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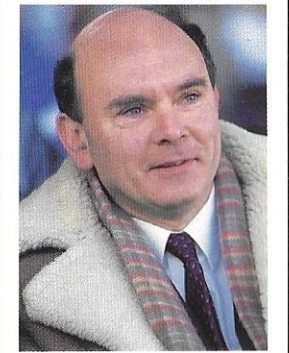
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Brian White (Loch Garman) is a member of the Rathgahoogue/Cushinstown club, and he has been refereeing for around six years. He was the man in the middle when Tyrone beat Roscommon at Breffni Park last April on the same day that Donegal lost to Dublin in Royal Liver National League quarter-finals.

Later in the year he took charge of the Leinster senior football final, in which Dublin beat Kildare. He played hurling and football with his club, and represented Wexford at minor and under-21 level. He refereed the National Football League quarter-final between Donegal and Derry on Easter Sunday last.

Teachtaireacht an Uachtaráin



A chairde agus imreoirí, curim fáilte libh go léir go dtí Páirc an Chrócaigh inniú. Tá súil agam go mbeidh cluichí iontach againn agus tá fhios agam go bhfuil gach éinne ar fuaid na tíre ag fanúint don cluiche seo, athimirt Craobh na hÉireann anuraidh.

You are indeed all very welcome to Croke Park today for the culmination of the Royal Liver National Football League. It seems a long time ago now, but, when the format of this league was agreed, there were many voices in opposition to it. This league has, however, been a major success. Virtually every county had occasion of glory, it proved to many of them that they have a right to real aspiration and a justification to broaden their horizons. It provided a season of uncertainty and unparalleled entertainment for supporters and they flocked in record numbers to witness a competition of rare quality.

Many who doubted the format of the League are now anxious to have it retained and the temptation is great. However, the implications of eliminating ambition relative to divisional status in the subsequent league and/or promotion and relegation obviously has its own implications and these are matters that have to be seriously considered.

In a competition of great intensity it is a credit to the dedication, durability and collective skills of Donegal and Dublin

that, following the emotional and physical rigours of last year's championship, they should again emerge to contest a National Final. I thank both teams and look forward to another game of exceptional quality.

The National Leagues have made huge strides in terms of status and popularity in the last few years. A major contribution to this development has been the support of Royal Liver Assurance. As they now prepare to depart as the sponsors of the Leagues, I wish to say a sincere thanks to Royal Liver. Your support and confidence in us has been vindicated. You have been loyal and good friends and the success of the leagues is a monument to your vision and generosity.

I would also like to welcome the boys from the Vocational Schools of Kerry and Wicklow on this great occasion. You too have come through a testing competition and you are worthy to be here today. You are young men of proven ability, fortunate enough to have been bestowed exceptional gifts. Irrespective of the outcome of today's game, I ask you to continue to develop your skills and use those gifts and I am certain that you will return here on many more occasions.

Táim fíor buíoch díobh uile.

Peadar Ó Cuinn, Uachtarán, C.L.G.

Bliain as an gcoiteann ab 'ea 1992 i scéal na peile i nDún na nGall. Bhain an fhoireann shinsir craobh Uile-Éireann don chéad uair agus cé go raibh siad mar churaidh Uladh ar ócáidí eile b'shin é an chéad chluiche ceannais dóibh chomh maith. Is dócha go bhféadfaí a rá gur bliain speisialta é 1993, go nuige seo cé bith, mar go bhfuilid i gcluiche ceannais na Léige.

Is dócha go raibh an oiread céanna díomá ar Bhaile Átha Cliath agus a lucht leanúna is a raibh ríméad ar Chonnallaigh Mí Mheán Fómhair se caite. Ní bhéadh ionadh ar éinne da mbéadh fonn orthu "díoltas" a bhaint amach agus an ceann is fearr a fháil ar na Tuaisceartaigh inniu.

Ar an lámh eile tíg leis na Connallaigh an deis seo a thapú le cruthu nár capaill aon ráis iad. Dáiríre bhí an saol Fodhlach an-tógtha leis an cumas peile, an stíl agus an chlisteacht a léirigh siad anuraidh agus ó shin. N'fheadar ar chreid foireann Átha Cliath na réamhthuairiscí ar an meáin chumarsáide a bhí lán-chinnteach nach raibh le déanamh acu ach dul amach ar an bpáirc, uair go leith a chaitheamh ann ag tabhairt taspeántais peile agus an Corn a ghlacadh ina dhiaidh. Má creid, agus nó dóigh le héinne go raibh siad chomh bómanta sin, bhí malairt tuairime acu ina dhiaidh. Dá fheabhas a bhí Áth Cliath, agus ná déantar dearmad gur bh fhoireann den chéad scoth iad, bhí na Conalliagh níos fearr an lá áirithe sin.

Athimirt Chraobhchluiche 1992

An mbeidh an críoch céanna againn inniu? Tá roinnt mhaith athruithe ar fhoireann Átha Cliath ach tá bunús ann fós de na fir chalma atá tar éis an fód a sheasamh ar feadh na mblianta fada. Níl aon athrú ar phainéal Thír Chonaill; d'fhéadfá a rá go mbeidh an fhoireann chéanna acu is a bhí an lá cinniúnach sin i '92.

An t-aon slat tomhais atá againn ar a gcumas le linn na Léige reatha ná An Clár. Bhuaigh na Dail gCais ar Mhaigh Eo sa chluiche ceathrú-cheannais le cúpla cúlíní; bhí comhscór idir Mhaigh Eo agus Ciarraí; chuaigh sé rite leis na 'Dubs', Ciarraí a chloí sa chluiche leathcheannais; bhí na Conalliagh ró-mhaith dó na Cláraigh sa chluiche leathcheannais eile. Dá bhrí sin beidh cúpla cúlíní le spáráil ag Tír Chonaill inniu!

Ach is cluiche ann féin gach ceann a imrítear; ní bhíonn na cúinsí céanna ag gabháil le haon dá cheann acu — lá tirim i gcás amháin lá fliuch sa chás eile — d'fhéadfadh gaoth chliathánach an donas a imirt ar thosaigh ag tabhairt faoi scóran na agus mar sin de ar ócáid agus do bhainfeadh foireann amháin leas as. Fiú d'fhéadfadh réiteoirí éagsúla tionchar a imirt ar an cluichí idir na foirme céanna 'Séard athathar

ag rá nach féidir réamh-mheas a bheith iomlán cinnte.

Tá fir lár páirce an-mhaith ag Dún na nGall agus, mar aonad, ceaptar go bhfuil tosaigh níos fearr acu ná mar atá ag na 'Dubs' atá ag braith an íomarca ar Vinny Ó Murchú. Ar an lámh eile tá nós ag Átha Cliath na fir chosanta a bhrú ar aghaidh chun tacaíocht a thabhairt do na tosaigh. Má bhíonn na gnáth-chleachtais ag Áth Cliath, is é sin, na cosantóirí ag Tír Chonaill a tharraingt amach go dtí na cliatháin agus ruathair thapaidh ag leithéidí Jack Mac Síthigh agus Keith Ó Barra tríd an lár a ghiniúint go héifeachtach d'fhéadfadh na Tuaisceartaigh a bheith i mbaol. Ach beidh an frith-ghníomh ina aghaidh sin pleanáilte ag Brian Mac Conduibh agus a chomhghleacaithe.

Rud amháin atá cinnte-beidh ard-chluiche againn inniu. Má bhuann na Conallaigh is comhartha é nach bhfuil an faobhar imithe uathu go fóill agus beidh siad ag tabhairt foláireamh faoi na cluichí craoibhe ní hamháin d'Ultaigh ach do gach foireann sa tír. Má éiríonn leis na Dubs tabharfaidh sé uchtach dóibh ar an mbóthar chuigh craobh na hÉireann, b'fhéidir.

Agus an méid sin ráite cé acu a bhuafaidh? Comhscór? Ní dócha é. Má bhíonn Aonton Ó Baoill i mbarr a réime arís beidh na Conallaigh chun tosaigh ag deireadh baire. Ná tá breall orainn beidh áthas orainn tréaslú le Pat Ó Néill agus 'Na Duibhlínnigh Dochloíte'!

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Good Semi-Final Wins Set Up All Ireland Repeat

HISTORY ALL THE WAY FOR DONEGAL

There was a time when Donegal followers despaired of cheering on their county to a winning appearance at Croke Park, yet here are the men from the North-West striving for a fourth historic win in succession in nine months at headquarters.

The change of fortune began with that memorable win over Mayo last August that earned Donegal a long hoped-for All Ireland senior final debut. This latest company of footballers well and truly erased memories of disappointing defeats in six League semi-finals between 1951 and 1991 when seeing off Munster champions

Clare at Croke Park two weeks ago.

Donegal played with the confidence and poise we associate with All Ireland champions. Prompted by Anthony Molloy, who played a true captain's role at midfield, they gave a purposeful display and were nicely placed at the interval when they led by 0-5 to 0-4 having played against the wind.

Twelve minutes into the second half, a League final debut was signed and sealed in excellent style by Barry Cunningham. Following a long delivery by Manus Boyle, Cunningham sent a powerful shot goalwards and the ball was helped to the Clare net by a deflection from a defender.

Donegal went 1-8 to 0-5 ahead as a result and the All Ireland champions were never really in danger after that. Tom Morrissey did get through for a Clare goal a minute from time, but overall Donegal were more decisive winners than the 1-12 to 1-7 scoreline suggests.

Tony Boyle, James McHugh in attack and Barry McGowan in defence provided strong support to Molloy as Donegal became the first county to follow an All Ireland final win in September by reaching a League final the following May since Meath in 1987-88.

Meath completed the championship and League double with that run. Donegal's hopes of emulating that achievement are undoubtedly boosted by the fact that they have now well and truly ended that long-standing Croke Park bogey. It is also a further boost that they go into this first League final buoyed up by that win over Dublin in the Sam Maguire Cup tie.

DUBLIN BOUNCE BACK FROM AUTUMN SET-BACKS

When Dublin lost to Derry in the opening round of the current Royal Liver National Football League last October at Croke Park, their prospects of making a serious challenge for the title did not appear bright. All the more so as a few weeks earlier they lost the All Ireland final to Donegal.

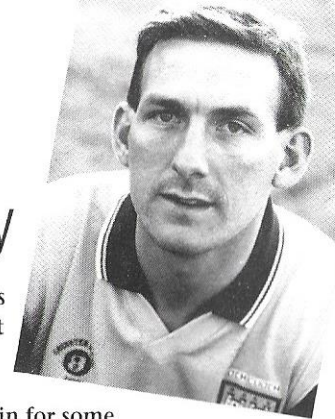
However, the Dubs have bounced back in fine style from those autumn set-backs and have also paraded plenty of skill, commitment and character along the way.

The character of the side was put to the test in a big way by Kerry in the League semi-final last month. The Kingdom went three points clear in the twelfth minute of the second half and were moving at that stage like probable winners.

However, the Dubs stuck resolutely to their task and some twelve minutes from the end Paul Curran, not for the first time in his career, spurted up from the half back line to the attack and rekindled ambitions with a fine point.

Two minutes later, Dublin were awarded a free some 45 metres from the Kerry goal. Martin Doran took the kick, which quickly found Niall Guiden and the wing forward took his goal scoring opportunity in expert style.

Deegan A Model of Consistency



Mick Deegan must rank as one of the most consistent defenders in the senior football ranks. A resident at right full back for Dublin for some time, he has been appearing of late in the half back line, and doing an excellent job as well.

Deegan got among the All-Ireland championship medals at an early stage as left half back in the 1982 minor title winning team, but has found the game's top award an elusive target. He went in as a substitute when Dublin beat Meath for the 1989 Leinster senior title, and was at No. 2 in last year's provincial success.

It was also at right full back that Deegan played his part well in the defeat of Kildare in the 1991 Royal Liver National League final.

Charlie Redmond boosted Dublin's hopes further with a pointed free with three minutes remaining. Pa Dennehy gave Kerry hope with a point, but Jack Sheedy, who had a good game at midfield, scored a fine point to clinch a 1-10 to 0-11 win for Dublin. John O'Leary, Tommy Carr, Sheedy and Guiden with that vital goal made important contributions to the win.

The game, played before an attendance of 46,536, was somewhat disappointing, but Dublin can feel well pleased with their performance, which sends them back to the League final with an unbeat-

en record since losing that opening encounter with Derry.

