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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

MINOR FINAL
DÚN NA nGALL

v.

TÍR EOGHAIN

2.00 p.m.

Réiteoir : Kevin Barry Brolly (Doire).

Maoir Cúil : Rory Robinson (Ard Mhacha), Jim Murray (Aontroim), Martin McBrien (Fear Manach), Thos. McDermott (An Cabhán).

Maoir Líne : John Scully (Muineachán), P. J. Quinn (An Dún).

SENIOR FINAL (70 minutes) :
DÚN NA nGALL

v.

AN DÚN

3.30 p.m.

Réiteoir : Damien Campbell (Fear Manach).

Maoir Cúil : Raymond Graffin (Aontroim), Michael Mallie (Ard Mhacha), Anthony O'Neill (Doire), Vincent Lee (Muineachán).

Maoir Líne : Micheál Greenan (An Cabhán), Jim Curran (Tír Eoghain).



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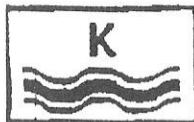
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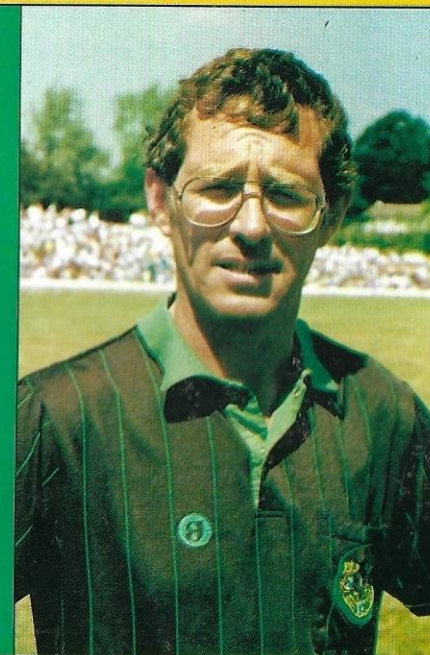
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SENIOR REFEREE Damien Campbell (Fear Manach)

Damien Campbell has won three Senior Championship medals with his club Tempo Maguires. He has been refereeing for the past decade and has been in charge of Fermanagh finals in all grades. At Inter-county level he has taken charge of three Ulster Club Championship finals, a Dr. McKenna Cup Final, a Railway Cup final and an All-Ireland Under-21 semi-final as well as last year's All-Ireland Senior Football semi-final and All-Ireland Minor Football final. This is his third Ulster Senior final. Married to Theresa Donnelly, he has five children, Kathryn, Declan, Eimear, Edel and Soreha. He is a member of the GAA Central Council, representing Fermanagh.

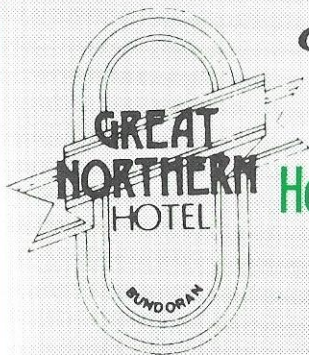


NA RÉITEÓIRÍ

MINOR REFEREE Kevin Brolly (Doire)

Kevin Barry Brolly is a member of Glen Watty Grahams Club. His wife, Margaret, is club secretary. He is a former playing member of Claudy Mitchels GFC. Has been refereeing for the last decade and has done county championship games in all grades. This is his third season refereeing in the Ulster Minor Championship.





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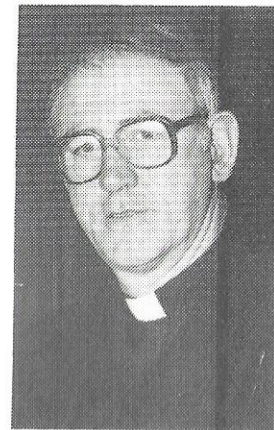
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A Chairde,

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On behalf of Comhairle Uladh I welcome you all to today's Ulster finals between Donegal and Down in senior and Tyrone and Donegal in minor.

Final day in Clones is a very special occasion in the life of our association in the province. It is a rallying of the Gaels of Ulster – an expression of county pride and national identity in flag, music and action on the field of play. All four teams involved in today's finals have the talent to make the 1991 Ulster finals a memorable occasion – one that will be looked back to and recalled with pleasure and pride by all of us. It remains to be seen if the teams can overcome the tension of the occasion and play the type of football they are capable of.

I take this opportunity to thank all the players and officials who helped to make this year's championships so successful. Also our referees, umpires and linesmen some of whom have had to withstand some unfair criticism for applying the rules in what were at times difficult circumstances. A special word of thanks to our stewards who have faithfully turned out every Sunday since the commencement of the championships on a voluntary basis. Most of them have not seen a complete game in the championship so far this year. Were it not for their reliability it would not be possible to run the championship so efficiently. Their loyalty and reliability are an inspiration to all involved in the association.

I thank also the press for their generous coverage of our games throughout the year at both national and provincial level. Also BBC and UTV for their coverage which has made Ulster the envy of the other provinces. We look forward to working in close co-operation with the entire media in the years ahead.

Wishing all our patrons a very enjoyable day.

DOMHNALL MAC GHALLOGLAIGH,

Uachtarán Chomhairle Uladh.

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Gerry Arthurs pictured at the Centenary All Ireland Final in Thurles in 1984 along with his lifelong friend and colleague Martin O'Neill of Wexford, who refereed the Polo Grounds All Ireland Final in 1947 when Gerry was one of the umpires.

GERRY ARTHURS R.I.P.

For the first time in seventy years Gerry Arthurs is missing from the Ulster Final. For forty-three years from 1934 to 1976 as Secretary of the Ulster Council Gerry had total responsibility for the organisation and presentation of all Ulster Championship games. The success of the G.A.A. in Ulster during that period was nothing short of phenomenal and to Gerry must go the major share of the credit. Since his retirement he had been equally busy on all Championship occasions helping out in every way possible.

This day last year he sat and watched the complete final for the first time in seventy years – partly because his beloved Armagh was playing, but as he said intuitively going down the steps – "I'd like to see a whole final while there is still time".

There is no doubt that Gerry is smiling benignly down on St. Tighearnach's Park today, and maybe just keeping an eye on, that things are running smoothly and hoping for a draw in the final – a phenomenon that he hoped for at each of his 43 finals but which materialised only once, in 1974, his second last final.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

DÚN NA nGALL

4



Matt Gallagher
N. Brid
Age 28
H: 5-10
W: 13-0
Sales Rep.

7



Barry McGowan
Killybegs
Age 24
H: 6-0
W: 12-0
E.S.B. Employee

1



Gary Walsh
Aodh Rua
Age 26
H: 6-3
W: 14-0
Accountant

3



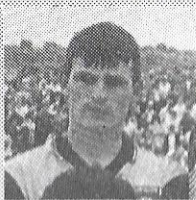
Sean Bonner
na Rossa
Age 29
H: 5-11
W: 12-0
Factory Worker

6



Martin Gavigan
Ardara
Age 28
H: 6-0
W: 14-0
Teacher

2



John Joe Doherty
N. Columba
Age 23
H: 5-9
W: 12-0
Publican

5



Donal Reid
Red Hughs
Age 29
H: 5-10
W: 12-0
Creamery Supervisor



12



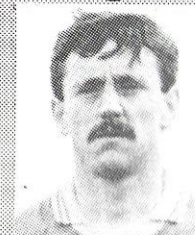
Joyce McMullan
Four Masters
Age 29
H: 5-9
W: 12-0
Insurance Rep.

