

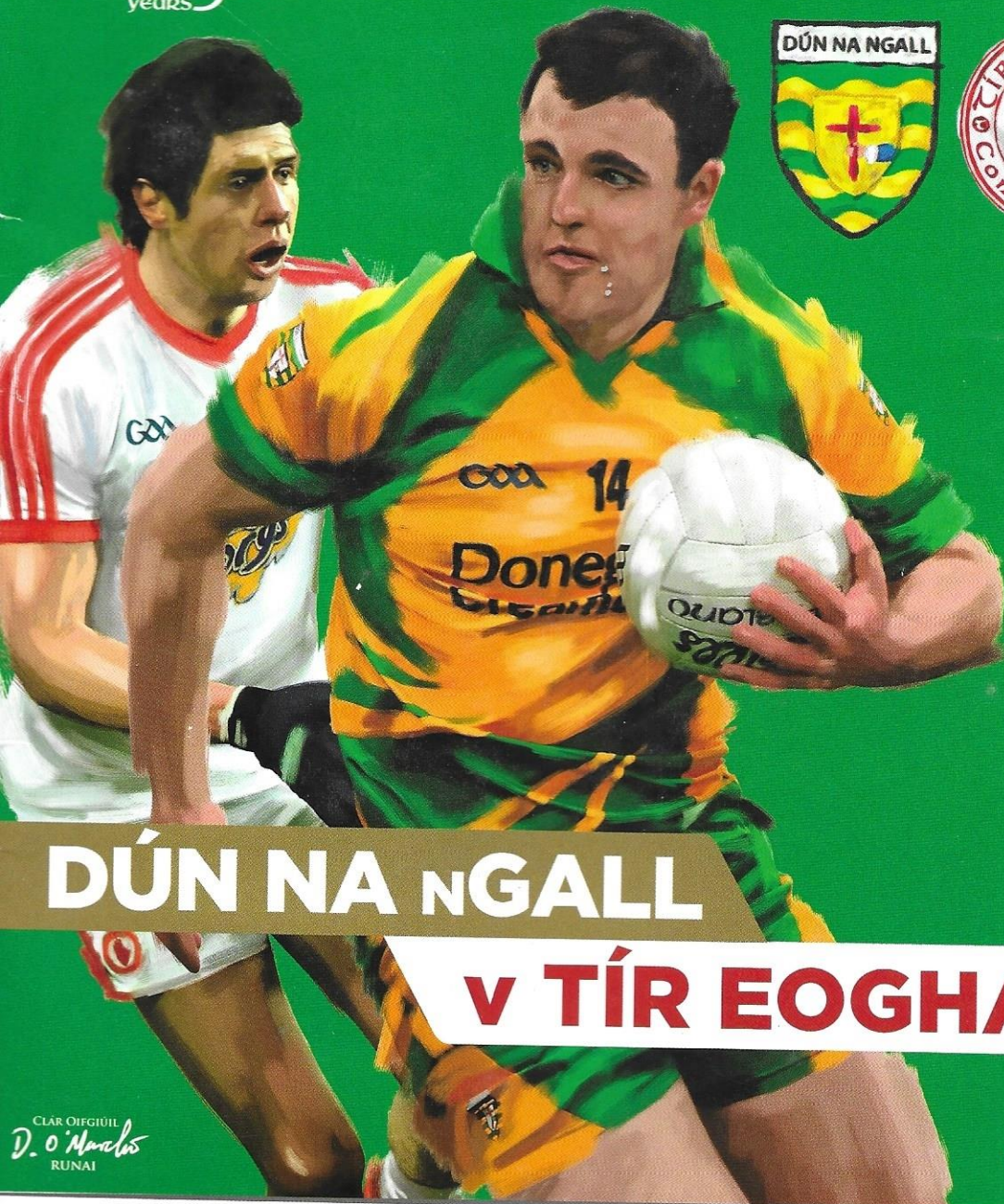
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Ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur roimh na foirne agus an lucht leanúna a tháinig anseo inniu ó Dhún na nGall agus ó Thír Eoghain. Molaim go hard gach duine a chuidigh leis na himreoirí seo thar na blianta iad a dhéanamh réidh lena ngeansaithe idir-chontae a chaitheamh.

It is a great honour to provide an introduction to what has been the most talked about game since the Ulster Championship draw was made.

Donegal as our hosts today, are proud Ulster and All Ireland champions are great ambassadors for their clubs, county and province as they celebrated their magnificent success.

Today's opponents Tyrone, fresh from their journey to the recent Allianz Football League Final, will approach today with renewed optimism. With the completion of the new complex at Garvaghey, it is clear that as ever, Tyrone GAA have one eye on the future.

I commend the Donegal County



Board for the work they have overseen at Pairc MacCumhaill and surrounds which enabled them to host today's game.

In my short time as President of the Ulster Council I have had the privilege of witnessing first hand both what it means to represent the province and the high regard in which our counties, clubs and players are held throughout Ireland and indeed further afield.

Whether it be in schools competitions, on the important platform that is Scór or in competitive club county or Provincial activity our teams, through their members and players exemplify the positive attributes which go hand in hand with our pride of place which remains central to all things GAA.

Not only do I believe that this is the most competitive of all of

the GAA's inter-county championships, every team can take to the field in a given game with a well grounded hope of success in that fixture. Not every province can make that boast and it is testament to our county panels that such a focus and drive underpins their participation and their quest for success. Long may it continue.

I would like to acknowledge and thank all the Ulster Council and Donegal GAA personnel involved in hosting today's games. I would also like to wish all four teams, their boards and background teams every success in their respective outings today and indeed the match officials whose role should never be overlooked.

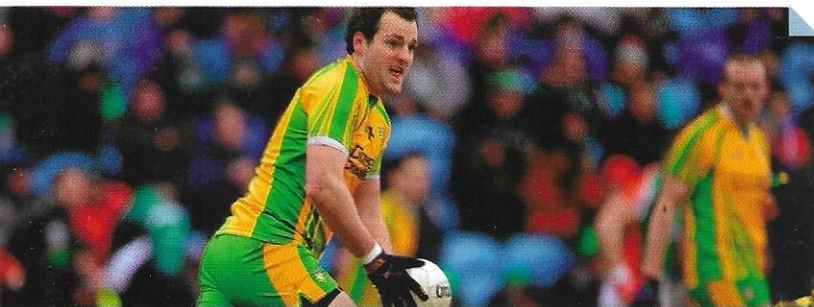
Finally, to you the supporters; your attendance here today makes these summer Sundays the special events they become. Your support, attendance and attention is highly valued and we hope the experience of today will encourage you to join us again at some stage over the summer before the 2013 resting place of the Anglo-Celt Cup is confirmed.

Is fearr a bheith ann'
Nothing beats being here.

Martin Mac Aibhne

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TODAY'S GAMES

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Ulster GAA Football Senior
Championship Quarter Final

DÚN NA NGALL v TÍR EOGHAIN

Throw In 2.15pm
Referee:
Donal Connolly (Muineachán)
Standby:
Brendan Rice (An Dún)
Linesman:
Noel Mooney (An Cabhán)
Sideline:
Dan Mullan (Doire)



Donal Connolly

Donal comes from the Scotstown club in Monaghan and is 33 years of age. Donal

has been refereeing since 2006 and joined the Ulster Referees Academy in 2009 and later the National support panel in 2011.

In Monaghan, he has refereed numerous underage finals, reserve finals and also the Minor Championship Final in 2011. He has taken charge at Ulster Club Championship games and also Dr McKenna Cup level as well as Ulster Minor League in 2012 and 2013.

Today his umpires are Macartan McKenna, Brendan Connolly, Paddy Sherry and John Mullen.

DÚN NA NGALL v TÍR EOGHAIN

Throw In 4.00pm
Referee:
Joe McQuillan (An Cabhán)
Standby:
David Coldrick (An Mhí)
Linesman:
Ciaran Branagan (An Dún)
Sideline:
Martin McNally (Muineachán)



Joe McQuillan

Joe has been refereeing for 12 years and this is his ninth year on the National panel. 2006 was a

huge year for him. He refereed the Munster Senior Final, the All-Ireland Under 21 Final and the Cavan Senior Football Final. He also refereed the 2005 Leinster Senior Final.

Joe has refereed Ulster Club Senior Finals and one All-Ireland Senior Club Final. Joe took charge of the 2011 Leinster Final between Dublin and Wexford. Within Ulster, he also refereed the Dún na nGall and Tír Eoghain league clash earlier this year.

Joe took charge of the 2011 All-Ireland Senior Football decider when Dublin defeated Kerry. Today his umpires will be Ciaran Brady, Tommy O'Reilly, TP Gray, and Jimmy Galligan.