No team, of course, needs an incentive in a national final, but victory for Dublin would be a little extra sweet after that shock failure to Donegal in the Sam Maguire Cup tie. The memory of that setback is bound to ensure an extra special response from Pat O'Neill's charges.

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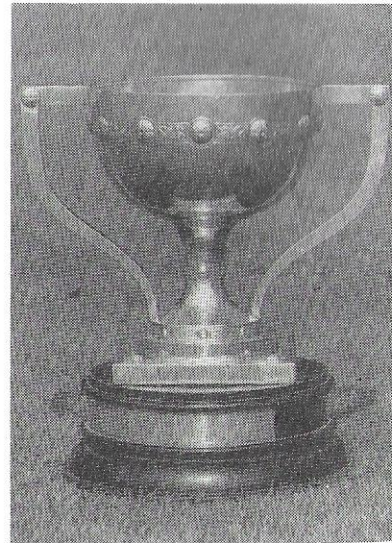
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National Football League Title Winners

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| 15: Kerry: | 1928, 1929, 1931, 1932,
1959, 1961, 1963, 1969,
1971, 1972, 1973, 1974,
1977, 1982, 1984. |
| 10: Mayo: | 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937,
1938, 1939, 1941, 1949,
1954, 1970. |
| 7: Dublin: | 1953, 1955, 1958, 1976,
1978, 1987, 1991. |
| 6: Meath: | 1933, 1946, 1951, 1975,
1988, 1990. |
| 4: Cork: | 1952, 1956, 1980, 1989. |
| Down: | 1960, 1962, 1968, 1983. |
| Galway: | 1940, 1957, 1965, 1981. |
| 3: New York: | 1950, 1964, 1967. |
| 2: Derry: | 1947, 1992. |
| Laois: | 1927, 1986. |
| 1: Cavan: | 1948. |
| Longford: | 1966. |
| Monaghan: | 1985. |
| Roscommon: | 1979. |

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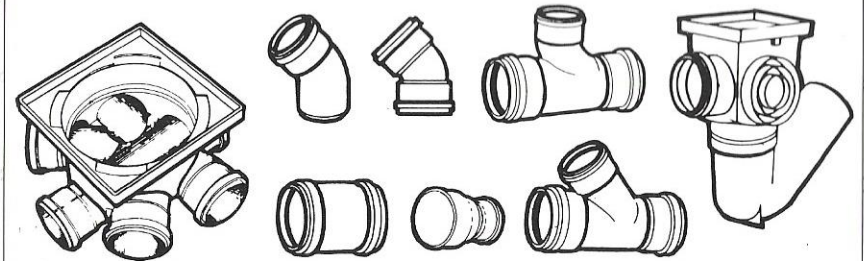
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KERRY

MEMORIES OF 1987

Kerry last played Wicklow in the 1987 semi-final at Ballygiblin in Cork. Wicklow led until late in the game when the score stood at 2-6 to 1-6. There was a flurry of scores in the last few minutes when two late goals gave Kerry victory by 3-7 to 2-8. They then defeated Donegal in the final. Present county stars Pa Dennehy and Anthony Gleeson were members of that side.

Three of Kerry's players today had brothers on that 1987 team. They are Denis O'Dwyer (his brother Michael was captain); Declan Carroll's brother Maurice was at centre forward and Charlie McCarthy's brother John was at corner back.

Vocational Schools All-Ireland Football Finals

1961 — Templemore:	June 1:	Cork City 7-5;	Offaly 3-8.
1962 — Athlone:	June 21:	Dublin City 3-6;	Sligo 1-1.
1963 — Longford:	May 23:	Dublin City 4-8;	Sligo 0-5.
1964 — Athlone:	May 7:	Galway 0-7;	Offaly 0-4.
1965 — Croke Park:	May 23:	Galway 1-9;	Kerry 1-4.
1966 — Croke Park:	May 22:	Fermanagh 2-7;	Kerry 2-2.
1967 — Croke Park:	May 28:	Tyrone 2-6;	Kerry 1-7.
1968 — Croke Park:	May 31:	Antrim 6-7;	Galway 1-4.
1969 — Croke Park:	April 27:	Tyrone 0-8;	Dublin 1-4.
1970 — Croke Park:	May 10:	Tyrone 3-11;	Clare 2-7.
1971 — Croke Park:	May 23:	Mayo 2-4;	Antrim 0-9.
1972 — Croke Park:	May 14:	Carlow 3-9;	Leitrim 1-5.
1973 — Croke Park:	May 6:	Kerry 3-8;	Mayo 2-6.
1974 — Croke Park:	May 12:	Wicklow 2-7;	Tyrone 1-7.
1975 — Croke Park:	May 18:	Mayo 1-15;	Tyrone 0-11.
1976 — Croke Park:	May 2:	Galway 4-9;	Longford 2-9.
1977 — Croke Park:	April 17:	Kerry 1-9;	Kildare 0-11.
1978 — Croke Park:	April 24:	Kerry 0-12;	Mayo 1-7.
1979 — Croke Park:	May 13:	Derry 2-3;	Mayo 0-9.
Replay — Croke Park:	May 19:	Derry 1-5;	Mayo 0-6.
1980 — Croke Park:	April 27:	Derry 2-8;	Wicklow 0-6.
1981 — Croke Park:	May 10:	Derry 1-11;	Cork 2-6.
1982 — Killarney:	April 25:	Mayo 1-9;	Kerry 2-4.
1983 — Croke Park:	April 24:	Wicklow 0-8;	Clare 0-4.
1984 — Croke Park:	April 15:	Donegal 3-9;	Longford 2-3.
1985 — Croke Park:	April 28:	Donegal 3-8;	Cork 1-4.
1986 — Croke Park:	May 4:	Kerry 2-7;	Offaly 1-4.
1987 — Croke Park:	April 26:	Kerry 2-13;	Donegal 2-9.
1988 — Croke Park:	April 17:	Tyrone 1-9;	Mayo 1-4.
1989 — Croke Park:	April 23:	Tyrone 0-13;	Mayo 1-6.
1990 — Croke Park:	April 22:	Kerry 0-11;	Cavan 0-7.
1991 — Croke Park:	May 5:	Cork 2-13;	Galway 1-6.
1992 — Croke Park:	May 3:	Kerry 4-15;	Offaly 1-5.

- Michael Brosnan and John Buckley play their club football with Knockagree in Cork. John Buckley played with Cork minors last year and plays with Cork against Clare on Wednesday next in this year's championship. Gene Burns also plays with Cork club Dromtariff.
- **Ger Cremins, Kerry's goalkeeper from Rathmore, will have played in 3 Munster finals, 3 All-Ireland semi-finals and 3 All-Ireland finals in a 10 week period.**
- The Rathmore players are included in the Kerry panel. Rathmore won the senior schools' title last Saturday and play in the junior final next Saturday.

Roll of Honour:

- 7 — Kerry
- 5 — Tyrone
- 3 — Galway
- Mayo
- Derry
- 2 — Dublin City
- Wickow
- Donegal
- 1 — Fermanagh
- Antrim
- Carlow
- Cork City.
- Cork.

- Today Kerry make their 12th final appearance searching a eighth title. Previous wins were in 1973, 1977, 1978, 1986, 1987, 1990, 1992.
- **Martin Scanlon, Chris Drummond, John Crowley, John Buckley and Jerry Murphy are all members of last year's winning side. David Moore, John Dillon and James O'Shea were members of last year's panel.**
- Drummond, Crowley and Murphy were members of last year's Kerry minor panel. John Crowley is Kerry captain.
- **Kerry have a 25-member panel drawn from nine schools. Michael Courtney from Waterville is one of three players from that school on the panel.**
- Kerry Vocational Games Committee organises games for the 11 schools in the Kerry V.E.C.. The committee is chaired by Eamon O'Sullivan (Castlesland); George Dennis (Killorglin) is secretary, and Treasurer is Marcia Keane (Killarney).
- **Lee Strand Dairies, Tralee, sponsor the Kerry Vocational team for the second year. Lee Strand also sponsor the Kerry County Board Leagues, senior and juvenile.**

PREVIOUS RESULTS

13 December, 1992 — Munster Final at Fitzgerald Stadium, Killarney:
Kerry 2-11; Cork 1-6.
Kerry scorers: John Crowley 1-2;

KERRY V. WICKLOW Vocational Schools Football Final

Declan O'Carroll 0-5; James O'Shea 1-1; Jerry Murphy 0-2; Pat O'Leary 0-1.

10 April, 1993 — All-Ireland semi-final at Ballindereen, Galway:

Kerry 3-11; Mayo 1-13.

Kerry scorers: John Buckley 2-0; Jerry Murphy 1-1; Declan O'Carroll 0-4; John Crowley 0-3; James O'Shea 0-2; John Dillon 0-1.

WICKLOW

PATH TO THE FINAL

Walkover from Westmeath in first round.

Beat Dublin 1-9 to 1-5 at Aughrim.

Beat Offaly 4-10 to 1-6 at Newbridge.

Beat Louth 5-12 to 1-6 at Páirc Tailteann, Navan.

Beat Tyrone 2-9 to 0-9 at Carrickmacross.

Scorers to Date

Jonathan O'Neill	3-10
Shane O'Neill	4-3
Stephen Byrne	3-2
Dermot McDonald	0-7
Sean O'Brien	0-6
Kieran Blake	0-5
John Bookle	1-1
Declan Flood	0-3
Shane Myers	0-3
Mick O'Toole	1-0

POINTS TO NOTE

- **Shane Myers, Dermot McDonald, Seamus Miley, Declan Flood and John Bookle were on last year's county minor team.**

- Eleven of the team are on this year's Wicklow minor panel while Chris Brennan is on the Kildare minors.

- *Shane Myers, Jonathan O'Neill, Dermot McDonald, Shane O'Neill and Diarmuid Doran were on last year's county vocational team piped by Offaly in the Leinster final.*

- Diarmuid Doran's first cousin Denis Kilbride was also full back when Wicklow last won the All-Ireland Vocational Schools' title in 1983.

- *Shane Myers' brother Declan is on the Wexford senior hurling panel.*

- Jonathan O'Neill is a regular on the Wicklow senior hurling team.

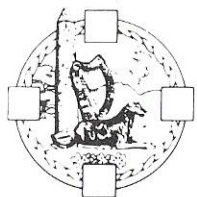
- *Dermot McDonald's uncle Seamus played on the first Wicklow team to win an All-Ireland Vocational Schools' title.*

PREVIOUS YEARS

This is Wicklow's fourth appearance at this stage of the competition. In 1974 they beat Tyrone by 2-7 to 1-7 captained by Kildareman Pat Ryan, now teaching in Arklow CBS. In 1980 they were beaten by Derry when captained by another Kildareman Larry Tompkins. In 1983 they beat Clare by 0-8 to 0-4 when captained by Kevin O'Brien. So the last two captains went on to win All-Stars awards. Present captain John Bookle is from Kevin O'Brien's club, Baltinglass.

Mentors

The selectors are Colm Kirwan, Avondale Community College who is team manager, Ken Browne, Scoil Chonglais, Baltinglass, who is team trainer and Jim Murphy, Abbey Community College, Wicklow. Martin Browne, St. Killian's Community School, Bray is Treasurer and is father of corner back James Browne. County Scholls chairman is Frank Magee, St. Brendan's College, Bray.



Ciarraí

Dathanna: Glas is Ór

(1) G. Ó Croimín
GER CREMIN
Rathmore

(2) M. Ó Brosnacháin
MIKE BROSNAN
Rathmore

(3) S. S. Ó Murchú
JOHN JOE MURPHY
Rathmore

(4) M. Ó Scannláin
MARTIN SCANLON
Listowel

(5) C. Mac Cartaigh
CHARLIE McCARTHY
Rathmore

(6) C. Ó Droma
CHRIS DRUMMOND
Kenmare

(7) P. Mac Uileagóid
PAT McELLIGOTT
Listowel

(8) D. Ó Móra
DAVID MOORE
Tralee

(9) D. Ó Dubhuir
DENIS DWYER
Waterville

(10) S. Díolún
JOHN DILLON
Listowel

(11) S. Ó Cruaiaoch
JOHN CROWLEY (Capt.)
Killarney

(12) S. Ó Buachalla
JOHN BUCKLEY
Rathmore

(13) S. Ó Sé
JAMES O'SHEA
Cahiriveen

(14) D. Ó Cearúill
DECLAN O'CARROLL
Tralee

(15) G. Ó Murchú
JERRY MURPHY
Rathmore

FIR IONAIÐ: (16) P. Ó Laoire (Pat O'Leary) Rathmore, (17) R. Ó Clúmháin (Raymond Clifford) Killorglin, (18) T. Ó Riordáin (Tadgh O'Riordan) Rathmore, (19) S. Ó hAllúráin (James O'Halloran) Tralee, (20) G. Ó Broin (Gene Burns) Rathmore, (21) T. Mac Coinn (Tom McQuinn) Castleisland, (22) S. Ó Sé (John O'Shea) Waterville, (23) T. Ó Ceallacháin (Tadgh O'Callaghan) Rathmore, (24) E. Mac Braoin (Eamonn Breen) Killorglin.

