR TEAM beaten by Tyrone in the Championship. Front row—S. Harper, B. Dunleavy, M. Lafferty, F. Ward, C. Murphy, S. Reilly, P. Carr. Standing—J. Brennan, H. McClafferty, K. Keeney, S. Bonnar, N. McCole, M. Carr, S. Flynn, M. Griffin.

HOW THE TEAMS LINE OUT AN

SENIOR FOOTBALL TEAMS SUNDAY A

GALWAY			COLOURS:
	1) P. Coyne (goalkeeper)		Maroon/White
2) J. Hughes (Right Full)	3) S. Kinneavy (Full Back)	4) M. Coleman (Left Full)	
5) P. O'Neill (Right Half)	6) P. Lee (Centre Half)	7) S. McHugh (Left Half)	
	8) B. Talty (Midfield Players)	9) R. Lee (Midfield Players)	
10) P. Kelly (R. Half Fwd.)	11) V. Daly (Centre Fwd.)	12) B. O'Donnell (L. Half Fwd.)	
13) T. Naughton (R. Corner Fwd.)	14) V. McManus (Full Fwd.)	15) S. Joyce (L. Corner Fwd.)	

SUBS: N. HYNES, P. CONNELLY, T. TIERNEY, B. JOYCE,
M. BRENNAN, M. JUDGE, J. COLEMAN, J. TOBIN.

DONEGAL			COLOURS:
	1) N. McCole (goalkeeper)		GREEN/GOLD
2) T. McDermott (Right Full)	3) M. Griffin (Full Back)	4) D. Newton (Left Full)	
5) B. Dunleavy (Right Half)	6) M. Lafferty (Centre Half)	7) M. Carr (Left Half)	
	8) A. Molloy (Midfield Players)	9) P. McGettigan (Midfield Players)	
10) D. Reid (R. Half Fwd.)	11) C. Mulgrew (Centre Fwd.)	12) J. McMullan (L. Half Fwd.)	
13) M. McHugh (R. Corner Fwd.)	14) S. Bonner (Full Fwd.)	15) K. Keaney (L. Corner Fwd.)	

SUBS: E. McINTYRE, S. GAVIGAN, F. RUSHE, M. GALLAGHER,
P. CARR, F. LYNCH, S. MEEHAN, B. TUOHY,
D. McGETTIGAN, P. McCREA, G. WALSH, S. REILLY.

ANY CHANGES IN THE TEAMS WILL BE

POSITIONS OF PLAYERS WITH NUMBERS

GUST 14th 1983

MINOR FOOTBALL TEAMS

GALWAY

		<u>COLOURS:</u> MAROON/WHITE
1) M. McNamara (Goalkeeper)		
2) J. Fallon (Capt) (Right Full)	3) W. Forkan (Full Back)	4) D. Walsh (Left Full)
5) E. Kyne (Right Half)	6) T. Greaney (Centre Half)	7) P. Malone (Left Half)
	8) M. Barrett	9) T. Higgins (Midfield Players)
10) J. McDonogh (R.Half Fwd.)	11) A. Rowe (Centre Fwd.)	12) R. Flaherty (L.Half Fwd.)
13) M. Gavin (R.Corner Fwd.)	14) P. Murphy (Full Fwd.)	15) D. Canavan (L.Corner Fwd.)

SUBS: M. TIERNEY, A. L'CONNOR, P. DAVIN, B. BURKE, D. JOYCE,
D. COOKE, P. MURPHY, M. RUANE, D. DUGGAN.

DERRY

		<u>COLOURS:</u> WHITE/RED
1) D. Kelly (Goalkeeper)		
2) P. O'Donnell (Right Full)	3) P. Bradley (Full Back)	4) P. McGrellan (Left Full)
5) R. Conway (Right Half)	6) B. Kealy (Centre Half)	7) N. Mullan (Left Half)
	8) K. Barton	9) P. Young (Midfield Players)
10) D. McNichol (R.Half Fwd.)	11) J. McGurk (Centre Fwd.)	12) D. Cassidy (L.Half Fwd.)
13) C. McNichol (R.Corner Fwd.)	14) E. Lynch (Full Fwd.)	15) T. McKiernan (L.Corner Fwd.)

SUBS: D. McCUSKER, P. McERIAIN, S. WALL C. McGOVERN, B. YOUNG,
E. McELHINNEY, D. MACKLE, E. McGRIBBEN.

