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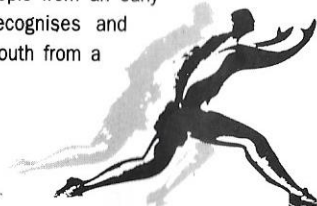
# The Future



There must be a few of us who don't remember our first trip to a big match. The sense of expectation in a young heart, the impressive and welcoming sway of a happy crowd and the opportunity to see genuine heroes in front of your own eyes.

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to the Annual GAA Congress must be of a similar age. It is this commitment to the future that makes the GAA such a strong organisation. It is reflected in Bank of Ireland's attitude to today's youth as well. For Bank of Ireland also run a strong schools programme providing financial education for secondary school students and their teachers.

This appreciation of the value of youth to our future is what makes the GAA such a vital part of Irish life. It's just one of the reasons why Bank of Ireland is proud of this unique sponsorship.

*Cluiche Ceannas Peil Uladh*

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**MINOR**

**DÚN na nGALL V. AN DÚN**

2.30 i.n. *Réiteoir : Gerry Lynch (Fear Manach)*  
*Fir Líne : Paddy O'Brien (Tir Eoghain)*  
*Des Kearney (Doire)*

**SENIOR (70 minutes)**

**DÚN na nGALL V. AN DÚN**

4.00 i.n. *Réiteoir : Brian White (Loch Garman)*  
*Fir Líne : Pat McEneaney (Muineachán)*  
*Anthony O'Neill (Doire)*

**in ASt. Tighearnach's Park, Clones**  
**26 Bealtaine 1996**

### **Buíochas**

Comhairle Uladh wishes to thank Gerry Quinn, Fintan Mussen, Micheal McGeary, John Campbell, Adrian Logan, Patrick Nugent, Martina O'Reilly, Seaus McCluskey and John Feeney, for their valuable assistance in the compilation of this programme.

*Micheal Ó Gínnéadha*





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## SENIOR

**Brian White**  
(Wexford)



A member of the Rathgarogue Cushinstown Club, Brian has played football and hurling for Wesford at Minor and Under 21 level.

He has now county titles with his club in football and hurling. Married to Helen, he has two daughters, Aislinn and Niamh and a son, Padraig.

Refereeing for eight years, he has been in charge of county senior hurling and football finals in Wexford. At Inter-county level, he has refereed three All-Ireland Senior Semi Finals, one National League Final, two Leinster Senior Football Finals, 2 Leinster U-21 Football Finals, one Leinster Club Final, and one All-Ireland Colleges (A) Final.

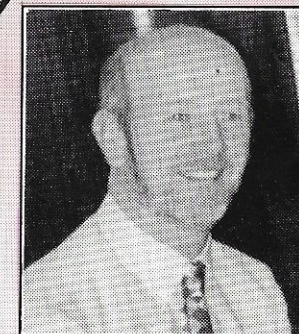
He has refereed Senior Football Championship games in the four provinces.

REFEREE PROFILES

Garage Proprietor, Club Roslea Shamrocks, Senior County Championship medals 3, Senior League 6. Gerry played Senior football for his club for 26 years. He represented Fermanagh at Minor, Under 21 and Senior level, winning Ulster Minor League, 2 Ulster Under 21 Championship and one Dr. McKenna Cup.

He has been active as a referee for the passt eight seasons and Refereed his first Senior County final last year. Since coming into the Inter County panel he has referee in the Minor League and the Under 21 Championship, he is looking forward to his first Minor Championship, when asked he explained that his only hobby was Gaelic Footbal.

**Gerry Lynch**



## MINOR



# DONEGAL PEN PICS.

## GARY

### WALSH :

Club: Burren. Age: 31. Height: 6'3".  
Occupation: Accountant.

## JOHN

### CUNNINGHAM :

Club: Killybegs. Age: 29. Height: 5'11".  
Occupation: Restaurant Owner.

## MATT

### GALLAGHER :

Club: Naomh Brid. Age: 34. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Publican and Sales Representative.

## JOHN JOE

### DOHERTY :

Club: Naomh Columba. Age: 28. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Sales Representative.