15



Manus Boyle
Killybegs
Age 24
H: 6-0
W: 13-0
Factory Worker

9



Michael Gallagher
Civil Service (Dublin)
Age 25
H: 6-2
W: 14-10
Builder

11



Charlie Mulgrew
St. Eunan's
Age 30
H: 5-11
W: 13-0
Sales Rep.

14



Tony Boyle
Dungloe
Age 21
H: 6-0
W: 13-7
Telecom Employee

8



Brian Murray
Civil Service (Dublin)
Age 27
H: 6-3
W: 13-7
Garda

10



Martin McHugh
Kilcar
Age 30
H: 5-9
W: 11-7
Publican

13



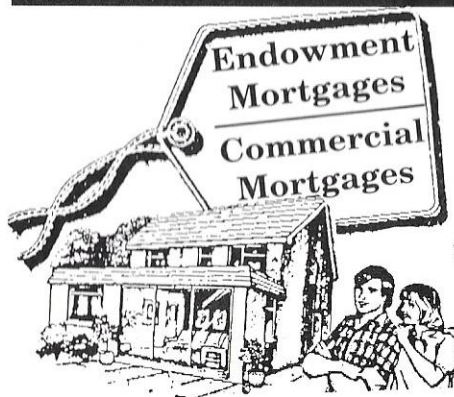
Declan Bonner
na Rossa
Age 26
H: 5-11
W: 12-0
Factory Worker

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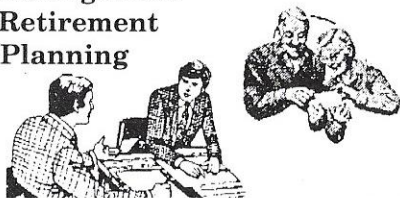
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SEAMUS BONNER – A Down Bogey Man

By
Michael Daly,
Donegal
Democrat

In Donegal, the threat posed by the footballers of the Mourne county has always been held in great awe, so much so that whenever the sides were to meet the Down team were put on a pedestal of being Donegal's bogey team.

Their clashes in the Ulster Senior Football Championship have been fairly evenly contested with Down winning 8, Donegal 6 and two being drawn, so the 'Down' bogey is only a myth in the Donegal supporters' minds.

One of the most memorable clashes between the sides came in the final of 1974 when it took two games to decide the outcome. And few Down players or supporters will ever forget the part played by Donegal's Seamus Bonner in those two games. With two points in the drawn game, Bonner emerged Donegal's hero in the replay as they staged a great comeback to win by 3-9 to 1-12. Seamus Bonner contributed immensely to the comeback with two penalties and Donegal eventually won with a last minute goal from Kieran Keeney.

Bonner was also the penalty hero for Donegal in 1983 when he converted what proved to be a very important score in their defeat of Cavan.

Seamus Bonner holds a unique record in Donegal GAA. Along with Sean Ferriter he is the most 'capped' Donegal man in the Championship with 27 appearances and he also holds jointly the Donegal Championship scoring record when he contributed four goals and a point against Antrim in an earlier round of that 1974 campaign. He holds that record jointly with Mickey McLoone who scored 3-5 against Fermanagh in 1966.

Bonner is also the only Donegal man to win three Ulster Championship medals in 1972, 1974 and 1983.

Now based in Dublin, he continues to play football with his adopted Civil Service, but in his early days he played his football with Drumbar, Four Masters and Clanna Gael.

Today he is one of the very successful Donegal backroom team and it is significant that the Donegal midfield will be manned by two of his Civil Service clubmen, Brian Murray and Michael Gallagher.

Seamus Bonner knows all about how to beat the Down 'bogey'. He did it successfully in 1974, and like manager, Brian McEniff, he has tasted success more often than failure in Clones.

AN DÚN



1
Neil Collins
Carryduff
Age 26
H: 6-2
W: 14-7
Engineer



4
Paul Higgins
Ballynartin
Age 24
H: 6-0
W: 13-7
Plasterer



3
Conor Deegan
Downpatrick
Age 21
H: 6-2
W: 13-10
Retail Manager



2
Brendan McKiernan
Burren
Age 24
H: 5-11
W: 12-7
Electrician



7
D. J. Kane
Newry Shamrocks
Age 26
H: 5-10
W: 12-7
P. E. Teacher



6
Paddy O'Rourke
Burren
Age 31
H: 6-2
W: 13-0
Joiner



5
John Kelly
Carryduff
Age 24
H: 5-11¹/₂
W: 12-10
Pharmacist



9
Eamonn Burns
Bryansford
Age 27
H: 6-2
W: 14-0
Teacher



8
Barry Breen
Downpatrick
Age 24
H: 6-2
W: 13-7
Lab Technician



12
Gary Mason
Loughinisland
Age 24
H: 5-11
W: 12-7
Student



11
Greg Blaney
Ballycran
Age 28
H: 5-11
W: 13-3
Dentist



10
Ross Carr
Clonduff
Age 26
H: 5-11¹/₂
W: 12-8
Trainee Accountant



15
James McCartan
Tullylish
Age 20
H: 5-8
W: 12-0
Student



14
Peter Withnall
Drumaness
Age 22
H: 6-0
W: 13-7
Joiner



13
Mickey Linden
Mayobridge
Age 28
H: 5-10
W: 12-7
Mechanic



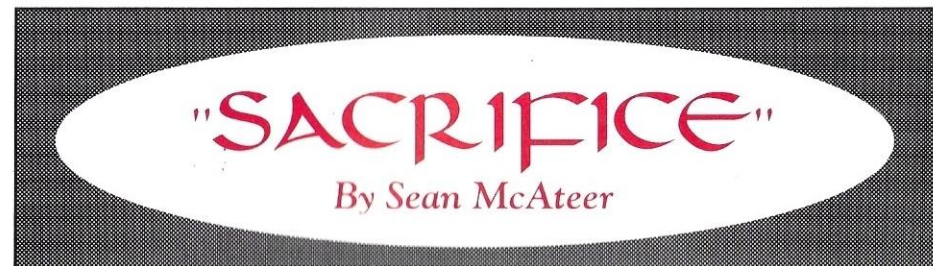


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from

Sean F. M. Magee L.L.B.



The rain belted down in Páirc an Iúr as Down continued their build-up for to-day's Ulster Final — it was a scene more suited to an October/November evening. Yet, for Peter McGrath and his squad, the rain was just something else to contend with in their single-minded determination to win an Ulster title. It was all part of the 'Sacrifice', the hidden factor that goes to obtaining success.

Do people really realise the sacrifices that the modern day Gaelic footballer makes, the commitment of the amateur player. The nights of sweat, of endeavour, of pushing one's self to the limits while others sit at home and watch T.V. or go out and enjoy themselves. It is that commitment which says that you must be at training three or four nights a week. You must give up your Sundays and then on Sunday when you drop that ball or miss that point you must listen to the abuse as well. Yes, our players are only human — they are only amateurs and remember that tomorrow all thirty players on view must all go to their work. For some the sacrifice will be worth it, for others it will be the end of a summer and a return to normal life.

