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David Gough (An Mhí)

LINESMEN:

Ciarán Branagan (An Dún) (Standby Ref),

Liam Devenney (Maigh Eo)

SIDELINE OFFICIAL:

Eamon O'Grady (Liatroim)

Umpires:

Eugene Gough, Stephen Gough, Dean Gough, (All Slane) and Ronan Garry (Walterstown)

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GOITSE

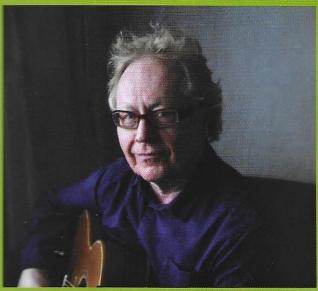
Goitse - whose distinctive sound lies in the quality of their own compositions interspersed with traditional tunes from Ireland and abroad - will be performing during half-time in the Electric Ireland SAA Football All-Ireland Minor Championship Final.



Goitse is an informal Gaelic greeting meaning 'come here'.

PAUL BRADY

Faul Brady will be entertaining us during the half-time interval of the GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship Final. Paul, a singer songwriter and multi-instrumentalist, is one of Ireland's most highly regarded and successful artists as well as being the derished 'elder statesman' of the Irish musical community. His live performances, whether solo or with full band, include songs from the sextensive catalogue of 40 years.



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- 12.54 Tiobraid Árann amach ar an bpáirc
- 12.56 Ciarraí amach ar an bpáirc
- 12.58 Oifigigh an chluiche amach ar an bPáirc
- 13.01 Match Football presented to réiteoir
- 13.05 Introduction of minor players
- 13.08 Introduction of Uachtarán CLG, agus Eirleamh CLG - via players' tunnel
- 13.14 Respect Handshake with Uachtarán
 CLG
- 13.15 Tús Chluiche Peile Mhionúir na hÉireann 2015
- 13.47* Leath am
- 13.49* INTO/RESPECT Exhibition Go Games
- 3.57* Tús an dara leath
- 14.30* Críoch an cluiche
- 14.32* Presentation of trophy
- 14.35* Winning minor team lap of honour
- 14.40 Corcaigh 1990 Jubilee team presented on the pitch
- 14.56 Áth Cliath amach ar an bpáirc
- 14.58 Ciarraí amach ar an bpáirc
- 15.05 Oifigigh an chluiche amach ar an bPáirc
- 15.11 Match football presented to Réiteoir
- 15.12 Player profiles
- 15.16 Players and match officials make their way to the red carpet
- 15.17 Uachtarán na hÉireann introduced accompanied by Uachtarán CLG
- 15.18 Uachtarán na hÉireann agus

 Uachtarán CLG meets the teams

 followed by Respect handshake
- 15.22 Paráid na foirne
- 15.28 Amhrán na bhFiann
- 15.30 Tús Chluiche Peile Sinsear na hÉireann 2015
- 16.07° Leath am
- 16.22* Tús an dara leath
- 17.00° Críoch an cluiche
- 17.01* Interview by MC on screens
- 17.03* Presentation of trophy by Uachtarán CLG
- 17.15 Lap of honour by winning team
- * Depending on 'added time'



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Falte mhór fosta roimh na mílte a amharcann isteach ar fud na cruinne, 'fé seo lá na nGael.

Everything about All-Iteland final day is special. The morning builds with excitement as preparations are made and excitement grows with the passing minutes. The varue itself has become a place of pilgrimage, a place where old values are renewed, timeless traditions are held dear and a new, progressive Iteland is evident throughout All-Iteland final day, displaying the GAA where we are; modern, exciting, progressive, yet rooted in the community.

There is a refreshing air of positivity among GAA folk everywhere, vibrant ambitious clubs with members powering the Association forward. Today we see the outward signs of that inner reality. The heart of the GAA beats strongly because of our members. We rejoice.

We welcome our players - heroes and athletes of the highest order. We will enjoy their skills and dedication and all of you our passionate supporters will add to the wonderful mix of emotions and intensity that will be played out on our field of dreams today.

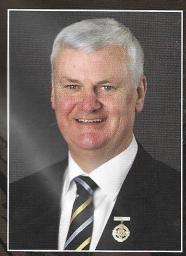
Best wishes and congratulations to the County Board officers, officials, managers, coaches and all involved. Tá CLG láidir ins na contaetha de bharr an obair fiúntach is an ceannaireacht a thugann na Boird Chontae. Is léir go bhfuil fás ins na contaetha uilig is tá muid buíoch.
County and provincial club
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over the next few months and
this is the essential bedrock for
strengthening our GAA. Today's
splendid occasions are only possible
because of our club and provincial
structures and competitions, our
strength is always together. We are
hoping to soon produce proposals for
an improved template for all fixtures,
club and inter-county - ní neart go cur
le chéile.

I thank all our voluntary stewards for their dedication and display of the voluntary ethos that runs right through our Association at all levels. Volunteers and dedication to our communities are key values agus tá muid buíoch.

Just six months into my role as Uachtarán I want to thank all our units for their help and support. Our Ard Stiúrthóir, Páraic Ó Dufaigh, is an outstanding administrator, his integrity, work ethic and commitment is infectious and on All-Ireland final day, on behalf of everyone in the GAA, we say, míle buíochas a Pháraic. Tugaim buíochas an Chumainn do na réiteoirí, fir líne, is na hoifigigh go léir - gan iad ní bheadh cluichí ann. Tá ár gcluichí i measc na cluichí is tapúla ar domhain agus déanann na réiteoirí agus a oifigigh an obair, in amanna faoi bhrú ach réitíonn siad na cluichí go cothrom agus le hionnracas. Tá muid buíoch.

Gabhaim buíochas an Chumainn do AIB Bank, SuperValu agus eir as an urraíocht flaithiúl a thugann said dúinn,cairdeas agus dóchas an naisiún ag na comhlachtaí seo is comhleacaí dhil.

We are delighted with the continuing growth of our games around the world. We had TV crews from five countries attend our hurling final. From August 7 to 14 next year, we will host the GAA World Games here in Ireland. Ár gcairde



ar fud an domhain ag teacht abhaile, níos mó ná seasca foireann - bígí linn. As part of our commemoration programme to remember the events of Easter Week 1916 we are hosting a significant commemorative event between our two Allianz Football League Finals on April 24, 2016, so keep the date in mind! Bhí tionchar mhór ag Éirí Amach na Cásca ar fhorbairt is fhás na tíre seo is ar Chumann Lúthchleas Gael. Féachfaidh muid siar agus tabharfaidh muid aghaidh ar an todhchaí le misneach is dóchas.

Our games are at the heart of everything we do and today Gaelic Football displays our enthusiasm with style. The GAA builds character and our games reveal it. I hope you all have a memorable and a wonderful day. Hang up your brightest colours and thank you again for being here.....all the way.

