

Cumann Lúthchleas Gael

**Cluiche Ceannais
Peile na hÉireann
2000 - Ath Imirt**



Clár Oifigiúil

Kian Ó Madadhan
Árd Stiúrthóir

**Páirc an Chrócaigh
7 Deireadh Fómhair 2000**



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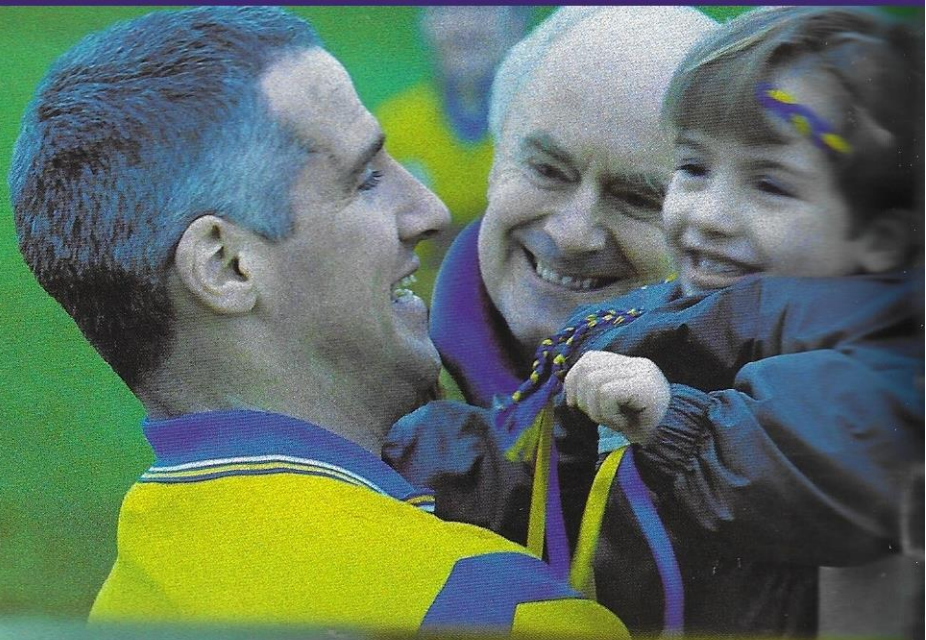
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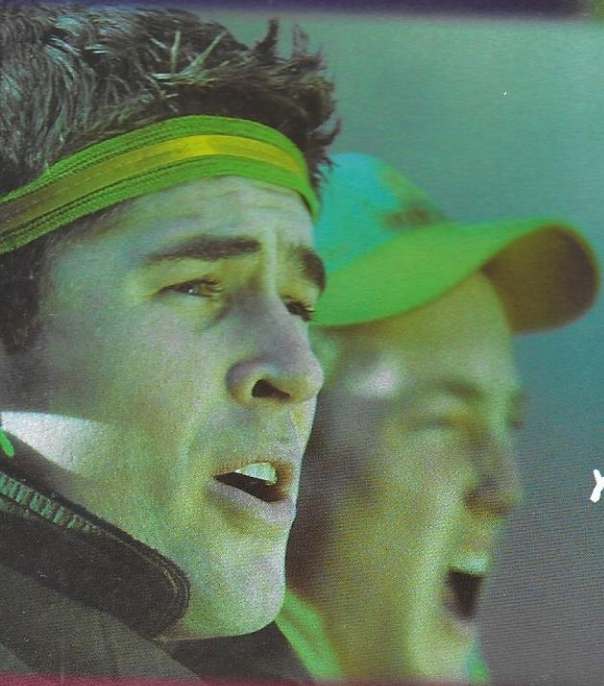
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*You don't choose
your club.
It chooses you.*



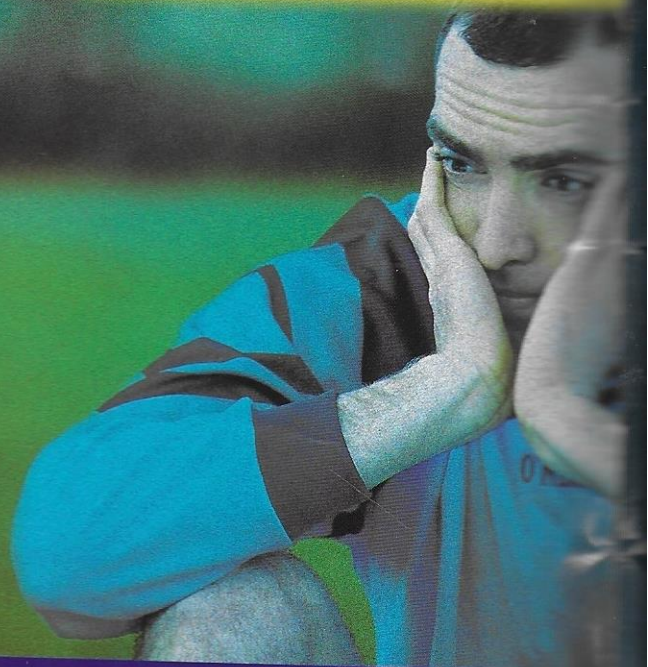
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*You don't feel strongly about it.
You feel passionately.*



TEARS

*You don't want to win.
You need to.*



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Cluiche Ceannais Peile na hÉireann (Ath-Imirt)

Replay 7th Oct

Sinsir From Patsy

Ciarraí v. Gaillimh

3.30 i.n. Réiteoir: Brian White (Loch Garman)

Linesmen: Brendan Gorman (Ard Mhacha) **STAND-BY REFEREE**

Peter O'Reilly (Longfort)

Martin Brady (An Cabhán) **STAND-BY LINESMAN**

Umpires: Tommy Lonergan, William Robinson,

Billy Landy, John Maher.

Amhrán na bhFiann

Sinne Fianna Fáil,
Atá faoi gheall ag Éirinn,
Buíon dár slua
Thar toinn do ráinig chugainn
Faoi mhóid bheith saor,
Sean-tír ár sinsear feasta
Ní fhágfar faoin tíorán ná faoin tráill.
Anocht a théam sa bhearna baoil
Le gean ar Ghaeil chun báis nó saoil
Le gunna scréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar,
Seo libh canaig amhrán na bhFiann.

Ár gClúdach

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Ciar Ollgail
Seamus Moynihan
Paul Clancy
Páirc an Cionnaithe
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Our cover features
Seamus Moynihan (Ciarraí) and
Paul Clancy (Gaillimh) in action
from the Final two weeks ago.

Ground Regulations – Páirc An Chrócaigh

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 persons in possession of such an article or container may be refused entry or ejected from the ground.
3. Spectators are not permitted to bring alcohol into the ground/arena.
4. The climbing of walls, stands or other buildings in the ground is forbidden.
5. Excessive noise such as that from the use of radio sets or other appliances 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 objects onto the pitch.
7. Unauthorised persons are not permitted to enter upon the field of play and shall be ejected.
8. Any person who fails to comply with the instructions from a steward may be ejected from the ground.
9. The stadium management reserve the right of admission.
10. The stadium management reserves the right to refuse admission to or to eject any person who refuses to be searched by a police officer.
11. Any person who remains in a gangway or aisle may be ejected from the ground.
12. The G.A.A. reserves the right for its servants or agents to remove from the stadium any person who does not comply with the Ground Regulations or whose presence on the ground could reasonably be construed as constituting a source of danger, nuisance or annoyance to other spectators.

C.C.T.V. is in operation at this stadium.

Public Telephone Locations

New Stand

- **Lower Level (Level 3)** Pay Phone at rear of Sections 309/310.
- **Premium Level (Level 5)** Card Phone/Credit Card Phone at rear of Section 510.
- **Box Level (Level 6)** Call Card at elevator opposite Box 633.
- **Upper Level (Level 7)** Pay Phone next to lift at rear of Section 708.

NOTICE

THE CROKE PARK AREA RESIDENTS ALLIANCE

The Croke Park Area Residents Alliance would like to welcome you to Croke Park and we hope that you will have a nice day.

Our Alliance represents ten Tenants and Residents Associations in the areas around the stadium. We are here 365 days of the year and we appreciate that fans want to come and support their teams in important matches.

We would ask that you treat the people and the public areas around Croke Park in the way that you would hope you and your streets would be treated, if large crowds were to come to your community for any reason.

Thankfully, the vast majority of people attending Croke Park do just that but unfortunately there are a few who persist in anti-social behaviour such as illegal and dangerous parking, littering, entering private property, and acting in an intimidating fashion towards individuals.

We are working in partnership with the GAA to minimise the impact of large crowds in the area. This includes liaison with the Gardaí, Dublin Transport Office, the Corporation's Cleansing Section and local businesses.

We would appreciate it if you could assist us by thinking before you park the car illegally - clamping is now being extended to Sundays in the area; before you discard that paper wrapping - Litter Wardens too, are on duty; or before you act smart with those who look vulnerable to your group - the Gardaí are increasing their numbers on the streets.

Thank you for taking the time to read our piece and we hope you get the result you came for.

SAFETY NOTICE

In the interests of safety, patrons will not be allowed to enter the playing area after the games.

The policy to prohibit such encroachment in the future has been taken to avoid further injuries and possible fatality and has been taken on the advice and promptings of the safety authorities, namely the Gardaí, Dublin Corporation & Fire Brigade and the Eastern Health Board.

Supporters are sincerely thanked for their co-operation to date and are asked to continue this co-operation in the future to ensure that games can be enjoyed without recourse to fencing or avoidable obstructions to seeing the action from all vantage points. Together we can ensure that a Croke Park experience is both enjoyable and safe, particularly for the young and vulnerable.

Medical / Lost Children

Hogan Stand: Ambulance rere of Nally/Hogan.

New Stand Lower: Medical Centre rere of Section 301.

New Stand Upper: Medical Centre rere of Section 701. Treatment and Cardiac Ambulance rere of Stand. Medical Personnel on duty on Premium & Box Level.

Canal Stand: (Premium and Box Level): Mobile Patrol by St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

Hill 16: Treatment Ambulance beside Treatment Centre rere of Terrace.

The Site Medical Officer will be situated on the pitch in front of the Nally Stand.

All Treatment Centres are staffed by St. John's Ambulance Brigade members.

Lost Children

Lost Children can be collected at the above Medical Centres.

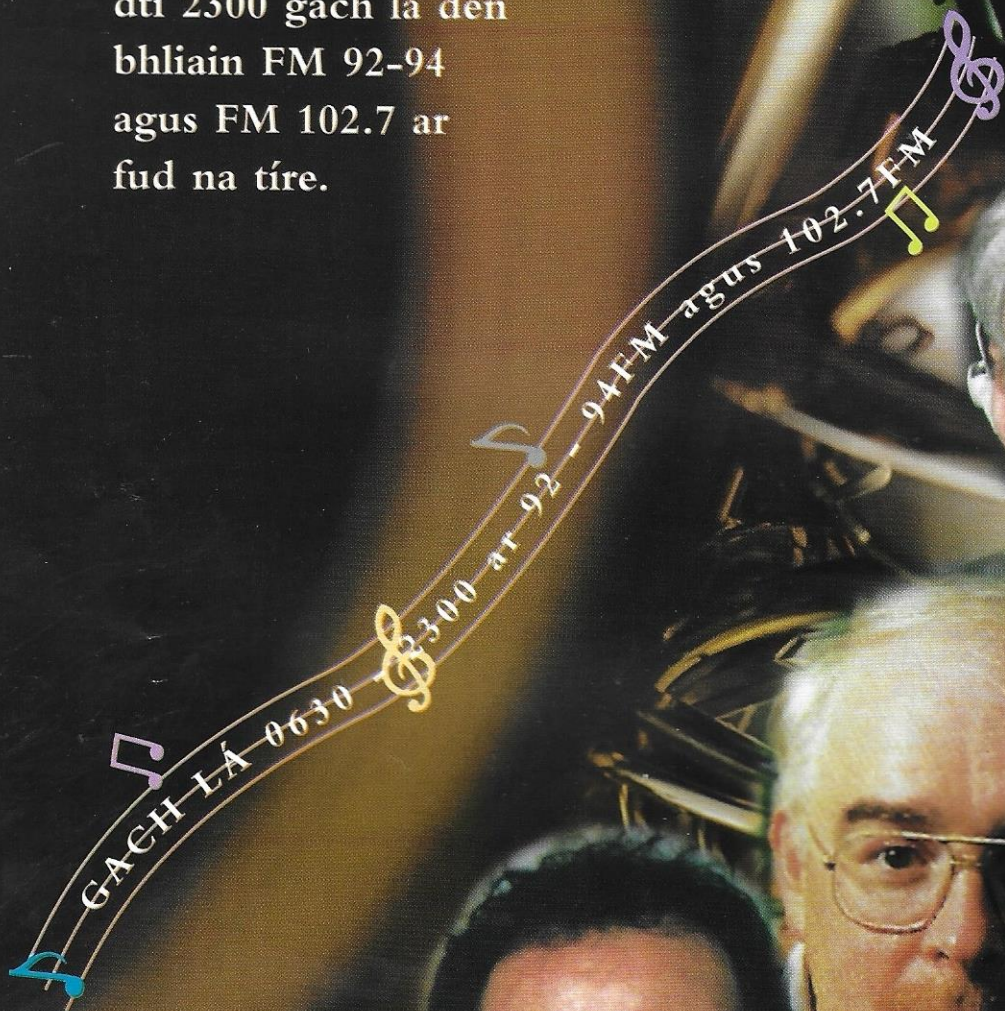


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ALL NEW. ALL HERE. ALMERA.

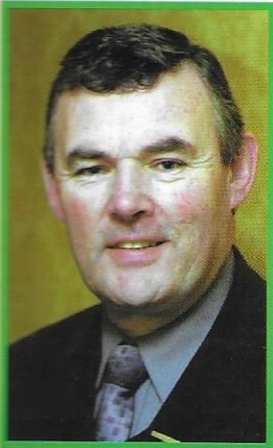


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Nuacht, Spórt,
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Fáiltim romhaibh go léir ar ais go Páirc an Chrócaigh don ath-imirt stairiúil seo. Fearaim fáilte an leith roimh na fóirne agus a lucht leanúna ó Chiarraí agus Gaillimh. Cuid stairiúil den lá, freisin, is ea cuairt Sonia orainn tar éis a heachtraí iontacha san Astráil. Táim cinnte go gcuirfear anfháilte roimpí inniu.

On this unique occasion, the first time that an All-Ireland final has been played on a Saturday, I am delighted to welcome everyone back to Croke Park. If the occasion matches the drama of two weeks ago then we will surely have something special to savour.

The players of Galway and Kerry provided us with a marvellous spectacle in the drawn game. The commitment and dedication shown by the players over the whole year in getting themselves to such a peak of fitness ensured that we were provided with a drama of epic proportions.

On their return today I wish to re-state the decision of the General Council of the GAA to make a substantial contribution from the gate receipts to the players' fund in both counties. It is a mark of appreciation from us for the efforts they have made on our behalf and for our enjoyment.

It is also worth repeating that we in the GAA are committed to our players, to improve their conditions and to ensuring that they are properly valued throughout the association. The Players Committee, chaired by Jarlath Burns, has already negotiated a healthy increase in the mileage

rate payable to players and other issues are being constructively tackled to ensure that the players are properly treated and have a role in the decision-making processes in the GAA at all levels.

Replays place administrative demands that sometimes we do not appreciate. I wish to record my thanks to the staff at GAA headquarters, the provincial and county officials and all the volunteers who have made huge efforts in the last thirteen days to have everything in pristine shape for today's game.

We are fortunate also today to have the opportunity to salute a sporting heroine. I know that you will give a welcome worthy of the achievement to Sonia O'Sullivan, our Olympic silver medallist, when she runs around Croke Park. Sonia has been a wonderful ambassador for Ireland throughout her career. Her successes have been extraordinary and she has shown enormous courage when bouncing back from disappointment to conquer Europe and the world. We are all very proud of her and delighted that she is with us in Croke Park today.

Gabhaim buíochas libh as uacht bhúr ndílseacht agus bhúr dtacaíocht dár gcluichí. Tá siúl agam go mbainfidh sibh an-taitneamh as imeachtaí éagsúla an lae inniu.

Seán Mac Thaidhg.

Seán Mac Thaidhg,
Uachtarán CLG.



Welcome from Bank of Ireland

Galway v Kerry again! Two weeks ago we witnessed one of the closest, most exciting and often heart-stopping games in this year's Bank of Ireland Football Championship and today we are lucky to have the opportunity to enjoy the action and atmosphere all over again.

Back in 1996 when Meath and Mayo drew in the All-Ireland final, Meath went on to scoop victory in the replay by just one point. We all hope that today's replay will be just as exciting. Kerry and Galway have already drawn in an All-Ireland Final, back in 1938, with Galway victorious in the replay. Can Kerry even the score today?

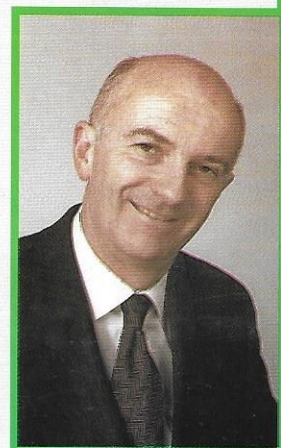
We in Bank of Ireland are delighted to be associated with Ireland's premier sporting event. Our relationship with the GAA began back in 1979 with the sponsorship of the All-Star Awards. At that time Kerry reigned supreme as All-Ireland Football Champions and went on to win the four in a row. Together with the GAA we honoured many of the great Galway and Kerry football legends. In 1994, Bank of Ireland became sponsor of the Football Championship and we

are very committed to this sponsorship until 2003.

Our aim throughout our sponsorship of Gaelic Games has been to increase awareness and add to the enjoyment of fans. We know from our 'Ask Not What Your County Can Do For You' TV and poster campaign that there are no limits to what supporters are prepared to do to show their county pride!

The game encompasses everything that Bank of Ireland believes in, competitiveness, discipline, a spirit of fun and, above all, team work. We are therefore delighted today to be again associated with the GAA as the destiny of the Bank of Ireland Football Championship is determined. I hope you enjoy the colour, excitement and atmosphere of this great sporting occasion and I wish both the Galway and Kerry teams the very best of luck today.

John Collins,
Chief Executive Retail Businesses,
Bank of Ireland



Clár an Lae

- 1.30 i.n.** The Artane Boys Band recital.
- 1.49 i.n.** De Danann entertains.
- 2.50 i.n.** Entertainment ends.
- 2.55 i.n.** Introduction of the Coca-Cola International Rules Series Teams - Ireland and Australia.
- 3.00 i.n.** Introduction of Ireland's Olympic 5000m silver medalist, Sonia O'Sullivan, by Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh.
- 3.05 i.n.** The Artane Boys Band entertains.
- 3.08 i.n.** Gaillimh amach ar an bPáirc.
- 3.11 i.n.** Ciarraí amach ar an bPáirc.
- 3.12 i.n.** Fógra Slandála.
- 3.19 i.n.** An Taoiseach arrives. **Salute.**
- 3.20 i.n.** An Taoiseach meets the teams.
- 3.23 i.n.** Paráid na bhFoirne.
- 3.28 i.n.** Amhrán na bhFiann with Paul Hennessy.
- 3.30 i.n.** Cluiche Ceannais Peile na hÉireann - Ath-imirt: **Gaillimh v. Ciarraí**
- 4.05 i.n.** Half time.
- 4.09 i.n.** Saluting the Fans - The Artane Boys Band with Ronan Tynan.
- 4.15 i.n.** An Dara Leath.
- 4.50 i.n.** Críoch leis an gCluiche.
- 4.52 i.n.** Comhgháirdeas - Big Screen.
- 4.55 i.n.** Presentation of the Runners-up medals.
- 4.58 i.n.** Presentation of the Sam Maguire Trophy by Uachtarán CLG Seán Mac Thaidhg.
- 5.05 i.n.** Slán abhaile.

The Music Programme of The Artane Boys Band

Musical Director: **Ronan O'Reilly**

Tenors: **Paul Hennessy** - National Anthem.

Ronan Tynan - County Songs.

1.30 i.n. **Mairseáil Uí Chonchubair** A.J. Potter
Blaze Away Holtzmann
Our Flirtations J.P. Souza

2.52 i.n. **Salute** for Uachtarán, CLG. R. O'Reilly

3.00 i.n. **Banks of the Lee** Arr. R. O'Reilly
 (for Sonia O'Sullivan - Lap of Honour)

3.05 i.n. **On the One Road** A.J. Potter

3.08 i.n. **Salute** to Galway Fanfare

3.11 i.n. **Salute** to Kerry Fanfare

3.19 i.n. Arrival of An Taoiseach, Mr. Bertie Ahern T.D..
Salute. J. Lynch

3.20 i.n. **Dublin Millennium March** F. O'Carroll

3.23 i.n. Paráid na bhFóirne.
"God Save Ireland" Arr. J. Lynch

3.28 i.n. **Amhrán an bhFiann** A.J. Potter
 Tenor: Paul Hennessy.

4.08 i.n. Two County Tunes with Ronan Tynan. -
"The Rose of Tralee" Arr. R. O'Reilly
"The Fields of Athenry" Arr. R. O'Reilly

THE ARTANE SCHOOL OF MUSIC

The Artane Boys Band is one of the musical ensembles of The Artane School of Music, which also includes The Artane Wind Ensemble, Artane Jazz Ensemble and A.S.M. Sax Quartet. A new series of musical education programmes begin in the school next month. Further details from Anthony Long, Administrator, The Artane School of Music, St. David's Park, Artane, Dublin 5. Telephone: (01) 8318929, Fax: (01) 8329807. Email: artaneschoolofmusic@eircom.net



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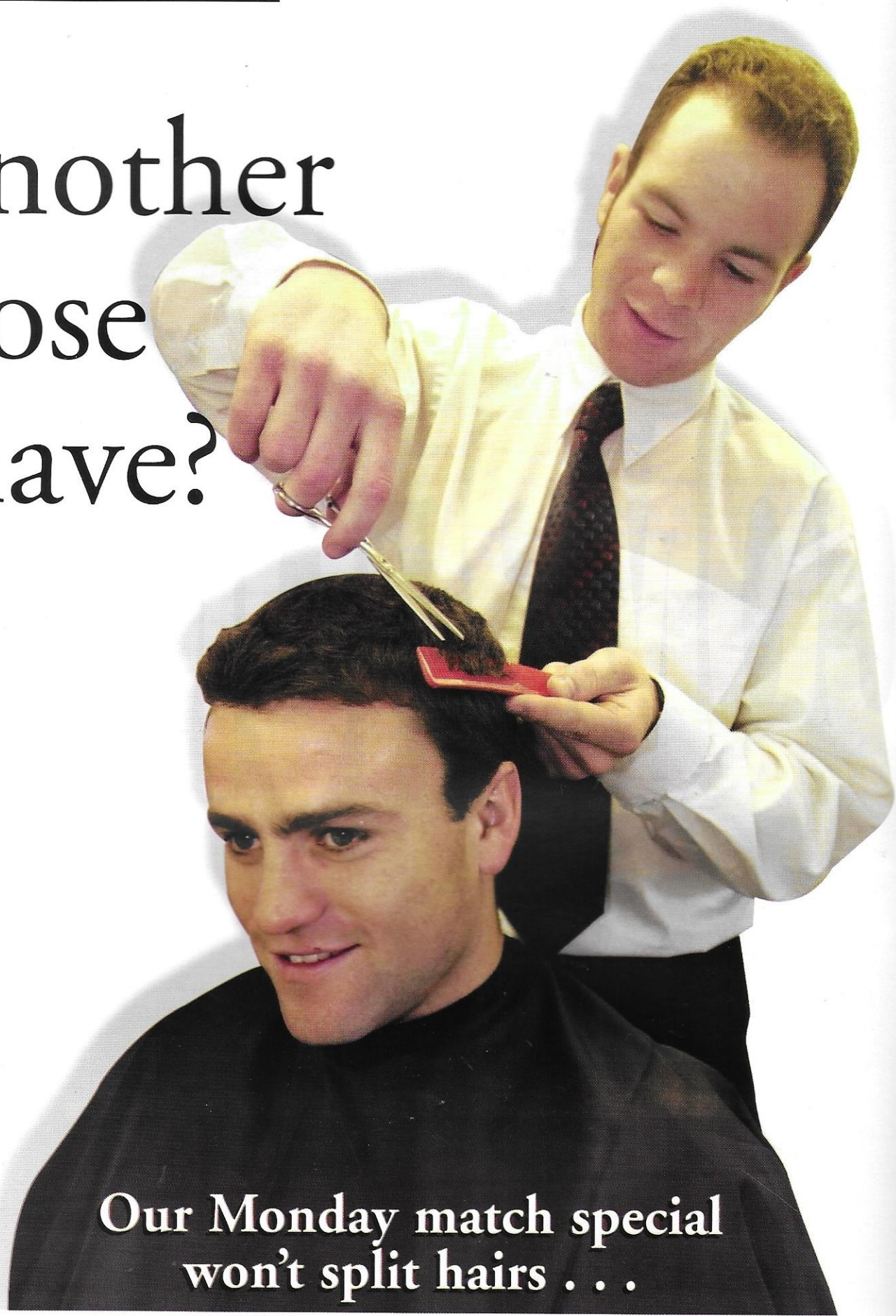
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First
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the move is on...

Another
close
shave?



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Irish  Examiner

Not on a Sunday

History will be made today when for the first time since the championship began 113 years ago an All-Ireland senior final will be played on a Saturday.

Traditionally, until quite recently, there was scarcely a suggestion of staging a major fixture on any day other than a Sunday, and while the pressure of circumstances has eroded that tradition somewhat, the idea that an All-Ireland final might have a Saturday setting was simply inconceivable.

But on one occasion at least, there was the intention of playing a final on a week day, though it wasn't the original intention. The occasion was on a week-end of confusion in mid-November 1890 when it was intended that two semi-finals and the finals would be staged on November 15 at Clontarf Park. Only one semi-final was played - Cork v Armagh - but the second game between Wexford and Galway fell through when the Connacht men failed to show.

It was after the Armagh-Cork game that the confusion arose as, with daylight fading, the members of the Central Council present fixed the final for the following day, Monday November 16th. But the fixture fell through when Wexford, who were expected, like Cork, to remain in Dublin overnight, departed on the evening train, most certainly with little intention of coming back the following day.

After another ad-hoc meeting of the Council, Cork were awarded the game on Monday afternoon, while Armagh, who apparently did stay in Dublin on Sunday night, claimed the runners-up medals. The matter didn't end there. Wexford protested that many of their players had to work on the Monday and just couldn't play, and were eventually granted a replay which didn't take place until June 1892.

That may have been the last occasion on which a major game was proposed for a weekday, but it was not the first; in fact, in the very first year of the championship (1887) the draws indicated that

Sundays were not an essential priority, as of the six first-round games listed, four were to be played on week days with only two arranged for Sunday.