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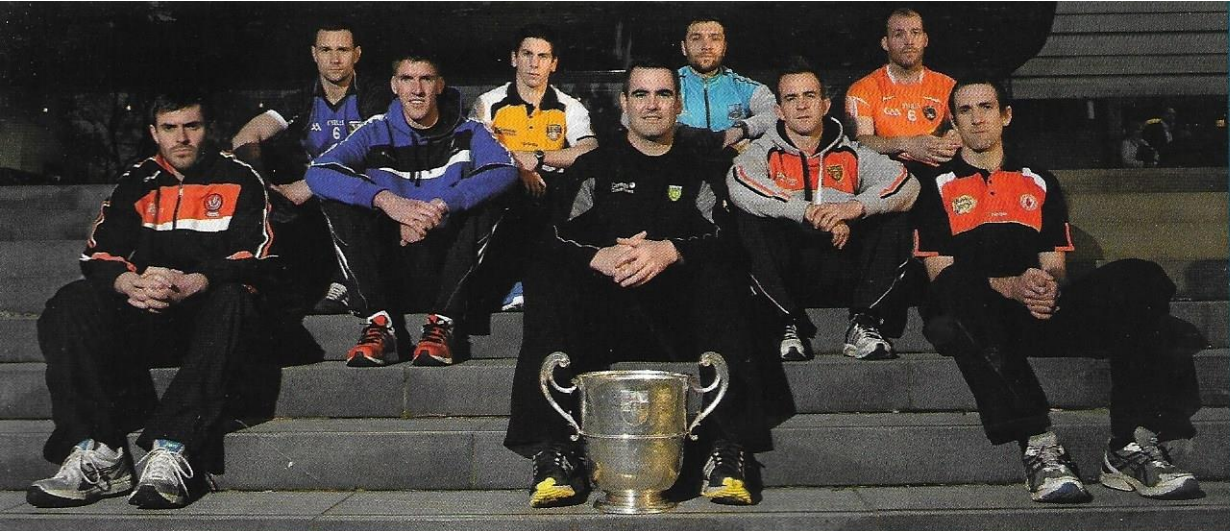
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BUIÓCHAS: Comhairle Uladh would like to thank the County Boards and all other contributors for their assistance in the compilation of this programme.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to thank all the players, management and backroom staff for their efforts today.

Finally we thank all the supporters who have attended today's match, without you the championship just wouldn't be the same.



YOUR SAFETY

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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.

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Clár an Lae

Sunday May 26th
Páirc MacCumhaill, Ballybofey

- 13.58 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
- 14.01 Tír Eoghain amach ar an bPáirc
- 14.15 Tús an Cluiche:
Dún na nGall v Tír Eoghain
- 14.46 Half Time / Leath Am
- 14.48 Entertainment / Siamsa
- 14.56 Start of Second Half /
Tús an dara leath
- 15.29 Críoch an Chluiche Mionúir
** If Extra Time is required see below*
- 15.39 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
- 15.42 Tír Eoghain amach ar an bPáirc
- 15.53 Paráid
- 15.58 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 16.00 Tús an Cluiche:
Dún na nGall v Tír Eoghain
- 16.36 Half Time / Leath Am
- 16.38 Cluichí Cumann na mBunscol
- 16.51 Start of Second Half /
Tús an dara leath
- 17.29 Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir
- *15.34 Start of First Period of Extra Time
- 15.44 End of First Period of Extra Time
- 15.46 Start of Second Period of Extra Time
- 15.58 End of Extra Time
- 16.00 Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
- 16.03 Tír Eoghain amach ar an bPáirc
- 16.13 Paráid
- 16.18 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 16.20 Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v Tír Eoghain
- 16.56 Half Time / Leath Am
- 16.58 Cumann na mBunscol Exhibition
- 17.11 Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
- 17.48 End of Senior Game /
Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir

CUMANN NA mBUNSCOL



Today's Mini Games

Dún na nGall



Enda O'Hagan, St.Nauls, Keelogs
Shaun Robinson, Gaelscoil Eirne
Ronan Gallagher, Devlinreagh NS
Kyle McFadden, Carrigart NS
Dylan Boyle, Scoil Cróine, Dungloe
Shaun Doherty, St.Patrick's Carndonagh
Kieran Dolan, Drumkeen NS
Caolan McMonagail, S.N. Taobhóige
Darryl Maguire, Crannóg Buí NS
Adam Gallagher, St Macartan' Bundoran
Eammon Mac Gairbhith, Scoil Phadraig, Dobhar
Carlos Reilly, Creeslough NS
Cristóir Ó Dochartaigh, Gaelscoil Cois Feabhail
Eoin Mac Giolla Cearra, Cashel NS Glencolmcille
Cathal Byrne, Glencovitt NS
Aaron McGlinchey, Dromore NS
Ronan McColgan, Scoil Naomh Bríd Muff
Tómas Ó Longa, Edeninfagh NS

Tír Eoghain



Shea Daly, Sacred Heart PS, Rock
Tiarnan O'Neill, St Brigid's PS, Brocagh
Thomas McKeown, St Mary's PS, Carland
Cormac McElvogue, St Mary's PS, Cabragh
Paul Conwell, St Patrick's PS, Dunamanagh
Sean McDonagh, St Joseph's PS, Drumquin
Dermot McGovern, Drumduff PS, Beragh
Eoghan Gormley, Sacred Heart PS, Tattyreagh
Mark Halvin, St Eugene's PS, Tircur
Darragh Maguire, St Matthew's PS, Garvaghey
Tiernan McCaffrey, St Patrick's PS, Eskra
Conor Kennedy, St Mary's PS, Stewartstown
Ronan McHugh, St Caireall's PS, Castlederg
Niall Devlin, Aughamullan PS, Coalisland
Liam Muldoon, St Mary's PS, Aughnacloy
Jamie McCrory, St Brigid's PS, Cranagh
Conor Fitzgerald, St John's PS, Kingsisland
Jamie Wilkinson, Our Lady of Lourdes PS, Greencastle

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF TODAY'S CUMANN NA mBUNSCOL CHILDREN. NO DOUBT THEY WILL ASPIRE TO RETURN TO THE ULSTER CHAMPIONSHIP AGAIN REPRESENTING THEIR MINOR OR SENIOR COUNTY TEAM IN THE NEAR FUTURE.



Ulster GAA Steward, Frank Kennedy receiving a Gradam Na Maor Award from Uachtaran CLG Liam Ó Néill for his service to stewarding in Croke Park for over 40 years.



DANNY HARKIN

Convoy

Danny Harkin has been involved in the affairs of the GAA for all his adult life. First as a player and later as a referee, team manager and also as a very able administrator.

As a minor Danny played with Sean MacCumhaill's and picked up a winners medal as County Minor Champions in 1957. Later playing as a corner back he won Junior League and Championship medals with Convoy in 1963.

When his playing days were over, Danny took up the whistle and was prominent in refereeing circles for quite a few years both within the county and at inter county level. He was honoured with taking charge of a Senior County Final but his proudest moment as a referee must have been when he was selected to take charge of the All-Ireland Minor semi-final of 1973. In addition to his refereeing activities, Danny was at this time also Treasurer of the Convoy club and made quite a name for himself as a fundraiser.

He ran marquees, bingo and numerous club draws to keep the club in a good financial state and was the driving force behind the effort to raise funds to take the club to the USA in 1978 to celebrate 50 years of the GAA in Convoy. He was also to the fore the following year when the club purchased what have now become very impressive club grounds. In 1981 the club undertook a walk from Cork to Convoy to raise funds which

helped to build a house for a local MS sufferer and again Danny was the driving force.

Danny has also at various times been Treasurer and Chairman of the County Board as well as being Donegal's representative at Central Council.

He has always had boundless energy and an amazing ability to combine a very busy working life with his GAA activities and other interests.

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It came as no great surprise that when the County Board needed to raise 125,000 Euro for the further development of the Centre of Excellence that they turned to Danny Harkin to steer that operation. They couldn't have made a better choice. As usual Danny wasn't found wanting and together with his team delivered the required amount in just four months.



The County Board paid tribute to Danny at this year's Banquet to honour this great achievement and never was an honour more richly deserved.

Danny's greatest attributes are his sense of humour, his loyalty, his ability to make friends, a steely determination and an indomitable spirit which together enable him to bring to a successful conclusion almost any task that he undertakes.

Danny is currently recuperating following recent surgery and is showing his usual determination and resolve and will, no doubt, return to full health soon. Everyone involved in the affairs of the GAA in Donegal and much further afield will surely wish him well in his recovery.

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MINOR PREVIEW

GaelicLife

Opinions from Ciaran Woods, **Gaelic Life**

For months now, it has been the clash of Donegal and Tyrone in the Ulster Senior Championship which has had football fans in Ulster licking their lips with anticipation.

The Tir Chonnail county have enjoyed the upper hand over their Red Hand neighbours at senior level in recent seasons, they sent them crashing out of the Ulster Under 21 Championship at the first hurdle earlier this year... can they now bring that same level of domination down to the minor ranks and get a massive day and huge occasion for Donegal football off to the best possible start?

Unfortunately the build up to this game has been more about who won't play for Donegal than anything else. Their star man, Stephen McBrearty, younger brother of senior star Paddy, will not feature as he continues his rehabilitation following knee cartilage surgery. He would normally have operated

anywhere up the spine of the Donegal team from midfield to full-forward. Influential wing-back Oisín Carr is also ruled out through injury.

However, Stephen Friel still has plenty of talent at his disposal, with a number of his players including Darrach O'Connor and Aidan Sweeney having featured heavily in their Under 21 campaign earlier this year. Callum Gallagher, son of All-Ireland winner Matt, is a solid defender, while Aodhan McGinley will attempt to influence things around the middle third. Ciaran Thompson from the Naomh Conaill club has also been recalled to the side in recent weeks to bolster their midfield options.

