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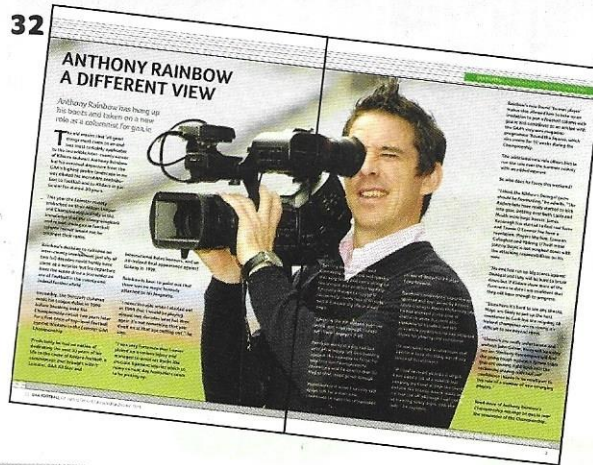
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All-Ireland Scór na nÓg Edendork Ceol Uiríse group provide the half-time musical entertainment in the Roscommon-Tyrone game today.

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The next two weekends will see the GAA Football Championship move into overdrive with the onset of the All-Ireland series and the arrival of our four provincial champions on the big stage that is Páirc an Chrócaigh.

The Championship to date has provided us with some excellent games and all round entertainment, and the Qualifier rounds have been particularly interesting, complementing as they do our provincial championships.

While our quarter-finals take centre stage from today onwards, there is the small matter of the last remaining Round 4 Qualifier clash between Roscommon and Tyrone.

Roscommon failed in their attempts to retain the Nestor Cup on a very difficult day for football at Dr. Hyde Park while Tyrone roared back into life last weekend after an impressive Round 3 win over old foes Armagh in Omagh. The prize on offer is a quarter-final ticket against Dublin at Croke Park in seven days' time.

The second of today's games is a mouth-watering prospect featuring as it does two teams that have illuminated Championship 2011 to date.

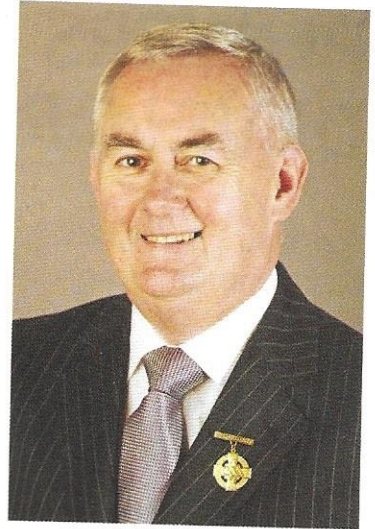
Donegal have taken the traditional route for the first time since the memorable year of 1992. Jim McGuinness has left his imprint on the team from the word go and the young attacking talent he has harnessed would be the envy of any team.

Kildare are fast emerging as the Qualifier specialists and their form to date has been hugely impressive, navigating their way past Laois, Meath and most recently Derry here last weekend.

Kieran McGeeney's work with the team is clear for all to see and the clash of styles today should offer up a fascinating spectacle.

Best of luck also to the Minor footballers of Armagh and Roscommon whose quest for All-Ireland success continues in the first of our three games today.

This weekend's games will be accompanied by an expanded programme of entertainment that we hope will enhance the match day experience of everyone who attends a



game in the All-Ireland series.

I would like to wish the players, managers, supporters, county administrators and of course our all important match officials every success in their endeavours here today and I hope your visit to Croke Park proves to be an enjoyable one.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the role of our GAA Football Championship sponsors Eircom, Ulster Bank and SuperValu for their support and promotion of our games over the duration of the summer. Your passion for our games is appreciated.

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PLAYERS BENEFIT FROM GPA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

A growing number of players have availed of services under the GPA Development Programme, which is funded by the GAA

Over 1,400 inter-county players have now availed of at least one of the Gaelic Player Association's Player Development Programmes following the implementation of the agreement between the GPA and GAA in March last year.

Under the new Programme, funded by the GAA, players can now avail of a wide range of services in the areas of career development, education support, life skills and health and wellbeing.

The programme is designed to assist players with their off-field careers during their playing days and beyond and is tailored specifically to cater for different age profiles.

Numbers accessing the services are continuing to increase rapidly but already every county player is covered by an enhanced injury scheme while the GPA has also initiated a nationwide cardiac screening programme, with over 450 players already monitored.

With the recession continuing to impact on Irish society, there has been a sharp focus on career development among the playing body with over 500 players accessing supports to date. The career programme is designed to help players to develop sustainable, long-term occupation and includes career advice, up-skilling courses,

business start-up and development and a mentoring programme.

The tangible benefits of this programme are reflected in the experience of one All-Ireland winner last year who could only access irregular short-term contract work, with no long-term security. Having accessed the GPA career supports including business and sales training, he developed a long-term career path, quickly securing employment in a new field. On the back of this success, he was then head-hunted for a more significant role in another major company.

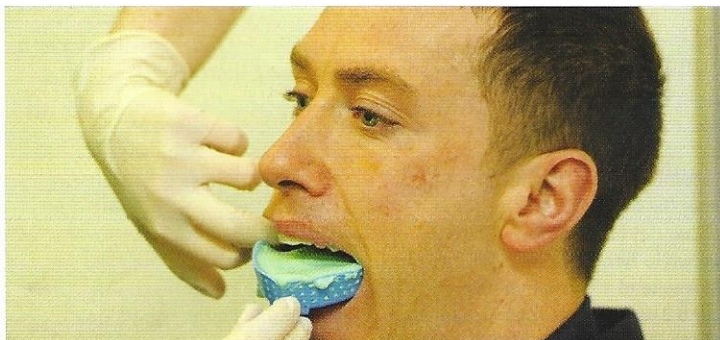
Nearly 800 student players have been supported under the GPA's Scholarship Programme to date while this substantial cohort is also backed by the education support and advice service that assists players to make

the right choices with regard to their education.

In the critical area of health and wellbeing, as well as the cardiac screening and enhanced injury scheme, all county footballers received custom fitted mouth guards in 2011.

Where players experience personal difficulties, they can now benefit from a confidential personal counselling service operated by trained psychologists.

The GPA Benevolent Fund provides critical support for players or past players who are experiencing serious problems in their lives while players are also supported on an individual basis through personal development coaching, financial and tax advice.

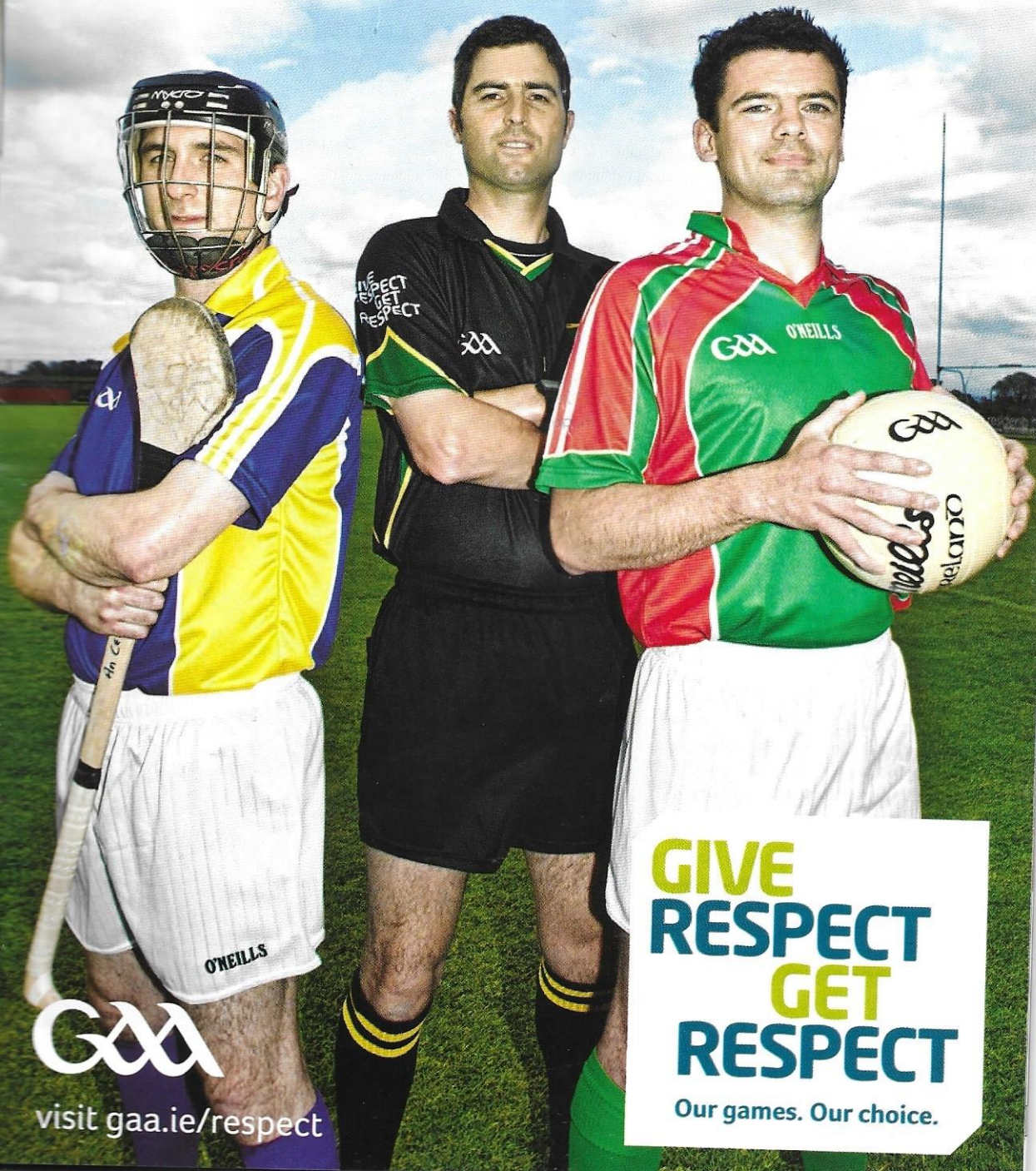


Dublin footballer Barry Cahill during a fitting for new customised gumshields, an initiative in conjunction with the Gaelic Players Association

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CHANGED FORMAT REVEALS A GALAXY OF NEW STARS

The introduction of the Qualifiers has allowed players from less successful counties to gain recognition via the GAA All Stars awards scheme

BY DONAL KEENAN

Mick Dunne, the founding father of the GAA's All Stars awards scheme, was not a man to bother about laurels, never mind rest on them. He always sought ways of improving the institution he had helped create.

Inspired by his love of American sports, Mick first convinced his fellow journalists that an All Stars scheme similar to that in gridiron and baseball could be introduced to Gaelic Games. And 30 years ago he convinced the GAA that they should make it official.

When the first award winners were announced in October 1971 it was notable that counties not deemed fashionable were represented. The first GAA All Star was Offaly hurling goalkeeper Damien Martin. Although Damien would later become a household name, Offaly was not registering on the hurling radar at the time. Antrim's Andy McCallin was honoured on the football selection, a brilliant footballer labouring in another unsuccessful county.

Over the next 20 years Mick watched his pet project grow beyond even his dreams. When he was laid to rest in north Dublin in 2002 many hundreds of GAA All Stars paid their respects. And in the years since many more have had reason to be grateful for Mick's vision.

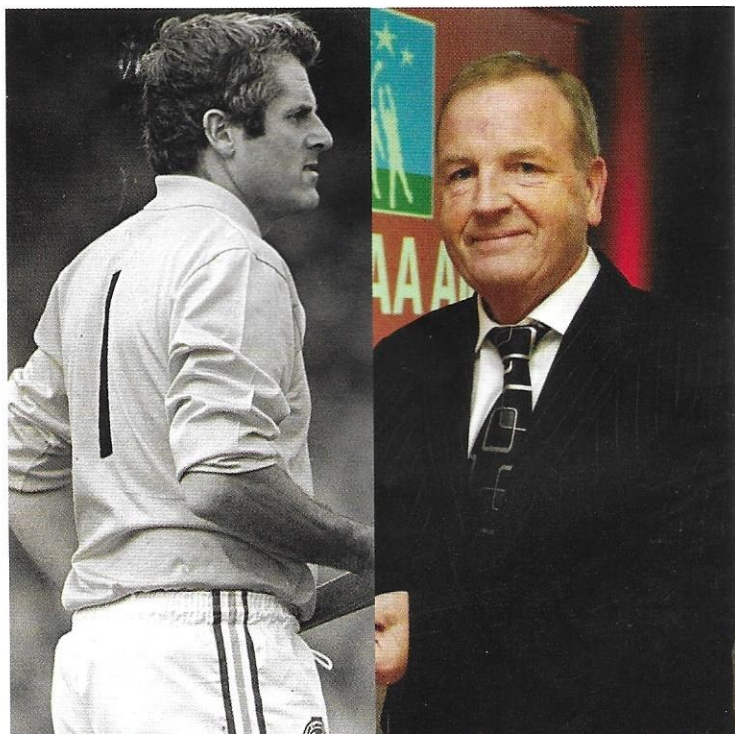
A year before Mick died the All-Ireland

Qualifier series was introduced. The reasons for this gargantuan change in how the Championships were run were many and varied but none of them related to the GAA All Stars.

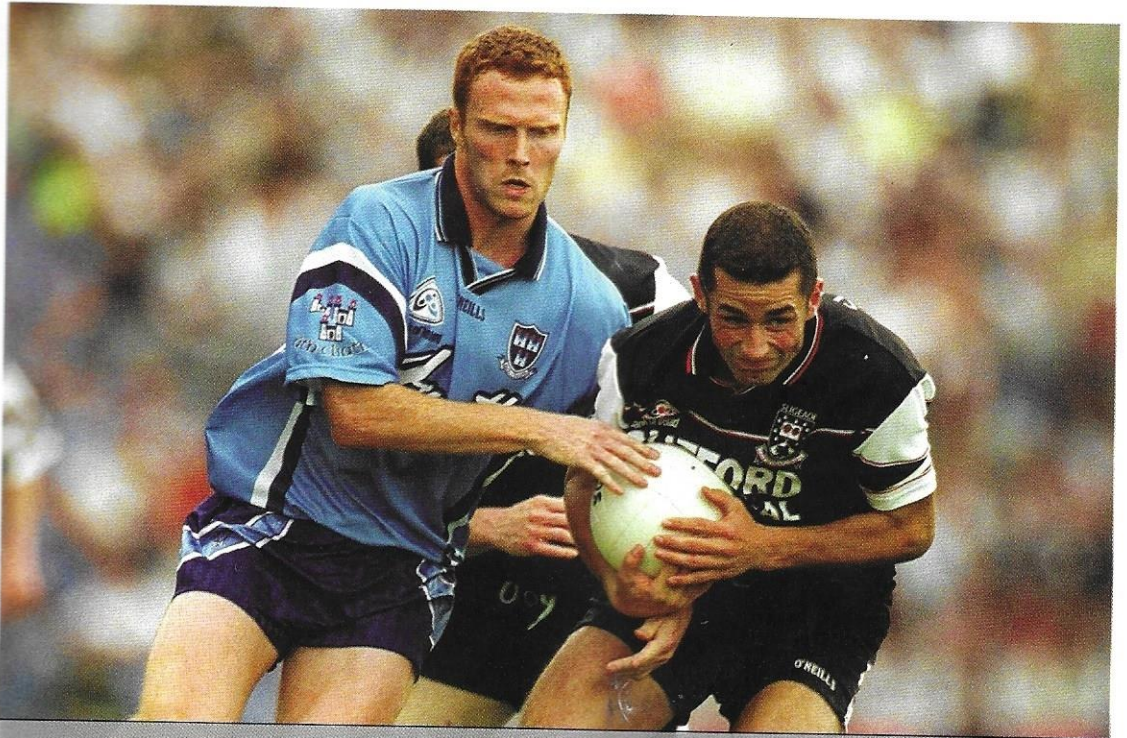
But the affect on the scheme and the GAA Football All Stars especially was profound and for the good. Mick

Dunne had always championed the cause of the player from the less successful county under the old regime. He would have loved the opportunities created for those players in the new system.

On June 3, 2001 in Tuam Stadium, Galway were beaten in the Connacht



The first GAA All Stars in their respective codes—Damien Martin, Offaly hurling (left) and Andy McCallin, Antrim football (right)



Sligo's Eamonn O'Hara in action against Dublin's Peadar Andrews in 2001

football semi-final by Roscommon. Galway are obviously not regarded as a weaker county but the new system would have huge benefits for them that year. Pádraic Joyce scored six points that day. Under the old system his Championship would have ended. In the first year of the Qualifier series he ended up with a GAA All Star at full-forward and was Texaco Footballer of the Year.

A year later Galway beat Sligo in the Connacht final and so began another adventure. Sligo beat Tyrone in the Qualifiers, drew with Armagh in the All-Ireland quarter-final and then narrowly lost in a replay. But Eamonn O'Hara had found a national stage and became the county's third GAA All Star, following Mickey Kearins in 1971 and Barnes Murphy in '74.

And so began a trend. In 2004 Fermanagh, beaten in the first round of the Ulster GAA Championship, embarked on a spectacular run through the 'back door' that brought them to an All-Ireland semi-final replay. Barry Owens won the first of two GAA All Stars that year, joined on the podium by Marty McGrath.

Wexford footballers were hardly gathering headlines that summer when they lost a Leinster semi-final to Westmeath. But the opportunity that was the Qualifier series allowed Matty Forde to display his wares to a wider audience and he too became a GAA All Star.

Without the Qualifiers would Karl Lacey (Donegal, 2006), Kevin McCloy (Derry, 2007), Tommy Freeman (Monaghan, 2007), Stephen Bray (Meath, 2007),

Dermot Earley (Kildare, 2009), Peter Kelly (Kildare, 2010), Charlie Harrison (Sligo, 2010) or John Doyle (Kildare, 2010) have won their GAA All Stars?

All of the above are worthy recipients but might not have been recognised under the old knock-out Championship system. Throughout the history of the GAA All Stars many efforts have been made to acknowledge players from counties that do not enjoy provincial and/or All-Ireland success but the changes to the Championship structure has been the biggest success.

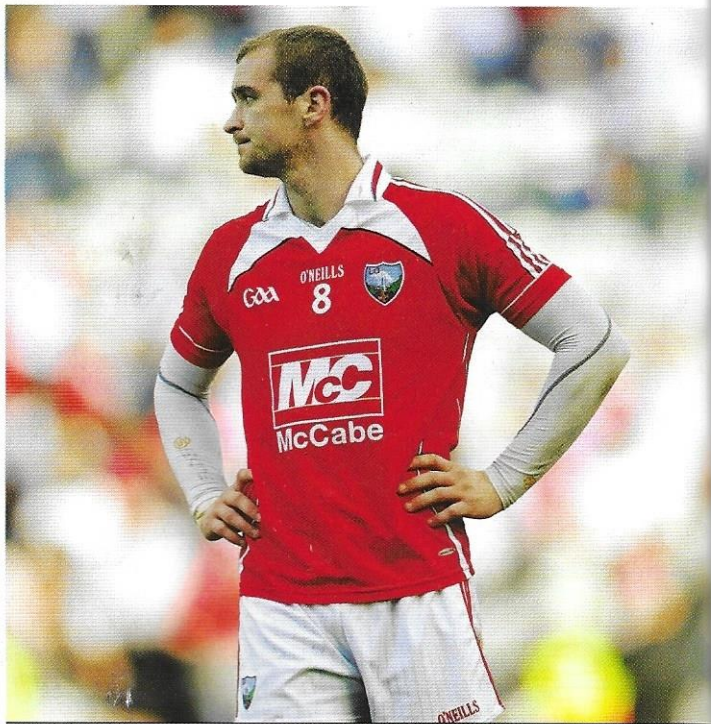
How many GAA All Stars would Tony McManus from Roscommon or Colm Browne from Laois have won if their careers had coincided with the Qualifiers? Surely more than the one each received.

