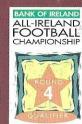


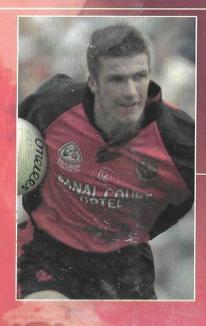
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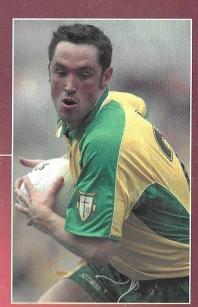
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4.15 i.n. @ Páirc Naomh Tighearnach, Cluain Eois.

# An Dún v. Dún na nGall

Réiteoir:

G. Kinneavy (Ros Comáin)

Linesmen:

P. Fox (An Iarmhi) STAND-BY REFEREE

E. Murtagh (Longfort)

Sideline Official: P. Finnegan (An Lú)





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Sinne Fianna Fáil,

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Buíon dár slua

Thar toinn do ráinig chugainn

Faoi mhóid bheith saor,

Sean-tír ár sinsear feasta

Ní fhágfar faoin tíorán ná faoin tráill.

Anocht a théam sa bhearna baoil

Le gean ar Ghaeil chun báis nó saoil

Le gunna scréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar,

Seo libh canaig amhrán na bhFiann.

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## An Réiteoir:



Gerry Kinneavy (Ros Comáin)

Gerry returns to refereeing duties after his outing as a linesman and stand-by referee at last Sunday's Ulster senior final. In recent weeks he took charge of the Tyrone-Antrim Ulster semi-final at Casement Park and the Offaly-Clare qualifier at Ennis.

The Roscommon man refereed the drawn All-Ireland quarter-final between Dublin and Donegal last August at Croke Park.

A member of the Clan na nGael club, Kinneavy is a former footballer and won an All-Ireland junior medal with Galway in 1985. He has been on the inter-county panel for about eight years.

He was on duty in the Allianz League and AIB All-Ireland club championship earlier this year.

Our cover shows Ronan Murtagh (An Dún) and Brendan Devenney (Dún an nGall).

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# Teachtaireacht an Uachtaráin



s cúis mhór áthais dom fíorchaoin fáilte a fhearadh romhaibh go léir inniú. Fearaim fáilte faoi leith roimh na himreoirí a bheidh ag ghlacadh páirte anseo inniú.

It is my honour to extend a special welcome to you on the occasion of today's 4th round Bank of Ireland All Ireland football champi-

onship qualifier game. While the qualifier series has thrown up many novel pairings this year, today's opponents are no strangers to each other having met on 20 previous occasions in the Ulster Championship.

Down are among the great traditionalists in Gaelic Football and while they were well beaten by Tyrone in last week's replayed Ulster Final, they have played some great football this year in their wins over Fermanagh, Monaghan and most particularly in the drawn Ulster final. With former All Ireland winning captain Paddy O Rourke at the helm, the Mourne men will be anxious to get back to winning ways today and earn a place in the All Ireland Quarter Finals.

In their path stand the men of Donegal, who after a disappointing fist round exit against neighbours Fermanagh, have regrouped admirably and qualified for today's game with wins over Longford, Sligo and most recently Tipperary. Having qualified for the quarter final stages last year, Brian Mc Eniff's men will be anxious to at least match that achievement in this year's championship and know that a victory today will meet that very goal.

This is the third year of the 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 Croke Park.

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

Ráth De oraibh go léir.

Seán Ó Ceallaigh, Uachtarán

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## ROUND I

7th June, Walsh Park: Armagh 2-21; Waterford Top scorer: Oisín McConville (Armagh) 1-7. 7th lune, Wexford Park" Derry 3-10: Wexford 0-9. Top scorer: Anthony Tohill (Derry) 1-3. 7th lune. Ballybofey: 1-11. Donegal 1-17; Longford 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 Top scorer: Ciarán McManus (Offaly) 3-0. 8th June. An Uaimh: Cavan I-12; Louth 2-7. Top scorer: Dermot McCabe (Cavan) 0-6. 14th June. Clones: 0-14; Westmeath Monaghan Top scorer: Paul Finlay (Monaghan) 0-6.

## ROUND 2

21st June. Carricl	c-on-Shar	non:	
Roscommon	2-9;	Leitrim	1-11.
Top scorers: Padi	aig McLo	ughlin (Leitrim) 0-6.	
21st June. Casem	ent 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: Odra	n O'Dwye	r (Clare) 1-5.	
21st June. Clones	:		
Meath	2-10;	Monaghan	0-12
Top scorer: Rory	Woods (A	1onaghan) 0-6.	
21st June. Thurles	s:		
Tipperary	1-14;	Carlow	0-13.
Top scorer: Decla	n 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. Тор 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: 2-19; Tipperary 0-15. Donegal Top scorer: Declan Browne (Tipperary) 0-9. 5th July. Croke Park: 0-15; Dublin Armagh 0-11. Top scorers: Steven McDonnell (Armagh) 0-5, Ray Cosgrove (Dublin) 0-5. 5th July. Mullingar (After Extra Time.): I-20; Offaly Roscommon 1-15. Top scorer: Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) 0-12. 6th July. Clones: Fermanagh I-I2; 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.





# Donegal bid for another quarter-final

hat a change in fortune for Donegal!
Their prospects of a good run in the
Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football
qualifiers looked anything but bright following
a disappointing performance when losing to
Fermanagh at Enniskillen in the opening
round in Ulster at the start of June.

However, here they are striving for a place in the quarter finals for the second successive year and backed by a good run of three wins in the qualifiers. Not only that, they have improved with each game so far.

The North-West county could be faulted for wayward shooting in their win over Tipperary at Croke Park in their last outing. They had sixteen wides in that game.

But for that, they might well have established the cushion of a good lead before finishing with a late flourish that yielded 2-4 in the last eleven minutes or so. Nevertheless, despite their wayward shooting, Donegal still recorded 2-19, an impressive return by any standard.