The fixtures were:

*Wicklow v Clare at Athlone on Tuesday July 19th.
Louth v Waterford at Dublin on Thursday July 21st.
Cork v Kilkenny at Dungarvan on Sunday July 24th.
Galway v Wexford at Dublin on Sunday July 24th.
Meath v Limerick at Maryboro on Monday July 25th.
Dublin v Tipperary at Mountrath on Saturday July 30th.
In the event, only three of the games were played - Cork v Kilkenny, Meath v Limerick and Louth v Waterford with all the fixtures rearranged for Sunday July 24th with the Meath and Limerick game moving to Dublin.*

There were further attempts to stage week day games when, in the late 1890s, in an effort to expedite the Munster hurling championship, at least two games were listed - but neither took place, though not because of any objections to week-day activity.

The new century saw no non-Sunday games of any importance until 1913 when, strange to relate, two championship games - one in either code - were staged on Monday August 4th. However, they were staged in England where Louth took on London in what was effectively the Leinster semi-final at Kensal Rise, London, while at Liverpool Kilkenny opposed Lancashire in the All-Ireland hurling semi-final. And in 1917 at Croke Park on Wednesday August 15th, Wexford, the reigning All-Ireland champions, took on Westmeath in the provincial football semi-final.

But Sunday games remained the norm for the next 60 years with the exception of the Leinster championship game between Meath and Westmeath at Kells on Thursday June 21st, 1935 until a new era ushered in changes which now sees an All-Ireland final staged on a Saturday for the first time.

Foireann Bhráitheachais!

Níos ar tharla sé ncheana ach ag deireadh an chraobhchluiche, idir Ciarraí agus Gaillimh ar 24 Meán Fómhair 2000, bhí níos mó ná a leath d'fhoireann na Gaillimhe comhdhéanta de cheithre pheildhre deartháireacha.

Bhí Tomás (Uimhir 2) agus Deaglán (Uimhir 5) Ó Míocháin, as Cealtrach, ag imirt sna tacaigh ar an gclíathán deas. Bhí Gary Ó Fathaigh, an lántaca láir agus a dhearthair 'Richie' (a tháinig isteach mar ionadaí) ó Chill Aininn; d'imir 'Richie' taobh le Gary sa chúinne clé.

Bhí captaen na foirne Pádraig Seoighe (Uimhir 14) (lántosach) ag imirt os comhair a dhearthair Tomás (Uimhir 11); as Cillereirín, curadh-chlub na Gaillimhe 1999 iad.

Bhí Micheál Ó Domhnalláin (Uimhir 12) ar chlíathán clé na dtosaí agus cuireadh a dhearthair, Seán (Uimhir 22) isteach mar ionadaí ar na tosaí sa dara leath. Is bail den club iomráiteach Dunmore McHales iad. Is dócha gur ceart 'Sean Óg' a thabhairt air mar bhí a n-athair, Seán, ina chaptaen ar fhoireann 1964.

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Salthill, Galway Bay.

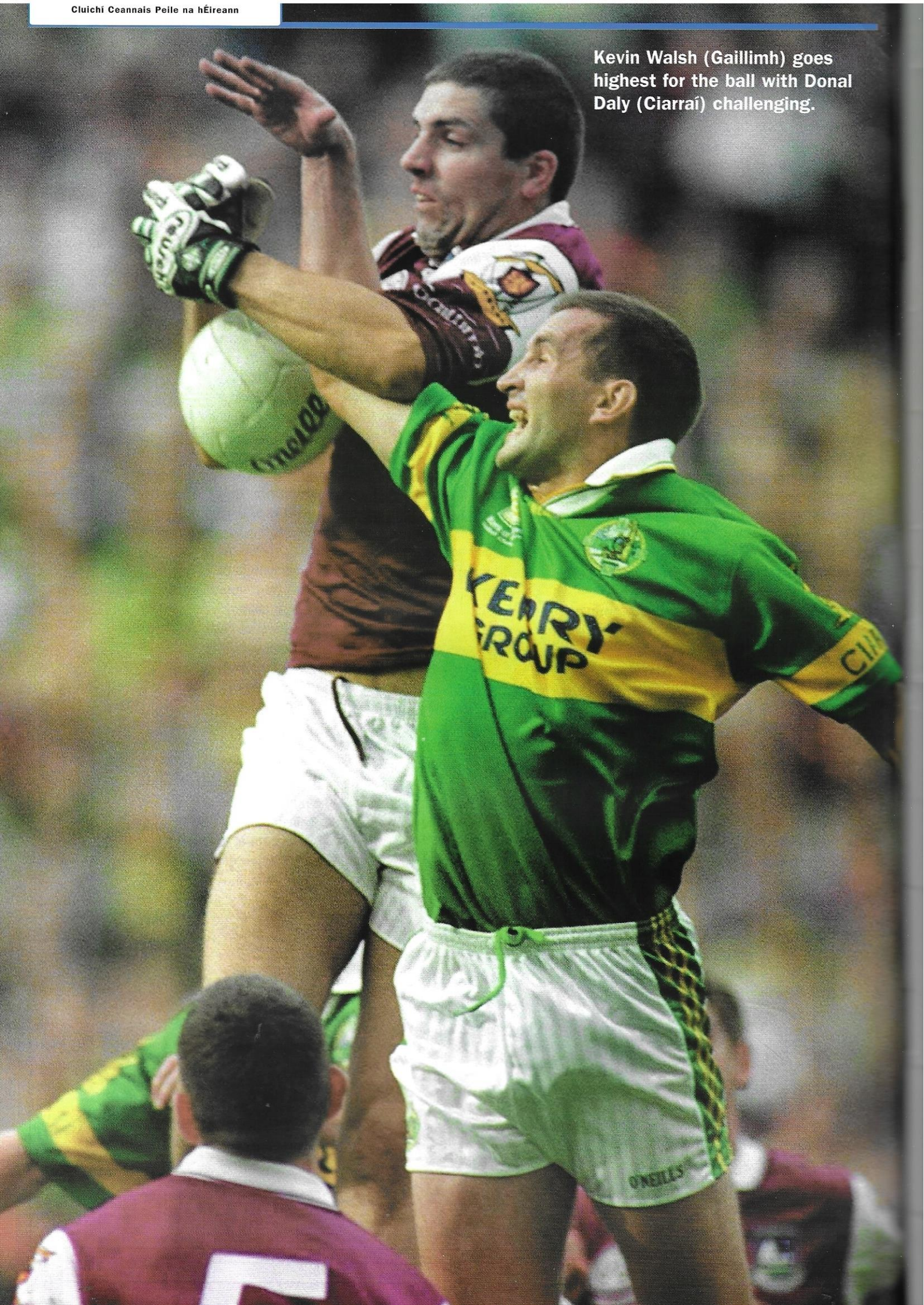
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Best Wishes to Galway



Kevin Walsh (Gaillimh) goes highest for the ball with Donal Daly (Ciarraí) challenging.



An toradh idir dhá cheann na meá inniu!



Bhí ard-chluiche againn idir Ciarraí, curaidh na Mumhan, agus Gaillimh curaidh Chonnachta sa chraobhchluiche cúpla seactain ó shin a chríochnaigh ar chomhscór. Is dócha go raibh furmhór mór den lucht leanta sásta go bhfeicfear arís iad inniu san athimirt.

Cé go raibh an imirt rí-speisiúil ba mhór an t-easnamh é nach raibh cúl (nó dhó) faighte ag ceachtar taobh! Fiú ní raibh an chuma air go mbeadh cúl faighte; is dócha go raibh clú chomh mór sin ar Mháirtín Mac Con Mara na Gaillimhe agus Déaglan Ó Caoimh, Ciarraí, mar scoth chúl báirí gur ghlac na tosaí na cúlíní nuair a bhí deis scórála ann.

De réir tuairiscí bhí an talamh bog tar éis oíche báistí agus dá thoradh go raibh traochadh ar na himreoirí roimh dheireadh an chluiche, rud ba léir nuair nach raibh aon scór faighte sa chúig nóiméad deireannacha. Bhí cúpla iarracht a chuaigh ar strae agus cúpla iarracht ag Gaillimh nach raibh faide go leor sna ciceanna chun dul thar an trasnán.

Is iontach an rud é gur tharla sé níos minicí leis an dá chontae seo ná aon dá chontae eile go raibh comhscóranna eatarthu ar thrí ocáid mhóra, i gcluiche leathcheannais amháin agus i ndá chraobhchluiche. I 1919, an dara uair ar casadh ar a chéile iad, d'imríodar an cluiche leathcheannais i bPáirc An Chrócaigh agus chríochnaigh an cluiche leis an scór Gaillimh 2-6 Ciarraí 3-3; sn athimirt i mí Mheán Fómhair na bliana sin bhain Gaillimh an bua leis an scór Gaillimh 4-2 Ciarraí 2-2. Bhuaill Cill Dara iad sa chraobhchluiche, áfach, coicíos ina dhiaidh sin.

I 1938, bliain chinníúnach inar osclaíodh Ardán Uí Chiosóig don chluiche ceannais, bhuaileadar in aghaidh a chéile arís agus bhí comhscór ann - ba churaigh Uile Éireann 1937 foireann Chiarraí. San athimirt bhí an lámh in uachtar ag Gaillimh arís leis an scór; Gaillimh 2-4 Ciarraí 0-7.

Anois i mbliana tá dúshlán ann don dá chontae, eadhon, an féidir le Gaillimh leanacht den nós lena mbuailtear Ciarraí in athimirt! Nó an dtig le Ciarraí an nós a bhriseadh agus "díoltas" a bhaint amach trí fir An Iarthair a chloí in athimirt.

Sa chraobhchluiche le déanaí bhí an lámh in uachtar ag Ciarraí i lár na páirce ar feadh fiche noiméad agus sa tréimhse sin fuair tosaí na Ríochta neart liathróidí chun ocht gcúilíní a scóráil. Nuair a tháinig Caoimhín Breathnach isteach i lár na páirce do Ghaillimh rinne sé difríocht mhór agus thiontaigh an imirt i dtreo chúil Chiarraí.

Is beag laige a bhí ar cheachtar foireann agus is dócha gurb é a tharla i gcásanna áirithe ná go raibh céile imeartha ag barr

maitheasa agus dá réir bhí duine nó beirt cloíte go ró-mhinic. Is ar an fáth sin gur tháinig "Richie" Ó Fathaigh, Caoimhín Breathnach agus Seán Ó Domhnalláin isteach mar ionadaithe ar fhoireann na Gaillimhe. An dála céanna le Ciarraí nuair a tháinig Muiris Mac Gearailt agus Donncha Ó Duibhir isteach cé go raibh amhras ar dhaoine nuair a tógadh Liam Ó hAisí agus Seán Ó Crualaoich den bpáirc. Beidh sé speisiúil inniu faoi éifeacht thosaí Chiarraí.

Cé nárbh é an craobhchluiche ab' feárr dá bhfachtas ariamh caithfear ard-mholadh a thabhairt don dá thaobh (ag áireamh an bhainistíocht) faoi a spórtúil is a ghlaire a bhí an imirt; ceart go leor thaispeáin an réiteoir cúpla carta buí ach ní i dtaobh aon imirt gharbh nó bhaolach a tharla sé sin. Nuair is léir go mbíonn an cluiche le feiceáil ar fud an domhain anois is breá an rud é go mbíonn cluiche teagmhála, mar an pheil ghaelach, imeartha gan mailís gan mioscais, rud a thugann íomhá maith don tír. Arís moltar gach duine.

Tá cúig cluiche curtha díobh ag Ciarraí go dtí seo ag áireamh ceann le breis ama agus ní bheadh ionadh ar dhuine dá mbéadh traochadh níos mó ar fhir na Ríochta ná mar atá ar fhoireann chontae na dTreibh a bhfuil ceithre cluiche imeartha acu agus gan aoin bhreis ama. Ar an ábhar sin amháin bheadh duine den tuairim go mbeidh na Gaillimhigh níos úire agus leis an leagan amach 'nua' ar an bhfoireann nach dtarlóidh tosach chomh tubaisteach dóibh arís inniu. Tá fainic amháin, áfach - ní chloítear An Ríocht go héasca ariamh; ach tá stair na hathimirtí i bhfábhar na nGaillimhigh.

Táthar ag súil le aimsir chineálta agus an pháirc a bheith tirim; is buntáiste é go bhfuil an cluiche á imirt roimh an cheann in aghaidh na hAstráile mar d'fhéadfadh an pháirc a bheith ina phuíteach, go háirithe dá mbeadh báisteach ann.

Guítear rath ar an dá fhoireann agus a lucht stiúrtha agus ag súil nach mbeidh aon ghortú ann. Má bhíonn an caighdeán chomh hard leis an chéad chluiche beifear sásta - agus, ar ndóigh, caithfidh toradh (seachas comhscór!) a bheith againn inniu.

(Nóta don staraí: Tar éis an bua éachtach ag Gaillimh i 1938 chuaigh siad ar aghaidh chun trí chraobhchluiche as a chéile a chailliúint - 1940 agus 1941 versus Ciarraí agus 1942 versus Áth Cliath. Rinne siad cúiteamh air sin nuair a bhain siad trí chraobh as a chéile 1964, 1965 agus 1966 agus bhí athair agus uncail na nDomhnallánaigh, Seán agus Pádraig, ar na foirne sin - agus mar dhíoltas ar '40/'41 thug siad bata is bóthar do Chiarraí i 1964 agus 1965).

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Galway's last replay



The Corribiders last experience of replay action is not as recent as their opponents but it is just 15 months since their last second encounter.

Galway 1-17 Sligo 0-7

A week after stuttering to a draw at Markievicz Park, Galway made no mistake in the second meeting at Tuam which attracted a large crowd of 28,000. However, although the final victory margin was a more than healthy 13 points, Sligo made the early running and with Eamonn O'Hara giving them a midfield pull, the visitors led by 0-5 to 0-2 after 20 minutes. Galway finally started to gel and points by John Donnellan and Seán de Paor soon had Sligo on the retreat before the former found the target again just before the break to leave it 0-5 apiece at the interval.

It seemed that the large crowd were in for an exciting second half but within a minute of the resumption John Donnellan put Galway in front and they never looked back. It was all one-way traffic and it took a great save from Peter Walsh to deny de Paor a goal but seven minutes from time the wing back did beat Walsh for the game's only goal. However, the game as a contest was over a good ten minutes before that as Gary Fahy, dePaor and John Donnellan gave five-star performances in a superb second-half display by the reigning All-Ireland champions.

Galway scorers: J.Donnellan 0-7, S. de Paor 1-2, J.Fallon 0-3, D.Savage 0-3, P.Joyce 0-1, N.Finnegan 0-1.

Galway: Martin McNamara, Tomás Meehan, Gary Fahy, Tomás Mannion, Ray Silke, John Divilly, Seán de Paor, Kevin Walsh, Seán Ó Dómhnaill, Paul Clancy, Jarlath Fallon, Michael Donnellan, Derek Savage, Padraig Joyce, John Donnellan.

Subs: Niall Finnegan for Clancy, Tommy Joyce for Michael Donnellan, Damien Mitchell for Fahy.

Background to the Final Replay

THE WEST'S TWENTY FOUR

Galway called on 24 players during the senior football championship campaign so far.

Jarlath Fallon played in just one game, the opening tie against New York, and scored one of his team's two goals of the entire series so far.

He finished top scorer for Galway that day with 1-2 and missed the remaining games because of injury.

Galway's last goal was scored from a penalty kick by Derek Savage in the Connacht final against Leitrim at Roscommon.

TWENTY NOT OUT FOR KERRY Kerry fielded twenty players over their run to the All-Ireland senior final replay.

Maurice Fitzgerald made an appearance in each game as a substitute.

The drawn final was the first game in which the Kingdom failed to score a goal.

BUMPER ATTENDANCES

The replay will bring the attendance figures for the entire Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football championship this year to over 953,000.

So far 890,048 followers passed through the turnstiles during the race for the Sam Maguire Cup.

The attendance at the drawn Galway-Kerry game was 63,349.



Padraig Joyce, the Galway captain, is flanked here by Eamonn Casey and Tomás Connolly, Imperial Hotel, Tuam, who are major backers of Galway in today's Final replay.

HIGHEST SCORES

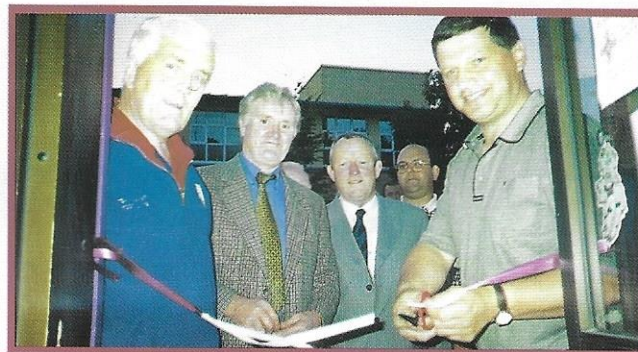
Dara Ó Cinnéide recorded the highest individual score of any of the Kerry and Galway forwards in the campaign so far. He achieved that distinction in the Kingdom's first engagement against Cork at Killarney, where he converted two penalty kicks and finished with 2-5.

Padraig Joyce sets the standard for Galway with 0-7 in the All-Ireland semi-final win over Kildare.

SENIOR-JUNIOR DOUBLE

A Galway win would complete an All-Ireland senior and junior football championship double for Connacht this year.—and at the expense of Kerry!

Roscommon beat the Kingdom in the All-Ireland junior final by 0-14 to 0-11 at Nenagh in August.



The Galway GAA Shop in Bridge Street, Galway was officially opened by Galway team manager John O'Mahony recently. Pictured from (l-r) are: John Power, Secretary; Pat Egan, Chairman; Jack Mahon, (P.R.O.) of Galway Football Board and Proinsias Kitt of Galway Football Supporters Club.

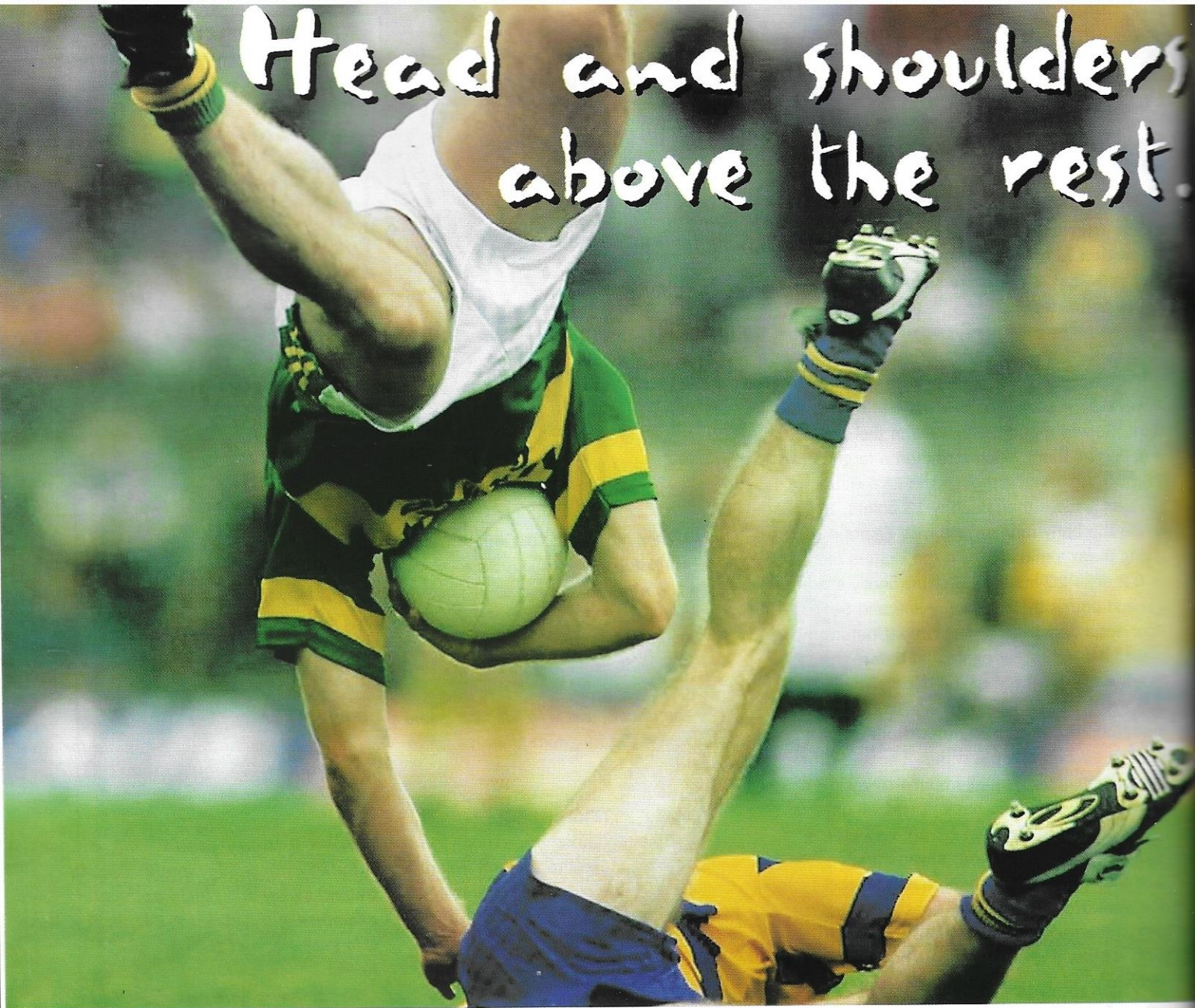
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Kerry's last replay

It is just over a month since Kerry were last involved in a championship replay and as indicated by their presence here today, it was a successful outing.

Kerry 2-15 Armagh 1-15

On a beautiful Saturday afternoon a crowd in excess of 50,000 made their way to Croke Park for the second instalment of Kerry and Armagh and they were rewarded with 100 minutes of exciting action. In the first period there was little to separate the sides but Oisín McConville's brilliant goal just a minute prior to the break gave Armagh a four-point cushion at the whistle - 1-7 to 0-6. Armagh adopted a somewhat defensive posture after the restart and in the end that was to prove their undoing. They failed to score between the 40th and 60th minutes and during that period Kerry scored four points to narrow their arrears before taking the lead in the 67th minute when Maurice Fitzgerald placed Michael Francis Russell for a goal. A free from McConville brought parity before Dara Ó Cinnéide edged Kerry ahead only for

McConville to convert another free in the last minute and send the game into extra time.

The match was won in the opening five minutes of extra time when, following points by John Crowley and Donal Daly, Russell struck for Kerry's second goal. Armagh did reduce their arrears to two points by the end of the first half of extra time but just three points were recorded in the second period of added time and two of those fell to Kerry who were worthy winners by three points.

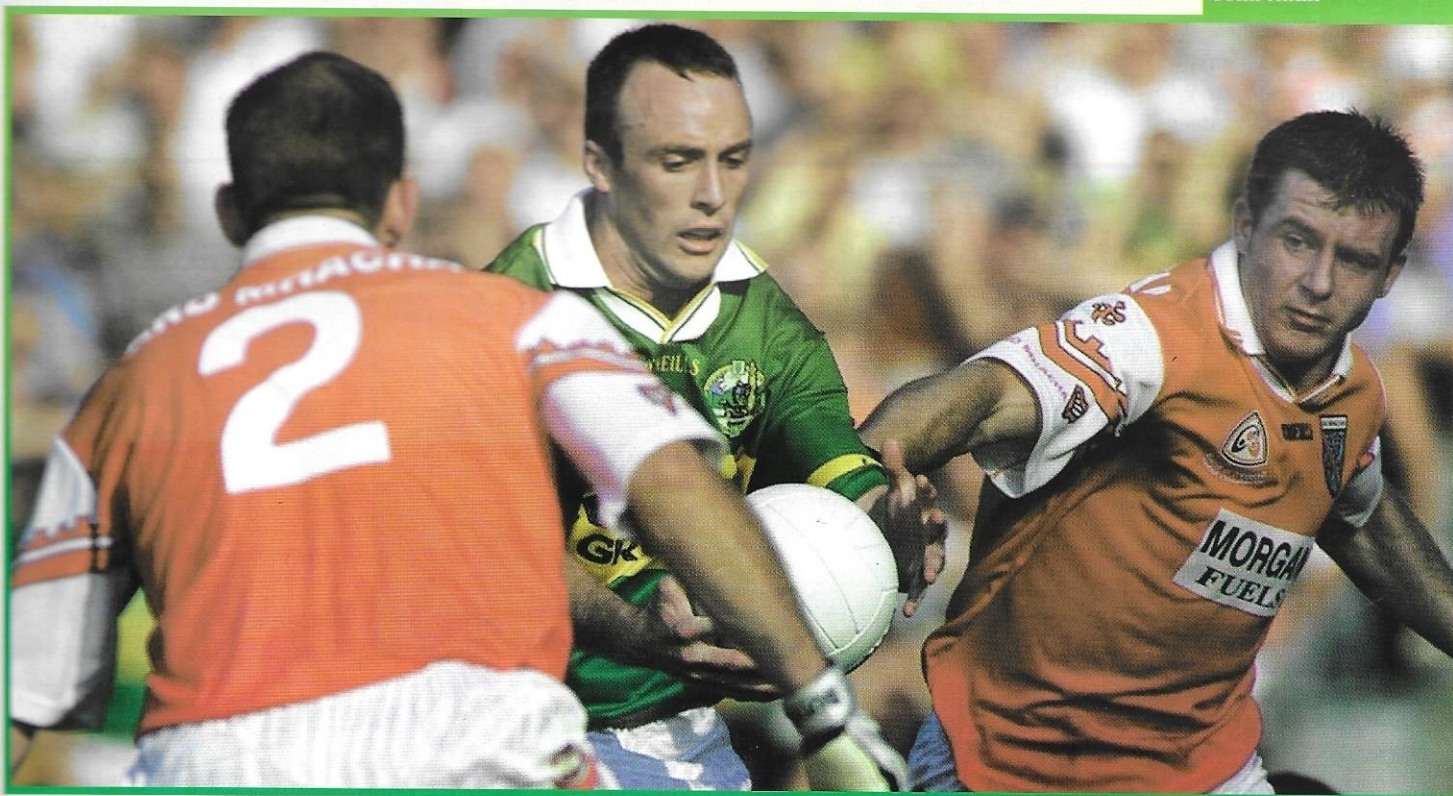
Kerry scorers: M.F.Russell 2-3, D.Ó Cinnéide 0-3, M.Fitzgerald 0-2, E.Fitzmaurice 0-1, D.Ó Sé 0-1, D.Daly 0-1, A.MacGearailt 0-1, J.Crowley 0-1, L.Hassett 0-1, N.Kennelly 0-1.

Kerry: Declan O'Keefe, Mike Hassett, Seamus Moynihan, Michael McCarthy, Tomás Ó Sé, Eamon Fitzmaurice, Tom O'Sullivan, Darragh Ó Sé, Donal Daly, Denis O'Dwyer, Dara Ó Cinnéide, Noel Kennelly, Michael Francis Russell, Aodhán MacGearailt, John Crowley.

Subs: Liam Hassett for MacGearailt, Maurice Fitzgerald for O'Dwyer, Tommy Griffin for O'Sullivan, Enda Galvin for Crowley.



John Crowley (Ciarrai) attempts to break through the Armagh defence in the semi-final.