Elsewhere, Lorcan Connor of the Downings club will be Donegal's playmaker-in-chief at centre-forward, with Colm Kelly the fulcrum of their defence at half back. Cian Mulligan of Gaith Dobhair may be one of the youngest members of the

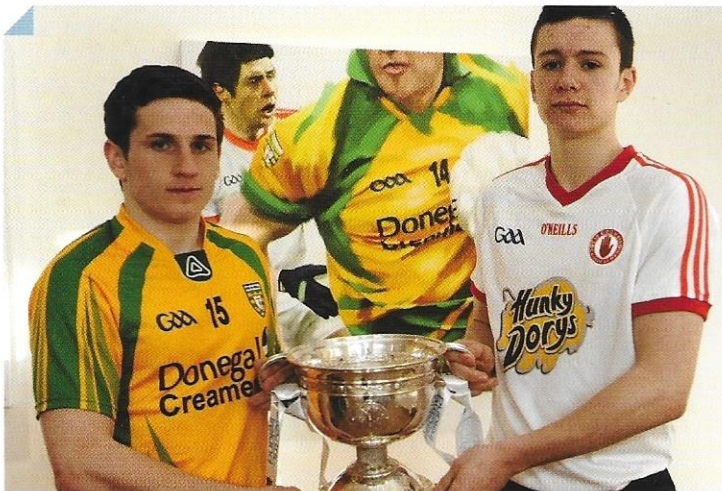
Donegal panel, but he too will have a big say in the outcome of today's game.

Their opponents Tyrone boast a proud tradition at this level, with an annual expectation in the Red Hand county of a provincial minor title now the norm. It is certainly an unfair pressure to place on such young shoulders, but they tend to take it in their stride. Tyrone manager Mickey Donnelly is also without key personnel, Strabane's Liam McGillionn the victim of a freak elbow injury during a club game is ruled out of a starting defensive berth, while Philly Donnelly, a member of last year's panel, is also out due to an ankle injury sustained while on duty with his Donaghmore club.

They will look to the likes of Rian McHugh at midfield, as well as Ardboe's Michael Lynn up front, with Trillick's Lee Brennan assured from dead balls. Shea Hamill from Donaghmore is another influential figure at wing-back, with Clonoe's Rhys Quinn keeping things solid from the edge of his own square.

Donegal people would tell you that if they were playing anyone other than Tyrone today, then they would fancy their chances of victory. With the swelling crowd in MacCumhaill Park as this game progresses, if the home side can keep within touching distance for the last quarter then we're in for a rousing conclusion.

Tyrone have been there and done all that before, they won't be fazed, and that extra experience should just tip the scales in their favour.



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DÚN NA NGALL



DONEGAL MINOR TEAM

Manager: Stephen Friel

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16. David Tyrell, Naomh Adhamhnáin 17. Patrick Gillespie, Naomh Muire 18. Lee O'Brien, Cloich Cheann Fhaola
19. Conor McEniff, Naomh Adhamhnáin 20. Calum Gallagher, Naomh Bríd 21. Eoin Ban Gallagher, Na Cealla Beaga
22. Aodhan McGinlay, Cill Chartha 23. Hugh Boyle, Naomh Muire 24. Ciaran Thompson, Naomh Conaill

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TÍR EOGHAIN

Manager: Mickey Donnelly

TYRONE MINOR TEAM



FÍR IONAD/SUBSTITUTES

16. Ronan McGeary, An Gallbhaile 17. Darren Devlin, An Chraobh 18. Tiarnan Donnelly, Achadh Lú
19. Sean Fox, An Caisléan Glas 20. Enda McElroy, An Eaglais 21. Stephen McGrath, Doire Locháin
22. Rian McHugh, Breac an Bhíle 23. Cathal McShane, E R Uí Néill 24. Che O'Donnell, Breac an Bhíle

	Cúil	Cúitíní	Seachaf	45	Saor	Ciceanna
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SENIOR PREVIEW

THE IRISH NEWS

Opinions from Paul McConville, **The Irish News**

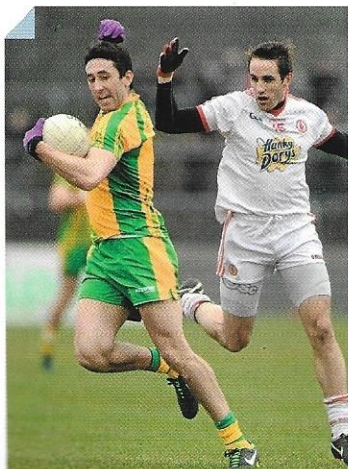


After over a decade of sharing the Anglo-Celt Cup with Armagh, Tyrone have found themselves in a tug-of-war with a new nemesis for the famous old trophy.

The Red Hands and Donegal have won the last four renewals of the Ulster Senior Football Championship and these two thoroughbreds seem to be stretching further ahead of the field each year.

Donegal haven't lost an Ulster Championship tie since 2010 when Down beat them in Ballybofey and the Tir Chonaill men are the only side to have defeated Tyrone in the race for the Anglo-Celt since a 2008 replay defeat to the Mournemen.

Remarkably, considering one county could be out of the running by this evening, Donegal and Tyrone are the first and second favourites respectively



with the bookies for the Ulster Championship.

Donegal's hopes of winning three provincial titles in-a-row won't receive a sterner test than this afternoon against one of the country's in-form teams.

Tyrone's march to the National League Final was in stark contrast to the Ulster and All-Ireland champions' campaign which saw them relegated from Division One.

It's not just the respective outcomes of the spring campaigns which have many tipping to the Red Hands to end Donegal's eight-match unbeaten Ulster SFC run. Mickey Harte has freshened up his panel, bringing a dynamic and physical edge while retaining the street smarts of seasoned campaigners such as Sean Cavanagh and Stephen O'Neill.

There aren't many counties who can add to their scoring prowess by changing their goalkeeper, but Niall Morgan's introduction between the sticks this season has seen him become one of Tyrone's key assets with his accuracy from the dead ball.

Frees and 45's could hold great importance today as Donegal are likely to attempt to contain a Tyrone team which were the second highest scorers in the League behind Dublin.

That has been an encouraging development for the Red Hands this season as they

lacked the power to dethrone the Ulster champions in last year's semi-final.

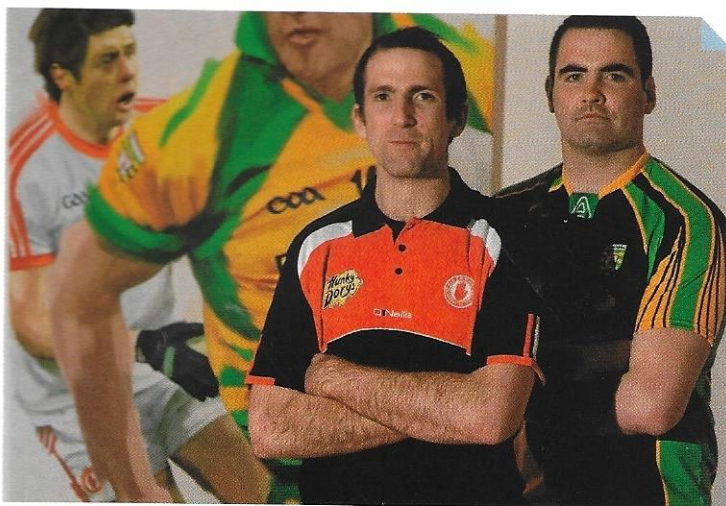
Stephen O'Neill may remain their main scoring threat, but with Jim McGuinness likely to have devised a plan to contain the mercurial Clan na Gael man, Tyrone may be forced to look elsewhere for the scores that will bring them over the line.

O'Neill ran into a rampaging Frank McGlynn in last year's Ulster SFC semi-final, with his influence curtailed by the Donegal defender who made matching-winning impacts at both ends of the field.

Sean Cavanagh missed last year's Championship through injury and has been playing in a more advanced role this year while Mark Donnelly, Peter Harte, Matthew Donnelly and Conor McAliskey can also chip in with scores and incisive passes.

Former minor stars Kyle Coney and Ronan O'Neill have yet to make the mark at senior level their youthful promise suggest, however, injuries has frustrated their efforts in that regard and as both work towards full fitness, Mickey Harte's pool of talent grows deeper.

The Tyrone boss remarked recently that he felt his side were much stronger than 12 months ago and it's not inconceivable that a win today could set them on their way to a long and fruitful summer.



For Donegal, their season starts today. Jim McGuinness used the National League to add depth to his thin squad by giving game-time to some fringe players. It could be argued that experiment back-fired as they ultimately suffered the drop from Division One thanks to Paul Mannion's injury time point for Dublin to ensure a draw in Ballybofey on the last day of the campaign.

However, the Tir Chonaill camp have argued that everything has been built towards today's Championship opener at Sean MacCumhaill Park.

The venue itself has been the source of hot debate, with Tyrone arguing that more spectators could have been accommodated in Clones - the scene of the last two Championship meetings between the teams which Donegal won.

But Donegal were adamant that they wanted to retain home advantage and that may be seen as an early psychological victory for Jim McGuinness's men.

Although the Red Hands have freshened up their attack this year, Donegal shouldn't be found lacking in that department either. Michael Murphy proved in last year's All-Ireland Final that he can rise to the

big occasion and although today is only the first round of the Ulster Championship, it is a game of massive significance.

A defeat for the Tir Chonaill men would send them into the Qualifiers where their questionable strength-in-depth will be tested to the limits. Colm McFadden and Patrick McBrearty join Murphy in a potent attack and Donegal's starting 15 remains one of the most fearsome in the country.

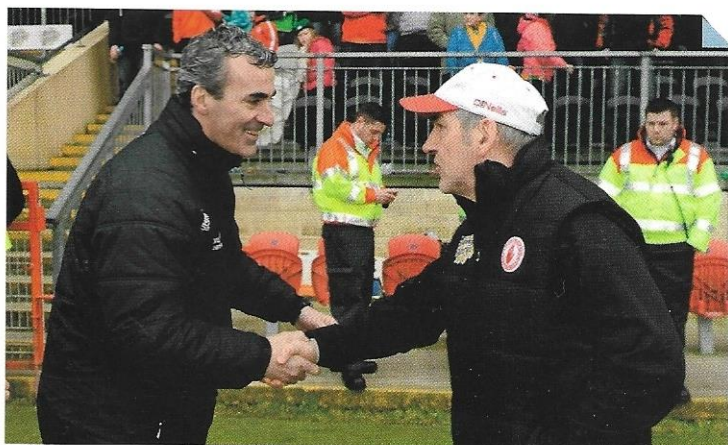
However, Jim McGuinness was relatively fortunate on the injury front during last year's All-Ireland -winning campaign. This year, he has already had to contend with the loss of Footballer of the Year, Karl Lacey and although several up-and-coming players such

as Ryan McHugh, Luke Keane, Odhran MacNiallais and Ross Wherity were handed their chance to shine in the Dr McKenna Cup and National League, it remains to be seen how they can handle the pressure of Championship football.

