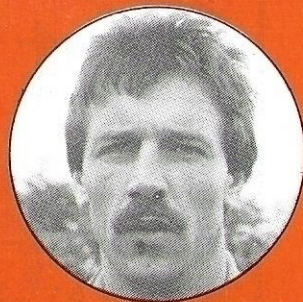


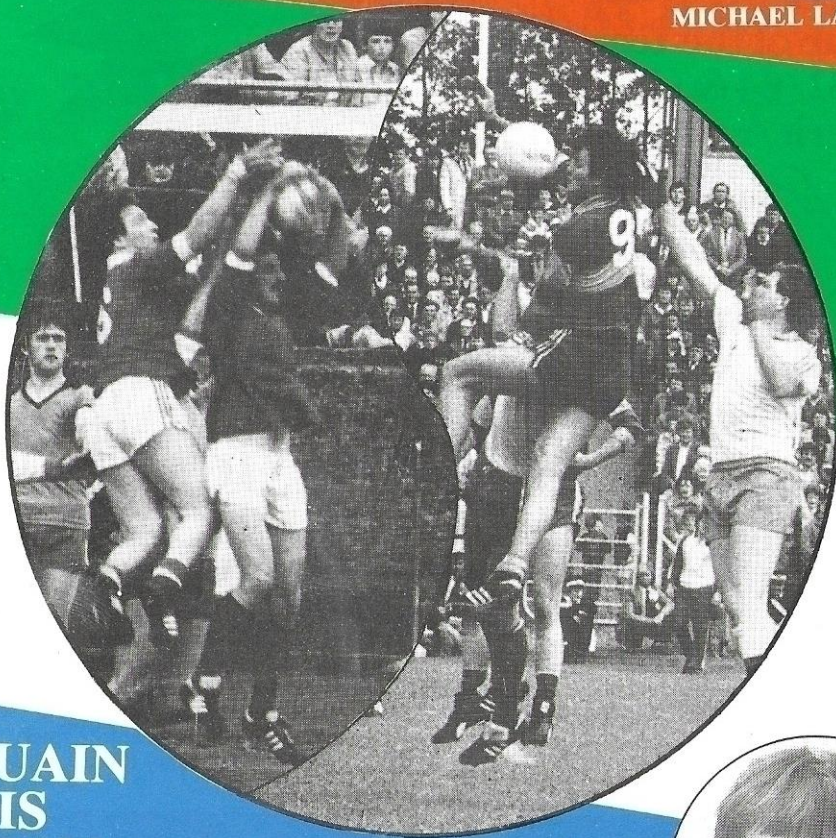
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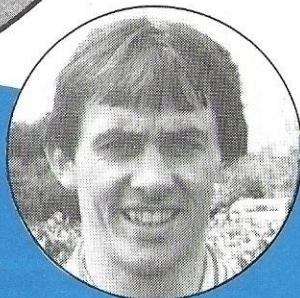
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MINOR FINAL :

DOIRE v. MUINEACHÁN

2.00 p.m.

Réiteoir : John A. Gribben (An Dún)

Maoir Cúil : Damian Campbell (Fear Manach)

Jack Furey (Dún na nGall)

Vincent Savage (Ard Mhacha)

Jim Cooney (An Cabhan)

Maoir Line : Jim McCorry (Cabhán)

Eamonn Mullan (Tir Eoin)

SENIOR FINAL (70 minutes) :

AN CABHAN v. DUN NA nGALL

3.30 p.m.

Réiteoir : John Gough (Aontroim)

Maoir Cúil : Terry McKee (Ard Mhacha)

Michael McAllister (Doire)

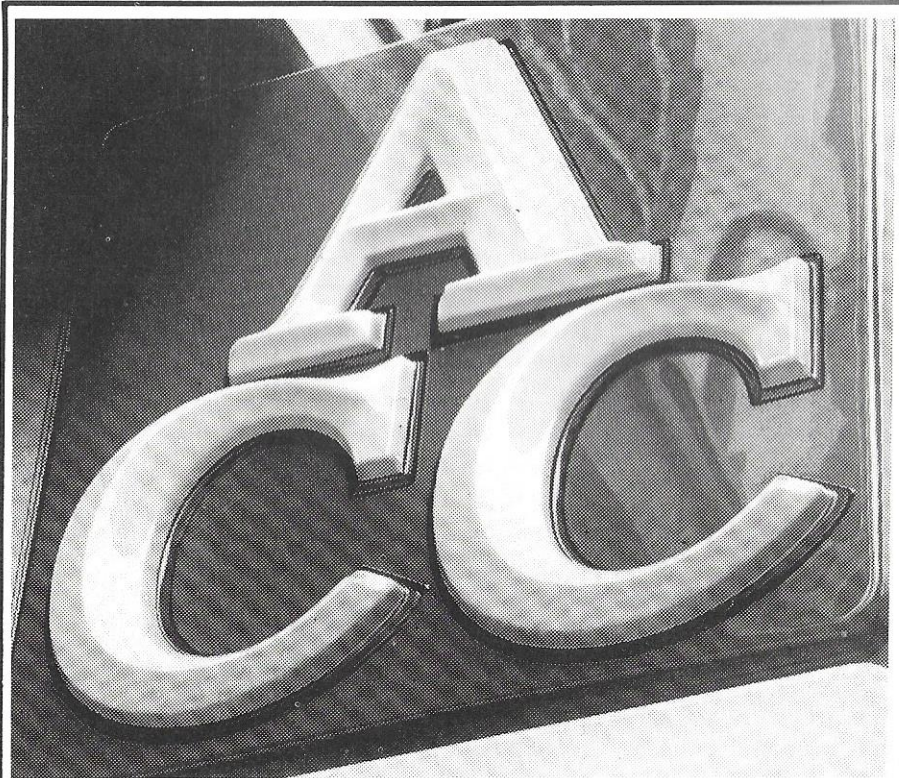
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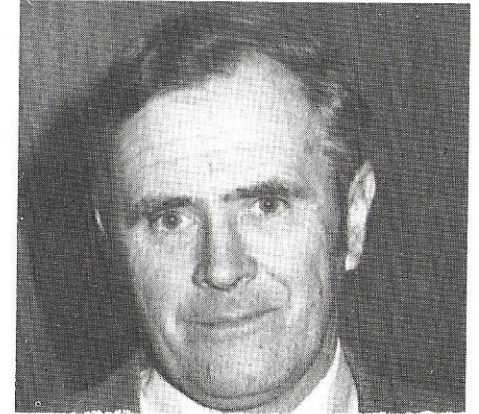
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Ulster Final Day is with us once more — a great day for the G.A.A. fans of the Province at home and abroad. It is a day that brings happy memories for all of us down through the years — a day of joy, happiness and normality in a province that has seen many days it wishes to forget during the last Century.

I welcome Cavan and Donegal, two counties steeped in the lore and traditions of the G.A.A. It is hard to believe that these great counties never before met in an Ulster Final. Derry and Monaghan minors are also here today. I wish them well and express the hope that before long they will be back here representing their counties at senior level. I also welcome the referees, linesmen, officials and stewards and all who help in the efficient running of this great occasion. Above all I welcome you, the supporters from the four corners of Ulster. You are the real hidden



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strength of the G.A.A., the people who have made it grow and flourish over the last century.

By the time next year's Ulster Final comes along we will be well into our Centenary year. If you have not already done so, I ask the Clubs to make their plans to celebrate the Centenary. It is our privilege to be around in the Centenary Year. Let us celebrate it with pride, joy and dignity, grateful to the great men who have gone before us and confident in our own future.

I hope that today's Finals will make this a memorable day for everyone and that we will witness games that will illustrate all that is best and exciting in Gaelic Football.

Buiochas

Comhairle Uladh, C.L.G. wishes to thank Very Rev. D. Gallogly, An Cabhan, Rev. S. O Gallchoir, Dun na nGall, Conn Short, Iar-Uachtaran, and Seamus McCloskey, Muineachan, who contributed articles and John McGlinchey, Doire, and John McAvinney, Muineachan, who provided photographs for to-day's programme.

