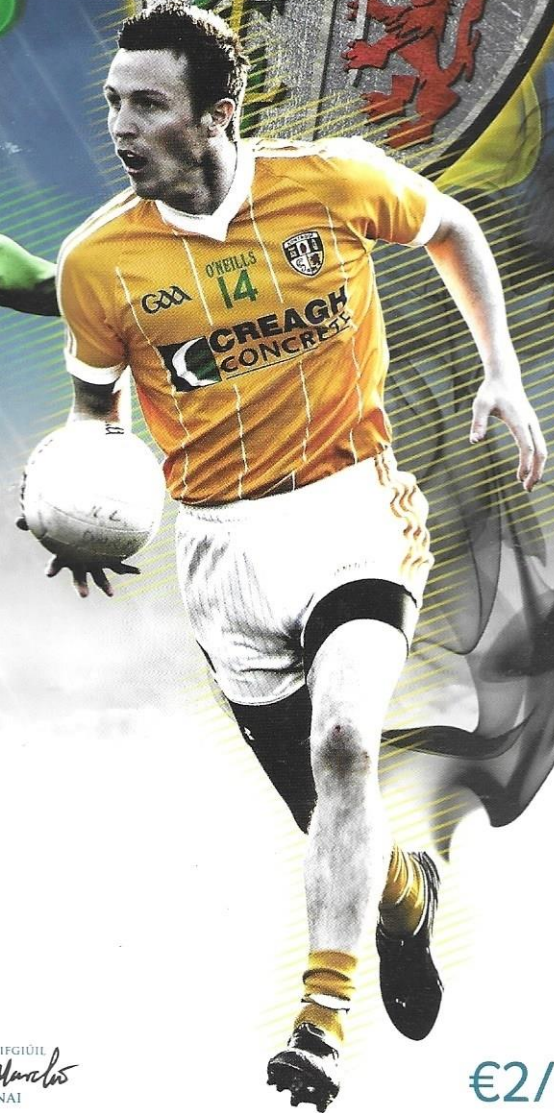
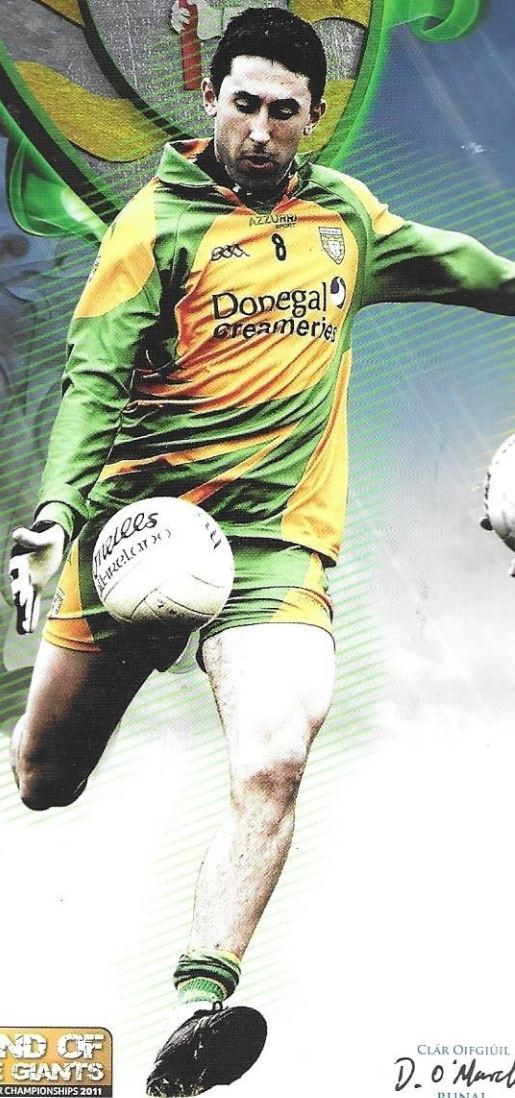
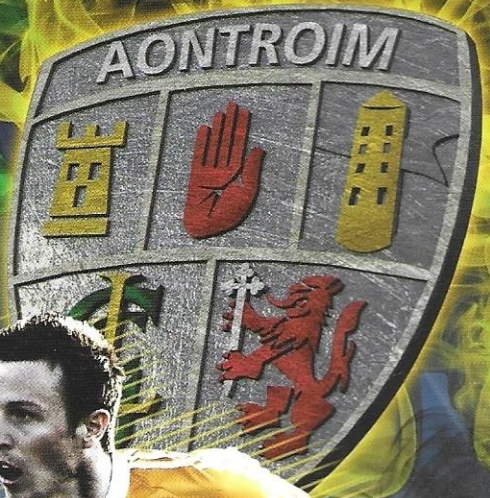


# CRAOBH PEILE ULADH

## ULSTER SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2011

15ú Bealtaine 2011 | Dún na nGall v Aontroim | Páirc Mac Cumhaill



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## Presidents Foreword



**Summer has finally arrived after a difficult winter. The GAA brightens all our days. I welcome everybody to Ballybofey and I welcome the start of another exciting Ulster Football Championship.**

Tús Craobh Peile Uladh arís agus tá muid ag súil go mór leis. Is deas bheith I láthair arís ag na cluichí is fearr ar domhan agus ár laochra ós ár gcomhair. Sea tá an Samhradh linn agus gan Cumann Lúthchleas Gael bheadh an saol I bhfad níos dorchaí, níos ciúne, níos gruama; sea lasann Cumann Lúthchleas Gael ár saol agus tugann Craobh Uladh misneach, dóchas agus faoiseamh dúinn.

Cuirim fáilte inniu roimh Cathaoirligh an dá chontae, PJ Mac Gabhann agus Séamas O Muirí chomh maith lena oifigigh chontae agus oiliúnóirí. Fáilte roimh na Bainisteoirí foirne agus gabhaim buíochas leo as an éacht mhór a dhéanann siad ar son na cluichí. Ach ar ndóigh, is iad na hImreoirí na laochra. Imreoirí dheonacha iad uilig, sea croí an chumainn. Gabhaim buíochas leis na peileadóirí uilig as Aontroim agus Dún na nGall. Tugann siad ardú meanann dúinn go léir agus tá muid fíor bhuíoch daofa.

Gabhaim buíochas na Comhairle don réiteoir, na hoifigigh agus na maoir go léir. Tá Pairc Mhíic Cumhaill ag amharc go hiontach inniu agus tugaim buíochas le achan nduine a chuidigh leis an Pháirc a fháil reidh don chluiche inniu.

Beidh imreoirí óga ag imirt ag leath ama agus tugaim buíochas leo is lena gclainne. Déanann na múinteoirí sár obair sna scoileanna trí Chumann na mBunscoil agus molaim iad go léir.

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Tá atmasféar faoi Leith ag cluichí sa Chraobh Uladh. Tá nasc laidir idir na contaetha chomh maith le hlomaíocht, cairdeas agus fonn bua ar a chéile measctha le chéile. Táim cinnte go leanfaidh Craobh Uladh le fada agus go mbeidh tús iontach do chomórtas 2011 anseo inniu I mBealach Féich.

Go raibh maith agaibh, sibhse lucht tacaíochta, as teacht inniu. Is sibhse a thugann dath, fuinneamh agus atmasféar dár gcluichí, míle buíochas as bhur dtacaíocht dár gcluichí is dá gcontae. Go neirí go geal le muintir Dhún na nGall is Aontroma.

Bainigí taitheamh as na cluichí agus tabhair aire ar na bóithre abhaile.

Thank you to all patrons for attending, our players are volunteer heroes, respect them. Let the games begin and good luck to all.

Beir Bua,

*Aogán Ó Fearghail*

Aogán O Fearghail  
Uachtarán  
Chomhairle Uladh. C.L.G



# TODAY'S GAMES



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**BUÍOCHAS:** Comhairle Uladh would like to thank the County Boards and all other contributors for their assistance in the compilation of this programme.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to thank all the players, management and backroom staff for their efforts today, we thank all the supporters who have attended today's match, without you the championship just wouldn't be the same.

## Amhrán na bhFiann

Sinne Fanna Fáil,  
atá faoi gheall ag Éirinn,  
Buíon dár slua

Thar toinn do ráinig chughainn,  
Faoi mhóid bheith saor  
Seantír ar sinsear feasta,  
Ní fhágfar faoin tiorán  
ná faoin tráill.

Anocht a théam sa bhearna baoil,  
Le gean ar Ghaeil,  
chun báis nó saoil,

Le gunna scréach faoi  
lámhach na bpiléar,

Seo libh canaig amhrán na bhFiann.

## Sunday 15th May at MacCumhaill Pairc, Ballybofey Ulster GAA Minor Football Championship First Round Dún na nGall v Aontroim

Throw In 1.45pm (Extra time if required)

Referee: Niall Cullen (Fear Manach)

Standby: Kieran Trainor (An Dún)

Linesman: Martin McNally (Muineachán)

Sideline: Cathal O'Hagan (Tír Eoghain)



### Niall Cullen (Fear Manach)

Niall is employed by the Revenue Commissioners and is based in Co. Meath. Niall is a member of the Erne Gaels GAA club in Belleek, Co. Fermanagh, where he is current Vice Chairperson and County Committee Delegate. Niall is currently the Secretary to the

Marketing and IT Committee within his County. As a player he won an Intermediate Championship medal in 2008 and helped his club senior team to promotion in 2009. Niall began his refereeing career in 2006, since then he has taken charge of numerous finals in Fermanagh and this year has joined the National Support Panel.

