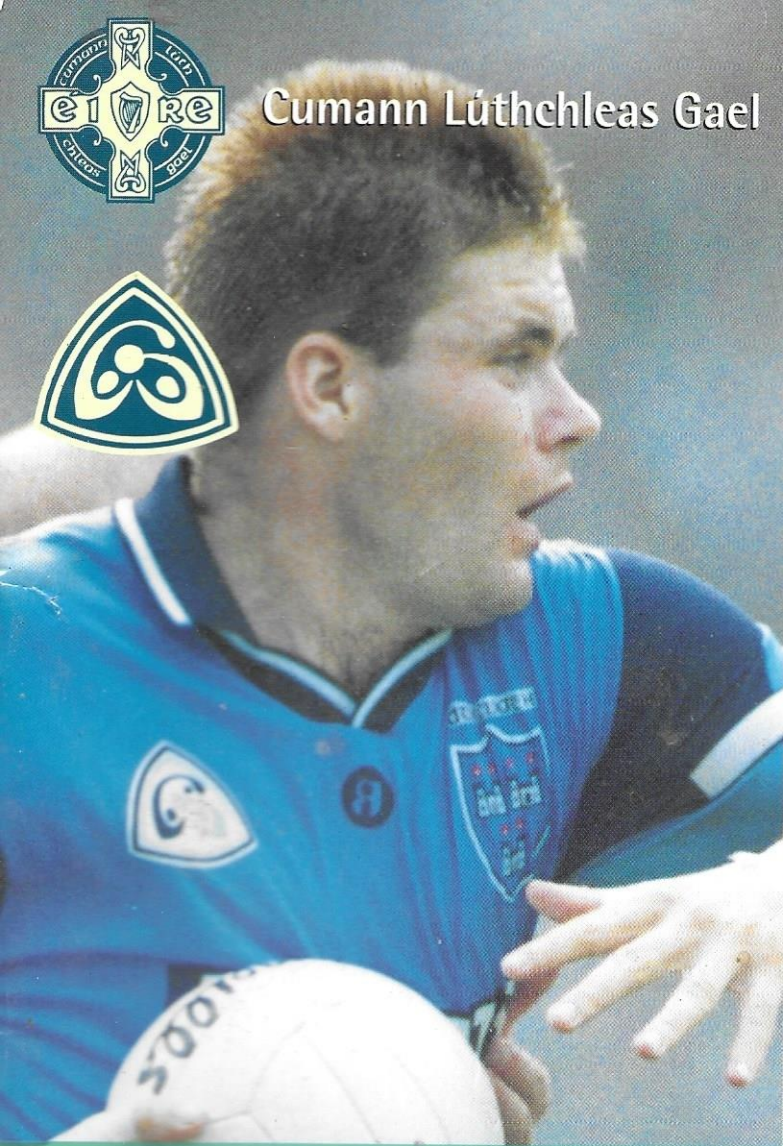




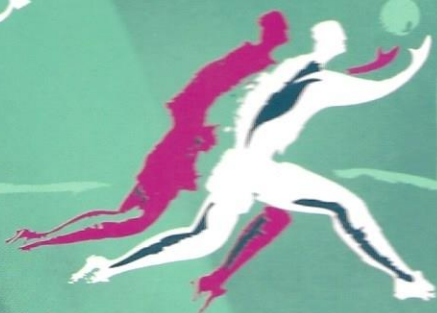
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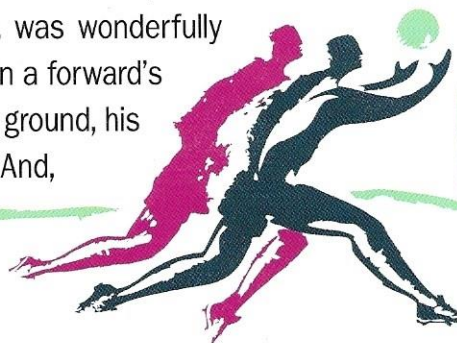
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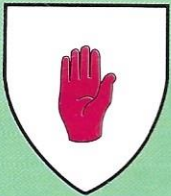
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### Baile Átha Cliath v. Tír Eoghain

3.30 i.n. Réiteoir: P.Russell (Tiobraid Árann)

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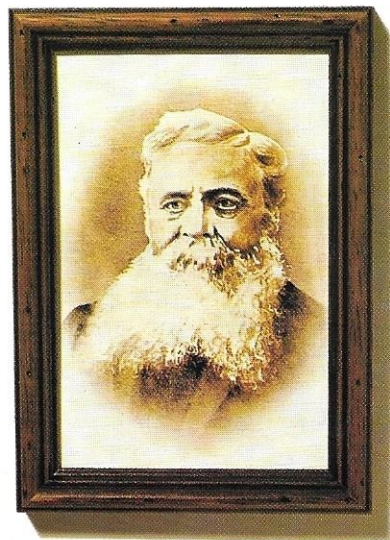
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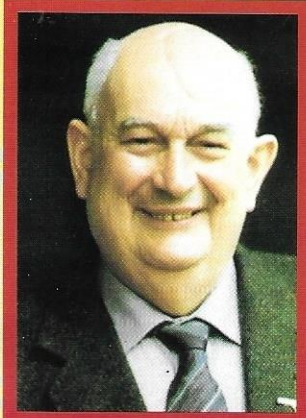
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I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our supporters here in Croke Park today and to the countless millions worldwide who will be focused on the games through the electronic media. Both Finals are unique. Neither of the four counties have ever before met in an All Ireland day and anticipation of two epic encounters has reached fever pitch. Dublin's odyssey has been a long one. The commitment and dedication of this team over the last few years has never been rewarded with ultimate success, but resilience, belief and skill place them on the centre stage once ore. On a foundation of Under-21 success, organisation and flair, Tyrone confounded popular opinion by traversing a safe passage through the formidable and difficult challenge that is Ulster football. Tyrone are here maintaining the proud tradition of County and Province. Anticipation of a great and momentous sporting occasion is indeed justified.

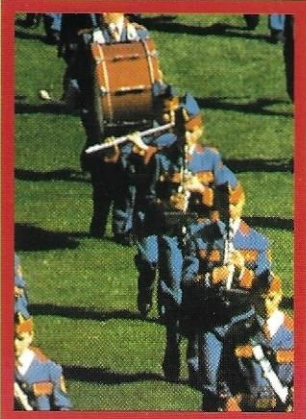
Derry has produced many great Minor teams and this current team appears to be in the mould of former successful crops. Westmeath came here the hard way and successfully navigated a long passage through a combination of skill, commitment and cool nerve. Both teams have given outstanding performances and individually and collectively they have consistently delighted supporters with exhibitions of all that is best in the games. Inevitably, there will be the experience of agony or ecstasy, but I would remind these young men that it is an achievement to be here, an occasion that only the few will ever experience. Savour the occasion, continue to develop your unique talents and I have no doubt that you will be part of many more memorable days.

I wish all four teams well and look forward to a great sporting spectacle. I also wish the match officials well and I would like to thank all our loyal followers for their support right through the Championship. I also wish to thank our sponsors, the Bank of Ireland and, of course, the media for the support and promotion of the Championship.

Go raibh míle maith agaibh go léir.

Seán Boothman  
Uachtarán C.L.G.

## Clár an Lae



**1.27 i.n.:** Arrival of Uachtarán C.L.G. Jack Boothman agus a bhean;  
Éirleamh C.L.G. An Dr. Diarmuid Ó Clúmháin,  
Ardeaspag Caiseal agus Imleach.

**1.30 i.n.:** Craobh Mhionúir Peile na hÉireann  
**An Iarmhí v Doire**

**2.01 i.n.:** GAA/INTO Exhibition Games.

**2.40 i.n.:** End of Minor Football Final.

**2.45 i.n.:** Presentation of the Minor Trophy by  
An Dr. Diarmuid Ó Clúmháin.

**2.50 i.n.:** Musical Recital from the Artane Boys' Bands.

**3.00 i.n.:** Introduction of An Taoiseach.

**3.01 i.n.:** Meath Jubilee Teams 1949 & 1954  
introduced by Mick Dunne.

**3.12 i.n.:** Foireann Átha Cliath amuigh ar an bPáirc.

**3.15 i.n.:** Foireann Thír Eoghain amuigh ar an bPáirc.

**3.18 i.n.:** Introduction of Uachtarán na hÉireann.

**3.23 i.n.:** Parade begins.

**3.28 i.n.:** Moments slience for the 150th Anniversary of the Famine.

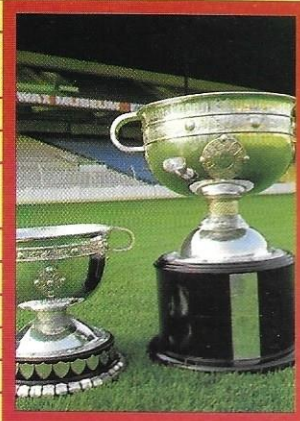
**3.28 i.n.:** Amhrán na bhFiann.

**3.30 i.n.:** Craobh Shínsir Peile na hÉireann  
**Baile Áth Cliath v Tír Eoghain**

**4.07 i.n.:** Musical Entertainment –  
Artane Bands with Finbar Wright.

**4.50 i.n.:** Senior Game ends.

**4.55 i.n.:** Presentation of the Sam Maguire Trophy to the winning Captain by  
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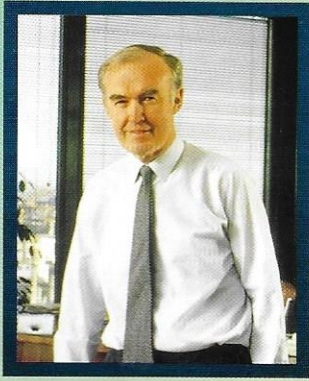
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*Pat Malloy*

Pat Malloy,  
Group Chief Executive,  
Bank of Ireland.



## I.N.T.O./G.A.A. Mini-Sevens



### Girls' Football

#### Team U

Dublin – Navy and Sky Blue.  
Pitch: Defending Cusack  
Stand – Canal End.

1. Emma McMacken, St. Canice's P.S., Dungiven, Co. Derry.
2. Sínead Colgan, St. John's N.S., Rath, Birr, Co. Offaly.
3. Maria Finnegan, Runnamoat N.S., Co. Roscommon.
4. Sarah Hughes, Castleblaney Girls' N.S., Co. Monaghan.
5. Michelle Corcoran, St. John's N.S., Rath, Birr, Co. Offaly.
6. Philomena Fogarty, Rosegreen N.S., Cashel, Co. Tipperary.
7. Muireann McCarthy, Murrintown N.S., Co. Wexford.
8. Noleen Lambert, Murrintown N.S., Co. Wexford.
9. Niamh Foley, St. Patrick's G.N.S., Camdonagh, Co. Donegal.
10. Karen Nugent, St. John's N.S., Rath, Birr, Co. Offaly.

#### Team V

Tyrone – White and Red.  
Pitch: Defending Hogan  
Stand – Canal End.

1. Maria Connolly, Ballyhale N.S., Co. Kilkenny.
2. Grace Lynch, Stabannon N.S., Co. Louth.
3. Gráinne Maunsell, St. Eric's N.S., Kilmoyile, Co. Kerry.
4. Margaret Littleton, Convent of Mercy N.S., Co. Clare.
5. Elaine Kerins, Killeenan N.S., Co. Galway.
6. Catherine McGourty, St. Mary's P.S., Kircubbin, Co. Down.
7. Karen Blood, Goldenbridge N.S., Inchicore, Dublin 12.
8. Helen Fitzpatrick, St. Mary's P.S., Teemore, Co. Fermanagh.
9. Fiona McGratten, Scoil Bhride, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15.
10. Carol Madden, Killeenan N.S., Co. Galway.

### Boys' Football

#### Team W

Dublin – Navy and Sky Blue.  
Pitch: Defending Hogan  
Stand – Hill 16 End.

1. Shane O'Connor, Coolderry N.S., Co. Offaly.
2. Clement Cuniffe, St. Mary's, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim.
3. Joseph Barry, Mahoonagh N.S., Co. Limerick.
4. Pat Shortt, Upperchurch N.S., Co. Tipperary.
5. Karl Stewart, St. John The Baptist P.S., Co. Antrim.
6. David Noonan, Scoil Colmcille, Dublin 16.
7. Eoin Shortt, Upperchurch N.S., Co. Tipperary.
8. Martin Corcoran, Coolderry N.S. Co. Offaly.
9. Cathal Carty, Knock N.S. Co. Mayo.

#### Team X

Tyrone – White and Red.  
Pitch: Defending Hogan  
Stand – Hill 16 End.

1. Francis Regan, Fuerty N.S., Co. Roscommon.
2. Tommy Walsh, Tullaroan N.S., Co. Kilkenny.
3. Damian Browne, Killygordan N.S., Co. Donegal.
4. Stephen Hyland, Scoil Colm C.B.S., Dublin 12.
5. Edmund Ó Leannain, Lattin N.S., Co. Monaghan.
6. Mark Ward, Cannistown N.S., Co. Meath.
7. Rory Jacob, Oulart N.S., Co. Wexford.
8. Chris Coulter, Armagh C.B.S., Co. Armagh.
9. Des Mythen, Oulart N.S., Co. Wexford.
10. Fintan Bell, St. Mary's P.S., Kircubbin, Co. Down.

## The Artane Boys Band and Senior Band Music Programme

Musical Director: Joe Lynch

Programme One: 1.00 pm

Céad Mile Fáilte Arr. John Tate (Past Pupil)  
Amazing Grace Arr. Joe Lynch  
(Bagpipes played by Pádraig Kilbride)

### Programme Two

Both Bands will be saluting the arrival of Uachtarán CLG, Jack Boothman and the GAA Patron, An Dr. Diarmuid Ó Clúmháin at 1.25 p.m. and the arrival of An Taoiseach, Mr. John Bruton TD at 3.00 p.m. with

#### Amhrán Dóchais.

At 2.50 p.m. both Bands will be saluting the supporters from Dublin and Tyrone with **Molly Malone** and the **Mountains of Pomeroy**.

A Soilse, Máire Mhíic Robín, Uachtarán na hÉireann will be saluted at 3.19 p.m. with **Gairm na Uachtaráin**.

As Her Excellency meets the footballers from Dublin and Tyrone, the Bands will play "Moonlight in Mayo".

### Programme Three: 4.06 pm

Both Bands with Finbar Wright, tenor, will honour today's senior participants and their supporters with **Molly Malone** and **The Mountains of Pomeroy**.

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### Medical

Upper Hogan Medical Centre – rear of Press Box

Lower Hogan/Nally – Cardiac / Treatment Ambulance – rear of Section G/L

### New Stand –

Medical Centre rear of Section 301. Cardiac/Treatment Ambulance rear of Stand, Inside Stiles, Upper Level

### Canal End –

Treatment Ambulance and Medical Centre rear of Terrace

Hill 16 – Treatment Ambulance and Medical Centre rear of Terrace

Pitch – St. John Ambulance on pitch in front of Nally Stand and on pitch outside dressing room area.

### Site Medical Officer –

In front of Nally Stand

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### Lost Children

Upper Hogan – at Medical Centre  
Lower Hogan/Nally – at Information Centre

Canal Terrace – Medical Centre

Hill Terrace – Medical Centre

New Stand Area –

Medical Centre Upper and Lower Level



### **Ar an Taobhlíne**

*The linesman is perfectly positioned to judge this situation as Cork's Ciarán O'Sullivan tries to force Jim Gavin over the line in their semi-final clash last month.*



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# Dublin out to end their Northern bogey

**D**ublin have been such a power in senior football in modern times that it is hard to credit the county has lost four All-Ireland senior finals since their last title win in 1983 with a side that had John O'Leary in goal.

The present decade has proven something of a heart-breaking one for the Dubs with defeats from Donegal and Down in the finals of 1992 and 1994 and from Derry in a 1993 semi-final. However, those setbacks might well pay off at last in a handsome dividend as the Dubs go into this unique Bank of Ireland game with a big advantage in championship experience.

Their team has not changed greatly over the past few years. Only four of the eighteen footballers who were in action during the win over Cork last month (Keith Galvin, Jim Gavin, Jason Sherlock and Ciaran Walsh) have not played in a Sam Maguire Cup tie. Whether or not this deep reservoir of craft will help to turn the key this time a long hoped-for win only time will tell.

However, the disappointments of recent years should invoke an extra special response from the long-serving campaigners as this might well prove the last chance for many of them to join the ranks of All-Ireland medal winners. That could contribute to the best final performance by the Dubs in a long time.

Certainly, if the Leinster champions scale the heights achieved against Meath in the provincial final, they will be hard to beat. That was one of the best displays

in years by Dublin — cool, authoritative, with every member of the side playing his part in a display that resulted in, at nine points, the biggest win in years for the Royal County.

Dublin did not match the sparkle of that showing in a hard-earned semi-final win over Cork. However, like Tyrone in some of their games on the way to the final, they displayed plenty of character as well as football ability.

The Munster champions had by far the better of the exchanges in the first twenty minutes and, with sharper finishing, would have been further ahead than the 0-5 to 0-2 lead they had forged out at that stage.

Then Jason Sherlock revived Dublin ambitions with a goal and Brian Stynes came

more and more into the picture at midfield. By half time, the Leinster champions were 1-5 to 0-6 ahead, but the issue was still fluid enough.

#### **AUTHORITY**

Dublin lost no time in stamping their authority on the game in the second half. Points by Mick Galvin, Paul Clarke and Charlie Redmond in a whirlwind four minutes spell just after the restart well and truly laid the foundations for a place in the final.

Cork, to their credit, did battle back and, after twelve minutes, were just three points adrift, but Dublin were playing cool, methodical football and they steadily forged ahead to a well-merited 1-12 to 0-12 win.

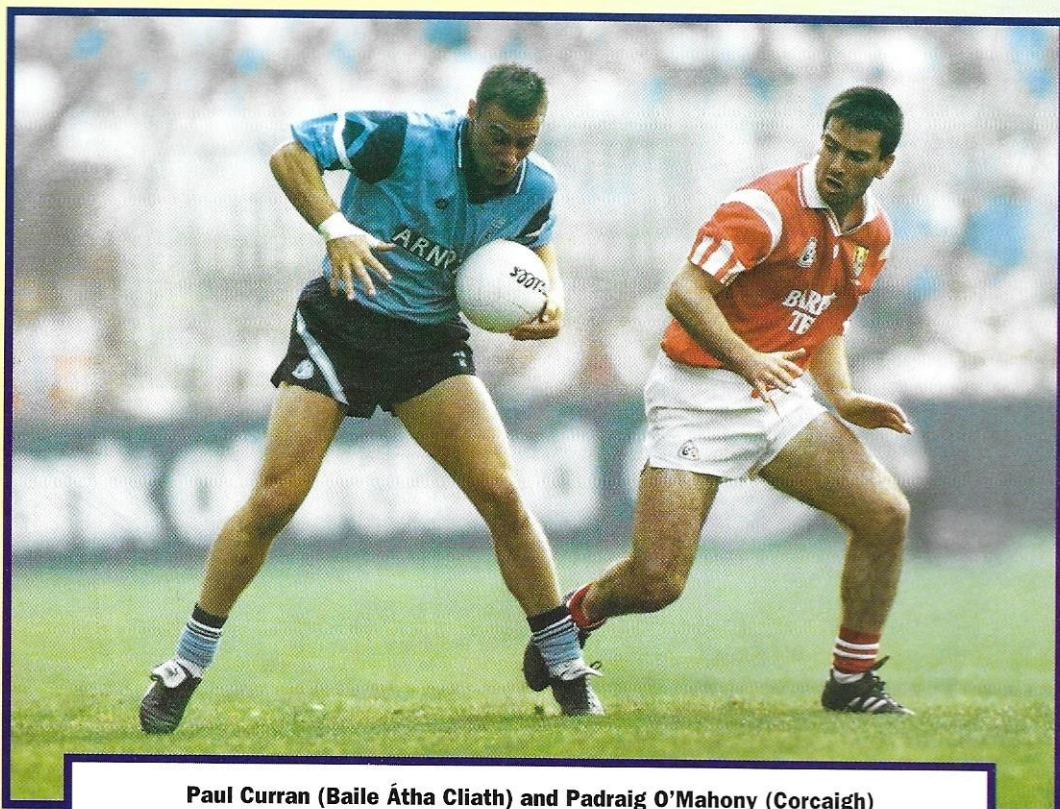
Brian Stynes had an outstanding game for Dublin —

one of his best ever in the county colours. After the opening twenty minutes, when Cork dominated midfield, Stynes really came into the game in a big way and his skilled touches and sure fielding ensured a good supply for the Leinster attack.

Redmond was also impressive for Dublin and once more headed their scoring returns with seven points. Mick Galvin had an outstanding game and contributed four vital points.

Sherlock, with his so valuable goal, and Paul Curran were others whose skilled touches helped to steer Dublin to their third final in four years.

Can Dublin end their Northern bogey by succeeding against Tyrone where they failed against Donegal, Derry and Down? That is a key question, but it will certainly not be for the lack of all-out endeavour, commitment and skilled play if John O'Leary and his colleagues fail to end their losing run.



**Paul Curran (Baile Átha Cliath) and Pdraig O'Mahony (Corcaigh) in the semi-final last month.**



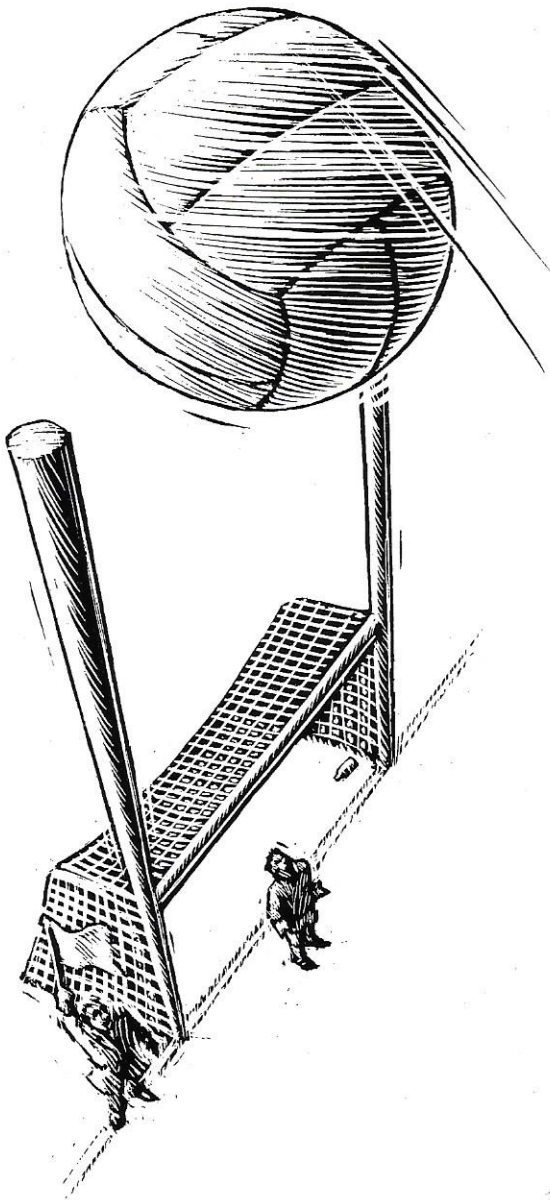
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# Home or Away?

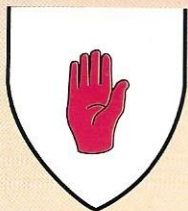
*Dublin V Tyrone  
All Ireland Football Final,  
Croke Park.*

Today, September 17th will see the multitudes filling Croke Park once more, to witness the closing episode of a dramatic season's football. Dublin facing Tyrone should, of course, draw the home crowd in the heart of the capital, but Tyrone the visitors, with a huge travelling contingent, surely won't be going home without a fight!

Whether it's home or away, the ones who always pull the biggest crowds, up and down the country, are Iarnród Éireann! Because the best way to get to the finals is - train! And, as the two teams build up a head of steam for the final showdown, we're here, like always, to take you there!



The reason we're here is to take you there.



# Tyrone bidding to maintain Ulster Record

**T**yrone's bid for a first-ever All-Ireland senior win puts them in line to record the tenth successive victory by an Ulster county in the All-Ireland senior football championship. Not since Donegal lost to Meath in a semi-final in 1990 has a Northern side been unsuccessful in a game in the All-Ireland series.

This is a remarkable change of fortune for Ulster and also the province's most successful era ever. It is also a record that the O'Neill County men are well-equipped to keep intact.

They gave some polished performances on the way to their first Ulster title in six years. The high point was undoubtedly the semi-final win over Church and General National League champions Derry at Clones.

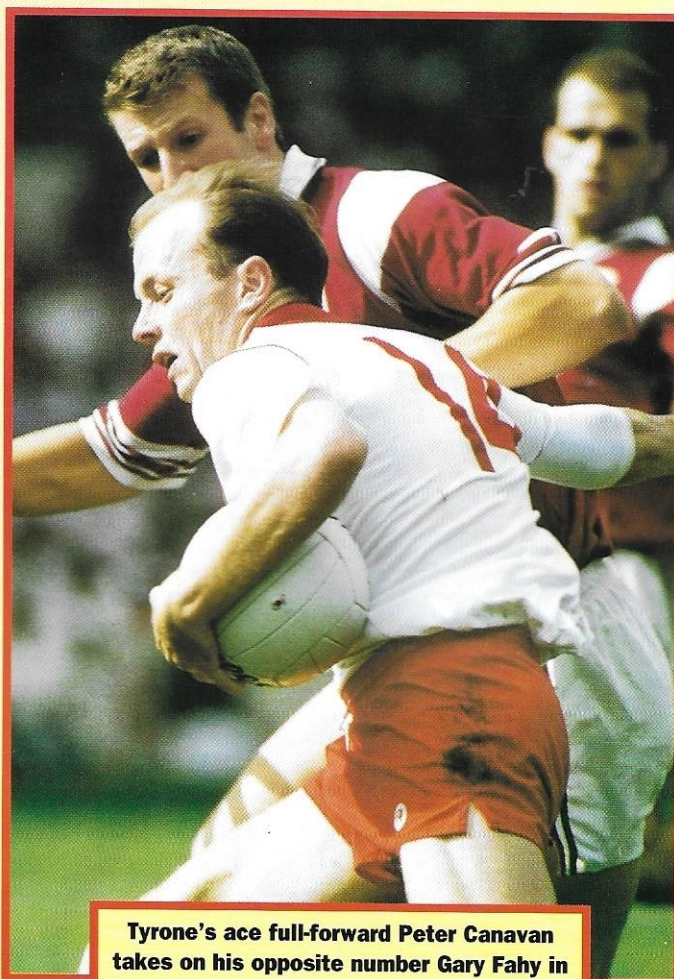
That was a game in which Tyrone backed up football ability with great character as they staged a remarkable second half come-back to earn a deserved one point win. Tyrone were down to 13 players at the interval, two of their side having been sent to the line by the referee. They also trailed by three points and the outlook appeared far from bright.

But Tyrone battled back with great determination and football ability in the second half. A tight defence and the brilliance up front of Peter Canavan led to a big step-up in form on the first

half display. Derry had a player dismissed eleven minutes into the half and battled bravely, but Tyrone hit a brilliant spell to find the necessary answers to dismiss the side many fancied at the time to capture the Bank

were a much better team than many believed.

**ENCOURAGEMENT**  
Nevertheless, the Northerners can still take encouragement from that win. They were given a stern test, had to battle



Tyrone's ace full-forward Peter Canavan takes on his opposite number Gary Fahy in the semi-final against Galway

of Ireland All-Ireland title.

On their return to headquarters as Ulster senior champions, Tyrone did not produce the sparkle many expected when seeing off the challenge of little fancied Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final. In fairness, however, it must be pointed out that the Connacht champions

back from arrears a number of times, but in the end still well deserved their final ticket.

Galway were 0-5 to 0-2 clear after twenty minutes and moving well against a somewhat disappointing Ulster side. Then up popped Peter Canavan to boost hopes by palming the ball to the Western net. That

score revitalised Tyrone, but they still trailed at the interval by 0-8 to 1-3.

Things still did not appear too bright for Tyrone as Galway in general had the better of the exchanges, but the Northerners refused to panic. They also had that vital ace in the pack in Peter Canavan. He sent over four points to bring the sides level at 1-7 to 0-10 and Tyrone began to get their game together more efficiently after that to run out good winners by 1-13 to 0-13.

Canavan's role in bringing the O'Neill County back to the top game of the year after a break of nine seasons is illustrated by the fact that he scored 1-7, 1-3 from play, and also contributed some vital touches in general play as well.