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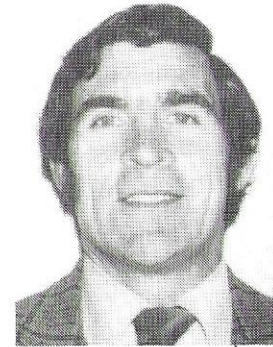


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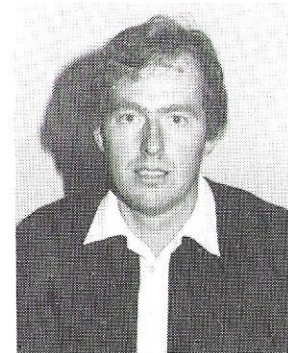
**John Gough
(Antrim)**

Today's Senior Referee has a long and distinguished playing career with both club and county. As a member of St. John's (Belfast), he won

County and Provincial Club Championship trophies in both codes although, like many Antrim people, his first love has always been hurling. Successes achieved with his county included Minor Championships in both football and hurling and a McKenna Cup medal. As County Youth Officer he was responsible for the management of county minor teams for four years.

It was during a period as club secretary that he developed an interest in refereeing and whilst the initial motivation may have been to fulfil club commitments, he quickly found that he derived great satisfaction — refereeing became an extension of his playing career, something he would strongly recommend to players approaching the end of their playing days.

For the past three years he has been Chairman of Antrim Referees and has been responsible for recruitment, training and guidance. Has refereed County Finals in both codes and been on National League panel (as a dual referee) for a number of years. Refereed last year's McKenna Cup Final.



Minor Final

**John A. Gribben
(Down)**

John Anthony Gribben, aged 33 years, began his refereeing career in 1971 when he officiated at a South Down U-16 League game between Rostrevor and Kilcoo. He has refereed many inter-county league and championship games, including the 1975 Ulster Minor Final (Cavan v. Tyrone), an Ulster Senior Championship game (Antrim v. Monaghan) in 1978 and his most notable National League engagement was the Armagh v. Roscommon game in 1979. The efficient Clonduff official has served as secretary of the Down Referees' Committee for the past five years and was "the man in the middle" for a host of Down Championship finals:—Minor '73, Junior '74, '82, Senior '75, '78, '81; U-16 '77.

John Anthony was honoured as "South Down Referee of the Year" in 1974 and "Down Referee of the Year, 1982".

Cavan Senior Team



Back row (left to right): M. Faulkner, D. McDonnell, J. McAweeney, D. O'Reilly, D. Finnegan, D. Donohoe, A. King, R. Cullivan. Front row (left to right): M. Lynch, J. Dillon, F. Dolan, J. Reilly, E. Kiernan, P. McNamee and T. Brady.

Cavan . . . A Great Tradition

Up until the mid-'fifties an Ulster final without Cavan was a rarity. Between 1931 and 1949 they were Ulster champions seventeen times—1931-'37, 1939-'45, 1947-'49. They dominated the Ulster scene and the only counties able to provide a challenge to this dominance were Monaghan and to a lesser extent Armagh. The Ulster championship was a formality. In 1928 Cavan were unlucky to be beaten by Kildare in their first Senior All-Ireland appearance by a single point scored near the end after Kildare had earlier been awarded a doubtful goal.

There was abroad in Ulster the idea that an Ulster team would never win anything, that they were out of their depth in Croke Park. This feeling of inadequacy was prevalent in Ulster since the early days of the GAA. In the early 'twenties after Cavan had been beaten twice by Kerry, again after some questionable refereeing, there was a feeling that the Munster dominated GAA didn't want Ulster teams in the final as they were a poor draw.

The hard luck story continued into the 'thirties. In 1931 Cavan reached the final of the National League for the first time against Kerry but were again beaten by a Micko Doyle point in the dying seconds of the game and after one of their defenders had scored an own goal.

Cavan put Ulster football on the map, on 27 August, 1933, before a record attendance of 17,111 at Breifne Park when they defeated Kerry

who were bidding for their fifth All-Ireland in a row. That late goal by Vincent McGovern when the teams were level with five minutes to go was the most important in Cavan football history. It launched Cavan into the big-time. Willie Young, Jimmy Smith, Big Tom O'Reilly, Packie Phair, Packie Devlin, Louis Blessing, Hughie Reilly, Mel Dinneney, became household names in Ulster.

The province claimed them as their representatives in a special way. Letters of encouragement poured in from Down, Belfast, Donegal, offering words of advice on how to beat Galway in the final. The papers told the story in their headlines the following day: 'Record Crowd 45,188', 'Cavan Bring Cup to Ulster'. It was the beginning of a new era in Ulster football and while Cavan would continue to dominate Ulster for many years to come it gave new hope to the others and to beat Cavan became a new challenge.

Cavan's style of football which combined high fielding, direct purposeful kicking with clever hand-passing, was the recipe for success outside the province.

The fact that Cavan won the Ulster championship so early was a disadvantage. They appeared in Croke Park with a virtually untried team and weaknesses that would have shown up in a hard provincial campaign were not seen until the semi-final stage. This goes some distance in explaining why Cavan were beaten in so many

semi-finals. Despite the fact that they won the Ulster championship twenty-five times between 1920 and 1955, yet they only appeared in ten All-Ireland finals.

Winning the Railway Cup in 1942 for the first time and again in 1943 was another break through for Ulster football. They could now compete with the best in Munster or Leinster. Players Kevin Armstrong (Antrim), J. McCullough (Armagh) and Alf Murray (Armagh), Vincent Duffy (Monaghan) teamed up with six Cavanmen Brendan Kelly, Barney Cully, Big Tom O'Reilly, Gerry Smith, John Joe O'Reilly, T. P. O'Reilly, Simon Deignan, for a memorable success.

By 1946 Cavan had been Ulster Champions for seven successive years. They were beaten by Roscommon in the 1943 final after a replay and again by Cork in 1945. What a shock they got in Clones from a brand new Antrim team in the Ulster Final in 1946. This was a superbly-fit Antrim team that dazzled and flatfooted Cavan with dashing solo runs and quick, clever passing. This was something new, refreshing and as far as

Cavan was concerned, unexpected in Ulster football.

Antrim chalked up 1-3 in the first five minutes and were ahead 2-8 to 1-7 at full-time. It was the shock of the decade in Ulster. It remained to be seen if Antrim could uphold the honour of Ulster against Kerry in the semi-final. Would Cavan's record of being the only team to represent Ulster with success still hold. Kerry won by 2-7 to 0-10.

The clashes between Antrim and Cavan for the remainder of the 'forties made the Ulster final. The Antrim spectators brought a new dimension to Clones and the 'hill' was the place to be or not to be on the last Sunday in July, depending on the mood of the rival spectators. It took two hard games for Cavan to get over a good Monaghan team in the first round of the Ulster championship. They were taking no chances with Antrim this time and for the first time ever they went into full-time training.

Over 30,000 spectators braved torrential rain in Clones to see one of the best Ulster finals ever. This time it was Cavan's turn to open on a bright note. They tore the Antrim backs to shreds with

direct football and led by 9 points after 15 minutes. But the game was far from over. Antrim fought back to score 1-4 against 0-2 for Cavan in a second half that was a thriller. Cavan eventually won by 3-4 to 1-6. Cavan had gained sweet revenge and went on to win the All-Ireland in 1947, '48 and were beaten in 1949.

This was the decade of the great Cavan half-forward line of Tighe, Higgins and T. P. O'Reilly—the great place-kicking of Peter Donohoe; Joe Stafford's snap goals; the great half-back line of Duke, John Joe and Simon Deignan; and Phil 'The Gunner' Brady, a great midfielder.

Antrim were unfortunate to be around when Cavan had such an excellent team. They deserved more than one Ulster championship.

The next Ulster county to challenge Cavan's supremacy was Armagh in 1951 and 1952. In 1952 they went near to bringing the Sam Maguire across the border for the first time. That unfortunate miss from a penalty near the end which, if scored, would have given them their first All-Ireland, still haunts both the Armagh team and spectators of the day.

In the mid-'fifties Tyrone threw down the gauntlet to Cavan in 1956 and '57. Although beaten in the All-Ireland semi-finals their fine showing was indicative of rising standards in Ulster.