## Ulster GAA Senior Football Championship First Round Dún na nGall v Aontroim

Throw In 3.30pm (Extra time if required)

Referee: Maurice Deegan (Laois)

Standby: Michael Duffy (Sligeach)

Linesman: Martin Sludden (Tír Eoghain)

Sideline: Eamon McHugh (Tír Eoghain)



### Maurice Deegan (Laois)

Maurice brings plenty of big match experience to his refereeing. He refereed the All-Ireland Senior Final between Kerry & Tyrone in 2008 as well as taking charge of the Ulster Final Replay in

the same year. Early in 2008, he took charge of the O'Byrne Cup final between Dublin and Longford, and the All-Ireland Club Senior Semi-Final between Nemo Rangers, Cork and Ballina Stephenites, Mayo. He walked into history in 2005 as the first Laois man to referee an All-Ireland Minor Final. That year he also controlled All-Ireland finals at Intermediate Club and Under-21 levels. He won two Senior Football Championship medals with Stradbally as a forward. Interestingly, Maurice also refereed last year's Ulster Senior Football Championship Preliminary Round clash, between Doire and Ard Mhacha.

# CLAR AN LAE

Sunday 15th May: Donegal v Antrim

- 13.30 Aontroim amach ar an bPaire
- 13.33 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPaire
- 13.45 Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v Aontroim
- 14.16 Half Time / Leath Am
- 14.18 Entertainment / Siamsa
- 14.26 Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
- 14.59 Críoch an Chluiche Mionúir

\* If Extra Time (1) is required see across

- 15.09 Aontroim amach ar an bPaire
- 15.12 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPaire
- 15.22 Paráid
- 15.28 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 15.30 Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v Aontroim
- 16.06 Half Time / Leath Am
- 16.08 Cluichí Cumann na mBunscol
- 16.21 Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
- 16.59 Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir

\*\* If Extra Time (2) is required see across

\* (1)

- 15.03 Start of First Period of Extra Time
- 15.14 End of First Period of Extra Time
- 15.17 Start of Second Period of Extra Time
- 15.28 End of Extra Time
- 15.30 Aontroim amach ar an bPaire
- 15.33 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPaire
- 15.42 Paráid
- 15.48 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 15.50 Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v Aontroim
- 16.26 Half Time / Leath Am
- 16.28 Cumann na mBunscol Exhibition
- 16.41 Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
- 17.18 End of Senior Game / Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir

\*\* (2)

- 17.04 Start of First Period of Extra Time
- 17.15 End of First Period of Extra Time
- 17.18 Start of Second Period of Extra Time
- 17.29 End of Extra Time

## SCÓR INFO

National Anthem Singer Kate McCreanor

Is Kate buaiteoir Amhránaíocht Aonair Scór na nÓg Dhún na nGall 2010/2011.

Tá Kate as CLG Charn Domhnaigh agus tá sí ag freastal ar Phobalscoil Carn Domhnaigh faoi láthair. Kate is 15 and comes from Carndonagh. She attends the Community School there and will be sitting her Junior Cert this summer.

Her interest in music goes back a long way and she has been singing & playing piano from a young age. She has competed

successfully in Feiseanna over the years such as Feis Domhnaigh in Carndonagh and recently won the Phillis Simms Cup for Solo Singing in Feis Dhoire Cholmcille.

Kate has represented CLG Carn Domhnaigh in the County Final of Scór na nÓg for the past three years and won the County Final this year.

Kate has a great interest in Irish culture and particularly enjoys singing songs in the Irish language. She is delighted to be asked to sing her National Anthem at



the Donegal /Antrim Ulster Senior Championship game today.



# TODAY'S MINI GAMES

Cumann na mBunscol

## Donegal

**Conor Gavigan**, St. Nauls N.S  
**Manus McDyre**, Drimnacross N.S  
**Dylan Gallagher**, Creevy N.S  
**Matthew Gallagher**, Woodlands  
**Cormac Cullinane**, Glengad  
**Oisín Hession**, Tiernaslígo  
**John McGairbhe**, Rann na Feirsde  
**Ryan Cunningham**, Killybegs N.S  
**Daniel Devlin**, Annagry N.S  
**Declan Ward**, Belcruit N.S  
**Brian Alcorn**, Termon N.S  
**Dan Ó Gallchóir**, Luinneach N.S  
**Cian McEniff**, St. Macartans, Bundoran  
**Jack Keaney**, Sc Aodh R&N  
**Peadar Mogan**, St. Peters, Mountcharles  
**Conor O'Donnell**, Scoil Cholmcille  
**Brett McGinty**, St. Baithins  
**Martin Doyle**, Martin Doyle



## Antrim

**Oliver Monaghan**, St Patrick's, Hollywood  
**John Toner**, St Bride's, Belfast  
**Óisín Donnelly**, St Anne's, Belfast  
**Ronan Fegan**, Bunscoil Phobal Feirste  
**Ronan Cash**, Bunscoil Bheann Mhadagain  
**Thomas Maguire**, St Colman's Lambeg, Belfast  
**Michéal Thompson**, Edmund Rice CBPS, Belfast  
**Caolan Boyd-Munce**, Holy Trinity, Belfast  
**Conor Dixon**, St Joseph's, Lisburn  
**Brian McAteer**, Creggan PS, Randalstown  
**Eamon Elliot**, St Colmcille's PS, Ballymena  
**Ciaran McKeown**, St McNissis PS, Tannaghmore  
**Killian O'Boyle**, St Patrick's PS, Rasharkin  
**Michael McGuckin**, Moneynick PS, Toome  
**Calum McGarry**, St. Brigid's PS, Ballymena  
**Ruairi Lennon**, St. Mary's PS Cargan  
**Aaron McNeilly**, Mt. St. Michael's PS  
**Sean Paul McKenna**, Glenravel P.S.



# GAA SOCIAL INITIATIVE

Encouraging Participation

The GAA Social Initiative has, since its establishment in August 2010, taken root within the clubs involved in the Pilot Club phase. The Initiative arose from an invitation by President Mary McAleese to the GAA to implement a scheme for men in the community, many of whom, from her observation, were finding it more difficult in recent years to engage fully in community life and identify suitable social outlets.

So far, 93 clubs have volunteered to participate in the Pilot Phase and have, already, organised interesting and worthwhile

social events for the men in their communities. The clubs' efforts have been greatly appreciated by those involved and have invariably led to more active participation by the participants and an interest in expanding the range of activities being organised.

While men are the main focus of the Initiative, the social activities organised by the clubs have included and, indeed, in many cases been organised by lady club members. Examples of club activities can be seen in the Social Initiative Newsletters on the website: [www.gaa.ie/socialinitiative](http://www.gaa.ie/socialinitiative)

The objective for 2011 is to increase the number of clubs involved to 150 by August and we are therefore appealing to all GAA clubs to seriously consider participating in the Initiative in the coming year. All that is expected of clubs in the Initiative is to organise a minimum of five social events/ activities during the year - mainly during the winter period.

If your club is interested in participating in the GAA Social Initiative please contact **Seán Kilbride** at **01 8658617** or **Joan Cooney** at **01 8658680**.



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# VALUING VOLUNTEERS

Aideen Gillen, Treasurer of C.L.G An Clochán Liath



inception which helps alleviate the financial burden on the club and at the same time helps support the County team. Despite her busy schedule Aideen still finds time to attend all the county matches and has not missed one for a long time – she is nearly as good as Jimmy, Hughie and Mickey Forker now!!

While Aideen is a senior board officer she is also very much involved in the underage affairs of the club as well as the ladies, hurling and camogie boards.

Aideen represents the club at the county committee meetings each month and does not shy away if something is to be said!! Aideen is also involved with other community groups in the club area and believes that with all groups in the community working together, our community can be a better place for our young people, all supporting each other.

Aideen was voted 'club person of the year' at the annual dinner dance in recognition of her hard work and dedication to this voluntary position, despite the fact that there are times when it can be said 'she's tight with the aul money'!!

Aideen coming from a strong GAA background, first took on the role of Treasurer in 2002, after being talked into the job by the late Sean Ward, at a time when the club was having difficulty in finding someone to take on this voluntary position.

Down through the years, Aideen has done more than the duties of the treasurer, during match days she can be found collecting money on the gate, ensuring the referees are paid and that there are ladies on hand making tea and providing much needed refreshments/sandwiches and the odd

chocolate bun for players, managers, committee members and supporters in the portacabin where more often than not it is herself who dries the last cup before locking up. Then its 'eyes down time' where she co-ordinates the weekly lotto draw every Sunday night at the club bingo and the club 200 draw once a month, Aideen being instrumental in setting up this draw to assist in the much needed fundraising required for the development of our club facilities which is hoped will commence in the not too distant future.

She also secured members for Club Donegal since its

# Coláiste Uladh

## Gort a'Choirce, Dún na nGall

### Cúrsaí 2011

3ú Iúil – 24ú Iúil 2011

In association with **Ulster GAA**

**Le blianta fada tá dluthcheangal idir caomhnú na gaeilge agus Cumann Lúthchleas Gael. Tugann Comhairle Uladh CLG tacaíocht leis an chúrsa seo chun an teanga a fhorbairt. Beidh na cluichí gaelacha agus na ranganna Gaeilge ag rith comhthromhar le chéile.**

Ulster GAA and Coláiste Uladh are pleased to present an Irish Language Gaeltacht course designed to improve the student's spoken Irish and increase appreciation of Irish Culture. The course is both exciting and enjoyable. Students will have fun and appreciate GAA and culture through Gaeilge, and a highlight - A trip/turas to the Ulster Senior and Minor Football Final.