Now Donegal were into the Ulster final for the first time since 1979 and a rejuvenated Cavan were the opposition. Perhaps Donegal were just "coming" the men in Breffni blue when Seamus Bonner said, "Even if we loose on Sunday to Cavan this young side will be back again next year". Well, it is history now that Donegal were the side to emerge with the Ulster crown in their grasp and for the third time only in their history. Cavan were frustrated in their ambitions by 1-14 to 1-11 and the men from the Northwest were cook o' the north with delight! It was a fiercely competitive game, a sign that should serve as a warning to Galway today that this young side are in no mood to be intimidated and care little for reputations. Today Donegal are poised to enter their first all-Ireland final ever at senior level. The next 70 minutes could be the most momentous so far in Gaelic football history. Only Galway can thwart a dream that a year ago seemed less than impossible.

GALWAY QUIETLY CONFIDENT

Galway have their own ambitions about what the destination of the Sam Maguire cup will be this year and they don't aim to allow anyone to influence their decision in the matter. For a long time now people have been whispering that this is to be the Connacht mens year. And all the soft voices come from the western province. Even some experts in Kerry have said that Galway are the side to watch, the dark horses. But their path to today's semi-final was hardly marked by what is usually described as "scintillating performances". If they do have the potential of champions it has not surfaced yet. But, like the careful connoisseur they could be keeping the good wine to the end. Let us take the Connacht semi-final against Leitrim for example. If it hadn't been for a couple of extremely precious points from the boot of 24 year old Barry Brennan the men from the west might not have been represented by Galway at all today. "Lucky? We were blessed to win that one" was how the honest Barry saw his sides narrow escape after the game. It was a summing up that few Galway people contradicted. And, as a well known scribe wrote the next day: "This lack-lustre Galway team's only resemblance to the side which had run subsequent champions Offaly so close in last year's final was in the colour of their famed maroon jerseys". Again nobody out west could deny that fact. But, in spite of that, Galway remain quietly confident of making it to the final. There was no power or penetration either at midfield or up front, though, to justify such an attitude if one is to judge by the Leitrim game. A paucity of ideas and a semi-committed attitude are by no means the ingredients of a side seeking success at the highest level. Tomas Tierney, Pdraig Kelly and Gay McManus took too long to assert their authority and nearly paid for it.

WHOLEHEARTED EFFORT

It was the same against Mayo in the Connacht final in mid-July. Galway had to withstand a really spirited rally from Mayo and went on to win the title by 1-13 to 1-10. A game of whole-hearted effort and,

What's wrong with Galway Football?

The following is the best of answers most commonly given to the question above.

1. It's the Football Board. They haven't a clue. They can't even make fixtures.
2. It's the Management Team. Some of those selectors never kicked a ball. They wouldn't recognise a good football if they saw one.
3. It's the players themselves. They haven't the talent. They're second rate. They don't work that hard at their game. They all take a drink.
4. It's the general lack of organisation. Matches postponed; Teams not turning up; No referee; Matches starting late; Not having a full team.
5. It's all the other games especially Soccer. If its not soccer its golf or tennis or rugby or squash—any game will do nowadays.
6. It's the rough play, the fighting and the injuries. You get fed up with that sort of thing.

Before reading on would you tick off the right answer or answers.

If you have ticked off the answer you will



realise that it was not that easy to decide. The question of what is wrong with Galway football, whether that is football in general or the County team in particular, is not an easy one. It is **hard** to give a single positive reply. The question **must** be looked at in the broad context of the **present** lifestyle and compared to the circumstances which existed in the sixties when Galway football was at its peak. What is the attraction of playing Gaelic football for your club or your County

Does it differ from the 1960's. What are these differences and how can we adjust to them in order that we may be able to make our game more attractive to the young people of this new decade.

Society has changed significantly since 1960

How?

1. More young people drink regularly. It's an **easier** way to get a feeling of relaxation. But it softens and brings the pain barrier nearer. All our games are on Sunday—the day after Saturday night.
2. There are many **alternative** sports today, in many parts of the county. If you remember the sixties you had no alternative. These new sports are attractive:
 - (a) Most of them have no bodily contact;
 - (b) They can be played regularly all year.



● Sean Doherty
(Dublin)



● Sean O'Neill
(Down)



● Mick O'Dwyer
(Kerry)

The ever-changing face of Gaelic football

GAELIC football, like life, is ever changing. Men wore a different cut of clothes in every decade of the century and playing gear styles went from the long togs to the track-suits of today, which in turn will look corny to the men of twenty years hence. All these, however, are only the externals. Fundamentally, there is no great change in the men who wear the clothes and the same human attributes of brains, guts, skill and emotional control — put them in the order you desire — are still the essence of the winning team.

How has football changed and are we poised now for another great variation on an old theme?

For seven finals from 1926 Kerry or Kildare or both, took the field at Croke Park. Kerry played a high-fetching, long-kicking game, with great skill (they tell me), polishing off their successful style with a weaving pattern of combined play for which Purty Landers, Miko Doyle and Jacky Ryan were famous. Kildare, for whom Matt Goff, Jack Higgins, Frank Malone

and Larry Stanley could fetch and drive as well as any, also introduced a slick, speedy type of hand-passing at which they excelled and drove sides, not practised in it, around the bend.