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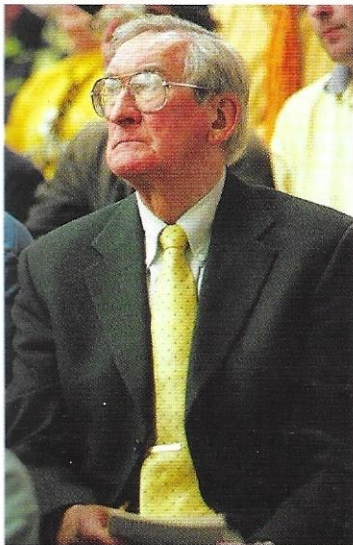
Mickey Martin's career with Leitrim covered a large chunk of the first 20 years of the GAA All Stars. Though he represented Connacht often at a time when the Railway Cup meant something, Mickey never enjoyed success with his county and that meant he never won a GAA All Star. The current system would surely have been kinder to him.

Paddy Keenan had the proud distinction of becoming Louth's first GAA All Star last year. Would Stephen Melia or Seamus O'Hanlon have had their names stitched on the roll of honour if today's opportunities were available in the 1990s?

The list from that decade alone is endless. The following is just a sample of those who might have won GAA All Stars – Paul Taylor and Paul Durcan (Sligo), Michael Lawlor (Laois), Johnny Nevin (Carlow), Fergus Daly and Hugh Kenny (Wicklow), John Newton (Roscommon), Pádraic Davis (Longford), John Quane (Limerick), Brian Burke and John Costello (Tipperary), Frankie Griffin and Francis



Louth's first GAA All Star, Paddy Keenan



The late Mick Dunne

McInerney (Clare), Ger Houlahan and Martin McQuillan (Armagh), Ronan Carolan and Jim Reilly (Cavan), and Adrian Cush (Tyrone).

The International Rules Series did bring some players to attention. Declan Browne of Tipperary is one of those. But Clare's Noel Roche has to be regarded as the unluckiest player not to win a GAA All Star.

An outstanding footballer, he represented Ireland in three International Rules series and was a regular with Munster. Yet he never managed to win a GAA All Star.

Another International Rules stalwart who would surely have benefited from the 'back door' system is Michael 'Spike' Fagan from Westmeath, who laboured long and hard for the county

but was well retired by the time they were competing for provincial Championships.

The stylish John Kent (Sligo), Franny Kelly (Tipperary), Eddie Webster (Tipperary), Kieran Brennan and Bob Miller from Laois and Louth's Benny Gaughren are just some of the others from days gone by that would have graced the GAA All Stars list of award winners.

And there are many more over the last 10 years who have earned GAA All Star nominations or have been chosen as GAA All Star replacements and toured in exotic locations such as Hong Kong, Dubai and Malaysia because of the exposure allowed by the Qualifier series. On a GAA All Star measure, it has been an unqualified success. Mick Dunne would have approved.

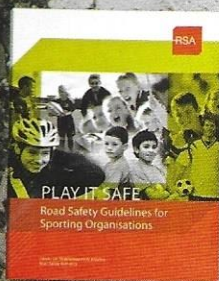


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MOMENTUM TO TIP BALANCE FOR KILDARE

Of the four Senior games down for decision in Croke Park this weekend, Kildare-Downgal appears to be the most delicately poised

Of the three GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship quarter-finals taking place this weekend, this is the hardest one to call. Kildare will be playing their seventh match of the campaign and their fourth in as many weeks so at some stage fatigue will have to become a factor.

Downgal had the ideal fortnight off since they regained the Ulster title after a 19-year gap with a six-point win over Derry at Clones. Coincidentally, the Lilywhites' winning margin over the Oak Leaf County last weekend was also six points.

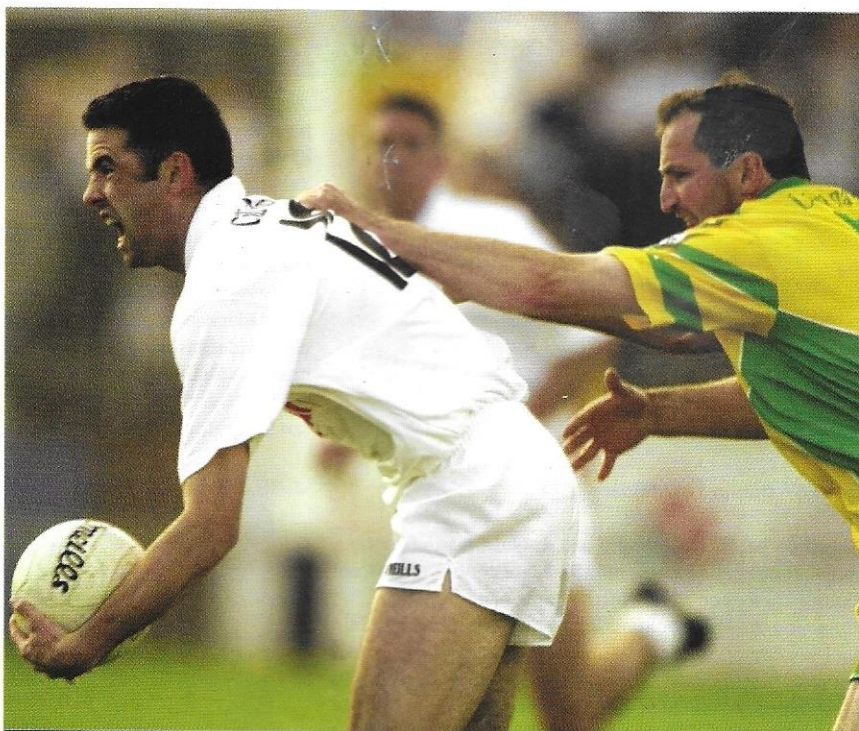
Delicately poised you might say and throw in the fact that the only Championship meeting between the sides was decided by the minimum margin, this has all the makings of a close encounter. Initial indications in the meeting at Newbridge 10 years ago suggested an easy victory for the visitors as they hit an unanswered 1-5 in the opening skirmishes. The hosts responded potently and by the break had reduced

their arrears to just a point – 1-7 to 0-9.

A magnificent comeback was completed in the third quarter when Martin Lynch goaled and to the delight of the majority of the 14,000 attendance, the Lilywhites sped into a four-point advantage. Thanks to the efforts of Adrian Sweeney, Brendan Devenney and Damien Diver the Ulster outfit somehow regained the

initiative to draw level but as extra-time loomed Ken Doyle grabbed the winner in injury time.

A magnificent contest that neither side deserved to lose and hopefully today's game will be of a similar vintage. Don't be surprised if extra-time is required to identify a winner.



Dermot Earley, Kildare, in action against Downgal's Noel McGinley in 2001

KILDARE ROUND BY ROUND



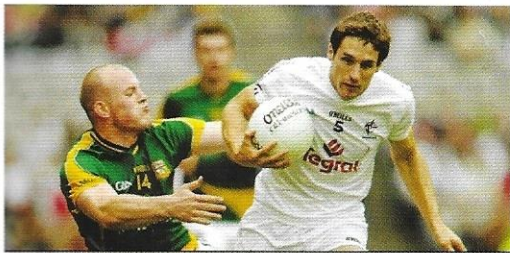
Trace Kildare's progress to today's All-Ireland quarter-final with a round-by-round guide to their 2011 Championship campaign to date

May 22 – Kildare 0-12 Wicklow 0-5

A slow start to the campaign for the Lilywhites as they eased by Wicklow at O'Moore Park with something to spare. Kildare had the better of the opening half in the possession stakes but 10 wides left them hanging on by the narrowest of margins – 0-5 to 0-4. Manager Kieran McGeeney must have dispensed some harsh words at the break for Kildare were much more focused on the restart as they slowly pulled away. However, another seven wides accompanied seven points, but at the other end the losers didn't disturb the scoreboard operator from his slumber until the final minute.



Emmet Bolton, Kildare, gets past Leighton Glynn, Wicklow



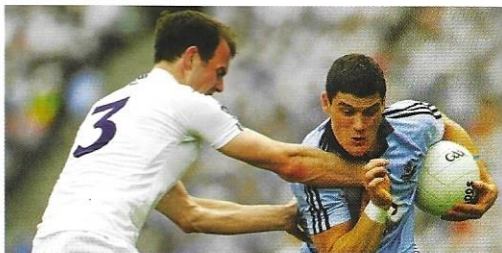
Gary White, Kildare in action against Joe Sheridan, Meath

June 5 – Kildare 0-16 Meath 0-10

Yet again Kildare's inability to turn possession to account left them vulnerable and had Graham Geraghty's goal been allowed it could have been a different story. As at Portlaoise, the winners kicked 10 wides in the opening half and trailed the Leinster champions by 0-5 to 0-7. In the second period Kildare kicked 11 points and conceded just three but another eight wides brought their tally to 35 for two games. Winning manager McGeeney accentuated the positives afterwards, saying: "Our shot taking wasn't the best at times but we still ran up another big score which is encouraging".

June 26 – Dublin 1-12 Kildare 1-11

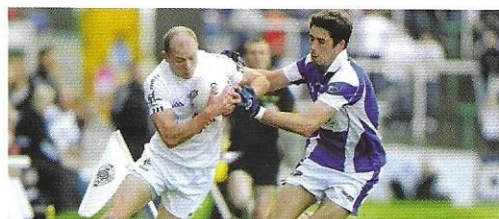
A cruel defeat for Kildare who had staged a magnificent comeback to get on terms only for a late controversial free to undo their good work. With a couple of minutes remaining the Metropolitans led by four and looked set fair but then Eamonn Callaghan fired home a superb goal and the same player quickly added the equaliser. It looked as if a second meeting would be required but Aindriú MacLochlainn was adjudged to have fouled Bernard Brogan who happily lofted over the winner. Still, the Qualifiers held few fears for the Lilywhites.



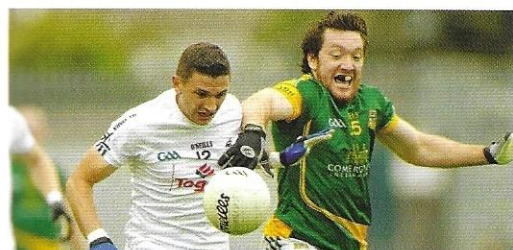
Michael Foley, Kildare gets a challenge in on Diarmuid Connolly, Dublin

July 9 – Kildare 3-16 Laois 0-10

The visitors made a slow start at O'Moore Park, failing to score in the opening 14 minutes but John Doyle's penalty had them up and running. A second goal from Tomás O'Connor five minutes later meant that despite losing the possession battle, Kildare were in front on the scoreboard. At the break they led by 2-3 to 0-6 and although the hosts hung on early in the second period, once the Lilywhites upped the pace Laois were found wanting. Justin McNulty's side were held scoreless in the closing quarter as the visitors indulged in some badly needed shooting practice.



James Kavanagh, Kildare, tries to keep the ball in play while being tackled by Conor Boyle, Laois.



Eamonn Callaghan, Kildare, takes on Michael Burke, Meath

July 16 – Kildare 2-11 Meath 0-14

Consecutive win number 10 for Kildare in the Qualifiers and perhaps the hardest earned of that sequence. Having missed the target on 18 occasions against the same opposition at Croke Park, the visitors to Páirc Tailteann shot just a third as many (three in each half). Playing with the wind in the opening half Kildare looked vulnerable nursing a 1-5 to 0-6 lead and they were hauled back to parity by the end of the third quarter. However, an unanswered 1-2 close to the hour mark swung the contest decisively and a couple of late home points were mere statistics.

July 23 – Kildare 0-19 Derry 0-13

Three ahead at the break and six in front at full-time. Mission accomplished as Kieran McGeeney's men reach the GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship quarter-finals for the fourth year in succession. Not quite as straight forward as it appears but from an early stage it always looked as if Derry would struggle to recover from the provincial final loss six days earlier. However, the profligacy that has plagued the Lilywhites for most of the summer was evident again and could prove costly when the stakes get higher. Yet the concession of just a single goal in six outings is a huge cause for optimism.



Tomás O'Connor, Kildare, gets to the ball ahead of Gerard O'Kane, Derry

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
John Doyle	0-4	0-4	0-1	1-4	1-2	0-6	2-21
Eamonn Callaghan	----	0-4	1-2	0-1	0-1	0-1	1-9
James Kavanagh	----	0-2	----	1-1	0-1	0-4	1-8
Eoghan O'Flaherty	----	0-3	0-4	0-2	----	0-1	0-10
Emmet Bolton	0-1	0-1	0-1	----	1-2	----	1-5
Tomás O'Connor	0-1	----	----	1-0	----	0-2	1-3
Robert Kelly	----	0-1	0-2	----	----	0-2	0-5
Alan Smith	0-3	0-1	----	----	----	----	0-4
Hugh Lynch	0-1	----	----	0-3	----	----	0-4
Pádraig O'Neill	----	----	----	0-2	0-1	0-1	0-4
Ronan Sweeney	----	----	0-1	----	0-1	0-1	0-3
Fionn Dowling	----	----	----	0-1	0-1	----	0-2
Hugh McGrillen	----	----	----	----	0-1	0-1	0-2
Gary White	0-1	----	----	----	----	----	0-1
Pádraig Fogarty	0-1	----	----	----	----	----	0-1
Mark Scanlon	----	----	----	0-1	----	----	0-1
Ollie Lyons	----	----	----	0-1	----	----	0-1
Morgan O'Flaherty	----	----	----	----	0-1	----	0-1

AN CAPTAEN JOHN DOYLE



A GAA All Star as a forward in 2010, 34-year-old Doyle has moved to midfield this season, where he has excelled, scoring 2-21 in the Championship to date. The Allenwood clubman finished as top scorer in the Championship in 2008 and 2010 and lies second in the rankings this year.

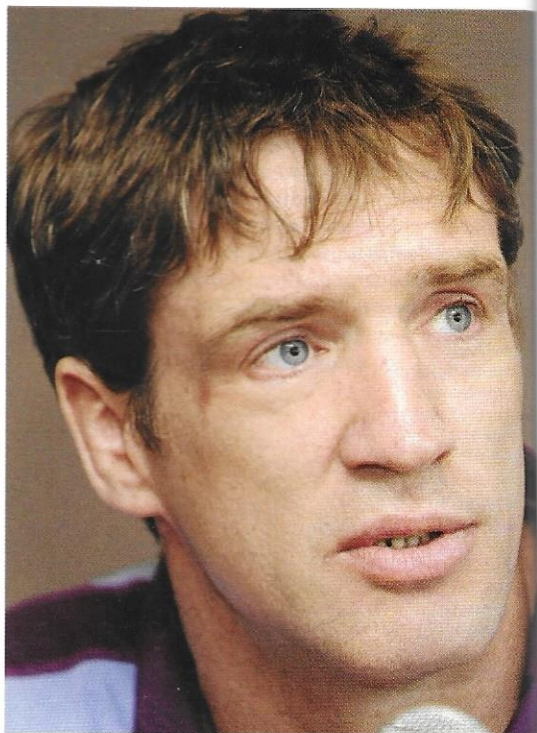
Doyle, who made his Championship debut against Louth in 2000, scored in his 50th consecutive Championship game against Derry last Saturday and also became the first man to score more than 100 points (8-104) in the Qualifiers.

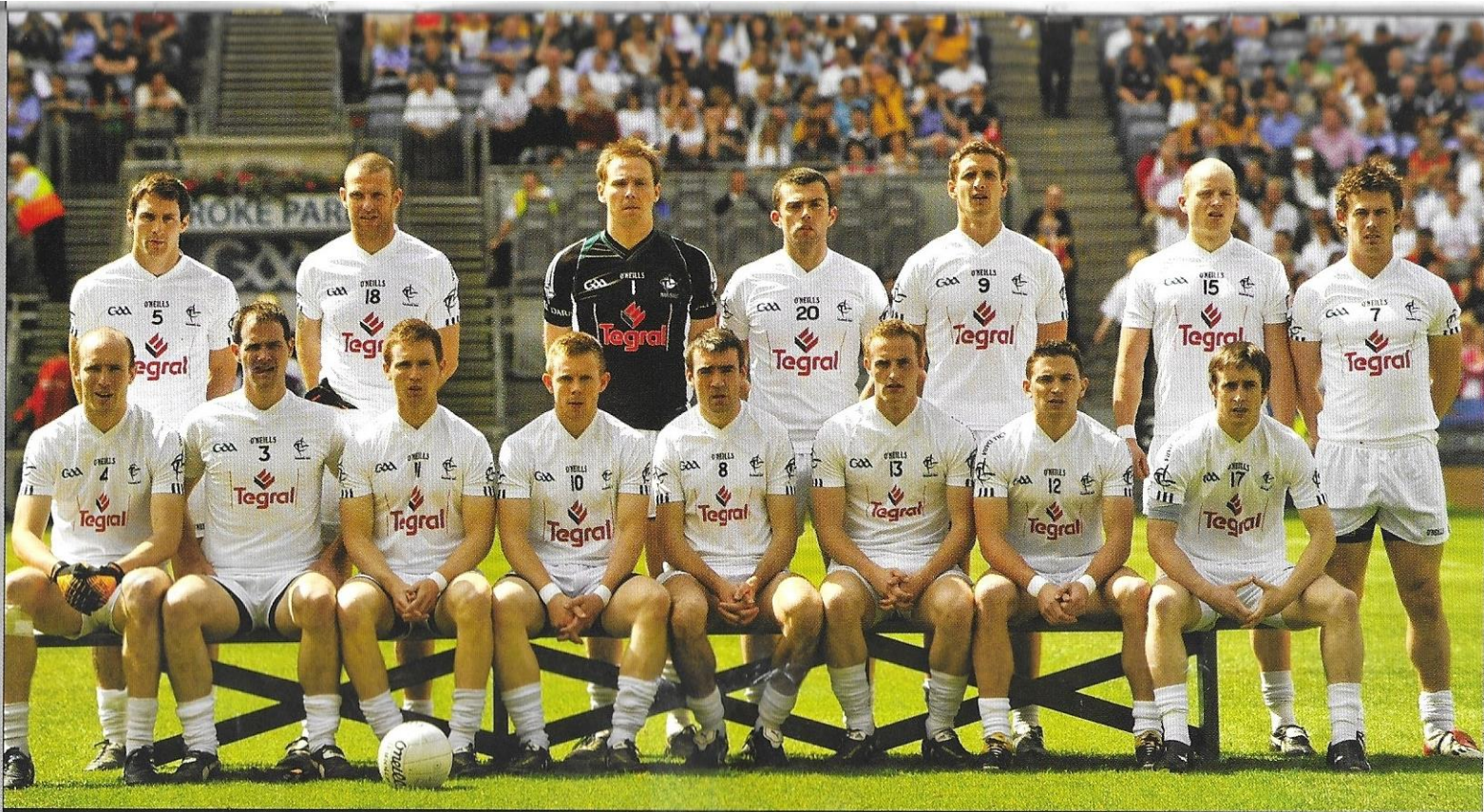


BAINISTEOIR KIERAN McGEENEY

McGeeney led his native Armagh to their one and only All-Ireland title back in 2002, before taking over as Kildare manager after hanging up his boots in '07. 'Geezer' captained the Ireland International Rules team in 2006, making 10 appearances for his country.

The Mullaghbawn man, a three-time GAA All Star winner (1999, 2000 and '02), has guided Kildare to the last eight of the Championship in each of his four seasons in charge and the Lilywhites remain unbeaten in Qualifiers under his watch.





