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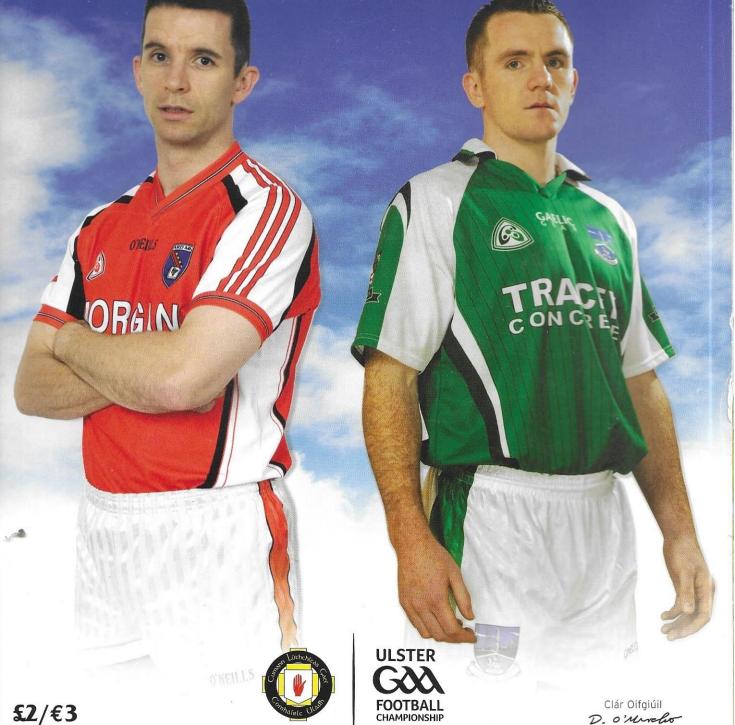
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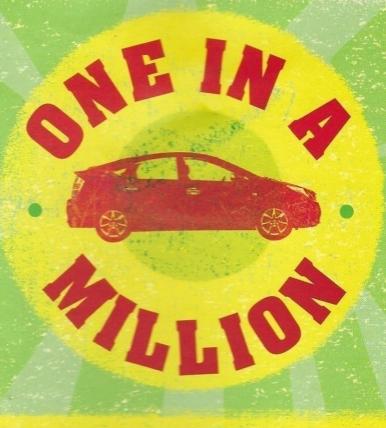
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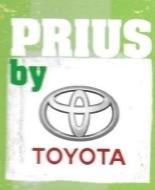




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Ulster GAA Football Championship Finals



Sunday 20th July 2008 at St Tiernachs Park, Clones

Ulster GAA Minor Football Championship Muineachán v Tír Eoghain

Throw in 12,00pm

Referee:

John Joe Cleary (Doíre)

Standby:

Leo Smyth (An Dún)

Linesman:

Martin McErlane (Doíre)

Sideline Official:

Jimmy Galligan (An Cabhán)

Ulster GAA Senior Football Championship Ard Mhacha v Fear Manach

Throw in 2.00pm

Referee:

Jimmy White (Dún na nGall)

Standby: Joe McQuillan (An Cabhán)

Linesman: Robert O'Donnell (Dún na nGall)

Sideline Official: Stephen McNamee (Tír Eoghain) Design & Print Lairdesign

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Clar an Lae

- 11.45 Muineachán amach ar an bPairc
- Tir Eoghain amach ar an bPairc
- 12.00 Tus an Cluiche: Muineachán v Tír Eoghain
- 12.32 Half Time
- 12.42 Start of Second Half
- 113.114 End of Minor Game
- Presentation of Fr Murray Cup by Leas Uachtaran, Aogan O Fearghail
- 13.20 St Michaels Band
- Presentation of Dún na nGall, 1983 USFC Champions
- 13.39 Ard Mhacha amach ar an bPairc
- 13.42 Fear Manach amach ar an bPairc
- 13.52 Paráid
- 19.58 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 14.00 Tus an Cluiche: Ard Mhacha v Fear Manach
- 144.37 Half Time
- 14.39 Cumann na mBunscol Exhibition
- 14.52 Start of Second Half
- 15.31 Emd of Senior Game
- 15.34 Presentation of Anglo Celt Cup by Uachtaran, Tomas Ó Dalaigh

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Presidents Foreword







Fáilte romhaibh go léir go dtí Pairc Naoifa Thiarnaigh do Cluichí Ceannais Peil Uladh 2008.

On behalf of Comhairle Uladh, I extend a very warm welcome to the players, team management and supporters of the two participating counties in our 2008 Ulster Senior Football Championship Final, namely Ard Mhacha and Fear Manach to today's games in St Tiernach's Park, Clones.

We have had a tremendous championship in Ulster this year. The competitiveness of our games is unrivalled and all counties have serious aspirations of defeating any of the other eight counties on any given day. Ard Mhacha have become a familiar face to Ulster Final day in the last decade as they have annexed six titles since 1999. They defeated An Cabhán and neighbours, An Dún on the way to this year's decider with a team that successfully blends new players with some of Ireland's best established championship stalwarts. Fear Manach have deservedly gained their place in this year's final with fine victories over Muineachán and Doire as they go in search of that elusive first Anglo Celt. They have added hugely to this year's championship with a style of football and an enthusiasm which have captured the imagination of Fermanagh people and others. at home and abroad.

I also make special mention to the minor teams from Muineachán and Tír Eoghain who will meet in today's Ulster Minor Football Championship Final. Tír Eoghain are the reigning champions Muineachán last collected the Fr Murray Curback in 1945.

As part of a new initiative, we welcome back Dún na nGall Silver Jubilee team of 1983, includes many who became household name in the GAA and contributed in many ways and Association in the intervening years.

The Ulster GAA is delighted to be back in St Tiernach's Park with our biggest Football Championship fixture for the 2008 season. Thanks as always to everyone involved in St Tiernach's Park for the presentation of the grounds and their work and co-operation.

I would like to thank all of our match officials for the important roles they continue to plathroughout these championships and also supportive role in the running of our competitional throughout the year.

Finally, we take the opportunity at today's to pay a warm Ulster GAA tribute to Rev Eleo Ennis, one of the great stalwarts of collegaelic games in Ulster over so many decadhave no doubt that he will receive a warmfrom today's attendance for his exceptional commitment, in an entirely voluntary call facets of CLG.

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Junes Wooday

Tomas O'Dalaigh Uachtaráin Comhairle Uladh C.L.G





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Na Reiteoiri

The men in the middle





John Joe Cleary (Doíre)

John Joe is a member of St Malachy's Castledawson club and he played senior football for the club for 15 years.

He is married to Patricia. He has been refereeing since 1994. He joined the Provincial panel in 2001 and has officiated at Minor Football League, Minor Football Championship, Ulster Club and Dr McKenna Cup games.

He refereed the 2006 Derry SFC Final. This is his first time to take charge of an Ulster Minor Football Championship Final.



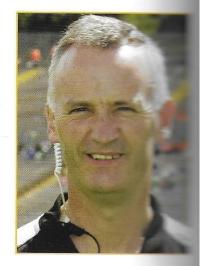
Jimmy White (Dún na nGall)

Jimmy is a member of the Killybegs club and has been refereeing for approximately 10 years. Jimmy has a long history with the G.A.A and has played in 7 senior county finals with his beloved Killybegs, winning 5 including 3 as Player/Manager.

He was also manager of the Donegal County Minor team that won both the Ulster Minor League and Championship in 1985 and was a selector on the 1987 Donegal Under 21 All-Ireland winning team. Since taking up refereeing Jimmy has been in charge of championship finals in the county at all age levels including 4 Senior finals.

Among the provincial finals he has refereed are the Ulster Minor League and Championship finals of 2000, the Ulster Under 21 Final of 2001 and the Ulster club Finals in 2003 and 2007.

He has been taking charge of National League games since 2002 as well as Connacht and Leinster championship campaigns.



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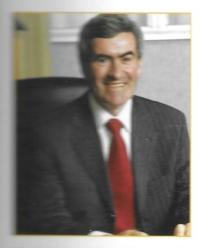
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As the first sponsor of the Minor Hurling and Football Championships, ESB's primary motive is to help, in a highly pragmatic way, the development of our national games at youth level. We are very pleased that this sponsorship is clearly assisting in encouraging and harnessing the skill, talent and energy of so many young players throughout Ireland. Of course we also look forward to seeing many of today's participants graduate to their counties' senior panels in the coming years.

ESB and the GAA are organisations that share a long history, deeply rooted in the community. They both continuously seek to preserve standards of excellence – the GAA for its players and members, and ESB for its 2 million customers. ESB believes it makes perfect sense to

support an organisation with such strong connections in rural and urban Ireland.

In this sponsorship, we are united in pursuing a similar ambition - the inclusion of our youth in sport that brings personal fulfilment and confidence and develops a shared sense of belonging in our society.

It is a privilege to see these young men present us with such quality football. On behalf of ESB, I wish them all well and, after today's game is over, may they long carry with them the memory of the great and unique experience of playing in an ESB Ulster Minor Football Final.

Padraig McManus Chief Executive, ESB

St Michael's Scout Band

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and the Celtic Centre, Boston, Shea Stadium and Gaelic Park, New York and Parkhead, Glasgow.

However, there is no place like playing before the thousands of ecstatic supporters of Ulster teams during the Ulster Championship. There is an excitement and tension during these games that is not experienced anywhere else and which the band feels proud to be part of.

We are indebted to the Ulster Council for providing us with the opportunities to play at their fixtures and for giving us the gateway to performing in Croke Park, where this year we played at the National League Final and will be playing at both a hurling and football All Ireland semi-final in August.

We hope you enjoy our performance today.











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Minor Final Preview

By Ronan Scott GaelicLife





Those who expected a rematch of last year's Ulster Minor Final between Derry and Tyrone were shocked to discover that Monaghan knocked Niall Conway's Oak Leaf team out of the competition a fortnight ago. However, it may not be that big a shock when you consider the progress that Monaghan football has made during the six years since their last Ulster final appearance.

At the turn of the century secondary school pupils in Cavan, Donegal and Monaghan were offered an extra year to stay on and study which meant that MacRory cup footballers in the other six counties were no longer a year older than their counterparts from the likes of Monaghan. This levelling of the playing field was borne out last year when St Macartans Monaghan reached the MacRory Cup final. Monaghan Vocational Schools proved that they too have progressed when they won the Ulster title this year. although they did miss out on All-Ireland glory when Cork edged them out in the Final.

At the start of this year's minor championship campaign the big talk was around Kieran Hughes being Monaghan's key man. However, manager Bernie Murray has stated on a number of occasions that the strength of this team has been their hard work. Hughes may have popped over six points, three from frees against Derry but he was not alone as Aaron McCarey, Christopher McGuinness and Peter Dooney all registered scores that day.

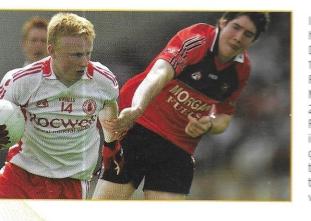
However, they will face their toughest test against Tyrone today. The Red Hands produce not only talented footballers, but players with strong character every year because of the underage coaching structures that are in place in the county. As a result Tyrone never wilt under pressure and the years when they have failed to reach the final are only the result of being beaten by a side who are equally as resolute, such as the Down minors in 2005 who stayed in touch with the Red Hands and beat them with a late goal.

In 15 years, the only team Tyrone have lost an Ulster final to is Derry, in 2000 and 2002. Since 1992 they have won seven Minor Finals. The last time they played Monaghan in the final was in 2001, which happens to be the Farney county's last appearance in the provincial decider, and a game they lost 2-13 to 0-13. On that evidence one might sway towards choosing Tyrone as the victors. However, nothing is clear

cut in minor football, even when the Red Hands are concerned.

In their semi-final Tyrone had to fend off Cavan's resurgence late in the second half. Raymond Munroe's team were leading 1-6 to 0-3 at the end of the first half and were expected to go on and win easily. However, Cavan came back all the stronger and, with ten minutes to go, there were two points between the teams. When Kevin Tierney's goal gave Cavan the lead the scene was set for one of the best comeback victories of the Minor Championship. But even with 14 men Tyrone don't know when they are beaten. Paddy McNeice levelled the game and Kyle Coney regained the lead for Tyrone before getting sent off. Ronan Tierney then put two points between the sides and the current champions earned their place in the final.

Today sees the culmination of another cracking minor championship. The competition never fails to excite and entertain and the only downside is that more people don't take the time to follow minor football because it truly is the most passionate example of the modern game. This year's final will not disappoint either as a stubborn and brilliant Tyrone side takes on the up and coming Monaghan footballers. Few can say confidently who will win, but there is a sneaking suspicion that Monaghan will have more hunger on the day and after beating Derry, could cause yet another upset.









Muineachán

Monaghan



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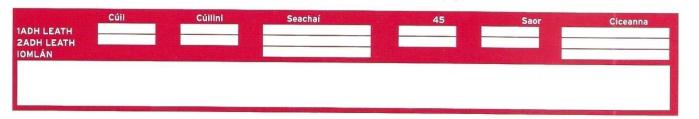






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- 21. Sean Murphy, Cabhán a'Chaortainn 22. Mickey Slane, An Charraig Mhór 23. Ryan McKenna, An Eagláis
- 24. Brian Kelly, An Chorra Chríochach











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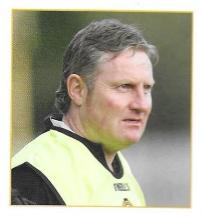


A Word From the Top - Minor

Bernie Murray







It is a great honour for me to manage Monaghan in this year's Ulster Minor final against Tyrone. It brings back memories of Monaghan's last victory in the Ulster Senior Championship – the 1988 defeat of Tyrone here in Clones. That day, Raymond Munroe and myself were on opposite teams. Today we

renew our rivalry as managers of our respective teams. Raymond, Cathal McAnenly and Roger Keenan are tremendous ambassadors for the game at under age level in Ulster.