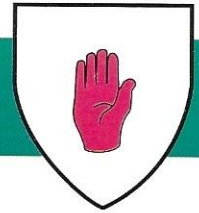
Pascal Canavan, especially in the second half at midfield, Ciaran McBride, substitutes Matt McGleenan and Adrian Cush (both in the second half) and Ronan McGarrity and Fay Devlin were other commanding figures in turning the game Tyrone's way.

This Tyrone team is built around players who won All-Ireland under-21 medals in 1991 and 1992 and who are now living up fully to the exciting potential of their under-age teams.

The Northerners will certainly not allow this rare opportunity of earning a special place in Tyrone history to pass them by lightly.



# The Sam Maguire Cup



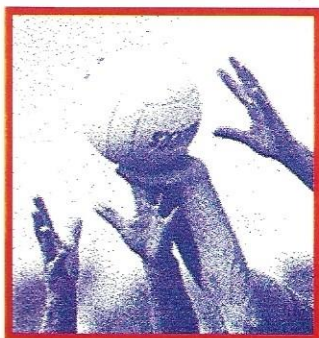
The winners of the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football championship final today will be presented with the new Sam Maguire Cup. This trophy was first awarded to the winners of the 1988 final and replaced a cup also known as the Sam Maguire Cup, which was awarded to the final winners from 1928.

The trophy was presented to the G.A.A. to commemorate Sam Maguire, who was born in Dunmanway, Co. Cork in 1879.

On leaving school he joined the Civil Service and was assigned to duty in London. An outstanding footballer, he played with London in the All-Ireland finals of 1900, 1901 and 1903. Subsequently, he took an active part in the legislative side of affairs, became Chairman of the London County Board and a Trustee of Croke Park.

He also played a prominent part in the War of Independence and was a close friend and associate of Michael Collins.

Sam Maguire left England in 1923 and died in February 1927. He is buried in the Church of Ireland Cemetary in Dunmanway.



## First Winners

Kildare became the first winners of the Sam Maguire Cup by beating Cavan in the 1928 final. They have not won the trophy in the meantime.

Kerry brought the trophy south in 1929 and a year later became the first county to make a successful defence of the trophy.

Cavan scored Ulster's first Sam Maguire Cup win in 1933 and a year later Galway brought the Cup West for the first time.

In 1960, the Cup was brought in triumph over the Border for the first time after Down beat Kerry.

## Famous Six

Six footballers have been twice presented with the old Cup.

Joe Barrett captained Kerry to their wins in 1929 and 1932. Jimmy Murray led Roscommon to their first-ever Sam Maguire Cup win in 1943 and was captain when they retained the title the following September.

John Joe O'Reilly earned a unique position among the elite company of captains. He was Cavan's leader when they beat Kerry at the Polo Grounds, New York, in 1947 in the only final played outside of Ireland. Cavan, with O'Reilly again captain, retained the Cup in 1948 and their late, great defender earned ranking as the

only man to captain championship winning teams in two countries.

Sean Flanagan captained Mayo to their last two titles, 1950 and 1951, and Enda Colleran led Galway to their successes of 1965 and 1966.

Tony Hanahoe joined this select company when he captained Dublin to their 1976 and 1977 title wins.

Mick Lyons led Meath to the 1987 title and ranks as the last man presented with the old Cup.

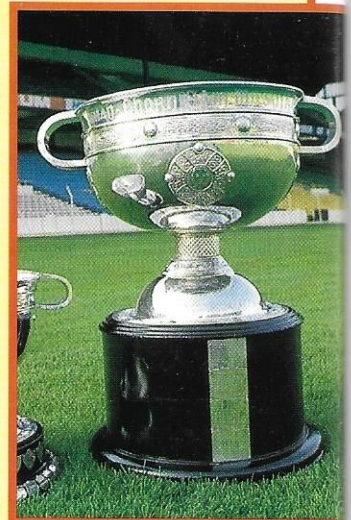
## The New Cup

The new Sam Maguire Cup was first on "offer" in 1988 when Meath, captained by Mick Lyons, and Cork, led by Tony Nation, played a draw.

Joe Cassells was named as Meath's captain early in 1988, but missed a number of championship games because of injury. However, he went into the drawn final as a substitute, regained his place for the replay and took over the role of captain.

Meath won and Cassells earned a special place in the new Sam Maguire Cup story.

Since then the Cup has been presented to Dinny Allen (Cork) in 1989, Larry Tompkins (Cork) in 1990, Paddy O'Rourke (Down) in 1991, Anthony Molloy (Donegal) in 1992, Henry Downey (Derry) in 1993 and D.J. Kane (Down) in 1994.

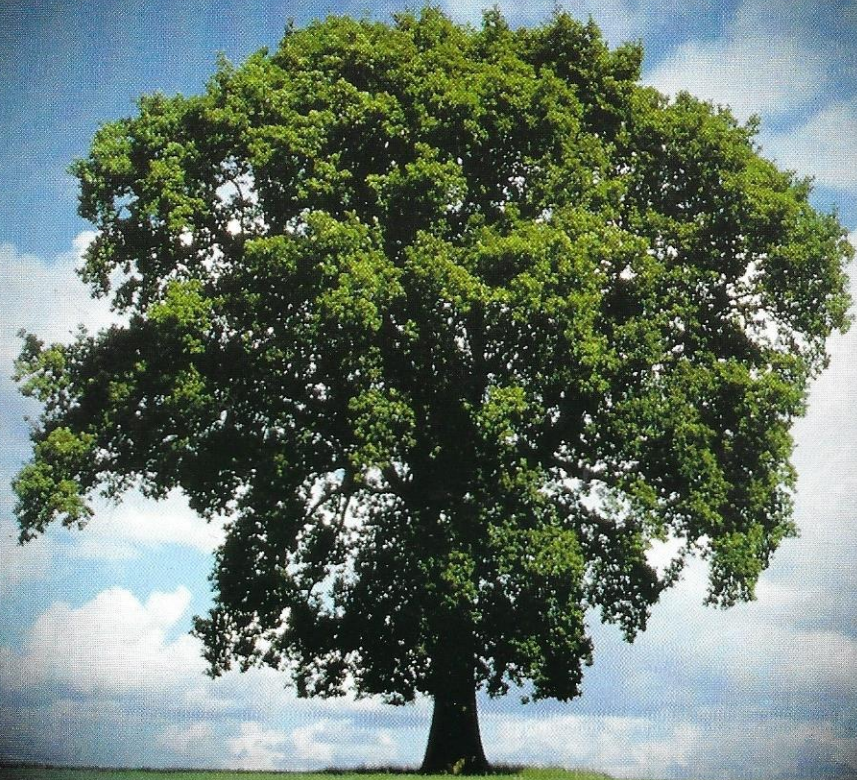


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# Derry and Westmeath

## Contrasting Fortunes



**D**erry may not be numbered among the great title-winning counties like Dublin, Kerry and Cork, but compared with Westmeath they have enjoyed a generous share of the rewards of championship endeavour, having won All-Ireland honours at senior, minor and under-21 level. Westmeath, by contrast, have found these three grades of football to be invariably 'hostile country' and they have yet to record a first outright success in any of the three. Ironically, the Lake county's only All-Ireland title was in junior football, the grade which has always been a 'bogey' for Derry representatives.

And while Westmeath's lone success (1929) is drifting inexorably to the fringe of living memory, Derry's impact on the championship scene is very much a recent phenomenon as, apart from winning senior and minor honours during the past six years, they have been Ulster champions at senior level on four occasions in the past 20

years and minor champions on six occasions since 1980. Only three times have they carried through to All-Ireland success, but in highly-competitive Ulster their overall achievements are impressive.

Again, ironically, Westmeath's first appearance in an All-Ireland football final (1915 junior) preceded Derry's first appearance by 43 years (senior 1958) while at under-18 level, Westmeath had three provincial titles to their credit (1939, 1952 and 1963) before a Derry minor team came out of Ulster for the first time (1965).

### All-Ireland Success

It was, however, Derry's ability to utilise provincial success as a launching pad for further achievement that distinguished them from Westmeath — and, indeed, from most other counties, and this was splendidly demonstrated when they took Ulster minor honours for the first time in 1965. Roscommon may not have provided an

intimidating assignment in the All-Ireland semi-final, but appearing in a final, and against Kerry, was indeed the supreme test for a county that had never won a title in any grade of football. But Derry passed with flying colours and projected players like Malachy McAfee, Seamus Lagan, Eamon Coleman, Tommy Diamond and Micky Niblock as future senior stalwarts.

Westmeath's first experience of All-Ireland minor combat — and Kerry — was in sharp contrast to the Oak county. Their progress to the 1963 final was impressive at every stage, and going on semi-final form they looked to have the beating of Kerry. But as has happened to many teams — at all levels — when opposed to a traditionally strong county, they 'froze' on the day, and the opposition, to whom this was just another cog in an ongoing 'wheel of fortune', coasted home. An eleven-point margin of defeat was an added indignity and a total injustice. However, even

in this traumatic hour, hope for the future could be discerned in the efforts of Pat Bradley, Frank Connaughton, Pat Buckley and Kevin Higgins.

But neither county was to experience an All-Ireland senior success as a result of these initial forays into the closing stages of under-18 competition. Indeed, for Westmeath it might have been expected to provide, at least, a breakthrough in senior provincial football, but it never happened, and even an appearance in a Leinster final has continued to remain a dream for the Lake county.

Derry fared better from later minor success, with the title-winning teams of '83 and '89 providing the basis of the ultimate triumph in 1993. Despite recent history, both Derry and Westmeath are, in a real sense, on the same footing today. The emergence of a promising team is always a renewal of hope for even the strongest counties; Derry and Westmeath represent that renewal today.

## Minor Clashes ... Leinster-Ulster

**T**oday's final will be the ninth meeting of Leinster and Ulster representatives in the final, the first of which was when Cavan and Wexford were in opposition in 1937. That was the first of five Ulster successes, the last of which was in 1989 when Derry beat Offaly in a game that brought promising youngsters like Gary Coleman, Anthony Tohill, Dermot Heaney, Damien Barton, Eamon Burns and Declan Bateson to the notice of the

public for the first time. The most recent meeting between North and East was in 1992 when a last-minute goal gave Meath victory over Armagh. The details of the eight meetings to date are:

<b>1937</b>			
Cavan	1-11;	Wexford	1-5
<b>1948</b>			
Tyrone	0-11;	Dublin	1-5

<b>1957</b>			
Meath	3-9;	Armagh	0-4
<b>1959</b>			
Dublin	0-10;	Cavan	1-4
<b>1973</b>			
Tyrone	2-11;	Kildare	1-6
<b>1977</b>			
Down	2-7;	Meath	0-4
<b>1989</b>			
Derry	3-9;	Offaly	1-6
<b>1992</b>			
Meath	2-5;	Armagh	0-1



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# Derry Striving for National Titles Double



**D**erry minor footballers are in line to complete a national titles double for the county. Late in April, St. Patrick's Maghera, that great Oak Leaf county nursery, regained the All-Ireland Colleges' senior football title.

A number of that talented outfit, including Adrian McGuckin, son of St. Pat's coach, Adrian, John Heaney and Gary Cushnahan, helped the minor side to this final hurdle in quest for a first Tom Markham Cup win since 1989. That was also the last year the All-Ireland minor title was brought in triumph to Ulster.

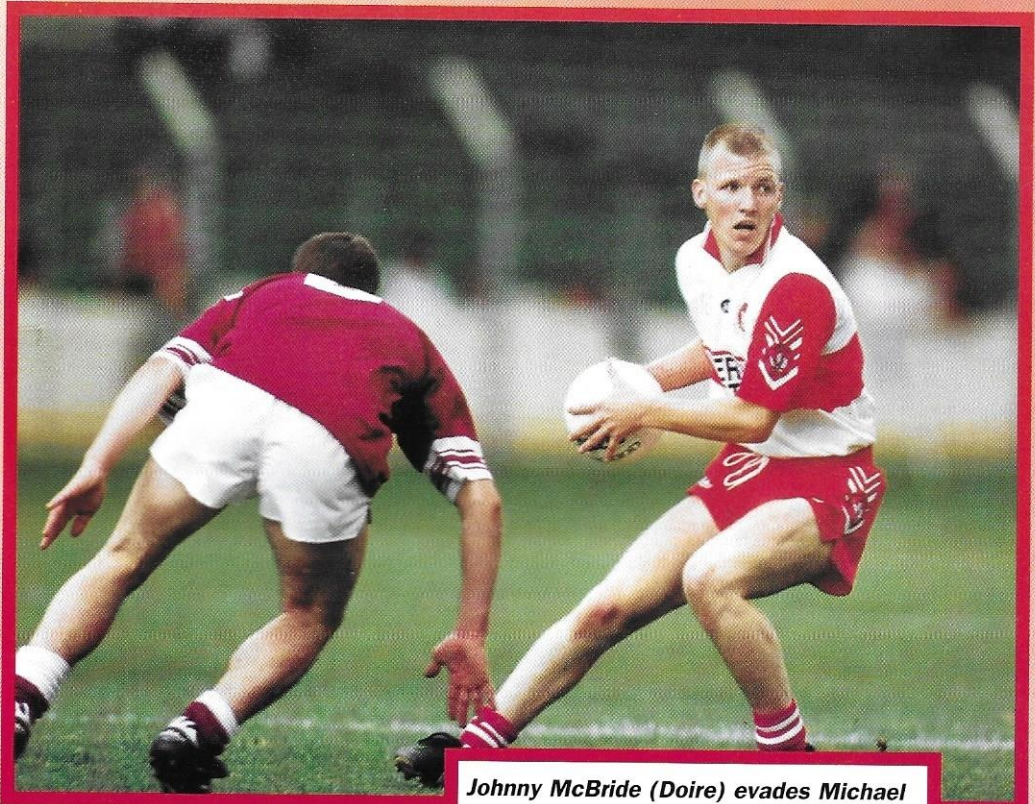
Derry are Ulster champions for the first time since that All-Ireland triumph. They climaxed a good campaign in the province by beating Down in convincing manner 2-12 to 1-7.

Enda Muldoon did much to fashion the glory march by contributing a splendid 1-21 to the Derry scoring returns.

The Northerners had to come from behind to beat Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final and deserve full marks for sticking resolutely to the task to snatch a dramatic win.

The game was marked by sharply contrasting fortunes for Derry. At one stage, they appeared poised for a runaway win as they led by seven points, but coming up to the close they were battling for survival as they trailed by point.

Derry, with goals from Johnny McBride and Joseph Cassidy, led at the interval by 2-2 to 0-5. They opened



**Johnny McBride (Doire) evades Michael Donnellan (Gaillimh) in the semi-final.**

with a flourish with two points from frees by Muldoon and a point each from McBride and substitute Gerard Cassidy in four minutes.

At that stage there appeared no way back for Galway, but to their credit they refused to throw in the towel and gained a lifeline from a Derek Reilly goal. Steadily, the Connacht champions reduced their arrears and looked like being rewarded for their great come-back as they led by a point with time almost up.

## Response

It was Derry's turn to respond and they did just that in great style. McBride sent a sideline ball into the Hill 16 goal area where Muldoon collected in expert style. Quickly and efficiently he found space and sent the ball crashing

to the net to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat. Derry 3-7 to 1-12.

Muldoon must get full marks for accepting in great style the late chance of a goal. He also had a good game all round and finished top scorer for Derry with 1-2.

Gerard Cassidy, who went in as a substitute for the start of the second half, also did well and scored a brace of invaluable points.

McBride, a hard-working captain at midfield, and Kieran McNally and Heaney in defence, were others who played important roles in sending Derry through to the last round.

This is a very capable Derry side with accomplished footballers in all sectors. The manner in which the players battled on to save the day as they saw the

game slipping away from them for a time in the second half indicates that the Northerners will certainly not be beaten until the final whistle.

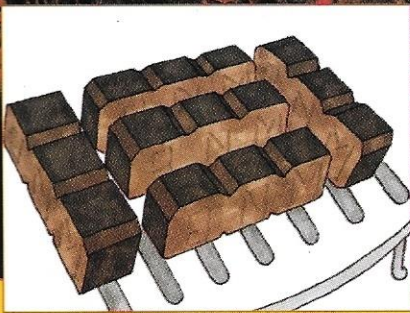
Ulster last had a direct interest in a minor final in 1992 when (shades of the recent semi-final!), Armagh were pipped on the post by Meath by an injury time goal by Michael Farrelly to earn the Royal County a 2-5 to 0-10 win.

Derry will find the bulk of the support understandably behind Westmeath in the latest final, but that is unlikely to upset the Northerners. On the form they have displayed so far and the great never-say-die qualities they have exhibited, the Ulster boys are sure to make a bold bid to set Tyrone the best possible example with a win.

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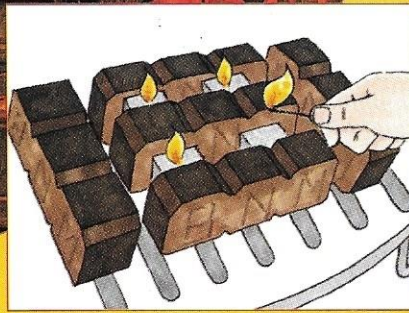


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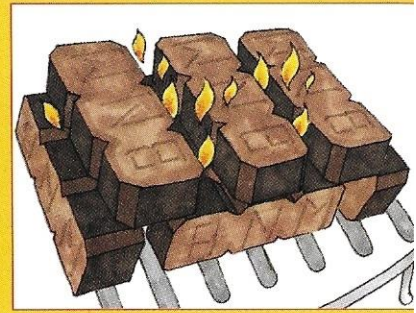
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# Good Build-Up for Westmeath in History-Making Bid



**A** new name has not been inscribed on the All-Ireland minor football championship winners rankings since Down won their initial title in 1977. Westmeath hope to bridge that gap in their first appearance in the concluding round since 1963 when they lost to Kerry.

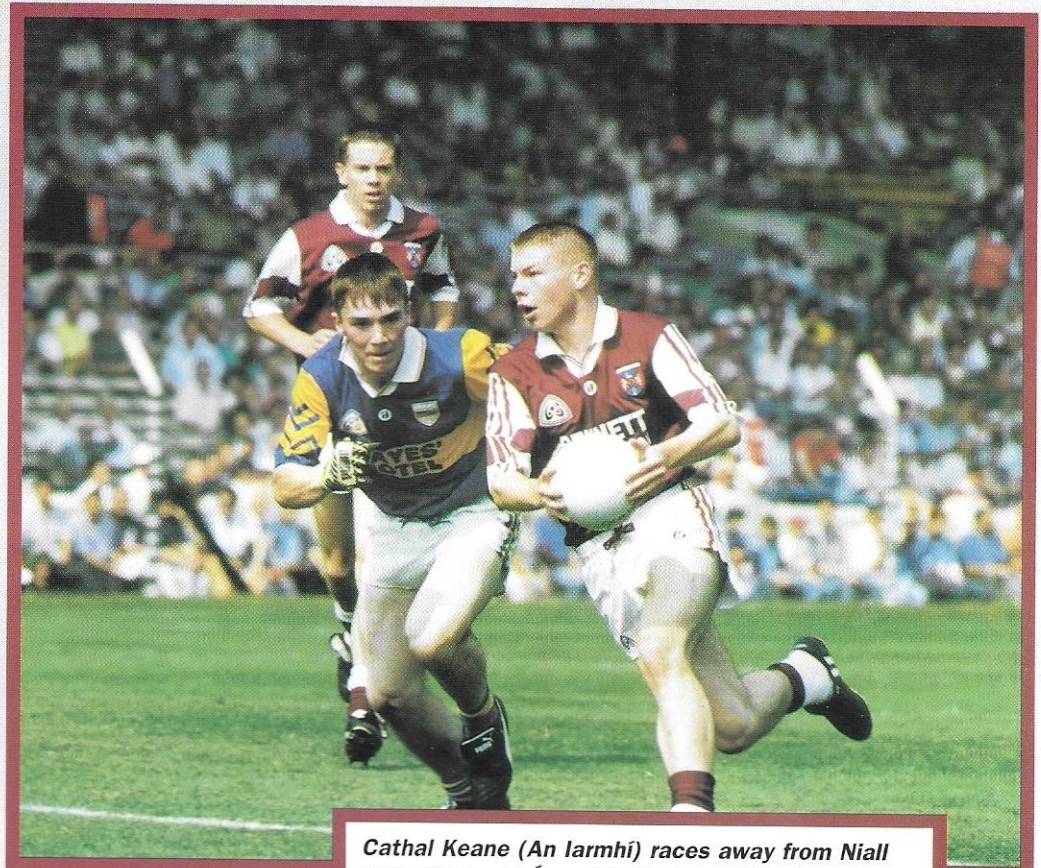
As well as having had a long wait for the county's return to a minor final, Westmeath have qualified after a lengthy and very testing campaign. A feature of their programme, which began in early May, was a three-game marathon with Laois for the county's first Leinster title since 1963.

After playing a draw at Croke Park, the counties finished all square in the replay, which went to extra time, with Westmeath winning the second replay in clear-cut fashion by four points.

Westmeath were given some worrying moments in a novel semi-final against Tipperary before pulling away for a workmanlike seven points win. They opened brightly and had much the better of the first half exchanges to turn over at the interval 1-5 to 0-3 in the lead. Their advantage would have been even greater had they made better use of their scoring opportunities — they had eight wides.

At the same time it must be said that the brilliance of goalkeeper Aidan Lennon, who brought off two superb first half saves, kept Tipperary's tally down.

The goal came eight minutes into the half when John



*Cathal Keane (An Iarmhí) races away from Niall Kelly (Tiobraid Árann) in their semi-final meeting.*

Deehan provided the perfect finish to a sparkling four man move by sending to the Tipperary net.

## Wonderful Save

Tipperary fared much better in the early stages of the second half, thanks in no small measure to the introduction just before the break of substitute Mark Ryan at full forward. He was deprived of a goal ten minutes after the restart by a wonderful save by Lennon.

That was a vital moment as the Munster champions were only two points adrift at the time, following a good rally. Tipperary, in their first semi-final in eleven years, were

moving well at midfield, but Westmeath brought Deehan back from right half forward to midfield and the move paid dividends.

The Leinster champions regained the initiative and eventually pulled away for a well-deserved 1-14 to 0-10 victory.

This was a very workmanlike performance by Westmeath. Shay Deering, Fergal Murray and Damien Phelan did much to mould the defence into a solid unit and, in the last line of defence, Lennon also played an outstanding role.

Damien Gavin and Joe Casey, who started at midfield,

Deehan and Thomas Cleary were others who made strong contributions to a long awaited Westmeath win.

The long campaign so far could do much to strengthen Westmeath's chances of an historic win. The programme has provided the opportunities to build up teamwork, morale and confidence, assets that are necessary in the make-up of any team with designs on getting to the top.

There is little doubt, then, that Westmeath have a genuine chance of marking the county's second only final appearance with a win that would be greeted with tremendous enthusiasm in the county.

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Níor bhuail Doire Colmcille agus an Iarmhí in aghaidh a chéile riamh i gcrabhbhchomortas peile ag aon leibhéal. Mar sin, is coimhlint nua an craobhchluiche mionúir seo i 1995 agus beidh spéis thar an gnách ag lucht leanta na gcluichí ann.

Bhain Doire an craobh seo den chéad uair i 1965 agus thug an bua sin ardú meanman do pheileadóirí an chontae sna blianta ina dhiaidh. Chuaigh an fhoireann sin ar aghaidh chun an craobh d'Ógánaigh (faoi 21 bhl.) a ghnóthú i 1968 agus, i gcrabhbhchluiche sinsir 1993 bhí sliocht de mhionúir áirithe '65 áirmhite ar an bhfoireann sin.

Bhuaigh buachaillí Dhoire dhá chraobh mhionúir eile, i 1983 agus 1989; bhíodar san áit tánaisteach i 1980.

Níor bhain mionúir na hIarmhí craobh na hÉireann ariamh cé gur ghnóthaigh siad craobh Laighean ar cheithre ócáid 1939, 1952, 1963 agus 1995; bhíodar san áit tánaisteach ar cheithre ócáid eile 1951, 1982, 1984 agus 1992. An t-aon uair gur éirigh leo dul fhad le craobhchluiche Uile-Éireann i 1963 thit an lug

ar an lag acu agus bhí bua éasca ag Ciarraí. Bhí bunús na foirme faoi 21 bhliain i mbliana ar fhoireann mhionúir an chontae '92; chuaigh an fhoireann sin fhad le craobhchluiche Laighean agus feicfead toradh céadach ar chúrsaí peile na hIarmhí i gceann cúpla bliain eile.

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Ón uair go bhfuil na foirme sinsir inniu ón dá Chúige céanna ba cheart go mbeadh neart tacaíochta ag an mionúir — ach é a chur in iúl. Mar sin, nuair a dhéanann na buachaillí oilte ar an dá fhoireann, gaisce éigin le linn an chluiche tabhair gáir mholta dóibh. Tréaslaítear leis an dá fhoireann agus len a lucht stiúrtha as teacht an fhad seo sa chomortas. Agus má tá focal breise molta againn don Iarmhí ní thogfaidh éinne orainn é. An chéad chraobh dóibh? Dhéanfadh sé an-mhaitheas don pheil Ghaelach i lártíre. Feicfead.