From the mid-thirties on, when I had plenty chance of assessing, though youth and a deep enthusiasm for the game aren't always the best aids to judgement, the type of game played by Cavan, Kerry, Galway, Mayo and Laois was generally a combination of the effective high-fetch, long-kick and fast inter-play of forwards. It was generally a strong, hard game, where solo running and hand-passing was the icing, but the cake was the fundamentals of accuracy and gaining possession.

From '39 on to 1960 the teams that set the style were Meath, Kerry, Galway, Dublin, Roscommon, Cork, Cavan, Mayo, Louth, Armagh and Derry. I saw no great change in those years except for the development and abolition of the hand-pass. The Northern sides first bamboozled all of us with the hand-pass in the early forties and men like Kevin Armstrong, Harry O'Neill

and Alf Murray showed wonderful ball-control, great speed and lightning skill in throwing the ball around.

It was in '46 that a semi-final between Antrim and Kerry in Croke Park saw the showdown between the solo-running, ball-throwing, forward line and the resolute backs. A lot of men were hit hard and often and returned the compliment. It was decided that hand-passing as it was being practised was provocative and Antrim themselves advocated its abolition.

So the game went back to the more traditional and indeed more effective type of scoring from forty to twenty-five yards with the usual type of goal to fill the other column on the score-board.

Dublin did play the solo-running, hand-passing style more than the rest in the fifties but the defeat by high-fetching, point-kicking Kerry in '55 seemed a fair test of the two styles.

Down introduced a new standard in 1960 when their splendid team won two-in-a-row, with very little experience of Croke Park. Their game was again a terrific combination of the high fetch, the smart hand or foot-pass and the solo-run, and above all the sharp shot for goal or point from the right distance.

Kerry, Dublin, the three-in-a-row Galway side, Meath, Down, and, Offaly took us right up to '73. Again I saw no great change in the game and the hard necessities, fetching, straight kicking, fast running, solo and fist-pass did the trick for the good team when these skills were based on the vehicle of hardy men; whose bodies or hearts or both were of adequate size.

at times, no little skill, could have gone either way. But Galway triumphed and are here today to do battle with the "unknowns" from Ulster. It should be an interesting and no less revealing exercise for all concerned.

JOE SAMMON

He has been described by some authorities as, "A man for all seasons". The Fr. Griffin's club man has contributed enormously to the fabric of Galway football since the early 1970'S. As early as 1966 he was fast building a reputation for himself as a man of unusual talents and it was in the Connacht final of that year that he first emerged as a real match-winner for the men in maroon. On that side with the comparative newcomer Sammon were such notaries as Seamus Leydon, Cyril Dunne and Jimmy Duggan. He was soon to shine even brighter than that galaxy of football genius.

ALERT BRAIN

Against Meath in that year's all-Ireland final he lined out at right full forward in his first ever all-Ireland appearance and he made a brilliant goal for his side. He collected the ball from a Meath kick-out and cutely began the move that ended with Mattie McDonagh scoring what proved to be a crucial goal. Had it not been for the alert brain of Sammon that score might never have come about. That score put Galway 1-4 to nil ahead and they went on to win by 1-10 to 0-7. Those were the days when Galway football was at its brilliant best. Illustrious names and magnificent games were the order of the day whenever they played and the young Sammon was soon to slot in to the side as though to the manner born. Liam won honours at minor, junior and Under-21 level and played his first senior inter-county match in 1965 when Galway played Mayo in a challenge game. He was so versatile that he played in almost every forward position and was an exceptionally good midfielder. It was in that position which he adopted that his non-stop style and ceaseless running were to benefit Galway so much. His deft touches and chance creating abilities wreaked havoc on many a bewildered opposition defence. But the early 1970's were days of decidedly mixed fortunes for Sammon and Galway footballers. And easily the most galling experience was the losing of three all-Ireland finals in four years around that period. However, such was the brilliance of the man that he was signally honoured away from the Sam Maguire arena in the Shape of the Carrolls All-Star side. When it was first selected in 1971 he was chosen at midfield and was again picked again two years later. He also was a very successful club man and picked up six Connacht championship medals between 1966 and 1974. And he was a wonderful trainer in his time with the Galway side.

DONEGAL STARS

CONNACHT TITLE-HOLDERS, GALWAY



The Galway team which beat Leitrim in the Connacht Championship semi-final in Carrick-on-Shannon. Back row, (on chair): Mattie Coleman, Brian O'Donnell, Richie Lee, Peter Coyne, Val Daly, Stephen Kinneavy, Gay McManus, Tomas Tierney. Front row: Barry Brennan, Pat O'Neill, Stephen Joyce, Seamus McHugh, Brian Taity, Peter Lee and Johnny Hughes.