Although they may be green under the surface, Donegal still possess a formidable and experienced defence which will have had their confidence bolstered further by last September's All-Ireland success. For all Tyrone's attacking flair, they will be made to work hard for their scores today, while guarding against a potentially devastating counter-attack from the reigning champions.

On their way to bringing Sam back to the Hills, they defeated today's opponents in a pragmatic Ulster Semi-Final with a dramatic climax. Paul Durcan's late save to deny Martin Penrose a goal become one of the defining moments of the summer for the Tir Chonaill men.

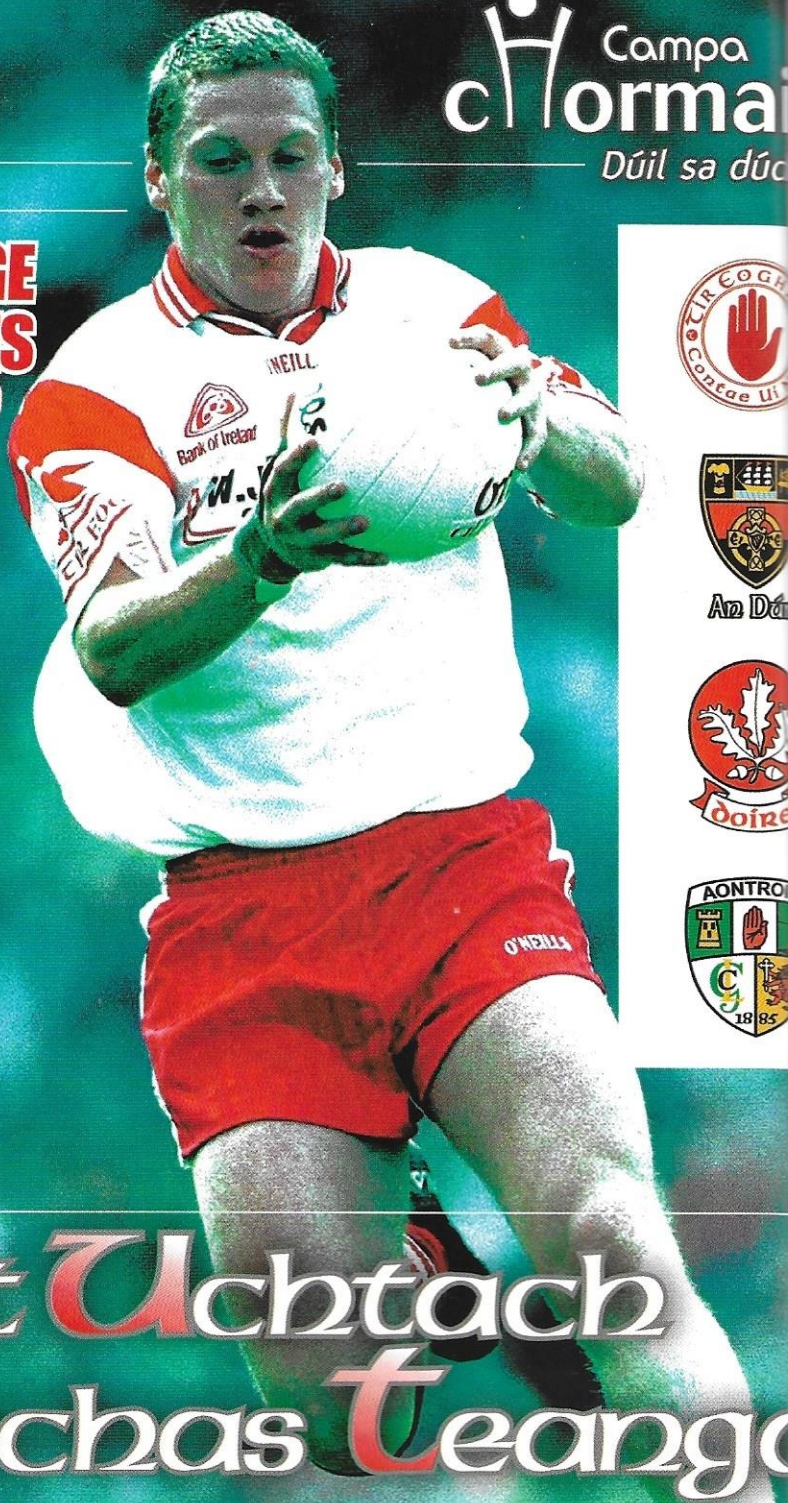
Today is likely to follow a similar chess-like battle between two of the game's most tactically astute minds, but whatever masterplans Jim McGuinness and Mickey Harte might devise, there still remains an enticing element of unpredictability about any Championship tussle. Form dictates that fortune should favour the Red Hands today.



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125 Years of the Ulster Championship



Never before has Dún na nGall beaten Tír Eoghain at home in the Ulster SFC. This stark fact is somewhat deceptive, for only three of their previous championship meetings have taken place on Tír Chonaill soil. Overall, Tír Eoghain has won nine of their clashes, Dún na nGall has triumphed seven times, and once (in the 1989 provincial final) they drew.

Eighty-four years ago yesterday, on 25 May 1919, Strabane hosted the maiden knockout encounter between the two counties. Séamus Dobbyn, the Ulster GAA president, held the referee's whistle, and a crowd of some 1200 attended.

'Home' advantage counted for little, for the north-western Tír Eoghain town was as familiar to Dún na nGall men as to their Red Hand counterparts. In fact, just one month earlier, Strabane had hosted a reorganisation convention of the Dún na nGall county board – a very rare example of a county going outside its own borders for a major

domestic meeting. This match was in fact Dún na nGall's first in the championship since 1907.

While the Tír Chonaill county was entering a new era of hope, Tír Eoghain was in disarray. O'Neill's of Omagh, the leading club in the west of the county, and several teams to the east, had reportedly seceded to soccer of late, stated the Ulster Herald; and the 'now practically defunct county committee' was being blamed for a state of apathy in the county. The West Tyrone League was left to select a county team comprising five Fintona men, five Trillick men, four Augher men and one Strabane man.

The Dún na nGall side, similarly, included quartets of Buncrana and Bundoran players. It was, however, a Ballyshannon man, B. Loughlin, who

emerged as the key figure of the tie. After Pat McGee (Augher) goalied early in the second period to halve Dún na nGall's six-point interval advantage (1-3 to nil), Loughlin fired in his second goal of the day and from then on Tír Chonaill did not look back. Dún na nGall went on to score two further goals and win by 4-3 to 2-0.

Dún na nGall faltered at the next hurdle, losing by eleven points at home to An Cabhán in the semi-final. Nonetheless, the 1919 season can be seen as the beginning in earnest of the county's championship odyssey – for the county had returned at last, and has contested Ulster Championships ever since. Yet another fifty-three years would pass until Dún na nGall would beat Tír Eoghain again in the senior championship, in the 1972 Ulster Final.

Previous Scorelines

1919	25 May (First Round, Strabane)	Dún na nGall 4-4	Tír Eoghain 2-0
1924	8 May (First Round, Letterkenny)	Dún na nGall 0-1	Tír Eoghain 0-2
1943	20 June (First Round, Omagh)	Tír Eoghain 1-8	Dún na nGall 0-7
1953	14 June (First Round, Ballybofey)	Dún na nGall 0-6	Tír Eoghain 0-12
1954	13 June (First Round, Dungannon)	Tír Eoghain 1-7	Dún na nGall 1-5
1957	14 July (Semi-Final, Cavan)	Tír Eoghain 3-5	Dún na nGall 2-3
1972	30 July (Final, Clones)	Dún na nGall 2-13	Tír Eoghain 1-11
1973	24 June (First Round, Ballybofey)	Tír Eoghain 0-12	Dún na nGall 1-7
1974	16 June (First Round, Omagh)	Dún na nGall 1-9	Tír Eoghain 0-8
1979	17 June (First Round, Ballinascreen)	Dún na nGall 1-11	Tír Eoghain 1-9
1989	16 July (Final, Clones)	Tír Eoghain 0-11	Dún na nGall 0-9
1989	23 July (Final Replay, Clones)	Tír Eoghain 2-13	Dún na nGall 0-7
1994	26 June (Semi-Final, Cavan)	Tír Eoghain 1-15	Dún na nGall 0-10
2004	20 June (Semi-Final, Clones)	Dún na nGall 1-11	Tír Eoghain 0-9
2007	17 June (Semi-Final, Clones)	Tír Eoghain 2-15	Dún na nGall 1-7
2011	26 June (Semi-Final, Clones)	Dún na nGall 2-6	Tír Eoghain 0-9
2012	30 June (Semi-Final, Clones)	Dún na nGall 0-12	Tír Eoghain 0-10