The Ulster county dominated the exchanges in the first half, but poor finishing (they had nine wides) meant they were just 0-8 to 0-7 ahead at the interval.

Donegal were two points clear after fifty four minutes when their goalkeeper Tony Blake kept them very much in the hunt with an excellent save.

Five minutes later they achieved a major breakthrough when a

fine movement ended in a Brendan Devenney goal. Donegal went on to play their best football of the day after that and compensated for their earlier wayward shooting by scoring 1-4 to finish good winners by 2-19 to 0-15.

Brian Roper, who had a hand in the movement that led to the Devenney goal, scored Donegal's second goal and highlighted a good all round display with 1-3.

Devenney, top scorer with 1-4, Michael Hegarty, who roamed far and wide, promising young midfielder Stephen **McDermott** and Damien Diver, Blake and Kevin Cassidy in defence were John Gildea other influential (Dún na nGall) figures in forging out the winning return to Croke Park. Donegal have certainly made solid progress since the Fermanagh defeat. They are an experienced team with plenty of potential, and, with confidence boosted by their good run, they are capable of going even



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further in this year's competition.

# Ag súil le bheith sa tarraingt

Tá sé chontae ag fanacht ar ádh na tarraingthe an deireadh seachtaine seo agus ceithre chinn eile san iomaíocht ar pháirc na imeartha agus iad ag súil go mbeidh a nainmneacha sa bhabhla oiche Dhomhnaigh.

Is iontach an méid cluichi suimiúla a tháinig amach as an mbabhla úd i mbliana. Inniu beidh Cill Dara agus Ros Comáin ag tabhairt aghaidh ar a chéile don chéad uair riamh sa Chraobhchomórtas agus is cinnte go mbeidh na sluaite i láthair agus stair á dhéanamh i bpáirc bhaile curaidh nua Laighean.

Theip ar Chill Dara dul chomh fada le babhta ceathrúcheannais le dhá bhliain anuas agus i 2001 bhuaigh Ros Comáin craobh Chonnachta ach tháinig Gaillimh aniar aduaidh orthu níos déanaí sa chommórtas. I mbliana tá an tádh dearg le Ros Comáin. Bhuaigh Gaillimh orthu i mbabhta ceathrucheannais Connachta ach ó shin i leith tá trí chluiche cáillithe buaite acu go drámatúil. Ni raibh ach farasbarr chúilin amháin acu ar Chorcaigh agus Liatroim agus in aghaidh Uibh Fháili bhí gá le ham breise ag deireadh na imeartha. Nil amhras ná go bhfuil mianach i bhfoireann Tommy Carr agus ní bheidh eagla orthu aghaidh a thabhairdt ar fhir na ngeansaithe bána.

Caithfidh go bhfuil an-tuirse ar laochra Chill Dara faoi láthair. Bhí cluiche cruaidh acu an Domhnach seo chaite. Rinneadar éacht le triúr déag ar an bpáirc sa dara leath in aghaidh Laoise agus cé gur theip orthu an craobh a bhaint, bhí a lucht leanta an-bhródúil astu ag an deireadh agus tá siad dóchasach go mbeidh ainm an chontae sa tarraingt oiche Dhomhnaigh tar éis cluiche an lae inniu.

Ta sé deacair go leor an cluiche seo a mheas. Má bhionn Anthony Rainbow ar fáil arís do Chill Dara ceaptar go mbeidh rith an ráis leo. Muna mbionn, ni dócha go mbeidh ach briseadh na liathróide eatarthu ag an deireadh. Moltar Cill Dara d'ionad i mbabhla na tarraingthe Dé Domhnaigh.

Murab ionann agus na foirne thuasluaite, seo an chéad uair is fiche a rachaidh Dún na nGall agus An Dún chun páirce sa Chraobhchomortas agus an chéad uair i gcluiche cáilithe uile Eireann. Sa fiche cluiche i gcraobhchomórtas Uladh, bhuaigh an Dún deich gcinn, Dún na nGall ocht gcinn agus bhí dhá chluiche ar chomhscór.

Nuair a chasadar ar a chéile anuraidh thug laochra
Thír Chonaill bata agus bóthar d'fhir an Dúin 3-12 do 16. Moltar Na Conallaigh chun an cluiche seo a
bhuachaint freisin ach ni dócha go mbeidh dhá chúilin
déag eatarthu an babhta seo. Tá fadhbanna ag Brian
McEniff de bharr gortuithe. Braithfidh siad Damien
Diver uathu inniú - bhí sé thar bharr in aghaidh
Thiobraid Árann - ach tá Brendan Devenney ag teach
chuige féin an tam ar fad.

Caithfidh go bhfuil níos mó fadhbanna ag an Dún.
Mhúin Tir Eoghain ceacht peile dóibh an Domhnach seo
chaite agus gan amhras rachaidh siad chun páirce inniu
ag iarraidh a chruthú gur léirigh an chéad chluiche in
aghaidh an Dúin a gcumas mar pheileadóirí níos fearr ná
an dara cheann. Ní dócha, áfach, go raibh go leor ama
acu na gortuithe fisiciúla agus siceolaíochta a leigheasa
taobh istigh de sheachtain. Dá bharr san, moltar fir
McEniff le dul ar aghaidh agus áit a bhaint in aice le hArd
Mhacha, Fear Manach agus Tír Eoghain i mbabhla RTÉ.

## Donegal and Down...head-to-head

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Down Replay:	3-8;	Donegal	2-5
Down 1957:	4-3;	Donegal	1-7
Donegal	3-2;	Down	0-3

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1958:					
Down	3-11;	Donegal	3-5		
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Down	2-11;	Donegal	1-4		
1966 (Ulster Final):					
Down	I-7;	Donegal	0-8		
1967:					
Down	2-8;	Donegal	2-5		
1968:					
Down	2-14;	Donegal	0-8		
1971:					
Down	3-14;	Donegal	3-6		
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Donegal Replay:	1-14;	Down	2-11
Donegal 1985:	3-9;	Down	1-12
Donegal 1986:	2-12;	Down	2-8
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<b>Down</b> 1995:	I-15;	Donegal	0-10
Donegal 1996:	1-12;	Down	0-9
Down 2002:	1-9;	Donegal	0-11
Donegal	3-12;	Down	1-6



# **Dramatic change of fortune for Down**

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hat a difference a week made in the fortunes of Down in the Bank of Ireland Ulster senior football championship! They played their part nobly and well in one of the best Northern finals in years at Clones in mid July when upsetting the odds by playing a thrilling draw with firm favourites Tyrone.