The early 'sixties belonged to Down. They brought to Ulster an new glamour and excitement, a new style of football that fired the imagination. Paddy Doherty, Sean O'Neill, Joe Lennon, Leo Murphy, Patsy O'Hagan were new names from a county with little tradition in Ulster championships. In the 1960 All-Ireland all Ulster were behind them just as they were behind Cavan in 1933. Down brought back the Sam Maguire and did it again in 1961.

Cavan's record of being the only team able to represent Ulster outside the province was gone. Cavan admired Down just as so many Ulster counties had admired them for so long. Games between Down and Cavan, even challenges were well contested and drew big crowds. Cavan were not prepared to relinquish their throne in Ulster without a fight. The old pride was still there.

In Casement Park, 1962, it was Cavan who dethroned Down as Ulster champions by 3-6 to 0-5. The great Down team, now perhaps tired, only managed five points for the hour. It was two goals by new-comer Jimmie Stafford that destroyed Down that day. They beat Down again in the Ulster final of 1964, 1967 and 1969 when they won it for the last time.

Cavan's appearances in Ulster finals have been very few since 1970. Their followers, now tired of defeat, ask why? It is easy to find simplistic answers—lack of dedication, over-socialising, too much drinking. While all these may be subsidiary causes of Cavan's decline, the side effects of persistent defeat as much as the cause of it, the real reason is more deep-rooted. Cavan suffered a massive decline in population especially from rural areas in the late 'forties and 'fifties and the effects did not begin to show until the 'sixties. Cavan football was always rural based and still is. Thirteen of the team doing duty today come from rural backgrounds and this was always the case.

Ulster football has been all the poorer because of their going as a force in the 1970s. Every true follower of the game will welcome them back to Clones today. The come bringing a great tradition that may have grown thin over the last fifteen years but even the measure of success they have achieved so far this year has shown signs of re-activating that tradition. It may well be the dawn of a new era in Cavan and Ulster football.

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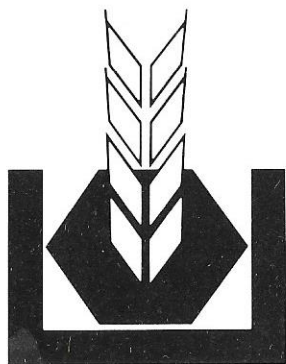
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JIM McAWENEY (24): Height 6'0"; Weight 13½ st. Agricultural Officer; 1st year on team.

FRANKIE DOLAN (33): Height 5'10"; Weight 12½ st.; Carpenter. Played U-16, Minor and U-21 and Senior. Ulster Championship and McKenna Cup medals.

TONY BRADY (25): Height 5'8"; Weight 12½ st. Plumber and Heating Contractor. Played in 1978 Final. 1974 Ulster M.F.C. medal.

JOE DILLON (24): Height 5'10"; Weight 13 st. Fitter. Player with Cavan since 1978. 2 S.F.C. medals at Inter-County level.

JIM REILLY (24): Height 5'10"; Weight 12 st. Clerk (A.C.C.). Played at all grades. Played in McKenna Cup, Ulster Minor and U-21 Finals.

ADGE KING (28): Height 6'6"; Weight 13½ st. Agricultural Advisor. Played 1973-1983. 2 Sigerson Cup medals, 2 Senior Championship (Club) and 4 League medals (club).

DANNY FINNEGAN (23): Height 6'0"; Weight 13 st. Agriculture Officer.

DONAL DONOHOE (25): Height 6 ft. Weight 12 st. 7 lbs. Teacher. Player in 1978 Final. Experience — U-16, Minor and U-21 and Senior. 1974 Ulster Minor Championship. Bank of Ireland Student Player of the Year in 1981.

MICHAEL FAULKNER (22): Height 6'2"; Weight 12 st. 4 lbs. Farmer. Player with Cavan since 1978.

RAY CULLIVAN (24): Height 5'9"; Weight 11 st. P.E. Teacher. Playing from 1978. Played in 1978, Minor 1974, '75, '76, Under-21 in 1977 and '78. Minor Championship medal 1974.

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BRIAN O'GRADY (22): Height 5'9"; Weight 11 st. 3 lbs. Bank Official. U-16, Minor and U-21 experience. 2 McKenna Cup Finals.

ROBBIE McDERMOTT (26): Height 5'9";

Weight 12 st. E.S.B. Employee. Minor and U-21 and Senior experience. Played in Minor Final '74, U-21 Final and Dr. McKenna Cup Final. Minor '74 medal.

MATT REILLY (23): Height 5'10"; Weight 12½ st. Lorry Driver.

CHRIS McCAFFREY (25): Height 5'9"; Weight 12½ st. Prison Officer.

PAT FAULKNER (21): Height 5'10"; Weight 13 st. Butcher.

JIM PHAIR (25): Height 5'9"; Weight 12 st. Teacher. Son of Pat Phair who won All-Ireland Medal with Cavan 1930.

HUBERT CONATY (27): Height 6'1"; Weight 12½ st. Teacher. Inter-County experience since 1977.

Best Wishes to Cavan



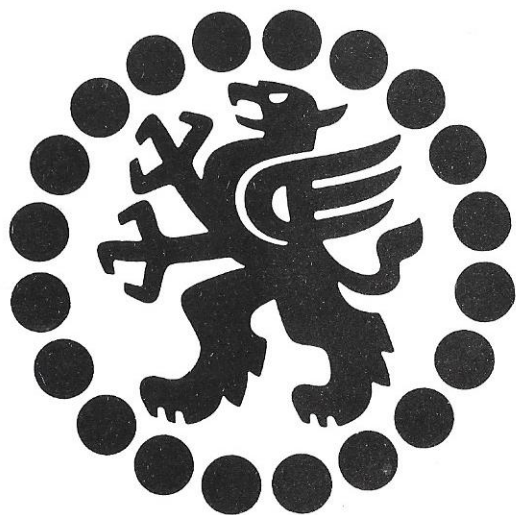
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A Chairde Gaeil,

It is a great honour and privilege for me to lead Cavan back to Clones for an Ulster Final after an absence of five years. Cavan football has been through a very traumatic period since 1978 and I just hope that what we have achieved this year will prove to be a turning point for better times to come.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the players, to thank everybody in Cavan who made this day possible, with a special word of thanks to our Team Manager, Gabriel Kell, for all he has done for us. I would also like to congratulate Donegal on reaching the Ulster Final and I hope that to-day's game proves worthy of this great sporting occasion.

Taimid buioch diobh go leir. Ta suil agam gur sar cluiche a bheidh ann agus go mbeidh an bua ag an foireann is fearr.

Seamus O Raghallaigh.

"We are all looking forward to this final with Cavan. Matches between Cavan and ourselves are always tight and this one will be no different. The fact that it is an Ulster final makes it even more interesting. Cavan were very impressive in their semi-final victory over Fermanagh.

The spirit in the Donegal camp is very high at the moment and preparation for the final has gone very well. There is a good blend of youth and experience in our team. Six of the present team were on the victorious Donegal team of 1974 and seven were on the Ulster final team of 1979. The so-called 'newcomers' to the squad have also got a great deal of experience at this level.

We hope that it will be a great game for players and spectators alike and that the Anglo-Celt Cup will return to Tír Chonaill."

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Chuaigh siad go Páirc an Chrócaigh agus chloigh siad Corcaigh (1-8/2-3). Bhí cluiche ceannais na hÉireann ("Home") bainte amach ag peileadóirí Dhún na nGall den chéad uair. Bhuaigh Maigh Eo orthu 2-15/2-2. Bhí Brian Ó Dónaill (An Clochán Liath), Tomás Mac Diarmada (Béal Átha Seanaidh) agus Pádraig Mac Mánaís (Bun Dobhráin) ag imirt in éadan Mhaigh Eo.