MEET THE TEAMS

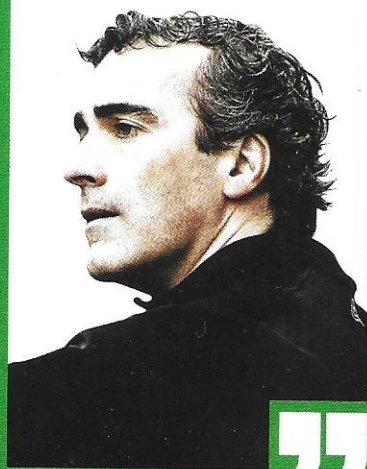
Dún na nGall, Pen Pics



Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Paul Durcan	Na Ceithre Maistiri	29	6' 5"	15st
Paddy McGrath	Ard an Ratha	24	5' 11"	12st 7
Neil McGee	Gaoth Dobhair	27	6' 1"	15st
Frank McGlynn	Gleann Fhinne	27	5' 11"	13st
Eamon McGee	Gaoth Dobhair	29	6' 2"	13st 7
Karl Lacey	Na Ceithre Maistiri	28	5' 11"	14st
Anthony Thompson	Naomh Conaill	27	6'	12st 7
Neil Gallagher	Gleann Suili	30	6' 4"	15st
Rory Kavanagh	Naomh Adhamhnain	30	6' 2"	14st
Mark McHugh	Cill Chartha	23	5' 11"	12st 7
Leo McLoone	Naomh Conaill	24	6'	14st
Ryan Bradley	Bun Crannacha	27	6' 2"	14st
Patrick McBrearty	Cill Chartha	19	6'	12st 7
Michael Murphy	Gleann Suili	24	6' 2"	14st
Colm McFadden	Naomh Micheal	29	6'	13st 7
Michael Boyle	An Tearmann	26	6'	16st
Martin McElhinney	Naomh Micheal	24	6' 2"	13st 7
Marty Boyle	Naomh Conaill	27	6' 1"	12st
David Walsh	Naomh Brid	30	6'	12st 7
Daniel McLaughlin	Naomh Micheal	23	5' 11"	12st 7
Martin O'Reilly	Sean Mac Cumhaill	20	5' 9"	12st 7
Dermot Molloy	Naomh Conaill	22	6'	12st
Declan Walsh	Malainn	24	6'	12st
Adrian Hanlon	An Clochan Liath	26	5' 8"	12st 7
Ryan McHugh	Cill Chartha	19	5' 8"	10st 7
Odhraín MacNiallais	Gaoth Dobhair	20	6' 1"	11st 7
Ross Wherity	Naomh Adhamhnain	25	6' 4"	14st
Eamon Doherty	Naomh Adhamhnain	22	6'	14st 7
Gary McFadden	Gleann Suili	25	6' 2"	14st
Luke Keaney	Na Ceithre Maistiri	21	6' 1"	13st 7
Matthew Smith	Na Cealla Beaga	28	6' 2"	14st

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It will no doubt be a great moment for our players to run out in front of their own supporters as Ulster and All-Ireland Champions



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DÚN NA NGALL



DONEGAL SENIOR TEAM

Manager: Jim McGuinness



FÍR IONAIÐ/SUBSTITUTES

- 16. Michael Boyle, An Tearmann
- 17. Declan Walsh, Málainn
- 18. Luke Keaney, Na Ceithre Máistir
- 19. Ryan McHugh, Cill Chartha
- 20. Martin McElhinney, Naomh Mícheál
- 21. Ross Wherity, Naomh Adhamhnáin
- 22. Dermot Molloy, Naomh Conaill
- 23. David Walsh, Naomh Bríd
- 24. Gary McFadden, Gleann Súilí
- 25. Odhrán MacNiallais, Gaoth Dobhair
- 26. Marty O'Reilly, Seán Mac Cumhail

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachai	45	Saor	Ciceanna
1AD Leath	1	6				
ZAD Leath						
Iomlán						

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TÍR EOGHAIN

Manager: Mickey Harte

TYRONE SENIOR TEAM



FÍR IONAID/SUBSTITUTES

16. Pascal McConnell, An Baile Nua 17. Dermot Carlin, Coill an Chlochair 18. Aidan Cassidy, Eochair
 19. Kyle Coney, Ard Bó 20. Kevin Gallagher, An Baile Nua 21. Johnathan Lafferty, Urnaí
 22. Plunkett Kane, Oileán a'Ghuail 23. Aidan McCrory, Aireagal Chiaráin 24. Darren McCurry, Éadan na dTorc
 25. Patrick McNiece, Oileán a'Ghuail 26. Sean Warnock, An Caisleán Glas

	Cúil	Cúitini	Seachai	45	Saor	Ciceanna
1AD Leath	0	7				
2AD Leath						
Iomlán						

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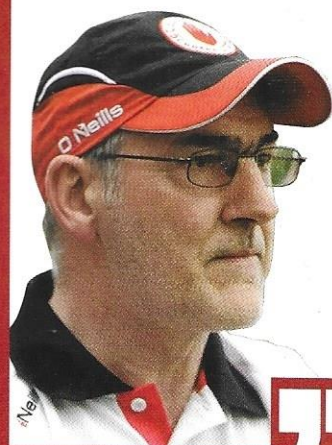
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Tír Eoghain, Pen Pics



Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Niall Morgan	Edendork	22	6'	13st
Pascal McConnell	Newtownstewart	33	6' 4"	15st
Conor Clarke	Omagh	21	6' 2"	13st
Conor Gormley	Carrickmore	33	5' 11"	13st 7
Danny McBride	Strabane	26	6' 2"	13st 7
Cathal McCarron	Dromore	26	6'	13st
Aidan McCrory	Errigal Ciaran	25	5' 11"	13st
Ryan McKenna	Eglisli	22	5' 10 ^h	12st
Joe McMahan	Omagh	29	6' 2"	13st 7
Justin McMahan	Omagh	27	6' 2"	13st 7
Ronan McNamee	Aghyaran	22	6' 1"	13st
Stephen O'Neill	Clann na nGael	32	6'	13st
Patrick McNeice	Coalisland	23	5' 11"	13st
Sean Cavanagh	Moy	29	6' 1"	13st 7
Kevin Gallagher	Newtownstewart	26	5' 10"	12st 7
Matthew Donnelly	Trillick	23	5' 11"	13st
Peter Harte	Errigal Ciaran	23	5' 10"	12st
Mark Donnelly	Carrickmore	29	5' 11"	13st
Jonathan Lafferty	Urney	26	6'	13st
Plunkett Kane	Coalisland	27	6' 1"	13st
Connor McAliskey	Clonoe	22	5' 10"	12st 7
Darren McCurry	Edendork	20	5' 8"	12st
Ronan O'Neill	Omagh	21	5' 9"	12st 7
Martin Penrose	Carrickmore	29	5' 10"	13st
Ronan McNabb	Dromore	23	5' 11"	12st 7
Dermot Carlin	Killyclogher	29	5' 10"	13st
Colm Cavanagh	Moy	26	6' 3"	13st
Kyle Coney	Ardboe	23	6' 2"	13st
Conan Grugan	Omagh	21	6' 1"	13st
PJ Quinn	Moortown	27	6'	13st
Ciaran McGinley	Errigal Ciaran	26	5' 11"	12st 7
Barry Tierney	Omagh	22	5' 9"	12st 7
Sean Warnock	Greencastle	22	6'	13st
Tiernan McCann	Killyclogher	22	6' 1"	13st
Aidan Cassidy	Augher	26	6' 1"	13st 7

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Beating Donegal in their own back yard would be a good boost for us but we're not putting any focus on their league form



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JIMMY McELHATTON

An Charraig Mhór

Jimmy McElhatton has often affectionately been referred to as “Mr Carrickmore” as he has been involved with his beloved “Carmen” for a lifetime

Married to Rose (Donnelly) who hails from the neighbouring Parish of Beragh and they have five sons, Sean, Pearse, Plunkett, Ciaran, and Conor and one daughter Mairead.

Jimmy, a mechanic by trade could just about put his hand to anything. When you arrive at St Colmcille Park, there to greet you no matter what time of the day or night is Jimmy Mc Elhatton. For the past number of years he has been the club groundsman, come caretaker and general handyman. Jimmy treats the pitches and facilities like his own and endless hours are spent nurturing and preparing them for games, meetings and numerous events held in St Colmcille Park.

Jimmy never made it on the playing side with his beloved An Charraig Mhór but did line out for the club minor side in his early days. What Jimmy didn't manage to achieve on the playing front he certainly made up for off the field. Jimmy joined the Club Committee in 1974 and has served in various officer roles down through the years. He was Club Secretary from 1976 to 1982. He was a team selector on the famous 3 in a row sides helping out the legendary Frankie Donnelly and Packie Ward.

He held the role of Chairman of the Éire Óg's Hurling Club for 6 years. For many years Jimmy faithfully acted as the An Charraig Mhór's club delegate at

County Board meetings and League Board.

Another string to Jimmy's bow was his skills as a respected football Referee in all 3 codes, hurling plus ladies and mens football. Jimmy was the Club Referee from 1980 right up until 2003 when he was sadly forced to give up the whistle following a mild heart attack after officiating at a youth game in Killyclogher. Jimmy not only refereed club football he was also highly respected on the inter county scene at hurling level throughout Ulster. One of his big profile games was the man in the middle of the Ulster Junior hurling semi final between Down and Donegal during the 1980's.

Jimmy also refereed an Under 21 Tyrone Football final as well as many Championship games at adult level. Being the man that Jimmy was it didn't take him long before he was back in the thick of the action.

Following the retirement of Harry Kelly as the main caretaker of St Colmcille Park, Jimmy took up the mantle and still plays a key role in the maintenance of the facilities.