Although they had a player dismissed by the referee late the first half, Down made light of the handicap in an exhilarating second half. They built up a nine points lead at one stage and battled on gamely as Tyrone rallied to eventually earn a replay.

A feature of the spirited Down bid was a two goal scoring feat by full forward Dan Gordon. Down, in fact showed a real flair for goals by recording four, a tally that is usually good enough to secure victory in any match.

Gordon, Liam Doyle, in attack, midfielder and captain Sean Ward and

defenders
Brian Burns, Aidan O'Prey and
John Lavery were very influential figures
in that exciting and memorable display.

That was a very encouraging performance all round for Down and one that suggested they would make a brave bid in the replay to capture a title that has eluded the county since 1994.

But a week later the Mourne men failed completely

in the replay to find the sparkle that won them such praise in the drawn game. Tyrone, with captain and full forward supreme Peter Canavan in splendid form, cruised to a far more comfortable win than even their most ardent supporters could have expected at a resounding 0-23 to 1-5. The Down goal came near the final whistle.

Doyle, and Coulter in attack, and John Lavery and O'Prey in defence, in particular strove might and main to stem the Red Hand tide.

Can the Mourne men come out battling strongly from that morale-deflating defeat? Only time will tell, but it would still be foolish to lightly dismiss their chances in this, their debut in the current qualifiers.

This qualifier is a test of character for the Down men and, no doubt they will welcome the opportunity to put the disappointing show of last week firmly behind them.

They are a youthful side, with footballers of genuine ability throughout the field and should make a spirited effort to regain something like the drawn final form.

Ronan Sexton (An Dún)









Donegal 3-12 Down

Down had lost their last three championship outings while Donegal had defeated Cavan by five points just three weeks previously, so at Ballybofey the home side were very much favoured for victory, which they duly achieved with twelve points to spare before an attendance of I I,000. However, the visitors made a bright start and but for the concession of a goal on the half-time whistle, this could have been a much tighter contest.

The home side made the better start and by the 15th minute they had established a 0-3 to 0-1 lead, but in the next five minutes two of Down's experienced campaigners raised flags to give the Mourne men the lead. At the 16th minute McCartan fired to the net after Linden provided the final pass, and the latter then added on a lovely point to make it 1-2 to 0-3.

However, the leaders only troubled the scoreboard operator once more in the opening half and with Donegal doing most of the attacking they edged ahead by 0-7 to 1-3 just before the half-time whistle. By the interval the lead was extended to four points as Brian Roper and Jimmy McGuinness combined to set up Adrian Sweeney for a superb goal.

On the restart John Gildea powered through from midfield for an inspirational point to increase the lead to

five points and by the end of the third quarter the game as a contest was over. In that period Down failed to score while the home side registered I-4 – the goal a fine effort from Roper from a difficult angle. However, it wasn't all one-way traffic in the third quarter and the losers did miss some likely chances.

Mickey Linden ended the scoring drought in the 53rd minute, but Donegal were in cruise mode now and five minutes from time Damien Diver and McGuinness combined to set up Brendan Devenney for the winners' third goal.

Donegal scorers: A.Sweeney I-5, B.Devenney I-4, B.Roper I-1, J.Gildea 0-1, J.McGuinness 0-1.

Down scorers: J.McCartan I-0, M.Linden 0-2, B.Coulter 0-1, R.Murtagh 0-1, S.King 0-1, R.Sexton 0-1.

Donegal – T.Blake, S.Carr, M.Crossan, N.McGinley, R.Sweeney, B.Monaghan, K.Cassidy, J.Gildea, J.McGuinness, C.Toye, M.Hegarty, B.Roper, A.Sweeney, B.Devenney, P.McGonigle, Subs – D.Diver for Monaghan, K.Rafferty for McGonigle, C.McFadden for Sweeney, R.Kavanagh for Roper.

Down – P.Travers, S.Ward, B.Grant, C.Byrne, S.Poland, J.Clarke, N.Sexton, B.Burns, A.Molloy, D.Gordon, M.Walsh, B.Coulter, M.Linden, A.O'Prey, J.McCartan. Subs – R.Murtagh for Poland, R.Sexton for Walsh, P.McConville for Burns, S.King for Gordon.

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# Down's last win... 1996

Just twelve months prior to this contest Down, as reigning All-Ireland champions, had relinquished their crown at Donegal's hands, so there was more than a little edge to this contest at Clones, which attracted a

little edge to this contest at Clones, which attracted crowd just in excess of 15,000. Donegal had taken to the field minus the services of Barry McGowan and John J Doherty and their cause was further undermined when they lost another player within a minute of the throw-in. Championship debutant Dessie MacNamara made a rash challenge on Down centre-back Gary Magill and referee Brian White of

Wexford decided that it warranted a dismissal.

It took Donegal a few minutes to regain their composure after that shock, but they were then hit with a second blow as the game's only goal was registered when Conor Deegan's shot was judged by one of the umpires to have been carried over the line by Donegal 'keeper Gary Walsh. Suitably encouraged, Down continued in the ascendancy and but for a couple of fine saves by Walsh they could have been further in front at the break. As it was they enjoyed a I-5 to 0-4 lead.

Manager P.J.McGowan obviously said the right things during the interval for Donegal restarted impressively and points by Brian Roper, Tony Boyle and Noel Hegarty left just the minimum dividing the sides. Down steadied somewhat, but the momentum was with Donegal and early in the final quarter Tony Boyle converted a free to draw level. With 14 minutes remaining James Ruane broke through on goal, but his shot was brilliantly saved one-handed by Down 'keeper Michael McVeigh, and from the resultant breakaway Mickey Linden gave Down a lead they would never relinquish.