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 1892 - John Kennedy (Dublin)
 1893 - Thomas Hayes (Wexford)
 1894 - John Kennedy (Dublin)
 1895 - Paddy Finn (Tipperary)
 1896 - Con Fitzgerald (Limerick)
 1897 - P.J.Walsh (Dublin)
 1898 - Matt Rea (Dublin)
 1899 - Matt Rea (Dublin)
 1900 - Jack Tobin (Tipperary)
 1901 - John Darcy (Dublin)
 1902 - Jack Dempsey (Dublin)
 1903 - Tadhg O'Gorman (Kerry)
 1904 - Austin Stack (Kerry)
 1905 - Jack Murray (Kildare)
 1906 - Jack Grace (Dublin)
 1907 - Jack Grace (Dublin)
 1908 - Denis Kelleher (Dublin)
 1909 - Tom Costello (Kerry)
 1910 - No Final
 1911 - Mick Mehigan (Cork)
 1912 - Jim Smith (Louth)
 1913 - Dick Fitzgerald (Kerry)
 1914 - Dick Fitzgerald (Kerry)
 1915 - Sean Kennedy (Wexford)

1916 - Sean Kennedy (Wexford)
 1917 - Sean Kennedy (Wexford)
 1918 - Tom McGrath (Wexford)
 1919 - Larry Stanley (Kildare)
 1920 - Jerry Shelly (Tipperary)
 1921 - Eamon Carroll (Dublin)
 1922 - Paddy Carey (Dublin)
 1923 - Paddy McDonnell (Dublin)
 1924 - Phil Sullivan (Kerry)
 1925 - No Final
 1926 - John Joe Sheehy (Kerry)
 1927 - Mick Buckley (Kildare)
 1928 - Bill "Squires" Gannon (Kildare)
 1929 - Joe Barrett (Kerry)
 1930 - John Joe Sheehy (Kerry)
 1931 - Con Brosnan (Kerry)
 1932 - Joe Barrett (Kerry)
 1933 - Jim Smith (Cavan)
 1934 - Mick Higgins (Galway)
 1935 - Hugh O'Reilly (Cavan)
 1936 - Sheamus O'Malley (Mayo)
 1937 - Miko Doyle (Kerry)
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 1939 - Tom O'Connor (Kerry)
 1940 - Dan Spring (Kerry)
 1941 - Bill Dillon (Kerry)
 1942 - Joe Fitzgerald (Dublin)
 1943 - Jimmy Murray (Roscommon)
 1944 - Jimmy Murray (Roscommon)

1945 - Tadhg Crowley (Cork)
 1946 - Paddy Kennedy (Kerry)
 1947 - John Joe O'Reilly (Cavan)
 1948 - John Joe O'Reilly (Cavan)
 1949 - Brian Smyth (Meath)
 1950 - Sean Flanagan (Mayo)
 1951 - Sean Flanagan (Mayo)
 1952 - Mick Higgins (Cavan)
 1953 - James Murphy (Kerry)
 1954 - Peter McDermott (Meath)
 1955 - John Dowling (Kerry)
 1956 - Jack Mangan (Galway)
 1957 - Dermot O'Brien (Louth)
 1958 - Kevin Heffernan (Dublin)
 1959 - Mick O'Connell (Kerry)
 1960 - Kevin Mussen (Down)
 1961 - Paddy Doherty (Down)
 1962 - Sean Og Sheehy (Kerry)
 1963 - Des Foley (Dublin)
 1964 - John Donnellan (Galway)
 1965 - Enda Colleran (Galway)
 1966 - Enda Colleran (Galway)
 1967 - Peter Darby (Meath)
 1968 - Joe Lennon (Meath)
 1969 - Johnny Culloty (Kerry)
 1970 - Donie O'Sullivan (Kerry)
 1971 - Willie Bryan (Offaly)
 1972 - Tony McTeague (Offaly)
 1973 - Billie Morgan (Cork)

1974 - Sean Doherty (Dublin)
 1975 - Mickey O'Sullivan (Kerry)
 1976 - Tony Hanahoe (Dublin)
 1977 - Tony Hanahoe (Dublin)
 1978 - Denis "Ogie" Moran (Kerry)
 1979 - Tim Kennelly (Kerry)
 1980 - Ger Power (Kerry)
 1981 - Jimmy Deenihan (Kerry)
 1982 - Richie Connor (Offaly)
 1983 - Tommy Drumm (Dublin)
 1984 - Ambrose O'Donovan (Kerry)
 1985 - Paudie O'Shea (Kerry)
 1986 - Tommy Doyle (Kerry)
 1987 - Mick Lyons (Meath)
 1988 - Joe Cassells (Meath)
 1989 - Denis Allen (Cork)
 1990 - Larry Tompkins (Cork)
 1991 - Paddy O'Rourke (Down)
 1992 - Anthony Molloy (Donegal)
 1993 - Henry Downey (Derry)
 1994 - D.J.Kane (Down)
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The West's Awake

When all beside a vigil keep, the West's asleep,
the West's asleep,
Alas and well may Erin weep when Connacht lies in
slumber deep,
There lake and plain smile fair and free mid rocks
their guardian chivalry,
Sing, Oh! let man learn liberty from crashing winds
and lashing sea.

That chainless wave and lovely land;
Freedom and Nationhood demand
Be sure the great God never planned;
From slumb'ring slaves a home so grand
And long a brave and haughty race;
Honoured and sentinelled the place
Sing, Oh! not even their sons' disgrace;
Can quite destroy their glory's trace.

For often in O'Connor's van;
To triumph dashed each Connacht clan
And fleet as dear the Normans ran;
Thro' Curliou's Pass and Ardahan
And later times saw deeds as brave;
And glory guards Clanricarde's grave
Sing, Oh! they died their land to save;
At Aughrim's slopes and Shannon's wave.

Óró 'sé do bheatha 'bhaile

'Sé do bheatha bhean ba léanmhar ba é ár
gcreach tú bheith i ngél-bheann
Do dhúiche bhreá i seilibh méirleach 'stú díolta leis
na Galla!

Curfá

Óró sé do bheatha 'bhaile Óró sé do bheatha
'bhaile
Óró 'sé do bheatha 'bhaile, 'nois ar theacht an
tsamhraidh.

Tá Gráinne Mhaol ag teacht thar sáile; Óglaigh
armtha léi mar gharda
Gaeil iad féin is ní Gaill ná Spáinnigh; Is cuirfidh
siad ruaig ar Ghallaibh

Curfá

A bhuí le Rí na bhfeart go bhfeiceann; Muna
mbíonn beo ina dheoidh ach seachtain
Gráinne Mhaol is míle gaiscíoch; Ag fógairt fáin ar
Ghallaibh.

Curfá

An Poc ar Buile

Ar mo dhul dom siar chun Droichead Uí Mhórdha,
píce im' dhóid is mé ag dul i meitheal,
cé chasfaí orm i gcumar ceoidh
ach pocán crón is é ar buile.

Curfá:

Ailillú, puilliliú, ailillú, tá an poc ar buile,
ailillú, puilliliú, ailillú, tá an poc ar buile.

Do ritheamar trasna trí ruilleogach
is do ghluais an comhrac ar fud na muinge,
is treascairt dá bhfuair sé sna turtóga,
chuas ina ainneoin ar a dhroim le fuinneamh.

Curfá

Níor fhág sé carraig go raibh scót ann
ná gur rith le fórsa chun mé a mhilleadh,
is ea ansan do chaith sé an léim ba mhó
le fána mór na Faille Brice.

Curfá

Bhí garda mór i mBaile an Róistigh
is bhailigh fórsaí chun sinn a chlipeadh,
do bhuail sé rop dá adhairc sa tóin air
is dá bhrístí nua do dhein sé giobail.

Curfá

I nDaingean Uí Chúis le haghaidh an tráthnóna,
bhí an sagart paróiste amach inár gcoinnibh,
Is é dúirt gurbh é an diabhal ba dhóigh leis
a ghaibh an treo ar phocán buile.

Curfá

The Isle of Innisfree

I've met some folks who say that I'm a dreamer,
And I've no doubt there's truth in what they say.
And sure a body's bound to be a dreamer
When all the things he loves are far away.
And precious dreams are dreams unto an exile
They take you o'er the land across the sea,
Especially when it happens you're an exile,
From that dear lovely Isle of Innisfree.

Curfá

But dreams don't last and dreams are not forgotten,
And soon I'm back to stern reality,
Although they paved the footpaths here with gold dust,
I still would choose the Isle of Innisfree.

I wander over greenhills and dreamy valleys,
And find a peace no other land could know,
I hear the birds make music fit for angels,
And watch the rivers laughing as they flow.

Curfá

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Ciarraí



Back row (l-r) Darragh Ó Sé, Noel Kennelly, Tom O'Sullivan, Mike Hassett, Liam Hassett, Donal Daly, John Crowley, Aodhán Mac Gearailt.

Front row (l-r): Eamon Fitzmaurice, Dara Ó Cinnéide, Michael F. Russell, Séamus Moynihan, Declan O'Keefe, Tomás Ó Sé, Michael McCarthy.

The Replay Route — Ciarraí

Kerry regained the Munster senior football title in July after a two year interval. They are provincial champions for the 67th time since 1892.

Then came the two games with Armagh that cleared the way for a first final outing in three years.

Next time out they were involved in an All-Ireland senior final replay for the first time since 1972 when they finished all square against then defending champions Offaly.

The Faithful County won the replay.

15th June, Killarney:

Kerry 2-15; Cork 1-13

18th July, the Gaelic Grounds:

Kerry 3-15; Clare 0-8

17th August, Croke Park:

Kerry 2-11; Armagh 2-11

2nd September, Croke Park (aet):

Kerry 2-15; Armagh 1-15

14th September, Croke Park:

Kerry 0-14; Galway 0-14

Points Scored: 9-70 (97 points)

Points Conceded: 4-61 (73)

Average: 1.33

	1	2	3	4	5	Score	Total
Dara Ó Cinnéide	2-5	0-4	1-2	0-3	0-4	3-18	27
Michael F. Russell	0-3	0-2	0-3	2-3	0-3	2-14	20
John Crowley	0-1	1-3	0-1	0-1	0-2	1-8	11
Aodhán MacGearailt	0-1	1-3	0-1	0-1	—	1-6	9
Liam Hassett	0-2	1-1	—	0-1	0-2	1-6	9
Noel Kennelly	0-2	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-2	0-8	8
Maurice Fitzgerald	—	—	1-1	0-2	—	1-3	6
Darragh Ó Sé	0-1	—	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-4	4
Donal Daly	—	—	0-1	0-1	—	0-2	2
Eamon Fitzmaurice	—	—	—	0-1	—	0-1	1

Ó CINNÉIDE STILL IN FRONT

Dara Ó Cinnéide marginally outscored his teammates with 0-4 in the drawn game to extend his lead to seven points over his nearest challenger Michael Frank Russell.

Gaillimh



Back row (l-r): Ray Silke, Seán Ó Dómhnaill, Joe Bergin, Gary Fahy, Michael Donnellan, Tomás Meehan, John Divilly.

Front row (l-r): Seán Óg de Paor, Paul Clancy, Derek Savage, Padraic Joyce, Martin McNamara, Tommy Joyce, Niall Finnegan, Declan Meehan.

The Replay Route — Gaillimh

Galway regained the Connacht senior title after two years to win their 40th title since 1900.

They made a winning return to Croke Park at the expense of Kildare.

Then came that drawn clash with Kerry.

10th June, Tuam:

Galway 1-15; New York 1-5

9th July, Markievicz Park:

Galway 0-22; Sligo 0-4

30th July, Hyde Park:

Galway 1-13; Leitrim 0-8

27th August, Croke Park:

Galway 0-15; Kildare 2-6

24th September, Croke Park:

Galway 0-14; Kerry 0-14

Total Scored: 2-79 (85 points)

Total Conceded: 3-37 (46)

Average: 1.85

	1	2	3	4	5	Score	Total
Padraig Joyce	0-2	0-5	0-2	0-7	0-6	0-22	22
Niall Finnegan	0-3	0-4	0-3	0-3	0-3	0-16	16
Derek Savage	0-2	0-3	1-1	0-2	0-2	1-9	12
Paul Clancy	0-4	0-2	0-3	0-1	—	0-10	10
Michael Donnellan	—	0-3	0-1	0-2	—	0-6	6
Joe Bergin	0-1	0-3	0-1	—	—	0-5	5
Jarlath Fallon	1-2	—	—	—	—	1-2	5
Tommy Joyce	—	0-1	—	0-1	0-1	0-3	3
Seán de Paor	0-1	—	—	—	—	0-1	1
Jason Killeen	—	0-1	—	—	—	0-1	1
Declan Meehan	—	—	0-1	—	—	0-1	1
Shay Walsh	—	—	0-1	—	—	0-1	1
Kevin Walsh	—	—	—	—	0-1	0-1	1
John Donnellan	—	—	—	—	0-1	0-1	1

JOYCE AGAIN

Padraig Joyce was again Galway's leading scorer in the drawn game with six points, increasing his overall lead at the top of the Westerners scoring chart to a six-point margin over Niall Finnegan.

What The Papers Said . . .

The following are extracts from some of the reports in a number of newspapers following the drawn Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football championship final.

"The argument can easily be made that Galway were fortunate to escape with a draw because of substitute Denis O'Dwyer's injury time miss and that Kerry might not have survived but for the Westerners' critical wastage of possession near the end - when the ball was kicked into goalkeeper Declan O'Keeffe's hands three times.

"Ultimately, however, both sides were lucky in yesterday's Bank of Ireland football championship final in Croke Park because the referee added on a mere 39 seconds at the end of normal time.

"The final whistle climaxed a game that was remarkable for the disparity in standards over the opening twenty minutes when Kerry virtually monopolised the play and for an admirable Galway recovery, which, with greater consistency, would have yielded them the first title of the new millennium."

Jim O' Sullivan - Irish Examiner.

"Kerry will reflect ruefully on how they allowed Galway to course them up the mountain when it looked after 25 minutes as if they were ready to place the green and gold flag on the summit while their edgy opponents were still map-reading in the foothills. It was science as its sweetest for Kerry in that gloriously inventive opening period as the points flowed from all angles and distances.

"While Kerry will regret their failure to safeguard their

initial investment, Galway will feel that, having constructed a brilliant come-back, they should have pressed on and won the game in the closing quarter.

"They had their chances too but were let down by their finishing, while some poor decision-making in good attacking positions will also be brought to their attention by manager John O'Mahony over the coming days."

Martin Breheny - Irish Independent.

"Never before has a team so comprehensively outplayed in a major final eventually finished feeling disappointed at not having won.

"But that surreal situation was the back drop to one of the most dramatic ever final quarters.

"Trailing by 0-8 to 0-1 after 25 minutes, it was as if Galway had been assassinated in their sleep.

"Kerry were marching forward at will and two weeks after one of the most one-

sided hurling finals in history, it looked like we were on course for the footballing equivalent.

"But out of nothing Galway got the show back on the road.

"After a number of intelligent switches they were 0-10 to 0-7 behind at the break and moved within a point of flagging Kerry side with 20 minutes to go.

"At that point a sensational Galway come-back looked a certainty, but in the last quarter they did everything but

convert their dominance into scores.

"In the 67th minute Galway captain Pdraig Joyce kicked a free to level and in the dying minutes Seán Óg de Paor, Michael Donnellan and Derek Savage went close to scoring.

"Half a minute into injury time the ball fell to Kerry sub Denis O'Dwyer, who swung a shot goalwards, but it trailed away to the left of the Hill 16 goal and wide."

Cian Murphy - THE STAR.

"Around the middle of the field, Kerry were utterly dominant. Not only did Darragh Ó Sé and Donal Daly outjump their markers time after time, but a succession of Kerry men hoovered up any loose balls. The supply route into Russell was quick and lethal, with his original marker, Ray Silke, eventually switching corners with Tomás Meehan. Kerry were so scintillating that we wondered could there be any way back for Galway.

"And, of course, there was a way back. That man mountain from Killanin, Kevin Walsh, was thrown into the fray in place of Joe Bergin to immediate good effect, and Pdraig Joyce was released from Seamus Moynihan's chains and dispatched to centre half forward in a dramatic reshuffle in the Galway attack. Everything changed and, by the break, Kerry's lead had been reduced from a mind-numbing seven points down to just three. 0-10 to 0-7. The game was on.

"Was this a route towards respectability or something more for Galway? Kerry's immediate response after the break suggested that they had weathered the storm as, firstly, Ó Cinneide and then Darragh Ó Sé kicked the first two points of the half. Back five points ahead, we waited and waited for Kerry to strut their stuff. Instead, Galway rolled up their sleeves even further and slowly but surely chiselled away at the difference."

Philip Reid - THE IRISH TIMES



player profile

Declan Meehan (Gaillimh)

When Declan Meehan lined out last Sunday week in the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland final he fulfilled a promise he made to himself two years ago.

It was in September of 1998 while Galway was in the midst of an almighty celebration of their All-Ireland success that Meehan vowed he would be in the starting line-up alongside his brother Tomás the next time Galway got to a final. Although a squad member then he felt he needed to play in the final to fully appreciate it.

And when his chance of a regular place at wing back came his way at the start of this year he took full advantage. Despite his lack of height, he has taken on some of the biggest wing forwards in the modern game and proved that he is a footballer of exceptional ability.

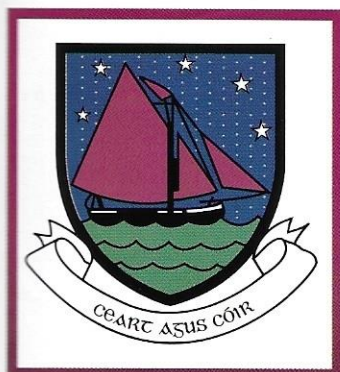
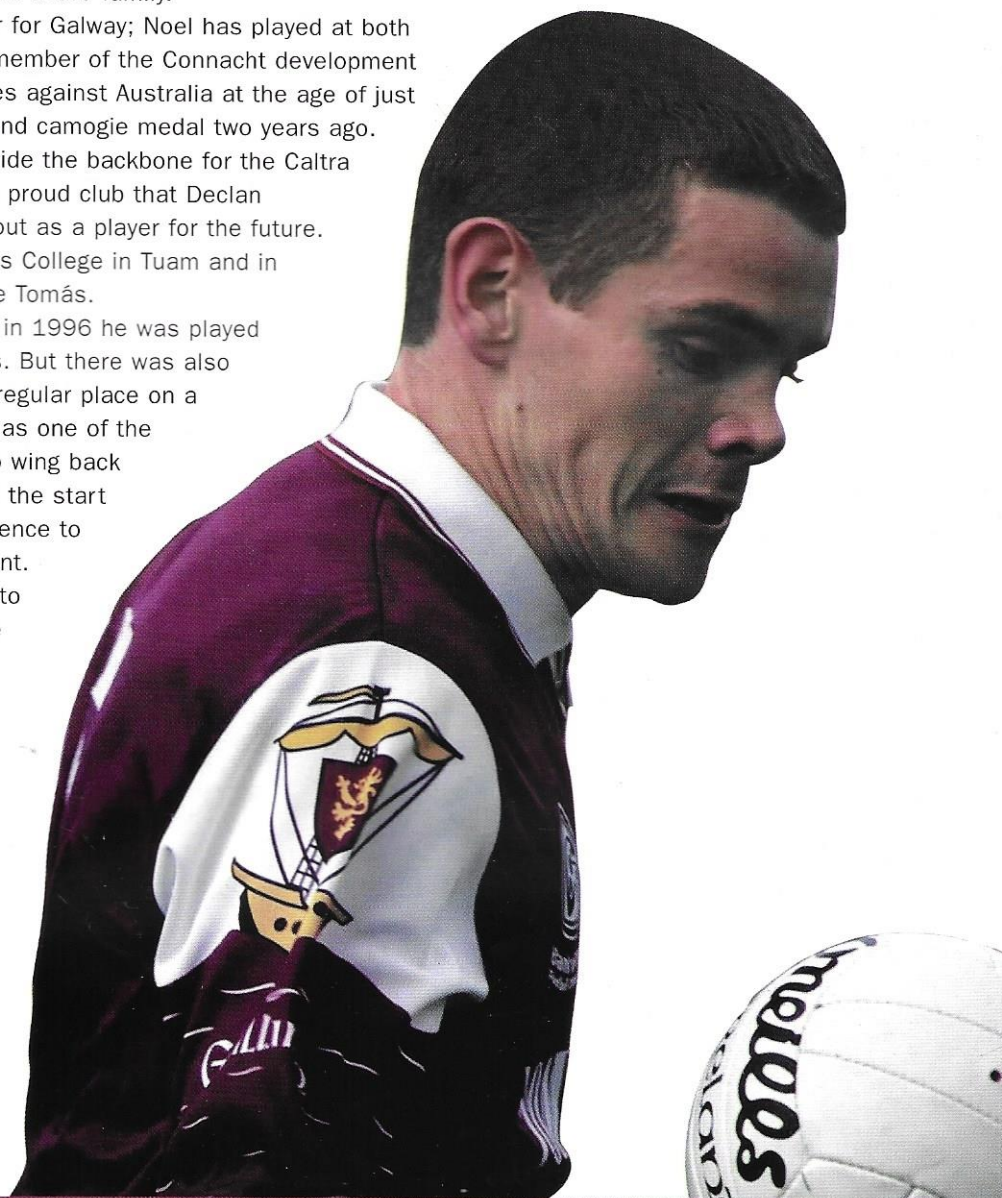
Football is in the Meehan genes, as an examination of the family's involvement clearly reveals. Their father Tommy was a member of the Galway minor team that won the All-Ireland title in 1960 and he passed on his love for the game to his entire family.

Seamus and Brendan played minor for Galway; Noel has played at both minor and under-21 level; Michael is a member of the Connacht development squad for the International Rules series against Australia at the age of just 15, while sister Mairead won an All-Ireland camogie medal two years ago.

Not surprisingly, the Meehans provide the backbone for the Caltra club. It was in that small, rural and very proud club that Declan developed the skills which marked him out as a player for the future. The development continued in St Jarlaths College in Tuam and in 1994 he was a Galway minor, alongside Tomás.

On his graduation to senior status in 1996 he was played as a forward and enjoyed some success. But there was also frustration as he could not command a regular place on a forward line that would become famous as one of the best in recent history. The move back to wing back that was instituted by John O'Mahony at the start of this season would make all the difference to the career of the 24 year old Civil Servant.

Now that he has kept his promise to himself that he would play in a final, the elder Meehan (by just a year) wants to ensure that the family home has two extra All-Ireland medals to care for by this evening.



“... proved that he is a footballer of exceptional ability...”

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LAST REPLAY GOAL

Tommy Dowd scored the last goal in an All-Ireland senior football championship final replay.

After 57 minutes of the second meeting of Meath and Mayo in 1996, the Royal County trailed by 1-8 to 1-10.

Then in the 60th minute a quickly taken free by Graham Geraghty put Dowd in possession and the Meath captain sent the ball to the net for a decisive score.

Meath won by 2-9 to 1-11.

REPLAY PENALTY

The 1996 replay produced a goal from a penalty by Trevor Giles, who will captain Ireland in the Coca-Cola International Rules Test series against Australia over the next two Sundays.

The game was 35 minutes old when Giles coolly found the net from the spot to leave the score: Meath 1-2; Mayo 1-5.

LENGTHY WAIT

Will the latest replay produce a speedier opening score than in the 1996 game? The opening score in that game did not come until the eleventh minute when James Horan pointed for Mayo from play.

JOYCE ON HIS OWN

Galway have scored just a single goal in their four appearances at Croke Park since a 1998 semi-final win over Derry.

Padraig Joyce collected that score in the All-Ireland final of 1998 against Kildare. He found his way through to the net four minutes into the second half to give Galway a 1-6 to 1-5 lead.

In six senior championship games at Croke Park since 1997 Kerry have scored six goals. However, they did not score a goal against Mayo in their last All-Ireland final win three years ago.

FIRST ON A SATURDAY

This is the first Sam Maguire Cup tie to be played on a Saturday. However, Kerry have, of course, already played on a Saturday at Croke Park. That was their All-Ireland semi-final replay against Armagh early last month.

GALWAY WIN REPLAY

The Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football championship replay is the first featuring Galway and Kerry since 1938.

Goals by Ralph Griffin and John Dunne did much to set Galway on the way to history as their 2-4 to 0-7 win before an attendance of 47,581 earned them ranking as the first county to beat the Kingdom in a replay for the Sam Maguire Cup.

That was Kerry's second successive All-Ireland senior football final replay. The previous year they drew with Cavan (2-5 to the Northerners 1-8) and won the replay by 4-4 to 1-7.

REPLAY ATTENDANCE

The last all-Ireland senior football final replay in 1996 attracted an attendance of 65,802. That was just slightly down on the attendance at the drawn encounter-65,898.

Both games were refereed by Pat McEnaney (Monaghan).

HISTORIC REPLAY

The All-Ireland senior football final replay between Meath and Cork in 1988 earned a special niche in the annals of the game.

The Royal County won by 0-13 to 0-12 and Joe Cassells was the first man presented with the new Sam Maguire Cup. The trophy was presented by then President of the G.A.A., John Dowling (Offaly).

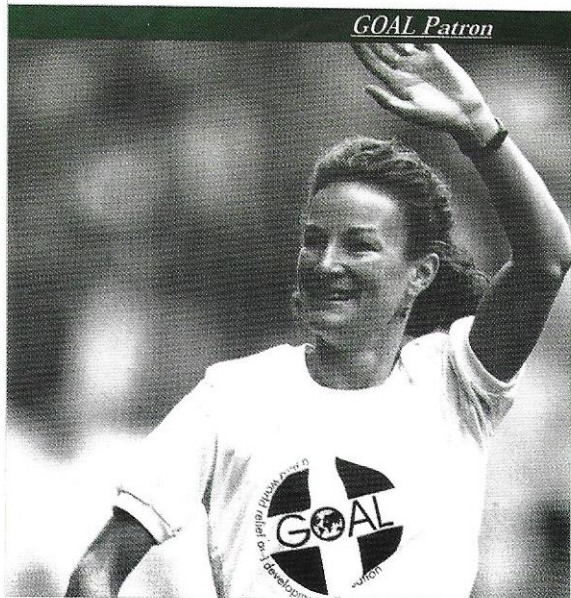
There was a Kerry connection with that game as the referee was Tommy Sugrue.

