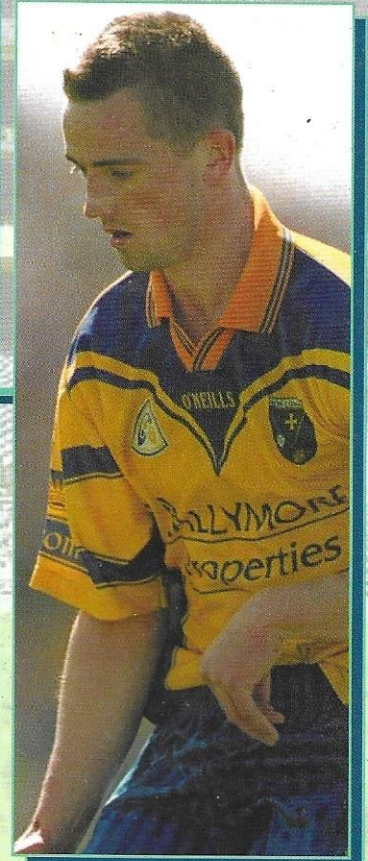
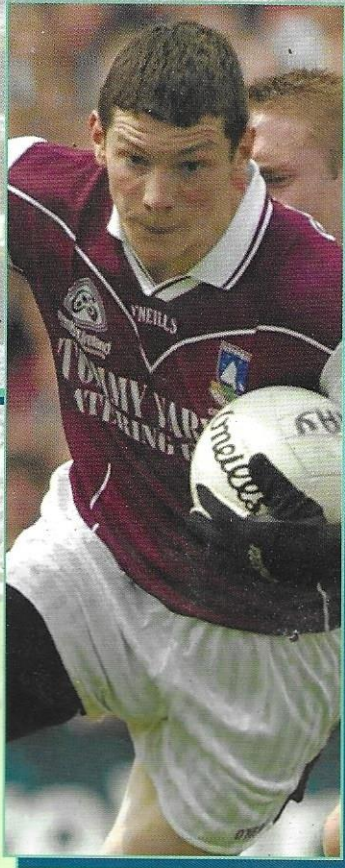
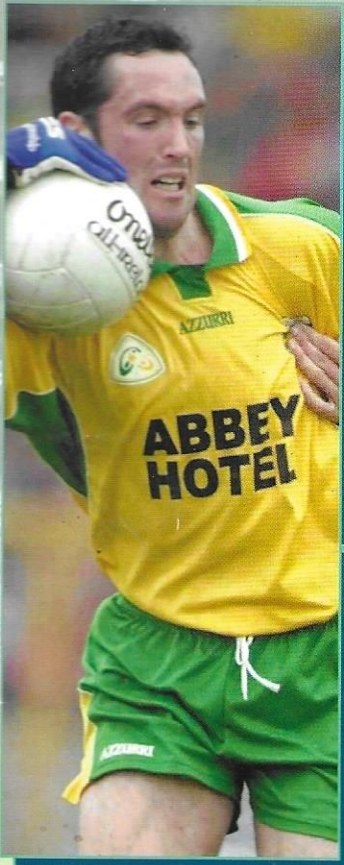


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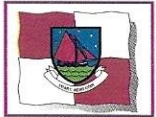
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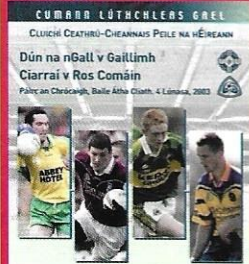


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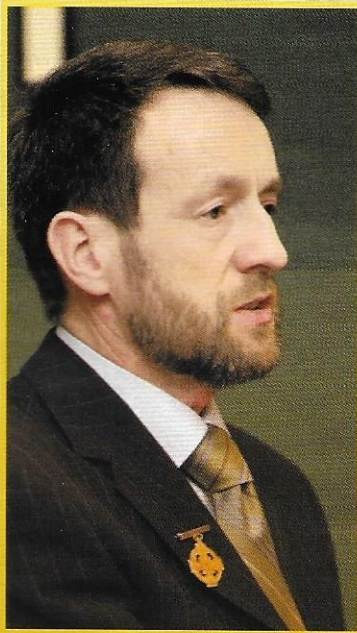
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It is my honour to extend a special welcome to you on the occasion of today's Bank of Ireland All Ireland football championship quarterfinal games. The prospect of two wonderful games should keep supporters fully entertained throughout the afternoon.

The first game today places Gaillimh and Dún na nGall in Championship opposition for

the first time since 1983. Amazingly twenty years ago, Brian Mc Eniff was at the helm for Dún na nGall and is in the managerial hotseat again this year! If memory serves, Gaillimh scraped through on that occasion by a single point and a similarly tight game could well be in store today.

Ros Comáin meanwhile have waited almost 23 years for another chance to land "the one that got away". The 1980 All Ireland was the county's best chance in recent times to claim the Sam Maguire and of course my own Ciarraí were the opposition on that day also. They return today with former Dublin player and manager Tommy Carr at the helm, having enjoyed a great run in the

qualifiers. Ciarraí, with wins over Luimneach and Tiobraid Árann, are again Munster Champions, but they will be taking nothing for granted in a game that will revive memories in older generations of the great clashes of the 1940's.

This is the third year of the Bank of Ireland All Ireland football championship qualifiers and interest in the games is currently at an all time high. We have established a task force to examine our Championship structures going forward, and indeed I would welcome any submissions from our supporters in this regard to our Games Development Department in Páirc an Chrócaigh.

Today we will be using the big screen again to present our games in a more modern way. This arises from the activities of the PR and Presentation Committee, which I set up after Congress. You'll be hearing more from them.

I am also aware that there are many concerns at the moment regarding suspensions, appeals etc. This is a complicated area, but hopefully by Congress 2004 we will be in a position to divide the Games Administration Committee into two distinct sections and this should make matters more manageable in the future. I am also aware of the restrictions of our appeal system and in this regard an independent tribunal might well be worth considering. As in all cases, your views are always welcome, but hurry as our committees will need to formulate their suggestions by the fall.

In the meantime, I hope you all enjoy today's games as we look forward to the latter stages of the 2003 Championship with great anticipation.

Ráth De oraibh go léir.

Seán Ó Ceallaigh,  
Uachtarán

## Welcome for Bank of Ireland



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**O**n behalf of Bank of Ireland, I would like to welcome you all to Croke Park for what promises to be another exciting double-header in the Bank of Ireland Football Quarter-Finals.

The first match today sees the tribesmen of Galway taking on the might of Donegal. This is only the third ever championship meeting between the counties, with Galway having won the previous two. Donegal will be looking to rectify this statistic and secure a semi-final spot, while Galway will be keen to continue this unbeaten record and progress on the road to possible Championship glory.

An intriguing clash awaits us in today's second game. Kerry, the runners-up in last year's Bank of Ireland Championship will face Roscommon, who have battled their way through the qualifiers this year, including coming through two extra-time ties. This is the first senior Championship clash between the counties since the 1980 All-Ireland final, in which Kerry were victorious. Roscommon's last championship success over Kerry was in 1944. I am sure that both sides will

be eager to replicate their achievements to date in this year's Bank of Ireland Championship and claim a semi-final place.

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This year has seen many exciting games to date and I am sure that today's games will be no different. I would like to wish the four teams taking part the very best of luck today and in their future campaigns, and I hope you enjoy this afternoon's great sporting occasion.

Des Crowley  
Chief Executive Retail Financial Services – ROI  
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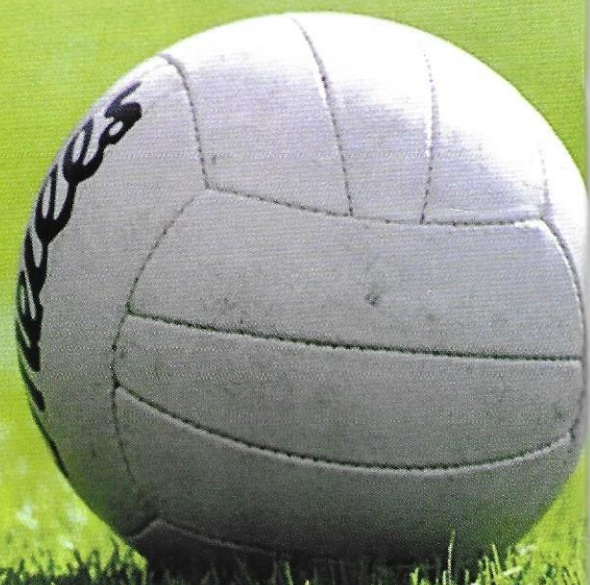
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# Ochtar Fágtha sa Rás

**T**ar éis sárchlúichí dheireadh na seachtaine seo i bPáirc an Chrócaigh ní bheidh ach ceithre chontae fágtha sa rás do dhuais na peile 2003. Féasta chluichí atá chugainn i ndáiríre agus na foirne is fearr sa tír ag triail ar Pháirc an Chrócaigh. Nil amhras ná go mbeidh aird an phobail ar an gcaismirt idir curaidh uile Éireann, faoi stiúir Joe Kernan, agus an draoi Chiarraioch atá i gceannas ar curaidh nua Laighean. Nuair a chasadar ar a chéile sa sraith Allianz bhí an á ag Laois ach ceaptar nach raibh aird Ard Mhacha ar an duais áirithe sin. Bhíodar ag smaoinemh ar laethanta níos faide anonn sa samhradh agus an duais is mó ar pháirc na peile.

Bhí lucht leanta Laoise an-sásta leis an mbua sin agus cé gur theip orthu in aghaidh Thír Eoghain i gcluiche ceannais na sraithe, bhaineadar craobh Laighean, don chead uair ó 1946, in aghaidh Chill Dara le peil den scoth. Is dócha gur theastaigh ó Micko Ard Mhacha a sheachaint sa bhábhta ceathrúcheannais ach thángadar as an mbabhla agus ní raibh dul as aige. Beidh siad réidh don dúshlán, áfach, agus os rud é go mbeidh na Tuaisceartaigh mar mhór-rogha na núdair, ní bheidh brú chomh mór sin ar na Laigheannaigh. Oirfidh a stíl oscailte peile don choimhlínt seo freisin le foireann mór fisiciúil ar pháirc fhairsing an Chrócaigh. Ní bheidh morán eatarthu ag an deireadh agus ná biodh ionadh ar éinne má éiríonn le fear draiochta an Choireáin lá mór eile a bheidh aige sa Cheannáras.

Athimirt de chluiche ceannais na bliana 1980 a bheidh sa choimhlínt idir Ciarraí agus Ros Comáin. Siad fir pháidí an mhór-rogha don chluiche seo agus ceaptar go mbeidh an lá leo ag deireadh na himeartha. Ní bheidh sé éasca, áfach, mar tá an-spiorád imeasc imreoirí Ros Comáin faoi láthair. Bhí bua den scoth acu ar Chill Dara agus tá siad láidir, aclaí. Tá an-taithí acu freisin ar chluichí diana a bhuachaint. Ní raibh ach cúin le sparáil acu ar Liatróim agus ar Chorcaí agus bhí gá le ham breise in aghaidh Uibh Fháilí agus Cill Dara sula bhfuair siad an lámh in uachtar.

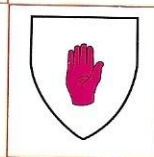
Seasfaidh an taithí seo leo i gcluiche an deireadh seachtaine

seo ach ceaptar nach leor é. Siad na Ciarraigh rogha na coitiantachta don Chraobh i mbliana: tá an-dúil ó dheas sa Chraobh i mbliana os rud é go bhfuil sé céad bliain ó bhuaidh siad don chead uair agus meastar freisin nár thug fir Ros Comáin aghaidh fós i mbliana ar fhreasúra chomh láidir lena gcéili comhraic inniu. Ceaptar go mbeidh fir na Ríochta ró-sciliúil dóibh agus le Dara Ó Sé ar ais i lár an ghoirt, moltar na Deisceartaigh d'áit sna cluichí leathcheannais.

Beidh mhuintir Thír Chonail ag súil go mór lena dturas go Páirc an Chrócaigh. Tá siad ag neartú le gach cluiche ach, i ndáiríre, chabhraigh ádh na tarringthe go mór leo. Bhí Longfort agus Sligeach an-lag agus nuair a thug siad aghaidh ar an Dún bhí siad in isle brí. Braithfidh a seans inniu ar Brendan Devenney a bheidh réidh don chath. Má theipeann air dul chun páirce beidh rith an ráis ag an nGailleanh. Le foireann iomlán ar an bpáirc agus má éiríonn leo a gcumas a léiriú ar an lá, beidh seans acu. Ní dócha, áfach, go mbeidh siad láidir nó sciliúil go leor chun curaidh uile Éireann 2001 a chloí.

Athimirt chluiche leathcheannais na sraithe a bheidh ann nuair a rachaidh na comharsana Ultach, Tír Eoghain agus Fear Manach, chun páirce. Tá an-dul chun cinn déanta ag Fear Manach faoi stiúir Dominic Corrigan. Léirigh Tír Eoghain gur fhoireann den scoth iad san athimirt in aghaidh an Dúin i gcluiche ceannais Uladh. Nuair a thugadar aghaidh ar Fear Manach i gcluiche leathcheannais na sraithe i Mí Aibreáin, bhí bua an-éasca acu.

Meastar go bhfuil siad níos fearr faoi láthair na mar a bhíodar le linn na sraithe. Tá scríos á dhéanamh ag Peter Canavan agus Eoin Mulligan sna tosaithe. Tá Seán Cavanagh ar bharr a mhaitheasa i lár na páirce agus cé go bhfuil fadhanna acu sa líne lán-chúil, tá an tadh leo go bhfuil peileadóirí mar Cormac McAnallen acu chun na fadhanna sa réiteach. Is fíor, áfach, go raibh gá le hathimirt nuair a chas Tír Eoghain ar Dhoire agus ar an Dún agus gur chloí Fear Manach Muigheo agus an Mhi ar a mbealach go Páirc an Chrócaigh. Mar sin féin, moltar fir na Láimhe Deirge chun dul ar aghaidh.



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Best wishes to Roscommon in today's match!





## A third championship meeting for Donegal and Galway



**Donegal and Galway meet for the third time in the senior football championship.**

Donegal were Ulster senior champions for the second time when they met Galway in a 1974 semi-final. Brian McEniff, now the county team manager, was the Ulster county's player/manager that year.

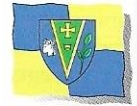
He was at right half back as the Northerners went down by 3-13 to 1-14.

McEniff was Donegal team manager when the counties met in a 1983 semi-final. Galway won that game by 1-12 to 1-11.

Kerry and Roscommon also bridge long gap



## Kerry and Roscommon also bridge long gap



Kerry and Roscommon also renew senior football championship rivalry after a long time. Their last clash was in the 1980 final, in which the Kingdom won by 1-9 to 1-6 to collect their third title in a row.

Roscommon's last championship win over Kerry was as far back as their 1944 All-Ireland final. A year earlier

the Western county won the Sam Maguire Cup for the first time and they completed a noteworthy double by beating Kerry by 1-9 to 2-4 the 1944 summit.

Tom Carr, now the Roscommon manager, was manager of Dublin when they lost to Kerry in a replay at Thurles in an All-Ireland quarter-final in 2001.

# It happened in the senior football championships 2003

**A rare break-through for Limerick football.....A family affair up North....Some impressive individual scoring returns...The end of a long wait for Laois in Leinster.**

**These were some of the features in this season's Bank of Ireland Provincial Senior Football Championships and the All-Ireland qualifiers.**

**Limerick**, superbly led by captain and midfielder Muiris Gavin, bridged a long, long gap with a surprise win over **Cork** at Páirc Uí Chaoimh in the opening game of the Munster campaign in early May.

Gavin scored a superb 0-9 as Limerick recorded their first championship win over the Rebel County since as far back as 1965. They did it in handsome style as well, finishing with ten points to spare.

It was a real family affair at Casement Park as **Antrim** surprised **Cavan** in a first round tie in Ulster at the end of May. Two first half goals by full forward Darren O'Hare on his senior championship debut set the home county on the road to a first championship win over the Breffni County in twenty-one years.

Darren, who is 21, is son of P.J. O'Hare, whose behind the scenes work as team manager also contributed to the break-through.

Earlier in the Ulster season Paddy Bradley scored 1-6 for **Derry** in their first round tie with Allianz League champions **Tyrone** at Clones but still did not finish on the winning side. The game ended in a draw.

### PRESSURE KICK

One of the real pressure kicks of the season was faced up to by midfielder Ciarán McManus for

**Offaly** in their start to the Leinster season at Portlaoise.

The Faithful County looked to have victory snapped from their grasp when Michael Lawlor goaled for Laois two minutes into injury time to give them a point lead.

Offaly swept back into the attack and won a "45". McManus faced up to the opportunity of earning his side a draw from the kick and, displaying coolness in the tension laden atmosphere, expertly drilled the ball over the bar to send the match to a replay.

Earlier in the game, McManus scored one of the goals of the year. Half-time was approaching when he won possession, raced forward and from well outfield powered a cracking shot to the Laois net.

Peter Canavan, in the No.14 jersey, marked Tyrone's convincing Ulster final replay win over **Down** at Clones last month with a real scoring tour-de-force. He finished with eleven points, seven from frees and one from a '45'.

His sharpshooting revived memories of the expert finishing of another Tyrone man in an Ulster final. Frank McGuigan, who also wore the No. 14 jersey, scored 0-11, all from play, as the O'Neill County beat Armagh in the 1984 summit at Clones.

### RAIN, RAIN, GO AWAY...

Supporters pictured sheltering under their umbrellas at half time in the Armagh v Limerick Bank of Ireland Senior Football Championship qualifier at Dr Hyde Park, Roscommon.





Back in 1979 Kieran "Jap" Finlay scored 1-9 for **Monaghan** in their Ulster final win over **Donegal**. His son, Paul, was in sharpshooting form for Monaghan in this year's senior football championship.

Declan Browne celebrated his senior football championship debut for **Tipperary** at Croke Park with one of the top-class individual performances of the season. He highlighted his display against Donegal by scoring nine points in an All-Ireland qualifier tie..



### GOAL SCORING FEATS

Ciaran McManus scored three goals for Offaly in their win over **London** at Tullamore in early June in round one of the All-Ireland qualifiers. Steven McDonnell shot three goals last time out for **Armagh** in their win over Limerick at Dr. Hyde Park in Round Four of the qualifiers. He also helped himself to four points.



Frankie Dolan raced to the top of the points review with 0-13 for **Roscommon** in their win last week-end over **Kildare** at Portlaoise in Round Four of the qualifiers, that game went to extra time.

Barry Owens was a very consistent star at full back for **Fermanagh** in their heady campaign in the All-Ireland qualifiers. He was rated by many as the man-of-the-match in each of their three games on the way to the quarter-final.

### PLACE APART FOR GALWAY

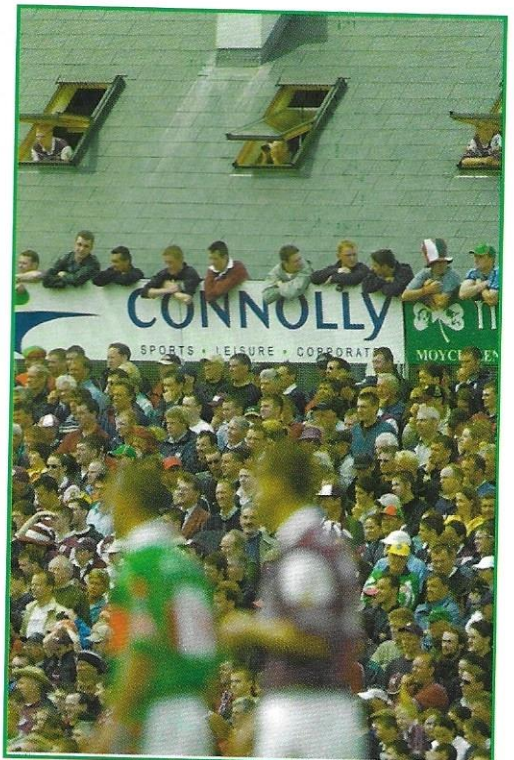
**Galway's** win over **Mayo** in the Connacht final at Pearse Stadium earned them a place apart in this year's review. They have the distinction of being the only county to have retained a provincial title this season.