In the modern era Jimmy would probably be referred to as an early day Mickey Moynagh having served as Tyrone minor kit man and transport officer under at least 4 different Tyrone minor managers namely Harry Brennan, Liam McGrath, Seamus Woods and Francie Martin.

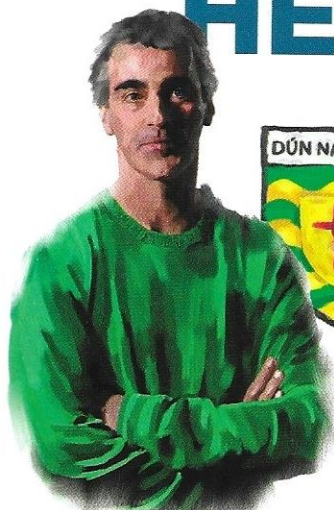


On top of this Jimmy was the right hand man to Tyrone Senior Hurling Manager Brendan Harkin when Tyrone won the All-Ireland Junior Final in the mid 1990's defeating Hertfordshire. One of Jimmy's quiet pleasures is watching Scór be it either Junior or Senior Scór but not just in Tyrone. Jimmy and Rose are an ever present part of the audience at all the Scór venues up and down the country and Jimmy has never been know to miss the All-Ireland Scór Finals.

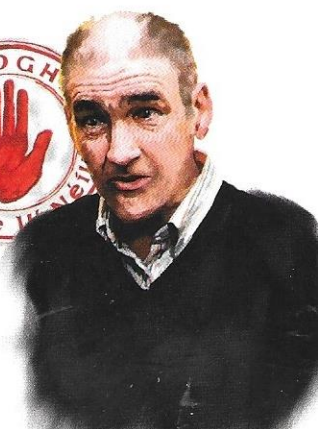
At Club level Jimmy helps out his trusted club colleague Lawrence Kelly on the Cultural Committee. There is no doubt Jimmy is truly an all round GAA club volunteer who simply lives for the pride of his club and that of his county. I have known Jimmy for the past 30 years and he is certainly one of the most genuine Gaels at club level within the county and if a visitor arrives to St Colmcille's Park, Jimmy is sure to have the kettle on the boil and a welcome cup of tea will soon be put in front of you.

HEAD TO HEAD

The Senior Managers



Anyone with a keen interest in GAA has been relishing today since the draw was made last October. Donegal have won the last two championship encounters in 2011 and 2012, while Tyrone won the League clash earlier this year. Here we get the thoughts of both managers.



Jim McGuinness

Once again the championship is upon us. It is a great honour to lead this Donegal team into what should be a fantastic Ulster Championship match. It is a particular honour to lead the team out on to Pairc Mac Cumhaill and for that I would like to thank the Donegal County Board and Comhairle Uladh.

It will no doubt be a great moment for our players to run out in front of their own supporters as Ulster and All-Ireland Champions.

We would like to welcome our opponents and near neighbours here today, they have had a great start to the season and will no doubt come to Ballybofey for today's game in confident mood.

However, our lads have worked very hard in recent months with this day in mind, and as a group we are all really looking forward to this very difficult challenge.

From our own perspective I would like to thank the players for all the effort and commitment they have shown to date.

A word of thanks also to the backroom team, the medical staff, the conditioning coaches, the county board, our sponsors Donegal Creameries, and the many clubs who have given up their facilities so freely this past few months, and we look forward to your continued support.

Mickey Harte

26th May has been a date we have all been waiting for. Preparations have went as well as expected. We've played a lot of competitive football this year and we've acquitted ourselves fairly well in important games.

It's a matter of rolling up our sleeves and going to Ballybofey and rising to that level of performance there, at least if we want to get a result out of there and if we can manage that we have a good chance. Beating Donegal in their own backyard would be a good boost for us but we're not putting any focus on their league form.

They have been looking at this game since the draw has been made, as they have in previous years, and we're hopeful that the outcome will be different on this occasion.

We're very grateful for the support we've had on our journey to the League Final and we know that this will continue in the Championship.

Thanks also to all the sponsors, especially Hunky Dorys and O'Neill's, we appreciate all their help and we're really pleased about all the facilities we have now in Garvaghey, it's been a tremendous boost to everybody since we've moved in there.

The facilities are absolutely second to none and we really appreciate the work of all the people who made this happen and we hope that the players can return that in the performances they will give across the rest of the season.

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But, in Tyrone GAA 'good enough' is never good enough. The work has to go on ... the cause has to endure.

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- You'll find out Who we are, What we do and Why we do it
- You'll hear from Mickey Harte
- You might see your way to helping with something that's important to us all, the Tyrone GAA journey.

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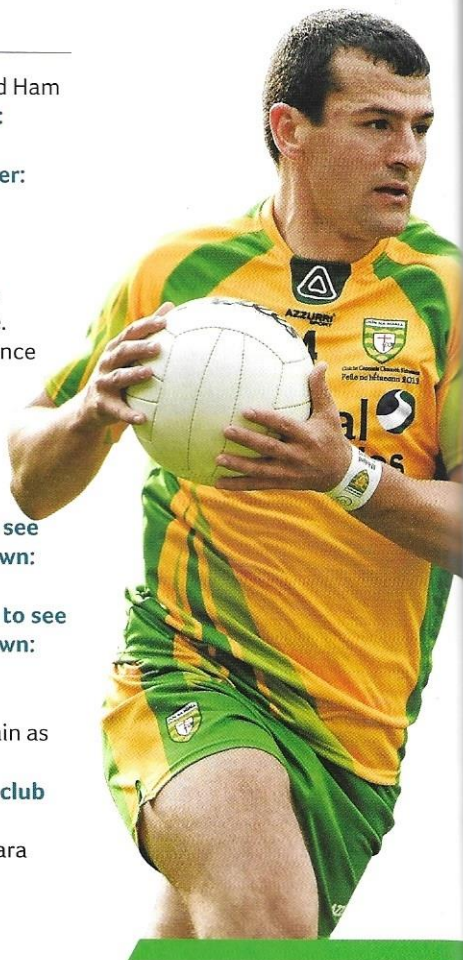
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FRANK McGLYNN

For Club & County

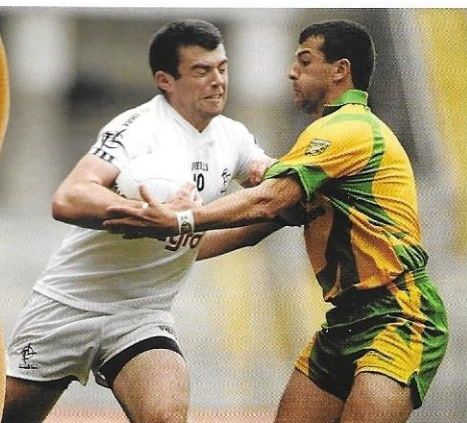
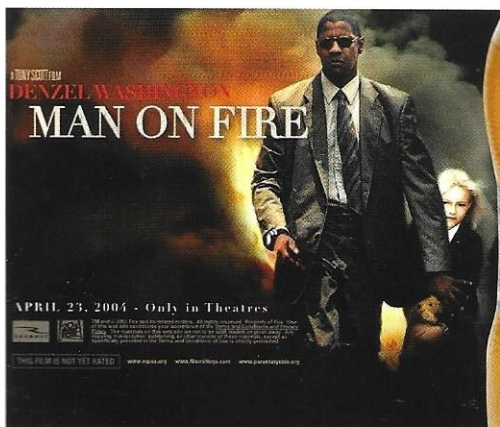
Name: Frank McGlynn
Club: CLG Gleann Fhinne
Favourite Position:
 Wing half back
Favourite Pitch: Pairc Taobhog
Hobbies: Darts/Cards
Childhood hero: Martin Gavigan
Best Player you have played with: Michael Murphy
Best Player you have played against: Declan O'Sullivan
Best game you have been involved in:
 Donegal v Kildare '2011
Best game you have ever seen:
 Dublin v Kerry Quarter Final 2009
Best trainer within the squad:
 Gary 'copper' McFadden
Worst trainer within the squad:
 Neil Gallagher/ Ryan Bradley
Worst training drill: 1 v 1
Best motivator within the squad: Paul Durcan
Pre Match meal:
 Soup and potatoes
Any superstitions: None
Favourite Film: Man on Fire
Favourite Drink: Club Shandy

Favourite Meal: Turkey and Ham
Best advice ever received:
 Practice makes perfect
Biggest influence on career:
 Family, club and friends
Club Volunteer of note:
 Mark McGinty (Snr)
Song you listen to before big games: Don't have one.
Most important skill: Balance
Biggest Strength in your game: Ball skills
Area of your game you would like to improve:
 Fitness without training
Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own:
 Glenswilly
Which county do you like to see do well apart from your own:
 Galway
Advice for youngsters:
 Listen to managers and train as much as you can.
Young Player within your club to look out for:
 Jason Morrow / Liam O'Meara



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Making friends.



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RYAN MCKENNA

For Club & County

Name: Ryan McKenna

Club: An Eaglais

Favourite Position: Half Back

Favourite Pitch:

Fr. Connolly Park, Eglis

Hobbies:

Soccer in the off-season

Childhood hero:

Cormac McAnallen

Best Player you have played

with: Stephen O'Neill

Best Player you have played

against: Aidan Walsh for Cork playing against Tyrone this year was pretty impressive.

Best game you have been

involved in: Mayo v Tyrone this year. We won the game with a last minute penalty.

Best game you have ever seen:

2003 All-Ireland Final,

Tyrone v Armagh

Best trainer within the squad:

Aidan McCrory

Worst trainer within the squad:

Need to be very careful here, no one name springs to mind.