#### **Suíomh/Location**

Tá Coláiste Uladh, Gort a'Choirce suite san san Fhíor-Ghaeltacht, daichead km siar ó Leitir Ceanainn. Bunaíodh an Cóláiste sa bhliain 1906 ag tús Athbheochan na Gaeilge. Tháinig Pádraig Mac Piarais, Roger Casement agus Seosamh O Pluincéad anseo. Ceantar fíor alainn ar fad é seo- trána agus méilte, cnoic agus locha.

This is a fully Irish speaking district (Gort a'Choirce, Co Donegal) with a very high standard of accommodation. The area has beautiful scenery, the best of our Gaelic traditions and friendly helpful families.

#### **Aidhm/Aim**

Is í aidhm an chúrsa ná an Ghaeilge agus na cluichí ghaelacha a chur chun cinn í dtimpeallacht Gaeltachta. Beidh an dhá chuspóir lárnach í rith na dtí seachtaine agus tabharfar cothromaíocht ama dóibh.

The course will encourage spoken Irish, provide confidence building in the use of the language along with raising awareness of Gaelic culture including music, song, dance, drama, history, heritage and games.

#### **Imeachtaí/Events**

Formal morning classes are taught by fully trained teachers. All other activities, trips, games, céilithe are fully supervised by teachers and Ceannairí. We organise a varied programme of GAA coaching, history/heritage trips and presentations, art, beach trips, hikes, music evenings; céilithe, fancy dress etc. etc. and of course trip to Ulster Final in Clones!

#### **Clár Ama: Lá Sámplach**

**10.00am - 1.00pm;**  
Ranganna Gaeilge  
**3.00 pm - 5.00pm;**  
Ceol, Cluichí, Ealaíon & Spórt  
**8.00pm - 10.00pm;**  
Ranganna Gaeilge

#### **Earlais/Deposit**

€200 deposit secures a place on the summer course. On receipt of the form and deposit

an official acknowledgement will be issued indicating that the balance is due 6 weeks PRIOR to the beginning of the course. A further fee of €30 will be required to cover all Tours, trips, events and the Cóláiste Educational Booklets. Coláiste Uladh may organize a special bus service to and from the course if there is sufficient demand, the bus fee is NOT included. Please note that deposits are non-refundable, so this should be considered carefully before booking.

#### **Eolas breise/Further Information**

For all further information contact: Aogán Ó Fearghail at [aogan.ofearghail@gaa.ie](mailto:aogan.ofearghail@gaa.ie) or Niamh Ní Fhearghail on 087-9670181 (After 3pm)

#### **Dioplóma/Diploma**

Prizes will be awarded at the end of the course for special effort in class, at games and a variety of competitions and activities. "Dioplóma Speisialta an Choláiste" will be awarded to the best Irish Speakers. Finally, from past experience we can assure that all student's Irish will improve; they will benefit greatly from living in the Gaeltacht and will be well treated and supervised at all times.

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or your County GAA Secretary.



## MINOR MATCH PREVIEW

Ronan Scott, Gaelic Life

**WHEN it comes to minor football, nobody does it better than Ulster. In the past ten years, we've become experts at reaching the All-Ireland Final. On just two occasions in that time, the decider has not involved a team from the north, while four different counties have brought the Tom Markham cup home on seven occasions.**

Today's meeting of Donegal and Antrim is an odd one as there are strong arguments, both for and against, for either team progressing. On the negative side, neither team covered themselves in glory during the Ulster Minor League. 'What does that matter, sure league means nothing' is likely to be many people's response, but those people are as wrong as a three pound note.

For the past four years, the Ulster teams that reached the Minor League Final - before last year when they let some lads from Leinster have a run

out in the competition - went on to enjoy stellar seasons. Tyrone got to the 2010 Ulster Minor League Final before going on to win the All-Ireland title. Armagh and Tyrone did the Minor treble (League, Ulster and All-Ireland) in 2009 and 2008 respectively.

But, as any underdog will tell you, records are there to be broken. While Antrim and Donegal finished at the foot of Group B, both can attest to having some excellent minor form this year.

At the start of the year, an Antrim team - Lamh Dhearg - won the St Pauls Minor Tournament, the top Ulster Club title at that level. It was the first time that a team from the Saffron county won the title since the 80s. Unfortunately, a good part of that team included players who are over-age for Antrim's Ulster championship campaign. However, team management Danny O'Neill and Frankie Fitzsimmons - he managed Lamh Dhearg to that St Pauls' success - will have the St Mary's Belfast players that won the MacLarnon Cup on St Patrick's Day. Mark Jordan played on both the Lamh Dhearg team and the St Mary's side.

The Saffrons met Donegal in the last round of the Ulster

Minor League. That game ended as a draw, 2-9 to 1-12, which makes it even harder to separate the two teams. However, Donegal do have one advantage in that their number includes a group of players who earned All-Ireland glory at Vocational Schools level earlier this year.

Under the guidance of John Joe McShea, the Tir Chonaill boys finally beat Monaghan in the Ulster Schools provincial decider, before going on to beat Cork in the All-Ireland Final. It's fair to say that most of the credit for the success must be laid squarely at the feet of Kilcar's Patrick McBrearty who has burst onto the scene this year. His meteoric rise this season has meant that Jim McGuinness has called the teenager onto the senior panel.

However, Matt Gallagher and Charlie Mulgrew do have other influential players at their disposal such as John O'Malley and Martin Reilly who were also recipients of All-Ireland Vocational Schools medals along with McBrearty. The man who must predict the winner in this game has a hell of a job, but punter must be laughing as he is in for a very close game. At a push, I'll go for Donegal to end up on the right side of the result.



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# DÚN NA NGALL

Donegal Minor Team

Manager: Charlie Mulgrew

1 S Mac Laifeartaigh  
**Sean McClafferty**  
Cloich Cheann Fhaoila

2 A de Bláireach  
**Anthony Blair**  
Gaoth Dóhbáir

3 C Ó Canáin  
**Ciaran Cannon**  
Gaeil Léitir Ceannainn

4 C de Páirc  
**Conor Parke**  
Naomh Adhamhnáin

5 E Mac Reamoinn  
**Owen Redmond**  
An Clóchán Liath

6 C Ó Peatáin  
**Conor Patton**  
Aodh Ruadh

7 D Ó Maoilchraoibhe  
**Dara Mulgrew**  
Naomh Adhamhnáin

8 D de Fadóite  
**Dara White**  
Naomh Mhuire

9 R Mac na Mhí  
**Raymond McNamee**  
Naomh Mhuire An Con Bhuí

10 A Ó Cadhain  
**Adam Coyne**  
Bún Dobhráin

11 M Ó Raghallaigh  
**Marty Reilly**  
Séan Mac Cumhaill

12 R Mac Áoidh  
**Ryan McHugh**  
Cill Cartha

13 D Ó Brógáin  
**Darragh Brogan**  
Naomh Brí

14 P Mac Breartaigh  
**Paddy McBrearty**  
Cill Cartha

15 S Ó Máille  
**John O'Malley (C)**  
Naomh Chonaill

## Fír Ionaid/Substitutes

16. Lee McBreaty, Naomh Naillle 17. Gary Clancy, Bún Dobhráin 18. Ross Gallagher, Naomh Brí  
19. Andrew Mc Closkey, Séan Mac Cumhalls 20. Ronan Mc Gurrin, Aodh Rua 21. Lee Carr, Naomh Micheál  
22. Anthony Brown, Naomh Mhuire An Con Bhuí 23. Diarmuid Spratt, Bún Dobhráin  
24. Luke Barrett, Baile na Galloglaigh

## Notes

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachái	45	Sear	Ciceanna
1AD Leath						
2AD Leath						
Iomlán						

# AONTROIM

Antrim Minor Team

Manager: Danny O'Neill



## Fir Ionaid/Substitutes

17. **Andrew Flood**, Naomh Seamus 18. **Conor Burke**, Naomh Gall 19. **Declan McCann**, Ciceam Creagan  
20. **Emmet Killough**, Naomh Uile 21. **Joseph Scullion**, Con Mag Aoidh 22. **Niall Delargy**, Mhic Asmaint  
23. **Peter McReynolds**, Naomh Uile 24. **Ronan McGrady**, Naomh Brid 25. **Steven O'Neill**, Naomh Seosamh

## Notes

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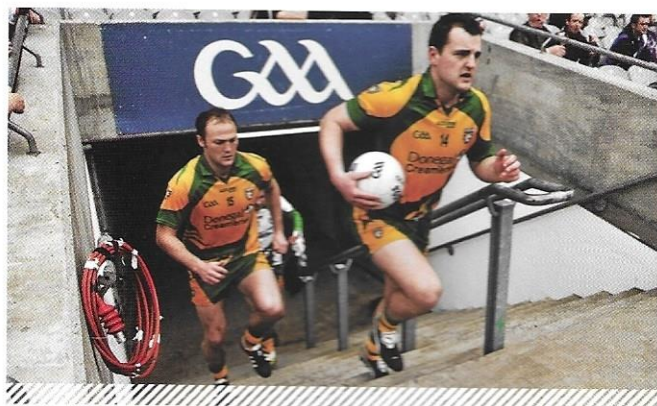
# SENIOR MATCH PREVIEW

A look ahead to Today's Senior Game

Today's clash sees a side that has just captured a League Title, gained promotion to Division 1 and revelling under their new manager take on opposition that has been decimated by injuries, been relegated to Division 3 and low in confidence. Surely the outcome is straightforward. Welcome to the unpredictable arena of the 2011 Ulster Senior Football Championship.