## BARRY McGOWAN :

Club: Killybegs. Age: 30. Height: 6'.  
Occupation: ESB Employee.

## MARK

### CROSSAN :

Club: St. Eunans. Age: 26. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Sales Representative.

## MARTIN

### SHOVLIN :

Club: Naomh Ultan. Age: 34. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Telecom Employee.

## JAMES RUANE :

Club: Bundoran. Age: 21. Height: 6'2".  
Occupation: Student.

## BRIAN

### MURRAY :

Age: 32. Height: 6'3".  
Occupation: Garda.

## JOHN BAN

### GALLAGHER :

Club: Killybegs. Age: 29. Height: 6'1".  
Occupation: Net Maker.

## NOEL

### HEGARTY :

Club: Naomh Columba. Age: 27. Height: 6'.  
Occupation: Sales Representative.

## PADDY

### HEGARTY :

Club: Naomh Columba. Age: 30. Height: 5'11".  
Occupation: County Coach.

## BRIAN ROPER :

Club: Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon. Age: 21. Height: 5'6".  
Occupation: Monument Sculptor.

## TONY

### BOYLE :

Club: Dungloe. Age: 26. Height: 5'11".  
Occupation: Sales Representative.

## MANUS

### BOYLE :

Club: Killybegs. Age: 30. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Factory Worker.

## PAUL

### CALLAGHAN :

Club: Burt. Age: 25. Height: 6'1".  
Occupation: Sales Representative.

## DAMIEN

### DIVER :

Club: Ardara. Age: 21. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Student.

## JAMES McHUGH :

Club: Kilcar. Age: 32. Height: 5'7".  
Occupation: ESB Employee.

## DESSIE

### McNAMARA :

Club: Bundoran. Age: 20. Height: 6'.  
Occupation: Student.

## EAMON

### McMENAMIN :

Club: Sean McCumhalls. Age: 22. Height: 6'11".  
Occupation: Sales Assistant.

## PATRICK

### CUNNINGHAM :

Club: Naomh Columba. Age: 21. Height: 5'8".  
Occupation: Factory Worker.

## NIALL McCREADH :

Club: Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon. Age: 20. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Apprentice Electrician.

## GERARD

### KELLY :

Club: Red Hughs. Age: 24. Height: 6'1".  
Occupation: Toolmaker.

## MARTIN

### COLL :

Club: Gweedore. Age: 21. Height: 5'11".  
Occupation: Apprentice Fitter.

## SEAMUS

### McGINTY :

Club: Sean McCumhalls. Age: 26. Height: 5'10".  
Occupation: Mechanic.

## DAMIEN CONLON :

Club: Aodh Ruadh. Age: 24. Height: 5'11".  
Occupation: Teacher.



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# Something to Prove

by Michael McGeary (Sunday Life)

BOTH Down and Donegal have something to prove in today's eagerly awaited Ulster Championship Opener. Both have been written off in recent weeks for vastly different reasons. Donegal lost a league decider to Derry earlier this month and suddenly they were being dismissed by some critics as also rans.

How quickly they have forgotten last season when P. J. McGowan's men bounced back from league final failure to dump the then All-Ireland champions.

Two years later they again came up trumps against the same opposition in the Ulster Final replay. Down for their part will be looking for a repeat of 1991 when they accounted for Donegal before capturing a fourth Sam Maguire.

Two men in direct opposition in both those years, the great Sean O'Neill and Pauric McShea, an outstanding full back, have in the subsequent years become great friends and regular golfing partners.

For seventy minutes this afternoon they will leave friendship aside, but when it's all over they will salute the winners and wish them bon voyage in their ongoing quest for further glory.

Down too have been dismissed by those same critics who claim that relegation from Division One to Division Three was the beginning of the end for Down football.

But then along came the Dr. McKenna Cup and suddenly Peter McGrath's squad rediscovered the art of winning en route to lifting the trophy itself.

Should Donegal need any inspiration this afternoon they only have to reflect on the events of 1972 and 1974. Twenty four years ago Donegal beat Down in the opening round en route to lifting their first Ulster Senior title.