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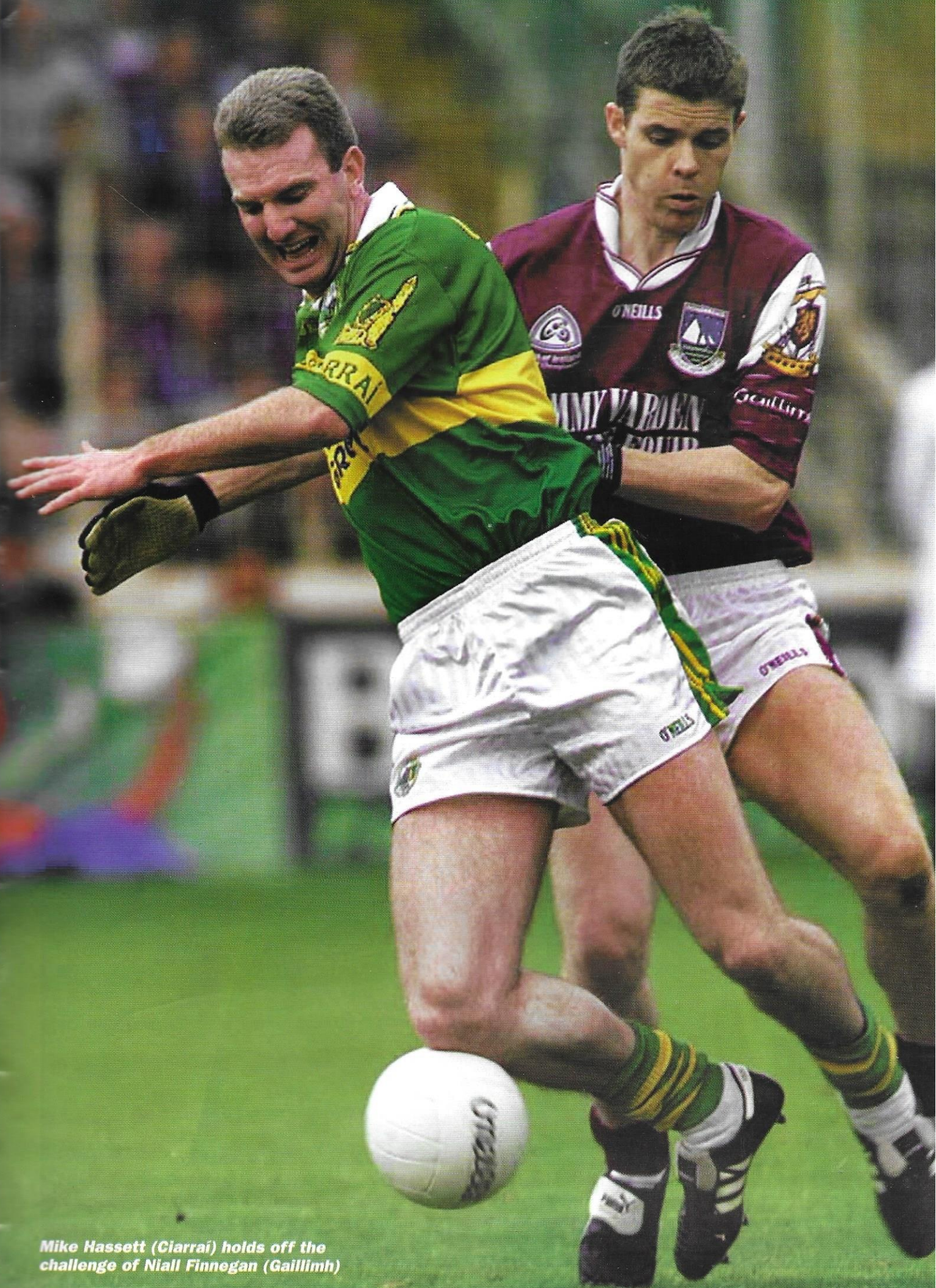
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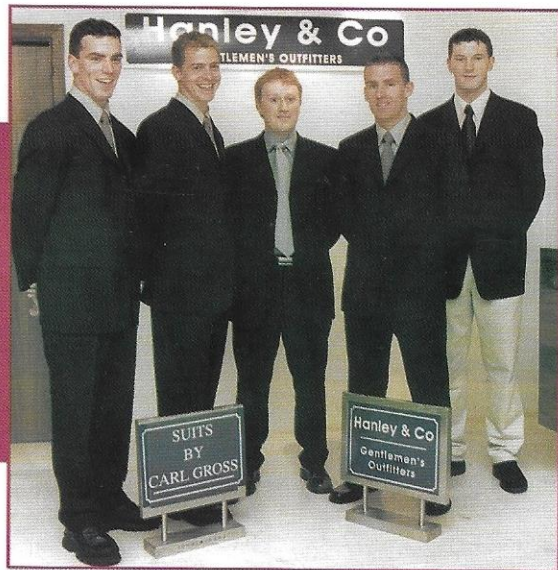


Mike Hassett (Clarraí) holds off the challenge of Niall Finnegan (Gaillimh)

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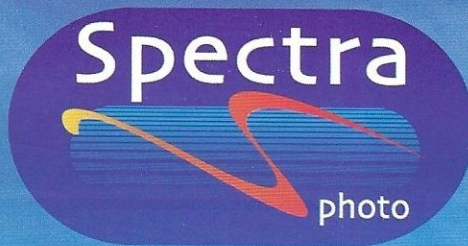
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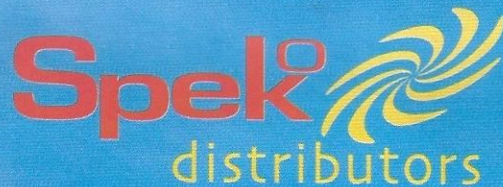


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Stalemate and Decisions ... Galway and Kerry

In terms of draws and replays Kerry had a few false starts before they were finally involved in a bone-fide stalemate. For example, in 1890 Kerry took on Cork in the Munster final at Markets Field and after 58 minutes neither side had registered a score and although a draw looked likely, a burst ball (there was no replacement available) forced the game's abandonment so a second meeting was required. The Leesiders won the "replay" and four years later Kerry were again forced into a second meeting - this time by way of objection. Tipperary, beaten in the first round by 0-4 to 0-2 objected to Kerry's win and although a replay was ordered, the original winners refused to participate and conceded a walk-over. And it wasn't a case of "third time lucky" either as in 1901 Kerry trailed Cork by five points when the referee became ill and the game was abandoned but it only postponed defeat as Cork won the replay by 0-8 to 0-6.

The Kingdom's first actual draw on the field of play came in the 1902 championship when at Turner's Cross they were held by Tipperary to a 1-4 all draw before losing the replay by the minimum margin at the same venue a month later. In the following year's "Home" final Kerry beat Kildare, but the Lily Whites objected and were granted a replay which actually finished level (0-7 to 1-4) before Kerry advanced in the third meeting by 0-8 to 0-2 to register their first replay win.

Further replay success came in 1904 (defeating Waterford by 2-3 to 0-2 following a 0-3 all draw) and 1913 (beating Tipperary by 0-5 to 1-0 after a 0-2 each draw) before their first replay success on the All-Ireland stage came in the 1914 final when they dethroned Wexford by 2-3 to 0-6 following a 1-3 to 2-0 stalemate.

FIRST DRAW

For Galway meanwhile it had been decisions all the way and when they finally encountered stalemate it was Kerry who were the opposition in the 1919 semi-final. Following a 2-6 to 3-3 draw Galway advanced to the final at the second attempt with two goals to spare - 4-2 to 2-2.

Galway's next two double meetings came by way of objections but in each case (v Sligo in 1922 and Roscommon two years later) the Corribiders were successful on the second outing. However, following that success over Roscommon they held Mayo to a draw at Ballina (0-1 each) before going down to their first replay defeat at Tuam (0-5 to 2-6). And in 1925 they experienced their first second replay as three meetings were required before they saw off Leitrim in the Connacht semi-final.

Kerry got back in on the replay act in 1926 and having stolen a draw in the All-Ireland final against Kildare, the canny 'Kingdom' took the title in the replay by 1-4 to 0-4. Two years later Galway and Leitrim could only manage a goal apiece in their meeting at Roscommon and in an all-points replay at the same venue Leitrim advanced by 0-7 to 0-3.

Neither Galway nor Kerry were involved in champi-

onship draws in the early 1930s and it was 1936 before Galway finished the hour 'all-square' when they drew with Mayo at Roscommon by 1-7 to 2-4 before going down in the replay by 1-4 to 2-7. The following season Kerry had a brace of draws at the All-Ireland stage and both were successful seeing off Laois in the penultimate round and Cavan in the decider. In 1938 Kerry and Galway drew in the All-Ireland final before the Westerners improved their replay record against Kerry to 2-0 when they won the second meeting by 2-4 to 0-7 after a 3-3 to 2-6 draw.

Galway were involved in just one drawn encounter in the 1940s and that was a losing one as they went down to Mayo at Roscommon. Kerry were a little more prolific and were involved in three draws mixing wins over Dublin and Roscommon with a defeat by Cork.

MIXED FORTUNES

In the 1950s Kerry found stalemate on four occasions and their replay record didn't improve as wins over Clare (1950) and Cavan (1955) were negated by defeats to Mayo (1951) and Cork (1956). Galway on the other hand didn't draw once in the decade and indeed it was 1968 before they registered their next draw. That was against Roscommon in the Connacht semi-final and following a 2-10 to 3-7 draw they advanced at the second attempt by 2-8 to 1-9. However, the following year Galway fell to Mayo by 1-8 to 1-11 after a 1-8 to 0-11 draw. Meanwhile Kerry were involved in just one drawn encounter in the 1960s although it was a successful one as Cork were seen off at the second time of asking in the 1961 Munster final.

Galway enjoyed mixed success in replays in the 1970s winning two (v Sligo in '71 and Roscommon in '76) and losing one (v Roscommon in '72) as did Kerry in winning one (v Cork in '76) and losing one (v Offaly in '72). Kerry enjoyed a credit record in the following decade with wins over Cork in '82 and Monaghan in '85 before going under to the Leesiders in '87. However, the 1980s were a nightmare for replays as far as Galway were concerned as Roscommon '85, Cork '87 and Mayo '89 all sent the Corribiders packing at the second attempt.

Kerry were not involved in any drawn encounters in the nineties but Galway saw double-time on five occasions. In 1992 their old nemesis in replays Mayo made their head-to-head replay score 6-0 as Galway went down by 1-6 to 0-15 following a 1-11 all draw and two years later Leitrim shocked them by 0-11 to 0-10 in the second meeting. However, Galway's last three replays have all proved rewarding as Sligo in '95, Roscommon in '98 and Sligo again last year were all defeated. Kerry's most recent replay was just over a month ago when they defeated Armagh at the second time of asking.

Setting aside objections, abandonments, etc., Kerry have been involved in 25 replayed encounters of which they have won 17 and lost eight. Galway's record is not as impressive as they have won nine and lost 11 of the 20 replayed encounters they have been involved in. However, despite having the inferior record, Galway can take heart from the fact that in replays with Kerry they are unbeaten - winning both games to date.



Away from The Capital

Every county that has won an All-Ireland final since 1896 made at least one appearance over the campaign at Croke Park - or Jones's Road as it was known in the early days - even when the finals were staged at provincial venues like Tipperary town, Athy, Thurles, Cork, and of course, the Polo Grounds in 1947, except Galway. The Tribesmen's first title in that year of confusion, 1925, was acquired without moving out of Connacht though they played four games in all - three against Leitrim at Castlerea and Roscommon (twice) and the provincial final against Mayo at Tuam.

Mayo, of course, having been nominated to represent Connacht as the provincial championship was running late, had put out Wexford and when the other semi-finalists - Cavan and Kerry - were put out of the championship, only Galway and Mayo remained in the running.

And when Galway overcame their great rivals, initially there was no decision as to the National title, but some weeks later the central Council decided that Galway, the last team standing, should be awarded the championship. Mayo protested, but to no avail, and Galway became the only county (other than Louth in 1910) to take the honours without playing a final - or without featuring at least once at Croke Park in the course of their campaign.



South and West



In today's replay Galway will be seeking to become the first Connacht champions to defeat Munster opposition in an All-Ireland final since the great Corribside team of the mid 1960s recorded back-to-back victories over southern opposition in the decider. Since that meeting, four Munster-Connacht finals have been played with Cork and Kerry each recording two victories over western opposition to give the southern province a 10-5 lead in the 15 finals between the two provinces to date.

Individually Kerry have an 8-4 record in finals against Connacht representatives while Galway have a 4-4 record against Munster opposition in deciders.

The results of the 15 finals between southern and western champions are:

1932	Kerry	2-7;	Mayo	2-4
1938	Galway	3-3	Kerry	2-6
	replay Galway	2-4;	Kerry	0-7
1940	Kerry	0-7;	Galway	1-3
1941	Kerry	1-8;	Galway	0-7
1944	Roscommon	1-9;	Kerry	2-4
1946	Kerry	2-4;	Roscommon	1-7
	replay Kerry	2-8;	Roscommon	0-10
1956	Galway	2-13;	Cork	3-7
1959	Kerry	3-7;	Galway	1-4
1962	Kerry	1-12;	Roscommon	1-6
1964	Galway	0-15;	Kerry	0-10
1965	Galway	0-12;	Kerry	0-9
1973	Cork	3-17;	Galway	2-13
1980	Kerry	1-9;	Roscommon	1-6
1989	Cork	0-17;	Mayo	1-11
1997	Kerry	0-13;	Mayo	1-7



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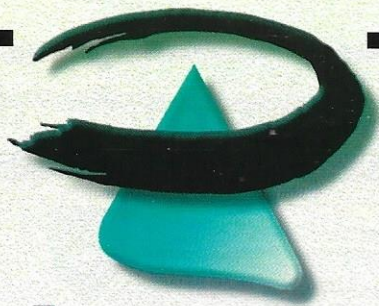
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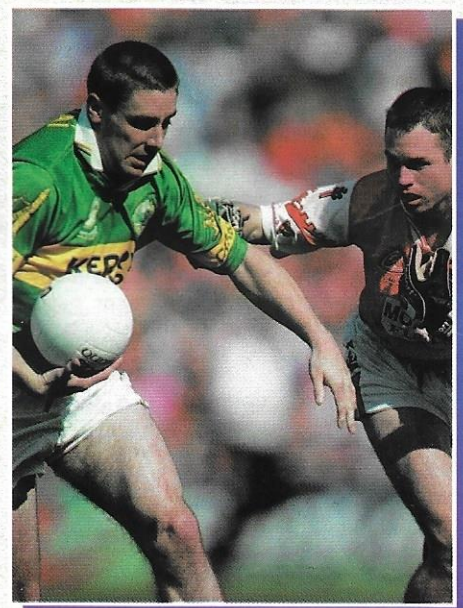
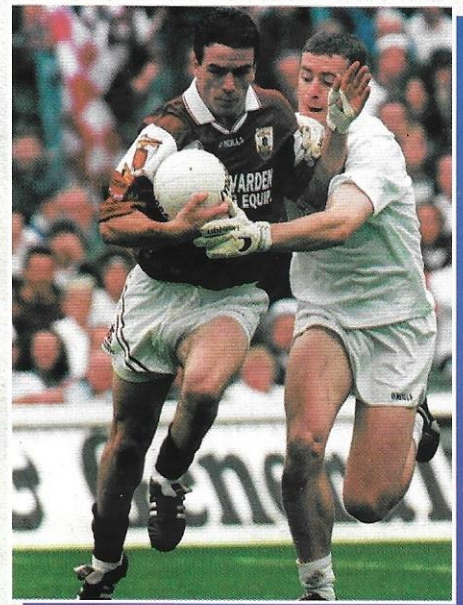
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GOALS BY THE CENTURY

When Kerry and Galway - especially their forwards - stepped out on Croke Park for the 1938 All-Ireland final it is certain that none had any notion of earning the distinction of scoring the 100th goal to be recorded in an All-Ireland football final. But the "century" was definitely on as Kerry's four majors against Cavan in the previous year's replay had brought the number of final goals to 98. By the interval, unknown to the 30 players or the 68,000 spectators, the century had been reached. Brendan Nestor got the first goal after 20 minutes, but just before half time John Joe Landers brought the final goals to the magical one hundred when he beat Jimmy McGauran from close range.

It had taken 50 years to produce a century of goals but it didn't take nearly as long to reach the 200 mark: 39 years in fact, but by the time Jimmy Keaveney slotted home Dublin's first goal in the 1977 final against Armagh, a larger parallelogram and extended playing time had improved goal scoring - at every level.

But it would appear that scoring goals in an All-Ireland final has become somewhat more difficult in recent years with only 16 recorded in eleven games (including the '96 replay) in the nineties, though today the first goal - should there be one - will be the 250th in a decider.

However, going on recent trends there is nobody playing today who will ever be in contention for the 'third' century - the year 2023 being the most likely date if current trends continue.

Leinster



Preliminary Round/Round Robin

7th May, New Ross:
Wexford 3-9; Longford 0-12

7th May, Aughrim:
Wicklow 1-8; Carlow 0-7

14th May, Cullen Park:
Wexford 2-11; Carlow 0-10

14th May, Pearse Park:
Longford 2-12; Wicklow 1-10

20th May, Aughrim:
Wicklow 0-13; Wexford 1-10

20th May, Cullen Park:
Longford 0-18; Carlow 2-8

1st Round

4th June, Croke Park:
Offaly 0-13; Meath 0-9

5th June, Tullamore:
Westmeath 1-12; Laois 0-11

11th June, Croke Park:
Dublin 2-20; Wexford 1-8

11th June, Croke Park:
Kildare 1-12; Louth 0-12

Semi-Finals

25th June, Croke Park:
Kildare 0-11; Offaly 1-8

2nd July, Croke Park:
Dublin 1-14; Westmeath 0-11

replay

16th July, Croke Park:
Kildare 0-17; Offaly 2-8

Final

30th July, Croke Park:
Kildare 0-14; Dublin 0-14

replay

12th August, Croke Park:
Kildare 2-11; Dublin 0-12

Connacht



1st Round

4th June, Ruislip:
Roscommon 4-18; London 0-10

10th June, Tuam:
Galway 1-15; New York 1-5

11th June, Markievicz Park:
Sligo 1-13; Mayo 1-10

Semi-Finals

2nd July, Hyde Park:
Leitrim 1-13; Roscommon 3-6

9th July, Markievicz Park:
Galway 0-22; Sligo 0-4

Final

30th July, Hyde Park:
Galway 1-13; Leitrim 0-8

Ulster



Preliminary Round

14th May, Brewster Park:
Fermanagh 3-12; Monaghan 1-10

1st Round

14th May, Breffni Park:
Derry 2-13; Cavan 1-5

28th May, Casement Park:
Antrim 0-13; Down 1-7

4th June, Clones:
Armagh 0-12; Tyrone 0-8

11th June, Ballybofey:
Fermanagh 1-12; Donegal 0-13

Semi-Finals

18th June, Casement Park:
Derry 0-14; Antrim 2-8

25th June, Clones:
Armagh 0-13; Fermanagh 0-12

replay

2nd July, Casement Park:
Derry 1-17; Antrim 2-5

Final

16th July, Clones
Armagh 1-12; Derry 1-11

Munster



1st Round

14th May, Cusack Park:
Clare 0-15; Waterford 1-7

20th May, Kilmallock:
Cork 3-13; Limerick 2-8

Semi-Finals

18th June, Killarney:
Kerry 2-15; Cork 1-13

25th June, the Gaelic Grounds:
Clare 0-15; Tipperary 0-10

Final

16th July, the Gaelic Grounds:
Kerry 3-15; Clare 0-8

All-Ireland Semi-Finals & Final



20th August, Croke Park:
Kerry 2-11; Armagh 2-11

27th August, Croke Park:
Galway 0-15; Kildare 2-6

replay

2nd September, Croke Park (aet):
Kerry 2-15; Armagh 1-15

Final

24th September, Croke Park:
Galway 0-14 Kerry 0-14

TOP SCORERS

Dara Ó Cinnéide's return of four points 13 days ago was enough to vault him over Oisín McConville and deny the Armagh ace a repeat of his overall/individual double of 1999, and with a five-point lead over Padraig Joyce, the 'Kingdom' forward must be favourite to retain pole position. However, Joyce's return of six points saw him move from 10th to joint 3rd although the Galway ace would need to score five points more than Ó Cinnéide this afternoon to deny the Kerry ace. Despite scoring three points last Sunday week Michael Francis Russell failed to improve on seventh place but a similar return today would see him enter the top five. Niall Finnegan moved from joint 15th to joint 11th thanks to his return of 0-3 and a flag of any colour this afternoon would see him into the top ten.

The top 12 scorers in the 2000 championship to date are:

Dara Ó Cinnéide (<i>Kerry</i>)	3-18 (27 points)
Oisín McConville (<i>Armagh</i>)	1-22 (25)
Padraig Joyce (<i>Galway</i>)	0-22
Rory Gallagher (<i>Fermanagh</i>)	1-19 (22)
Padraig Brennan (<i>Kildare</i>)	0-21
Leigh O'Brien (<i>Wexford</i>)	0-21
Michael F. Russell (<i>Kerry</i>)	2-14 (20)
Padraig Davis (<i>Longford</i>)	0-19
Tommy Gill (<i>Wicklow</i>)	1-15 (18)
Jason Lawlor (<i>Wexford</i>)	3-8 (17)
Niall Finnegan (<i>Galway</i>)	0-16
Colm Quinn (<i>Offaly</i>)	1-13 (16)



One of the great sights in Gaelic games - opposing supporters mingle on Hill 16 at last month's final.

INDIVIDUAL FEATS

Thirteen days ago the best individual score was Padraig Joyce's 0-6, but that return failed to alter the current list of the top 14 individual feats for the 2000 championship which reads:

Oisín McConville (*Armagh*) **1-9**
v Kerry, All-Ireland semi-final replay

Colin Corkery (*Cork*) **1-8**
v Kerry, Munster semi-final

Dara O'Conneide (*Kerry*) **2-5**
v Cork, Munster semi-final

Padraig Davis (*Longford*) **0-9**
v Carlow, Leinster preliminary round 3

Rory Gallagher (*Fermanagh*) **1-6**
v Donegal, Ulster 1st round

Tommy Gill (*Wicklow*) **1-6**
v Longford, Leinster preliminary round 2

Michael Francis Russell (*Kerry*) **2-3**
v Armagh, All-Ireland semi-final replay

Colm Hickey (*Limerick*) **2-3**
v Cork, Munster 1st round

Padraig Brennan (*Kildare*) **0-8**
v Offaly, Leinster semi-final replay

Rory Gallagher (*Fermanagh*) **0-8**
v Armagh, Ulster semi-final

Declan Browne (*Tipperary*) **0-8**
v Clare, Munster semi-final

Leigh O'Brien (*Wexford*) **0-8**
v Carlow, Leinster preliminary round 2

Niall Sheridan (*Longford*) **2-2**
v Wicklow, Leinster preliminary round 2

Frankie Dolan (*Roscommon*) **2-2**
v London, Connacht 1st round

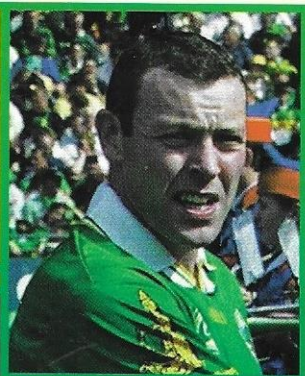


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Dathanna: Uaithne, Ór is Bán



An Captaen



Seamus Moynihan

The Kerry captain is playing particularly well this season. He followed up some splendid displays in the earlier round with another fine performance in the drawn game with Galway.

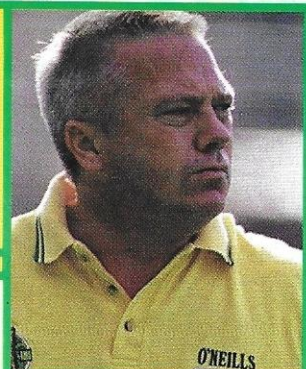
Indeed, his clever football, good positional sense and consistently high standard of play has already firmly established him as one of the outstanding personalities of the championship season.

Seamus has fully fulfilled the high promise he displayed in under-age football. He won an All-Ireland Colleges' medal at midfield with St. Brendan's, Killarney, in 1992 and played minor and under-21 with the Kingdom.

He has two Sigerson Cup medals and proved an influential figure for Kerry at right half back when they completed the big double of the National League and All-Ireland senior titles in 1997. He also won an Eircell All Stars award that year.

With Ireland and Australia renewing rivalry in the Coca Cola International Rules series tomorrow it is interesting to note that Moynihan was this country's player of the series last October. He also won an interprovincial medal last year.

Bainisteoir



Páidí Ó Sé

Roghnóirí:

Páidí Ó Sé (Trainer),
John O'Keefe, Jack O'Connor,
Eddie O'Sullivan, Eamonn Walsh.

2
MIKE HASSETT
M. Ó hAisí
(Laune Rangers)

5
TOMÁS Ó SÉ
T. Ó Sé
(An Ghaeltacht)

8
DARRAGH Ó SÉ
D. Ó Sé
(An Ghaeltacht)

10
AODHÁN Mac GEARAILT
A. Mac Gearailt
(An Ghaeltacht)

13
MICHAEL F. RUSSELL
M. P. Ó Ruiséal
(Laune Rangers)

1
DECLAN O'KEEFFE
D. Ó Caoimh
(Rathmore)

3
SEAMUS MOYNIHAN
S. Ó Muineacháin (Capt.)
(Glenflesk)

6
EAMON FITZMAURICE
E. Mac Muirís
(Finuge)

11
DARA Ó CINNÉIDE
D. Ó Cinnéide
(An Ghaeltacht)

14
LIAM HASSETT
L. Ó hAisí
(Laune Rangers)

4
MICHAEL MCCARTHY
M. Mac Carthaigh
(Kilcummin)

7
TOM O'SULLIVAN
T. Ó Suilleabháin
(Rathmore)

9
DONAL DALY
D. Ó Dálaigh
(Furies)

12
NOEL KENNELLY
N. Mac an Fhailí
(Emmet's)

15
JOHN CROWLEY
S. Ó Cruaioich
(Glenflesk)

Fir Ionaid

(16) **Peter O'Leary**
P. Ó Laoire
(Legion)

(17) **Maurice Fitzgerald**
M. Mac Gearailt
(St. Mary's)

(18) **Denis O'Dwyer**
D. Ó Duibhir
(Waterville)

(19) **Killian Burns**
C. Ó Broin
(Sneem)

(20) **Tommy Griffin**
T. Ó Griffin
(Dingle)

(21) **Enda Galvin**
E. Ó Gealbháin
(Finuge)

(22) **Mossie Lyons**
M. Ó Liathain
(Desmonds)

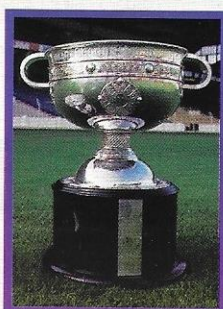
(23) **Kenneth Dillon**
C. Ó Diolúin
(Desmonds)

(24) **Stephen O'Sullivan**
S. Ó Suilleabháin
(Skellig Rangers)

Ciarraí

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

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31: Kerry:	1903, 1904, 1909, 1913, 1914, 1924, 1926, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1937, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1946, 1953, 1955, 1959, 1962, 1969, 1970, 1975, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1997.	6: Cork:	1890, 1911, 1945, 1973, 1989.
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		Limerick:	1887, 1896.
		Roscommon:	1943, 1944.
		Derry:	1993.
		Donegal:	1992.