Yes, our players are only human, they are only your honest to God, bricklayer, fisherman, teacher, joiner, yet put them in a county jersey and the fans begin to believe in miracles. They are men who make sacrifices, years of sacrifice spurred on by some deep down belief that, come this day in July and come the third Sunday in September, they will be involved. It is a commitment, a level of sacrifice that makes our games the greatest amateur sport in the world.

So, today in Clones, as the teams run out onto the field, spare a thought for the players who are not here but who have made 'sacrifices' throughout the Championship. Spare a thought for the wives, families and friends of the players of Down and Donegal who have equally played their parts and who for seventy minutes today will live on their nerves. Yes, many people today make hidden sacrifices and as Peter McGrath winds up his training the rain-soaked players enter the warmth of the showers and at 10 p.m. they turn to go for the team meal. For some it is a long time since breakfast but then ten years is a long time without an Ulster title.



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Donegal Captain Anthony Molloy

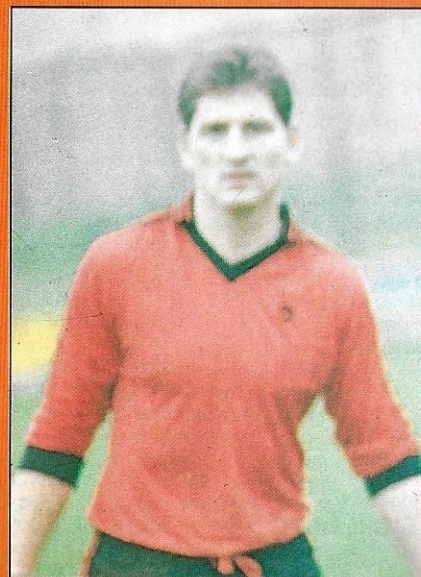
It's a great disappointment not to be fit to lead the team out today but having to step down I am delighted that Charlie Mulgrew, who made his Inter-county debut with me, has been given the honour. Charlie is a natural leader and it will give me as much satisfaction to see him lift the Anglo-Celt Cup as if I did so myself. It would be a fitting reward for our thousands of loyal supporters and for our new Supporters' Club under our County Treasurer, Danny McNamee. Personally I hope to get involved in the action at some stage today to do my bit to bring the Cup home to Donegal.



Down Captain Paddy O'Rourke

It is both a great honour and a great privilege for me as captain to lead the Red & Black of Down back to Clones on Ulster Final day. Today we come as underdogs to face much respected opponents in the current holders, Donegal. We hope we can endeavour to match them on the field of play.

Today is a great day for all the Gaels of Ulster, a day to be enjoyed by players, officials and spectators alike. I hope that you all enjoy your visit to the 1991 Ulster Final.



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June 2	at Ballybofey	Donegal	2-14	Cavan	0-12	J. Curran	Tyrone
June 9	at Newry	Down	1-07	Armagh	0-08	M. Greenan	Cavan
June 16	at Celtic Park	Derry	0-13	Monaghan	0-08	G. McClorey	Antrim
June 23	at Omagh	Donegal	1-18	Fermanagh	0-13	M. Cranney	Down
June 30	at Armagh	Derry	1-10	Down	0-13	M. Greenan	Cavan
July 14	at Armagh	Down	0-14	Derry	0-09	M. Greenan	Cavan

THE MINOR CHAMPIONSHIP (for the Father Murray Cup)

May 19	at Omagh	Tyrone	2-06	Derry	0-10	J. Scully	Monaghan
May 26	at Belfast	Fermanagh	1-08	Antrim	0-06	R. Robinson	Armagh
June 2	at Ballybofey	Donegal	3-07	Cavan	1-07	R. Graffin	Antrim
June 9	at Newry	Armagh	6-06	Down	3-08	M. McGrath	Donegal
June 16	at Celtic Park	Tyrone	3-10	Monaghan	1-09	M. Mallie	Armagh
June 23	at Omagh	Donegal	0-14	Fermanagh	1-05	R. Graffin	Antrim
June 30	at Armagh	Armagh	1-07	Tyrone	1-07	V. Lee	Monaghan
July 14	at Armagh	Tyrone	2-10	Armagh	1-12	A. O'Neill	Derry

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March 30	at Belfast	Down	1-16	Antrim	1-07	K. Broly	Derry
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March 30	at Lisnaskea	Fermanagh	0-14	Cavan	0-07	M. Mallie	Armagh
March 30	at Omagh	Tyrone	5-13	Derry	2-04	T. McDermott	Cavan
April 6	at Ballyshannon	Donegal	0-11	Fermanagh	0-05	D. Slater	Tyrone
April 12	at Omagh	Tyrone	0-10	Donegal	1-05	M. McBrien	Fermanagh
April 13	at Ballybay	Down	1-13	Monaghan	1-10	E. Mullan	Derry
April 21	at Armagh	Tyrone	3-08	Down	0-08	G. McClorey	Antrim

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March 3	at Belfast	Antrim	4-09	Cavan	1-14	A. O'Neill	Derry
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March 31	at Ballinascreen	Derry	1-07	Tyrone	1-07	D. Campbell	Fermanagh
March 31	at Ballybofey	Donegal	0-14	Monaghan	1-05	M. Cranney	Down
March 31	at Newry	Down	0-07	Fermanagh	0-04	M. Greenan	Cavan
April 21	at Armagh	Tyrone	0-15	Derry	0-04	D. Campbell	Fermanagh
April 28	at Ballyshannon	Donegal	1-13	Down	1-08	J. Curran	Tyrone
May 5	at Omagh	Tyrone	1-17	Antrim	1-08	T. McDermott	Cavan
July 7	at Omagh	Donegal	0-11	Tyrone	1-06	M. Greenan	Cavan

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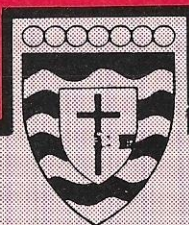
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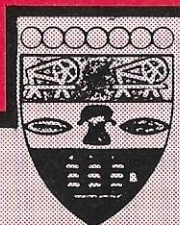
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Barry Breen
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Mayobridge