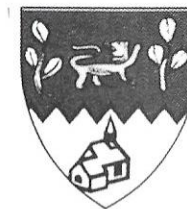
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Trainer: Jack O'Connor (Scoil Uí Chonaill, Cahirciveen).

CIARRAÍ	Cúil	Cúillíní	Seacháí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1adh Leath					
2adh Leath					
Iomlán					

Cill Mhantáin

Dathanna: Gorm is Ór



(1) S. Ó Cionnaith
SEÁN KENNY
Tinahely

(2) C. Ó Braonáin
CHRIS BRENNAN
Suncroft

(3) D. Ó Deoráin
DIARMUID DORAN
Carnew

(4) S. de Brún
JAMES BROWNE
Bray Emmets

(5) T. Ó Coileain
TIMMY COLLINS
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(6) S. Ó Maolaigh
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Baltinglass

(8) D. Ó Maoltuille
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(9) S. de Meidher
SHANE MYERS
Carnew

(10) C. de Blaca
KIERAN BLAKE
Shillelagh

(11) S. Ó Broin
STEPHEN BYRNE
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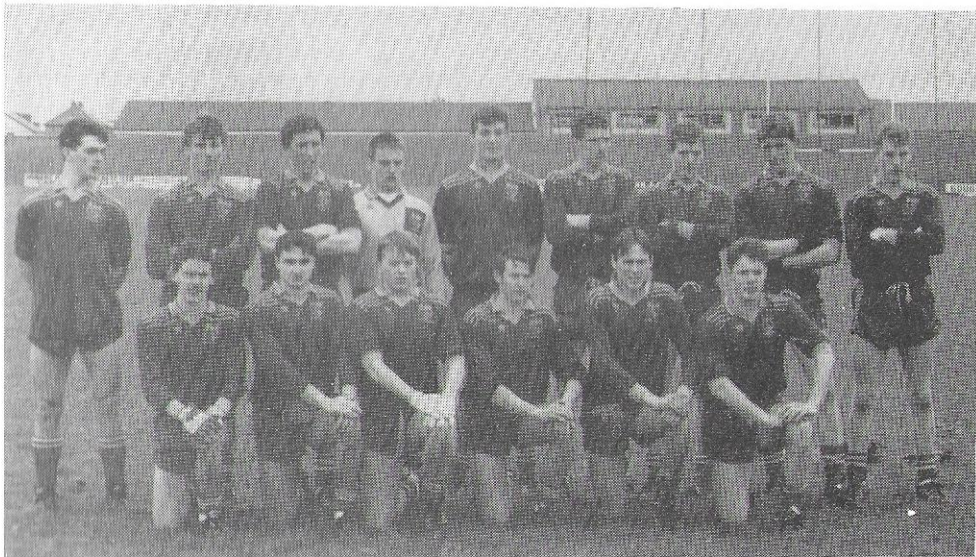
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CILL MHANTÁIN	Cúil	Cúillíní	Seacháí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1adh Leath					
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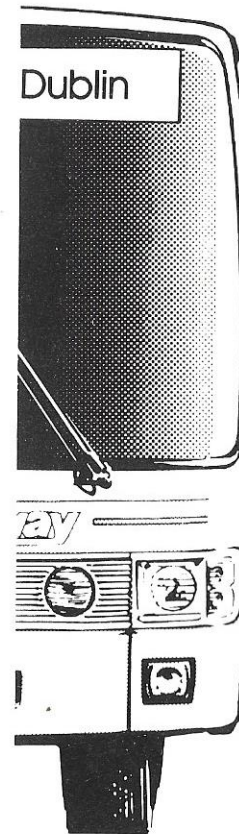
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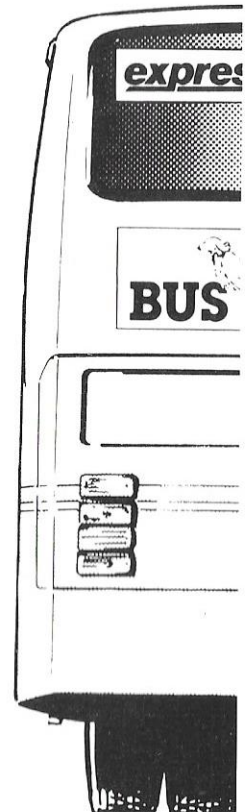
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From The Ashes of Defeat to a League Final

Dublin have had their quota of worrying and exciting moments in a Royal Liver National Football League campaign that brought them from the ashes of a first round defeat by Derry at Croke Park to this final.

After nineteen minutes of the first half in that game against the Northerners, Dublin led by four points, but were pegged back to level terms at the break. They scored just two points in the second half, and lost by two points.

However, Charlie Redmond got the revival firmly on the way on Dublin's first visit to Markievicz Park in Sligo in round two. He scored seven points, six from frees, to

ensure a polished and convincing ten points win.

The Dubs were on their way and have kept on winning. Jack Sheedy had the ball in the Louth net after only 20 seconds at Croke Park in mid-November, but Dublin still had to fight a strong rear-guard action after that for another two points win. Three points from frees by Keith Barr in the last eight minutes ensured a winning return to headquarters.

Charlie Redmond displayed a flair for sparkling away from home, brightening a gloomy November day at Casement Park when he expertly fielded a cross by Tommy Carr to score a brilliant goal thirteen minutes into the second half to spur Dublin to a five points

success over Antrim.

The New Year did not open all that promisingly for Dublin. Midway through the second half of their clash with Wexford at Wexford, the Leinster champions were well in control as they led by 0-10 to 0-4. But Wexford staged a great revival to get within one point of the visitors

Dublin failed to score from play in the last 16 minutes, and it also took a great block by right full back Ciaran Walsh to prevent a Wexford shot from going all the way to the net.

Good work by Paul Bealin and Pat Gilroy at midfield, and the skilled touches by Sheedy and Paul Clarke, who had gone in as a substitute in attack after 16 minutes for the injured Charlie Redmond, were the main features of a hard-earned win over Galway by four points at headquarters.

A hard-earned win over Limerick was followed by probably the Dubs best all-round display so far. That was before a 31,107 attendance at Croke Park when for once in a rare while Dublin started outsiders in a match there, but proved too good for Kildare.

The game had just started when Dublin got another jig-time goal. A long delivery from Paul Curran into the wind came back off the Kildare post, and right full forward Martin Doran was there to send to the net.

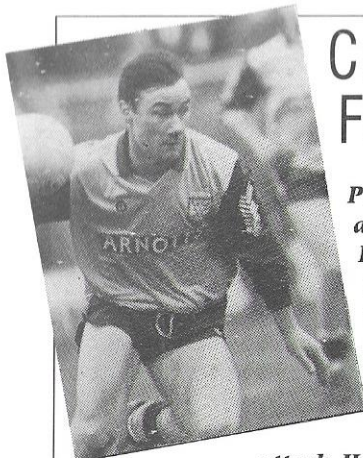
Kildare did take the lead briefly in the early stages of the second half, but Keith Barr quickly levelled matters and Dublin went on for a more clear-cut win than even their keenest supporters could have expected.

Then there were the niggling doubts and the final delight as Dublin turned an apparent defeat into a glorious win over Kerry last time out.

The Kingdom were three points clear and playing well midway through the second half, but the Dubs stuck resolutely to their task, and were rewarded when Niall Guiden sent the ball to the net.

It was the decisive score that turned the ashes of a first round defeat into a final ticket.

Curran a Half Back with Flair for Scores



Paul Curran's top-class football, first at right half back and later as pivot, was a key factor in Dublin's win over Kerry last month at Croke Park. He also demonstrated in that game his flair for going forward to score by rifling over a valuable point some twelve minutes from the final whistle.

Curran's versatility is such that he has represented Dublin at senior at half back, midfield and in the attack. He won his first Leinster senior medal in 1989 as right full forward, and was in the No. 12 jersey when the Dubs last won the National League.

A former county minor and junior footballer, Curran has been in the inter-county senior ranks since 1989, and is proudly maintaining a family tradition. His father, Noel, helped Meath in attack to win the Sam Maguire Cup in 1967.

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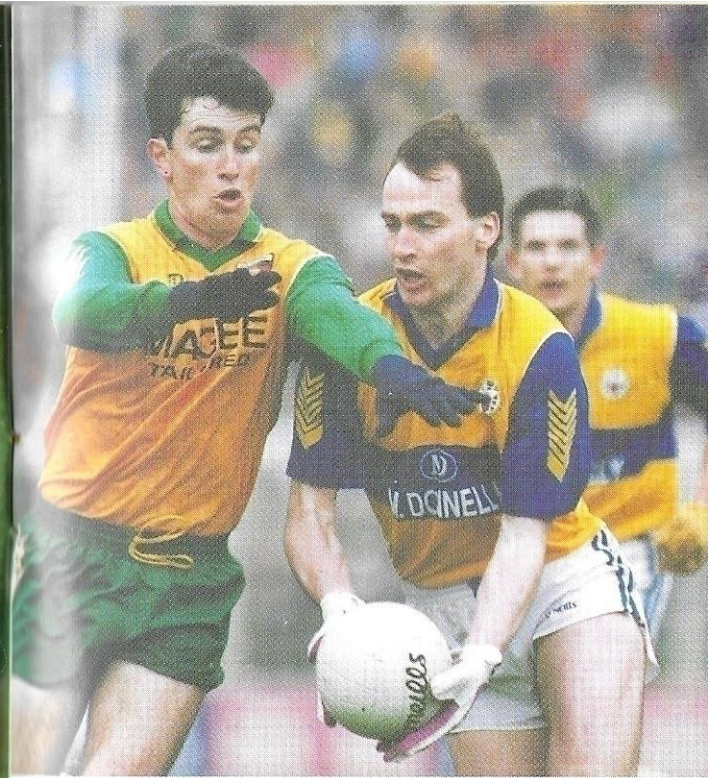
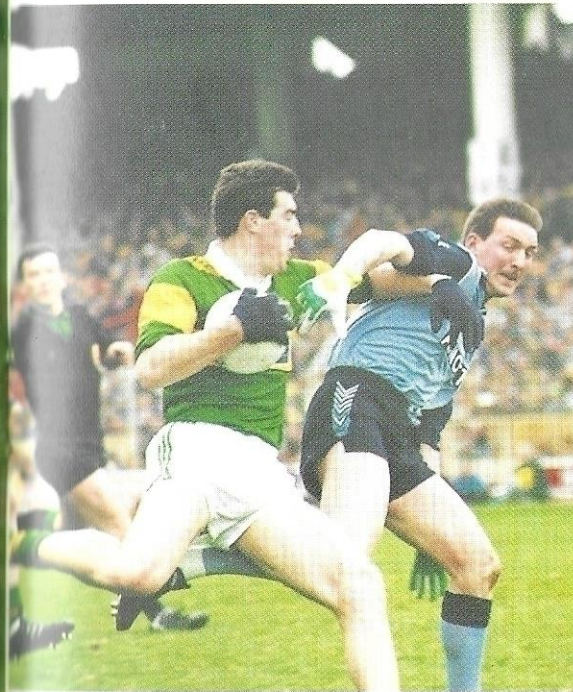
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The Dublin team which beat Kerry in the semi-final:

Back row (l-r): Ciarán Walsh, Tom Carr, Dermot Deasy, Paul Bealin, John O'Leary (captain), Pauric O'Donoghue, Keith Barr, Jack Sheedy.
Front row (l-r): John Calvert, Pat Gilroy, Paul Curran, Vincent Murphy, Niall Guider, Martin Doran, Mick Deegan.



Semi-Final Action

Top: Barry McGowan (Dún na nGall) closes in on Noel Roche (An Clár) as he attempts to score.