Gaillimh

Dathanna: Marún is Bán



1

MARTIN McNAMARA
M. Mac Con Mara
(Corofin)

2

TOMÁS MEEHAN
T. Ó Míocháin
(Caltra)

3

GARY FAHY
G. Ó Fathaigh
(Killanin)

4

RICHIE FAHY
R. Ó Fathaigh
(Killanin)

5

DECLAN MEEHAN
D. Ó Míocháin
(Caltra)

6

JOHN DIVILLY
S. Ó Duibhgiolla
(Kilkerrin-Clonberne)

7

SEÁN de PAOR
S. de Paor
(An Cheathrú Rua)

8

KEVIN WALSH
C. Breathnach
(Killanin)

9

SEÁN Ó DÓMHNAILL
S. Ó Dómhnaill
(An Cheathrú Rua)

10

TOMMY JOYCE
T. Seoighe
(Killierin)

11

PADRAIG JOYCE
P. Seoighe (Capt.)
(Killierin)

12

MICHAEL DONNELLAN
M. Ó Domhnalláin
(Dunmore McHales)

13

DEREK SAVAGE
D. Ó Sabhaois
(Cortoon Shamrocks)

14

PAUL CLANCY
P. Mac Fhlannchadha
(Moycullen)

15

NIALL FINNEGAN
N. Ó Fionnagáin
(St. Sylvesters)

Fir Ionaid

(16) Padraig Lally P. Ó Maolalaidh (Spiddal)	(19) Joe Bergin S. Beirgin (Mountbellew-Moylough)	(22) John Donnellan S. Ó Domhnalláin (Dunmore McHales)
(17) Ray Silke R. Ó Síoda (Corofin)	(20) Michael Colleran M. Ó Callaráin (Spiddal)	(23) Kieran Comer C. Ó Ciaragáin (Corofin)
(18) Jason Killeen S. Ó Cilín (Corofin)	(21) Shay Walsh S. Breathnach (Glenamaddy)	(24) Lorcan Colleran L. Ó Callaráin (Spiddal)

Gaillimh

Cúil Cúilíní Seachái 45m Saor Ciceanna

1adh Leath

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2adh Leath

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IOMLÁN

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An Réiteoir: Brian White (Loch Garman)



Brian's last Croke Park appearance was also in a senior football replay. That was the second meeting of Kerry and Armagh in an All-Ireland semi-final that went to extra time.

This will be his second time to take charge of a clash for the Sam Maguire Cup. Three years ago he became the first Wexford man in 42 years to referee an All-Ireland senior final when he took charge of the decider between Kerry and Mayo.

One of the most experienced referees in the game, his assignments earlier this year included the meetings of Derry and Cavan at Breffni Park and Armagh and Tyrone at Clones in the Ulster senior championship.

White is a former footballer and hurler and his refereeing duties took him to New York in 1997 to take charge of a National League game between Kerry and Cavan to commemorate the All-Ireland senior final of 1947 between those counties.

He has also refereed All-Ireland club, minor and National League finals.

An Captaen



Padraig Joyce

Padraig, like his Kerry counterpart, is proving to be one of the leading personalities of the season. He is Galway's ace marksman and last time out, not only was he the leading marksman for both counties but was rated by many as the Man-of-the-Match.

The Galway captain is another brilliant graduate from Colleges and under-age ranks. He joined the ranks of All-Ireland title winning captains early in his career when he led famed Western nursery St. Jarlath's, Tuam, to the national Colleges' senior title in 1994.

He won two Sigerson Cup medals as a student in Tralee and had a celebrated All-Ireland senior final debut just over two years ago.

Joyce highlighted a good performance by scoring his side's only goal in the win over Kildare and he also finished as Galway's leading scorer in that memorable campaign.

Little wonder that he was subsequently chosen at full forward in the Eircell All Stars team of 1998.

The Galway captain, who is a clever and hard-working forward, has also represented his province in the interprovincial championship.

Bainisteoir

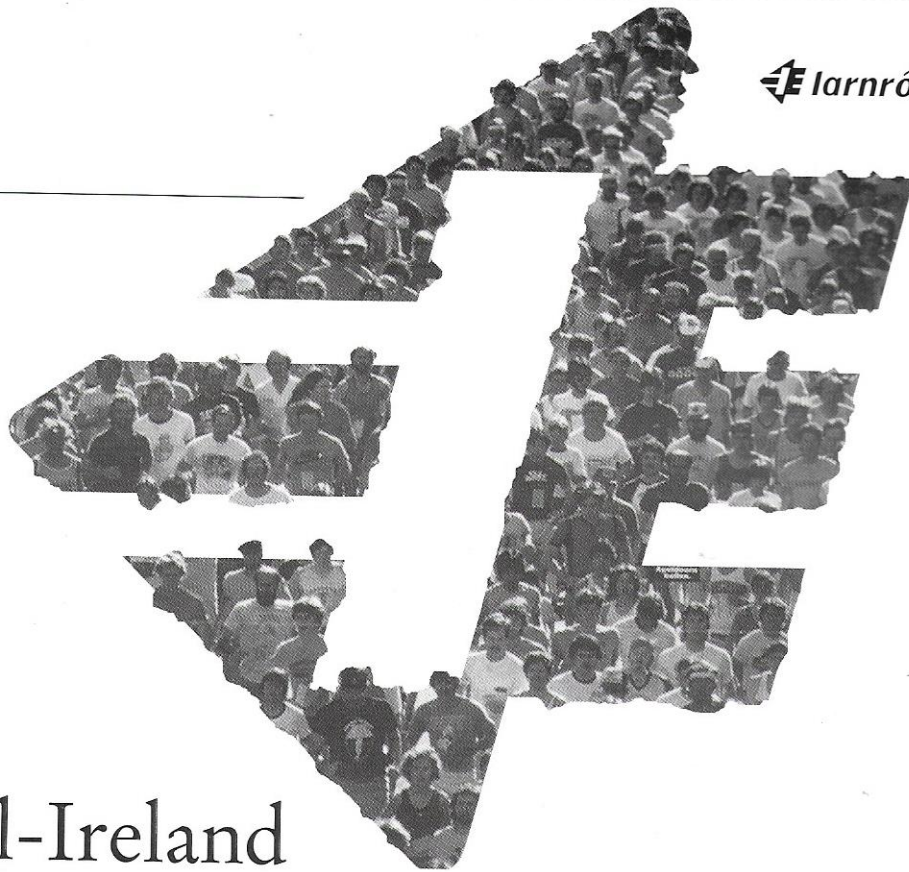


John O'Mahony

Roghnóirí:

John O'Mahony (Manager)
Stephen Joyce,
Peter Warren.

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Galway v. Kerry

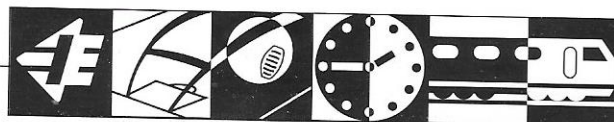
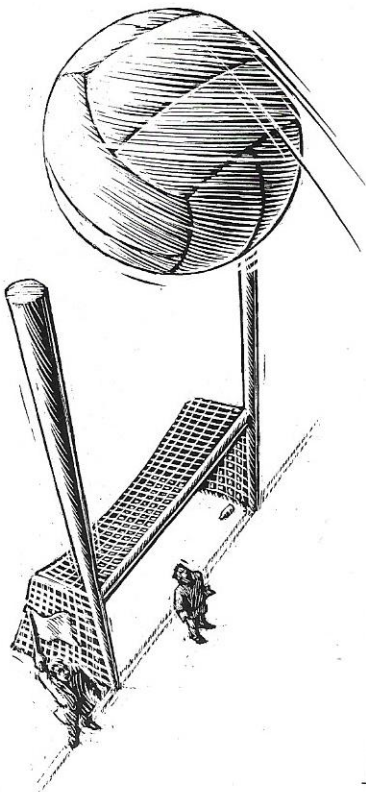
Play It Again Sam!! The same Sam Maguire has been responsible for some titanic tussles in championship football, but not too many as knife-edged as this! We are all intrigued as to who will triumph this time bearing in mind the game of two halves that has thrown these splendid teams into the first Saturday replay in the modern era.

The Kerry mentors will be looking for a seventy-minute effort of Herculean proportions to avoid the 'valley periods' to which they have been prone.

Galway meanwhile, will wonder how Kerry stole such a march on them last time out and will be laying copious plans to ensure that it does not happen again.

The journalistic sages are particularly reticent to forecast this one — a reticence that is shared by all football fans! It is all testimony to the glorious uncertainty of sport.


From West and South the fans will come, many making the pilgrimage on the trains as their forbears did. You are as welcome now as those very forbears were in their day!



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1.
Declan O'Keefe
Glenflesk



28 10st. 5'10"
Occupation: Garda
1 All-Ireland Senior; 1 All-Ireland JFC; 3 County SFC; 3 Munster SFC. Has represented his province and county in Railway Cup and International Rules.

2.
Mike Hassett
Laune Rangers



26 12st. 6'0"
Occupation: Teacher
Made his debut for Kerry in the NFL in 1993; 3 County SFC; 1 All-Ireland Club; 2 Munster Club; U-17 Compromise Rules Series 1990; 1 NFL.

3.
Seamus Moynihan
Glenflesk




26 13st. 5'11"
Occupation: Insurance Agent
Longest-serving member of the squad (1992); 1 All-Ireland SFC; 1 NFL; 1 Railway Cup; 4 Sigerson; 1 All-Ireland Colleges; 3 Munster SFC; 2 Munster U-21; 1 Munster MFC; 2 International Rules selections; 3 County SFC.

4.
Michael McCarthy
Kilcummin

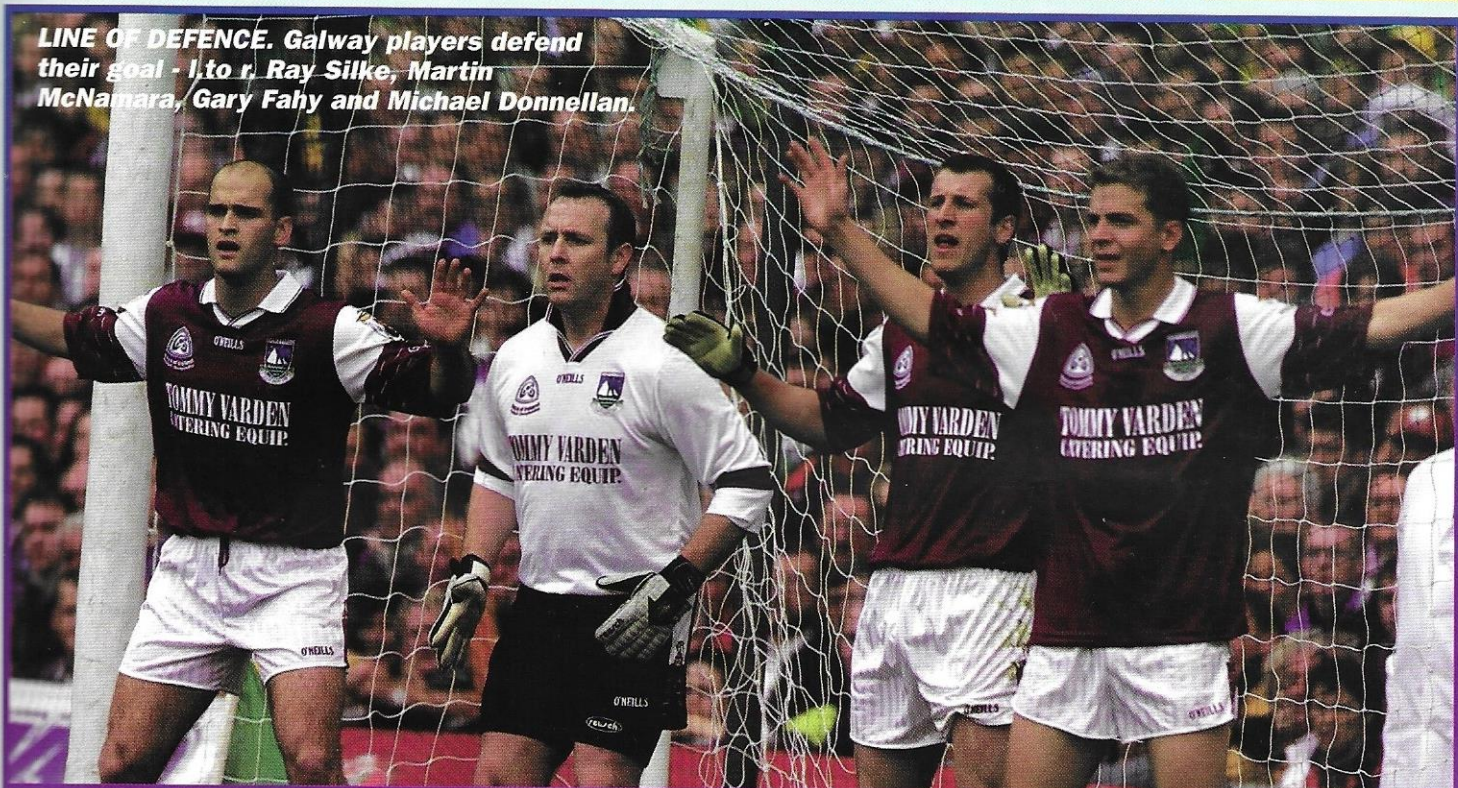


21 12st. 6'0"
Occupation: Student
Made his first appearances for Kerry seniors last year; 1 All-Ireland U-21; 1 Munster MFC; 1 Munster SFC.

5.
Tomás Ó Sé
An Ghaeltacht



22 12st. 5'11"
Occupation: Student Teacher
1 All-Ireland U-21; 3 Munster U-21; 2 Munster MFC; 2 Munster SFC.




LINE OF DEFENCE. Galway players defend their goal - l to r, Ray Silke, Martin McNamara, Gary Fahy and Michael Donnellan.

1.
Martin McNamara
Corafin




31 15st. 5'10"
Occupation: Publican
Holder of medals at County SFC and SFL, Connacht Club SFC and 2 Connacht SFC, 1 All-Ireland SFC and 1 Club, All-Star 1998.

2.
Tomás Meehan
Caltra




23 12st.7lb. 5'11"
Occupation: Computer Programmer
1 Galway IFC, Connacht SF and All-Ireland Senior Colleges with St. Jarlath's College, Tuam. Connacht Minor, U-21 and 2 Senior, 1 All-Ireland SFC.

3.
Gary Fahy
Killanin



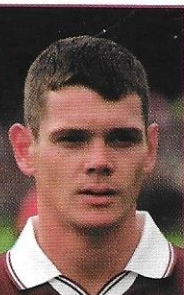
28 13st 6'0"
Occupation: Mechanical Engineer
Played Minor and U-21 for Galway and represented Connacht regularly. 3 Connacht SFC, 1 All-Ireland SFC.

4.
Richie Fahy
Killanin



23 12st.12lb 5'9"
Occupation: Plasterer
Younger brother of Gary, Richie captained Galway U21 team to Connacht title in 1998 and was a substitute on the senior All-Ireland winning team. 2 Connacht SFC, 1 All-Ireland SFC.

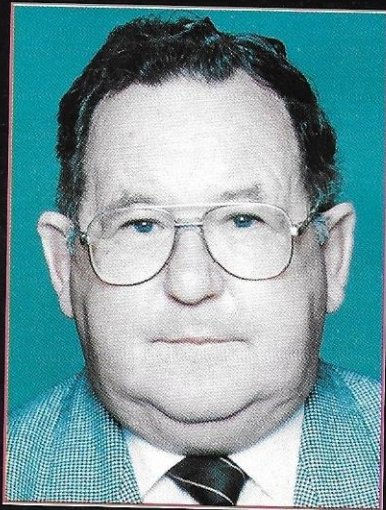
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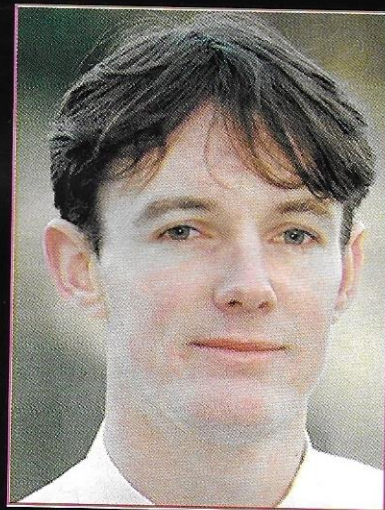
24 11st.7lb. 5'8"
Occupation: Civil Servant
Elder brother of Tomás, has represented St. Jarlath's College (All-Ireland '94) and Galway at under-age level. Played Sigerson Cup with UCD this year. 2 Connacht SFC, 1 All-Ireland SFC.

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6.
Eamon Fitzmaurice
 Finuge

 24 12st. 6'1"
Occupation: Student Teacher
 2 All-Ireland U-21; 1 All-Ireland MFC; 2 Munster SFC; 1 McGrath Cup; 2 Munster U-21; 1 Munster JFC; 1 County SHC.


7.
Tom O'Sullivan
 Rathmore

 21 13st. 6'2"
Occupation: Trainee Garda
 Made his championship debut against Cork this year; 1 Munster SFC; 1 All-Ireland U-21; 2 Munster U-21; 1 All-Ireland Vocational Schools; 3 County SFC.

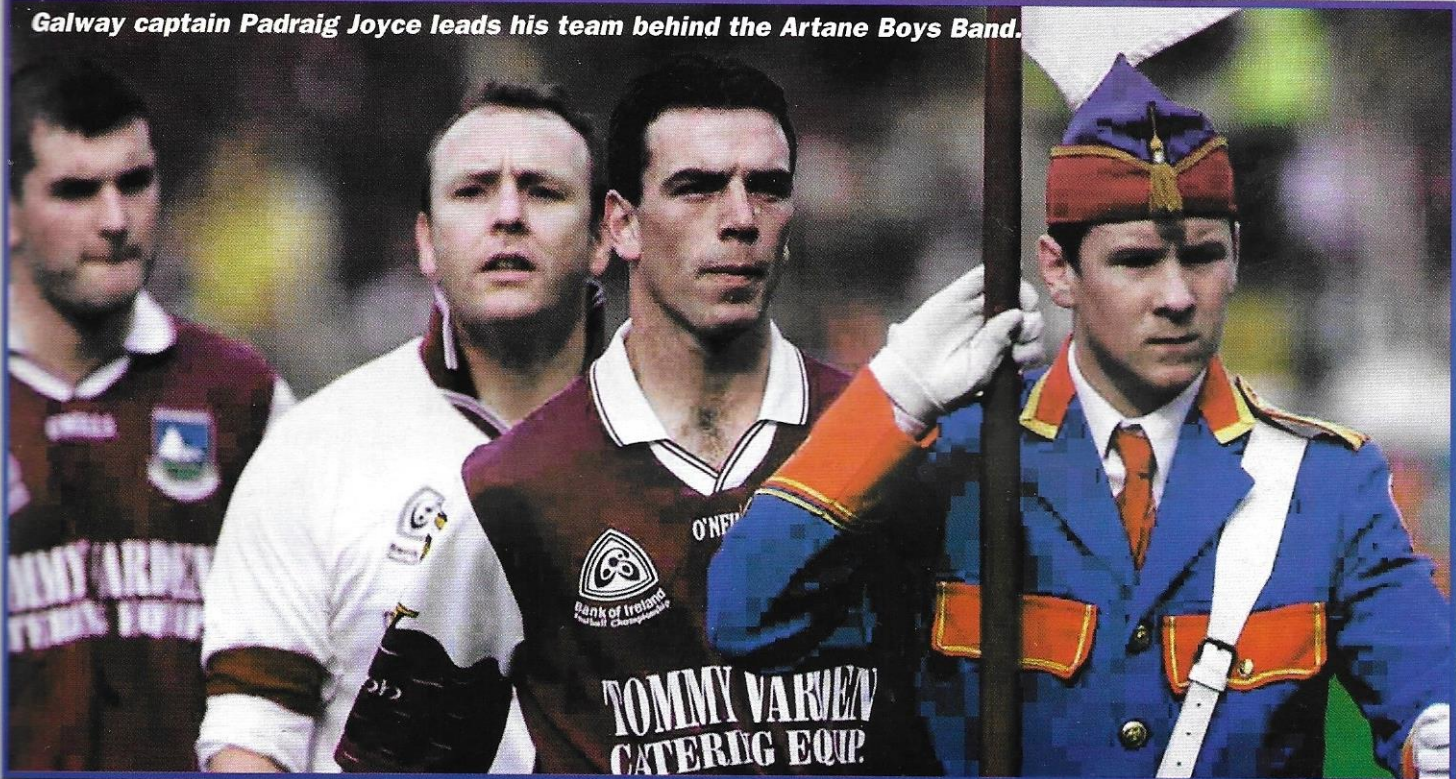
8.
Darragh Ó Sé
 An Ghaeltacht

 25 14st. 6'0"
Occupation: ESB Employee
 First represented his county in 1994; 1 All-Ireland Senior; 2 All-Ireland U-21; 1 NFL; 1 Railway Cup.

9.
Donal Daly
 Ffries

 25 14st. 6'2"
Occupation: Games Promotion Officer I.T. Tralee
 1 All-Ireland JFC; 1 All-Ireland U-21; 4 Munster SFC; 1 NFL; 1 All-Ireland SFC; 3 County SFC.

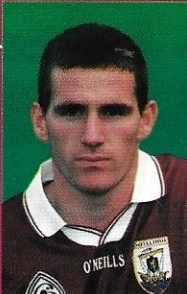
10.
Aodhán MacGearailt
 An Ghaeltacht

 22 13st. 6'1"
Occupation: P.E. Student
 Came into the side last year; 1 All-Ireland U-21; 2 Munster U-21; 1 Munster SFC.

Galway captain Padraig Joyce leads his team behind the Artane Boys Band.



6.
John Divilly
 Kilkerrin-Clonberne

 23 13st. 13lb 6"
Occupation: Sales Director.
 Another member of the All-Ireland winning St. Jarlath's team of '94, has Connacht medals at Minor, U-21 and Senior (2). 1 All-Ireland SFC.


7.
Seán Óg de Paor
 An Cheathrú Rua

 29 12st. 12lb 5'10"
Occupation: Secondary school Teacher.
 A scoring half-back, won Minor, U-21 and Senior (3) in Connacht, 1 All-Ireland SFC. Led UCG to win Sigerson Cup in '92 and inspired his club to county success in '96. All-Star '98.

8.
Kevin Walsh
 Killanin

 30 15st. 10lb 6'4"
Occupation: Garda
 Described as the "daddy" of the team, Kevin won an All-Ireland MFC medal as far back as 1986. Also an outstanding basketball player, he came back from injury for his greatest ever year in 1998. 3 Connacht SFC, 1 All-Ireland SFC

9.
Seán Ó Dómnail
 An Cheathrú Rua

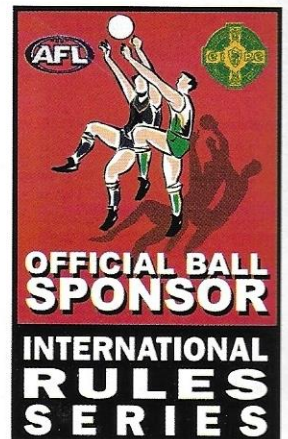
 25 15st. 6'6"
Occupation: Plant Manager
 First represented Galway at Vocational Schools level. Helped his club to victory in Galway SFC and SFL and All-Ireland Gaelacht SFC. 1 All-Ireland SFC.

10.
Tommy Joyce
 Killerrin

 24 12st. 5'10"
Occupation: Contract Supervisor
 Brother of Padraig, he was a substitute two years ago. Came up through the ranks from St. Jarlath's College, winning Connacht medals at minor, U-21 and senior (2); 1 All-Ireland SFC.

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11.

Dara Ó Cinnéide
An Ghaeltacht

25 13st. 5'10".
Occupation: Teacher.
Made his debut with Kerry in 1994; 1 All-Ireland Senior; 2 All-Ireland U-21; 1 All-Ireland JFC; 1 Railway Cup.

12.

Noel Kennelly
Listowel Emmets

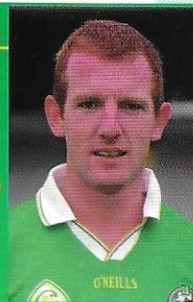
20 13st. 6'2".
Occupation: Bank Official.
Has represented Kerry at U-21 for 5 years (1996-2000); 1 All-Ireland U-21; 4 Munster U-21; 2 Munster MFC; 1 Munster SFC.

13.

Michael F. Russell
Laune Rangers

22 11st. 5'11".
Occupation: Currency Exchange Official.
Leading scorer in the semi-final replay with 2-3; 1 All-Ireland SFC; 2 All-Ireland U-21; 1 All-Ireland Minor; 1 All-Ireland Club; 1 All-Ireland Colleges; 1 Sigerson Cup; 3 County SFC.

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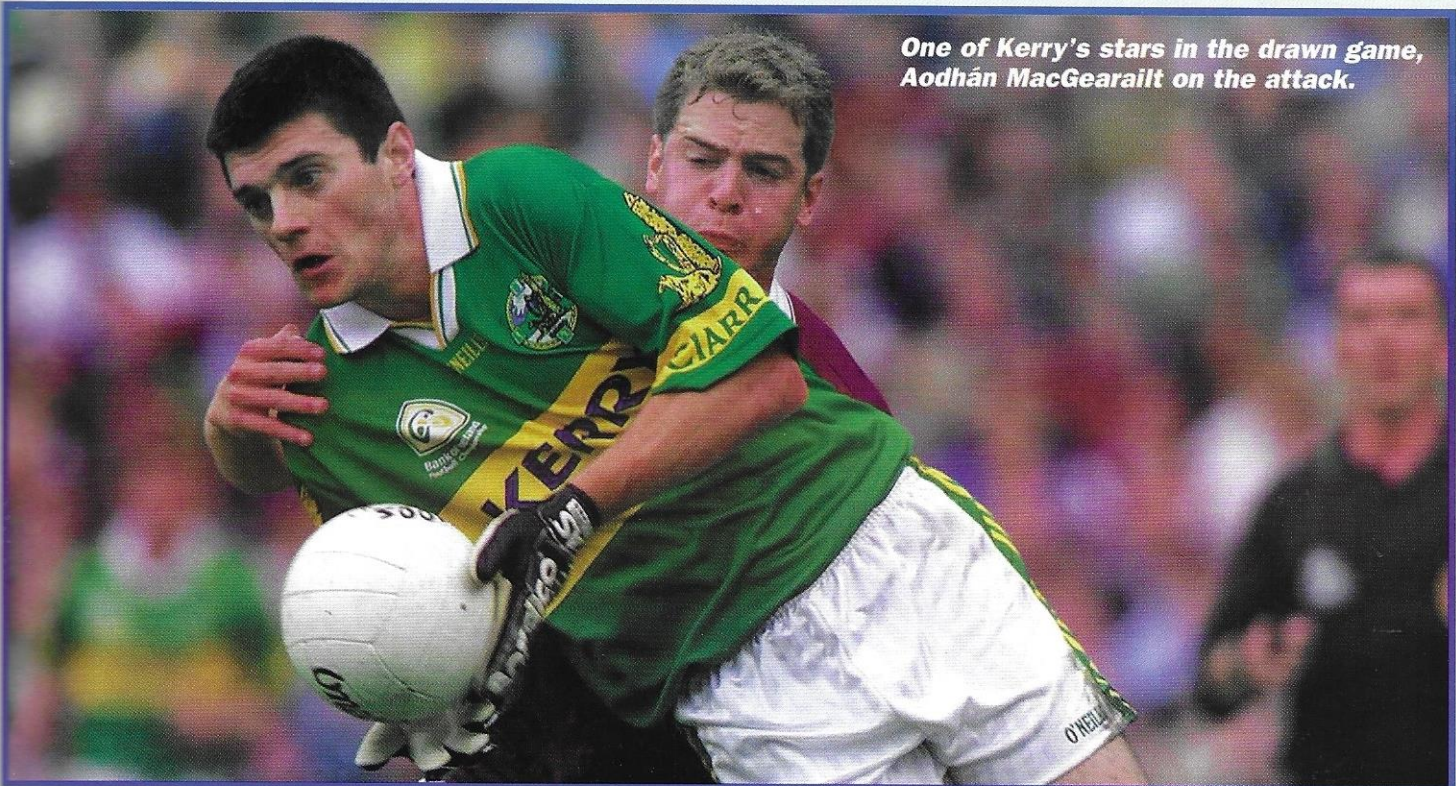
Liam Hassett
Laune Rangers

25 13st. 6'2".
Occupation: Teacher.
Captained Kerry in 1997. All-Ireland; 1 All-Ireland SFC; 2 All-Ireland U-21; 1 All-Ireland Club; 3 Munster SFC; 1 NFL; 1 Railway Cup.

