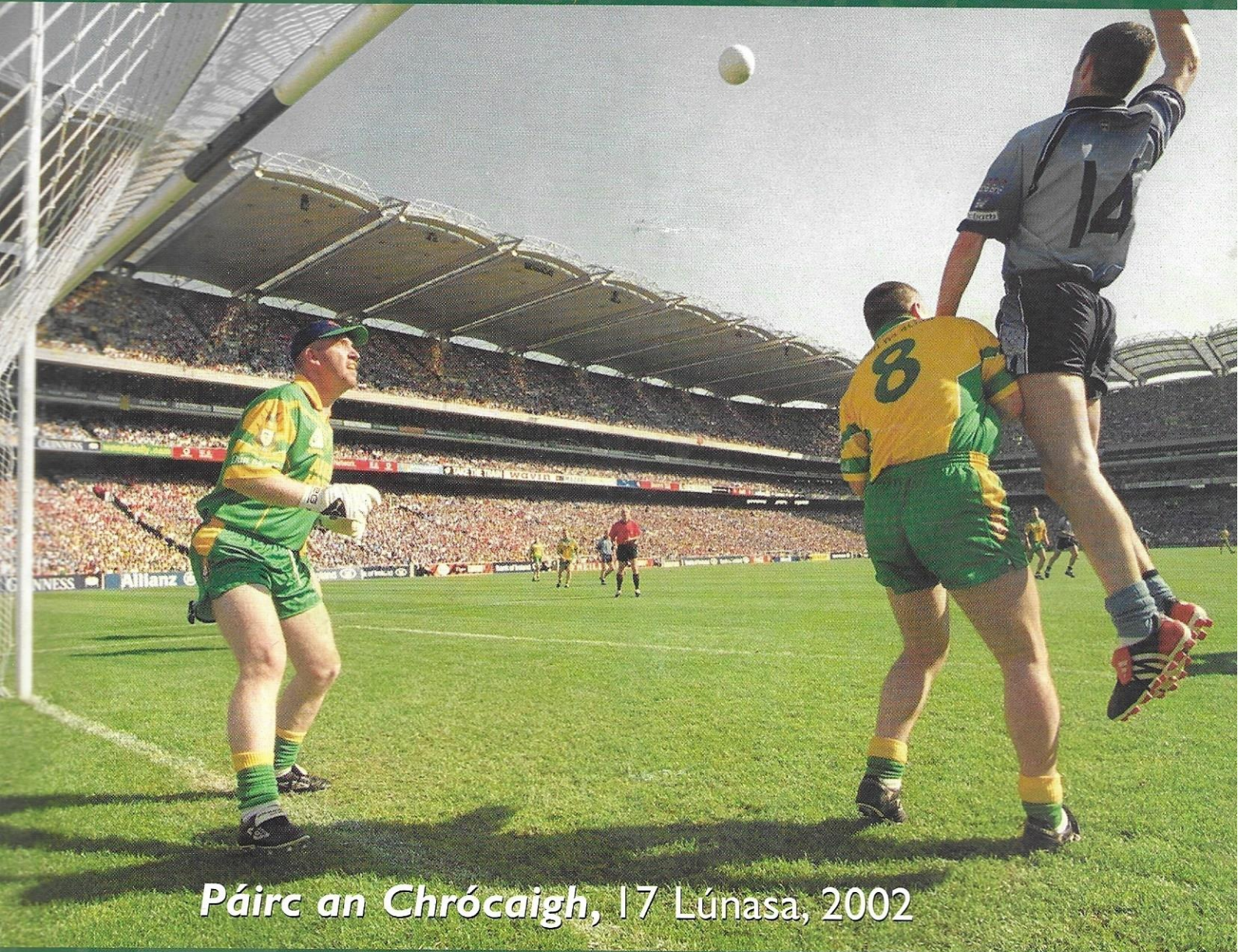


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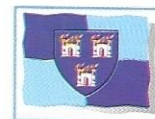
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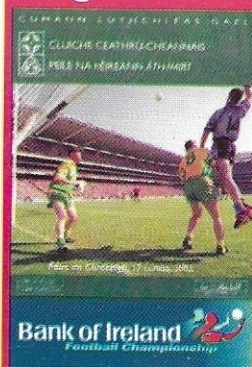
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Ár gClúdach



Our covers shows:
Tony Blake and John Gildea
(Dún na nGall),
Ray Cosgrove (Baile Átha Cliath) in
action in the Quarter-Final at
Croke Park two weeks ago.

Welcome from Bank of Ireland



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It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to Croke Park for the much-anticipated replay of the Bank of Ireland Football Championship quarterfinal between Dublin and Donegal.

The first quarterfinal between these two counties played here at Croke Park in front of a crowd of over 77,000 spectators was a fantastic exhibition of top class football. I have no doubt that the replay will provide another memorable match between these two sides clearly hungry for success.

You the Dublin and Donegal supporters are famous for your colour, enthusiasm and dedication to your county teams. You have always responded with great imagination to our theme, "Ask not what your county can do for you". The large attendance here at Croke Park this Saturday evening is a credit to both counties.

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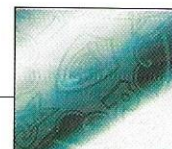
I would like to wish both Dublin and Donegal the very best of luck and I hope you all enjoy this evening's exciting football action.

Des Crowley,

Chief Executive Retail Financial Services – ROI, Bank of Ireland

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A sad loss

A powerful link with journalism and Gaelic Games was sadly severed last week with the death of Mick Dunne.

He served journalism, first with the now defunct Irish Press and later on television and radio, nobly and well.

He also made an outstanding contribution in advancing the cause of Gaelic Games with his excellent reporting and shrewd analysis. He had a real passion for the national pastimes and this was reflected in his writings and comments, sometimes critical, but always objective and with the best interest of the G.A.A. at heart.

Mick was also one of a small group Gaelic Games journalists who pioneered the launching of the All Stars promotion back in 1971. He did much valuable work in the early years as well in getting the promotion firmly off the ground and expanding it into the prestigious annual presentation the All Stars has now become.

Mick was also a wonderful colleague. Many calls were made on his time by many in journalism seeking his help in obtaining

past match reports, dates of games and the like. He always quickly consulted his vast records library and promptly and courteously supplied the necessary information.

In more recent times Mick did much to further the cause of handball with his writings on the sport. He had a deep knowledge of handball having played the sport for a number of years.

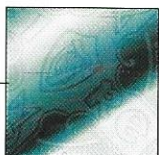
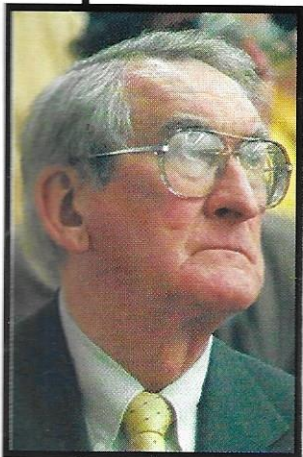
It was my good fortune to have enjoyed his company many evenings on the way home from handball championships fixtures at Croke Park as he invariably drove me right to my own front door. We usually then spent some time discussing Gaelic Games in general before saying good night. Happy memories!

A deep void has been left by the death of Mick Dunne. He will be sorely missed.

Followers this week-end will join in extending sincere sympathy to his wife, Lily, and daughters Eileen, Una and Myra.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

OWEN McCANN.





Christy Toye (Dún na nGall) leaps high with Dublin's Barry Cahill in the drawn Quarter-final at Croke Park.



It happened in football

Scoreless...Almost

Cork and Kerry came within minutes of playing the first scoreless draw in the history of the championship. Needless to say, this did not take place in the era of Mikey Sheehy and Jimmy Barry Murphy, but away back in the early 1890s when they were in opposition in the Munster final at the Markets' Field in Limerick. After 57 minutes of play not a single score had been registered when the ball burst, and with no replacement available an official was dispatched to find one in the city. Alas, he was unable to procure a ball and after waiting for a considerable time the referee, Mr John Sheehy of Limerick, abandoned the game. When the game was replayed three weeks later at Banteer, Cork were comfortable winners by 1-4 to 0-1.

Scoring Difficulties

The quest for points or goals proved a difficult one for Cork teams in the early years of the championship. The famous Lees club was the first to represent the county, but in that historic inaugural championship they had no answer to Kilkenny's Kilmacow who won by 0-4 to nil at Dungarvan. That failure to register gave Cork the unwelcome distinction of being the first county to finish the hour scoreless.

The Lees, again on duty the following season, narrowly missed repeating the Dungarvan episode as at Buttevant they went down to Tipperary champions Bohercrowe by 0-1 to 0-2. There was some relief in 1889 when Midleton beat Laune Rangers (Kerry) at Mallow, but only on a 0-2 to 0-1 scoreline. The Cork men improved on that score in the provincial final at the same venue, but their 0-3 was bettered by Bohercrowe's 1-2. The men of Midleton, however, were learning slowly and in the 1890 championship they scored 0-6 against Waterford's Kinsalebeg at Youghal, before recording 1-15 against Armagh Harps in the All-Ireland semi-final at Clonturk Park. Those 16 scores were to stand as the greatest number raised by a Leeside team until 1901 when the Rebels hit twenty (4-16) to Mayo's 0-1 in the All-Ireland semi-final at Limerick.

Wrong Place...Wrong Time

John Clifford, a native of Kerry, was one of those players who were happy to give their allegiance to the county in which they had taken up residence, and this was invariably to the benefit of the said county. For many of the players it was a profitable choice and some 60 years ago men like Jackie Flavin, Bobbie Beggs and Caleb Crone collected All-Ireland medals with two counties. Clifford, however, wasn't so lucky.

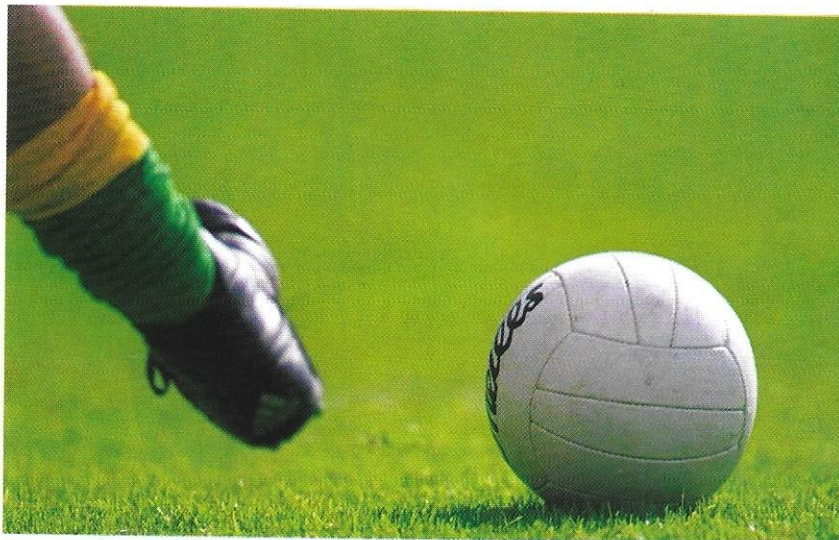
Living in Galway in 1942 he opted to play with the Corribiders, but missed a medal when Dublin beat them in the All-Ireland final by two points. Back in Kerry in 1945 he was a member of the team that lost the Munster final to eventual All-Ireland champions Cork. To complete his frustration he was a resident in Cork the following year and a member of the team, which lost to Kerry in the first round at Killarney.

Needless to say Kerry went on to win the All-Ireland that year. Surely the ultimate example of being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

An Active Umpire

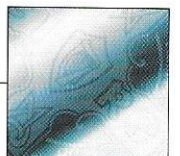
In the early days of the championship, objections were a regular feature of the competition and were lodged for a variety of reasons, ranging from the genuine to the bizarre. But the objection lodged by Monaghan to Cavan after they had lost the 1915 Ulster final certainly broke new ground. At Wattlebridge the Breffni men won by 0-4 to 0-3 and a goal, of course, would have made all the difference. The losers claimed they would have scored one only for the intervention of an umpire.

The Ulster Council, however, refused to be persuaded that the official had intervened in the game and the objection was rejected. Alas, the records don't show just how the umpire was said to have been involved and an interesting piece of history remains unknown.



D.I.Y. Players

Turning up on time is about the most arduous task that players nowadays have to contend with prior to a big game. In the distant past, however, things were often more demanding as instance the experience of the Cavan team, which played Armagh in the 1891 championship at Smithboro. The game, which was played on December 6th, was the replay of a meeting that had been unfinished a few weeks previously. The counties were represented by their champion clubs – Armagh Harps and Cavan Slashers - but it would appear that the local club was not exactly enthusiastic about the fixture. At least the preparations were less than complete, for, when the Cavan men arrived, they discovered that the pitch was without goalposts. Undaunted, the Slashers set about erecting posts using ropes for crossbars. Just what their opponents were doing while the "construction" was in progress was not recorded, but the Cavan men had their reward as they won easily by 1-11 to 0-0.





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Tá ard-mheanman san ardchathair i mbliana tar éis a mbua iontach in aghaidh Na Mí. B'é sin a gcéad chraobh Laighean le seacht mbliana. Thugadar aghaidh ansin ar Chill Dara agus thugadar bata is bóthar dona fir láirthíre. Bhí pobal na cathrach muineach go leor go mbuafaidís ar Na Conallaigh chun áit a chinntiú sa leathchraobh. Le trí nóiméad fágtha sa chluiche sin, bhí an cuma ar an scéal go ndéanfaidís an beart, ach bhí spiorad Na gConallach beo beathach agus throideadar go dtá an fheadóg dheireanach chun an cúlín a fháil a chothraimh na scóranna agus a thug deis eile dóibh an bua a fháil inniu.

B'fhéidir go raibh an tád leis Na Tuisceartaigh ag an deireadh ach, chun an fhírinne a rá, chuir siad go leor seansanna maithe amú i rith an chluiche chomh maith. Ní raibh caighdeán na peile ró-ard. D'imigh go leor ciceanna ar strae ón dá fhoireann agus beidh lucht leanta na bhfoirne ag súil le feabhas ar chaighdeán na gceanna saora freisin.

B'iad na fir a shábhail Tír Chonaill an lá faoi dheireadh ná Adrian Sweeney agus Damian Diver. Bhí Sweeney ar feabhas ar fad agus ghnóthaigh sé cúig chúilíní on imirt. Tháinig Diver isteach mar fhear ionaid do Barry Monaghan a bhí gortaithe, agus bhí an-tionchur aige ar an gcluiche. Muna neiríonn le tacaithe 'Bhleá Cliath smacht a choimeád orthu siúd agus ar Brandan Devenney, fear a chaill cúpla seans gleoite an lá ud, beidh thiar orthu inniu.

Ar an dtaobh eile den bpáirc, tá cleas an gcúl ag tosaithe na hardchathrach. Caithfidh Na Conallaigh súil ghéar a choimeád ar Ray Cosgrove agus Alan Brogan. Bhí an-

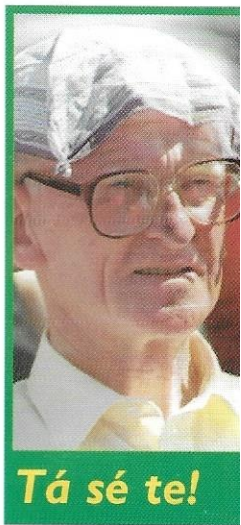
chluiche ag Jason Sherlock nuair a tháinig sé ar an bpáirc. Ceaptar nach mbeidh sé chomh déanach ag teacht isteach an babhta seo. Tá an-scil aige an imirt a léamh agus an-aclaíocht aige le pasanna cliste.

Ní bheidh mórán eatarthu i lár an ghoirt, áit a raibh Gildea agus Whelan ar bharr a maitheasa sa chéad chluiche. Meastar, áfach, go dtiocfaidh feabhas níos mó ar fhoireann 'Bhleá Cliath don chluiche inniu agus, lena bhainisteoir clúiteach ar ais ar an dtaobhlíne, go mbeidh an bua acu ar Na Conallaigh tar éis chluiche den scoth.

Nuair a phléasc fir Shligigh isteach an cúl doras ar saol na peile anuraidh, chuireadar gliondar ar chroíthe a lucht leanta agus ar go leor daoine eile ar fud na tíre. Tá éacht déanta acu arís i mbliana. Léirigh siad spiorad as an gnách in aghaidh Thír Eoghain agus arís, an lá faoi dheireadh in aghaidh Ard Mhacha, bhí croí beirte i ngach imreoir ar an bhfoireann nuair a thugadar sár-thaispeántais sa cheathrú deireanach den gcluiche. Bhí a gcaptaen cróga, Eamonn O'Hara, ina laochra agus spreagadh a thabhairt aige don bhfoireann iomlán. Bhí an lámh in uachtar ar fad acu ar Ard Mhacha sa deich nóiméad deireanach agus tabharfaidh sé sin uchtach dóibh don choimhlint inniu.

Níl amhras ná go bhfuil an mianach iontu an cluiche a bhuaichint agus ní bheidh easpa muiníne orthu. Tá bainisteoir den scoth acu, Peter Ford, fear le taithí agus éifeacht. Beidh tionchur suntasach ag bainisteoir Ard Mhacha, Joe Kernan, ar an gcluiche seo freisin. Tá nós an bhua aige agus bhuaigh sé cheana i bPáirc Tailteann le Raonaithe Crois Mhic Glionáin i 1999 i gComórtas na gClub. Beidh fhios aige nár thapaidh a fhoireann an deis iontach a bhí acu an cluiche a bhuaichint an lá faoi dheireadh. Caithfidh siad úsáid níos fearr a bhaint as an seilbh a bheidh acu ar an liathróid inniu.