Dún na nGall under new management of former player Jim McGuinness who is assisted by Rory Gallagher have been a revelation so far this year. They had an outstanding league campaign with notable victories over Doire and Tír Eoghain, but it was their recent final defeat of Laois in the Division 2 decider at Croke Park that made alot of spectators sit up and take notice.

Team captain, Michael Murphy is in irresistible form and is being ably assisted by the likes of the rejuvenated Colm McFadden. The continued presence of Paul Durcan, Karl Lacey, Kevin Cassidy and Rory Kavanagh has been essential in providing an experienced base for this side in which the newcomers are showing real promise. Under 21 graduates Dermot Molloy



and Mark McHugh have been embedded into the side in a seamless transition from underage ranks.

Liam Bradley is now in his third year in charge of the Saffron County where he is assisted by fellow Derry native Niall Conway. 2009 saw them defeat today's opponents en route to a first Ulster Final appearance since 1970, where they fell to Tír Eoghain while 2010 saw them defeated at the Quarter Final stage by the same opposition. After two successive promotions in the League, 2011 saw Aontroim relegated back to Division 3 following one solitary win over An Mhí. It needs to be outlined that they have been ravaged by injuries, many of which have now cleared up.

Aontroim will hope that Kevin Niblock, Michael McCann and Andy McLean amongst others have adequately recovered from injury to mount a

serious challenge to the Tír Chonaill side. Their reliance on Paddy Cunningham for scores has not lessened and this is surely a concern for the management.

Dún na nGall have not collected the Anglo Celt since their famous year of 1992, when they went on to collect their maiden Sam Maguire, with Jim McGuinness part of the panel. The domination of Ard Mhacha and Tír Eoghain post 1998 leaves an intriguing sideshow to the Ulster Senior Football Championship in that someone has to step up and break this stronghold. Dún na nGall are one of the counties best placed to mount a serious challenge. The winners from today's Preliminary Round will face An Cabhan in the Quarter Finals. For the losers, the Qualifiers await.

Dún na nGall to progress with four to spare...

# A LOOK BACK

## to the Last Championship Meeting

**For the last championship meeting between these two sides we only have to go back a mere two years. That damp and dreary day in MacCumhaill Pairc will bring back fond memories for Saffron followers.**

Dún na nGall were expected to overcome the visitors whose poor record in the Ulster Senior Football Championship was expected to continue. Dún an nGall were further buoyed by the return of Karl Lacey who had been away for a period travelling.

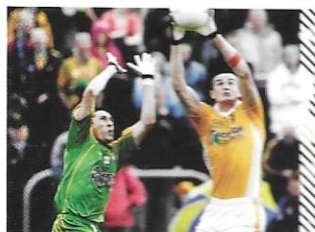
On the field, Aontroim had to overcome the early loss of experienced goalkeeper Sean McGreevey through injury, who was replaced by Peter Graham. What emerged will live forever in the memory of Aontroim gaels. Terry

O'Neill gave a masterclass of 'sweeping' in front of his full back line. A second half goal from Tomas McCann gave Aontroim further confidence and a late point from substitute Kevin O'Boyle ensured victory over a highly fancied Dún na nGall.

The scenes afterwards were memorable as Aontroim celebrated a fantastic victory as they followed this up with a victory over An Cabhán in the Semi Final before being defeated by both Tír Eoghain and Ciarrai. Teams and scorers on that day were as follows:

### **Sun14 June Quarter Final: Donegal 0-12 Antrim 1-10 at Ballybofey**

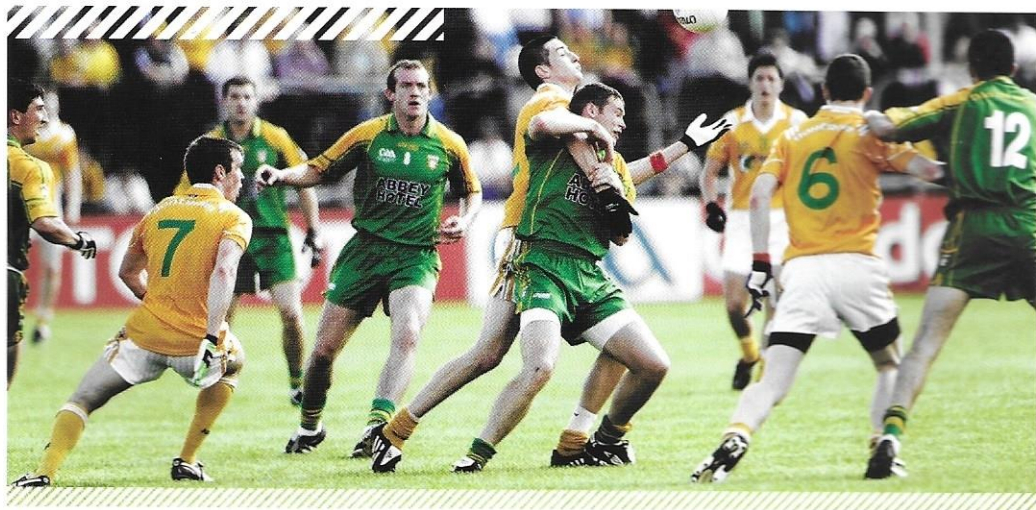
**Antrim** - S McGreevey, C Brady, A McLean, D McCann, T Scullion, J Crozier, J Loughrey, M McCann (0-1), A Gallagher



(0-1), T O'Neill, K Brady (0-1), N McKeever, P Cunningham (0-4), S Burke, T McCann (1-2).  
**Subs** - K O'Boyle (0-1) for D McCann, K Niblock for Burke, C Close for Brady, B Hasson for McKeever.

**Donegal** - P Durcan, E McGee, N McGee, K Lacey, B Dunnion, K Cassidy, M McGuire, N Gallagher, B Boyle, C Bonner (0-1), M Hegarty, R Kavanagh (0-3), C McFadden (0-2), M Murphy (0-5), C Dunne.  
**Subs** - C Toye (0-1) for Dunnion, B Roper for Hegarty, D Walsh for Dunne, F McGlynn for Boyle.

**Ref** - Padraig Hughes (Armagh).



# DÚN NA NGALL

## Donegal

Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Paul Durcan	Four Masters	27	6' 5	16.5 st
Frank McGlynn	Glenfin	25	5' 11	13st
Neil McGee	Gweedore	25	6' 1	13.5st
Karl Lacey	Four Masters	26	5' 11	14st
Anthony Thompson	N. Conaill	25	6'	12.5st
Kevin Cassidy	Gweedore	28	6	13.5st
Paddy McGrath	Ardara	22	5' 11	12.5st
Rory Kavanagh	St Eunans	27	6' 2	14st
Martin McElhinney	N. Micheal	23	6' 2	13.5st
Ryan Bradley	Buncrana	25	6' 2	13.5st
Michael Hegarty	Kilcar	31	6'	12st
Mark McHugh	Kilcar	21	5' 11	12.5st
Dermot Molloy	N. Conaill	20	6'	12st
<b>Michael Murphy</b>	<b>Glenswilly</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6' 2</b>	<b>14st</b>
Colm McFadden	N. Micheal	27	6'	13.5st
Adrian Hanlon	Dungloe	24	5' 8	12.5st
Michael Boyle	Termon	24	6'	16st
Kevin Rafferty	St Eunans	29	6' 5	14st
Neil Gallagher	Glenswilly	28	6' 4	15st
Conor Classon	Ardara	21	6' 2	16st
Daniel McLoughlin	N. Micheal	21	5' 11	12.5st
David Walsh	N. Brid	28	6'	12.6st
Tommy McKinley	N. Colmcille	20	5' 10	12st
Eammon McGee	Gweedore	27	6' 2	13.5st
Marty Boyle	N. Conaill	25	6' 1	12st
Christy Toye	N. Micheal	27	6' 2	14st