Tyrone, as always, will be excellently prepared and very skilful and we, in Monaghan, have tremendous respect for Tyrone football particularly at minor level. Today is a special day for the Monaghan players, their families, and particularly their coaches at club and schools level who have developed and nurtured their talent through their formative years.

I would also like to acknowledge the help, assistance and support I have received from Declan Flanagan (Liaison Officer), Enda Galligan (Medic), Mickey McKenna (Kitman) and the Monaghan County Board. Monaghan, however, would not be in this Ulster final without the expert analysis and tactical expertise of Paul Curran and the fantastic coaching of Paul O'Connor - undoubtedly the finest coach I've ever had the pleasure to work with.

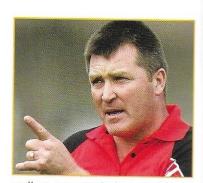
I am expecting a quality game of football played in the correct spirit, between two talented young teams. We feel we are really well prepared for the battle ahead and I believe the confidence we have gained from our victories over Fermanagh and Derry will ensure a famous victory for Monaghan football. We've waited for a victory at Minor level since 1945 (63 years is too long). The waiting is over!!!!

Raymond Munroe

In our third year in charge it is an absolute privilege to be involved in the Ulster Minor final for the second year in succession. Having won the Ulster Final last year we were disappointed not to progress further in the All-Ireland competition and at least to get a run out on the hallowed turf of Croke Park.

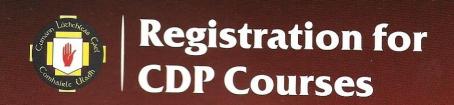
Having struggled to live up to the favourites tag in both our championship games to date we are well aware that today's game represents our biggest challenge so far. Monaghan disposed of Fermanagh and Derry to reach today's decider, two teams that Tyrone struggled to overcome in their league campaign. As a management team we would hold Monaghan in the highest regard and with home advantage we are expecting a titanic struggle. However, may the most deserving team win.

From our perspective we are delighted to be in the final and it is a testament to the tremendous character and resolve of this squad, many of whom have been going non stop since last September with their clubs, schools and vocational teams. Indeed it would be remiss not to acknowledge the contribution of parents, clubs, and schools for their support since last December. Again just to acknowledge the support from our back room team as



well as our county board with out whose help today would simply not be possible.

Finally, I would like to extend my best wishes to Fermanagh and Armagh who lock horns in today's senior encounter. Hopefully it will be a memorable game with both teams going on to represent Ulster with distinction in the All-Ireland series.



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Refereeing Matters in 2008

By Seamus Gardiner (Spokesman for Referees)

As a result of the League and the refereeing performances in it, the referees for the championship are chosen. This year a reduced number of referees will be appointed for the championship, so that each referee gets at least two games. Previously, those appointed for the final stages of the championship argued convincingly that to be in top form, like the players, they needed regular games. So the intention is that those appointed for the final stages will have refereed three or four championship games.

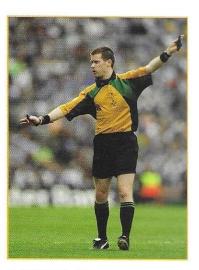
In-Service Refereeing Courses: The Referees' Committee is committed to improving the standard of referees within the counties because from this pool, the inter county referees are progressed. Previously each county provided its own courses for club referees. These varied in standard and quality. Over the past number of months an In-Service course was presented countrywide to serving referees. The course was designed by members of the Referee Tutor Workgroup and delivered by over 40 National Tutors on a county and divisional basis. To gain certification the referee had to attend and participate in a 4 hour course which was held over two sessions, satisfactorily complete a written test on the rules of the games and present themselves for a physical fitness assessment. The course was delivered in each of the 32 counties and 1706 referees have been awarded certification.

Fussy Refereeing

Sometimes commentators. analysts and spectators use the phrase 'fussy refereeing' to describe a referee's performance. Clarification, when it is given, seems to mean the referee blew too often and the game suffered as a result. The first question is did the referee blow for fouls that were not fouls? Probably not. If this isn't the reason for the criticism then he penalised fouls when some feel he should have allowed play to continue. A referee does have leeway not to blow for a foul if advantage will accrue to the player fouled. Rules 4.37 & 5.29 "When a team commits an aggressive/technical foul, the referee may allow play to continue if he considers it to be to the advantage of the offended team. Once he allows play to continue, he may not subsequently award a free for that foul. He shall apply the relevant penalty". It's not always clear-cut and much depends on the judgement of the referee. Not giving the free does not prevent him from dealing subsequently with the player who fouled. But if the ball does not go out of play it's not always easy for the referee to take such action.

Scoring a point with the hand/s:

There is a bit of confusion among supporters who are annoyed if a referee doesn't allow such a point. Rule 3.1: "A player on the team attacking a goal and who is in possession of the ball may not score a point with his open hand (s), but may score a point by fisting a point".



A Referee's Prayer: I conclude with the Referee's Prayer that was given to me and I had never seen it before, the

author unknown:

Before we take the field we pray Save us from abuse today. Save us from disgruntled fans. From bottles, toilet rolls and cans. Give my legs the speed to keep the pace. For the middle of the park is a lonely place. When the game is over if disaster looms, Guide us safely to the Dressing Rooms. Protect my linesmen true and tall. Let their eyes be sharp for "off the ball". To the lads in the dugout seething and fumin', Remember lads we're only human. Protect my umpires with their coats so bright. Let their greens be green and their whites be white. Let their eye and their vision be straight and true Let their errors, if any, be small and few. To all our friends on the Sunday Game Don't always on us pronounce the blame. And when at last our time is o'er. And we're waiting at St. Peter's door. He'll say "come in lads" with eyes full of glee, "For your hell was on earth, you're the Referee."





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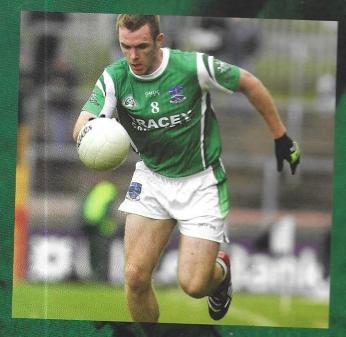
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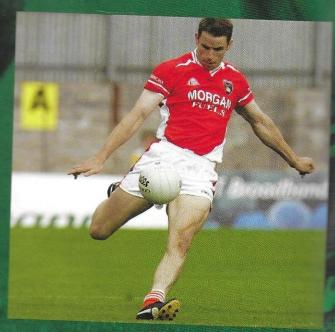
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Belfast Cúchulainns





On 26th June, a Scottish under 16 Shinty select travelled to Stormont to play the Belfast based cross community Hurling Team the Belfast Cúchulainns in a challenge match. The Cúchulainns are a post-primary cross-community inter-school hurling team of 20 all of whom are under the age of 16. The players are from the following schools:

- · Corpus Christi College
- St. Patrick's College Bearnageeha
- · Belfast Boys Model School
- · Ashfield Boys School.

The team has been in existence for just over two years and have participated in a range of events, which included travelling to Scotland in 2007 to play Scotland in an international Shinty Match. The children in the team represent both the Catholic and Protestant traditions and live in North, West and East Belfast. The Cúchulainns were also invited to Aras an Uachtarain on the 9th of July and received an audience with the President of Ireland Her Excellency Mary McAleese.

The Belfast Cúchulainns are also currently touring the USA and left on Friday 18th July for a twelve-day tour led by Director of Coaching and Games Dr. Eugene Young. Currently the British and Irish Consulates in New York are hosting the team before travelling to Washington for a tour of Capital Hill and a challenge match against the Washington Gaels. The

Cúchulainns will complete the tour in Philadelphia by competing in the GAA Continental Youth Championship representing the city of Belfast and the province of Ulster. GAA President Nickey Brennan is enthusiastic about the tour: "To see the Cúhulainns taking part in the CYC games in Philadelphia is particularly satisfying and I wish them a most enjoyable trip. I have no doubt that they will make new friends during the period of the games, and that they will have a lifetime of memories when they return home."

Tom Daly President of Ulster GAA added: "I am delighted that Ulster GAA is involved in developing this flagship project which merges the two main cultural traditions of Ulster together embracing both respect and diversity. We in the GAA see great value in strengthening our links with the Scottish Shinty Association, which has an important east west dimension that will benefit Ulster GAA in the development of Hurling".

Danny Murphy Director of Ulster GAA, highlighted that the Cúchulainns are the first of several cross community hurling teams, which the Ulster GAA plan to establish over the next year. "Hurling is the indigenous game of Ireland and we can trace its roots back into iniquity, it is directly linked into some of the great stories of Cúchulainn.

Already we have had great interest from other schools in urban areas who are willing to establish teams similar to the Cúchulainns and we envisage our first cross-community Hurling competition taking place in 2009. Additionally we hope to select an Ulster All-Star U-16 Hurling Team from this competition to play an international match against a Scottish Shinty select on an annual basis".

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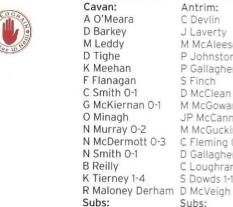
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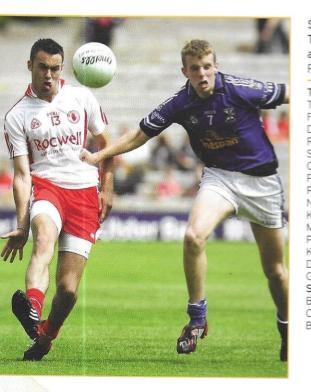
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J Farrell	R Ormsby
C McGuinness 0-1	M McAleer
A McCarey 0-5	T Corrigan 2-0
P O'Callaghan	J O'Brien
Subs:	Subs:
P Dooney	D McCusker
C Hughes 1-1	K Connor
G Connors	

2-0

Sunday 1st June: Derry 4-10 Donegal 2-12 at MacCumhaill Park Ref: Gavin Corrigan (Down)

Donegal: S O'Gara A Warnock **B** Lyons T McKinley C McWilliams E Doherty C Dillon J Lacey P McNelis T Brady G Burke C Gallagher N Forester A McFadden C O'Boyle O Doherty 0-1 M O'Connor 1-0 D Curran 0-1 E McGuckin 1-1 D McLaughlin 0-1 L Moore 0-3 S Corcoran B Heron O Ward 0-4 A Kerrigan 0-1 D Molloy 0-5 G McGeehan 1-2 N Kelly N McFeely 1-3 K McFadden 1-0 Subs: Subs: M McCormick R McLaughlin N Bradle L McNern D Dillon P McGonigle A Mullan M McEniff 1-0 M Quinn



Sunday 8th June: Tyrone 0-16 Down 0-14 at Healy Park Ref: Martin McErlane (Derry)

Tyrone: I Harney McQuaid O Gorman R Pickering McCrory Teague Harte 0-1 Keenan McKenna 0-2 Mossey 0-1 M Donnelly 0-1 McNeice 0-4 Coney 0-2 McNulty 0-1 O Neill 0-2 Subs: S Kelly Corvin	P McPolin C Harrison 0-1 J Brannigan 0-1 B O Reilly 0-5 P Devlin 0-3 R Brady 0-2 Subs: R McGarry
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Sunday 15th June: Cavan 0-14 Armagh 1-4 at Kingspan Breffni Park Ref: Leo Smyth (Down)

Cavan:	Armagh:
A O'Meara	C Toman
D Barkey	C McKendry
M Leddy	D Markey
D Tighe	B McKenna
K Meehan	D McKenna
F Flanagan	A Duffy
C Smith 0-1	J Grimley
G McKiernan 0-3	J Donnelly 0-1
O Minagh O-1	S Sheridan
N Murray 0-4	R Grugan 0-3
N McDermott 0-3	T Donnelly
N Smith	E McVerry
B Reilly	G McParlandK
Tierney 0-1	O McKeever
R Maloney Derham	R Tasker 1-0
Subs:	Subs:
C McClarey 0-1	S Lavery
M Kelly	J McCarron
S Cooney	K McVarry
	S Campbell

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Sunday 29th June: Tyrone 1-11 Cavan 1-9 at St Tiernach's Park, Clones Ref: Ciaran Branagan (Down)

Tyrone: Cavan: T Harney A O'Meara F McQuaid D Barkey B McGarvey M Leddy R Pickering D Tighe S McCrory K Meehan G Teague F Flanagan P Harte 0-1 C Smith C. Girvan G McKiernan N McKenna 0-1 O Minagh K Mossey N Murray N McDermott 0-3 M Donnelly P McNiece 0-3 N Smith K Coney 1-2 C McClarey D McNulty 0-1 K Tierney 1-1 C O Neill 0-2 Subs: Subs: R Tierney 0-1 P Leddy 0-2 M Rodgers B Reilly 0-1 M Kelly 0-1

Saturday 5th July: Monaghan 1-14 Derry 1-09 at Healy Park, Omagh Ref: Gregory Walsh (Antrim)