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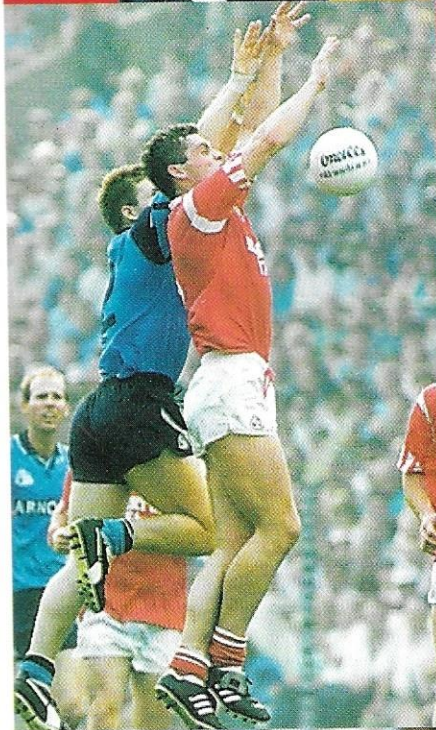
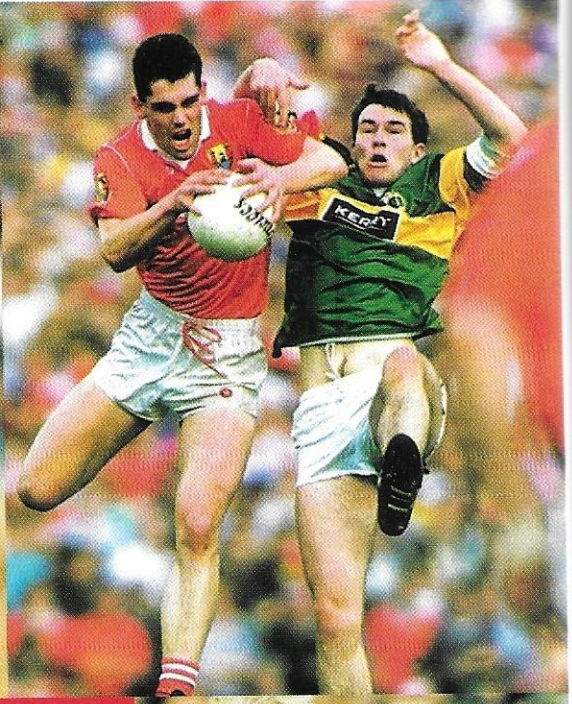
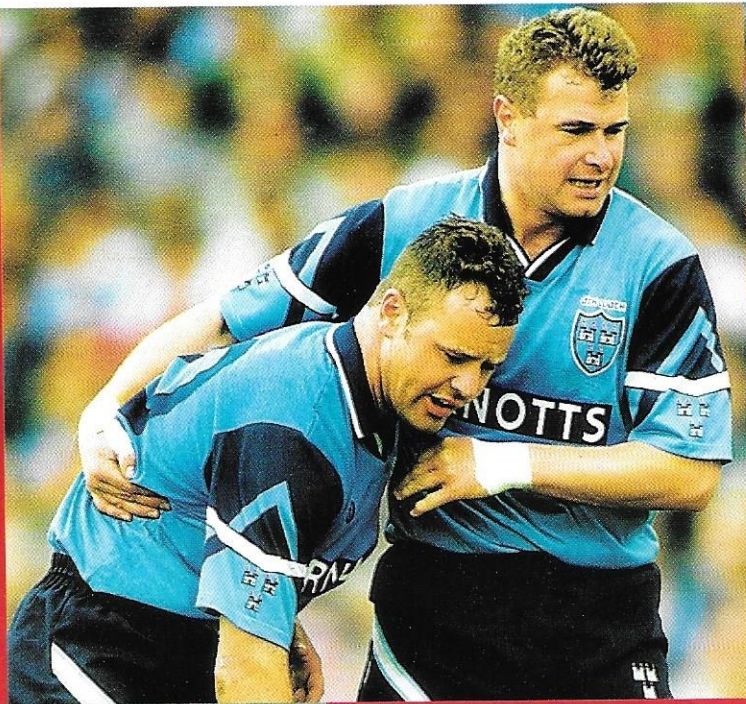
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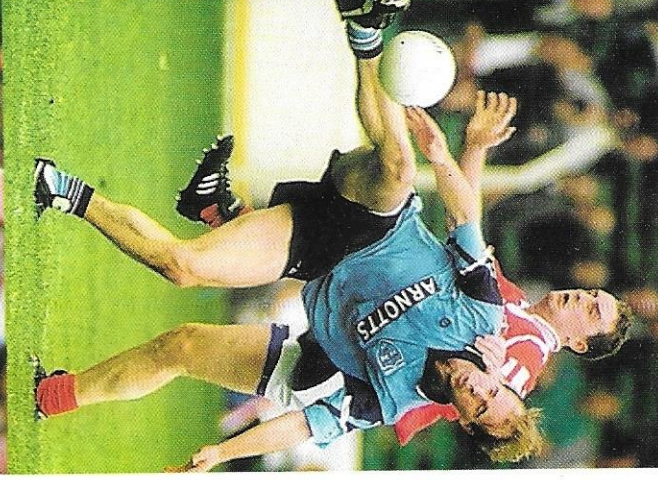
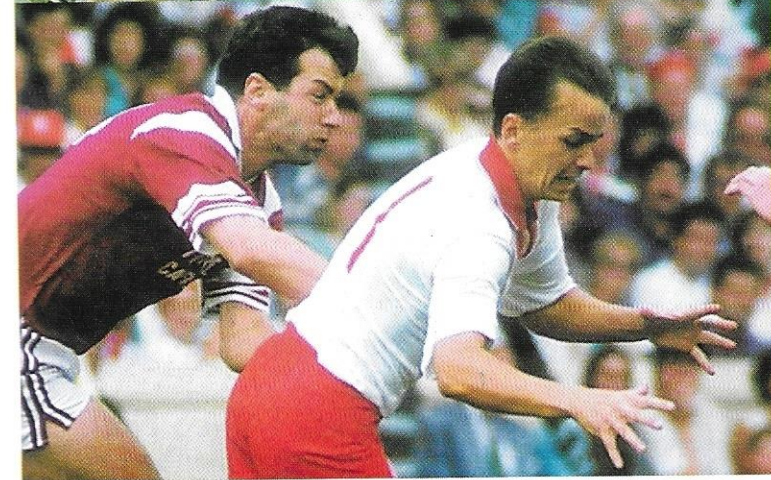
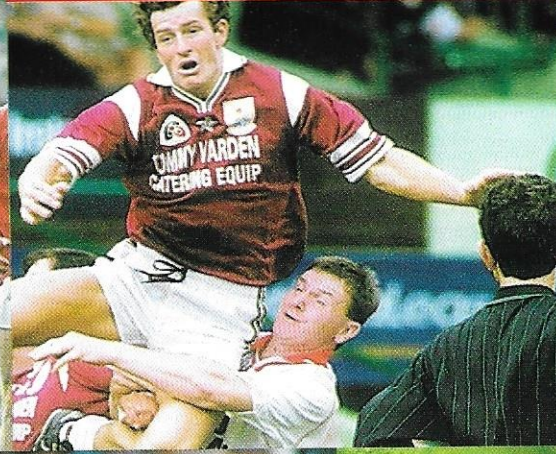
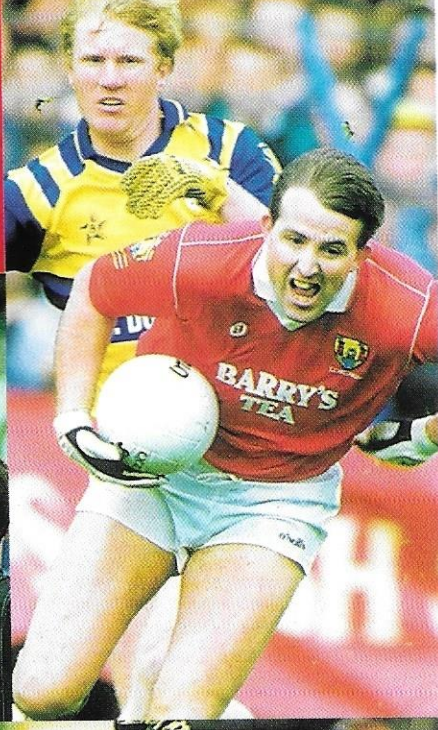
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## Foireann Mhionúir Doire



*The Derry Minor Team who beat Galway in the semi-final in Croke Park last month.*

*Back row (l-r): Enda Muldoon, David Hopkins, Gary Doyle, Michael Kelly, Gary Cushenan, Emmet McGilloway, Ciarán McNally.*

*Front row (l-r): Adrian McGuckin, Brendan Kearney, Paul McFlynn, Johnny McBride, Gary Coleman, Joseph Cassidy, Paul Diamond, John Heaney.*

# Minor Scoreboard

## Leinster

### 1st Round

**29th April at Droichead Nua:**

Kildare 0-17;  
Louth 1-5

**29th April at An Uaimh:**

Meath 1-9;  
Offaly 2-6

**3rd May at Portlaoise:**

Laois 5-25;  
Kilkenny 0-3

**7th May at Portlaoise:**

Westmeath 2-5;  
Wexford 0-9

### Replay

**6th May at Tullamore:**

Offaly 0-8;  
Meath 0-5

### 2nd Round

**13th May at O'Toole Park:**

Kildare 3-8;  
Dublin 1-12

**13th May at Athlone:**

Westmeath 0-15;  
Wicklow 0-6

**13th May at Longford:**

Longford 2-6;  
Offaly 0-5

**13th May at Portlaoise:**

Laois 3-16;  
Carlow 1-4

## Semi-Finals

**2nd July at Portlaoise:**

Westmeath 1-11;  
Longford 2-7

**9th July at An Uaimh:**

Kildare 0-15;  
Laois 2-9

### Replay

**15th July at Dr Cullen Park:**

Laois 1-14;  
Kildare 1-6

### Final

**30th July at Croke Park:**

Westmeath 0-12;  
Laois 1-9

### Replay

**4th August at Tullamore:**

Westmeath 3-12;  
Laois 2-15

### 2nd Replay

**12th August at Tullamore:**

Westmeath 1-10;  
Laois 0-9

## Ulster

### 1st Round

**21st May at Clones:**

Down 2-14;  
Donegal 0-11

### 2nd Round

**28th May at Athletic Grounds:**

Derry 1-12;  
Armagh 0-14

**28th May at Armagh:**

Down 2-11;  
Monaghan 1-13

**4th June at Irvinestown:**

Tyrone 2-13;  
Fermanagh 2-10

**11th June at Breefni Park:**

Cavan 3-8;  
Antrim 2-9

### Semi-Finals

**25th June at Clones:**

Derry 3-14;  
Tyrone 1-8

**2nd July at Clones:**

Down 4-12;  
Cavan 0-11

### Final

**23rd July at Clones:**

Derry 2-12;  
Down 1-7

## Munster

### 1st Round

**26th April at Emly:**

Waterford 2-7;  
Clare 1-9

**26th April at Mallow:**

Cork 4-20;  
Limerick 1-3

### Semi-Finals

**13th July at Thurles:**

Tipperary 0-9;  
Waterford 1-6

**14th July at Tralee:**

Kerry 0-10;  
Cork 1-7

## Replays

**16th July at Dungarvan:**

Tipperary 1-9;  
Waterford 0-8

**18th July at Páirc Uí Chaoimh:**

Cork 0-12;  
Kerry 0-7

### Final

**23rd July at Killarney:**

Tipperary 2-6;  
Cork 0-10

## Connacht

### 1st Round

**13th May at Tourlestrane:**

Galway 1-16;  
Sligo 2-8

### Semi-Finals

**25th June at Castlebar:**

Mayo 2-13;  
Roscommon 2-7

**30th June at Carrick-on-**

**Shannon:**  
Galway 2-16;  
Leitrim 0-7

### Final

**23rd July at Tuam:**

Galway 2-14;  
Mayo 2-11

## All-Ireland

### Semi-Finals

**13th August at Croke Park:**

Derry 3-7;  
Galway 1-12

**20th August at Croke Park:**

Westmeath 1-14;  
Tipperary 0-10

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## Foireann Mhionúir An Iarmhí



**The Westmeath Minor team which defeated Tipperary in the semi-final:**

**Back row (l to r):** Tom Stuart-Trainor, John Deehan, David Martin, Aidan Lennon, Joe Casey, Thomas Cleary, Keith Glennon, Kevin Hickey.

**Front row (l to r):** Damien Phelan, Shane Deering, Ken McKinley, Damien Gavin (capt.), Martin Murtagh, Cathal Keane and Fergal Murray.

## Minor Top Scorers

Whatever the outcome of today's minor final, one thing is certain, in that Laois's Ian Fitzgerald will be the top scorer in this year's championship. The O'Moore county man has a 24-point lead over his nearest challenger and teammate Charlie Conroy.

However, Conway's hold on second place looks very tenuous indeed, as Enda Muldoon of Derry needs just two points from today's final to annex second place. Westmeath's Thomas Cleary should also improve his fifth position as he is only a single point behind fourth place currently held by Down's Stephen Caulfield.

Others on show today, like Derry's Joe Cassidy, and Westmeath's two Davids – Martin and Gavin – are also quite likely to improve their respective positions in the current list of the top 17 scorers in the 1995 minor football championship which reads:

<b>Ian Fitzgerald</b> (Laois)	5-39 (54 points)
<b>Charlie Conway</b> (Laois)	3-21 (30)
<b>Enda Muldoon</b> (Derry)	2-23 (29)
<b>Stephen Caulfield</b> (Down)	4-13 (25)
<b>Thomas Cleary</b> (Westmeath)	1-21 (24)
<b>Joe Cassidy</b> (Derry)	3-12 (21)
<b>Derek Barrett</b> (Cork)	0-20
<b>Conor Daly</b> (Down)	1-16 (19)
<b>David Martin</b> (Westmeath)	1-16 (19)
<b>Derek Reilly</b> (Galway)	3-8 (17)
<b>Michael Turner</b> (Galway)	0-15
<b>Paul Creaven</b> (Kildare)	0-13
<b>David Gavin</b> (Westmeath)	0-13
<b>Pauric Joyce</b> (Galway)	1-10 (13)
<b>Brian Maguire</b> (Tipperary)	1-10 (13)
<b>Derek Savage</b> (Galway)	2-7 (13)
<b>Peter Loughran</b> (Tyrone)	1-9 (12)

## Minor Individual Feats

As well as dominating the overall scoring honours, Laois's Ian Fitzgerald also performed the top two individual feats (1-9 v Laois and 2-6 v Kilkenny) in this year's minor championship. Only Monaghan's Rory Mone has come close, with a return of 1-8 against Down.

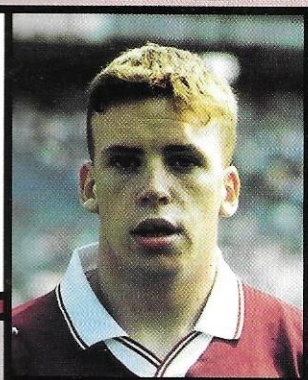
Enda Muldoon and Joe Cassidy have dominated Derry's scoring returns, and each makes an appearance in the list. However, no Westmeath player has recorded an eight-point total in 60 minutes and therefore no player from the Lake county makes the top 15:

<b>Ian Fitzgerald</b> (Laois)	1-9 v Westmeath – Leinster Final Replay at Tullamore
<b>Ian Fitzgerald</b> (Laois)	2-6 v Kilkenny – 1st Round at Portlaoise
<b>Rory Mone</b> (Monaghan)	1-8 v Down – 2nd Round at Carrick
<b>Michael Turner</b> (Galway)	0-10 v Leitrim – Semi-Final at Carrick-on-Shannon
<b>Enda Muldoon</b> (Derry)	1-7 v Down – Ulster Final at Clones
<b>Stephen Caulfield</b> (Down)	2-4 v Donegal – 1st Round at Clones
<b>J.Murray</b> (Wexford)	0-8 v Westmeath – 1st Round at Portlaoise
<b>Charlie Conway</b> (Laois)	1-5 v Kilkenny – 1st Round at Portlaoise
<b>Charlie Conway</b> (Laois)	1-5 v Kildare – Semi-Final Replay at Carlow
<b>Ian Fitzgerald</b> (Laois)	1-5 v Westmeath – Leinster Final at Croke Park
<b>J.Skeehan</b> (Waterford)	1-5 v Clare – 1st Round at Emly
<b>Derek Reilly</b> (Galway)	1-5 v Sligo – 1st Round at Tourlestrane
<b>Joe Cassidy</b> (Derry)	1-5 v Armagh – 2nd Round at Athletic Grounds
<b>Conor Daly</b> (Down)	1-5 v Cavan – Semi-Final at Clones
<b>Eamonn Wall</b> (Longford)	2-2 v Offaly – 2nd Round at Longford



# An Iarmhí

**An Captaen**



**Damien Gavin**

Damien is proving to be an outstanding captain for Westmeath with his high-quality football and leadership at midfield. He is also one of the team's leading scorers, having chalked up thirteen points so far.

A cool and clever footballer, Gavin plays club football with St. Mary's and could well do much to provide the inspiration for a winning performance by Westmeath today.

## Roghnóirí:

Johnny Moran (Maryland/Tang),  
Paddy McCormack (Bunbrosna),  
J.J. O'Connor (St. Mary's),  
Eunan McCormack (The Downs),  
Luke Dempsey (Ballinsbracky,  
Co. Meath) Manager.

## Path To The Final

<b>1st Round - 7th May at Portlaoise:</b>	
Westmeath 2-5; Wexford	0-9
<b>2nd Round - 13th May at Athlone:</b>	
Westmeath 0-15; Wicklow	0-6
<b>Semi-Final - 2nd July at Portlaoise:</b>	
Westmeath 1-11; Longford	2-7
<b>Leinster Final - 30th July at Croke Park:</b>	
Westmeath 0-12; Laois	1-9
<b>Replay - 4th August at Tullamore:</b>	
Westmeath 3-12; Laois	2-15
(After extra time)	
<b>2nd Replay - 12th August at Tullamore:</b>	
Westmeath 1-10; Laois	0-9
<b>All-Ireland Semi-Final - 20th August at Croke Park:</b>	
Westmeath 1-14; Tipperary	0-10

In their seven outings Westmeath scored 8-79 (103 points) and conceded 5-65 (80 points).



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| <p><b>1</b><br/><b>AIDAN LENNON</b><br/>A. Ó Leannáin<br/>(St. Joseph's)</p> <p><b>2</b><br/><b>DAMIEN PHELAN</b><br/>D. Ó Faoláin<br/>(Moate)</p> <p><b>3</b><br/><b>KEVIN HICKEY</b><br/>C. Ó hIcí<br/>(Shandonagh)</p> <p><b>4</b><br/><b>FERGAL MURRAY</b><br/>F. Ó Muirí<br/>(Athlone)</p> <p><b>5</b><br/><b>MARTIN MURTAGH</b><br/>M. Ó Muireartaigh<br/>(The Downs)</p> <p><b>6</b><br/><b>KENNY MCKINLEY</b><br/>C. MacFhionnlaoch<br/>(St. Loman's)</p> <p><b>7</b><br/><b>SHANE DEERING</b><br/>S. Diring<br/>(The Downs)</p> <p><b>8</b><br/><b>DAMIEN GAVIN</b><br/>D. Ó Gaibhín (Capt.)<br/>(St. Mary's)</p> <p><b>9</b><br/><b>JOE CASEY</b><br/>S. Ó Cathasaigh<br/>(Castledaly)</p> <p><b>10</b><br/><b>JOHN DEEHAN</b><br/>S. Ó Diochán<br/>(Moate)</p> <p><b>11</b><br/><b>THOMAS CLEARY</b><br/>T. Ó Cléirigh<br/>(The Downs)</p> <p><b>12</b><br/><b>TOM STUART-TRAINOR</b><br/>T. Stiobhaird-Mac Thréinin<br/>(Athlone)</p> <p><b>13</b><br/><b>DAVID MARTIN</b><br/>D. Ó Mairtín<br/>(Maryland/Tang)</p> <p><b>14</b><br/><b>CATHAL KEANE</b><br/>C. Ó Céin<br/>(Rosemount)</p> <p><b>15</b><br/><b>KEITH GLENNON</b><br/>C. MacLeannáin<br/>(St. Loman's)</p> | <p><b>16</b> Cathal Mullen<br/>C. Ó Maoláin<br/>(Garrycastle)</p> <p><b>17</b> Michael Bannon<br/>M. Ó Banáin<br/>(Maryland/Tang)</p> <p><b>18</b> Cathal Lyons<br/>C. Ó Laighin<br/>(St. Loman's)</p> <p><b>19</b> Ollie Kirby<br/>O. Ó Ciarba<br/>(St. Malachy's/Balinagore)</p> <p><b>20</b> Ger Headuan<br/>G. Ó hEadamháin<br/>(Ballinaeary)</p> <p><b>21</b> Donie Buckley<br/>D. Ó Buachalla<br/>(Moate)</p> <p><b>22</b> David Walls<br/>D. de Bhal<br/>(Mullingar Shamrocks)</p> <p><b>23</b> Tom Meleady<br/>T. Maoileidigh<br/>(Rosemount)</p> <p><b>24</b> Kenneth Berry<br/>C. Ó Bearra<br/>(St. Mary's)</p> |
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## Fir Ionaid

## An Iarmhí

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<b>IOMLÁN</b>					

## The Tom Markham Cup

The winners of the All-Ireland minor football championship are presented with the Tom Markham Cup. The trophy commemorates a Dublin Gael, Tom Markham, who gave great service to the games and the G.A.A. and was first awarded for the 1949 final.

Louth were the initial winners. Roscommon brought the trophy west in 1941 and Kerry recorded Munster's first win in 1946. A year later Tyrone brought the Cup north for the first time.

## Roll of Honour

### ALL-IRELAND MINOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

11:	Kerry:	1931, 1932, 1933, 1946, 1950, 1962, 1963, 1975, 1980, 1988, 1990
10:	Dublin:	1930, 1945, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1958, 1959, 1979, 1982, 1984
9:	Cork:	1961, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1972, 1974, 1981, 1991, 1993
6:	Mayo:	1935, 1953, 1966, 1971, 1978, 1985
5:	Galway:	1952, 1960, 1970, 1976, 1986
3:	Derry:	1965, 1983, 1989
	Roscommon:	1939, 1941, 1951
	Tyrone:	1947, 1948, 1973
	Meath:	1957, 1990, 1992
2:	Cavan:	1937, 1938
	Down:	1977, 1987
	Louth:	1936, 1940
1:	Armagh:	1949
	Clare:	1929
	Offaly:	1964
	Tipperary:	1934



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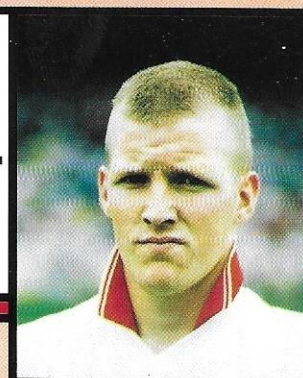
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## An Captaen



**Johnny McBride**

It is something of a coincidence that Derry's captain, like Westmeath's, has worn the No. 8 jersey in the series. McBride is also a gifted midfielder and has led Derry by example to their first final in six years.

The Loup club man had an outstanding game when winning his first Ulster medal in July and he also found Enda Muldoon with a line ball that provided the centre half forward with the chance he expertly availed of to score the dramatic goal that earned Derry a late and dramatic one point semi-final win over Galway.

## Roghnóirí:

Paddy Crozier (Ballymaguigan), Michael Bradley (Ballerin), Charlie O'Kane (Banagher), Chris Brown (Bellaghy) Manager.

## Doire

1adh Leath

2adh Leath

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## Path To The Final

1st Round - 28th May at Athletic Grounds

Derry 1-12; Armagh 0-10

Semi-Final - 25th June at Clones:

Derry 3-14; Tyrone 0-10

Ulster Final - 23rd July at Clones:

Derry 2-12; Down 0-10

All-Ireland Semi-Final - 13th August at

Croke Park:

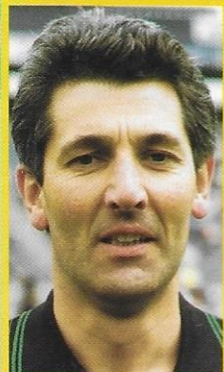
Derry 3-7; Galway 0-10

In their four championship matches Derry

recorded a total score of 9-45 (72 points) and conceded 3-41 (50 points).

## An Réiteoir

**Michael Curley (Gaillimh)**



The Connacht official, who takes control of the minor final, was the referee of the Bank of Ireland Leinster senior championship game between Meath and Longford at Longford last June.

Like the senior final "knight of the whistle", he is a very experienced referee, having filled this role for some nine years.

Curley controlled his second successive Connacht senior final in 1994, the day Leitrim scored an emotional win over Mayo. His games this season, in addition to that one

at Longford, included the Donegal-Kildare League play-off at Clones in April.

### Linesmen

S. Ó Caoimh (Corcaigh)  
Standby Referee

S. McHale (Maigh Eo)

### Umpires

P. McGovern (Er. Griffins)

M. Fenton (Reinmore)

Patsy Griffin (Reinmore)

Gerry Guinan (Tuam Stars)



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## Westmeath's First

**1963**  
**Kerry 1-10; Westmeath 0-2**

Westmeath were seeking their first title and Kerry their seventh, but it was the Leinster champions who showed up better in the early exchanges. However, the pattern of future events was quickly established when, following three Westmeath wides, Kerry hit three points in 90 seconds. It went on from there, with Kerry able to pick off scores while the opposition toiled feverishly for little success. Jimmy Saunders extended Kerry's lead with points from frees before Pat Buckley had Westmeath's first score, but then Henry McKinney's goal left it 1-6 to 0-1 at the break.

Westmeath's efforts to get back into the game brought only one point, and though Kerry's scoring efforts were scarcely more impressive, they did bring the four points that left them easy if slightly flattered winners by eleven points. There were few redeeming features in Westmeath's first All-Ireland minor appearance.

Westmeath's points fell to Pat Buckley.

**Westmeath** – Kevin Higgins, Brian Glynn, Pauric Malone, Tom King, Jimmy Murray, Pat Bradley, Rob Cornally, Gerry Frawley, Ray Niland, Pat Buckley, Frank Connaughton (capt.), Kevin Kelly, J.V. Costello, Ciaran Coffey, Micky Fagan.  
**Subs** – Tommy Reeves for Cornally, Dessie Hamm for Coffey.

## Derry's Last

**1989**  
**Derry 3-9; Offaly 1-6**

Both counties had qualified with impressive credentials, with Offaly enjoying a degree of pre-match favouritism, but the game wasn't long in progress before Anthony Tohill's mid-field magnificence was creating all kinds of problems for the favourites. Derry had a goal from a penalty, had another saved by the Offaly 'keeper and still managed to turn over leading by 2-4 to 1-3.

Through sheer determination and some fine individual efforts, Offaly were still in touch at the three-quarter stage when only three points divided the sides. But as the last quarter moved on, Derry's overall superiority became more evident and when, with ten minutes remaining, a great move was finished to the net by Dermot Heaney, they were home and dried. The nine points margin was no less than they deserved.

Derry scorers: E. Burns 1-3, D. Bateson 1-1, A. Tohill 0-4, D. Heaney 1-0, R. McEldowney 0-1.

**Derry** – Martin O'Connor, Jarlath Martin, Paddy McAllister, Gregory Simpson, Barry McGonigle, Gary Coleman (capt.), Roderick Skelly, John Mulholland, Anthony Tohill, Rory McEldowney, James Lynn, Eamon Burns, Eunan O'Kane, Dermot Heaney, Declan Bateson. **Sub** – Karl Diamond for Martin.

## Scores and Scorers

### AN IARMHI

Westmeath are contesting an All-Ireland minor football final for only the second time in their history. They lost their only previous final outing to Kerry in 1963.

After a marathon Leinster final series, they took their fourth provincial title last month. This is their record so far:

**First Round – Westmeath 2-5; Wexford 0-9**

**Scorers** – D. Martin 1-2, J. Casey 1-0, T. Cleary 0-2, S. Deering 0-1

**Second Round – Westmeath 0-15; Wicklow 0-6**

**Scorers** – D. Martin 0-7, K. McKinley 0-1, D. Gavin 0-1, D. Buckley 0-1, T. Cleary 0-1, O. Kirby 0-1, G. Heduan 0-1, C. Keane 0-1, J. Deehan 0-1.

**Leinster Semi-Final – Westmeath 1-11; Longford 2-7**

**Scorers** – T. Cleary 0-4, D. Gavin 0-3, K. Glennon 1-0, J. Deehan 0-2, C. Keane 0-2.

**Leinster Final – Westmeath 0-12; Laois 1-9**

**Scorers** – T. Cleary 0-5, C. Keane 0-2, D. Gavin 0-2, D. Martin 0-1, K. Glennon 0-1, J. Deehan 0-1.

**Replay – Westmeath 3-12; Laois 2-15 (After extra time)**

**Scorers** – T. Cleary 1-3, T. Stuart-Trainor 2-0, D. Gavin 0-4, K. Glennon 0-3, J. Deehan 0-1, G. Heduan 0-1.

**2nd Replay – Westmeath 1-10; Laois 0-9**

**Scorers** – D. Martin 0-4, K. Glennon 1-0, T. Cleary 0-2, C. Keane 0-2, D. Gavin 0-2.

**All-Ireland Semi-Final – Westmeath 1-14; Tipperary 0-10**

**Scorers** – T. Cleary 0-4, J. Deehan 1-1, J. Casey 0-2, C. Keane 0-2, D. Martin 0-2, M. Murtagh 0-1, T. Stuart-Treanor 0-1, D. Gavin 0-1.

**Total scored 8-79 (103 points) and total conceded 5-65 (80 points).**

### Cleary On Top

Fifteen players contributed to Westmeath's seven-game total. Top scorer was Thomas Cleary with 1-21 and he was the only player to score in all seven outings. David Martin with 1-16 and captain David Gavin with 0-13 were also to the fore.

Keith Glennon 2-4, Cathal Keane 0-9, John Deehan 1-6, Tom Stuart-Trainor 2-1 and Joe Casey 1-2 also made significant contributions. The remaining scores were provided by Ger Heduan with 0-2, and 0-1 each for Kenny McKinley, Donie Buckley, Ollie Kirby, Shane Deering and Martin Murtagh.

### Martin Leads

The 0-7 David Martin recorded in Westmeath's second-round win over Wicklow, is the top individual feat for a Westmeath forward.

### DOIRE

Derry are making their seventh appearance in an All-Ireland minor football final today. It is their first final since the successful outing in 1989.

This July saw Derry become Ulster champions for the tenth time. They played four games en-route to today's final, the details of which are:

**First Round – Derry 1-12; Armagh 0-14**

**Scorers** – J. Cassidy 1-5, E. Muldoon 0-7.

**Second Round – Derry 3-14; Tyrone 1-8**

**Scorers** – E. Muldoon 0-7, A. McGuckian 2-1, J. McBride 1-1, J. Cassidy 0-3, G. Coleman 0-2.

**Ulster Final – Derry 2-12; Down 1-7**

**Scorers** – E. Muldoon 1-7, J. Cassidy 1-3, P. McFlynn 0-1, B. Kearney 0-1.

**All-Ireland Semi-Final – Derry 3-7; Galway 1-12**

**Scorers** – E. Muldoon 1-2, J. McBride 1-1, J. Cassidy 1-1, G. Cassidy 0-2, A. McGuckian 0-1.

**Total score of 9-45 (72 points) and total conceded 3-41 (50 points).**

### Muldoon Leads The Way

Just eight players contributed to Derry's total with Enda Muldoon 2-23 and Joe Cassidy 3-12 grabbing the lion's share. Adrian McGuckian and Johnny McBride share a very distant third place with 2-2 each.