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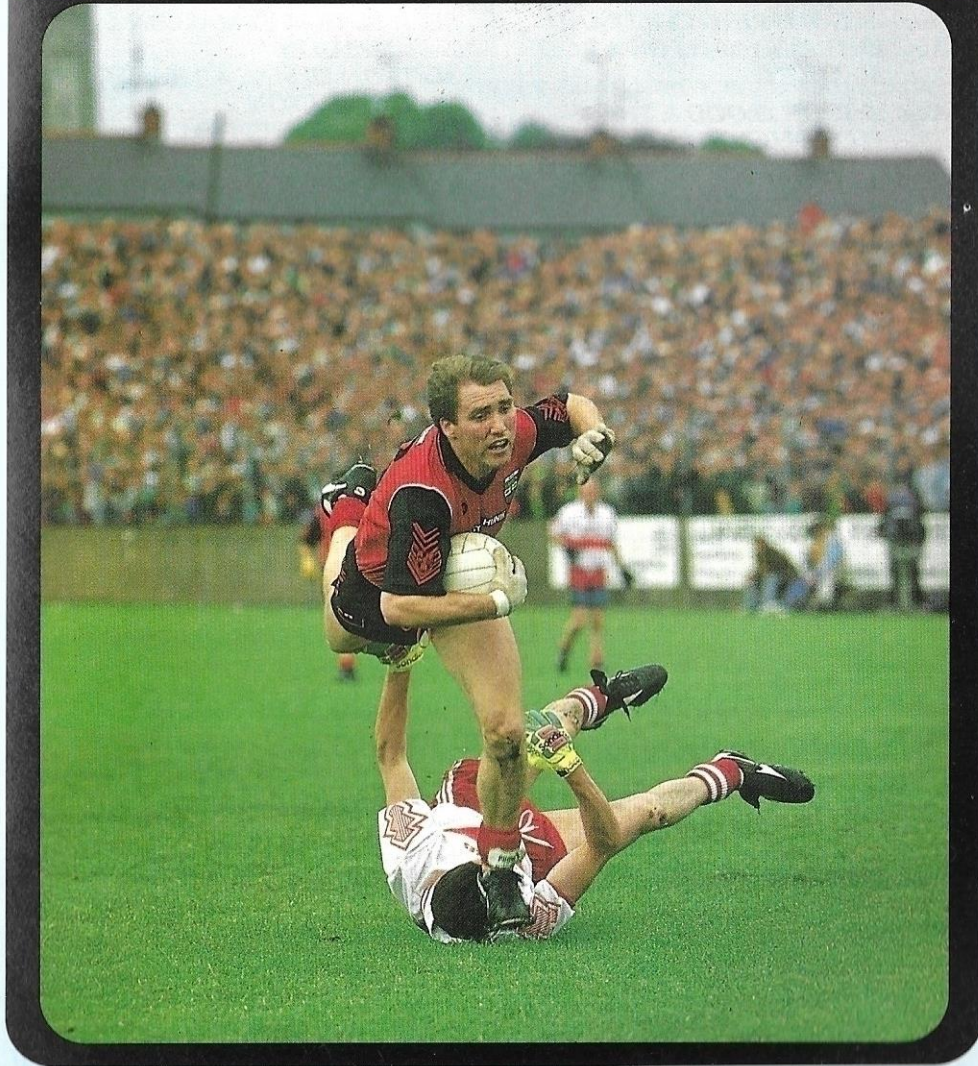
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FROM THE SEMI-FINAL...



Mickey Linden heads for goal.

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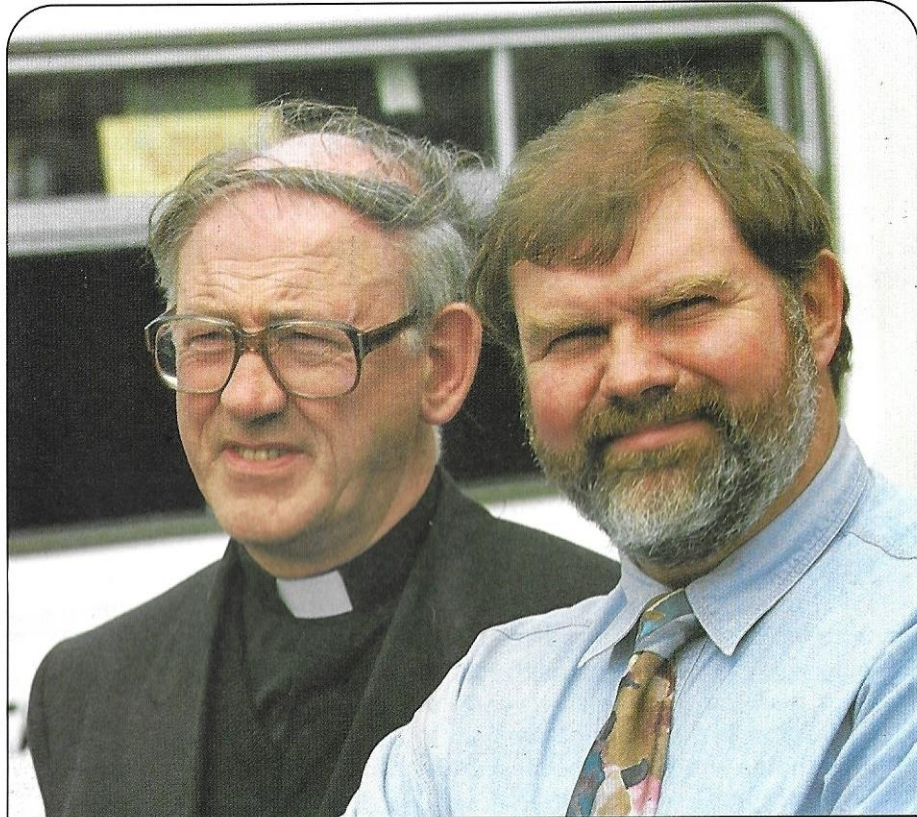
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TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. Name the last Ulster county to win the All-Ireland Senior Football title, and the year.
2. Who captained Tyrone in the 1986 All-Ireland Senior Final?
3. Name the two Ulster counties who contested the 1985 National Football League Final.
4. Name the first Ulster team to capture the Sam Maguire Cup, and the year.
5. Name the first Ulster club to win the All-Ireland hurling title, and the year.
6. Who captained Antrim to win the Ulster Senior Football title in 1946?
7. Cavan beat Kerry in the All-Ireland Final in the Polo Grounds in 1947. What was the score?
8. Which Armagh football and hurling star emigrated to Australia in 1988?
9. Who led Ulster to victory over Leinster in the 1947 Railway Cup?
10. Who was the first Fermanagh man to win a Railway Cup medal?
11. Who was the youngest player to captain an Ulster Senior Football Championship-winning team?
12. Who holds the record highest individual score in an Ulster Senior Football Final?
13. Who holds the record highest individual score from play in an Ulster Senior Football Final?
14. Which footballer scored four goals against Ulster in the 1975 Railway Cup Final?
15. In what position did Sean O'Neill play in the 1968 All-Ireland Final?
16. Two Donegal men played on the first Ulster team to win the Railway Cup in football, name them.
17. Name the first Fermanagh man to become president of the Ulster GAA Council?
18. Where is Dean McGlinchey Park?
19. What was remarkable about the Monaghan score when they won the Ulster Senior Final of 1988?
20. With what club did the great Jim McKeever of Derry play?

• Answers on Page 32.



Pictured above are Fr. Dan Gallogly, President Ulster Council and Jim Neilly, Head of Sport BBC (N.I.).

One of the recent successes of the G.A.A. in Ulster has been the weekly BBC programme "The Championship". This programme is the result of negotiations between the Ulster Council G.A.A. led by Fr. Dan Gallogly and the BBC, led by their Head of Sport, Jim Neilly. The deal was for a two year period which is completed by today's game. The programme has become compulsive viewing for all those interested in Gaelic Games and indeed for sports followers generally. The mix of excellent presentation and photography, expert commentary and objective analysis together with the nostalgic footage of past games and the up to the minute club news combine to make the programme by far the most comprehensive and attractive sports programme presented by any station in this country. The use of six cameras to cover the games together with unique mini-cameras in the goal nets to give spectacular wide-angle shots, sets new standards of sports presentation for our games.

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IS THE WAIT NEARLY OVER?

Although the first Ulster Senior Football Championship was played in 1888 it was not until almost forty years later that an Ulster team made the breakthrough at All Ireland level.