Six minutes from time Shortie Treanor doubled the Mournemen's advantage and, despite enjoying copious amounts of possession in the closing minutes, a lone John Bán Gallagher point two minutes into lost time was all Donegal could muster in reply.

Down scorers: C.Deegan I-1, G.McCartan 0-3, M.Linden 0-2, J.Treanor 0-2, D.J.Kane 0-1. Donegal scorers: M.Boyle 0-3, J.McHugh 0-2, T.Boyle 0-2, N.Hegarty 0-1, D.Diver 0-1, J.B.Gallagher 0-1, B.Roper 0-1. Down – M.McVeigh, P.Higgins, B.Burns, F.Caulfield,

G.Mason, D.J.Kane, M.Magill, G.McCartan, C.Deegan, P.Sloan, J.Treanor, J.McCartan, M.Linden, A.Farrell, G.Blanev. Sub – G.Deegan for Sloan.

Donegal – G.Walsh, J.Cunningham, M.Gallagher, M.Crossan, D.Diver, N.Hegarty, M.Shovlin, J.B.Gallagher, J.Ruane, D.MacNamara, J.McHugh, P.Hegarty, B.Roper, T.Boyle, M.Boyle. Sub – O.Reid for M.Boyle.





3-15 Dún na nGall



## Fir Ionaid

- (16) Sean Sweeney S. Mac Suibhne (Gaoth Dobhair)
- (17) Jim MacGuinness S. Mac Aonasa (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 S. Ó hAráin (Naomh Adhamhain)
- (22) Kevin Rafferty C. Ó Raifeartaigh (Naomh Adhamhain)
- Brian McLaughlinn B. Mac Lochlainn (Naomh Micheál)
- Dessie MacNamara D. Mac Conmara (Bundoráin)
- (25) Paul McGonigle P. Mac Congail (Buncrannaigh)
- Eamon Reddin (26) E. Ó Rodáin (Beart)
- **BRIAN ROPER** (27) James Ruane B. Ó Ropier
  - S. Ó Ruáin (Aodh Ruadh) (Bundoráin) (28) Noel McGinley
- N. Mac Fhionnaghaile **BRENDAN DEVENNEY** (29)
  - **Damien Diver** D. Ó Duibhir (Ard an Ratha)

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## Fir Ionaid

- (16) Brendan McVeigh B. Mac an Bheatha (An Ríocht)
- (17) Daniel McCartan D. Mac Artain (Boireann)
- Aidan Scullion A. Ó Scollain (Cluain Daimh)
- (19) Colm McCrickard C. Mac Riocaird (Liatroim)
- (20) Brendan Grant B. Grant (Droichead Mhaigh Eo)
- (21) James McCartan S Mac Arrain (Boireann)
- (22) Shane King S. Ó Cionga (Ath Bhriain)
- (23) Shane Mulholland S. Ó Maolchallan (Baile Cholmáin)
- (24) Glen McMahon G. Mac Mathúna (Droichead Mhaigh Eo)
- (25) Shane Ward S. Mac an Bhaird (Cluain Daimh)
- (26) Michael Linden M. Mac Giolla Fhiondáin (Droichead Mhaigh Eo)
- (27) Ciarán Byrne C. Ó Broin
- (Boireann) (28) Patrick P. McCartan P. P. Mac Artáin (Liatroim)
- (29) Declan Sheerin D. Ó Sioráin (Droim Gath)
- (30) Micheal Higgins M. Ó hUiginn (An Chloch Fhada)

Dathanna: Dearg is Dubh

## MICHAEL McVEIGH

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(Áth Bhriain)

M. Mac an Bheatha (Caisleán an Mhuillin)

2 **JOHN CLARKE** 

S. Ó Cléirigh (An Ríocht)

**JOHN LAVERY** 

S. Ó Labhraí

(An Ríocht)

AIDAN O'PREY

A. de Pré

(Liatroim)

**ALAN MOLLOY** 

A. Ó Maolmhuaidh (Loch an Oileann)

MARTIN COLE

M. Mac Comhaill

(Caisleán Ruairí)

8 **SEAN WARD** 

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9 DUINE EILE

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LIAM DOYLE L. Ó Dughaill (Liatroim)

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**RONAN SEXTON** 

R. Ó Seasnáin

(Droichead Mhaigh Eo)

MICHAEL WALSH M. Breathnach

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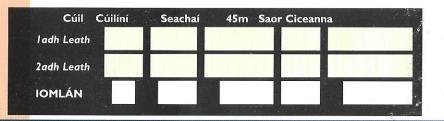
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**RONAN MURTAGH** R. Ó Muireartaigh (Baile Cholmáin)

## Roghnóirí:

Paddy O'Rourke, Manager



# Dathanna: Uaithne, Ór is Bán

## TONY BLAKE

A. de Blaca

(Naomh Adhamhain)

RAYMOND SWEENEY

R. Mac Suibhne

(An Clochán Liath)

NIALL McCREADY N. Mac Riada

(Aodh Ruadh)

SHANE CARR

S. Mac Giolla Chearra (Na Ceithre Maistrí)

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JOHN GILDEA

S. Mac Giolla Dé

(Naomh Conail)

BARRY MONAGHAN

B. Ó Muineacháin (Na Ceithre Maistrí) KEVIN CASSIDY C. Ó Casaide (Gaoth Dobhair)

MARK CROSSAN

M. Ó Chrossáin

(Naomh Adhamhain)

9 STEPHEN McDERMOTT

S. Mac Diarmada (Gleann Fhinne)

10 CHRISTY TOYE C. Ó Tuaith

(Naomh Micheál)

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**COLM McFADDEN** 

C. Mac Phadín

(Naomh Micheál)

MICHAEL HEGARTY

M. Ó hEigeartaigh (Cill Chartha)

**ADRIAN SWEENEY** A. Mac Suibhne (Capt.) (Clochán Liath)

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B. Ó Duibheannaigh (Naomh Adhamhain)

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(Naomh Columba)

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# Paths To Round 4

## Dún na nGall



Ist June at Enniskillen:

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

7th June at Ballybofey:

1-11 1-17; Longford Donegal Scorers - Adrian Sweeney 0-8, Stephen McDermott 1-1, Brian Roper 0-3, Colm McFadden 0-3, Michael Hegarty 0-2. 22nd June at Ballybofey:

0-16; Sligo Donegal Scorers - Adrian Sweeney 0-7, Stephen McDermott 0-3, Michael Hegarty 0-2, John Haran 0-2, Brian Roper 0-1, lim McGuinness 0-1.