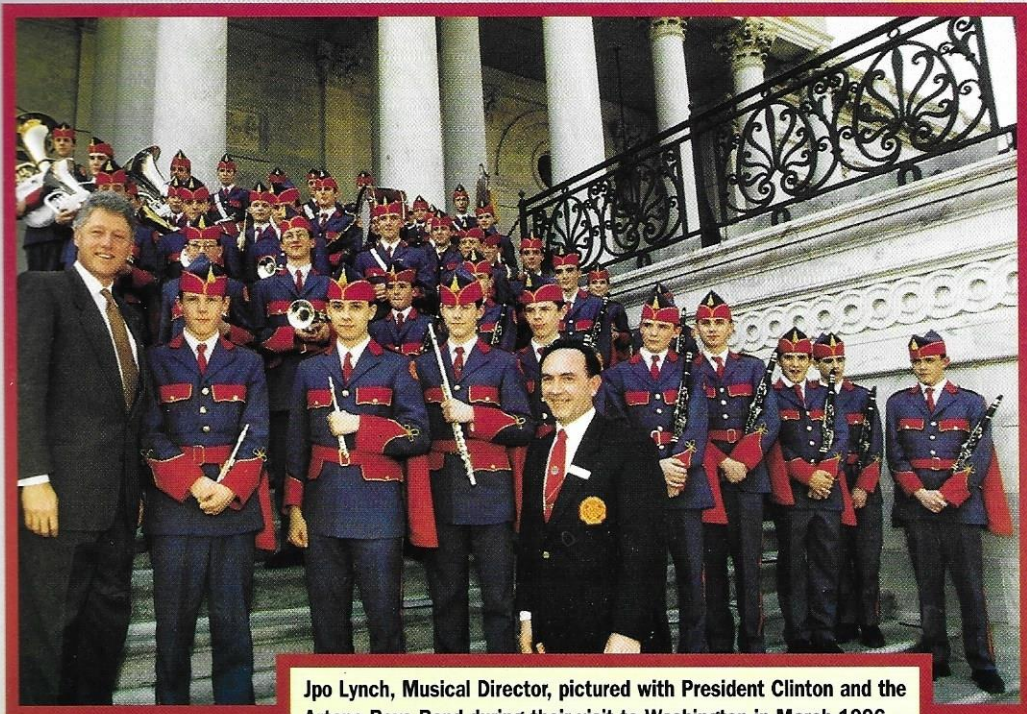
The Derry scoring honours are completed with 0-2 each for Gary Coleman and Gerard Cassidy, and a single point apiece for Paul McFlynn and Brendan Kearney.

### Final Best

Enda Muldoon also leads the individual returns list for Derry with his highly impressive 1-7 in the Ulster final against Down.

# Joe Lynch

Musical Director of the Artane Boys' Band



Joe Lynch, Musical Director, pictured with President Clinton and the Artane Boys Band during their visit to Washington in March 1996.

**T**oday, Joe Lynch, who has given 39 years of distinguished service to The Artane Boys' Band, is retiring as Musical Director and is handing over the baton to Sean Brennan.

The Artane Boys' Band is renowned for its distinctive and exciting sound of woodwind, brass and percussion in marching form and its rich mellow sound in concert. The Band has thrilled audiences in Croke Park, The White House in Washington and the Sky Dome in Toronto. Joe Lynch has been a key figure in many of its triumphs.

Joe began his musical career with the Band in September 1956. Like many other boys, he was met at Bus Áras by Brother Joseph O'Connor (Band Manager, 1953-1986), who made him feel at home.

As they drove through the city, Brother Joseph asked Joe to sing for him. He sang "Santia Lucia" and was informed that he was "for the Band".

"Without knowing what this involved or what to expect next, I felt delighted and still do more than forty years later."

Joe first attempted to learn the trombone, but he did not

like it and switched to the clarinet. At the age of 14, as they were preparing to go to Kilrush, Co. Clare, Br. Joseph informed the members that the Musical Director, Mr. John Hickey, was not travelling because he was ill. Joe was instructed to conduct the Band that night.

A few days later, the Musical Director of the Army School of Music, John Brennock, invited Band volunteers to try conducting. There was no result or announcement, but Joe was told to continue conducting!

Like all Band members, Joe retired at the age of 16 and continued his musical training and learned the art of conducting.

## Fire Outbreak

On 15 February 1969, a fire broke out in the Band Complex which destroyed the building, all the instruments, uniforms and the music library of nearly 100 years, many of which were irreplaceable. Permission was granted by the Christian Brothers Provincial to replace all the instruments, music and uniforms.

As Musical Director, Joe and Br. O'Connor were determined that the Band would be re-equipped with the best of instruments and uniforms. Joe

travelled to London and New York to purchase them.

He then set about the mammoth task of re-writing music for the Band, a talent keenly demonstrated then and now. Unlike most musical ensembles, it is not possible to purchase suitable musical arrangements/compositions for a Concert/Military Band — especially Irish Music. Joe arranges and composes music for the Band in his spare time.

## Centenary Composition

In 1984, Cumann Lúthchleas Gael commissioned Joe to compose a piece of music to celebrate the centenary of the GAA. In 1994, Joe was again commissioned to compose a musical composition to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of the founder of the Irish Christian Brothers, Venerable Brother Edmund Ignatius Rice.

As each boy leaves the Band at the age of 16, Joe ensures that there is another boy waiting with the necessary high level of musicianship to replace him and so ensure the continuity of the Artane Boys' Band. Joe instills in every single member a high degree of discipline, self-respect, leader-

ship and mature responsibility.

This is evident by graduates who have successfully gone on to careers in the Garda Síochána, Army, Corporate and Private Business, Musical Show-Bands, Public and Civil Service, Trades and Crafts and, not least, National and International Orchestras of renown.

As well as conducting and teaching at rehearsals five days a week, Joe also conducted the Band at its many performances throughout the year in Ireland and abroad. Each year they perform over one hundred engagements ranging from All-Ireland Finals, concerts, Strauss balls, recitals, parades to church services. Joe Lynch also ensured that the programme entertained the wide and diverse audiences.

In May 1962, the Artane Boys' Band travelled to the USA for the first time. Joe was Drum Major and also conducted the Band at some of the functions during this trip.

## Three Presidents

In June 1969, the Band returned to the USA and Joe was Conductor. When they toured the USA in 1974, Joe was Musical Director. They returned to the USA in 1976, 1979, 1982 and in March 1995 where they played to a capacity audience in Carnegie Hall. Three American presidents have enjoyed performances by The Artane Boys' Band and President Clinton gave Joe a hand by conducting the Band in Washington this year.

Joe has conducted the Band with world renowned artists such as Neil Diamond, James Last, Frank Patterson, Perry Como and Bing Crosby.

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# A Crowded Hill 16

The Hill 16 area at Croke Park was crowded in more ways than one at the early stage of the only meeting so far of Dublin and Tyrone in the senior football championship.

The Ulster men were first on to the Croke Park pitch for the 1984 All-Ireland semi-final and they raced down to the Hill 16 goal for their pre-match kick-around. Dublin then emerged and they also made their way to the Hill 16 goal, and so it proved a very crowded area for the warm-up.

Dublin were All-Ireland champions at the time and Tyrone were appearing in their first semi-final in eleven years.

The Dubs faced a swirling breeze in the first half, but with half backs Pat Canavan and P.J. Buckley and forwards Barney Rock and Kieran Duff very much to the forefront, they still forged out a comfortable 1-6 to 0-2 lead at the interval. The goal was scored in the 30th minute by Barney Rock.

The Ulster champions added a point in the early stages of the second half and,

five minutes into the half, had a great chance to cut their arrears when they were awarded a penalty. However, Eugene McKenna pointed from the spot.

Ten minutes from time, Dublin really clinched their position in the final. A fine movement involving Buckley, Brian Mullins and Anton O'Toole put Joe McNally through and he accepted the opportunity to collect the Leinster men's second goal. Dublin took control after that, conceded just a single point and ran out convincing winners by 2-11 to 0-8.

Rock had an outstanding game for Dublin, finishing with 1-7. Canavan, Buckley, who was rated by many as the "Man-of-the-Match", McNally for his goal and Duff were very prominent for the winners.

Full back Ciaran McGarvey, Noel McGinn, especially at centre half back after lining out at No. 4, Plunket Donaghy and Frank McGuigan, who scored four points, were best for the Northerners.



## Only Goal

Only one Tyrone footballer has scored a goal in the county colours in an All-Ireland senior football championship final.

At half time in the 1986 final, Tyrone's first outing at that stage, the Ulster county were three points clear of Kerry — 0-7 to 0-4.

Just 45 seconds into the second half, Plunket Donaghy passed to Damien O'Hagan, who cleverly outwitted a defender and put Paudge Quinn through. The left full forward made no mistake as he sent the ball past Charlie Neligan.

A shock appeared on the cards, but Kerry fought back in typical fashion and ran out winners by 2-15 to 1-10 for a third successive All-Ireland senior crown.

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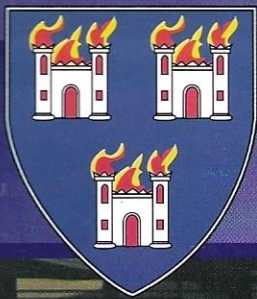
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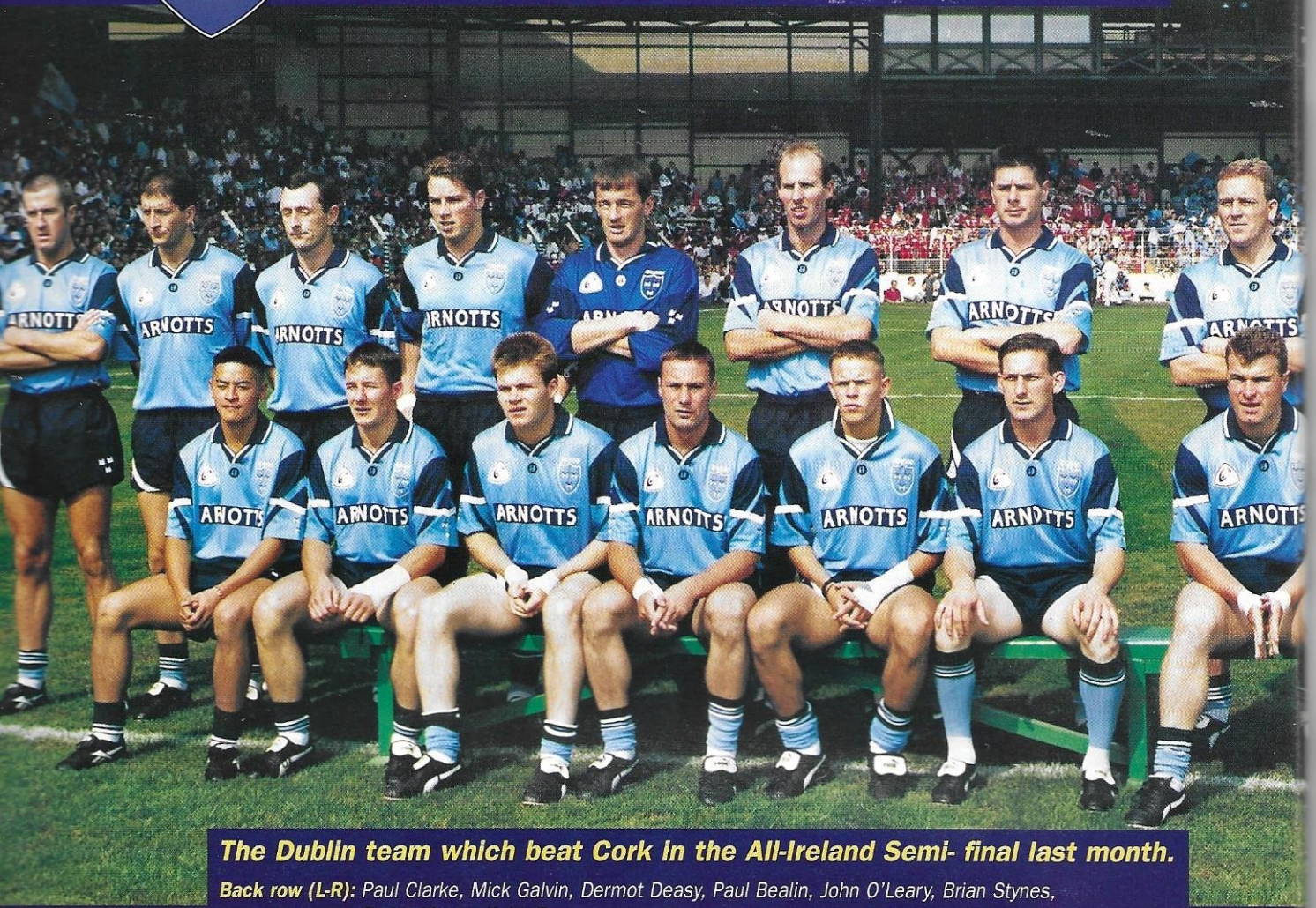


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# Baile Átha Cliath



**The Dublin team which beat Cork in the All-Ireland Semi-final last month.**

**Back row (L-R):** Paul Clarke, Mick Galvin, Dermot Deasy, Paul Bealin, John O'Leary, Brian Stynes, Paddy Moran, Keith Barr.

**Front row (L-R):** Jason Sherlock, Jim Gavin, Dessie Farrell, Paul Curran, Keith Galvin, Mick Deegan, Charlie Redmond.

## How Dublin reached this year's final

Dublin are appearing in the All-Ireland senior final for the third time in four years. They lost their last two appearances to Ulster opposition — Donegal in 1992 and Down last year.

Dublin completed their first sequence of four successive Leinster senior football titles since 1974—1977 when they beat Meath last month. They made it six titles in a row in 1979.

The Dubs are Leinster champions for the 45th time since 1891. This is how they qualified for their second successive All-Ireland senior final:

### 18th June at An Uaimh:

Dublin 0-19; Louth 2-5  
**Scorers** — C. Redmond 0-9, P. Clarke 0-2, M. Galvin 0-2, K. Galvin 0-1, B. Stynes 0-1, P. Bealin 0-1, D. Farrell 0-1, V. Murphy 0-1, J. Sherlock 0-1.

### 9th July at An Uaimh:

Dublin 1-13; Laois 0-9  
**Scorers** — C. Redmond 0-7, P. Clarke 0-3, J. Sherlock 1-0, D. Farrell 0-1, M. Deegan 0-1, V. Murphy 0-1.

### 30th July at Croke Park:

Dublin 1-18; Meath 1-8  
**Scorers** — C. Redmond 0-7, P. Clarke 1-2, D. Farrell 0-3, P. Curran 0-2, J. Sherlock 0-2, J. Gavin 0-1, M. Galvin 0-1.

### 20th August at Croke Park:

Dublin 1-12; Cork 0-12  
**Scorers** — C. Redmond 0-7, M. Galvin 0-4, J. Sherlock 1-0, P. Clarke 0-1.

**Total Scored** 3-62 (71 points)  
**Total Conceded** 3-34 (43 points)

### Commanding Lead

Charlie Redmond has a commanding lead of 19 points on top of the Dublin scoring chart with 0-30. Second place is held by Paul Clarke with 1-8, who is closely followed by Jason Sherlock with 2-3. All three have scored in every round of the championship to date.

Mick Galvin (0-7) and Dessie Farrell with 0-5 have led able support to the top three, and the scoring return for Dublin is completed by

0-2 each for Vinny Murphy and Paul Curran with Keith Galvin, Brian Stynes, Mick Deegan, Jim Gavin and Paul Bealin each adding 0-1.

### Top Individual Score

Redmond also dominates the Dublin chart as far as the top individual score is concerned. The Erin's Isle man scored 0-9 against Louth in the Capital's first outing of the campaign. Of that nine points, six came from frees and two from 45's.

### No Goal

The only game in which Dublin failed to score a goal was against Louth in their championship debut this year.

### Highest Scores

Dublin recorded their highest match score against Meath in the Leinster final at 1-18. Cork chalked up the highest score against the Leinster champions at 0-12.

**John O'Leary**  
(O'Dwyers)



**1**  
Age 34, 6'1", 13st. Area Sales Manager. 3 All-Star Award, 1 Senior and 1 Minor All-Ireland. 7 Leinster, 2 Leinster Minor & 1 U21, 3 N.F.L. and 3 Railway Cup medals.

**Ciarán Walsh**  
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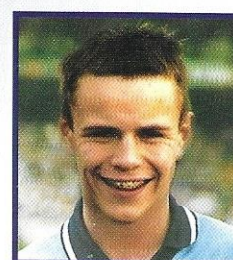
**2**  
Age 29, 5'11", 13st 4. Sales Representative. 1 All-Ireland Minor, 5 Leinster Senior, 1 Minor & 1 Junior, 2 N.F.L. medals.

**Paddy Moran**  
(Whitehall/Colmcille)



**3**  
Age 28, 6'1", 13st 5. Accountant. 2 Senior Leinster and 1 N.F.L. medals.

**Keith Galvin**  
(St. Sylvester's)



**4**  
Age 20, 5'11", 12st. Student. 1 Leinster medal. First game for Dublin against Armagh in April 1995.

**Paul Curran**  
(Thomas Davis)



**5**  
Age 26, 5'11", 12st 3. Coach/Organiser. 1 All-Star Award, 5 Leinster Senior, 2 N.F.L. and 3 Dublin S.F.C. medals.

**Keith Barr**  
(Erin's Isle)



**6**  
Age 28, 6', 12st 12. Area Sales Manager. 1 All-Star Award, 6 Senior Leinster, 1 Minor, 2 N.F.L. and 1 Dublin S.F.C. medals.

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**7**  
Age 31, 5'11", 12st. Garage Owner. 1 All-Star Award, 1 All-Ireland Minor, 6 Leinster Senior, 1 Leinster Minor, 2 N.F.L. and 1 Dublin S.F.C. medals.

**Paul Bealin**  
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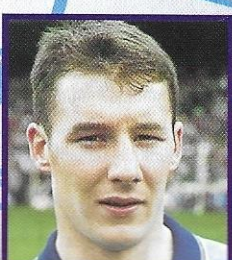
**8**  
Age 27, 6'2", 14st 4. Electrical Engineer. 4 Leinster Senior and 2 N.F.L. medals.

**Brian Stynes**  
(Ballyboden/St. Enda's)



**9**  
Age 23, 6'3", 13st 5. Sales Representative. 2 Leinster Senior and 1 Leinster Minor medals.

**Jim Gavin**  
(Round Towers)



**10**  
Age 24, 5'10", 12st 7. Air Corps Pilot. 1 Leinster medal.

**Paul Clarke**  
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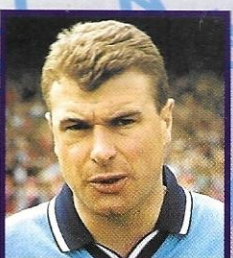
**11**  
Age 29, 6'2 1/2", 13st 8. Airport Police Fire Service. All-Ireland Minor in 1984 as captain, 5 Leinster Senior, 1 Leinster Minor and 2 N.F.L. medals.

**Des Farrell**  
(Na Fianna)



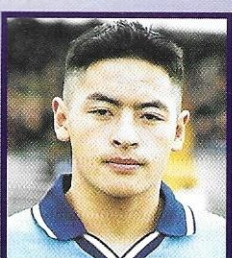
**12**  
Age 24, 5'10", 13st. Psychiatric Nurse. 4 Leinster Senior, 1 Leinster Minor and 1 N.F.L. medals.

**Charlie Redmond**  
(Erin's Isle)



**13**  
Age 31, 6', 13st 6. Fire Officer. 1 All-Star Award, 1 All-Ireland Senior, 7 Leinster Senior, 3 N.F.L. and 1 Dublin S.F.C. medals.

**Jason Sherlock**  
(Na Fianna)



**14**  
Age 19, 5'9", 10st 7. Student. 1 Leinster medal. First game for Dublin against Meath in September 1994.

**Mick Galvin**  
(St. Oliver Plunkett's)



**15**  
Age: 32, 6'1", 13st 8. Fingal County Council Employee. 5 Senior Leinster and 3 N.F.L. medals.



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<b>(16) David Byrne</b> (Ballymun Kickhams)	23 years old,	6'1",	13st.,	Student
<b>(17) Brian Barnes</b> (St. Sylvester's)	24 years old,	5'10",	12st.6lbs.,	Plumber
<b>(18) John O'Callaghan</b> (Kilmacud Crokes)	27 years old,	5'11",	12st.,	Trading Administrator
<b>(19) Pat Gilroy</b> (St. Vincent's)	23 years old,	6'4",	14st.,	Facilities Engineer
<b>(20) Vinnie Murphy</b> (Trinity Gaels)	25 years old,	6',	13st.7lbs.,	Coach/Organiser
<b>(21) Robbie Boyle</b> (Erin's Isle)	22 years old,	6'2",	13st.7lbs.,	Student
<b>(22) Sean Cahill</b> (St. Patrick's)	25 years old,	6'1",	13st.,	Garda
<b>(23) Enda Sheehy</b> (St. Jude's)	20 years old,	6'2",	13st.,	Student
<b>(24) Brian Whelan</b> (St. Anne's)	21 years old,	6'1",	12st.,	Student

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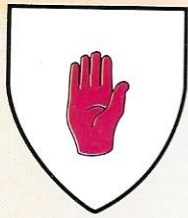
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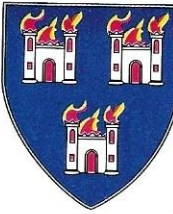
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# Memorable Tyrone Win Over the Dubs



**T**yrone scored a memorable win over Dublin in the National Football League semi-final of 1992 at Croke Park. A big number of the players who will be chasing All-Ireland glory were in action in that game in which Tyrone turned a four points second half deficit into a 0-13 to 1-9 win.

After 40 minutes, Dublin looked to have the game in control as they led by four points, but the Northerners rallied strongly and a Matt McGleenan point seven minutes from the end clinched a hard-earned but well-deserved win.

Four minutes from time, Paul Bealin crashed a shot off the Tyrone bar and the rebound was sent wide by Niall Guiden. Then, with

the game four minutes into injury time, Dublin were awarded a 40 metres free, but the kick was sent wide.

A goal by Paul Bealin just before the interval sent Dublin to their dressing-room leading by 1-5 to 0-7.

Adrian Cush was Tyrone's top scorer with four points. McGleenan 0-3, Peter Canavan 0-3, Fay Devlin, Eamonn McCaffrey and Plunket Donaghy a point each completed the Tyrone scoring.

Charlie Redmond 0-4, Jack Sheedy 0-3, Paul Bealin 1-0, Paul Curran and Vinny Murphy a point each were on the target for Dublin.

Tyrone: F. McConnell; P. Devlin, E. Kilpatrick, C. Lawn; P. Donnelly, N. Donnelly, F. Devlin; A. Kilpatrick, C. Corr; A. Cush,

E. McCaffrey, B. Gormley; M. McGleenan, D. O'Hagan, Peter Canavan. Substitutes: P. Donaghy for McCaffrey, K. McCabe for Kilpatrick, H. McClure for Gormley.

Dublin: J. O'Leary; M. Deegan, G. Hargan, M. Kennedy; K. Barr, P. Curran,

T. Carr; D. Foran, P. Bealin; P. Clarke, J. Sheedy, N. Guiden; D. Farrell, V. Murphy, C. Redmond. Substitute: P. Doherty for Redmond.

Referee: P. Collins (Westmeath).



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# Senior Football Scoreboard 1995

## Munster



### 1st Round

28th May at Gaelic Grounds:

**Kerry 3-17; Limerick 0-8**

28th May at Páirc Uí Chaoimh:

**Cork 0-23; Waterford 0-9**

### Semi-Finals

25th June at Páirc Uí Chaoimh:

**Cork 0-17; Clare 0-11**

25th June at Tralee:

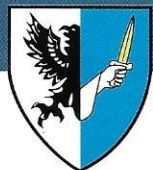
**Kerry 7-12; Tipperary 1-13**

### FINAL

23rd July at Killarney:

**Cork 0-15; Kerry 1-9**

## Connacht



### 1st Round

28th May at Markievicz Park:

**Sligo 0-11; Galway 0-11**

Replay

4th June at Tuam:

**Galway 1-12; Sligo 0-8**

4th June at Ruislip:

**Roscommon 0-19; London 1-7**

### Semi-Finals

11th June at Carrick-on-Shannon:

**Galway 0-12; Leitrim 0-11**

25th June at Castlebar:

**Mayo 2-11; Roscommon 1-10**

### FINAL

23rd July at Tuam:

**Galway 0-17; Mayo 1-7**

## Leinster



### 1st Round

21st May at Wexford:

**Westmeath 0-13; Wexford 1-3**

28th May at An Uaimh:

**Meath 1-15; Offaly 1-5**

28th May at Droichead Nua:

**Louth 0-13; Kildare 0-11**

### 2nd Round

11th June at Athlone:

**Wicklow 0-9; Westmeath 0-3**

11th June at Longford:

**Meath 4-15; Longford 0-10**

18th June at An Uaimh:

**Dublin 0-19; Louth 2-5**

18th June at Portlaoise:

**Laois 2-11; Carlow 1-13**

*\*Replay ordered due to disputed point*

25th June at Portlaoise:

**Laois 1-16; Carlow 0-16**

### Semi-Finals

2nd July at Portlaoise:

**Meath 3-14; Wicklow 0-9**

9th July at An Uaimh:

**Dublin 1-13; Laois 0-9**

### FINAL

30th July at Croke Park:

**Dublin 1-18; Meath 1-8**

## Ulster



### 1st Round

21st May at Clones:

**Donegal 1-12; Down 0-9**

28th May at Athletic Grounds:

**Derry 1-17; Armagh 0-10**

4th June at Irvinestown:

**Tyrone 1-15; Fermanagh 1-11**

11th June at Breffni Park:

**Cavan 2-11; Antrim 0-8**

### 2nd Round

16th June at Ballybofey:

**Monaghan 1-14; Donegal 0-8**

### Semi-Finals

25th June at Clones:

**Tyrone 0-11; Derry 0-10**

2nd July at Clones:

**Cavan 1-9; Monaghan 0-10**

### FINAL

23rd July at Clones:

**Tyrone 2-13; Cavan 0-10**

## All-Ireland



### SEMI-FINALS

13th August at Croke Park:

**Tyrone 1-13; Galway 0-13**

20th August at Croke Park:

**Dublin 1-12; Cork 0-12**

## A Changed Scenario

**W**hen Dublin footballers stepped out on Croke Park against Donegal in the 1992 All-Ireland final they were defending one of the proudest records in gaelic football — of never having lost a championship game to Ulster opposition. And that record was more than one hundred years old — stretching back to the All-Ireland semi-final win over Cavan in

1891. The intervening years had seen Dublin teams repel the challenge of fine sides from Monaghan, Antrim, Down, Derry, Armagh, Tyrone and Cavan, and the 1992 final was expected (by the pundits) to see the record extended.

It is history now that Donegal destroyed that record and now, only three years later, Dublin are striving to avoid becoming the first Leinster county to lose four championship games to Ulster opposition — not to mention in four successive seasons!

An Captaen



**John O'Leary**

This is the O'Dwyer's, Balbriggan, clubman's second successive year to captain Dublin in an All-Ireland senior football final. He is the only playing link with the county's last Sam Maguire Cup winning team in 1983 and also played in the finals of 1984, 1985, 1992 and, of course, last year.

An All-Ireland minor medal winner in 1979, he was called up to the senior inter-county side in an O'Byrne Cup tie early in 1980, but did not appear again with Dublin until the Leinster final that year against Offaly.

John, who plays outfield with his club, won his third National League medal in 1993 when he also became the first goalkeeper to lead the Dubs to the title. He is 35 and, if Dublin are successful, will be the first goalkeeper to captain a Sam Maguire Cup winning team since Billy Morgan led Cork to the 1973 crown.



**Dathanna:** Gorm is Dubhgorm



**2**  
**CIARAN WALSH**  
*C. Breatnach*  
(St. Anne's)

**5**  
**PAUL CURRAN**  
*P. Ó Corráin*  
(Thomas Davis)

**10**  
**JIM GAVIN**  
*S. Ó Gaibhín*  
(Round Towers)

**13**  
**CHARLIE REDMOND**  
*C. Mac Reamonn*  
(Erin's Isle)

**1**  
**JOHN O'LEARY**  
*S. Ó Laoire (Capt.)*  
(O'Dwyer's)

**3**  
**PADDY MORAN**  
*P. Ó Moráin*  
(Whitehall/Colmcille)

**6**  
**KEITH BARR**  
*C. Ó Bairr*  
(Erin's Isle)

**8**  
**PAUL BEALIN**  
*P. Ó Bealain*  
(Ballyboden/St. Enda's)

**11**  
**PAUL CLARKE**  
*P. Ó Cléirigh*  
(Whitehall/Colmcille)

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**JASON SHERLOCK**  
*I. Ó Scrológ*  
(Na Fianna)

**4**  
**KEITH GALVIN**  
*C. Ó Gealbháin*  
(St. Sylvester's)

**7**  
**MICK DEEGAN**  
*M. Ó Duigín*  
(Erin's Isle)

**9**  
**BRIAN STYNES**  
*B. de Stín*  
(Ballyboden/St. Enda's)

**12**  
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*D. Ó Fearail*  
(Na Fianna)

**15**  
**MICK GALVIN**  
*M. Ó Gealbháin*  
(St. Oliver Plunkett's)

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(16) **David Byrne**  
*D. Ó Broin*  
(Ballymun Kickhams)

(17) **Brian Barnes**  
*B. Ó Bearain*  
(St. Sylvester's)

(18) **John O'Callaghan**  
*S. Ó Ceallacháin*  
(Kilmacud Crokes)

(19) **Pat Gilroy**  
*P. Mac Giolla Rua*  
(St. Vincent's)

(20) **Vinny Murphy**  
*U. Ó Murchú*  
(Trinity Gaels)

(21) **Robbie Boyle**  
*R. Ó Baoill*  
(Erin's Isle)

(22) **Sean Cahill**  
*S. Ó Cathail*  
(St. Patrick's)

(23) **Enda Sheehy**  
*E. Mac Síthigh*  
(St. Jude's)

(24) **Brian Whelan**  
*B. Ó Faolain*  
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**21: Dublin:** 1891, 1892, 1894, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1901, 1902, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1942, 1958, 1963, 1974, 1976, 1977, 1983.