The sharpshooting and leadership of captain Adrian Sweeney did much to power Donegal back from a first round defeat in Ulster by Fermanagh to a quarter-final outing.

**Kerry** gave a fine display of points scoring when rifling over twenty-five as they took the first step on the road to regaining the Munster title after two years by beating Tipperary at Austin Stack Park, Tralee.

Goals by Brian McDonald and Ross Munnely in the second half and a five-star display by Tom Kelly at centre half back were features of the Laois win over Kildare in the Leinster final at Croke Park. The 2-13 to 1-13 victory had something of a "Famous First" win for very many Laois followers in the attendance of 61,786 as it was the county's first final win in 57 long years.

And a special place as well for Laois manager: Mick O'Dwyer, who has now managed three different counties to provincial senior title wins—Kerry, Kildare and, of course, the O'Moore County.







# Donegal at Croke Park

**A** delicious irony, of which not many followers of gaelic games may be aware, is that Donegal contested an All-Ireland senior hurling semi-final on the famous sod almost half a century before the footballers made a first championship appearance there. This hurling first was in 1923 when Donegal, as Ulster champions, opposed Limerick in the penultimate round. Not surprisingly, Donegal proved no match for the Munster men and were heavily defeated. But there was a noteworthy – even memorable – feature of that game in that it was the first occasion on which the teams wore numbered jerseys in an inter-county game at Croke Park, or indeed, elsewhere.

Hurling, however, soon slipped into the background of Donegal Gaeldom and it was left to the footballers to carry the county's ambitions outside Ulster. But it took a long time to open the way to a championship appearance in Dublin. In fact, at times it appeared that it would never happen and as recently as the beginning of the 1970s, Donegal shared with Fermanagh the dubious distinction of being the only Ulster counties to have never made a senior championship appearance at headquarters.

But Donegal's day finally came as, on their third appearance in an Ulster final, they won the right to travel south with a five-point win over Tyrone in 1972. Pitted against the reigning All-Ireland champions Offaly, Donegal put up a magnificent display, were ahead at half

time and were caught only by a late surge by the champions (1-17 to 2-10). By any reckoning it was still an auspicious entry to Croke Park.

Two years later they were back as semi-finalists, but defeat was again their lot as they failed to match an experienced Galway side, going down by 1-14 to 3-13. At the third attempt they came agonisingly close to making the breakthrough, failing by a single point (1-11 to 1-12) to Galway in the 1983 semi-final. Seven years on it was a case of missed chances as Meath's cleverness carried the day (3-9 to 1-7).

But 1992 was to see the dream of generations of Donegal followers come true. Goal-scoring may not have been the forte of this year's team, but as the defence did the needful in curbing the opposing forwards, the attack swept over the points that gave the county its first ever championship win at Croke Park (0-13 to 0-9 versus Mayo). Five weeks later the summit was reached against the odds as Dublin were defeated by 0-18 to 0-14. Donegal had nothing more to prove.

The Qualifiers brought Donegal back to Liffeside and three championship appearances in 2002 – a 1-13 to 0-14 win over Meath, a draw with Dublin (0-14 to 2-8) and a most disappointing replay defeat (0-7 to 1-14) – brought mixed results. Although a ten-point win did scant justice to Tipperary's brave effort a month ago, the win did go some way to redressing the balance of Donegal's Croke Park record, which currently reads four wins, one draw and five defeats.



## How the counties fared over the past twelve months August 2002 – July 2003



### Dún na nGall

5th August, All-Ireland quarter/final:	<b>Donegal 0-14; Dublin 2-8</b>
17th August, quarter/final replay:	<b>Dublin 1-14; Donegal 0-7</b>
4th January, Challenge:	<b>Monaghan 1-17; Donegal 0-11</b>
12th January, McKenna Cup:	<b>Cavan 1-13; Donegal 2-9</b>
2nd February, League:	<b>Galway 1-16; Donegal 1-8</b>
9th February, League:	<b>Dublin 1-10; Donegal 0-9</b>
16th February, League:	<b>Armagh 2-9; Donegal 1-6</b>
2nd March, League:	<b>Tyrone 1-14; Donegal 0-9</b>
9th March, League:	<b>Kerry 1-12; Donegal 0-8</b>
22nd March, League:	<b>Cork 3-8; Donegal 0-10</b>
6th April, League:	<b>Donegal 2-10; Roscommon 1-10</b>

1st June, Championship:

**Fermanagh 0-10; Donegal 0-6**

7th June, Qualifier Round 1:

**Donegal 1-17; Longford 1-11**

22nd June, Qualifier Round 2:

**Donegal 0-16; Sligo 0-11**

5th July, Qualifier Round 3:

**Donegal 2-19; Tipperary 0-15**

26th July, Qualifier Round 4:

**Donegal 3-15; Down 2-10**

**Played 16, Won 5, Drew 1, Lost 10.**

### Gaillimh

4th August, All-Ireland quarter/final:

**Kerry 2-17; Galway 1-12**

12th January, FBD League:

**Galway 1-13; Sligo IT 0-9**

25th January, FBD League:

**Galway 5-12; NUIG 3-8**

26th January, FBD League:

**Mayo 2-14; Galway 0-7**

2nd February, League:

**Galway 1-16; Donegal 1-8**

9th February, League:

**Tyrone 1-13; Galway 0-11**

16th February, League:

**Galway 1-13; Kerry 0-9**

1st March, League:

**Cork 1-10; Galway 1-9**

9th March, League:

**Roscommon 2-10 Galway 0-8**

28th March, League:

**Galway 1-17; Armagh 1-14**

6th April, League:

**Galway 1-9; Dublin 0-12**

18th May, Championship:

**Galway 0-12; Roscommon 0-8**

28th May, Challenge:

**Armagh 1-15; Galway 0-15**

1st June, Championship:

**Galway 2-13; Leitrim 1-7**

6th July, Connacht Final:

**Galway 1-14; Mayo 0-13**

**Played 15, Won 8, Drew 1, Lost 6.**



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# Last Quarter-Finals

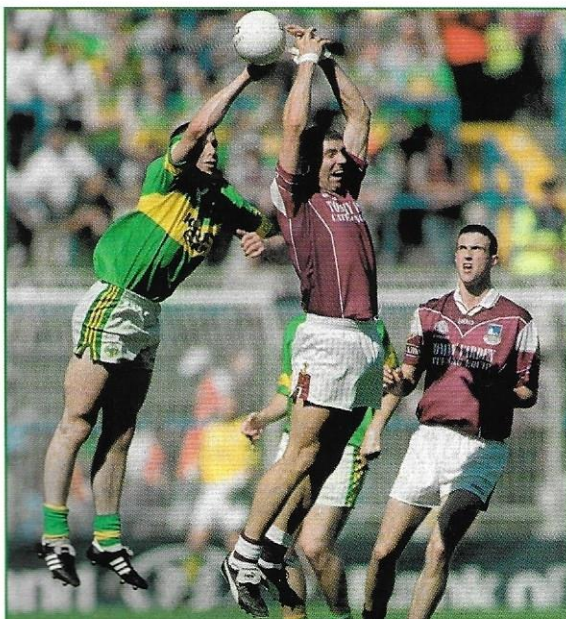
**N**either Donegal nor Galway will have happy memories of their last quarter-final outings as both exited the All-Ireland championship at this stage of the competition twelve months ago.

**Kerry 2-17 Galway 1-12**

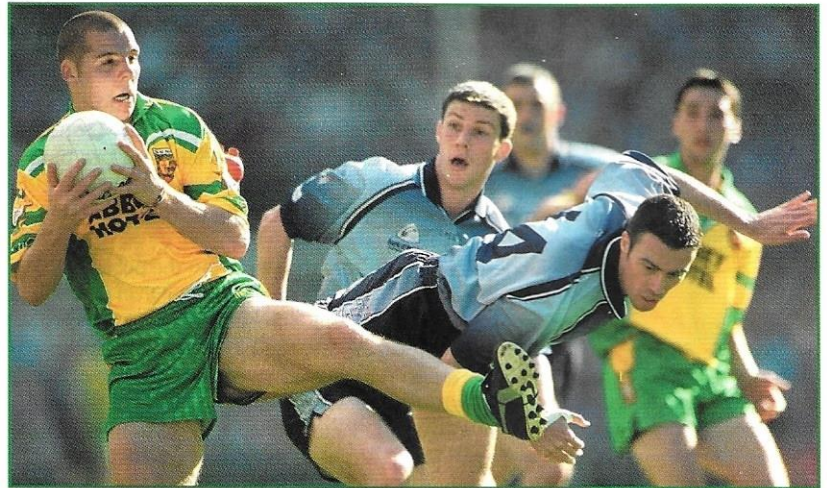
As reigning All-Ireland champions, Galway went into this contest quietly confident, but on a dismal afternoon for the Corribiders they lost by eight points and were flattered to be that close to the winners at the end of the seventy minutes. The challengers made a positive start and Mike Francis Russell and Colm Cooper had points on the board with barely a minute played. Joe Bergin replied for the champions and then Michael Donnellan scored a marvellous goal, which was quickly followed by a point from Pádraig Joyce. However, over the next 20 minutes Kerry ran riot, scoring 1-7 and conceding just 0-2, although Galway did have a good period just before the interval, but Matthew Clancy and Pádraig Joyce blazed over the bar, when goals were possible.

Turning over just three points in arrears (1-6 to 1-9), the champions appeared to be in a good position to launch a comeback, but it was Kerry who restarted more impressively and points by Cooper and Russell extended their lead. Galway continued to hang in and were back to three points in arrears early in the final quarter. However, any chance of a late comeback were finally snuffed out eight minutes from time when Aodán MacGearailt goalied. The statistic that Kerry won by eight points while registering more than four times as many wides as the losers shows just how in control of this contest they were.

**Galway scorers:** P.Joyce 0-6, M.Donnellan 1-0, D.Savage 0-2, J.Bergin 0-1, K.Walsh 0-1, M.Clancy 0-1, M.Colleran 0-1.  
**Galway** – Alan Keane, Kieran Fitzgerald, Gary Fahey, Richie Fahey, Declan Meehan, Tomás Mannion, Seán Óg de Paor, Kevin Walsh, Michael Donnellan, Paul Clancy, Jarlath Fallon, Joe Bergin, Derek Savage, Pádraig Joyce, Matthew Clancy. Subs – Tommy Joyce, Tomas Meehan, Michael Colleran, Lorcan Colleran, John Donnellan.



Darragh Ó Sé (Garraí) goes for the high ball with Galway's Kevin Walsh in the 2002 All Ireland Football Quarter-final at Croke Park.



**Dublin 2-8 Donegal 0-14**

Both sides started nervously at Croke Park, but when matters settled down Donegal displayed the surer touch and opened up a 0-3 to 0-1 lead. Ray Cosgrove's goal edged Dublin in front early in the second quarter, but Donegal continued to have the better of matters, although that didn't translate to the scoreboard and at the break they trailed by 0-6 to 1-4. On the restart the nip-and-tuck nature of the game continued, but when Cosgrove goalied for a three-point lead with five minutes remaining it appeared Donegal were gone. But unperturbed the Ulster side calmly slotted over the three scores – Paul McGonigle and Adrian Sweeney (2) – to earn a second chance.

**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.

Kevin Cassidy (Dún na nGall) in action against Dublin's Ray Cosgrove, right, and Colin Moran. in the 2002 All Ireland Football Quarter-final replay at Croke Park.

**Replay**  
**Dublin 1-14 Donegal 0-7**

Less than two weeks later Donegal were back at Croke Park and in the opening quarter there was little indication of the trauma that was to come. The opening 20 minutes saw five points scored of which Donegal had two to their credit, but for the next 50 minutes they struggled scoring just five times as Dublin notched 1-11. At half time Donegal had just three points on the board and were trailing by six (0-3 to 1-6). The badly-needed goal they required on the restart never came although Adrian Sweeney did miss a possible opening within 60 seconds of the resumption. After that the game drifted away and Donegal found themselves ten points in arrears by the final whistle.

**Donegal scorers:** A.Sweeney 0-2, B.Devenney 0-2, B.Roper 0-1, K.Rafferty 0-1, M.Hegarty 0-1.

**Donegal** – Tony Blake, Shane Carr, Eamon Doherty, Noel McGinley, Damien Diver, Raymond Sweeney, Kevin Cassidy, John Gildea, Jim McGuinness, Christy Toye, Michael Hegarty, Brian Roper, Adrian Sweeney, Brendan Devenney, Paul McGonigle. Subs – Kevin Rafferty, Brendan Boyle, Colm McFadden, Rory Kavanagh, Conal Dunne.



# First Meeting... 1974

**Galway 3-13 Donegal 1-14**

**U**nlike their first visit to Croke Park two years earlier when lack of experience may have cost them the game against Offaly, Donegal were a much more mature outfit as they shaped up to Galway in this All-Ireland semi-final clash. If Donegal had acquired some valuable experience in the past two years, they still couldn't compare with the Corribiders who were appearing in their fourth semi-final in five years.

Donegal switches before the start from the published lineout may have confused themselves rather than the opposition and Galway went in front almost from the throw-in when Johnny Tobin shot a point before 20 seconds had elapsed. For eleven subsequent minutes that was the only score on the board, but when Tobin raised the second flag of the day, a green one, Donegal looked to be in slight disarray.

But Brian McEniff was swift to rally his team-mates and Neilly Gallagher, deadly from placed balls, had the arrears down to the minimum by the 20th minute

(0-3 to 1-1). Galway's response was immediate and effective as Liam Sammon broke the ball to Colin McDonagh, who placed it well out of 'keeper McCole's reach. Points were exchanged by Tobin and Gallagher before Donegal suffered two severe blows when McEniff and Seamus Bonnar were forced to retire with injuries.

The moving of Martin Carney to midfield led to a more even share of the exchanges for Donegal, but Galway turned over leading by 2-7 to 1-6 and when Tobin grabbed his second goal of the afternoon and tacked on four points with the help of Sammon and Tom Naughton, it was 3-11 to 1-8 with 20 minutes left to play. Donegal, however, were far from finished and as they began to press forward, anxious defenders conceded frees that were remorselessly

punished by the impeccable Gallagher.

Slowly the gap narrowed and with five minutes remaining Galway's advantage had been reduced to a mere three points. As Donegal, scenting victory, pushed forward in search of the goal that would save the day, Jack Cosgrove at full-back and T.J. Gilmore in front of him were immense; Cosgrove especially was almost unbeatable under the dropping ball. At this stage every ball was vital and a couple of Donegal wides that might have been scores helped to keep Galway in front and as Donegal finally began to run out of steam, the Westerners raised the siege and went in search of the scores to settle the issue.

And they got them as Sammon and company rediscovered their touch they seemed to have lost once the Donegal revival got underway. Willie Joyce sent a long ball into opposition territory and Sammon eluded a couple of defenders to slot over his side's twelfth point. Granahan and Carney made desperate efforts to rally their colleagues, but it hardly needed Naughton's point to ensure a victory that Galway undoubtedly deserved, but not by a margin of five points.

**Galway scorers:** J. Tobin 2-6, C. McDonagh 1-1, L. Sammon 0-3, T. Naughton 0-2, W. Joyce 0-1.

**Donegal scorers:** N. Gallagher 0-8, S. Bonnar 1-0, S. Granahan 0-2, A. Gallagher 0-1, H. McClafferty 0-1, P. J. McGowan 0-1, M. Lafferty 0-1.

**Galway** – G. Mitchell, J. Dillon, J. Cosgrove, M. Geraghty, L. O'Neill, T. J. Gilmore, J. Hughes, W. Joyce, M. Rooney, T. Naughton, J. Duggan, J. Burke, C. McDonagh, L. Sammon, J. Tobin. **Subs** – P. Sands for Burke, M. Hughes for Rooney.

**Donegal** – N. McCole, D. Monaghan, P. McShea, A. Curran, B. McEniff, A. Gallagher, F. Ward, M. Lafferty, S. Bonnar, J. Winston, H. McClafferty, P. McGettigan, S. Granahan, M. Carney, N. Gallagher. **Subs** – G. McElwee for Bonnar, P. J. McGowan for McEniff, M. Carr for McElwee.

# Last Meeting... 1983

**Galway 1-12 Donegal 1-11**

Donegal were back in Croke Park after an absence of nine years, but Galway had been there at the semi-final stage a year previously when they lost by a point to the eventual All-Ireland champions Offaly. Donegal were on something of a high after their 1982 All-Ireland under-21 success, but whether they could match the more composed and mature opposition was debatable. However, this game was not to be decided by maturity, real or imagined, but by the luck of the day, which seemed reluctant to bestow its favours on either side until it was a factor in the only goals of the game.

First use of the wind went to Donegal, but it was Galway who showed up more aggressively in the opening minutes and soon had two points on the board. Donegal gradually settled and had a goal with eleven minutes gone when a ball that appeared to be going wide hit an upright and dropped into the welcoming grasp of corner-forward Kieran Keaney, who had the simplest of tasks to find the net.

By the 16th minute Donegal's lead had stretched to four points with Galway appearing to have problems in a number of areas. They eventually steadied, and though they could do no better than knock a point off the arrears, an interval score of 0-6 to 1-6 represented a comfortable enough position with wind advantage to come.

Defenders on both sides – notably Stephen Kinneavey and Pat

O'Neill for Galway and corner-backs McDermott and Newton for Donegal, had the better of the second-half exchanges and there was just a single exchange of points until Galway got the goal that sent them on their way. And like Donegal's major, there was an element of luck to it. Stephen Joyce mis-hit his effort at a '50', but when Val Daly gained possession the Donegal defenders had gone missing and Daly didn't hesitate.

A quartet of points soon had Galway three to the good and apparently cruising to victory, but Donegal rallied and points by Tommy McDermott and Martin McHugh left just the minimum dividing the sides. However, time ran out for the Ulster men and the Corribiders won the 1983 semi-final by exactly the same score as they had lost the previous year's penultimate contest.

**Galway scorers:** S. Joyce 0-4, V. Daly 1-1, G. McManus 0-2, B. O'Donnell 0-2, R. Lee 0-1, T. Tierney 0-1, P. Lee 0-1.

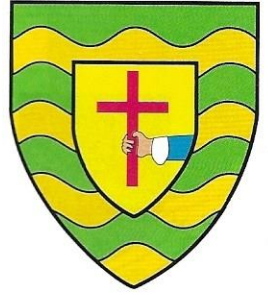
**Donegal scorers:** M. McHugh 0-5, K. Keaney 1-0, S. Bonnar 0-2, D. Reid 0-1, M. Carr 0-1, J. McMullan 0-1, T. McDermott 0-1.

**Galway** – P. Coyne, J. Hughes, S. Kinneavey, M. Coleman, P. O'Neill, P. Lee, S. McHugh, B. Talty, R. Lee, P. Kelly, V. Daly, B. O'Donnell, T. Naughton, G. McManus, S. Joyce. **Subs** – T. Tierney for Kelly, W. Joyce for Talty, M. Brennan for Naughton.

**Donegal** – M. McCole, T. McDermott, M. Griffin, D. Newton, B. Dunleavy, M. Lafferty, M. Carr, A. Molloy, P. McGettigan, D. Reid, C. Mulgrew, J. McMullan, M. McHugh, S. Bonnar, K. Keaney. **Subs** – P. Carr for Reid, F. Lynch for Keaney.