5th July at Croke Park:

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

## An Dún



8th June at Casement Park:

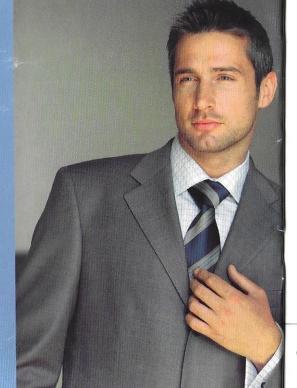
I-12; Monaghan Scorers - Liam Doyle 0-4, Gregory McCartan 0-3, Michael Walsh 1-0, John Lavery 0-2, Colm McCrickard 0-1, Ronan Murtagh 0-1, James McCartan 0-1. 22nd June at Clones:

0-11 2-10; Fermanagh Down Scorers - Gregory McCartan 1-4, Liam Doyle 0-3, James McCartan I-0, Brendan Coulter 0-1, Colm McCrickard 0-1, Ronan Murtagh 0-1. 13th July at Clones:

4-8; Tyrone 1-17 Down Scorers - Liam Doyle I-4, Dan Gordon 2-1, Brendan Coulter 1-1, Brian Burns 0-1, Gregory McCartan 0-1. 20th July at Clones:

0-23; Down Tyrone Scorers - Liam Doyle 0-4, Ronan Murtagh 1-0, Brendan Coulter 0-1.

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# An Dún x 10

1903 - Compared with other Ulster counties, Down were relative newcomers to the championship scene, but in the year that the first county championships were completed the Mourne county made their Ulster debut. Alas, it was a less than successful debut, as the reigning provincial champions Armagh were easy winners by 2-9 to 0-1.

1913 - Going out in the first round was not a new experience for Down, but on this occasion there was at least the consolation of pushing the strongest team in the province all the way. At Newry after a tremendously exciting game Down bowed out to provincial champions Antrim by 1-3 to 1-6.

1923 - Having only one championship game in the previous ten years, interest, not surprisingly, was at a low ebb in the county. Activity on the club front was practically nil and when Down were due to play Tyrone in the first round at Clones the team failed to put in an appearance and conceded a walkover.

1933 - With no serious threat to the dominance of Cavan, it was the games between the lesser lights that maintai ned interest in Ulster and provided not a little excitement and entertainment - as did the clash of Down and Armagh at Warrenpoint, which was won by the visitors by I-4 to I-3.

1943 - After the huge defeat at the hands of Cavan in the previous year's provincial final, it was understandable that spirits and expectations were low by the Mournes, and Antrim proved just that little bit better at Newry (0-13 to 1-8).

1953 - A good performance at Belfast was still not good enough to overcome a lively Derry team, which won an evenly-contested game by I-II to 2-5.

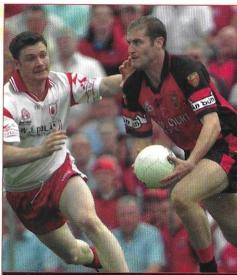
1963 - After the shock defeat by Cavan in 1962, Down were back in full cry as they decimated Monaghan by 6-11 to 1-3 at Newry. Armagh provided stiffer opposition in the semi-final, but Down won through by 0-9 to 0-5. The final with Donegal, of which much was expected, turned out to be a one-sided encounter as Down won their fourth

Ulster title in five years by 2-11 to 1-4. However, there was a shock in store in the All-Ireland semifinal as Dublin won easily by 2-11 to 0-7.

1973 - A tremendous battle at Newry saw Down edge through against Armagh (2-10 to 2-9) and it was equally hectic in the next round when Cavan were beaten by 1-7 to 0-8. Derry were overcome with a degree of comfort (1-12 to 0-9), but Tyrone could not be contained in the final as Down went out by I-II to 3-13.

1983 - Fermanagh rarely provided problems for Down; but they did on this occasion at Irvinestown where the home side won by 0-10 to 0-8.

1993 - After the final showing against emerging Derry the previous year, hopes were high that Down were on the point of recapturing the form that had won them the 1991 All-Ireland. However, a most disappointing display saw Down struggle throughout against Derry, who cantered to an easy 3-11 to 0-9 victory.



Down's Alan Molloy in action against Tyrone's Enda McGinley in the 2003 Bank of Ireland Ulster Senior Football Final at St. Tighernach's Park, Clones.





# IT HAPPENED IN FOOTBALL

## Family Affairs

In the early years of the inter-county championship when counties were represented by their champion clubs, it was not unusual to find strong family connections in the lineout of teams. In 1889, for instance, in the All-Ireland final there were five Ryans on the Tipperary team and five Cushions helping Laois – although the precise relationship of the above mentioned players is unknown, and even as late as 1903 the Cavan team, which contested the All-Ireland semi-final with Kildare, included Terry, Owen, John and Hugh Maguire, and John and Hugh Fitzpatrick, all from the Sons of O'Connell club.

But even in an era when family connections were the order of the day, the Dowdstown (Meath) team of 1887 was a remarkable outfit including as it did the brothers James, Lance and William Mongey; and John, Thomas, James, Matthew and another John Reid (the latter was President of the club). Also included were the brothers John, Patrick and Thomas Kelly, and Edward and Patrick Reilly. Alas, this great family gathering failed to deliver the expected result as Limerick, who had only the brothers Corbett, Keating and Kennedy in their side, won easily by 3-2 to 0-2.

## **Under Cover**

For years the climax of any football final – provincial or All-Ireland – was the presentation of the cup after the game to the winning captain. It was an established ritual and one that looked set to endure until safety considerations decreed that a new form of presentation be introduced.