**7: Galway:** 1925, 1934, 1938, 1956, 1964, 1965, 1966.

**6: Cork:** 1890, 1911, 1945, 1973, 1989, 1990.

**5: Down:** 1960, 1961, 1968, 1991, 1994.

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**Meath:** 1949, 1954, 1967, 1987, 1988.

**Wexford:** 1893, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918.

**4: Kildare:** 1905, 1919, 1927, 1928.

**Tipperary:** 1889, 1895, 1900, 1920.

**3: Louth:** 1910, 1912, 1957.

**Mayo:** 1936, 1950, 1951.

**Offaly:** 1971, 1972, 1982.

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**Roscommon:** 1943, 1944.

**1: Derry:** 1993.

**Donegal:** 1992.



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| <b>13</b><br><b>CIARÁN McBRIDE</b><br><i>C. Mac Giolla Bhríde</i><br>(An Omaigh)      | <b>14</b><br><b>PETER CANAVAN</b><br><i>P. Ó Ceannubháin</i><br>(Aireagal Chiaráin)  | <b>15</b><br><b>STEPHEN LAWN</b><br><i>S. Ó Liatháin</i><br>(Baile na Móna)        |

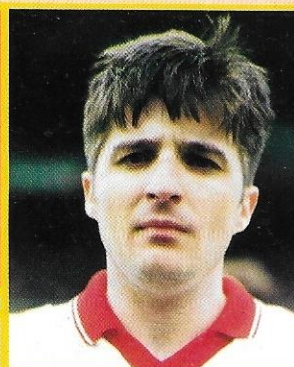
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**Ciarán Corr**

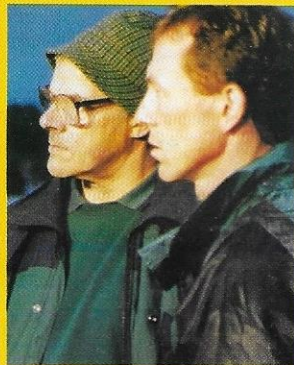
Ciarán is only the second player to lead Tyrone in an All-Ireland senior football final. He was at midfield and also scored a point when the county lost the National League final to Derry in 1992.

A versatile footballer, he was in the half forward line when he won his first Ulster senior medal in 1989 after a replay with Donegal. He was also on duty in the unsuccessful All-Ireland semi-final against Mayo.

Ciarán was Tyrone's captain when they lost the northern final last year to eventual All-Ireland champions, Down, but had much better fortune last July against Cavan in the Ulster summit. He is 6ft and 26 years of age.

Eugene McKenna, now a member of the management team, captained Tyrone in their All-Ireland final debut in 1986.

**Managers**



**Art McRory & Eugene McKenna**

**An Réiteoir**

**Paddy Russell (Tiobraid Árann)**



A busy season reaches a climax for Paddy as he takes charge of his second All-Ireland senior football final.

He refereed the AIB All-Ireland club final between Kilmacud Crokes, Dublin, and Bellaghy, Derry, earlier this year, and his assignments in the Church and General National League included the Tyrone-Kerry quarter-final and the Derry-Down final. He was also the man in the middle at the Bank of Ireland Munster final between Cork and Kerry at Killarney.

A referee since 1975, the Tipperary official controlled games in the All-Ireland championship before taking charge of his

first All-Ireland senior final in 1990 when Cork beat Meath to retain the title.

**Linesmen**

W. O'Mahony (Luimneach)  
Standby Referee  
F. Finan (Sligeach)

**Umpires**

Lar O'Keefe  
Larry Cummins  
David Crowe  
Nicholas Lonergan

**Roghnóirí:**

Ard McRory  
Eugene McKenna



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# TOP Scorers

Last year, Charlie Redmond had the luxury of knowing that whatever the outcome of the final, his position as the premier marksman in the championship was assured. No such assurances console the Erin's Isle man this year as, entering the championship decider, he finds himself in a tie for third place with Tyrone's Peter Canavan.

The current leader is Colin Corkery of Cork who scored 0-36 in his four outings for the goalless Leesiders. In second place, and from only three outings, is Maurice Fitzgerald with 4-20, an average of almost eleven points per game.

With both Redmond and Canavan averaging 7.5 points per game it is likely that one or both men will score the seven points required to top the chart. However, this competition will be of secondary importance to these marksmen, as the real battle will be for the championship title itself.

The top 19 marksmen in this year's championship are:

Colin Corkery (Cork)	0-36
Maurice Fitzgerald (Kerry)	4-20 (32)
Charlie Redmond (Dublin)	0-30
Peter Canavan (Tyrone)	1-27 (30)
Damien Delaney (Laois)	2-17 (23)
Niall Finnegan (Galway)	0-22
Colm O'Rourke (Meath)	3-8 (17)
Brian Stafford (Meath)	2-10 (16)
Evan Kelly (Meath)	3-7 (16)
Ronan Carolan (Cavan)	0-15
Conan Daye (Wicklow)	0-12
Tommy Dowd (Meath)	1-9 (12)
Manus Boyle (Donegal)	1-9 (12)
Jarlath Fallon (Galway)	0-11
Colin Kelly (Louth)	0-11
Anthony Keating (Carlow)	1-8 (11)
Paul Clarke (Dublin)	1-8 (11)
Mick Lawler (Laois)	1-7 (10)
Peter Reilly (Cavan)	2-4 (10)

# Individual Feats

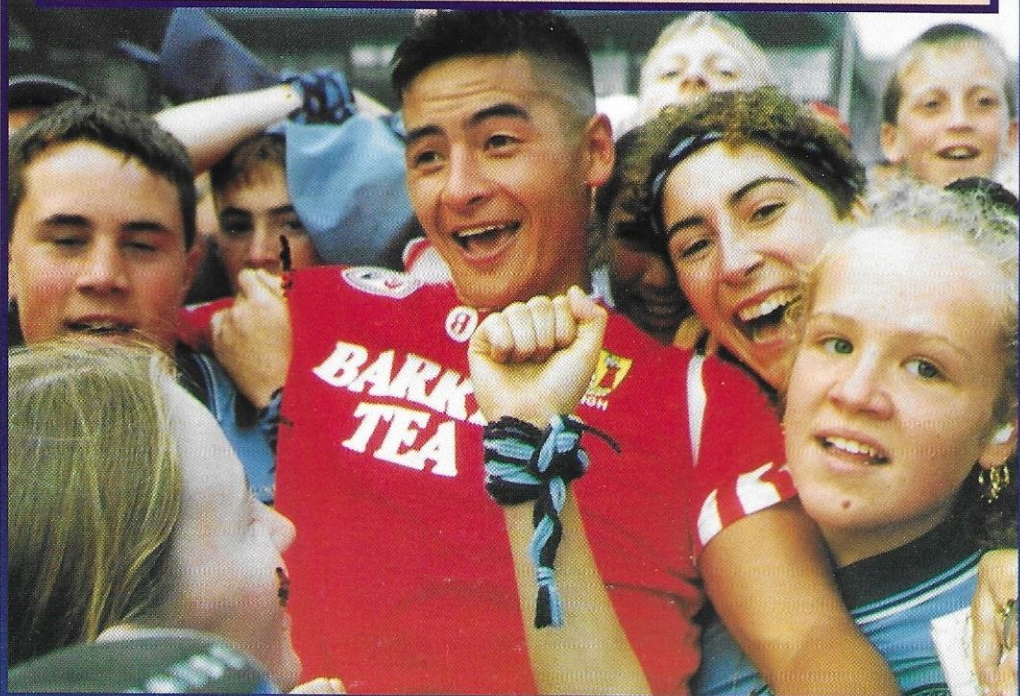
Whatever the outcome of today's final, it is highly unlikely that any of today's protagonists will get close to, let alone exceed, the best individual return for a championship match in the current campaign. Kerry's Maurice Fitzgerald scored an immaculate 2-10 in their first-round win over Limerick and since then no player has come within four points of the Kingdom ace's total.

However, today's finalists are well represented with Charlie Redmond making four appearances on the list and Peter Canavan making three. Twenty-two returns of seven points or better were recorded in this year's championship and they are:

Maurice Fitzgerald (Kerry)	2-10 v Limerick — 1st Round at Gaelic Grounds
Colin Corkery (Cork)	0-12 v Waterford — 1st Round at Páirc Uí Chaoimh
Maurice Fitzgerald (Kerry)	2-6 v Tipperary — Semi-Final at Tralee
Colin Corkery (Cork)	0-11 v Clare — Semi-Final at Páirc Uí Chaoimh
Damien Delaney (Laois)	2-5 v Carlow — 2nd Round at Portlaoise
Peter Canavan (Tyrone)	1-7 v Galway — All-Ireland Semi-Final at Croke Park
Charlie Redmond (Dublin)	0-9 v Louth — 2nd Round at An Uaimh
Peter Canavan (Tyrone)	0-8 v Derry — Semi-Final at Clones
Brian Stafford (Meath)	1-5 v Wicklow — Semi-Final at Portlaoise
Charlie Redmond (Dublin)	0-7 v Cork — All-Ireland Semi-Final at Croke Park
Niall Finnegan (Galway)	0-7 v Tyrone — All-Ireland Semi-Final at Croke Park
Charlie Redmond (Dublin)	0-7 v Laois — Semi-Final at An Uaimh
Brendan Cummins (Tipperary)	0-7 v Kerry — Semi-Final at Tralee
Cathal O'Rourke (Armagh)	0-7 v Derry — 1st Round at Armagh
Charlie Redmond (Dublin)	0-7 v Meath — Leinster Final at Croke Park
Colin Corkery (Cork)	0-7 v Kerry — Munster Final at Killarney
Peter Canavan (Tyrone)	0-7 v Fermanagh — 1st Round at Irvinestown
Colin Kelly (Louth)	0-7 v Kildare — 1st Round at Droichead Nua
Shane King (Fermanagh)	0-7 v Tyrone — 1st Round at Irvinestown
Ronan Carolan (Cavan)	0-7 v Antrim — 1st Round at Breffni Park
Mick Lawler (Laois)	1-4 v Carlow — 2nd Round Replay at Portlaoise
Sean Crowley (Kerry)	2-1 v Tipperary — Semi-Final at Tralee

## Shades of what might have been?

Jason Sherlock wears a Cork jersey as he is mobbed by excited Dublin fans after the semi-final victory in which he scored the only goals of the game.



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## Tyrone Firsts

**T**yrone may not be able to claim many distinctions in regard to All-Ireland honours, but the O'Neill county has made history in respect of one of Gaelic football's most prestigious trophies — the Markham Cup. This trophy, which was presented for the first time in 1940 when Louth won the under-18 title, was subsequently annexed by Roscommon (1941), Dublin (1945) and Kerry (1946). Tyrone's success in 1947 gave them the distinction of being the first Ulster county to collect 'the Markham' with Eddie Devlin of Coalisland in the role of captain, and a year later when the cup was retained Tyrone became the first to win it two years in succession as Eddie Devlin carved his own niche in minor history as the first player (foot-

ball or hurling) to receive an All-Ireland trophy twice. The latter distinction remained Devlin's alone until Donal Aherne of Cork led the Rebel county to win the 1967 and 1968 titles.

## The Greatest Comeback

**E**very county remembers its first All-Ireland triumph as a special occasion, but it is no exaggeration to claim that Tyrone's first national title had a special dimension in that it encompassed the greatest comeback ever in an All-Ireland final in any grade of football or hurling.

On a day of high wind at Croke Park in 1947 Tyrone trailed Mayo in the Minor football final at the interval

by 14 points (0-1 to 4-3) and even with wind advantage to come the most optimistic Tyrone supporters could hardly have hoped for a favourable result.

But in a magnificent second half Tyrone came storming back, and with Tom Sullivan leading the scorers, snatched a dramatic last minute win on the score of 4-4 to 4-3. What a way for a county to win its first All-Ireland.

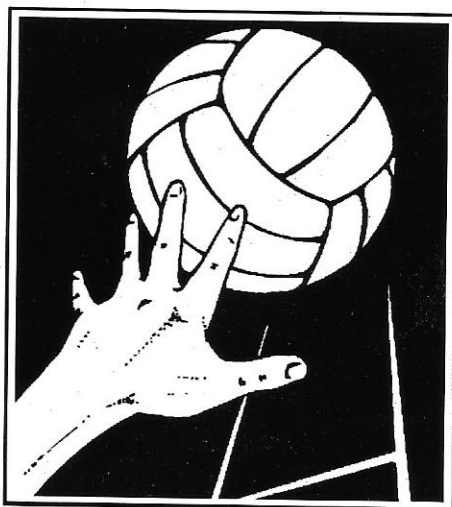
## Illegal

**T**he first-ever meeting of Dublin and Tyrone in championship football turned out to be a less than happy occasion for both counties. This was in 1934 when every county was anxious to record some kind of championship success in the Association's Jubilee Year. But it would appear that

Dublin and Tyrone were more anxious than most to record an outright win as both counties transgressed the rules in their efforts by fielding illegal players in the All-Ireland minor semi-final at Drogheda. Dublin won, on the field, by 0-9 to 1-4, but Tyrone immediately lodged an objection to a number of the winning side who were over the age limit for the grade. Dublin acknowledged that the Tyrone claim was true but just when it seemed that the Ulster county would go on to play Tipperary in the final, it was discovered that Tyrone had also included over-age players. In the circumstances the Central Council had no alternative but to dismiss both counties from the championship and award the title to Tipperary.

Thus did Dublin and Tyrone make a piece of minor football history as the only All-Ireland semi-finalists to be both declared illegal.

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# Tír Eoghain



**The Tyrone team which beat Galway in the All-Ireland Semi-final last month.**

**Back row (L-R):** Paul Devlin, Jody Gormley, Ronan McGarrity, Sean McLaughlin, Finbar McConnell, Seamus McCallan, Ciaran McBride.

**Front row (L-R):** Peter Canavan, Ciaran Loughran, Stephen Lawn, Pascal Canavan, Ciaran Corr (capt.), Chris Lawn, Fay Devlin, Fergal Logan.

## Tyrone's path to this year's final

Tyrone are appearing in the All-Ireland final for only the second time. They lost their only other appearance in a championship decider to Kerry in 1986.

Last July they regained the Ulster title after a six year gap. They are Northern champions for the seventh time since their initial success in 1956.

Today Tyrone are seeking Ulster's fifth title in a row and their 1995 championship record so far is:

### **4th June at Irvinestown:**

Tyrone 1-15; Fermanagh 1-11

**Scorers** – Peter Canavan 0-7, Pascal Canavan 0-3, S. Lawn 1-0, M. McGleenan 0-2, S. McCallan 0-1, F. Logan 0-1, J. Gormley 0-1.

### **25th June at Clones:**

Tyrone 0-11; Derry 0-10

**Scorers** – P. Canavan 0-8, S. McLoughlin 0-1, J. Gormley 0-1, C. Corr 0-1.

### **23rd July at Clones:**

Tyrone 2-13; Cavan 0-10

**Scorers** – P. Canavan 0-5, A. Cush 1-0, M. McGleenan 1-0, S. Lawn 0-2, C. McBride 0-2, C. Corr 0-1, C. Loughran 0-1, S. McCallan 0-1, S. McLoughlin 0-1.

### **13th August at Croke Park:**

Tyrone 1-13; Galway 0-13

**Scorers** – P. Canavan 1-7, M. McGleenan 0-2, A. Cush 0-1, C. McBride 0-1, S. McLoughlin 0-1, F. Logan 0-1.

**Total Scored**

4-52 (64 points)

**Total Conceded**

1-44 (47 points)

They had their highest match score of the series so far against Cavan in the Ulster final. Fermanagh achieved the best score against Tyrone at 1-11.

### **Canavan Dominant**

Peter Canavan dominates the scoring returns of the Ulster champions with 1-27 (30 points). He is the only Tyrone player to score in all four rounds of the championship.

Well back in second place is Mattie McGleenan with 1-4. Stephen Lawn 1-2 and Adrian Cush 1-1 were the other goalscorers for the Northerners. Pascal Canavan, Sean McLoughlin and Ciaran McBride 0-3 each, John Gormley, Ciaran Corr, Seamus McCallan, and Fergal Logan 0-2 each, and Ciaran Loughran with 0-1 complete the Tyrone scoring.

### **Top Individual Score**

The best individual score recorded by a Tyrone player so far is 1-7 by Peter Canavan in the All-Ireland semi-final last month against Galway. Of that 1-7, just four points came from frees. He is also the only member of the side to score in every appearance so far.

### **Goal Getting Substitutes**

Mattie McGleenan and Adrian Cush each went into the Ulster final as a substitute and each celebrated the limited outing by scoring a goal apiece.

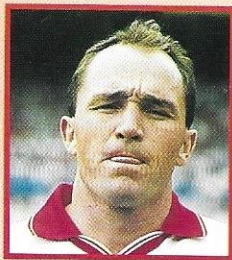


**1** **Finbar McConnell**  
(Newtownstewart)



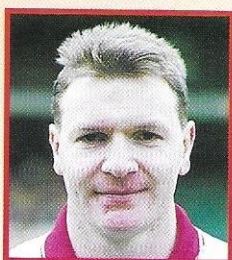
Age 28, 6'4", 15st 6. Machinist.  
2 Ulster Senior, 1 Ulster Junior,  
1 Railway Cup.

**2** **Paul Devlin**  
(Moortown)



Age 26, 5'9", 11st 7. Bricklayer.  
1 Ulster U21, 1 Ulster Senior,  
1 County Championship.

**3** **Chris Lawn**  
(Moortown)



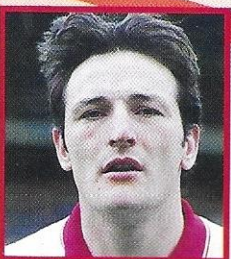
Age 23, 5'11", 12st 2. Joiner.  
2 Ulster and 2 All-Ireland U21, 1 County  
Senior, 1 Ulster and 1 All-Ireland Voc. School  
C'ship, 1 Ulster Senior C'ship.

**4** **Fay Devlin**  
(Arbree)



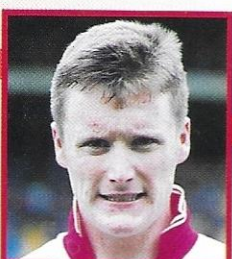
Age 24, 5'10", 12st. Glazier.  
1 Ulster MFC, 3 U21, 2 All-Ireland U21,  
1 All-Ireland Voc. Sch., 1 Railway Cup,  
1 Ulster C'ship.

**5** **Ronan McGarrity**  
(An Charraig Mhór)



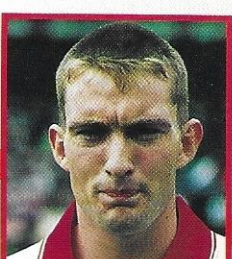
Age 24, 5'10", 12st 7. Civil Engineer.  
1 Ulster Senior C'ship.

**6** **Seamus McCallan**  
(An Charraig Mhór)



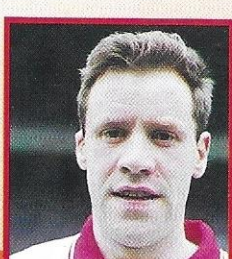
Age 22, 6', 14st. Asbestos Remover.  
1 Ulster and 1 All-Ireland U21,  
1 Ulster Senior C'ship.

**7** **Sean McLaughlin**  
(Drumquin)



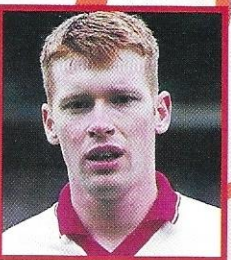
Age 23, 5'10", 12st 5. Storeman.  
1 Ulster Senior C'ship.

**8** **Fergal Logan**  
(Stewartstown)



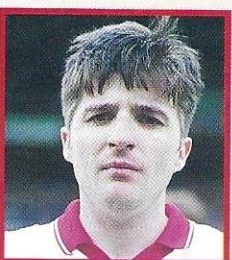
Age 27, 6', 13st. Solicitor.  
1 Sigerson Cup, 1 Ryan Cup,  
1 Ulster Senior C'ship.

**9** **Jody Gormley**  
(Trillick)



Age 24, 6', 12st. Student.  
2 Ulster and 2 All-Ireland U21 C'ship,  
1 Ulster Senior C'ship.

**10** **Ciarán Corr**  
(Coalisland)



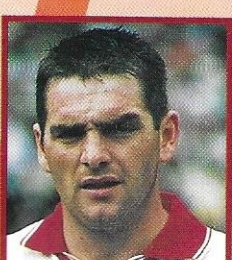
Age 26, 6', 12st 5. Sales Representative.  
2 Ulster Senior C'ship, 2 Tyrone Senior  
C'ships, 2 Railway Cup.

**11** **Pascal Canavan**  
(Errigal Chiarán)



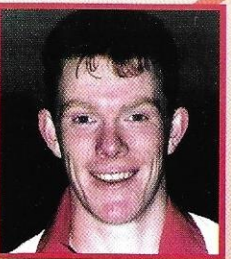
Age 27, 5'11", 11st 7. Teacher.  
1 Sigerson Cup, 2 Senior County C'ship,  
1 Ulster Senior and 1 Ulster Club C'ship.

**12** **Ciarán Loughran**  
(An Charraig Mhór)



Age 24, 5'6", 11st 11. Joiner.  
1 Ulster and All-Ireland Voc. Sch. medals,  
1 Ulster MFC, 3 Ulster and 2 All-Ireland U21  
C'ships, 1 Ulster Senior C'ship.

**13** **Ciarán McBride**  
(Omagh)



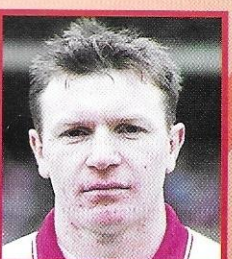
Age 23, 6', 13st 4. Student.  
2 Ulster and 2 All-Ireland U21 C'ship,  
1 Ulster Senior C'ship, 3 Special U18 All-  
Ireland Hurling, 1 Ryan Cup.

**14** **Peter Canavan**  
(Errigal Chiarán)



Age 24, 5'9", 11st 7. Teacher.  
1 Ulster Club and 1 Ulster C'ship, 2 County  
C'ship, 2 Ulster and 2 All-Ireland Voc. Sch.,  
1 Ulster U18, 2 All-Ireland and 3 Ulster U21  
C'ship, 4 Railway Cup C'Ship.  
An All Star in 1994.

**15** **Stephen Lawn**  
(Moortown)



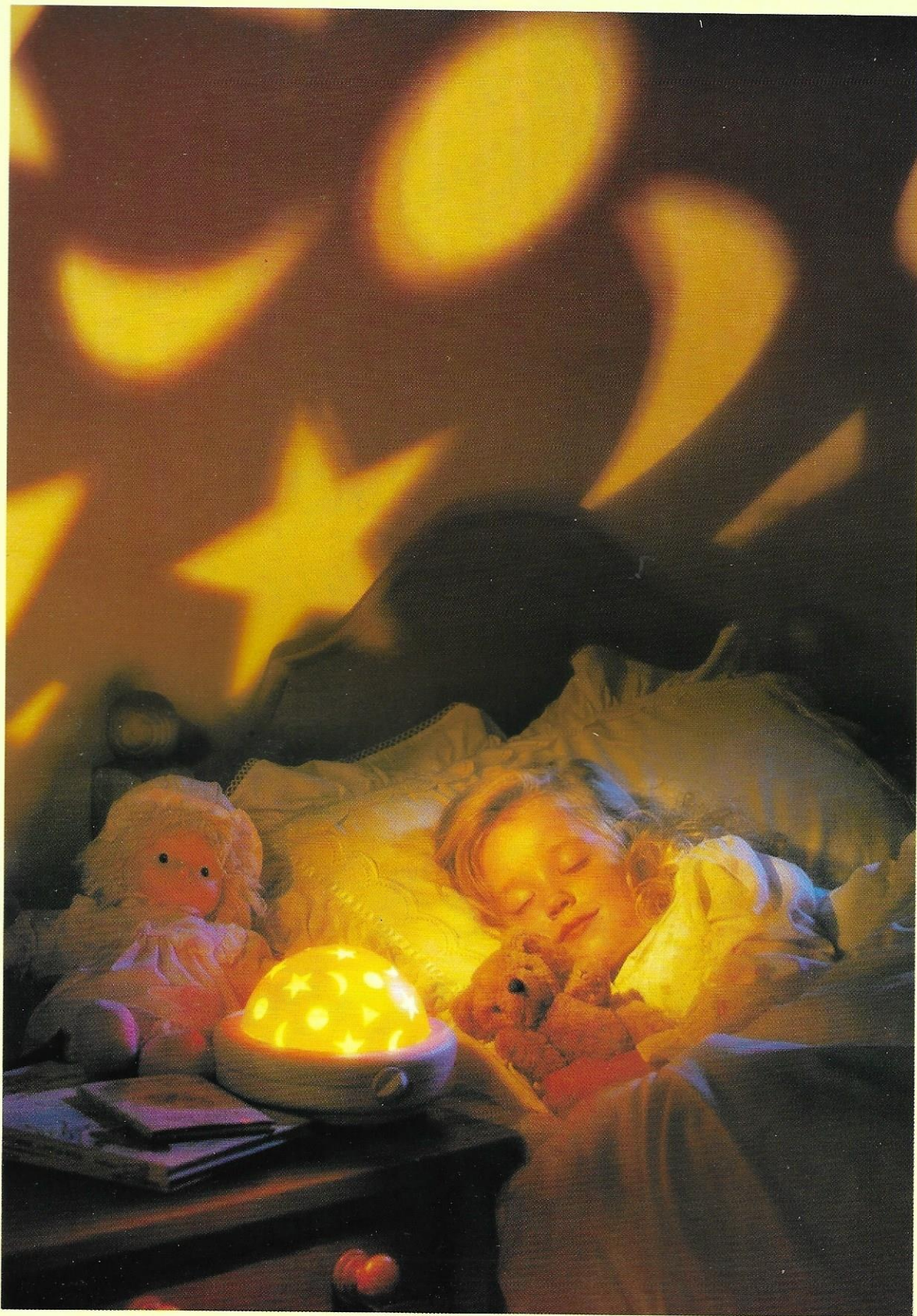
Age 23, 5'10", 11st. Joiner.  
2 Ulster and 1 All-Ireland U21 C'ship, 1  
Ulster Senior C'ship, 1 Tyrone Senior C'ship.



**Fir Ionaid**

<b>(16) Joseph Cassidy</b> (Galbally)	24 years old,	5'10",	12st.,	
<b>(17) Damian Loughran</b> (An Charraig Mhór)	23 years old,	6',	13st.,	Factory worker
<b>(18) Paul Donnelly</b> (Beragh)	24 years old,	5'10",	12st.7lbs.,	Student
<b>(19) Matt McGleenan</b> (Eglish)	25 years old,	6'2",	14st.6lbs.,	Student
<b>(20) Adrian Cush</b> (Donaghmore)	25 years old,	5'10",	11st.10lbs.,	Sales Representative
<b>(21) Gerard Cavlan</b> (Dungannon)	19 years old,	5'11",	12st.2lbs.,	Student
<b>(22) Danny Barr</b> (Dungannon)	25 years old,	6'3",	13st.4lbs.,	Computer Engineer
<b>(23) Damian Gormley</b> (Trillick)	22 years old,	5'10",	12st.,	Farmer
<b>(24) Brian Gormley</b> (An Charraig Mhór)	24 years old,	5'6",	11st.4lbs.,	Teacher

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# Unique Captain's Role for Canavan

**P**eter Canavan, who has played such a big part in Tyrone's march to this final, has a unique ranking in under-age football.