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Richard Moa CEO

There is nothing quite like an All-Ireland Football Final. Today is the culmination of a year of hard work, dedication and hope – for players and fans alike. We in eir echo the pride you feel for your team on a day like this, as two giants compete in a double header at the pinnacle of this nail-biting season. Today, we see this pride in action as these two fiercely passionate teams arrive at Croke Park to challenge for the title of All-Ireland Football champions. This is the greatest sporting stage, where today we will witness skills and passion to inspire the next generation of sporting heroes. We are very proud to celebrate yet another magnificent season with the GAA, the fifth year of our sponsorship of the All-Ireland Senior Football Championship. eir has undergone a transformative year, but our heritage runs deep and – like the GAA – we form a part of the fabric of Irish community, connecting homes and businesses across the country. We believe in connecting people in better ways every day, and today we are all united as we cheer on our heroes and support our team. Fan support from all corners of the globe has helped these teams get to where they are today – every shout counts. As part of our sponsorship we have reached out to fans online, and we haven't been disappointed. Once again we will be taking the eir FanPic during the game so be sure to find your face in the crowd and share this historic All-Ireland Final with your fellow fans. Enjoy the game!





Bernard Byrn CEO

The GAA Football All-Ireland Championship Final is one of the most celebrated days in the Irish sporting calendar. As we reach the end of another season of Sundays, I am delighted to be with you all here in Croke Park, for this classic final. As Dublin and Kerry take to the field today, I wish both teams, their managements and faithful fans the very best of luck. The work and commitment that the players and managements have put in over the last number of months, and indeed years, is monumental, and the dedication that both sets of fans have shown to their teams throughout the championship has been inspirational. With Kerry as the current holders of the Sam Maguire, and Dublin the previous winners, it is set to be a magnificent end to the Championship. This is AlB's first season of Backing Club and County, and we are delighted to be supporting the GAA at all levels. The hard work and dedication that players put in during the autumn and winter months at club level is the backbone to the county competition and seeing all of the players representing their club at county level today, is something very special. These clubs are the seedbeds of the two great county teams that play today for the Sam Maguire. The voluntary effort behind the amateur organisation that is the GAA is unparalleled. AlB is immensely proud to be associated with that deeply embedded community spirit that makes today's occasion so great. You can stay in touch with all things #TheToughest on Twitter at @AlB_GAA and Facebook at AlB GAA. Have a great day!



SuperValu

Martin Kelleher Managing Director SuperValu On behalf of SuperValu, I would like to warmly welcome you all to Croke Park today to see these two great sporting counties battle it out, in what is sure to be a great All-Ireland Football Final. As proud sponsors, I congratulate the players from Dublin and Kerry, their loyal supporters and all those who worked hard to bring both teams here today – it is a real demonstration of their dedication and commitment to our national sport. At SuperValu, 'We believe in Local' and nothing represents local more than the GAA, with its strong heritage and deep roots in every community across Ireland. 2015 marks SuperValu's sixth year as sponsor of the GAA All-Ireland Football Championship and we are proud to say that it is a partnership that continues to grow from strength to strength, demonstrating the natural synergies between SuperValu and the GAA. With 221 stores, SuperValu is at the heart of towns and villages across Ireland. Similar to the GAA, our independent retailers strive to build vibrant local communities by supporting local producers, local jobs and local clubs. This year, SuperValu helped inspire future generations of GAA heroes. Through our kits for kids initiative, local SuperValu retailers across the country awarded juvenile O'Neills GAA kits to over 400 clubs, worth €430,000 collectively. We also rewarded fans who shared their #MyGAAHero stories with prizes throughout the championship, including one overall winner who will win for their club a special training session with a GAA hero. I encourage you to visit the SuperValu Facebook and Twitter pages today to learn more. We witnessed a fantastic showcase of skill and determination throughout this season and I have no doubt that today's game will be just as exciting. I wish both teams, their management and all the fans, the best of luck in today's All-Ireland Football Final.



Ó GHLÚIN GO GLÚIN

uair a dhéantar caint ar na hiomaíochtaí móra craoibhe idir Áth Cliath agus Ciarraí siad na seachtóidí is minicí a luaitear – duichí ceannais '75, 76, '78 agus 79 agus idir eatarthu babhta leathcheannais 1978, an cluiche peile ab fhearr a himríodh riamh, dar le go leor.

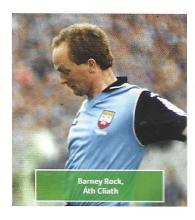
Chá bhliain ó shin agus Ciarraí cuin chun cinn sa 67ú nóiméad, d'fhág cúil a scóráil Kevin Manamon agus Eoghan O' Gara gur ag Áth Cliath a bhí an bua i gcluiche leathcheannais

Ar bhealaí go leor is leis an gcuid is deireanaí de stair na peile a bhaineann an iomaíocht seo idir na Dubs agus an Ríocht. Idir 1924 agus 1975 níor imríodar a chéile igCluiche Ceannais na hÉireann ach aon uair amháin. Cruthú ar an iomaíocht eatarthu mar sin féin is ea gur mheall an cluiche sin i 1955 níos mó daoine go Páirc an Chrócaigh ná a bheidh i láthair inniu, 87,768.

Aisteach go leor ba i lár an gheimhridh 1982 agus i Roinn 2 den tSraithchomórtas Náisiúnta a himríodh an cluiche eatarthu a bhfuil ceangal faoi leith aige le mórchomórtas na bliana seo. Ba chluiche é ina raibh Ciarraí taobh le aon chúilín amháin sa gcéad leath agus Áth Cliath amhlaidh sa dara leath – fós ba leor a scór siúd leis an mbua a chinntiú. 0-8. 0-7.

Ní raibh ach cúpla míle sa lucht féachana i dTrá Lí, ach níor fhág sin aon laghdú ar an gcoimhlint eatarthu – ag tráth amháin sa dara leath chuaigh ainmneacha bhainisteora Áth Cliath, Kevin Heffernan agus imreora Chiarraí, Johnny Mulvihill, i leabhar an réiteora nuair a tháinig eatarthu ar an taobhlíne!

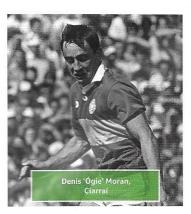
An rud faoi leith a bhaineann leis an gcluiche áirithe sin go raibh



Denis 'Ogie' Moran, Seán Walsh agus Diarmuid O'Donoghue sna tosaithe ag Ciarraí agus Barney Rock ar dhuine de lucht scórála Áth Cliath. Tá a gclann mhac, David, Tommy, James agus Dean páirteach i bhfoirne an lae inniu.

Bhí Ogie agus Seán dar ndóigh páirteach i gcluichí móra na 1970 óidí nuair a bhí Bernard Brogan agus John McCarthy ag iomaíocht leo. Inniu is iad a gclann mhac Bernard, Alan agus James a sheasann an fód don sloinne ag Áth Cliath, mar a dhéanann Jack McCaffrey, ar imir a athair, Noel, sa chluiche ceannais in aghaidh Chiarraí i 1985.

Fágtar rudaí le hoidhreacht ag an gcéad ghlúin eile.





MODERN FOOTBALL IN THE OLDEST TRADITION

éamus McEnaney's mastery of lyrical devastation is best remembered here for his summing up of a championship defeat by Kerry for the second year running in 2008. Reflecting on how close the team came – particularly in 2007 – he placed it all in context: a great narrative of torment against football's leading county.

"It looks like every time we come with a good team, Kerry's in the road. We came in the '70s and Kerry was in our road. We came with a good team in the '80s and Kerry was in our road and we've come with a good team in the 2000s and Kerry's in our road but the reality is that Kerry's in everybody's road."