Monaghan: Derry: E McArdle A Warnock M Reilly B Lyons C Farrell C McWilliams S Dooney B Doyle D Farrell T Brady P Boyle G Burke C Walsh N Forrester M Connolly M McCormick K Duffy M Quinn D Malone E McGuckin K Hughes 0-6 L Moore 1-4 P Dooney 1-2 A Mullan 0-1 C McGuinness 0-3 G O'Neill 0-1 A McCarey 0-2 G McGeehan 0-2 R Maloney-Derham P O'Callaghan 0-1 N McFeely 0-1 Subs: Subs: P O'Hara C Dillon J Farrell C O'Boyle B Heron N Bradley D McVey

Roll of Honour:

Armagh (11) Cavan (5) Derry (12) Donegal (5) Down (10) Monaghan (3) Tyrone (20)

Antrim (8)







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'07	Tyrone 0-10 Derry 1-06
'06	Donegal 2-09 Antrim 1-05
	Armagh O-11 Down O-10
	Tyrone O-11 Down O-11
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	Derry 0-12 Tyrone 0-11
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'93	Tyrone 1-9 Derry 1-5
'92	Armagh 0-13 Donegal 0-9
'91	Donegal 1-10 Tyrone 1-9
'90	Derry 2-10 Down 2-8
'89	Derry 2-15 Armagh 2-3
	Tyrone 2-7 Cavan 0-3
'87	Down 1-7 Armagh 0-4

'86 Down 1-12 Derry 0-10

'85 Donegal 2-11 Cavan 1-3

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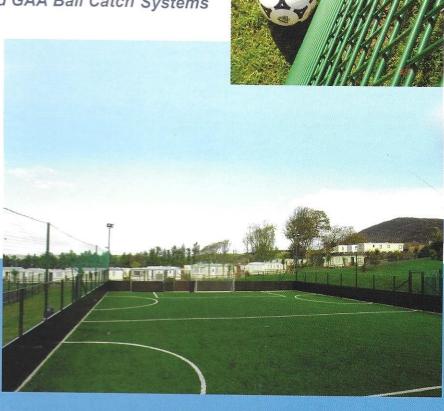




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Senior Final Preview

By Declan Boque GaelicLife

Watch out, keep an eye on your back, mind your purse, because the cynics are out for this final, big time. What's their problem? Well, let's start with Armagh; they have not been tested yet. Ronan Clarke had a handy time of it against a raw Dan McCartan. Down had their entire season built towards the Tyrone game and lost their way after it. Cavan were shocking poor and clueless in attack and on the line. There's more half-baked theories, but let's look at the opposition. They are negative. Their goals to date came from good fortune and the bounce of a ball. Thank God for tactical wizardry because they rely so heavily on it to win a game.

It's true, the football in Ulster can have a cynical nature at times, but it has nothing on the attitudes of those that have been cut from the race. To dismiss this game as nothing but a battle of two managers and their blackboard formulas, is to overlook many of the finest players of this era. Can the way Peter McDonnell and Malachy O'Rourke line out their teams account for the finishing of Steven McDonnell? The brutish strength and poise of Ronan Clarke? The technical excellence of Ryan McCluskey and the natural athleticism of Mark Murphy, Kieran Toner, Paul McGrane and Martin McGrath? - That quartet will make for compelling viewing in the middle of the field today.

Who is to say this won't be an Ulster final for the ages? Yet,

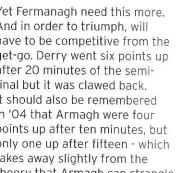
for that to happen, Fermanagh need to play fast and loose, land the jabs and get in Armagh's face. The traditional Armagh haymaker will come hurtling towards them, but if they can roll with them, and even duck the odd one, the game will take on a different complexion.

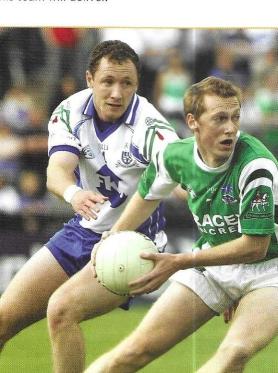
In the 2004 All-Ireland quarter-final, both teams cast the gameplans aside and produced a modern-day classic, trading point for point and living on their wits. Fermanagh were feted for their 'gay abandon' and won the hearts of all neutrals. Yet what has changed in the years since? Armagh appear to have become a more refined unit, tempering their love of the diagonal high ball into the square with some elusive play from the likes of Stephen Kernan, Fermanagh have also become more precise in what they do, but it is no different watching them from four years previous. Mark Little still plays as he has always done, covering back, picking the ball up from the half backs and running at defences. What once was 'gay abandon' has now become a 'defensive screen.' Lazy analysis has become accepted wisdom.

Armagh go in as deserved favourites, and there should be no doubt about this. They could legitimately claim to be the second-best team of the new millennium with their record in such a dangerous province. A second All-Ireland could yet come their way, and it would be richly deserved.

Yet Fermanagh need this more. And in order to triumph, will have to be competitive from the get-go. Derry went six points up after 20 minutes of the semifinal but it was clawed back. It should also be remembered in '04 that Armagh were four points up after ten minutes, but only one up after fifteen - which takes away slightly from the theory that Armagh can strangle this team.

Fermanagh need to start well, and continue with an enormous effort throughout, both mentally and tactically. On the roll of honours list they are nowhere to be seen, but they enter today's fixture as the equals of any team. Destiny awaits them, and this team will deliver.









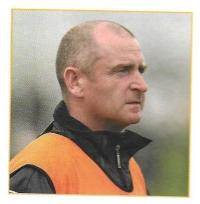
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A View from the Top - Senior

Peter McDonnell





We are happy to be back in Clones once again for this the Ulster Final of 2008. Armagh players and supporters are very aware of the challenge which faces us here today. Fermanagh are a very well organised team, they work hard for each other and have demonstrated tremendous tenacity and doggedness thus far. The scene is now set for what promises to be an exciting game.

St. Tiernach's Park is a tremendous venue for this Final

clash and I have every confidence in all the officials involved that the grounds will be in pristine condition and that the event will be well stewarded and officiated over. This year the Armagh panel has performed much better than would have been forecast earlier in the year. The players have responded well and have proven themselves to be a very committed group. Whether a performance capable of beating this very talented Fermanagh team can be achieved, remains to be seen, but it won't be for the lack of application.

As a group of players the present squad is very committed and hard working. They have responded well to the challenges presented to them and have been expertly prepared by Gary Mallon, Brendan Tierney, Denis Hollywood and Brian O'Kane. The background team and medical personnel have been exceptional and I would like to

use this opportunity to thank kit men Paddy McNamee and Sean Agnew, the medical team of Dr. Martin McConaghy and Dr. Phil Glasgow, Eoin O'Neill, Paul Carragher and Tony McParland. Also thanks to liaison officer Noel Murphy who is responsible for co-ordinating virtually everything we do.

The level and quality of provision currently in place would not be possible were it not for the tremendous commitment of the County Board, Morgan Fuels, all the other sponsors and the amazing contribution from the "Friends of Armagh". All those connected with Armagh football are working towards the same goal and are determined that the county teams can compete with the best. It only remains for me to wish the referee and match officials a good game and one which I hope proves to be a spectacle demonstrating all that is good in Gaelic Football.

Recreational GAA

The Ulster Council GAA recently ran a recreational Gaelic Football tournament as part of the hugely successful North Armagh Gaelic Week. Organised by Ulster Council Development Officer Diarmaid Marsden, and supported by the North Armagh Divisional Board, 7 local GAA clubs fielded teams in what was a unique Gaelic Football event.

Social or Recreational games are aimed at those club

members who don't feature for the senior or reserve teams. More than likely this group consists of over 35s but basically anyone (male or female) who wants to play for a bit of fun and enjoyment and wants to keep fit can participate.

Two major rules govern the playing of social football.

 Only incidental contact is permitted (basically no tackling) and 2. Players are restricted to two touches (solo and a bounce)

As Diarmaid Marsden points out "From the small pilot we ran in North Armagh it was staggering to see the level of interest in this format of gaelic football. Evidently the demand is there for dozens of members within clubs to play social games. It is a chance for non-active members to meet up with old friends in a fun and enjoyable environment

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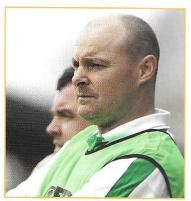
Malachy O'Rourke

It is a great honour and privilege to manage your own county team and an even greater honour to get the chance to prepare them for an Ulster final. We have been delighted with the way the boys have performed in the championship so far, but, we also realise that a number of counties have put in massive performances in semi-finals over the years and then have been left disappointed in the final - usually at the hands of Armagh, so we are under no illusions as to the task facing us in this showpiece occasion for Ulster football.

I would like to again pay tribute to a brilliant panel of players who have shown a tremendous attitude and dedication to training since the start of the year. They have reached today's final on merit and intend to make Armagh fight all the way if they are to regain the Anglo Celt Cup. I want to acknowledge too the

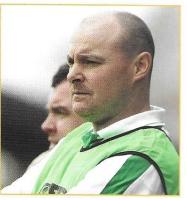
brilliant work carried out all year by Leo McBride, Paul Coyle and Peter Leonard, and indeed all of our medical and extended backroom team who are too numerous to mention by name. Suffice to say that without their expertise and advice we would not be here today.

We have been delighted with the help which we have received from our County Board, official team sponsor Tracey Concrete and the unwavering support from Club Éirne. It is these people who allow us to give our players the standard of support and preparation which they deserve, and this is a day when they should all feel rightly proud of their contribution. Our supporters have played a big part in our performances so far this year, and to hear the 'Fermanagh roar' like we did in Brewster Park and Healy Park, particularly when the team was under pressure, gives enormous strength to the



boys and we know today they will again be the 16th man.

To conclude, I wish all the officials involved in today's match the best of luck as I'm sure this is the highlight of their year also. To the Armagh management and players, who have been fine ambassadors for our province over the last number of years, I hope it is an open and competitive game which is a fitting climax to the 2008 Ulster Senior Football Championship.



Recreational GAA cont'd

and from a club point of view this can only be good. All it takes is a bit of organisation and in this regard we are grateful to the North Armagh Board for supplying referees for the games."

Overall 135 players contributed to this most successful event. There was also a fair sprinkling of talent on show in the form of ex county players Damian Horisk and Gerald Reid (Eire Og), Jim

McKerr (Clan na Gael) and Shane McConville and Kieran McNally (St Paul's).

It is the intention of the Ulster Council to promote this type of recreational or social GAA throughout the province.

If you require any more information please contact: Diarmaid Marsden (079 2052 8792) or dmarsden@ulster.gaa.ie





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In Praise of the Volunteer - A Special Occasion

Donall Ó Murchu





The second Sunday in June started in inclement conditions but the weather forecast was for a fine afternoon and this was welcomed by everyone heading to Healy Park in Omagh for the quarter final meeting between Tír Eoghain and An Dún.

It was a special occasion, made possible by a series of teams. The teams of players had worked diligently for this date for months aided and abetted by various management teams. Then there are the various event management teams and match official teams who all make the occasion possible. The story that follows is a tribute to all who work voluntarily for our Association directly or indirectly.

I arrived in the ground at 11.30am and within a half hour most of the stewarding team had arrived and everything was in place by 12.45pm. One of the stewards there was Leo O' Hanlon from Middletown and he assumed his duties on the terracing. He is at the centre of this story and reflects the enormous commitment made by many likeminded people to ensuring the safety of our patrons attending our great games and occasions.

The Minor Football Referee, Martin McErlane, arrived shortly after 1.00pm and he again typified the massive input made by our referees, linesmen and umpires. They too are an essential part of our Association and also of the story that was yet to unfold. Dr. Gareth Loughrey was also on duty that day as part of our voluntary doctor's team, who provide medical cover at our games Sunday after Sunday. They are also part of the GAA team that provides a special service to our Council and those attending our games. His role on this occasion was peripheral but was also important in his reassurance in the outcome.

The external volunteers are also important and this story was helped by the volunteer firemen of the Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service who were on duty because of the game in Healy Park. They assisted at the scene and provided the defibrillator that was an essential part of the outcome. It is great to see the positive use of this equipment that has typified the enormous input of Tyrone and its respect to the late Cormac McAnallen.

The final part was a member of our Association, Michael McNamee who witnessed this incident and took the time to acknowledge the tremendous work in this instance as he recorded his appreciation which is included as the final paragraph to this article. I could not add anything to his words.

The situation at the core of this story started shortly after the game had finished when Leo O'Hanlon was driving down the



Gortin Road. He had a massive heart attack and collapsed. His position was very critical when the firemen arrived with a new defibrillator, but the real hero was the umpire, Gerard McErlane, who had played his part in the minor game and who now deployed his skill as a paramedic to make full use of the equipment and his medical knowledge to resuscitate Leo.

The Ambulance Service transferred the patient to hospital and Leo O'Hanlon is alive today thanks to a team of volunteers and is making excellent progress. Well done to everyone involved as we are well served by all our volunteers.

Thanks also to Michael McNamee who wrote "I wish to pass on the highest regards to your Minor Referee and his officials on the quick response to the unfortunate accident on Sunday. I watched with amazement on how they handled a very difficult situation. They ultimately saved a life in this situation. I visit your site often. These guys deserve public praise. I was proud to be a GAA man on Sunday with what I saw. They were a credit to your organisation."