Má éiríonn leo é sin a dhéanamh beidh sé deacair iad a chloigh. Ní bhfaighidh siad aon rud bog, áfach, ó fhir An Iarthair. Troidfidh siad go dtí an fheadóg dheireanach agus, má bhíonn an tád leo ar an lá, b'fhéidir go mbeidh na tinte cnámha ar lasadh san Iarthar anocht.



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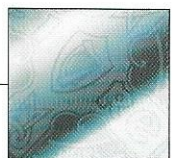
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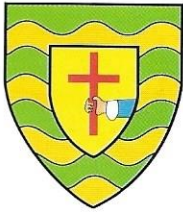
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Donegal's victory over Dublin in the 1992 All-Ireland final was not alone a remarkable achievement for the Tír Connail men, but it also marked the end of a persistent bogey which had afflicted Ulster teams in confrontation with the capital representatives for a hundred years. For until Donegal's win ten years ago, no Ulster team had ever beaten Dublin in the championship and over the years no fewer than seven counties – most of them more than once – had tried.

In every decade since the 1890s, with the exception of the thirties, Dublin had beaten at least one Ulster county, beginning with Cavan in 1891 at Clonturk Park. Antrim was next to fall to the Dubs (0-3 to 1-12 in 1902) and a year later Armagh went down by 1-6 to 4-16 at Dundalk. Monaghan's 0-2 to 1-5 defeat in 1907 made it four out of four, while Antrim returned to meet a similar fate at Jones's Road in 1908. And the Glensmen returned two years later and sustained a 0-2 to 3-5 loss after Dublin had been nominated for semi-final action.

Dublin celebrated an eight-year absence from semi-final action with a 3-6 to 1-3 win over Cavan at An Uaimh in 1920, and recorded a semi-final victory over Monaghan (2-8 to 2-2) at Dundalk twelve months later. It was Monaghan's turn again in '22 (0-0 to 2-5), although Cavan made a brave bid a couple of years later, just coming up short (1-1 to 0-6).

With the arrival of Kildare on the Leinster scene Dublin had no opportunities to continue their torment of Ulster teams and it wasn't until 1942 that Ulster-Dublin paths again crossed – with the same result, a 1-6 to 1-3 win for the Liffesiders over Cavan. For the next 16 years Meath, Louth and Wexford carried the Leinster banner into All-Ireland action with varying degrees of success against northern opposition, but when Dublin returned in '58 they made no mistake and defeated

Derry by 2-12 to 1-9. Five years later Down engaged Dublin, but came a cropper on a 0-7 to 2-11 scoreline.

The seventies saw three attempts by northern representatives to down the city men, but all ended in failure – Derry going down by 3-8 to 3-13 in '75; Armagh by 3-6 to 5-12 in '77; and Down by 0-8 to 1-16 a year later. But the remarkable saga had only one more episode to run. Tyrone was the main power in Ulster in the mid-eighties and the almost inevitable confrontation with Dublin took place at the semi-final stage in '84. The Ulster champions had their moments, but not enough and Dublin chalked up their 17th consecutive win over Ulster opposition on a 2-11 to 0-8 scoreline.

It was against this background that Donegal faced Dublin in the 1992 final, though it is doubtful if any member of the team was aware that they were attempting to end a century of Dublin dominance. It would probably not have mattered and on the day Donegal won on merit, making history in more senses than one by becoming the first Ulster team to beat Dublin – and becoming All-Ireland champions in the process.

NO SUBS

The problem of substitutions was recently the source of some controversy at both senior championship, league and club level, but in earlier times it was more often the case that a shortage of subs that created problems. For instance, take Carlow in their second year back in senior football in 1915 (after a ten-year lapse) in their contest with Louth. As the game entered the final quarter the Barrowsiders were just a point in arrears, but then John Sleator, one of their prominent players, had to retire injured. The Carlow mentors realised, to their horror, that they had no one to replace Sleator as no substitutes had turned up. They were forced to carry on with a reduced compliment and eventually lost by 0-1 to 0-4.

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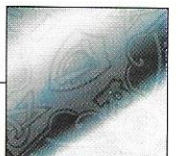
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The Last Day

Donegal 0-14 Dublin 2-8

In their two previous outings, the ability to score goals had served Dublin well in their wins over Meath and Kildare, and 12 days ago they again were the big factor in the Metropolitan's continued involvement in the championship. Donegal appeared to have a slight edge for most of the 70 minutes, but Ray Cosgrove's goal five minutes from the end meant they had to launch a late charge, which yielded the three points required for parity.

Both sides appeared edgy before the huge crowd and it took 13 minutes for the first score to arrive – courtesy of Shane Ryan. Donegal quickly responded to that score with three of their own, but a long ball by Darren Magee found Cosgrove who sped through before firing past Tony Blake for the game's first goal. Senan Connell quickly added a point, but again Donegal responded with another three-point burst to take the lead.

At the break Dublin held the narrowest of leads, but they needed a fine save by Stephen Cluxton from Brendan Devenney to keep them there. However, from

the rebound Adrian Sweeney levelled matters. After that there was never more than a point in it until Jason Sherlock fed Cosgrove for Dublin's second goal five minutes from the end. It appeared to be the decisive score, but Dublin failed to add the insurance point and sat back. This allowed Donegal launch a series of late attacks which yielded points from Paul McGonigle and Sweeney (two) to get the draw they deserved.

Donegal scorers: A.Sweeney 0-5, B.Devenney 0-4, D.Diver 0-2, P.McGonigle 0-1, J.Gildea 0-1, J.McGuinness 0-1.

Dublin scorers: R.Cosgrove 2-2, C.Whelan 0-1, S.Ryan 0-1, S.Connell 0-1, A.Brogan 0-1, J.McNally 0-1, D.Magee 0-1.

Donegal – Tony Blake, Shane Carr, Eamon Doherty, Noel McGinley, Raymond Sweeney, Barry Monaghan, Kevin Cassidy, John Gildea, Jim McGuinness, Christy Toye, Michael Hegarty, Brian Roper, Adrian Sweeney, Brendan Devenney, Paul McGonigle.

Subs – Damien Diver for Monaghan, Brian McLaughlin for Roper, Kevin Rafferty for Toye, Brendan Boyle for McGuinness.

Dublin – Stephen Cluxton, John Magee, Paddy Christie, Coman Goggins, Peadar Andrews, Paul Casey, Barry Cahill, Ciaran Whelan, Darren Homan, Colin Moran, Shane Ryan, Senan Connell, Alan Brogan, Ray Cosgrove, John McNally.

Subs – Darren Magee for Casey, Dessie Farrell for Connell, Jason Sherlock for Moran, Connell for Ryan, Ken Darcy for Homan.

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Dublin...draws and replays

If experience of replayed encounters give a county an edge, then Dublin hold that edge this afternoon as today will be the 28th time they have engaged in a second meeting, which is more than three times as many as Donegal's nine.

Not surprisingly, as one of the earliest entrants to the senior football championship, Dublin were also one of the first counties to experience stalemate. Indeed, the Metropolitans embraced stalemate with both arms as they had no fewer than three drawn outings in the 1894 championship.

Against Meath in the Leinster final at Clonturk Park, the Liffesiders led by 0-4 to nil at the break, but then failed to score and were caught at 0-4 apiece. It was a similar story in the replay at An Uaimh as the visitors led 0-2 to nil at the break, before the home side levelled at 0-2 each. However, when the action returned to Clonturk Park, Dublin made no mistake and won by 1-8 to 1-2. At the same venue in the subsequent All-Ireland final Dublin's 0-6 was equalled by Cork's 1-1 (a goal equalled five points at the time) and though Cork led the replay by two points at Thurles, the game ended prematurely. Cork refused to play a third meeting and Dublin was awarded the championship.

A New Century

Dublin's experience of second meetings in the 1900s was by way of objections rather than stalemate on the field of play. In '01 (Louth) and '02 (Wexford) Dublin were forced to second games having won the first, but it mattered little as they again vanquished the opposition at the second time of asking. And their first actual draw of the century came in 1912 when Kilkenny held them at Athy (2-3 each). However, the Noresiders were no match in the replay at Jones's Road, which the home side won by 3-4 to 0-2.

Laos drew with Dublin for the first time in 1915 at Tullamore (1-2 each), but fell in the replay at Droichead Nua (0-2 to 1-8), but later in that campaign Wexford won a replay by 3-5 to 1-3, having drawn in the first meeting (2-2 all). Kildare in the 1921 provincial final proved equal to Dublin's best when they notched 1-3 in response to the Metropolitans 0-6, but in the replay three goals by John Synnott sped the Dubs to a 3-3 to 1-2 provincial success.

Revenge on Wexford was gained in the 1924 provincial decider after Joe Styne's late goal denied the Slaneysiders victory (1-4 each), with Dublin winning the replay by 3-5 to 2-3. However, two years later at Tullamore Kildare drew with the city team (0-6 to 1-3) and the Lily Whites won the replay at Portlaoise by 2-5 to 1-2. At the end of the decade Dublin recorded another replay win at Wexford's expense.

A New Decade

Wexford were again Dublin's opponents in their next drawn outing in 1932, but again the Metropolitans advanced at the second time of asking, on this occasion by 4-6 to 1-5. Two years later the provincial final with

Louth ended in a draw – 1-2 to 0-5, and the replay also ended in stalemate (3-2 to 2-5). However, when the action moved to Drogheda the Wee county were unable to make home advantage pay and lost by 1-10 to 2-9. But three years later Louth avenged that loss when they won the first-round replay at An Uaimh by 2-5 to 1-4.

The first draw of the forties occurred in '41, with Louth again providing the opposition at Drogheda, which ended 2-7 to 3-4. At Croke Park in the replay the home side advanced by 1-9 to 1-3 and in a low-scoring contest at the same venue in August, Dublin and Kerry played out a 0-4 all draw. However, at Tralee a week later the home team cruised to a 2-6 to 0-3 win.

Longford almost pulled off a shock win over the Dubs in '42 at Mullingar with Tommy Bank's late point saving the day (0-7 each), but at Croke Park Dublin were comprehensive winners of the replay – 2-15 to 1-3. At Drogheda three years later Meath and Dublin finished level at the end of the hour, but the Royals won the replay at Croke Park by 2-16 to 1-10, although they required extra time to do so.

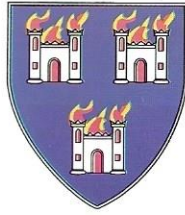
Semi-Final Success

Dublin had just two drawn encounters in the 1950s and won on both occasions. In the '55 All-Ireland semi-final replay they defeated Mayo by 1-8 to 1-7 and four years later they eased by Louth in the provincial semi-final replay by 3-14 to 1-9.

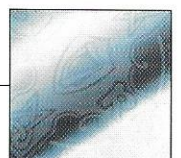
The capital avoided any stalemate in the following decade and had just one draw in the seventies – a losing one against Louth in '73. A decade later they were held to a 2-8 each draw by Meath before advancing by 3-9 to 0-16, and in that year's All-Ireland semi-final they played Cork twice. A Barney Rock goal saw them escape with a 2-11 all draw at Croke Park, but they were in great form in the replay at Páirc Uí Chaoimh, winning by 4-15 to 2-10. At the same stage of the '85 championship they defeated Mayo (2-10 to 1-7) following a 1-13 all draw.

The four-game saga with Meath in '91 ended in defeat and in the last ten years Kildare has been the main source of Dublin's drawn engagements. In '94 Dublin defeated the Lily Whites, but they lost the second meetings of '98 and 2000. In 1999 they edged by Laois at the second time of asking, but their most recent replay – against Kerry last year – ended in defeat.

Of the 27 replays Dublin have played to date, they have won 17 and lost ten – a record than any county would be proud of.



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Dublin's last replay victory... 1999

Dublin 0-16 Laois 1-11

Dublin had required 1-1 in the last couple of minutes to save them in the drawn encounter (despite getting the first six scores of the afternoon), but in this replay before an attendance of 33,000 at Croke Park there was no need for any late heroics as they won more comfortably than suggested by the final scoreline.

Laois, however, didn't give them a head start as they had done three weeks previously and in a high-scoring and open first quarter each county found the target on five occasions. The O'Moore county, however, didn't raise another flag before the break, although Dublin didn't exactly go to town either and a 0-9 to 0-5 lead at the interval wasn't overly impressive. The dismissal of Damien Delaney just before the half-time whistle, however, did put the four-point deficit in context for Laois.

The trailing team made wholesale changes at the break and adopted a long-ball tactic, but it seemed to backfire on them as free man Paddy Christie swept up at the back. Points by Enda Sheehy and three from Declan Darcy doubled the Liffesiders interval advantage with Laois's sole reply coming from Ian Fitzgerald.

A Dublin goal would have killed the game and it nearly came but Fergal Byron did well to keep out Jason Sherlock's effort. An exchange of points between Conway and Ian Robertson preceded a Laois onslaught, which yielded four unanswered points. However, a brace from Brian Stynes stemmed the tide and pushed Dublin five clear, and it took a penalty in injury time from Conway to reduce the gap to two.

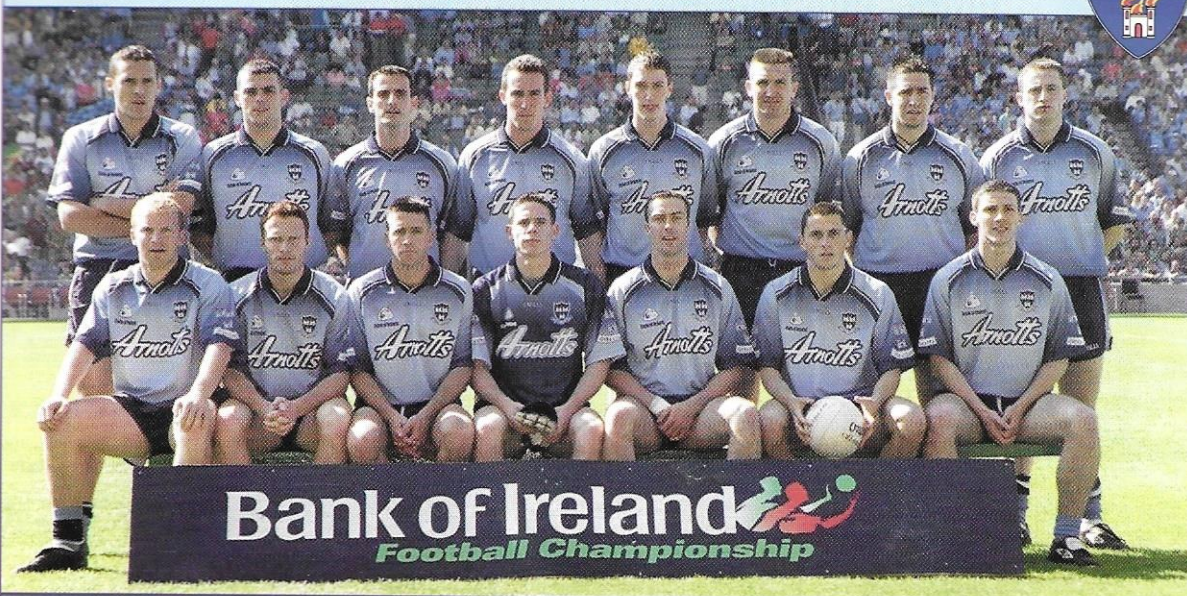
Dublin scorers: D.Darcy 0-5, I.Robertson 0-4, B.Stynes 0-3, C.Whelan 0-1, D.Farrell 0-1, E.Sheehy 0-1, J.Gavin 0-1.

Dublin – D.Byrne, P.Moran, P.Christie, T.Lynch, P.Craft, J.Magee, K.Galvin, C.Whelan, B.Stynes, E.Sheehy, D.Farrell, D.Darcy, J.Gavin, I.Robertson, J.Sherlock.

Subs – P.Andrews, D.Homan.



Baile Átha Cliath



Back Row: C. Whelan, P. Casey, J. McNally, P. Christie, B. Cahill, D. Homan, J. Magee, C. Goggins.
Front Row: S. Ryan, P. Andrews, S. Connell, S. Cluxton, R. Cosgrove, A. Brogan, C. Moran.

Cosgrove's goal flair a boost for Dublin

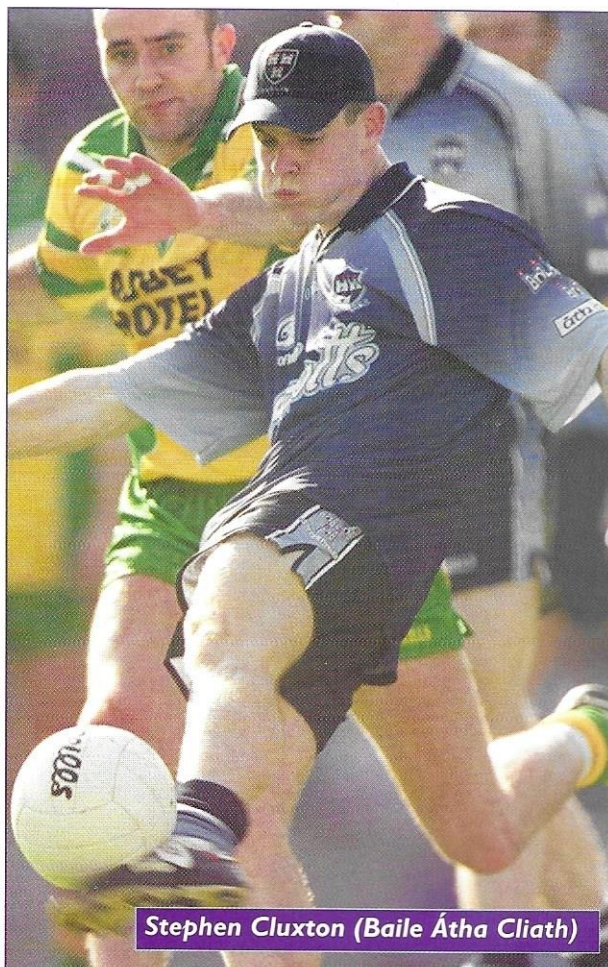
Ray Cosgrove's flair for scoring goals looked like earning favourites Dublin a place in the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football semi-finals at the expense of Donegal. He took two goal chances in fine style, but in the end the Liffesiders had to settle for a draw.