Kerry are in no-one's road more often than Dublin's.
Up until the 2011 final, amidst even the randomness of football's ebb and flow since 1977, Dublin were simply unable to land one clean punch on their ancient rivals. It's not as if they didn't have the opportunity; the counties have met in the championship on nine occasions since the increasingly fabled semi-final of '77.



Erin HOT CUP



This is the most common All-Ireland pairing in the GAA, ahead of Cork-Kilkenny in hurling and everything else in football. Today is the 28th meeting of the counties. Kerry have actually played Dublin in the championship more often than they've faced Waterford, who they first played in 1892 and with whom they have shared a province for all of the interim 123 years.

Soberingly for Dublin, the similarities don't altogether end there: Waterford are two from 25 whereas Dublin are eight from 27 but the past four years have been something of a golden age for the county in their dealings with Kerry. Only three times have Dublin won back-to-back championship fixtures against Kerry: in 1908 and 1923 (played in 1909 and '24 respectively), 1976 and '77 and recently, 2011 and '13. In other words Dublin are on the cusp

18 September 2011; Dublin captain Bryan ullen and Kerry captain Colm Cooper awail the coin toss before the GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship Final of making history with a third successive championship win. In the great continuum of Kerry successes, based on the binary notation of win/lose, this might seem like a mere detail but that would be to misunderstand how the county regards milestone occasions like this.

One distinguished Kerry administrator once said approvingly that the county tended to be around for the big finals, by which he meant occasions like the Polo Grounds final in 1947, the Centenary final in 1984, the Millennium final in 2000, the year the old Cusack was opened in 1938 and so on. We may rest assured that Kerry manager Éamonn Fitzmaurice would strongly prefer not to be in charge when Dublin made any sort of breakthrough in the longstanding rivalry.

The irony of the 2011 All-Ireland final is that the unexpected win for Dublin – a first over Kerry in a

final for 35 years and the first at all since the '77 semi-final – came after a build-up in which the county had heavily emphasised how unequal the reality of the relationship with football's leading county was.

Just when a few weeks of frank talking in Dublin about how the county wasn't fit to be considered as a real rival – as opposed to an excitable sparring partner – for Kerry, along came one of those matches, which would have fuelled the old Dublin-Kerry industry for a further few decades regardless of what would follow two years later; after all it took the hype nearly the entirety of 34 years and nine matches of Dublin coming up short to fade.

Hype was harder to avoid in 2013. The semi-final was so similar – including in terms of the final score – to its storied predecessor 36 years previously that it was almost as if the spirits of 1977, invoked before throw-in by commemorations of the recently deceased Kevin Heffernan and Páidí Ó Sé, had relocated the afternoon in a space-time continuum.

After it had all ended, Pat O'Shea, All-Ireland winning manager with Kerry in 2007 and whose team had played an entertaining semi-final against Dublin without exciting too much nostalgia, recounted that as he got the lift down in Croke Park on Sunday, a voice announced that the match they had just witnessed would go down as "one of the greatest of all time".

"Why do you say that?" he was asked.

"Because Kerry were beaten," came the reply.

That is a general issue for Kerry. When they lose All-Ireland finals, chances are that it will be by a sufficiently tight margin and to un-fancied opponents so the

chances of the match being seen as a 'classic' are automatically enhanced.

There have been more practical markers though in the recent relationship between Dublin and Kerry. This is the fifth championship meeting in a biennial sequence going back to 2007 and the counties are two apiece during that time.

es no surprise that Dublin would measure themselves against the most successful county in the game particularly as their paths coss so often but the influence has been unmistakeable in modern meetings.

Pat Gilroy's dazed description of his Dublin team as 'startled earnigs' after the 2009 hammering in the All-Ireland quarter-final told a more complex stary. By default as much as anything else – Kerry's displays had been poor – they had gone to that match as favourites but their pretensions had been cruelly exposed.

The match convinced Gilroy and coach, Mickey Whelan that they needed new players and a new system. Inevitably the first road est arrived the following year of the first league match, down in Killarney where Dublin won a first away match against Kerry since 1982.

The players that emerged in that campaign with new roles, such as Rory O'Carroll at full-back th Cian O'Sullivan in front of mat centre-back, remain five ears later influential and first-coice players. Michael Darragh Macauley was also brought in for that league and debuted that day in Killarney.

twould be the best league and championship for a while even fitne All-Ireland semi-final was reached along the qualifiers route.

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A LIVING HISTORY

t's always a reasonable gauge of the state of affairs in Kerry's greatest rivalries to examine the amount of romantic tittletance soundtracking them in any given era.

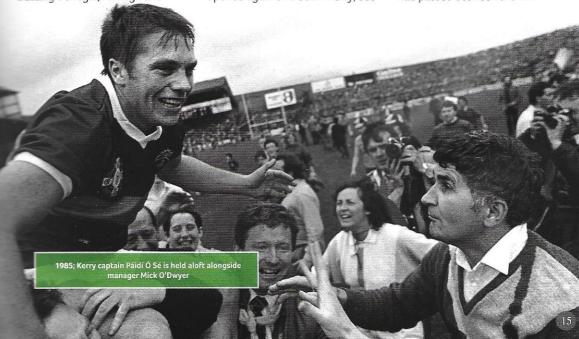
ary rouse themselves up for Cork every year and cautiously welcome their supporters to Killarney like as prodigal brothers. There is talk a good Cork performances in the eague and the perils of Kerry's early-season blowouts in Munster. In the mental hurdles are placed in content and they be? How will Cork be? Current win count: Cork 30; Kerry and the support of th

Compare the talk about Cork with the chat in Kerry about the Ulster counties. Their All-Ireland finals against Down, Armagh and Tyrone are only reflected on under duress. Beating Donegal, Armagh and Tyrone in the last 10 years allowed some repair work on their psyche in relation to playing the best northern teams, but Kerry know the damage can never be fully undone.

For decades their rivalry with Dublin has been right there beside Cork. It's more intermittent, but is sanctified in the same way. The urban Dublin wit, the swaggering confidence and the epic trips from home to Croke Park beguile them, and Kerry's weekends above usually followed a familiar pattern: Dubs cracked jokes on Up for the Match. Kerry won. Beating Dublin also meant winning an All-Ireland final most of the time, and Kerry's footballing intuition always got them out of any tight spots. Current win count: Dublin 8; Kerry 17.

But things are different just now. Talk of the old matches are impossible to avoid once the book is opened again on Dublin-Kerry, but Dublin are on the brink of creating a different narrative. Although Dublin winning two games in 1976/77 put enough life into the rivalry to keep it healthy well into the last decade, it was also the sum total of a 10 year rivalry that always sounds closer in the telling. Dublin face a similar challenge to that generation now. One more All-Ireland title means three All-Irelands in five years - the modern equivalent of winning three or four-in-a-row, a sign of all-time greatness. Dublin have also won their last two championship games against Kerry. Beating Kerry three times in a row has never happened before. That's another scale of epic again.