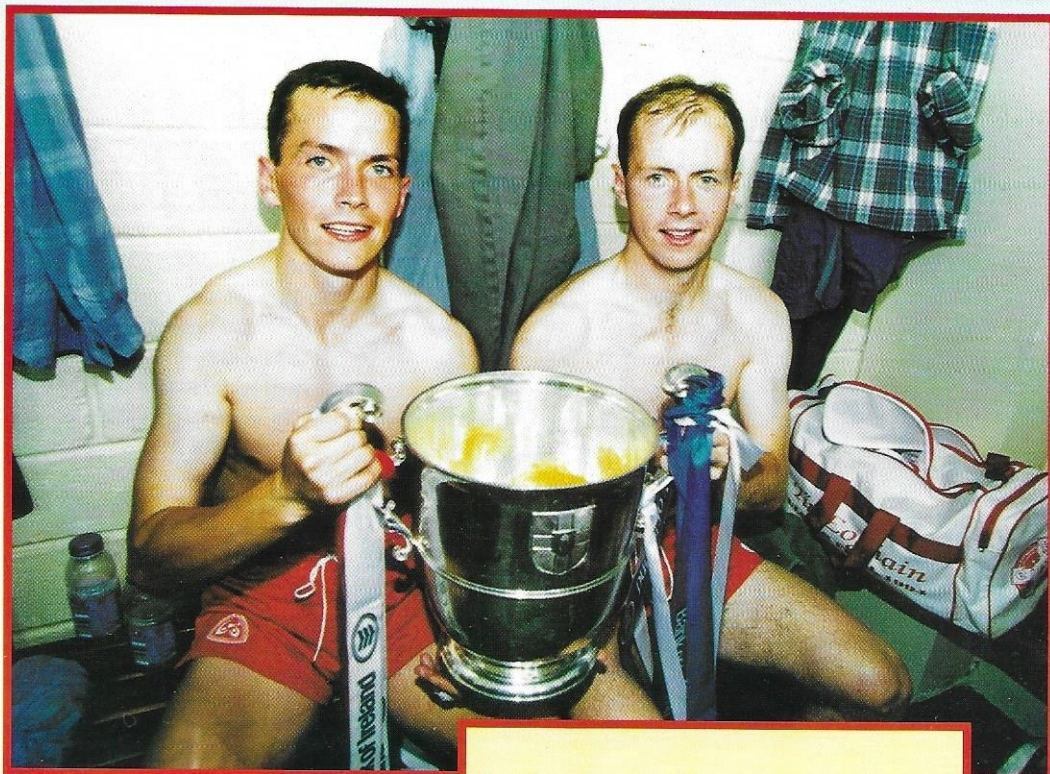
The dashing forward led the O'Neill County to a resounding 4-16 to 1-5 win over Kerry at Droichead Nua in 1991 for a first-ever All-Ireland under-21 title. He crowned his inspiring leadership by scoring 2-5.

Canavan was again Tyrone's captain when they made a successful defence of the All-Ireland under-21 crown in 1992 by seeing off Galway by three points in the final at Longford. He scored seven points and became the first and so far only player to captain two All-Ireland title-winning teams in the grade.

As a good number of those under-21 teams are now established seniors, it is well worthwhile recording the combinations here:

## Odd Venues

**B**urgeoning interest in Gaelic football was so great when Kerry and Kildare were fixed to meet for the third time in the 1903 'Home' final that it was feared that no ground in the country was capable of holding the crowds that would want to see the game. However, this problem did not prevent many venues being suggested as suitable for the event — the most notable of these being Dungarvan, Thurles, Clonmel, Belfast, Jones's Road, Limerick and the oddest of all — Crystal Palace, London. In the event, none of the above got the fixture as, after considering most of them, it was decided to play the game at the recently-opened Cork Athletic Grounds. It is on record that there were no crowd problems on that occasion.



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### 1991

C. Blee; D. Hagan, C. Lawn, F. Devlin; P. Donnelly, B. McGinn, T. O'Neill; A. Kilpatrick, D. Barr; A. Cush, E. McCaffrey, P. Canavan; C. Loughran; C. McBride, B. Gormley. Substitutes: S. Lawn for Donnelly, J. Cassidy for Blee.

### 1992

B. McConnell; E. Martin, C. Lawn, F. Devlin; S. Lawn, J. Gormley, C. Hughes; A. Kilpatrick, S. McCallan; E. McCaffrey, C. Donnelly, P. Canavan; C. Loughran, C. McBride, B. Gormley. Substitute: M. Slevin for C. Lawn.

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# Finals ... North and East

**B**ecause of the seeding arrangement at the semi-final stage during the first forty years or so of the championship, an All-Ireland final pairing of Ulster and Leinster counties did not emerge until the mid-thirties, with the final being the Cavan-Kildare decider in 1935. Ulster took the honours in that initial clash which was balanced by Meath's win over the Breffni men in 1949. Dublin recorded the first of their two final wins over Ulster teams when they beat Derry in 1958, but recent events have made it 'two all' in Dublin's confrontation with Northern opposition in the final. To date there have been nine finals involving Ulster and Leinster counties with the record reading six-three in favour of the Northerners. Dublin have accounted for two of Leinster's wins — their second in 1977 being the province's last success at the expense of Ulster. The nine finals were:

**1935**  
Cavan 3-6; Kildare 2-7

**1949**  
Meath 1-10; Cavan 1-6

**1952**  
Cavan 2-4; Meath 1-7  
Cavan 0-9; Meath 0-5

**1958**  
Dublin 2-12; Derry 1-9

**1961**  
Down 3-6; Offaly 2-8

**1977**  
Dublin 5-12; Armagh 3-6

**1991**  
Down 1-16; Meath 1-14

**1992**  
Donegal 0-18; Dublin 0-14

**1994**  
Down 1-12; Dublin 0-13

## First-Half Disaster

**T**he 1933 championship campaign was one that promised much for Tyrone when, after two drawn games, they got past Antrim by 1-8 to 1-2 and then qualified for the final for the first time since 1890 with a one-point win over Fermanagh. Despite being opposed by the then Ulster kingpins, Cavan, there were quiet hopes that the breakthrough to a fist provincial title was at hand. But on final day at Clones, only the most optimistic Tyrone supporter could have entertained the faintest hope of success after the first quarter by which time the champions were twelve points clear. The interval came as a blessed relief to the challengers but the scoreboard told a horrific tale with the score 5-8 to 0-1. The second half was not nearly as bad as far as Tyrone were concerned, but in the end it was a crushing 26-point defeat.

On that day of disaster, Tyrone acquired two distinctions that they would much prefer to be without — that of sustaining the heaviest ever defeat by a team in an Ulster final (or any provincial final) and of being the only team ever to find themselves 22 points in arrears at the interval of a senior inter-county football game.

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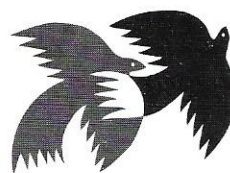
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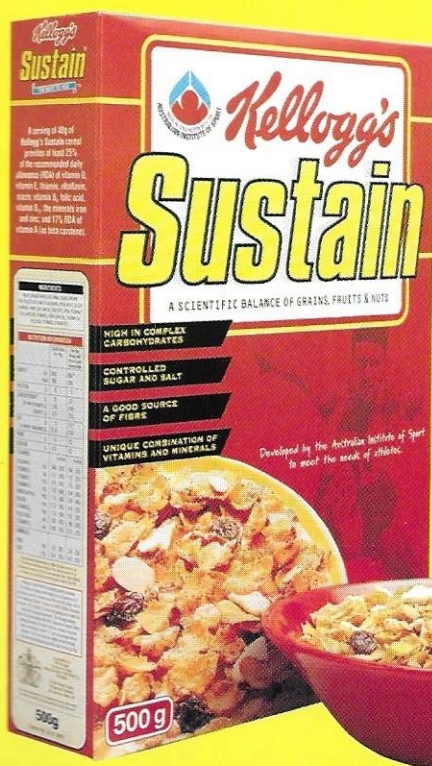
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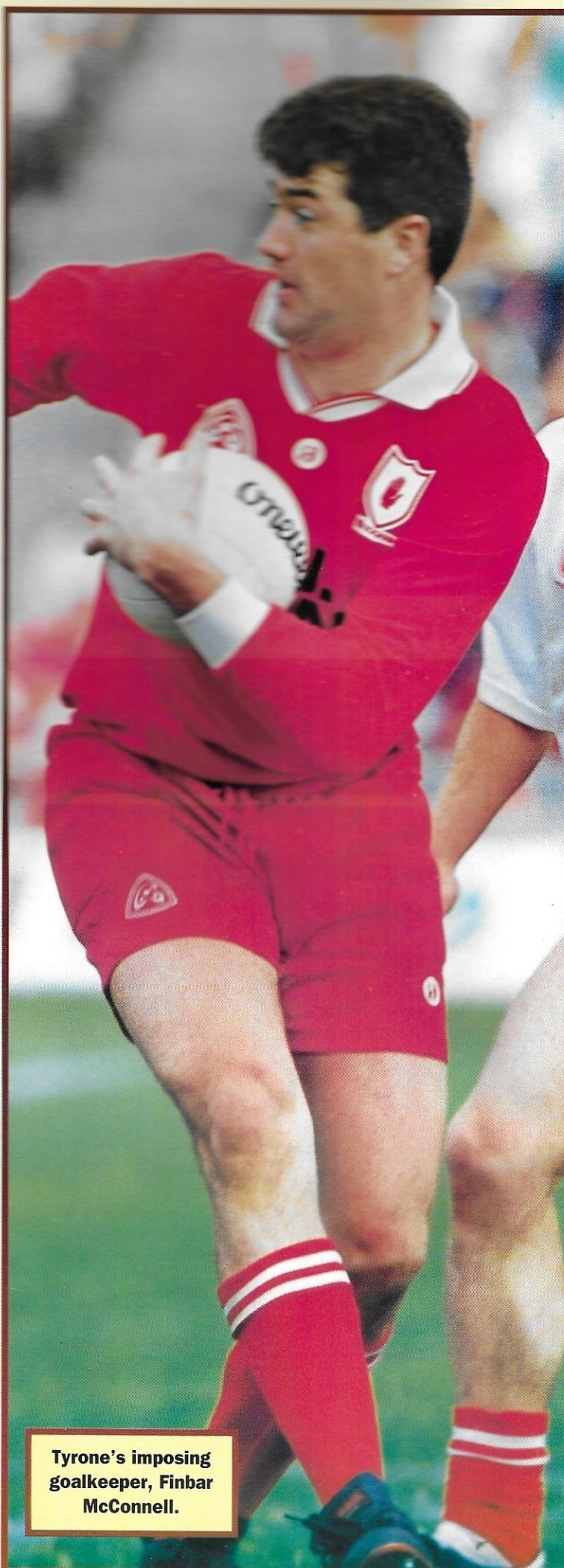
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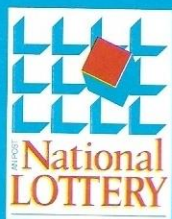


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# The All Ireland is for exiles too

writes Jack Mahon

I flew into Sea-Tac Airport in Seattle on the eve of the Galway v Tyrone semi-final to be met by my Vancouver friends, Martin and Kathy King. Thoughtfully on their part, they had checked us all into a Seattle motel so that we could see the senior semi-final between Galway and Tyrone live at 7.30 a.m. the following morning. I had often heard about these early morning transmissions across the U.S.. Now I was going to taste it for real.

## Sleepless in Seattle

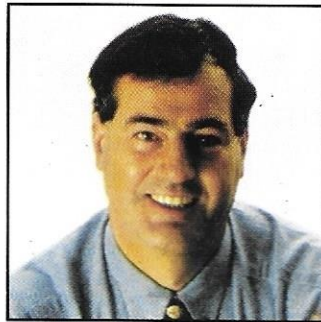
It was pretty much a sleepless night in Seattle before we set off early for the Dubliner Pub in Freemont Road, owned by Killarneyman Andy Kelliher, whose former teacher was my old opponent Tom Long of Kerry. We were the first to pay the \$20 fee to the owner himself and gradually the place filled up mostly with Galway followers, the lone Tyrone man being Sean McCartan of Donaghmore

Before we knew it, we were all transported in spirit back to Croke Park and it was almost as good as being at the game itself. Almost.

## Amhrán na bhFiann

We stood for Amhrán na bhFiann and sang it as best we could. Listened attentively to Ger Canning's commentary and Mick O'Dwyer's analysis. We roared and shouted. Often criticised the poor referee. Some of the players betimes. I was thrilled with Galway's display. Disappointed when the goal went in and felt drained when it was all over. But it was a huge breath of Croke Park air and

I thanked the Lord for modern technology. Tyrone played a fine second half and Peter Canavan was their star of stars. Why did they have to bring on those super subs Cush and McGleenan?!



Ger Canning — a breath of Croke Park.

## Spokane

I was in Spokane the following Sunday, but a call to Westmeathman Jim Keane in Seattle gave me the low-down on the Cork v Dublin game, Jason Sherlock's goal, the power of Brian Stynes. He was elated at Westmeath's minor success. Jim, brother of former Westmeath and Leinster star Georgie, never misses a live transmission in the Dubliner. Each week the Irish Echo newspaper carries an advert advising readers of all the outlets across the U.S., 25 in the New York area alone; places like Sam Maguire's on Broadway, J.P. Kean's on Pearl River, the Snook Inn Bar in Brooklyn, Sally O'Brien's in Woodside, the Commodore Barry Club in Philadelphia ...

## Own County

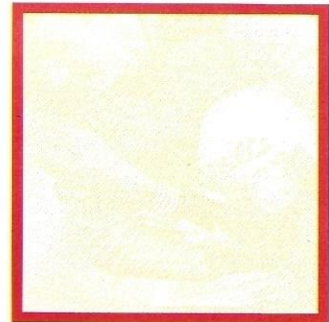
I couldn't help imagining what it must be like for an Irish exile to see his own county in action in an All-Ireland final. For Clare peo-

ple in Britain, the U.S. and elsewhere who saw the marvellous victory of the banner county recently, what a swell of emotion must have gripped them all as they saw the Clare team run on to Croke Park and the sea of saffron and blue flags afloat at the Canal End. And how they all must have relished that wonderful victory speech of Clare captain Anthony Daly. Not to mention those hectic few minutes nearing the end when victory was snatched from the jaws of defeat.

## Think of Exiles

And so, as you peruse this All-Ireland programme today, spare a thought for all our exiles who will be scattered across distant lands watching the screen, listening to the radio or

waiting patiently for a telephone call to tell them the result. Will Tyrone win their first ever senior title? Or will the Dubs get back on the winning trail again for their first since 1983? Will Westmeath win their first ever minor title or will Derry bring another crown north? Having tasted the experience of the big screen in Seattle I now know what it's like to be an exile even for a month. The All-Irelands are for exiles too. Very much so.



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# The Great Defenders

Going through a championship campaign from first round to All-Ireland final without conceding a goal is a magnificent demonstration of defensive prowess by a team, and, understandably, it is a fairly rare occurrence in senior championship football. In fact, it is now 20 years since an All-Ireland winning side returned a clean defensive sheet as far as goals were concerned. This was when Kerry went through a four-match programme without conceding a goal in 1975. Previous to that year one has to go back to 1941 when Kerry, in another four-match campaign, denied a green flag to allcomers. And before '41 no county — even the great Kerry teams of the twenties, thirties and early forties or the Kildare team of the 1926-31 era — managed to keep their net intact through even their most impressive seasons.

In the past 85 years the feat of denying the opposition at least one goal on the way to the title has been performed only three times, which puts into perspective the achievements of two great Dublin combinations of the late 1890s and the early 1900s, who not alone won All-Ireland honours without their net falling once, but did it for three years in a row. The team that won the titles of 1897, '98 and '99 may have been lucky with the 'short routes' they took — eleven games in all, but the team of the 1906-1908 era had to do it all the hard way against the finest combinations of that time

— Kildare, Kerry, Louth and Cork.

The records of the other multiple-title winners over the years show just how magnificent was Dublin's feat: Wexford's four-in-a-row team of 1915-1918 conceded 15 goals in 19 games; Kerry's 1929-1932 team conceded eleven goals in 14 games while the 'Kingdom's' three-in-a-row (1939-1941) squad conceded five goals in twelve games. More recent three-in-a-row triumphs (Galway 1964-1966) saw the winners' net fall six times in three years and Kerry's 1984-1986 triumphs were garnered at the expense of eight majors.

Dublin started out in 1906 with a seven-point dismissal of Kilkenny at Enniscorthy, and for the next three years they were unbeatable — and unbeaten — in a series of games in which not one goal was conceded.

When Dublin won the first round of the 1909 championship by beating Wexford it was their 17th consecutive game without conceding a goal, but the run came to an end in the provincial semi-final at Dundalk where the 'home' county created a surprise in winning by 1-11 to 1-7. What was perhaps Dublin's greatest era was over, but 17 "goalless" outings was a record which no other combination since then has even remotely challenged. The nearest any county has come to this achievement was when Kerry added two early 1976 games to their 1975 'goalless' four.

The scorelines of these games were:

## 1906

Dublin	1-9;	Kilkenny	0-5
Dublin	0-8;	Louth	0-6
Dublin	1-9;	Kildare	0-8
Dublin	2-7;	London	0-3
Dublin	0-5;	Cork	0-3

## 1907

Dublin	0-11;	Kildare	0-4
Dublin	2-6;	Louth	0-6
Dublin	1-11;	Offaly	0-4
Dublin	1-5;	Monaghan	0-2
Dublin	0-6;	Cork	0-2

## 1908

Dublin	1-8;	Meath	0-1
Dublin	0-13;	Laois	0-7
Dublin	1-7;	Kildare	0-3
Dublin	1-8;	Antrim	0-2
Dublin	0-10;	Kerry	0-3
Dublin	1-10;	London	0-4

The 1995 championship has seen just seven penalties awarded in the 32 games of the championship series so far. This compares with 14 from 34 games last year, and 15 from the same number of games the previous season. Not only has there been a dramatic reduction in the number of penalties awarded, but the success rate has declined dramatically. In 1993, the fifteen penalties saw a return of 11-3 (36 points), or an average of 2.4 points per penalty. The following year saw 7-1 (22 points) result from 14 spot-kicks giving an average of 1.57 points per penalty. This year three goals have resulted from the seven penalties awarded giving an average of 1.28 points per penalty. This figure would have been even worse were it not for the fact that one of the successful penalties was initially saved, but the taker, Laois's Damien Delaney, managed to score

from the rebound.

Two years ago, no penalties were awarded in the provincial finals or All-Ireland series but, twelve months on, four were awarded during these seven games, including the dramatic award in last year's final. This season has seen a return to the '93 scenario with no penalties awarded since Donegal's Mick McGrath pointed from the spot in the Ulster semi-final between Cavan and Monaghan.

In provincial terms, Leinster saw three penalties awarded, of which two were converted, while two were awarded in Connacht, one of which was converted, and in Ulster both awards were missed. No penalties were awarded in Munster and this province also saw the fewest penalty awards last year. In conversion terms, Ulster has taken over Connacht's unenviable 1994 record as the poorest penalty takers.

## Penalty Parade

The seven penalties awarded and the results are:

### 21st May

Scott Doran (Wexford) "goal" v Westmeath

### 28th May

Declan McGoldrick (Sligo) "hit upright" v Galway

### 18th June

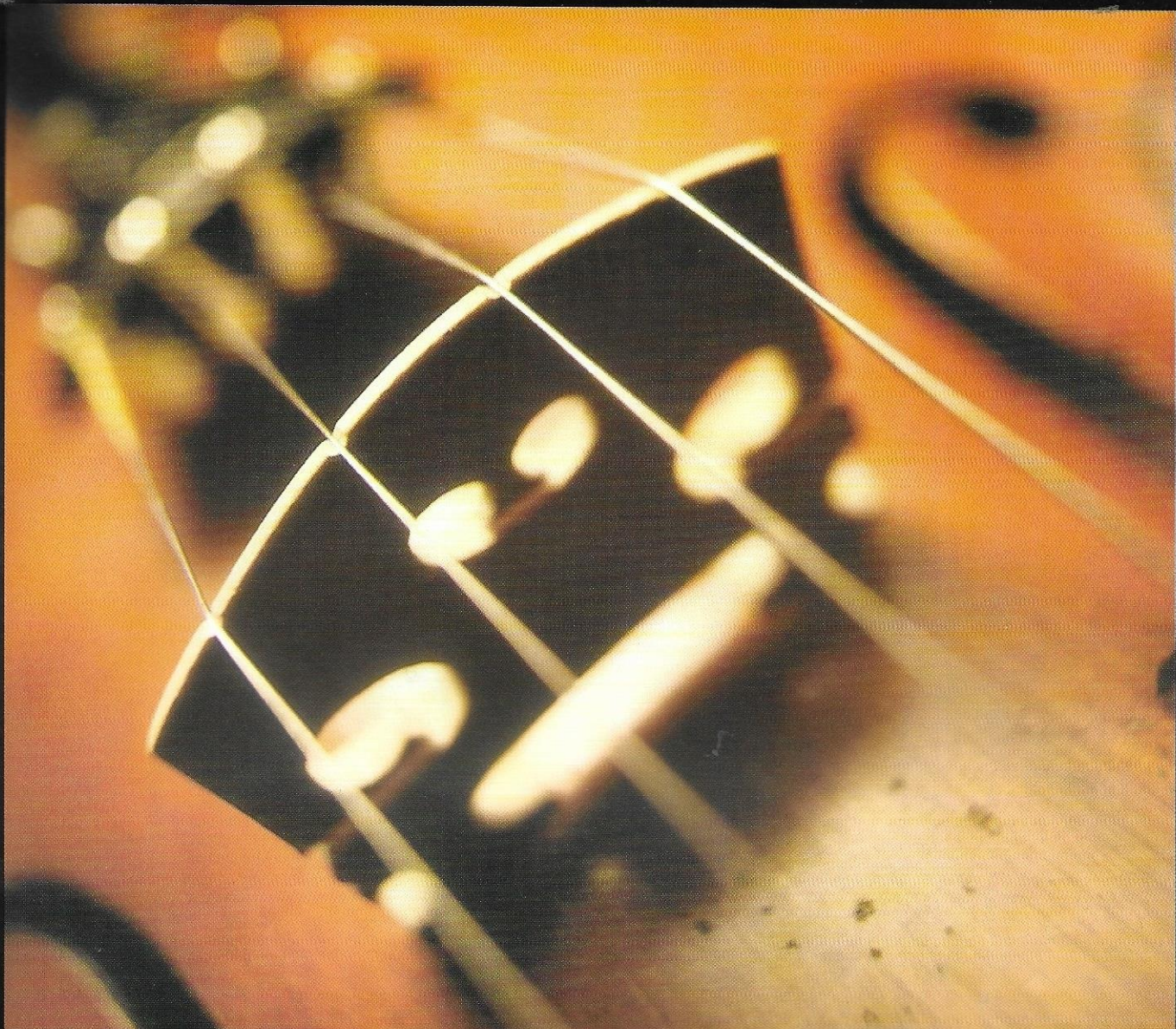
Paul Clarke (Dublin) "saved" by Niall O'Donnell (Louth)  
Manus Boyle (Donegal) "saved" by John O'Connor (Monaghan)  
Damien Delaney (Laois) "goal" v Carlow

### 25th June

Tom Grehan (Roscommon) "goal" v Mayo

### 2nd July

Declan Smyth (Monaghan) "saved" by Paul O'Dowd (Cavan)



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## Meath "Teams of the Past" Honoured



The 1949 and 1954 Meath All-Ireland football champions were honoured at a banquet in the Ardboyne Hotel, Navan, on August 22nd when they were presented with the Irish Nationwide Building Society GAA "Great Teams of the Past" awards.

**Pictured above is the 1954 team.**

**Front (l to r):** Patsy Ratty, Jimmy Reilly, Kevin Lenehan, Tom O'Brien, Matty McDonnell (R.I.P.), Peter McDermott (capt.), Paddy Meegan, Patsy McGearty, Billy Rattigan, Larry O'Brien, John Clarke and Michael O'Brien.

**Back (l to r):** Paddy Brady, Ned Durnin, Richie Mee, Jim Farrell, Brian Smyth, Kevin McConnell, Michael Grace (R.I.P.), Paddy

Connell (R.I.P.), Tom Moriarty, Bernard Flanagan, Frankie Byrne, Gerry Smith and Paddy O'Brien.

**Nine of the above** – Matty McDonnell (R.I.P.), Paddy Meegan, Brian Smyth, Paddy Connell (R.I.P.), Paddy O'Brien, Peter McDermott, Micheal O'Brien, Kevin McConnell and Frankie Byrne – also featured in the victorious '49 team.

## Ath Cliath Chun Greim na n-Ultach ar 'Sam' A Scaoileadh?

**U**air amháin cheana bhí fhoireann peile sinsir Thír Eoghain sa chraobhchluiche do Chorn Shomhairle Mhig Uidhir; b'shin i 1986 in aghaidh Chiarraí. Thugadar taispeántas an-mhaith ar feadh leath-uair a' chloig ach sa dara leath thit an lug ar an lag acu agus ar deireadh chaill siad leis an scór 2-15 v. 1-10.

Ach tá an fhoireann láithreach ag na hEoghanaigh, atá bunaithe ar na foirne iontach faoi-21 a rug dhá chraobh Uile-Éireann i 1991 agus 1992, an-chruthanta. Nuair a smaoinítear gur thug siad bata is bóthar do churaidh '93, Doire, agus gan ach ceathrar fear déag acu ar feadh cuid mhór den chluiche sin, ní mór aird a thabhairt orthu agus a bheith faicheallach rompu.

A mhalairt scéil atá fíor i gcás na 'Dubs'. Tá Áth Cliath sa dara háit maidir le craobhacha sinsir a baineadh, is é sin, tá 21 chraobh acu a ghnóthaíodh idir 1891 agus 1983. Bhí an fhoireann láithreach i gcrabhbhluichí 1992 in aghaidh Dhún na nGall agus i 1994 in aghaidh An Dúin. Chaill siad an dá chluiche sin agus tá go

leor daoine a cheap nach raibh an t-ádh leo i '94 nuair nach raibh ach cúilín amháin sa bhreis ag An Dún agus nár éirigh leis na 'Dubs' cic phionóis a sháth sa lín (nó fiú cúilín a ghnóthú as).

Ceaptar, máisea, gurb é seo an deis dheiridh ag an bhfoireann áirithe seo chun craobh na hÉireann a bhaint. Tá ceithre chraobh Laighean as a chéile bainte acu, bhíodar san áit tánaisteach do chraobh na nÉireann faoi dhó agus chaill siad an cluiche leathcheannais, le ciúilín amháin, i gcoinne Dhoire a ghnóthaigh an chraobh i '93. Tá na dintiúirí cearta acu ach teacht i dtír orthu.

An bhfuil na hEoghanaigh chun nós na n-Ultach rompu, ó 1991 go 1994, a leanúint agus cúig chraobh Uile-Éireann as a chéile a ghnóthú don 'cheathrú páirc ghlas'? Nó an bhfuil na 'Seicíní' chun stop a chur leo agus an follús ó 1983 i leith a líonadh: Tá cluiche iontach chugainn leis na ceisteanna sin a fhreagairt.

Chun comparáid a dhéanamh eatharthu scrúdaítear a n-éifeacht, faoi seach, sna cluichí leathcheannais. B'é tuairim na coitiantachta go

raibh Corcaigh, curaidh na Mumhan, níos fearr mar fhoireann ná Gaillimh, curaidh Chonnachta. Léiríodh go raibh beirt lár páirce ag Áth Cliath ró-mhaith dá gcéilí imeartha ó Chorcaigh agus cinnte bhí an lámh in uachtar ag Gaillimh i lár páirce in aghaidh Thír Eoghain, sa chéad leath ach go háirithe.