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Armagh Pen Pics

Paul McGrane





Age: 33
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 14st
Occ: Accountant

To be Captain of this current Armagh team is a great privilege. I believe it is a tremendous honour for my family and club, so I hope I show the respect that the position deserves. Armagh football has undergone a major transition in the past twelve months but the one stabling factor through all this is the pride that I feel for the orange jersey and the players who wear it alongside me.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank and pay tribute to Peter McDonnell and his backroom team Denis Hollywood, Gary Mallon, Brian O'Kane and Brendan Tierney.

Many seen taking on the role of managing this Armagh squad following the success it had obtained under Joe Kernan as a potential poisoned chalice, but Peter and his team took this all on board without fear or hesitation and the outcome is a place in today's Ulster Final.

My thanks also to an outstanding medical and backroom team, the County Board, and team sponsor Hugh Morgan, all of whom play a vital role in any success the county achieve.

Finally, to the game itself I hope ourselves and Fermanagh will give all the supporters both present here today in the splendid surrounding of St. Tiernach's Park, Clones and those watching from further afield, a spectacle that will be remembered for all that is good about this wonderful game of ours.

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Ronan Austin

Age: 24
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 12.5st
Occ: Production
Operative



Ronan Clarke

Age: 25 Height: 6' 1" Weight: 13.5st Occ: Sales Executive



Martin Ferris

Age: 20 Height: 5' 10" Weight: 12.5st Occ: Bricklayer



Francie Bellew

Age: 32 Height: 6' Weight: 14st Occ: Builder



Paul Courtney

Age: 22 Height: 6' Weight: 13.5st Occ: Student



Stefan Forker

Age: 19 Height: 6'1" Weight: 13st Occ: Student



Conor Clarke

Age: 23 Height: 5' 9" Weight: 12st Occ: Joiner



Brendan Donaghy

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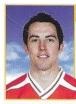


Paul Hearty

Age: 30 Height: 6' 4" Weight: 16st Occ: Publican

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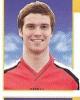




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Paul Kernan

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Stephen Kernan

Age: 25 Height: 5' 11" Weight: 13st Occ: Financial Advisor

Oisin McConville

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Tony Kernan

Age: 22 Height: 6' Weight: 12.5st

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Height: 5'11"

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Occ:



Greg Loughran

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Steven McDonnell

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Manager



Ciaran McKeever

Age: 24 Height: 5' 11" Weight: 13.5st Occ: Plasterer



Patrick McKeever

Age: 28 Height: 6' Weight: 13.5st Occ: Account Manager



David McKenna

Age: 20 Height: 6'5" Weight: 13.5st Occ: Student



Ciaran McKinney

Age: 27 Height: 5' 10" Weight: 12.5st Occ: Teacher



Enda McNulty

Age: 31 Height: 5'10" 10.5st Weight: Occ: Sports Consultant



Andy Mallon

Age: Height: 5' 10" Weight: 12st Occ: Electrician



Brian Mallon

24 Age: Height: 5'9" Weight: 13st Occ: Financial Advisor



Finnian Moriarty

Age: 24 Height: 6' Weight: 13st Teacher Occ:



Gareth O'Neill

Age: 21 Height: 6'3" Weight: 14st Occ: Student



Aidan O'Rourke

31 Age: Height: 5' 11" Weight: 14st

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Martin O'Rourke

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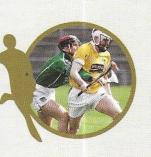
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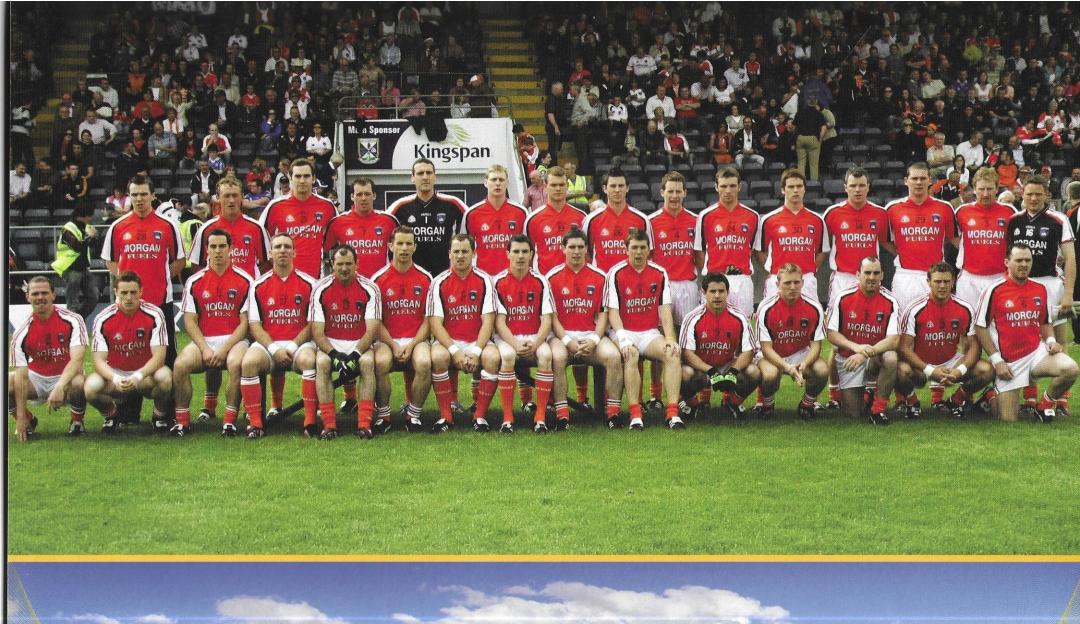












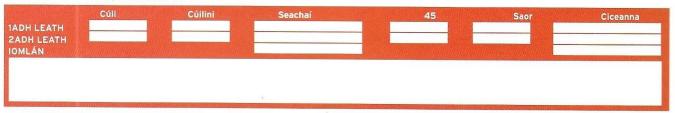
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30. Gareth O'Neill, Droim an Tí







Na Piarsigh Oga

Raonaithe Na Croise



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22. Shane McCabe, Beal Cú 23. Pat Cadden, Naomh Padraig 24. Barry Owens, An Tigh Mór

25. Jonathan McGurn, Doire Ó gCónaile 26, Matthew Keenan, Inis Ceathlinn 27. Ciaran Boyle, Atha Lún

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Elite Camp 2008

Tony Scullion, Football Development Officer



This year saw our 4th Annual Ulster Council Elite camp take place on the 30th June to the 2nd July in the Sports Science facilities of the University of Ulster, Jordanstown.

The camp brought together a total of 90 players in both Football and Hurling, forty five from each code which was made up of the most promising players from each of the 9 counties in Ulster.

Throughout the duration of the camp, the players benefited from the knowledge and expertise of some of the top coaches in today's game, while simultaneously gaining access to the world class facilities that are in the University.

The players were afforded the opportunity to improve their own knowledge in different areas which will ultimately enable them to improve their own game.

They worked on areas such as:

- Nutrition
- Hydration
- Fitness
- Speed
- Core Stability
- Flexibility
- Lifestyle Management
- Sports Psychology
- Movement Competencies
- · Leadership Skills
- Heart Rate Analysis

In addition, there were field sessions when players were assessed and then coached in a range of different skills based tasks, such as tackling, blocking, support play both on and off the ball, kicking and catching. They also took part in small sided and full sided games.

This year like the past, we invited a leading figure within the world of Gaelic Games to come and give a talk to the players. We had the pleasure of the company of Peter Canavan and he delivered a very inspirational speech to the players and on top of that finished off with a question and answer session in which he answered very openly and honestly.

Indicative of the effect that these camps have on our youth of today is provided when some of the past 'pupils' of the camp have gone on to represent their county at minor, U21 and even at Senior levels. Indeed, one of them, Michael Murphy from Donegal was reflecting recently on his own experiences in the camp.

"In 2005, I was selected on the Ulster Under 16 Elite Camp where I spent three days at Jordanstown accompanied by other Under 16 Gaelic Footballers from within the Province. It helped significantly in improving my game. The training was top class and the various tests done over the three days enabled me to see the areas of my game that needed improvement. I also benefited from talks given in areas such as nutrition and time management. I picked up tips on how to prepare for training and matches in a more professional manner".











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Fermanagh Pen Pics

Martin McGrath





Age: 26
Height: 6'1"
Weight: 14 st
Occ: Sales Rep

It is a great honour and a great privilege to be able to lead this Fermanagh team into the Ulster Championship Final today. It has taken a tremendous team



Chris Breen

Age: 24 Height: 6' Weight: 13 st Occ: Insurance



Ciaran Boyle

Age: 27
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 13.5 st
Occ: Software
Analyst



Declan Campbell

Age: 29 Height: 5'8" Height: 11.5 st Occ: Pharmacist



Shane Goan

Age: 27 Height: 5'11" Weight: 12 st Occ: Butcher effort to reach this stage and therefore I would like to pay homage to my teammates and also the management, medical and backroom staff.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank our sponsor Patsy Tracey (Tracey Concrete) who has supported us for the best part of twenty years. His generosity is much appreciated and we look forward to his continued support.

I would like to thank Club Éirne who work tirelessly to raise much needed funds. Their help and assistance gives us great encouragement. We have been very lucky this year to have an excellent training base situated at



Tom Brewster

Age: 30
Height: 6'
Weight: 13.5 st
Occ: Software
Engineer



Hugh Brady

Age: 24 Height: 5'11" Weight: 13.5 st Occ: Plumber



Shaun Doherty

Age: 24 Height: 6' Weight: 13.5 st Occ: Machine



Paul Johnston

Age: 23
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 11 st
Occ: Sports
Scientist

Lissan. The Lissan Committee and especially Joe McGurn deserve great credit for creating a sporting centre that we are all very proud of. I would like to thank Peter Carty, the Chairman of Fermanagh County Board and all his assisting officers for their endless support.

To all the GAA clubs in Fermanagh, I offer special thanks and especially to my own club, St. Joseph's, Ederney. Finally, on behalf of the panel and everyone involved, I would like to express gratitude to our families and our very loyal supporters who are a source of great inspiration. We hope that we can make you feel proud today by winning our first Ulster title.



Niall Bogue

Age: 23
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 13 st
Occ: Trainee
Solicitor



Patrick Cadden

Age: 21
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 11.5 st
Occ: Forklift
Driver



Ronan Gallagher

Age: 28
Height: 6' 4"
Weight: 15.5 st
Occ: Teacher



Raymond Johnston

Age: 30 Height: 5'10" Weight: 11 st Occ: Teacher

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Matthew Keenan

Age: 21 Height: 5'10" Weight: 13 st Occ: Estate Agent



Damien Kelly

Age: 23 Height: 6" Weight: 13 st Occ: Electrician



Shane Lyons

Age: 26 Height: 6" Weight: 14 st Occ: Personal Trainer



Shane McCabe

Age: 26
Height: 5'8"
Age: 11 st
Occ: Insurance



Ciaran McElroy

Age: 28 Height: 5'11" Weight: 12 st Occ: Teacher



Darren McQuaid

Age: 20 Height: 6' Weight: 13 st Occ: Student



Mark Murphy

Age: 25
Height: 6'
Weight: 15 st
Occ: Sales
Executive



James Sherry

Age:

Height: 6'3" Weight: 14.5 st Occ: Physiotherapist

24



Niall Keenan

Age: 27 Height: 5'11" Weight: 13.5 st Occ: Garda



Niall Leonard

Age: 22 Height: 5'11" Weight: 13 st Occ: Student



Eamon Maguire

Age: 24 Height: 5'10" Weight: 11 st Occ: Electrician



Ryan McCluskey

Age: 26 Height: 5'11" Weight: 13 st Occ: Teacher



Tommy McElroy

Age: 23
Height: 6'
Weight: 13 st
Occ: Accountant



Paddy Mohan

Age: 28
Height: 6'2"
Weight: 14 st
Occ: Services
Engineer



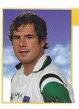
Declan O'Reilly

Age: 29 Height: 6' Weight: 12 st Occ: Fitter



Peter Sherry

Age: 25 Height: 5'11" Weight: 12 st Occ: SQE Officer



Ryan Keenan

Age: 24 Height: 5'8" Weight: 12.5 st Occ: Student



Mark Little

Age: 25 Height: 5'10" Weight: 11 st Occ: Builder



Liam McBarron

Age: 30 Height: 6'3" Weight: 14 st Occ: Teacher



Shane McDermott

Age: 29 Height: 6'1" Weight: 13 st Occ: Engineer



Jonathan McGurn

Age: 22 Height: 6'1" Weight: 14.5 st Occ: Quantity Surveyor



Fergal Murphy

Age: 21 Height: 6' Weight: 13 st Occ: Student



Barry Owens

Age: 26 Height: 6' Weight: 13 st Occ: Electrician



Paul Ward

Age: 24
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 11 st
Occ: Machine
Operator



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Remember The Game

By Matt Fitzpatrick





It is just over a quarter of a century since Fermanagh last contested the Ulster SFC final. It is in fact 26 years and oddly enough it was against today's opponents Armagh, who denied the Erne men of their first ever Ulster crown. Today they hope to rectify that position and gain revenge for that defeat by Armagh in St Tiernach's Park Clones on July 18th 1982.

For me it brings back brilliant memories of my native Fermanagh making it to the final and also sadness that they failed to achieve their goal of a first Ulster crown. While searching through my archives I found my notes on that final in 1982 and they made interesting reading as the memories came flooding back. Armagh were red hot favourites but they had to pull out all the stops and come from behind in the final fifteen minutes to win by 0-10 to 1-4.