Armagh's success in the 1926 All Ireland Junior football championship was a wonderful boost to the G.A.A. in Ulster and was followed in by Cavan's similar success in 1927. In 1928 Cavan went within a disputed score of taking home the first Sam Maguire Cup in the All Ireland final against Kildare and it was obvious to all that standards in Ulster had improved dramatically and that a Senior All Ireland football title success was imminent. This great breakthrough occurred in 1933 when not alone did Cavan stop Kerry's first five in a row dream, but they defeated Galway in the final comfortably. This 1933/34 period could be considered the watershed in Ulster's financial and football success. Cavan again captured the All Ireland football title in 1935 and went within a point of success in 1937. Their Minors won the All Ireland titles in 1937 and 1938 and ten years later in 1947 Cavan took the Polo Grounds by storm and repeated the success in 1948. Ulster captured the Railway Cup in football for the first time in 1942 and repeated this success in 1943 and Tyrone then came along to win two Minor All Ireland football titles in 1947 and 1948 to be followed by similar success for Armagh in 1949.

The fifties was a wonderful decade for Ulster with three All Ireland titles won. Armagh won the 1950 Ulster Senior football title for the first time in forty years and improved on this success by qualifying for their first Senior All Ireland football appearance in 1953. In 1951 Antrim repeated the 1946 success which had been their first for thirty-three years. Cavan won the All-Ireland football title for the fifth time in 1952.

Monaghan won their first All Ireland title, the Junior, in 1956 and Fermanagh won the Junior title in 1959.

Tyrone won their first Ulster Senior football title in 1956 and repeated this success in 1957 and were just barely defeated in the All-Ireland semi-finals by the ultimate champions, Galway and Louth. In 1958 Derry broke the Ulster ice and then defeated Kerry in the semi-final, only to fall before the Dubs in the final. Down won their first Ulster Senior title in 1959, to start a decade of glory that included three All Ireland football titles 1960, 1961 and 1968 and innumerable other successes.

1968 must be regarded as the most successful year in the history of the Ulster G.A.A. Down won the Senior title, Tyrone the Junior and Derry the Under 21 while the province won the Railway Cup and Down won the National League, the Wembley Cup and the now defunct "World Cup".

Ulster's best efforts since those glory years were 1977 when Armagh reached the All Ireland Senior Final, 1985 when Monaghan drew with the great Kerry team in the All Ireland Semi-Final and 1986 when Tyrone won the hearts of G.A.A. supporters everywhere with their magnificent performance in the All Ireland Final.

There is a widespread feeling that this could be Ulster's year. Certainly the winners of today's final have nothing to fear from whoever emerges from the other provinces. Here's hoping that the Sam Maguire will return to Ulster in September.

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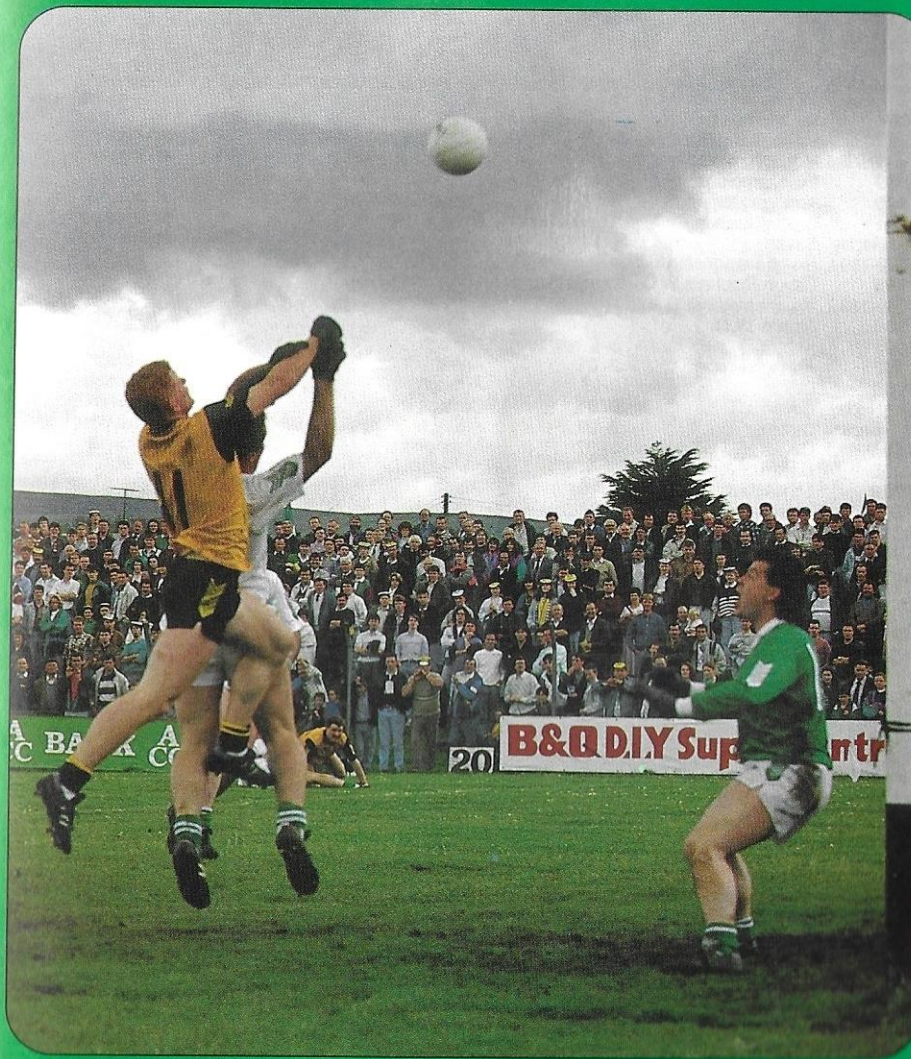
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QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Down in 1968.
2. Eugene McKenna.
3. Monaghan & Armagh.
4. Cavan, 1933.
5. Lough Giel Shamrocks in 1983.
6. George Watterson.
7. 2-11 to 2-7.
8. John Corvan.
9. Kevin Armstrong of Antrim.
10. P. T. Treacy.
11. Jody O'Neill of Tyrone at nineteen years of age.
12. Kieran "Jap" Finlay of Monaghan, 1-9, in '79.
13. Frank McGuigan of Tyrone, 11 points in 1984.
14. Jimmy Barry Murphy of Cork and Munster.
15. Full forward.
16. Columba McDyer and Hudie Beg Gallagher.
17. Malachy Mahon.
18. Ballinascreen.
19. All the scores (1-10) were from play.
20. Ballymaguigan.

FROM THE SEMI-FINAL...