# Donegal hoping for better fortune than a year ago



**D**onegal have genuine grounds for satisfaction at qualifying for the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football quarter-final for the second successive year. All the more so after their disappointing performance when losing to Fermanagh in the opening round of the Ulster campaign.

They also go into this game buoyed by their best performance of the season so far when beating Down in comprehensive fashion by 3-15 to 2-10 at Clones last time out.

The Tir Chonaill men played with poise and purpose all through and took their chances well. They also displayed a cool approach when rocked by a late Down surge in the first half that yielded 1-2 which cut Donegal's lead to a point.

They responded in the best possible manner by scoring four points and then in injury time had a somewhat fortunate goal to lead at the break by 2-9 to 1-5. Michael Hegarty scored Donegal's first goal after only

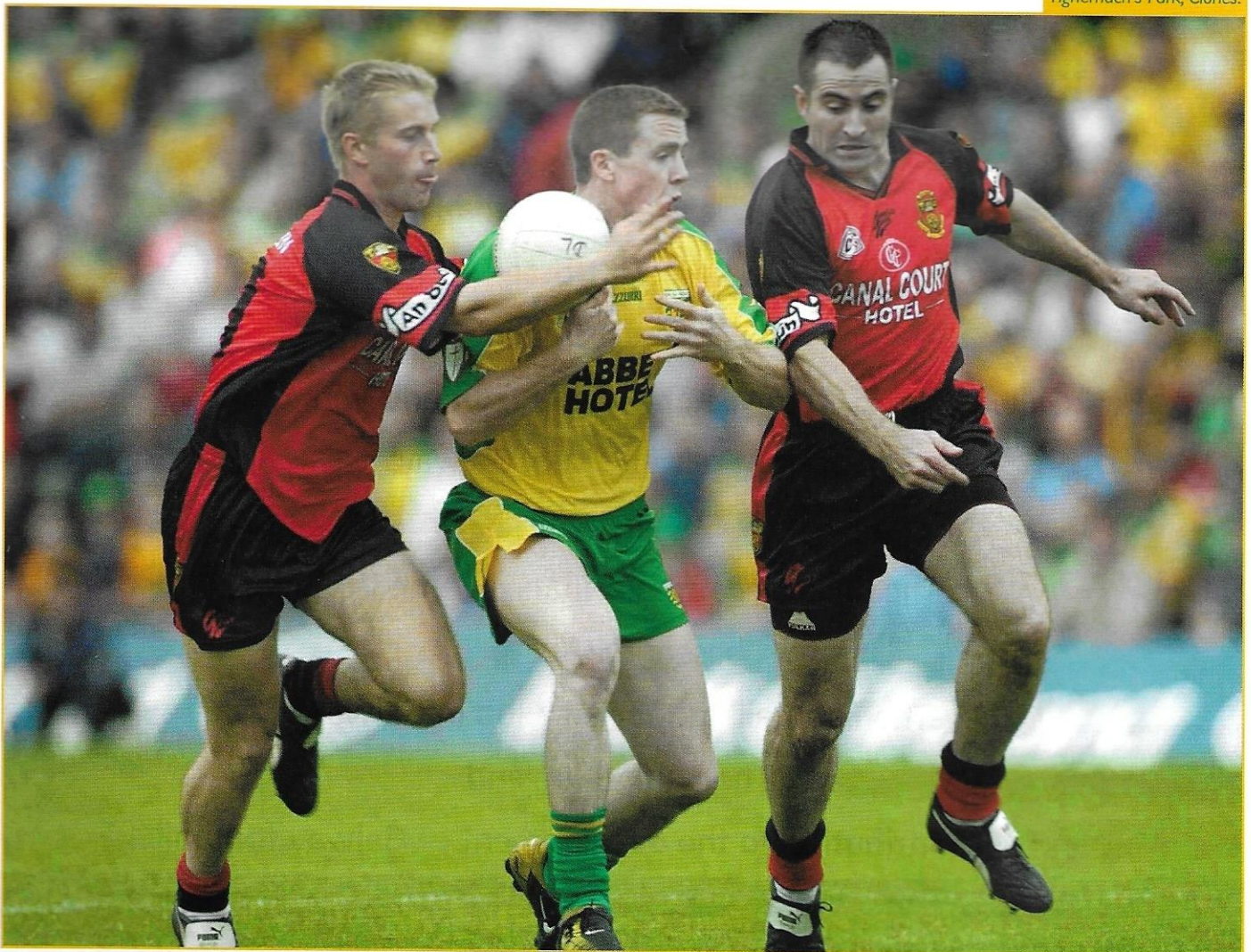
five minutes and Christy Toye got the second in injury time. Donegal had the better of the second half exchanges and after about twelve minutes young midfielder Stephen McDermott added to his fast growing reputation by setting the seal on a pulse-raising run from near midfield with a splendid goal. There was no way back for the Mourne County men after that.

Adrian Sweeney proved an inspiring and accurate captain for the winners and finished with six points. Brendan Devenney also showed up well in the attack. John Gildea had an outstanding game at midfield, while McDermott provided good support.

Mark Crossan marked his come-back after a long absence through injury and also his 100th appearance for the county, with a fine display at left full back. Kevin Cassidy and Shane Carr were others who assisted in moulding the defence into a tight unit.

So, Donegal return to Croke Park with their tails up as they strive to go one better than last year when they lost at this stage to Dublin after a replay.

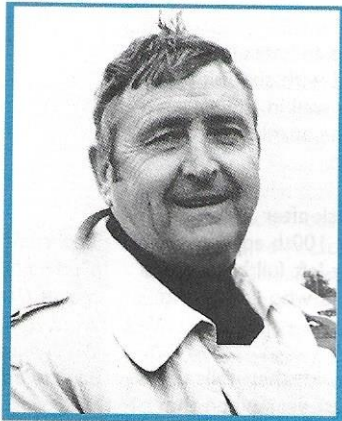
*Stephen McDermott, (Dún na nGall) in action against Down's Sean Ward, right, and Michael Walsh in the 2003 Bank of Ireland Senior Football Championship qualifier at St. Tighernach's Park, Clones.*





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# Galway only title holders again in action

**G**alway return to Croke Park with the distinction of being the only county to have retained a provincial senior football title this year. They earned that ranking with a workmanlike rather than spectacular march through Connacht.

After seeing off the challenges of Roscommon and Leitrim, they opened the door to their 1-14 to 0-13 win over Mayo in the final at Pearse Stadium with a late scoring burst in the first half.

Mayo played against the wind in the first half and did well early on. Indeed, they were on level terms after twenty eight minutes at 0-5 each. The visitors then had a chance to strike a decisive blow when awarded a penalty kick, but the ball was sent wide. Galway took over after that and scored 1-2, the goal by Matthew Clancy, to go into the break ahead by 1-7 to 0-5.

The second half was a keenly contested affair and Mayo were still well in the title chase after fifty nine minutes when they trailed by just a point. However, Galway regained the initiative after that. They used

the ball well and cleverly as they dominated the exchanges to score four points in the final ten minutes as against one by Mayo to run out good winners.

Matthew Clancy had a big say in the home success. His goal was a vital score and he also got through much valuable work in general play. Padraig Joyce also had a good game in attack, while Joe Bergin and team captain Kevin Walsh did well in the middle of the park.

Declan Meehan set a high standard in the defence, and Seán Óg de Paor and goalkeeper Brian Donoghue, who brought off a vital save early in the second half, also contributed to the success in a big way.

A good build-up, then, by Galway, who also pack plenty of experience as they have a strong framework of survivors from their All-Ireland senior title-winning side of two years ago.

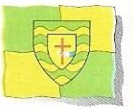
So, the Connacht champions are well equipped for this bid to go one better than last year when they were well beaten by Kerry at this stage.



*Padraig Joyce (Gaillimh) in action against Mayo's Gary Ruane and Kenneth Mortimer, right in the 2003 Bank of Ireland Connacht Senior Football Championship Final at Pearse Stadium, Galway.*



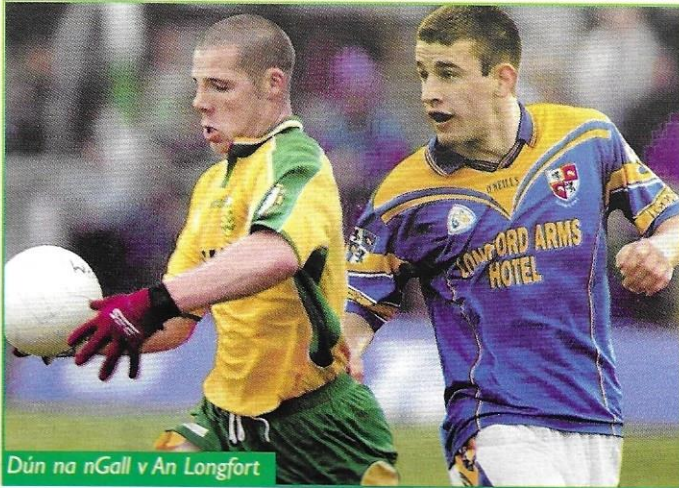
# PATH TO THE QUARTER-FINAL DÚN na nGALL



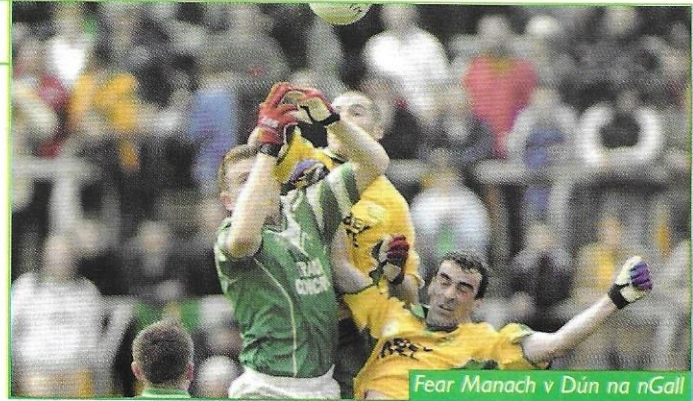
## BANK OF IRELAND ULSTER CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER-FINAL

1st June at Enniskillen:

Fermanagh 0-10; Donegal 0-6  
**Scorers** – Adrian Sweeney 0-4, Brian Roper 0-1, Colm McFadden 0-1.



Dún na nGall v An Longfort

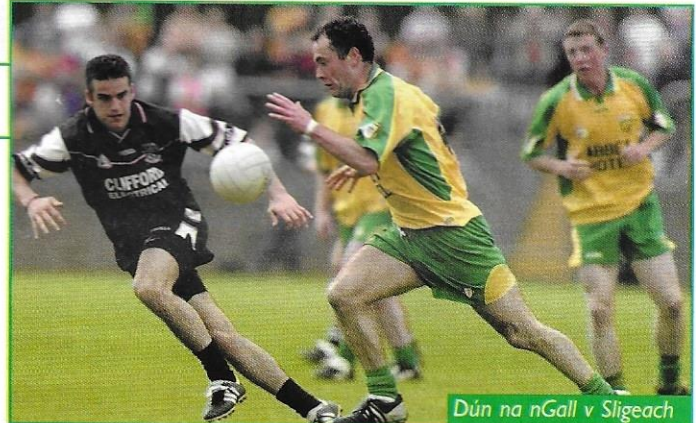


Fear Manach v Dún na nGall

## BANK OF IRELAND ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIER ROUND 1

7th June at Ballybofey:

Donegal 1-17; Longford 1-11  
**Scorers** – Adrian Sweeney 0-8, Stephen McDermott 1-1, Brian Roper 0-3, Colm McFadden 0-3, Michael Hegarty 0-2.

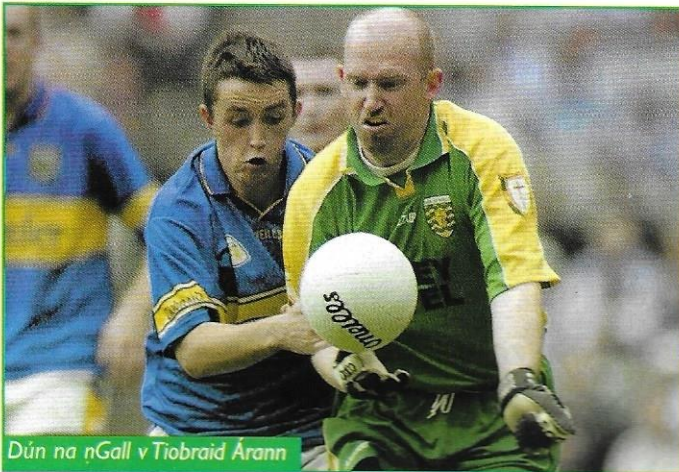


Dún na nGall v Sligeach

## BANK OF IRELAND ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIER ROUND 2

22nd June, Ballybofey:

Donegal 0-16; Sligo 0-11  
**Scorers** – Adrian Sweeney 0-7, Stephen McDermott 0-3, Michael Hegarty 0-2, John Harnan 0-2, Brian Roper 0-1, Jim McGuinness 0-



Dún na nGall v Tiobraid Árann

## BANK OF IRELAND ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIER ROUND 4

26th July at Clones:

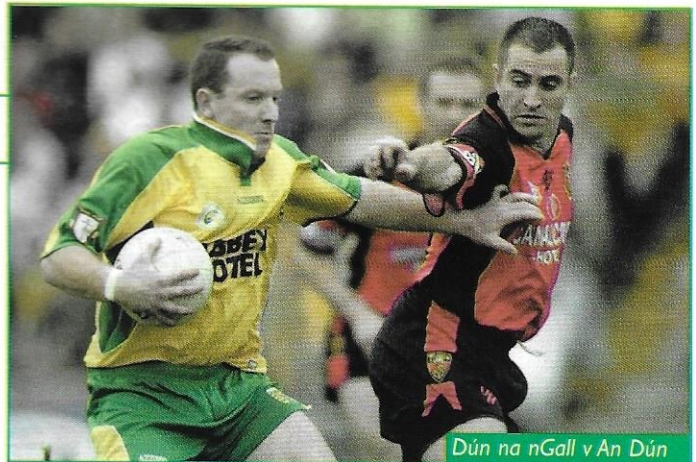
Donegal 3-15; Down 2-10  
**Scorers** – Adrian Sweeney 0-6, Brendan Devenney 0-4, Stephen McDermott 1-1, Christy Toye 1-1, Michael Hegarty 1-1, John Gildea 0-1, Brian Roper 0-1.

**Total Scored 6-73 (91) Total Conceded 3-57 (66) Average 1.38**  
**Scorers** – Adrian Sweeney 0-30, Stephen McDermott 2-8, Brendan Devenney 1-8, Michael Hegarty 1-8, Brian Roper 1-8, Colm McFadden 0-5, Christy Toye 1-1, John Harnan 0-2, Jim McGuinness 0-1, Johnny McCafferty 0-1, John Gildea 0-1.

## BANK OF IRELAND ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIER ROUND 3

5th July at Croke Park:

Donegal 2-19; Tipperary 0-15  
**Scorers** – Brendan Devenney 1-4, Adrian Sweeney 0-5, Brian Roper 1-2, Michael Hegarty 0-3, Stephen McDermott 0-3, Johnny McCafferty 0-1, Colm McFadden 0-1.



Dún na nGall v An Dún



Here's  
to Sunday  
afternoons.  
Here's to  
grass roots.  
Here's to club.  
Here's to  
**county.**  
Here's to the  
seventy minute  
never say die men.  
Here's to heart  
pounding play.  
Here's to playing till  
you drop. Here's to the  
crowd on The Hill.  
Here's to the touchline  
fans. Here's to the village  
fields. Here's to the  
roadside flags, the  
banners, the painted  
cars. Here's to the  
road to Croker.  
Here's to the  
ultimate prize.  
Here's to Sam.  
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Here's to the  
**two greatest**  
games on earth.





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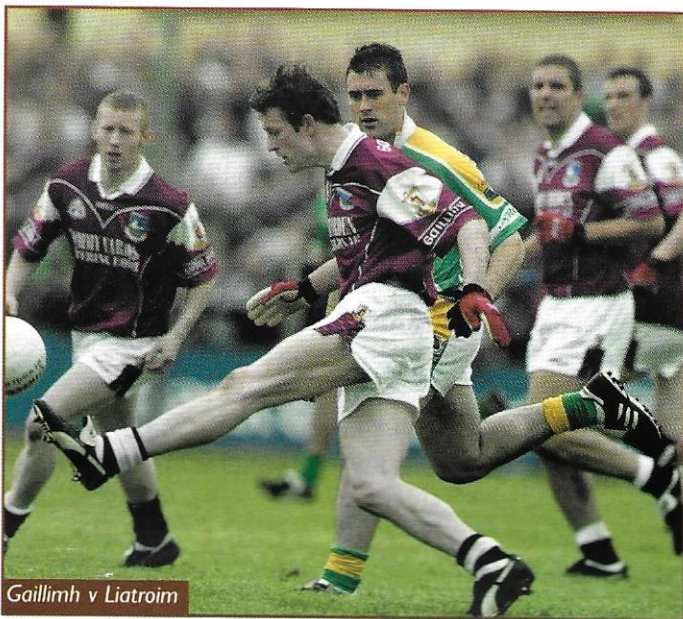


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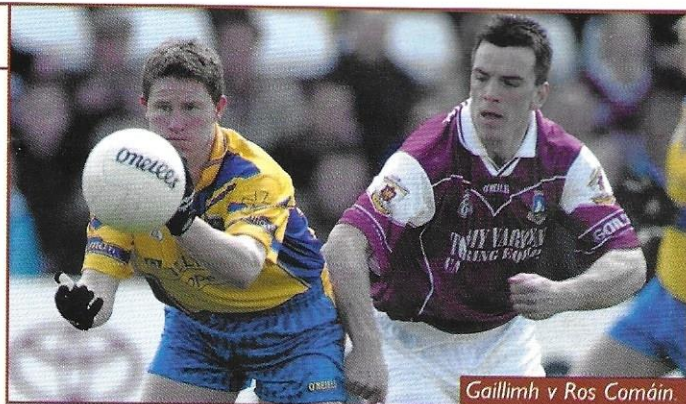
18th May at Galway:

Galway 0-12; Roscommon 0-8

**Scorers** – Padraig Joyce 0-5, Michael Meehan 0-3, Paul Clancy 0-2, Sean Og dePaor 0-1, Kevin Walsh 0-1.



Gaillimh v Liatroim



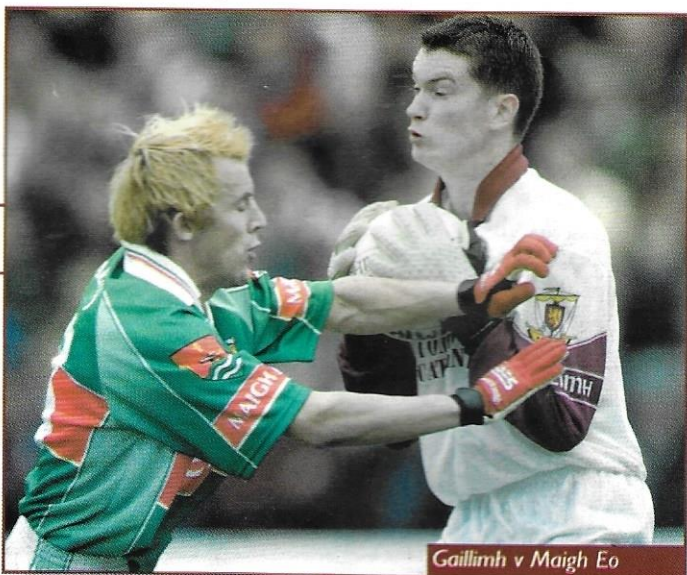
Gaillimh v Ros Comáin

## BANK OF IRELAND CONNACHT CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL

1st June at Carrick-on-Shannon:

Galway 2-13; Leitrim 1-7

**Scorers** – Derek Savage 1-2, Matthew Clancy 0-3, Padraig Joyce 0-3, Michael Meehan 1-0, Joe Bergin 0-2, Sean Og dePaor 0-1, Jarlath Fallon 0-1, Paul Clancy 0-1.