Donegal set the early pace but after about seventeen minutes Cosgrove stepped into the picture to collect his fourth goal of the championship. The score gave Dublin a tremendous "lift" but they still had to work hard after that to forge out a 1-4 to 0-6 interval lead.

The second half provided keenly contested and entertaining fare, with the scores level after 63 minutes. Once again Cosgrove stepped in to score his second goal of the game and at that stage the Dubs looked capable of stamping their dominance on the game. However, they failed to register a score after that, conceded three points as Donegal powered back and in the end shared the honours—2-8 to 0-14.

Dublin will regret some wayward shooting during the game, but generally a draw was a fair result. Cosgrove made a handsome contribution with 2-2. Shane Ryan showed up well in the attack while Ciarán Whelan had a fine game at midfield and scored a memorable point. Stephen Cluxton kept a sound goal and Peadar Andrews and Paddy Christie worked tirelessly at the back.

Dublin played with plenty of skill and drive all through. No doubt they will have learned valuable lessons from the draw games; lessons to be put to good use in their quest to go one better than the last day.



Stephen Cluxton (Baile Átha Cliath)



Donegal's last draw and replay...2001

Donegal 1-16 Fermanagh 2-13

At Ballybofey before an attendance of 10,000, the home side started promisingly and just four minutes into the game Andrew Gallagher found Brendan Devenney, who raced by his marker before setting up Adrian Sweeney for an easy goal. That goal continued to separate the sides at the end of the first quarter, although Donegal appeared to be playing the better football.

The visitors, however, slowly began to gnaw at the deficit and by the 28th minute they were on term thanks to a lovely point from Rory Gallagher. Donegal edged back in front, but just on half-time they suffered a blow when Gallagher's side-line ball eluded two defenders and fell kindly for Mark O'Donnell, who didn't miss to leave it 1-9 to 1-7.

The Donegal mentors introduced Noel Hegarty and Brian Roper at half-time and these changes gave the

home side a more solid look. However, Fermanagh, with Stephen Maguire leading the way, protected their lead well and it wasn't until Sweeney pointed late in the hour that they were on terms. A point by Devenney edged them in front at the hour mark, but then came a controversial goal for the visitors.

A high lob from King was fisted goalwards by Maguire and there was a doubt if it had crossed the line, but after a few seconds deliberation the umpire raised the green flag. Tony Boyle narrowed the deficit to the minimum, before an exchange of points (Gallagher and Devenney) maintained the situation. A late free from Sweeney earned Donegal a replay, which on persistence alone, they deserved.

Donegal scorers: B.Devenney 0-6, A.Sweeney 1-3, M.Hegarty 0-2, M.Crossan 0-1, P.McGonigle 0-1, B.Roper 0-1, J.Gallagher 0-1, T.Boyle 0-1.

Donegal – Tony Blake, Shane Carr, Eamon Doherty, Paddy Campbell, Mark Crossan, Damien Diver, Raymond Sweeney, John Gildea, Paul McGonigle, James Gallagher, Michael Hegarty, Andrew Gallagher, Jim McGuinness, Adrian Sweeney, Brendan Devenney.
Subs – Noel Hegarty, Brian Roper, Tony Boyle, Martin Coll.

Replay – Fermanagh 1-9 Donegal 0-11

At Enniskillen six days later Donegal appeared on course for victory, but a late goal allowed the home side to sneak the win. This was a tough and physical encounter and the tone of proceedings was set as early as the tenth minute when Jim McGuinness virtually ran through Paul Brewster. He received a yellow card for the offence and within minutes Brewster repaid the compliment with an equally tough challenge.

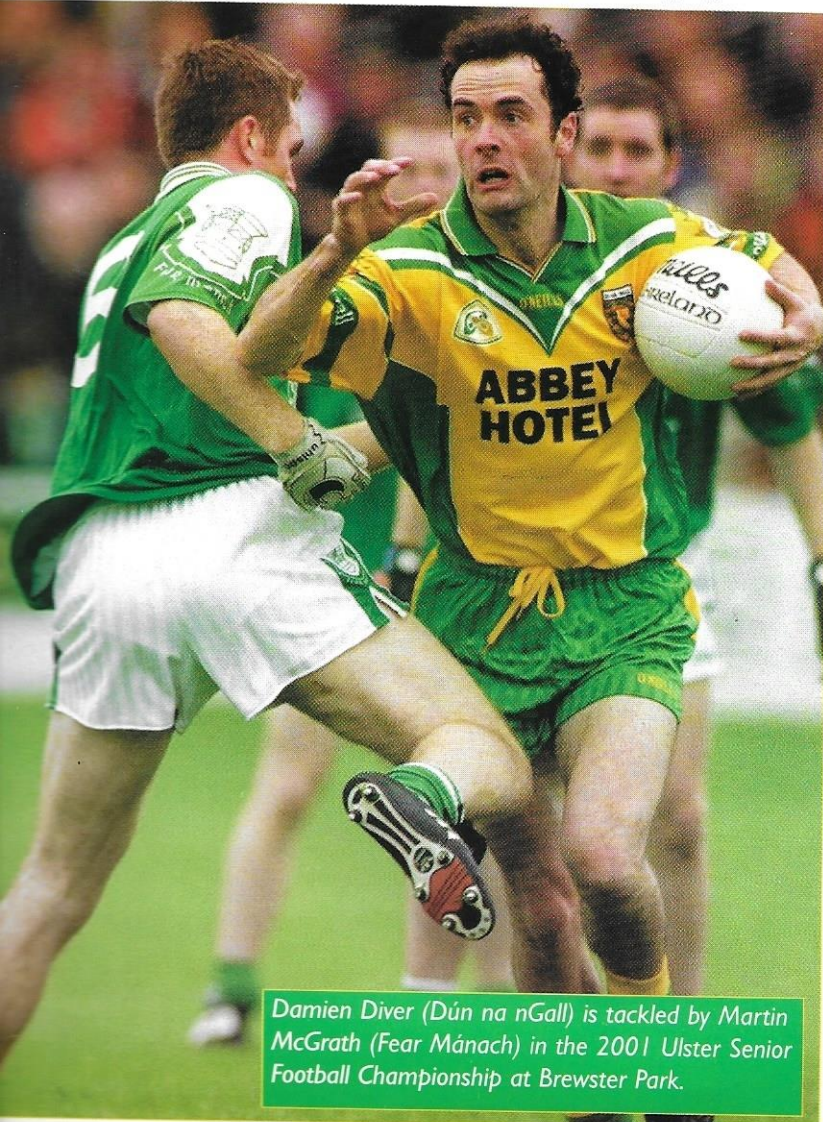
On the scoreboard things were not exactly in overdrive with Gallagher's free dividing the teams. The same player then had a score from play to give the home side a two-point lead, but with Brian Roper and Michael Hegarty leading the way, Donegal were soon on terms.

There was nothing separating the sides after an uncompromising 35 minutes, but the visitors had the better of the third quarter and appeared to be doing enough to take the honours. Brian Roper edged Donegal two clear at the 45th minute, but a dogged home team just wouldn't let go and Brewster's point halved the deficit. At the end of the third quarter John Gildea restored Donegal's two-point lead.

A point by Gallagher again left just a point in it, but Donegal appeared to be holding their own and Michael Hegarty again put them two clear. As the game headed into lost time Donegal adopted a blanket defence, but it wasn't enough and Mark O'Donnell sneaked in for the winning goal. A shocked Donegal couldn't find a reply in the final couple of minutes.

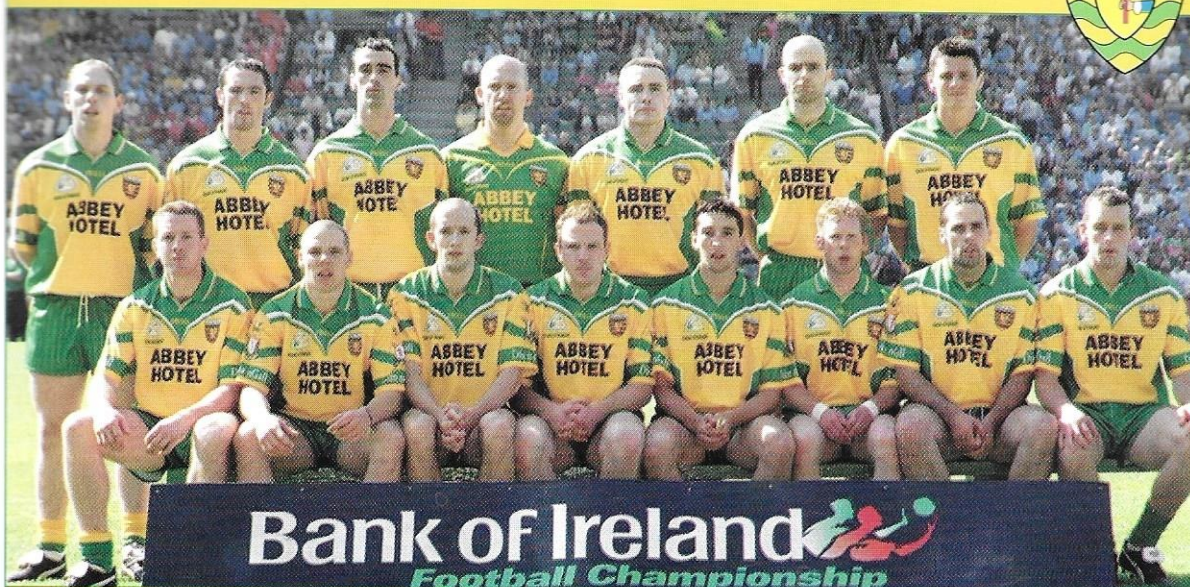
Donegal scorers: A.Sweeney 0-3, M.Hegarty 0-2, B.Roper 0-2, J.Gildea 0-1, P.McGonigle 0-1, J.McGuinness 0-1, B.Devenney 0-1.

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Subs – Tony Boyle, Noel Hegarty, Martin Coll.



Damien Diver (Dún na nGall) is tackled by Martin McGrath (Fear Mánach) in the 2001 Ulster Senior Football Championship at Brewster Park.

Dún na nGall



Back row (l-r): Raymond Sweeney, Kevin Cassidy, Eamon Doherty, Adrian Sweeney, Michael Hegarty, Brian Roper, Shane Carr, Barry Monaghan.

Front row (l-r): Noel McGinley, Brendan Devenney, Jim McGuinness, Tony Blake, John Gildea, Paul McGonigle, Christy Toyne.

Donegal battle back to earn replay

A point in injury time by Adrian Sweeney set the seal on a fine come-back by Donegal and earned them a well-merited draw with Dublin in an entertaining Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football quarter-final at Croke Park before an attendance of 77,298 earlier this month.

Dublin looked poised for victory when Ray Cosgrove goaled in the sixty-fourth minute to give them a 2-8 to 0-11 lead. Donegal refused to panic, however, and battled back with skill and determination.

A point by Paul McGonigle boosted confidence and Sweeney followed on with two points to ensure that his team returned to Croke Park for a replay on a scoreline of 2-8 to 0-14.

Donegal led by two points sixteen minutes into the game, then conceded a goal to Cosgrove. Nevertheless, they were still well in the hunt at the interval when they trailed by 1-4 to 0-6.

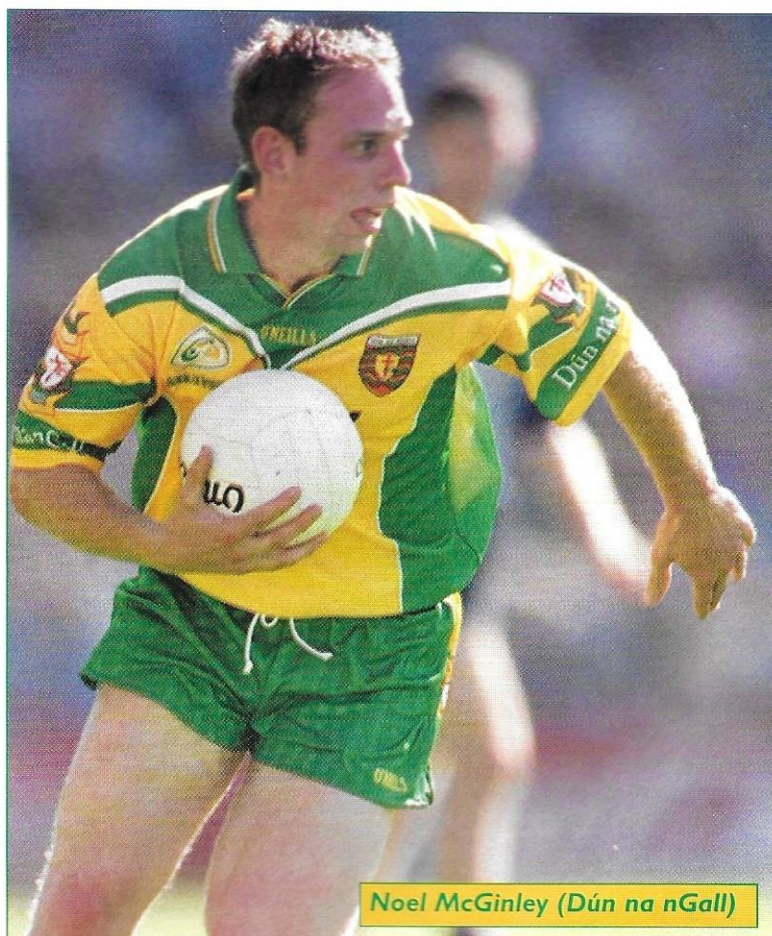
The second half was a keenly contested affair and ended on that dramatic note with Sweeney's equalizing point.

The match was a personal triumph for Sweeney, who was a constant thorn in the Dublin defence and scored five valuable points from play. Brendan Devenney and Michael Hegarty were other key figures in the Northern attack, while John Gildea got through an amount of valuable work in the middle of the park.

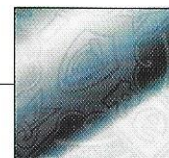
Kevin Cassidy and Shane Carr did much to prompt a strong rearguard action.

Donegal will, no doubt, take much heart from the character they showed in twice battling back after conceding the goals.

They are playing with poise and assurance and improving with every match and will not be easily knocked from the All-Ireland title trail.



Noel McGinley (Dún na nGall)



TOP SCORERS

Take over on top by Colin Corkery

Colin Corkery has moved to the premier position in the chart of leading scorers for this senior football championship season as a result of his return of six points for Cork in their All-Ireland quarter-final win over Mayo earlier this month.

That boosted his record to 0-35 from five games at the good match average of seven points a game. He passed out Declan Browne (Tipperary) who had been setting the standard with 2-27 (33 points) in five games at an average slightly below Corkery's at 6.6 points, but, of course, cannot now add to his tally.

Of the footballers still in the race for All-Ireland medals, Adrian Sweeney is closest to Corkery with his record of 2-26 in six appearances with Donegal. He is in third place with an average of 5.33 points.

Also well up there in a challenging position for the top spot is Ray Cosgrove, the goal scoring ace among the leaders, with 5-14 (29 points) from four outings. This gives the Dubliner the second highest match average in the top ten at 7.25 points.

He is just fractionally behind Rory Gallagher, another with the talent for scoring goals, in the match average table. The Fermanagh man averaged 7.5 points an outing

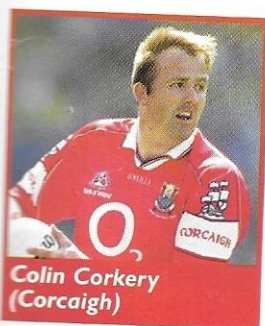
for a total of 4-18 (30 points) in four games and ranking at present at No. 4 in the leading chart.

Armagh's sole representative in the chart is Oisín McConville, who shares eighth position with Chris Conway (Laois).

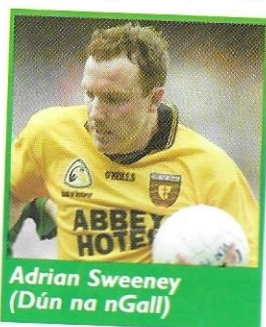
Conway has the better match average of the two. He scored 3-16 in four games at 6.25 points an outing, while McConville chalked up 0-25 in five games at five points a match on average.