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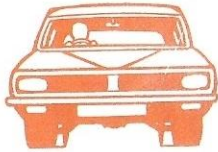
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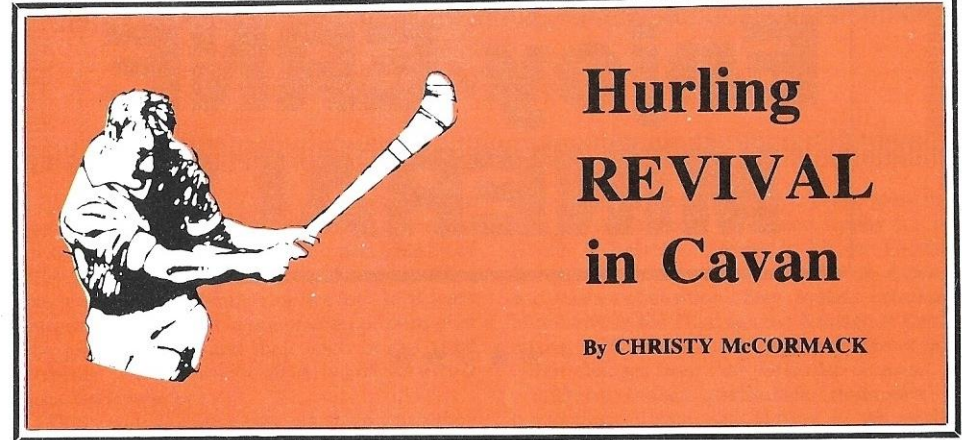
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Hurling REVIVAL in Cavan

By **CHRISTY McCORMACK**

The pleasure of describing the state of hurling in Cavan is one that I would not have anticipated eighteen months ago. At that time interest in the game in the county seemed to be non-existent but today we are Ulster Junior Hurling Champions for the very first time in the history of the G.A.A.. We also have won Division 4 of the National League, having beaten Fermanagh in the Final. Our County Team, consisting of six Cavan men and adopted sons living and working in the county, have only come together since Christmas. They have played ten inter-county matches and have never been defeated.

There were a number of reasons why the time was right for a real and lasting revival of hurling in Cavan. One is the glamour that surrounded the All-Ireland breakthrough of Galway and Offaly, and the more modest progress of counties like Longford, Mayo and Fermanagh. Coupled with this was a state of disillusionment with the state of football both nationally and locally. Furthermore, we have now in Cavan quite a number of adoptive sons with hurling in their blood. Equally important is the fact that we have enjoyed the wholehearted support of the G.A.A. authorities, unlike previous attempts that have had to fend for themselves against all the odds. The Ulster Hurling Committee and the Ulster Hurling Officer, Seamus McGrattan, have been more

than helpful, while the Cavan County Board, and the Chairman, Phil Brady, in particular, have given us their blessing and assistance.

The Hurling resurgence began with a Hurling Coaching Course organised in October, 1981, by Cavan V.E.C. and the Ulster Hurling Officer. The response was small but enthusiastic. It was decided to organise another course in February and then after a couple of meetings a Hurling Board was set up: Chairman, Christy McCormack (Killinkere); Secretary, Donal O'Gorman (Cavan Gaels); Treasurer, Padraig Caffrey (Bailieboro'); Intake Officer, Ciaran Maguire (Templeport); P.R.O., Pat Nally (Cavan V.E.C.) and Ulster Delegate, Tommy Kelly (Cavan Gaels).

Hurling has made remarkable progress within the county since then. Four Senior Clubs were established — Cavan Gaels, St. Mary's, Bailieboro' and Cootehill and a County Championship run off which was won by Bailieboro' in 1982. At the moment nine new teams are competing in a nine-a-side hurling league and competitions have been run at Primary and Vocational schools' level, Féile, Under 14 and Under 16.

Tús maith, leath na hoibre is an old Irish proverb. Cavan has done just that, and are looking forward to a bright future in the ancient game of hurling.

New Pitches

Mullahoran opened their new grounds on Sunday, 10th July; Redhills open theirs on Sunday, 31st August and Killenkere will have their opening on Sunday, 14th August.

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Today's Minor Final

Derry and Monaghan have never met before in the Ulster Minor Final so today's "curtain-raiser" teams will be making their own little bit of Ulster G.A.A. history when they line-out at Clones today. Both counties, however, have been extremely prominent in minor competitions over the past few years and their clash in this 1983 "opener" should provide all early arrivals with a game to remember.

Derry were last here two years ago when they defeated Armagh in the 1981 Final by 0-11 to 1-2. Monaghan's last appearance in the Ulster Minor Final was in 1978 when they were beaten by Tyrone. Derry have five Ulster titles to their credit — 1965, 1969, 1970, 1980 and 1981 — as against three for Monaghan — 1939, 1940 and 1945. It is somewhat disquieting for Monaghan folk to note that their last minor title was won fully twenty years before Derry took their very first Championship win.

That 1965 win by Derry was quite an historic event as they went on to capture the All-Ireland title for the one and only time, scoring some glorious goals in a highly memorable Final. They have since carried the Ulster banner to Croke Park on four occasions but further All-Ireland honours have eluded them, despite the fact that they have produced some real quality minor teams.

For Monaghan, it's almost forty years since a minor title came their way and the hunger for success is surely there. The present team first

came to prominence just two years ago when they won the 1981 Bank of Ireland trophy for the North - Eastern Under-16 Minor Football League against Meath, Louth, Down, Armagh and Cavan opposition. They looked extremely impressive in the Final against Armagh at Keady in that 1981 Final and today's side shows only minor changes from that particular occasion.

Derry looked particularly impressive in overcoming Cavan and Tyrone in the earlier rounds, but only scraped through in the semi-final clash with Down. Monaghan accounted for Antrim in the opening game and then had to come from behind to defeat Armagh in the semi-final at Irvinestown. Derry's impressiveness earlier on, and Monaghan's remarkable recovery in the semi-final would indicate that today's Final will be a really hectic encounter. The potential is present in BOTH teams and it should be a Minor Final much above the ordinary.

Today's winners at minor level have a quarter-final date with the winners of the New York / Britain preliminary game, and, if success comes Ulster's way in that one, it will be an All-Ireland semi-final clash with Connacht champions, Galway, at Croke Park on Sunday, 14th August next. For that reason I expect that Jack Mahon will be in attendance at Clones today to keep an eye on things, with a double interest in both senior and minor finals.

SEAMUS McCLUSKEY.

Minor Captains



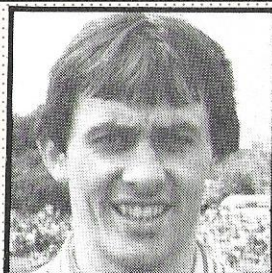
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(Derry)



Declan Loughman
(Monaghan)

An Cabhán

Dathanna :
GORM agus BĀN
 (Blue and White)



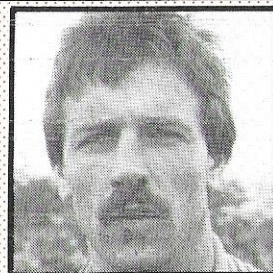
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(Joe Dillon)
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(Adge King)
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(Danny Finnegan)
Lacken | D. Ó Donnchadha
(Donal Donohoe)
Laragh | M. Ó Fachtna
(Michael Faulkner)
Kingscourt | R. Mac Conluain
(Ray Cullivan)
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(Martin Lynch)
Ramor Utd. | D. Mac Domhnaill
(Derek McDonnell)
Ramor Utd. | P. Mac Con Mí
(Paddy McNamee)
Ramor Utd. | |

Fir Ionaid : 16. Ollie Brady (Redhills); 17. Stephen King (Killeshandra); 18. Brian O'Grady (Cavan Gaels); 19. Robbie McDermott (Ballinagh); 20. Matt Reilly (Ballymachugh); 21. Joe Cassidy (Knockbride); 22. Chris McCaffrey (Templeport); 23. H. Conaty; 24. Pat Faulkner (Kingscourt); 25. Jim Phair (Killeshandra).