THE KILDARE FOOTBALL PANEL

Front (L-R): Hugh McGrillen, Mick Foley, Eoghan O'Flaherty, Morgan O'Flaherty, John Doyle, Alan Smith, Eamonn Callaghan, Ollie Lyons

Back (L-R): Gary White, Ronan Sweeney, Shane Connolly, Pádraig O'Neill, Hugh Lynch, James Kavanagh, Emmet Bolton

QUARTER-FINAL WIN-LOSS RECORDS

Cork	7-0	100%	Mayo	2-3	40%
Down	1-0	100%	Kildare	1-2	33%
Wexford	1-0	100%	Donegal	1-3	25%
Kerry	9-1	90%	Galway	1-4	20%
Meath	3-1	75%	Laois	0-3	0%
Derry	2-1	67%	Roscommon	0-3	0%
Tyrone	4-4	50%	Westmeath	0-3	0%
Armagh	3-3	50%	Sligo	0-2	0%
Fermanagh	1-1	50%	Monaghan	0-1	0%
Dublin	4-5	44%			

QUARTER FINAL TOP SCORERS



		SCORE
2001	John Crowley (Kerry)	2-2
2002	Dessie Sloyan (Sligo)	0-8
	Ray Cosgrove (Dublin)	2-2
2003	Dara Ó Cinnéide (Kerry)	0-8
2004	Enda Muldoon (Derry)	1-6
2005	Tomás Quinn (Dublin)	1-7
	Owen Mulligan (Tyrone)	1-7
2006	Steven McDonnell (Armagh)	1-5
2007	Mark Vaughan (Dublin)	0-6
	Paddy Bradley (Derry)	0-6
	Tomás Freeman (Monaghan)	1-3
2008	Michael Meehan (Galway)	0-10
2009	Colm Cooper (Kerry)	1-7
2010	Bernard Brogan (Dublin)	0-9

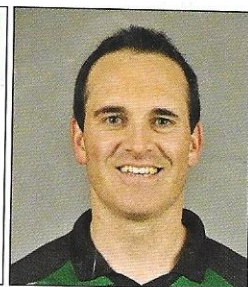
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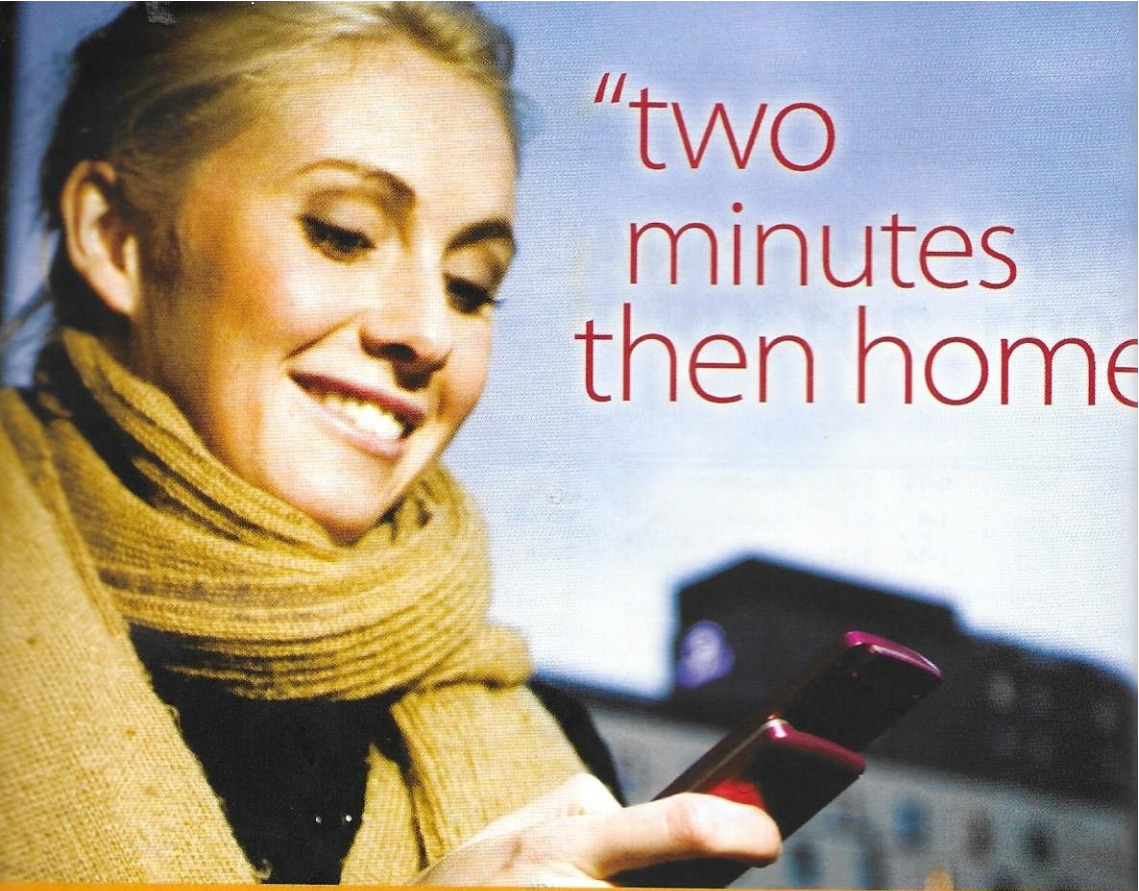
2001	Galway	0-14	1-5	Roscommon
	Derry	1-9	0-7	Tyrone
	Kerry	1-14	2-11	Dublin
	Meath	2-12	3-9	Westmeath
REPLAY	Kerry	2-12	1-12	Dublin
REPLAY	Meath	2-10	0-11	Westmeath
2002	Kerry	2-17	1-12	Galway
	Cork	0-16	1-10	Mayo
	Armagh	2-9	0-15	Sligo
	Dublin	2-8	0-14	Donegal
REPLAY	Armagh	1-16	0-17	Sligo
REPLAY	Dublin	1-14	0-7	Donegal
2003	Armagh	0-15	0-13	Laois
	Tyrone	1-21	0-5	Fermanagh
	Kerry	1-21	3-10	Roscommon
	Donegal	0-14	1-11	Galway
REPLAY	Donegal	0-14	0-11	Galway
2004	Fermanagh	0-12	0-11	Armagh
	Mayo	0-16	1-9	Tyrone
	Derry	2-9	0-13	Westmeath
	Kerry	1-15	1-8	Dublin
2005	Cork	2-14	2-11	Galway
	Kerry	2-15	0-18	Mayo
	Armagh	2-17	1-11	Laois

	Tyrone	1-14	1-14	Dublin
REPLAY	Tyrone	2-18	1-14	Dublin
2006	Cork	1-11	1-10	Donegal
	Kerry	3-15	1-13	Armagh
	Dublin	1-12	0-5	Westmeath
	Mayo	0-15	0-15	Laois
REPLAY	Mayo	0-14	0-11	Laois
2007	Cork	1-11	0-8	Sligo
	Meath	1-13	2-8	Tyrone
	Dublin	0-18	0-15	Derry
	Kerry	1-12	1-11	Monaghan
2008	Wexford	1-14	0-12	Armagh
	Kerry	1-21	1-16	Galway
	Cork	2-11	1-11	Kildare
	Tyrone	3-14	1-8	Dublin
2009	Tyrone	0-16	1-11	Kildare
	Cork	1-27	2-10	Donegal
	Kerry	1-24	1-7	Dublin
	Meath	2-15	1-15	Mayo
2010	Down	1-16	1-10	Kerry
	Dublin	1-15	0-13	Tyrone
	Cork	1-16	0-10	Roscommon
	Kildare	2-17	1-12	Meath

AN RÉITEOIR - DAVID COLDRICK (An Mhí)

A holder of Minor and U21 Championship medals with Kílclóon-Moynalvey, David has already been on duty on four occasions in the 2011 GAA Football Senior Championship, including outings in Leinster, Ulster and the Qualifiers. His most high-profile engagement was the Munster final between Kerry and Cork in Killarney. The Royal ref has also seen action at Croke Park this year having been the man-in-the-middle when Dublin faced Cork in the Allianz Football League back in February. David also took charge of a number of other fixtures in the secondary competition while the Sigerson Cup final between UCC and UUJ also came under his jurisdiction.





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AN CAPTAEN MICHAEL MURPHY



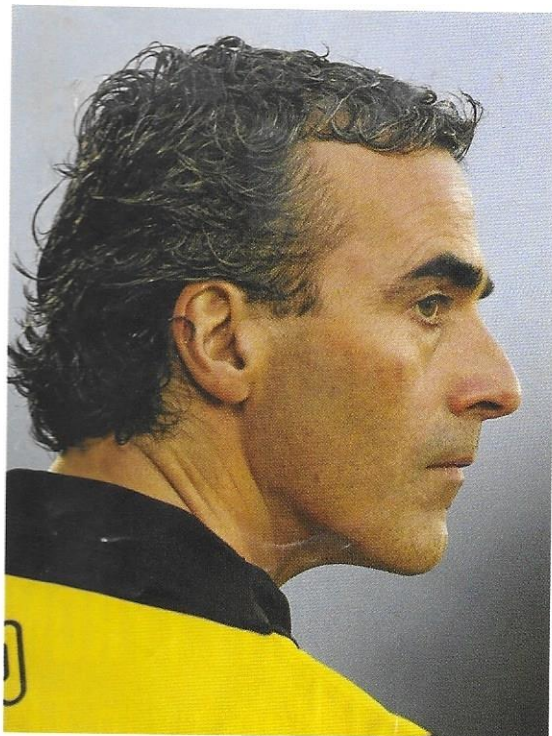
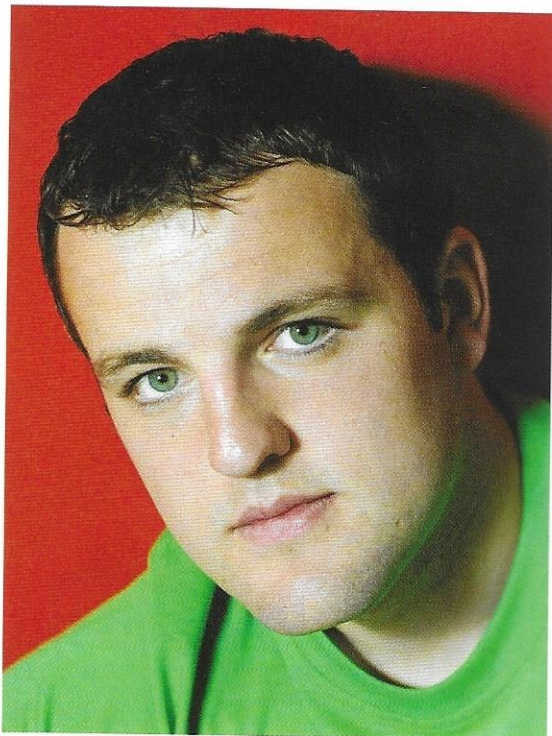
BAINISTEOIR JIM MCGUINNESS

Glenswilly man Murphy was appointed as Donegal Senior captain by manager Jim McGuinness at the start of the season aged 21. An underage star with Donegal, he made his inter-county debut in the McKenna Cup in 2007.

The former Young Footballer of the Year (2009) captained Donegal to a first Ulster title in 19 years against Derry last Sunday week. Murphy studies PE and Biology at Dublin City University.

McGuinness was an unused sub on the last Donegal team to win an All-Ireland title back in 1992. The Glenties man enjoyed a stellar career at third level, winning Sigerson titles with Tralee (1998 and '99) and UUJ (2001). McGuinness led the Donegal U21 team to an Ulster title as manager in 2010 before taking over from John Joe Doherty as Senior boss at the start of the season.

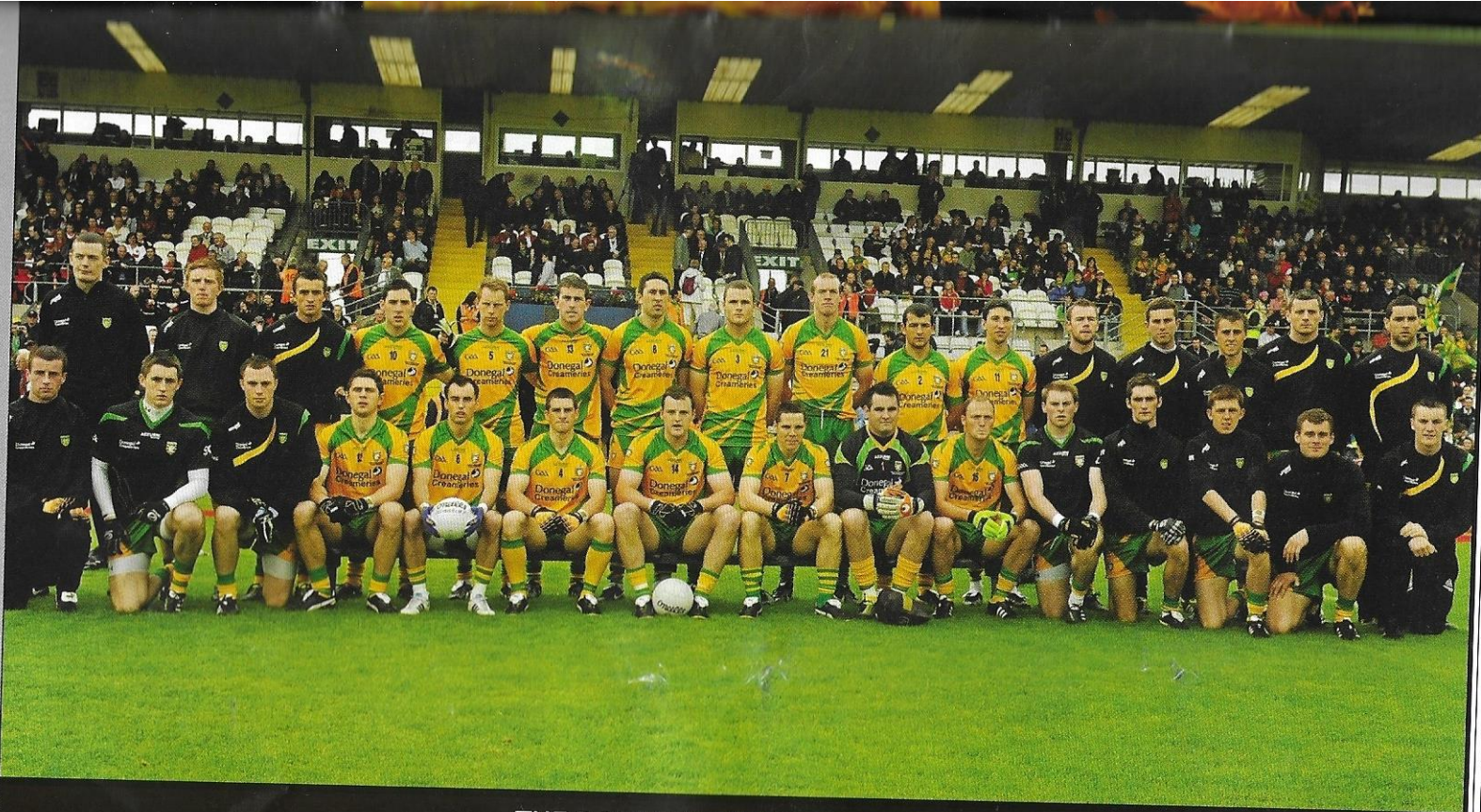
The Naomh Conaill clubman has guided the county to Division II honours in the Allianz League as well as a first Ulster title since 1992 in his maiden season in charge.



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THE DONEGAL FOOTBALL PANEL

Back (L-R): Kevin Rafferty, Daniel McLaughlin, David Walsh, Mark McHugh, Anthony Thompson, Paddy McBrearty, Rory Kavanagh, Neil McGee, Neil Gallagher, Frank McGlynn, Michael Hegarty, Peter Boyle, Michael Boyle, Thomas McKinley, Christy Toye, Darragh Gallagher

Front (L-R): Owen Waide, Stephen Griffin, Martin McElhinney, Ryan Bradley, Karl Lacy, Paddy McGrath, Michael Murphy, Kevin Cassidy, Paul Durcan, Colm McFadden, Dermot Molloy, Marty Boyle, Jason Noctor, Eamon McGee, Leo McLoone

DONEGAL ROUND BY ROUND

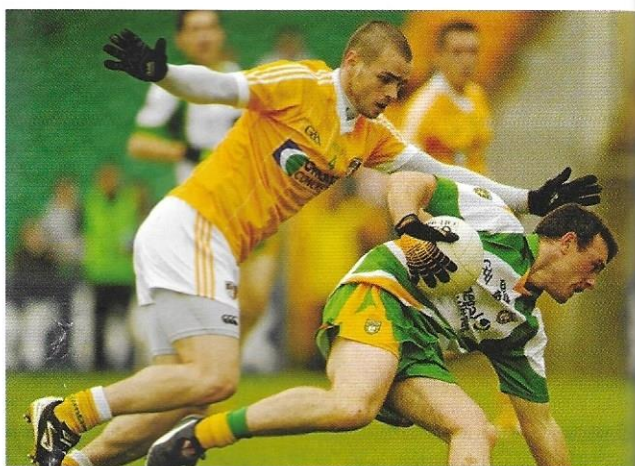


Trace Donegal's progress to today's All-Ireland quarter-final with a round-by-round guide to their 2011 Championship campaign to date

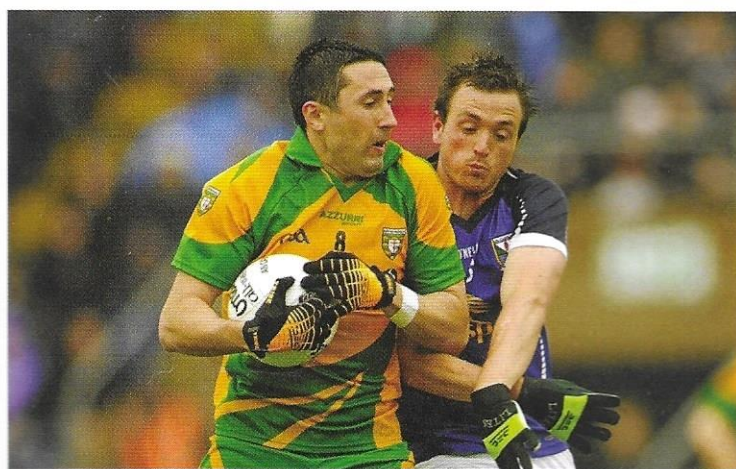
May 15 – Donegal 1-10 Antrim 0-7

It's likely that RTÉ pundit Pat Spillane would have dusted off his 'puke football' comment after this forgettable contest at Ballybofey played out before more than 7,000 less-than-enthralled spectators. Losing manager Liam Bradley commented afterwards that "I wouldn't have paid to watch this brutal game". Donegal's Jim McGuinness was a little less harsh but admitted, "If we're going to progress in the Ulster Championship we're going to have to learn and learn quickly".

At the break the hosts led by 0-6 to 0-3 and the only sizeable cheer came in injury time when Mark McHugh goalied for the hosts.



Adrian Hanlon, Donegal, takes on Colin Brady, Antrim



Rory Kavanagh, Donegal, in action against John McCutcheon, Cavan

June 12 – Donegal 2-14 Cavan 1-

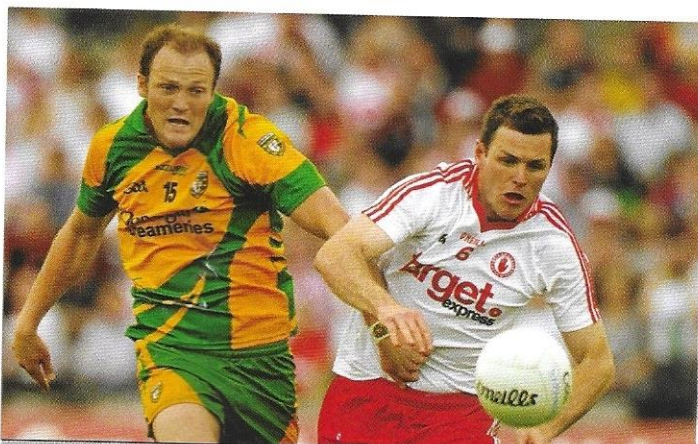
A big improvement on the previous performance but again Donegal n quite got into top gear at Kingspa Breffni Park. Before the end of the opening quarter both sides were reduced to 14 men and the added space opened up things a little as Paddy McBrearty's goal early in the second quarter gave the visitors a cushion.

At the change of ends it was 1-6 to 3 and Donegal pulled further clear in the third quarter thanks to Rory Kavanagh's goal. The lead was extended to 11 points by the 50th minute and the remaining 20 were devoid of excitement.