Gaillimh v Maigh Eo

## BANK OF IRELAND CONNACHT CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

6th July at Galway:

Galway 1-14; Mayo 0-13

**Scorers** – Matthew Clancy 1-2, Joe Bergin 0-4, Padraig Joyce 0-2, Michael Meehan 0-2, Derek Savage 0-1, Sean Og dePaor 0-1, Nicholas Joyce 0-1, Declan Meehan 0-1.

**Total Scored 3-39 (48) Total Conceded 1-28 (31) Average 1.55**

**Scorers** – Padraig Joyce 0-10, Michael Meehan 1-5, Matthew Clancy 1-5, Joe Bergin 0-6, Derek Savage 1-3, Paul Clancy 0-3, Sean Og dePaor 0-3, Kevin Walsh 0-1, Jarlath Fallon 0-1, Nicholas Joyce 0-1, Declan Meehan 0-1.



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# Dún na nGall

Dathanna: Uaithne, Ór is Bán



## An Captaen



**Adrian Sweeney**

Sweeney has played a real captain's part in Donegal's return to the All-Ireland quarter-finals with his leadership, points scoring and good distribution.

He was one of the stars of the side that lost at this stage last year to Dublin after a replay and is in even better form this year.

An inter-county senior since 1997, the Dungloe man was in Donegal's attack in their unsuccessful Ulster finals of 1998 against Derry and last year against Armagh.

Sweeney is one of the leading marksmen in the race for the Sam Maguire Cup and has also recorded some spectacular scores.

**1**  
**TONY BLAKE**

A. de Blaca  
(Naomh Adhamhain)

**2**  
**NIALL MCCREADY**

N. Mac Riada  
(Aodh Ruadh)

**3**  
**RAYMOND SWEENEY**

R. Mac Suibhne  
(An Clochán Liath)

**4**  
**MARK CROSSAN**

M. Ó Chrossáin  
(Naomh Adhamhain)

**5**  
**SHANE CARR**

S. Mac Giolla Chearra  
(Na Ceithre Maistri)

**6**  
**BARRY MONAGHAN**

B. Ó Muineacháin  
(Na Ceithre Maistri)

**7**  
**KEVIN CASSIDY**

C. Ó Casaide  
(Gaoth Dobhair)

**8**  
**JOHN GILDEA**

S. Mac Giolla Dé  
(Naomh Conail)

**9**  
**STEPHEN McDERMOTT**

S. Mac Diarmada  
(Glenn Fhinne)

**10**  
**CHRISTY TOYE**

C. Ó Tuath  
(Naomh Micheál)

**11**  
**MICHAEL HEGARTY**

M. Ó hEigearthaigh  
(Cill Chartha)

**12**  
**PAUL MCGONIGLE**

P. Mac Congail  
(Buncranaigh)

**13**  
**BRIAN ROPER**

B. Ó Ropier  
(Aodh Ruadh)

**14**  
**ADRIAN SWEENEY**

A. Mac Suibhne (Capt.)  
(Clochán Liath)

**15**  
**BRENDAN DEVENNEY**

B. Ó Duibheannaigh  
(Naomh Adhamhain)

## Fir Ionaid

- (16) **Sean Sweeney**  
S. Ó Suibhne  
(Gaoth Dobhair)
- (17) **Jim Mac Guinness**  
S. Mac Aughusa  
(Naomh Conail)
- (18) **Michael Gurn**  
M. Ó Goirn  
(Aodh Ruadh)

- (19) **Johnny McCafferty**  
S. Mac Eafartaigh  
(An Tearmain)
- (20) **Brendan Boyle**  
B. Ó Baoill  
(Ard an Ratha)
- (21) **John Haran**  
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(Naomh Adhamhain)
- (22) **Kevin Rafferty**  
C. Ó Rafartaigh  
(Naomh Adhamhain)

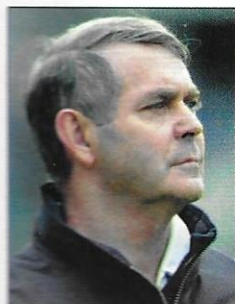
- (23) **Brian McLaughlin**  
B. Mac Lochlainn  
(Naomh Micheál)
- (24) **Dessie MacNamara**  
D. Mac Conmara  
(Bundoráin)
- (25) **Colm McFadden**  
C. Mac Pháidin  
(Naomh Micheál)
- (26) **Eamon Reddin**  
E. Ó Rodáin  
(Beart)

- (27) **James Ruane**  
S. Ó Ruain  
(Bundoráin)
- (28) **Noel McGinley**  
N. Mac Fhionnaghaile  
(Naomh Columba)
- (29) **Damien Diver**  
D. Ó Duibhir  
(Ard an Ratha)
- (30) **Eamon Doherty**  
E. Ó Dochartaigh  
(Ard an Ratha)

## Dún na nGall

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seacháí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
Iadh Leath					
2adh Leath					
<b>IOMLÁN</b>					

## Bainisteoir



**Brian McEniff**

Brian was Donegal's first All Star in 1972 at right half back and was player manager when the county won the Ulster title a year later for the first time. He was also in the side that won the title for the second time in 1974.

The Bundoran man played an outstanding role as manager when Donegal won the Sam Maguire Cup for the first time in 1992. He also has a great record of title wins as Ulster manager in the interprovincial championship.

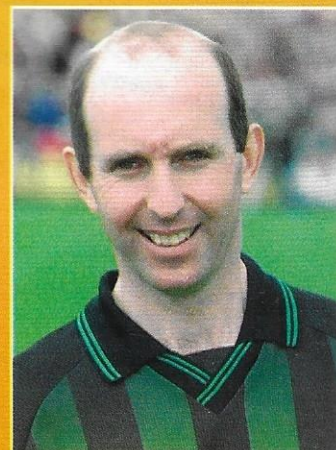
McEniff returned to the manager's role with Donegal earlier this year after an absence of some years.

### Roghnóirí:

Brian McEniff (*Manager*), P. J. McGowan, Michael Oliver McIntyre,  
*Trainer*: Patsy McGonigle, *Coach*: Anthony Harkin.

## An Réiteoir:

**Michael Collins** (C)



# Gaillimh

Dathanna: Marún is Bán



## 1 BRIAN DONOGHUE

B. Ó Donnchú  
(Claregalway)

## 2 KIERAN FITZGERALD

C. Mac Gearailt  
(Corofin)

## 3 GARY FAHEY

G. Ó Fathaigh  
(Killanin)

## 4 MICHAEL COMER

M. Ó Ciaragáin  
(Corofin)

## 5 DECLAN MEEHAN

D. Ó Míocháin  
(Caltra)

## 6 RICHARD FAHEY

R. Ó Fathaigh  
(Killanin)

## 7 SEÁN ÓG DE PAOR

S. Óg de Paor  
(An Cheathrú Rua)

## 8 KEVIN WALSH

C. Breathnach (Capt.)  
(Killanin)

## 9 JOE BERGIN

S. Ó Beirgin  
(Mountbellew-Moylough)

## 10 PAUL CLANCY

P. Mac Fhlannchadha  
(Moycullen)

## 11 MATTHEW CLANCY

M. Mac Fhlannchadha  
(Oughterard)

## 12 MICHAEL DONNELLAN

M. Ó Dónalláin  
(Dunmore McHales)

## 13 DEREK SAVAGE

D. Ó Sabhaois  
(Cortoon Shamrocks)

## 14 PADRAIG JOYCE

P. Seoighe  
(Killereerin)

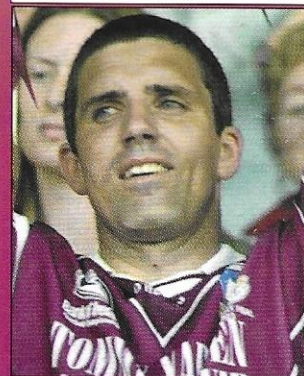
## 15 MICHAEL MEEHAN

M. Ó Míocháin  
(Caltra)

### Fir Ionaid

(16) <b>Alan Keane</b> A. Ó Catháin (Killereerin)	(19) <b>Kevin Brady</b> C. Ó Brádaigh (Kilconly)	(23) <b>Lorcan Colleran</b> L. Ó Callaráin (An Spidéal)	(27) <b>John Devane</b> S. Ó Dubhain (Milltown)
(17) <b>Tomás Meehan</b> T. Ó Míocháin (Caltra)	(20) <b>Tommy Joyce</b> T. Seoighe (Killereerin)	(24) <b>Derry O'Brien</b> D. Ó Briain (Mountbellew-Moylough)	(28) <b>Tommy Carton</b> T. Mac Artáin (Tuam Stars)
(18) <b>Barry Dooney</b> B. Ó Duanaigh (Salthill/Knocknacarra)	(21) <b>Jarlath Fallon</b> I. Ó Falláin (Tuam Stars)	(25) <b>Nicholas Joyce</b> N. Seoighe (Killereerin)	(29) <b>Darren Mullahy</b> D. Ó Maoiláice (Milltown)
	(22) <b>Kieran Comer</b> C. Ó Ciaragáin (Corofin)	(26) <b>Alan Kerins</b> A. Ó Ceirín (Salthill-Knocknacarra)	

### An Captaen



**Kevin Walsh**

Kevin brings a wealth of big game experience to his latest role as Galway captain.

An All-Ireland minor medal winner in 1986, he was prominent at mid-field in the side that ended a long famine for the county by winning the Sam Maguire Cup in 1998—Galway's first success since 1966.

Walsh added another All-Ireland medal to his collection in 2001.

The Kilanin man is in good form again this year and his partnership with Joe Bergin was a key factor in the county's successful defence of the Connacht title.

### Gaillimh

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seacháí	45m	Saor Ciceanna
Iadh Leath					
2adh Leath					
<b>IOMLÁN</b>					

### Bainisteoir



### John O'Mahoney

John, like Mick O'Dwyer, has the distinction of having managed provincial title winning teams from three counties.

Mayo, under his guidance, won two Connacht titles, and he was Leitrim's manager when they triumphed in the West in 1994. Then came his successes with Galway, including All-Ireland title wins in 1998 and 2001.

O'Mahoney is a former Ballaghaderreen player and won All-Ireland medals at minor and under-21 in the seventies as a defender. He also wore the Mayo jersey as a senior with distinction.

#### Roghnóirí:

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

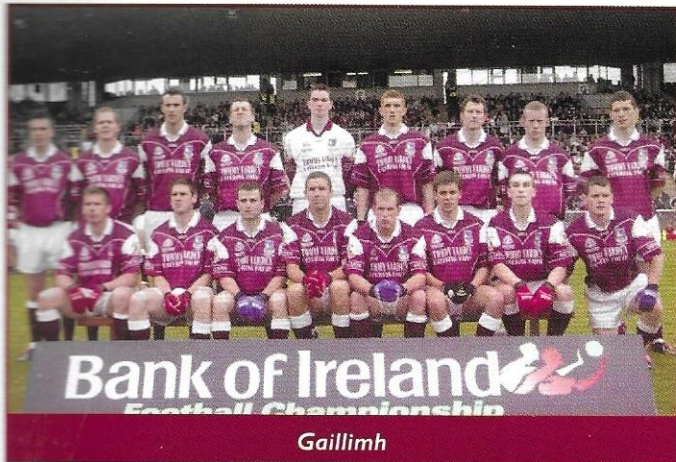
The Cork official makes a quick return to Croke Park. He was a linesman and stand-by referee at the Leinster final last month. He returned to refereeing duties last week-end at the Roscommon-Kildare All-Ireland qualifier in Portlaoise.

Michael has been on the inter-county panel since 1994 and made his debut as an All-Ireland senior final referee in 2001 at the meeting of Galway and Meath.

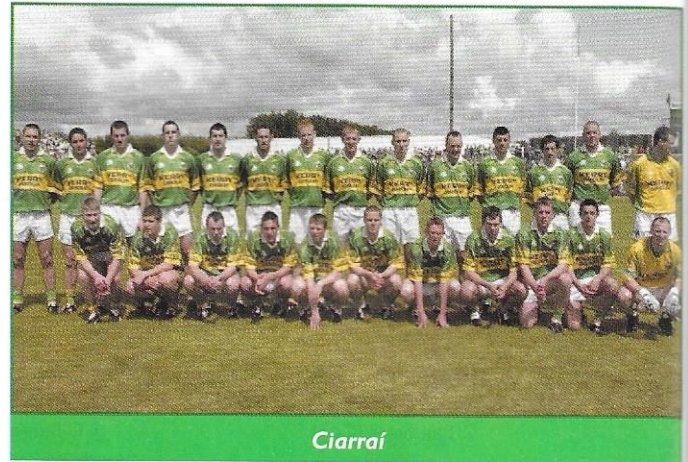
The Clonakilty clubman is having a busy season. Earlier in the year he took control of the Laois-Armagh Allianz League semi-final, the final between Tyrone and Laois and the Meath-Monaghan clash in the qualifier at Clones. He has also been active as an administrator.



## Bank of Ireland Provincial Senior Football Championships



Gaillimh



Ciarraí

## SCOREBOARD

## CONNACHT

4th May. New York (After Extra Time.):  
**Leitrim 0-14; New York 0-12.**  
 18th May. Pearse Stadium:  
**Galway 0-12; Roscommon 0-8.**  
 25th May. Ruislip:  
**Sligo 3-11; London 0-9.**  
 Semi-Finals — 1st June. Carrick-on-Shannon:  
**Galway 2-13; Leitrim 1-7.**  
 8th June. Markievicz Park  
**Mayo 0-14; Sligo 0-11.**  
 FINAL — 6th July. Pearse Stadium:  
**Galway 1-14; Mayo 0-13.**  
*Top scorer for the entire championship: Padraig McLoughlin (Leitrim) 0-13 in two games. Average: 6.5.*

## LEINSTER

11th May. Croke Park:  
**Louth 4-12; Wicklow 2-7.**  
 11th May. Croke Park:  
**Westmeath 1-17; Carlow 1-12.**  
 11th May. Croke Park:  
**Laois 1-19; Wexford 0-10.**  
 25th May. Portlaoise:  
**Laois 1-12; Offaly 1-12.**  
 25th May. Mullingar:  
**Kildare 1-14; Longford 2-6.**  
 1st June. Croke Park:  
**Dublin 1-19; Louth 0-9.**  
 1st June. Croke Park:  
**Meath 2-13; Westmeath 2-13.**  
 2nd June. Tullamore:  
**Laois 2-10; Offaly 0-13.**  
 7th June. Portlaoise:  
**Meath 1-11; Westmeath 0-5.**  
 Semi-Finals — 14th June. Croke Park:  
**Kildare 0-15; Meath 1-11.**  
 15th June. Croke Park:  
**Laois 0-16; Dublin 0-14.**  
 FINAL — 20th July. Croke Park:  
**Laois 2-13; Kildare 1-13.**  
*Top scorer: Brian McDonald (Laois) 2-13 in (19 points) in five games. Average: 3.8 points.*

## MUNSTER

11th May. Páirc Uí Chaoimh.  
**Limerick 0-16; Cork 0-6.**  
 25th May. Walsh Park;  
**Tipperary 0-18; Waterford 1-12.**  
 Semi-Finals  
 15th June. Ennis:  
**Limerick 2-14; Clare 0-12.**  
 15th June. Tralee:  
**Kerry 0-25; Tipperary 1-10.**  
 FINAL — 13th July. Killarney:  
**Kerry 1-11; Limerick 0-9.**  
**0-13. Top scorer: Declan Browne (Tipperary) 1-16 (19 points) in two games. Average: 9.5 points.**

## ULSTER

11th May. Clones.  
**Monaghan 0-13; Armagh 0-9.**  
 18th May. Clones:  
**Derry 1-9; Tyrone 0-12.**  
 24th May. Casement Park (Replay):  
**Tyrone 0-17; Derry 1-5.**  
 25th May. Casement Park:  
**Antrim 2-9; Cavan 1-10.**  
 1st June. Enniskillen:  
**Fermanagh 0-10; Donegal 0-6.**  
 8th June. Casement Park  
**Down 1-12; Monaghan 0-13.**  
 Semi-Finals — 15th June. Casement Park:  
**Tyrone 1-17; Antrim 1-9.**  
 22nd June. Clones:  
**Down 2-10; Fermanagh 0-11.**  
 FINAL — 13th July. Clones:  
 20th July. Clones:  
**Tyrone 1-17; Down 4-8.**  
**1-11. Tyrone 0-23; Down 1-5.**  
*Top scorer: Peter Canavan (Tyrone) 1-38 (41 points) in five games. Average 8.25 points.*

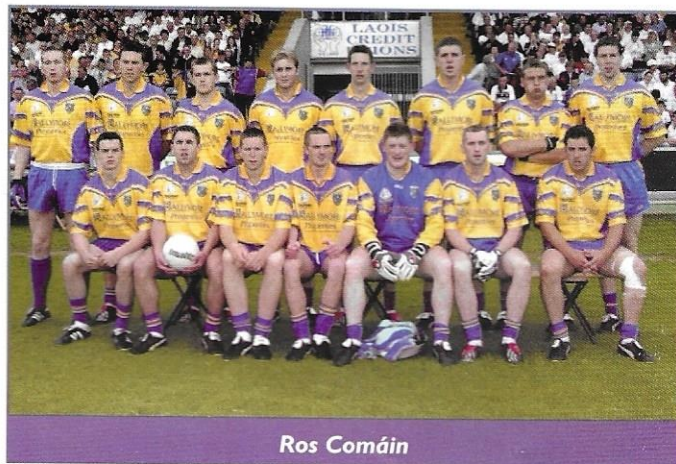




# Bank of Ireland All-Ireland Senior Football Qualifiers



Dún na nGall



Ros Comáin

## ROUND 1

7th June. Walsh Park:  
**Armagh 2-21; Waterford 0-8.**  
**Top scorer: Oisín McConville (Armagh) 1-7.**  
 7th June. Wexford Park:  
**Derry 3-10; Wexford 0-9.**  
**Top scorer: Anthony Tohill (Derry) 1-3.**  
 7th June. Ballybofey:  
**Donegal 1-17; Longford 1-11.**  
**Top scorer: Adrian Sweeney (Donegal) 0-8.**  
 7th June. Hyde Park:  
**Roscommon 0-14; Cork 1-10.**  
**Top scorer: Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) 0-6.**  
 7th June. Carlow:  
**Carlow 0-18; Wicklow 0-13.**  
**Top scorers: Simon Rea (Carlow) 0-5, Anthony Nolan (Wicklow) 0-5.**  
 7th June. Tullamore:  
**Offaly 4-15; London 0-10.**  
**Top scorer: Ciarán McManus (Offaly) 3-0.**  
 8th June. An Uaimh:  
**Cavan 1-12; Louth 2-7.**  
**Top scorer: Dermot McCabe (Cavan) 0-6.**  
 14th June. Clones:  
**Monaghan 0-14; Westmeath 1-9.**  
**Top scorer: Paul Finlay (Monaghan) 0-6.**

## ROUND 2

21st June. Carrick-on-Shannon:  
**Roscommon 2-9; Leitrim 1-11.**  
**Top scorers: Pdraig McLoughlin (Leitrim) 0-6.**  
 21st June. Casement Park:  
**Armagh 0-15; Antrim 0-12.**  
**Top scorer: Kevin Madden (Antrim) 0-9.**  
 21st June. Ennis:  
**Offaly 1-12; Clare 1-8.**  
**Top scorer: Odran O'Dwyer (Clare) 1-5.**  
 21st June. Clones:  
**Meath 2-10; Monaghan 0-12.**  
**Top scorer: Rory Woods (Monaghan) 0-6.**  
 21st June. Thurles:  
**Tipperary 1-14; Carlow 0-13.**  
**Top scorer: Declan Browne (Tipperary) 1-9.**

22nd June. Ballybofey:  
**Donegal 0-16; Sligo 0-11.**  
**Top scorer: Adrian Sweeney (Donegal) 0-7.**  
 28th June. Clones:  
**Dublin 3-9; Derry 1-9.**  
**Top scorer: Jason Sherlock (Dublin) 1-3.**  
 29th June. Enniskillen:  
**Fermanagh 0-16; Cavan 1-10.**  
**Top scorers: Rory Gallagher (Fermanagh) 0-6, Dermot McCabe (Cavan) 0-6.**

## ROUND 3

5th July. Croke Park:  
**Donegal 2-19; Tipperary 0-15.**  
**Top scorer: Declan Browne (Tipperary) 0-9.**  
 5th July. Croke Park:  
**Armagh 0-15; Dublin 0-11.**  
**Top scorers: Steven McDonnell (Armagh) 0-5, Ray Cosgrove (Dublin) 0-5.**  
 5th July. Mullingar (After Extra Time.):  
**Roscommon 1-20; Offaly 1-15.**  
**Top scorer: Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) 0-12.**  
 6th July. Clones:  
**Fermanagh 1-12; Meath 0-9.**  
**Top scorer: Raymond Gallagher (Fermanagh) 1-5.**

## ROUND 4

19th July. Markievicz Park:  
**Fermanagh 0-12; Mayo 1-8.**  
**Top Scorer: Maurice Sheridan (Mayo) 0-5.**  
 20th July. Dr. Hyde Park:  
**Armagh 4-10; Limerick 0-11.**  
**Top scorer: Steven McDonnell (Armagh) 3-4.**  
 26th July. Clones:  
**Donegal 3-15; Down 2-10.**  
**Top scorer: Adrian Sweeney (Donegal) 0-6.**  
 26th July. Portlaoise ( After Extra Time.):  
**Roscommon 1-18; Kildare 0-19.**  
**Top scorer: Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) 0-13**



# SCORERBOARD



# Ciarraí

Dathanna: Uaithne, Ór is Bán



## An Captaen



**Michael McCarthy**

Michael is a brilliant graduate from the under-age ranks. He won provincial medals at minor and under-21 and was right full back in the Kerry team that won the 1998 All-Ireland under-21 title.