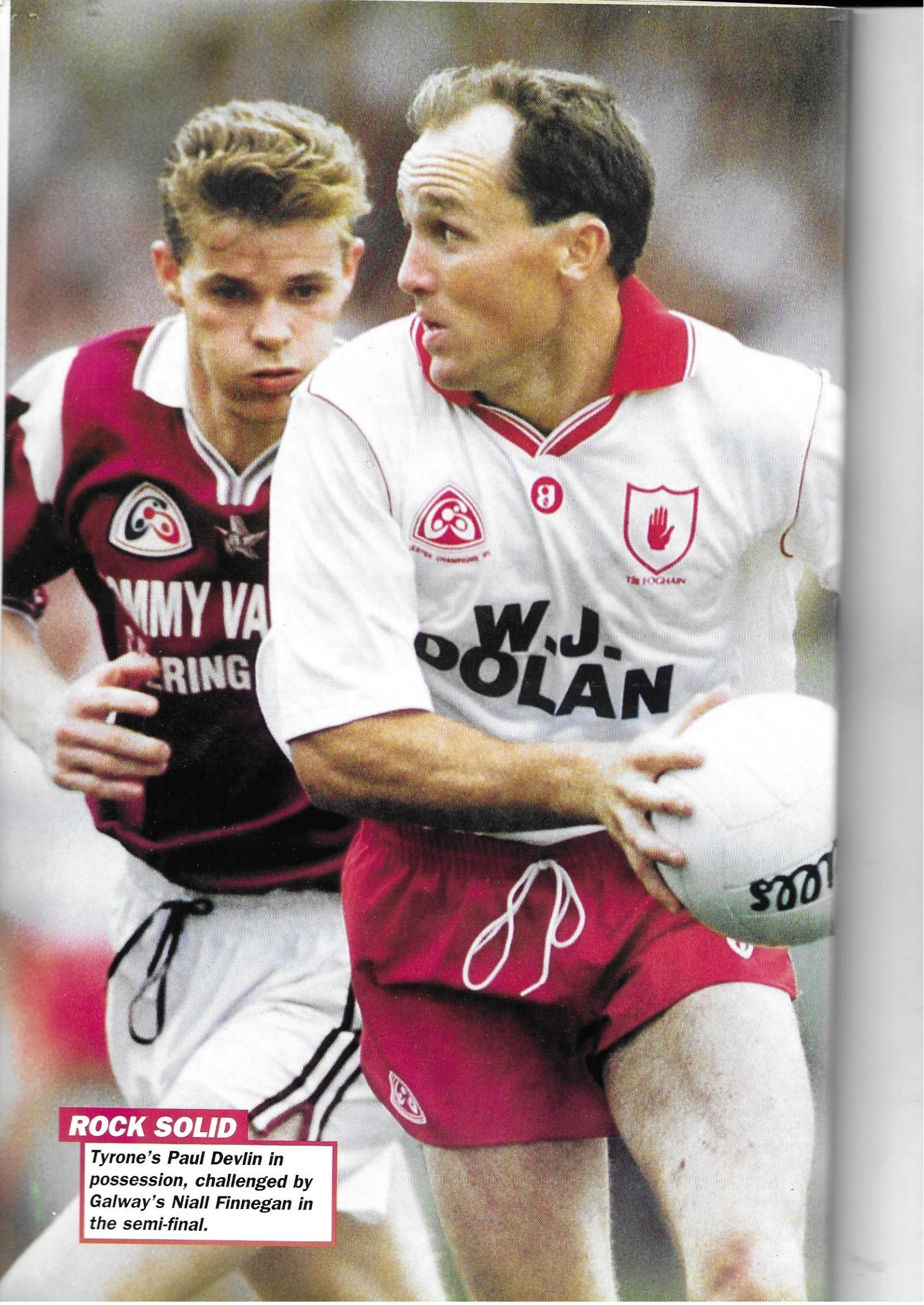
Mar aonad bhí tosaigh Thír Eoghain ar fheabhas agus Peadar Ó Coeannabháin, mar cheannaire thar an goiceann, go rí-mhaith. Níos fearr adéarfai ná tosaigh Átha Cliath mar aonad. Ach má tá Ó Ceannabháin ag na hEoghanaigh tá Jason ag Áth Cliath.

Maidir leis na cosantóirí ceaptar go raibh laige áirithe i dtacaigh na n-Ultach, acu arís caithfear creidiúint a thabhairt do tosaigh na Gaillimhe a bhí níos éifeachtaí ná mar a bhíothas ag súil leis. Ach níl amhras ar bith ann ach go bhfuil tacaigh Átha Cliath den chéad scoth. Cheannsaigh siad plúr na dtosaigh a chuir An Mhí agus Corcaigh ina gcoinne. Le Seán Ó Laoire sa chúil tá sé beagnach do-dhéanta cúl a fháil ina gcoinne. Tá an leath-líne an-láidir ach ní mór do Cionnaith

Ó Bairr an leathlántaca smacht a choinneáil air féin.

Gan trácht ar scil nó aiclíocht, agus glactar leis go bhfuilid araon cothrom sna réimsí sin, tá fhoireann Átha Cliath, san iomlán, níos mó agus níos láidre ná a gcéilí imeartha. Agus is buntáiste é sin nuair a bhíonn an t-imreas géar agus an sonc guailne in úsáid go minic.

Tá Cathal Mac Réamoinn agus Peadar Ó Ceannabháin iontach oilte maidir le saorchiceanna agus ní dócha go mbeidh buntáiste ag éinne ansin ach má bhíonn an iomarca chalois a ndéanamh ag fir thacaigh amháin seachas an taobh eile is í an fhoireann acu san a dhíolfaidh as. Níor ghnóthaigh ceachtar acu, sna cluichí leathcheannais ach cúl amháin; ar an lámh eile níor scóráladh cúl ina n-aghaidh. Mar sin is ar an líon chúilíní a ghnóthófar bua. Le tréan-chosaint. scil Shearlóg agus ciceanna oilte Chathail beidh an lá leis na 'Dubs'. Ach muna bhfuilid in inmhe greim na n-Ultach ar 'Sam' a scaoileadh tréaslófar ó chroí le fir na Speiríní. Ard-chluiche chugainn, ceaptar.



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# When Tyrone Came Closest of All

**T**yrone came closest of all of the teams out of Ulster to winning an All-Ireland senior football crown in the period from 1974 to 1986 when Kerry (8) and Dublin (4) farmed twelve titles between them and, but for Offaly intervening to win in '82, it would have been a clean sweep for the Dubs and the Kingdom.

Tyrone's failure to goal from a penalty three minutes after the interval in the 1986 All-Ireland final undoubtedly cost them victory over Kerry.

Look at it this way. The Ulster champions were leading by 1-7 to 0-4 at that point. Eugene McKenna was fouled in the small square and Kevin McCabe, who had blazed a similar shot to the net in the semi-final against Galway, stepped up to take the penalty.

He revealed afterwards that he was "aiming to go for the top corner with plenty of power", but he had the galling experience of getting his foot under the ball and he screwed it over the bar. The scoreboard read 1-8 to 0-4 instead of 2-7 to 0-4.

Mike Sheehy, the brilliant Kerry attacker who was voted right corner-forward on the Sunday Independent/Irish Nationwide/GAA Team of the Century in 1984, made the point to me that if the penalty had been converted for a goal, then a nine points Tyrone lead would almost certainly have proved an impossible peak for Kerry to conquer, as the penalty goal itself would have seen Tyrone carried forward on a tidal wave of emotion and reaching even more inspired heights of endeavour. As it was, their heads dropped at a shattering setback.

After a Jack O'Shea-Ger Power move had sent Pat Spillane through for a point, Timmy O'Dowd, though falling, whipped the ball out to Ger Power on the left. The Austin Stacks man sped goalwards, cut

inside on his right and sent the ball across the face of the Tyrone goal, where Pat Spillane was waiting to make a salmon-like leap and fisted the ball brilliantly to the right-hand side of the net.

Six minutes later a Tyrone player lost the ball to Ger Power in front of the Hogan Stand. Power cut to his left and, seeing Mike Sheehy free directly inside him, lofted a magnificent pass to his club-mate. Sheehy turned on his right and, with only Aidan Skelton to beat, he calmly unleashed a low shot which was running away from the goalie as it sped to the net for the equalising goal.

It was all over after that, Kerry going on to win by eight points (2-15 to 1-10) — a turnover of fifteen points in the space of less than thirty-five minutes, when you contemplate that the Kingdom were seven points down at one stage.

"I think we showed that Kerry are not unbeatable. We didn't beat them, but I feel we had the beating of them," said Tyrone coach Art McRory, who

acknowledged that the missing of the penalty was the turning point of the match.

Who would have thought on that September afternoon in '86 that, come September '95, Tyrone would be seeking to make it five All-Ireland titles in a row for Ulster?

Who would have thought that not alone would Down be back in 1991 to win their first crown since 1968 and win again in 1994, but that the Sam Maguire Cup would be brought to the hills of Donegal in 1992 for the first time since the inauguration of the championship in 1887 and that, likewise, Derry would inscribe their names for the first time on the trophy in 1993?

And that if certain feelings of inferiority had been holding back some of the Ulster counties from making it to the Promised Land, these had all evaporated.

Tyrone could face Dublin in '95 then with a completely different attitude than might have prevailed a decade earlier.

The "running game", as the media came to describe it, represents the norm of the

nineties. And while men like Mick O'Connell, the Man from Valentia, may contend that much of the glory that was inherent in the high fielding and pinpointed chest-high kicking of the gaelic football of his era is a thing of the past, the fact of the matter is that there can be no going back now to the old-style game of earlier decades.

Ulster teams adopted the running game to break the stranglehold that was exerted on "Sam" through the seventies and eighties by teams out of Munster and Leinster. And now Dublin have advanced the parameters of gaelic football to new horizons by achieving still greater dimensions in the overlap and the creation of space generally by the awesome levels of fitness achieved in '95.

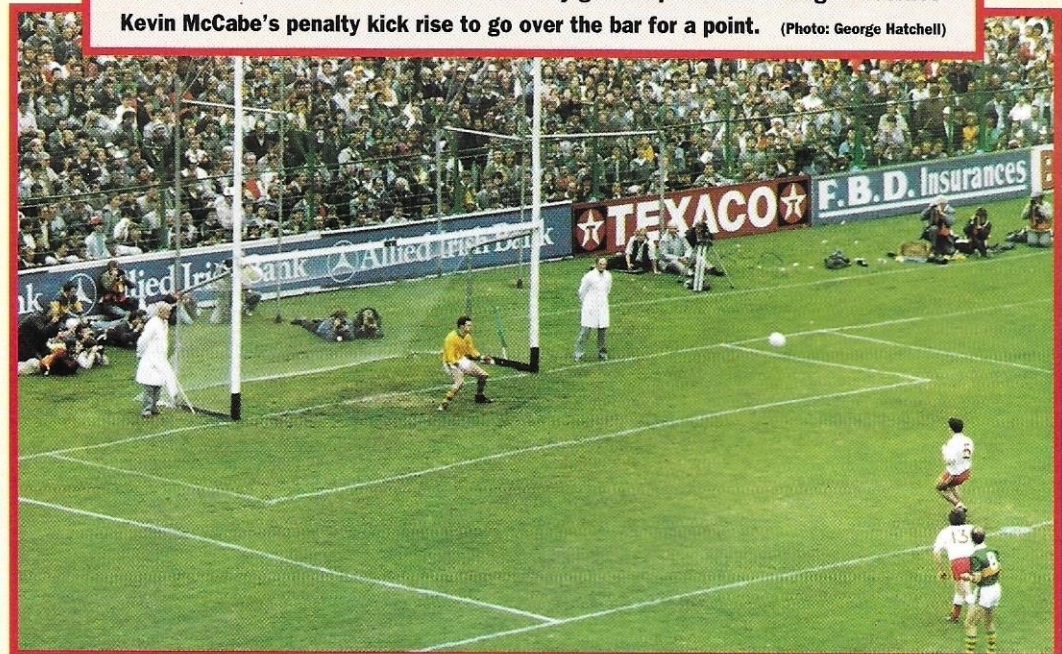
The emerging generations, fed on a diet of fluidity through the field, delight in the all-action approach.

No two counties dominate the scene now as Kerry and Dublin did between 1974 and 1978. The playing field is far more level, so to speak, and "Sam" goes where he will.

We will know by 5 o'clock this evening where he will be spending his autumn holiday for '95 ...

*(Adapted from Raymond Smith's new updated edition of The Football Immortals, which is due to be launched in October.)*

**The scene at the Canal End in 1986 as Kerry goalkeeper Charlie Neligan watches Kevin McCabe's penalty kick rise to go over the bar for a point. (Photo: George Hatchell)**





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# Ag Féachaint Siar

## Twenty-Five Years Ago (1970)

The minnows played out their allotted roll in Munster without creating any excitement or with the suggestion that there was the slightest danger to Cork and Kerry. Limerick saw off Waterford, were themselves eliminated by Kerry, and Tipperary, who had ended Clare's interest, did well in running Cork to three points (2-15 to 3-9). It was Kerry's year, however, as the title was easily retained by 2-22 to 2-9 at Killarney.

In Leinster there were no surprises as Westmeath beat Laois by 1-12 to 1-9, Kildare trounced Wicklow with four goals to spare and then, unexpectedly, Longford proved too good for Dublin at Tullamore where the final score of 2-14 to 3-8 did not do justice to the superiority of the winners. Apart from Pat O'Neill, Sean Doherty, Robbie Kelleher and, to a lesser extent, Jimmy Keaveney and Tony Hanahoe, Dublin were an inept bunch. Offaly pushed out Westmeath and Longford on a replay, while Meath qualified for the final with a two-point win over Kildare. The final was an incredible encounter in which Meath came from eleven points down to beat Offaly by a point — 2-22 to 5-12.

Roscommon looked impressive as they crushed Leitrim by 4-14 to 1-8 at Carrick-on-Shannon, and Galway got past Sligo with the aid of a somewhat lucky goal at Charlestown (1-8 to 0-7). Roscommon knocked out Mayo by 2-11 to 1-9, but the final was a disappointment. Galway were 12 points ahead at the break and eventually won by 2-15 to 1-8.

Tyrone's interest was short-lived. At Ballinascreen, a crowd of 5,000 saw Derry go four points up inside two minutes, and thereafter it was never a contest. In the end only Gerry Taggart and Seamus Donaghy were offer-

ing real resistance to the Oak-Leaf team. The scoreline tells the story — 3-12 to 0-7. Derry ousted Cavan and Antrim overcame Monaghan, and in the final Derry were convincing winners by 2-13 to 1-12.

In the All-Ireland semi-finals Meath came from behind to beat Galway while Derry's two penalty misses helped Kerry to coast through by 0-23 to 0-10. In the final Kerry were always in control as they retained their title on a score of 2-19 to 0-18.

## Fifty Years Ago (1945)

There were the expected wins for Donegal over Derry and Cavan over Antrim in Ulster; unexpected was the margin in Fermanagh's favour (20 points) as they overwhelmed Monaghan. And Armagh also finished with 20 points in hand when they trounced Tyrone by 2-13 to 0-2 at Breffni Park. Cavan remained on course with a 0-14 to 1-3 win over Down, and at Clones, Fermanagh eased out Armagh, 2-4 to 1-6. There was no stopping Cavan, however, as they crushed Donegal by 6-12 to 2-4 and Fermanagh in the final at Clones by 4-10 to 1-4.

In Connacht, Mayo easily overcame Leitrim (3-12 to 0-6) and Galway had a comfortable 2-7 to 1-5 win over Sligo. Roscommon, the reigning All-Ireland champions, were the strongest of favourites, but they crashed to Mayo (1-6 to 2-8) at Sligo. Galway, however, took the Connacht honours when they held off a great Mayo rally at St. Colman's Park (2-6 to 1-7).

Wicklow, Longford (on a replay) and Meath were first-round winners over Kilkenny, Westmeath and Louth respectively. Carlow lost their provincial crown first time out to Kildare (2-10 to 2-13) who were themselves trounced by Wexford, 5-5 to

0-6, at Dr. Cullen Park. The best game of the Leinster programme was the Meath-Dublin draw at Drogheda, with Meath winning the Croke Park replay by 2-16 to 1-10 after extra time. Offaly put out Longford and Laois accounted for Wicklow before Offaly shocked Meath by 1-8 to 0-5 at Mullingar. Wexford, however, won through, beating Laois (4-5 to 1-11) and Offaly in the final by 1-9 to 1-4.

When the lesser lights had done their bit, Cork were lucky to get over Tipperary, 1-6 to 1-5 at Dungarvan. Kerry had ten points to spare over Limerick, but Cork emerged winners by 1-11 to 1-6 from the final at Killarney.

The All-Ireland semi-finals produced the expected results — Cork beat Galway (2-12 to 2-8) and Cavan inched past

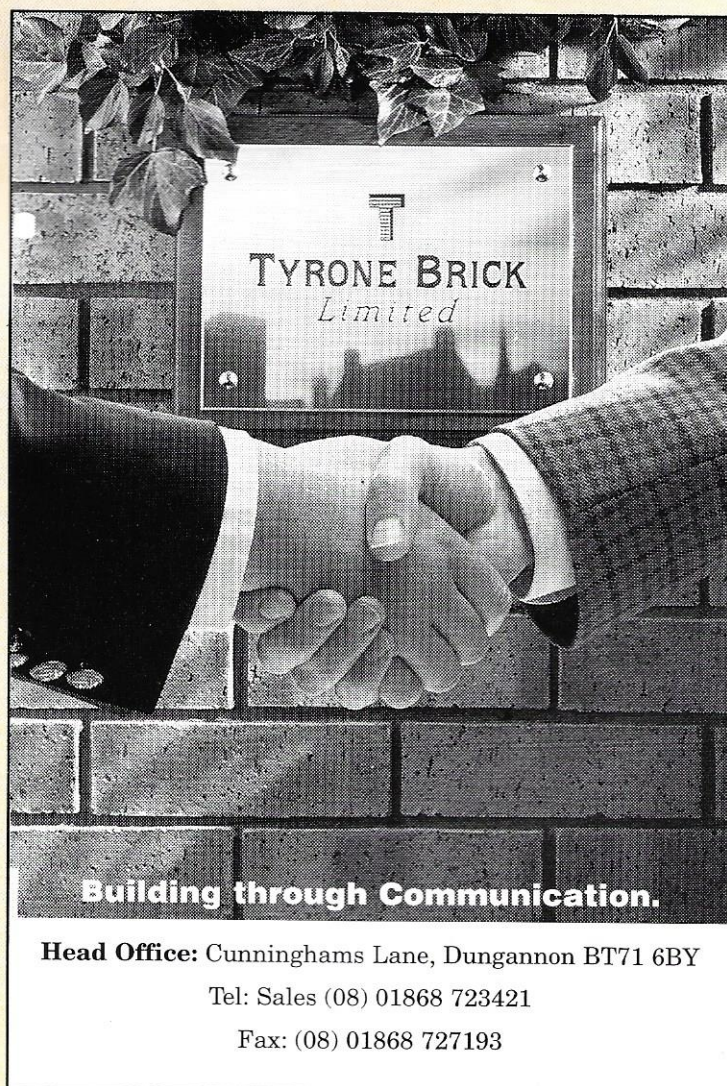
Wexford (1-4 to 0-5). The final hung in the balance for a long way until a late goal clinched a 2-5 to 0-7 win for Cork.

## Seventy-Five Years Ago (1920)

Tipperary and Clare played three times before Tipperary advanced and Waterford beat Limerick by 3-2 to 1-1. Kerry entered the race with a 2-6 to 0-4 win over Cork at the Athletic Grounds, and after Tipperary had disposed of Waterford by 3-4 to 0-1, the Premier county regained the Munster title with a comprehensive 2-2 to 0-2 win over Kerry at Cork.

In Leinster the campaign opened with easy victories for Laois over Kilkenny, Louth over Meath, Kildare over Wexford and Dublin over Offaly. Less easy was

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Westmeath's 2-2 to 2-1 win over Longford and Carlow's 3-2 to 1-7 win over Wicklow. Laois displayed good form in beating Carlow by 3-5 to 2-2 as did Westmeath in knocking out Louth (0-8 to 0-3). Dublin qualified for the final — 2-6 to 0-1 at Laois's expense at Croke Park where Kildare's great defence thwarted the Lake county by 1-5 to 0-1. The final was a dour, hard-fought encounter. a goal after 12 minutes by Dublin's Paddy Carey proved to be the crucial score as, with defenders dominating, few flags were

raised. In the end Dublin were champions for the first time since 1908 on the score of 1-3 to 0-3.

In Ulster Cavan was the team to beat; but no one did. Monaghan made a brave effort against the Breffni men before going down by 1-3 to 2-2. Elsewhere Down beat Antrim, Derry beat Donegal and Tyrone had a disastrous first-round outing at Dungannon with the forwards failing to score as Armagh won by 0-7 to nil. Armagh then beat Down by 0-4 to 0-3, but Cavan swept

regally to yet another Ulster crown, beating Fermanagh by 8-3 to 2-1, Derry by 3-4 to 0-1 and Armagh by 4-6 to 1-4.

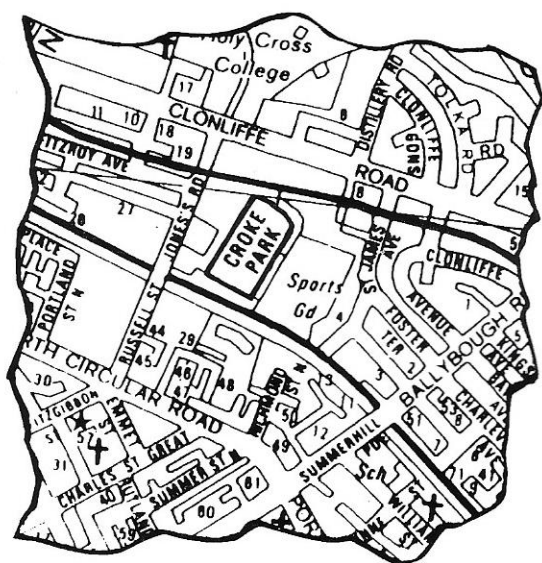
But the All-Ireland semi-final was the end of the line for Cavan as Dublin won well at An Uaimh, 3-6 to 1-3. Tipperary held off Mayo to win by 1-5 to 1-0 at Croke Park and then there was a long delay before the final was played. Dublin shaped well in the early stages and led at the interval before fading away as Tipperary became champions for the fourth time on a 1-6 to 1-4 scoreline.

## One Hundred Years Ago (1895)

**D**espite a certain amount of activity at club level, in at least four counties, there were no inter-county championships in Connacht. Nor could Ulster organise any competition, except in Cavan who sought — and were granted — permission to play in Leinster. The Northern incursion was immediately repelled by Louth who won the first-round tie at Clonturk Park. Apart from the Wee county, six others entered the fray, with Kildare beating Wexford by 1-4 to 0-4, Meath overwhelming Kilkenny by 1-13 to 1-0 and then Kildare ousted Louth by 2-10 to 0-2. Dublin, who had received a walkover from Westmeath, had an easy semi-final win over Kildare, but a team that bore scant resemblance to the side that had won the All-Ireland a year previously, failed to last the pace at Jones's Road as Meath took their first Leinster title on the score of 0-6 to 0-2.

Cork's withdrawal from all competitions meant that there would also be a change of champions in Munster. The almost inevitable walkover was provided by Clare to the advancement of Waterford, who then had no answer to Arravale-powered Tipperary who won by 2-7 to 0-1 at Tipperary town. But Tipperary earned the Munster laurels the hard way. At Kilmallock, Limerick gave as good as they got, but Tipperary's great defence carried the day (0-5 to 0-2).

Defences also dictated the course of events in the All-Ireland final as, for the first time, a final failed to yield a single goal. Meath, with the aid of the breeze, scored three points in the opening half at Jones's Road while Tipperary failed to score; but on the turnover the Premier county slowly pulled back the arrears, drew level with eight minutes remaining and had the winning point shortly before the final whistle (0-4 to 0-3).



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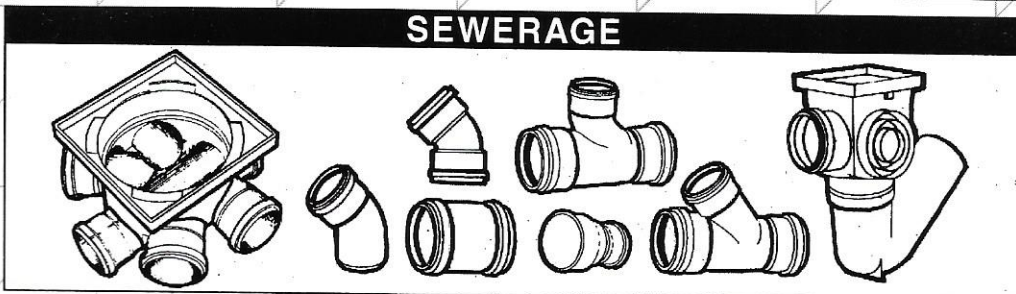
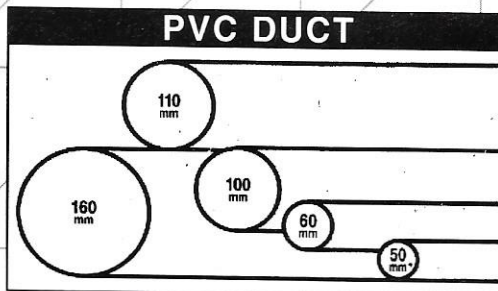
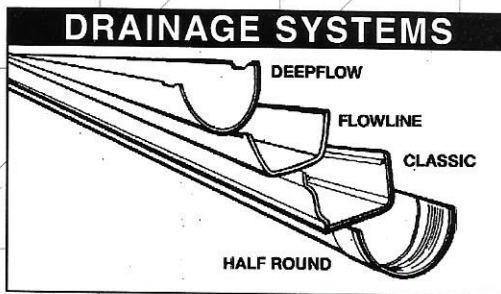
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**F**or the first time in the history of Croke Park, the new stadium currently nearing completion will have a "corporate identity", designed by Clonskeagh-based consultancy Design Edge.

The new identity features an illustration depicting three characters in action in Gaelic sports. In the lettering, a spiral, drawn from rock carvings of the Celtic period, is used effectively to replace the "o" in Croke Park and Páirc an Chrócaigh respectively.

In addition, Design Edge worked closely with Architects Gilroy McMahon in developing a comprehensive signage programme for the stadium, working out a colour-coding system to make it as user-friendly as possible.

Elayne Brennan, Design Edge's Creative Director, said that the new identity presented a great challenge and opportunity to the agency. "The GAA has a rich culture and strong traditional values. We wanted the new identity to reflect these while at the same time present Croke Park as the best and most modern sporting facility in Ireland. The final result, we believe, celebrates the tradition of the GAA while at the same time depicts contemporary Ireland.



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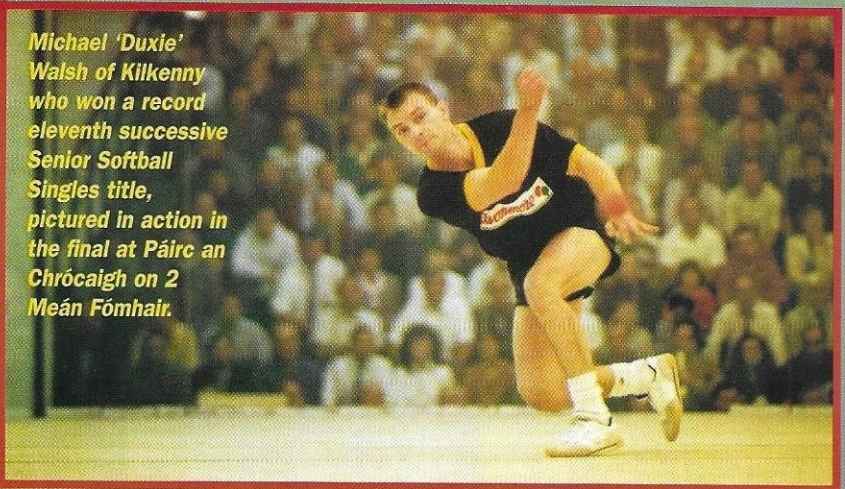
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1916 when Limerick were overcome. Twenty years later as the seniors toiled in vain, the minors recorded the county's first title in 1930 with a win over Mayo in the final, and in 1939 when the juniors overcame London in the decider.

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# Cumann na mBunscol

## Keith Graydon

Keith "Rasher" Graydon is a Trinity Gaels man and thinks Dublin will win today because they are fitter and "won't want to lose another final". Vinny Murphy and Dessie Farrell are his heroes. He certainly showed their influence when scoring a stunning goal in Crok Park last June when he hit the net with a 14-yard volley in Dublin's annual Cumann na mBunscol Friendship Games against Belfast. He also scored 5 points. There's a touch of Jason Sherlock about this man.



The GAA's youth policy is clearly evident today with the minors of Westmeath and Derry providing the curtain-raiser to the senior game and 40 Cumann na mBunscol boys and girls participating in half-time exhibition games. Some Cumann na mBunscol stars from Dublin and Tyrone share their views of today's big clash.

Jerry Grogan, P.R.O.

## Carla McGarrity

Tyrone will win today "because they have the best goalkeeper and full-forward in the game," according to Carla McGarrity from Holy Trinity P.S. in Cookstown. She was selected for the year's mini-sevens at the Ulster Festival in Casement Park and playing in front of the Tyrone and Galway supporters in Croke Park was a very special day for her. She attended the Ulster Final and is

convinced that her three favourites, Peter and Pascal Canavan and Finbar McConnell, will give Tyrone fans cause to celebrate.