Given that history, Dublin's achievement in remoulding themselves into a genuine threat to Kerry is hard to underestimate. When the modern rivalry was renewed in 2001, 16 years had passed between the 1985





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All-Ireland final and Maurice
Fizgerald adorning an All-Ireland
quarter-final with his point from
the sideline. But the bottom lines
didn't change. Between 2001 and
2009 Kerry beat Dublin four times
in four different ways. Fitzgerald
saved them in the draw, Kerry
came back and slogged past Dublin
in the replay. In 2004 they both
played poorly enough in another
Al-Ireland quarter-final, but Kerry
still won.

Kerry won a good game in the 2007 All-Ireland semi-final and appeared to deliver the defining blow to Dublin in 2009, emerging from a summer of bad form to rediscover themselves in Croke Park in the All-Ireland guarterfinals and destroy Dublin. It was interesting to hear then Kerry manager Jack O'Connor recalling on radio recently the attraction of playing Dublin in 2009, even with Kerry struggling so badly. He described how his instincts told him that if Kerry survived the horrors of their off-Broadway performances against Longford, Antrim and Sligo, getting back to Croke Park would flick a switch. Playing Dublin was their lightbulb moment. Even in Kerry's dire circumstances, and with Dublin looking good, Kerry saw them as

beatable. Another All-Ireland title followed.

Dublin had learned another brutal lesson conceding five goals against Meath in 2010 and faced Kerry in the 2011 All-Ireland final looking more hardened and grizzled, less concerned about how their football looked and more concerned about how it might extract a result. They hung on when Kerry hit their groove but were getting beaten near the end according to every statistical measure.

Then came Kevin McManamon's goal, Kevin Nolan's equaliser and Stephen Cluxton's point to win. Éamonn Fitzmaurice has described it as his generation's Séamus Darby moment. Losing like that was unacceptable in so many ways to Kerry, and so completely unexpected. Dublin hadn't stolen a result like that from Kerry in living memory. It left a deep mark.

Coming back in 2013 Kerry faced Dublin as underdogs, expected to fall under the freewheeling bandwagon carrying the Dubs to a thrilling All-Ireland title. Instead they both contrived to produce the greatest Dublin-Kerry game of all time. But Dublin won. In the end, they won well.

Today Kerry play Dublin again as All-Ireland champions, but the greatest psychological challenges lie with Kerry. For the current generation of Kerry players under Fitzmaurice, beating Dublin is the last box to tick. Cork's rising tide has been stalled. Every threat from the north has been met in battle and beaten. It was often said that Kerry never won classics. They upturned that by beating Mayo in last year's All-Ireland semi-final to keep the lid on any rebellions in Connacht.

But their two last defeats to Dublin linger over them like clouds. Beat them now, Kerry win two-in-a-row and return some order to one of their favourite rivalries. Lose again. who knows? Kerry and Dublin will always be town and country, Heffo and Dwyer, Bomber and Keaveney, Cullen and Mikey, Mickey Ned getting poleaxed and Páidí giving Joe McNally a proper root for being cheeky. For these players and this generation of supporters it's now about McManamon's goal and Cluxton's point; Gooch conducting the orchestra in 2013 but Dublin still finding a way to make Kerry whistle a different tune. Todav isn't about honouring a great history.

Their history is happening now.



A HOME FROM HOME

ne hails from the immediate environs of Croke Park - the other could hardly journey further to take his place on the field in front of us.

Today, two tribes, two traditions and in certain aspects, two ways of life will collide on a field familiar to both counties and Jonny Cooper in sky blue and Donnchadh Walsh adorned in green and gold will carry the expectation of football's top two on the honours leaderboard.

The trappings and trimmings may differ from generation to generation but the raison d'etre for today's gathering runs deep and to the core of the two

footballing peoples who will descend on Dublin 3.

They won't come just from around Ireland to see it but from further afield too to savour, dissect, analyse and share in every kick, tackle, shoulder and refereeing call.

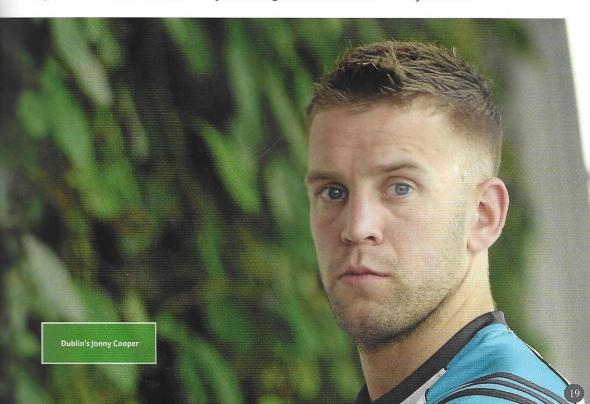
Generations before them made the same journeys ensuring a coveted place on the GAA landscape, fuelling a rich footballing heritage that will lure generations to come to the same duel in the same way forever and a day.

Cooper, a recruitment officer with DCU, annexed an All-Ireland U21 medal in 2010 in his last year at the grade under current

senior manager Jim Gavin before claiming his first senior medal three years ago in his championship debut season again under the same man. He has been a versatile cog in the capital rearguard.

Walsh, who is a physiotherapist in Kerry General Hospital in Tralee, is the quintessential modern day tireless wing-forward, gobbling up miles and chipping in with scores since his introduction to the panel in 2007 and becoming a mainstay in more recent seasons.

Their journeys to this juncture might differ but the burning desire for the same outcome is crystal clear.



We've been here before...

Jonny Cooper

"I was in the lower Hogan Stand for the game against Kerry in 2011. I think I was in and around the families, I know them now but I didn't know them at the time. Ten, 11 rows back and I was on my own because I only got one ticket.

"It was a bittersweet type feeling of wanting to be there and part of it but also being overjoyed for the lads out there.

"Every week, every day I certainly realise the privilege I have.

"It took me a good few years to get onto the panel. I was 21 or 22 while some were 17, 18 or 19 so I had the extra few years working my way up to it and I had that appreciation.

"Having been at the 2011 final I saw what there could be there potentially if you worked your way up to it.

"I definitely don't take it for granted and getting an All-Ireland medal in the first year was a bonus for me.

"I would probably have leaned on a lot of the older lads in 2013 when I was actually involved. The hype was the biggest thing to deal with.

"There would be a tight-knit unity within the squad and they would tend to keep the things we can't control outside the thought process and concentrate on the things that we can control."

Donnchadh Walsh

"The experience of the final can surprise you. In the parade turning from the Cusack into the Hill and hearing the roar in 2011 and 2014, you think to yourself, 'right this is it'. It catches you but you realise it's showtime.

"However, I find the whole buildup gets easier. With experience you're not as nervous. You don't have to worry about the silly things that might bother you before like tickets or the banter amongst supporters. The talk can be nonstop but you brush it off more easily.

"Éamonn nailed it down one day. He said there are plenty of players who have played football for Kerry but to be a Kerry player you need to win an All-Ireland and you need to play well in a big game. I felt that was a bit of added pressure but you need that bit of want or edge."

Turning points - sign posts to involvement in final 2015

JC

"The Mayo games were a big step up. Across the board. From a tactical level to the speed of thought to the physical stakes, everything was up a few notches.

"Looking back, the first game probably brought us up to that level and we were kind of caught on the hop in the last 15 or 20 minutes.

"We didn't react to what Mayo brought to the table and we couldn't stem the tide

"However, between that game and the replay I thought we were at the pitch of it a small bit more in terms of what to expect from Mayo - who are a quality side.