# Down Looking Forward

Beaten in the Preliminary Round of the Ulster Senior Championship, relegated to Division Three of The National League, plagued with injuries – the year '95/'96 was a disastrous one for the Down Senior Squad.

But good footballers don't become bad footballers overnight and when the days began to lengthen and the sod began to dry the old urgency seemed to return and the footballing flair, the dash, the commitment – all so synonymous with the '91, '94 campaigns – were gradually rediscovered. Not only was the McKenna Cup won but the manner in which the victory was achieved gave the Mourne Team, its management and its supporters new hope for the '96 Championship.

Last year the Down Minors were beaten by an excellent Derry Team in the Ulster Final. Many of those lads are again in action today. The team has a large contingent from the successful St. Mark's Warrenpoint teams which won All-Ireland medals in '94 and '95 and with such an array of talent available Down supporters are hoping that the '96 squad will emulate Peter McGrath's team of 1987 and bring another All Ireland to Down.

## J.P.

The newest member of Down's management triumvirate is Rostrevor based John P. O'Kane. A native of County Antrim John P. played first at centre half back and later at midfield for Antrim from 1972 - 1977.

His work then took him to Louth and he was a regular with the 'Wee County' from '77 - '83. He then went to the U.S.A. and played with Sligo in New York and Tyrone in Philadelphia before returning to settle in Rostrevor where he played out his career with the local team.

Of the present Down Team he says "A lot of time, effort and pain goes into preparing a modern Senior County team – and a lot of suffering which the fans are not always aware of. This Down team has put in the time, the effort and the pain and hopefully will reap the rewards."

# DOWN PEN PICS.

## MICHAEL McVEIGH :

Club: Castlewellan.  
Age: 25. Height: 6'3".  
Weight: 15st.3.  
Occupation: Forestry Worker.

## FINBAR CAULFIELD :

Club: Rostrevor. Age: 21.  
Height: 5'11".  
Weight: 13st.  
Occupation: Student.

## BRIAN BURNS :

Club: Bryansford. Age: 23.  
Height: 6'2".  
Weight: 15st.  
Occupation: Student.

## PAUL HIGGINS :

Club: Ballymartin. Age: 28.  
Height: 6'. Weight: 13st.7.  
Occupation: Plasterer.

## GARY MASON :

Club: Loughinisland. Age: 28.  
Height: 5'11".  
Weight: 13st.  
Occupation: Building Manager.

## MICHAEL MAGILL :

Club: Warrenpoint. Age: 24.  
Height: 6'1".  
Weight: 13st.7.  
Occupation: Entertainments Manager.

## D.J. KANE :

Club: N. Shamrocks. Age: 30.  
Height: 5'9".  
Weight: 12st.6.  
Occupation: Teacher.

## GREGORY McCARTAN:

Club: Ballymartin. Age: 24.  
Height: 6'2".  
Weight: 13st.10.  
Occupation: Joiner.

## CONOR DEEGAN :

Club: Downpatrick. Age: 25.  
Height: 6'2".  
Weight: 13st.  
Occupation: Car Salesman.

## PATRICK SLOAN :

Club: Attical. Age: 22.  
Height: 6'. Weight: 13st.7.  
Occupation: Joiner.

## JOHN TREANOR :

Club: Burren. Age: 33.  
Height: 5'10".  
Weight: 12st.7.  
Occupation: Construction Worker.

## JAMES McCARTAN :

Club: Tullylish. Age: 24.  
Height: 5'8".  
Weight: 12st.7.  
Occupation: Engineer.

## MICHAEL LINDEN :

Club: Mayobridge. Age: 31.  
Height: 5'10".  
Weight: 12st.10.  
Occupation: Vehicle/Driving Examiner.

## AIDAN FARRELL :

Club: Rostrevor. Age: 22.  
Height: 6'2".  
Weight: 13st.  
Occupation: Student.

## GREG BLANEY :

Club: Carryduff. Age: 32.  
Height: 5'11".  
Weight: 13st.3.  
Occupation: Dentist.