But one presentation after a provincial final slightly more than 40 years ago made an interesting piece of G.A.A. history when the cup was presented to the winning captain under the stand. This unique ceremony took place at Portlaoise in 1961 following the Offaly-Dublin Leinster Final when disturbances among sections of the crowd prompted a change of venue. With excited crowds milling around on the pitch and on the steps of the stand, it was decided by officials, in the interest of safety, to dispense with the public presentation; and so, after some delay, Leinster Council officials made their way to the Offaly dressing room under the stand and in a brief ceremony the cup was presented to the Offaly captain, Willie Nolan. The

Clara man later that year made history by becoming the first Offaly man to captain his county in an All-Ireland final. But he had already made a piece of football history by receiving a provincial trophy under the stand, and in the presence of fewer than forty people, easily the smallest gathering to witness a presentation at any level.

## A Affair

No reflection on the conviviality of the contestants or their followers, but it must be said that the first-ever Leinster football final in 1888 was a somewhat 'dry' affair; and the reason – a nervous police force.

The meeting of Kilkenny and Wexford at New Ross had aroused tremendous interest in the south-east and the prospect of the Barrowside town being invaded by thousands of football supporters so alarmed the local constabulary that they took the unprecedented step of ordering all the public houses in the New Ross area to remain closed for the day – and the order was strictly adhered to.

In the event, everything passed off peacefully, but whether or not the prohibition order was responsible for this happy state of affairs was not recorded. Suffice to say that the thousands who watched the historic final suffered their deprivation with an admirable stoicism, and were none the worse for it. Be that as it may, it was the 'driest' day New Ross ever experienced.

## Half A Match

When Laois and Meath lined out in the 1991 provincial final it was the 15th championship game of that year's campaign – a record number of games, not alone in Leinster, but in any province. A new record undoubtedly, but only just as, remarkable to relate, the record had previously been 14 and a half games!

That strange figure was set up in the 1902 championship, a campaign marked by several replays, mostly arising from disputed encounters and it was in the second-round meeting of Offaly and Wexford that the half-a-game took place. And it wasn't an interrupted encounter. It came about as a result of the curtain-raiser (hurling also involving Offaly and Wexford) running late at Jones's Road on January



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24th, 1904 (the championship was running more than a year behind time), and the footballers, aware that darkness would have fallen before the hour was up, decided to play two quarter-hour sessions with the result to stand.

Fortunately the sides were level (0-3 all) at the "end of the game" as, had there been a decision it would not have been allowed to stand as the relevant rule stipulated that a game should last for 60 minutes. And a century later that scoreline of the only 30-minute game in the history of football is still to be found in the records

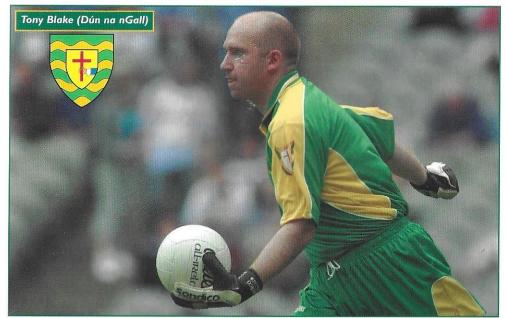
## Duite A Gap

The name Paddy Fallon may not ring a bell with many followers of gaelic football – even in Dublin where he spent all his footballing years. He won two All-Ireland medals with the Metropolitans; nothing remarkable about that, but what was remarkable was the length

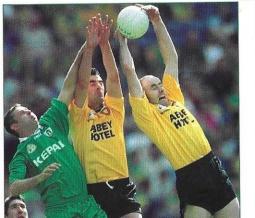
of time between his first appearance on a championship-winning Dublin team and his last, which was 13 years later.

Thirteen years between a first and last All-Ireland win is not unique — a number of Kerry players over the years could claim such a distinction, but what is unique is that Fallon, after serving as a goalkeeper on the 1908 All-Ireland winning team, disappeared completely from Dublin lineouts until he again made the team which won the 1921 final with Mayo. And having helped to win the title he again disappeared from the ranks as the great Johnny McDonnell resumed his position between the posts.

Just why Paddy Fallon was recalled after such a long absence is not known, but whatever the reason he served Dublin well as in both finals he kept a clean sheet.







Paul McGonigle (Dún na nGall) wins the ball from team-mate lim McGuinness and Meath's Cormac Murphy in last year's 4th round All Ireland Football Qualifier at Croke Park.

## Donegal I-13 Meath 0 - 14

rom the throw-in Donegal employed Paul McGonigle as a third midfielder, allowing Adrian Sweeney and Brendan Devenney more space on the full-forward line, and by and large it worked with the Northerners leading by 0-5 to 0-3 after 26 minutes. However, three unanswered points in as many minutes had the Royals ahead by the half-hour mark, but Donegal were back in front shortly after when Christy Toye scrambled home the game's only goal.

Having quickly added a brace of points, Donegal turned over leading by 1-7 to 0-6, and 12 minutes after the restart they had added another point to their advantage. The inevitable Meath fight-back duly materialised and with seven minutes remaining just the minimum divided the sides. It appeared as if the momentum was with the Leinster side, but Donegal steadied the ship and although Devenney missed a free, they remained undaunted and Michael Hegarty punched over the insurance point at the 70th minute, although Donal Curtis did come close with a last-gasp effort.

Donegal scorers: B.Devenney 0-5, A.Sweeney 0-4, C.Toye 1-1, I.McGuinness 0-1, B.Roper 0-1, M.Hegarty 0-1.