FIRST HALF	Goals	Points	Wides	45's
Cavan				
Donegal				

Dún na nGall

Dathanna :
GLAS agus BUÍ
 (Green and Gold)



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| D. O Nutain
(Des Newton)
Urris | N. Mac Comhaill
(Noel McCole)
St. Eunan's | M. O Griofa
(Martin Griffin)
Sean Mac Cumhails | M. O Gallchoir
(Matt Gallagher)
Ballintra |
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(Brendan Dunleavy)
Sean Mac Cumhails | M. O Laifearthaigh
(Michael Lafferty)
Sean Mac Cumhails
—Capt. | M. O Carra
(Michael Carr)
Kilcar | A. O Maolmhuaidh
(Anthony Molloy)
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(Paul McGettigan)
St. Eunan's | D. O Riada
(Donal Reid)
Bundoran | T. Mac Diarmada
(Tommy McDermott)
Aodh Rua | S. Mac Maolain
(Joyce McMullan)
Four Masters |
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| M. Mac Aodha
(Martin McHugh)
Kilcar | S. O Cnaimhsi
(Seamus Bonar)
Civil Service | C. O Cianaigh
(Kieran Keaney)
Ardara | |

Fir Ionaid : 16. Gary Walsh (Aodh Rua); 17. Sean Gavigan (Naomh Columba); 18. Dermot McGettigan (Four Masters); 19. Eunan McIntyre (St. Eunan's); 20. Brian Tuohy (Aodh Rua); 21. Michael Houston (Letterkenny); 22. Pat McCrea (R. Emmets); 23. Fintan Lynch (Bundoran); 24. Seamus Reilly (Bundoran); 25. Frank Rush (St. Eunan's); 26. Pdraig Carr (Naomh Columba).

SECOND HALF	Goals	Points	Wides	45's
Cavan				
Donegal				



DOIRE MINOR TEAM

Dathanna :
DEARG agus BÁN
(Red and White)

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| | D. O Ceallaigh
(Don Kelly)
Ballinascreen | | |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| P. O Domhnaill
(Patrick O'Donnell)
Banagher | P. O Brolchain
(Paul Bradley)
Faughanvale | P. Mac Riallais
(Peter McGrellis)
Banagher | |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | |
| B. de Siun
(Barry Young)
Glen | B. O Caolaigh
(Brian Kealey)
Dungiven | N. O Maolain
(Niall Mullan)
Dungiven | |
| 8 | | 9 | |
| P. de Siun
(Peter Young)
Moneymore | | C. Bartun
(Ciaran Barton)
Newbridge | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | |
| E. Mac Giolla Chainnigh
(Eddie McElhinney)
Craigbane | D. Mac Niochail
(Dermot McNicholl)
Glenullin—Capt. | E. O Loingsigh
(Eamon Lynch)
Banagher | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | |
| C. Mac Niochail
(Cathal McNicholl)
Glenullin | D. O Casaide
(Damian Cassidy)
Bellaghy | A. Mac Thiarnain
(Tony McKiernan)
Bellaghy | |

Fir Ionaid : 16. Paul McErlain (Newbridge); 17. Eamon Burke (Dungiven); 18. Eoin Gribbin (Newbridge); 19. Dermot Mackle (Castledawson); 20. Chris McGovern (Ballinascreen); 21. Michael McLarnon (Newbridge).



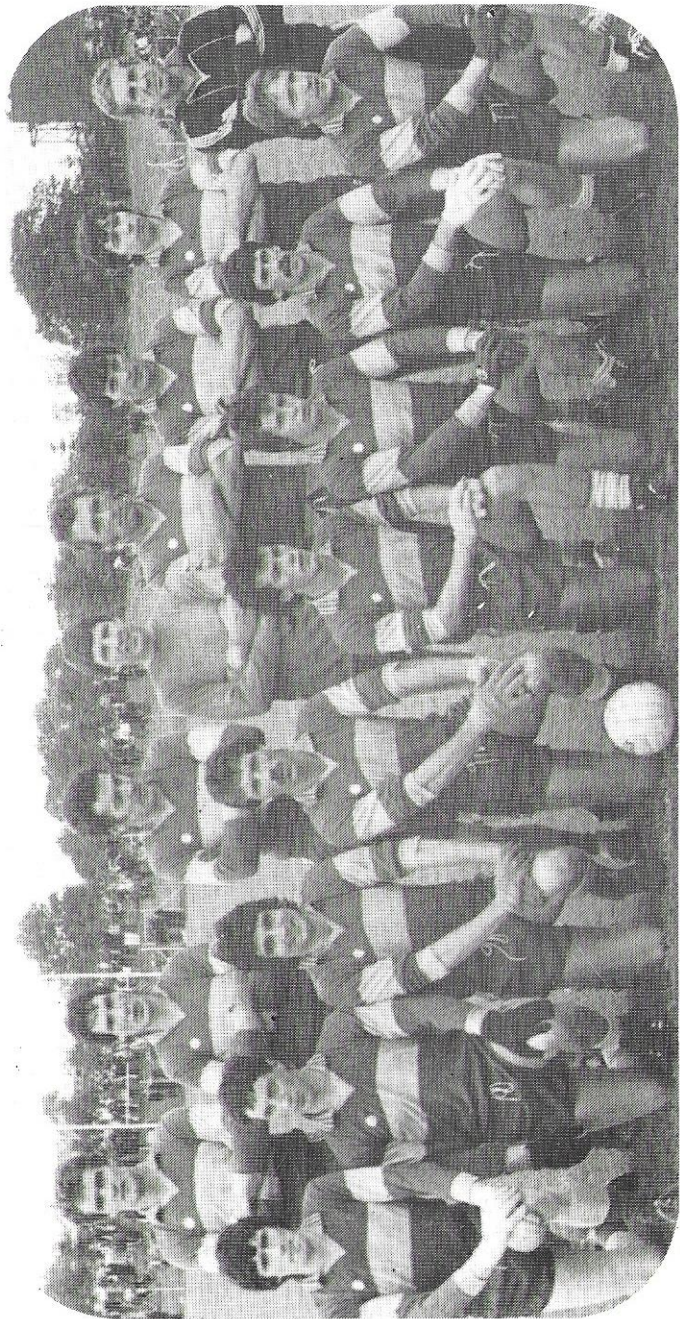
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Dathanna :
BÁN agus GORM
(White and Blue)

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| | S. Mac Carrain
(Seamus McCarron)
Monaghan | | |
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| S. O Muireagain
(Seamus Morgan)
Monaghan | A. Mac Thaidhg
(Hugo McCague)
Scotstown | P. Mac Conain
(Padraig McConnon)
Killanny | |
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| C. Mac Ciardha
(Kevin McCarey)
Scotstown | B. O Muiri
(Brendan Murray)
Clones | G. Mac Uirc
(Gerard McGuirk)
Scotstown | |
| 8 | | 9 | |
| D. O Lochnain
(Declan Loughman)
Castleblayney | | S. Mac Giolla Rua
(Seamus McElroy)
Latton | |
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| P. O Cearuill
(Paddy Carroll)
Scotstown | U. Mac an Atha
(Val Forde)
Monaghan | B. O Baoilleain
(Barry Boylan)
Scotstown | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | |
| P. Mac Cormaic
(Frankie McCormack)
Emyvale | E. Breathnach
(Eddie Walsh)
Carrick | C. O Raghallaigh
(Kieran Reilly)
Monaghan | |

Fir Ionaid : Francis Courtney (Carrickmacross) — Goals; 16. John McSkeane (Ballybay); 17. Tommy Gartlan (Killanny); 18. Mickey McMahon (Castleblayney); 19. Gerry Brennan (Oram); 20. Kevin Keenan (Scotstown); 21. Michael Deery (Donaghmoyne); 22. Joe Duffy (Donaghmoyne); 23. Kieran Mullan (Monaghan); 24. Raymond Kelly (Emyvale).

Donegal Team



Back row (left to right): Brendan Dunleavy, Donal Reid, Seamus Bonner, Noel McCole, Martin Griffin, Anthony Molloy, Des Newton, Seg. Kieran McCreehy. Front row (left to right): Kieran Keeney, Joyce McMullan, Paul McGettigan, Michael Lafferty, Tommy McDermott, Charlie Mulgrew, Michael Carr, Fintan Lynch.