A very dependable footballer, who works tirelessly and to good effect, he added the game's top award to his collection in 2000.

The Kilcummin clubman has also been honoured by the All Stars selectors and was at No. 4 in last year's unsuccessful Sam Maguire Cup bid against Armagh.

## 2 TOM O'SULLIVAN

T. Ó Súilleabháin  
(Rathmore)

## 5 TOMÁS Ó SÉ

T. Ó Sé  
(An Ghaeltacht)

## 8 DARRAGH Ó SÉ

D. Ó Sé  
(An Ghaeltacht)

## 10 SEAN O'SULLIVAN

S. Ó Súilleabháin  
(Cromane)

## 13 MICHAEL FRANK RUSSELL

M. P. Ó Ruiséal  
(Laune Rangers)

## 1 DECLAN O'KEEFFE

D. Ó Caoimh  
(Rathmore)

## 3 SEAMUS MOYNIHAN

S. Ó Muineacháin  
(Glenflesk)

## 6 ÉAMONN FITZMAURICE

É. Mac Muiris  
(Finuge)

## 9 EOIN BROSNAN

E. Ó Brosnacháin  
(Dr. Crokes)

## 11 DARA Ó CINNÉIDE

D. Ó Cinnéide  
(An Ghaeltacht)

## 14 DECLAN O'SULLIVAN

D. Ó Súilleabháin  
(Dromid Pearses)

## 4 MICHAEL MCCARTHY

M. Mac Cárthaigh (Capt.)  
(Kilcummin)

## 7 MARC Ó SÉ

M. Ó Sé  
(An Ghaeltacht)

## 12 LIAM HASSETT

L. Ó hAisi  
(Laune Rangers)

## 15 COLM COOPER

C. Cúipéir  
(Dr. Crokes)

## Fir Ionaid

### (16) Diarmuid Murphy

D. Ó Murchú  
(Dingle)

### (17) Seamus Scanlon

S. Ó Scanláin  
(Currow)

### (18) John Sheehan

S. Ó Siocháin  
(Laune Rangers)

### (19) John Crowley

S. Ó Cruallaíoch  
(Glenflesk)

### (20) Aodán Mac Gearailt

A. Mac Gearailt  
(An Ghaeltacht)

### (21) Declan Quill

D. Ó Coill  
(Kerins O'Rahillys)

### (22) Micheál Quirke

M. Ó Cuiric  
(Kerins O'Rahillys)

### (23) Paul Galvin

P. Ó Gealbháin  
(Finuge)

### (24) Aidan O'Mahony

A. Ó Mathúna  
(Rathmore)

### (25) James Cahalane

S. Ó Cathaláin  
(Dr. Crokes)

### (26) Paul Kennedy

P. Ó Cinnéide  
(Listry)

### (27) Donal Daly

D. Ó Dálaigh  
(Firies)

### (28) Tommy Brosnan

T. Ó Brosnacháin  
(Kilcummin)

## Ciarraí

Cúil Cúilíní Seachái 45m Saor Ciceanna

Iadh Leath

2adh Leath

IOMLÁN

## Bainisteoir



## Páidí Ó Sé

The Kerry manager is one of a select group of players from the county who have appeared in eight All-Ireland senior title winning teams. He achieved that distinction between 1975 and 1986.

One of the best defenders in the history of the game, Ó Sé has also had considerable national success in his latter day position as the county team manager.

He guided the Kingdom to their last two Sam Maguire Cup wins—1997 and 2000—and to last year's unsuccessful outing against Armagh in the All-Ireland final.

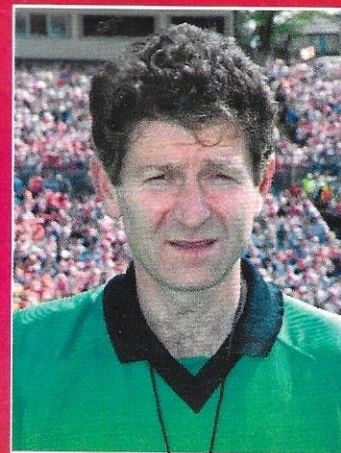
### Roghnóirí:

Páidí Ó Sé (Manager),

John O'Keefe, John O'Dwyer, Eddie O'Sullivan, Eamonn Walsh.

## An Réiteoir:

Brian White (Loch G



# Ros Comáin

Dathanna: Ór is Gorm



**1**  
**SHANE CURRAN**  
S. Ó Corráin (Capt.)  
(St. Brigid's)

**2**  
**RAY COX**  
R. Mac an Choiligh  
(St. Faithleach's)

**3**  
**DAVID CASEY**  
D. Ó Cathasaigh  
(Boyle)

**4**  
**JOHN WHYTE**  
S. de Faoite  
(Padraig Pearse's)

**5**  
**MORGAN BEIRNE**  
M. Ó Beirn  
(Strokestown)

**6**  
**FRANCIE GREHAN**  
P. Ó Gréacháin  
(St. Aidan's)

**7**  
**EAMON TOWEY**  
E. Ó Tuathaigh  
(St. Croan's)

**8**  
**SEAMUS O'NEILL**  
S. Ó Néill  
(Kilbride)

**9**  
**STEPHEN LOHAN**  
S. Ó Leocháin  
(Kilbride)

**10**  
**GARY COX**  
G. Mac an Choiligh  
(St. Faithleach's)

**11**  
**GERRY LOHAN**  
G. Ó Leocháin  
(Kilbride)

**12**  
**DEREK CONNELLAN**  
D. Ó Connalláin  
(Kilmore)

**13**  
**JONATHAN DUNNING**  
S. Ó Dúinín  
(Clann na nGael)

**14**  
**KAROL MANNION**  
C. Ó Mainnín  
(St. Brigid's)

**15**  
**FRANKIE DOLAN**  
P. Ó Dúaláin  
(Ballymahon, Longford)

## Fir Ionaid

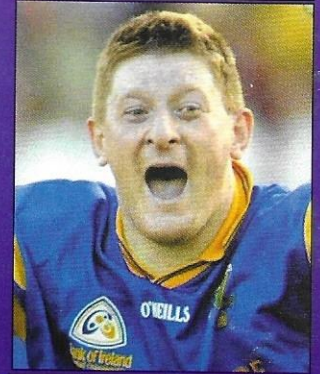
- (16) **Derek Thompson**  
D. Mac Thomáis  
(Garda, Dublin)
- (17) **Michael Finneran**  
M. Ó Finnthírn  
(Roscommon Gaels)
- (18) **Eamonn Ryan**  
E. Ó Riain  
(Western Gaels)

- (19) **Adrian Dockery**  
A. Ó Dochraigh  
(Parnells, Dublin)
- (20) **Ronan Cox**  
R. Mac an Choiligh  
(St. Michael's)
- (21) **Ger Aherne**  
G. Ó hEachtigheirn  
(St. Brigid's)
- (22) **John Tiernan**  
S. Ó Tiarnán  
(St. Brigid's)

- (23) **Brian Higgins**  
B. Ó hUiginn  
(Elphin)
- (24) **Shane Tiernan**  
S. Mac Tiarnáin  
(Elphin)
- (25) **Paul Noone**  
P. Ó Nuáin  
(Roscommon Gaels)
- (26) **John Rogers**  
S. Mac Ruairí  
(Strokestown)

- (27) **Ian Daly**  
I. Ó Dálaigh  
(Michael Glavey's)
- (28) **Nigel Dineen**  
N. Ó Duinnín  
(Castrea St. Kevin's)
- (29) **John Nolan**  
S. Ó Nualláin  
(Roscommon Gaels)
- (30) **Michael Ryan**  
M. Ó Riain  
(Dunshaughlin, Meath)

## An Captaen



**Shane Curran**

The Roscommon captain is hoping to advance his bid to join a select band of goalkeepers who have captained Sam Maguire Cup winning teams.

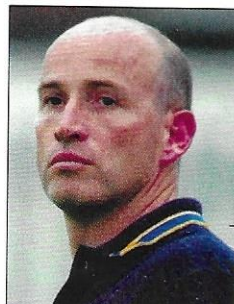
He is in splendid form this season and his dependability in goal and well directed clearances made him a very influential figure in the march to this quarter-final.

The St. Brigid's clubman is not a stranger to the role of an All-Ireland title winning captain. He led Roscommon to their first All-Ireland junior title in over sixty years in a win over Kerry in 2000.

## Ros Comáin

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## Bainisteoir



## Tommie Carr

Tom returns to duty as a county team manager in an All-Ireland senior football quarter-final—but with a different county. He was Dublin's manager when they lost in a replay to Kerry at Thurles at this stage two years ago.

Carr captained Dublin from left full back in their unsuccessful All-Ireland senior final against Donegal in 1992. Less than a year later he had a measure of revenge when Dublin beat the North West county in the League final.

He was centre half forward in that game.

## Roghnóirí:

Tommie Carr (Manager),  
Gary Wynne, Jimmy Deane.

The Wexford man refereed the Round 2 match between Donegal and Sligo at Ballybofey in June. His assignments there in recent times included the meeting of Fermanagh and Donegal at Enniskillen in a first round replay just over two years ago.

Brian is one of the most experienced referees in the sport. He was the man in the middle at the 1997 Kerry-Mayo All-Ireland final and took control of the Sam Maguire Cup replay between Kerry and Galway in 2000.

His assignments last year included officiating as Ireland's Referee/Umpire in the Coca Cola International Rules series between this country and Australia at Croke Park.

A former footballer and hurler, Brian is having another busy season. His travels have taken him to, among other venues, Páirc Uí Chaoimh for the Cork-Limerick Munster senior championship tie in May and for the Leinster championship replay between Meath and Westmeath at Portlaoise





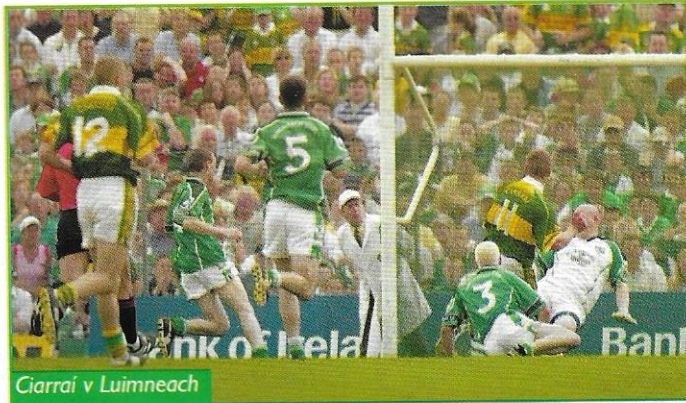
# PATH TO THE QUARTER-FINAL CIARRAÍ



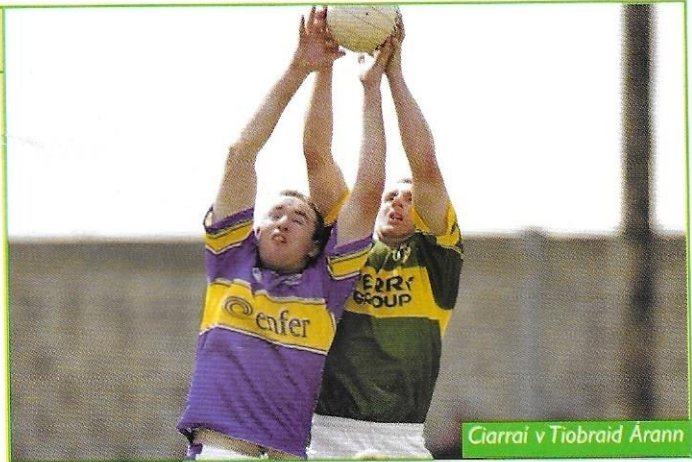
## BANK OF IRELAND MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL

15th June at Tralee –

Kerry 0-25 Tipperary 1-10  
**Scorers** – Colm Cooper 0-5, Mike Francis Russell 0-4, Declan Quill 0-3, Declan O'Sullivan 0-3, Sean O'Sullivan 0-3, John Crowley 0-2, Darragh Ó Sé 0-1, Seamus Scanlon 0-1, Liam Hassett 0-1, Eoin Brosnan 0-1, Dara Ó Cinnéide 0-1.



Ciarraí v Luimneach



Ciarraí v Tiobraid Árann

## BANK OF IRELAND MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL

13th July at Killarney –

Kerry 1-11 Limerick 0-9  
**Scorers** – Dara Ó Cinnéide 1-6, Liam Hassett 0-2, Colm Cooper 0-1, Aodán MacGearailt 0-1, John Crowley 0-1.

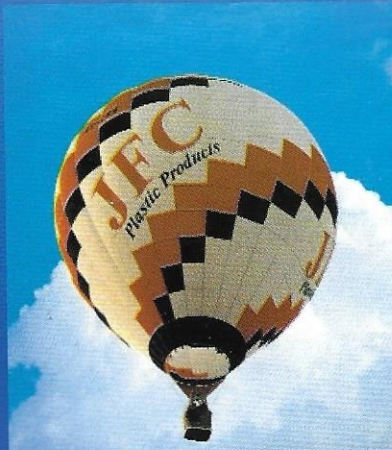
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**Scorers** – Dara Ó Cinnéide 1-7, Colm Cooper 0-6, Mike Francis Russell 0-4, Declan Quill 0-3, Declan O'Sullivan 0-3, Liam Hassett 0-3, Sean O'Sullivan 0-3, John Crowley 0-3, Darragh Ó Sé 0-1, Seamus Scanlon 0-1, Eoin Brosnan 0-1, Aodán MacGearailt 0-1.

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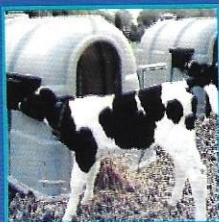
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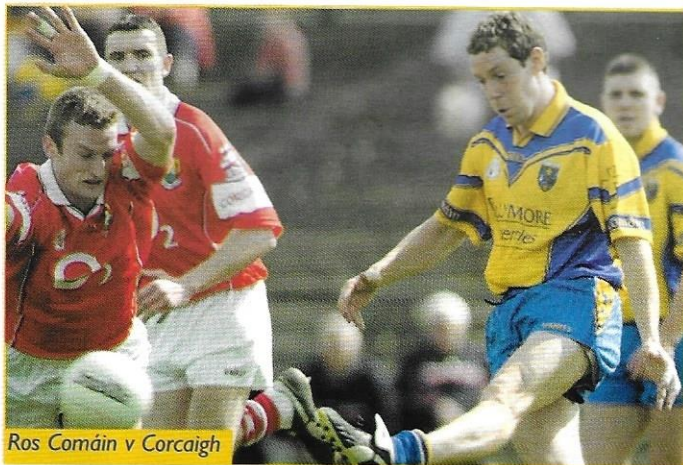


## BANK OF IRELAND CONNACHT CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER-FINAL

18th May at Galway –

Galway 0-12 Roscommon 0-8

**Scorers** – Jonathan Dunning 0-3, Stephen Lohan 0-1, Francie Grehan 0-1, Seamus O'Neill 0-1, Nigel Dineen 0-1, Frankie Dolan 0-1.



Ros Comáin v Corcaigh



Gaillimh v Ros Comáin

## BANK OF IRELAND ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIER ROUND 1

7th June at Dr.Hyde Park –

Roscommon 0-14 Cork 1-10

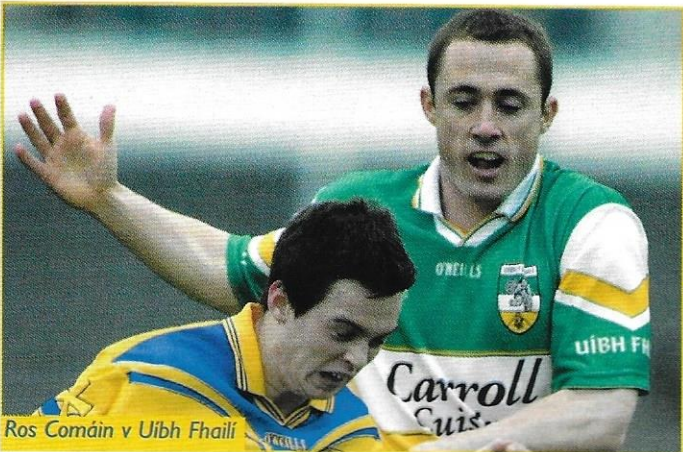
**Scorers** – Frankie Dolan 0-6, Gerry Lohan 0-2, Gary Cox 0-2, Jonathan Dunning 0-1, Seamus O'Neill 0-1, Karl Mannion 0-1, Stephen Lohan 0-1.

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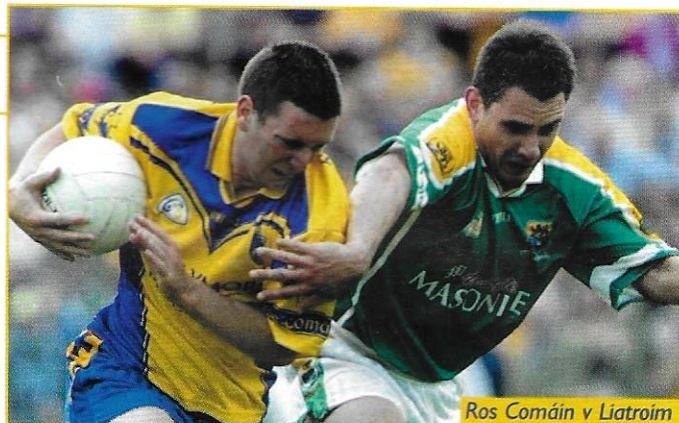
21st June at Carrick-on-Shannon –

Roscommon 2-9 Leitrim 1-11

**Scorers** – Karl Mannion 1-1, Frankie Dolan 0-3, David O'Connor 1-0, Derek Connellan 0-2, Jonathan Dunning 0-1, Nigel Dineen 0-1, Gerry Lohan 0-1.