## NEIL COLLINS :

Club: Carryduff. Age:

30. Height: 6'2".

Weight: 14st.7.

Occupation:

Mechanical Engineer.

## LIAM HOWLETT :

Club: Warrenpoint.

Age: 24. Height: 5'11".

Weight: 13st.

Occupation: Painter.

## JOHN KELLY :

Club: Carryduff. Age: 28.

Height: 6'. Weight: 13st.

Occupation: Pharmacist.

## MARK ROWLAND :

Club: Rostrevor. Age: 21.

Height: 5'10".

Weight: 123st.7.

Occupation: Student.

## GERARD COLGAN :

Club: An Riocht. Age: 23.

Height: 6'3".

Weight: 14st.

Occupation: Student.

## AIDAN McGIVERN :

Club: Burren. Age: 21.

Height: 5'11".

Weight: 12st.

Occupation: Student.

## CATHAL MURRAY :

Club: Clonduff. Age: 26.

Height: 5'10".

Weight: 13st.

Occupation: Teacher.

## GERARD DEEGAN :

Club: Downpatrick.

Age: 23. Height: 5'7".

Weight: 12st.

Occupation: Student.

## BARRY BREEN :

Club: Downpatrick.

Age: 28. Height: 6'2".

Weight: 13st.

Occupation: Teacher.





# DÚN NA nGALL

Dathanna : Glas agus Órdha 0-11

## Fir Ionaid

- (16) Paul Callaghan  
Burt
- (17) Gerard Kelly  
Aodh Rua, Killybegs
- (18) Martin Shovlin  
Naomh Ultan
- (19) John Cunningham  
Killybegs
- (20) Ollie Reid  
Aodh Rua, Killybegs
- (21) Niall Mac Cready  
Aodh Rua, Ballyshannon
- (22) Paddy Cunningham  
Naomh Columba
- (23) Martin Coll  
Gaoth Dobhair
- (24) Seamus McGinty  
MacCumhallis

- 1**  
G. Breathnach  
*Gary Walsh*  
Burren
- 2**  
M. Ó Gallchóir  
*Matt Gallagher*  
Naomh Brid
- 3**  
S. S. Ó Dochartaigh  
*John Joe Doherty*  
Naomh Columba
- 4**  
B. Mac Gabhann  
*Barry McGowan*  
Killybegs
- 5**  
M. Mac Chrossáin  
*Mark Corssan*  
Naomh Adhamhain
- 6**  
N. O hEigearthaigh  
*Noel Hegarty*  
Naomh Columba
- 7**  
D. Ó Duibhir  
*Damien Diver*  
Ardara
- 8**  
S. B. Ó Gallchóir  
*John B. Gallagher*  
Killybegs
- 9**  
S. MacRuain  
*James Ruane*  
Bundoran
- 10**  
D. Mac Conmara  
*Dessie Mac Namara*  
Bundoran
- 11**  
S. Mac Aoidh  
*James McHugh*  
Kilcar
- 12**  
P. O hEigearthaigh  
*Paddy Hegarty*  
Naomh Columba
- 13**  
B. Ó Roper  
*B. Roper*  
Aodh Rua, Ballyshannon
- 14**  
A Ó Baoill  
*Tony Boyle*  
An Clochan Liath
- 15**  
M. Ó Baoill  
*Manus Boyle*  
Killybegs

# AN DÚN

Dathanna : Dearg agus Dubh 1-09



## Fir Ionaid

- 1**  
M. Mac an Bheatha  
*Michael McVeigh*  
Castlewellan
- 2**  
F. Mac Cathmhaoil  
*Finbar Caulfield*  
Rostrevor
- 3**  
B. O Broin  
*Brian Burns*  
Bryansford
- 4**  
P. O hUiginn  
*Paul Higgins*  
Ballymartin
- 5**  
G. Masun  
*Gary Mason*  
Loughinisland
- 6**  
M. Mac na Ghiolla  
*Michael Magill*  
Warrenpoint
- 7**  
D. S. O Catháin  
*D. J. Kane*  
Shamrocks
- 8**  
G. MacArtain  
*Gregory McCartan*  
Ballymartin
- 9**  
C. O Duiginn  
*Conor Deggan*  
Downpatrick
- 10**  
P. O Sluain  
*Patrick Sloan*  
Attical
- 11**  
S. MacThreoir  
*John Treanor*  
Burren
- 12**  
S. Mac Artain  
*James McCartan*  
Tullylish
- 13**  
M. Mac Giolla Fhiondain  
*Michael Linden (Capt.)*  
Mayobridge
- 14**  
A. O Fearaill  
*Aidan Farrell*  
Rostrevor
- 15**  
G. de Bleine  
*Greg Blaney*  
Carryduff