As I remember it was not a classic final with over 50 fouls committed during the game but the closeness of the scoring saw an exciting affair. I remember the displays of Jim McKerr and Denis Stevenson in the Armagh full back line and Peter Rafferty at left half back who was the player of the match. Fran McMahon was a giant at midfield and his battle with Fermanagh's Peter McGinnity was one of the highlights of the game with the honours shared. While the Armagh attack was wasteful shooting 18 wides, it was the introduction of Joe Kernan at half time that turned the game

Armagh's way. In attack Dermot Dowling and John Corvan were hard workers. Fermanagh can look back and realise that with a little more luck they could have won the game. Ciaran Campbell was a giant at full back along with John Mohan and Niall Corrigan while Peter McGinnity was inspirational at midfield. But the attack lacked penetration with Arthur McCaffrey, Paul McKenna and substitute Gerry McElroy working hard.

Armagh started well and led by 0-3 to 0-0 after twenty minutes with two points from Dermot Dowling and one from Fran McMahon. It was the twenty second minute before Fermanagh registered their first score when Paul McKenna pointed. Points were exchanged between Paul McKenna and Frank McMahon and Peter McGinnity and Aidan Short as Armagh led by 0-5 to 0-3 at half time. Joe Kernan exploded into life with an Armagh point twelve minutes into the second half. Three minutes later the game really reached boiling point. Peter McGinnity, later to become Fermanagh's first All-Star soloed forty yards through the Armagh defence, sent to the net and the sides were level. With twenty minutes to go, it looked like Ulster football history was in the making when the brilliant McGinnity pointed a free and Fermanagh were in front for the first time. Those dreams were dashed with ten minutes remaining when John Corvan levelled and then Dermot Dowling shot Armagh ahead for

a lead they maintained to the end. John Corvan lobbed over another point and Fermanagh keeper Peter Greene denied Fran McMahon a goal when he brilliantly tipped his blistering shot over the bar for the last kick of the game. Armagh were champions for the seventh time and the third time in six years winning by 0-10 to 1-4.

Now these great rivals meet again today and Fermanagh hopes are high. Not being biased in any way but as a wearer of the Fermanagh green jersey well over half a century ago I am hoping for an Erne county win.

The teams in that final of 1982 were...

Armagh: Brian McAlinden, Denis Stevenson, Jim McKerr, Joe Murphy, Noel Marley, Paddy Moriarty, Peter Rafferty, Colm McKinstry (Capt), Fran McMahon (O-3), Dermot Dowling (O-3), Brian Hughes, Aidan Short (O-1), Sean Devlin, John Corvan (O-2) Mickey McDonald.
Subs: Joe Kernan (O-1) for M McDonald, Joey Donnelly for J Murphy; Peter Loughran for A Short.

Fermanagh: Peter Greene, Donal Fee, Ciaran Campbell, Niall Corrigan, John Mohan, Pat McCann, Michael Sheridan, Peter McGinnity (1-2), Philip Courtney, Arthur McCaffrey (Capt), Aiden Jones, Brendan O'Reilly, Paul McKenna (0-2), Dominic Corrigan, Arthur Mulligan. Subs: Gerry McElroy for A Mulligan; Kevin McPartland for B O'Reilly.



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Roll of Honour

Ulster Senior Finals 1888-2008

- *07 Tyrone 1-15 Monaghan 1-13 @ CL
- *06 Armagh 1-09 Donegal 0-09 @ CP
- "05 Armagh 2-8 Tyrone 0-14 @ CP (R: Armagh O-13 Tyrone O-11) @ CP
- *04 Armagh 3-15 Donegal 0-11 @ CP
- *03 Tyrone 1-17 Down 4-8 @ CL (R: Tyrone 0-23 Down 1-5) @ CL
- *02 Armagh 1-14 Donegal 1-10 @ CL
- '01 Tyrone 1-13 Cavan 1-11 @ CL
- *00 Armagh 1-12 Derry 1-11 @ CL
- 99 Armagh 3-12 Down 0-10 @ CL
- *98 Derry 1-7 Donegal 0-8 @ CL
- '97 Cavan 1-14 Derry 0-16 @ CL
- *96 Tyrone 1-9 Down 0-9 @ CL
- '95 Tyrone 2-13 Cavan 0-10 @ CL
- *94 Down 1-17 Tyrone 1-11 @ CL
- '93 Derry 0-8 Donegal 0-6 @ CL
- '92 Donegal 0-14 Derry 1-9 @ CL
- *91 Down 1-15 Donegal 0-10 @ CL
- '90 Donegal 0-15 Armagh 0-14 @ CL
- Tyrone O-11 Donegal O-11 @ CL (R: Tyrone 2-13 Donegal 0-7) @ CL
- '88 Monaghan 1-10 Tyrone 0-11 @ CL
- '87 Derry 0-11 Armagh 0-9 @ CL
- *86 Tyrone 1-11 Down 0-10 @ CL
- '85 Monaghan 2-9 Derry 0-8 @ CL
- '84 Tyrone 0-15 Armagh 1-7 @ CL
- '83 Donegal 1-14 Cavan 1-11@ CL
- '82 Armagh 0-10 Fermanagh 1-4 @ CL
- Down 3-12 Armagh 1-10 @ CL
- '80 Armagh 4-10 Tyrone 4-7 @ CL
- '79 Monaghan 1-15 Donegal O-11 @ CL
- '78 Down 2-' Cavan 2-12 @ CL
- Armagh 3-10 Derry 1-5 @ CL
- Derry 1-8 Cavan 1-8 @ CL (R: Derry 0-22 Cavan 1-16 AET) @ CL
- '75 Derry 1-16 Down 2-6 @ CL
- '74 Donegal 1-14 Down 2-11 @ CL (R: Donegal 3-9 Down 1-12) @ CL
- '73 Tyrone 3-13 Down 1-11 @ CL
- '72 Donegal 2-13 Tyrone 1-11 @ CL
- Down 4-15 Derry 4-11 @ BF '71
- '70 Derry 2-13 Antrim 1-12 @ CL
- '69 Cavan 2-13 Down 2-6 @ BF
- '68 Down 0-16 Cavan 1-8 @ BF
- Cavan 2-12 Down 0-8 @ CL
- '66 Down 1-7 Donegal O-8 @ BF '65 Down 3-5 Cavan 1-8 @ CL
- '64 Cavan 2-10 Down 1-10 @ BF
- '63 Down 2-11 Donegal 1-4 @ CN

- '62 Cavan 3-6 Down 0-5 @ BF
- '61 Down 2-10 Armagh 1-10 @ BF
- '60 Down 3-7 Cavan 1-8 @ CL
- '59 Down 2-16 Cavan 0-7 @ CL
- '58 Derry 1-11 Down 2-4 @ CL
- '57 Tyrone 1-9 Derry 0-10 @ CL
- '56 Tyrone 3-5 Cavan 0-4 @ CL
- '55 Cavan 0-11 Derry 0-8 @ CL
- '54 Cavan 2-10 Armagh 2-5 @ CL
- '53 Armagh 1-6 Cavan 0-5 @ BF
- '52 Cavan 1-8 Monaghan 0-8 @ CN
- '51 Antrim 1-7 Cavan 2-3 @ CL
- '50 Armagh 1-11 Cavan 1-7 @ CL
- '49 Cavan 1-7 Armagh 1-6 @ CL
- '48 Cavan 2-12 Antrim 2-4 @ CL
- '47 Cavan 3-4 Antrim 1-6 @ CL
- '46 Antrim 2-8 Cavan 1-7 @ CL
- '45 Cavan 4-10 Fermanagh 1-4 @ CL
- '44 Cavan 1-9 Monaghan 0-5 @ CL
- '43 Cavan 2-3 Monaghan 0-5 @ CV
- '42 Cavan 5-11 Down 1-3 @ DK
- '41 Cavan 3-9 Tyrone 0-5 @ AR
- '40 Cavan 4-10 Down 1-5 @ CV
- '39 Cavan v Armagh Abandoned @ CB (R: Cavan 2-3 Armagh 0-7 @ CP
- '38 Monaghan 2-5 Armagh 2-2 @ AR
- '37 Cavan 0-13 Armagh 0-3 @ CB
- '36 Cavan 1-7 Monaghan 0-7 @ CB
- '35 Cavan 2-6 Fermanagh 2-1 @ BTB
- '34 Cavan 3-8 Armagh 0-2 @ CB
- '33 Cavan 6-13 Tyrone 1-2 @ AR
- '32 Cavan 2-4 Armagh 0-2 @ MN
- '31 Cavan O-8 Armagh 2-1 @ DK
- '30 Monaghan 4-3 Cavan 1-5 @ CMC
- '29 Monaghan 1-4 Cavan 1-4 @ CV
- (R: Monaghan 1-10 Cavan 0-7 @ CMC)
- '28 Cavan 2-6 Armagh 1-4 @ CV
- '27 Monaghan 3-5 Armagh 2-5 @ AR
- '26 Cavan 5-3 Antrim 0-6 @ CV
- '25 Cavan 2-3 Antrim 3-0 @ MN (R: Cavan 3-6 Antrim 0-1 @ BTB)
- '24 Cavan 1-3 Monaghan 1-3 @ BTB (R: Cavan 2-3 Monaghan 1-3 @ BB)
- '23 Cavan 5-10 Monaghan 1-1 @ CV
- '22 Monaghan 2-3 Cavan 2-3 @ CL (R: Monaghan 3-4 Cavan 3-3 @ BTB)
- '21 Monaghan 2-2 Derry 0-1 @ CL
- '20 Cavan 4-6 Armagh 1-4 @ CH
- Cavan 5-6 Antrim 0-2 @ CI
- '18 Cavan 3-2 Antrim 0-0 @ BTB

- Monaghan 4-2 Armagh 0-4 @ CL
- Monaghan 3-1 Antrim 0-2 @ CL
- Cavan 3-2 Monaghan 2-5 @ BTB (R: Cavan 0-4 Monaghan 0-3 @ CL)
- Monaghan 2-4 Fermanagh 0-2 @ NB
- Antrim 2-1 Monaghan 1-2 @ NB 13
- Antrim 2-2 Armagh 0-1 @ CB 12
- '11 Antrim 2-8 Cavan 0-4
- 10 Antrim 3-4 Cavan 0-1 @ DK
- '09 Antrim 1-9 Cavan 0-5 @ CL
- '08 Antrim 1-8 Cavan 0-4 @ CL
- No Championship
- '06 Monaghan 2-10 Antrim 1-2 @ CI
- '05 Cavan 0-7 Monaghan 0-3 @ CL
- '04 Cavan 0-5 Armagh 0-5 @ AR (R: Cavan 0-5 Armagh 0-5 @ CV) (R: Cavan 0-8 Armagh 0-4 @ NB)
- '03 Armagh 2-2 Antrim 1-4 @ BF '02 Antrim 3-5 Armagh 2-5 @ BF
- '01 Antrim W.O. 1900 Antrim W.O.
- '99 No Championship
- '95 Cavan W.O.
- '92-'94 No Championship
- '91 Cavan Slashers (Cavan) v Armagh Harps (Armagh) Abandoned @ SM (R: Cavan 1-11 Armagh 0-0 @ SM)
- '90 Armagh Harps (Armagh) 2-8 Cookstown Owen Roe O'Neill's (Tyrone) 1-2 @ LB
- '89 No Championship
- '88 Inniskeen Grattans (Monaghan) 0-2 Maghera McGinns (Cavan) 0-2 (R: Monaghan 0-3 Cavan 0-1)

Roll of Honour:

Antrim (10)

Armagh (13)

Cavan (39)

Derry (7)

Donegal (5) Down (12)

Monaghan (14)

Tyrone (11)







Venue Key:

Armagh - AR

Croke Park - CP Clones - CL

Belfast - BF

Dundalk - DK Castleblaney - CB

Belturbet - BTB

Monaghan - MN C'macross - CMC

Newbliss - NB Smithboro - SM

Cootehill - CH Ballybay - BB Cavan - CV

Lisburn - LB



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Ulster Senior Football Championship 2008

Teams & Scorers



Sunday 18th May: Cavan 1-19 Antrim 1-14 at Casement Park Ref: Jimmy White (Donegal)

J Reilly M Hannon R Dunne M Brides **B** Watters A Forde

M Cahill 0-1 M McDonald 0-2 D Sheridan M Reilly 0-3 R Flanagan 0-2 C Mackey S Johnston 0-8 D McCabe 1-1 J O'Reilly 0-2 Subs: P Reilly L Mulvey

P Brady E O'Reilly

Antrim: S McGreevey K O'Boyle

A McClean J Loughrey T Scullion J Crozier S Kelly

A Gallagher M McCann T McCann 0-3 K Niblock 0-1 P Close

P Cunningham 0-4 CJ McGourty 1-4 C Close 0-1

Subs: M Magill 0-1 T O'Neill C Brady T Convery

Sunday 25th May: Fermanagh 2-8 Monaghan 0-10 at Brewster Park Ref: Derek Fahy (Longford)

Fermanagh: R Gallagher S Goan H Brady P Sherry D Kelly R McCluskey T McElroy M Murphy M McGrath 0-1 C McElroy 1-1 J Sherry M Little 0-1 E Maguire 0-1 L McBarron 1-0 R Keenan 0-3

Subs: S McCabe 0-1 M Keenan S McDermott

Monaghan: S Duffy D Morgan JP Mone D Mone D Freeman G McQuaid D McArdle E Lennon 0-1 D Clerkin C McManus 0-1 P Finlay 0-3 S Gollogly R Woods V Corey 0-1 T Freeman 0-3 Subs: C Hanratty 0-1 R Ronaghan D Hughes R Woods