The leading scorers after the provincial senior football championships, the All-Ireland Qualifiers and the drawn All-Ireland quarter-finals are:

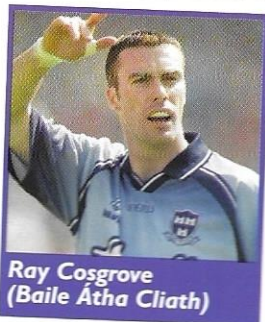
POINTS		SCORE	GAMES	AVERAGE
35	Colin Corkery (Cork)	0-35	5	5
33	Declan Browne (Tipperary)	2-27	5	6.67
32	Adrian Sweeney (Donegal)	2-26	6	5.33
30	Rory Gallagher (Fermanagh)	4-18	4	7.5
29	Ray Cosgrove (Dublin)	5-14	4	7.25
29	Michael Reidy (Limerick)	2-23	5	5.8
27	Brendan Devenney (Donegal)	1-24	6	4.5
25	Chris Conway (Laois)	3-16	4	6.25
25	Oisín McConville (Armagh)	0-25	5	5
24	Peter Canavan (Tyrone)	0-24	5	4.8



Colin Corkery
(Corcaigh)



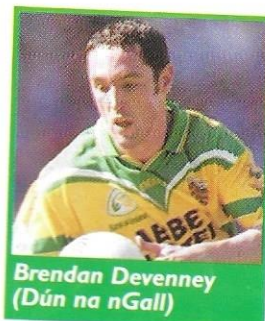
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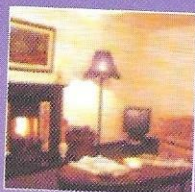
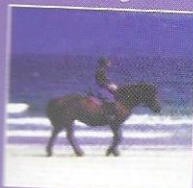
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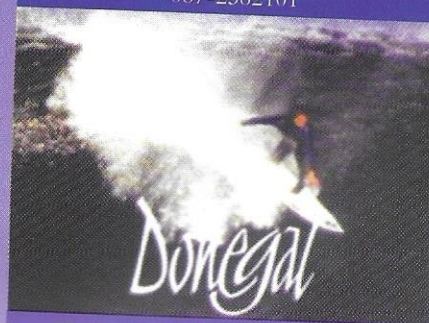
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Dún na nGall

12th May, Breffni Park:

Donegal 1-17; Cavan 0-15

Scorers – Brendan Devenney 0-7, Adrian Sweeney 0-5, Michael Hegarty 0-3, Brian Roper 1-0, Kevin Cassidy 0-1, Jim McGuinness 0-1.

2nd June, Ballybofey:

Donegal 3-12; Down 1-6

Scorers – Adrian Sweeney 1-5, Brendan Devenney 1-4, Brian Roper 1-1, John Gildea 0-1, Jim McGuinness 0-1.

16th June, Clones:

Donegal 1-9; Derry 0-10

Scorers – Adrian Sweeney 1-3, Christy Toye 0-2, Brian Roper 0-1, Paul McGonigle 0-1, Jim McGuinness 0-1, Brendan Devenney 0-1.

7th July, Clones:

Armagh 1-14; Donegal 1-10

Scorers – Adrian Sweeney 0-4, Brendan Devenney 0-3, Jim McGuinness 1-0, Christy Toye 0-2, Paul McGonigle 0-1.

21st July, Croke Park:

Donegal 1-13; Meath 0-14

Scorers – Brendan Devenney 0-5, Adrian Sweeney 0-4, Christy Toye 1-1, Jim McGuinness 0-1, Brian Roper 0-1, Michael Hegarty 0-1.

5th August, Croke Park:

Donegal 0-14; Dublin 2-8

Scorers – Adrian Sweeney 0-5, Brendan Devenney 0-4, Damien Diver 0-2, John Gildea 0-1, Paul McGonigle 0-1, Jim McGuinness 0-1.

Total Scored 7-75 (96 points)

Total Conceded 4-67 (79)

Average 1.22

Scorers – Adrian Sweeney 2-26, Brendan Devenney 1-24, Brian Roper 2-3, Christy Toye 1-5, Jim McGuinness 1-5, Michael Hegarty 0-4, Paul McGonigle 0-3, John Gildea 0-2, Damien Diver 0-2, Kevin Cassidy 0-1.

Baile Átha Cliath

1st June, Dr.Cullen Park:

Dublin 0-15; Wexford 1-10

Scorers – Ray Cosgrove 0-5, Ciaran Whelan 0-2, Colin Moran 0-2, Jason Sherlock 0-2, Senan Connell 0-1, Alan Brogan 0-1, Dessie Farrell 0-1, Paul Curran 0-1.

23rd June, Croke Park:

Dublin 2-11; Meath 0-10

Scorers – Ray Cosgrove 2-3, Colin Moran 0-4, Alan Brogan 0-3, Darren Homan 0-1.

14th July, Croke Park:

Dublin 2-13; Kildare 2-11

Scorers – Ray Cosgrove 1-4, Alan Brogan 1-2, John McNally 0-3, Senan Connell 0-2, Paddy Christie 0-1, Ciaran Whelan 0-1.

5th August, Croke Park:

Dublin 2-8; Donegal 0-14

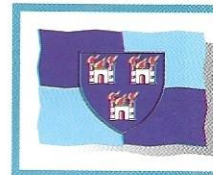
Scorers – Ray Cosgrove 2-2, Shane Ryan 0-1, Senan Connell 0-1, Alan Brogan 0-1, Darren Magee 0-1, Ciaran Whelan 0-1, John McNally 0-1.

Total Scored 6-47 (65 points)

Total Conceded 3-45 (54)

Average 1.20

Scorers – Ray Cosgrove 5-14, Alan Brogan 1-7, Colin Moran 0-6, Ciaran Whelan 0-4, Senan Connell 0-4, John McNally 0-4, Jason Sherlock 0-2, Dessie Farrell 0-1, Paul Curran 0-1, Darren Homan 0-1, Paddy Christie 0-1, Darren Magee 0-1, Shane Ryan 0-1.



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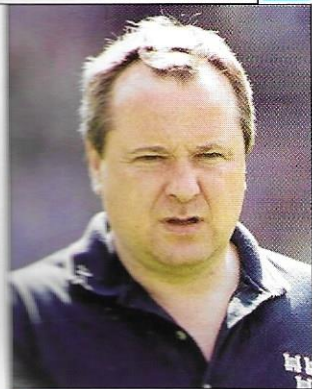
Coman Goggins

Left full back in the Vodafone All Stars team of last year, the Dublin captain has been in the intercounty senior ranks since 2000 and has the distinction of being the first from Ballinteer-St. John's to play senior football with the county side.

He led Dublin in fine style last month to their first Leinster senior football title in seven years.

Coman had a good game for Dublin in their unsuccessful Leinster senior final last year against Meath and he also impressed in the two games with Kerry in the All-Ireland quarter-final last season.

Bainisteoir



Tommy Lyons

Riagháil:
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D. Billings, R. Caffery,
P. Canning

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S. Cluxton
(Parnells)

2
BARRY CAHILL
B. Ó Cathail
(St. Brigid's)

3
PADDY CHRISTIE
P. Mac Criosta
(Ballymun Kickhams)

4
PEADAR ANDREWS
P. Mac Aindriú
(St. Brigid's)

5
PAUL CASEY
P. Ó Cathasaigh
(Lucan Sarsfields)

6
JOHN MAGEE
S. Mag Aodh
(Kilmacud Crokes)

7
COMAN GOGGINS
C. Ó Gógan (Capt.)
(Ballinteer/St. John's)

8
CIARÁN WHELAN
C. Ó Faoláin
(Raheny)

9
DARREN MAGEE
D. Mag Aodh
(Kilmacud Crokes)

10
SENAN CONNELL
S. Ó Conaill
(Na Fianna)

11
JOHN McNALLY
S. Mac an Fháilí
(Ballinteer/St. John's)

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COLIN MORAN
C. Ó Moráin
(Ballyboden/St. Enda's)

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ALAN BROGAN
A. Ó Brógáin
(St. Oliver Plunketts/Eoghan Ruadh)

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RAY COSGROVE
R. Mac Oscair
(Kilmacud Crokes)

15
DES FARRELL
D. Ó Fearail
(Na Fianna)

Fir Ionaid

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B. Ó Murchú
(Naomh Barróg) | (20) Ken Darcy
C. Ó Dorchaí
(St. Brigid's) | (24) Eoin Bennis
E. Bennis
(Naomh Barróg) | (28) Paul Griffin
P. Ó Griofa
(Kilmacud Crokes) |
| (17) David Henry
D. Mac Éinrí
(Raheny) | (21) Shane Ryan
S. Ó Riain
(Naomh Mearnog) | (25) Jim Gavin
S. Ó Gáibhín
(Round Towers) | (29) Tom Mulligan
T. Ó Maolagáin
(Good Counsel) |
| (18) Darren Homan
D. Ó hOmáin
(Ballyboden/St. Enda's) | (22) Declan Darcy
D. Ó Dorchaí
(St. Brigid's) | (26) Enda Crennan
E. Ó Crionnáin
(St. Jude's) | (30) Manus Breathnach
M. Breathnach
(Thomas Davis) |
| (19) Jason Sherlock
S. Ó Scorlóg
(Na Fianna) | (23) Paul Curran
P. Corráin
(Thomas Davis) | (27) Brian Cullen
B. Ó Cuillinn
(Skerries Harps) | |

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2adh Leath				
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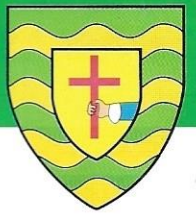
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DÚN NA NGALL

Provincial Titles (5): 1972, 1974, 1983, 1990, 1992.

All-Ireland Titles (1): 1992.

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Dathanna: Uaithne, Ór is Bán



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A. de Blaca
(Naomh Adhamhain)

2
SHANE CARR
S. Mac Giolla Chearra
(Na Ceithre Máistri)

3
EAMON DOHERTY
E. Ó Dochartaigh
(Ard an Ratha)

4
NOEL MCGINLEY
N. Mac Fhionnagaile
(Naomh Columba)

5
RAYMOND SWEENEY
R. Mac Suibhne
(An Clochán Liath)

6
DAMIEN DIVER
D. Ó Duibhir
(Ard an Ratha)

7
KEVIN CASSIDY
C. Ó Caiside
(Gaoth Dobhair)

8
JOHN GILDEA
S. Mac Giolla Dé
(Naomh Conail)

9
JIM MCGUINNESS
S. Mag Aonasa
(Naomh Conail)

10
CHRISTY TOYE
C. Ó Tuaithe
(Naomh Micheál)

11
MICHAEL HEGARTY
M. Ó hEigearthaigh (Vice-Captain)
(Cill Chartha)

12
BRIAN ROPER
B. Ó Ropéir
(Aodh Ruadh)

13
ADRIAN SWEENEY
A. Mac Suibhne
(An Clochán Liath)

14
BRENDAN DEVENNEY
B. Ó Duibheannaigh
(Naomh Adhamhain)

15
PAUL MCGONIGLE
P. Mac Congail
(Buncrannaigh)

Fir Ionaid

(16) Gerard McGill G. Mac Ghoill (Naomh Columba)	(20) Conal Dunne C. Ó Doinn (Naomh Adhamhain)	(23) James Gallagher S. Ó Gallchoir (Gaoth Dobhair)	(26) Patrick McCongily P. Mac Congail (Goel Fhionnagaile)
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(18) Kevin Rafferty C. Ó Raffairtaigh (Naomh Adhamhain)	(22) Brian McLaughlin B. Mac Lochlainn (Naomh Micheál)	(25) Declan Gallagher D. Ó Gallchoir (Cill Chartha)	(28) Mark Crossan M. Mac Chrossáin (Naomh Adhamhain)
(19) Brendan Boyle B. Ó Baoill (Ard an Ratha)			

An Captaen



Michael Hegarty

The Donegal captain is in line to become only the second to lead his county into an All-Ireland senior football semi-final.

He had a fine debut as county captain in the All-Ireland qualifier win over Meath and had another good game in the quarter-final draw with Dublin.

The Kilcar man took over the captaincy at short notice from Mark Crossan, who was injured during the Ulster final in July and is again unavailable for this game.

Hegarty made his senior intercounty championship debut in 1999 and played in the Northern final. A cultured footballer, he works hard in every game, uses the ball intelligently and is playing very well this season.

Dún an nGall

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachaí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
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2adh Leath					
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An Réiteoir: Pat McEnaney (Muineacháin)



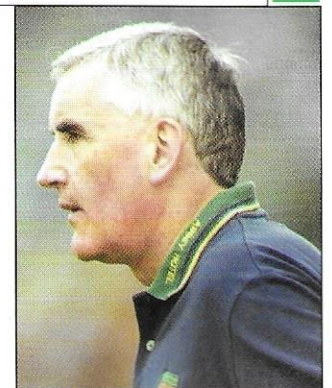
Pat makes a speedy return to Croke Park. He had charge of the Kerry-Galway All-Ireland senior football quarter-final earlier this month.

He was also on duty at Croke Park for the Dublin-Meath Leinster semi-final and earlier in the season controlled the Sligo-New York Connacht championship game in New York.

One of the most experienced referees in the game, he officiated at the 1996 All-Ireland senior football final draw and replay and was the man-in-the-middle when Kerry and Galway played a draw in the 2000 All-Ireland senior decider.

McEnaney has refereed provincial finals in Munster, Leinster and Connacht and has been the Irish Referee/Umpire in the International Rules Test series between Ireland and Australia.

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Dublin's Last Draw and Replay...2001

Dublin 2-11 Kerry 1-14

Before 51,000 spectators at Semple Stadium, Kerry appeared to be cruising to an easy win, but in the end they required a piece of Maurice Fitzgerald magic to save the day. The Kingdom opened the scoring at the 9th minute through Crowley and Dessie Farrell levelled 60 seconds later.

A goal and a point for the Munster champions brought a Declan Darcy free in reply to leave it 1-2 to 0-2 at the end of the first quarter. There were only four further flags raised in the opening half, but three of those fell to the leaders and Jason Sherlock's point left it 1-5 to 0-3 at the break.

On the restart Brosnan and Darcy swapped points and Crowley and Darcy did likewise to leave the interval position unaltered. However, three unanswered Kerry points pushed them clear, but Dublin responded with a hat-trick of their own – two from Darcy and a single from Darren Homan – to leave it 1-10 to 0-8 at the end of the third quarter.

However, early in the fourth Kerry made their surge and three points in five minutes left Dublin trailing by eight at the hour mark. A Declan Darcy free and a Vinnie Murphy goal halved the arrears with seven minutes remaining, and they were reduced to two three minutes later after Ciaran Whelan and Wayne McCarthy raised white flags. Amid mounting excitement Dublin laid siege to the Kerry goal and were rewarded when Homan punched McCarthy's free to the net for the lead, but an immaculate side-line ball from Fitzgerald saved Kerry.

Dublin scorers: D.Darcy 0-6, D.Homan 1-1, V.Murphy 1-0, D.Farrell 0-1, J.Sherlock 0-1, C.Whelan 0-1, W.McCarthy 0-1.

Dublin – Davy Byrne, Shane Ryan, Paddy Christie, Coman Goggins, Paul Curran, Jonathan Magee, Peadar Andrews, Darren Homan, Ciaran Whelan, Enda Sheehy, Ian Robertson, Colin Moran, Declan Darcy, Dessie Farrell, Jason Sherlock. **Subs** – Ken Darcy, Senan Connell, Vinnie Murphy, Wayne McCarthy.

Replay – Kerry 2-12 Dublin 1-12

A week later at the same venue, Kerry again established an early advantage, but this time there was no way back for Dublin. Noel Kennelly opened the scoring in the first minute and Declan Darcy equalised four minutes later. However, the rest of the opening quarter was all one-way traffic at the end of which Kerry led by 1-4 to 0-1.

Dessie Farrell stopped the rot with a point at the 18th minute, but a point by Ó Cinnéide and a goal by Crowley put Kerry nine clear at the 22nd minute. A brace of frees from Declan Darcy gave Dublin some respite before an exchange of points between Russell and Ciaran Whelan ended the first-half scoring. However, a deficit of 0-5 to 2-6 was a formidable hurdle for Dublin to clear.

Points by Colin Moran and Darcy on the restart gave Dublin supporters hope that another comeback was in the offing, but Kerry replied through Crowley and Ó Cinnéide. Jason Sherlock and Ó Cinnéide swapped

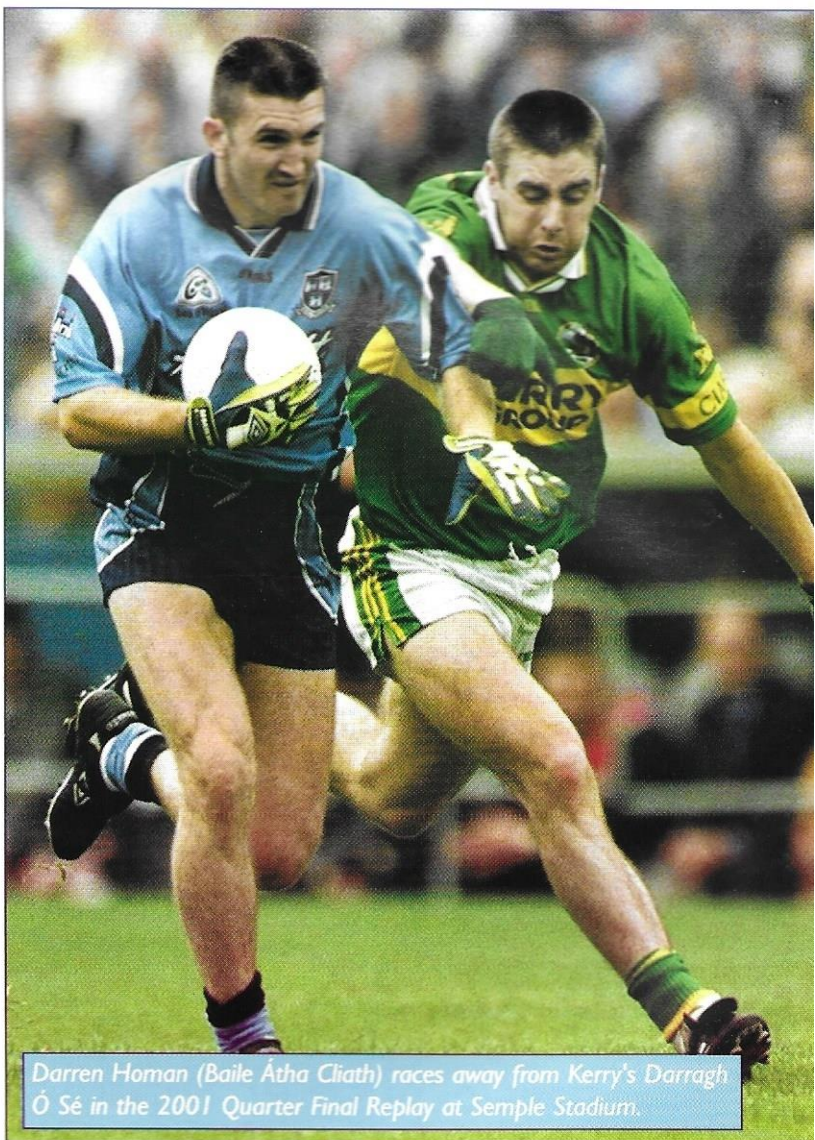
points before a goal by Darren Homan and a point by Paul Curran left just three between the sides at the end of the third quarter.