- (16) Neil Collins  
Carryduff
- (17) Liam Howlett  
Warrenpoint
- (18) John Kelly  
Carryduff
- (19) Mark Rowland  
Rostrevor
- (20) Gerard Colgan  
An Ríocht
- (21) Aidan McGivern  
Burren
- (22) Cathal Murray  
Clonduff
- (23) Gerard Deegan  
Downpatrick
- (24) Barry Breen  
Downpatrick

## DÚN NA nGALL

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seacháí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1adh Leath					
2adh Leath					
IOMLÁN					

## AN DÚN

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seacháí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
1adh Leath					
2adh Leath					
IOMLÁN					



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## **BY THE DECADE**

### **DONEGAL**

1946:- Defeated Monaghan, 4-5 to 1-9, at Clones, but lost, 0-3 to 5-8, to Cavan in the semi-final at Omagh. Minors went out to Derry after a replay, but the Juniors won through to the Ulster Final with wins over Fermanagh and Cavan, only to lose to Down, 0-7 to 2-5, in the Final at Ballybofey.

1956:- The Anglo-Celt Cup still hadn't found its way to Donegal, but the ice was cracking and the minors of 1956 were the instigators, taking Donegal's first ever Ulster title in this age-group, beating Armagh, 2-5 to 0-6, in the Final at Clones.

1966:- Seniors reached Ulster Final for only the second time, only to lose, 0-8 to 1-7, to Down at Belfast, in the first ever televised Ulster Final. The venue had not suited Donegal and very few travelled to Belfast. Result was the lowest gate receipts in ten years. The U-21 title was won for the third time. A senior title was now inevitable.

1976:- Donegal had, by now, made the great breakthrough and had two Ulster Senior titles under their belts. Three Under-21 titles (1963, 1964 and 1966), had also come their way, plus two Dr. McKenna Cup titles in 1963 and 1965. Donegal now ranked among Ireland's best.

1986:- Went out to Down in the first round at Newcastle. The introduction of Martin Griffin had lifted them, but Down still went on to win by 2-8 to 1-10. Minors also went out to the same opposition in opening round. U-21s beat Armagh and Tyrone, but lost to Derry in Ulster Final.

### **DOWN**

1946:- It all began for Down in this year. Victories over Antrim, Tyrone and Donegal brought them their third Ulster Junior Football Championship. Then victory over Louth in the All-Ireland semi-final, over Leitrim in the All-Ireland 'Home' Final, and then over Warwickshire in the Final proper at Croke Park, with Gerry Carr from Warrenpoint as captain, to take home their first ever All-Ireland Football crown.

1956:- For the first time, four Railway Cup medals came to Down – Kevin Mussen, Kieran Denvir, Paddy Doherty and George Lavery. Newry Shamrocks won the club Championship and the Junior hurlers finally laid the Antrim bogey, but lost to Kerry in the All-Ireland semi-final at Tralee.

1966:- Down were now "Kings of Ulster" and well established as "the team of the 'sixties." Their sixth Ulster title came their way, after a very poor Final win over Donegal at Belfast, but lost to Meath in the All-Ireland semi-final. Colm McAlarney had also arrived on the scene. Minors also made it a "Down Double" in Ulster.

1976:- Seniors went out to Cavan at Castleblayney. Liam Austin had arrived on the football scene. Hollywood and Ballynahinch were new clubs affiliated, and Burren set a headline by becoming the first GAA club to instal flood-lights for evening and night fixtures.