Sunday 1st June: Derry 1-14 Donegal 1-12 at MacCumhaill Park Ref: M Duffy (Sligo)

Derry: J Deighan K McGuckin K McCloy F McEldowney G O'Kane N McCusker M McIver F Doherty J Diver M Lynch P Murphy E Muldoon 0-1 C Gilligan 0-2 P Bradlev 0-10 E Bradley 1-1 Subs: P Carton J Conway C Devlin

Donegal: P Durcan K Lacey N McGee E McGee F McGlynn B Monaghan 0-1 **B** Dunnion K Cassidy 0-1 N Gallagher C Toye M Hegarty R Kavanagh 0-2 M Murphy 1-1 C McFadden 0-6 D Walsh 0-1 Subs: B Roper K Rafferty

Sunday 8th June: Tyrone 2-8 Down 2-8 at Healy Park Ref: David Coldrick (Meath)

Tyrone: P McConnell R McMenamin J McMahon D McCaul D Harte C Gormley P Jordan C Holmes S Cavanagh 1-1 B Dooher 0-1 B McGuigan E McGinley M Penrose 0-1 C Cavanagh 0-2, 1f C McCullagh 1-2 Subs: K Hughes 0-1 D Carlin

Down: B McVeigh L Howard M Cole C Murney A Carr L Doyle 0-2, 2f D Rafferty D Gordon 0-2 J Lynch J Fegan R Murtagh D Hughes J Clarke R Sexton 0-1 B Coulter 1-0 Subs: P Murphy 0-1 A Rodgers 1-1 K McKernan

Saturday 14th June: Replay: Down 1-19 Tyrone 0-21 at Pairc Esler

Ref: Pat McEnaney (Monaghan)

Down: B McVeigh L Howard D McCartan P Murphy 0-1 A Carr 0-4 L Dovle 0-5 D Rafferty D Gordon 0-1 J Lynch A Rodgers 0-1 R Murtagh D Hughes 0-1 J Clarke 0-1 R Sexton B Coulter 1-3 Subs: Subs: P McCumiskey 0-1 K McKernan 0-1 S Kearney K McGuigan M McGee

J Colgan

J Clarke

Tyrone: J Devine R McMenamin Justin McMahon PJ Quinn D Harte C Gourley P Jordan 0-1 C Gormley Joe McMahon B Dooher R Mellon 0-1 C Cavanagh 0-4 M Penrose 0-1 S Cavanagh 0-4 C McCullagh 0-4 K Hughes P Donnelly T McGuigan 0-5

C Holmes

Sunday 15th June: Armagh 0-17 Cavan 0-13 at Kingspan Breffni Park Ref: David Coldrick (Meath)

Armagh: P Hearty A Mallon F Bellew F Moriarity C Vernon O-1 A O'Rourke C McKeever P McGrane 0-1 K Toner 0-1 A Kernan 0-2 S Kernan 0-3 M O'Rourke S McDonnell 0-6 R Clarke 0-2 P McKeever 0-1 Subs: T Kernan B Mallon

Cavan: J Reilly M Hannon R Dunne P O'Reilly **B** Watters A Forde M Cahill M McDonald M McKeever 0-1 M Reilly 0-1 R Flanagan C Mackey 0-2 S Johnston 0-6 D McCabe 0-3 J O'Reilly Subs: L Mulvey S Brady E O'Reilly M McDonald

D Sheridan

M McGee

T McGuigan

N Gormley

J McMahon

P McCumiskey 0-1

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Ulster Senior Football Championship 2008



Teams & Scorers Ct'd

Saturday 21st June: Fermanagh 1-11 Derry 1-9 at Healy Park

Ref: Syl Doyle (Wexford)

Fermanagh:
R Gallagher
S Goan
S McDermott
P Sherry
D Kelly 0-1
R McCluskey
T McElroy 0-1
M McGrath 0-1
M Murphy
C McElroy
J Sherry
R Keenan 0-4
E Maguire 0-2
L McBarron 0-1
M Little 0-1
Subs:
S McCabe
B Owens 1-0

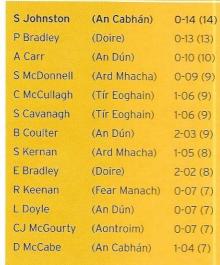
Derry: B Gillis K McGuckin K McCloy F McEldowney G O'Kane

N McCusker M McIver 0-1 J Conway J Diver M Lynch P Murphy E Muldoon C Gilligan 0-2 Paddy Bradley 0-3 E Bradley 1-1 Subs:

M McGoldrick Patsy Bradley D O'Reilly R Wilkinson 0-2 Sunday 29th June: Armagh 1-12 Down O-11 at St Tiernach's Park Ref: Joe McQuillan (Cavan)

Armagh:	Down:
P Hearty	B McVeigh
A Mallon	L Howard
F Bellew	D McCartan
F Moriarty	D Rafferty
B Donaghy 0-1	A Carr 0-6
A O'Rourke 0-1	L Doyle
C McKeever	P Murphy
P McGrane	D Gordon 0-1
K Toner	J Colgan 0-1
C Vernon	R Murtagh 0-1
P McKeever 0-1	A Rodgers
M O'Rourke	D Hughes 0-1
S McDonnell 0-3	J Clarke
R Clarke 0-3	B Coulter
S Kernan 1-2	R Sexton
Subs:	Subs:
A Kernan	K McKernan
B Mallon 0-1	P McComiskey 0-1
T Kernan	J McGovern
P Duffy	S Kearney

Ulster SFC 2008 Top Scorers







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'07	Thomas Freeman (Monaghan) 1-15	'86	
'06	Oisin McConville (Armagh) 3-25	'85	
'05	Stephen O'Neill (Tyrone) 1-26		
104	Colm McFadden (Donegal) & Oisin	'84	
	McConville (Armagh) 1-13	'83	
'03	Peter Canavan (Tyrone) 1-38	'82	
102	Rory Gallagher (Fermanagh) 4-12		
'01	Rory Gallagher (Fermanagh) 0-16	'81	
100	Rory Gallagher (Fermanagh) 1-19		
199	Oisin McConville (Armagh) 3-18	'80	
'98	Joe Brolly(Derry) & Tony Boyle		
	(Donegal) 0-13	'79	
197	Joe Brolly (Derry) 3-15	'78	
'96	Peter Canavan (Tyrone) 3-13	'77	
'95	Peter Canavan (Tyrone) 0-20	'76	
"94	Peter Canavan (Tyrone) 1-17	'75	
'93	John Toner (Armagh) 0-23	'74	
*92	Enda Gormley (Derry) 0-25	'73	
*91	Ross Carr (Down) 0-21	'72	
'90	Manus Boyle (Donegal) 1-16	'71	
*89	Martin McHugh (Donegal) 2-16	'70	
'88	Stephen Conway (Tyrone) 0-17	'69	
"87	Enda Gormley (Derry) 0-20		

'86	Brendan Mason (Down) 3-17
'85	Eamon McEneaney (Monaghan) 3-16
'84	Frank McGuigan (Tyrone) 0-19
'83	Derek McDonnell (Cavan) 4-11
'82	John Corvan (Armagh) & Peter
	McGinnity (Fermanagh) 1-9
'81	Eamon McEneaney (Monaghan)
	& Brendan McGovern (Down) 1-17
'80	Patsy Hetherington (Tyrone) &
	Patsy Kerlin (Tyrone) 4-3
'79	Kieran Finlay (Monaghan) 1-18
'78	Donal Donohoe (Cavan) 0-12
'77	Brendan Kelly (Derry) 2-10
'76	Steve Duggan (Cavan) 1-22
'75	Willie Walsh (Down) 3-8
'74	Seamus Bonnar (Donegal) 6-4
'73	Patsy Hetherington (Tyrone) 0-1
'72	Joe Winston (Donegal) 0-26
' 71	Sean O'Connell (Derry) 1-18
'70	Andy McCallin (Antrim) 3-15
'69	Sean Woods (Monaghan) & Gene
	Cusack (Cavan) 3-7

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'68	Paddy Doherty (Down) 1-17
'67	Charlie Gallagher (Cavan) 0-19
'66	PT Treacy (Fermanagh) 4-13
'65	Charlie Gallagher (Cavan) 2-29
'64	Charlie Gallagher (Cavan) 0-19
'63	Harry Laverty (Donegal) 2-10
'62	Seamus McMahon (Cavan) &
	Frankie Donnelly (Tyrone) 0-11
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'57	Frankie Donnelly (Tyrone) 1-14
'56	Frankie Donnelly (Tyrone) &
	Victor Sherlock (Cavan) 2-7
'55	Peter Donohoe (Cavan) 0-14
'54	Brian Gallagher (Cavan) 0-14
'53	Art O'Hagan (Armagh) 3-4
'52	John Joe Cassidy (Cavan) 1-7
'51	Joe McCallin (Antrim) 3-14
'50	Peter Donohoe (Cavan) 3-18
'49	Peter Donohoe (Cavan) 4-10
'48	Peter Donohoe (Cavan) 3-12



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# Alcohol & Substance Abuse Prevention Programme

ASAP Programme







The Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) Programme was established with the aim of reducing harm caused by alcohol and drugs throughout the Association. The joint venture between the GAA and the Health Service Executive aims to help clubs prevent problems occurring in the first instance, and respond effectively if they do occur.

In order to make the ASAP initiative a success, a network of people is being established at all levels of the Association. This network includes a National Co-ordinator, 4 Provincial Officers, 32 County officers and an officer in each club in the Country.

To date most Ulster counties have appointed ASAP officers who, in addition to raising awareness about the programme, have organised information sessions with community based alcohol and drug agencies. As a result of their efforts, many clubs now too have officers in place who are

driving the programme at local level. To date over 900 Club officers have been appointed across the Country. If your club has still to appoint, remember the officer doesn't need to be an expert in this area - simply someone who is interested in doing something to prevent problems arising in the Club.

To support the rollout of the ASAP programme numerous resources have been developed, including the ASAP manual, the "Club Matters" DVD (available from your County ASAP officer) and the ASAP website www.gaa.ie/asap. These resources are invaluable in educating and assisting members on alcohol and drug issues directly related to the GAA environment.

To respond effectively to drug and alcohol related problems, the programme aims to ensure that every club develops and adopts a Drug and Alcohol Policy that is appropriate to their locality. The steps necessary to do this are detailed in the ASAP manual and a Policy template is available on the ASAP website and the Ulster Council GAA website; www.ulster.gaa.ie.

Should your Club require the assistance of professional advice in this area, there are numerous agencies based in your community who can offer educational support, counselling and referral services.

32 County footballers and hurlers have used their profile to bring the programme to our younger members. They have recorded a range of messages around the issue, which will be available on the website, via email and mobile phone and will be played on the big screen on match days in Croke Park.

For further information on the ASAP programme contact your County ASAP Officer, Provincial Officer Aileen Tohill atohill@ulster.gaa.ie or National Co-ordinator Brendan Murphy bmurphy@clg.gaa.ie



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# Colm 'Barney' Mallon R.I.P

Article supplied by James O'Hagan







It was with great sadness that the members of Grange GFC and the local community witnessed the recent passing of playing member Colm 'Barney' Mallon. After a relatively short illness, Colm passed away on Thursday 12th June 2008 with his family by his bedside.

Colm played for the Grange from Under 12 working his way through all the underage levels and ended up holding a key position within the senior forward line. A dedicated and cheerful team player, Colm always made a significant contribution on the field, both at games and during training. Colm had the ability to compete with his great turn of speed and he was certainly not shy of taking a tackle or two.

He will be sadly missed around the Grange by all and particularly the players who have lost not only a key team player, but a good friend. The one consolation we have is that we can be assured that he is in a better place now. We can also take inspiration from Colm's example as a person and as a player.

The Grange committee and members of the whole GAA family in Co Armagh would like to offer their deepest sympathy to all the members of Colm's extended family who can be assured of our continued support in these coming weeks and months.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

#### 'Colm'

Our Colm was a quiet wee man He was a little star He was loved by all who knew him Friends and family near and far Now Colm's love was football And the reds of Liverpool For when the reds were winning He thought that they were cool

But when a Sunday came around And to the green shirt he would change Lace up the boots he wore with pride And run out for the Grange

So proud he was of the Orange shirt And the boy's from the Co Armagh For we know that when you are looking down The boy's they will go far

Now Colm liked a party He sure enjoyed the craic You'd find him around the Shambles For he'd call in with Joe Mc

They say God takes the young and good Well this we know is true For he sure did take the very best The day that he took you

(Poem by Rita Reynolds)



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# Valuing Volunteers

#### Greg Kelly, Fermanagh County Secretary

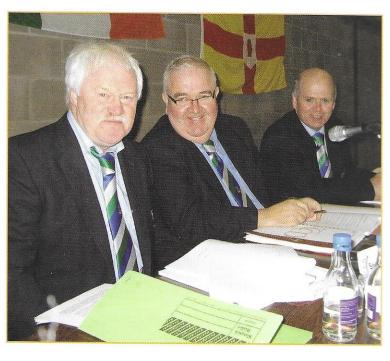
Greg Kelly is a semi-retired science teacher, and like many others commenced his involvement in the GAA by playing underage football for his club Enniskillen Gaels before moving to play in the senior ranks.

1976 was the highlight of his playing career where he won a Fermanagh Senior Football medal. In 1977 Greg moved to Belfast and joined the St. Pauls club, during his eight years there he won a number of junior and intermediate football titles. In 1985 he returned to Enniskillen Gaels where he played junior football for a number of years.