Donegal in 1983

ONE could point to four major factors in the success story of Donegal football this Summer. First of all, there is the All-Ireland Under-21 victory of 1982. Not alone did it inject a new confidence into Donegal football but it provided new personnel. Eight of the victorious Under-21 team have played in this year's Senior Championship — Matt Gallagher, McIntyre, McDermott, Molloy, Reid, McHugh, Mulgrew and McMullan. The second factor is the 'magnificent seven' — the seven survivors from 1979 whose experience and talent have blended in a wonderful fashion with the youthful enthusiasm of the Under-21's. Many argue that the magnificent seven are playing better than ever before in their distinguished careers. Thirdly, the return of Paul McGettigan allied to the meteoric emergence of Anthony Molloy has given Donegal a genuine and stable midfield partnership, something which had eluded them for quite a while and something for which players like Griffin, Dunleavy, Carr, Lafferty and Bonnar (all ex-misplaced midfielders) are very grateful. The fourth factor is the back-room team led by Brian McEniff and including Austin Coughlan, P. J. McGowan, Jimmy Cunningham with a helping hand from Kieran McCreehy and Pauric McShea. The commitment of Brian McEniff knows no bounds. On February 27th this year Armagh beat Cork in Páirc Uí Chaoimh and Wexford beat Donegal in Ballyshannon. It was a cold and miserable day and those of us huddled in the Ballyshannon stand

despaired. Not McEniff. A fortnight later the Molloy - McGettigan partnership began as Donegal beat Fermanagh in the League. The line-out was: McCole, McDermot, Griffin and Gallagher; Dunleavy, Lafferty and Tuohy; Molloy and McGettigan; McHugh, Mulgrew and McMullan; Meehan, Bonnar and Keeney. Were it not for injuries, thirteen of that team would be on duty today — Tuohy's loss of form and Meehan's studies let in M. Carr and Reid.

There followed a McKenna Cup draw and victory against Armagh and a narrow defeat by Monaghan, gloriously avenged since then. The Championship saw Armagh beaten (1-10 to 0-7) and then Monaghan (1-14 to 1-9).

SCORERS

Eleven players have scored in the Championship :

Joyce McMullan	1- 4
Charlie Mulgrew	1- 2
Martin McHugh	0- 5
Paul McGettigan	0- 3
Anthony Molloy	0- 2
Kieran Keeney	0- 2
Seamus Bonnar	0- 2
Michael Lafferty	0- 1
Tommy McDermott	0- 1
Dónal Reid	0- 1
Pádraig Carr	0- 1

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Club Football in Donegal

Club football in Donegal is booming at the moment. The All-County League is made up of 47 teams in 5 divisions—10 teams in Divisions 1, 2, 3; 9 in Division 4 North and 8 in Division 4 South. These 47 teams come from 34 clubs. Twelve clubs have two teams and one club, Kilcar, has three teams.

Twelve clubs are represented on today's panel. It is significant that there is no native of the vast Inishowen Peninsula on the panel (although Des Newton is based there). More significant still is the fact that there is no one from the vast area between Gweebarra Bridge and Letterkenny on the panel—this area includes such traditional strongholds as Dungloe and Gweedore. Of the panel of 29, 11 are from the South, 10 from the East and 6 from the South-West (plus Des Newton and Seamus Bonnar).

The 1983 Donegal County Officers are—Cathaoirleach: Mícheál Mac Giolla Easpáig (Cill Chartha); Rúnaí: Bart Whelan (Ard na Rátha); Cisteoir: Francie Cunningham (Naomh Columba).

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16th:

If Monaghan v. Armagh at Monaghan venue.

If Monaghan v. Fermanagh at Fermanagh venue.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16th: SEMI-FINAL:

A. Antrim/Derry v. Cavan/Donegal.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th: SEMI-FINAL!:

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Dún na nGall Pen Pictures

NOEL McCOLE (St. Eunan's). Age 30. One of Donegal's most loyal and unsung servants. Played his first game for the County in the 1974 Ulster final replay and has been the County's regular goalkeeper ever since, hardly missing a single game. Dungloe-born, he is a Bank official based in Letterkenny. Won a McKenna Cup medal in 1975.

TOMMY McDERMOTT (Aodh Rua). Age 21. A son of Jackie McDermott, he first came to prominence with De La Salle, Ballyshannon, with whom he won an All-Ireland Colleges B medal in 1980. Centre half-back on the Donegal U-21 team that won the All-Ireland in 1982. A student at Sligo R.T.C.

MARTIN GRIFFIN (McCumhaill's). Age 28. Another long-serving player. Back now in his favourite full-back position. Big Martin won a McKenna Cup medal in 1975 and a Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1977. Has played hurling for Donegal also. C.I.E. fitter.

MATT GALLAGHER (Ballintra). Age 20. His father, Tom, played for Donegal and his uncle, Joe Masterson, played for Sligo. Played on De La Salle's All-Ireland winning team of 1980 and on the Donegal U-21 winning team last year. Missed this year's Ulster semi-final through injury. Commercial traveller.

BRENDAN DUNLEAVY (McCumhaill's). Age 26. Made his first Senior appearance for Donegal in October 1974. Playing the best football of his career this year. Won McKenna Cup medal in 1975, Donegal S.F.C. medal with McCumhaill's 1977, four Sigerson Cup medals and All-Ireland Club Championship medal with U.C.D. A teacher in a Dublin Community School.

MICHAEL LAFFERTY, Captain (McCumhaill's). Age 28. Winner of the June 1983 B. & I. Player of the Month award. Won Ulster Colleges' Handball medals with St. Macartan's, Monaghan. Played at midfield on the Ulster Championship winning side of 1974. Won Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1977. Trainer of Donegal Under-21 team 1982. And a perfect gentleman. Teacher in Donegal Vocational School.

MICHAEL CARR (Kilcar). Age 29. Another

survivor of the successful 1974 side. Won a McKenna Cup medal in 1975 and Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1980. After spells in midfield and in attack has settled well in the half-back line. Colleges' star with Holy Cross College, Falcarragh. Shopkeeper.

PAUL McGETTIGAN (St. Eunan's). Age 28. Paul won an All-Ireland Colleges' medal with Gormanston in 1973. Came on as a sub. in the Ulster final replay of 1974. Went to live in Galway where he played and won Galway S.F.C. medal with St. Grellan's, Ballinasloe. Played for Galway. Has returned to St. Eunan's and Donegal this year and established himself as a midfielder. Health Board official.

ANTHONY MOLLOY (Ardara). Age 21. A member of the All-Ireland winning U-21 team of 1982 and of this year's Donegal U-21 team. Won Donegal S.F.C. medal with Ardara in 1981 and guided Ardara to County U-21 titles in 1980 and 1983. Past pupil of Glenties Comprehensive School. His midfield partnership with Paul McGettigan is very successful. E.S.B. employee.

DONAL REID (Bundoran). Age 22. Another member of the 1982 Under-21 team. A native of Crossroads and a former Red Hughs' player. Replaced Martin McHugh for the Ulster semi-final and played well. Hotel manager.

CHARLIE MULGREW (St. Eunan's). Age 22. Broke his jaw in the Ulster S.F.C. semi-final against Monaghan. Born in Dungannon. On the St. Eunan's College team that won the All-Ireland Colleges' B final in 1979. Played on the forty for Donegal's successful Under-21 side. His memorable first-round goal set Donegal off on the right footing. Student at Letterkenny R.T.C.

FINTAN LYNCH (Bundoran). Age 24. Fintan has been on-and-off the Donegal team. A speedy corner forward. Won Donegal S.F.C. medal with Bundoran in 1979. Art teacher.

SEAMUS BONNAR (Civil Service). Age 33. Becomes the first man to represent Donegal in four Ulster S.F.C. finals — midfielder in '72, full-forward in '74, on the forty in '79. Won a McKenna Cup medal in 1975. Has won a Dublin S.F.C. medal with Civil Service. A loyal

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JOYCE McMULLAN (Four Masters). Age 20. County Champions Four Masters' only representative on first fifteen. Former Donegal Vocational School star. Left half-forward in the 1982 Under-21 All-Ireland medal. Also won Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1982. Having an outstanding season. Insurance company rep.

KIERAN KEENEY (Ardara). Age 30. Came on as a substitute and scored a goal in the 1974 Ulster S.F.C. replay. Has given great service to club and county. Rewarded with Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1981. Having a great season at top of the left. P. & T. employee.