1986:- Victory over Donegal, Monaghan, and Armagh brought Down to yet another Ulster Final, but defeat at the hands of Tyrone at Clones, a controversial goal proving the deciding factor. The U-21s went out to Derry, but the minors won through with wins over Donegal, Monaghan, Armagh and Derry, but lost to Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final. Burren won the All-Ireland Club title, defeating Castleisland of Kerry in the Final.



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**Anthony Molloy who captained Donegal to their All-Ireland success in 1992 is the current manager of the county minor team.**

**Manus Boyle was Donegal's top marksman in the All-Ireland Final 1992 with a personal tally of 0-9. He was also their top marksman in the 1987 U-21 All-Ireland Final with a score of 1-7.**

**James McCartan, Snr. was the first player to win 2 Texaco Awards and he did it in successive years.**

**Today is the second time that this fixture has been televised live. The first occasion was thirty years ago when they met in the 1966 Ulster Final.**

**Down have never defeated Donegal in the early rounds of the Ulster Championship. As a matter of fact, their three victories have all come in finals.**

**Donegal manager, P. J. McGowan played in the 1974 Ulster Final which Donegal won following a replay. His predecessor, Brian McEniff was also on the Donegal winning team while Pete McGrath, today's Down manager, was on the losing Down team.**

**The number six played a major part in the corresponding fixture last year, the first score came after 6 minutes, the last score came on the 66th minute, Down had 6 scores in the first half, while Donegal had 6 scores in the 2nd half!**



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## **DOWN TRADITIONS**

In the early hours of a sunny July morning in 1892, some thirty young men set off on two drays (four-wheeled, flat-top horse-drawn carts) from the village of Leitrim, nestling comfortably in a delightful valley between 'The Windy Gap' and 'Dolly's Brae'. Their destination was Dublin, but, as the railway line through Leitrim was still only on the drawing boards of William Dargan, they travelled on their drays the twenty-four miles to Newry to catch the excursion train for Dublin. Following their arrival in the big city, a major experience for each and every one of them, they met and defeated the famed St. Catherine's GAA club, one of the most outstanding Gaelic Football teams in Ireland at that time, at Clonturk Park, thus becoming one of the first ever clubs from Ulster to play at the then GAA Headquarters.

Those were real history-makers, pioneers of the great game we all follow and enjoy today. Unfortunately, few, if any of them, would live to see the day when later history-makers would carry the coveted Sam Maguire Cup across the Border for the first time ever, sixty-eight years later. One of the members of that great Leitrim Fontenoys club, one of the first ever in Co. Down, was a man called Barney Owens, whose grandson, Brian Owens, would captain the Down minor team to an Ulster Minor Football Championship Final meeting with Monaghan at Clones on the fourth Sunday in July 1945. Brian Owens was one of Down's brightest prospects of the forties, but his untimely death assured that he, also, would miss that historic day when Kevin Mussen would make the never-to-be-forgotten trip with Sam Maguire in September of 1960.

## **DONEGAL'S REGULAR PATTERN**

There is a most unusual regular pattern about Donegal's appearances in Ulster Finals. Their first ever appearance in the Ulster Decider was in 1963, and then it was a case of losing two, then winning two, and ever since that, winning and losing in alternate Ulster Final appearances. To recap, they lost the 1963 and 1966 Finals, both to Down, then won the 1972 and 1974 Finals against Tyrone and Down, and from there on, lost to Monaghan in 1979, beat Cavan in 1983, lost to Tyrone in 1989, beat Armagh in 1990, lost to Down in 1991, beat Derry in 1992, and lost to Derry in 1993. Leaving the Ulster Finals out of it however, the first round experiences of Donegal and Down bear a remarkable similarity to that unusual regular pattern.

Exactly eleven years ago (1985), today's two teams were drawn against each other in the opening round, with Donegal winning by 2-12 to 2-8 at Ballybofey, and then, in the corresponding game the following year, Donegal losing to the Downmen by 2-8 to 1-10 at Newcastle. That last result was reversed again last year, when Donegal, (their turn??), despite the disappointment of losing the League Final to Derry the previous Sunday, swept the reigning All-Ireland champions from Down aside, in the preliminary round, here at Clones.