The momentum appeared to be with the chasers, but Fitzgerald and Crowley edged Kerry five clear early in the fourth quarter. At the hour mark, Senan Connell fired over before Kerry's last point came with four minutes remaining. The game entered lost time with Kerry protecting a five-point lead, and although all the action was near the Kerry posts, a brace of points from Wayne McCarthy wasn't enough to deny the Kingdom.

Dublin scorers: D.Darcy 0-4, D.Homan 1-0, W.McCarthy 0-2, D.Farrell 0-1, J.Sherlock 0-1, C.Whelan 0-1, P.Curran 0-1, S.Connell 0-1, C.Moran 0-1.

Dublin – Davy Byrne, Shane Ryan, Paddy Christie, Coman Goggins, Paul Curran, Jonathan Magee, Peadar Andrews, Ciarán Whelan, Darren Homan, Enda Sheehy, Ken Darcy, Colin Moran, Declan Darcy, Dessie Farrell, Jason Sherlock.

Subs – Senan Connell, Vinnie Murphy, Wayne McCarthy.



Darren Homan (Baile Átha Cliath) races away from Kerry's Darragh Ó Sé in the 2001 Quarter Final Replay at Semple Stadium.

Donegal...stalemate and decisions

Donegal made their first appearance in senior championship football in 1906 and 13 years elapsed before the county had their second outing at this level. Such rare outings obviously guarded against drawn encounters and it was more than four decades after their debut that they experienced stalemate for the first time.

Before their first drawn encounter, Donegal were involved in a couple of games that were decided by objections, but in both cases no second meeting was required. In 1923 Donegal lost by the narrowest of margins to Derry and objected, but instead of a second meeting the objectors moved into the next round. Eight years later the reverse was the case as Donegal easily defeated Antrim by 2-4 to 0-2, but the result was reversed on an objection.

When Donegal finally engaged a team for the second time, it was by means of an abandonment. In the 1948 campaign Antrim led Donegal by 1-3 to 0-1 when the referee brought proceedings to a premature halt. However, it availed Donegal little as they were comfortably defeated by 4-3 to 1-4 in the second meeting.

THE FIRST DRAW

Donegal's first championship encounter to end in a draw was in 1950 when they notched 3-5 in reply to Down's 2-8, but their debut replay didn't end on a happy note as the Mourne men won the replay by 4-3 to 1-7. A year later Donegal again finished level, this time with Antrim as each side notched 2-7 in the hour, but again Donegal fell at the second time of asking with Antrim winning the replay by 1-6 to 1-5.

It wasn't a case of third-time-lucky for Donegal either as they lost their next replayed encounter to Cavan in 1965, admittedly after two draws. In the first meeting

each side scored 1-8 and the scoring rate improved in the second meeting with Donegal hitting 0-14 in reply to the Breffni men's 1-11. Two very even teams were finally separated after the third meeting with Cavan advancing by the narrowest of margins – 0-9 to 0-8.

However, seven years later Donegal experienced their first success in a replay. Again Cavan provided the opposition and the Breffni side were lucky to escape with a draw in the first meeting as they scored 2-6 to Donegal's 0-12, but Donegal made no mistake in the replay and won by 2-11 to 1-9.

FINAL STALEMATE

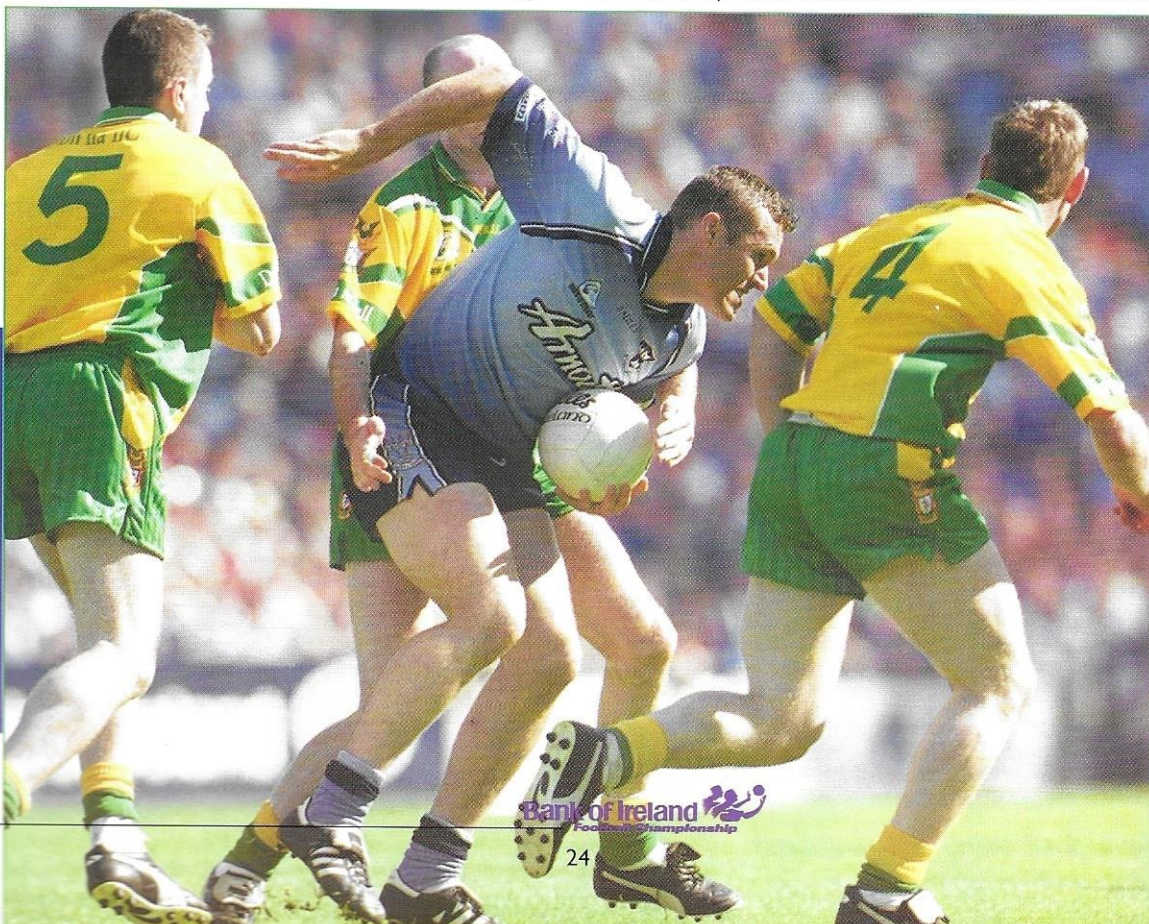
Donegal's next two drawn encounters occurred in a provincial final setting with mixed success. In 1974 Donegal notched 1-14 in reply to Down's 2-11 in the first meeting and a more direct approach paid dividends in the replay, which they won by 3-9 to 1-12. However, in 1989 having held Tyrone to an 0-11 all draw in the provincial decider, they easily succumbed in the replay losing by twelve points (0-7 to 2-13).

The nineties brought two more experiences of stalemate with Armagh holding them in '83 – 0-15 to 1-12 before Donegal easily advanced in the replay by 2-16 to 1-7. That incidentally, was Donegal's last replay success and the same opposition downed them on a replay in '99. At Ballybofey the home side probably should have won but could only manage a 2-9 to 1-12 draw and they lost the replay at Clones by 0-12 to 2-11. The most recent draw and replay for Donegal occurred last season when they were held by Fermanagh at Ballybofey (2-13 to 1-16). Six days later they lost at Enniskillen by 0-10 to 1-9.

Excluding objections, etcetera, Donegal have been involved in nine replays in the senior championship and hold an unimpressive record of three wins and six defeats.

SURROUNDED

Ciaran Whelan (Baile Átha Cliath) is surrounded by Donegal's Paul McGonigle, Noel McGinley (4) and Raymond Sweeney (5) at Croke Park in the Quarter-final.



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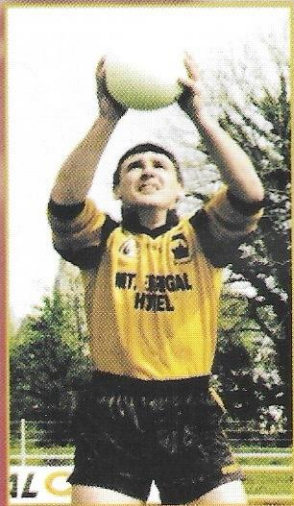
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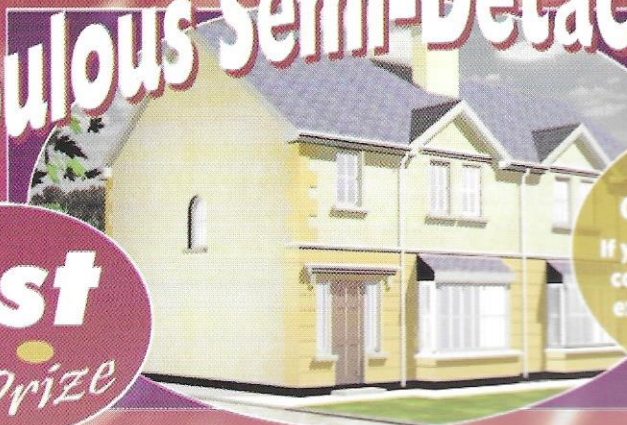
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GROUND AND FACILITIES

Is it possible to put a value on the grounds and facilities that have been developed by the GAA?

In current purchasing power the GAA has invested the equivalent of €2,600 million in physical facilities over the last fifty years. This mainly covers playing facilities and pavilions but also includes a significant investment in social facilities. More than 95 per cent of that investment was generated by the GAA itself. Government funding in recent years has made a contribution which the GAA hopes will become more substantial in the future.

With so much already invested is there a need for future investment?

Absolutely. The GAA must continue with a dedicated development programme. There are many areas, particularly new urban centres, where new facilities are badly needed. In addition, we must continue to upgrade and develop existing facilities to meet demands of the expanding areas.

Are there specific development plans?

In order to make the best use of scarce resources the report of the Strategic Review Committee recommended that one 'major' stadium be developed in each province, with the exception of

Leinster. These stadia should have a capacity of 40,000 to 60,000 of which at least two-thirds would be seated and a minimum of 35 per cent of the seats would be covered.

What about Leinster?

It is recommended that consideration be given to the development of two stadia – one with a capacity of approximately 25,000 and one with a capacity of 35,000 to 40,000, both strategically located within the province. The Leinster Council could use Croke Park for its major games.

Any other plans?

Yes. It is suggested that in each province that one other 'medium-sized' stadium – with a capacity of between 25,000 to 30,000, with the same proportion of

covered seating as in the 'major' stadium – be considered where demand justifies it. Also, the main county ground in each county should have a minimum capacity of 15,000 and a maximum capacity of 25,000 of which at least 35 per cent should be seated. All grounds would be classified on a schedule of 1 (suitable for an All-Ireland final) to 6 (capable of hosting club games).

Is there a time schedule for these proposed developments?

The 'major' stadia should be developed in an agreed sequence, one each year, commencing in 2005, to be used for provincial finals. Once that has been completed, smaller capacity grounds should then be developed.

What are the major priorities?

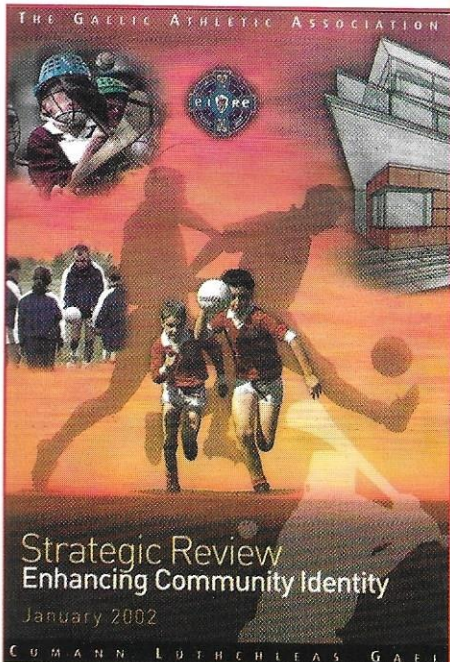
The immediate priority should be the provision of extra playing pitches and extra dressing-rooms to enable clubs to cater for women's games and for the increasing activities of clubs.

All these developments will cost a lot of money, won't they?

It is estimated that the adequate upgrading of the proposed three major stadia would cost about €76 million and the five smaller grounds would cost around €51 million. It is recommended that the cost of the proposed Level 3 grounds (capable of hosting a provincial final) would be shared between government funds, Central Council allocations, the relevant provincial council and the local county on a ratio to be established in advance. Financial help would not be given to any unit which has not fully vested the property in the GAA.

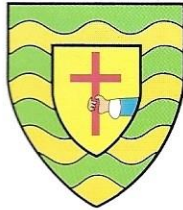
What about the thorny question of control of GAA property?

The Strategic Review Committee considered this very carefully and, having listened to the views of the members, has come to the conclusion that at this stage it would be unwise to change its rules in relation to club and county grounds. In relation to Croke Park it recommended that at the appropriate time Central Council be given the right to make decisions on its use. The large vote at Congress in April 2002 against the opening of Croke Park indicates the Association's current position on the matter.



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Donegal's last replay win... 1993



Donegal 2-16 Armagh 1-7

A week previously it had taken two late points to rescue Donegal's hopes of retaining both their provincial and All-Ireland crowns, but on this occasion before 18,000 spectators at Breffni Park, the champions made no mistake and emerged easy winners.

Indeed, it was obvious from an early stage that Donegal wouldn't be requiring any late heroics in this game and within 20 seconds of the throw-in Martin McHugh opened their account with a point. Four minutes later Donegal moved four points clear when John Duffy blasted home from twelve yards, and the assault continued with further points from Paul Carr, Duffy and Declan Boyle. At the 13th minute Armagh fell further behind when the leaders got in for a second goal – with Mark McShane providing the final touch and two minutes later McHugh had his second point of the afternoon to make it 2-5 to nil.

Armagh finally opened their account at the 15th minute courtesy of Ger Houllahan but it was another

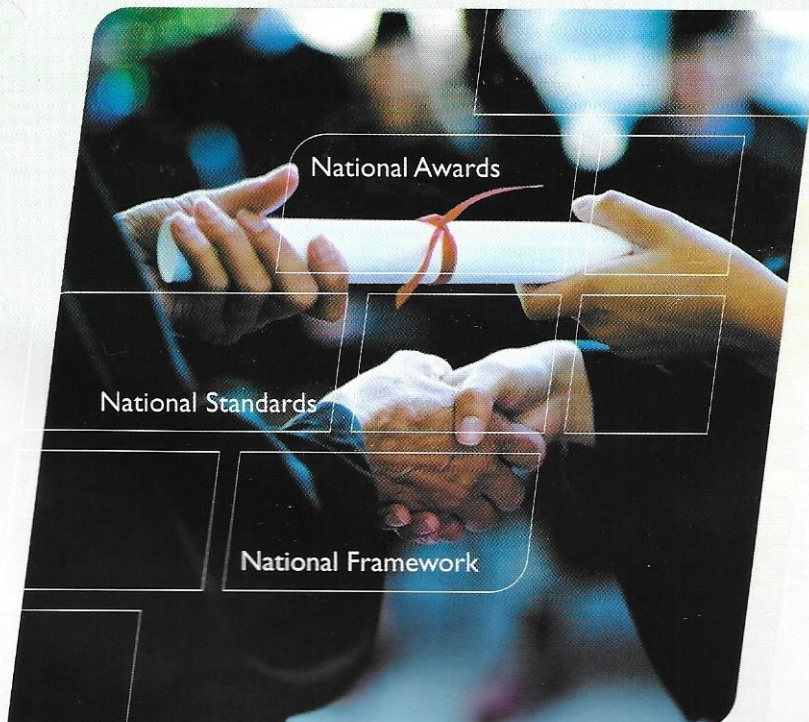
nine minutes before they added their second. They did score twice more in the opening half, but so did Donegal via Manus Boyle and at the break it was 2-7 to 0-4.

If Armagh was to have any chance they needed quick scores on the restart, but unfortunately most of the early action was at the other end with a single from Brian Murray and a brace from Declan Bonner pushing Donegal out of sight. Armagh did snatch a goal and a point in quick succession to put a dent in Donegal's lead, but Boyle and Declan Bonner soon had it back in double figures. And that was where it stayed as twelve points divided the teams at the final whistle.

Donegal scorers: J.Duffy 1-2, M.Boyle 0-4, D.Bonner 0-3, M.McHugh 0-3, M.McShane 1-0, B.Murray 0-1, J.McGuinness 0-1, P.Carr 0-1, D.Boyle 0-1.