Ros Comáin v Uíbh Fhailí



Ros Comáin v Liatróim

## BANK OF IRELAND ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIER ROUND 3

5th July at Mullingar –

Roscommon 1-20 Offaly 1-15

(after extra time)

**Scorers** – Frankie Dolan 0-12, Gerry Lohan 1-1, Seamus O'Neill 0-2, Stephen Lohan 0-2, Derek Connellan 0-1, Karl Mannion 0-1, John Tiernan 0-1.

## BANK OF IRELAND ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIER ROUND 4

26th July at Portlaoise –

Roscommon 1-18 Kildare 0-19

(after extra time)


**Scorers** – Frankie Dolan 0-13, Karl Mannion 0-3, John Tiernan 1-0, Jonathan Dunning 0-1, Gerry Lohan 0-1.

**Total Scored 4-69 (81) Total Conceded 3-67 (76) Average 1.07**

**Scorers** – Frankie Dolan 0-35, Karl Mannion 1-6, Gerry Lohan 1-5, Jonathan Dunning 0-6, Stephen Lohan 0-4, Seamus O'Neill 0-4, John Tiernan 1-1, Derek Connellan 0-3, David O'Connor 1-0, Nigel Dineen 0-2, Gary Cox 0-2, Francie Grehan 0-1.



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# Kerry bid to maintain unbeaten record



**K**erry are bidding for a third successive Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football quarter-final win. They beat Dublin in a replay in 2001 at Thurles and Galway at Croke Park last year.

The Kingdom displayed a flair for points scoring when they opened their bid to regain the Munster title after two years by beating Tipperary at Tralee by 0-25 to 1-10 in a semi-final.

In the Munster Final at Killarney a late scoring burst in the first half that resulted in 1-5 without reply set Kerry on the road to a convincing win over Limerick for their first title in two years and 68th in all.

Limerick, who were striving for their first crown in 107 years, started promisingly enough but their cause was not helped by the fact that Declan O'Keeffe in the Kerry goal saved a penalty after eleven minutes.

Kerry's late scoring run sent them into the half time break nine points clear—1-6 to 0-3. The goal was scored by Dara Ó Cinnéide, who was put in possession by Eoin Brosnan.

The home county had a player dismissed by the referee soon after the restart but that did not upset their rhythm. They continued to have the better of matters, with Ó Cinnéide kicking some excellent points.

Limerick continued to battle bravely, but lost another good scoring chance when a penalty kick came back off the crossbar and was cleared. Kerry eventually finished convincing winners by 1-11 to 0-9.

Ó Cinnéide played a major role in fashioning the win. He was top scorer with 1-6. Declan O'Sullivan and Michael Francis Russell also showed up well in the attack. Seamus Moynihan's leadership and utter dependability at the back was also an ace in the Kerry pack while Tomás Ó Sé was another giant at the back. Brosnan had a fine game at midfield.

A solid performance, then, by Kerry, who have experience (they have a framework of All-Ireland medal winners in their side) and class to recommend them. They have much to recommend them as they strive for a third successive quarter-final win.

*Declan O'Keeffe (Ciarraí) - faced two penalties against Limerick in the 2003 Bank of Ireland Munster Final, but kept a clean sheet.*



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# Roscommon the extra time specialists

**R**oscommon are establishing a record as the extra time specialists. They beat Offaly in extra time in round two of the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football qualifiers and last time out had three points to spare over Kildare in a memorable game at Portlaoise that also went to extra time.

A feature of both games was the excellent sharpshooting of Frankie Dolan. He scored 0-12 against the Faithful County and chalked up some wonderful points when recording 0-13 at Portlaoise.

The Roscommon-Kildare game was a thrilling affair with the issue in doubt right until the end. Dolan sent the match to extra time when he provided the perfect finish to a movement started by Roscommon goalkeeper Shane Curran by shooting a late equaliser.

A keenly contested first half ended with the Connacht side ahead by 0-8 to 0-7. Kildare restarted in promising style to go three points clear, but Roscommon hit back for a decisive blow with a goal from substitute John Tiernan.

Soon afterwards Roscommon had a man sent to the line by the referee, but they continued to play with great spirit and skill. The accuracy of Dolan proved vital and he eventually sent the game to extra time with that late equalising point.

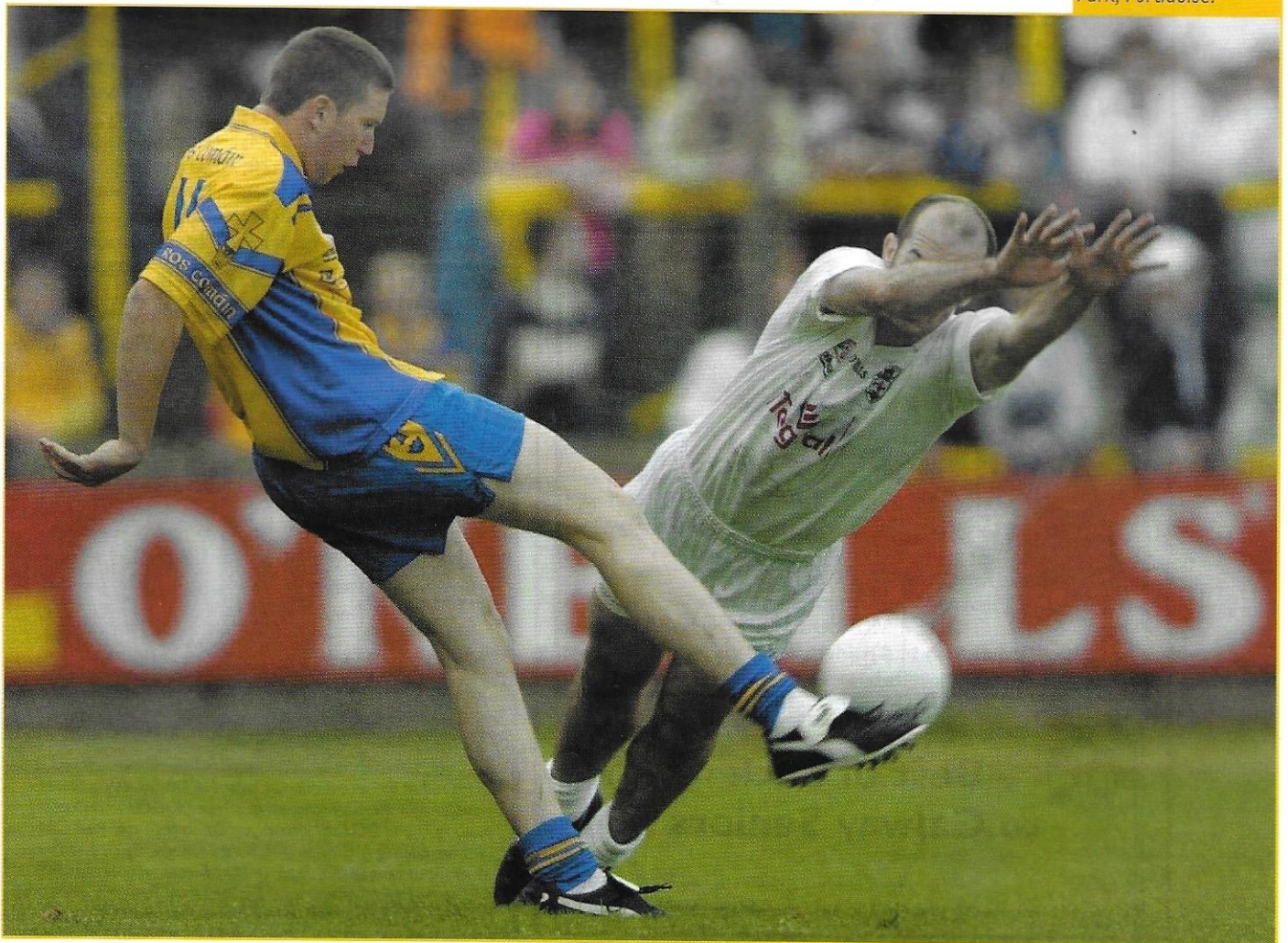
Roscommon had the better of the exchanges in the first period of extra time and turned over 1-15 to 0-16 ahead. Kildare battled back bravely in the second period, but the Connacht county held out for a well-deserved 1-18 to 0-19 win.

While Dolan was undoubtedly the star of the show, others contributed in rich measure to Roscommon's return to championship action at Croke Park.

Substitute Tiernan, with his vital goal, Jonathan Dunning and midfielder Stephen Lohan did well. The defence, superbly marshaled by Ray Cox, David Casey and Francie Grehan, presented the lively Kildare attack with a testing road to goal.

This was a good all round performance by Roscommon and the perfect morale booster for their bid to get back into an All-Ireland senior semi-final after an absence of twelve years.

*Roscommon's Gerry Lohan get his shot in despite an attempt at a block by Kildare's Killian Brennan in the 2003 Bank of Ireland Senior Football Championship qualifier at O'Moore Park, Portlaoise.*









# Some Past Encounters

## 1944 – Roscommon 1-9 Kerry 2-4

**I**t will never be known how they got there. At the height of the Emergency travel restrictions, 79,245 people crowded into Croke Park on September 24th 1944, and those whose ingenuity had achieved the seemingly impossible feat of travelling scores of miles without 'visible means of support' were to be amply rewarded with a football classic.

Roscommon enjoyed a rare distinction – favouritism on a first-ever meeting with Kerry, but the disparity in semi-final form could not be ignored. Kerry had scraped home against luckless Carlow while Roscommon's last step to the final had been one majestic sweep as they beat Cavan by 5-8 to 1-3; the biggest win for 25 years at the penultimate stage of the competition.

It was a classic confrontation; Roscommon, the brash talented newcomers to the All-Ireland scene, seeking confirmation of their status and Kerry the honours-laden masters of more than a dozen championships.

Eddie Dunne's goal for Kerry set the tone of the afternoon and drew an appropriate response when Jimmy Murray and John Joe Nerney set up the chance for Frank Kinlough. With Donal Keenan's superb marksmanship and Eamon Boland and Liam Gilmartin ensuring the supply from midfield, Roscommon edged into a 1-4 to 1-2 lead at the interval.

Boland's point stretched the lead within three minutes of the restart, but Kerry's big effort was soon under way. Paddy Kennedy had a point, Dunne squirmed past two defenders to shoot a goal and Murt Kelly pointed a free to make it 2-4 to 1-5.

Kerry looked good. Roscommon, however, rose magnificently to the challenge. Keenan pointed a free and followed with one from play, to level; Kinlough snatched the lead and Keenan's late point confirmed Roscommon's right to the title.

**Roscommon scorers:** D.Keenan 0-6, F.Kinlough 1-1, J.Murray 0-1, E.Boland 0-1.

**Kerry scorers:** E.Dunne 2-0, M.Kelly 0-2, P.Kennedy 0-1, J.Clifford 0-1.

**Roscommon** – Owensie Hoare, Bill Jackson, J.P.O'Callaghan, Jack Casserly, Brendan Lynch, Bill Carlos, Phelim Murray, Eamon Boland, Liam Gilmartin, Frank Kinlough, Jimmy Murray, Donal Keenan, Hugh Gibbons, Jack McQuillan, J.J.Nerney. **Sub** – Derry McDermott.

**Kerry** – Dan O'Keeffe, Tadhg Healy, Joe Keohane, Tim Brosnan, Bill Dillon, Mick McCarthy, Eddie Walsh, Paddy Kennedy, Sean Brosnan, John Clifford, Jackie Lyne, Paddy Bawn Brosnan, Dinny Lyne, Murt Kelly, Eddie Dunne. **Subs** – Dan Kavanagh, Johnny Walsh.

## 1946 – Kerry 2-4 Roscommon 1-7

**T**he 1946 All-Ireland final, which was played on October 6th and attracted 75,771, was to prove

one of the most memorable finals of the forties, not for the exchanges, but for the dramatic closing moments when the game suddenly flared to vibrant life in a blaze of excitement.

The pressure was early and persistent on the Kerry lines. Donal Keenan pointed a free to open and at the sixth minute JJ Fallon blasted in a magnificent goal from 25 yards. The woodwork saved Kerry before Batt Garvey raised their first flag at the end of the opening quarter.

Roscommon surged back for points by Keenan, Fallon and Kinlough to leave it 1-5 to 0-1 at the break – a scoreline which reflected the Westerners' dominance.

Paddy Kennedy's move to midfield flickered a resurgence on the restart with points coming from Tom O'Connor (2) and Paddy Burke, but as that flurry lost momentum, Roscommon took it up again and Keenan's two points appeared to have taken the game out of Kerry's fading reach.

Then suddenly the game was alive as Burke crashed home a great goal, though Roscommon's position still looked reasonably safe as the final minutes spun out. "Gega" Connor's sideline kick posed no obvious threat as a dozen hands reached for the centre, but as over-eagerness clouded judgement, neither defender nor attacker made contact and in a flash an equaliser, that had seemed as remote as the moon, was nestling in the Roscommon net.

**Kerry scorers:** T.O'Connor 1-2, P.Burke 1-1, B.Garvey 0-1.

**Roscommon scorers:** D.Keenan 0-4, J.J.Fallon 1-1, F.Kinlough 0-2.

**Kerry** – Dan O'Keeffe, Dinny Lyne, Joe Keohane, Paddy Bawn Brosnan, Teddy O'Connor, Bill Casey, Eddie Walsh, Gus Cremin, Dan Kavanagh, Willie O'Donnell, Paddy Kennedy, Batt Garvey, Jackie Lyne, Paddy Burke, Tom O'Connor. **Subs** – Eddie Dowling, Brendan Kelleher.

**Roscommon** – Gerry Dolan, Bill Jackson, Jack Casserly, Owensie Hoare, Brendan Lynch, Bill Carlos, Tom Collins, Phelim Murray, Eamon Boland, Frank Kinlough, Jimmy Murray, Donal Keenan, Jack McQuillan, J.J.Fallon, J.J.Nerney. **Sub** – Vinny Beirne.

## Replay – Kerry 2-8 Roscommon 0-10

**I**f the drawn game had needed that dramatic finish to rescue it from oblivion, this second meeting of football giants required no such support for the 65,661 crowd. For this was Gaelic football at its scintillating best with Roscommon's quicksilver teamwork being matched by the dash and enthusiasm of a Kerry team which had completely shed the lethargy that had afflicted them for long stretches of the game three weeks previously.

The Munster men, with Paddy Kennedy as captain in place Gus Cremin, shaped infinitely better in the opening stages than they had in the drawn game, but Keenan's marksmanship kept Roscommon ahead through most of the opening half, although Kerry twice hauled them back to level terms by sheer persistence. Yet the half-time scoreboard recorded an accurate picture of the proceedings as Roscommon led by 0-6 to 0-4.



## Third Time Lucky

Roscommon's win over Kildare last week was a case of third time lucky for, contrary to general belief, the westerners had featured in championship action at Portlaoise. But there was nobody at O'Moore Park who remembered Roscommon performing at a provincial venue in Laois, for the connection with the Laois capital goes back almost 90 years.

As Connacht champions in 1914, Roscommon took on Kerry in the All-Ireland semi-final at O'Moore Park. More suitable venues were probably available, but the powers-that-be decreed that the game should go on at Portlaoise and on September 6th Roscommon travelled by rail to fulfil the fixture. The result was disappointing. The defence, subjected to long periods of Kerry pressure, did well to concede just 2-4, but at the other end the attack managed just a single point. A year later, as nominated Connacht representatives, Roscommon again restricted the Kingdom to 2-4, but again fell short themselves with a return of 1-1.

With two strikes against them at Portlaoise, Roscommon had to wait 88 years to change their luck at the venue with last week's victory a thrilling case of third time lucky.

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# Some Past Encounters

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## Ready-made replacements

When the Kerry squad turned up at the Cork Athletic Grounds for the 1923 Munster semi-final with the Leesiders, the mentors found themselves with a problem – or it might be said, with three problems – as they had only 12 players prepared to line out. Fortunately, one of the Kerry selectors knew where replacements could be found – among the spectators! And apparently these ready-made replacements rose to the occasion as Kerry were victorious by 3-4 to 0-3.

But whether these “emergency men” were rewarded for their contribution is not known. The team which contested the Munster final with Tipperary included six players who were not on duty when Kerry lined out against Dublin in the All-Ireland final – and presumably the three spectator/players were among that half dozen.

A final thought about the famous trio; as they almost certainly had paid to get into the Athletic Grounds that day – was the admission charge refunded?

Kerry resumed with a splendid show of aggression and as Roscommon conceded the inevitable frees “Gega” Connor put the sides level (0-6 each). A Roscommon attack brought a free and the deadliest left foot in the game did the needful and the lead was quickly stretched by McQuillan from play. Kerry responded with a great goal from Burke for the lead, but Keenan set the scores level for the fifth time with five minutes remaining.

In a welter of excitement, Cremin, who had come on as a sub, swung over a high point and after Kerry had repulsed an equaliser-seeking Roscommon raid, a Kerry free floated into the Roscommon goalmouth where Dolan fielded confidently, only to be swept to the net by inrushing Kerry forwards.

A consultation between umpires and referee ended with the green flag fluttering and Kerry were champions for the 16th time.

**Kerry scorers:** T.O'Connor 1-4, P.Burke 1-0, B.Garvey 0-2, P.Kennedy 0-1, G.Cremin 0-1. **Roscommon scorers:** D.Keenan 0-7, J.J.Fallon 0-2, J.McQuillan 0-1.

**Kerry** – Dan O’Keeffe, Dinny Lyne, Joe Keohane, Paddy Bawn Brosnan, Jackie Lyne, Bill Casey, Eddie Walsh, Teddy O’Connor, Paddy Kavanagh, Jackie Flavin, Tom O’Connor, Batt Garvey, Frank O’Keeffe, Paddy Burke, Dan Kavanagh. **Sub** – Gus Cremin.

**Roscommon** – Gerry Dolan, Bill Jackson, Jack Casserly, Owensie Hoare, Brendan Lynch, Bill Carlos, Tom Collins, Phelim Murray, Eamon Boland, Frank Kinlough, Jimmy Murray, Donal Keenan, Jack McQuillan, J.J.Fallon, J.J.Nerney.

## 1962 – Kerry 1-12 Roscommon 1-6

**Shades of more bountiful days fell reproachfully across the 1962 final meeting of Roscommon and Kerry on September 23rd, for if the '46 encounter had displayed all that was finest in the code, this lacklustre, mediocre game did little for the image of victor or vanquished.**

Gerry McMahon’s goal after only 35 seconds gave Kerry a lead they never surrendered and the only incident to linger in the mind after 60 tortured minutes was a bizarre one of a Roscommon attack launched by Kerry midfielder Jerry Lucey, who at one stage mistakenly drove a huge centre in the direction of his own goal.

With Mick O’Connell in deadly form from frees, every Roscommon indiscretion was remorselessly punished, and when the Connacht men somehow failed to score a goal from a situation where three players had a chance of stabbing the ball home, the game went its inevitable and boring way.

A converted penalty by Dan Feeley, after Cyril Mahon had been fouled, only vaguely hinted at Roscommon’s resurgence and Kerry points by O’Connell (2) and Tom Long quickly nullified the effort of Feeley’s score. John Kelly’s point left the half-time score 1-8 to 1-1 in Kerry’s favour.

A third-quarter exchange of points between O’Connell and

the Feeleys altered neither the gap between the teams nor their prospects, and when O’Connell drove over his seventh point of the afternoon to put Kerry nine points clear, even the semblance of a contest disappeared. Don Feeley’s three points from frees, which brought a late reply from Paudie Sheehy were no more than statistics of a most disappointing final, watched by 75,771 spectators.