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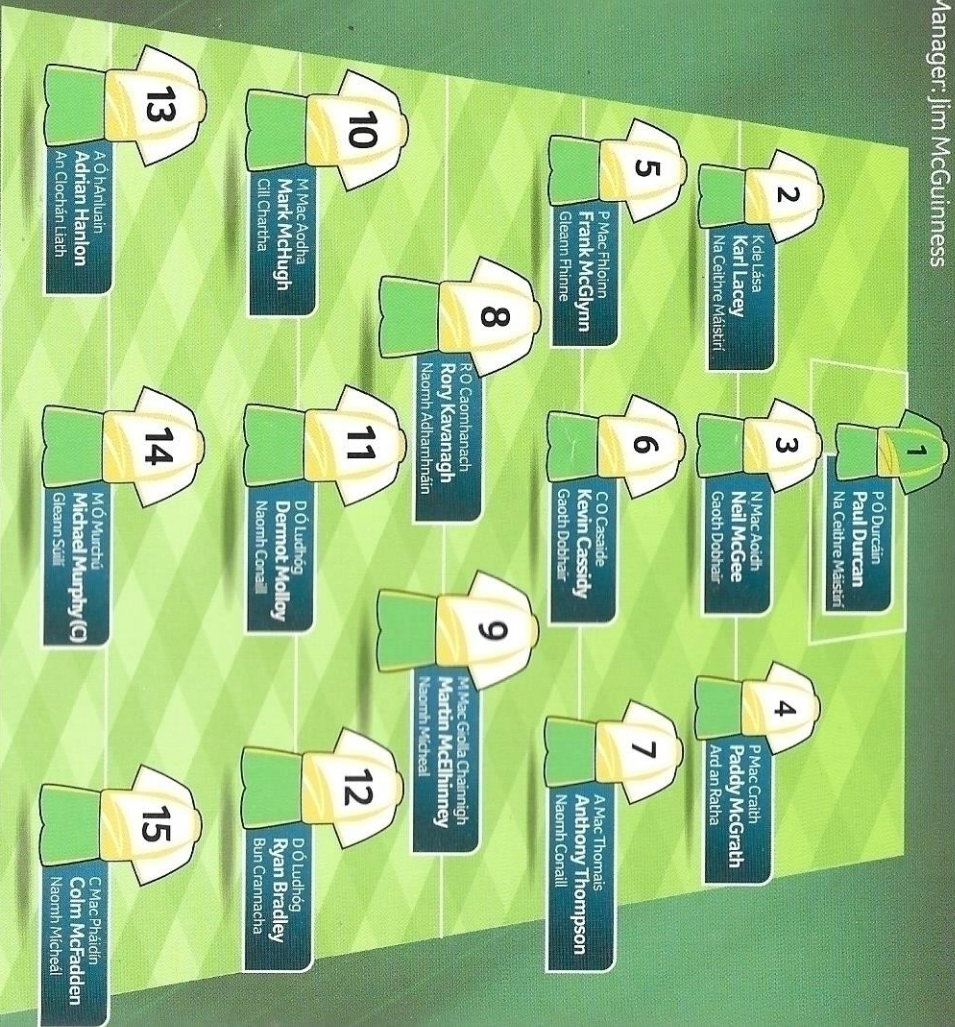
Jim McGuinness



# DÚN NA NGALL

Donegal Senior Team

Manager: Jim McGuinness



## Fir Ionaid/Substitutes

- 16. Michael Boyle, An Tearmann
- 17. Marty Boyle, Naomh Connall
- 18. Tommy Mc Kinley, Naomh Colmelle
- 19. Eamonn Mc Gee, Gaogh Dobhair
- 20. Connor Classon, Ard an Baithe
- 21. Neil Gallagher, Gleann Súil
- 22. Kevin Rafferty, Naomh Adhamhnaí
- 23. Michael Hegarty, Cill Chártha
- 24. Daniel McLaughlin, Naomh Mícheál
- 25. David Walsh, Naomh Bríd
- 26. Christy Toye, Naomh Mícheál

## Notes

	Cill	Cillíní	Sacraíl	45	Sior	Ciceanna
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2AD Leath						
Ionlár						



# AONTROIM

Antrim Senior Team

Manager: Liam Bradley

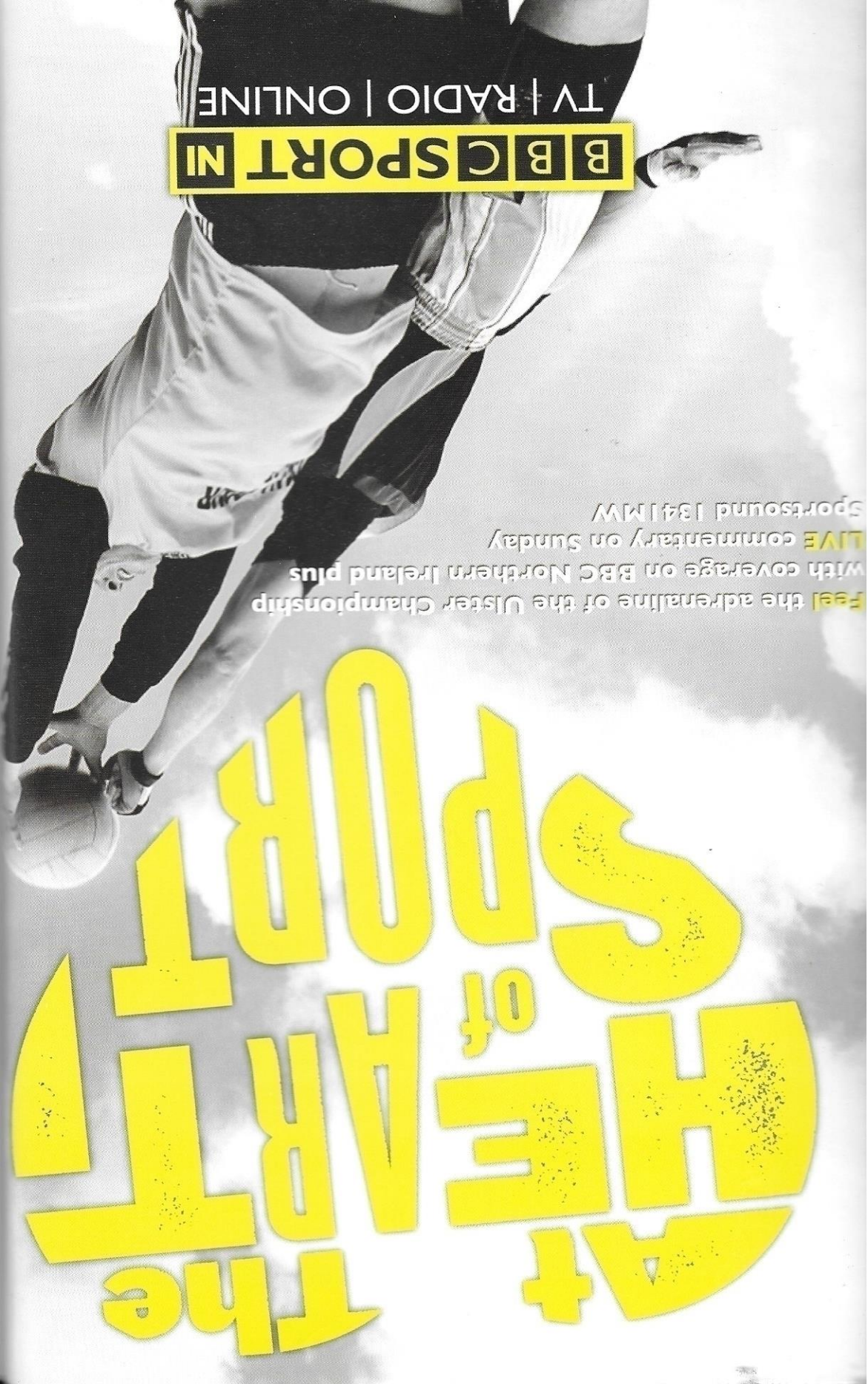


## Fír Ionaid/Substitutes

16. Chris Kerr, Naomh Gall 17. Kevin Brady, Naomh Eargnaid 18. Sean Finch, Ui Dhonnabhain Rosa  
19. Terry O'Neill, Naomh Gall 20. Martin Johnson, Ciceam Creagan 21. Michael Armstrong, Ui Donnabhain Rosa  
22. Sean Burke, Naomh Gall 23. Brendan Herron, Lamh Dhearg 24. Mark Mc Aleese, Mhic Asmaid  
25. Mark Dougan, Ciceam Creagan 26. James Lavery, Clann na hÉireann

## Notes

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachar	45	Saor	Cloimeas
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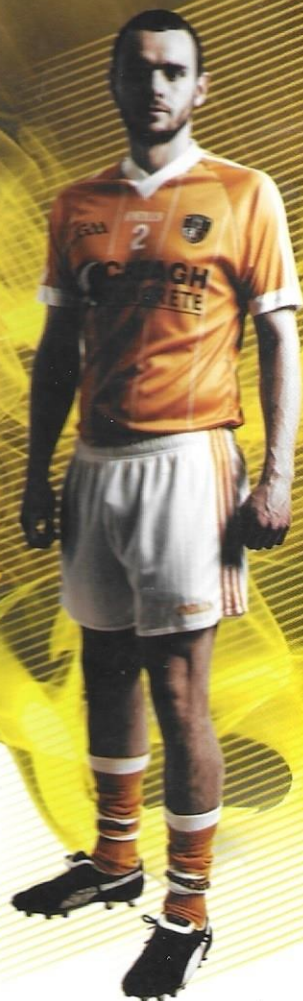
# AONTROIIM

## Antrim

Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Sean O'Neill	Davitts	23	6'1"	13st
Aaron Douglas	Naomh Eoin	25	5'11"	12.6st
Andrew McClean	Naomh Gall	25	6'2"	13.5st
Colin Brady	Naomh Gall	29	6'	13st
Justin Crozier	Erins Own, Cargin	23	6'1"	13st
Tony Scullion	Erins Own, Cargin	29	5'10"	12.5st
<b>Kevin O'Boyle</b>	<b>Erins Own Cargin</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>5'10"</b>	<b>12st</b>
Kevin McGourty	Naomh Gall	27	6'0"	13.5st
Aodhan Gallagher	Naomh Gall	27	6'3"	14st
Sean Burke	Naomh Gall	23	6'	13
Michael McCann	Erins Own, Cargin	26	6'2"	12.3st
Conor Murray	Lamh Dhearg	22	6'1"	13.5st
Mark Sweeney	Naomh Brid	22	6'	13st
Richard Johnston	Kickhams Creggan	20	6'3"	14.2st
Kevin Brady	St Ergnatts, Moneyglass	32	5'10"	12.5st
Tomas McCann	Erins Own, Cargin	24	12.4"	5.10st
Kevin Niblock	Naomh Gall	25	5'11"	14st
Paddy Cunningham	Lamh Dhearg	26	5'9"	12st
Brendan Herron	Lamh Dhearg	28	6'2"	13.5st
Anto Healy	Naomh Gall	27	6'1"	12.8st
Mark Dougan	Kickhams Creggan	26	6'3"	14st
Chris Kerr	Naomh Gall	24	6'5"	14st
Michael Armstrong	O'Donovan Rossa	21	5'11"	11.5st
Colm Fleming	O'Donovan Rossa	20	6'	12.5st
Sean Finch	O'Donovan Rossa	21	5'11"	12.5st
Brian Neeson	Naomh Eoin	22	5'10"	12st