Donegal – G.Walsh, J.J.O'Doherty, Matt Gallagher, M.Crossan, D.Boyle, P.Carr, M.Showin, Michael Gallagher, B.Murray, M.McShane, M.McHugh, J.McMullan, D.Bonner, M.Boyle, J.Duffy. Subs – J.McGuinness, B.Cunningham, J.McHugh.

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Another Quarter-Final Draw...and Replay

As well as Dublin's exciting draw and replay with Kerry twelve months ago, there was another quarter-final draw and replay in which Meath finally got the better of Westmeath at Croke Park.

Meath 2-12 Westmeath 3-9

Dessie Dolan opened the scoring for Westmeath at the second minute, but Ollie Murphy had the Royals level within 60 seconds. Frees from Joe Fallon and Ger Heavin were followed by Paul Conway's goal, and although Evan Kelly stopped the rot with a point, a Dolan point and Michael Ennis's goal made it 2-4 to 0-2 at the end of the first quarter.

A point by Richie Kealy brought replies from Fallon and Dolan before a spell of Meath pressure yielded a goal from Murphy and points by Nigel Crawford and Donal Curtis. Fallon and Graham Geraghty swapped points before Dolan's goal in injury time left it 3-7 to 1-6 at the break.

Points by Trevor Giles, Geraghty and Ray Magee narrowed Royal arrears to four at the 40th minute, but ten minutes later a brace of Fallon frees gave the leaders a six-point cushion. A brace of frees from Giles and a single from Crawford halved the deficit and in the final minute Murphy squeezed home the equalising goal.

Meath scorers: O.Murphy 2-1, T.Giles 0-3, G.Geraghty 0-2, N.Crawford 0-2, E.Kelly 0-1, R.Magee 0-1, D.Curtis 0-1, R.Kealy 0-1.
Westmeath scorers: D.Dolan 1-3, J.Fallon 0-5, P.Conway 1-0, M.Ennis 1-0, G.Heavin 0-1.



Meath 2-10 Westmeath 0-11

Nearly 33,000 made their way to Croke Park for the replay and in a tough physical encounter Meath advanced to the semi-final with five points to spare. The losers established an early midfield edge, mainly through the efforts of Rory O'Connell, but Meath had the first major score of the afternoon at the ninth minute when Graham Geraghty finished off a quick passing move to the net.

Meath lost Hank Traynor at the 17th minute and for the second quarter Westmeath had the majority of the possession, but a lack of accuracy up front undermined their efforts and at the break they trailed by a point – 0-5 to 1-3. Within five minutes of the resumption the Lake county had moved a point ahead, but Ollie Murphy set up Ray Magee for the Royal's second goal for a lead they never subsequently surrendered.

Despite their midfield inferiority Meath managed to stay a couple of points ahead, but that looked likely to be narrowed to the minimum when Westmeath were awarded a free in front of the posts. Unfortunately, Joe Fallon sent the kick wide and it was Meath who finished on the up with points from Trevor Giles, Magee and Murphy.

Meath scorers: R.Magee 1-3, G.Geraghty 1-0, T.Giles 0-2, O.Murphy 0-2, E.Kelly 0-2, N.Crawford 0-1.

Westmeath scorers: J.Fallon 0-5, P.Conway 0-2, G.Heavin 0-2, D.Dolan 0-1, R.O'Connell 0-1.

Meath – C.Sullivan, M.O'Reilly, D.Fay, C.Murphy, H.Traynor, N.Nestor, R.Magee, N.Crawford, J.McDermott, E.Kelly, T.Giles, R.Kealy, O.Murphy, G.Geraghty, D.Curtis. Sub – J.Cullinane for Kelly.

Westmeath – C.Mullin, J.Keane, D.Mitchell, F.Murray, B.Morley, D.Murphy, D.Healy, R.O'Connell, D.O'Shaughnessy, J.Fallon, P.Conway, M.Ennis, D.Dolan, M.Flanagan, G.Heavin. Subs – D.Gavin for Morley, D.Heavin for Murray.



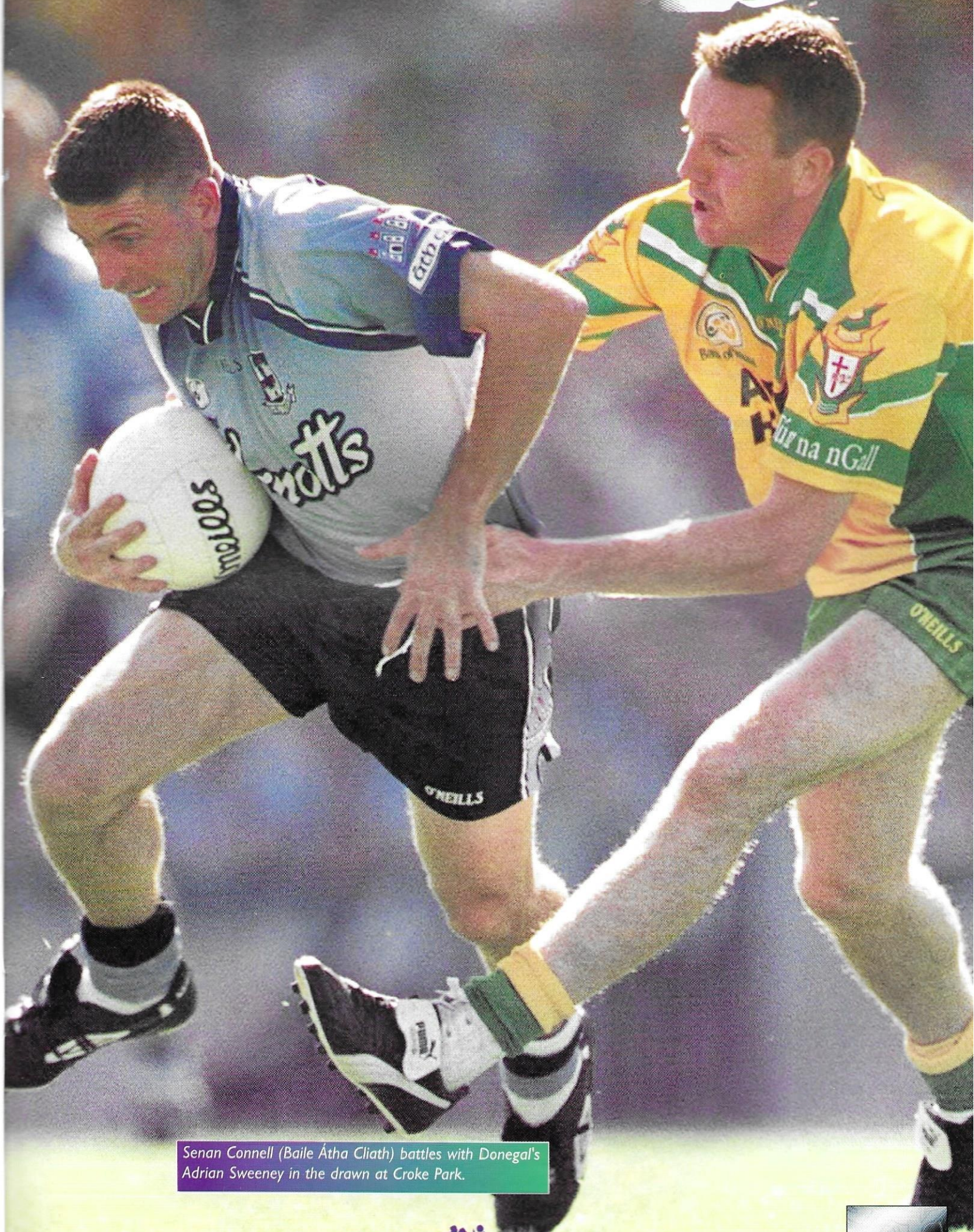
PLACE-KICKERS SUPERFLOUS

As so many recent games have shown a reliable place-kicker is a must for any team with championship ambitions, and it is rarely that a game nowadays doesn't see at least a half dozen points scored from frees. The idea that an important game with a provincial title at stake could be decided by scores all coming from play is, to the modern mind, incredible. But one important game more than 80 years ago involving two of the leading teams in the country – Dublin and Kildare – was decided with not one score coming from a free. That was in the 1920 Leinster final at Croke Park in which Dublin beat the reigning All-Ireland champions by 1-3 to 0-3. As far as can be ascertained from the available records, this was the last time that a provincial final in any province did not yield a single score from a free.

A LONG WAIT

When Dublin beat Monaghan in the 1921 All-Ireland semi-final on June 18th 1922, they could not have expected a long delay before their final meeting with Mayo who had qualified two months earlier. But the advent of the Civil War put everything on hold and it wasn't until exactly a year later – June 17th 1923 – that the game took place.

That lengthy lay-off, however, was not as long as the Metropolitans experienced in the 1920 championship. On September 26th of that year Dublin beat Cavan at An Uaimh, but when the Tipperary-Mayo 'semi' could not be staged because of the political and military turmoil of the period, Dublin had to mark time...and mark a very long time, as the final did not take place until June 11th 1922, when Tipperary beat Dublin by 1-6 to 1-2, more than 18 months after Dublin had confirmed their place in the final.



Senan Connell (Baile Átha Cliath) battles with Donegal's Adrian Sweeney in the drawn at Croke Park.



Championship Scoreboard 2002

CONNACHT

5th May, New York:			
Sligo	1-19;	New York	1-11.
19th May, Roscommon:			
Galway	3-12;	Roscommon	1-8.
26th May, Ruislip:			
Leitrim	0-15;	London	0-10.
<i>Semi-Finals</i>			
2nd June, Castlebar:			
Galway	0-12;	Mayo	1-7.
9th June, Markievicz Park:			
Sligo	2-13;	Leitrim	2-4.
<i>Final</i>			
30th June, Castlebar:			
Galway	1-11;	Sligo	0-11.
<i>Top Scorer for the entire Championship:</i>			
Gerry McGowan (Sligo) 1-13 (16 points) in three games.			
Average: 5.33 points.			

LAIGHIN

5th May, An Uaimh (Draw):			
Longford	2-11;	Louth	1-14.
6th May, Carlow:			
Laois	3-6;	Wicklow	0-8.
12th May, An Uaimh:			
Louth	3-17;	Longford	1-12.
12th May, Portlaoise:			
Westmeath	1-14;	Carlow	0-10.
26th May, Navan:			
Kildare	0-12;	Louth	0-11.
26th May, Tullamore:			
Offaly	0-13;	Laois	2-6.
1st June, Carlow:			
Dublin	0-15;	Wexford	1-10.
2nd June, Portlaoise:			
Meath	1-12;	Westmeath	0-11.
<i>Semi-Finals</i>			
16th June, Kilkenny:			
Offaly	1-9;	Kildare	1-9.
22nd June, Kilkenny REPLAY, After Extra Time.:			
Kildare	3-9;	Offaly	1-14.
23rd June, Croke Park:			
Dublin	2-11;	Meath	0-10.
<i>FINAL</i>			
14th July, Croke Park:			
Dublin	2-13;	Kildare	2-11.
<i>Top Scorer: Ray Cosgrove (Dublin) 3-12 (21 points) in three games. Average: Seven points.</i>			

MUMHA

12th May, Limerick:			
Kerry	0-14;	Limerick	1-7.

12th May, Dungarvan:			
Clare	3-10;	Waterford	2-9.
<i>Semi-Finals</i>			
9th June, Killarney (Draw):			
Tipperary	3-7;	Clare	1-13.
16th June, Limerick (Replay):			
Tipperary	1-8;	Clare	0-8..
16th June, Killarney (Draw):			
Kerry	0-8;	Cork	0-8.
23 June, Páirc Uí Chaoimh (Replay):			
Cork	0-15;	Kerry	1-9.
<i>FINAL</i>			
14th July, Thurles (Draw):			
Cork	2-11;	Tipperary	1-14.
21st July, Páirc Uí Chaoimh:			
Cork	1-23;	Tipperary	0-7.
<i>Top Scorer for the entire championship:</i>			
Colin Corkery (Cork) 0-29 in four games.			
Average 7.25 points.			

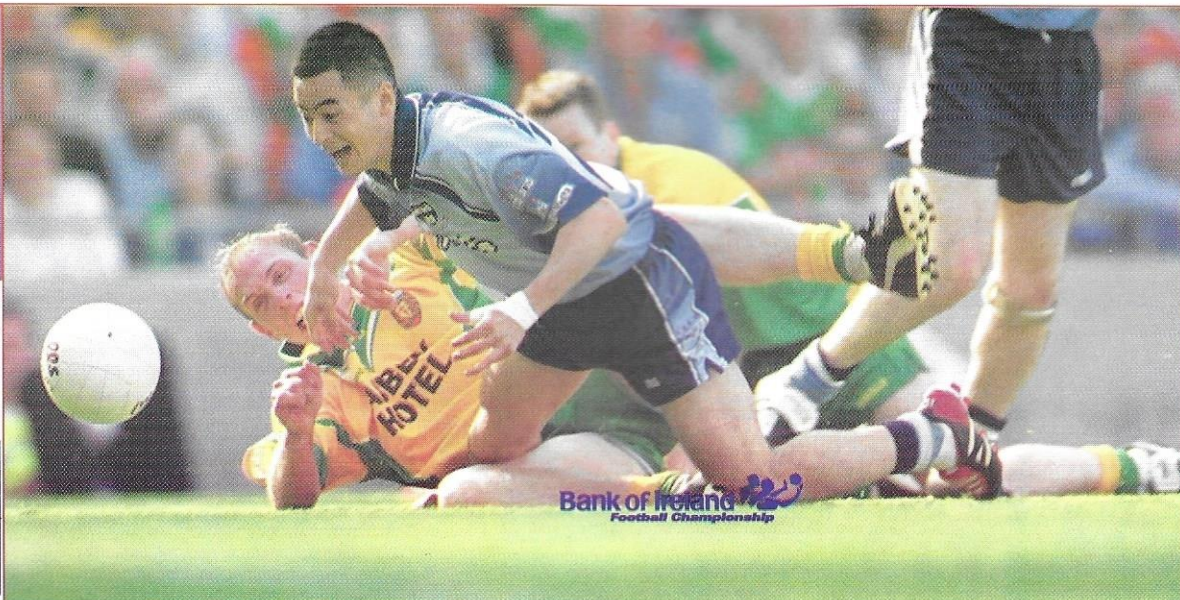
ULADH


12th May, Cavan:			
Donegal	1-17;	Cavan	0-15.
12th May, Clones:			
Fermanagh	4-13;	Monaghan	2-11.
19th May, Clones:			
Tyrone	1-12;	Armagh	1-12.
26th May, Clones (Replay):			
Armagh	2-13;	Tyrone	0-16.
2nd June, Ballybofey:			
Donegal	3-12;	Down	1-6.
2nd June, Casement Park:			
Derry	0-16;	Antrim	0-6.
<i>Semi-Finals</i>			
9th June, Clones:			
Armagh	0-16;	Fermanagh	1-5.
16th June, Clones:			
Donegal	1-9;	Derry	0-10.
<i>Final</i>			
7th July, Clones:			
Armagh	1-14;	Donegal	1-10.
<i>Top Scorer: Rory Gallagher (Fermanagh) 4-12 (24 points) in two games. Average: Twelve points.</i>			

ALL-IRELAND QUARTER-FINALS

4th August, Croke Park:			
Armagh	2-9;	Sligo	0-15.
4th August, Croke Park:			
Kerry	2-17;	Galway	1-12.
5th August, Croke Park:			
Cork	0-16;	Mayo	1-10.
5th August, Croke Park:			
Dublin	2-8;	Donegal	0-14.

Jason Sherlock (Baile Átha Cliath) and Donegal's Noel McGinley go to ground in the Quarter-final on Bank Holiday Monday.





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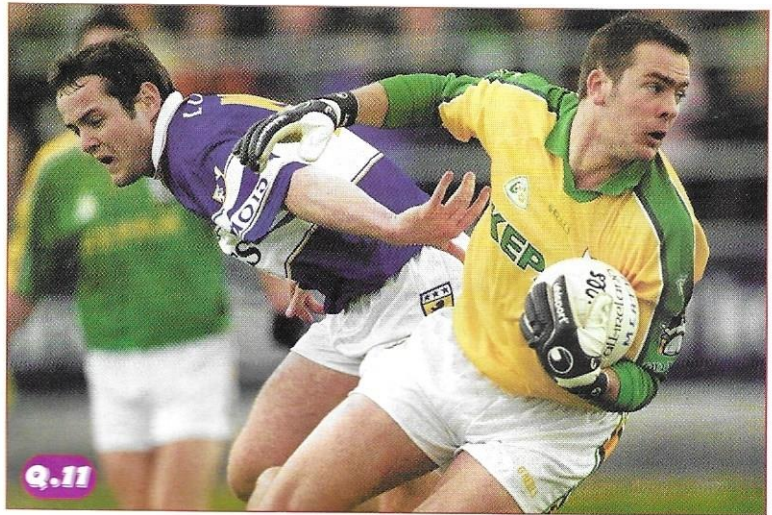
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THE IRISH TIMES

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1. Wicklow won the All-Ireland junior football title earlier this month. Was that their first title in 66, 56 or 46 years?
2. What county beat Lancashire in an All-Ireland junior football semi-final last month?
3. When did Donegal win their first Ulster senior football title?
4. Dublin beat Wicklow in the Leinster under-21 football final back in April. Where was that final played?
5. What was unusual about Sligo's win over Kildare in the All-Ireland senior football championship qualifier last year?
6. When did Armagh last appear in an All-Ireland senior football championship final?
7. Who captained Dublin to their 1995 Leinster senior football title win?
8. What county represented Ulster in last year's All-Ireland senior football championship semi-final?
9. When did Sligo last contest an All-Ireland senior football championship semi-final?
10. How many times have Armagh won the Ulster senior football title since 1998?
11. Who are the footballers pictured right in action in a recent All-Ireland senior football championship qualifier?
12. Well-known intercounty referee Paddy Russell, of Tipperary, is a member of what club?
13. What is the name of the trophy presented to the winners of the Ulster senior football championship?
14. Dublin beat Tyrone for their last All-Ireland senior football final win in 1995. What was their winning margin in that game?
15. How many goals were scored in the 1992 All-Ireland senior football final between Donegal and Dublin?
16. How many times have Sligo won the Connacht senior football championship?
17. Who captained Armagh in the 1997 All-Ireland senior football final against Dublin?
18. How many games did Galway play on the way to last year's All-Ireland senior football title win—six, seven or eight?
19. Armagh lost to Galway during last year's campaign for the Sam Maguire Cup. Was a goal scored in that particular tie at Croke Park?
20. Last year's Tyrone-Dublin All-Ireland minor football final at Croke Park ended in a draw. What was the venue for the replay?