*Declan Bonner punches a point against
Fermanagh.*

ULSTER FOOTBALL FINALS 1887 - 1990

1887	No championship				
1888	Monaghan(Inniskeen)	0- 02	Cavan(Maghera MacFinns)	0- 02	at Drogheda
	Replay Monaghan	0. 03	Cavan	0- 01	at Drogheda
1889	No championship				
1890	Armagh(Harps)	2- 08	Tyrone(Cookstown)	1- 02	at Lisburn
1891	Cavan(Slashers)	Unfinished	Armagh (Harps)		at Smithboro
	Replay Cavan	1- 11	Armagh	0- 00	at Smithboro
1892-1894	No championship				
1895	Cavan Slashers W.O. (Played in Leinster championship)				
1896-1899	No championship				
1900	Antrim W.O.				
1901	Antrim	3- 5	Armagh	2-05	at Belfast
1902	Armagh Harps	2- 02	Antrim	1- 04	at Belfast
1903	Cavan	0-05	Armagh	0- 05	at Armagh
	Replay Cavan	0- 05	Armagh	0- 05	at Cavan
	Replay Cavan	0- 08	Armagh	0- 04	at Newbliss
1904	Cavan	0- 07	Monaghan	0- 03	at Clones
1905	Cavan				
1906	Monaghan	2-10	Antrim	1- 2	
1908	Antrim	1-08	Cavan	0- 04	at Clones
1909	Antrim	1- 09	Cavan	0-05	at Clones
1910	Antrim	3- 04	Cavan	0-01	at Dundalk
1911	Antrim				
1912	Antrim	2- 02	Armagh	0- 01	at Castleblayney
1913	Antrim	2- 01	Monaghan	1- 02	at Newbliss
1914	Monaghan	2- 04	Fermanagh	0- 02	at Newbliss
1915	Cavan	3-02	Monaghan	2-05	at Belturbet
	Replay Cavan	0- 04	Monaghan	0- 03	at Clones
1916	Monaghan	3- 01	Cavan	0- 02	at Clones
1917	Monaghan	4- 02	Armagh	0- 04	at Clones
1918	Cavan	3- 02	Antrim	0- 00	at Belturbet
1919	Cavan	5- 06	Antrim	0- 02	at Clones
1920	Cavan	4- 06	Armagh	1- 04	at Cootehill
1921	Monaghan	2- 02	Derry	0- 01	at Clones
1922	Cavan	2- 03	Monaghan	2- 03	at Clones
	Replay Cavan	3- 04	Monaghan	3- 03	at Belturbet
1923	Cavan	5-10	Monaghan	1- 01	at Cavan
1924	Cavan	1- 03	Monaghan	0- 06	at Belturbet
	Replay Cavan	2- 03	Monaghan	1- 03	at Ballybay
1925	Cavan	3- 03	Antrim	2- 03	at Monaghan
	Replay Cavan	3- 06	Antrim	1- 00	at Belturbet
1926	Cavan	5- 03	Antrim	0- 06	at Cavan
1927	Cavan	3- 05	Armagh	2- 05	at Armagh
1928	Cavan	2- 06	Armagh	1- 04	at Cavan
1929	Monaghan	1- 04	Cavan	1- 04	at Cavan
	Replay Monaghan	1-10	Cavan	0- 07	at Carrickmacross
1930	Monaghan	4- 03	Cavan	1- 05	at Carrickmacross
1931	Cavan	0- 08	Armagh	2- 01	at Dundalk
1932	Cavan	2- 04	Armagh	0- 02	at Monaghan
1933	Cavan	6-13	Tyrone	1- 02	at Armagh
1934	Cavan	2- 08	Armagh	0-02	at Castleblayney
1935	Cavan	2- 06	Fermanagh	2- 01	at Belturbet.

Ulster Football Finals : 1887-1990 continued

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—Aontroim	... 2 8	Cabhan	... 1 7	—Cluain Eois
1947—Cabhan	... 3 4	Aontroim	... 1 6	—Cluain Eois
1948—Cabhan	... 2 12	Aontroim	... 2 4	—Cluain Eois
1949—Cabhan	... 1 7	Rrd Macha	... 1 6	—Cluain Eois
1950—Ard Macha	... 1 11	Cabhan	... 1 7	—Cluain Eois
1951—Aontroim	... 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
1958—Doire	... 1 11	An Dun	... 2 4	—Cluain Eois
1959—An Dun	... 2 16	Cabhan	... 0 7	—Cluain Eois
1960—An Dun	... 3 7	Cabhan	... 1 8	—Beal Feirsde
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1962—Cabhan	... 3 6	An Dun	... 0 5	—Beal Feirsde
1963—An Dun	... 2 11	Dun na nGall	... 1 4	—An Cabhan
1964—Cabhan	... 2 10	An Dun	... 1 10	—Beal Feirsde
1965—An Dun	... 3 5	Cabhan	... 1 8	—Cluain Eois
1966—An Dun	... 1 7	Dun na nGall	... 0 8	—Beal Feirsde
1967—Cabhan	... 2 12	An Dun	... 0 8	—Cluain Eois
1968—An Dun	... 0 16	Cabhan	... 1 8	—Beal Feirsde
1969—Cabhan	... 2 13	An Dun	... 2 6	—Beal Feirsde
1970—Doire	... 2 13	Aontroim	... 1 12	—Cluain Eois
1971—An Dun	... 4 14	Doire	... 4 11	—Beal Feirsde
1972—Dun na nGall	... 2 13	Tir Eoghain	... 1 11	—Cluain Eois
1973—Tir Eoghain	... 3 13	An Dun	... 1 11	—Cluain Eois
1974—Dun na nGall	... 1 14	An Dun	... 2 11	—Cluain Eois
	—Dun na nGall	An Dun	... 1 12	—Cluain Eois (ath imirt)
1975—Doire	... 1 16	An Dun	... 2 6	—Cluain Eois
1976—Doire	... 1 8	Cabhan	... 1 8	—Cluain Eois
	—Doire	Cabhan	... 1 16	—Cluain Eois (ath-imirt)
1977—Ard Macha	... 3 10	Doire	... 1 5	—Cluain Eois
1978—An Dun	... 2 19	Cabhan	... 2 12	—Cluain Eois
1979—Muineachan	... 1 15	Dun na nGall	... 0 11	—Cluain Eois
1980—Ard Macha	... 4 10	Tir Eois	... 4 7	—Cluain Eois
1981—An Dun	... 2 13	Ard Macha	... 1 10	—Cluain Eois
1982—Ard Macha	... 0 10	Fear Manach	... 1 14	—Cluain Eois
1983—Dun na nGall	... 1 14	Cabhan	... 1 11	—Cluain Eois
1984—Tir Eoghain	... 0 15	Ard Macha	... 1 7	—Cluain Eois
1985—Muineachan	... 2 9	Doire	... 0 8	—Cluain Eois
1986—Tir Eoghain	... 1 11	An Dun	... 0 10	—Cluain Eois
1987—Doire	... 0 11	Ard Macha	... 0 9	—Cluain Eois
1988—Muineachan	... 1 10	Tir Eoghain	... 0 11	—Cluain Eois
1989—Tir Eoghain	... 0 11	Dun na nGall	... 0 11	—Cluain Eois
	Tir Eoghain	Dun na nGall	... 0 7	—Cluain Eois (ath-imirt)
1990—Dun na nGall	... 0 15	Ard Mhacha	... 0 14	—Cluain Eois