"They brought a lot to the table that we can try to replicate in training but playing against opposition like that you don't know what they're going to do and it's a different ball game altogether.

"I'd like to think it has brought us on that bit more.

"We analysed ourselves - as we do in every game - but they are a top team. What we brought to the table in the first game didn't match our expectations about what we thought we would deliver. We looked at some of those things and tried to work on them."

DW

"The league game against Dublin showed that when our attitude is right we will not be far off.

"I wasn't playing that day in Killarney but all you could see that day when there was a bit of schemozzle was Kerry jerseys descending.

"It showed when we are at it we are a match for anyone.

"It was the same against
Donegal when the attitude was
spot on. Éamonn tells us when
the attitude is right we are on but
when we are lax we are not the
same.

"The semi-final was very nervous. There was so much riding on it.

"We felt if we played well we would have enough to beat them but because of the history between the two counties there was more than just the game riding on it. It was like the whole decade was hinging on it.

"You try to remove yourself from that telling yourself it's a game, it's the 2015 semi-final but there were elements of everything else there too given how much it was being talked about.

"There were nerves and they really tested us."

Croke Park - a home from home.

JC

"It would be no exaggeration to say that you could hear Croke Park from my family home - not at all.

"I did ball boy for a couple of years. I was either in the house or down there throwing in sliotars or water or whatever. You'd hear the roar quite easily from the house and backgarden once you'd hit the big Leinster games.

"The traffic outside the house and cars right outside the house.

"I would have gone to the Hill for all of the games. I went with my Mam all of the time.

"I recall some big games against Kildare with lads like Glenn Ryan and Tadhg Fennin playing and Dublin getting a tough time of it in some of those games."

DW

"It would have been 1997 against Mayo. It was my first final too. I don't think I was sitting next to my Dad - we couldn't get tickets together so I was put in next to some stranger!

"That was Maurice Fitz's day and I remember Billy O'Shea breaking his leg early in that game too. He was from Killorglin and he would have been the closest to Cromane playing that day.

"I remember my Dad saying 'this is where you will want to play in the future'. He was always very supportive of Kerry and of football in general."

Given the fluid nature of football and even allowing for the 21 man game it has become, don't be surprised if their direct paths cross at some stage today in the heat of battle.

If the last two championship encounters are a guide about what to expect, there will be no one making for exits anytime before the last shrill blast of David Coldrick's whistle.

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Do you process it? Or do you consider the impact of withdrawing the player who has just delivered your team's most uplifting score of the half and wait to see if it's a deposit for more to come.

Admit it, like just about everyone else, you'd overlook the previous 37 or so minutes and give Donaghy those 10 minutes on the basis of that one moment.

But Fitzmaurice didn't. The broader picture was that the high ball into Donaghy hadn't been working and remedial action was required.

Consider the involvement of his replacement Paul Geaney in two of Kerry's three scores in the opening five minutes of the second half.

For the first he veered to the right corner to take a pass from Donnchadh Walsh and lay off to Colm Cooper. Within a minute he darted to the other corner where Paul Murphy has punted a pass to hop on to his chest and with a swivel he has turned the corner and fisted a point.

For both, Colm Cavanagh is in position but the width of Geaney's movement takes him out of range.

The remedy had worked.

Geaney's introduction illustrates the tactical flexibility which Fitzmaurice has in his squad.

Donaghy was the catalyst for All-Ireland success in 2014 but, for much of this season, his impact has been much less stated.

So it has taken different methods on different days to

advance Kerry to an All-Ireland final for the second successive year.

Thus Kerry's formation has fluctuated significantly with 13 different game-to-game personnel switches up to the semi-final. For champions that is quite a statistic.

The majority have been in attack as Shane Enright, Killian Young, Jonathan Lyne, Marc Ó Sé and, in the last three games, Paul Murphy provide stability in defence.

That has been a cornerstone of Fitzmaurice teams since the 2013 All-Ireland semi-final defeat to Dublin, the insurance of keeping at least five defenders 'at home' at all times to guard against the counterattack.

For Dublin the lessons learned from coughing up the initiative against Donegal in last year's All-Ireland semi-final has seen them routinely commit more numbers in a more streamlined way to defence.

It wasn't unusual to see 12 and 13 blue shirts embedded in their own half during the Allianz League and while such heavy defensive orientation hasn't been as prominent in the Championship, Cian O'Sullivan's presence at centre-back is the most obvious nod to the requirement of having a sounder structure.

With more protection around him and the deployment of sweepers against them in the majority of games, O'Sullivan has been able to sit off a little and ride as pillion to fellow defenders around him. How often have we seen him on hand to apprehend and dispossess in tandem with a colleague?

Terry won't delegate a sweeping rule to any one player and are sure to push up and ask questions of every Dublin defender in a more conventional manner though.

Dublin have also integrated much more patience to their attacking play. Essentially they are controlling the temperature of games better than they have done in the past.

It's a style that they have been mad-testing for much of the summer, in challenge games against Cavan and Armagh that provided opponents willing to place a wall in front of them and in the second half of the Leinster final against Westmeath.

Even after their two-goal burst just after the break had ensured a safe passage to a 10th provincial title in 11 years, the temptation to pile it on was resisted in favour of much less burried build-ups.

The propensity is still to attack. They're just not content to do it at any cost.

It's a tactic that was clearly being pitched for a higher altitude. And against Mayo it was most evident.

That passage of play just before half-time in the drawn game when they put 18 passes together, all in their own half of the field including two back to Stephen Cluxton, led to jeers from some of the Mayo support but Dublin, even at that stage, were quite prepared to protect a three-point lead on their terms.

The point to put them five clear in the replay is perhaps the best illustration of the more measured approach to game management they have taken.

From the moment Mayo's Patrick Durcan dropped a shot short into Cluxton's arms in the 61st minute to Philly McMahon's point at the other end just under two minutes later, there was an unbroken sequence of 32 passes involving 12 different players down both flanks twice.

Dublin effectively broke Mayo's resistance in that move with their willingness to wait, pull their opponents from side to side and then finally probe.

It's a ploy that has become quite familiar this season, used effectively by Monaghan to stretch Donegal in the Ulster final and by Donegal themselves against Armagh in an earlier provincial round when they put together two-minute passing sequences themselves in that second half without a glove being laid on them.

Inevitably, how Kerry deal with Cluxton's kick-out will influence the flow of this final.

Cluxton has notably been willing to go shorter this year when the need has arisen. How often has a receiver been behind the 13 metre starting point, as Mick Fitzsimons was for one in the second half of the drawn Mayo game?

He was willing to ping it laterally right out to the sidelines if it ensured retention of possession and avoidance of the skies, where Mayo had been strong.

Kerry are even stronger through Anthony Maher, David Moran and Johnny Buckley, but how far in do they go to press Cluxton's kick-out?

The Venn diagram of these great rivals shows quite a number of common elements; patience, greater emphasis on kick-passing, devastating forwards, strong benches but above all, new-found pragmatism.

The best always adapt quickest.



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JUBILEE TEAM - CORK 1990 -

Jim O'Sullivan, Former GAA Correspondent, Irish Examiner

ictorious hurling manager Fr. Michael O'Brien addressed the Cork footballers prior to their All-Ireland final against Meath and winning captain Tomás Mulcahy and his teammates were present. But, the achievement of the double was temporarily off the agenda when Cork faced the second half a man down and just a point in front.