MARTIN McHUGH (Kilcar). Age 22. One of the country's leading sharpshooters. Played for Ulster's successful Railway Cup team this year and went to America as an All-Star replacement. Plagued by a serious injury in the last two months. Star of Donegal's Under-21 All-Ireland winning side. Won a Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1980 when he notched 0-10 in the County Final. Factory worker.

PADRAIG CARR (Naomh Columba). Age 28. The very popular Carrick man came on as a substitute against both Armagh and Monaghan. A player of great skill. Won Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1978. Insurance agent.

EUNAN McINTYRE (St. Eunan's). Age 22. Right half-back on the All-Ireland winning team of 1982. Won All-Ireland Colleges B medal with St. Eunan's College in 1979. Has had injuries this year. Student at Letterkenny R.T.C.

DES NEWTON (Urris). Age 25. One of three Connacht men in the panel. He played at right-back for his native Roscommon when they won the All-Ireland U-21 title in 1978. Transferred to Inishowen club, Urris, this year. Took the injured Matt Gallagher's place in the Ulster semi-final. Teacher in Carndonagh Community School.

FRANK RUSHE (St. Eunan's). Age 29. Galwayman Frank played for his native county before moving to Donegal. Came on as a substitute in the full-forward line against Monaghan. Having his best year since he came to Letterkenny. Forestry worker.

SEAMUS REILLY (Bundoran). Age 29. The third Connachtman on the panel, Seamus hails

from Mayo. On-and-off the Donegal team for a number of years. An accurate free-taker, Seamus won a Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1979. Garda.

GARY WALSH (Aodh Rua). Age 18. Substitute goalkeeper Gary was this year's Donegal minor and Under-21 goalkeeper. A student at Sligo R.T.C.

SEAN GAVIGAN (Naomh Columba). Age 25. The Glencolumbkille corner-back has had injury problems but is in good shape again. Won a Donegal S.F.C. medal with N. Columba in 1978. Factory worker.

BRIAN TUOHY (Aodh Rua). Age 20. Brian captained the first Donegal team to win an All-Ireland title when he led the Under-21 team in Carrick-on-Shannon. Played along with Tommy McDermott and Matt Gallagher in the successful De La Salle team of 1980. A half-back. Garda.

PAT McCREA (Robert Emmet's). Age 23. Pat is the substitute midfielder although formerly a full-back. A native of Pettigo he played Colleges' football with St. Macartan's, Monaghan. A Customs officer.

MICHAEL HOUSTON (St. Eunan's). Age 28. A native of Glenfinn, defender Mickey played in the Ulster final of 1979. Recently recalled to the County panel. Won All-Ireland club medal with Thomond College in 1978. P.E. Teacher.

DERMOT McGETTIGAN (Four Masters). Age 25. Substitute full-back. Won Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1982. Butcher.

MICHAEL McBREARTY (Four Masters). Age 22. Right-back on the All-Ireland winning side of 1982. Won Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1982 also. Student at Thomond College.

SEAMUS MEEHAN (Four Masters). Age 20. Top-of-the-right on the All-Ireland winning team of 1982. Won Donegal S.F.C. medal in 1982. Just graduated from Thomond College.

BRIAN McENIFF (Bundoran). Age 40. Managed Ulster Championship winning teams of 1972 and 1974, Railway Cup winning team of 1983 and Donegal S.F.C. winning team of 1979. Won All-Star award 1972 and Railway Cup medals 1970 and 1971. Won Ulster S.F.C. medals 1972 and 1974 and McKenna Cup medal 1975. Won Donegal S.F.C. medals with St. Joseph's in 1965, 1968, 1970, 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976 and with Bundoran in 1979. Hotelier.

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A Word from

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GABRIEL KELLY

Today Cavan are back in the Ulster Final after a lapse of five years. Up to the early 'sixties this was unheard of for a county with such tradition as Cavan. The pairing today is also unique. It is the first time we have played Donegal in an Ulster Final. Rest assured we will not underestimate the opposition. Back-boned by last year's Under-21 Champions and led by Ulster Team Manager Brian McEniff, they will make us fight all the way.

I feel it a great honour to have been given the opportunity of preparing the team for this Championship. Having got tremendous co-operation and dedication from the full panel of players, Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Selection Committee, my task has been made easier and hopefully by 5 o'clock the "Anglo Celt" Cup will be on its way back to Cavan.



BRIAN McENIFF

It is great for the game in Ulster that Cavan and Donegal, who have been out of the limelight for too long, are back in the Ulster Final. We are sure of a great game as both teams are keen, well-trained and fully fit. Donegal is hopeful of victory, but we realise that you can meet no tougher opposition in an Ulster Final than Cavan.

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The Championship Season

SEAN Ó GALLCHOIR

We in Donegal would have opted for Fermanagh. We would have felt that the shackling of McGinnity would be half the battle. Besides, there is the psychological factor — the conviction that a team is strengthened or weakened by the performances of its past teams, by the intangible depository they call tradition. For our memories go back to days when we willed the men of Cavan to victory, when our common Ulsterness found expression in the blue of Breffni, when the voice of O'Hehir litanied the heroes of our youth — Tony Tighe and Peter Donohue and Simon Deignan. We, too, gloried in the American victory. We, too, mourned the untimely passing of P. J. Duke and the gallant John Joe. We, too, learned teams on tip of tongue . . . Benson, Doonan, O'Reilly, Smith . . . Yes, we would have opted for Fermanagh.

But as we prepare on the Banks of the eternal Finn minds are set on Cavan. Temptations of complacency and dreams of grandeur drummed out of us. Yes, we beat Armagh. Yes, we beat Monaghan. Yes, Connacht should hold no fears for us. Yes, Croke Park in September is possible. Tread, tread on these dreams and delusions. Cavan won in Ballinascreen. Cavan beat McRory's Tyrone. Cavan is not just fifteen men in blue but a concept expressing the realization of the unlikely. Run, Griffin, run. Awesome sight in full flight. Finn. It is not won. It is going to be difficult.

FATE

Injuries dampen the confidence. A whole half-forward line in pain. Three budding stars. Máirtín Beag the prolific bugged by a mysterious leg injury. Charlie, whose goal knocked the heart out of Armagh, felled by a foul blow in Irvinestown. Synonymy of jaw, jaw and war, war. Joyce, goalscoring hero of Irvinestown, crouching low in Ballybay, struck by Fate's blow. Fingers crossed. The visitation of doctors and bone-setters and faith-healers.

The club programme is decimated for fear of further injuries. Senior County Championship first round is not yet completed. We hear the two sides of the classic argument. Victory in Clones, Croke Park in August, Croke Park in September (dare we hope?) are priorities and the prestigious grandeur and glory of these occasions make club football pale by comparison. Let the County

Champions make their way through storied Bearnas Mór some dark November evening and let their triumph bring light and joy to a wintering community. But is not the club the basic unit of their Association? Is not our community - rootedness enshrined in our constitution? And if communities do not experience the fervour and fury of club championship football on Summer evenings, sun in sky and soil dry, time ordained by God, are we not failing both spectators and ordinary players who aspire towards the panel of thirty but never make it since God too has ordained the inequality of men? Catch 22.

CLONES

Hearts and minds of thousands set on July 24, on climbing that hill in Clones. Our support will be greater than ever following the Under-21 triumph and the emergence of new areas. Buses from Carndonagh, Milford and Glenswilly. The rising tide. One man who would love to be there will be missing. Colm Murray, alias Tine Sí, County P.R.O. and a faithful reporter, died on July 6. We shall miss Colm.

Preparations proceed. Under vigilant eye of legendary McEniff, P. J. McGowan carries out the training. Noel McCole's tenth successive championship season through thick and thin. A paragon of fidelity. The loud ebullience of Matt Gallagher and the enigmatic coolness of McDermott. The old McCumhaill's trio who aren't old at all, just there a long time. The Carrs, Michael regenerated; Pádraig nervous as a Carrick cat at the prospect of playing. An older, more mature Paul McGettigan far removed from the headline-making youngster of '74. And Molloy, the inspirational Molloy, whose display will be the ultimate key. The youthful injury-plagued half-forwards, saturated with football. The quietly-spoken Séamus Bonnar — years of travelling and listening to McCready giving him a therapist's ear — trains in Dublin. Flankers Reid, Lynch and Keeney sprint and hurdle and jump and run. Let us pay homage to the dedication of substitutes who travel and train night upon night to sit in nerve-wrecking dugouts . . . without whom it would not be possible . . .