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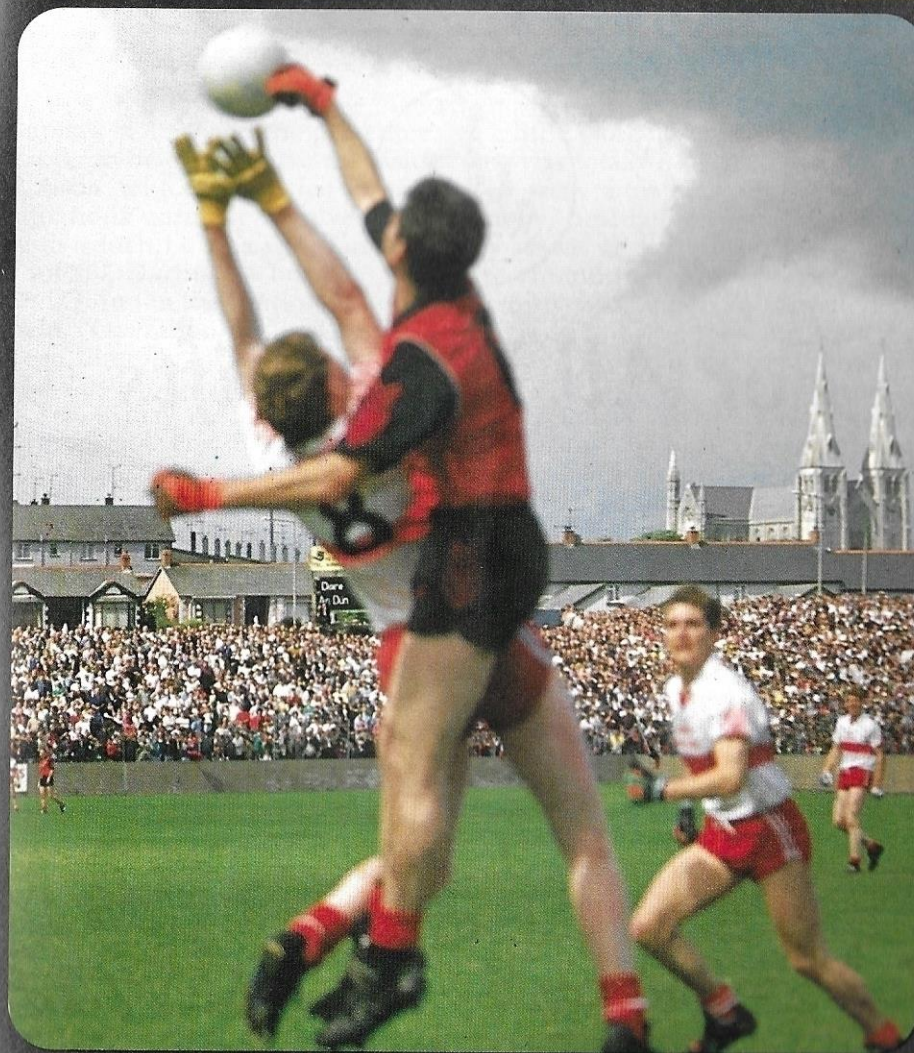
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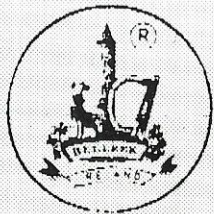
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"5, 4, 3, 2, 1, Cue Mark" — "The Championship" was on the air on a May Sunday in 1990 and the presenter was a little more nervous than he would expect to be even on live television. This was totally new ground for young Robson who usually felt confident in such situations, but then such situations normally involved soccer, rugby, boxing, golf and other sports with which he was very familiar. Now it was all very different — Gaelic Football, Hurling — but able men were around him. There was McCague and Quinn in the control bunker, McGinnitty, McConnon and Smyth in the field. 'Operation Ulster Championship' was underway — the team had been carefully picked. For all the target was a professional, comprehensive and fresh approach to Gaelic sports.

Yes, it may read like paragraph one in a Jeffrey Archer novel, but it is appropriate. For the BBC "The Championship" has been very much an adventure. It has brought football and hurling to a hungry and enthusiastic audience. The response to the programme has, in the main, been positive and complimentary. The BBC sports department has channeled a wide range of resources into the series, including what we feel has been innovative presentation and coverage.

My two year immersion in the traditions of Gaelic sport has been both invigorating and educational. It has opened my eyes to the wonderful skills of the game and I have developed much admiration for the finer exponents. Dermot McNicholl for his power, pace and balance. Greg Blaney for his vision and uncanny positional sense. Eamonn Burns for the the best point from play I've seen in two seasons — yes THAT point in the Derry/Down first match of their semi-final. This article also gives yours truly a chance to thank many people, including two of those mentioned above, who have made me so welcome at training sessions across the province, and those who have put themselves out to facilitate the busy filming schedules we have to adhere to. Never have I drunk so many cups of tea and eaten so many chocolate biscuits! I must also thank the Down Supporters Club who have elected my good self as an honorary member of their fine body. It isn't perhaps entirely proper procedure for an impartial reporter to accept such things, but how could an Ards man, born and bred turn down such an offer especially at the dawn of Down's finest moment in ten years!

Good luck Down — Good luck Donegal. Let's have a great free-flowing game with plenty of goals and maybe, just maybe, the Sam Maguire as well. And if the Down Supporters Club are heading Croke Park way sometime in September, look out for me. I'll be the one with the crate at the back of the bus!

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Derry	(7)—1945, 1950, 1953, 1955, 1964, 1967, 1969.
Armagh	(7)—1925, 1926, 1929, 1935, 1948, 1951, 1985.
Donegal	(5)—1930, 1933, 1939, 1952, 1954.
Tyrone	(3)—1968, 1983, 1986.
Fermanagh	(2)—1943, 1959.
Monaghan	(2)—1956, 1961.

UNDER TWENTY-ONE FOOTBALL (28)

Down	(6)—1970, 1971, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1984.
Derry	(6)—1967, 1968, 1976, 1983, 1985, 1986.
Donegal	(4)—1964, 1966, 1982, 1987.
Antrim	(4)—1965, 1974, 1975, 1989.
Tyrone	(5)—1972, 1973, 1980, 1990, 1991.
Fermanagh	(1)—1969.
Monaghan	(1)—1981.
Cavan	(1)—1988.

MINOR FOOTBALL (58)

Tyrone	(14)—1931, 1934, 1935, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1967, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1975, 1976, 1978, 1988.
Down	(9)—1958, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1966, 1977, 1979, 1986, 1987.
Antrim	(8)—1932, 1933, 1936, 1941, 1950, 1955, 1964, 1982.
Armagh	(8)—1930, 1949, 1951, 1953, 1954, 1957, 1961, 1968.
Derry	(9)—1965, 1969, 1970, 1980, 1981, 1983, 1984, 1989, 1990.
Cavan	(5)—1937, 1938, 1952, 1959, 1974.
Monaghan	(3)—1939, 1940, 1945.
Donegal	(2)—1956, 1985.

MOST REV. DR. McKENNA CUP (S.F.) (62)

Monaghan	(11)—1928, 1932, 1934, 1935, 1937, 1948, 1952, 1976, 1979, 1980, 1983.
Cavan	(10)—1936, 1940, 1943, 1951, 1953, 1955, 1956, 1962, 1968, 1988.
Derry	(8)—1947, 1954, 1958, 1960, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1974.
Down	(7)—1944, 1959, 1961, 1964, 1972, 1987, 1989.
Armagh	(7)—1929, 1938, 1939, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1986, 1990.
Antrim	(6)—1941, 1942, 1945, 1946, 1966, 1981.
Tyrone	(5)—1957, 1973, 1978, 1982, 1984.
Donegal	(5)—1963, 1965, 1967, 1975, 1985, 1991.
Fermanagh	(3)—1930, 1933, 1977.