15.

John Crowley
Glenflesk

25 13st. 6'0".
Occupation: Garda
Another long-serving member of the squad for 1994; 1 All-Ireland SFC; 1 All-Ireland U-21; All-Ireland JFC; 3 County SFC; 4 East Kerry SFC..



One of Kerry's stars in the drawn game, Aodhán MacGearailt on the attack.

11.

Padraig Joyce
Killarney

23 6'.
Occupation: Company Executive
St. Jarlath's and Galway minor star in 1994, he was also to the fore for Tralee I.T. in their Sigerson Cup victories of 1997 and 1998. Scored the vital goal in 1998 Final. 2 Connacht SFC, 1 All-Ireland SFC. Team captain.

12.

Michael Donnellan
Dunmore McHales

23 13st. 5'11".
Occupation: Company Executive
The third generation Donnellan to win All-Ireland medals, he is also a former colleges star with St. Jarlath's. Connacht medals at minor, U-21 and senior (2), he won All-Star, Texaco and "Young Footballer of the Year" awards in 1998. 1 All-Ireland SFC.

13.

Derek Savage
Cortoon Shamrocks

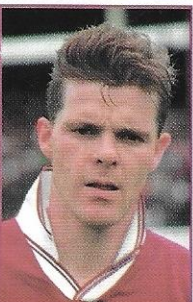
22 12st. 5'8".
Occupation: Engineer.
Another graduate from the 1994 minor team, he is currently playing the best football of his career. 2 Connacht SFC, 1 All-Ireland SFC.

14.

Paul Clancy
Motoullin

23 13st. 5'11".
Occupation: Electrician.
Was unfortunately injured early in 1998, he played only the last 10 minutes of the 1998 final. Has Connacht medals at minor, U-21 and senior (2); 1 All-Ireland SFC.

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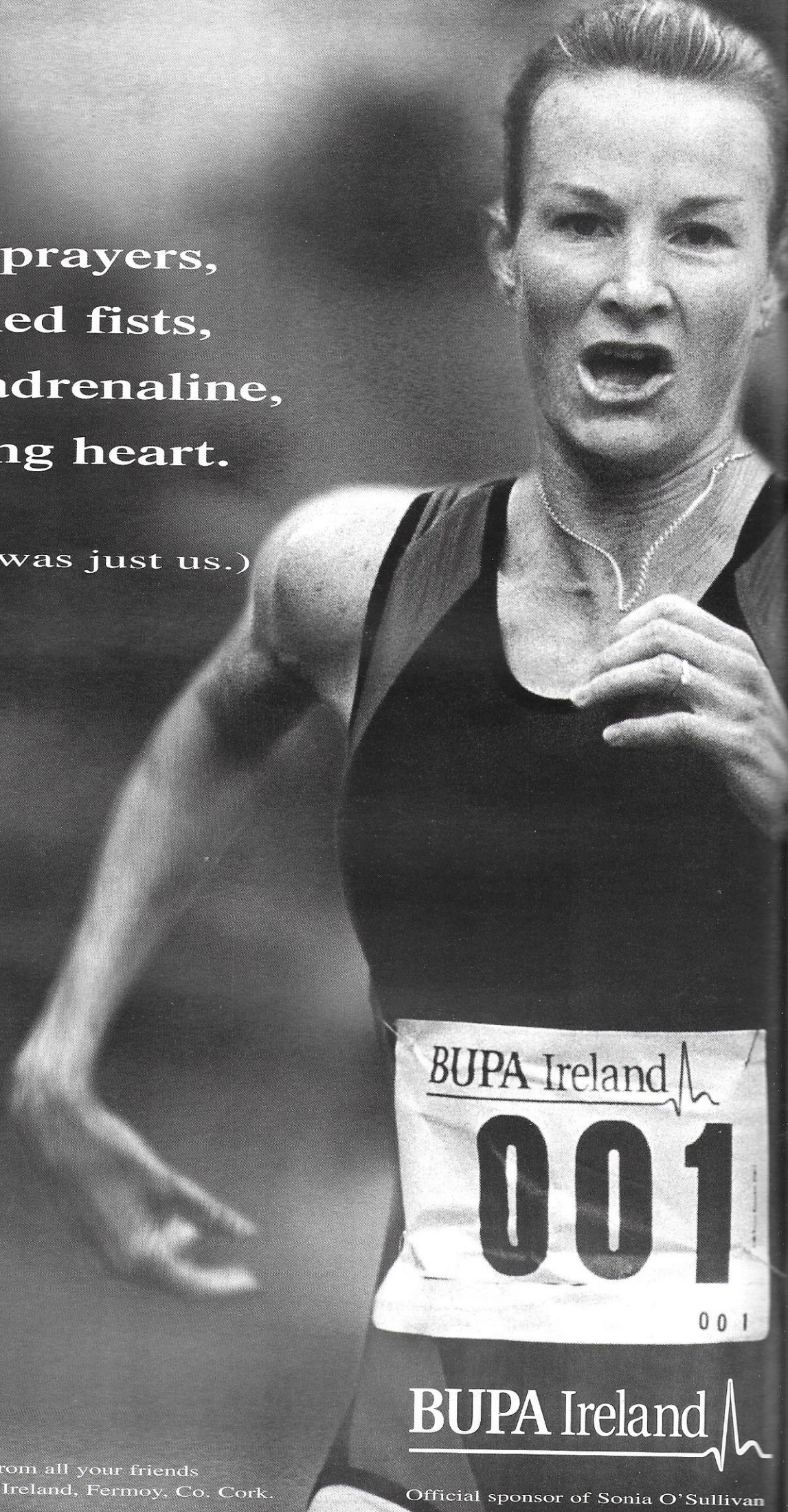
Niall Finnegan
St. Sylvester's, Malahide

29 12st.12lb. 5'11".
Occupation: Solicitor.
Former Salthill star, he has won minor, U-21 and senior (3) Connacht medals. Regular representative on Connacht team. 1 All-Ireland SFC.

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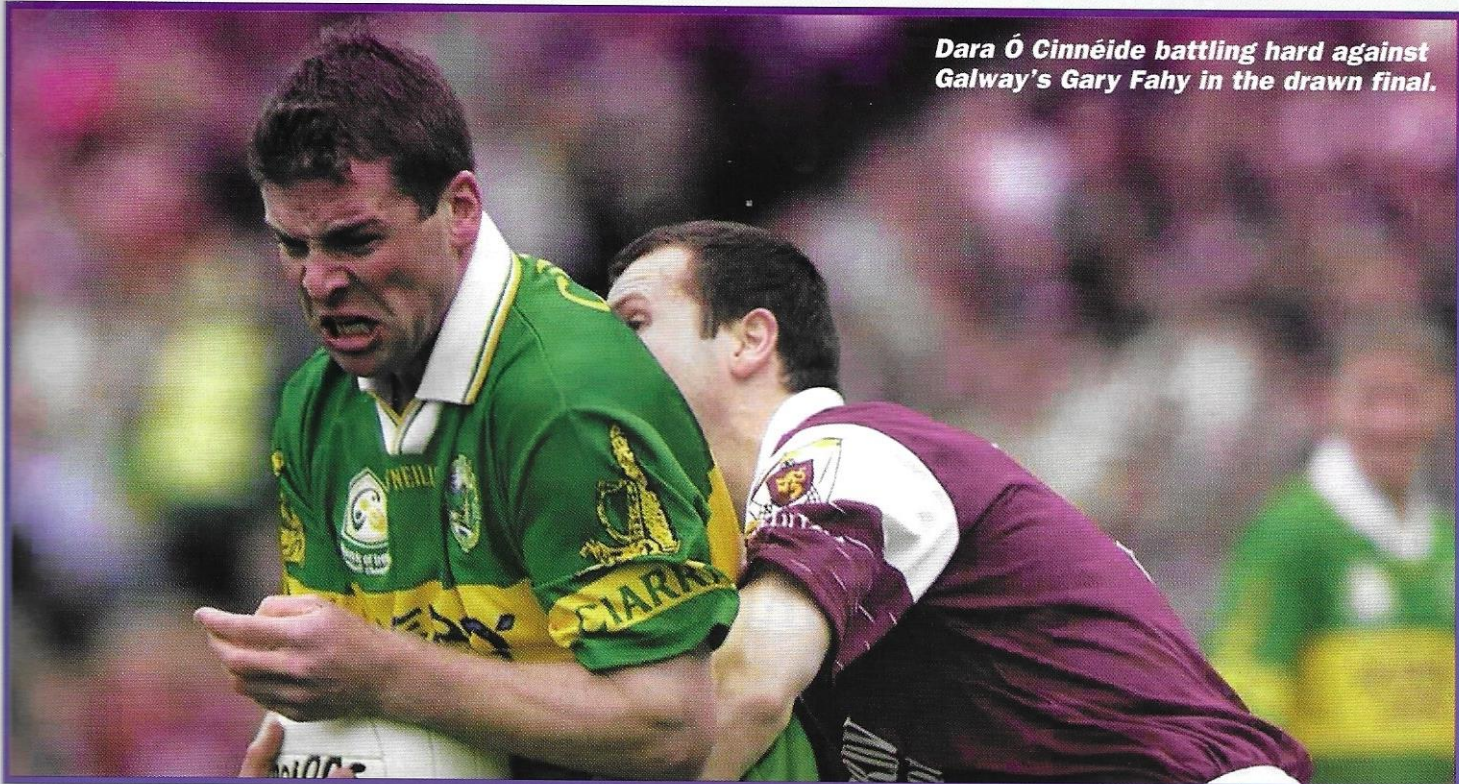
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Fir Ionad

16. Peter O'Leary (<i>Legion</i>)	Age: 30	Weight: 15st.	Height: 6'3"	Occupation: Sales Representative.
17. Maurice Fitzgerald (<i>St. Mary's</i>)	Age: 30	Weight: 14st.	Height: 6'2"	Occupation: Insurance/Auctioneering.
18. Denis O'Dwyer (<i>Waterville</i>)	Age: 24	Weight: 12st.	Height: 5'10"	Occupation: Insurance/Auctioneering
19. Killian Burns (<i>Sneem</i>)	Age: 25	Weight: 12st.	Height: 5'11"	Occupation: Public Relations Consultant.
20. Tommy Griffin (<i>Dingle</i>)	Age: 22	Weight: 13st.	Height: 6'2"	Occupation: Company Representative.
21. Enda Galvin (<i>Finuge</i>)	Age: 21	Weight: 12st.	Height: 5'10"	Occupation: Company Representative.
22. Mossie Lyons (<i>Desmonds</i>)	Age: 23	Weight: 11st.	Height: 5'11"	Occupation: Trainee Actuary.
23. Kenneth Dillon (<i>Desmonds</i>)	Age: 23	Weight: 14st.	Height: 6'1"	Occupation: Engineer.
24. Stephen O'Sullivan (<i>Skellig Rangers</i>)	Age: 20	Weight: 11st.	Height: 6'0"	Occupation: Carpenter.

Dara Ó Cinnéide battling hard against Galway's Gary Fahy in the drawn final.



Fir Ionad

16. Padraig Lally (<i>An Spidéal</i>)	Age: 21	Weight: 14st.	Height: 6'2"	Occupation: Bar Manager.
17. Ray Silke (<i>Corofin</i>)	Age: 30	Weight: 13st.10	Height: 6'0"	Occupation: Bank Executive.
18. Jason Killeen (<i>Corofin</i>)	Age: 22	Weight: 13st.7	Height: 6'2"	Occupation: Sales Assistant.
19. Joe Bergin (<i>Mountbellew-Moylough</i>)	Age: 19	Weight: 13st.7	Height: 6'4"	Occupation: Student.
20. Micheál Ó Callaráin (<i>An Spidéal</i>)	Age: 22	Weight: 12st.2	Height: 6'1"	Occupation: Student.
21. Shay Walsh (<i>Glenamaddy</i>)	Age: 25	Weight: 13st.11	Height: 6'1"	Occupation: Civil Engineer.
22. John Donnellan (<i>Dunmore McHales</i>)	Age: 26	Weight: 14st.10	Height: 6'3"	Occupation: Sales Executive.
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1903 - Kerry	0-11;	London	0-3
1904 - Kerry	0-5;	Dublin	0-2
1906 - Dublin	0-5;	Cork	0-4
1907 - Dublin	0-6;	Cork	0-2
1917 - Wexford	0-9;	Clare	0-5
1918 - Wexford	0-5;	Tipperary	0-4
1922 - Dublin	0-6;	Galway	0-4
1924 - Kerry	0-4;	Dublin	0-3
1927 - Kildare	0-5;	Kerry	0-3
1952 - Cavan	0-9;	Meath	0-5 (replay)
1964 - Galway	0-15;	Kerry	0-10
1965 - Galway	0-12;	Kerry	0-9
1969 - Kerry	0-10;	Offaly	0-7
1988 - Meath	0-13;	Cork	0-12 (replay)
1990 - Cork	0-11;	Meath	0-9
1992 - Donegal	0-18;	Dublin	0-14
2000 - Galway	0-14;	Kerry	0-14

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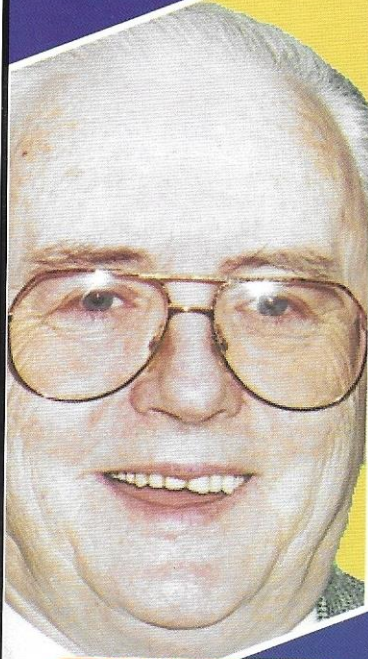
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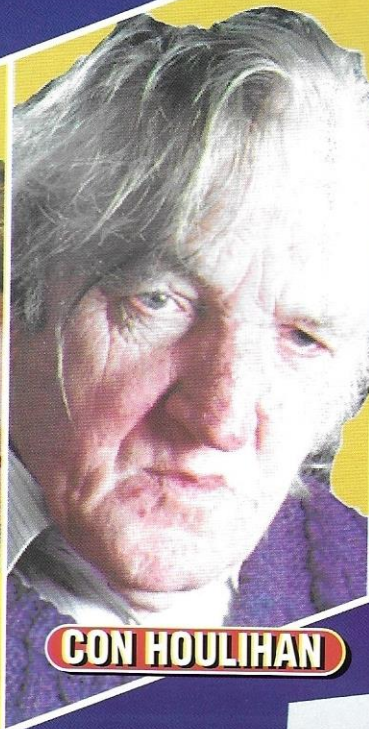
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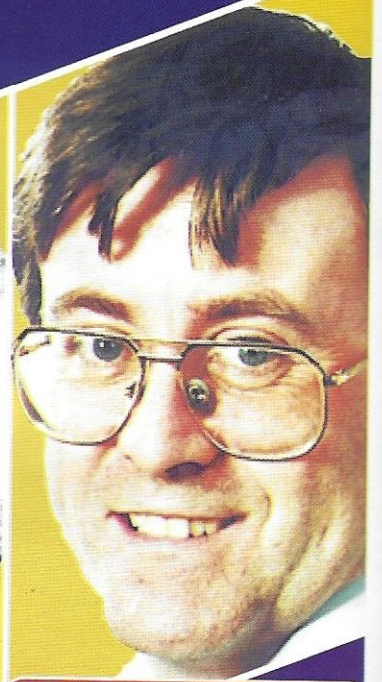
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Michael McCarthy (Ciarraí)

In Kilcummin, a small village on the outskirts of Killarney, the people are proud but not surprised. They could have told us years ago that Michael McCarthy, Kerry's left corner back in today's All-Ireland final replay, was going to be a star player.

And his performances throughout the 2000 championship have proved their judgement absolutely right as he has played an outstanding part in Kerry's bid for yet another All-Ireland championship to add to their packed collection.

The only thing they might have got wrong is the position. Although he has proven to be an outstanding corner back, McCarthy has played a starring role for his club in various positions, including mid-field (where he played with Kilcummin under-21s as they reached the county final last year) and more recently full back where he is likely to resume in the county championship when inter-county duties are completed.

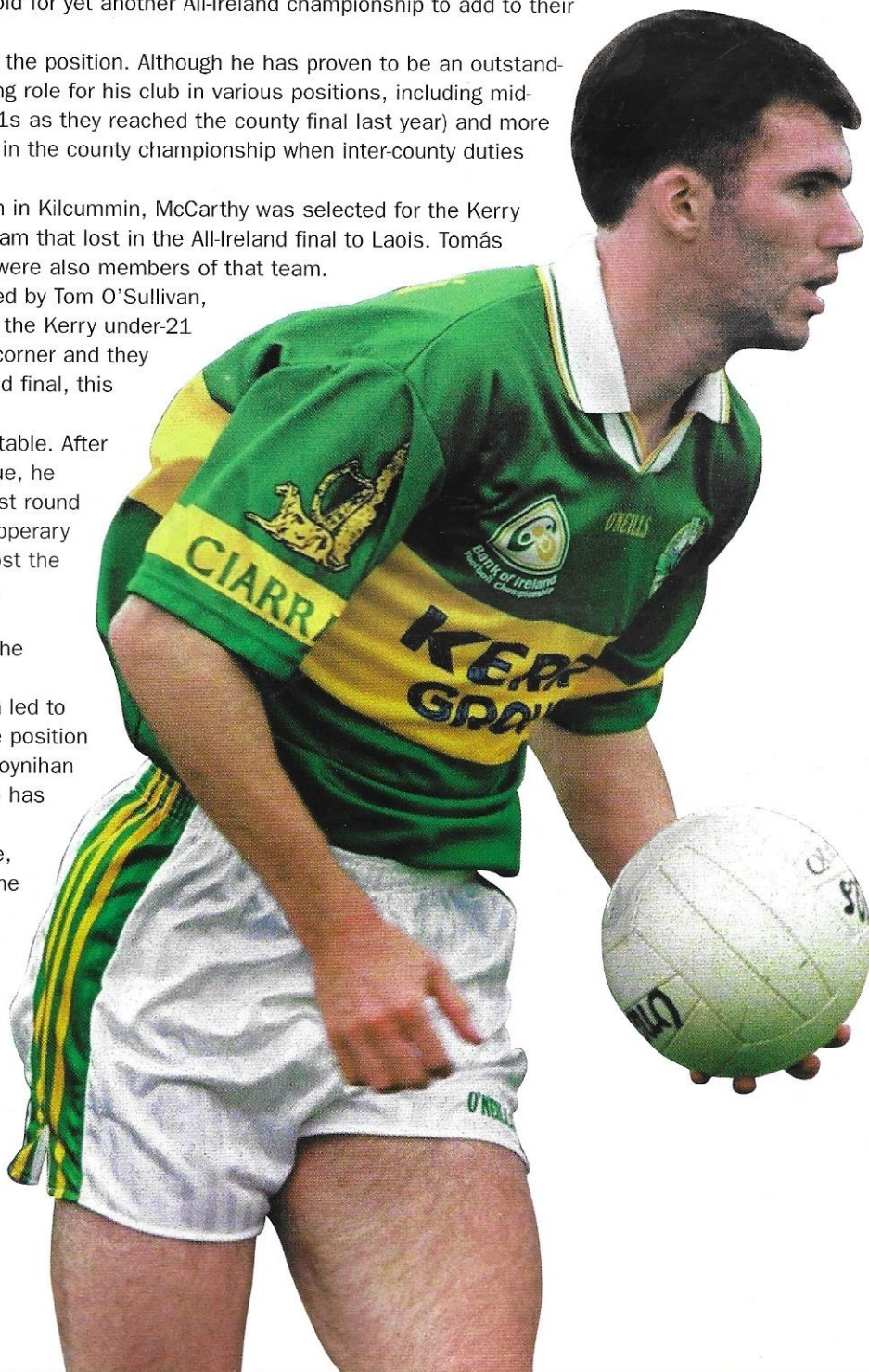
Emerging from a successful under-age team in Kilcummin, McCarthy was selected for the Kerry minors in 1996 and was at full back on the team that lost in the All-Ireland final to Laois. Tomás Ó Sé, Noel Kennelly and Aodhán MacGearailt were also members of that team.

Two years later the same players were joined by Tom O'Sullivan, Eamon Fitzmaurice and Mike Frank Russell on the Kerry under-21 team. McCarthy had been moved to the right corner and they met their old rivals Laois again in the All-Ireland final, this time coming out on top.

The next step up to senior status was inevitable. After gaining some experience in the National League, he made his senior championship debut in the first round of the 1999 Munster championship against Tipperary and was an instant success. Although Kerry lost the Munster final to Cork, McCarthy emerged with reputation enhanced.

He continued on the learning curve during the National League, in which Kerry reached the semi-final. The injury to full back Barry O'Shea led to a difficult re-shuffle. McCarthy was tried in the position and eventually the selectors chose Seamus Moynihan in that role. It proved crucial for McCarthy who has blossomed in the corner.

A natural footballer, with speed and balance, McCarthy has made it very difficult for big name forwards to make any impression during this championship campaign. A quiet man, he entered his first All-Ireland final as a relative unknown but his reputation is growing, just like they always knew it would in Kilcummin.



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Finals x 10 ... Finals x 10 ...

1950 - Mayo 2-5 Louth 1-6

There was much at stake for both counties in this final; Louth had finally edged out from the shadow of Meath's greatness and were seeking their first title since 1912 while Mayo's frustration may have been of shorter duration, but there had been so many near misses since their success 14 years previously that they, like the opposition, rarely touched the heights of which they were capable. Early on Louth appeared to be the better team with Nicky Roe, Jim McDonnell and Hubert Reynolds often menacing the Mayo posts; but Sean Flanagan was an inspiring figure in defence and when the chance came at the other end, Mick Flanagan had the all-important second goal.

Mayo: W.Durkin, J.Forde, P.Prendergast, S.Flanagan, P.Quinn, H.Dixon, J.McAndrew, P.Carney, E.Mongey, M.Flanagan, W.Kenny, J.Gilvarry, M.Mulderrig, T.Langan, P.Solon. **Subs:** S.Wynne, M.Caulfield, S.Mulderrig.

Louth: S.Thornton, M.Byrne, T.Conlon, J.Tuft, S.Boyle, P.Markey, P.McArdle, J.Regan, F.Reid, J.McDonnell, N.Roe, S.White, R.Lynch, H.Reynolds, M.Reynolds. **Subs:** R.Mooney, M.McDonnell.

1960 - Down 2-10 Kerry 0-8

Two years previously Down had yet to win an Ulster title, now they stood within 60 minutes of a first All-Ireland. But the great traditional power stood in their way and no first-timers had ever beaten Kerry in a final. For a team appearing in a first final Down were remarkably composed and they had a wonderful stroke of luck when Jim McCartan's harmless-looking lob fell out of Johnny Culloty's hands and into the net eight minutes after the resumption. Two minutes later Paddy Doherty was pulled down and he promptly goaled the penalty after which the result was never in doubt.

Down: E.McKay, G.Lavery, L.Murphy, P.Rice, K.Mussen, D.McCartan, K.O'Neill, J.Lennon, J.Carey, S.O'Neill, J.McCartan, P.Doherty, A.Hadden, P.O'Hagan, B.Morgan. **Sub:** K.Denvir.

Kerry: J.Culloty, J.O'Shea, N.Sheehy, T.Lyons, Sean Murphy, K.Coffey, M.O'Dwyer, M.O'Connell, J.D.O'Connor, Seamus Murphy, T.Long, P.Sheehy, G.McMahon, John Dowling, T.Lyne. **Subs:** Jack Dowling, J.Brosnan, D.McAuliffe.

1970 - Kerry 2-19 Meath 0-18

Experience was not lacking on either side as Kerry with 13 All-Ireland medallists faced a Meath team that included eleven of the successful 1967 team. But it was Kerry who led from start to finish, but they did have their moments of unease as Meath, despite labouring in the vital midfield sector and suspect in a few other positions, fought with traditional tenacity. When Kerry led by eight points at the end of the third

quarter they looked to be cruising, but Meath pulled it back to three before D.J.Crowley's great run and goal decided the issue.

Kerry: J.Culloty, S.Murphy, P.O'Donoghue, D.O'Sullivan, T.Prendergast, J.O'Keeffe, M.O'Shea, M.O'Connell, D.J.Crowley, B.Lynch, P.Griffin, E.O'Donoghue, M.Gleeson, L.Higgins, M.O'Dwyer.

Sub: S.Fitzgerald.

Meath: S.McCormack, M.White, J.Quinn, B.Cunningham, O.Shanley, T.Kearns, P.Reynolds, V.Foley, V.Lynch, A.Brennan, M.Kerrigan, M.Mellett, K.Rennicks, J.Murphy, M.Fay. **Subs:** P.Moore, W.Bligh.

1980 - Kerry 1-9 Roscommon 1-6

The outsiders could hardly have asked for a better start - a John O'Connor goal after just 35 seconds. Kerry, seeking their third title in as many years, didn't panic and struck back with a succession of points though Roscommon were equally adept at raising the white flag and it took Mikey Sheehy's hand-passed goal to earn them half-time parity (1-3 all). On a treacherous surface frees were numerous. Despite playing 'second fiddle' for lengthy periods Roscommon remained in contention with always the possibility of a snap goal putting them ahead, but Kerry held on and a Sheehy point in the 69th minute saw them through.

Kerry: C.Nelligan, J.Deenihan, J.O'Keeffe, P.Lynch, P.O'Shea, T.Kennelly, G.O'Keeffe, J.O'Shea, S.Walsh, G.Power, D.Moran, P.Spillane, M.Sheehy, T.Doyle, J.Egan. **Sub:** G.O'Driscoll.

Roscommon: G.Sheerin, H.Keegan, P.Lindsay, G.Connellan, G.Fitzmaurice, T.Donlon, D.Murray, D.Earley, S.Hayden, J.O'Connor, J.O'Gara, A.Dooley, M.Finneran, A.McManus, E.McManus.

Subs: M.Dolphin, M.McDermott.

1990 - Cork 0-11 Meath 0-9

The Leesiders were defending champions, but the ghosts of '87 and '88 were hovering near when these counties lined out for their third final in four years. Cork were early in front, but in a game marred by virtually a free a minute, there was little between the sides, reflected in an interval scoreline of 0-6 to 0-5 in the champions' favour. Just after the break Cork lost a man but like so many other teams Meath failed to capitalise on their numerical advantage and were trailing by five points before three late frees closed the gap.