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OUR BEST TODAY

Liam Bradley





# VALUING VOLUNTEERS

**Roisin Lynch, Treasurer Club Aontroima, Asst Secretary Naomh Comgalls.**



**Ask Roisin Lynch what her motivation is for carrying out multiple tasks on behalf of club and county and the answer is very straightforward, "I want to see future generations of Antrim children having the opportunity and the facilities to play Gaelic Games."**

It is that motivation which drives Roisin in her work as Assistant Secretary at the Antrim town club of St Comgalls, where she has responsibility for driving the clubs input on the Dunsilly Centre of Participation project, and as Treasurer for Club Aontroima.

Roisin came into both roles within a short time frame. A former county camog, Roisin has been living and working in England after she stopped playing. On her return to Ireland she wondered why there was no local club for her own children to become

involved in around the Antrim area. Roisin takes up the story,

"Then St Comgalls Chairman Tommy Crilly asked me to become involved with the club and to do a coaching course. I agreed and subsequently took on the role of club secretary. With the involvement of St Comgalls with the Antrim County Board and the Ulster Council in the Dunsilly project – a wonderful development right in the middle of our town and our county – that became almost a full time role.

"In November 2007 the newly formed Club Aontroima, which was set up to raise much needed fund to promote Gaelic games and culture in Antrim, issued an appeal for help and I was interested so I went along to a meeting. Very soon after that I became Treasurer of Club Aontroima. I think it was

within a week of volunteering to help!"

Club Aontroima has been involved in some high profile events such as the two Race Days, a night at Drumbo Greyhounds, the 2009 'Up for the Final' dinner and this week's inaugural golf tournament. At each event Roisin is there, making sure everything is running to order. But you can also see Roisin and her CA colleagues at every Antrim home game, hurling and football, selling the half time ballots. Even in the wind and rain which often accompanies early season fixtures in particular Roisin and her fellow volunteers will greet Antrim Gaels and visiting fans with a smile.

"There is lot going on in Antrim at the moment, across all of the codes and off the field as well as on. In the GAA you can really be as busy as you choose to be. There is always something which needs to be done or which can be made better. I'll stick at it – always – because like all the volunteers which run our association, I think we have a duty to make the GAA better before we hand it on to the next generation. I want to see Antrim teams winning All-Irelands, and I want to see local kids taking to the field every weekend. That's my motivation."

EUGENE O'HARA

BRENDAN CROSSAN

BENNY TIERNEY

PADDY HEANEY

MICKEY HARTE

KENNY ARCHER

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SUNDAY 22ND MAY

**DOIRE V  
FEAR MANACH**

CELTIC PARK, DERRY  
SENIOR: 3.30PM MINOR: 1.45PM



SATURDAY 28TH MAY

**ARD MHACHA  
V AN DÚN**

ATHLETIC GROUNDS, ARMAGH  
SENIOR: 7.30PM MINOR: 5.45PM



SUNDAY 5TH JUNE

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HEALY PARK, OMAGH  
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# A WORD FROM THE TOP

## The Senior Managers

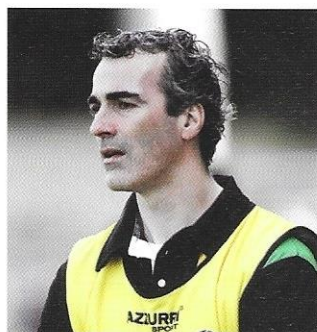
### Jim McGuinness, Donegal Senior Manager

**First of all I would like to say what a tremendous honour it is for me today to lead this Donegal team into the championship. It has been something I have aspired to for many years, and I consider it a great privilege. We know from history that our opponents today, Antrim, will provide us with a very stern test. Liam has done a terrific job with them over the last few seasons.**

From our own perspective I would like to thank the

players for all the effort and commitment they have shown up to this point. It was great to get promoted and win the NFL Division 2, but since the turn of the year the 15th of May has always been the date that our primary focus has been on. Hopefully today can be the start of a good run in the Ulster Championship.

A word of thanks also to my backroom team, the medical staff, the strength & conditioning coaches, the county board, our sponsors

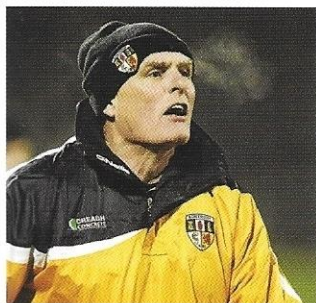


Donegal Creameries and the clubs around the county that have gave their facilities for the team to use over the winter months; we look forward to your continued support.

### Liam Bradley, Antrim Senior Manager

**It's that time of the year again, the First Round of the Ulster Senior Football Championship. Not for the first time these past few years we haven't had the luck of the draw and today we are again away from Casement Park in the Preliminary Round.**

But – that's the luck of the draw and we are just delighted to



be starting the Championship season off today against our friends from Donegal. Our season so far has been very disappointing results wise but we go into today's game with renewed vigour and hopefully we can produce the sort of football that we all know this side is capable of.

Our league campaign was hampered severely by injuries and only in perhaps two or three Division 2 games did Antrim supporters get even glimpses of the real Antrim team. Our aim now is to ensure that everyone sees Antrim at our best today. Once again I would like to thank everyone who has helped me in every way possible throughout this campaign to date,

especially Paddy, Niall, Declan and Robert for all their hard work and dedication. I would also like to thank the Antrim County Board and especially Tony who does so much for the players and the mentors of this county. In a year in which we have had so many injuries it is appropriate to mention the medical team who have worked so hard, against the odds, to try and get a team on the field today.

I wish to congratulate Donegal on their promotion and their league title and I just hope they don't bring their league form into today's match. Let's hope it's a great game of football and that it will be the Antrim supporters cheering tonight!

# LIVE TO PLAY

## Ulster Council Road Safety Initiative

In early 2010, Ulster GAA launched 'Live to Play', a Road Safety programme, aimed at raising awareness among members and to educate them on how best to stay safe on the roads. Many GAA Clubs and Communities have been shattered by the loss of a life through a road traffic collision and this programme harnesses the various elements of the GAA in Ulster to make a difference. Live to Play is delivered in partnership with the County boards and numerous education events have taken place in Clubs throughout the Province.

Although still in it's infancy, **Live to Play** has already made a significant impact throughout Ulster as evidenced in a recent online survey instigated by Ulster GAA. The results showed overwhelming support for the campaign with the vast majority of respondents indicating behavioural changes on the roads as a result of the initiative. Fivelucky winners were selected from those who completed the survey and each will receive the **Live to Play** jersey.

The Programme has a particular focus on young people, and a range of GAA profile personalities have lent their support to the campaign to will act as role models

in poster and web-based promotion. The **Live to Play** posters are available to Clubs and schools through the County board and provide a reinforcement of the campaign messages.

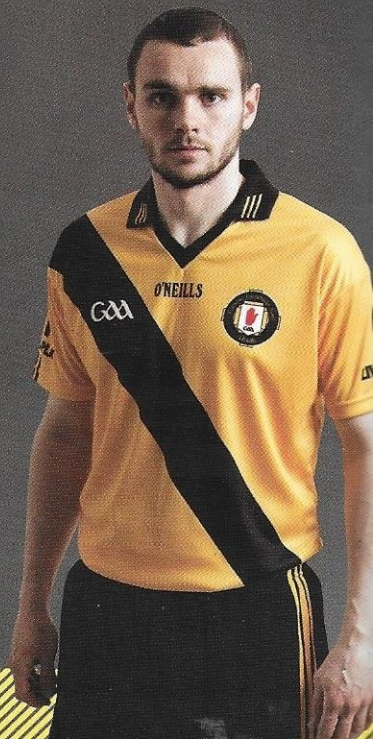
The specially commissioned 'seat-belt' Ulster jersey is worn by all the players involved in this campaign, strongly reinforcing a Road Safety message through the design of the Black and Amber of the Province. The jersey is available at [www.oneills.com](http://www.oneills.com) and profits from sales will generously be returned to the programme.

In addition to the poster campaign, 2011 has seen the introduction of **Live to Play** pitchside signage for major GAA grounds, a live microsite at [www.ulster.gaa.ie/livetoplay](http://www.ulster.gaa.ie/livetoplay), freebie give aways of car stickers and air fresheners, competitions for primary school children as well as the complete rollout of the education across Ulster at Club level.

The primary / national school colouring competition involved over 25,000 children across Ulster, with 18 classes emerging as winners, 2 from each County. Winning classes will receive a **Live to Play** backpack, featuring the **Live to Play** campaign branding, the County GAA Crest as well as reflective piping so the

carrier is visible at night. The reflective piping is a hugely important safety element and will assist young people going to and from school, matches, training and other activities to do so safely. Awards days will take place in schools by the end of the school year.