BELOW: Arm-in-arm Bernard McElligott (Ciarraí) tries to force his way past Mick Deegan (Áth Cliath).

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Donegal Start With Perfect Record

Donegal and Dublin line-out in the Royal Liver National Football League with good records in the competition so far. The All-Ireland champions are unbeaten, while Dublin lost just one match — their opening clash with Derry at Croke Park.

This is how these counties reached today's final:
 October 18 — Ballybofey: Donegal 1-9; Kildare 0-6.
 Croke Park:
 Dublin 0-9; Derry 0-11.

November 1 — Carlow: Donegal 0-12; Carlow 0-5.
 Sligo:
 Dublin 0-18; Sligo 0-8.
 November 15 — Ballyshannon:
 Donegal 1-14; Leitrim 0-6.
 Croke Park:
 Dublin 1-8; Louth 0-9.
 November 29 — Cavan:
 Donegal 1-16; Cavan 0-9.
 Casement Park:
 Dublin 1-7; Antrim 0-5.
 February 14 — Thurles:
 Donegal 1-12; Tipperary 1 9.
 Wexford:
 Dublin 0-11; Wexford 1-7.
 February 28 — Ballybofey:
 Donegal 1-8; Cork 0-9.
 Croke Park:
 Dublin 0-13; Galway 1-6.
 March 14 — Longford:
 Donegal 3-16; Longford 0-7.
 Askeaton:
 Dublin 0-15; Limerick 1-9.
 April 11 — Cavan:

Donegal 0-10; Derry 2-3.
 Croke Park:
 Dublin 1-13; Kildare 0-8.
 Semi-Finals:
 April 18 — Croke Park:
 Donegal 1-12; Clare 1-7.
 Dublin 1-10; Kerry 0-11.

SCORING RECORD — DONEGAL AHEAD

Donegal have the better scoring record of the finalists. They hit twenty points more than the Dubs, and also conceded seven points fewer than the Leinster champions.

Donegal: For — 9-109 (136 points); Against — 4-61 (73 points)

Dublin: For — 4-104 (116 points); Against — 2-74 (80 points).

BONNER LEADS SCORING RETURNS

Declan Bonner has the best scoring record of the Donegal

and Dublin teams. Indeed, three forwards from the All-Ireland senior champions are ahead in the chart of Dublin's ace marksman, Charlie Redmond.

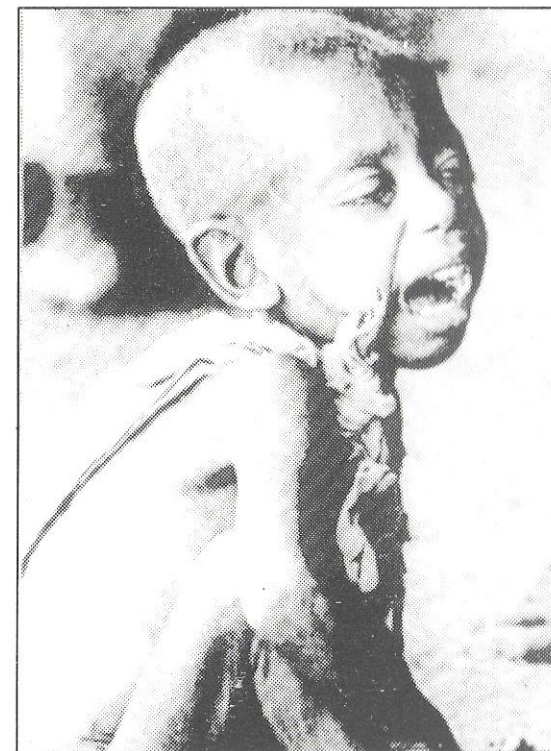
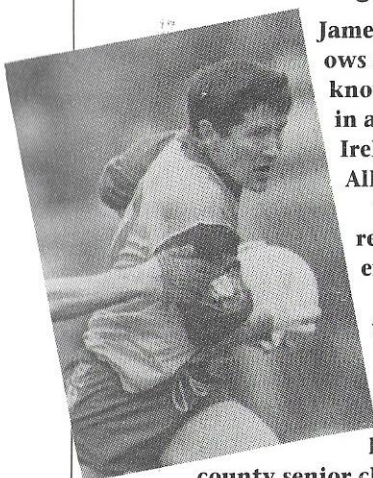
31 points: D. Bonner (Donegal) 2-25.
 28 points: Manus Boyle (Donegal) 1-25.
 27 points: Tony Boyle (Donegal) 2-21.
 24 points: Charlie Redmond (Dublin) 1-21.
 16 points: V. Murphy (Dublin) 0-16.
 12 points: Tommy Carr (Dublin) 0-12; Jack Sheedy (Dublin) 1-9.
 10 points: Keith Barr (Dublin) 0-10.
 9 points: B. Murray (Donegal) 1-6.
 8 points: James McHugh (Donegal) 0-8.
 7 points: M. Doran (Dublin) 1-4; J. Gavin (Dublin) 0-7.
 6 points: B. Cunningham (Donegal) 1-3; P. Gilroy (Dublin) 0-6; P. Clarke (Dublin) 0-6.
 5 points: J. Duffy (Dublin) 1-2; T. Ryan (Donegal) 1-2; J. McMullan (Donegal) 0-5; A. Molloy (Donegal) 0-5.
 4 points: N. Guiden (Dublin) 1-1.
 3 points: S. Maguire (Donegal) 0-3; P. Curran (Dublin) 0-3.
 2 points: Martin McHugh (Donegal); E. Heery (Dublin); M. Deegan (Dublin); P. Bealin (Dublin).
 1 point: N. Hegarty (Donegal), B. McGowan (Donegal), D. Farrell (Dublin), Johnny Barr (Dublin), P. O'Donoghue (Dublin).

James McHugh Casts His Own Shadow

James McHugh is certainly not walking in the football shadows of his older brother, Martin, for long Donegal's best known footballer. He has made his own mark in the game in a big way, and followed his sparkling role in the All-Ireland campaign last year by winning a Bank of Ireland All-Stars trophy.

The younger McHugh also had a splendid game on his return to Croke Park last month, and contributed three excellent points to the win over Clare.

Although now 28, James is somewhat a newcomer to the senior inter-county ranks, having made his debut early in 1989 against Derry in the League. However, he has developed since then into one of the most accomplished and sure-finishing forwards in the game, and hopes to add a League medal to a collection that includes county senior championship Ulster souvenirs (1990 and 1992) and, of course, the game's top award.



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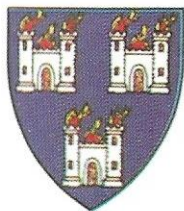
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O'Dwyers

(2) C. Breathnach
CIARAN WALSH
St. Anne's

(3) D. Déiseach
DERMOT DEASY
Garda

(4) S. Mac an Chalbhaird
JOHN CALVERT
St. Vincent's

(5) C. Ó Bairr
KEITH BARR
Erin's Isle

(6) P. Ó Corráin
PAUL CURRAN
Thomas Davis

(7) M. Ó Duiginn
MICHAEL DEEGAN
Erin's Isle

(8) P. Ó Bealáin
PAUL BEALIN
St. Kevin's

(9) S. Ó Síoda
JACK SHEEDY
Garda

(10) E. Ó hIorua
EAMONN HEERY
St. Vincent's

(11) T. Ó Cearra
TOM CARR
Ballymun Kickhams

(12) N. Ó Guidín
NIALL GUIDEN
Raheny

(13) M. Ó Deoráin
MARTIN DORAN
Clontarf

(14) U. Ó Murchú
VINNIE MURPHY
Trinity Gaels

(15) C. Mac Reamoinn
CHARLIE REDMOND
Erin's Isle

FIR IONAID: (16) M. Piondar (**Mick Pender**) *Kilmacud Crokes*, (17) P. Ó Moráin (**Paddy Moran**) *Whitehall Colmcille*, (18) D. Ó Fuaráin (**David Foran**) *Thomas Davis*, (19) P. Ó Donncha (**Paucic O'Donoghue**) *Kilmacud Crokes*, (20) S. Ó Gaibhin (**John Gavin**) *Round Towers*, (21) M. Ó Gealbháin (**Mick Galvin**) *St. Oliver Plunketts*, (22) P. Mac Giolla Rua (**Pat Gilroy**) *St. Vincent's*, (23) P. Ó Dochartaigh (**Paucic Doherty**) *Naomh Mearnóg*, (24) G. Ó Riagáin (**Ger Regan**) *St. Vincents*.

ROGHNÓIRÍ: Pat O'Neill (Manager), Jim Brogan, Fran Ryder.

ÁTH CLIATH	Cúil	Cúillíní	Seachaí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1adh Leath					
2adh Leath					
lomlán					

Dún na nGall

Dathanna: Ór is Uaithne



(1) G. Breathnach
GARY WALSH
Burren

(2) S. S. Ó Dochartaigh
JOHN JOE DOHERTY
Naomh Columba

(3) M. Ó Gallchóir
MATT GALLAGHER
Naomh Bríd

(4) B. Mac Gabhainn
BARRY MCGOWAN
Na Cealla Beaga

(5) D. Ó Maolbhríde
DONAL REID
Aodh Rua Coill na gCuirdiú

(6) M. Ó Gaibheagáin
MARTIN GAVIGAN
Ard an Ratha

(7) M. Ó Sheibhleáin
MARTIN SHOVELIN
Naomh Ultan

(8) A. Ó Lúdóg
ANTHONY MOLLOY (CAPT.)
Ard an Ratha

(9) B. Ó Múirí
BRIAN MURRAY
An Stát Sheirbhís

(10) S. Mac Aodha
JAMES MCHUGH
Cill Chartha

(11) M. Mac Aodha
MARTIN MCHUGH
Cill Chartha

(12) B. Mac Cuinneagáin
BARRY CUNNINGHAM
Na Cealla Beaga

(13) D. Ó Cnaimhsí
DECLAN BONNER
Na Rossa

(14) A. Ó Baoill
TONY BOYLE
An Clochán Liath

(15) M. Ó Baoill
MANUS BOYLE
Na Cealla Beaga

FIR IONAID: (16) P. Ó Ceallacháin (**Paul Callaghan**) *Beart*, (17) P. Mac Giolla Chearra (**Paul Carr**) *Na Ceithre Máistir*, (18) M. Ó Chrossáin (**Mark Crossan**) *Naomh Adhamháin*, (19) S. Mac Cuinneagáin (**John Cunningham**) *Na Cealla Beaga*, (20) N. Ó hEigheartaigh (**Noel Hegarty**) *Naomh Columba*, (21) S. Mac Maoláin (**Joyce McMullin**) *Na Ceithre Máistir*, (22) S. Mag Aonasa (**Jim McGuinness**) *Naomh Conail*, (23) S. Mag Uidhir (**Sylvester Maguire**) *Aodh Rua, Béal Átha Seannaigh*, (24) S. Ó Dufaidh (**John Duffy**) *An Stát Sheirbhís*.

TEAM MANAGER: Brian Mc Eniff. **TEAM TRAINER:** Anthony Harkin.

SELECTORS: Naul McCole, Michael Lafferty, Seamus Bonner.

DÚN NA NGALL	Cúil	Cúillíní	Seachaí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1adh Leath					
2adh Leath					
lomlán					

Top Scorers

Unless Declan Bonnar returns a score of twelve points today, Maurice Fitzgerald will be the top scorer of the 1992-93 league as, with one hour left to play, the Kerry marksman holds an eleven-point advantage on his Donegal counterpart who, if he did manage to pass Fitzgerald, would perform the remarkable - even unique - feat of moving from eleventh place to first in the space of one hour. It has never been done before.