Donegal have never had a lack of real stars and we review a number of their top men in this piece. Donal Monaghan, a tenacious and competent defender, had great cause for joy when Donegal won the Ulster title against Down in 1974. Not only did he inspire the side to victory he also picked up the first ever Player of the Match award in an Ulster title decider. And with good reason. Donal signalled the new breed of Donegal footballer. Tough, tenacious, committed and caring nothing for the tradition which said that

Donegal would never make the grade at senior level he went into battle with the green and gold jersey very much pinned to his heart. And he was selected for the Carrolls All-Stars side a few months after that great performance against Down and was the only Ulster player chosen on the select panel. That made him unique in the annals of the game. He played minor, junior and Under-21 football for Donegal and made his senior inter-county debut in 1969.

POTENT FORCE

Going back further in time we recall two great stalwarts of Donegal in the 1940's. Hughie Beag Gallagher and Columba McDwyer were so valuable that they were both picked on the Ulster Railway Cup side of 1942 at a time when Donegal football was far from being the potent force it is today. Not only did they distinguish themselves in the series but they also helped to bring the Railway Cup to Ulster for the first time. And it was Columba McDwyer's fantastic work rate in the centre of the field which paved the way for this belated success. At top of the left Gallagher, in his incisive and accurate fashion, ran the proverbial rings round the opposing defenders and set up the scoring chances for his province.

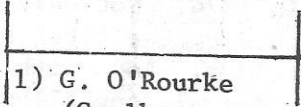
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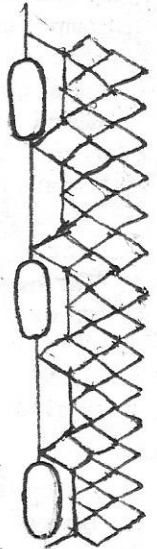
Into the bargain he scored Ulster's only goal on that memorable occasion. But that wasn't the end of McDwyer. Five years later he was still inspiring his colleagues but this time he wore the blue of Cavan. He was on the Cavan side which won that unforgettable all-Ireland final of 1947 at the Polo Grounds, New York when Kerry were defeated by the men from Breffni. Cavan, led by the late, great John Joe O'Reilly, have a lot to be thankful for to Columba McDwyer. And Ballyshannon-born Martin Carney also carved

his own special niche in the record books. In 1973 he was a member of the Combined Universities side which won the Railway Cup for the only time and later played for some unsuccessful Ulster Railway Cup sides. He was carrying on the tradition of versatility set by McDwyer. It was Carney's sparkling ability which played such an important part in Donegal's big break-through in Ulster in 1972. In 1975 he almost single handedly destroyed Derry in the Dr. McKenna Cup final and scored nine memorable points. There was just no answer to him that day as Derry discovered.

**WILLWOOD TAILTEANN
UNDER 16 HURLING FINAL
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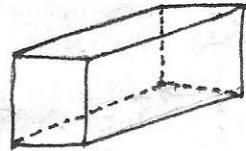
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Green/Gold |
| 1) G. O'Rourke
(Goalkeeper) | 3) C. Harte
(Full Back) | 4) R. Kellegher
(Right Back) | |
| 2) M. Moran
(Right Full) | 6) B. Beirne
(Centre Half) | 7) P. Murray
(Left Half) | |
| 5) M. Nolan
(Right Half) | 8) C. Mahon 9) M. Hynes
(Midfield Players) | | |
| 10) D. O'Brien
(R. Half Fwd.) | 11) P. Galvin
(Centre Fwd.) | 12) D. McKeon
(L. Half Fwd.) | |
| 13) A. Dockery
(R. Corner Fwd.) | 14) J. Casey
(Full Fwd.) | 15) N. Keeley
(L. Corner Fwd.) | |



SUBS: B. HENNELLY, RORY BLAINE, G. DOCKERY, F. REYNOLDS,
F. REYNOLDS, S. GUIHEN, J. DOLAN, T. EGAN,
M. MORAHAN, P. CULLEN, K. MURRAY, L. NOONE.

OWING TO INJURY PROBLEMS THE LONGFORD HURLING
TEAM WILL BE SELECTED FROM PANEL OF 25 PLAYERS:

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| J. MULVILL | J. MURPHY | F. JONES |
| M. MONAHON | F. KELLY | C. COSTELLOE |
| V. FORDE | P. O'SHEA | J. KEARNS |
| A. FLYNN | P. JUDGE | M. BOOTH |
| L. SWEENEY | J. GALLAGHER | T. O'BRIEN |
| J. KELLY | P. WHITE | R. RICE |
| D. McCORMACK | F. MORAN | T. LARKIN |
| M. McMAMARA | J. DOYLE | R. MURRAY |



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