On his return to Enniskillen Gaels in 1985 Greg's administrative abilities were recognised where he was appointed as the clubs Youth Officer, a position he held for nine years. As youth officer Greg had overseen the development of the underage teams in the club. In 1994 he was elected to the position of Enniskillen Gaels Club Secretary, a position he held until 2004.

This was a very busy period in the Enniskillen Gaels club, where work was undertaken on the redevelopment of the club grounds, Brewster Park and the club also won six consecutive senior football championships.

As Enniskillen Gaels youth officer, Greg was also a member of the Fermanagh Youth



Committee where he became Fermanagh Youth Secretary. In 2004, Greg was appointed at Assistant Secretary to the Fermanagh county board, the following year he followed his late father Seamus as County Secretary. Over the years he has also served on many subc ommittees of the county board.

The role of County Secretary is a very demanding and time consuming role, Greg works away quietly and without any fuss, ensuring the running of the GAA in Fermanagh continues to develop and run smoothly.

It is hard to calculate the time and efforts that Greg puts in to his position of County Secretary, whether it is attending the many meetings each month, both in Fermanagh and all around the country, preparing minutes of meetings, dealing with the day to day running of the GAA in Fermanagh and the many other roles and responsibilities that the position entails.

2008 has been another busy year for Greg, where he has taken on the role of Secretary of the Enniskillen Ladies and he has been helping his club prepare Brewster Park for the reopening and even lining out the pitch.

Greg is an outstanding GAA volunteer both for his club and county, working away quietly without seeking any praise or reward for his hard efforts.









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# **Cup History**

The story behind the prize, Aogán O Fearghall, Comhairle Uladh





Fr. Murray Cup (Minor).

No other major field sport affords under age players the profile that Cumann Luthchleas Gael gives to its minor players.

Playing before the major senior games raises the profiles of up and coming players. Today the minor footballers from Monaghan and Tyrone take centre stage to compete for the Fr. Murray cup. The Leinster minor footballers also compete for the Fr. Murray cup, different cup but named after the same man.

Fr. Larry Murray was an Armagh born priest of the Archdiocese of Armagh serving in Armagh and Louth. He was a Gael of great energy. Along with his priestly duties he spent his life promoting Gaelic games and Gaelic language. He established Irish colleges in the Donegal Gaeltacht which still thrive today. He had a special interest in promoting under age football and he was an under age mentor in every parish that he served. He presented two cups, one to the Leinster Council and one to the Ulster Council for their minor championships. 'Value the youth, they are our strength'.

**The Anglo Celt Cup** (Senior). The cup was first played for back in 1925.

Like all other aspects of Irish society, the 1910's and early 20's were difficult times for the GAA. From 1918, Ulster Council games were harassed by the military with a resultant drop in attendance and income. In 1919 each county had to contribute 10 pounds to the Ulster Council to keep things afloat. Trouble intensified across the country in 1920. At the Ulster Council convention on 17 April 1920, the British army forced their way into convention and arrested Secretary O'Duffy. The Ulster Championship continued however, and the final was played at Cootehill on 8 August, the referee was Dan Hogan, brother of Michael Hogan who was shot in Croke Park the following year and after whom the Hogan Stand is named.

The 1921 final was fixed for Derry on 22 January 1922, between Monaghan and Derry. By this date the border had been set up under the terms of the treaty. The Monaghan team were stopped at Dromore, Tyrone, on route to Derry. Several weapons were discovered and ten players imprisoned. The Championships for the next few years were seriously disrupted and the Council's financial affairs

a suitable trophy for the Senior Football Championship. From 1923 until 1925 no donor emerged. In 1925 John F O'Hanlon, editor of the Anglo Celt newspaper in Cavan donated a cup to the Council. The new cup gave a much needed boost to the GAA and helped stabilise the competition. O'Hanlon was a staunch GAA man and held senior positions on Cavan Co Board and had been Vice President of Ulster Council. Cavan were the first county to receive the Anglo Celt defeating Antrim in the final played in Monaghan town. In 1962 the original cup was replaced and the new Anglo Celt was won by Down in 1963.

The Anglo Celt cup and Ulster GAA have forged a strong brand and the premier football competition has grown from shaky foundations to a towering competition today.



# Adh Mór Good luck

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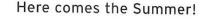
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Armagh	Date	Venue	Camp Co-ordinator	Contact No.	Туре
County Coordinator: Denis Hollywood T: 077 8753 4630 E: denis.hollywood@games.ga For 1 Child £40 For 2 Children or more £35	21st July 28 th July a.ie	Granemore Silverbridge Ballymacnab Pearse Og	Charlie Doyle Anthony Mallie Gerard Gribben Garry Davidson	028 3087 8818 028 3086 1237 077 2425 9353 077 6827 4521	F F F



Fermanagh	Date	Venue	Camp Co-ordinator	Contact No.	Туре
County Coordinator : Tom Boyle	21st July	Derrylin/Teemore	Seamus Leavey	028 6774 8358	F/H
A: County Office, Brewster Park		Kinawley/Belnaleck	John Doherty Andrew Maguire Joanne McBrien	028 6774 8092 077 5996 4599 079 1206 5419	F/H
T: 077 3909 4751 E: fermanagh@gaa.ie		Lisnaskea/ Maguiresbridge	Paul Jackman Jimmy Logan	077 0231 3475 028 6638 5763	F/H
£30 per Child	28th July	Devenish/ Erne Gaels	Gerard O'Brien Declan McGloin	028 6865 9732 028 6865 8898	F/H
		Belcoo St. Joseph's	Gerry McAloon Justin Maguire	028 6638 6546	. F/H
	4th Aug.	Roslea/ Aughadrumsee	Colum Connolly Ciaran Carey	077 6415 8319 028 6775 1536	F/H F/H
		St Patricks/ Newtownbutler	Sean Óg Cadden Cathal McLoughlin	028 6772 1924 028 6773 8391	F/H
		Tempo/ Brookeborough	Paul McCann	028 6773 7011 028 8954 1241	F/H
	11th Aug	Dorrygonnally	Liam Wray	028 8953 1721	1012000



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Tyrone	Date	Venue	Camp Co-ordinator	Contact No.	Туре
3rd Child €45		Monaghan	Mary Croakin	086 1986891	F/H
2nd Child €55	11th Aug	Magheracloone	Colin Malone	086 3515950	F/H
For 1 Child €65	4411	Monaghan County	Mary Croarkin	086 1986891	ВН
E: oconnorpaul@hotmail.com	5th Aug	Cloghan	Colin Malone	086 3515950	GF
T: 086 8374827		Emyvale	Colin Malone	086 3515950	F/H
Paul O'Connor	28th July	Clones	Mary Croarkin	086 1986891	F/H
County Coordinator:	21st July	Scotstown	Colin Malon	086 3515950	F/H
Monaghan	Date	Venue	Camp Co-ordinator	Contact No.	Type
		Irvinestown/Coa	Philip McCaffery	077 8793 7939	F/H

Anita Rasdale

Peter McAvoy

Martin McGuigan

Derrygonnelly

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3rd Child €45		Monaghan	Mary Croakin	086 1986891	F/H	
Tyrone	Date	Venue	Camp Co-ordinator	Contact No.	Туре	
County Coordinator: Michael McCullough A: 1A James St, Omagh T: 078 94642984 E: hdo@tyrone.gaa.ie For 1 Child £30 For 2 Children £55 For 3 Children £75	21st July 28th July 4th Aug 11th Aug	Eglish Kildress Augher Carrickmore Dromore Errigal Ciaran Ardboe Edendork	Chrissy Docherty Maria Lagan Brendan Quigley Chrissy Docherty Brendan Quigley Maria Lagan Chrissy Docherty Chrissy Docherty	079 6711 1128 077 5993 4120 077 2474 5755 079 6711 1128 077 2474 5755 077 5993 4120 079 6711 1128 079 6711 1128	H H H H H H H H	

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#### Game 2



#### Fermanagh Colours

- 1. Conor Kelly, St Michael's PS Antrim
- 2. Emmett McNabb, St Dympna's PS Dromore Tyrone
- 3. Callum McDonald, St Mary's PS Newcastle Down
- 4. Kyle Long, St Mura's NS Tooban Donegal
- 5. Conall Lee, St Mary's PS Bellaghy Derry
- 6. Niall Clarke, St Mary's PS Teemore Fermanagh
- 7. Stephen Fee, St Mary's PS Tempo Fermanagh
- 8. Sean O Cathmhaoil, Urbleshanny NS Scotstown Monaghan
- 9. Shane Fitzpatrick, Belturbet NS Co. Cavan

#### Fermanagh Colours

- 1. Kevin Tomany, Annyalla NS Castleblaney Monaghan
- 2. Niall McRabhartaigh, Gaelscoil na gCeithri Maistri Donegal
- 3. Neil McKenna, St Patrick's PS Moneymore Derry
- 4. Ronan Delargy, St Mary's PS Portglenone Antrim
- 5. Conor Devine, Recarson PS Tyrone
- 6. Bartek Szubert, St Tierney's PS Roslea Fermanagh
- 7. Darren Walls, Killygarry NS Cavan
- 8. Ronan Treacy, St Patrick's PS Mullanaskea Fermanagh
- 9. Ceilum Doherty, St Malachy's PS Kilcoo Down

#### Armagh Colours

- 1. Declan Ferry, S.N. Loch An luir Donegal
- 2. Odhrán Eastwood, Our Lady of Lourdes Park Lodge Antrim 2. Pauric Hayes, St Mary's PS Glaslough Monaghan
- 3. Oisin Carnegie, St Joseph's PS Newry Down
- 4. Michael McEvoy, Holy Family PS Magherafelt Derry
- 5. Enda McGarrity, Sta Joseph's PS Galbally Tyrone
- 6. Caoimhin O'Reilly, Butlersbridge NS Cavan
- 7. Conor Grimley, St Joseph's PS Madden Armagh
- 8. Tiarnan O'Bromaile, Gael Scoil Ultain Monaghan
- 9. Donall Austin, St Malachy's PS Camlough Armagh

#### Armagh Colours

- 1. Lee Fitzsimons, St Malachy's PS Kilclief Down
- 3. Conor McAweeney, Currin NS Cavan
- 4. Ruairi O'Connell, St Columban's PS Kilrea Derry
- 5. Shea Hoey, St Patrick's PS Cullyhanna Armagh
- 6. Kevin McKenna, Our Lady's & St Mochua's PS Derrynoose Armagh
- 7. Enda McCormack, Kilmacrennan NS Donegal
- 8. Patrick Sheeky, St Patrick's PS Ardboe Tyrone
- 9. Jake McAteer, Cregan PS Randalstown Antrim



The late Mary McGovern pictured with current Fermanagh player Damien Kelly.

# Mary McGovern RIP

Former Fermanagh and Ulster Cumann na mBunscol Secretary Mary McGovern died earlier this year. A native of Belcoo in County Fermanagh Mary was a dedicated member and officer of Cumann na mBunscol for nearly 30 years. She was Fermanagh secretary for 25 years and Ulster Secretary for 12 years.

Mary always held true to the values of Cumann na mBunscol promoting our games to everyone and ensuring that every child was involved and enjoyed

participation in GAA activities. Numerous members of the current and past Fermanagh squads were introduced to the GAA by Mary but more importantly numerous others have become involved in their clubs through playing or at committee level because of the enthusiasm and love she showed in the promotion of the GAA.

Sympathy is extended to Mary's husband Francie. her sisters, brother and her extended family circle and many friends.



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# Donegal heroes of 1983

By Peter Campbell, Sports Editor, Donegal Democrat



Today, we get the opportunity to honour the Ulster Senior Football Champions of twenty five years ago, Donegal. The 24th July 1983 was one of the better days for Donegal football. Their third Ulster final victory was secured with Seamus Bonnar making history picking up his third medal. Later in the year Martin McHugh would become the county's third All-Star while Brian McEniff was manager for the third time also.

Donegal had lost in the first round in the previous two years - both to Armagh. They faced the Orchard men again in the first round in MacCumhaill Park but this time the story was different, thanks to one of the goals of the year from Charlie Mulgrew early in the first half.

They had won their first All-Ireland U-21 title the previous October and from that winning team, 10 were included in the senior panel for 1983. There was

Back row, (L to R), Martin Griffin, Joyce McMullan, Seamus Bonnar, Noel McCole, Brendan Dunleavy, Kieran Keeney, Des Newton, Padraig Carr. Front row, (L to R), Martin McHugh, Michael Carr, Anthony Molloy, Michael Lafferty, Paul McGettigan, Tommy McDermott, Donal Reid.

also a good deal of experience with the aforementioned Seamus Bonnar involved in the 1972 and '74 wins while Michael Lafferty, Noel McCole, Michael Carr, Paul McGettigan and Kieran Keeney were still involved. The return to the Donegal colours of Paul McGettigan after a sojourn in Galway, was an important piece of the jigsaw assembled by Brian McEniff. McGettigan was to partner Under 21 star, Anthony Molloy at centre field which allowed Michael Lafferty and Martin Griffin to return to their normal positions of centre-back and fullback respectively.

The journey began with a 1-10 to 0-7 victory over Armagh in MacCumhaill Park. Apart from Mulgrew's memorable goal, Martin McHugh hit 0-5. The game was to be the only game for young corner back, Matt Gallagher, who picked up a hand injury before the semi-final and appendicitis ruled him out of the Ulster final and All-Ireland semi-final.