Cork: J.Kerins, A.Nation, S.O'Brien, N.Cahalane, M.Slocum, C.Counihan, B.Coffey, S.Fahy, D.Culloty, D.Barry, L.Tompkins, T.McCarthy, P.McGrath, C.O'Neill, M.McCarthy. **Subs:** J.O'Driscoll, P.Hayes, J.Cleary.

Meath: D.Smyth, R.O'Malley, M.Lyons, T.Ferguson, B.Reilly, K.Foley, M.O'Connell, L.Hayes, G.McEntee, D.Beggy, P.J.Gillic, C.Brady, C.O'Rourke, B.Stafford, B.Flynn. **Subs:** C.Coyle, J.Cassels, T.Dowd.

Double Chance For Munster

Cork's win over Mayo in the All-Ireland minor football final last month means that Kerry have now a chance of completing the first minor and senior double by the South, in surprisingly enough, 19 years. Cork beat Derry in the minor final and Kerry accounted for Offaly by 1-12 to 0-8 to record their fourth Sam Maguire Cup win in succession.

Kerry marksman supreme Michael Sheehy went into the game suffering from the effects of an injury but still finished top scorer for both teams with five points.

The only goal of the game was scored by Jack O'Shea in the second half.

Centre half back for Kerry was Tim Kennelly, whose son, Noel, scored two points in last month's drawn final.

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THE **BIG** TREBLE

The three most prestigious competitions in the G.A.A. calendar are the minor, under-21 and senior championships. To date nine counties have annexed all three titles - Kerry, Cork, Roscommon, Mayo, Galway, Down, Offaly, Derry and Meath. Not surprisingly, Kerry was the first county to complete this treble while the others followed in the order listed above. Kerry and Cork players figure most prominently in the list of individual achievers in this field with a Kerry trio - Seamus Fitzgerald, Paud O'Donoghue and Donie O'Sullivan - sharing the honour of being the first players to collect all three medals.

On a provincial breakdown Munster far outstrip the other three provinces. In fact, there is a huge imbalance in this regard as, of the 26 players who have won senior, under-21 and minor All-Ireland medals, 21 are Munster men, four are from Leinster (all Meath) and Paddy O'Rourke of Down. As yet no Connacht player has recorded this treble, despite the achievements of Mayo, Roscommon and Galway. It should be noted however, that three Connacht



players - Galway's Michael Rooney, Mick Burke and Johnny Tobin - won minor and under-21 medals in 1970 and '72, but were out of luck when Galway lost the All-Ireland senior finals of '73 and '74.

Most of the treble winners gained their three awards within the space of six or seven years. Paddy O'Rourke is the notable exception as his senior medal came 14 years after he had won his first under-18 medal. The 26 treble winners are:

	Minor	Under-21	Senior
Paud O'Donoghue (Kerry)	1962	1964	1969
Seamus Fitzgerald (Kerry)	1962	1964	1969
Donie O'Sullivan (Kerry)	1962	1964	1969
Denis Long (Cork)	1967	1970	1973
Donal Hunt (Cork)	1967	1970	1973
Con Hartnett (Cork)	1968	1971	1973
Brian Murphy (Cork)	1969	1970	1973
John Coleman (Cork)	1968	1970	1973
Martin O'Donoghue (Cork)	1969	1970	1973
John Barrett (Cork)	1967	1970	1973
Declan Barron (Cork)	1969	1970	1973
Charlie Nelligan (Kerry)	1975	1976	1978
Jack O'Shea (Kerry)	1975	1976	1978
Sean Walsh (Kerry)	1975	1976	1978
Mick Spillane (Kerry)	1975	1976	1979
Niall Cahalane (Cork)	1981	1984	1989
Tony Davis (Cork)	1981	1984	1989
John Cleary (Cork)	1981	1984	1989
Colm O'Neill (Cork)	1981	1984	1990
Paddy O'Rourke (Down)	1977	1979	1991
Graham Geraghty (Meath)	1990	1993	1996
Enda McManus (Meath)	1990	1993	1996
Conor Martin (Meath)	1990	1993	1996
Trevor Giles (Meath)	1992	1993	1996
Pa Laide (Kerry)	1988	1990	1997
Mike F. Russell (Kerry)	1994	1996	1997

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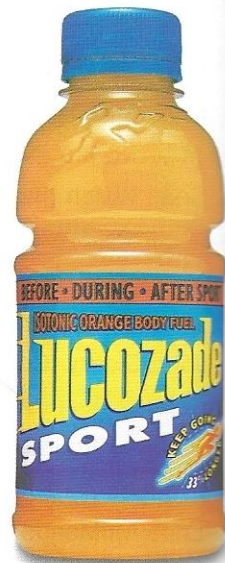
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TINY RETURNS

With some of the finest forwards in the game in action, it would not be surprising if a record aggregate score was recorded today, which should be a far cry from forward performances in the distant past by Galway and Kerry.

Indeed, Kerry forwards in the early years of the championship found scoring an almost impossible task as evidenced by the 0-1 they recorded in their first championship outing against Cork at Mallow in 1889, and when they met the same opposition a year later the Kingdom again raised a lone white flag. There was a slight improvement in 1891 - they scored 0-2 against the Rebels at Killarney, and though their first win in Munster in 1892 was gained with two substantial wins, when they opposed Dublin in the final they dropped back to a slender 0-3.

The first decade of the new century saw Kerry score 0-3 against Waterford in the 1904 provincial final and escape with a draw but the same score in the 1906 decider against Cork at Tipperary town left them ten points adrift at the end.

The years following the first three All-Ireland titles saw some more tiny totals - the most traumatic being the 0-2 scored in response to Antrim's 3-5 in the 1912 All-Ireland semi-final - though 0-3 was enough to account for Clare in the same year's Munster final. And the 0-2 they recorded in the 1913 clash with Tipperary at the Athletic Grounds was still equal to that of the Premier county and kept their championship hopes alive. But the 0-1 notched in the 1919 and the 0-2 in the 1920 finals consigned hopes to oblivion, with Tipperary again supreme in both instances.

The scene of forward frustration then shifted to the All-Ireland stage as 0-3 proved insufficient to see them survive

against Kildare's 0-5 in the 1927 final. The 1930s was the first decade in which Kerry forwards did not fail to register respectable totals on all their outings, but the forties saw a return to pathetic returns as only 0-3 was recorded against Galway in the 1942 semi-final on a day when the four-in-a-row dream was destroyed, ironically, by Dan Kavanagh's (a native of Kerry) goal.

Kerry's frustration up front had not much longer to run, and after a dismal 0-3 against Mayo in the 1948 semi-final only the 0-2 recorded against Cork in the 1952 Munster final has tarnished the record of successive Kerry formations in the past 50 years.

The Wayward West

Galway were similarly handicapped in the matter of scoring power in the early years and, in fact, their first-ever championship encounter was a complete disaster - a 25-point defeat (0-1 to 2-20) in the All-Ireland "Home" final of 1900 against Tipperary.

And if their first game in 1901 saw them down Roscommon, next time out they could manage no more than 0-3 against Mayo. Another 0-3 was notched against Mayo in 1905 and worse was to come in the 1907 final when only a solitary point answered Mayo's 3-9 at Tuam.

But the nadir of Galway's scoring fortunes was surely the period in the second decade of the century when they departed the 1911 championship with just two points on the board against Cork's 3-4 at Portlaoise, and 0-1 to Kerry's 1-8 at the same venue two years later. In between they had failed to score at all in the 1912 Connacht final against Roscommon.

The turn of the twenties brought another period of stagnation up front. The heady experience of a first All-Ireland final appearance in 1919 was distinguished by

a return of 0-1 against Kildare and that performance was flanked by an 0-1 to 0-4 defeat to Mayo in the 1918 Connacht decider and a register of a mere 0-3 when they lost again to the green and red in the 1920 semi-final at Castlerea. Another ominous 0-1 marked Galway's departure from the 1921 championship on their first outing against the 'old enemy', but 1922 was awash with scores as a second All-Ireland was contested and the display against Dublin on that occasion was probably the finest by any team from the West to that day.

But the old habit quickly re-asserted itself and in attempting to retain the Connacht crown in 1923 the Corribiders put just 0-2 on the board in the final at Tuam, though victors Mayo scarcely did much better with 0-3. And then, amazingly, a score of 0-1 in the 1924 final at Balla enabled Galway survive to a replay which, by contrast, had a much more "normal" scoreline.

The late twenties saw Galway finish with 0-3 to their credit in the 1927 provincial final with Leitrim and then in the following year's opening round against the same opposition Galway scored 1-0 in the drawn game and 0-3 in the replay. The thirties, years of wonderful achievement by Galway, ended on a sombre note when Galway, as defending All-Ireland champions, could raise only three white flags when losing the 1939 Connacht final to Mayo.

But the last 60 years have witnessed only two comparable performances by Galway forwards - 0-3 v Roscommon in 1953 and a similar tally against the same opposition a year later.

What clearly emerges from the record is that in recent times the Galway and Kerry forwards have improved immeasurably on their predecessors.



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Wrong Place Wrong Time

For a number of players it was a case of being in the right place at the right time, and in this regard the names of Jackie Flavin, Bobby Beggs and Caleb Crone immediately spring to mind.

But with many more players it was a case of the 'wrong place at the wrong time' and in this regard fate was indeed most unkind to Kerry men, Jimmy Clifford and Brian Reidy. Clifford played with three different counties in the early forties - two of which won All-Ireland finals - but somehow he contrived to miss out on the highest honours as he was with Galway when they lost the 1942 final to Dublin by two points. Three years later he was back with his native Kerry, but Cork beat them in the Munster final and went on to win the All-Ireland. And then in 1946 when he moved across the border to play with Cork, Kerry ousted the Rebel county before going on to win the title. Jimmy Clifford never got as near to an All-Ireland medal again.

Brian Reidy had a different but equally frustrating experience in his career. Minor goalkeeper in the All-Ireland victories of 1931, '32 and '33, a bright future in senior ranks beckoned; but it was not to be. In the year that he got his first under-age award Dan O'Keefe made his senior debut and for the next 17 years no-one could dislodge the great 'Danno' from the number one spot. So Reidy was left to 'chomp on the bit' as Kerry, with O'Keefe in goal, went on to a string of All-Ireland triumphs; and when the longest-serving goalkeeper eventually bowed out at the end of the 1948 campaign, Reidy had long since gone from the inter-county arena, or rather the hope of participating in it at senior level.

Jimmy Clifford and Brian Reidy may occupy a special place in football history, but its one that most players would gladly forego.

Today Galway and Kerry will clash in the championship for the 17th time (including the drawn encounter 13 days ago) with the Kingdom enjoying the narrowest of leads in the series by seven wins to six - there were three draws.

However, the Munster kingpins enjoy a much greater advantage in head-to-head confrontations in the league as they lead the 30 game series by 20 wins against Galway's six - there were four draws.

The details of Galway-Kerry meetings in both championship and league are:

CHAMPIONSHIP

1913, Portlaoise (semi-final):	Kerry	1-8;	Galway	0-1
1919, Croke Park (semi-final):	Galway	2-6;	Kerry	3-3
Croke Park (replay):	Galway	4-2;	Kerry	2-2
1938, Croke Park (Final):	Galway	3-3;	Kerry	2-6
Croke Park (replay):	Galway	2-4;	Kerry	0-7
1940, Croke Park (Final):	Kerry	0-7;	Galway	1-3
1941, Croke Park (Final):	Kerry	1-8;	Galway	0-7
1942, Croke Park (semi-final):	Galway	1-3;	Kerry	0-3
1954, Croke Park (semi-final):	Kerry	2-6;	Galway	1-6
1959, Croke Park (Final):	Kerry	3-7;	Galway	1-4
1960, Croke Park (semi-final):	Kerry	1-8;	Galway	0-8
1963, Croke Park (semi-final):	Galway	1-7;	Kerry	0-8
1964, Croke Park (Final):	Galway	0-15;	Kerry	0-10
1965, Croke Park (Final):	Galway	0-12;	Kerry	0-9
1984, Croke Park (semi-final):	Kerry	2-17;	Galway	0-11
2000, Croke Park (Final):	Galway	0-14;	Kerry	0-14

LEAGUE

1930/31, Tuam (semi-final):	Kerry	2-5;	Galway	1-1
1936/37, Killarney:	Kerry	3-2;	Galway	0-4

1937/38, Galway:	Kerry	2-4;	Galway	1-5
Tralee (play-off):	Kerry	1-12;	Galway	3-1
1938/39, Tralee:	Kerry	0-10;	Galway	2-3
1939/40, Galway:	Galway	2-8;	Kerry	3-5
1940/41, Listowel:	Kerry	0-6;	Galway	0-5
1945/46, Tralee:	Kerry	0-12;	Galway	1-8
1947/48, Galway:	Kerry	3-6;	Galway	1-5
1948/49, Galway:	Galway	3-5;	Kerry	3-5
1951/52, Tuam:	Kerry	1-10;	Galway	0-4
1952/53, Tralee:	Kerry	2-14;	Galway	2-6
Limerick (play-off):	Kerry	1-8;	Galway	1-6
1956/57, Croke Park (Final):	Galway	1-8;	Kerry	0-7
1964/65, Croke Park ("Home" Final):	Galway	1-7;	Kerry	0-8
1969/70, Croke Park (play-off):	Kerry	3-9;	Galway	0-10
1970/71, Tuam:	Kerry	1-11;	Galway	1-7
1971/72, Killarney:	Kerry	0-13;	Galway	0-6
1972/73, Ballinasloe:	Galway	1-4;	Kerry	0-6
1973/74, Tralee:	Kerry	1-8;	Galway	0-11
1976/77, Galway:	Kerry	2-9;	Galway	1-8
1977/78, Killarney:	Galway	0-12;	Kerry	0-8
1978/79, Killarney:	Kerry	2-6;	Galway	0-7
1979/80, Galway:	Galway	1-7;	Kerry	1-7
1980/81, Ennis (semi-final):	Galway	0-10;	Kerry	0-8
1981/82, Galway:	Kerry	1-7;	Galway	0-7
1983/84, Limerick (Final):	Kerry	1-11	Galway	0-11
1984/85, Listowel:	Kerry	1-11;	Galway	0-8
1999/00, Tralee:	Galway	2-9;	Kerry	1-8

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Draws and Replays

The drawn game 13 days ago was the 12th All-Ireland senior final to end with "honours even" - an average of slightly more than one a decade, although it is just four years since Meath and Mayo took two meetings to decide the destination of the title. Today Kerry will be making their seventh final replay appearance and of the previous six they have won four and lost two while Galway are appearing in a replayed decider for the second time. However, Galway won their only previous final replay and their victims on that occasion 62 years ago were none other than Kerry.

1894 - Dublin 0-6 Cork 1-1 (goal equalled five points)

The standard of fare on offer in this encounter at Clonturk Park was generally regarded as the best of any final to that date. Dublin had the better of matters for most of the hour and were four points clear entering the closing stage when Cork scored a somewhat dubious goal. A long punt from out the field looked innocuous enough but as the Dublin 'keeper attempted to gather the ball he was impeded by a Cork forward and surprisingly the score was allowed stand. However, justice was done when Dick Curtis fired over the equaliser shortly after.

Replay - Dublin 0-5 Cork 1-2 (unfinished)

The action moved to Thurles for the replay and an attendance of over 10,000 - the biggest for any gaelic football match to that date - saw 58 minutes of action. Cork had the lead entering the closing minutes but as Dublin pressed forward for a winning goal the crowd began to encroach upon the pitch to such an extent that the Metropolitan 'keeper was lost in the throng. With two minutes remaining the Liffesiders decided enough was enough and walked off the pitch and following a meeting of the Central Council a second replay was ordered. However, Cork refused to play a third time and Dublin were awarded the title.

Dublin: J.Kennedy (capt.), G.Charlemont, D.Curtis, G.Roche, P.Heslin, T.Lyons, J.Geraghty, L.Kelly, P.Kelly, T.Hughes, T.O'Mahony, M.Condon, M.Byrne, T."Darby"Errity, P.O'Toole, J.Kirwan, F.O'Malley.

Cork: J.O'Leary (capt.), J.Mulcahy, P.J.Walsh, D.Kelleher, T.Houlihan, D.McSweeney, M.Coleman, M.McCarthy, W.Riordan, D.Coughlan, F.Joyce, W.Burgess, P.Coughlan, D.O'Connell, M.Downey, T.Irwin, J.Riordan.

1914 - Kerry 1-3 Wexford 2-0

The opening half belong to the Slaneysiders and goals by Sean Kennedy and Aidan Doyle gave them an interval lead of 2-0 to 0-1 which in no way flattered them. However, within a minute of the restart Kerry were right back in it when Dick Fitzgerald set up Paddy Breen for the 'Kingdom's lone goal. After that defences dominated and it took a point a minute from time by Fitzgerald to earn Kerry a second chance.

Replay - Kerry 2-3 Wexford 0-6

The replay was very much a game of two halves with Wexford again having the better of the opening 30 minutes. In that period the Slaneysiders scored 0-6 without reply but as in the drawn encounter Kerry struck for an early second-half goal - courtesy of Paddy Breen - which halved the deficit. Within 60 seconds the deficit was gone completely after Johnny Mahony found the net and although Wexford defended resolutely after that, two points from Fitzgerald and a single from Jack Skinner were enough to keep the title in the 'Kingdom.

Kerry: R.Fitzgerald (capt.), D.Mullins, M.McCarthy, D.Doyle, J.Skinner, J.Mahony, C.Murphy, P.Healy, C.Clifford, P.Breen, T.Rice, J.J.Rice, J.Lawlor, T.Costelloe, P.O'Shea.

Wexford: S.Kennedy (capt.), T.McGrath, T.Murphy, P.Mackey, J.Byrne, P.D.Breen, T.Doyle, T.Mernagh, P.Murphy, J.Doyle, J.Mullally, R.Reynolds, A.Doyle, G.Kennedy, J.Rossitor.

* For the replay M.McCarthy and J.J.Rice replaced H.Murphy and W.Keating (Kerry)

1926 - Kerry 1-3 Kildare 0-6

This was a game that Kildare, appearing in their first final in seven years, should have won. The Lily Whites' outstanding player was Larry Stanley and, although his three points came from placed balls, his overall work rate was a constant drain on Kerry defensive reserves. However, as indicated by the final scoreline, defences held sway for most of the hour although Kildare's more potent attack had eked out a 0-6 to 0-3 lead as the game entered its final minute. In a last desperate attack Con Brosnan launched the ball downfield where Bill Gorman gathered before easing past a defender and shooting to the net for the equalising goal.

Replay - Kerry 1-4 Kildare 0-4

The second instalment six weeks later was overshadowed by the death of Kerry's Jack Murphy who had performed with distinction in the drawn encounter. Four days after the stalemate Murphy died of pneumonia and this seemed to give Kerry that little bit of added incentive for the replay. Phil O'Sullivan was given the task of curbing Stanley and this he did effectively in a robust confrontation as Tom Mahony got the goal that gave the Kingdom their seventh title. It was a fitting tribute to their dead comrade.

Kerry: J.J.Sheehy (capt.), J.Riordan, P.Clifford, J.Barrett, J.Walsh, P.Russell, J.Moriarty, J.Slattery, C.Brosnan, R.Stack, J.Ryan, D.O'Connell, T.Mahony, J.Baily, W.Gorman.

Kildare: J.Loughlin (capt.), J.Cummins, M.Buckley, M.Goff, B.Graham, F.Malone, J.Higgins, J.Hayes, P.Martin, G.Fitzpatrick, L.Stanley, P.Doyle, W.Gannon, T.Donoghue, J.Curtis.

*For the replay D.O'Connell, J.Slattery and P.Clifford replaced J.Murphy, J.O'Sullivan and P.O'Sullivan (Kerry) and T.Donoghue and G.Fitzpatrick replaced A.O'Neill and G.Higgins (Kildare)

Everyone a winner

When the Dublin and Cork teams trooped off Clonturk Park at the end of the 1891 All-Ireland final both sides were in a happy frame of mind as both believed they had won.

At that time a goal outweighed any number of points, and Cork, who had trailed by 0-2 to 2-1 at the interval, camped in Dublin's half for almost the entire 30 minutes and assumed they had won the game when they ran in a second goal near the end. But they only thought they had won as Dublin players considered that the opposition had recorded one goal in the second half. Remarkably, the referee did not make it clear just what his decision was regarding the Cork goal and so both sides made up their own minds. But three hours after the game was over the referee announced that he had disallowed Cork's second goal and that Dublin were winners by 2-1 to 1-9. A Cork objection resulted in a replay being ordered but it was never played and Dublin were eventually regarded - though not declared - as champions for 1891.

1937 - Kerry 2-5 Cavan 1-8

Kerry started this contest in fine form and two goals by John Joe Landers in the opening quarter left Cavan reeling. However, the Ulster champions fought their way back into the game and, following a great solo run by Jim Smith, Pakie Boylan applied the finish to put the Breffni men into the lead. Kerry were soon on terms and regained the lead when Tim O'Donnell pointed but M.J.McGee fired over to level matters with six minutes remaining. In the final minute Boylan appeared to have given Cavan victory when he hand-passed the ball over the bar but the referee blew for a free out. Many in the attendance thought referee Hennessy had blown for a kick out but they soon realised he had awarded a free and a second meeting was required.

Replay - Kerry 4-4 Cavan 1-7

The confusion at the end of the drawn encounter left a bitter taste which was reflected on the field in the replay as an over-robust final ensued. A goal by Tim O'Leary was negated by three Cavan points and at the break the sides couldn't be separated. However, six minutes after the restart Miko Doyle had Kerry's second goal and after that Cavan slowly drifted out of the game as Kerry's superb replay record remained intact.

Kerry: D.O'Keefe, W.Kinnerk, J.Keohane, W.Myers, T.O'Donnell, W.Dillon, T.Healy, J.Walsh, S.Brosnan, J.Flavin, C.O'Sullivan, T.Landers, J.J.Landers, M.Doyle (capt.), T.O'Leary. Sub - T.O'Connor for O'Donnell.

Cavan: W.Young, E.Finnegan, J.Smith, M.Denneny, D.Kerrigan, T.O'Reilly (capt.), J.J.O'Reilly, V.White, P.Smith, D.Morgan, P.Devlin, J.Smallhorn, P.Boylan, L.Blessing, M.Magee. Subs - T.O'Reilly, J.White, W.Carroll, J.Mitchell.

* **For the replay J.Flavin and T.O'Leary replaced G.Fitzgerald and P.Kennedy (Kerry) and D.Kerrigan and J.Smallhorn replaced W.Carroll and J.White (Cavan)**

1938 - Galway 3-3 Kerry 2-6

This was a game not untouched by controversy as Kerry argued that a premature final whistle denied them victory. However, Galway were well worth a second chance as they had matched the reigning champions in every phase for the hour. Indeed, early on Galway looked the likely winners as goals by Eddie Mulholland and Brendan Nestor put them ahead but Kerry regrouped and five minutes from time Tim O'Leary's goal put the holders three clear. Two minutes later Galway were level thanks to a goal by Ralph Griffin before John Joe Landers appeared to fire over the winner, but the referee had already blown the final whistle before the ball crossed the bar.

Replay - Galway 2-4 Kerry 0-7

The Corribiders got off to a dream start with a goal by Griffin and a point by Nestor and it was the 20th minute before Kerry had narrowed the arrears to the minimum. Another Nestor point gave Galway an interval lead of 1-2 to 0-3 but eight minutes after the resumption the Westerners moved clear after a melee in the Kerry goal-mouth resulted in a goal. Three min-

utes from time Galway were four points clear but their over-eager supporters mistook a whistle for a free as the final one and surged onto the pitch. By the restart, which took some time to organise, some Kerry players had already departed and although they eventually managed to field at full strength only one point was cut off their arrears as Kerry suffered their first defeat in a replayed final.

Galway: J.McGauran, M.Rafferty, M.Connaire, D.O'Sullivan, F.Cunniffe, B.Beggs, C.Connolly, J.Burke, J.Dunne (capt.), J.Flavin, M.Higgins, R.Griffin, E.Mulholland, M.Kelly, B.Nestor. Subs - M.Ryder for Mulholland, P.McDonagh for Burke.

Kerry: D.O'Keefe, B.Kinneak (capt.), P.B.Brosnan, B.Myers, B.Dillon, W.Casey, T.O'Connor, J.Walsh, S.Brosnan, P.Kennedy, A.McAuliffe, C.O'Sullivan, M.Regan, M.Doyle, T.O'Leary. Sub - J.J.Landers for Walsh.

***For the replay P.B.Brosnan and M.Regan replaced J.J.Landers and J.Keohane (Kerry)**

1943 - Roscommon 1-6 Cavan 1-6

Despite wartime travel restrictions a crowd of more than 68,000 turned up for this final. Not surprisingly, final debutants Roscommon started nervously and Cavan were soon ahead but wasted chances meant that they enjoyed an interval lead of just four points - 1-4 to 0-3. Two minutes after the resumption the Breffni lead was cut to the minimum when Jimmy Murray scored a spectacular goal but after Tom O'Reilly moved to midfield Cavan seemed to have the edge. However, they were unable to shake off dogged Roscommon and as both sides missed chances, an equitable draw resulted.

Replay - Roscommon 2-7 Cavan 2-2

Roscommon started a lot better in the replay and early goals by Frank Kinlough and Jack McQuillan put them clear but Cavan responded with a brace of their own and at the interval were just two points in arrears (2-0 to 2-2). However, after the resumption Roscommon began to get on top and slowly but surely, mainly thanks to Donal Keenan's immaculate place-kicking, they widened the gap. As their hopes faded Cavan grew more desperate but their hopes disappeared altogether after they were reduced to 14 men as Roscommon took their first title.

Roscommon: F.Glynn, L.Cummins, J.P.O'Callaghan, W.Jackson, B.Lynch, W.Carlos, O.Hoare, E.Boland, L.Gilmartin, P.Murray, J.Murray (capt.), D.Keenan, D.McDermott, J.McQuillan, F.Kinlough.

Cavan: J.D.Benson, E.Finnegan, B.Cully, P.P.Galligan, G.Smith, T.O'Reilly (capt.), J.J.O'Reilly, S.Deignan, T.P.O'Reilly, D.Morgan, P.Smith, M.Higgins, P.Boylan, J.Stafford, H.Rogers. Sub - J.Keegan for Rogers.

* **For the replay O.Hoare replaced W.Heavey (Roscommon) and H.Rogers replaced J.Maguire (Cavan)**

1946 - Kerry 2-4 Roscommon 1-7

A crowd of 73,771 turned up at headquarters to see a repeat of the 1944 final which Roscommon won by two points. And it seemed as if Roscommon were going to win this decider with something more in hand

THE FIRST ELEVEN?

Should Kerry win today they will have recorded the unprecedented feat of winning at least one All-Ireland football title in eleven different decades - all in succession. Their only rivals in this regard have been Dublin who have also won titles in ten different decades. However, Dublin's ten were not acquired without a break as, having won honours for the first time in the 1890s, they lost out in two decades - 1910/1919 and 1930/39.