It is noteworthy that Fitzgerald's closest challengers in the chart have all completed their programmes - a number of them with very respectable totals such as Colin Corkery of Cork, Monaghan's Ray McCarron, Niall Buckley (Kildare) and Colin Kelly of Louth. The flag-raising deeds of Corkery and Kelly were particularly meritorious as they featured

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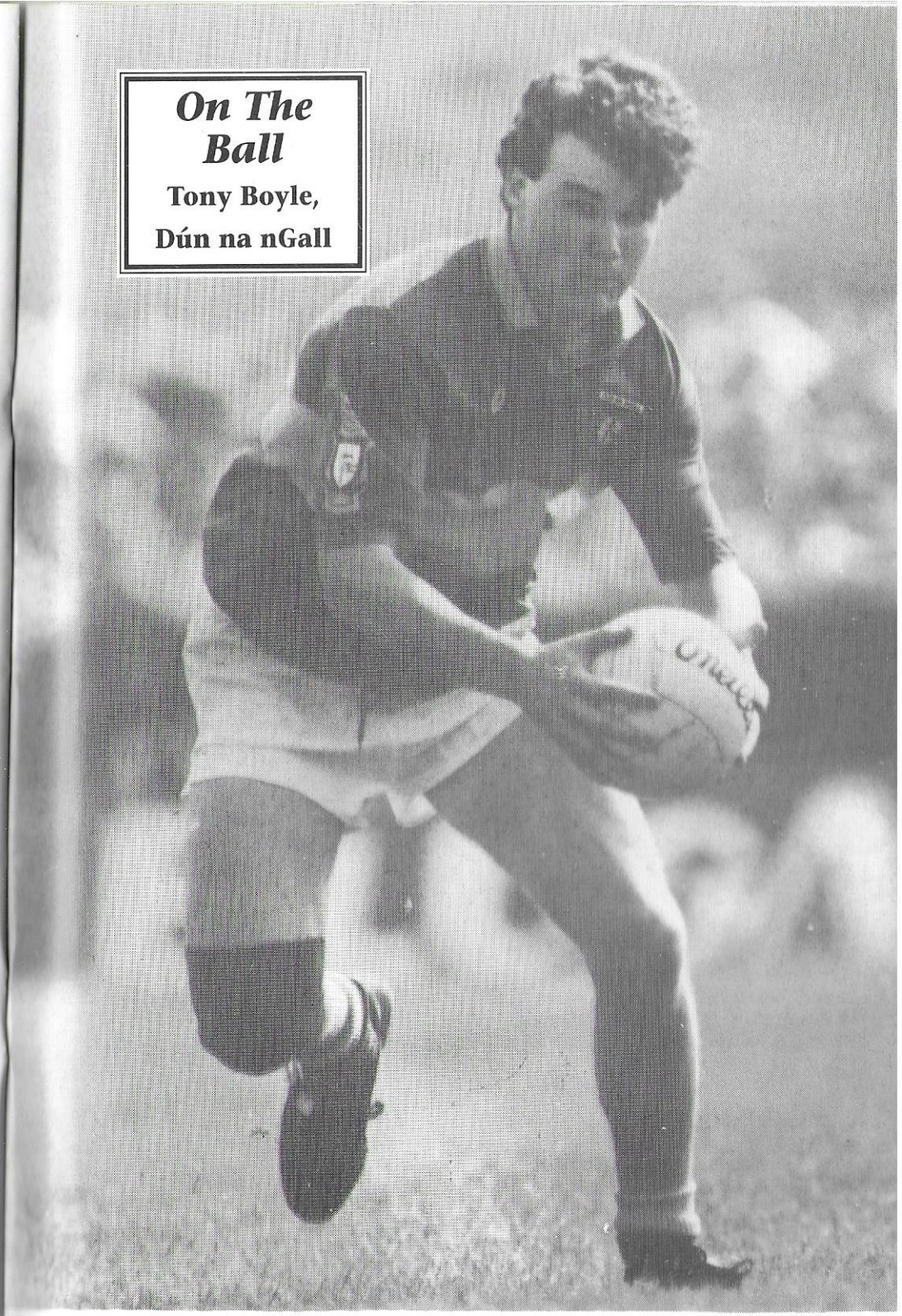
in only the minimum seven games. A man who failed - and by a long way - to make the list still recorded one of the outstanding scoring feats of the entire league: Cavan's Fintan Cahill who was the only player to score three goals in one game. An unusual feature of this year's chart is that finalists Dublin have only one player - Charlie Redmond - among the leading marksmen, while Donegal have three, which is hardly explained by the fact that sixteen players contributed to the Dublin aggregate of 4-104 while fourteen shared the Donegal tally of 9-109.

The list of the league's top scorers reads:

Maurice Fitzgerald (Kerry)	1-41 (44)
Ray McCarron (Monaghan).....	4-30 (42)
Colin Corkery (Cork).....	1-38 (41)
Martin Daly (Clare).....	6-20 (38)
Derek Duggan (Roscommon)	1-33 (36)
Niall Buckley (Kildare).....	0-36 (36)
Colin Kelly (Louth).....	2-28 (34)
Cathal Ryan (Offaly).....	2-25 (31)
Ross Carr (Down).....	1-28 (31)
Ger Killeen (Clare)	0-31 (31)
Declan Bonnar (Donegal).....	2-15 (31)
Karl O'Dwyer (Kerry)	3-21 (30)
Billie Dodd (Wexford)	1-27 (30)
Eamonn McCaffrey (Tyrone).....	2-23 (29)
Peter Lambert (Tipperary).....	2-23 (29)
Ray Dempsey (Mayo).....	1-25 (28)
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On The Ball

**Tony Boyle,
Dún na nGall**



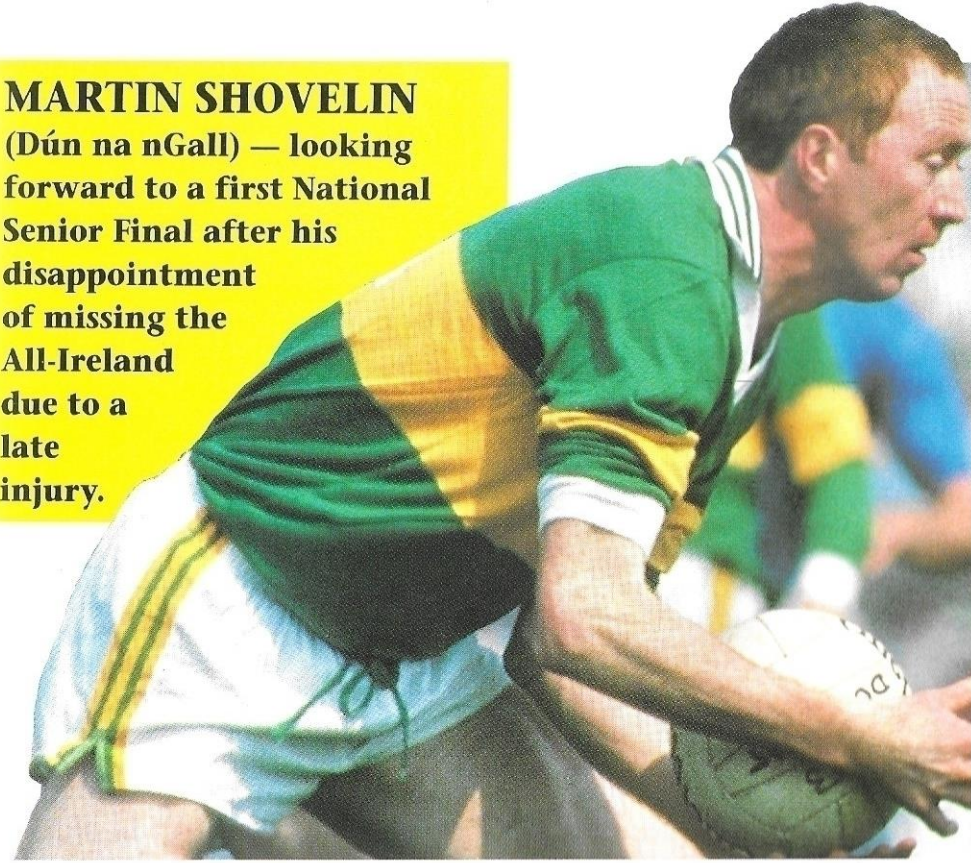


The Donegal team which beat Clare to reach today's final:

Back row (l-r): Donal Reid, Matt Gallagher, Declan Bonner, John Joe Doherty, Brian Murray, Gary Walsh, Barry McGowan, Barry Cunningham.
Front row (l-r): Martin McHugh, Manus Boyle, Tony Boyle, Anthony Molloy (captain), Martin Gavigan, Martin Shovlin, James McHugh.



MARTIN SHOVELIN
(Dún na nGall) — looking forward to a first National Senior Final after his disappointment of missing the All-Ireland due to a late injury.



Comeback Extraordinary

What must have been the greatest comeback in the history of the National League was that of Dublin in taking the 1986-87 title. With three rounds completed, not alone did Dublin not look likely winners, but they seemed destined to be relegated as they languished at the foot of the Division One table with no points, having lost to Meath,

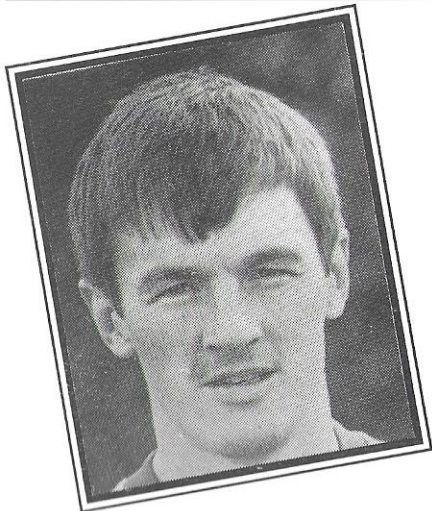
Monaghan and Kerry.

The revival began with a hard-earned two-point win over Armagh at Croke Park followed by victories over Mayo, Down and Roscommon - the last one enabling them to scramble into fourth position on the final table. Cork were then overcome in the quarter-final and Galway in the semi-final to set the scene for yet another

showdown with Kerry.

The 'Kingdom' were widely favoured to take the title, but under Gerry Hargan's leadership and inspired by the attacking flair of Kieran Duff, Dublin brought off one of their greatest triumphs. No team had ever won a league title after such an unpromising start before - or since.

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● John O'Leary, Dublin's captain

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● Anthony Molloy, Donegal's captain

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TAKING IT SERIOUSLY — The Dublin defence takes the threat of "The Bomber" seriously as Eoin Liston is surrounded by Dermot Deasy, Keith Barr and John O'Leary in the semi-final.

Unbeaten Runs

When Donegal beat Clare in the semi-final a fortnight ago they stretched their unbeaten record to nine games, the county's longest successful run ever in the league. Should they win today they will not alone extend their own winning sequence, but they will set up an all-time record of ten straight wins in one league campaign. They will also be the first team to go through a league unbeaten since Kerry won their last title in 1984; but in that year the Kingdom were involved in four drawn games which, surprisingly, enabled them to top the Division One table with ten points. So there would be a big difference in the respective achievements. By a coincidence, the last occasion on which a team recorded one hundred percent success in a league campaign was in 1977-78 when Dublin completed a seven-match programme without the loss of a single point.

Donegal Out To Go One Better Than Tyrone

Can Donegal go one better on their Royal Liver National Football League debut than Tyrone in their debut in a final last May? That is a key question as the men from Tir Conaill follow up their Sam Maguire Cup final debut last September with the first-ever outing in a League summit.

If Donegal add the title to their All-Ireland senior crown, a new name will go on the League Roll of Honour for the first time since Monaghan had a winning final debut in 1985.

The last season the title went to Ulster two years in succession was in 1948 when Cavan won their only crown to follow an historic breakthrough by Derry in the previous campaign. Derry, of course, beat Tyrone in an all-Ulster decider last year.

Seven For The Dubs

Dublin are Leinster's specialists in the title winning ranks, even though they did not win the League for the first time until 1953. Their success over Kildare in the last all-Leinster decider in 1991 boosted the Metropolitan's tally to seven titles.

The Dubs last defeat in a final proper was in 1988 when they went down to Meath in the last final replay. However, the Liffesiders lost to Cork in a "Home" final in 1989 and the Munster county then travelled to New York and beat the Exiles in the final proper over two legs.

The last goal by a Northerner in a League final was scored by Anthony Tohill from a "45" some three minutes from the end last May that set Derry up for a dramatic 1-10 to 1-8 win over Tyrone.

Vinny Murphy hit the only goal of the Dublin-Kildare final of 1991, 5 1/2 minutes into that game to set the Dubs on the way to a 1-9 to 0-10 success.

Leinster has not won a national senior inter-county title in league or championship football in the meantime.