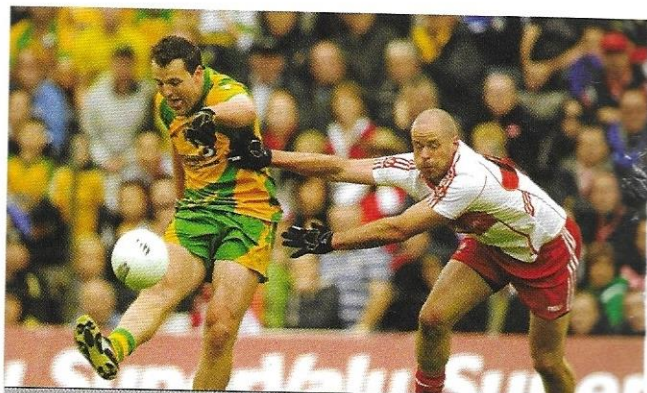
June 26 – Donegal 2-6 Tyrone 0-9

With the Orchard County already out of the provincial title race, this win ensured that the Armagh-Tyrone stranglehold on the Anglo Celt Cup had been broken. At the break the losers led by 0-6 to 0-4 but as defences on both sides continued to have the better of the argument goals would be crucial.

The first didn't arrive until the 66th minute courtesy of Colm McFadden, which edged Donegal in front for the first time and although Tyrone did get back on terms, Dermot Molloy's strike four minutes into injury time settled the issue.



Colm McFadden, Donegal and Conor Gormley, Tyrone battle for possession



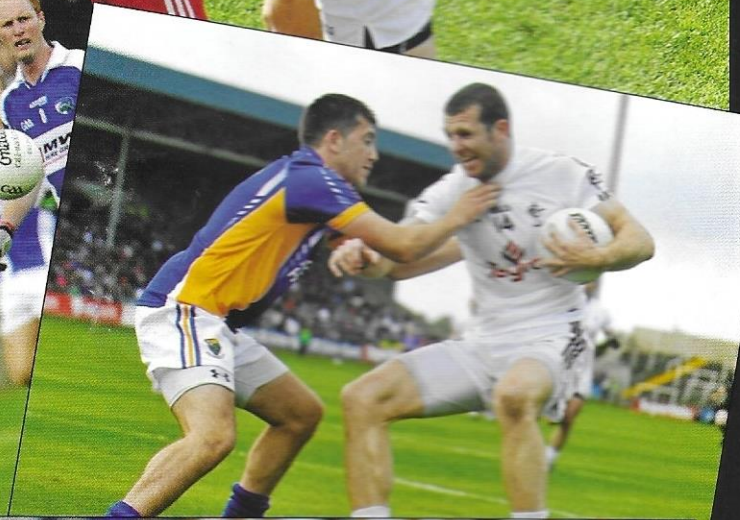
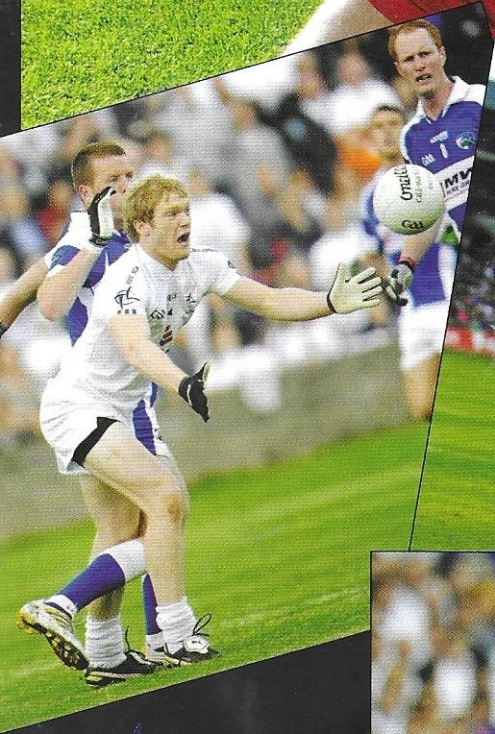
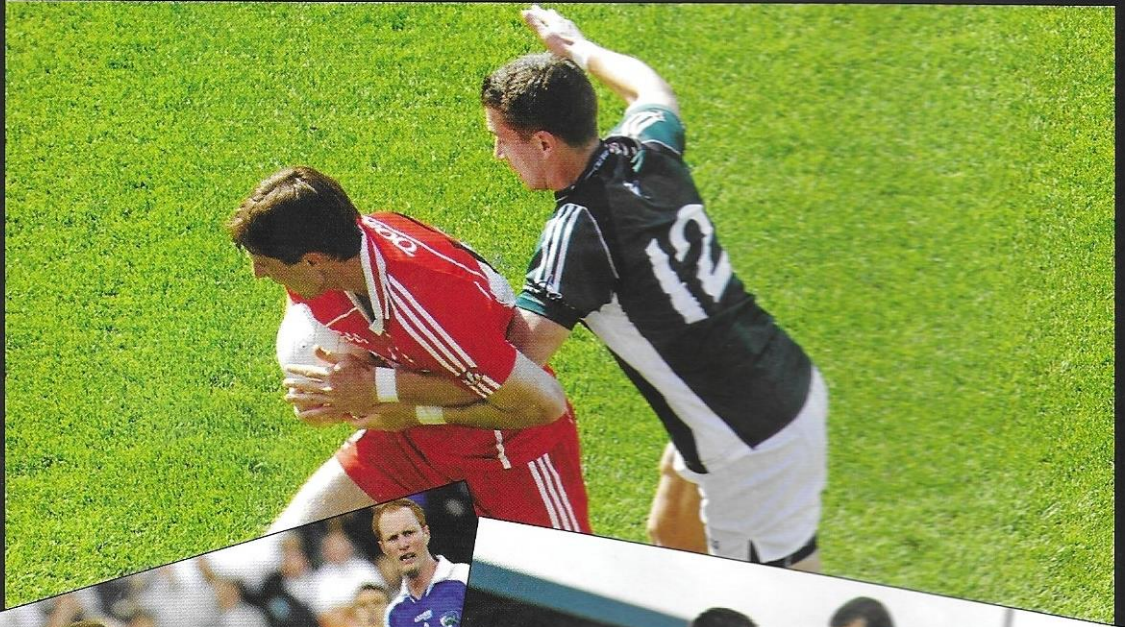
Michael Murphy, Donegal, kicks for a score despite the best efforts of Kevin McCloy, Derry

July 17 – Donegal 1-11 Derry 0-8

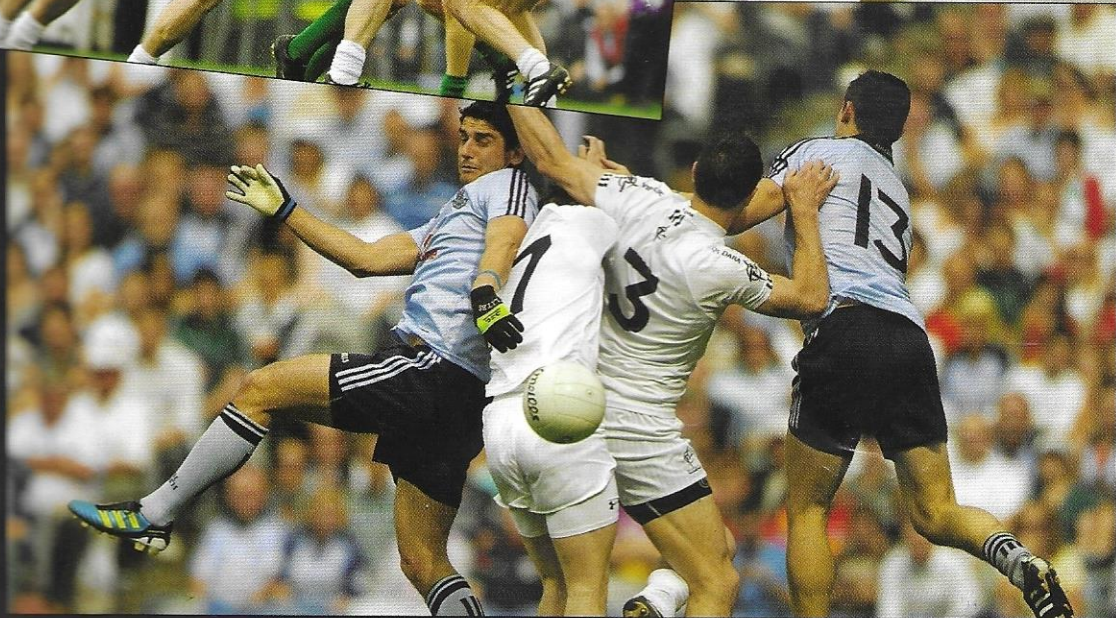
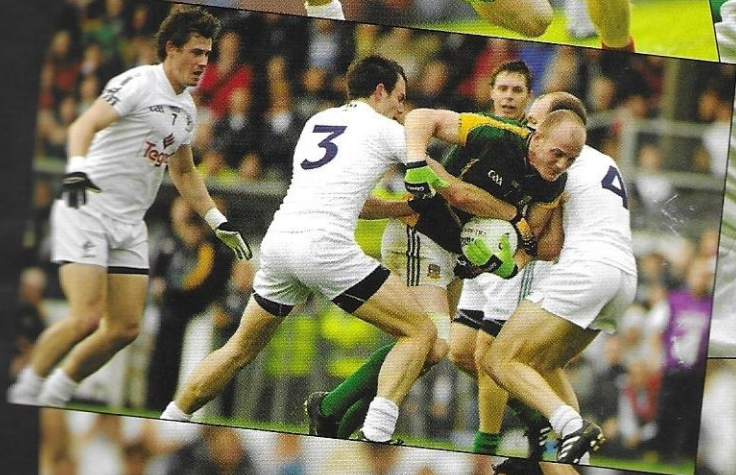
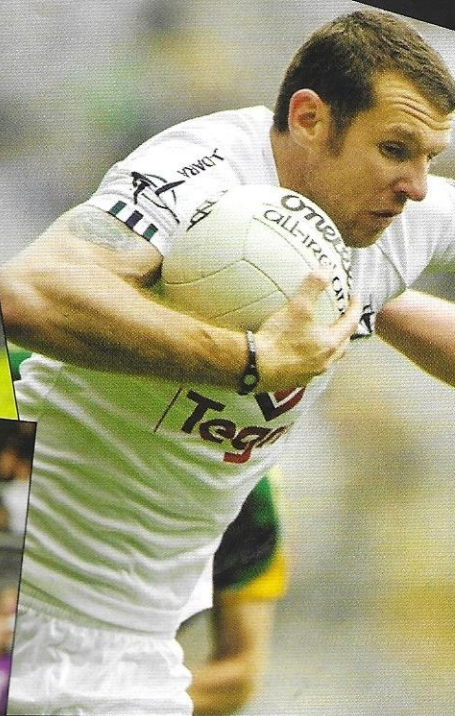
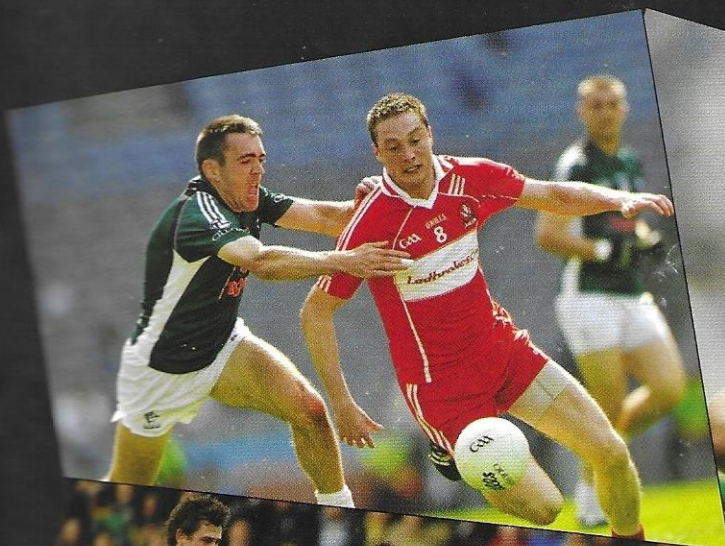
After a 19-year gap Donegal are again provincial champions. Back in 1992 they went on to take the All-Ireland title and Jim McGuinness will be hoping that history repeats itself. The final at Clones was by no means a classic and the sides divided 10 points evenly in the opening half.

The crucial score arrived shortly after the restart when Michael Murphy was fouled by Derry 'keeper Danny Devlin with the former beating the latter from the penalty spot. Points by Colm McFadden and Michael Hegarty extended the advantage which was comfortably maintained to the end.

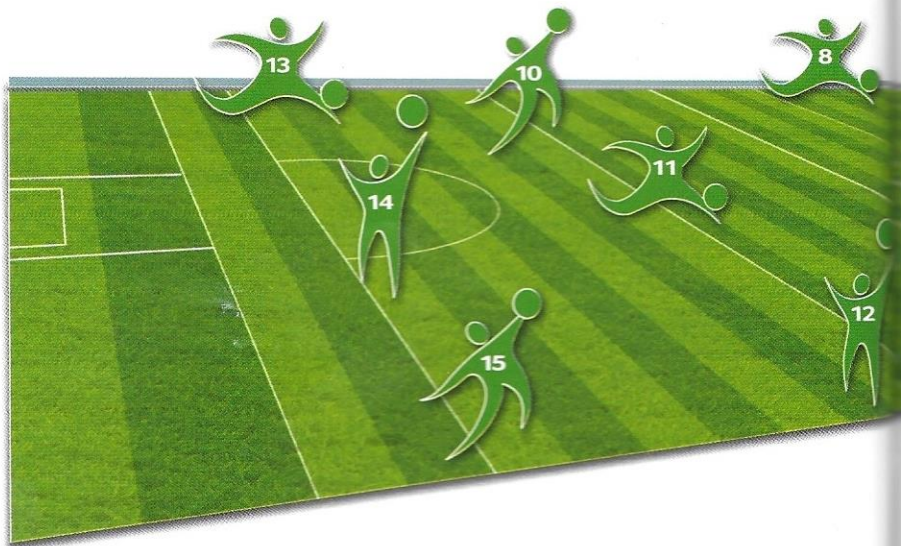
	1	2	3	4	Total
Colm McFadden	0-2	0-5	1-1	0-4	1-12
Michael Murphy	0-3	0-1	0-2	1-2	1-8
Paddy McBrearty	----	1-3	0-1	----	1-4
Dermot Molloy	0-1	0-2	1-0	----	1-3
Mark McHugh	1-1	----	----	----	1-1
Ryan Bradley	0-2	----	----	0-1	0-3
Rory Kavanagh	----	1-0	----	----	1-0
Kevin Cassidy	----	0-1	0-1	----	0-2
Kevin Rafferty	----	0-1	0-1	----	0-2
Anthony Thompson	----	----	----	0-2	0-2
Michael Hegarty	----	----	----	0-2	0-2
Adrian Hanlon	0-1	----	----	----	0-1
Leo McLoone	----	0-1	----	----	0-1



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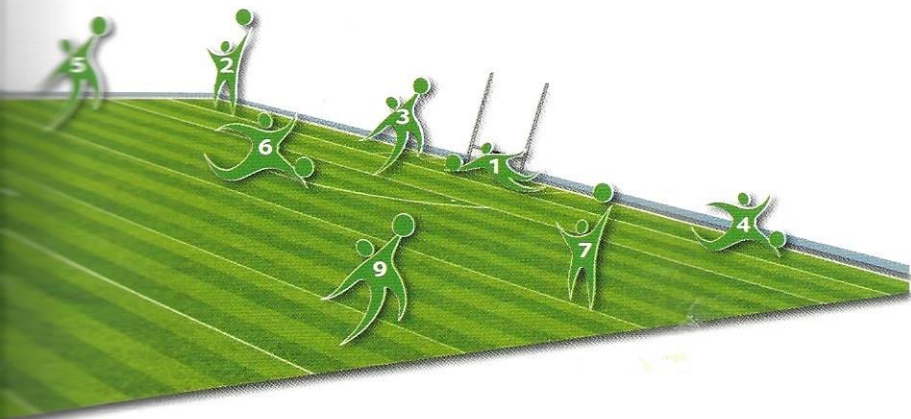
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C. de Breoite
Celbridge
- 18. **Mikey Conway**
M. Ó Conbhuí
Nurney
- 19. **Mark Scanlon**
M. Ó Scannláin
Round Towers
- 20. **Ciarán Fitzpatrick**
C. Mac Giolla Phódraigh
Cill Choca
- 21. **Fionn Dowling**
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- 22. **Ollie Lyons**
O. Ó Liatháin
Celbridge
- 23. **Alan Smith**
A. MacGabhainn
Sarsfields
- 24. **Ronan Sweeney**
R. Mac Suibhne
Moorefield
- 25. **Gary White**
G. de Faoite
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- 26. **Damien Hendy**
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4. PADDY McGRATH