CLUB FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP (22)

Burren (Down)	(5)—1983, 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988.
Lurgan Clann na Gaels (Armagh)	(3)—1972, 1973, 1974.
Scotstown (Monaghan)	(4)—1978, 1979, 1980, 1989.
Bryansford (Down)	(2)—1969, 1970.
Bellaghy (Derry)	(1)—1971.
St. Joseph's (Donegal)	(1)—1975.
Bellerin (Derry)	(1)—1976.
St. John's (Antrim)	(1)—1977.
Ballinderry (Derry)	(1)—1981.
St. Gall's (Antrim)	(1)—1982.
Castleblayney (Monaghan)	(1)—1986.
Lavey (Derry)	(1)—1990.

RAILWAY CUP FOOTBALL

Ulster	(19)—1942, 1943, 1947, 1950, 1956, 1960, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1968, 1970, 1971, 1979, 1980, 1983, 1984, 1989, 1991.
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From our arrival at Club Theach C.L.G. Gaoth Dobhair Friday evening until lunch time Sunday everybody made us welcome in Gweedore.

We wish to thank especially our Sponsors, C.L.G. Gaoth Dobhair for the use of their excellent facilities in Magheragallon. To the Management and Staff of the Sea View Hotel, the Staff and Management of the Leisure Centre in Ostán Gweedore. To the houses we stayed in, they were excellent.

Highlights of the busy weekend – Climbing Earrigal where most of the boys showed their fitness even our coach Éamonn Harvey and Joe Diver. Our visits to the Leisure Centre, the horse riding especially for Ronán and John Anthony.

Ár míle buíochas do achan nduine a chuidigh leis an deireadh seachtaine.

HARD TO PREDICT

By Jerome
Quinn (BBC)

In the last 35 years, Donegal have only won one Ulster minor title. In the same period Tyrone have won eight times. The red and whites have a total of 14 successes and Donegal only two. The counties have met in the final just once – in 1935 when Tyrone won 2-2 to 2-1.

Statistics. Quite interesting but absolutely meaningless as regards today's game! All they tell us is that Tyrone have a great tradition at this level, especially in the last few decades but really that doesn't count today.

Apart from statistics there aren't many other ways of comparing the teams. They did meet twice in challenge games, with one win each, and have both done well obviously to reach the final but how they square up to one another on the day that matters is another thing. How good were the respective opponents? With minor football it's difficult to tell.

What we can say for definite is that the Tyrone manager, Micky Harte, has done very well in his first year to mould a team together in a short space of time with considerable success. Just before the start of the Championship his league panel was joined by the bulk of the St. Pat's Academy, Dungannon team that had won the MacRory Cup.

In the first game Tyrone beat the holders Derry and then saw off Monaghan before beating Armagh in a replay. They led 2-7 to 0-2 before scraping home by a single point.

Colm Donnelly at midfield is a powerful player with an accurate left boot. He scored 2-5 in a club championship game recently for Dromore. He'll be looking to feed on long kick-outs from goalie Brian McConnell, brother of senior keeper Finbarr. Up front Eoin Gormley and Denver Farrell are a double act in the mould of Canavan and Cush while Justin McAleer and Rory McGarrity got the goals against Armagh.

Donegal manager Sean Ward is in his third year in charge and he has a squad made up of players from all over the county, not just the big clubs. For example, Ronan McLaughlin, with three goals in their two wins, is from Burt, a soccer and hurling stronghold in the North of the county.

Talking of soccer, Donegal's full-forward Declan Boyle had a trial with Nottingham Forest and his confrontation with Tyrone's excellent full-back and captain Sean Teague will be worth watching.

Declan's brother Mark has featured at right-half-forward and was in fine form only two weeks ago in scoring 1-3 in the club championship for Killybegs.

So, those are the pointers. Don't ask me for any more — it's impossible to predict!

DÚN NA nGALL

MINORS

Dathanna:
Glas agus ór

1
E. O Dochartaigh
Eunan Doherty
St. Michaels

2
P. O Duibhir
Paul Diver
Gaoth Dobhair

3
D. O Dolain
Daragh Dolan
Bundoran

4
P. MacFhionnaile
Peter McGinley
Killybegs

5
D. O Duibhir
Damien Diver
Ardara

6
K. MacEiteagáin
Kevin McGettigan
Termon

7
A. MacCraith
Anthony McGrath
Aodh Ruadh

8
O. Mac Bhride
Odrean McBride
Termon

9
P. O Ceallacháin
Paul Callaghan
Killybegs

10
M. O Baoil
Mark Boyle
Killybegs

11
D. Ó Bogaigh
Donal Buggy
Aodh Ruadh

12
R. MacLochlainn
Ronan McLoughlin
Burt

13
S. O Duibhir
Sean Diver
Gaoth Dobhair

14
D. Ó Baoil
Declan Boyle
Killybegs

15
C. Ó Braonáin
Cornelius Brennan
Dungloe

Fir Ionaid: 16. Declan McGarvey (Dungloe); 17. Kevin Gallagher (Downings); 18. James Ruane (Bundoran); 19. Eamon McMenamin (McCools); 20. Sean Boyce (Cloughaneely); 21. Martin McShane (na Rossa); 22. Pauric Brennan (Naomh Conaill); 23. Al Travers (Aodh Ruadh); 24. Seamus Doherty (Naomh Mura).

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Dathanna:
Ban agus Dearg

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B. MacDhonaill
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Newtownstewart

2
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T.P. Sheehy
Cookstown

3
S. MacTaidhg
Sean Teague
Greencastle (Capt.)

4
M. Cruiseir
Michael Crozier
Moortown

5
C. Mac Aoidh
Kieran Hughes
Clonoe

6
S.S. O Caomhanach
J.J. Kavanagh
Pomeroy

7
D. Mac an Fhaili
Daren Mc Nally
Cookstown

8
D. O Sonair
Don Sonner
Cookstown

9
M. O Maolchraoibhe
Martin Mulgrew
Donaghmore

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Damian O'Neill (Mór)
Coalisland

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Marcus Mulgrew
Donaghmore

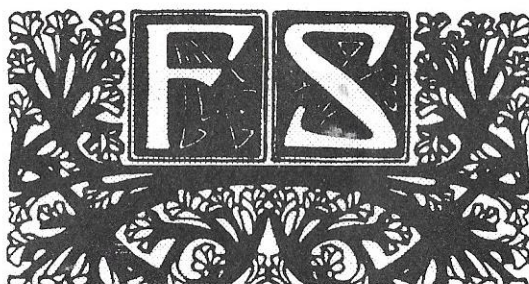
12
J. MacGiolla Uir
Justin McAleer
Dungannon

13
E. O Gormlathie
Eoin Gormley
Errigal Ciaran

14
C. O Doghaile
Colm Donnelly
Dromore

15
B. O Mealláin
Brendan Mallon
Dungannon

Fir Ionaid: 16. John Coyle (Pomeroy); 17. Fergal Daly (Gortin); 18. Denver Farrell (Errigal Ciaran); 19. Rory Mc Garrity (Cookstown); 20. Colman Mulgrew (Kildress); 21. Martin Morgan (Dungannon); 22. Fergal O'Neill (Edenderk); 23. Christopher Rafferty (Dungannon); 24. Sean Tracey (Kildress).



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