Worst training drill: The star

Best motivator within the

squad: Conor Gormley

Pre Match meal: Eggs and beans

Any superstitions: None

Favourite Song: At the minute probably Chris Malinchak – So good to me

Favourite Film: The Hangover

Favourite Holiday Destination:

Ayia Napa

Favourite Drink:

Blackcurrant and Water

Favourite Meal: Enjoy the occasional Chinese or pizza.

Best advice ever received:

Always believe in yourself

Biggest influence on career:

Parents, have always encouraged me and pushed me from a young age to do my best.

Club Volunteer of note: There are too many to mention and wouldn't be fair to single one out. A lot of people doing great jobs and moving the club forward.

Song you listen to before big

games: Anything relaxing

Most important skill: Work rate

Biggest Strength in your game:

Speed

Area of your game you would

like to improve: Shooting/Scoring



Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own:

None really

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

I went to school in Armagh so would have knew players on the minor teams there and now look out for Decky McKenna and the Armagh Seniors (Although I don't want them to do too well)

Advice for youngsters:

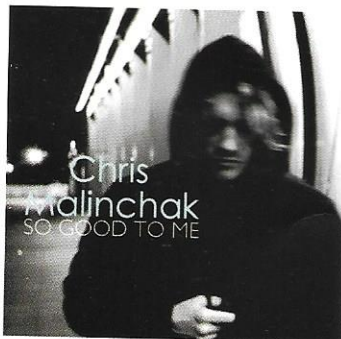
Never give up

Young Player within your club to look out for:

We have 3 county minors, Enda McElroy, Colm Byrne and my brother, Conor McKenna. Not much between the 3 of them.

BEST THING ABOUT THE GAA:

Brings people, communities and counties together like nothing else does.



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Monday 22nd July to
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Tomás Ó Cuilinn
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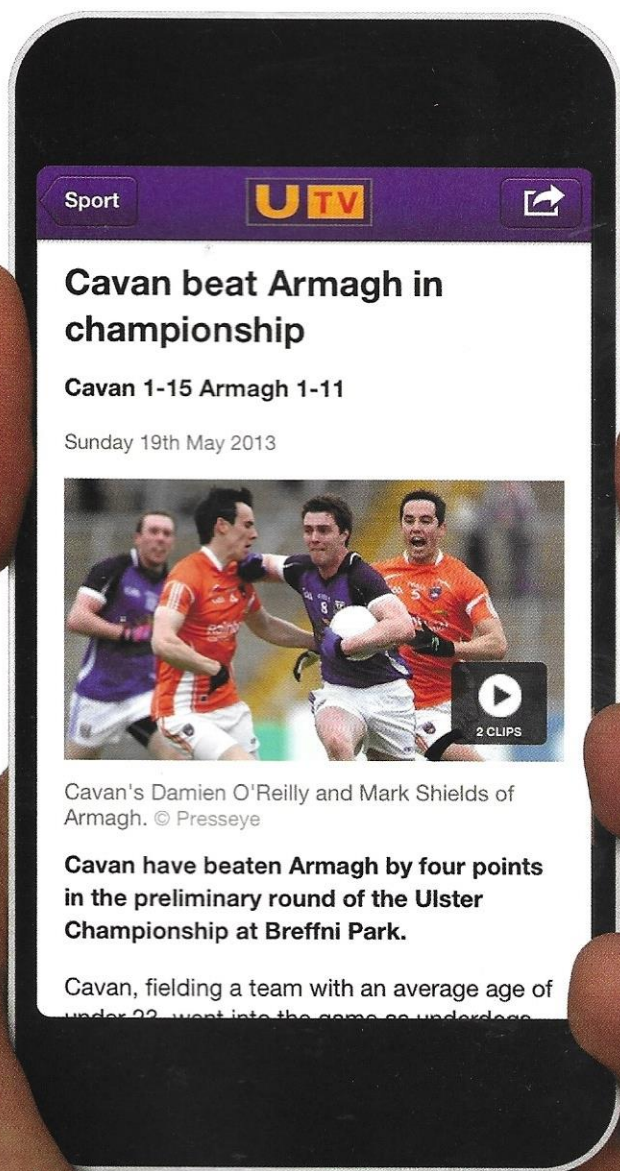
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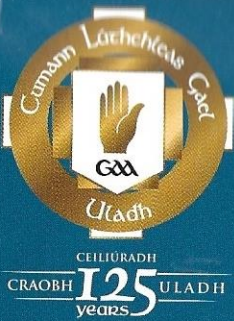
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DÓN NA NGALL

QUARTER FINAL
 SUN MAY 26TH


DONEGAL v TYRONE

Pairc MacCumhaill (4.00pm)

DERRY

QUARTER FINAL
 SUN JUNE 2ND


DERRY v DOWN



Celtic Park (2.00pm)

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QUARTER FINAL
 SUN JUNE 9TH


ANTRIM v MONAGHAN

Casement Park (3.30pm)

AN CAOBHÁN

PRELIMINARY ROUND
 SUN MAY 19TH


CAVAN 1-15 ARMAGH 1-11

Kingspan Breffni Park

AN CAOBHÁN

QUARTER FINAL
 SUN JUNE 16TH


FERMANAGH v CAVAN

Brewster Park (2.00pm)

ULSTER SEMI FINAL
 SUN JUNE 23RD

WINNERS v WINNERS

TBC (2.00pm)

ULSTER FINAL
 SUN JULY 21ST

WINNERS v WINNERS

TBC (4.00pm)

ULSTER SEMI FINAL
 SAT JUNE 29TH

WINNERS v WINNERS

TBC (7.00pm)



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1. The aim of opt for life is to put in place a state of the art organ donation system North and South. Our friends and neighbours are dying needlessly. We can put a stop to this.

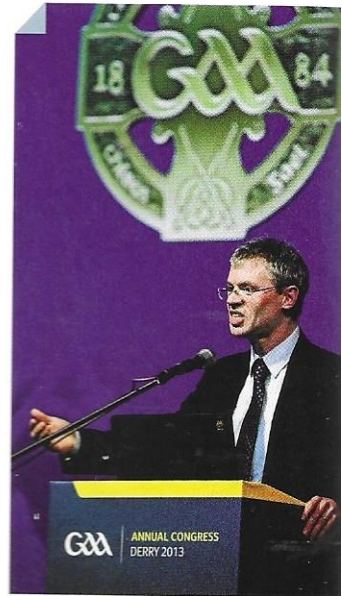
2. In the North, a good infrastructure for organ donation/transplantation is already in place. All that is needed to bring us into line with Europe's leading donor rate countries is the new law. In the South, a proper infrastructure is needed as well as the new law.

3. On the 5th of February 2013, the Joint First Ministers announced that the Executive is moving towards the soft opt out proposal set out in this document. All of the parties in the NI Assembly support it. It is endorsed by the BMA (British Medical Association) and all of the NI patient groups. An all-party group comprising MLAs, doctors and leaders of the patients' associations has been formed to spearhead the move towards the new law. Public consultation is soon to begin and the Health Minister is keen to introduce the new law as soon as possible.

4. The Irish government has already held public hearings in relation to 'soft opt out' and is determined to bring in the new law. TDs indicated their overwhelming support for the proposal in the course of a Dail debate on the 1st of May 2013.

The proposed new law

- a.** In future, we will all start out as donors. This reflects the fact that the vast majority of people believe donation after death is a good thing. One deceased donor can save seven lives.
- b.** Those who do not wish to be a donor after death, can register their objection to donation by opting out online. Those who opt out will not be considered for donation after death.
- c.** Even if someone does not opt out online, the next of kin will always have to give their consent at the hospital before donation can proceed. No consent, no donation.
- d.** This is therefore a system based on family consent.
- e.** The reason for the requirement of family consent is that we believe organ donation is a sacred gift from one family to another at a very difficult time. The new law will therefore enshrine the principle that donation after death is a gift freely given.
- f.** This change will transform our organ donation system. Donation will become the norm and we will have a state of the art system similar to those in place in the world's leading donation rate societies.



- g.** The North already has in place a state of the art organ donation infrastructure. The South would need to put in place a similar infrastructure in order to take full advantage of the new law.
- h.** Optforlife has worked closely with the leading experts in both jurisdictions, with patient groups, donors, recipients and doctors in putting together this proposal. All of us believe it will save many lives. We recommend it to you. Find out more at makelifeyourlegacy.com

The GAA fully supports Make Life your Legacy and the Opt For Life Campaign.