Come what may, we will remember this Summer. A Summer of high hope . . . a Summer of precious dreams . . . a Summer shaped by men clad in green and gold . . .

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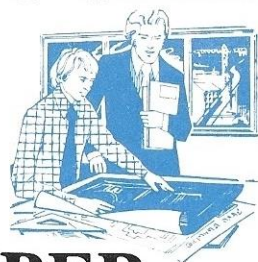
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- 1887—No Ulster championship.
 1888—Monaghan (Inniskeen Grattans) 2 points; Cavan (Maghera Mac Finns) 2 points at Drogheda, 19 August, 1888. Replay, 9 September 1888 at Drogheda: Monaghan 3 points; Cavan 1 point.
 1889—No Ulster Championship.
 1890—Armagh Harps 2 goals 8 points, Tyrone (Cookstown Owen Roe O'Neills) 1 goal 2 points at Lisburn, 12 October 1890.
 1891—Cavan Slashers v. Armagh Harps—a draw at Smithboro' 1-11-1891. Unfinished. Replay: Cavan 1-11, Armagh 0-0 at Smithboro, 6-12-1891.
 1892-1894—No Ulster Championship.
 1895—Cavan Slashers w.o.(Played in Leinster Championship).
 1896-1899—No Ulster Championship.
 1900—Antrim w.o.
 1901—Antrim 3-5, Armagh 2-5 at Belfast 5 April 1902.
 1902—Armagh Harps 2-2, Antrim 1-4 at Belfast, 4 April 1903.
 1903—Cavan 5 points, Armagh 5 points at Armagh, 24 April 1905. Replay Cavan 5 points, Armagh 5 points at Cavan, 28 May 1905. Replay Cavan 8 points, Armagh 4 points at Newbliss, 11 June 1905.
 1904—Cavan 7 points, Monaghan 3 points at Clones, 24 May 1906.
 1905—Cavan.
 1906—Monaghan 2-10, Antrim 1-2, 25 August 1907.
 1908—Antrim 1-8, Cavan 4 points at Clones, 13 September 1908. 1909—Antrim 1-9, Cavan 5 points at Clones, 28 November 1909.
 1910—Antrim 3 goals 4 points, Cavan 1 point at Dundalk, 18 June 1911.
 1911—Antrim
 1912—Antrim 2-2, Armagh 0-1 at Castleblayney, 10 December 1912.
 1913—Antrim 2-1, Monaghan 1 goal 2 points at Newbliss, 21 September 1913.
 1914—Monaghan 2-4, Fermanagh 0-2 at Newbliss, 23 August 1914.
 1915—Cavan 3-2, Monaghan 2-5 at Belturbet, 25 Sept., 1915.. Replay: Cavan 4 points, Monaghan 3 points at Clones, 25 September 1915.
 1916—Monaghan 3-1, Antrim 2 points, at Clones, 25 September 1916.
 1917—Monaghan 4-2, Armagh 4 points at Clones, 28-10-1917.
 1918—Cavan 3-2, Antrim 0-0 at Belturbet, 15-9-1918.
 1919—Cavan 5-6, Antrim 0-2 at Clones, 31-8-1919.
 1920—Cavan 4-6, Armagh 1-4 at Cootehill, 8-8-1920.
 1921—Monaghan 2-2, Derry 0-1 at Clones, 29-10-1923.
 1922—Cavan 2-3, Monaghan 2-3 at Clones, 22-4-1923. Replay: Monaghan 3-4, Cavan 3-3 at Belturbet, 26-5-1923.
 1923—Cavan 5-10, Monaghan 1-1 at Cavan, 2-9-1923.
 1924—Cavan 1-3, Monaghan 0-6 at Belturbet, 21-9-1924. Replay: Cavan 2-3, Monaghan 1-3 at Ballybay, 2-11-1924.
 1925—Cavan 2-3, Antrim 1-3 at Monaghan, 2-8-1925. Replay: Cavan 3-6, Antrim 1-0 at Belturbet, 16-8-1925.
 1926—Cavan 5-3, Antrim 6 points at Cavan, 22-8-1927.
 1927—Monaghan 3-5, Armagh 2-5 at Armagh, 31-7-1927.
 1928—Cavan 2-6, Armagh 1-4 at Cavan, 29-7-1928.
 1929—Monaghan 1-4, Cavan 1-4 at Cavan, 30-7-1929. Replay Monaghan 1-10, Cavan 7 points at Carrickmacross, 11-8-1929.

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1930—Monaghan 4-3, Cavan 1-5 at Carrickmacross, 27-7-1930.
1931—Cavan 8 points, Armagh 2-1 at Dundalk, 2-8-1931.
1932—Cavan 2-4, Armagh 0-2 at Monaghan, 19-6-1932.
1933—Cavan 6-13, Tyrone 1-2 at Armagh, 6-8-1933.

1934 — Cabhan	... 2 8	Ard Macha	... 0 2	— Caislean Mathuna
1935 — Cabhan	... 2 6	Fir Manach	... 2 1	— Beal Tairbeirt
1936 — Cabhan	... 1 7	Muineachan	... 0 7	— Caislean Mathuna
1937 — Cabhan	... 0 13	Ard Macha	... 0 3	— Caislean Mathuna
1938 — Muineachan	... 2 5	Ard Macha	... 2 2	— Ard Macha
1939 — Cabhan	... 2 3	Ard Macha	... 1 4	— Ath Cliath
1940 — Cabhan	... 4 10	An Dun	... 1 5	— An Cabhan
1941 — Cabhan	... 3 9	Tir Eoghain	... 0 5	— Ard Macha
1942 — Cabhan	... 5 11	An Dun	... 1 3	— Dun Dealgan
1943 — Cabhan	... 2 3	Muineachan	... 1 6	— An Cabhan
1944 — Cabhan	... 1 9	Muineachan	... 0 5	— Cluain Eois
1945 — Cabhan	... 4 10	Fir Manach	... 1 4	— Cluain Eois
1946 — Aontruim	... 2 8	Cabhan	... 1 7	— Cluain Eois
1947 — Cabhan	... 3 4	Aontruim	... 1 6	— Cluain Eois
1948 — Cabhan	... 2 12	Aontruim	... 2 4	— Cluain Eois
1949 — Cabhan	... 1 7	Ard Macha	... 1 6	— Cluain Eois
1950 — Ard Macha	... 1 11	Cabhan	... 1 7	— Cluain Eois
1951 — Aontruim	... 1 7	Cabhan	... 2 3	— Cluain Eois
1952 — Cabhan	... 1 8	Muineachan	... 0 8	— An Cabhan
1953 — Ard Macha	... 1 6	Cabhan	... 0 5	— Beal Feirsde
1954 — Cabhan	... 2 10	Ard Macha	... 2 5	— Cluain Eois
1955 — Cabhan	... 0 11	Doire	... 0 8	— Cluain Eois
1956 — Tir Eoghain	... 3 5	Cabhan	... 0 4	— Cluain Eois
1957 — Tir Eoghain	... 1 9	Doire	... 0 10	— Cluain Eois
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Tyrone (2)—1968, 1983

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Antrim (3)—1965, 1974, 1975.
Fermanagh (1)—1969.
Tyrone (3)—1972, 1973, 1980.
Monaghan (1)—1981.

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Down (7)—1958, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1966, 1977, 1979.
Cavan (5)—1937, 1938, 1952, 1959, 1974.
Monaghan (3)—1939, 1940, 1945.
Derry (6)—1965, 1969, 1970, 1980, 1981, 1982.
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Derry (8)—1947, 1954, 1958, 1960, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1974.
Armagh (6)—1929, 1938, 1939, 1949, 1950, 1951.
Antrim (6)—1941, 1942, 1945, 1946, 1966, 1891.
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