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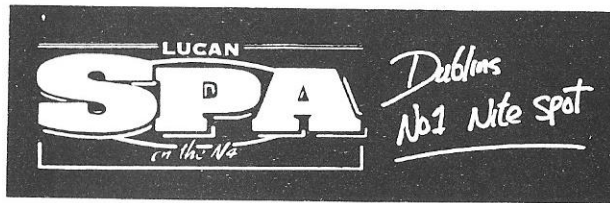
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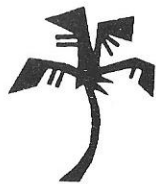
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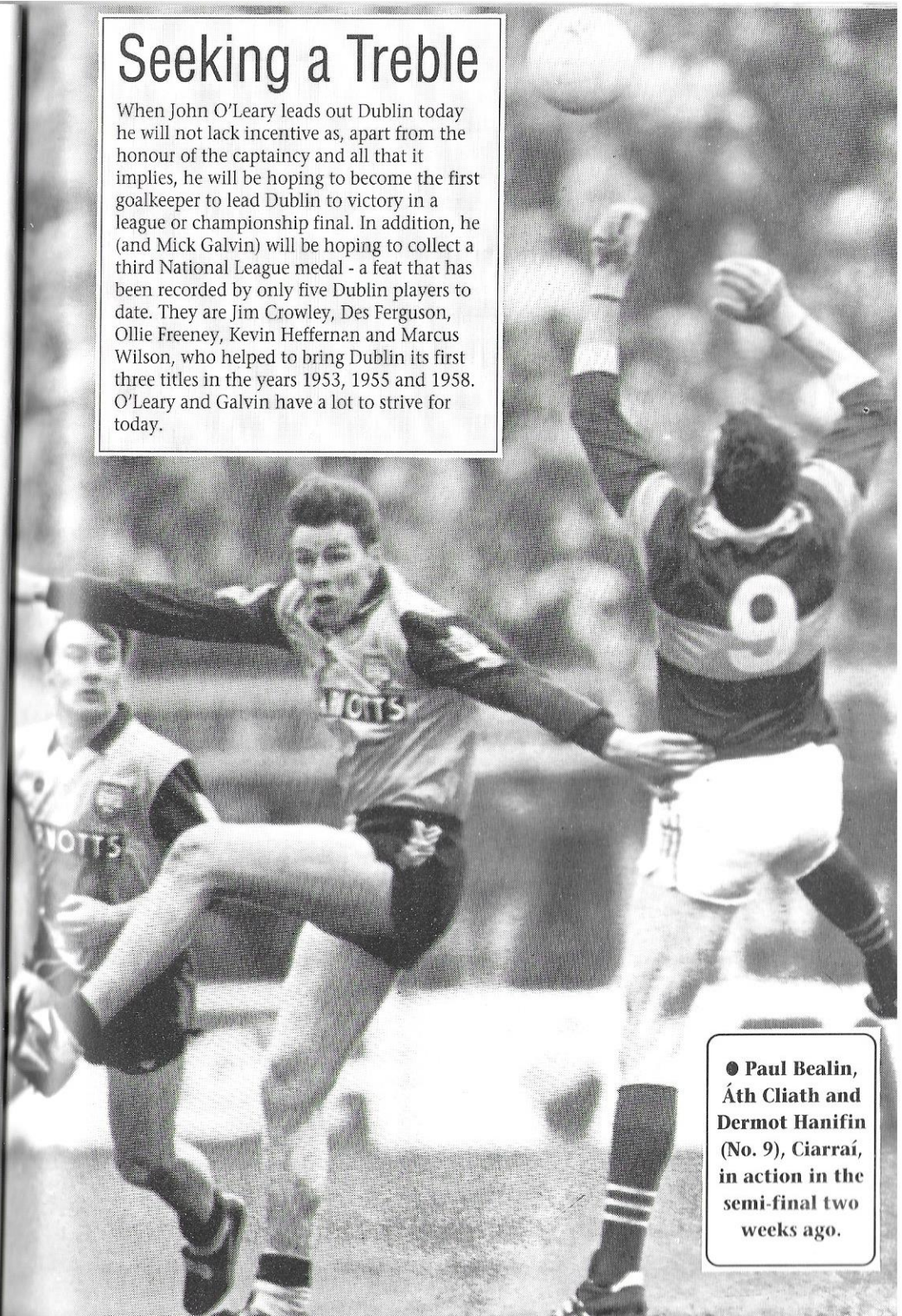
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Seeking a Treble

When John O'Leary leads out Dublin today he will not lack incentive as, apart from the honour of the captaincy and all that it implies, he will be hoping to become the first goalkeeper to lead Dublin to victory in a league or championship final. In addition, he (and Mick Galvin) will be hoping to collect a third National League medal - a feat that has been recorded by only five Dublin players to date. They are Jim Crowley, Des Ferguson, Ollie Freaney, Kevin Heffernan and Marcus Wilson, who helped to bring Dublin its first three titles in the years 1953, 1955 and 1958. O'Leary and Galvin have a lot to strive for today.



● Paul Bealin, Áth Cliath and Dermot Hanifin (No. 9), Ciarraí, in action in the semi-final two weeks ago.

A WINNING CAMPAIGN

Donegal Make History in Style

“A good beginning is half the battle”, according to the old saying, and that has certainly proven the case with Donegal as they bid to set the seal on their exploits in the Royal Liver National Football League this season with a winning final debut.

They had a testing opener against Kildare at Ballybofey in mid-October, and all the more so because of the fact that the game came during

the celebrations to mark the historic Sam Maguire Cup triumph.

Donegal fielded the 15 players who finished in the win over Dublin, but it was Tommy Ryan, who missed the All-Ireland final, who stamped the biggest imprint on the game. He went in as a second half substitute for Martin McHugh and eleven minutes from the end scored the goal that ensured a six points win for the All-Ireland champions.

Good performances by Matt Gallagher, Martin Gavigan, Anthony Molloy and Tony Boyle, who scored five points, kept the winning momentum going at the expense of Carlow at Carlow.

A bumper 8,000 attendance turned up at Ballyshannon to see Donegal outscore Leitrim by eleven points. Every forward scored for Donegal, with Tony Boyle marksman in chief with 1-2.

Donegal returned in Breffni Park, where their great championship run began in May, to see out their greatest-ever year with another showdown with Cavan. In the rain the North-West men sparkled with a confident and purposeful display, thanks to Noel Hegarty, Declan Bonner and Manus Boyle to win by 10 points.

Brian Burke, Tipperary's right midfielder, got the first League goal against Donegal at Semple Stadium in February from a penalty, but

this still did not prevent the All-Ireland champions from starting where they left off in 1992 with a winning performance.

Donegal's return to Ballybofey to entertain Cork was noteworthy for a majestic display of full forward play at its best by Tony Boyle. He did not score in that game, but still had an outstanding game as he tested the Cork defence and created the opportunities for his colleagues.

Boyle set Declan Bonner up unselfishly for Donegal's only goal of the game in the first half. His clever distribution was also responsible for many of the Donegal points, and all in all it was a true tour-de-force from the young Dungloe clubman.

A resounding win over Longford left Donegal the only county to finish the divisional programme of games with full points.

Donegal had to display plenty of character and tons of skill to see off Derry in a quarter-final at Breffni Park. Donegal played with the wind in the first half but trailed by 2-2 to 0-6. However, the champions of All-Ireland rallied strongly in the second half and with Barry Cunningham acting as a third midfielder they eventually edged home by a point.

Could Donegal end a long losing sequence in League semi-finals when they faced Clare at Croke Park? That was a key question as the Northerners met the head-

line-makers of 1992 from the South.

High class football from Anthony Molloy at midfield, powerful defensive play by comeback defender Martin Shovlin, who had to cry off last year's All-Ireland final because of injury, and Barry McGowan, and the accuracy of James McHugh and Tony Boyle finally ended decades of disappointments to send Donegal into their first-ever National League final.

Now history beckons again — a first League crown, and a first-ever championship and League double. Plenty of incentives here for the Donegal men to keep their great winning sequence on the rails.

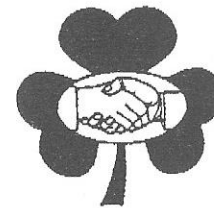
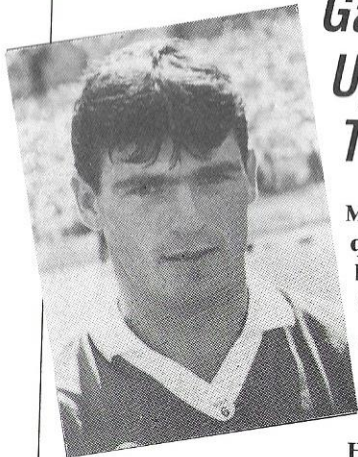
Gavigan Making Up for Lost Time

Martin Gavigan, whose quality play at centre half back has been a major factor in Donegal's emergence from the football shadows, will be 29 in November, and is making up for lost time.

He did not make his senior inter-county debut until the Spring of 1987, but has developed in the meantime into one of the giants of the game.

Gavigan started in his senior career with Donegal as a midfielder, and played many top-class games there, but is now firmly established as a wholehearted centre half.

The Ardara man was Ireland's Vice-Captain on the last tour of Australia in 1990 and holds two Ulster senior medals as well as the All-Ireland senior medal. He was named Bank of Ireland All-Stars centre half last December, his first such award.



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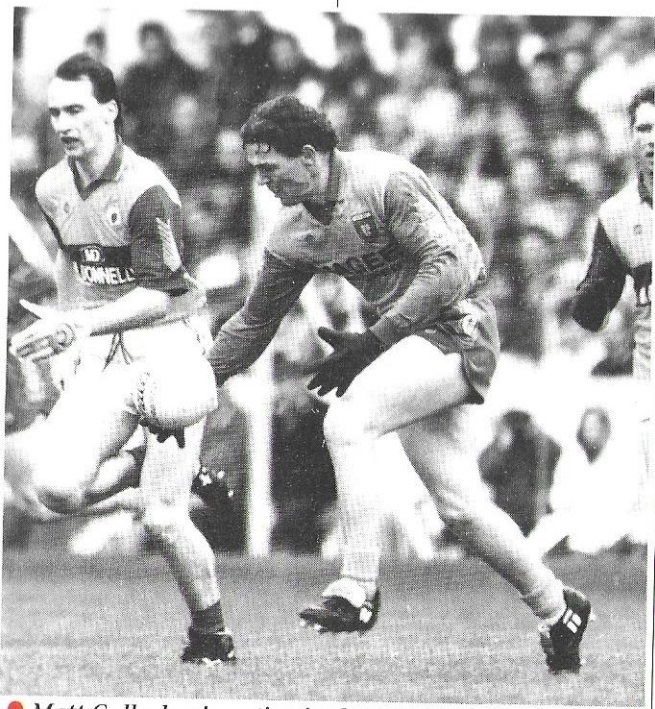
WHEN DONEGAL FIRST QUALIFIED

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Donegal's qualifying for the National League final has been widely hailed as another outstanding first for a county that has truly captured the imagination of Gaeldom. And while it is true that this is their first appearance at the final stage of the quest for the New Ireland trophy, strictly speaking it is not Donegal's first appearance in a league final.

That distinction belongs to a Tír Connail team of more than half a century ago - the team which contested the Division Two final in 1937.

At that time Ulster teams, with the exception of Monaghan and Cavan, competed in the second division and for the 1936-37 campaign Donegal were placed in a five-county group involving an eight-game programme in



● Matt Gallagher in action in the semi-final against Clare.

which all teams met twice on a home-and-away basis. Donegal and Armagh set a blistering pace from the outset and even at the halfway stage it was clear that the struggle for divisional honours would be between them. And here is how Donegal shaded that struggle to make a piece of history that has been largely forgotten - even within the borders of Tír Connail.

First-round at Kilcar: Donegal 4-8; Armagh 2-6

On a fast pitch the visitors had the better of the opening half and deservedly led by 1-4 to 1-2 at the break, but when Ger McManus shot a quick goal and point immediately after the interval Donegal were on their way. Joe Doyle provided an excellent service from midfield and forwards Gallagher, J.P. McGinley, McNulty, McManus and Sweeney saw to it that the service was not wasted as they clocked up 3-6 in the closing 30 minutes.

Scorers - G. McManus 2-2, H. Gallagher 1-1, H. McNulty 1-1, K. Sweeney 0-2, J.P. McGinley 0-1, J. O'Donnell 0-1.

Second round at Omagh: Donegal 2-5; Tyrone 2-4
On their home ground before an attendance of 2,000 Tyrone provided unexpectedly strong opposition and Donegal, who had gone four points in front by the end of the first quarter, were hauled back to level terms before McHugh gave them an interval edge of 1-3 to 1-2.

On the restart Donegal again made the running, but Tyrone fought back and Donegal were holding on grimly when the final whistle brought relief.