## Déirdre McBride

Déirdre attends Scoil Árd Mhuire, Belgard, Tallaght and plays for Ballyboden St. Enda's. Her favourite Dubs are Charlie Redmond and Brian Stynes. She represented her school in this year's GAA/INTO mini-sevens and really enjoyed marching out behind the Artane Boys' Band. Déirdre's grandfather, Larry Cushion, played football and hurling for Laois and was



also a handball champion. Her uncle, Thomas Cushion, is involved with Owen Rua Club and played both codes for Dublin in the sixties. Another uncle, Larry Cushion Jr., played minor, U21 and senior football for Dublin. On today's game, Déirdre thinks "Charlie will win it for us".

## Stephen McNeice

Stephen McNeice, like Tyrone captain Ciarán Con, plays for Coalisland na Fianna. They are also both past pupils of Primate Dixon School in Coalisland. Stephen represented the school in this year's mini-sevens at All-Ireland semi-final stage and scored a brilliant goal. His first cousin, Ger Toner, plays in the Tyrone colours in today's mini-sevens. This talented mid-fielder tips Tyrone for victory today because "Dublin have nobody to mark Canavan".



## Cumann na mBunscol Áth Cliath Supports Goal



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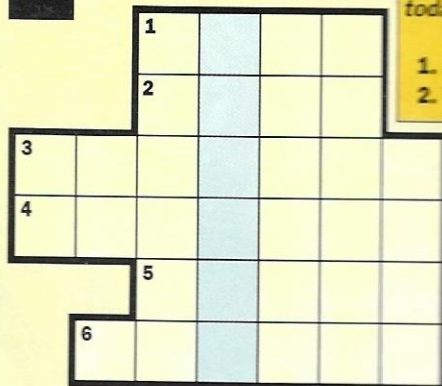
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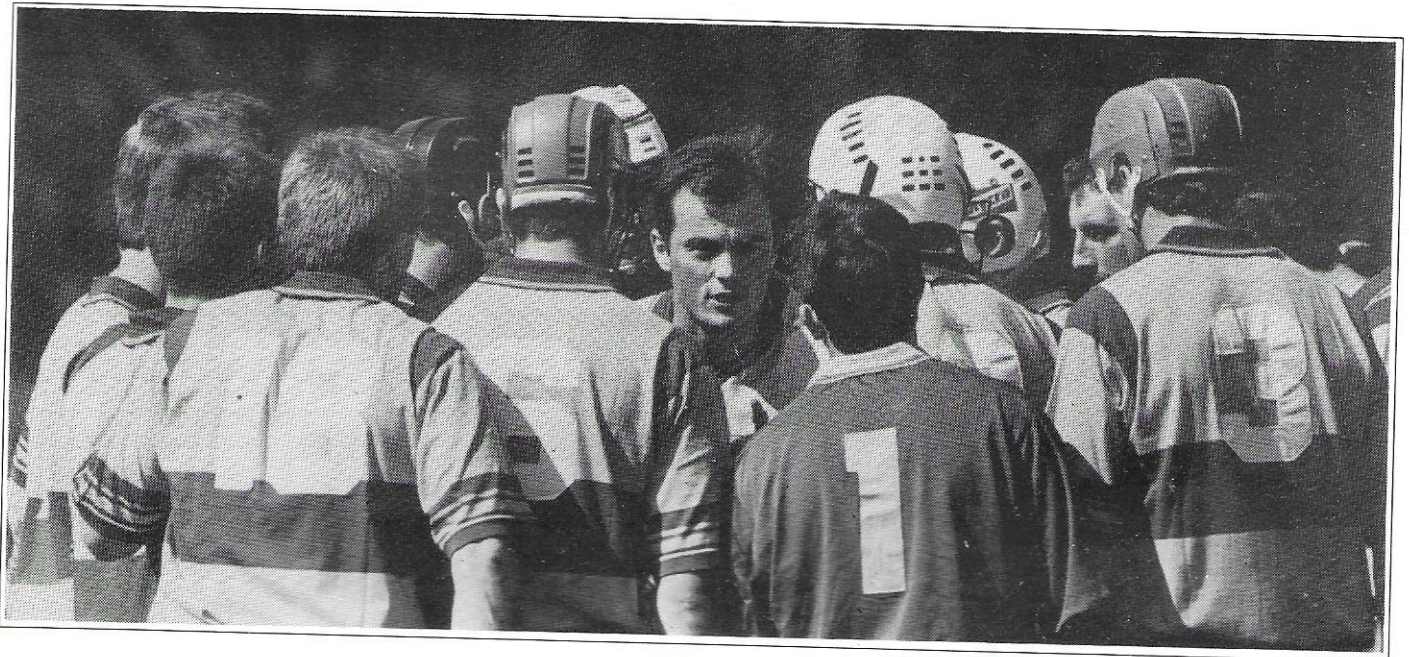
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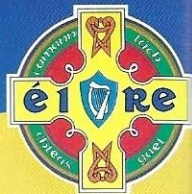
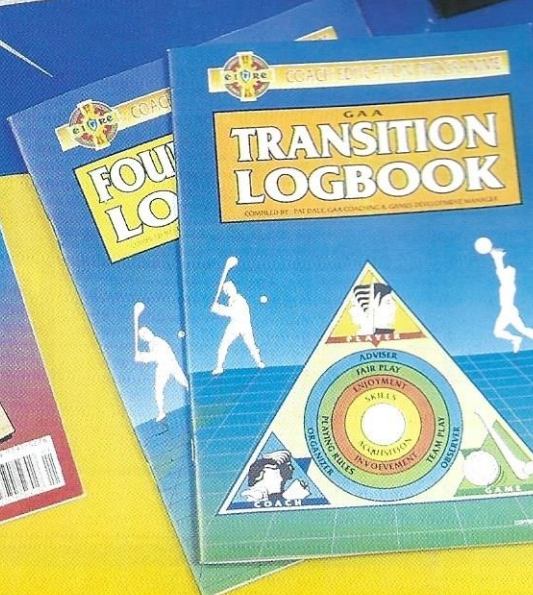
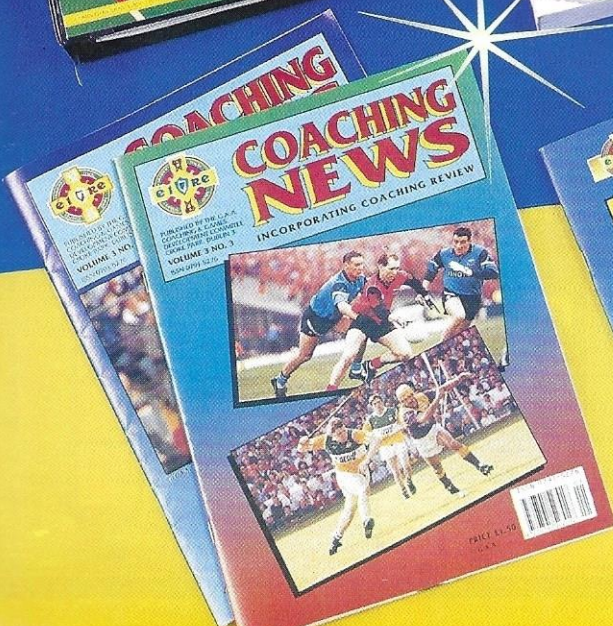
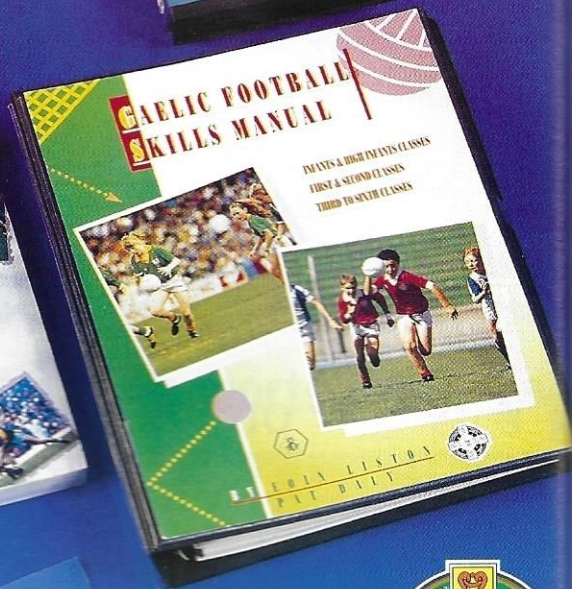
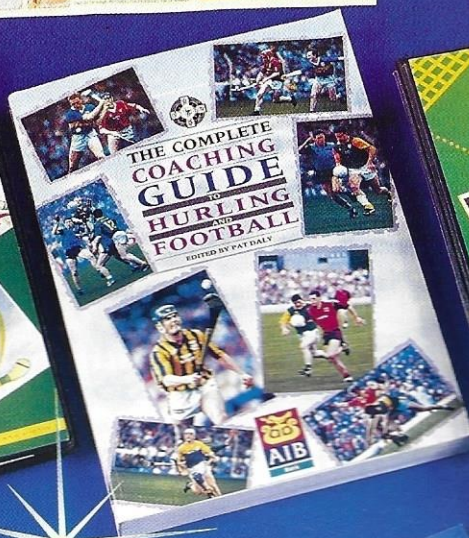
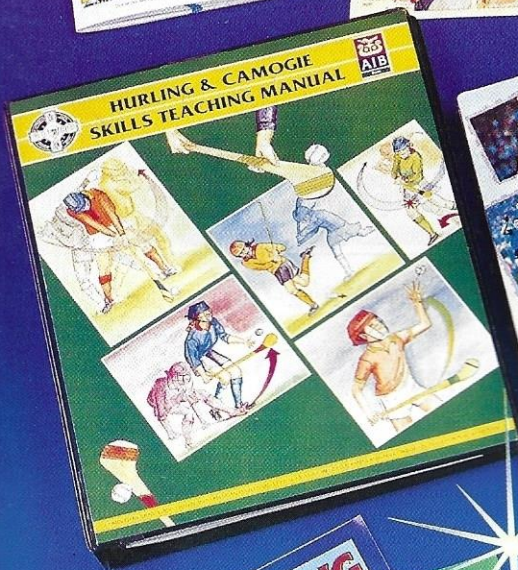
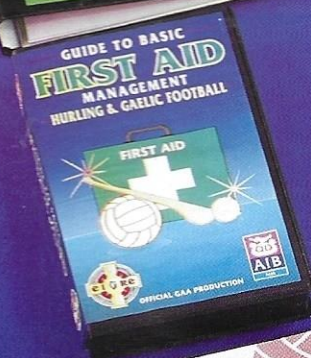
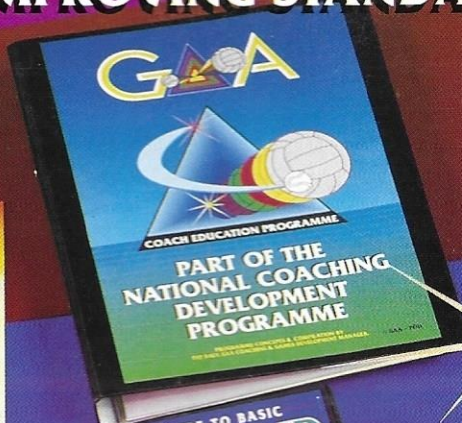
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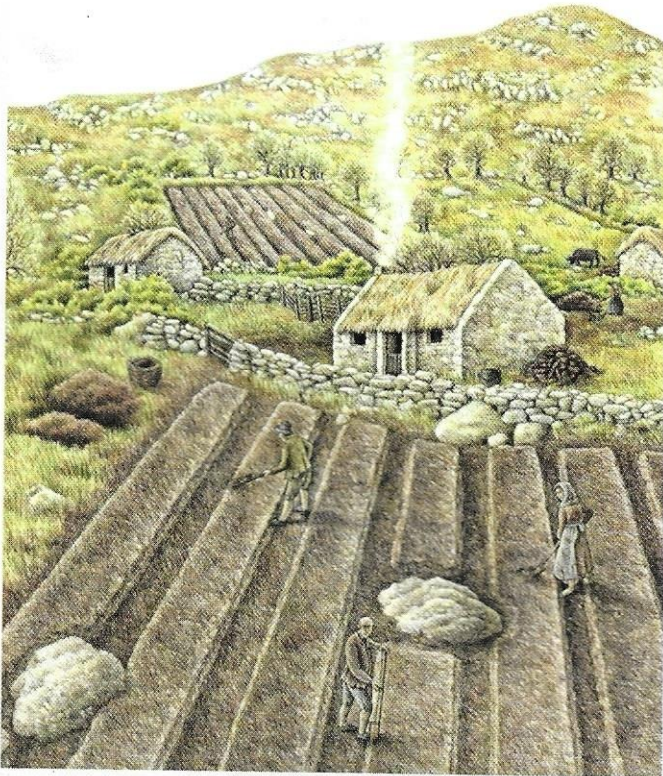
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# An Gorta Mór



**A** century and a half ago Ireland was struck by one of the worst peacetime disasters in European history. At that time the country's population was well over eight million, of whom a large proportion depended solely on the potato for sustenance. Nobody expected a famine in early 1845, but when the summer crop grew it was noticed that the green stalks on the potato had

withered and the roots were black and rotten. There was consternation, but worse was to follow, for the crop failed again in the following year. Millions in the western half of the country, and large numbers also in other areas, faced starvation. No remedy was in sight, for the social and political system had been designed to oppress the ordinary people and not to assist them.

As the hunger spread, hundreds of thousands of people crowded into the workhouses in the hope of some chance of avoiding a slow and horrible death. The tragedy was duplicated, for the overcrowding, filth and weakened resistance brought fever. In rural areas, people were reduced to eating pig food and nettles, then grass and weeds and all kinds of vermin. Those who stole food or otherwise broke the law were sternly punished and risked deportation to the dreaded penal colonies in Australia. As the numbers of the dying increased, pits were dug for mass graves. Men and women struggled to carry their dead children and elderly parents to the cemetery and were torn between the need to care for diseased relatives and the terror of contracting the fever. Some simply closed the doors of their shacks and waited for death inside.

Others in desperation tried to flee the country, bringing disease and death with them on the "coffin ships", and the Atlantic Ocean was littered with corpses as they made their painful way west. The authorities were unwilling to accept that a drastic new approach was required and instead clung to the notion that people should be sustained only by

their own labour. Accordingly, relief works were set up and the starving people were put to the back-breaking task of building roads and bridges and piers, often in places where these were quite useless. As men, women and children starved, large amounts of wheat and cattle continued to be exported from the country.

Kindly individuals from at home and abroad tried to help, but the crisis was too great. Many of the landlords themselves did what they could for their tenants, but others used the opportunity to savagely evict families from their holdings. Eventually, the Corn Laws were repealed, allowing for the import of cheap grain from America, and depots were established to distribute this "Indian meal" to the people. Although the fare was crude and generally inadequate, and often mis-handled by corrupt agents, it kept many souls alive until the crisis passed. The year 1847 brought a good harvest, but the potato failed again in 1848 and the ordeal of death was renewed. By the time that the hunger and misery had subsided, the whole country was left exhausted, a dead silence pervaded its fields,

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# The Founding of Cumann Lúthchleas Gael

**I**n this year, the 150th anniversary of the beginning of the Great Famine (An Gorta Mór), it is appropriate that we give a short sketch of the conditions prevailing in Ireland up to the founding of Cumann Lúthchleas Gael.

"The people of Ireland had not been given much of a chance to organise their sporting activities in the middle of the nineteenth century. Whatever budding organisations existed were wrecked by the Great Famine and the mass exodus which followed in its wake. Conditions in rural Ireland in the years 1845-1875 neither warranted nor encouraged cultural activities, whilst the uncertainty of the times led to either apathy or despondency. Thus a complete new start had to be made." (Croke of Cashel — Mark Tierney)

Whilst Michéal Ciosóg's main aims in organising the foundation of the Gaelic Athletic Association were the preservation of hurling and

the Irish language, as instanced in his formation of the Metropolitan Hurlers and his membership of Aontacht na Gaeilge, he and his cohorts had many other aims.

"The preservation and cultivation of the national pastimes of the people," he stated in his article 'A Word About Irish Athletics', would be the general direction in which the formative organisation would go.

"The founders of the G.A.A. are old enough to remember the time when all kinds of manly games were played on Sundays and holydays after Mass. They saw the wretched and sorry change affecting the community and they put it down to two causes.

Emigration claimed the flower of the people and those who were to revive athletics in Ireland, with the powerful support of the masters of the newspapers, refused to give any recognition to Sunday games. Anyone who competed on Sunday was not permitted to participate in the athletics of the Sabbatarians." ('Scéal na hIomána', Ó Caithnia, translated).

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The native games were being abandoned in the period 1860-1880. It should be noted that there was no Gaelic football as we know it now before 1885; for those, therefore, who wished to have such a game, there was no alternative to rugby. There was no great objection to rugby as such but, as stated in 'Rugby Orange Ireland' (1907), it wasn't in the expectation of overcoming rugby that Gaelic football was introduced, but directly because the rugby bosses refused to accept the proletariat as playing members.

Dr. Liam de Paor, in his "Portrait of Ireland" states: "The chief games played are hurling, a native game of very great antiquity, and Gaelic football, which also has a long tradition of many centuries in Ireland, but may possibly derive from the games of the English colonial towns of the Middle Ages."

Mark Tierney in his book 'Croke of Cashel' states: "The founding and consolidation of the G.A.A. was part of the

social revolution, perhaps its most vital and dynamic expression. Popular sports, it was said, should be open to all and should be organised by the people not by the ruling class. Here was democracy working its way into rural Ireland, asserting the rights of the Irish people to control their own pastimes. ... Working-class people might watch while the gentry hunted, shot or played tennis, but they must not be allowed to compete. The same applied in athletics, where gentlemen could not imagine themselves having to compete against artisans or agricultural labourers ... The G.A.A. hoped to provide a counterblast to the existing class distinction in sport."

Finally, let Liam Ó Cathnía ('Scéal na hIomána') sum it up for us: "Buailtear balbh fós sinn, inniu féin, ar a léamh dúinn cad é mar drochmheas ar an gcoitiantacht a bhí ag lucht an chiarsúra bháin tar éis an Ghorta. Uaireanta, i gcomortais chleasa lúith na linne, 'mar dheonú dea-chroíoch, cheadaíú "a labourer's race", agus thugtaí bannh mar dhuais don té a bhuaigh!"

and a near indelible sorrow had settled on the people. In three years, a million had died of starvation and disease and over a million more had emigrated.

The Famine was the great turning-point in Irish history. With it many of the old

ways died, but in their place came a realisation that Ireland must be fashioned anew for the general good. The blight on the potato was what occasioned the Famine, but what really caused it was the disregard of a select few for their fellow man.

Ní lú ná fríd máthair an oile —  
ba mhínic an nath ar bhur mbéala —  
agus dúinne tuigtear go maith inniu  
cad a fhágann gort ina éirleach,  
is polladh géar na gcnámh trí chneas,  
is lobhadh na mbolg séidte —

sa duine féin a bhíonn an meath,  
sa duine féin an réiteach ...

An Dr. Dáithí Ó hÓgáin

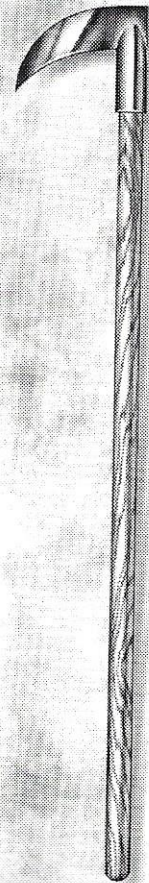
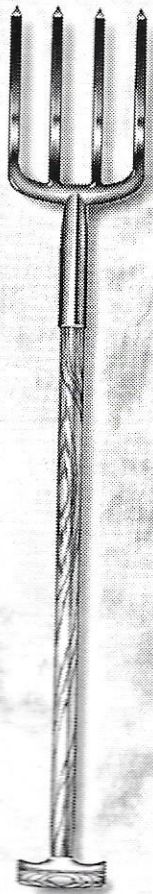
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give a professional assessment of an injury and recommend what, if anything, needs to be done.. However, it is not always possible to get to a doctor or physiotherapist quickly or to have them available at games or training sessions.

The new Certificate in Sports Medicine in University College Dublin is a one year part-time course aimed at people with an interest in sports medicine but with no previous formal training or experience. It will be run by former Dublin footballer Dr. Noel McCaffrey and will provide a thorough basic knowledge of the princi-

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The GAA wholeheartedly supports and recommends this course. Professor Padraic Keane, Chairman of the GAA's Medical Work Group, has this to say:

"The subject matter and aims of this course are to be commended and it is going to be a great asset to have people who have attended the course, and achieved a certain level of competence by way of examination, available to the players and spectators in the event of their skills being needed."

Full details of the course are provided in an advertisement in this programme.

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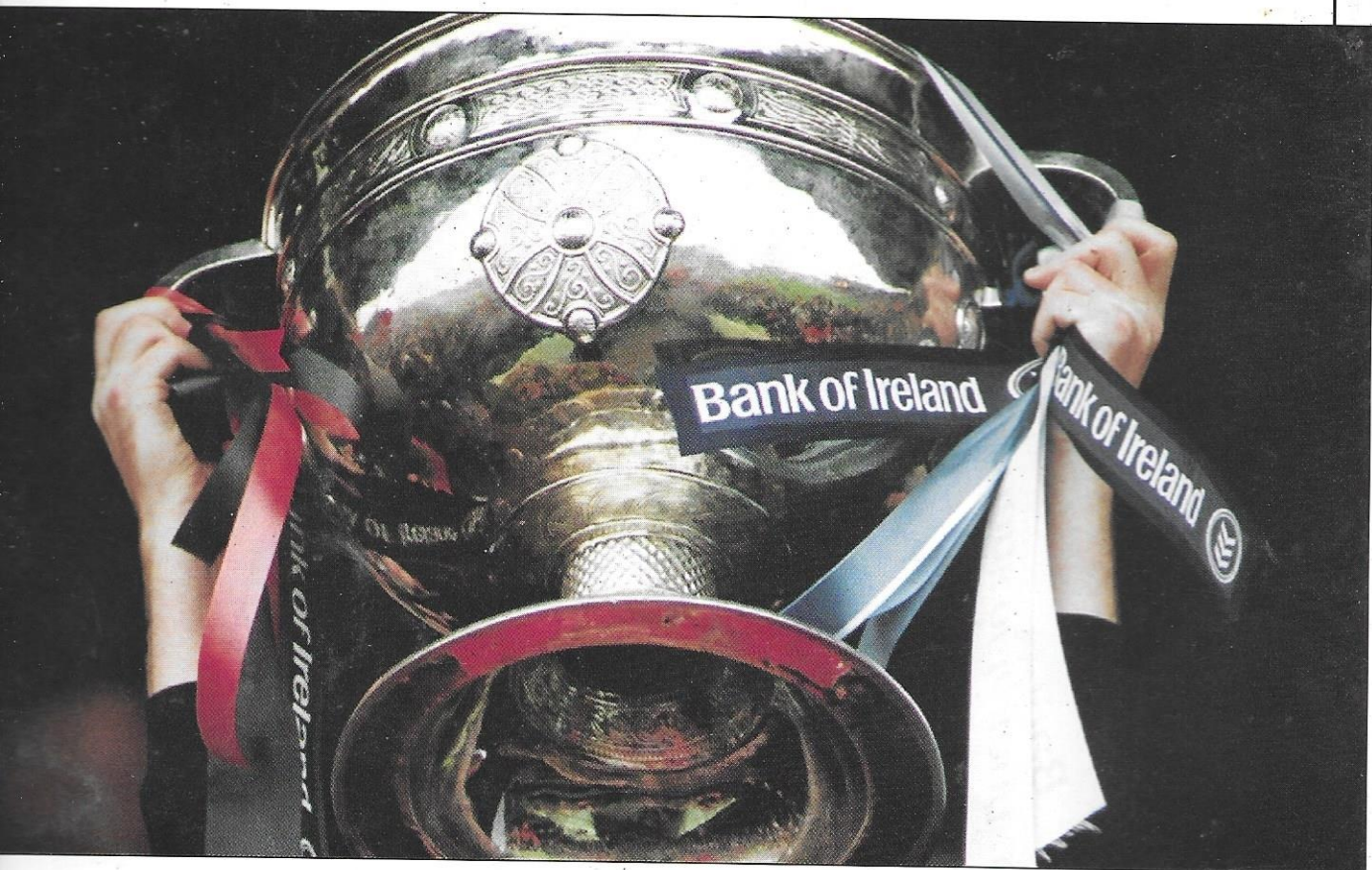
Twenty questions to test your memory on Senior Football Finals.

- 1 Tyrone appeared in their only All-Ireland senior football final so far in 1986. Who captained the county in that game?
- 2 Dublin last won the Sam Maguire Cup in 1983. Who led the Dubs to the title?
- 3 Dublin have not scored a goal in an All-Ireland senior football final since 1985. One player hit their two goals in that game against Kerry. Name the goal scorer.
- 4 How many goals did Tyrone score in their only All-Ireland final outing?
- 5 Who was the first footballer to bring the Sam Maguire Cup across the Border after leading his county to their final triumph?
- 6 Only one goal was scored in last year's final. Name the forward who found the goal target.
- 7 Who captained Dublin in last year's final against Down?
- 8 Tyrone are striving to record the fifth successive win by an Ulster county in an All-Ireland senior final. In what year did the North's representatives last lose a final?
- 9 Cavan hold a unique distinction as far as All-Ireland senior football final wins are concerned. They earned that special ranking in 1947. Can you say what is unique about the Cavan success that year?
- 10 Who refereed last year's senior decider?
- 11 What was the last final that failed to yield a single goal?
- 12 Antrim have appeared in an All-Ireland senior football final. True or false?
- 13 This is Dublin's second successive final. When did they last appear in successive finals?
- 14 John O'Leary won his only All-Ireland senior medal on his final debut in 1983. Who was in goal for Galway in that game?
- 15 Pat Spillane and Michael Sheehy, of Kerry, were joint top scorers in the 1986 All-Ireland final against Tyrone. They scored 0-4, 2-1 or 1-4 each — your choice!
- 16 Who ranks as the last Leinster man to captain an All-Ireland senior final winning team?
- 17 Tyrone had a goal from a penalty kick in their 1986 final outing. True or false?
- 18 What did Charlie Redmond score in last year's final against Down?
- 19 What county first brought the Sam Maguire Cup to Ulster?
- 20 Who was in goal for Down in last year's summit?

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1. John O'Leary.
2. James McCartan (Down).
3. Peter Kerry.
4. Kevin Mussen, who led Down to the 1960 final win.
5. One.
6. Joe McNelly.
7. Tommy Drum.
8. Eugene Mckenna, now one of their management team.
9. The 1947 All-Ireland final was played at the Polo Grounds, New York, the only senior final played outside this country.
10. Tommy Sugrue (Kerry).
11. 1992 — Donegal 0-18; Dublin 0-14.
12. True. They lost the finals of 1911 and 1912.
13. Dublin contested three finals in succession from 1983 to 1985 inclusive.
14. Padraic Coyne.
15. 1-4 each.
16. Joe Cassells (Meath) in 1988.
17. False. They had a point from a penalty.
18. Four points.
19. Cavan in 1933.
20. Neil Collins.

# The Prize



To hold the Sam Maguire Cup is surely the most thrilling moment in Irish sport for any victorious county captain.

But the captain of London in the 1901 All-Ireland Finals could not in his wildest dreams have imagined that his name would be given to the most prestigious prize in Irish sport. That is precisely what happened to the eponymous Sam Maguire. Born in Cork but domiciled in London, Sam Maguire played in three All-Ireland Finals for London, but failed to win on each occasion. The London County Board donated the trophy in his honour and so famous has it become that you can usually get away with a simple reference to its first name - Sam.

The trophy was first played for in 1928 when Kildare captain Bill "Squires" Gannon had the honour of raising the Sam Maguire for the very first time. Treated like a celebrity

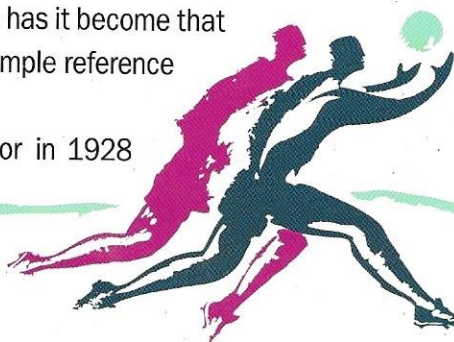
the cup journeyed the length and breadth of the country until years of travelling eventually took its toll. A new Sam Maguire was introduced to replace the travel-weary original and Meath had the double honour of being the first to win the "new" cup in 1988 and last to win the original in 1987.

In total, captains of fourteen counties have lifted the Sam Maguire while last year Down became the first to win the Bank of Ireland sponsored championship.

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