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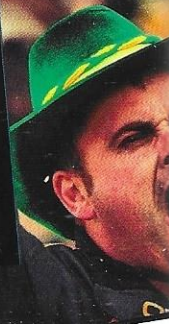
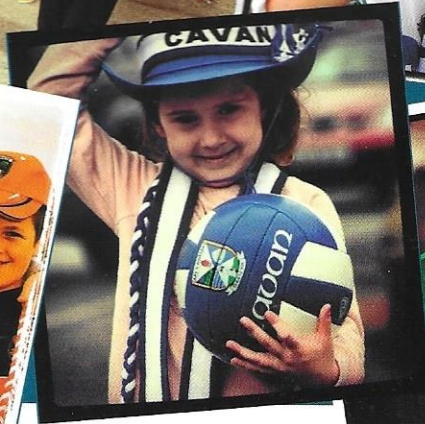
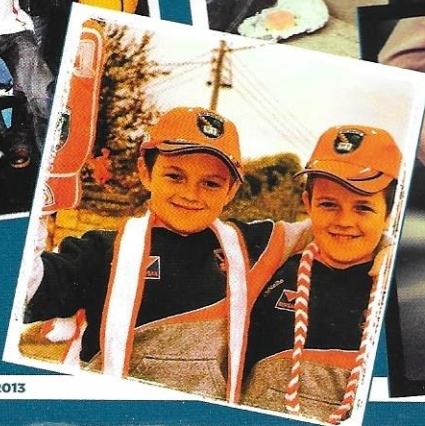
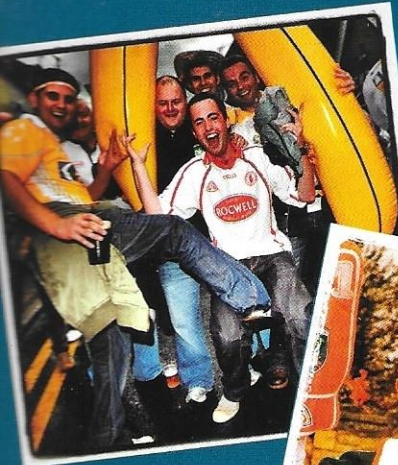
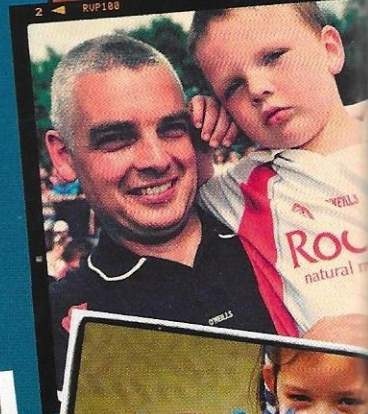
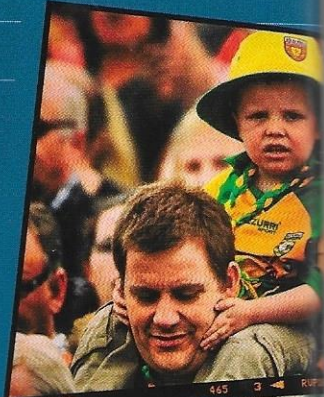
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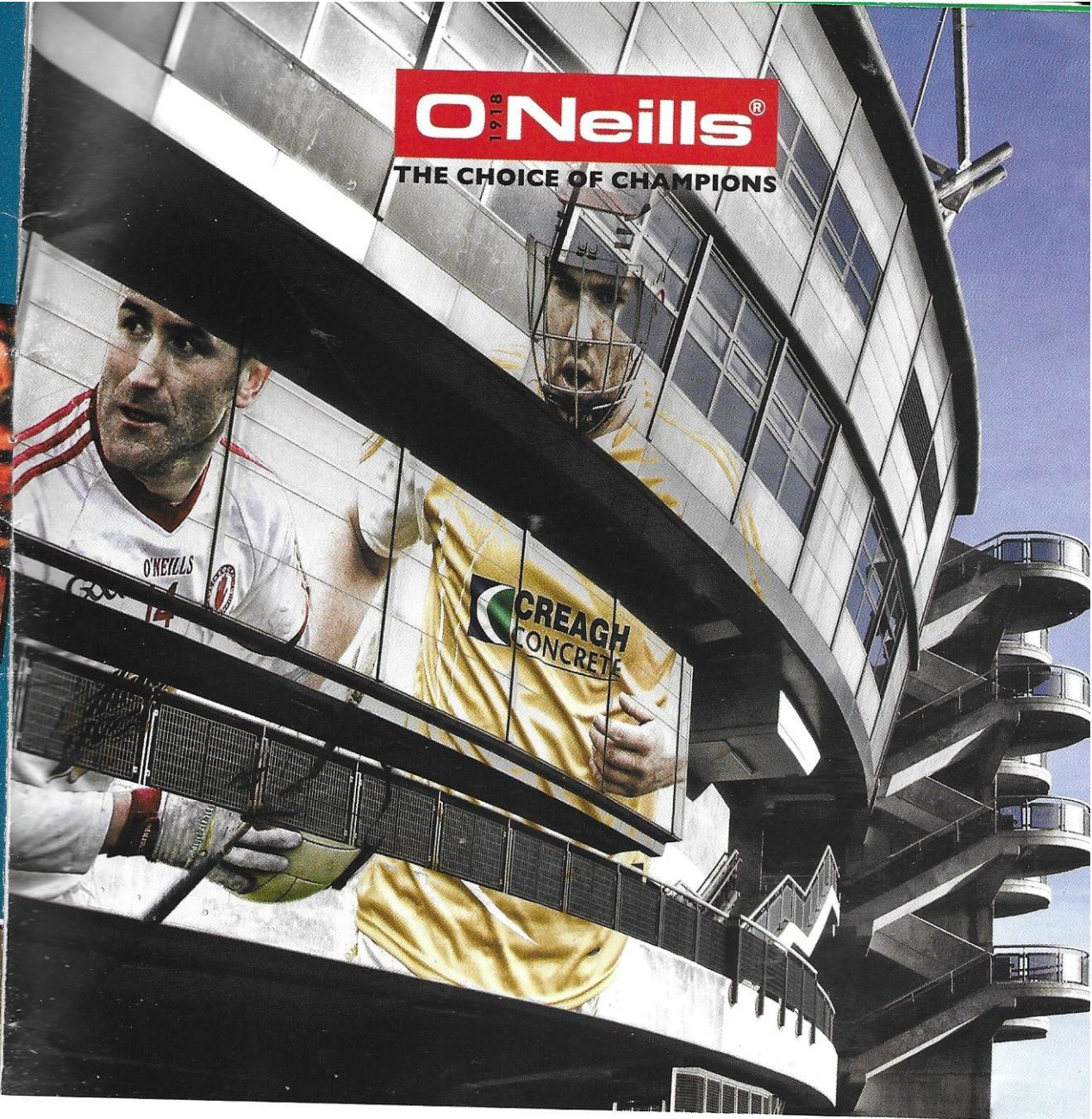
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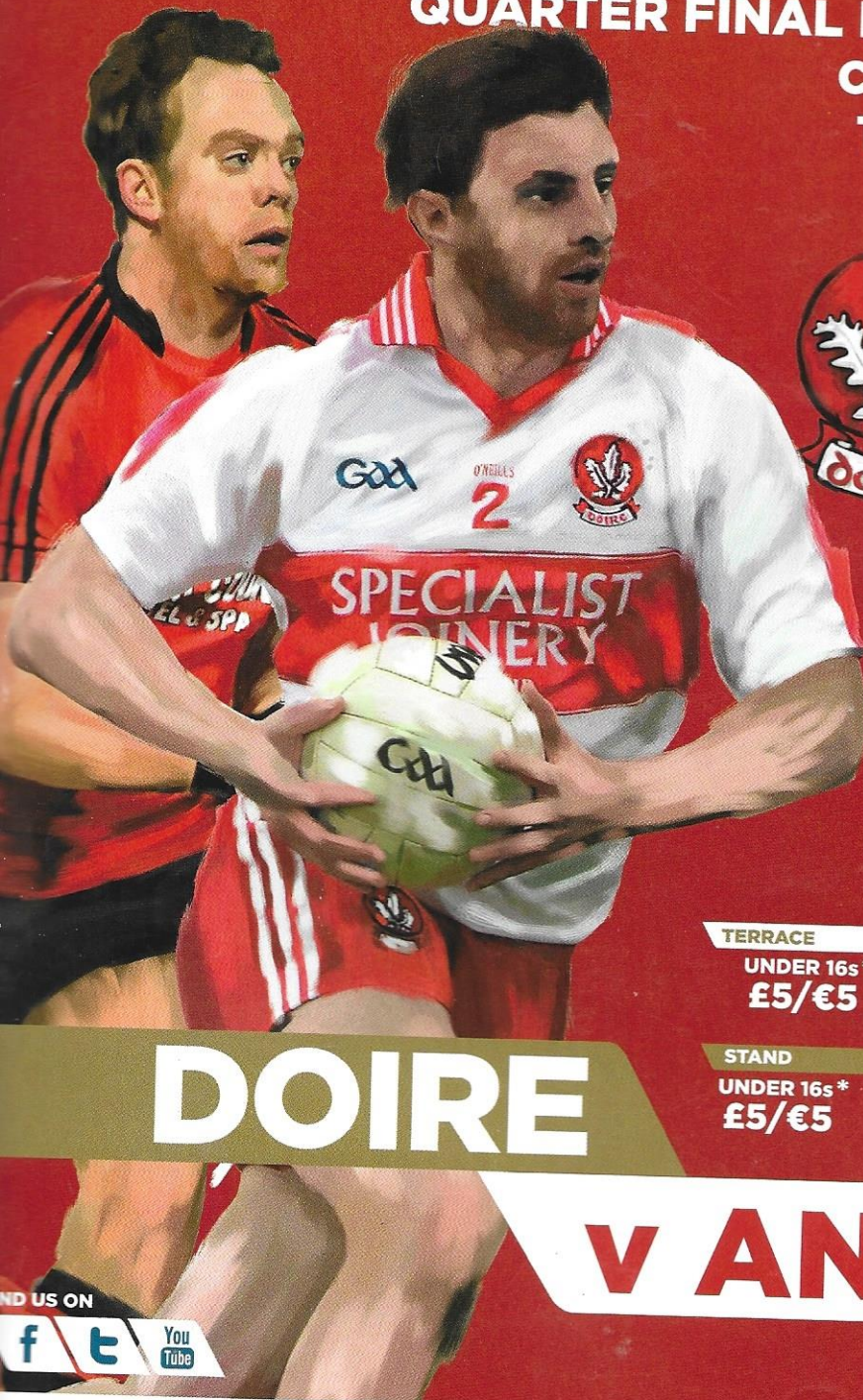
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Celtic Park, Derry

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& 2.00PM



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