Ulster GAA continues to reinforce the message of **Live to Play** at all it's events and asks that you lend your support by travelling safely to matches this summer and beyond. You can also support the campaign by attending events, visiting the website, buying a jersey and most crucially, taking care on the roads at all times. The collective effort of the GAA family can make a difference in reducing deaths on our roads.

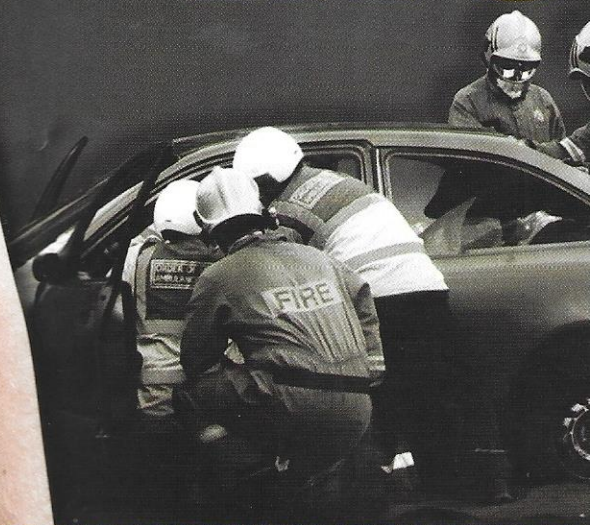




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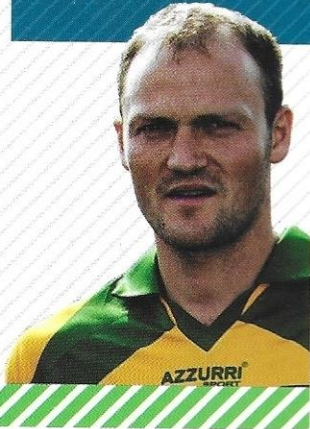
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# ONE MINUTE WITH...



**Name:** Colm McFadden

**Club:** St. Michaels

**Favourite Position:** Full Forward

**Favourite Pitch:** Pairc Naomh Micheal

**Hobbies:** Golf, Snooker, Darts & Reading

**Childhood Hero:** Martin McHugh

**Best Player you have played with:** Christy 'Magnus' Toye

**Best Player you have played against:**  
Michael Canning

**Best game you have been involved in:**

Ulster Championship v Tyrone '04

**Best game you have ever seen:**

Tyrone v Armagh games in '05

**Best trainer within the squad:** Conor Classon,  
Glutton for punishment

**Worst trainer within the squad:**

Michael Murphy & Neil Gallagher –

Both have a lot of bother with the 'aul hamstrings' when it comes to the running.

**Worst training drill:**

The one's without the football.

**Best motivator within the squad:**

David Walsh – he's like a caged animal in the changing room.

**Pre Match meal:** Chicken and Pasta

**Any superstitions:** Nothing major

**Favourite Song:** Enigma – Return to Innocence

**Favourite Film:** Shawshank Redemption

**Favourite Holiday Destination:**

Anywhere in the sun

**Favourite Drink:** Milk

**Favourite Meal:** Steak and mash potatoes

**Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own:** None!!

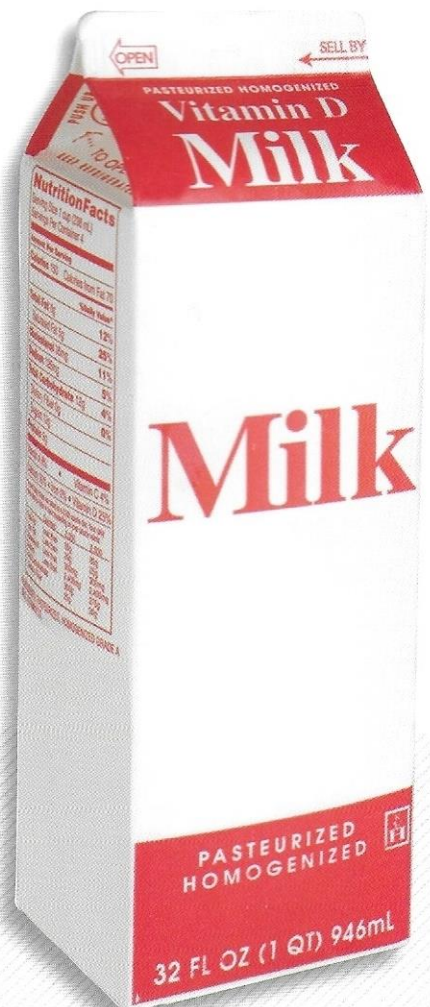
**Which county do you like to see do well apart from your own:** Galway

**Advice for youngsters:** Work hard and enjoy.

**Young Player within your club to look out for:**

Michael Cannon & Darragh McCarry

**Best thing in the GAA:** Championship Football



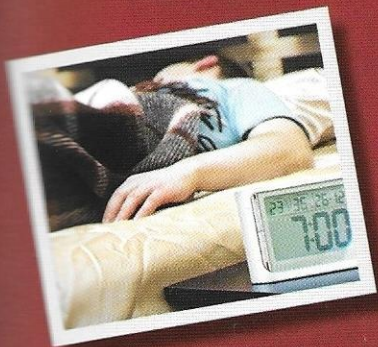
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*That feeling when you wake up  
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*When your heart starts to beat*

*At an unnerving rate.*

*The unspoken panic*

*You try hard to hide.*

*The aroma in the kitchen*

*Of a big hearty fry.*

*The sight of the Match bus*

*Outside SuperValu.*

*The friends that you meet*

*And the ones you're about to.*

*Up Jones's Road*

*On the way down to Croke*

*Never let it be said*

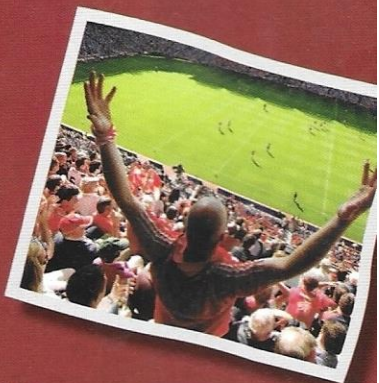
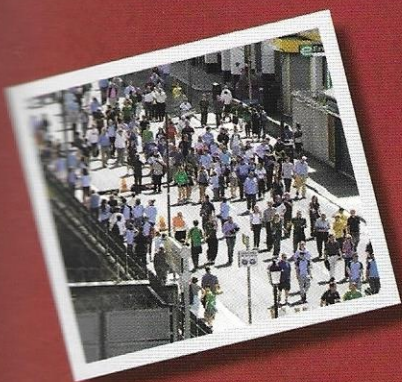
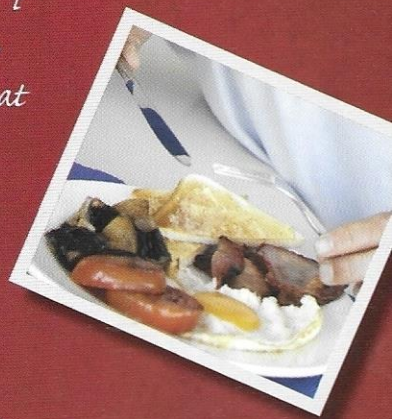
*Your county are chokers.*

*With your son and your dad*

*And your wife and your daughter.*

*You're not just fans*

*You're real supporters.*



 **LOVE**  
**SUNDAYS**



# ONE MINUTE WITH...

**Name:** Kevin O'Boyle

**Club:** Erins Own Cargin

**Favourite Position:** Corner back

**Favourite Pitch:** Casement Park

**Hobbies:** GAA, Watching Sports, Fifa, Marking Tests, Golf, Calving Cows

**Childhood hero:** Peter Canavan

**Best Player you have played with:** Sean Kelly

**Best Player you have played against:** Seanie Johnson

**Best game you have been involved in:** The Ulster Semi- Final v Cavan in 2009. The Scenes at the final whistle were ones never to be forgotten.

**Best game you have ever seen:** Derry v Down '94, I was very young at the time but just remember leaving that game thinking that it was class.

**Best trainer within the squad:** Would have to give it to Ricky (Bling-Bling) Johnson, he has taken on all advice given to him, took his chance when presented and has come on leaps and bounds from the start of the year.

**Worst trainer within the squad:** Joe Quinn has to be the worst, hasn't trained all year.

**Worst training drill:** Running Triangles, you can't feel your legs for about 3 days later.

**Best motivator within the squad:** Paddy McNeill (Trainer). If everyone had the passion he had then we would be lifting the Sam Maguire every year!!

**Pre Match meal:** Scrambled egg, toast and beans

**Any superstitions:** Say a prayer during National Anthem, just keeping routine, sitting in the same seat in the changing room etc.

**Favourite Song:** My Chemical Romance – The Black Parade

**Favourite Film:** The Hangover

**Favourite Holiday Destination:** Lough Derg

**Favourite Drink:** Strawberry Milkshake

**Favourite Meal:** Steak, well done & Pepper Sauce

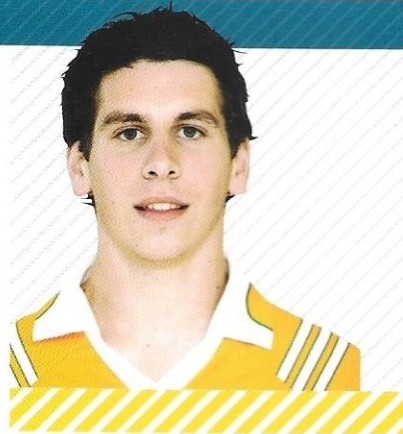
**Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own:** Ahoghill, always love to see them do well, they throw a serious party!!