## ST. TIGHEARNACH'S PARK, CLONES

### GROUND REGULATIONS

1. All persons entering this ground are admitted only subject to the following Ground Regulations and to the Rules and Regulations of the Gaelic Athletic Association. Entry to the ground shall be deemed to constitute unqualified acceptance of all these Rules and Regulations.
2. Fireworks, smoke canisters, bottles, glasses, cans, flags, banners, poles and other similar articles or containers, including anything which could or might be used as a weapon, are not permitted within the ground, and any person in possession of such an article or container may be refused entry or ejected from the ground.
3. The consumption of intoxicating liquor is permitted only in authorised places and spectators are not permitted to bring alcohol into the ground/arena.
4. The unauthorised climbing of stands or other buildings in the ground is forbidden.
5. Unnecessary noise such as that from the use of radio sets and behaviour likely to cause confusion or nuisance of any kind, including foul or abusive language, is not permitted in any part of the ground.
6. Under no circumstances is it permitted to throw any object onto the pitch.
7. Unauthorised persons are not permitted to enter upon the field of play.
8. Any person who fails to comply with the instructions from a steward may be ejected from the ground.
9. In general, the right of admission is reserved to the Ground Management.
10. The Ground Management reserves the right to refuse admission to or eject any person who refuses to be searched by a member of the Garda Síochána.
11. Any person who remains in a gangway may be ejected from the ground.
12. The Ground Management reserve the right for its servants or agents to remove from the ground/arena any person who does not comply with the Ground Regulations or whose presence in the ground could reasonably be construed as constituting a source of danger, nuisance or annoyance to other spectators.
13. All persons in the grounds are reminded of their obligations under Section 18(3) of the Fire Services Act 1981 to ensure that their behaviour does not present a danger from fire to any one using the premises.

### FIRST AID

First Aid Cover for today's game is provided by Armagh Order of Malta personnel, complete with three manned ambulances. The ambulances are located at the rear of the Gerry Arthurs, Pat McGrane and Eastern Stands. Specialist Ambulance Cover is also provided by the North East Health Board. There are two doctors on duty in the ground. Lost children to be brought to Medical Room at rear of Gerry Arthurs Stand or to St. Tighearnach's Club Rooms at South west corner of pitch.

ANTHONY Molloy has basked in All-Ireland glory as a member of the Donegal side that captured the Sam Maguire Cup for the first time in 1992. But today the former county midfielder embarks on a mission never before accomplished by anyone from his county.

The man who skippered the men of '92 into the history-books — and Donegal folklore — now would like to become the first man to steer Donegal to glory at All-Ireland Minor level.

U-21 and Vocational Schools titles have come the way of the north-west county but the Minor prize has proved elusive — to such an extent in fact that some people in Donegal feel that a jinx hangs over the side in this sector of competition.

But superstition plays no part in Molloy's make-up. His side have already captured the Ulster Minor League title and now possess the confidence and cohesion to go on from there. The only problem is — Down.

And Mourne manager Gerry Dougherty and his cohorts share Molloy's driving ambition. Like the ex-Donegal leader, they too have put an immense amount of work into preparing their players for today's confrontation.

It was only at the penultimate

stage of the Minor League that Down fell by the wayside when neighbours Armagh sprung the trapdoor in a play-off. Down feel that they did not do themselves justice on that occasion and see today as an opportunity to leave no one in any doubt as to their true potential.

Several of their players — like most of Donegal's contingent — have been impressive at schools' level but while Down have the backdrop of tradition at Minor level Donegal are still trawling uncharted waters in terms of success.

However, manager Molloy feels — and with considerable justification, too that if his side can get past Down today then Donegal will have

taken a stride nearer their All-Ireland goal.

A hard road lies ahead of course especially with Tyrone, Armagh and Monaghan still to parade their wares.

But there is little doubt that the winners of today's match could advance a considerable distance down the glory road.

One thing is reasonably certain — today's Minor confrontation should be a lively battle with plenty of skill and endeavour. And don't be too surprised if it takes a replay to decide the issue.