Gallagher's absence saw
McEniff draft in Des Newton,
a Roscommon man domiciled
in Inishowen, and he proved
a worthy replacement. In the
semi-final against Monaghan
in Irvinestown, Donegal - also
without the injured Martin
McHugh - prevailed by 1-14 to
1-9 with corner-back Tommy
McDermott getting in on the
scoring as he followed the
roving Nudie Hughes. The game
also saw Charlie Mulgrew pick
up a broken jaw while Joyce

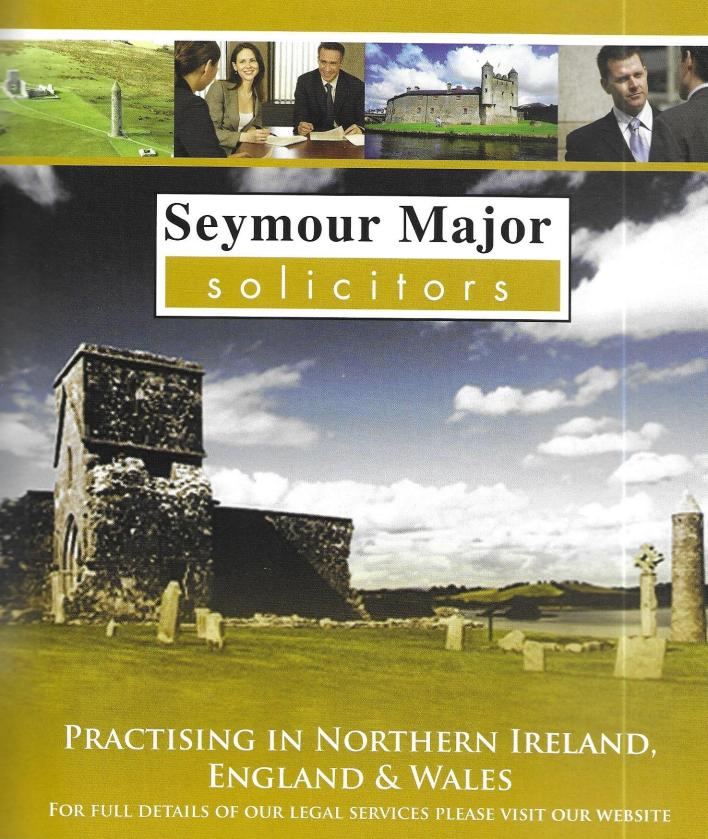
McMullan was top scorer with 1-3.

The Kilcar man put in a storming display, notching 0-7 in the 1-14 to 1-11 victory, but just like the Donegal club final of 1980, his clubmate Michael Carr won the man of the match award. McHugh ended up in hospital after the game with a punctured lung. Cavan got off to a great start with a Derek McDonnell goal but the final hinged on two penalties won by Donegal. The first won by Kieran Keeney late in the first half saw Seamus Bonnar convert, while he elected to point the second minutes from the end when a Cavan player was penalised for picking the ball off the ground. Donegal went on to represent Ulster in the All-Ireland semifinal on the day that Eamon Coghlan won gold for Ireland in the 1500m at the World Championships in Helsinki.

Donegal: Noel McCole; Des Newton, Martin Griffin, Tommy McDermott; Brendan Dunleavy, Michael Lafferty (C), Michael Carr; Anthony Molloy, Paul McGettigan; Joyce McMullan, Martin McHugh, Donal Reid; Padraig Carr, Seamus Bonnar, Kieran Keeney. Sub: Frank Rushe for McHugh (Inj)

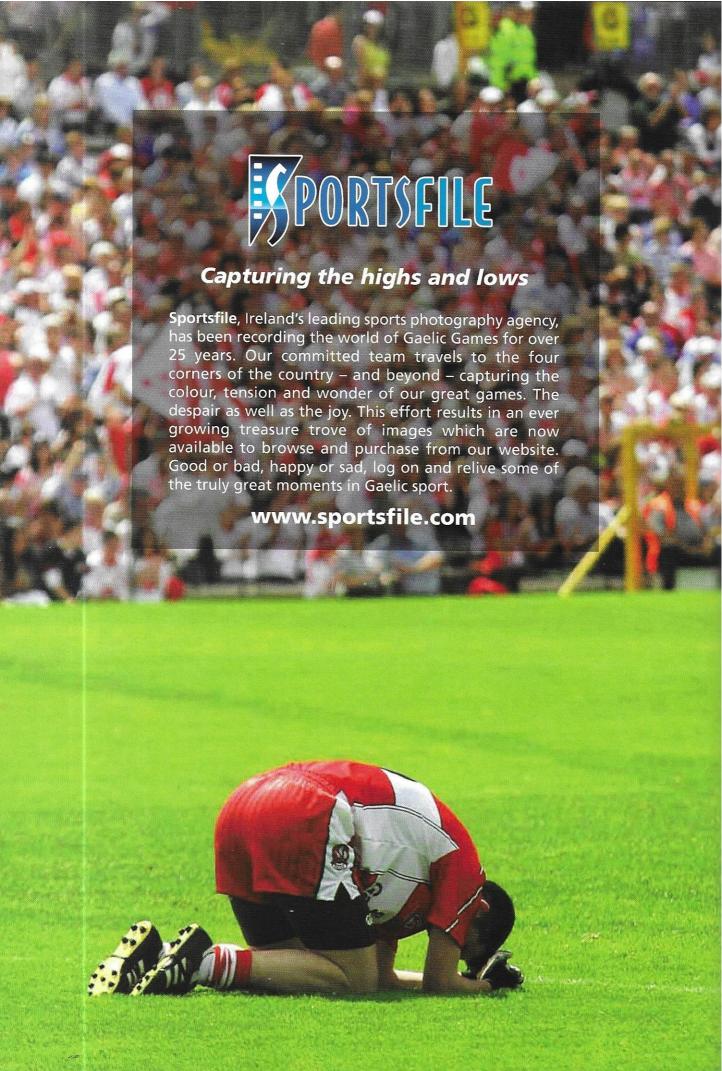
Cavan: Damien O'Reilly; Eugene Kiernan, Jim McAweeney, Frank Dolan; Tony Brady, Joe Dillon, Jim Reilly (c); Adge King, Danny Finnegan; Donal Donohoe, Michael Faulkner, Ray Cullivan; Martin Lynch, Derek McDonnell, Paddy McNamee. Referee: John Gough (Antrim).

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# Gaeilge agus Oideachas

#### le Tomás Ó Cuilinn

Bhíodh ról lárnach ag an oideachais riamh i saol na nGael. Saineolaithe ab ea iad, na daoine a d'ardaigh an réadlann ag "Sí an Bhrú" sa chlochaois. Ní raibh meas ceart ar ollscoil Eoprach gan scoláire as Éirinn a bheith ag múineadh inti nuair abhí an aois ar a nglaotar "Re Órga na hÉireann" againn. Thuig Pádraig Mac Piarais tabhacht an oideachais nuair a dúirt se go néireódh leis an ghlúin a raibh baint aige léí ós rud é go ndeachaigh siad ar scoil le Conradh na Gaeilge.

Thuig Padraig Mac Floinn (An Dún & Doire) agus Alf Ó Muirí (Árd Mhacha) an mána céanna nuair a bhunaigh siad Cúrsa na Gaeilge i Ros Ghoill. Bhí aitheantas thar an gcoitiantacht tuillte acu siúd toisc nach raibh tacaíocht oifigiuil ar bith ag an teanga sa taobh seo tire le linn dóibh a bheith ag saothrú ar son na teangan.

Ta daoine óga anois ar fud na cúige a bhfuil líofacht na Gaeilge acu. Daoine óga a thabharfaidh beocht agus spiorad do ghluaiseacht na Gaeilge 'sna blianta atá romhainn. Coicís ó shoin bhí mé in in Ollscoil na Ríona i mBéal Feirste in éineacht le cuid de na daoine óga ann abhí glacadh céimeanna i nGaeilge. Bhí baint agam-sa le grúpa beag amháin. Bhí sé soiléir go raibh suim doimhin acu sa Ghaeilge agus fosta gur bhain siad taithneamh as an am a chaith siad ag staidéar na teangan.

As a nation we are indebted to men of the calibre of Paddy McFlynn and Alf Murray. They managed to embrace the tenets of the Gaelic tongue when one of the oldest and most beautifully expressive languages in the world lived in an official limbo in the counties of their residence. Education however has always held esteem in Ireland from the multi talented stone-age observatory builders through the Golden Age of early Christian Ireland to the present day. Practically every club will currently have a number of fluent speakers who have used educational opportunities now available wisely. The fortunes of the language will be greatly influenced by people such as those.

#### Céimí sa Ghaeilge:

Faoin chrann ó chle: Sinéad Ní Chuilinn (Gaeil Éirne Béal Leice Fear Manach), Roisín Nic Shíomáin (Na Ciceam, An Creagáin Co. Aontroma), Caoimhe Ní Bhunnáin (Lámh Dearg Co. Aontroma), Criostóir Mac Donnchaidh (Club Thomáis Uí Chléirigh, Dún Geanainn, Co. Thír Eoghain), Padraigín Ní Choncharraige (Naomh Gall Co. Aontroma), Fiontán Mac Liam (Naomh Gall), Ciarán Mac Cathláin (Ó Donabháin Rossa, Co. Aontroma), agus beirt sa ghrúpa céanna nach raibh i láthair don ghriangraf ná Micheál Ó Greacháin (Piaras Óg Co. Árd Mhacha), agus Oisin Mac Raghallaigh (CLG Baile Aontroma).

The Seamus de Faoite memorial Irish language

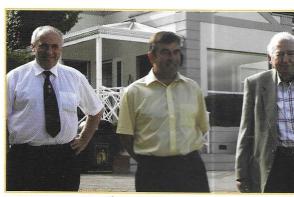
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Taobh amuigh de na daoine is í an teanga an tseoid is luachmhaire atá againn mar dhream daoine ar dhromcla an domhain. Mar a déarfadh Seamus "Fan dílis dí ó breith go bás" mar a dhein se féin. In iothlainn De go gcastar sinn.









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# What a Difference a Century Makes!

#### Dónal McAnallen, Cardinal Ó Fiaich Library, Ard Mhacha

Given how hard it has been for Fear Manach to reach Ulster finals over the years, it seems extraordinary to think that the county once turned down an opportunity to play in an All-Ireland senior semi-final. But it did, one hundred years ago, in 1908.

In the 1900s the Ulster and All-Ireland championships often ran one or two years late. Hence the All-Ireland semi-finals of 1907 came to be played in March 1908. Fear Manach had not won any significant honours, but it was one of Ulster's strongest counties. It had 14 clubs in 1908, the fourth highest figure in the province, and only four fewer than Antrim, at the top of the list. On 26 January 1908, Fear Manach was drawn to play Muineachán in the first round of the football championship at Clones. Teemore and a Castleblavney/ Carrickmacross selection were due to represent their counties, as was the privilege of club champions in those days. The Castleblayney men failed to turn up, however, and Fear Manach duly got a walkover.

With the 1907 Ulster
Championship only just started,
and Muineachán (the reigning
champions) proving unreliable,
Fear Manach was nominated presumably by the Ulster Council
- to represent the northern
province in the national semifinal, at Dundalk on Sunday 15
March. This opportunity was
offered at only a few days'
notice, and did not arouse
much interest in Fear Manach;

the Fermanagh Herald did not even report it. In any case, it was declined.

Why then did Fear Manach turn down this big occasion? The Freeman's Journal reported that it was "owing to the distance to be travelled to the venue, and also to the want of train facilities". Apparently the team would have had to travel to Dundalk on the Sunday, but there were no suitable train times on that day.

The longstanding unwillingness of the Great Northern Railway Company to run trains for Gaelic games on Sundays had come to a head in the previous two months. The unavailability of Sunday trains had led to Tir Eoghain conceding a walkover to An Cabhán at Newbliss in February. That March, the Ulster GAA President, Patrick Whelan, JP, attended the Railway Commission hearings in London and complained that the GNR's policy deprived "poor people" of their solitary outlet for pastimes.

Without a Sunday train, there were few options. The journey was simply too far for the other form of transport then available to Gaelic teams for long distances - the horsedrawn charabanc. Travelling on the Saturday would be equally impractical. Almost all players had to work a full day on Saturdays: agricultural labourers, who were numerous among the players, did not get the day off; nor did shop assistants, as Enniskillen traders

chose Wednesday as the weekly half-day for employees, even though Saturday was the halfday elsewhere under the Shop Hours Act of 1904.

Even if Fear Manach had been able to travel one leg of the journey by train on Sunday, it was also unlikely that the Ulster Council, which was then strapped for cash, would have paid the team's expenses to stay overnight. These were the sorts of practical realities which early GAA teams faced.

Fear Manach was nothing if not generous. The county gave £3:3 of the £4:8:0 total raised by an Ulster Council appeal fund in 1907, and let Muineachán (Harps) take its place in the All-Ireland semi-final in March 1908. (Muineachán lost to Baile Átha Cliath by six points). 97 years passed before Fear Manach got to play in its first semifinal, in 2004. The county will probably not pass up such an opportunity again.

The Cardinal Ó Fiaich Library holds a wide range of old GAA books, programmes and documents, including the Ulster Council minute books from 1917. Next month it will host a programme collectors' fair, and from September it will host an exhibition celebrating 125 years of Ulster GAA history. Anyone interested in contributing historical items to the exhibition, or who has a guery about historical GAA matters, is invited to visit or contact the library.









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