Meath scorers: G.Geraghty 0-2, O.Murphy 0-2, N.Crawford 0-2, T.Giles 0-2, R.Kealy 0-2, A.Kenny 0-1, N.Nestor 0-1, J.Cullinane 0-1, D.Curtis 0-1. Donegal - T.Blake, S.Carr, E.Doherty, N.McGinley, R. Sweeney, B. Monaghan, K. Cassidy, J. Gildea, LMcGuinness, C. Toye, M. Hegarty, B. Roper, A. Sweeney, P.McGonigle, B.Devenney. Sub - D.Diver for Toye. Meath - C.Sullivan, M.O'Reilly, D.Fay, C.Murphy, P.Shankev. N.Nestor, P.Reynolds, N.Crawford, J.Cullinane, E.Kelly, A.Kenny, T.Giles, O.Murphy, G.Geraghty, R.Kealy. Subs - D.Crimmins for C.Murphy, D.Curtis for Shankey, S.Kenny for A.Kenny.

### I-I4 Tyrone 0 - 12Sligo

t Croke Park, it appeared as if there was Aonly one team playing in the early stages as a much livelier Tyrone outfit were in complete command, with only Sligo's Eamonn O'Hara offering any resistance. With 22 minutes played the Ulster side deservedly led by six points and that was still the case after Dara McGarty and Peter Canavan swapped points. However, the leaders suddenly faltered and four unanswered points cut Sligo's deficit to two, and indeed, they could have been leading at the break but Kieran Quinn missed a likely goal chance by firing over.

Turning over just two points ahead (0-9 to 0-7), Tyrone re-established momentum and nine minutes after the restart they had doubled their interval advantage (0-12 to 0-8). However, the leaders failed to trouble the scoreboard operator again as Sligo took complete control. Eight minutes from time Sligo struck the decisive blow when Gerry McGowan's kick came back off the upright with Dessie Sloyan on hand to raise the afternoon's only green flag. Indeed, such was the turnaround that Sligo were not flattered by the five-point margin of victory. Sligo scorers: D.Sloyan 1-3, D.McGarty 0-4, E.O'Hara 0-3, P.Durcan 0-1, M.Brehony 0-1, K.Quinn 0-1, G.McGowan 0-1. Tyrone scorers: Peter Canavan 0-6, Pascal Canavan 0-2, S.O'Neill 0-2, C.McAnallen 0-1, B.McGuigan 0-1. Sligo - I.Curran, P.Naughton, B.Philips, M.Cosgrove, N.McGuire, N.Clancy, D.Durkin, P.Durcan, E.O'Hara, J.McPartland, K.Quinn, D.McGarty, M.Brehony, D.Sloyan, G.McGowan. Subs - N.Carew for Cosgrove, P.Taylor for Brehony, S.Davey for Quinn, J.Davey for Taylor. Tyrone - P.Ward, C.Gormley, C.Lawn, B.Robinson, R.McMenamin, C.McGinley, P.Jordan, C.McAnallen, C.Holmes, B.Dooher, Pascal Canavan, D.McCrossan, B.McGuigan, S.O'Neill, Peter Canavan. Subs - C.Gourley for Gormley, K.Hughes for McGuigan, G.Cavlan for Pascal Canavan, E.Mulligan for McCrossan.

# - twelve months ago

## Kerry

## 2-10 Kildare

1-5

t Thurles, Kerry started powerfully and Afollowing Dara Ó Cinnéide's opening point, Colin Cooper pushed the Kingdom four points clear as he calmly slotted home a goal. Kildare responded admirably with a brace of points from John Doyle, but Kerry bounced right back and three points in two minutes from O Cinnéide, Eoin Brosnan and Liam Hassett left them five clear. Just before the half-time whistle Kerry had increased their advantage to seven points, but a well-worked Kildare move involving Derek McCormack, Martin Lynch and Dermot Earley yielded a Lily White goal.

And within seconds of the restart Kildare almost had a second goal, but Tadhg Fennin's shot came back off the upright, although Doyle did point the rebound. The game appeared to be in the balance for the following ten minutes, but then Brosnan gathered the ball 45 yards from goal and ran thirty before unleashing an unstoppable shot to the net via the underside of the crossbar. It was a goal to win any game and Kildare simply had no reply and the game petered out to its inevitable conclusion. Kerry scorers: D. Ó Cinnéide 0-4, C.Cooper 1-1, E.Brosnan I-I, L.Hassett 0-1, S.O'Sullivan 0-1, I.Sheehan 0-1, I.Crowley 0-1.

Kildare scorers: |.Doyle 0-4, D.Earley 1-0, P.Hurley 0-1. Kerry - D.O'Keeffe, M.O Sé, S.Moynihan, M.McCarthy, T.Ó Sé, E.Fitzmaurice, J.Sheehan, D.Ó Sé, D.Daly, S.O'Sullivan, E.Brosnan, L.Hassett, M.F.Russell, D. Ó Cinnéide, C.Cooper. Subs - J.Crowley for Russell, A.MacGearailt for O'Sullivan, T.O'Sullivan for Fitzmaurice. R.O'Connor for Ó Cinnéide.

Kildare - E.Murphy, B.Lacey, G.Ryan, K.Doyle, K.Duane, D.Hendy, A.Rainbow, K.Brennan, D.Earley, E.McCormack, J.Doyle, R.Sweeney, T.Fennin, M.Lynch, P.Murray. Subs -D.McCormack for E.McCormack, P.Brennan for D.McCormack, P.Hurley for K.Brennan, K.O'Dwyer for Murray, T.Harris for O'Dwyer.

### Mayo 0-21 Tipperary I-14

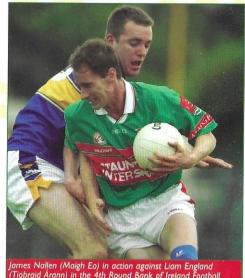
ot much separated the sides in the early exchanges at Ennis, but Mayo's greater accuracy helped them to an early 0-3 to 0-1 lead. However, a Peter Lambert goal was quickly followed by a magnificent Declan Browne point and Tipperary were flying, but the Connacht side soon took matters up again and mid-way through the half had five

unanswered points to take a grip on proceedings. But the Premier county remained undaunted and kept in touch and were just three points in arrears at the break as they notched I-6 to Mayo's 0-12 (the leaders registered no wides in the opening half).