## A lively Battle

by John Campbell  
(BELFAST TELEGRAPH)





# DÚN NA nGALL

Dathanna : Glas agus órdha

## Fir Ionaid

- (16) John P. Clarke  
Naomh Colmcille
- (17) John McLoone  
Naomh Colmcille
- (18) Donal O Mairtin  
Naomh Brid
- (19) Patrick McMenamin  
Termon
- (20) Barry Browne  
Carndonagh
- (21) Darren Dorrian  
Glenfin
- (22) Andrew Gallagher  
St. Nauls
- (23) Gareth Blake  
Aodh Ruadh
- (24) Joe Byrne  
Naomh Conaill

1

**D. O hUaine**  
*David Greene*  
Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon

2

**R. o Maolagain**  
*Ronan Mulligan*  
St. Eunans

3

**E. O Redain**  
*Eamonn Reddin*  
Muff

4

**S. O Domhnaill**  
*Shane O'Donnell*  
Pearse Óg

5

**R Mac Suibhne**  
*Rory Sweeney*  
Naomh Brid

6

**A. Mac Laifeartaigh**  
*Adrian McClafferty*  
St. Eunans

7

**G. Ó Canáin**  
*Gerard Cannon*  
Naomh Columba

8

**B. O Monghan**  
*Barry Monghan*  
Four Masters

9

**C. de Brun**  
*Ciaran Browne*  
Carndonagh

10

**M. O hEigeartaigh**  
*Michael Hegarty*  
Kilcar

11

**D. Mac Fionnghaile**  
*David McGinley*  
St. Eunans

12

**S. Mac Giolla Cearra**  
*Joel Carr*  
Four Seasons

13

**S. O Domhnaill**  
*Shane O'Donnell*  
St. Eunans

14

**A. O Braonain**  
*Aodh Brennan*  
Ardara

15

**P. Mac Aoidh**  
*Peter McHugh*  
Ardara

## DÚN NA nGALL

1adh Leath

2adh Leath

IOMLÁN

Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachái	45m	Saor Ciceanna

# AN DÚN

Dathanna : Dearg agus Dubh



## Fir Ionaid

- (16) Conor Farrell  
Shamrocks
  - (17) Seamus Hynes  
Drumgath
  - (18) Gareth Doran  
Loughinisland
  - (19) Michael Muirne  
Carryduff
  - (20) Kieran Byrne  
Burren
  - (21) Adrian Larkin  
Bosco
  - (22) Brendan Ward  
Killyleagh
  - (23) Pdraig Bradley  
Burren
  - (24) Pat O'Hare  
Bosco
- 1
- M. O Donghaile**  
*Mark Donnelly*  
Carryduff
- 2
- P. Mac Conmhaoil**  
*Paul McConville*  
Clonduff
- 3
- C. O Dugháil**  
*Kieran Doyle*  
Burren
- 4
- S. O Feargail**  
*Sean Farrell*  
Rostrevor
- 5
- M. Mac Muiri**  
*Malachy McMurray*  
Newry Bosco
- 6
- C. Mac Aodha**  
*Conor McCoy*  
Shamrocks
- 7
- P. Ó Siall**  
*Paul Shields*  
Clonduff
- 8
- D. Andorsan**  
*Dean Anderson*  
Castlewellan
- 9
- S. Davie**  
*Shane Davey*  
Shamrocks
- 10
- D. O Ruanaigh**  
*Declan Rooney*  
Mayobridge
- 11
- S. Mac an Bhaird**  
*Shane Ward*  
Clonduff
- 12
- P. Mac Mathúna**  
*Pdraig Mathews*  
Conduff (Capt.)
- 13
- C. Mac Mathúna**  
*Glen McMahon*  
Mayobridge
- 14
- D. Mac Gabhann**  
*Damien Smyth*  
Clonduff
- 15
- P. Mac Giolla Bhirde**  
*Paul Gilbride*  
Bredagh

## AN DÚN

1adh Leath

2adh Leath

IOMLÁN

Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachái	45m	Saor Ciceanna



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