**Kerry scorers:** M.O’Connell 0-7, G.Mahon 1-0, T.O’Sullivan 0-2, T.Long 0-2, P.Sheehy 0-1.

**Roscommon scorers:** Don Feeley 1-4, J.Kelly 0-1, Des Feeley 0-1.

**Kerry** – John Culloty, Sean Murphy, Niall Sheehy, Tim Lyons, Sean Sheehan, Noel Lucey, Mick O’Dwyer, Mick O’Connell, Jerry Lucey, Dan McAuliffe, Tim O’Sullivan, John O’Riordan, Gerry McMahon, Tom Long, Paudie Sheehy. **Subs** – Kevin Coffey, J.J.Barrett.

**Roscommon** – Aidan Brady, J.J.Breslin, John Lynch, Oliver Moran, Ronan Craven, Gerry O’Malley, Gerry O’Reilly, Brendan Kyne, John Kelly, George Geraghty, Eamon Curley, Tony Whyte, Don Feeley, Cyril Mahon, Des Feeley. **Subs** – Tony Kenny, John Turley.

## 1980 – Kerry 1-9 Roscommon 1-6

If ever the challengers if any competition got the start they needed, it was Roscommon in this final. Kerry, seeking a third successive title for the first time in almost 40 years, were rocked by a Roscommon goal that was set up by Dermot Earley and Tony McManus and finished by John O’Connor with the game not 60 seconds old. And when Seamus Hayden hit two points Roscommon appeared to be on their way. But Kerry gradually clawed their way back and a goal and a point from Mikey Sheehy and a point from Ger Power had the sides level at the 20th minute.

The game, however, was slipping into a less than attractive pattern as repeated fouling ruled out any suggestion of fluency. By the interval, with scores level at 1-3 each, the frees tally was well on its way to record territory with 30 infringements having been whistled by referee Murray.

The pattern of foul and free continued through the second half, with both sides contributing equally and if the conditions were undoubtedly responsible to some degree for this unsightly litany, there were culprits fore and aft on a day when neither victor nor vanquished did themselves, nor the game, a great service. With 58 minutes gone scores were level, but Kerry finished the stronger with three unanswered points.

**Kerry scorers:** M.Sheehy 1-6, G.Power 0-1, J.O’Shea 0-1, P.Spillane 0-1.

**Roscommon scorers:** J.O’Connor 1-3, D.Earley 0-1, S.Hayden 0-1, M.Finneran 0-1.

**Kerry** – Charlie Nelligan, Jimmy Deenihan, John O’Keeffe, Paud Lynch, Paudie O’Shea, Tim Kennelly, Ger O’Keeffe, Jack O’Shea, Sean Walsh, Ger Power, “Ogie” Moran, Pat Spillane, Mikey Sheehy, Tommie Doyle, John Egan. **Sub** – Ger O’Driscoll.

**Roscommon** – Gay Sheerin, Harry Keegan, Pat Lindsay, Gerry Connellan, Gerry Fitzmaurice, Tom Donnellan, Danny Murray, Dermot Earley, Seamus Hayden, John O’Connor, John O’Gara, Aidan Dooley, Michael Finneran, Tony McManus, Eamon McManus. **Subs** – Michael Dolphin, Martin McDermott.



# “The Asian Sam Maguire”



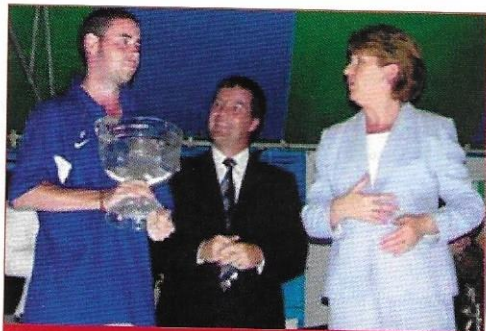
All Ireland Football Final weekend promises to be a truly international weekend with over 500 people watching it live in Hong Kong having slogged it out over the previous two days in their own All Asian version. In what promises to be the biggest and best celebration of Irish sports and culture ever held in Asia, the 8th Asian Gaelic Games will take place in Aberdeen stadium, Hong Kong from September 26th to 28th.

The Asian Gaelic Games was founded by a group of Irish people in Taiwan on New Year's Eve, 1995. The first games took place in Manila in 1996 which was also the venue in 1997 and 1998. In 1999 they moved to Singapore and have been held in Phuket since 2000. Men and women from many different countries and cultures take part in various competitions; the most prestigious of which is the Derek Brady Cup, the oriental Sam Maguire. Derek was one of the original founders of the games in Taiwan and died tragically in a road accident before he could witness the incredible success of the venture he had helped to inspire. His parents have continued to support the event throughout the years

In addition to its sporting and cultural significance, this weekend also provides an excellent opportunity to raise a substantial amount of money for charity. The games will continue to support the Human Development Foundation in Bangkok which co-ordinates 31 kindergarten schools for 4,500 children aged three to six years. These centres provide vocational training, support for AIDS sufferers and hospice care for older children.

Support will also be given to the Hong Kong Down Syndrome Association, whose Special Olympic team members were unable to travel to Dublin due to complications with the SARS quarantine arrangement agreed with the Irish Department of Health. The entire Hong Kong Special Olympics Team will also be invited along to the Sunday of the Games.

More information on the games can be obtained by visiting HKGAA website : [www.irelandhk.com/hkgaa](http://www.irelandhk.com/hkgaa) and/or the AGAA website [www.asiangaelicgames.com](http://www.asiangaelicgames.com)



The President of Ireland, Mary McAleese, presents the cup to Korea, the winning team.

The three day event will bring together the Irish diaspora from across the region. Teams representing Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Beijing, Shanghai, Singapore, Taiwan, Dubai, Abu Dabi,

Bahrain and Macao, will compete in the seven-a-side men's and ladies' football competitions. There will also be an exhibition of hurling and International Rules Games (GAA select V Aussie Rules team). Over 300 players will participate in the competitions with Korea seeking to regain the Derek Brady Trophy in the men's competition and Japan defending their ladies' title. In 2002, a lean, mean Korean machine gave a masterclass in seven's football, brushing aside all-comers with a display that brought the competition to a new level in their first appearance. This year, past winners Japan, Singapore and Hong Kong will be hoping to stop them in their tracks and relive their past glories. In the women's competition a kimono-clad Japanese team received their winners medals from the President of Ireland, Mary McAleese after a bruising final against Dubai. Hosts Hong Kong will be eager to ensure that this year the winners will be receiving their medals in cheung sams and with Korea competing for the first time, Japan will have to be at their best to retain their title.



Action shot from the final — Korea v. Singapore.

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# TOP SCORERS

## Canavan leads the way nationally in scoring chart

**P**eter Canavan is setting the pace in the chart of leading scorers in the race for the Sam Maguire Cup. He has scored 1-38 (41 points) in five games, all in Ulster, at the very good match average of 8.25 points a game.

He is a point clear of

Declan Browne, who cannot, however, add to his total of 2-34 (40 points) from four games (Munster championship and qualifiers combined) the top match average in the panel at ten points

Frankie Dolan is the chief challenger to Canavan in the chart as far as the players still in the chase for the All-Ireland senior title are concerned. The Roscommon forward is six points behind with his tally of 0-35 in five games at an average below the Tyrone forward's at seven points a match.

Pete Canavan (Tír Eoghain) - Top scorer so far after scoring 41 points.

Declan Browne (Tiobraid Árann) - One point behind Peter Canavan with a total of 2-34

THE LEADING SCORERS NATIONALLY IN THE SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP (PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONS AND QUALIFIERS COMBINED) STARTING THIS WEEK-END'S QUARTER-FINALS ARE:

Points	Score	Games	Average
41: Peter Canavan (Tyrone)	1-38	5	8.25
40: Declan Browne (Tipperary)	2-34	4	10.0
35: Frankie Dolan (Roscommon)	0-35	5	7.0
33: Steven McDonnell (Armagh)	4-21	5	6.6
30: Adrian Sweeney (Donegal)	0-30	5	6.
25: Colm Quinn (Offaly)	0-25	5	5.0
24: Raymond Gallagher (Fermanagh)	1-21	5	4.8
21: Oisín McConville (Armagh)	1-18	5	4.2
21: Ciarán McManus (Offaly)	4-9	5	4.2
19: Brian McDonald (Laois)	2-13	5	3.8



Frankie Dolan (Ros Comáin) - scored 0-13 against Kildare and 0-12 against Offaly

# INDIVIDUAL FEATS

## McDonnell and Dolan setting an impressive standard

**S**teven McDonnell and Frankie Dolan are setting the pace in the rankings of top individual scores this season's Bank of Ireland

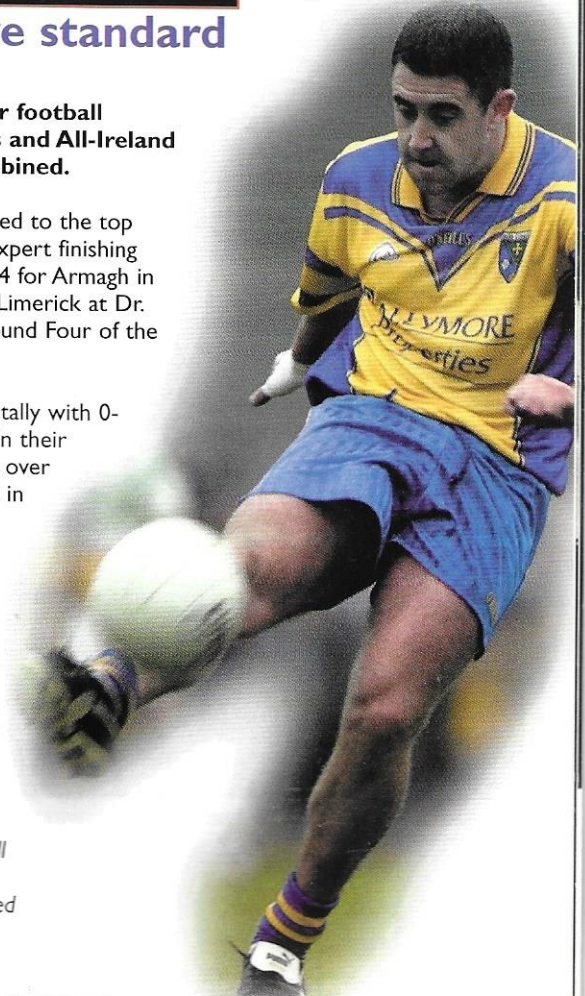
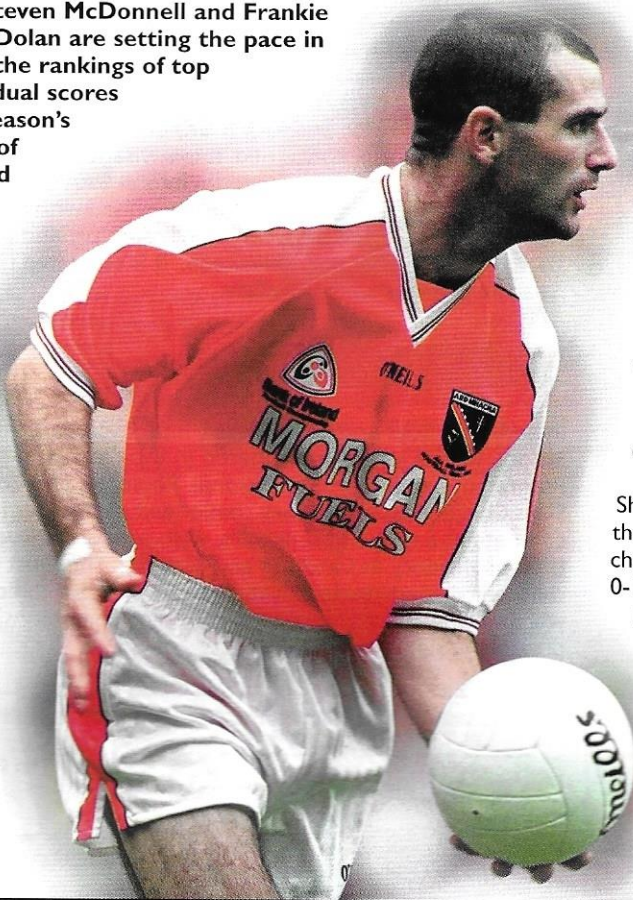
provincial senior football championships and All-Ireland qualifiers combined.

McDonnell raced to the top following his expert finishing that yielded 3-4 for Armagh in their win over Limerick at Dr. Hyde Park in Round Four of the qualifiers.

Dolan equalled that tally with 0-13 for Roscommon in their victory last time out over Kildare at Portlaoise in a game that went to extra time.

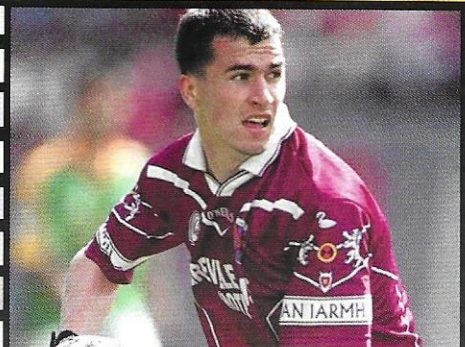
Sharing the lead for the provincial championships with 0-11 each are Declan Browne (Tipperary) and Peter Canavan (Tyrone).

Steven McDonnell (Ard Mhacha) - top after he scored 3-4 against Limerick

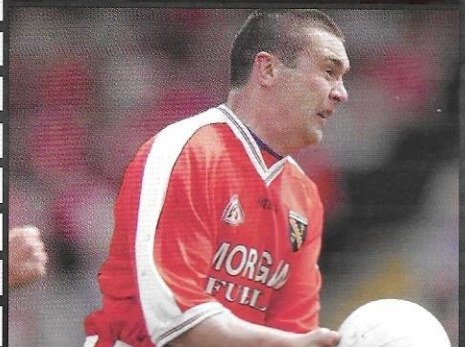


### THE LEADING INDIVIDUAL MATCH RETURNS SO FAR IN THE SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS (PROVINCIAL AND QUALIFIERS) ARE:

- 3-4: Steven McDonnell (Armagh) v Limerick at Dr. Hyde Park on 20th July.
- 0-13: Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) v Kildare at Portlaoise on 26th July.
- 1-9: Declan Browne (Tipperary) v Carlow at Thurles on 21st June.
- 0-12: Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) v Offaly at Mullingar on 5th July
- 0-11: Declan Browne (Tipperary) v Waterford at Walsh Park on 25th May.
- 0-11: Peter Canavan (Tyrone) v Down at Clones on 20th July.
- 1-7: Dessie Dolan (Westmeath) v Meath at Croke Park on 1st June.
- 1-7: Oisín McConville (Armagh) v Waterford at Walsh Park on 7th June.
- 2-3: Mark Stanfield (Louth) v Wicklow at Croke Park on 11th May.
- 2-3: J. P. Rooney (Louth) v Wicklow at Croke Park on 11th May.
- 0-9: Muiris Gavin (Limerick) v Cork at Páirc Uí Chaoimh on 11th May.
- 1-6: Paddy Bradley (Derry) v Tyrone at Clones on 18th May
- 3-0: Ciarán McManus (Offaly) v London at Tullamore on 7th June.
- 0-9: Kevin Madden (Antrim) v Armagh at Casement Park on 21st June.
- 0-9: Declan Browne (Tipperary) v Donegal at Croke Park on the 5th July.
- 1-6: Dara Ó Cinnéide (Kerry) v Limerick at Killarney on 13th July.
- 1-6: Peter Canavan (Tyrone) v Down at Clones on 13th July



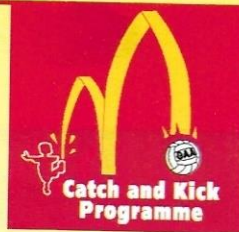
Dessie Dolan (An Iarmhí) scored 1-7 v Meath



Oisín McConville (Ard Mhacha) scored 1-7 v Waterford

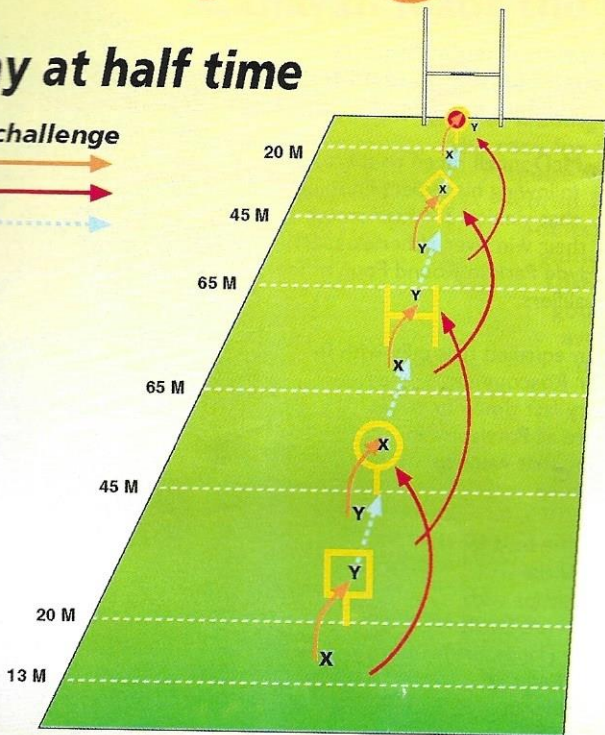
# Catch & Kick Programme

Putting the kick (Fun) back into football.. fun games



Today at half time

Key to challenge



## Catch and Kick Programme

"Catch and Kick" is a new Coaching/ Development initiative for Primary Schools that is sponsored by McDonald's Restaurant's of Ireland. It involves three key elements: Coaching Inputs, Fun Blitzes and the Catch and Kick (C&K) Challenge. Where the Coaching Inputs are concerned, it is envisaged participating Primary Schools will link up with their local GAA Clubs to ensure that all Primary School children are provided with a minimum of 8 Coaching lessons between March and July and a further 8 between September and Halloween. It is estimated that 50,000 Coaching lessons will take place.

## Catch and Kick Challenge

In addition, Boys and Girls in their final two years of Primary School, whose school participated in the Catch and Kick (C&K) Programme, took part in Divisional, Regional, and County C&K Skills Challenges, where they challenged each other in pairs, to compete in a range of skill drills, with a view to developing their proficiency at Catching and Kicking. The most proficient children will participate in National C&K Skills exhibitions, which will be staged in conjunction with Senior Championship games during the summer in Croke Park.