For many it would have seemed a next to impossible task, but, remarkably it was accomplished – earning back-to-back titles for the first time and Teddy McCarthy making history in winning the two medals in the same season.

The team performed well in the League, losing just one game, and qualifying for a semi-final with Meath which turned out to be a bad tempered affair. However, the circumstances of another defeat and the lessons learned by management and players were to provide a powerful motivation when they clashed again in September.

Beating Limerick with ease, a record fourth consecutive Munster title was highlighted by a victory margin of 15 points - the biggest in 16 provincial final successes over the Kingdom. However, the team performed poorly in the All-Ireland semifinal against Roscommon, winning by just seven points.

Facing the Royals once more would test the character of the team almost more than their undoubtedly ability, but it was notable that Cork were never led over the 70 minutes, with scores only level once. Full-forward Colm O'Neill was unlucky to hit a powerful shot against the crossbar but suffered real misfortune when he was sent off just before half-time after an incident involving Mick Lyons.

Against all the odds, Cork triumphed, thanks to the brilliance of midfielders Shea Fahy and Danny Culloty, a crucial 41st minute save by goalkeeper John Kerins and, more generally, the heroic efforts of a team which played with admirable courage and conviction.

The Cork team that defeated Meath in the All-Ireland final on September 16, 1990



Members of the 1990 All-Ireland winning Cork squad being honoured today are:

John Kerins, Tony Nation, Stephen O'Brien, Niall Cahalane, Michael Slocum, Conor Counihan, Barry Coffey, Shea Fahy, Danny Culloty, Dave Barry, Larry Tompkins, Teddy McCarthy, Paul McGrath, Colm O'Neill, Michael McCarthy, John O'Driscoll, Paddy Hayes, John Cleary, Denis Walsh, Michael Maguire, Séamus Coughlan, Noel Twomey, Brendan Searles, Mark O'Connor, Tony Davis, Colman Corrigan, Jimmy Kerrigan.



ROUND BY ROUND WITH

Leinster Quarter-Final May 31 DUBLIN 4-25 LONGFORD 0-10



It was the start of the summer, the start of the championship and you have played all the League games, but it still feels like the start of something because it's where you want to be. We were trying to set out our stall and there was huge competition for places and we saw this game as a benchmark of where we were at. There was a bit of added excitement to this game because they were

Leinster Semi-Final June 29 DUBLIN 5-18 KILDARE 0-14



If we were looking back, our previous meeting with Kildare was a drawn game down in Newbridge in the O'Byrne Cup final. We were expecting more of the same, but we got off to a flying start and when you get that much of a lead it sucks the life from a team.

Leinster Final July 13 DUBLIN 2-13 WESTMEATH 0-6



I had actually watched Westmeath's semi-final win over Meath because I was injured for our semi-final and they were fantastic to come back from the dead. To see the excitement that day was remarkable, but I quickly had to block that out and get focused on trying to disappoint their fans.

All-Ireland Quarter-Final August 2 DUBLIN 2-23 FERMANAGH 2-15



It was unusual in that we had never played them in the championship before, but you always get it tough from a team coming down from the north with so many quality players.

We did most of the damage early on, but they

All-Ireland Semi-Final
August 30
DUBLIN 2-12
MAYO 1-15



I came on as a sub and was lucky to make an impact for a short period of time, but unfortunately it didn't last too long and I ended up back on the bench after getting a black card. I was very disappointed with that and watching on it looked like it was running away from us.

All-Ireland Semi-Final Replay, September 5 DUBLIN 3-15

MAYO 1-14



We were disappointed the first day with our discipline and that's an area that we pride ourselves in – our discipline in the tackle and not back-chatting to the referee. We improved in the replay and it paid off.

We got ourselves into a good position, but they pulled four points ahead in the second half. The impact the subs made was crucial and that was the

DUBLIN'S DENIS BASTICK



managed by an ex-Dublin player and someone I know well, Jack Sheedy. It was brave of Jack to set his team up the way he did, but for his team it didn't work out. We were expecting a more defensive approach. Bernard hit 1-6 but didn't get man of the match – he got a good season off to a great start.

Bernard Brogan

1-6 v Longford; 6-19 for the championship, all from play.



It was very hard for them to come back from being down by 3-10 to 0-6 at half-time. I was injured for the game so I didn't play. Diarmuid Connolly got 2-3 and scored a cracker of a goal, and that's what he is capable of doing to any team at this level.

Diarmuid Connolly

One of four Dublin players to start all 11 matches in two seasons - Stephen Cluxton, Philly McMahon and Paul Flynn being the others.



We gave them huge respect but we went out and did a job. When a team sets up defensively like Westmeath, it takes time to figure things out and it's really up to the players. You need to punch holes and figure out where you can break them down and it took us until after half-time to do that when we got two quick goals.

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Westmeath points total the lowest in a Leinster final since Laois scored 0-4 v Dublin in 1985.



got a run on us late on and their fans got behind them and there was huge excitement when they got two late goals, even if we felt they were quite questionable. We were very disappointed to give away two soft goals and it's something we worked very hard to avoid after that.

Stephen Cluxton

Over 270 minutes without conceding a goal before Fermanagh's Seán Quigley beat him.



We had a seven-point lead and that went away and I was thinking to myself, 'This could be going away from us, we could be out'. In that situation, you have your head in your hands and you can have no impact on the game. The guys stuck at it and Mayo ran out of time in their comeback, and we just about held on for a draw.

1-8:

Total Dublin conceded directly from frees against Mayo.



turning point for us – our backs were to the wall, the game flipped and we drove it home. Bernard Brogan's goal on 56 minutes was crucial because it got us back in the game and then Kevin McManamon killed it with his goal.

You set your goals out at the start of the year and to get a chance to fulfill them in a final is a great feeling.

Kevin IcManamon

Scored 1-1 off bench in each game against Mayo; scored a total of 0-2 in three games started before that.





ROUND BY ROUND WITH

Munster Semi-Finall June 14 KERRY 2-14 TIPPERARY 2-8



Coming into the Tipperary game, we had been hearing all these things about Tipperary, how good they were and about their U21s and the success they had. From my own perspective, it was a tough game. I was trying to get back into things because I hadn't played much league football so from that point of view, I was nervous coming into the game but thankfully it went well for me.

Munster Final July 5 KERRY 2-15



It was a great day weather-wise in Killarney, that's what you want and that's what you dream of as a boy, the beautiful day in Killarney and Kerry playing Cork. It started very well for me. I was marking Colm O'Neill and I felt I was going well. That said in the second half, he came into it a lot and he hit two points in the second half.

Munster Final Replay
Replay, July 18
KERRY 1-11



Having had a beautiful day the first day, the weather was just terrible the second day. I don't think I ever played in such bad weather, expect maybe the game in Croke Park against Galway in 2008. The rain just kept on coming down and I noticed any time the ball came near me that it was hard to hold possession because it was so wet, even the jerseys were soaking wet.