Scorers: G. McManus 2-0, J. O'Donnell 0-2, J.P. McGinley 0-2, V. McHugh 0-1,

Third round at Ardara: Donegal 1-8; Derry 0-4
For the third Sunday in succession Donegal were in action with no apparent ill-effects. In deplorable conditions Donegal, with McGinley and McNulty doing the scoring honours, moved smoothly to an interval lead of 1-3 to 0-1. Derry's third-quarter rally caused more than a few problems, but Winston, Maxwell and company defended superbly, and when Donegal took it up again Hugh Gallagher shot a stream of points to clinch the issue.

Scorers: J.P. McGinley 1-2, H. Gallagher 0-4, V. McHugh 0-2.

Fourth round at Irvinestown: Donegal 1-8; Fermanagh 0-2
There was never really any doubt about the outcome of this game, even though the forwards made heavy weather of notching scores from the huge amount of possession provided by the Quinn-Doyle midfield partnership which dominated for almost the full hour. Gallagher's goal was the highlight of what was, overall, a less than satisfactory performance against poor opposition.

Scorers: H. Gallagher 1-1, J. O'Donnell 0-3, H. McNulty

0-1, J.P. McGinley 0-1, K. Sweeney 0-1, J. Coyle 0-1.

Fifth round at Dungloe: Donegal 2-6; Tyrone 1-3
Having found this opposition such a difficult obstacle in the first encounter, Donegal girded themselves for a stern struggle; and indeed it was for the first half hour as Tyrone countered points by Gallagher, Sweeney, Doyle and O'Donnell with a goal and point to leave it 1-1 to 0-4 at the changeover. But that was the end of the Tyrone challenge and second-half goals by McManus and O'Donnell ensured a comfortable victory.

Scorers: J. O'Donnell 1-1, G. McManus 1-0, H. Gallagher 0-2, K. Sweeney 0-2, T. Doyle 0-1.

Sixth round at Armagh: Armagh 2-9; Donegal 2-4
From an early stage Donegal were in trouble in this encounter, and against the wind were fortunate not to be more than three points (0-2 to 0-5) in arrears at the break. And when Armagh had two goals shortly after the restart Donegal looked a well-beaten team. They rallied with spirit, however, and goals by McManus and O'Donnell threw the issue wide open. But Armagh finished the stronger and three quick points killed off Donegal's brave challenge.

Scorers: J. O'Donnell 1-3, J. McManus 1-1.

Seventh round at Maheragallen: Donegal 8-7;

Fermanagh 3-1
Chastened by the Armagh defeat, Donegal were clearly intent on no further slip-ups, and in a blistering first half razed the opposing defence as Gallagher's opening point was followed by goals from O'Donnell (2), McManus (2) and Sweeney to leave it 5-5 to 2-1 at the break. A Fermanagh goal at the 32nd minute caused no panic, and when Donegal came away O'Donnell quickly negated that score. From there on it was only a matter of the final margin.

Scorers: J. O'Donnell 3-3, K. Sweeney 2-2, G. McManus 1-1, H. Gallagher 1-1, T. Campbell 1-0.

Eighth round at Dungiven: Donegal 1-9; Derry 0-2
With Armagh breathing down their necks Donegal needed both points to make sure of group honours, and from the outset they were forcing the pace against a Derry team that played only in spasms. Hugh Gallagher followed O'Donnell's opening point with a great goal and Sweeney and Quinn also raised flags to leave it 1-5 to 0-1 at the break. For ten minutes after the restart Derry threatened to make a game of it, but the Donegal defence was equal to every demand and it was all so easy in the end. As Donegal reached a league final for the first time.

Scorers: H. Gallagher 1-2, E. McHugh 0-3, K. Sweeney 0-2, J. O'Donnell 0-1, J. Coyle 0-1.

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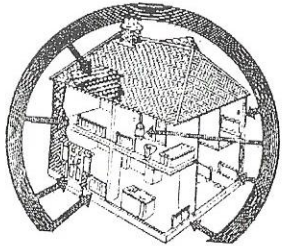
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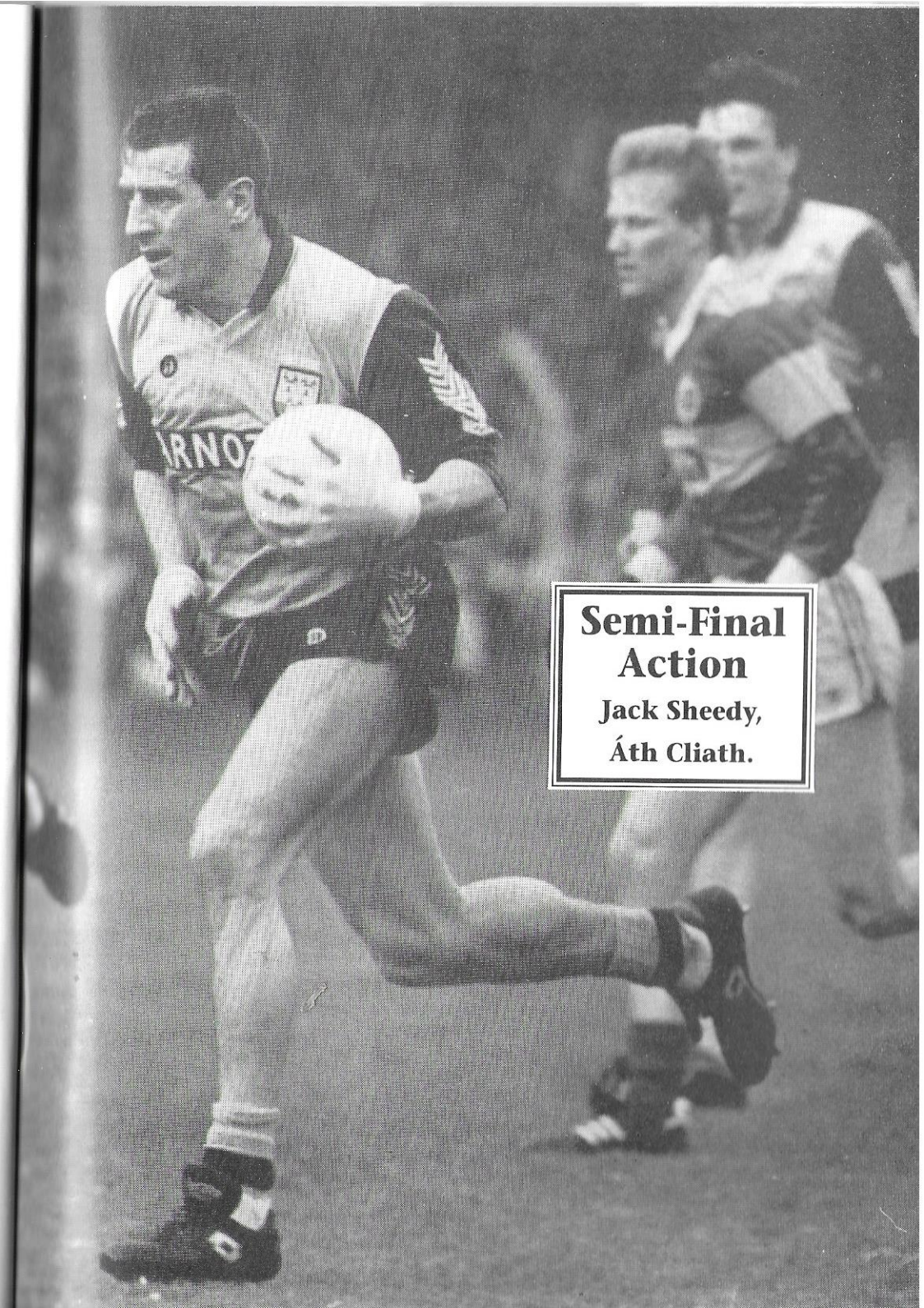
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Derry	8	2	0	6	4
Fermanagh	8	0	1	7	2

THE FINAL AT ARDARA:

Longford 1-7; Donegal 1-3
Up and down play marked the opening stages of a fast-paced encounter and in which McGroarty's net-minding was outstanding. Gillespie opened the scoring with a Donegal point, but Longford looked the more composed team as they moved to an interval lead of 0-3 to 0-2. O'Donnell levelled at the 35th minute but then a good spell by the visitors saw them go five points in front before Donegal steadied. A great goal by O'Donnell opened a fierce siege of the Longford posts. Several times it seemed their net must fall, but somehow they kept Donegal out and the end came with the midlanders still clinging to a four-point lead. A disappointing day indeed for Donegal, but few leaving the scene of that first league final appearance would have believed that it would be 56 years before Donegal again progressed to this stage of the competition.

The Scorers: J.O'Donnell 1-1, H.Gallagher 0-1, P.Gillespie 0-1.

The team that lined out was: N.McCroaty, B.Winston (Gweedore), J.Maxwell (Ardara), T.Campbell (Bundoran), J.Quinn (Castlefin), M.Melly (Ballyshannon), J.Browne (Kilcar), P.Gillespie (Gweedore), J.Doyle (Letterkenny), E.McHugh (Ardara), K.Sweeney (Dungloe), J.O'Donnell (Dungloe), J.McManus (Bundoran), J.P.McGinley (Kilcar), H.Gallagher (Gweedore). Subs.- E.Cannon (Kilcar), V.McHugh (Ardara), G.McGill (Dunkineely), J.O'Rourke (Letterkenny), H.Dunlop (Gweedore). Others who had featured as players or subs during the campaign were - J.Stewart (Donegal town), J.Coyle (Gweedore), M.Coughlan (Castleard), H.Bride (Gweedore), H.McNulty (Ballybofey), M.Fox (Donegal town).



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Days Past

National League 40 Years Ago

DUBLIN'S FIRST LEAGUE TITLE

Thirty counties took part in the 1952-53 campaign - Kilkenny and Limerick opted out - and they were divided into six groups: two of six teams, two of five and the two Dr. Lagan Cup sections of four teams in Ulster. The early rounds produced no surprises apart from the ease with which Mayo accounted for Kerry at Ballina. All the other games saw form triumph as Dublin beat Louth, Meath beat Wicklow, Roscommon overcame Longford and Cavan swamped Offaly.

Donegal drew with Tyrone at Magheragallon and later beat Fermanagh at Irvinestown. Kildare won easily from Westmeath before losing to Meath while Dublin were not extended



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in beating Westmeath by eleven points.

As the campaign moved on Mayo recorded impressive wins over Clare (2-10 to 0-4) and Cork 3-7 to 0-4), but Dublin slipped up against Meath at Navan where the home side won by 1-10 to 2-3. Roscommon had a sensational 3-8 to 0-2 win over All-Ireland champions, Cavan at Roscommon. In Group "C" Tipperary made solid progress with wins over Carlow, Laois and Waterford, while up North Derry looked most impressive as they easily accounted for Fermanagh and Tyrone. Down, by contrast, were never in the hunt losing all three games in their section.

Galway kept their hopes alive in Group "B" with a 1-7 to 1-2 win over Cork, and then brought Kerry back into contention by beating front-runners Mayo at Tuam by double scores. Meath kept pace with Dublin and looked like emerging as group winners until they fell to Louth by six points at Drogheda.

DONEGAL DROP OUT

The crunch encounter in Ulster saw Donegal drop out of the reckoning when Derry beat them by 2-12 to 3-7 at Ballybofey and elsewhere the situation had to be resolved by play-off. Kerry beat Galway by 1-8 to 1-6 at Tuam and then qualified for the semi-finals with a 2-5 to 0-9 win over Mayo at Tralee.

The Dublin-Meath play-off at Croke Park was always going Dublin's way as Meath could summon up no response to a marvellous display of attacking football (3-13 to 2-3), and Cavan and Tipperary completed the semi-final line-up (the former putting out Derry). Dublin found the going surprisingly difficult against Tipperary, though they won readily enough in the end (0-9 to 0-3) and Cavan joined them in the final with a 3-6 to 2-5 win over Kerry at Croke Park.

Cavan, understandably, were favourites for the final, but Dublin's opening blitz spearheaded by Kevin Heffernan left them trailing by seven points at the break and they never really recovered. Dublin's first league final win was as emphatic as a 4-6 to 0-9 scoreline indicates.

Penalty Parade

Since the introduction of the 'large square' in 1974, penalties have become a feature of league and championship - and indeed all other - competitions, and the league campaign now reaching its climax has yielded a goodly share of these 'spot kicks'. These have been spread over every stage of the league with the exception of the quarter-finals, and no fewer than eighteen counties have benefitted from referees decisions - many of them more than once.