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5. ANTHONY THOMPSON

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18. Dermot Molloy

D. Ó Ludhóg

Naomh Conaill

19. Eamonn McGee

É. Mac Aoidh

Gaoth Dobhair

20. Jason Noctor

D. Noctuir

Na Cealla Beaga

21. Leo McLoone

L. Mc Cluain

Naomh Conaill

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C. Ó Tuathaigh

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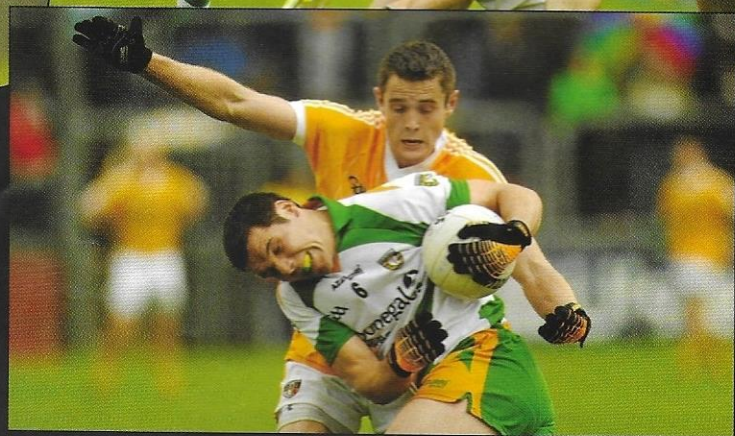
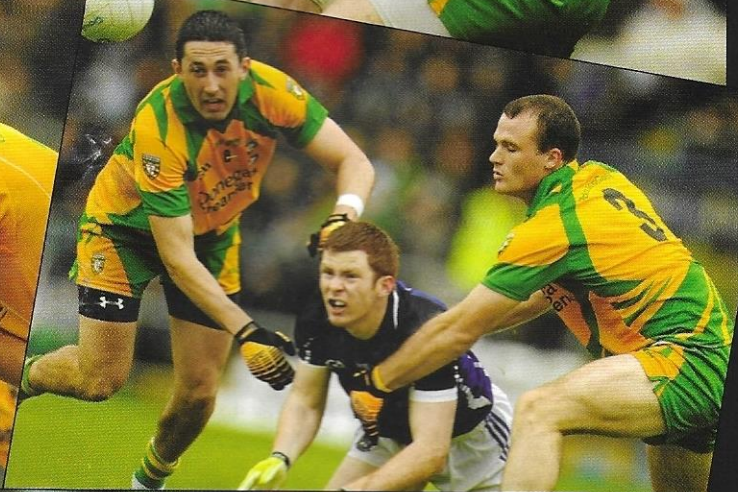
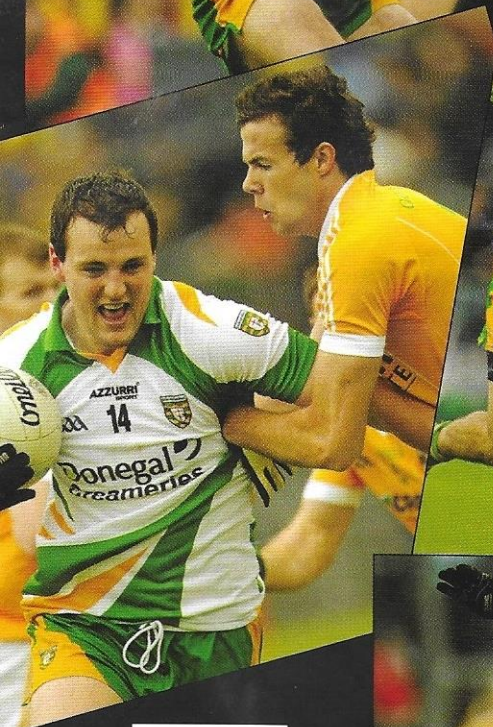
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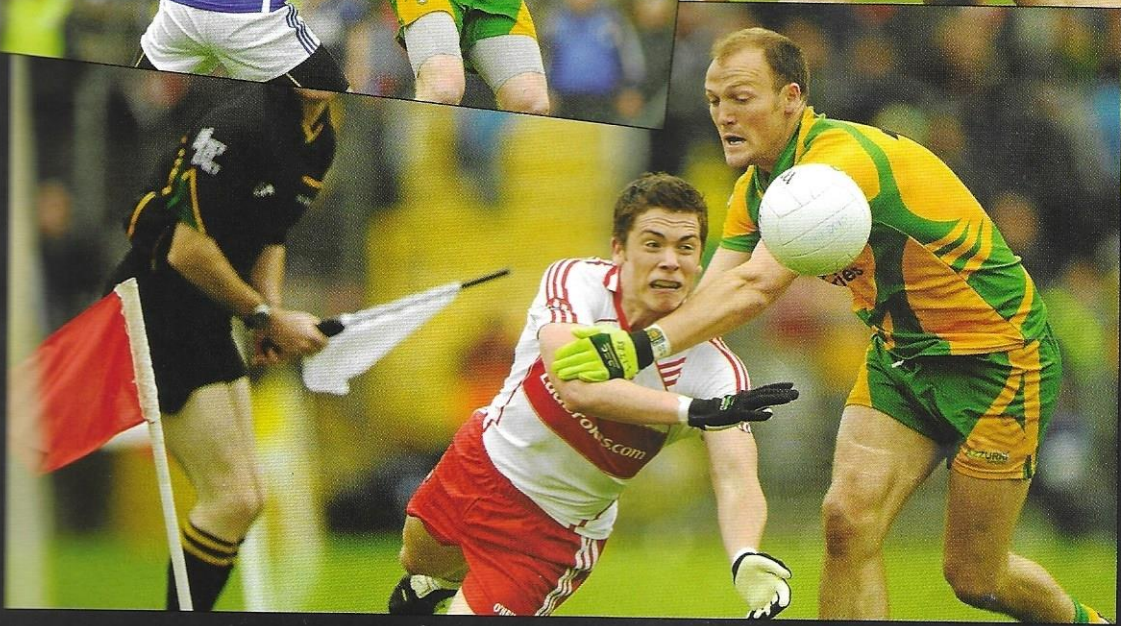
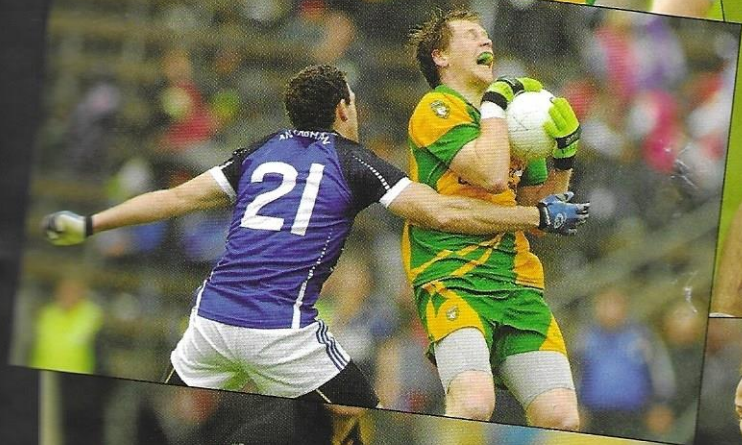
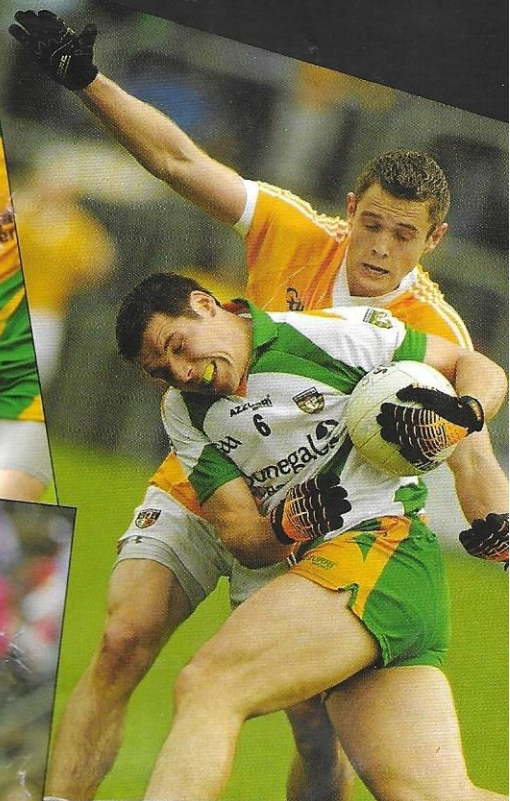
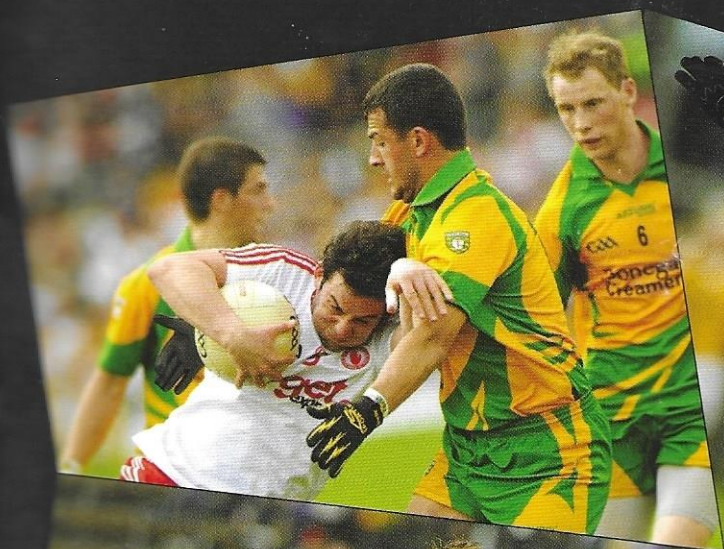
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DÚN NA NGALL





ANTHONY RAINBOW A DIFFERENT VIEW

Anthony Rainbow has hung up his boots and taken on a new role as a columnist for gaa.ie

The old maxim that 'all good things must come to an end' was most certainly applicable to the incredible inter-county career of Kildare stalwart Anthony Rainbow but his eventual departure from the GAA's highest profile landscape in no way diluted his incredible contribution to football and to Kildare in particular for almost 20 years.

This year the Leinster county embarked on their Allianz League and Championship activity in the knowledge that the classy wingback and recent www.gaa.ie Football column recruit would not be amongst their ranks.

Rainbow's decision to call time on inter-county involvement just shy of two full decades could hardly have come as a surprise but his departure from the scene drew a line under an era of football in the county and indeed further afield.

Incredibly, the Suncroft clubman made his League debut in 1990 before breaking onto the Championship circuit two years later for a first taste of top-level football against Wicklow in the Leinster GAA Championship.

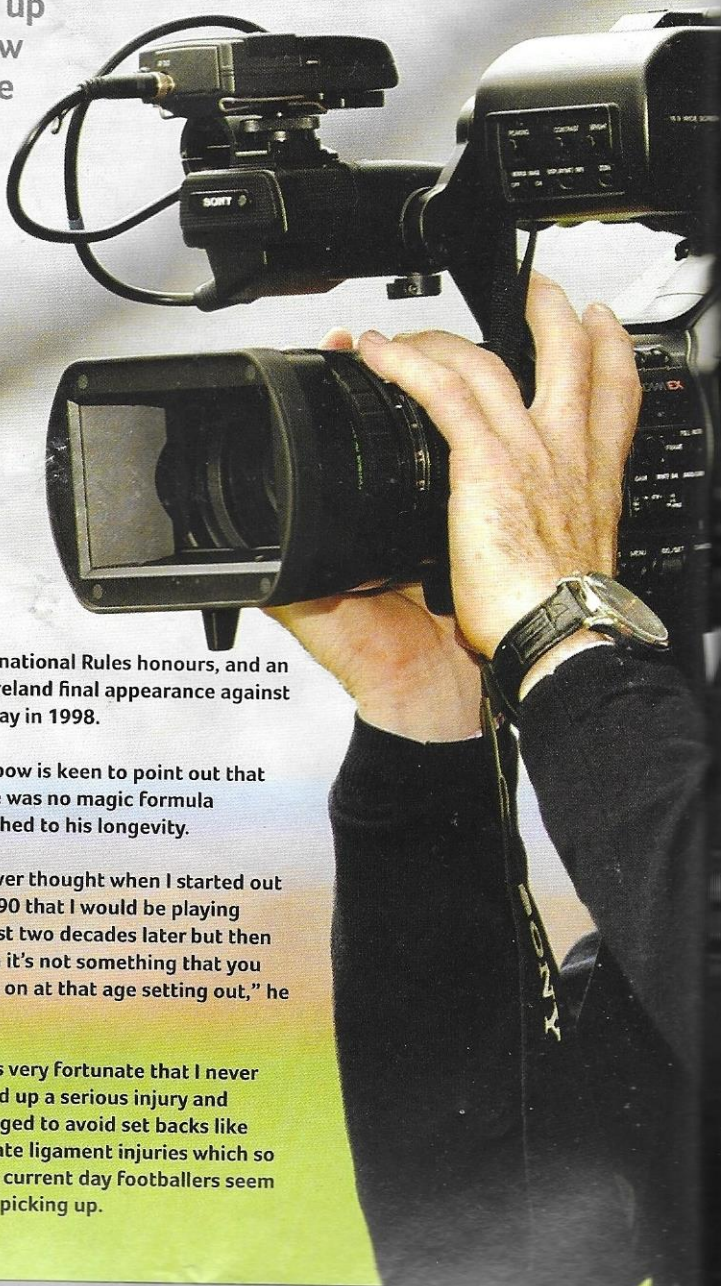
Predictably he had no notion of dedicating the next 20 years of his life to the cause of Kildare football, a commitment that brought with it Leinster, GAA All Star and

International Rules honours, and an All-Ireland final appearance against Galway in 1998.

Rainbow is keen to point out that there was no magic formula attached to his longevity.

"I never thought when I started out in 1990 that I would be playing almost two decades later but then again it's not something that you dwell on at that age setting out," he says.

"I was very fortunate that I never picked up a serious injury and managed to avoid set backs like cruciate ligament injuries which so many current day footballers seem to be picking up.





Rainbow's new found 'former player' status also allowed him to take up an invitation to pen a football column with gaa.ie and contribute as an analyst with the GAA's very own magazine programme 'Round the Square, which airs online for 10 weeks during the Championship.

The additional new role allows him to run the rule over the summer activity with an added interest.

So who does he fancy this weekend?

"I think the Kildare v Donegal game should be fascinating," he admits. "The Kildare lads have really started to kick into gear. Getting over both Laois and Meath were huge boosts. James Kavanagh has started to find real form and Tomás O'Connor has been a revelation. Players like him, Eamonn Callaghan and Pádraig O'Neill mean Johnny Doyle is not weighed down with the attacking responsibilities on his own.

"No one has run up big scores against Donegal and they will be hard to break down but if Kildare show more of the form seen to date I am confident that they will have enough to progress.

"Elsewhere it's hard to see any shocks. Mayo are likely to put up the best resistance to Cork but the reigning All-Ireland champions are so strong it's difficult to see beyond them.

"Limerick are really unfortunate and without John Galvin, Kerry will be a step too far. Similarly Roscommon will find the going tough against a Tyrone team that are coming right back into the reckoning playing with real self confidence thanks in no small part to the role of a number of new emerging players."

Read more of Anthony Rainbow's Championship musings on gaa.ie over the remainder of the Championship.

"Barring the odd groin and hamstring injury here and there I was very lucky and not putting on the weight was another big help. Crucially though I enjoyed it immensely, made lots of friends and it became my life in many ways.

"Chasing the All-Ireland kept me going and even though I never got there I enjoyed it all."

Rainbow made the big call last year after injury left him battling against the calendar to force his way into the Championship reckoning and he admits that he had at that stage given enough.

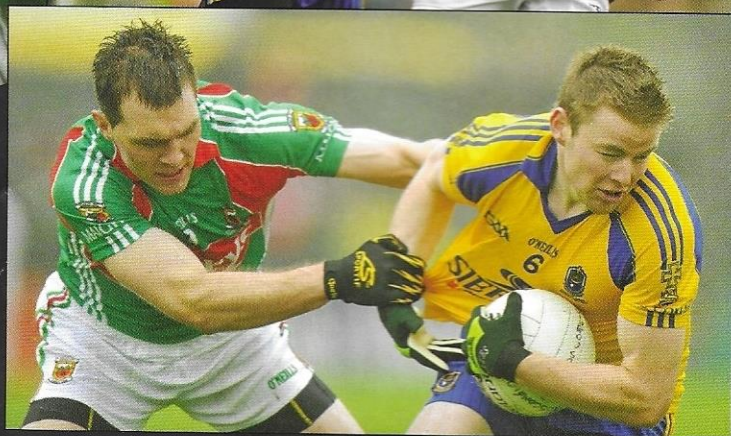
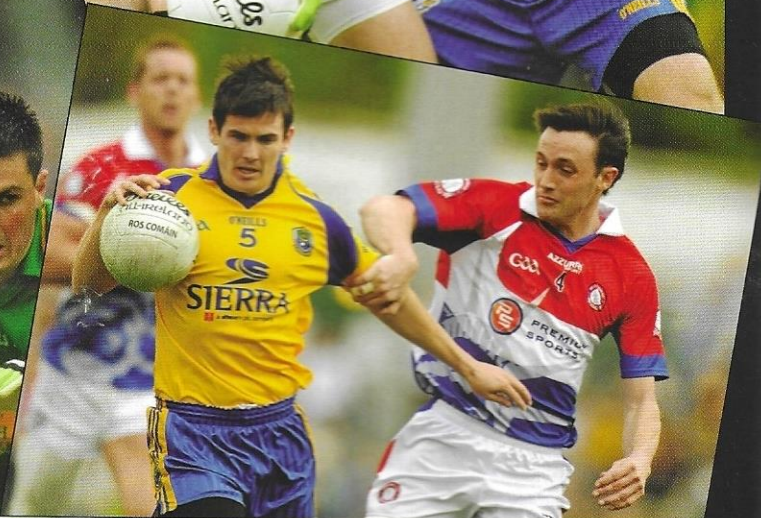
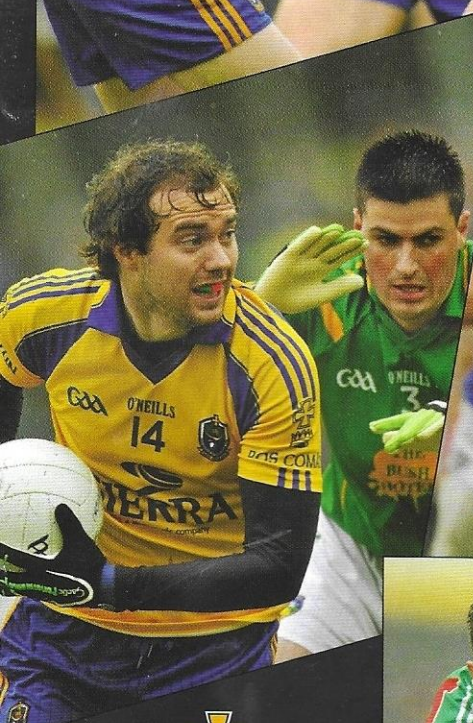
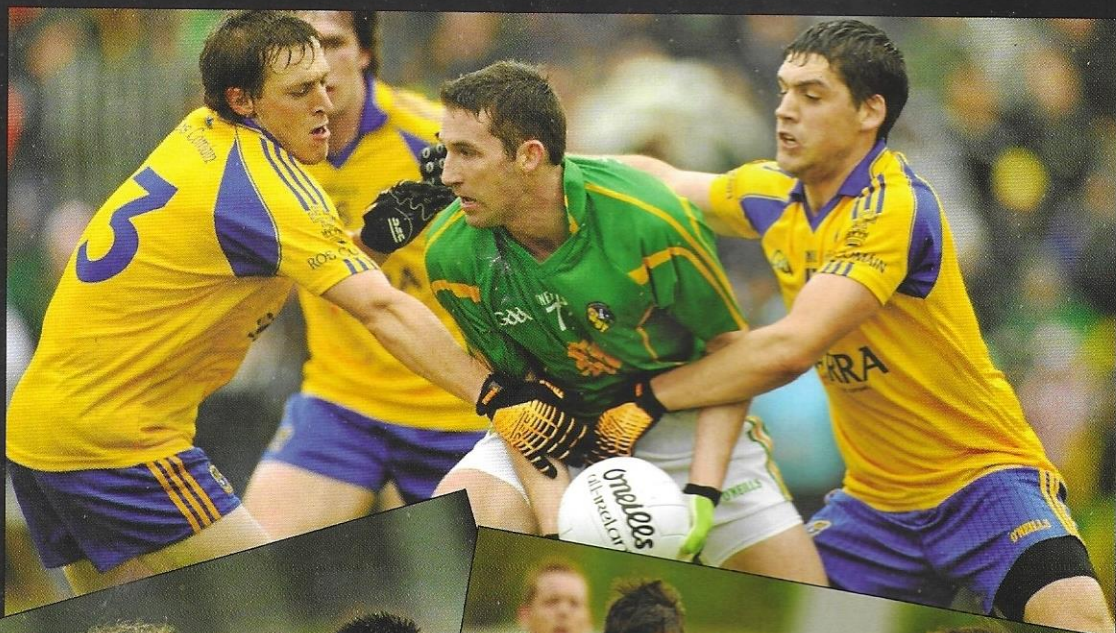
Nonetheless it wasn't exactly exit stage left for a man who continues to note the remarkable

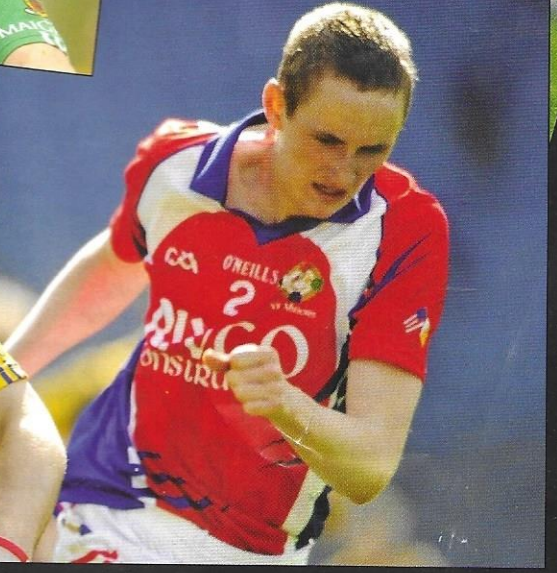
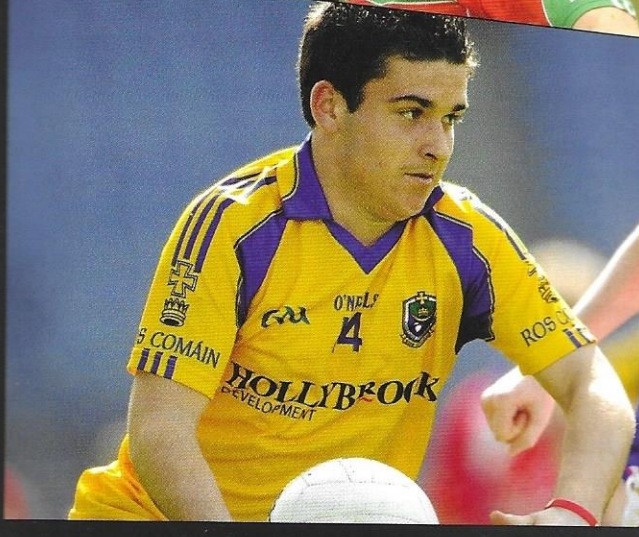
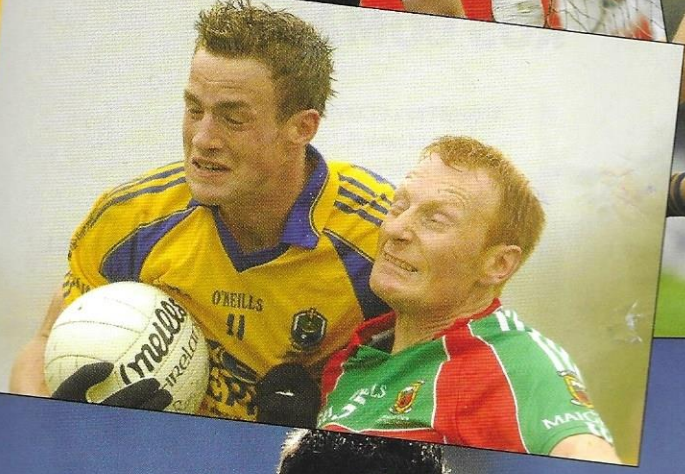
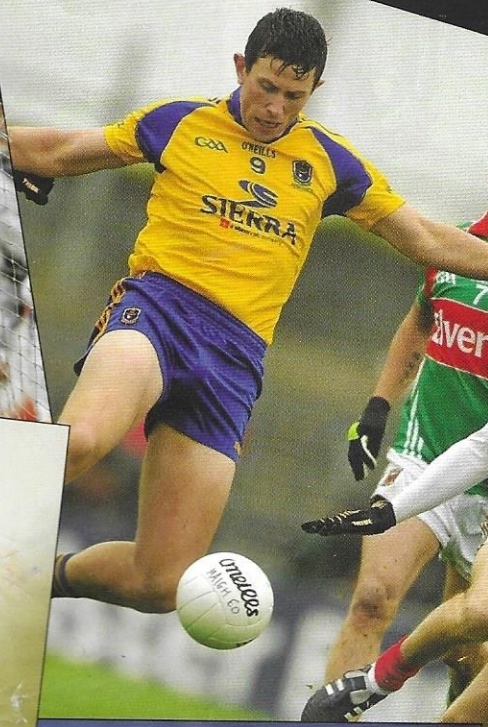
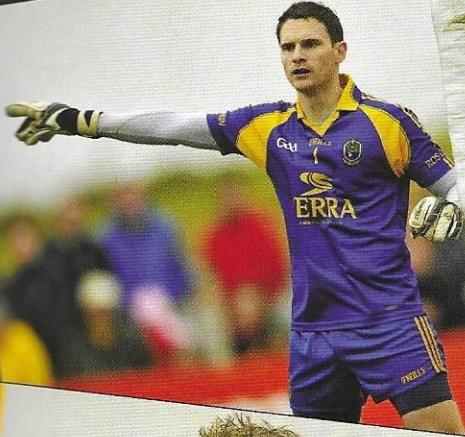
career of Waterford hurler Tony Browne.