That was a particularly good win. It was just a matter

All-Ireland Quarter-Final August 2 KERRY 7-16 KILDARE 0-10



I was actually worried coming into the Kildare game because I didn't feel great in the warm-up. I felt a bit tired and in the week before it, I had a tough enough week with training and work and different things. Thankfully when the game started I felt fine. But as a whole, the Kildare game speaks for itself, doesn't it? Once we got the goals in the second half that was that. I think we led 0-10 to 0-3 at half-time which was comprehensive and then in the second half, the heavens opened as it were.

All-Ireland Semi-Final August 23 KERRY 0-18 TYRONE 1-11



I was wondering why the media were making such a big deal of the rivalry in the build-up because really, the only two players from Kerry's point of view involved in all three games in the 2000s were myself and Gooch and the only Tyrone player involved was Seán Cavanagh so we were the only players involved in 2003, 2005 and 2008. Most of the players involved in our team had never lost to Tyrone. There was a big media focus on it being Tyrone beforehand, but the idea of it being Tyrone definitely wasn't bothering our players coming into the game.

KERRY'S MARC Ó SÉ



Tipperary got a couple of early goals and there were periods in the first half when we had to weather the storm. We did that, we learned a lot from the game and we were stronger as a unit going into the Cork game.

1928: Tipp's last championship win over Kerry



But I was happy enough overall with my own performance. We were lucky in the end, Fionn (Fitzgerald) bailed us out with that point. Was he going for it? I don't know but we'll say he was. It was definitely important for us to not lose in Killarney. It's a record that players before us have put up and it's something we have to try and hold on to. It definitely was a part of it and you never want to lose at home, wherever it is.

1995: Kerry's last championship defeat in Killarney.



of shutting down shop. It wasn't as high scoring as the first day and we dealt better with their sweeper the second day. For me, I was on Colm (O'Neill) again. Colm is a great footballer, he's got both feet, he's very strong, he's good over his head and he knows where the goal is. He's a real predator and he's a lovely fella off the field. He's a pure sportsman. But anyway, I was a lot happier with the team performance the second day overall and it was great to get out with a convincing win.

5-2: Kerry lead Munster final replay head-to-head with Cork



We created all those chances and it was great that the forwards got into the positions and did so well. It is definitely tough for the opposing team but we were just looking at ourselves and making sure that we were perfecting things and we certainly did that very well. A big thing that day as well was the strength of our squad, everyone was outstanding. The likes of Tommy Walsh, Darran O'Sullivan, Barry John Keane, they were all really flying that day when they came on.

7:Kerry last hit seven goals v
Tipp in 1995.



The match itself was over fairly fast for me because I got a black card! It was very disappointing because I was delighted with the way things were going for me. I was glad that the boys got us over the line and it wasn't easy to watch from the sideline. But fair play to Tyrone, they showed great courage in coming back and fair play to Kerry too. Tyrone had all the momentum after getting level but Kerry got the few scores they needed and got through.

3-3: Kerry-Tyrone championship head-to head



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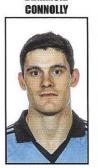
DAVID BYRNE	Naomh Olaf's	16/5/1994	5' 11"	13st 5lbs	2015	1	0-0
DAVEY BYRNE Ballymun Kickhams		2/9/1988	5' 9"	12st 4lbs	N/A	N/A	N/A
SHANE CARTHY	Naomh Mearnóg	28/9/1994	6' 2"	14st 2lbs	N/A	N/A	N/A
STEPHEN CLUXTON	Parnells	17/12/1981	5' 11"	12st 8lbs	2001	77	0-48
DIARMUID CONNOLLY	St Vincent's	7/7/1987	6' 1"	13st 10lbs	2007	37	10-52
JONNY COOPER	Na Fianna	4/11/1989	6'	12st	2012	17	0-1











DIARMUID



	Club	Date of Birth	Height	Weight	C/ship Debut	Appearances	Scored
CORMAC COSTELLO	Whitehall Colmcille	18/7/1994	6'	12st 11lbs	2013	7	1-10
EOIN CULLIGAN	Kilmacud Crokes	10/7/1990	6'1"	14st 2lbs	N/A	N/A	N/A
DARREN DALY	Fingal Ravens	11/3/1987	6'	12st 2lbs	2013	10	0-0
NICKY DEVEREUX	Ballinteer St John's	3/8/1989	6'1"	13st 5lbs	2013	7	0-1
BRIAN FENTON	Raheny	2/3/1993	6' 4"	14st	2015	6	0-3
MICHAEL FITZSIMONS	Cuala	9/4/1988	6'	13st	2010	28	0-0

CORMAC COSTELLO



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DARREN DALY



NICKY

BRIAN FENTON



MICHAEL FITZSIMONS

PAUL FLYNN Fingallians 8/7/1986 6'1" 14st 7lbs 2008 41 5-37 CIARÁN KILKENNY Castleknock 7/7/1993 6'1" 13st 10lbs 2012 15 0-32 **ERIC LOWNDES** St Peregrine's 9/6/1994 5'11" 13st 2015 3 0-1 **MICHAEL DARRAGH** Ballyboden St Enda's 21/8/1986 6'3" 14st 7lbs 2010 33 2-7 MACAULEY **JACK McCAFFREY** Clontarf 19/10/1993 6' 12st 11lbs 2012 18 2-3 **JAMES McCARTHY** Ballymun Kickhams 1/3/1990 6'1" 13st 3lbs 2010 27 1-4

PAUL Flynn



CIARÁN KILKENNY



ERIC LOWNDES



MICHAEL DARRAGH MACAULEY



JACK McCAFFREY



JAMES McCarthy



6'2"

CONOR	
McHUGH	

EMMETT Ó CONGHAILE



Lucan Sarsfields

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KEVIN McManamon

14/2/1993



KEVIN O'BRIEN

13st 10lbs



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EMMETT Ó CONGHAILE

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EOGHAN O'GARA	Templeogue Synge Street	24/9/1985	6' 2"	13st 10lbs	2010	27	6-15
CIAN O'SULLIVAN	Kilmacud Crokes	27/3/1988	6' 1"	13st	2010	27	0-5
DEAN ROCK	Ballymun Kickhams	26/2/1990	6' 1"	13st 5lbs	2013	17	2-41
PHILLY RYAN	St Brigid's	16/7/1992	6'	12st 11lbs	N/A	N/A	N/A
MICHAEL SAVAGE	St Vincent's	9/9/1986	6' 1"	13st 5lbs	N/A	N/A	N/A
JOHN SMALL	Ballymun Kickhams	10/1/1993	6'	13st 10lbs	2015	6	0-0

EOGHAN O'GARA



CIAN O'SULLIVAN



DEAN ROCK



PHILLY Ryan



MICHAEL SAVAGE



JOHN









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1st Half					
2nd Half					
Total	CÚIL	CUILIM	SEACHAÍ	4514	