After these two front runners there's no one in sight. Cork and Meath are a distant third with title wins recorded in six different decades while Galway can claim fifth place with honours coming their way in five different ten-year periods.

Draws and Replays — CONTINUED

as they led by six points with just three minutes remaining. However, a goal by Paddy Burke halved the arrears and just as that score took on an air of consolation about it, up popped "Gega" O'Connor to score another and deprive Roscommon of a victory that had seemed certain just moments earlier.

Replay - Kerry 2-8 Roscommon 0-10

Kerry took the unprecedented step of dropping captain Gus Cremin for the replay and the captaincy was given to the already legendary Paddy Kennedy. Again Kerry had to come from behind but O'Connor's goal gave them a lead which they maintained to the end. However, Roscommon fought all the way and it took a last-minute goal from a melee to decide the issue as the Connacht champions strove for an equalising point.

Kerry: D.O'Keefe, D.Lyne, J.Keohane, P.B.Brosnan, J.Lyne, W.Casey, E.Walsh, Teddy O'Connor, P.Kennedy (capt.), J.Falvey, Tom O'Connor, B.Garvey, F.O'Keefe, P.Burke, D.Kavanagh. Sub - G.Cremin for Falvey.

Roscommon: G.Dolan, W.Jackson, J.Cassery, O.Hoare, B.Lynch, W.Carlos, T.Collins, P.Murray, E.Boland, F.Kinlough, J.Murray (capt.), D.Keenan, J.McQuillan, J.J.Fallon, J.J.Nerney. Sub - D.McDermott for Lynch.

* **For the replay F.O'Keefe and J.Falvey replaced G.Cremin and W.O'Donnell (Kerry)**

1952 - Cavan 2-4 Meath 1-7

On a sodden surface this game had its fair share of twists and turns. Cavan took an early advantage when Tony Tighe scored a great goal but Meath impressed in coming back and after Peter McDermott's goal the Royals looked likely winners. However, with time virtually up Cavan trailed by a point, but Edwin Carolan chased a ball that looked to be going wide, retrieved it and then sent over the equaliser off the post from under the Nally Stand to earn the Breffni men a second chance.

Replay - Cavan 0-9 Meath 0-5

The weather didn't improve much for the replay and in a free-riddled encounter Cavan took the title with four points to spare. It was a battle between the respective dead-ball marksmen with Mick Higgins proving more reliable than Paddy Meegan as the Breffni ace notched seven points (five from frees). However, Meath could have saved the day as, six minutes from time, Peter McDermott shot wide with only the 'keeper to beat but in truth Cavan were worthy winners.

Cavan: S.Morris, J.McCabe, P.Brady, D.Maguire, P.Carolan, L.Maguire, B.O'Reilly, V.Sherlock, T.Hardy, S.Hetherington, M.Higgins (capt.), E.Carolan, J.J.Cassidy, A.Tighe, J.Cusack. Sub - P.Fitzsimons for Cassidy.

Meath: K.Smyth, M.O'Brien, P.O'Brien, K.McConnell, T.O'Brien, C.Kelly, C.Hand, B.Maguire, D.Taaffe,

D.Brennan, B.Smith, P.Meegan (capt.), M.McDonnell, J.Reilly, P.McDermott.

* **For the replay J.Cusack replaced P.Fitzsimons (Cavan) and T.O'Brien and D.Brennan replaced P.McGearty and P.Connell (Meath)**

1972 - Offaly 1-13 Kerry 1-13

This was a disappointing contest with neither side really catching fire on the day. Reigning champions Offaly looked the more likely winners, especially after Sean Cooney goaled, but Kerry replied with a like score when Brendan Lynch unleashed a pile-driver that sped past Martin Furlong. However, the Midlanders, without ever looking impressive, appeared to be home until Mick O'Dwyer lobbed over the levelling point near the end.

Replay - Offaly 1-19 Kerry 0-13

Despite losing Eugene Mulligan and Sean Cooney to injury early on, Offaly started impressively and had five points on the board before Kerry opened their account. However, by the break Kerry were back on terms and looked threatening until Paddy Fennings' speculative effort ended up in the Kerry net. Immediately the champions pressed home their advantage and with Willie Bryan giving an exhibition at midfield, they soon pulled away to inflict Kerry's heaviest-ever final defeat.

Offaly: M.Furlong, M.Ryan, P.McCormack, L.Coughlan, E.Mulligan, S.Lowry, M.Heavy, W.Bryan, S.Evans, J.Cooney, K.Kilmurray, T.McTeague (capt.), S.Darby, J.Smith, P.Fenning. Subs - M.Connor for Cooney, N.Clavin for Mulligan, M.Wright for Coughlan.

Kerry: E.Fitzgerald, D.O'Sullivan, P.O'Donoghue, S.Fitzgerald, T.Prendergast (capt.), M.O'Shea, P.Lynch, M.O'Connell, J.O'Keefe, B.Lynch, D.Kavanagh, E.O'Donoghue, M.Gleeson, L.Higgins, M.O'Dwyer. Subs - D.Crowley for S.Fitzgerald, P.Griffin for Gleeson, J.Walsh for B.Lynch.

* **For the replay S.Darby replaced M.Connor (Offaly)**

1988 - Meath 0-12 Cork 1-9

Having lost the previous year's final to the same opposition, Cork were more than a little determined not to suffer a similar fate and an early goal by Teddy McCarthy indicated as much. However, Meath's miserly defence soon asserted itself and at the break the champions led by 0-6 to 1-2. After the restart the challengers had the better of matters but a succession of wides left them vulnerable and a late free from Brian Stafford denied them victory.

Replay - Meath 0-13 Cork 0-12

After six minutes of this replay Meath were reduced to 14 men when Gerry McEntee was sent to the line but their numerical inferiority was not reflected on the scoreboard and at the interval the Royals led by a point. Sheer doggedness and the accuracy of Brian Stafford from placed balls saw the champions move three clear after the restart, before Cork rallied to

A POSSIBLE TREBLE

In terms of All-Ireland or even provincial final awards, Maurice Fitzgerald will hardly be rated with his distinguished predecessors of the recent past, but should the St.Mary's man catch the attention of the All-Star selectors this year he will have recorded a feat that men like Pat Spillane, Mikey Sheehy, Páidí Ó Sé and company all failed to accomplish - win All-Star awards in three different decades. Maurice won his first award in 1988 and followed with two more in '96 and '97. In fact, should he make this year's team he will be the first player in hurling or football to record this particular treble.

reduce their arrears to the minimum. However, that was as close as they got as Meath clung on to their crown.

Meath: M.McQuillan, R.O'Malley, M.Lyons, T.Ferguson, C.Coyle, L.Harnan, M.O'Connell, L.Hayes, G.McEntee, D.Beggy, J.Cassells (capt.), P.J.Gillic, C.O'Rourke, B.Stafford, B.Flynn. Sub - M.McCabe for Gillic.

Cork: J.Kerins, N.Cahalane, C.Corrigan, S.O'Brien, A.Davis, C.Counihan, A.Nation (capt.), S.Fahy, T.McCarthy, P.McGrath, L.Tompkins, B.Coffey, D.Allen, D.Barry, M.McCarthy. Subs - C.O'Neill for McCarthy, J.O'Driscoll for McGrath.

* **For the replay C.Coyle and T.Ferguson replaced M.McCabe and K.Foley (Meath) and S.O'Brien replaced D.Walsh (Cork)**

1996 - Meath 0-12 Mayo 1-9

Mayo, with the wind at their backs, had the better of the opening half but an interval advantage of 0-7 to 0-4 looked less than secure. However, when Raymond Dempsey goaled ten minutes after the restart Mayo's chances looked good and although Meath fought back, the Connacht champions entered the last ten minutes with a four-point lead. With time up the Royals had narrowed the arrears to the mini-

mum before Colm Coyle's hopeful punt from 65 yards bounced over the bar for a bizarre equaliser.

Replay - Meath 2-9 Mayo 1-11

Meath failed to score in the first quarter of the replay as Mayo led by 0-4 to nil and at the interval the west-erners were still four points to the good after P.J.Loftus and Trevor Giles swapped goals - 1-6 to 1-2. Within five minutes of the restart Meath narrowed the arrears to the minimum but it wasn't until Tommy Dowd found the net at the hour mark that they took the lead. Mayo did get back on terms but Brendan Reilly's late point proved the match-winner.

Meath: C.Martin, M.O'Reilly, D.Fay, M.O'Connell, C.Coyle, E.McManus, P.Reynolds, J.McGuinness, J.McDermott, T.Giles, T.Dowd (capt.), G.Geraghty, C.Brady, B.Reilly, B.Callaghan. Subs - J.Devine for Callaghan, O.Murphy for O'Reilly.

Mayo: J.Madden, D.Flanagan, K.Cahill, K.Mortimer, P.Holmes, J.Nallen, N.Connelly (capt.), L.McHale, D.Brady, M.Sheridan, C.McManamon, J.Horan, R.Dempsey, J.Casey, A.Finnerty. Subs - P.J.Loftus for Dempsey, P.Fallon for Flanagan, T.Reilly for Finnerty.

* **For the replay C.Brady replaced E.Kelly (Meath) and A.Finnerty replaced D.Nestor (Mayo)**

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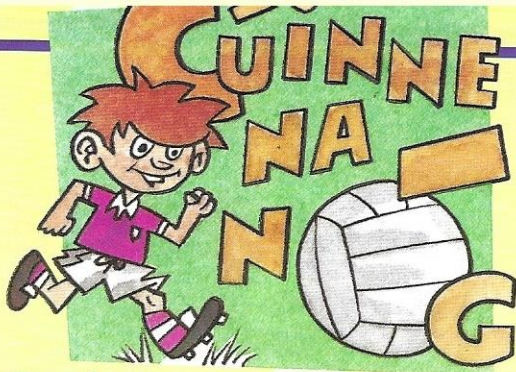
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Tráth na gCeist

- Who captained Galway to their last Sam Maguire Cup win?
- And, who led Kerry to their last All-Ireland senior football title triumph?
- Who captained Meath to victory in the last All-Ireland senior football final replay in 1996?
- Did Cork score a goal against Derry in the All-Ireland minor football semi-final in August?
- Who scored a late equalising goal for Mayo in their All-Ireland minor football semi-final with Westmeath at Croke Park in August?
- How many goals were scored in the Mayo-Westmeath All-Ireland minor football semi-final replay at Carrick-on-Shannon?
- Who will be the Irish Referee/Umpire in the Ireland-Australia International Rules Test series over the next two Sundays?
- The Kilmacud Crokes All-Ireland football Sevens were played in Dublin on the eve of the senior football final. The winners were Castlewellan, of Down, or Crossmolina of Mayo. Your choice!
- Galway trailed Kerry by two, three or four points at half-time in the All-Ireland senior football drawn final?
- Conor Brosnan scored one of Cork's two goals in the All-Ireland minor football final win last month. Who scored the other—Mark O'Connor or Conrad Murphy?

What Is My Club?

Listed below are six prominent inter-county senior footballers and six clubs. What you have to do is to match the player with the appropriate club.

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| Darren Fay (Meath) | St. Brigid's |
| Enda Muldoon (Derry) | Thomas Davis |
| Willie McCreery (Kildare) | Éire Óg |
| Paul Curran (Dublin) | Clane |
| Gerard Reid (Armagh) | Ballinderry |
| Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) | Trim |

Who Am I From Galway?

I play with a club outside of my county.
I won an All-Ireland senior football medal in 1998 in the same position I currently line-out with the side.
I was Galway's second highest scorer with three points in the drawn game with Kerry last month.

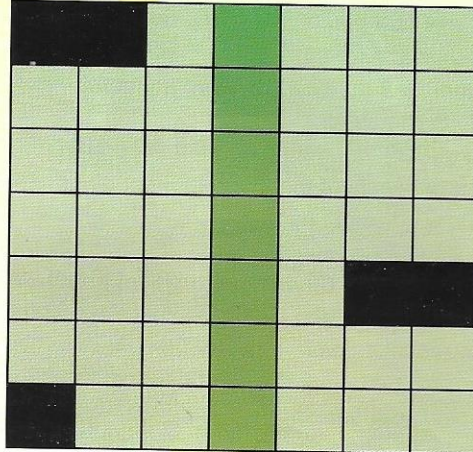
Who Am I From Kerry?

I was one of two players from my club who lined out in attack for Kerry.
I was my county's top scorer with four points in the drawn final with Galway last month.
I am a leading scorer with my county side.

Junior Crossword

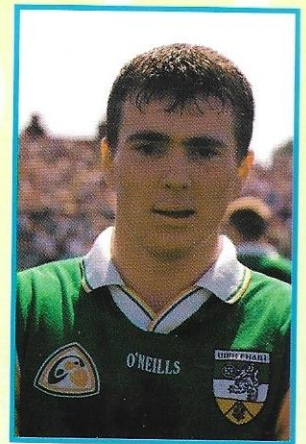
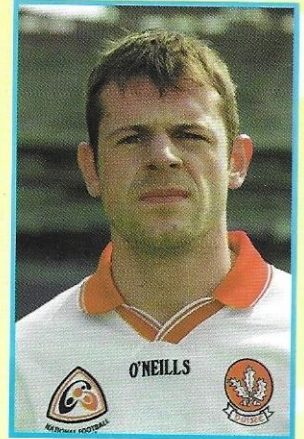
Solve all the clues correctly and the shaded squares will reveal the name of a footballer, who is following in the footsteps of his father but with another county team.

- Popular form of a Christian name associated with Kildare forward McCormack.
- An All-Ireland senior football medal winner two years ago at right full back and still very much to the fore this season.
- This midfielder won a Church and General National Football League medal earlier this year with Derry.
- Meath's left full back in their unsuccessful National Football League final replay against Derry last May.
- This footballer put up some impressive individual scores with Wicklow in this season's Leinster senior championship.
- An Eircell All Star award winner at midfield last year and Dublin's only representative in the team.
- Cork's left full back in last year's Sam Maguire Cup tie against Meath.



In Common

Who are the two footballers pictured and what distinction have they in common this year?

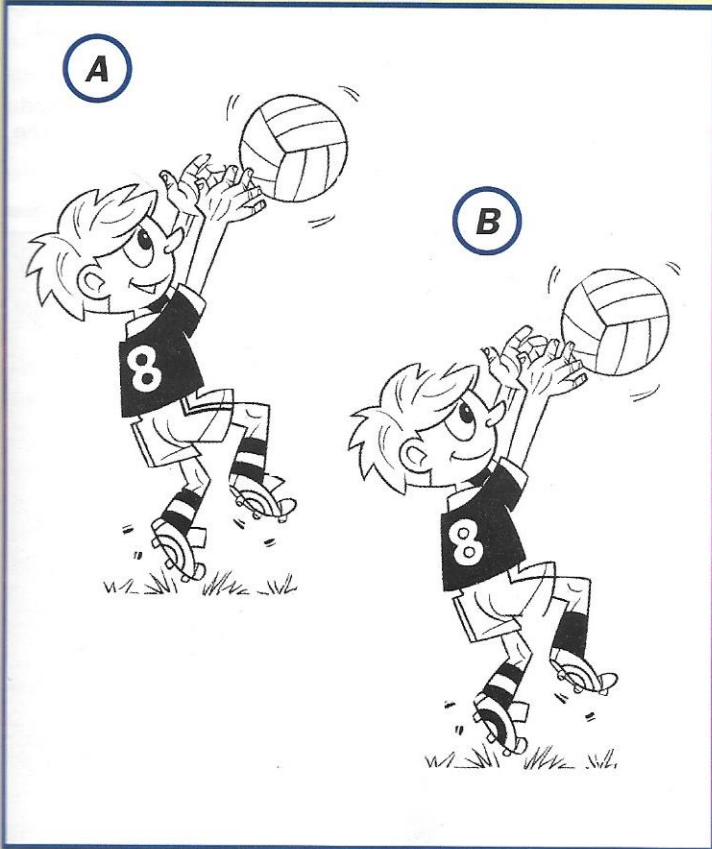


SEAN ÓG'S FOOTBALL FUN DAY



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

There are six differences between A and B, can you spot them.



Spot the Difference
Teeth, Number on jersey, stripe on shorts, right sock, left boot, no tongue on right boot

E	D	D	I	E		
T	M	E	E	H	A	N
D	H	E	A	N	E	Y
C	M	U	R	P	H	Y
T	G	I	L	L		
C	W	H	E	L	A	N
A	L	Y	N	C	H	

Junior Crossword
The name revealed by the shaded squares is, of course, Dermot Earley, son of Dermot, the former Roscommon and Connacht player.

Who Am I From Kerry?
Niall Finnegan.
Against Australia tomorrow, squad which plays its first Test both on the Irish International McManus (Uíbh Fhailí). They are Anthony Tohill (Doire) and Claran Dara Ó Cinnéide.

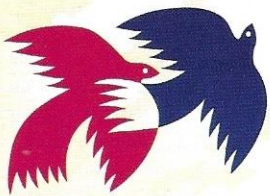
Who Am I From Galway?
Og. Frankie Dolan—St. Bridgid's. Thomas Davis. Gerard Reid—Eire McCreery—Clane. Paul Curran—Muldoon—Ballinderry. Willie Darren Fay—Trim. Enda

What Is My Club?
10 to 0-7. 10. Mark O'Connor. Castlewellan. 9. Three points—0-15 to 0-14. 5. Paul Prenty. 6. Tommy Dowd. 4. No. Cork won by 1. Ray Silke. 2. Liam Hassett. 3. **Trath na gCeist**
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Cumann na mBunscol

Cumann na mBunscol is the organisation of primary school teachers committed to the promotion and development of Gaelic games in 3,500 schools throughout the country. It has the same structure as the Gaelic Athletic Association with national, provincial and county units. Hurling, camogie and football for boys and girls are promoted as well as rounders and handball. Some county units have an extensive athletics programme. The two flagship promotions of Cumann na mBunscol are the I.N.T.O.-G.A.A. Mini-Sevens - a promotional scheme which climaxes in Croke Park at championship time - and the Primary Game in Munster which caters for children with special talent. The G.A.A. through its Coaching and Games' Development committee and other structures provides financial and material support for Cumann na mBunscol.

ROADSTONE PAVES THE WAY

The third annual Roadstone-Cumann na mBunscol National Awards banquet will be held in Clontarf Castle Hotel on November 3rd. Three years of substantial investment by Roadstone has enabled Cumann na mBunscol units to use valuable extra resources to promote and develop Gaelic games in a significant way. The Roadstone awards recognise excellence in



games' promotion and development in ten distinct categories such as : Best hurling initiatives: Best football development : Best publications and Best Public Relations. At last year's awards ceremony, Roadstone Provinces Managing Director Michael Grogan took the opportunity to make a presentation to outgoing G.A.A. President, Joe McDonagh for "his outstanding leadership of the G.A.A. during his memorable term of office. "

MICHELLE AGUS AN UACHTARÁN

Michelle Ní Lócháin from Ballaghlea N.S. in Galway is so confident of a Western victory today that she is wagering her pocket money with anyone who accepts her challenge. Her confidence is inspired by "the way they came back in the drawn game". Her favourite players are Jarlath Fallon and Pádraig Joyce. Michelle plays for St.Brendan's G.A.A. Club and is grateful to teacher, Martin Healy, for the time he spends coaching school teams. Her Dad, Joe, teaches in Colaiste Mhuire and her other big fans are her mother, Anne, her brother, Tomas, and sister, Claire. She met G.A.A. President, Seán Mac Thaidhg, at the drawn game.



'COOL' BÁIRE

Michelle Ní Shé, Scoil Mhichíl, Baile Na Sceilge, Co. Ciarraí, played in goals in the Mini-Sevens at the drawn game. She made some excellent saves and is hoping that Declan O'Keefe will keep the Galway forwards at bay today. She is also hoping that local heroes, Denis O'Dwyer and Maurice Fitzgerald, will be bringing "Sam" to Scoil Mhichíl in the near future.



FORMER KERRY PLAYER, EOIN "BOMBER" LISTON, AND HIS SON EOGHAN, WHO PLAYED FOR KERRY IN THE DAIRYGOLD PRIMARY GAME IN MUNSTER.

CAPITAL RULES

Last Thursday's preliminary game in the International Rules Series, played in Parnell Park, was organised by Cumann na mBunscol, Ath Cliath - the organisation which promotes Gaelic games in the schools of the capital city. The thousands of children who attended came from the 300 schools which contain 26% of the entire primary school population of the country. An extensive programme of games and related promotional activities are organised for the children. Last Autumn, the Dublin unit won six Roadstone National Awards and were described in one citation as " market leaders in games' promotion and development".

Cumann na mBunscol, Ath Cliath, has a close affinity with the International Rules Series, having organised thousands of school children to attend both Senior and U17 Internationals. Two years ago some of the children attended an Aussie training session in Belfield where they met superstar, Wayne Carey, who was the tour captain but misses out on this occasion because of injury.



PICTURED WITH AUSSIE RULES SUPERSTAR, WAYNE CAREY, ARE ANNE, MARIE PRENDERGAST, MORGAN BOLAND, CIARA QUINN, EOIN, MARK AND NIAL FITZGIBBON.

SCOREBOARD REPORT...2000

The 2000 campaign may not have been (so far) particularly distinguished as regards scoring feats with the 20-point mark being passed only eight times in the 38 games played, and one of these was Kerry's 21 points (2-15) against Armagh in the replay, which of course, ran for 100 minutes.

None of the three semi-final games - nor the drawn final - provided anything exceptional in the way of flag-raising - all the notable feats being recorded in the provincial campaigns.

In this regard pride of place goes to Roscommon, even if it was against lowly London that they recorded their chart-topping 4-18 in the first round at Ruislip. That, incidentally, was the only occasion on which a team touched 30 points in the entire campaign. Next came Dublin whose 26 points (2-20) were notched against Wexford in the quarter-final. A tally of 3-15 (24 points) against Clare in the Munster final puts Kerry in third place with Galway's 0-22 against Sligo in the Connacht semi-final leaving them a highly creditable fourth.

Raising the green flag proved to be an arduous task for many counties - but not for Kerry who topped the list with nine. Roscommon, who had the best average in this regard, trailed Kerry with a total of seven while an unlikely third was Wexford

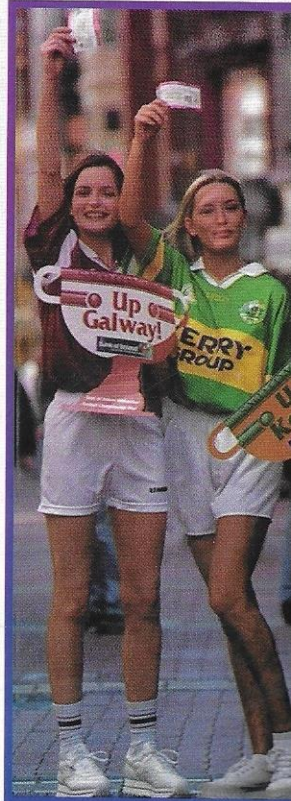
with six - though from four outings.

Claiming unblemished records in denying the opposition a major score were Down, Meath, Tyrone and Tipperary; but as all four went out in the first round, Offaly's Pádraig Kelly takes the honours as the Midland net-minder didn't concede a green flag in any of the Faithful county's three outings.

In three provinces there was quite a noticeable inconsistency in the scoring returns as shown in the chart below:

	Games	Total	Score	Average Score
Leinster	15	23-245	(314)	20.9
Connacht	6	13-94	(133)	22.2
Ulster	9	16-197	(245)	27.2
Munster	5	12-119	(155)	31
All-Ireland	4	9-101	(128)	32
Total	39	73-756	(975)	25

The greatest number of goals conceded by any county in this year's campaign was six - a total accounted for by Derry in their four-match campaign. Armagh came next in this sphere of dubious achievement having conceded five majors, while Cork, Kerry, Longford, London and Leitrim all conceded four.



16,000 Sam Maguire replicas were distributed to supporters coming to today's Bank of Ireland Football final replay. They are shown here by models Lorraine Mannion, Galway, and Jennifer Langan, Kerry.

Coaching and Games Development



Compiled by Pat Daly -
GAA Games Manager

The National Coaching and Games Development Committee has made steady progress over the past decade in coordinating a range of initiatives that aim to maximise playing numbers and maintain the highest possible playing standards. The cost of implementing this programme is in excess of £1.5 million per annum and the following statistics provide an insight into the progress that has been made since the initial plan was proposed in the Glen Rovers clubhouse in Cork on December 7th, 1992.

- 1. Coach Education**
27,000 people have taken Foundation and Level 1 courses.
- 2. Summer Camps**
54,000 children participated in GAA Summer Camps this year.
- 3. Coaching and Games - Promotion Officers**
90 people are employed as full-time Coaching and Games Promotion Officers.
- 4. Schools of Excellence**
All counties are currently planning to provide 50-100 under-fourteens and under-fifteens with a minimum of six quality coaching sessions and a number of competitive challenge games in conjunction with Schools of Excellence.
- 5. Designated Areas**
The Association, in conjunction with the Irish Sports Council, has identified 6 areas - two in Dublin and one in each of the following centres: Cork, Galway, Limerick and Waterford where children who might not be exposed to Gaelic games are being encouraged to take an active involvement as players, coaches, referees or club administrators.





NATIONAL REFEREES' ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

RECRUITMENT FORM

Name of Club

The persons whom you nominate on this form should:

- (1) be willing to learn, to respond to the new approach and to referee in accordance with the Rules as set out in the Official Guide and in accordance with the principles laid down by the National Referees' Administration Committee.
- (2) be willing to attend meetings and courses organised by the County Referees' Administration Committee.
- (3) be committed to refereeing one evening per week.
- (4) be interested in progressing to senior referee status.

	Name	Address	Phone No.
1.
2.

Siniú (Signed)(Runaí)

(Please return completed form to the County Referees' Administrator not later than 15th January).

THE CLUB AND REFEREES

CLUBS CAN:

1. Change attitudes towards Referees and Refereeing.
2. Create the right conditions in which Referees officiate their duties.
3. Change the atmosphere in which Referees officiate.

CLUBS MUST HELP BY THEIR:

1. Support
2. Co-operation
3. Involvement

CHANGE OF ATTITUDE
To help bring about a change of attitude Clubs should:

1. Encourage Officials, Mentors and Players to study the Rules.
2. Arrange meetings to discuss the Rules.
3. Promote respect for Referees and the Rules.
4. Promote the Campaign for the Proper Conduct of Our Games and keep the Members informed.

RIGHT CONDITIONS
To create the right conditions for Referees to officiate properly, Clubs should:

1. Have pitches properly marked with lines and flags.
2. Have nets fitted.
3. Provide flags for Umpires and Linesmen.
4. Provide white coats for the Referee.
5. Provide changing facilities for the Referee.
6. Meet the Referee when he arrives.
7. Provide the Referee with the names of Umpires and Linesmen.
8. Introduce the Referee to the Umpires and Linesmen before the game.
9. Thank the Referee after the game.

SUB-COMMITTEE
Clubs should appoint a Sub-Committee to promote the Campaign for the Proper Conduct of Our Games and to deal with all aspects of Refereeing in the Club.

OUR GOAL
Coiste Riaracháin Náisiúnta na Réiteoirí

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MORE MEN FOR THE WHISTLE!

We **URGENTLY** need new Referees in Hurling and Football. Would you consider answering the challenge?

If you are interested, ask any Committee Member for further details.

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