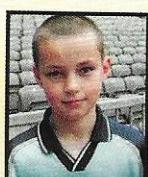


Name: Eoin Kilcommins  
Age: 13  
School: St. Anthony's Ballinlough  
Club: Douglas  
Favourite Player: Anthony Lynch

CORK

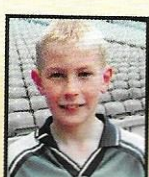


Name: Steve Mahon  
Age: 12  
School: St. Anthony's BS, Ballinlough  
Club: Blackrock/St. Michael's  
Favourite Player: Colin Corkery



Name: John Lysart  
Age: 12  
School: St. Kevin's, Kilnamanagh  
Club: St. Kevin's/Killian's  
Favourite Player: Ray Cosgrave

DUBLIN



Name: Daniel Gallery  
Age: 11  
School: St. Kevin's, Kilnamanagh  
Club: St. Mary's, Leixlip  
Favourite Player: Glen Ryan



Name: Thomas Hanly  
Age: 13  
School: Lisvermone N.S.  
Club: Aherlow  
Favourite Player: Ronan Clarke

TIPPERARY



Name: Gary Frewen  
Age: 12  
School: Lisvermone N.S.  
Club: Aherlow  
Favourite Player: Declan Browne



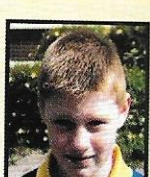
Name: Stephen O'Brien  
Age: 12  
School: Kenmare National School  
Club: Kenmare  
Favourite Player: Seamus Moynihan

KERRY



Name: Christopher O'Sullivan  
Age: 13  
School: Kenmare National School  
Club: Kenmare  
Favourite Player: Seamus Moynihan

## Catch and Kick Challenge Today's Participants



Name: Joe Conroy  
Age: 11  
School: St. John's NS, Cratloe  
Club: Cratloe  
Favourite Player: Colm Quinn

CLARE



Name: Cathal McInerney  
Age: 11  
School: St. John's NS, Cratloe  
Club: Cratloe  
Favourite Player: Peter Canavan



Name: Jamie Gavin  
Age: 11  
School: Gaelscoil Sairseal  
Club: St. Pat's  
Favourite Player: Seamus Moynihan

LIMERICK



Name: Jack Daly  
Age: 11  
School: Gaelscoil Sairseal  
Club: Na Piarasigh  
Favourite Player: Muiris Gavin



Name: Steven Walsh  
Age: 13  
School: Midfield NS, Swinford  
Club: Swinford  
Favourite Player: James Nallen

MAYO



Name: Daniel McNicholas  
Age: 12  
School: Midfield NS, Swinford  
Club: Swinford  
Favourite Player: David Heaney



Name: Stephen Kelly  
Age: 12  
School: Oughterard BNS  
Club: Oughterard  
Favourite Player: Padraic Joyce

GALWAY



Name: Kevin McMahon  
Age: 11  
School: Oughterard BNS  
Club: Oughterard  
Favourite Player: Matthew Clancy

Today, it has come to fruition. These 8 pairs of children, who have won their County Finals, will now compete against the clock, to see which two pairs, go on to concluding C&K Skills Challenge exhibition, in August. The objective of today's exercise is for the children to Kick and Catch the ball through each individual target. The player that kicks the ball through the target runs around to the back of the next one. The player that catches the ball, solos it to the next target and kicks the ball through to the waiting player. They continue until they reach the final target, where the player in possession shoots and attempts to hit the bull's-eye.

**Good Luck to all participants.**

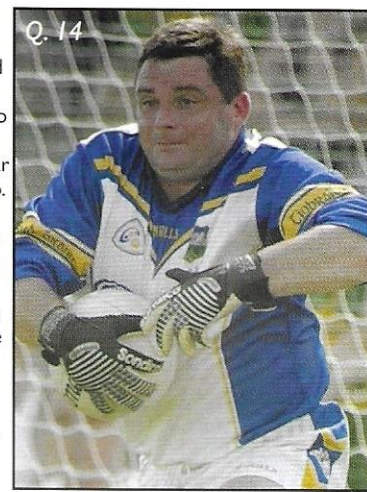


# Fiche Ceist

1. Did Sligo score a goal in their drawn Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football quarter-final against Armagh last year?
2. What was the venue for the Armagh-Sligo All-Ireland quarter final replay last year?
3. What county lost to Cork in an All-Ireland senior football quarter-final last year?
4. How many goals did Donegal score in their two games with Dublin (draw and replay) in an All-Ireland football quarter-final last year?
5. Who captained Dublin in the above two games last year?
6. How many goals did Kerry score against Galway in last year's All-Ireland football quarter-final?
7. What county lost to Galway in last year's Connacht senior football final?
8. Who won the All-Ireland minor football final last September?
9. Earlier this month Galway booked their place in the All-Ireland junior football final with a win at Pearse Stadium. What side lost to the Westerners in that game?
10. Who won the Leinster under-21 football title earlier this year?
11. Laois opened their march to this year's Leinster senior football title with a



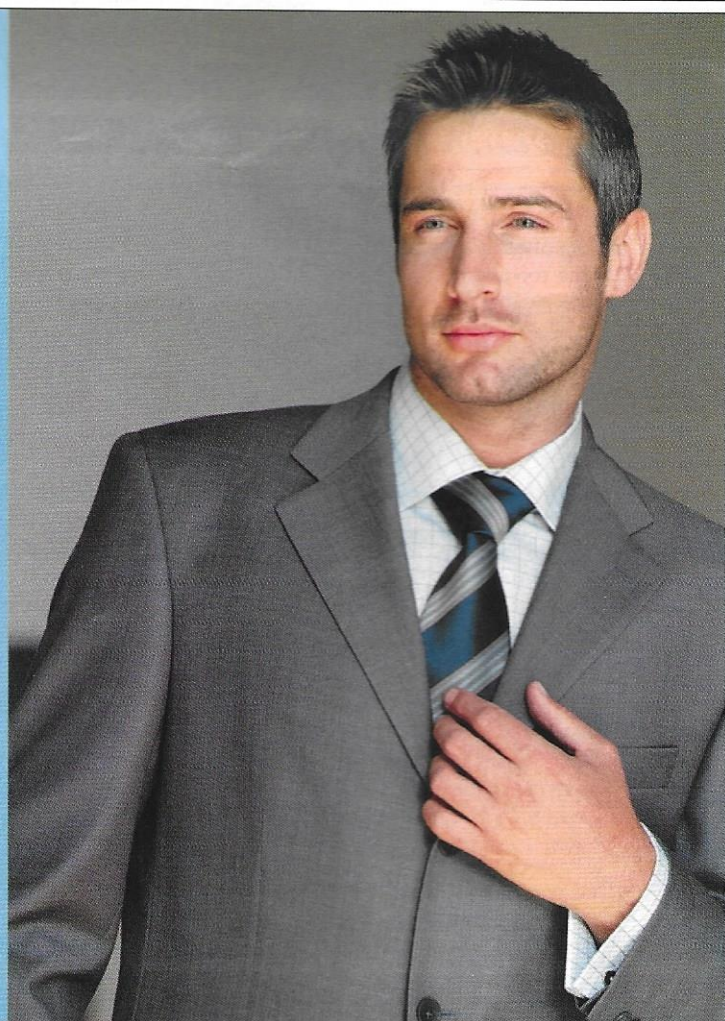
- win over what county at Croke Park in early May?
12. Have Fermanagh won an All-Ireland title in any grade of football?
13. I brought the last All-Stars award to my county in 1997 and I was also my county's top marksman this year in the senior football championship. My club is Gowna. Who am I?
14. I captained my county from goal in this year's senior football championship. My club is Commercials and my county had a rare championship outing at Croke Park this year. Who am I?
15. What is the club of Declan Browne, who was in such sharpshooting form with Tipperary this year in the senior football championship?
16. Who won the Ulster under 21 football title earlier this year?
17. How many goals did Dublin score in their All-Ireland senior football qualifier win over Derry at Clones?
18. When did Tyrone last contest an All-Ireland senior football final?
19. Fermanagh have won just one Ulster senior football title. True or false?
20. What county last made a successful defence of the All-Ireland senior football title?



1. No. 2. Pairc Tailteann, An Uaimh. 3. Mayo. 4. None. 5. Coman Goggin's. 6. Two. 7. Sligo. 8. Derry. 9. Warwickshire. 10. Dublin. 11. Wexford. 12. Yes. They won the All-Ireland junior title in 1959 and the "B" title in 1996. 13. Dermot McCabe (Cavan). 14. Philly Ryan. 15. Moyle Rovers. 16. Tyrone. 17. Three. 18. 1995 when they lost to Dublin. 19. False. They have still to win the Ulster senior title. 20. Cork in 1990.

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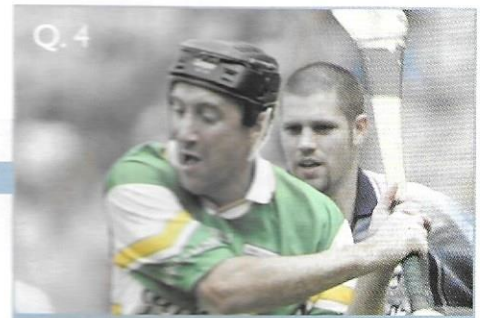




# Cúinne na nÓg

## Tráth na gCeist

1. Who won the Leinster ladies senior football final between Dublin and Laois last Sunday?
2. Who captained Wexford to their Guinness All-Ireland senior hurling quarter-final win over Antrim last Sunday?
3. Joe Kerman, the Armagh county team manager, guided what club to three AIB All-Ireland club senior football titles?
4. What is the club of Brian Whelahan, the Offaly senior hurling defender?
5. Where is Fitzgerald Stadium situated?
6. Earlier this month Meath qualified for the All-Ireland junior football final. What county lost to the Royals in the semi-final?
7. Who won the Ladies All-Ireland senior football title last year, Laois, Mayo or Monaghan?
8. Michael "Duxie" Walsh, the legendary Kilkenny handballer, beat Eoin Kennedy (Dublin) in the All-Ireland senior softball final last September. True or false?
9. Who refereed the Tipperary-Offaly All-Ireland senior hurling quarter-final last Sunday at Croke Park?
10. Who led Kilkenny to the Leinster senior hurling title earlier this month?



## Match the Player and the County

Each of the six footballers named below was in action earlier this year in the senior football championship. What you have to do is to match the player with the correct county from the list below.

Simon Rea	Clare
Ciaran McManus	Leitrim
Padraig McLoughlin	Antrim
Kevin Madden	Monaghan
Rory Woods	Offaly
Odrán O'Dwyer	Carlow

## Find The Club Names

Each letters jumble below contains the name of a well-known club. Underneath the jumbles are four county names, each with a clue to the relevant club.

1. A A A N N N I F
2. E E C L I R D G B
3. A E T M I O H
4. D F E T R A H

- A player from this DUBLIN club captained an All-Ireland senior football title winning team recently.
- A KILDARE club. Try Michael Wright, a half back with the Lily Whites as an aid.
- Pauric Clancy plays for this LAOIS club.
- A TIPPERARY club. Try Damian Byrne, the county full back to help unscramble this one.

## Name The Players

Here are the photographs of eight players from each of the teams involved in this weekend's Quarter-finals, but to confuse you, we have mixed up the top and bottom halves of the pics. Can you identify the players?



**Fréagraí**  
**Match The Player And The County**  
 1. Simon Rea—Carlow, 2. Ciaran McManus—Offaly, 3. Padraig McLoughlin—Leitrim, 4. Kevin Madden—Antrim, 5. Rory Woods—Monaghan, 6. Odrán O'Dwyer—Clare.  
**Tráth na gCeist**  
 1. Dublin, 2. Paul Codd, 3. Crossmaglen Rangers, 4. Birr, 5. Killarney, 6. Kerry, 7. Mayo, 8. False. Kennedy beat Walsh in the final, 9. Ger Harrington (Cork), 10. D.J. Carey.

**Find The Club Names**  
 1. Na Fianna, club of Kieran McGeeney (Armagh), 2. Cebreige, 3. Timahoe, 4. Fethard.  
**Find The Players**  
 1-D: Paul Hearn (Armagh), 2-E: Johnny McCafferty (Donegal), 3-A: Stephen Maguire (Fermanagh), 4-F: Declan Meehan (Galway), 5-B: Liam Hassett (Kerry), 6-G: Darren Rooney (Laois), 7-H: David Carey (Roscommon), 8-C: Sean Cavanagh (Tyron).





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# Cumann na mBunscol

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Cumann na mBunscol

It has been another successful year for Cumann na mBunscol with all 32 counties running leagues and the national committee promoting initiatives such as the INTO-GAA Mini-Sevens and the Roadstone National Awards. The McDonald's 'Catch and Kick Challenge' is the latest addition to the portfolio and it has been a great success in its inaugural year. Cumann na mBunscol, Corcaigh, celebrated 100 years in existence and Cumann na mBunscol, Áth Cliath, celebrating its 75th. anniversary, was involved in new and exciting initiatives such as the innovative 'Other Foot' game, face-painting at matches and some exciting school-based projects. Cumann na mBunscol teachers made a significant contribution to the Special Olympics World Games, an event that will never be forgotten by those privileged to have experienced it. Appropriately, it was the best year yet for the great sport of Wheelchair Hurling. Cameras were present to capture the drama and excitement of the league final in the Irish Wheelchair Association Sports Complex in Clontarf. This and other special moments will form part of the awards banquet night for the Roadstone awards next November.

## Pride of Mountbellew

The Cumann na mBunscol conveyor belt in Galway is well-oiled and working effectively. The vibrant western unit runs excellent leagues and innovative promotions. A Roadstone commendation was won last season and Mini-Sevens competitions and McDonald's 'Catch and Kick Challenge' sessions were of a very high standard in 2003.

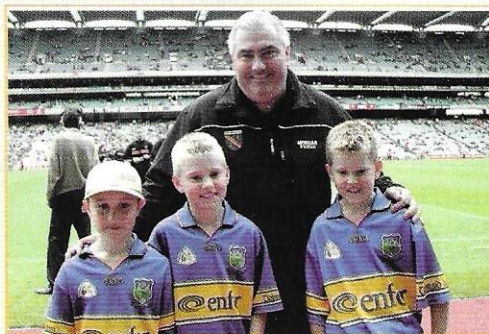
The Mountbellew county Mini-Sevens winners in 1992, under the direction of Tom Cunningham, were a formidable outfit. They brought great credit to the school and two of them have made it to the top level of their chosen sport and worn the county senior jersey. Joe Bergin is one of the finest mid-fielders in the game and he will get a well-deserved opportunity to display his skills in Croke Park today. Derek O'Brien has also achieved county senior status, having previously lined out with Galway minors and U21's.



**Mount Bellew Mini-sevens county winners 1992**  
**Back Row (L-R):** Joe Bergin, Patrick Gardiner, Keith Giblin, Joseph Noone, James Cogavin  
**Front Row (L-R):** Conor Crehan, Niall Keating, Derek O'Brien, Paul Ruane and Martin Cuniffe

## Three Tips for Kernan

The Fitzgerald brothers from Tipperary, Eoin and Gavin, enjoyed their outing to Croke Park recently to cheer on their county footballers against Donegal. The fluent Irish speakers were disappointed with the result and are now hoping that the Tipp hurlers can do the business when they meet Kilkenny. The Premier lads met many well-known personalities during their visit to GAA headquarters including Armagh manager, Joe Kernan, who was delighted to be photographed with them.



Joe Kernan with Eoin and Gavin Fitzgerald and Liam Murchen from Tipperary in Croke Park.

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## Bray Braves

The Maloney family from Bray are a truly committed GAA family. Father, Christy, is heavily involved with the famed Bray Emmett's club where he is Juvenile Chairman, and his boys Dara [11] and Luke [9] are dual stars with the club. The lads are outstanding hurlers and are coached by former Kilkenny great, John Henderson. They are frequent visitors to Croke Park often accompanied by keen supporters Anne and Martin Rosney. Last week-end they were supporting Offaly, their grandparents on Dad's side are from the Birr area. Luke chose to wear his Kerry jersey in honour of his grandmother's Cahirciveen background. No doubt, they will both wear the green and gold this week-end and they will be hoping that the Kingdom advance to a semi-final later in the month. Should Kerry not do the business the ecumenical Bray Braves have a large collection of county jerseys to choose from for forthcoming championship games in Croke Park.



## Carr was Cumann

Roscommon manager, Tommy Carr, played in Croke Park ever before he lined out with Dublin as player and manager. He represented his school, St. Lorcan's, Plamerstown, in a Cumann na mBunscol final and, by all accounts, was destined for inter-county action even then. St. Lorcan's had Croke Park success again last season when they captured a coveted Cumann na mBunscol title. The team was led by teacher, Ken Keoghan, who is a former Mini-Sevens participant in Croke Park. Cumann na mBunscol, Áth Cliath, is very grateful to Tommy Carr for his interest and co-operation with the Allianz 'Follow the Dubs' project while he was at the helm in the capital. The primary teachers of Dublin wish him well on his return to big-time action.

## Tír Chonaill Abú

Glenties has produced some outstanding footballers including the late, great Columba McDyer who won an All-Ireland medal with Cavan in the 1947 final in New York's Polo Grounds. The area will be well represented in Croke Park today as the Tír Chonaill Tigers play for a semi-final place later in the month. Two of the counties best supporters will be present to cheer them on. Young Anthony Molloy, a youngster with a famous footballing name, was in Croke Park when his favourite team played and beat Tipperary in the qualifying round. He was accompanied by Muriel Hegarty and they will both be hoping for a victory today and another opportunity to return to GAA Headquarters later in the month to wear the green and gold.



Muriel Hegarty and Anthony Molloy in Croke Park.



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# Refereeing Matters in 2003



### Appointment of Referees

Referees for all Senior Championship games are appointed by a three man committee appointed by the Uachtarán. This system has evolved over the last ten years. Formerly the referees for Provincial Championships were appointed by Provincial Councils. The system varied from province to province. In some, if the counties agreed on the referee, he was appointed. If they failed to agree, it was decided by the officers and the neutral counties. In other provinces the appointments were made by the officers. For the All-Ireland series referees were appointed by the full G.A.C. The system now is that all appointments for Senior Leagues and Championship games are made by the Central Appointments' Committee. It was felt that such a committee would be more neutral and objective and would distribute equally the games between the top referees. It was hoped that it would help to create the concept of a National referee, not a Provincial one.

The present Appointments' Committee appointed by Uachtarán Seán Ó Ceallaigh is Tony O'Keefe, Chairman G.A.C., Frank Bourke, Chairman of Referees' Committee, John Costelloe, Runaí, Ath Cliath. All assessments of referees in League and Championships go to them.

### Experience v. Promotion

The main criterion of appointment is — the best person for the job. But this could mean giving all the games to the experienced referee — the safe hands. But how do the less experienced referees get that experience if they don't get appointments? Experienced referees argue they need regular games to keep them in shape — mentally and physically.

Up and coming referees are appointed to League games. They are assisted by their more experienced colleagues as linesmen and are assessed by their performance.

There is a huge difference between League and Championship — games played before small crowds in

heavy conditions and Championship games played with speed and passion before huge crowds. One needs strong nerves and a cool disposition to walk out as the person in the middle before 30,000 people in a local derby between neighbouring counties.

Yet every referee on the National Panel has the ambition to progress to Senior Championship, to Provincial Final and to the highest honour, an All-Ireland Final. The Appointments' Committee has to balance two needs — the best person for the job and the progression of newer referees to the big scene.

### Attitude of Players

Most players don't analyse as much as managers do the appointments of referees for their game. If it's an experienced referee they will usually say "we know him and his form" and get on with their preparation. Experienced referees readily admit that any mistake they make is not greeted with the same criticism as the one made by a less well known colleague. In his article in the Sunday Independent of July 27th, Ciarán McBride commented on what Down should have done towards the end of their drawn Ulster final with Tyrone: "But that's the time Down needed to be steetwise. To stop Tyrone getting a run at them, they needed to keep possession, take short kickouts, have a man go down with an injury, bitch at the referee, even start the odd row if necessary. Anything to break up the play and run the clock down".

Interesting comments from a player and it shows how streetwise a referee must be in such a situation.



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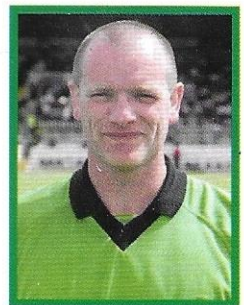
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### Young Referee of the Future — a New Initiative

The National Referees' Administration Committee has launched a new Referee Course aimed at the Transition Year in Post-Primary schools. Information on the course has already been sent to the schools and is available for the coming Autumn. Students completing the course will receive certificates from C.L.G. as "Young Referees of the Future". Selected students from each county will be invited to Croke Park for further training. The sessions are a mixture of theory as well as practice and are supported by suitable resources. Hopefully it will encourage young people to start a career path in refereeing.



## Rules Teaser



### Situation:

A player on the team attacking a goal catches the ball and plays the ball against the ground with his hands but does not take the ball back into his hands. He strikes the ball with his hand over his opponents' goal line. The referee awarded the goal.

**Question:** Was the referee correct?

**Answer:** **No.** The player is considered to be in possession of ball.  
Rule 3 — Scores.  
Rule 3.1, Exception (ii)



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