Fragraí 66 years. 2. Wicklow. 3. 1972. 4. Droichead Nua. 5. That was their first senior championship win at Croke Park. 6. 1977 and this year. 11. Stephen Kelly (Laois), left, and Cormac Sullivan (Meath). 12. Emyl. 13. Anglo Celt Cup. 14. one point—when they lost to Dublin. 7. John O'Leary. 8. Derry. 9. 1975, when they lost to Kerry. 10. Three times—1999, 2000 Belfast. 18. Eight. 19. No. 20. Breffni Park, now known as Kingspan Breffni Park.

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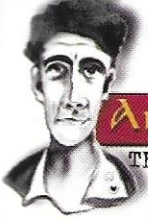
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An tImreoir: Waiting for the post, in the first week of September...

It usually began around the Tuesday before the All-Ireland, and it began with watching for the postman...

It could arrive on the Tuesday and the week would fly in, or it might not come until Friday morning in which case the prayers to the patron saint of youngsters with ticket-less fathers would have doubled by the day. On one infamous occasion the owl fella intercepted the Postman and took the ticket off him before he reached the end of the road. An inconsolable An tImreoir was left to suffer for the weekend before being awoken for eight o'clock Mass on All-Ireland Sunday and being informed he was the butt of a rather cruel practical joke.

That's another thing. I don't think I was ever at eight o'clock Mass on any other morning in my life except All-Ireland Sunday. But it was part of the ritual and it was the only time my father ever left Mass at communion time. By doing so, he sent out a clear message to all other Mass-goers that he had that vital bit of paper in his pocket and was heading for Dublin that morning. The other few stalwarts who departed as communion was distributed were in a similar position of privilege and they'd congregate on the steps outside and divide themselves up into two or three different cars for the journey to the city.

This church steps ritual was as fascinating an insight into the social mannerisms of your country GAA man as you'll get. It usually took at least half an hour to decide who was going with whom and - more importantly - whose turn it was to drive. Social etiquette demanded that everyone insist they should be the one to drive and that they didn't mind in the least. As against this, the harsh realities were that nobody actually wanted to drive, so there was an undercurrent of "Sure, maybes" and "Unless you'd rathers" that ensured the discussions would drag on and on.

When the cars were finally loaded, the composition of passengers in each was quite similar: three or four pillars of the local club scene along with two young fellas who most certainly weren't permitted to speak unless spoken to. Nonetheless, the journey to the city always flew as the ghosts of All-Irelands past were resurrected and anecdotally paraded for our impressionable young ears. There was the Thunder and Lightning final of '39, John Joe Reilly and the Cavan of the 40's, Jack Lynch and politics, Mick Mackey and Christy Ring, Dermot O'Brien and the Wee county in '57 and showband dances the length and breadth of Ireland, the Rackards and how they shone for Wexford or the day Sean Purcell and Frankie Stockwell stole the show for Galway. So much to remember on the road to the Mecca of all Gaelic memories.

And as the traffic built as we neared the capital, so too did the sense of excitement as thoughts turned to the game in hand. The result was seldom seen as clear cut and opinions would differ as to who the key players might be. But everyone's tuppence worth ended with the same wish, that it would be a good close game.

We always parked at the Mater for no particular reason other than we always parked there. Out on the bonnet of the car would come a carefully packed biscuit tin complete with sandwiches, hard boiled eggs, a bottle of milk and a smaller tied plastic bag with sugar. Of course there was the obligatory thermos flask of tea and cups stuffed with the local newspaper.

Then, the walk to Croke Park. The colour, the noise, the hawkers, touts and musicians all looking for a piece of the action; all very much part of All-Ireland Sunday. All the way down Dorset Street past public houses which overflowed onto the street and everywhere the call was for tickets, buying or selling. Along the canal, show the ticket at the barrier and at last onto Jones' Road.

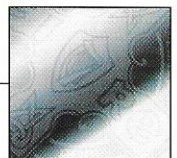
And there it was, the great old stadium, rising up majestically against the Dublin skyline. The sense of excitement and contentment with the world continues to build as your hand tightens around your father's and you move through the turnstiles and into the underbelly of Croke Park. Then finally that magical walk up the inside steps of the Hogan and the first glimpse of that lovely green sod. So much to take in. The pitch, the stands, the crowds, the colour, the flags and banners and the rhythmic march of the Artane Boys Band.

The minor match seldom registered on my young mind, such would be the distraction of the developing atmosphere. We ticked off the formalities which preceded the main event: the band lining up in front of the Hill or Canal End to play the county anthem of whichever set of supporters were there encamped; the eight bars of Amhán na bhFiann which greeted the President (Niall Tóibín once termed it "the quickie"), the presentation of the minor trophy and subsequent lap of honour until finally over the tannoy came the call "A cháirde, cuirigí fáilte roimh foireann...!!".

Then the whole place would erupt in tandem with my heart...

An tImreoir's column is courtesy of the popular website 'An Fear Rua - The GAA Unplugged!'

"So much to remember on the road to the Mecca ..."



Refereeing Matters in 2002

Referees of the Future

In a recent interview with **Martin Breheny (Sports Monthly, Irish Independent, July 29th) Uachtarán Sean McCague had this to say on refereeing:**



"Discipline has improved too and while we always have to be vigilant on that front, I believe there is now a general acknowledgement that there is no room for violent play and an acceptance that if it does occur it will be dealt with speedily and effectively. "I also maintain that, despite some suggestions to the contrary, refereeing standards are improving. Okay, so you will get some glitches from time to time but we are going very much in the right direction. We

have never devoted so much time or money to the refereeing area and it's paying off".

Training of Referees

One of the areas covered in the Uachtarán's comments is the whole area of training new referees. What managers want, what players need and what the Referees' Committee are striving to attain is consistency in the application of the rules by our referees. One way of achieving this is a centralised system of training new referees. This is now in place. In the past, Referees' Courses were given by well-known referees who had very little assistance by way of fixed courses, videos, etc.. Basically, the referee had the Rule Book and worked through it. If he had a particular style of refereeing, naturally, he imparted this.

National Tutors

Now the GAA has a centralised system of Referee Tutors who are the only ones recognised nationally to give courses from which referees receive certification. The National Referee Tutors were chosen for their experience in refereeing, their knowledge of the rules, and also for their skills in communication. Having done a course in communication themselves, they now devise training courses for referees for the whole country.

The tutors are: Tom Fitzpatrick (Dublin) Chairman, Muiris Ó Suilleabháin (Ciarraí), J.J. Landers (Waterford), P.J. McGrath (Mayo), John McGlinchey (Tyrone), John Gough (Antrim), Aidan Shiells and Tony Jordan (Dublin), John Motherway (Cork), and Gerry Larkin (Galway).

Part of their work is to train two Referee Tutors in each county. Their work programme for 2002/2003 gives an idea of the amount of activity in this area:

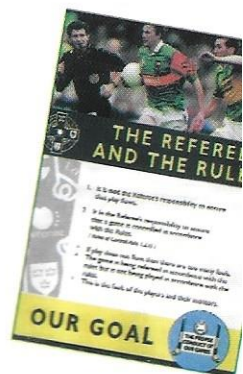
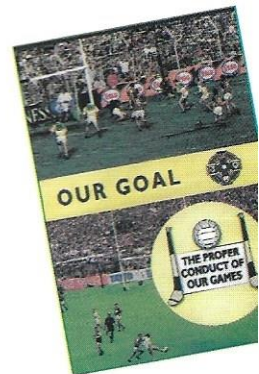
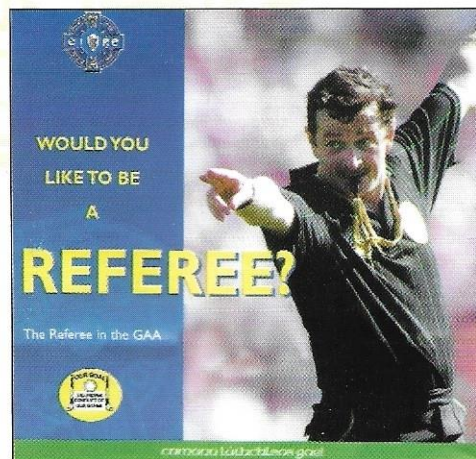
- (a) Give Courses for New and Serving Referees
- (b) Devise and give Courses for New and Serving Assessors.
- (c) Give Courses for New and Serving Tutors.
- (e) Course for 30 Referees newly recruited to the National Panel.
- (e) Devise syllabus and programme for Transition Year Courses in Second Level Schools.

With a centralised system of Training and Courses, the goal of consistency and uniformity may become more attainable. Also, the wide geographical spread in the appointment of Referees, Linesmen and Standby Linesmen for Senior Intercounty games is meant to bring a National focus to refereeing standards rather than a Regional one.

What makes a Good Referee?

Granted what makes a good referee has many components: character, integrity, knowledge of the rules, fitness, coolness under pressure, etc.. These components will be really tested only in match situations. But an important element in the consistency we all want is that the training should be uniform and consistent.

Because of the clear career progression, the skilled tutors, the training courses professionally given, regular assessments, there has never been a better time to become a referee in the Association.

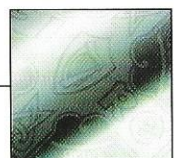


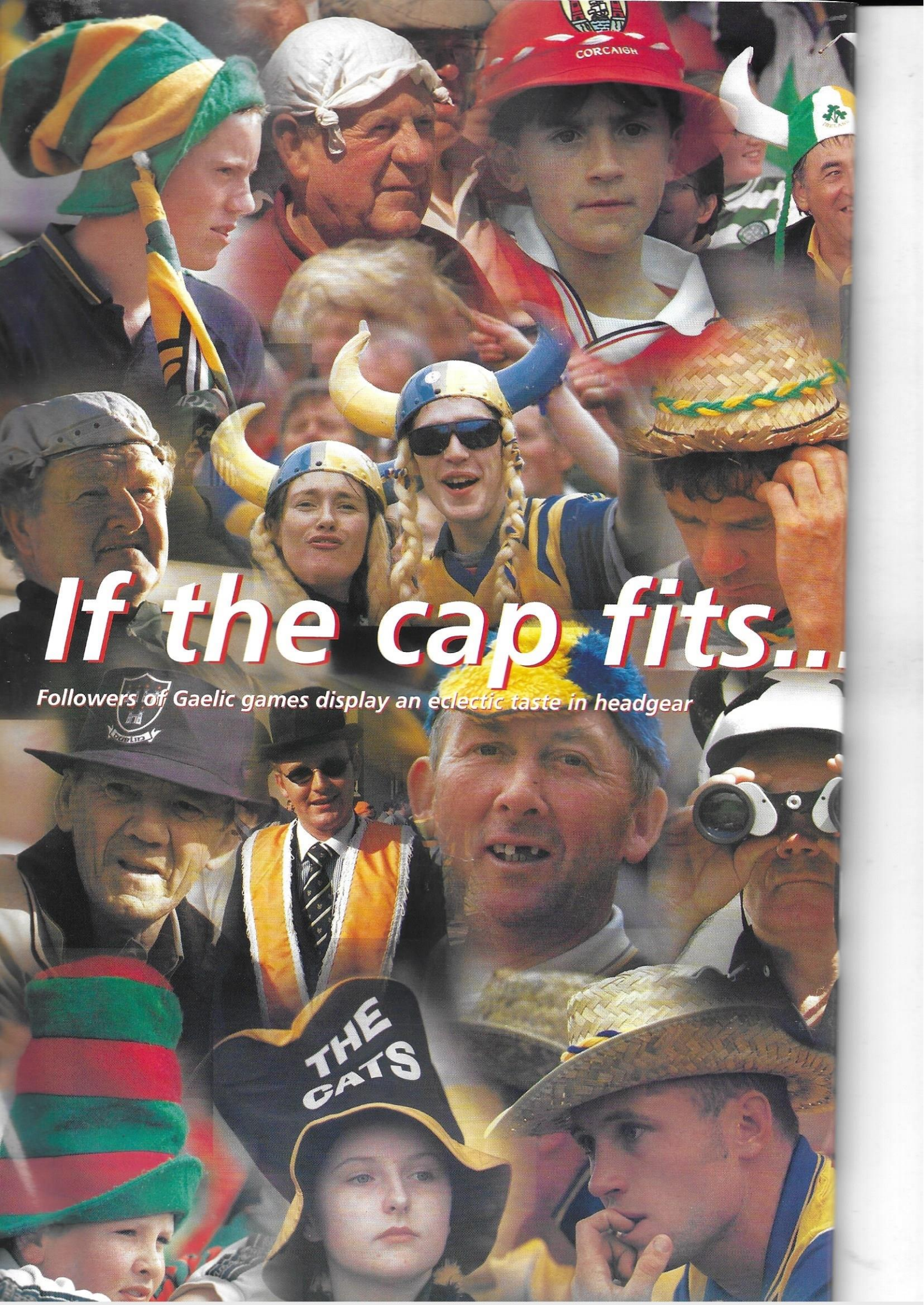
Rule Teaser

Situation: A line ball to Team A. Before the ball is struck/kicked, a player from Team B strikes a player from Team A several metres from the place of the line ball.

Question: Is it correct for the Referee to award a free puck/kick in these circumstances?

Answer: **NO.** The line ball shall stand. The Referee shall deal with the offending player in accordance with Rule 5 (Ard Chomhairle 9.12.200).





If the cap fits...

Followers of Gaelic games display an eclectic taste in headgear

The Underage Strategic Plan

Apart from the Gaelic Athletic Association's significant investment in facilities, the Association spends a considerable sum on Coaching and Games Development. Here, Pat Daly (GAA Head of Games) speaks to Feargal McGill (Information and Publications Officer in Croke Park) about different elements of the Strategic plan for Coaching and Games Development.

1. Why does the GAA have an Underage Strategic Plan?

- To maximise playing numbers
- To develop and maintain optimum playing standards.

2. What are the essential elements?

Ensuring adequate personnel are in place to implement Coaching and Games Projects within Primary Schools, Post-Primary Schools, Clubs and Schools of Excellence (U.14/U.15)/Development Squads (U.16/U.17).

3. Who are the key personnel?

Teachers, Club Mentors, Parents, Students (third level or transition year), Coaching Tutors, Fixture Coordinators and Full-Time Games Promotion Officers.

4. What's the key ingredient?

Providing players with a regular programme of games where Coaches focus on assisting players to achieve their full potential as distinct from "having to win".

5. When did the Association employ its first Games Promotion Officer?

In 1989 when Colm Bonner was appointed in Waterford I.T.

6. How many Games Promotion Officers are currently employed?

Just over one hundred.

7. What area of operation best reflects their contribution to date?

- Summer Camps. These have progressed from a start up position in 1994 to a situation where there were 54,000 participants in 2001. (At an average of €25 per participant per week, these Camps provide exceptional value for money).
- Dovetailing with voluntary officials to ensure there is a greater level of administrative efficiency.

8. Why is the Code of Best Practice so important?

It provides, in practical terms, guidelines about how things can best be organised and ensures the best interests of young players are safeguarded at all times.

9. How many Coaches have completed Foundation and Level 1 courses over the past six years?

34,000 approx.

10. The Coaching Academy comprises of Schools of Excellence (U.14/U.15) and Development Squads (U.16/U.17). What do these involve?

The selection of talented players and providing them with specialist Coaching tuition – 8 sessions – and the opportunity to play four games with their County.

11. What philosophy underpins the Coach Education Programme?

Coaches should devise Training Programmes within which extensive use is made of the ball if players are to develop the level of Technical Proficiency, Tactical Prowess and Team-Play which will enable them to develop their True Potential and experience a sense of Total Performance.

12. Why did the GAA launch the OTú Coaching CD last year?

To provide more Coaches with the ability to provide 200 ball contacts per coaching session and ensure that Coaches have a better understanding of how to create a Cohesive team unit.

13. What are the essential characteristics of a Cohesive team unit?

Players, on an individual and collective level, are competent, confident, composed, committed and competitive.

14. What accounts for the strength of GAA Units in Third Level Institutions?

Having students as Officers of the GAA Clubs and a full-time Games Promotion Officer who maintains a link between each succeeding generation of students.

15. How is the Plan funded?

By contributions from Clubs, Divisional and County Committees, the Provincial and Central Councils and the Irish Sports Council. (No one unit could, or should be expected to shoulder the overall cost involved – five million euro approx.)

16. What's the biggest challenge ahead?

- Establishing administrative structures in Urban areas – modifying the rules if necessary – so that the biggest possible amount of young people will be afforded the opportunity to play Gaelic games. (The development of floodlit Astro turf facilities will be a key element in this regards, too).
- Integrating all elements of the Plan to ensure that every unit is contributing to the overall well-being of the Association.