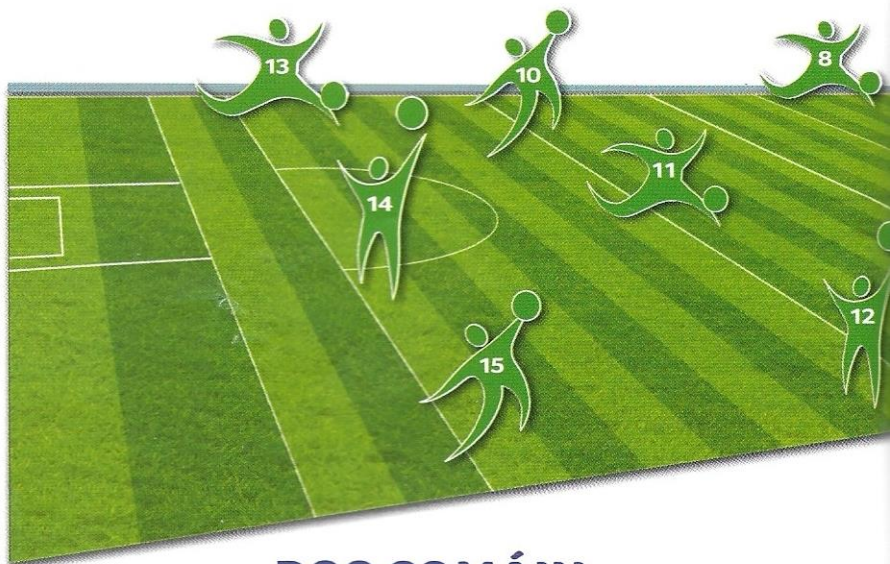
Rainbow's undoubted expertise was spotted and harnessed by Kildare team manager Kieran McGeeney who he has assisted in the area of statistics while Suncroft also continue to benefit from the incredible experience he has amassed where his playing role continues.

He welcomes the involvement and admits it took the sting out of any sense of detachment.

"If I had severed all links it might have been a bit of a wrench but keeping my hand in with the team behind the scenes meant there was no real cut off although I am not in at training every night with the lads," he explains.





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St Dominic's
17. **Stephen Ormsby**
S. Armas
St. Faithleach's
18. **Cathal Dineen**
C. Ó Duinnín
Castlerea-St Kevin's
19. **James McKeague**
S. Mac Thaidhg
Creggs
20. **Niall Daly**
N. Ó Dálaigh
Pádraig Pearse's
21. **Enda Kenny**
E. Ó Cionaoith
Castlerea-St Kevin's
22. **David O'Gara**
D. Ó Gadhra
Roscommon Gaels
23. **John Rogers**
S. Mac Ruairí
Strokestown
24. **Ger Heneghan**
G. Ó hÉanacháin
Castlerea-St Kevin's
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D. Mac Diarmada
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St Brigid's

7. DONAL WARD

D. Mac an Bhaird
Western Gaels

8. MICHAEL FINNERAN

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St Dominic's

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C. Ó Mainnín
St Brigid's

10. SENAN O'GRADY

S. Ó Gráda
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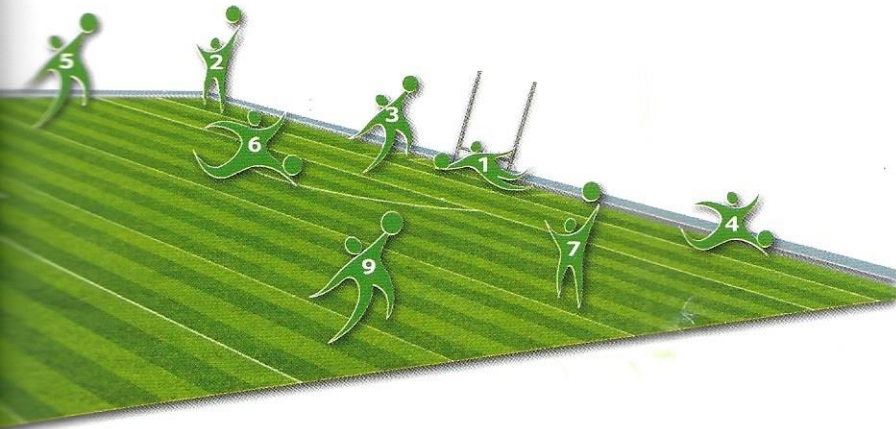
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P. Mac Dhónaill
An Baile Nua

2. MARTIN SWIFT
M. Ó Fuada
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3. JOE McMAHON
S. Mac Mathúna
An Omaigh

4. RYAN McMENAMIN
R. Mac Meanmáin
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C. Ó Garmaile
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P. Mac Siurtáin
An Mhaigh

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C. Ó hAodha
Cill Íseal

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S. Caomhánach
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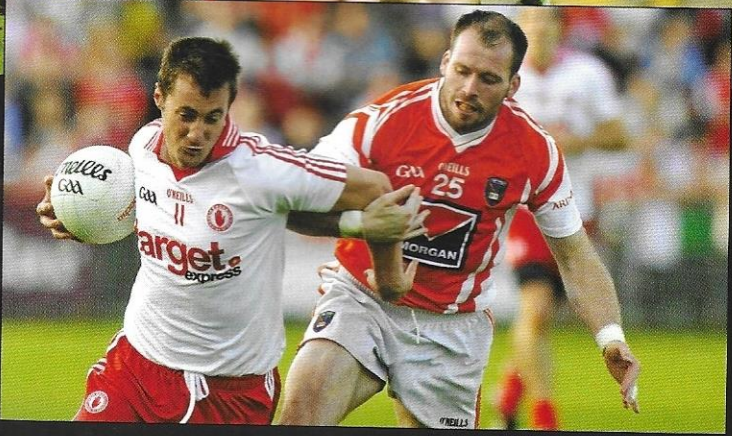
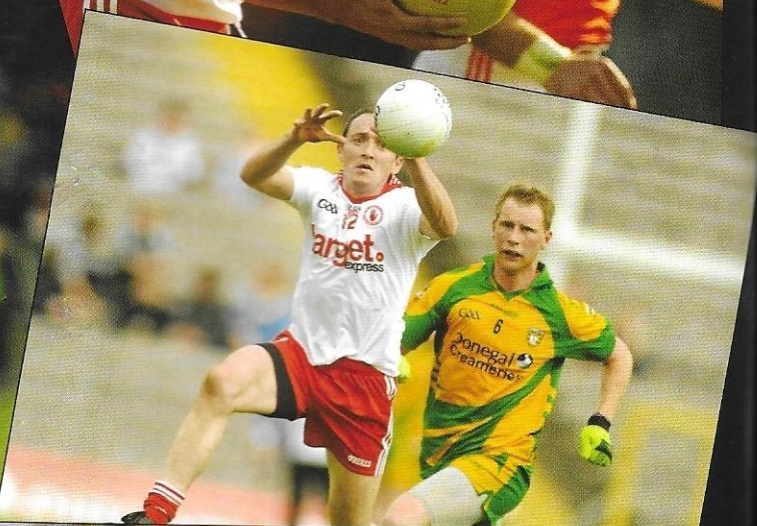
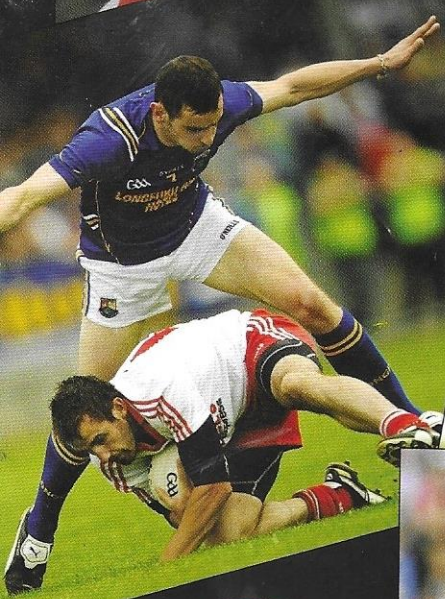
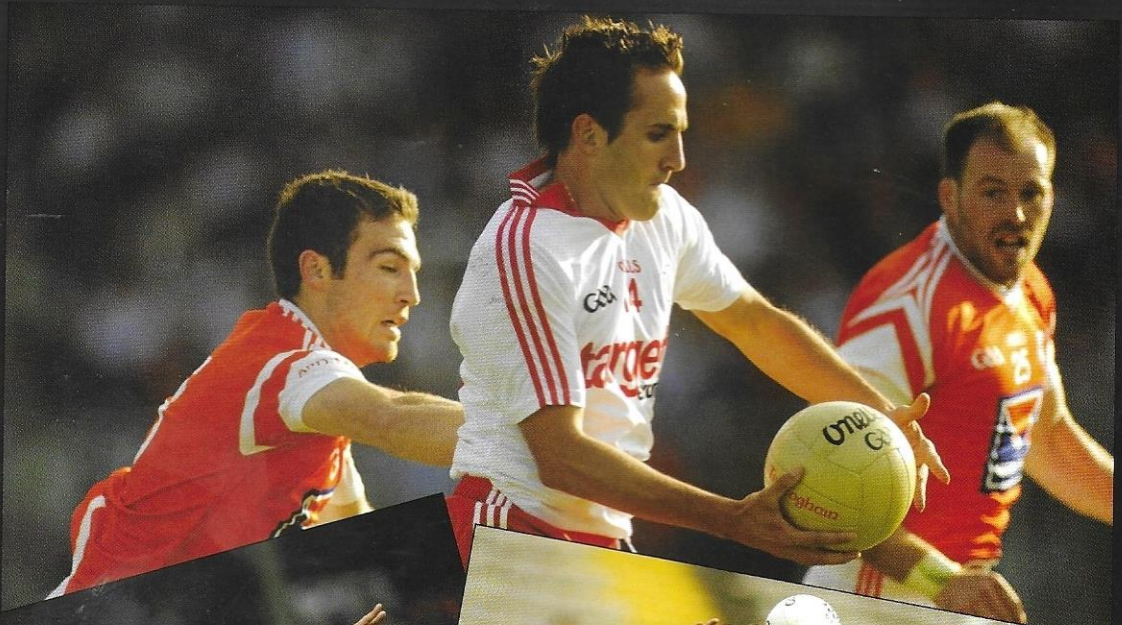
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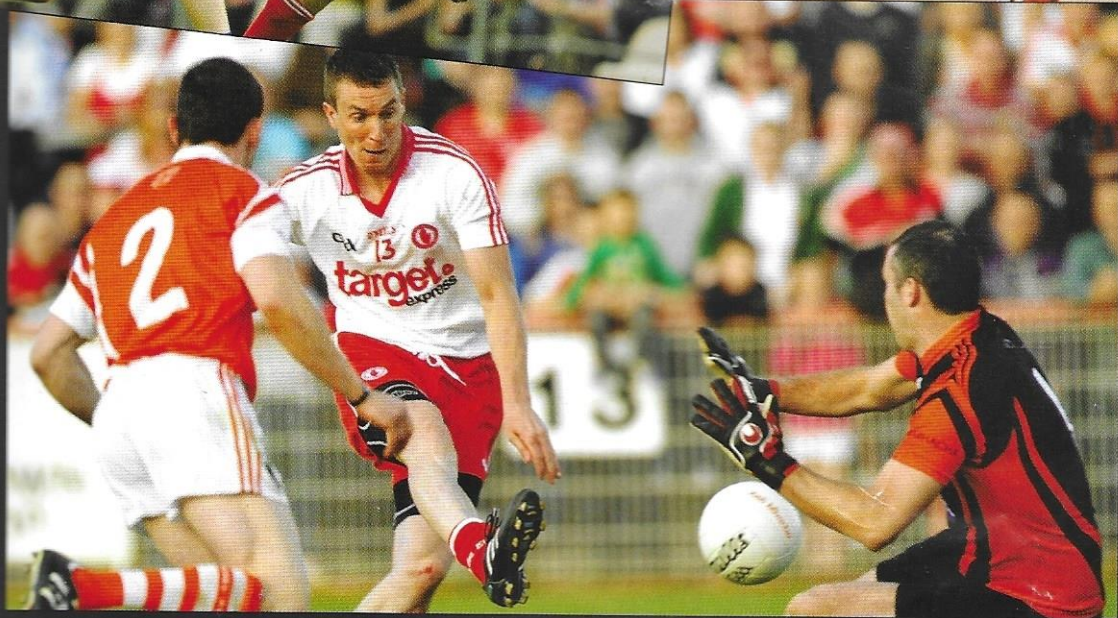
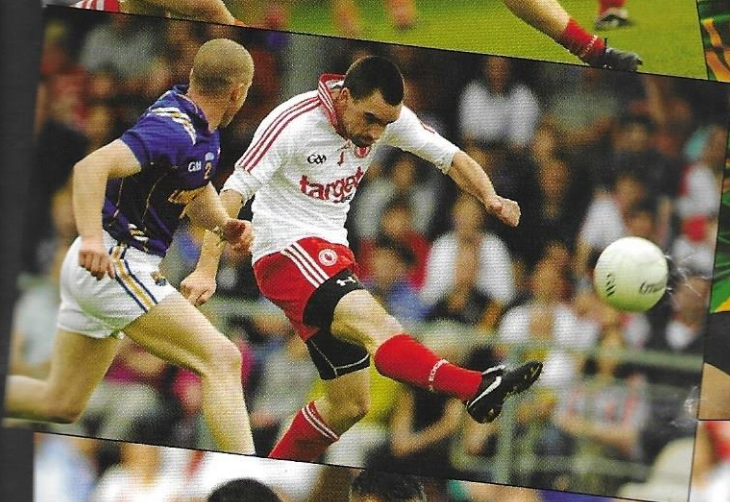
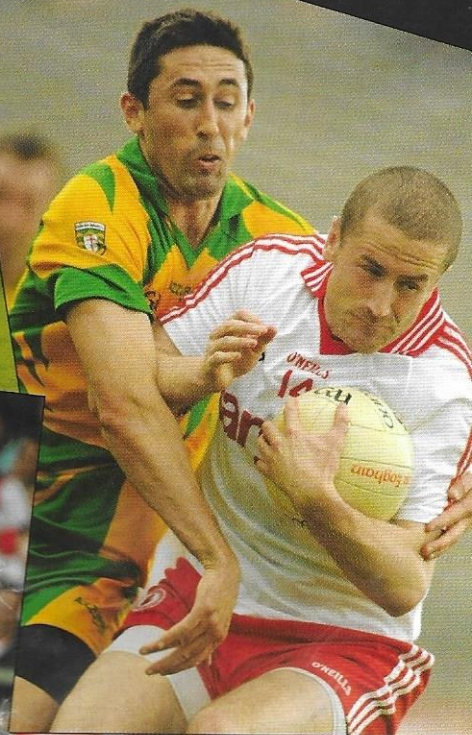
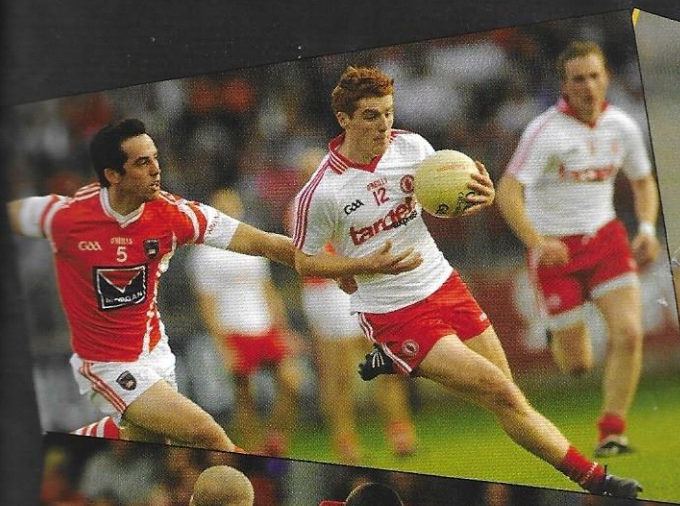
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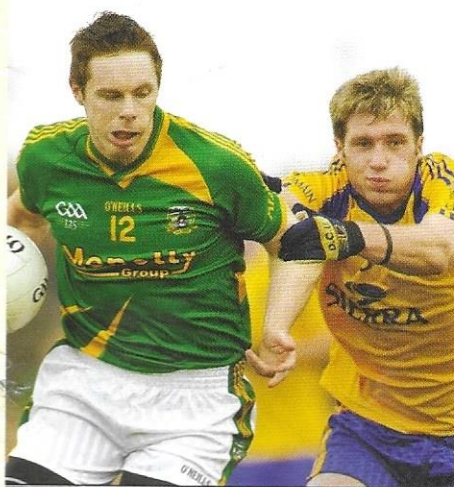
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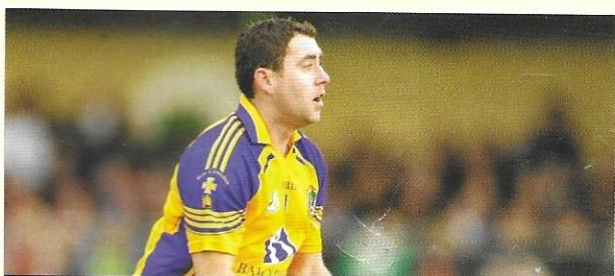
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	Mayo	0-20	2-8	Roscommon
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	Roscommon	2-9	1-11	Leitrim
	Roscommon	1-20	1-15	Offaly (aet)
	Roscommon	1-18	0-19	Kildare (aet)
2004	Dublin	1-14	0-13	Roscommon
2005	Louth	0-11	0-10	Roscommon
2006	Meath	1-19	0-9	Roscommon
2007	Kildare	2-13	1-13	Roscommon
2008	Donegal	3-11	1-9	Roscommon
2009	Roscommon	0-11	1-8	Wexford (aet)
	Roscommon	0-11	0-8	Wexford (replay)
	Meath	2-12	0-11	Roscommon