With the small partisan crowd urging them on, Tipperary continued to close in on the leaders after the restart while Mayo's forwards soon showed their frailties with a number of poor misses. At the hour mark Tipperary drew level (1-13 to 0-16), but just as it appeared the momentum was against them, Mayo responded. Points from David Brady (two) and Kieran McDonald (two) pushed them clear and the late exchange of points failed to alter the four-point gap. Mayo scorers: J.Horan 0-5, D.Brady 0-4, K.McDonald 0-4, S.Carolan 0-3, T.Mortimer 0-2, C.McManaman 0-1. I.Gill 0-1, B.Maloney 0-1.

Tipperary scorers: D.Browne 0-7, P.Lambert 1-4, L.England 0-1, F.O'Callaghan 0-1, B.Hickey 0-1. Mayo - P.Burke, P.Coyne, K.Mortimer, D.Heaney, A.Higgins, A.Roche, N.Connelly, D.Tiernan, D.Brady, C.McManaman, T.Mortimer, J.Gill, S.Carolan, B.Maloney, I.Horan. Subs - J.Nallen for Roche, K.McDonald for Gill, M.McNicholas for Tiernan, R.Connelly for K.Mortimer, S.Fitzmaurice for McManamon.

Tipperary - P.Ryan, B.Hahessy, N.Kelly, D.Byrne, L.England, K.Mulryan, W.Morrisey, E.Hanrahan, S.Maher, P.Cahill, F.O'Callaghan, D.O'Brien, P.Lambert, D.Browne, B.Hickey. Subs - N.Fitzgerald for Maher, M.Spillane for O'Brien.



(Tiobraid Árann) in the 4th Round Bank of Ireland Football Qualifiers at Cusack Park, Ennis



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# **TOP SCORERS • TOP SCORERS**

# McDonnell moves impressively to the top

Steven McDonnell has impressively taken over the top spot in the nation-wide chart of leading marksmen for the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland qualifiers after his scoring tour-de-force last Sunday at Dr. Hyde Park.

His impressive 3-4
for Armagh in their
win over Limerick has
earned him a
commanding lead of ten
points over his closest
rival, Declan Browne
(Tipperary), who cannot
now add to his tally.
McDonnell's return is
also the top individual
match total so far this

qualifiers.

However, he is not the first footballer to hit three goals in

season in the

Steven McDonnell

(Ard Mhacha) -

with 4-19

Top scorer so far

the series. Ciarán McManus lost no time in achieving that feat in Offaly's first round win over London at Tullamore. However, he did not record a single point in that game.

Although Browne lost the

top of the chart role last week, he is still assured of holding down the leading ranking as far as the match averages review is concerned. He has a superb 10.5 points to his credit from a return of 1-18 in only two games in the series.

Holding down second place is McDonnell with 7.75 points a game, just fractionally ahead of Frankie Dolan (Roscommon).

Frankie Dolan (Ros Comáin) -Joint second with 0-21

THE LEADING SCORERS IN THE ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIERS (SCORES IN THE PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS NOT INCLUDED) ARE: Score Games **Average** Declan Browne (Tipperary) 1-18 10.5. Frankie Dolan (Roscommon) 0-21 3 7.0 Adrian Sweeney (Donegal) 0-20 6.66 16 Colm Quinn (Offaly) 0-16 3 5.33. Raymond Gallagher (Fermanagh) 1-13 5.33. Ciarán McManus (Offaly) 4.66 12 Dermot McCabe (Cavan) 0-12 2 6.0 Paul Finlay (Monaghan) 0-10 2 5.0 Stephen McDermott (Donegal)





# Cúinne na nÓg

## Tráth na gCeist

- Who was presented with the Allianz Football League trophy at the end of the final at Croke Park last April?
- Name the Offaly footballer who announced his retirement from inter-county competitions earlier this month.
- 3. Dublin beat Louth earlier this month in a Leinster minor football semi-final replay at An Uaimh. Where was the drawn game played?
- 4. Who refereed the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland senior football qualifier between Donegal and Tipperary at Croke Park recently?
- 5. What is the official name of the ground where Roscommon beat Offaly after extra time in the last

round of the All-Ireland senior football qualifiers?

- 6. Name the manager of the Kildare senior football team.
- Galway's win over Mayo in the Connacht minor football final earlier this month earned them a second successive provincial title in the grade. True or false?
- 8. What was Galway's winning margin over Mayo in the Connacht senior football final early this month—three, four or five points.
- Shane Lennon was in sharpshooting form with what county in this year's Leinster minor football championship?
- 10. Who won the All-Ireland "B" hurling final between Roscommon and Wicklow earlier this month?

## Champions All in 2003

A number of important titles have been won already in football in 2003. Test your memory in this exercise featuring some of the earlier winners.

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- 3. Ulster minor football champions.
- All-Ireland Colleges' senior football champions.
- 5. O'Byrne Cup winners.

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referee in 2001.
I have been on the
inter-county panel
since 1994.
I am from
Clonakilty.



## Find The Player

If each of the seven clues below is answered correctly the first letter in each answer will spell out the name of a prominent inter-county footballer.

All the questions relate to football.

- 1. Surname of Meath's left full back against Fermanagh in the All-Ireland qualifier.....
- 2. Laois lost the final of this national competition earlier this year.....
- Beaten by Roscommon by a late, late goal in the All-Ireland qualifier......
- 6. Colm Quinn has been prominent with this county this year.....
- 7. Christian name of Munnelly, the young Laois forward.....

4. Ward. 5.Leitrim. 6. Offaly. 7. Ross. And the player in question is M. Lawlor, of Laois. Cahampions All in 2003: 1. Longford. 2. N.U.I., Galway. 3.Tyrone. 4. St.Patrick's, Maghera. 5. Kildare. Who M. IV: Michael Collins (Cork). Freegrai Trach na gCeist: I. Peter Canavan (Tyrone). J. Vinny Claffey (Offaly). 3. An Usimh. 4. Pat Fox (Westmeath), 5. Cusack Park in Mullingar. 6. Padraig Molan. 7. True. 8. Four points. 9. Louth. 10. Wicklow. Find The Player: I. Murphy. J. League. 3. Antrim.

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