GAA OBJECTIVES

The National Coaching and Games Development Committee is committed to:

- Increasing Playing Numbers
- Improving Playing Standards
- Integrating Organisational Structures
- Ensuring Better Promotion

This involves the implementation of the following Integrated Strategic Plan:



SCORELESS

To finish a game without a point to their credit would be a shattering experience for any team, and fortunately it hasn't happened for more than 50 years in the senior championship. In earlier times, however, they were almost a regular feature of intercounty games starting with Cork's 0-0 against Kilkenny in 1887 at Dungarvan. A year later Meath failed to respond to Louth's 2-4 at Drogheda and that was a couple of months after Kilkenny had held Laois scoreless (1-6 to 0-0) at Portlaoise. In 1889 only the All-Ireland final produced the "double noughts" as Tipperary beat Laois by 3-6 to 0-0.

The 1890 campaign produced no fewer than four games involving a scoreless return. Armagh beat Antrim by 3-17 to 0-0 at Lisburn in the Ulster semi-final while Kerry denied Limerick a flag at Tralee (1-9 to 0-0). Cork notched 0-6 at Youghal as visitors' Waterford failed to reply and at Clonturk Park in the All-Ireland semi-final Armagh couldn't respond at all to Cork's 1-15. Armagh were again on the receiving end the following year when Cavan defeated them by 1-11 to 0-0 in the Ulster final at Smithboro. Earlier that year Wicklow didn't raise a flag against Dublin at Clonturk Park.

INFAMOUS PERFORMANCES

In 1892 and '93 no county finished scoreless, but the '94 championship saw three more infamous performances – Kilkenny v Meath (0-0 to 1-5), Limerick v Cork (0-0 to 3-5) and the history-making event when Wexford, defending All-Ireland champions, failed to respond to Dublin's 1-11 at Clonturk Park. Scoreless events were becoming rarer, it seemed, when three years passed without any case of the "double noughts", but in 1898 Tipperary didn't reply to Waterford at the latter's venue and Wexford had another blank day in the provincial final at Jones's Road.

Kilkenny opened the new century by recording two victories where the opposition failed to score, with 2-11 against Carlow at Borris and 0-12 versus Louth in the Leinster final at Wexford Park. Offaly joined the "double noughts" brigade as Louth hit them for 2-16 in the first round at Jones's Road in 1901.

BLANK SEMI-FINAL RETURN

For only the second time ever, the All-Ireland semi-final was the scene of a blank return when Cavan had no

answer to Kildare's 0-8 in 1903 at Jones's Road and the following year Cork failed to trouble the scoreboard operator at the Markets' Field as Kerry won by 1-4 to nil. However, three years later Cork defeated Limerick at Tipperary town by 2-5 to 0-0.

In 1910 Dublin unexpectedly failed to score against Louth in the Leinster final at An Uaimh and other "newcomers" were Clare (0-0 to 3-1 v Kerry) at Limerick and Sligo (0-0 to 1-3 v Leitrim) at Carrick-on-Shannon. Monaghan in 1911 joined the club when they lost to Armagh as did Galway when losing the Connacht final (0-0 to 0-2) to Roscommon at Carrick-on-Shannon in 1912.

Monaghan and Armagh managed blank returns in 1914 and Limerick returned 0-0 to Cork's 3-1 at the Cork Athletic Grounds two years later. In 1917 Limerick again failed to score against Cork and other instances of "no score" in that year were Meath (0-0 to 2-7 v Louth), Offaly (0-0 to 3-7 v Laois) and Sligo (0-0 to 0-3 v Mayo). Armagh and Antrim had dismal days in 1918 and Tipperary defeated Waterford by 4-4 to 0-0 in the same season. Twelve months later Waterford again finished the hour without a score as Kerry beat them by 3-5 to 0-0 at Tralee.

TWENTY-FIRST

Tyrone became the 21st county to fail to score in the 1920 meeting with Armagh (2-1) at Dungannon. Dublin recorded a 3-6 to 0-0 win over Meath in '21 and a 2-5 to 0-0 win over Monaghan at Dundalk in the following year's All-Ireland semi-final, while the Royals had another scoreless afternoon in the '23 provincial final, with Dublin (3-5) again their tormentors. In 1924 Waterford were again on the receiving end as they lost by 2-1 to 0-0 to Cork at Dungarvan.

The Munster final of 1925 saw Clare crash to Kerry (5-5) and four years later Sligo, in defending their Connacht title, failed to breach the Galway defence (0-0 to 1-7). Waterford were back again for another fruitless afternoon in 1931 when they lost to Tipperary (0-7), while Roscommon conceded more than twice that amount two years later at Tuam against Galway (0-0 to 2-10).

Tyrone, in 1942, was the last Ulster county to end the hour scoreless when Armagh beat them by 3-4 to nil, and ironically, perhaps, Kilkenny, the first county to hold the opposition scoreless, was the last to finish scoreless themselves when they lost to Wexford (3-6) at Nowlan Park in 1943.

AIB Club of the Year

Cumann Lúthcleas Gael is once again delighted to be working in partnership with AIB on the Club of the Year Awards scheme.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our Association and the idea behind the scheme is to give tangible recognition to the dedication, hard work and commitment of the many volunteers who give so much to ensure that our Club network continues to be a powerful force in Cumann Lúthcleas Gael. Great days like today begin at Club level and the Association is indebted to all volunteers who give so much of their time to meet the objectives of the Association.

The Award scheme has been redesigned and we are happy to announce that the AIB have very kindly increased the prize fund. Make sure your club takes an active part in this great award scheme.

For more information on the competition please contact Máire Jackman at Croke Park or visit the official GAA Website www.gaa.ie where you can get more information.

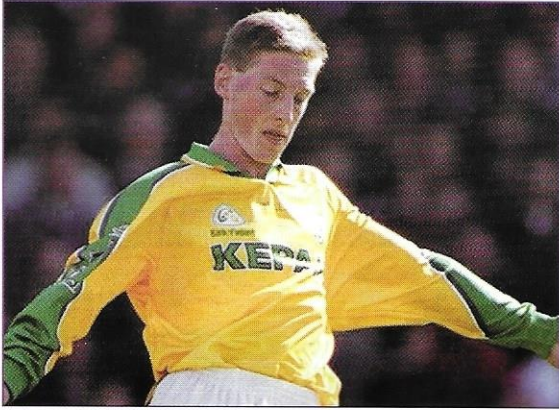


Pictured at the AIB GAA Club of the Year Awards 2001 in Croke Park where Éire Óg were presented with the 2001 AIB Club of the Year Award are Turlough O'Brien, Eugene Sheehy, Managing Director AIB, Sean McCague, President of the GAA, Eugene Kelly and John Farrell.

Cúinne na nÓg

Picture Parade

Who is the player pictured above?
 What is his club?
 How many All-Ireland senior medals has he won?
 Has he captained his county in an All-Ireland senior final?



Letters Scramble

The name, initial and surname, of a well-known Gaelic Games personality is included in each of the collection of six Letters Scramble as below. Under each Letters Scramble is a clue to help discover the name of the personality in question.

1. Y A E S E W E N

A sharpshooting forward from Ulster, who was rated by many as the man-of-the-match on his most recent Croke Park appearance.

2. N A J E K N R

This current county senior team manager has enjoyed All-Ireland senior title winning success at club level as a team manager.

3. E D A M G E

This player was the first sent in from the substitutes bench by Dublin in their recent drawn encounter with Donegal.

4. M G G N C W O A

This footballer showed the way to all others in the scoring line in Connacht this year.

5. Y S L K E L

This personality will take up an important new post in the G.A.A. next year.

6. A N J N O B N

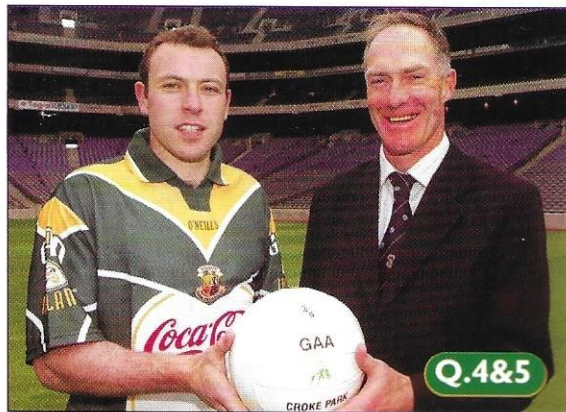
A well-known intercounty football referee from a Leinster county.

Titles Time

- One of the following counties won the All-Ireland Under-21 football title in 2000—Tyrone, Limerick, Cork or Dublin. Which?
- Laois, Dublin or Kildare won the TG4 Leinster Ladies senior football championship title late last month. Make your choice, please.
- Donegal, Kerry, Dublin or Cork won the All-Ireland Vocational Schools football title earlier this year?

Tráth na gCeist

1. Donegal or Dublin recorded the opening score in their recent All-Ireland senior football quarter-final draw. Your choice!
2. What county represented Ulster in the All-Ireland senior football semi-final last year?
3. Donegal beat Dublin in the 1992 Sam Maguire Cup tie. Was that their first or second appearance in an All-Ireland senior football final?
4. Who has been chosen as Ireland's captain for the up-coming International Rules Test series against Australia?
5. Name the Kerry man who will manage the Ireland team against Australia.
6. What is the club of Cork football team captain Colin Corkery?
7. Tipperary beat Kerry in this year's Munster minor football championship. True or false?
8. When did Cork last contest an All-Ireland senior football final?



Connacht senior championship this year. 5. S. Kelly (Kerry), who will become President of the G.A.A. next year. 6. J. Bannon (Longford).
 Titles Time
 Tyrone. 2. Dublin. 3. Donegal.
 Picture Parade
 1. Trevor Giles. 2. Skryne. 3. Two—1996 and 1999. 4. Yes, he captained Meath against Galway in last year's All-Ireland final.

Frágral
 Tráth na gCeist
 1. Dublin—a point by Shane Ryan. 2. Derry. 3. First. 4. Seamus Moyrhan (Kerry). 5. John O'Keeffe. 6. Nemo Rangers. 7. True. They beat Kerry in the Round Robin series but lost the final to the Kingdom. 8. 1999, when they lost to Mayo.
 Letters Scramble
 1. A. Sweeney (Donegal). 2. J. Kerran (Crossmaglen Rangers and Armagh). 3. D. Magee. 4. G. McGowan (Sligo), top scorer in the



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.

Cumann na mBunscol, Ath Cliath caters for 30% of the primary school population nationally and has a thriving games programme which was lauded in the recent SRC Report and acknowledged at the annual Roadstone National Awards for the past four years.

Comhairle Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath

The Dublin City Council's corporate objective to help build communities within the city and the GAA's Strategic Review commitment to enhancing community identity is endorsed by Cumann na mBunscol and the teachers are playing a full part in helping both bodies to achieve their stated goals. Through the goodwill of Comhairle Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath, Cumann na mBunscol has been successful in providing a comprehensive coaching & games programme, a commitment that has been given added but more demanding focus with the launch of the "Underage Strategic Plan" by the National Coaching & Games Committee. Cumann na mBunscol applauds Comhairle Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath for preserving 2,000 hectares boasting 116 municipal green spaces, colourful gardens and fine parks. And to celebrate the partnership, Cumann na mBunscol was delighted to dedicate the most recent edition of our information booklet to the people who husband that irreplaceable resource within the urban fabric providing recreational and educational facilities for the children in our care. In particular, we acknowledge the Park Rangers who facilitate our organized programme that includes playing 2,210 games throughout the school year.



Dublin Lord Mayor, Councillor Michael Mulcahy with teachers from Scoil Cholmcille, Knocklyon who are involved in games promotion: Brian Mc.Gabhann, Francis Connolly, Pádraig O'Neill, Jimmy O'Neill, Vivian Ruddy, Seán O'Murchu and Tony Sweeney.

Games Programme

The games programme, due to begin immediately primary schools open for the Autumn term, is ready and is detailed in a 48-page fixtures and information booklet with the current role model for many children, Alan Brogan, selected to adorn the full-colour front cover.



Stevie ní Néill, Gaelscoil Thaobh na Coille, Stepside, is cheered by fellow competitors as he received his prize as Church and General, GAA Museum Interactive Hurling Champion, from Maria O'Gorman, Projects Manager, GAA Museum.

South Dublin County Council, Rathdown and Fingal County Council

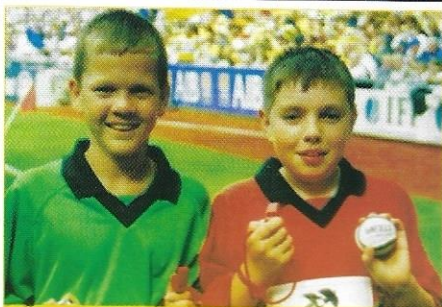
Cumann na mBunscol continues to appreciate and acknowledge the availability of the Councils' 220 playing pitches for the thousands of primary school children involved in our Gaelic football, hurling and camogie leagues in 197 schools. The County Councils are very involved with teachers and schools supporting civic and nature study programmes. Some schools work closely with the Councils in the popular Green Recycling projects while many schools use the park as an outdoor classroom for scientific education.



Cumann na mBunscol, Ath Cliath, has won 9 Roadstone national awards in the last four years in acknowledgement of what the recent S.R.C report described as its "outstandingly successful" games promotion work. Picture shows committee members at the awards banquet with G.A.A. President, Seán Mc.Cague, Roadstone managing Director, Michael Grogan and Marty Morrissey, chairman of the panel assessors for the awards scheme.

Voluntary Contribution Acknowledged

The Right Honourable, the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Cllr Michael Mulcahy, acknowledged the voluntary contribution of Cumann na mBunscol teachers at a function in the Civic Offices. At a gathering of three hundred invited teachers hosted in the Atrium, the Lord Mayor complimented his guests on their rewarding work and told them that their contribution to the cultural and sporting life of the Capital was immense. "We, in Comhairle Chathair Bhaile Átha Cliath, have an opportunity to show that we appreciate your work and that we value your contribution to community building." The Lord Mayor presented a silver pin - specially designed using the symbol of a helping hand and images of Dublin - and vellum scroll to each teacher hoping "that you will wear this pin to encourage others to make their contribution to the people of Dublin."



Church and General "Junior Whistlers" Mark Moore and Tadhg O'Meachair will be in action this summer at the half-time Mini-Sevens games.

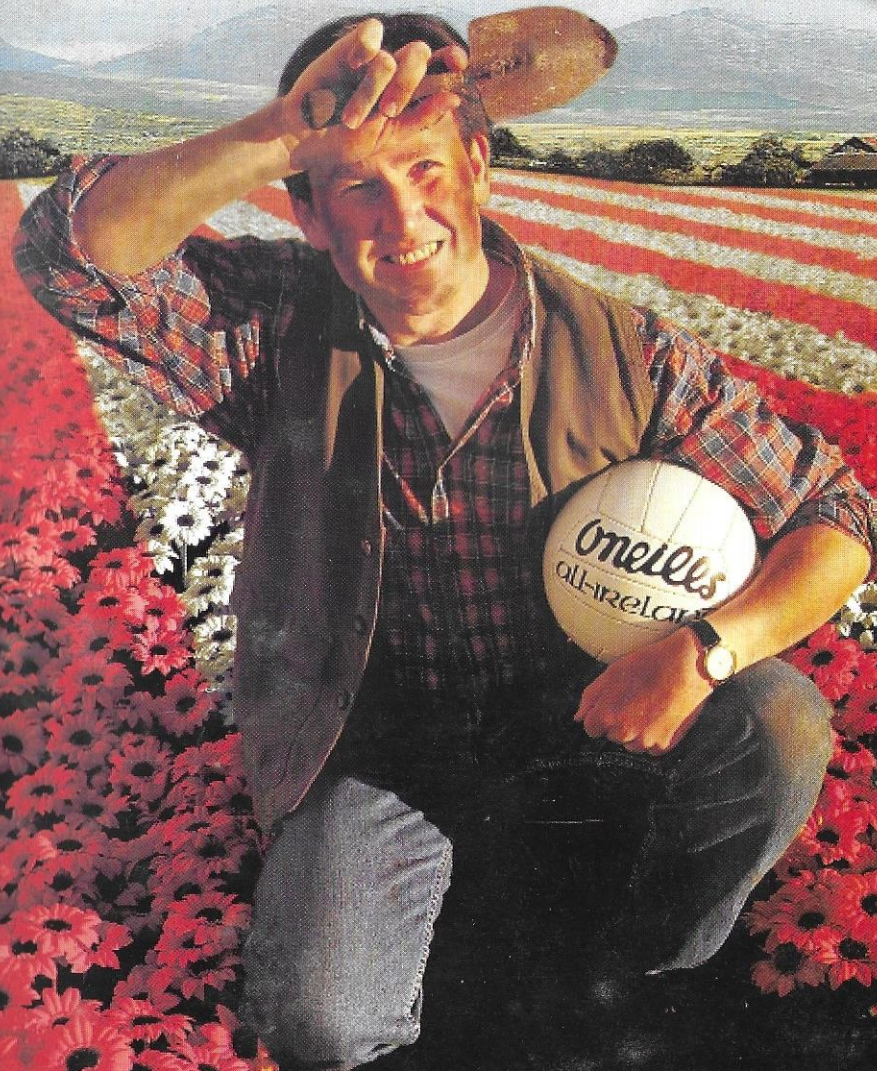


Ciarán Whelan with Siún Ní Lochlainn, Roibeárd Maoldeirg and Seán Ó Monagáin at the launch of Cumann na mBunscol "Clash of Giants" promotion prior to the Dublin v Meath game.

29 of today's Dublin panel came through the Cumann na mBunscol system. The exception is substitute goalkeeper, Brian Murphy, who comes from Kerry



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