Stephen Bray, Meath, in action against
Cathal Cregg, Roscommon in 2009

LEADING MARKSMEN

FRANKIE DOLAN	0-35
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Front (L-R): Seán McDermott, Donie Shine, Conor Devaney, Peter Domican, Cathal Cregg, Michael Finneran, Donal Warde, Geoffrey Claffey

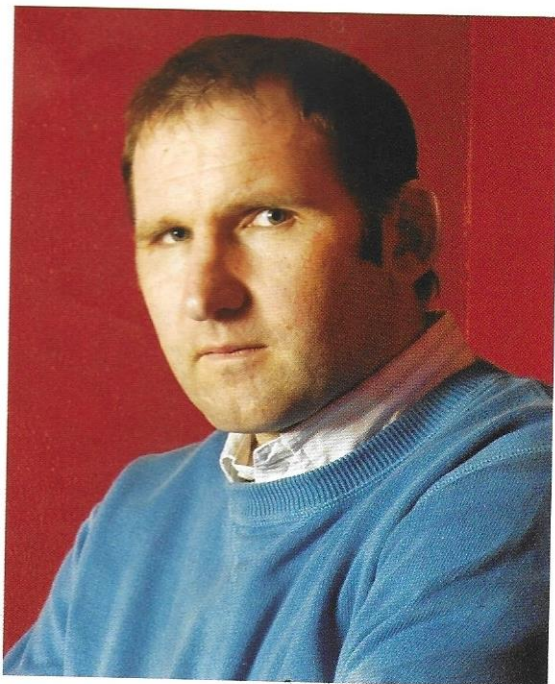
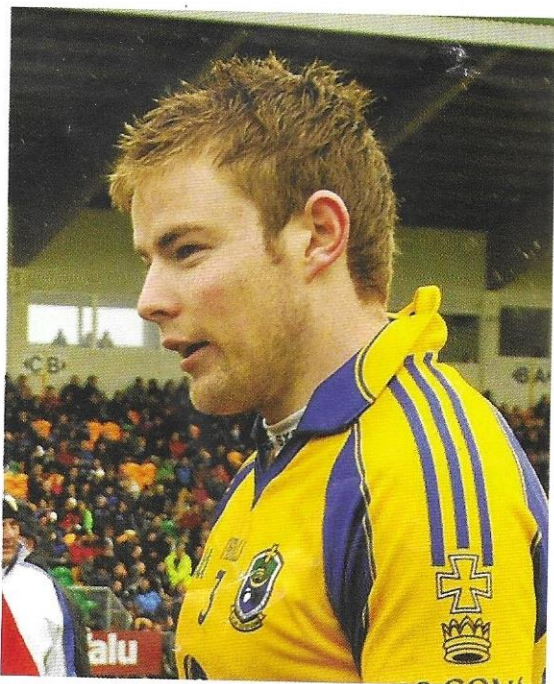
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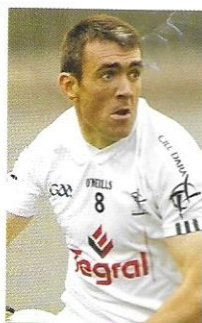
When Peter Domican lifted the Nestor Cup last year, he became the first man since current manager Fergal O'Donnell in 2001 to captain Roscommon to Connacht Senior Championship glory. Domican made his Championship debut in 2009 against Leitrim and already, at just 22 years of age, he is one of the team's real leaders. Domican has won five county U21 Championship medals with his Club St Brigid's. Domican also won at U12, U16 and Minor levels with St Brigid's before collecting back-to-back county titles with the Senior team in 2006 and '07 and adding a third last year. He was a key member of the team that reached the AIB GAA Club All-Ireland final in March. The tight-marking full-back won an All-Ireland Minor medal with Roscommon in 2006.

O'Donnell had already assured himself of legendary status within Roscommon prior to masterminding last year's Connacht GAA Championship success. In 2001, O'Donnell was captain of the previous county Senior team to taste provincial glory and the popular Boyle-based Garda has left an indelible mark on Roscommon football in the past decade. He was appointed as Senior team manager in September 2008, having guided the county's Minors to a historic All-Ireland success in 2006. O'Donnell, who played his Club football with Roscommon Gaels, tasted Minor success himself as a player in 1989, when the Rossies won the Connacht title.



2011 TOP TEN SCORERS

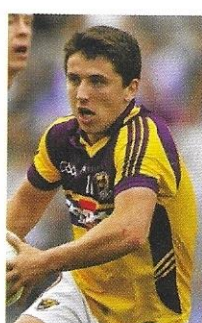
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Ben Brosnan (Wexford)	0-32	32
John Doyle (Kildare)	2-21	27
Cian Ward (Meath)	4-12	24
Ciarán Lyng (Wexford)	1-21	24
Martin Clarke (Down)	2-16	22
Daniel Goulding (Cork)	2-16	22
Seán McCormack (Longford)	0-21	21
Steven McDonnell (Armagh)	0-21	21
Donncha O'Connor (Cork)	3-12	21
Jamie Clarke (Armagh)	3-10	19



John Doyle
(Kildare)

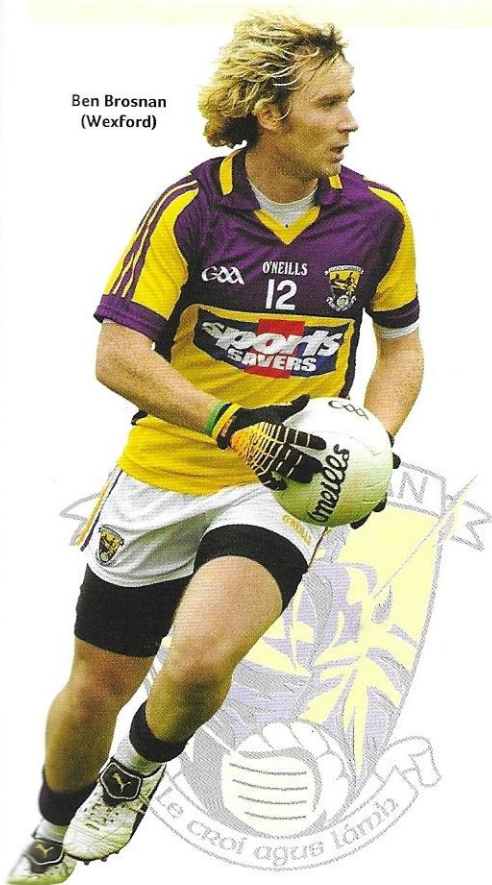


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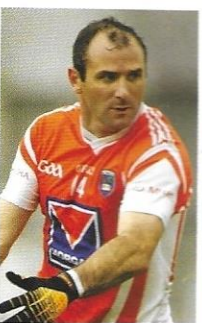
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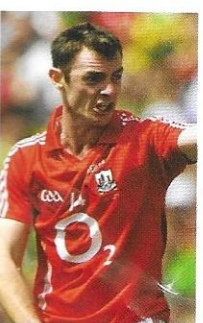
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LEINSTER



Preliminary Round

Kildare	0-12	0-5	Wicklow
Laois	0-10	0-9	Longford
Wexford	2-16	0-8	Offaly

Quarter-finals

Kildare	0-16	0-10	Meath
Dublin	1-16	0-11	Laois
Wexford	1-24	0-15	Westmeath
Carlow	0-14	0-13	Laois

Semi-finals

Dublin	1-12	1-11	Kildare
Wexford	4-12	0-10	Carlow

Final

Dublin	2-12	1-12	Wexford
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MUNSTER



Quarter-finals

Cork	1-23	0-11	Clare
Kerry	2-16	0-11	Tipperary

Semi-finals

Kerry	1-26	3-9	Limerick
Cork	5-17	2-8	Waterford

Final

Kerry	1-15	1-12	Cork
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ULSTER



Preliminary Round

Donegal	1-10	0-7	Antrim
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Quarter-finals

Derry	1-18	1-10	Fermanagh
Armagh	1-15	1-10	Down
Tyrone	1-13	1-11	Monaghan
Donegal	2-14	1-8	Cavan

Semi-finals

Derry	3-14	1-11	Armagh
Donegal	2-6	0-9	Tyrone

Final

Donegal	1-11	0-8	Derry
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CONNACHT



Quarter-finals

Roscommon	3-21	1-11	New York
Leitrim	1-10	0-10	Sligo
Mayo	0-19	2-10	London (aet)

Semi-finals

Roscommon	2-12	0-6	Leitrim
Mayo	1-12	1-6	Galway

Final

Mayo	0-13	0-11	Roscommon
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QUALIFIERS

Round 1

Offaly	1-18	1-10	Monaghan
Down	1-13	1-12	Clare
Longford	2-16	0-11	Cavan
Meath	5-8	2-8	Louth
London	0-15	0-9	Fermanagh
Laois	2-16	0-11	Tipperary
Wicklow	1-18	0-16	Sligo
Antrim	0-16	1-7	Westmeath

Round 2

Limerick	3-13	0-15	Offaly
Down	1-16	1-8	Leitrim
Kildare	3-16	0-10	Laois
Tyrone	1-17	0-15	Longford
Armagh	0-19	2-13	Wicklow (aet)

Meath	0-11	0-10	Galway
Antrim	1-13	2-9	Carlow
Waterford	1-17	0-13	London
Replay			
Armagh	2-9	0-10	Wicklow

Round 3

Down	3-13	0-10	Antrim
Kildare	2-11	0-14	Meath
Limerick	0-14	0-9	Waterford
Tyrone	2-13	0-13	Armagh

Round 4

Cork	2-20	0-14	Down
Limerick	1-18	1-17	Wexford
Kildare	0-19	0-13	Derry



THE TYRONE FOOTBALL PANEL

Back (L-R): Jonathan Curran, Aidan McCrory, Kyle Coney, Cathal McCarron, Ryan McMenamin, Joe McMahon, Owen Mulligan, Seán Cavanagh, Pascal McConnell, Kevin Hughes, Stephen O'Neill, Martin Penrose, Tommy McGuigan, Stephen McNally, Ronan McNabb, Colm Cavanagh

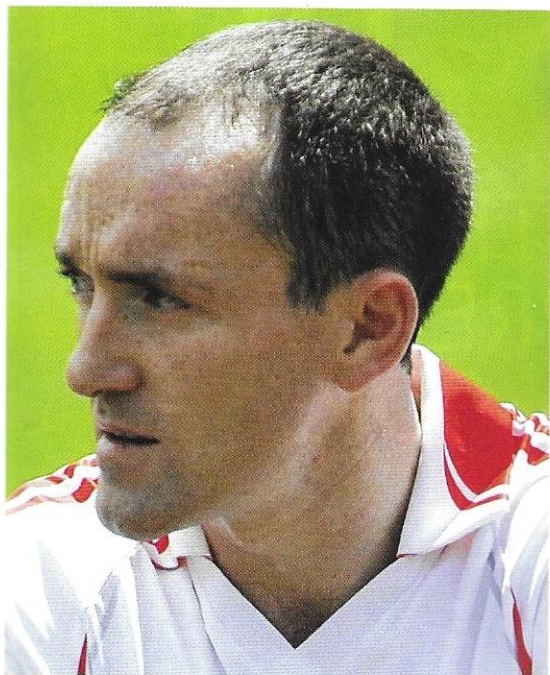
Front (L-R): Conor Gormley, Damian McCaul, Seán O'Neill, Davy Harte, Brian McGuigan, Peter Harte, Brian Dooher, Philip Jordan, Mark Donnelly, Martin Swift, Aidan Cassidy, Enda McGinley, John Devine, Paddy McNeice

AN CAPTAEN BRIAN DOOHER



One of the stand-out players of the modern era, Dooher has been a member of the Tyrone squad since 1995. A tireless wing-forward, the Clann na nGael man is synonymous with the Tyrone team that won three All-Ireland titles in the last decade. The Derry-based veterinarian skipped the sides that won 'Sam' in 2005 and '08.

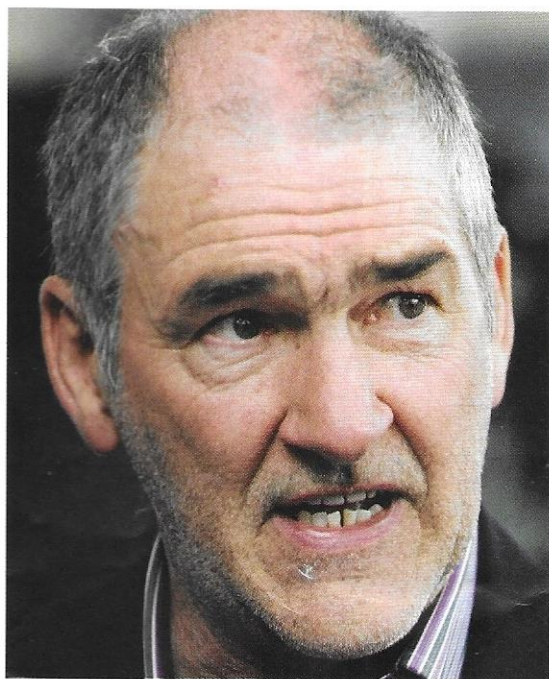
Dooher, who turns 36 next month, won GAA All Stars in each of Tyrone's All-Ireland winning campaigns - 2003, '05 and '08. Originally appointed as captain in 2005, this is the seventh successive season he has held that honour.



BAINISTEOIR MICKEY HARTE

Mickey Harte, who has been in charge of Tyrone since 2003, is the longest serving manager in Senior inter-county football. The Ballygawley man served as Tyrone Minor and U21 manager, winning All-Ireland titles in both grades, before winning a Tyrone Championship with his Club Errigal Ciarán.

Harte guided the Red Hand County to a first-ever All-Ireland title in 2003 before adding two more before the end of the decade, in '05 and '08, the latter two coming via the Qualifiers route.



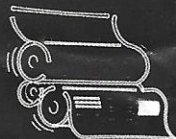


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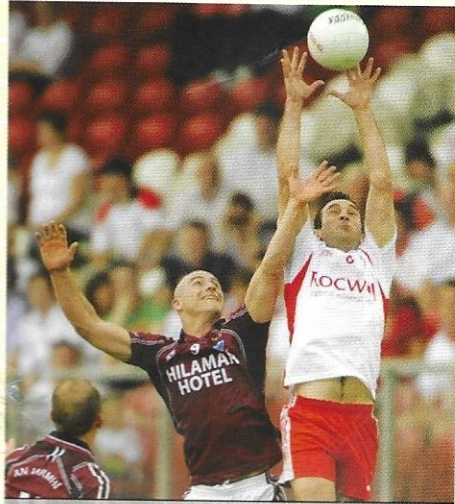
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TYRONE QUALIFIER RECORD



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	Tyrone	1-22	0-7	Leitrim
	Tyrone	1-17	1-12	Derry
	Sligo	1-14	0-12	Tyrone
2004	Tyrone	1-15	0-10	Down
	Tyrone	1-16	0-11	Galway
	Tyrone	3-15	2-4	Laois
2005	Tyrone	2-14	1-7	Monaghan
2006	Tyrone	2-16	2-16	Louth (aet)
REPLAY	Tyrone	1-12	1-7	Louth
	Laois	0-9	0-6	Tyrone
2008	Tyrone	1-18	1-10	Louth
	Tyrone	0-14	1-7	Westmeath
	Tyrone	0-13	1-9	Mayo
2011	Tyrone	1-17	0-15	Longford
	Tyrone	2-13	0-13	Armagh



Enda McGinley, Tyrone, in action against Donal O'Donoghue, Westmeath in 2008

LEADING MARKSMEN

STEPHEN O'NEILL	2-33
OWEN MULLIGAN	3-21
SEÁN CAVANAGH	1-22
PETER CANAVAN	0-23
BRIAN MCGUIGAN	2-11

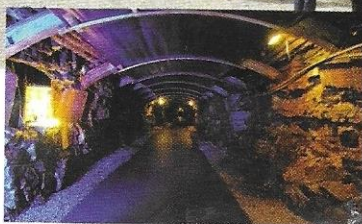


Stephen O'Neill



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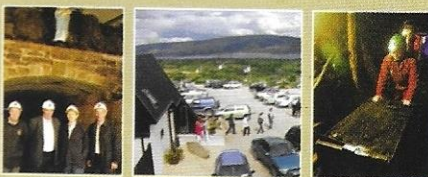


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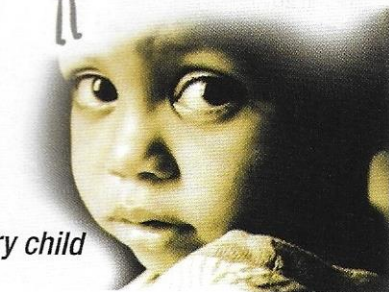
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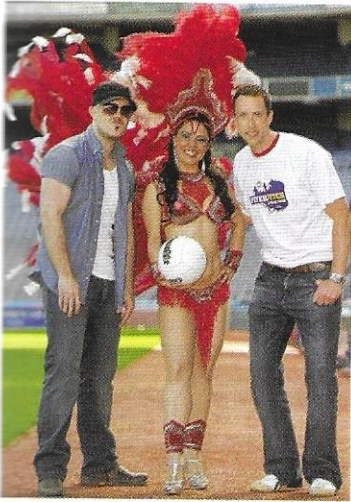
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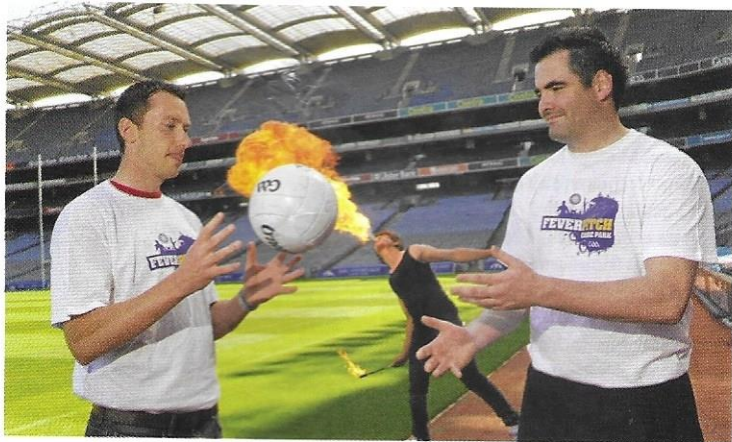
Fair play for every child



There's just no sporting event anywhere in the world quite like the All-Ireland final. With all the features of a major international entertainment event - massive crowds, huge media interest and a nationwide scramble for tickets - married with an electric festive atmosphere in the capital, the event has become **THE** date on the Irish sporting and cultural events calendar.

With the launch of FeverPitch 2011, Croke Park is opening its doors on the eve of the final to capture this unique All-Ireland final weekend atmosphere at the home of Gaelic Games. This pre football final bash will offer a focal point for supporters to gather in celebration and friendly rivalry on the eve of the final.

FeverPitch 2011 offers much more than just pre match banter. The line-up for the night includes live music and performance, comedy stand up and GAA live and unplugged.



Entertainment slots will be filled with music from Royseven, The Inishturkbeg Collective, The Riptide Movement, Ryan Sheridan and The Cuban All Stars. MC is Hector Ó hEochagáin and the evening will also feature appearances from comedy favourites such as Neil Delamere, Fred Cooke and Colm O'Regan.