From the first round to the semi-finals, 33 penalties were awarded and of these 23 resulted in goals while two raised the white flag. The woodwork intervened on a couple of occasions - most notably in the Dublin-Kerry semi-final but, interestingly, only one was driven wide - to Brian Nolan of Kildare falls that dubious distinction. Five spot kicks were saved by goalkeepers - Brian Nolan again featuring here.

Monaghan's Ray McCarron returned the best performance of any of the penalty takers - he converted the three kicks with which he was entrusted; Karl O'Dwyer had four attempts, but having goaled against Armagh, Mayo and Fermanagh, he missed the vital one against Dublin.

The complete penalty report reads:

First Round:

Tommy Smith (Laois)	point v Armagh at Athletic Grounds
Malachy O'Rourke (Fermanagh)	goal v Kilkenny at Irvinestown
Conan Daye (Wicklow)	goal v Kerry at Tralee
Steve McGinnitty (Monaghan)	goal v Offaly at Ballybay
Brian Burke (Tipperary)	goal v Carlow at Semple Stadium
Ciaran Mahon (Leitrim)	goal v Longford at Pearse Park

Second Round:

Ross Carr (Down)	goal v Offaly at O'Connor Park
Robby Dalton (Kilkenny)	point v Mayo at Nowlan Park
Val Daly (Galway)	goal v Louth at Drogheda

Third Round:

Eamon McCaffrey (Tyrone)	goal v Armagh at Athletic Grounds
Brendan O'Reilly (Meath)	goal v Waterford at Walsh Park
Gerard McConville (Antrim)	goal v Wexford at Gorey
Eoin O'Brien (Waterford)	shot saved by Offaly's Vinnie Egan at O'Connor Park

Fourth Round:

Paul Kieran (Leitrim)	goal v Tipperary at Cloone
Ray McCarron (Monaghan)	goal v Westmeath at Moate
Maurice Fitzgerald (Kerry)	shot saved by Tyrone's Finbarr McConnell at Tralee
Brian Kilkelly (Mayo)	shot struck crossbar v Wicklow at Aughrim

Fifth Round:

Brian Nolan (Kildare)	shot wide v Carlow at Athy
Karl O'Dwyer (Kerry)	goal v Armagh at Fitzgerald Stadium
Aidan O'Keefe (Clare)	goal v Waterford at Dungarvan
Damian Delaney (Laois)	shot saved by Wicklow's Tommy Murphy at Arklow
Liam Cossan (Kilkenny)	goal v Tyrone at Omagh
Ger Heavin (Westmeath)	shot saved by Roscommon's Derek Thompson at Elphin
Brian Burke (Tipperary)	goal v Donegal at Semple Stadium
Conan Daye (Wicklow)	goal v Laois at Arklow

Sixth Round:

Liam Irwin (Laois)	goal v Kilkenny at Ballyraggett
Karl O'Dwyer (Kerry)	goal v Mayo at Crossmolina
Micky Quinn (Leitrim)	goal v Carlow at Cullen Park

Seventh Round:

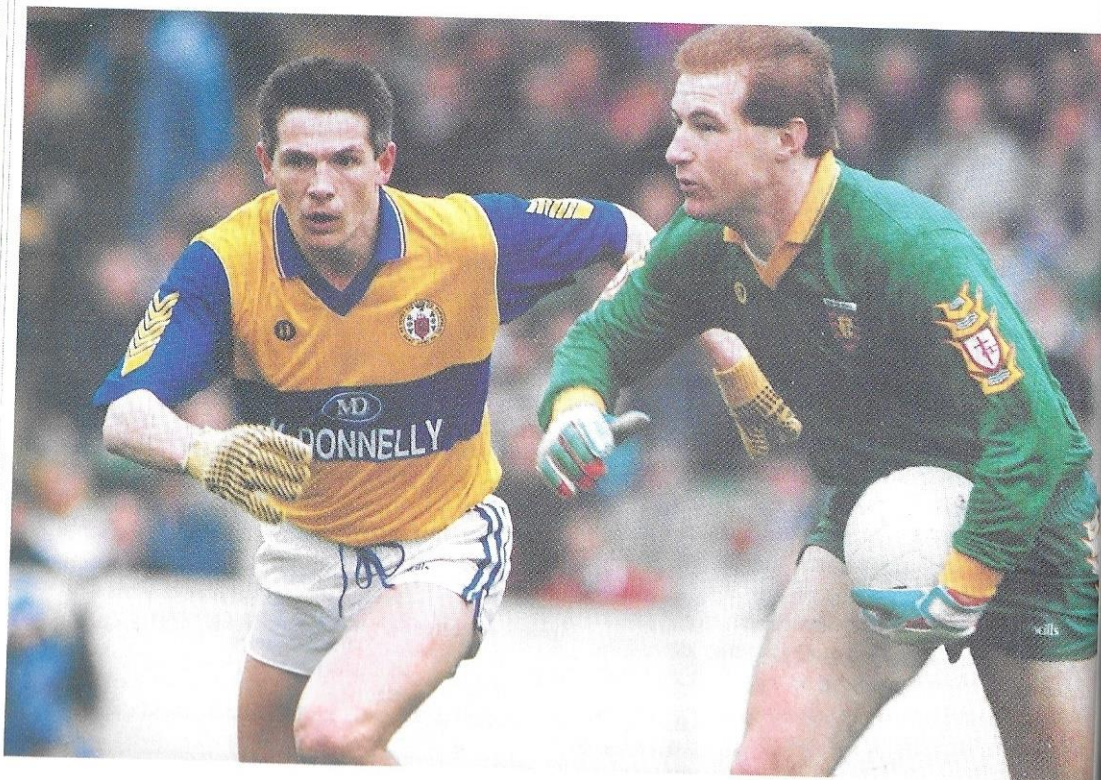
Ray McCarron (Monaghan)	goal v Clare at Cusack Park
Brian Nolan (Kildare)	shot saved by Leitrim's Tommy Quinn at Carrick-On-Shannon
Karl O'Dwyer (Kerry)	goal v Fermanagh at Enniskillen

Play-Off:

Ray McCarron	(Monaghan) goal v Roscommon at Croke Park
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Semi-Finals:

Karl O'Dwyer (Kerry)	shot struck crossbar v Dublin at Croke Park
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IN SAFE HANDS — Gary Walsh in control in the semi-final despite the attentions of Clare's Jerry Killeen.

Consistent

If Manus Boyle raises even one flag in today's final he will have performed a rare feat of marksmanship - scoring in ten successive league games in one season. When the semi-finals concluded he and Maurice Fitzgerald shared the distinction of being the only players to have been on target in all nine games to that stage and now, with Fitzgerald out of the running, the Na Cealla Beaga sharpshooter has the chance to go one better.

No Dublin player managed to score in all their nine outings. (Vinnie Murphy scored in eight games, a feat matched by Tony Boyle for Donegal).

Further back along the league trail, a number of players got their names on the scoresheet in all the divisional games - Billie Dodd (Wexford), Stefan White (Louth), Niall Buckley (Kildare), Peter Lambert (Tipperary), Colin Corkery (Cork), and Collie Curran (Fermanagh). Considering that more than four hundred players raised flags between the first round and semi-finals the above named certainly make up a very exclusive company.

● Declan Bonner,
Dún na nGall.

Another Target for Donegal

If Donegal succeed in lifting the title today they will have recorded one of the rarest feats in Gaelic football - taking the National League and All-Ireland titles on their first appearance in both finals. Down is the only county to date that can claim this distinction (1960), but the Mourne men won the league before the championship. Just how difficult this feat is can be gauged by the number of counties which have failed to accomplish it - Kerry, Dublin, Cork, Mayo, Meath, Cavan and Galway - all of whom have won the league and championship, but never at the first time of asking.

Previous Meetings

Today's final is the seventh meeting of Donegal and Dublin in the National League. The first clash was the fifth round tie at Ballybofey when in a controversial finish Dublin held out to win by a two-point margin. Dublin won the next two meetings before Donegal recorded the first of their two wins at Ballybofey in 1990.

The scorelines:

1984-85 - Ballybofey:	Dublin	1-6;	Donegal	1-4
1985-86 - Croke Park:	Dublin	0-15;	Donegal	0-8
1988-89 - Croke Park:	Dublin	1-10;	Donegal	0-9
1989-90 - Ballybofey:	Donegal	1-10;	Dublin	0-9
1990-91 - Ballybofey:	Donegal	2-11;	Dublin	1-9
1991-92 - Cavan:	Dublin	3-6;	Donegal	1-10

The aggregate scores of the six games are - Dublin 6-55 (73) and Donegal 5-52 (67). When Donegal's four-point win in last year's All-Ireland final is taken into account, the gap in the aggregate scores after seven meetings is narrowed to two points: 6-69 (87) to 5-70 (85). Two points after more than seven hours' football illustrates just how close is the rivalry of these two counties.



INDIVIDUAL FEATS

Although the league campaign ended in disappointment for him, Clare's Martin Daly looks almost certain to claim the top individual scoring feat for 1992-93 as his 2-7 v Westmeath at Cusack Park, Mullingar in the second round tie last November has not been bettered since then, and it would take a phenomenal display of marksmanship by a Donegal or Dublin player to dislodge him.

As always, there were some impressive totals recorded by players whose teams failed to make it to the knock-out stages - men like Eamon McCaffrey (Tyrone), Ray McCarron (Monaghan), Colin Corkery (Cork), and Fintan Cahill (Cavan). Another notable feat was the appearance of Colin Kelly (Louth), Ray McCarron and Colin Corkery twice in the list.

Interestingly, neither Dublin nor Donegal has a player included, as none of their forwards reached the cut-off score of eight points. The best performance by a Dublin player was Charlie Redmond's 0-7 v Sligo while Manus Boyle's 1-4 v Longford and Declan Bonnar's 1-4 v Cork were Donegal's top individual returns. A score of 1-4 was also the best by Kerry's Maurice Fitzgerald.

The top 25 individual scoring feats were:

Martin Daly (Clare)	2-7 v Westmeath,	second round at Athlone
Eamon McCaffrey (Tyrone)	1-9 v Armagh,	third round at Armagh
Ray McCarron (Monaghan)	2-5 v Westmeath,	fourth round at Moate
Colin Kelly (Louth)	1-7 v Limerick,	first round at Pairc na Gael
Niall Buckley (Kildare)	0-10 v Cork,	fourth round at Newbridge.
Colin Kelly (Louth)	1-7 v Wexford,	fourth round at Drogheda
Fintan Cahill (Cavan)	3-1 v Carlow,	seventh round at Kingscourt
Colin Corkery (Cork)	1-7 v Tipperary	seventh round at Páirc Uí Caoimh.
Donal Keoghán (Cavan)	2-3 v Cork,	first round at Páirc Uí Caoimh
Brian Kilkenny (Mayo)	2-3 v Kilkenny,	second round at Nowlan Park
Seamus Moynihan (Kerry)	2-3 v Kilkenny,	third round at Nowlan Park
Michael Galvin (Kerry)	2-3 v Kilkenny,	third round at Nowlan Park
Cathal Ryan (Offaly)	0-9 v Waterford,	fourth round at O'Connor Park
Ger Hourihan (Armagh)	2-3 v Kerry,	fifth round at Killarney
Fergal O'Neill (Galway)	1-5 v Antrim,	first round at Ballinasloe
Ciaran Mahon (Leitrim)	1-5 v Longford,	first round at Pearse Park;
Des Barry (Longford)	2-2 v Leitrim,	first round at Pearse Park
Paul Kieran (Leitrim)	1-5 v Tipperary,	fourth round at Cloone
Ross Carr (Down)	1-5 v Offaly,	second round at O'Connor Park
Colin Corkery (Cork)	0-8 v Leitrim,	second round at Carrick-on-Shannon
Ronan Sheehan (Cork)	2-2 v Carlow,	third round at Páirc Uí Caoimh
Bernard Flynn (Meath)	1-5 v Monaghan,	second round at Pairc Tailtean
Ray McCarron (Monaghan)	0-8 v Waterford,	sixth round at Carrickmacross
Eoin O'Brien (Waterford)	1-5 v Monaghan,	sixth round at Carickmacross
Derek Duggan (Roscommon)	0-8 v Offaly,	seventh round at O'Connor Park

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