**Which county do you like to see do well apart from your own:** Always enjoy watching Tyrone, love their attitude, they became successful and maintained their success.

**Advice for youngsters:** Listen to your coaches, train hard and believe anything is possible.

**Young Player within your club to look out for:** Jamie Gribben/ Kyle Johnston/ Ciaran Bradley/ Sean O'Neill/ James Donnelly – The Makings of a great team.

**Best thing about the GAA:** The social network that comes with it, friends for life.



# TALKING BALLS

Ger Manus reflects on why he thinks Donegal will bate Antrim!

I headed up the road one night there during the bad winter to watch Derry playing Donegal in the league at Celtic Park. Wouldn't have bothered only for the new stand Derry's built.

It was just cold enough now to be sittin' watchin' football and the humour wasn't made much better after the throw-in when Jim McGuinness decides to pull two men back. "Ah fer Jaze sakes," sez I to the boy beside me, "might as well be at a tennis match now."

Every time Derry attacked there was the two boys, like traffic wardens, lingering around like a bad smell. It looked like I was in for a long night, and sitting there that long doesn't be good for the bad hip to tell you the truth. But - and it's not often I'd be admitting it - I was wrong.

Derry didn't know what to be at. They made a few subs here and there, usually the fella who happened to be nearest the sideline when the call came for someone to be taken off. Certainly none made that much difference to the game I thought.

Donegal launched a high ball in round the Derry 21. The big lad Michael Murphy was standing there with two Derry defenders beside him. Murphy caught the ball, and blew past the two boys, who looked like they were havin' a smoke and a chat, he made it look that easy.

**"Every time Derry attacked there was the two boys, like traffic wardens, lingering around like a bad smell"**

One solo took him out of reach before he lets fly into the top corner. The ball ricocheted off the stanchion and comes flying back out the field again. Many's the ref would have missed it, but it was a goal. A real clinker. One of the best I've seen this long while. The whole package; the catch; the turn; the speed; the toe to hand; the two boys left for dead. And then this humungous hoor of a shot.

The ball went so fast that from where I was sitting and with my eyes I thought he'd hit the post. The brother in law along with me, he says, watching through Oak Leaf coloured specs, "Nope, goal, I'd hoped it hit the post but it was a goal."

In one instant big Murphy summed up why I think Donegal will bate Antrim and why they might ending the Ulster famine up there in Donegal.

In the past Donegal's had big players, big hardy fellas that look like they were reared on the trawler or spent the night on the bog or out. And they've had nippy ball players, boys like

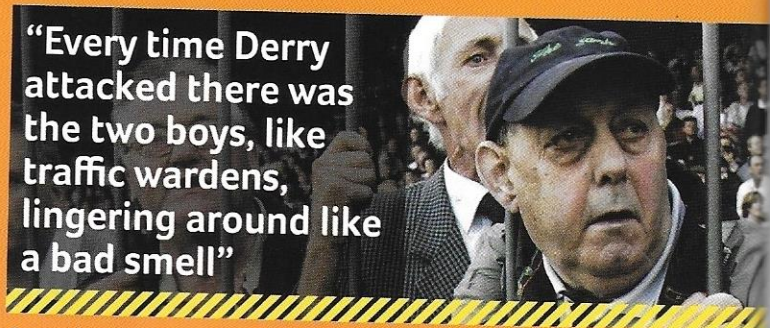
McHugh - before he became a pundit obviously.

Now you have those boys like Lacey with them boots and Cassidy and McGee goin' round scaring people - Cassidy's a good man for a goal mind you - and McFadden with that left foot of his.

Big Murphy's the boy though, I couldn't get over the speed of him, the power and the way he takes the score. He's got the temperament and for my money, he's like nothing else on the market these days.

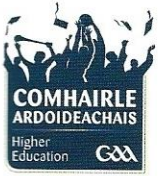
A couple of weeks back me I fell asleep on the sofa during their league final against Laois. When I woke up some big long haired posing galoot from Celtic was taking the worst penalty I ever seen. Meanwhile back in Croker, Murphy near broke another stanchion with one he took. He's the real deal.

And as for Antrim, sure they won here a couple of years ago. The Baker's still in charge. But, it won't happen for him today so it won't. But then, sure what do I know.





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Please do not bring anything into the stadium that can be used as a weapon or that will cause interference with others. This includes fireworks, smoke canisters, bottles, flagpoles, banners.

We do not allow alcohol in the ground.

We ask you not to climb onto walls, stands and other buildings.

Likewise, we ask you to refrain from making unnecessary noise that will annoy other spectators nearby. That includes the likes of air horns or radios.

Please do not use foul, abusive or offensive language. There are families and children present.

We ask you not to enter the field of play during or after the game for health and safety reasons.

Occasionally we may be required to search patrons entering the ground. If you refuse to be searched you may be refused entry. Please do not obstruct gangways or stairwells etc. Also, please do not engage in behaviour that may cause a fire or other dangerous event.

The Officers on duty reserve the right to remove you from the ground if you do not comply with these simple regulations. Our intention is simply to ensure that all our supporters can enjoy the match.

## First Aid

First Aid is provided at today's venue, by Order of Malta and ambulances are located behind the covered stand and below the scoreboard in the town corner of the ground.

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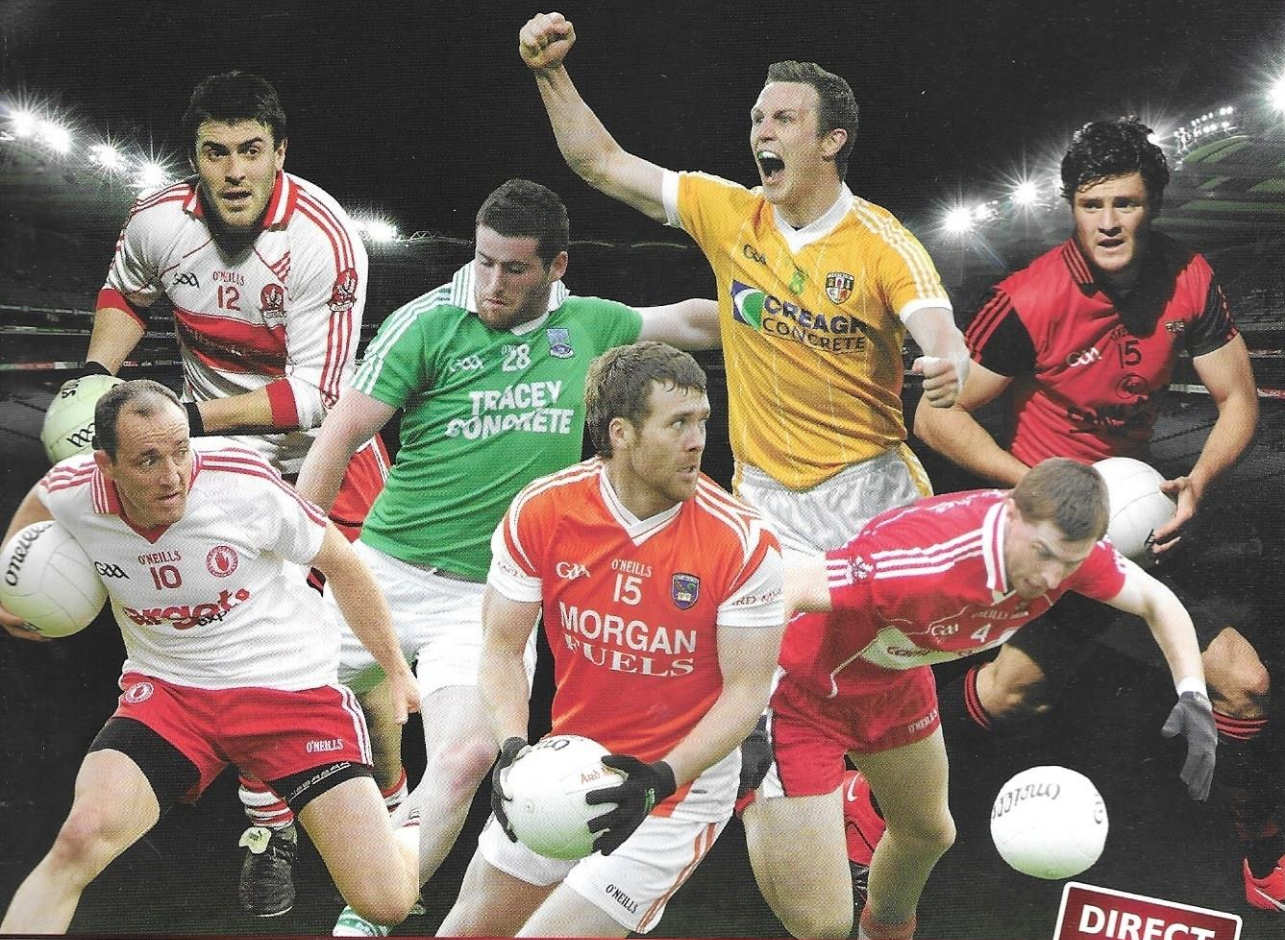
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