FeverPitch 2011 will officially begin the countdown to this year's All-Ireland Football final at 7.00pm on Saturday, September 17. Don't miss out. Book your ticket now to ensure you are there to catch final fever in Croke Park this year! For more details, visit www.crokepark.ie/feverpitch2011

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ROSSIES FAVOURED TO ADVANCE TO LAST FOUR

Roscommon's results to date suggest they are capable of mounting a serious challenge for the Tom Markham Cup this year

Having already clashed at both the semi-final and final stages of the GAA Football All-Ireland Minor Championship, today Armagh and Roscommon complete the set with a first-ever meeting in the last eight.

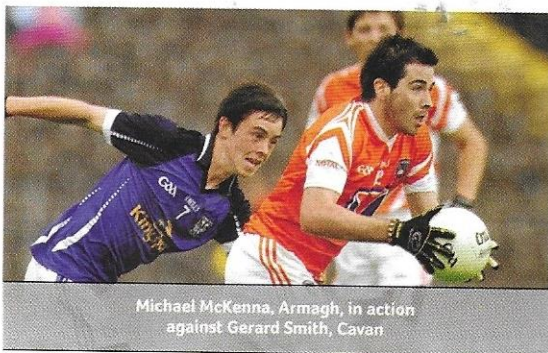
Their paths first crossed in the 1951 final which the Connacht side won by 2-7 to 1-5, while the Orchard County were victorious in their most recent head-to-head at the penultimate stage in 1992 on a 3-12 to 0-13 scoreline.

The winners 19 years ago enjoyed an eventful journey to today's clash winning first time out at the Morgan Athletic Grounds despite conceding five goals to visitors Down (3-11 to 5-4). At Clones next time they looked a more polished outfit as they strolled past Fermanagh by 17 points.

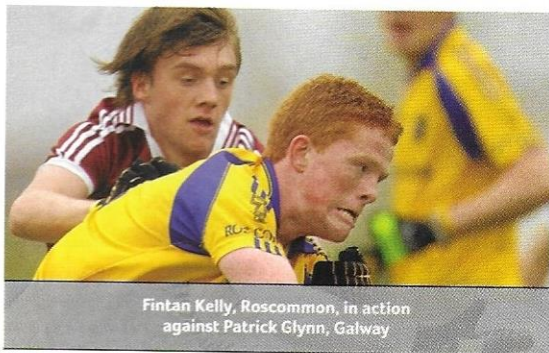
Favoured for the provincial final clash against Cavan, Armagh looked like justifying that tag when they turned over leading by four points but they failed to register any scores in the second period to go under by 1-6 to 0-12.

Roscommon began their campaign at Croke Park with the easiest of victories against New York. Matters got tougher thereafter but the Rossies were up to the challenge and six-point verdicts against both Mayo and Galway suggest that they are capable of mounting a serious challenge for the Tom Markham Cup.

Prior to their provincial final performances Armagh would probably have carried the favourites tag, but following the matches at Dr. Hyde Park and Clones, Roscommon are given the nod to advance to the last four.



Michael McKenna, Armagh, in action against Gerard Smith, Cavan



Fintan Kelly, Roscommon, in action against Patrick Glynn, Galway

AN RÉITEOIR - CONOR LANE (Corcaigh)

Conor makes his 2011 debut at Croke Park this afternoon, but the Leeside official hasn't been idle, taking charge of a number of games at various levels. In Munster he was the man-in-the-middle for the McGrath Cup final between Kerry and Clare having earlier officiated at the Waterford-Tipperary tie in the same competition. In the Allianz Football League the Rebel whistler was on duty for the Offaly-Limerick and Offaly-Waterford Division III fixtures. Matches in the Cadbury GAA Football Munster U21 Championship and Junior Championship also featured on his CV this year.



Other members of the Roscommon squad not included on the teamsheet are: Niall Curley, Ruaidhrí McManus, Conor Hussey, Brian Fannon, Caoileann Fitzmaurice, Ciarán Casserly, Eddie Egan, Michael Gunning.

MINOR QUARTER-FINALS

2002	Meath	1-8	1-7	Galway	Roscommon	1-12	0-5	Tipperary
	Longford	4-6	1-6	Leitrim	Kerry	2-7	0-9	Mayo
	Kerry	3-14	1-8	Tyrone	2007	Laois	1-13	1-11
	Derry	5-13	1-3	Tipperary	Galway	3-13	0-7	Carlow
2003	Cork	2-11	2-10	Galway	Kerry	2-9	1-8	Tyrone
	Kerry	2-10	1-8	Mayo	Derry	1-8	1-7	Cork
	Laois	0-15	1-8	Tyrone	2008	Kerry	4-12	0-9
	Dublin	0-15	0-5	Fermanagh	Meath	2-9	0-10	Tipperary
2004	Down	0-15	1-11	Galway	Mayo	1-12	0-9	Monaghan (aet)
	Tyrone	2-15	0-2	Roscommon	Tyrone	1-15	1-8	Roscommon
	Kerry	2-18	1-10	Kildare	2009	Armagh	2-14	2-8
	Laois	1-9	1-9	Cork	Kerry	3-15	1-17	Roscommon (aet)
REPLAY	Laois	1-10	0-6	Cork	Mayo	3-10	1-8	Tipperary
2005	Offaly	1-9	0-10	Cork	Down	2-16	2-14	Dublin
	Down	1-17	2-11	Galway	2010	Tyrone	2-12	0-9
	Mayo	0-10	1-6	Armagh	Galway	0-10	1-6	Longford
	Kerry	0-14	1-4	Laois	Mayo	1-14	1-12	Offaly
2006	Donegal	0-17	1-13	Offaly (aet)	Cork	3-11	0-19	Armagh
	Meath	1-17	2-10	Antrim (aet)				

QUARTER-FINAL TOP SCORERS

		SCORE	
2002	Declan Farrell (Longford)	2-1	
	Colin O'Connor (Kerry)	2-1	
	Paul Young (Derry)	2-1	
2003	Bryan Sheehan (Kerry)	2-5	
2004	Mark Evans (Kerry)	1-8	
2005	Eoin Concannon (Galway)	2-4	
2006	Alan Nestor (Meath)	2-1	
	Aaron Thompson (Antrim)	2-1	
2007	Michael Martyn (Galway)	1-4	
	Jonathan Ryan (Galway)	1-4	
2008	Barry John Walsh (Kerry)	3-3	
2009	Darragh Stapleton (Dublin)	1-9	
2010	Cillian O'Connor (Mayo)	0-9	

GAA GO GAMES EXHIBITION GAMES



Today's GAA Go Games Exhibition teams are from the John Mitchels GAA Club in Liverpool and Skerries Harps GAA Club, Dublin.

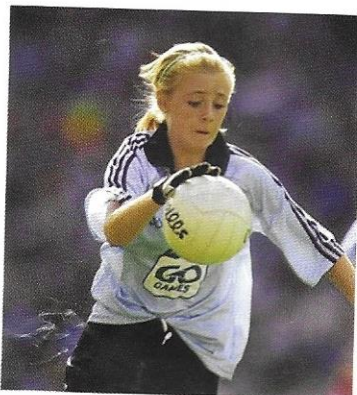
Special mention to John Mitchels, Liverpool, the oldest GAA Club outside of Ireland dating back to 1904. Today sees many of their young players line out for the first time in Croke Park.

The Club has a long tradition of playing and promoting Gaelic Games around Merseyside with teams currently at underage, Ladies and men's Junior and Senior levels.

The underage system has progressed superbly in recent times resulting in many successes at adult level with the Ladies team British champions in recent years, the men's Junior footballers claiming a fifth Championship in a row last season. The Club also historically reached an All-Ireland Football Junior Club Final in Croke Park in February 2009.

The Club would like to wish all the players involved today the best of luck and hope many of these players line out at Senior level for the Club in Croke Park in the not too distant future!

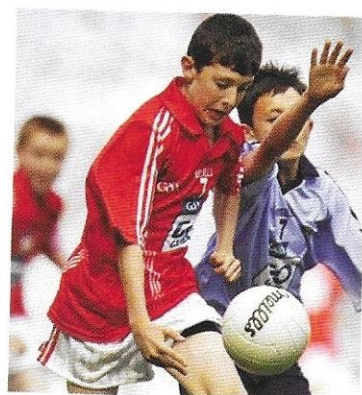
Niall Jackman,
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DAVIN STAND END

TEAM 1
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Hugh Ferguson
Jack Bennett
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Robert Delaney
Seán Maguire
Rory Garland
Adam Fearon

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Tommy Cunningham
Danny Ward
Ollie Forde
Ryan Whittle
Tom Curran
Luke Yates
Matthew Dooley
Robert Kenny
Paul Wilde
Emmet Trant



DINEEN/HILL 16 END

TEAM 1
Seán Lynch
Fintan Lynch
Cathal Lynch
Matty Forde
Matthew Rabbette
Matthew Kelly
Finn Chatten
Darragh Archbold
Jacob Grimes

TEAM 2
Cian McGrath
Hannah Rabbette
Ryan Keatley
Cormac Graham
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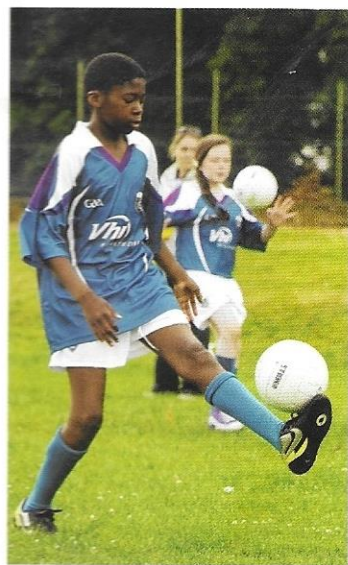
Now in its sixth year, the Vhi GAA Cúl Camps is a nationally co-ordinated programme which aims to encourage primary school children between the ages of six and 13, to develop sporting skills irrespective of their skill level or ability and also to develop a sense of sporting fair play and personal achievement by participating in

various Gaelic Games, in a fun, non competitive environment.

With over 1,000 camps taking place in Ireland and overseas, and over 80,000 children aged 6 – 13 years participating, the Vhi GAA Cúl Camps are the most popular children's sporting camps in the country.

For information on how to book a camp, please visit www.vhiculcamps.gaa.ie.

The website also contains contact details for county co-ordinators, venue information and when camps will take place.



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Following the success of the first series of the GAA's very own online magazine show 'Round the Square has returned for a second instalment to coincide with the onset of this year's All-Ireland series.

The lively weekly bulletin is packed with features and news from the world of Gaelic Games featuring personal profiles of top footballers and hurlers, the latest interviews and news stories and top scores in both codes as the action heats up in both Championships.

'Round the Square can be viewed every Thursday between now and the GAA Football All-Ireland Senior

Championship final only at gaa.ie.

Our new 2011 website columnists Ollie Canning (hurling) and Anthony Rainbow (football) will also contribute to both 'Round the Square in addition to penning their respective views of what's happening as the list of contenders is whittled down in the direction of September.

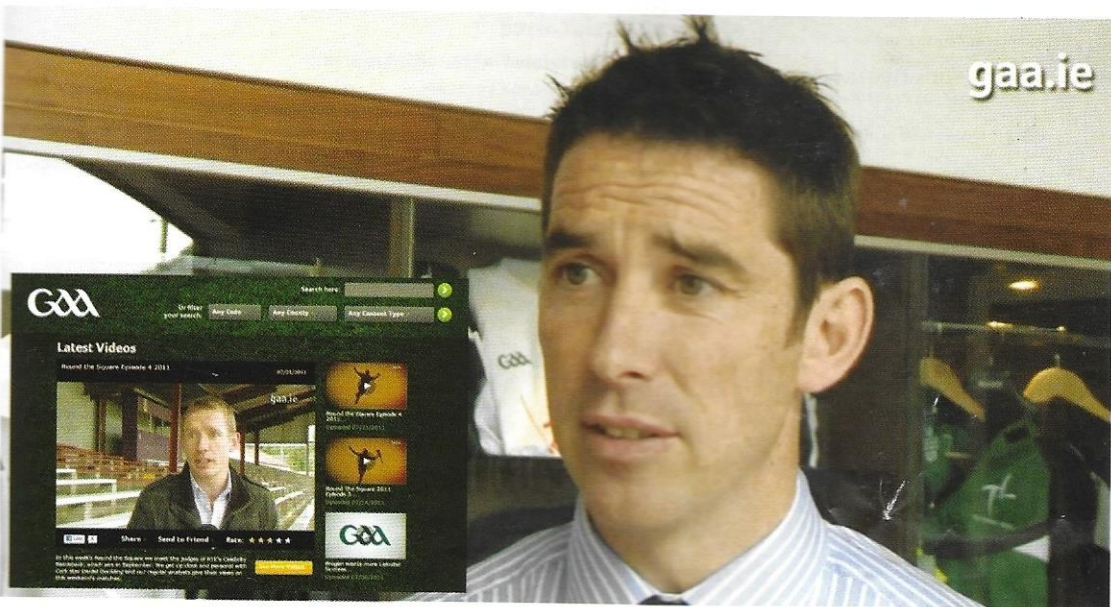
Both recently retired from lengthy and successful inter-county careers, but still active with their Clubs Portumna and Suncroft respectively, they will bring their expertise and insight to bear on the action as it happens week by week and their

online columns will be posted on Fridays.

Another new addition to gaa.ie has been the advent of our new match tracker facility which keeps supporters up to speed with the latest developments in our chosen big match fixture every weekend.

This new feature will soon be available on the GAA app (both iPhone and Android).

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CROKE PARK SAFETY AND GENERAL INFORMATION

REGULATIONS

Páirc an Chrócaigh

1. All persons entering this ground are admitted only subject to the following Rules (which are designated to protect the Health and Safety of all entrants to the ground). Entry to the ground shall be deemed to constitute unqualified acceptance of all of these Rules.
2. The management reserves the right of admission.
3. The instructions of the stewards must be obeyed at all times.
4. All persons entering the ground agree to be searched by a member of the Garda Síochána.
5. Every person (including infants) entering the ground must have a ticket.
6. The following are not permitted:
 - 6.1 Entry upon the pitch or engaging in conduct that causes or is likely to cause injury or harm to, or otherwise interferes with, disrupts, hinders, or distracts a person playing in, refereeing or otherwise having a role in a match at this ground.
 - 6.2 Any unauthorised contact with the boundary wall surrounding the pitch or incursion on to the pitch. Any such unauthorised contact or incursion constitutes a trespass to property.
 - 6.3 The climbing of floodlights or other pylons, stands or other buildings. Such behavior constitutes a trespass to property.
 - 6.4 Throwing of objects onto the pitch.
 - 6.5 Remaining or loitering in any gangway or aisle.
 - 6.6 Behaving in an offensive or indecent manner.
 - 6.7 Bringing of alcohol into the ground.
 - 6.8 Bringing into the ground of fireworks, smoke canisters, bottles, glasses, cans, flags, banners, poles, distress signals, laser pointers and similar articles or containers, including anything which could or might be used as a weapon.
 - 6.9 Excessive noise such as that from the use of radio sets or other appliances and behaviour likely to cause confusion or nuisance of any kind including foul or abusive language.
7. If a person commits a trespass, reasonable force may be used to prevent, restrain or terminate any trespass.
8. Where a person is in breach of any of these rules, or where the management believes that a person constitutes a source of danger to others, or to the ground, such person may be refused entry or ejected from the ground, and reasonable force may be used for that purpose.

Safety and General Information

Supporters are asked to respect the fact that they are entering and leaving the stadium through residential areas.



Safety Notice

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



The policy to prohibit such encroachment in the future has been taken on the advice and promptings of the safety authorities, namely the Gardai, Dublin City Council, Fire Brigade and the HSE. The full co-operation of supporters is requested to avoid serious injury and to ensure that games can be enjoyed without recourse to fencing or avoidable obstructions to seeing action from all vantage points.

Together we can ensure that the Croke Park experience is both enjoyable and safe, particularly for the young and vulnerable.

Smoking Policy

Croke Park now operates a No Smoking policy except in designated areas of the ground.



Medical Assistance

First Aid Centres are located in the following areas:

Davin Stand/Cusack Stand Level 3:	Section 312
Hogan Stand Level 3:	Section 333
Cusack Stand Level 7:	Section 701
Davin/Cusack Stand Level 7:	Section 724
Dineen/Hill 16 Cusack Side:	Section A
Medical Centre:	Hogan Players Tunnel



The Site Medical Officer will be situated on the pitch in front of the Cusack Stand. All First Aid Posts are staffed by St. John Ambulance Brigade members.

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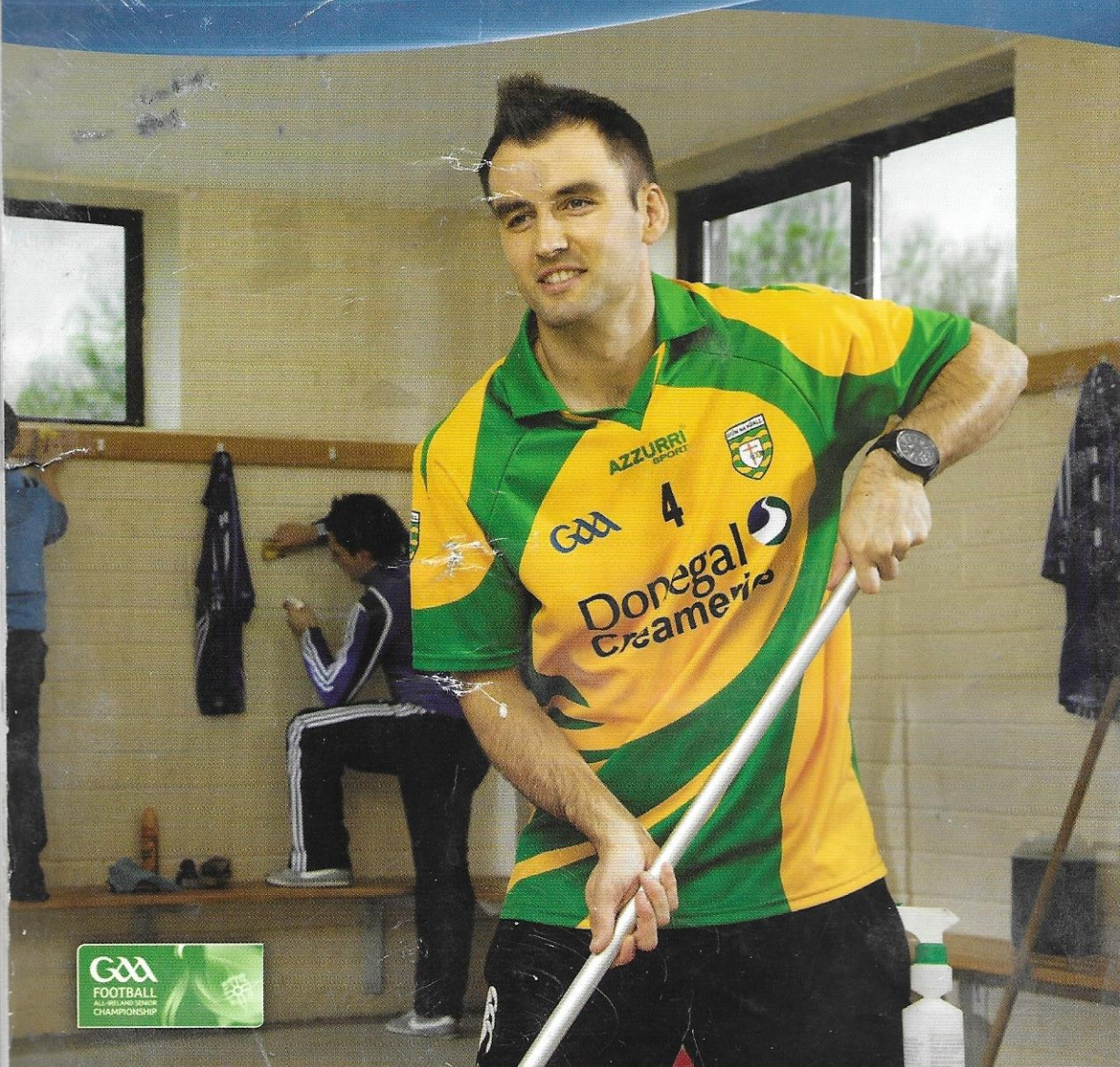
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