FIR IONAID

16. Mícheál Saobhaois MICHAEL SAVAGE

St. Vincent's

17. Tomás Ó Brádaigh TOMÁS BRADY

Na Fianna

18. Ailéin Ó Brógáin ALAN BROGAN St. Oliver Plunkett's/E. Ruadh

19. Daibhéid Ó Broin DAVID BYRNE

Naomh Olaf

20. Cormac Mac Coisdealbha

CORMAC COSTELLO Whitehall Colmcille

21. Darren Ó Dálaigh

DARREN DALY Fingal Ravens

22. Mícheál Mac Síomóin

MICHAEL FITZSIMONS Cuala

23. Eric Lowndes

ERIC LOWNDES

St. Peregrines

24. Mícheál Mac Amhlaoidh

MICHAEL DARRAGH MACAULEY

Ballyboden St. Enda's

25. Caoimhín Mac Meanman

KEVIN McMANAMON

St. Jude's

26. Seán Ó Caoilte

JOHN SMALL

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BRENDAN KEALY



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Dingle



JAMES O'DONOGHUE Killarney Legion







FIR IONAID

- 16. Briain Ó Ceallaigh **BRIAN KELLY** Killarney Legion
- 17. Ciarán Mac Donnchaidh KIERAN DONAGHY Austin Stacks
- 18. Marc Ó Sé MARC Ó SÉ An Ghaeltacht
- 19. Pól Ó Murchú PAUL MURPHY Rathmore
- 20. Briain Ó Siocháin **BRYAN SHEEHAN** St. Mary's
- 21. Barra Seán Ó Catháin BARRY IOHN KEANE Kerins O'Rahillys
- 22. Darran Ó Súilleabháin DARRAN O'SULLIVAN Glenbeigh/Glencar
- 23. Pól Ó Gealbháin PAUL GALVIN Finuge
- 24. Tomás Breathnach TOMMY WALSH Kerins O'Rahillys
- 25. Pádraig Mac Giolla Chainnigh PA KILKENNY Glenbeigh/Glencar
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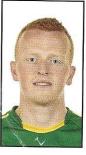
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	Club	Date of Birth	Height	Weight	C/ship Debut	Appearances	Scored
JOHNNY BUCKLEY	Dr. Crokes	31/7/1989	6'3"	14st 5lbs	2012	19	0-24
COLM COOPER	Dr. Crokes	3/6/1983	6'	12st 4lbs	2002	81	22-272
PETER CROWLEY	Laune Rangers	22/5/1990	6'	13st 8lbs	2012	19	0-3
KIERAN DONAGHY	Austin Stacks	1/3/1983	6' 5"	16st	2005	55	13-32
SHANE ENRIGHT	Tarbert	12/6/1988	6'	13st	2011	23	0-0
ALAN FITZGERALD	Castlegregory	17/12/1990	6' 1"	13st 5lbs	N/A	N/A	N/A

BOCKTEA TOHNNA



COLM COOPER



PETER Crowley



KIERAN Donaghy



SHANE ENRIGHT



ALAN FITZGERALD



FIONN FITZGERALD	Dr. Crokes	27/4/1990	5'11"	11st	2012	4.0	12.11.23
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PAUL GALVIN	Finuge	2/11/1979	6'	13st	2003	57	1-51
MICHAEL GEANEY	Dingle	2/10/1989	5'11"	12st 5lbs	2013	8	0-4
PAUL GEANEY	Dingle	27/11/1990	6' 1"	13st 7lbs	2013	12	3-31
MARK GRIFFIN	St Michael's Foilmore	2/4/1991	6'	14st	2013	6	0-0
BRENDAN KEALY	Kilcummin	1/1/1986	6" 1"	13st	2010	27	0-1

FIONN FITZGERALD



PAUL GALVIN



MICHAEL GEANEY



PAUL GEANEY



MARK GRIFFIN



BRENDAN KEALY



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DAVID MORAN



PAUL MURPHY	Rathmore	2/8/1991	5' 10"	11st 8lbs	2014	10	1-2
STEPHEN O'BRIEN	Kenmare	27/2/1991	6'	13st 7lbs	2014	9	1-11
PÁDRAIG O'CONNOR	Killarney Legion	11/7/1989	5' 11"	12st 5lbs	N/A	N/A	N/A
PHILIP O'CONNOR	Cordal	21/12/1992	6'	11st	N/A	N/A	N/A
JAMES O'DONOGHUE	Killarney Legion	19/6/1990	5'10"	13st	2011	23	9-57
KIERAN O'LEARY	Dr. Crokes	28/7/1987	5' 9''	12st	2008	23	0-13

PAUL MURPHY



STEPHEN O'BRIEN



PÁDRAIG O'CONNOR



PHILIP O'CONNOR



JAMES O'DONOGHUE



KIERAN O'LEARY



	Club	Date of Birth	Height	Weight	C/ship Debut	Appearances	Scored
AIDAN O'MAHONY	Rathmore	8/6/1980	6'	13st	2004	66	0-11
MARC Ó SÉ	An Ghaeltacht	25/4/1980	6'	13st	2002	85	0-13
DARRAN O'SULLIVAN	Glenbeigh/Glencar	3/5/1986	5' 9"	12st 7lbs	2005	58	9-30
BRYAN SHEEHAN	St. Mary's	25/8/1985	6' 3"	14st 4lbs	2005	59	6-152

AIDAN O'MAHONY



MARC Ó SÉ



DARRAN O'SULLIVAN



BRYAN Sheehan



JACK SHERWOOD	Firies	17/2/1991	6' 1"	13st 7lbs	2013	2	0-0
DONNCHADH WALSH	Cromane	3/7/1984	6' 1"	13st 5lbs	2008	43	4-23
TOMMY WALSH	Kerins O'Rahillys	26/2/1988	6' 4"	15st 3lbs	2008	16	4-23
KILLIAN YOUNG	Renard	4/1/1987	5' 11"	13st 7lbs	2006	50	0-4

JACK Sherwood



DONNCHADH WALSH



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KILLIAN Young





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Chomh maith le bheith ag staidéar do na scrúdaithe deireanacha i gColáiste Thuathmhumhan i Luimneach, bhí Charlie ina chaptaen ar fhoireann peile Dhún na nGall i gCrobh Faoi 21 Uladh, bhí sé ar fhoireann sacair Ruagairí Shligigh agus bhí ógánach Chloich Chionnaola chomh hoillte ar an gcluiche sin go raibh Tottenham Hotspur ar tigh conradh imeartha a thairiscint dó Bhuaigh Muineachán ar Dhún na nGall an bhliain sin i gCluiche Ceannais Faoi 21 Uladh, ach an bhliain dar gcionn bhí Matt Gallagher, Máirtín Beag McHugh

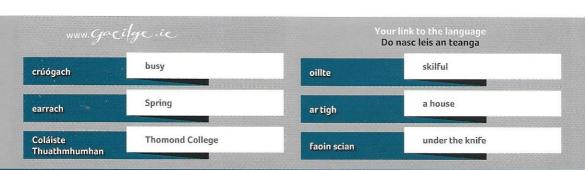
agus Joyce McMullen ar ais gur bhuaigh siad Cluiche Ceannais na hÉireann sa ghrád. Faoin tráth sin áfach, ní raibh bróg peile curth ar a chos ag Charlie McGeever le tamall – a ghlúin imithe faoin scian mar gur bhain gortú 'cruciate' dó agus é filllte abhaile as Londain, áit a raibh cúpla seachtain caite aige le Tottenham

Ach níor chaill fear na misnigh riamh é agus cé nach raibh oiread eolais ag lucht leighis faoin ngortú a bhí air an uair sin agus atá anois, d'éirigh le McGeever dul ar ais i mbun imeartha, cé nach raibh a ghlúin baol ar chomh maith agus a bhí sí riamh ina dhiaidh.

Ainneoin sin mhair a shaol imeartha 10 mbliana eile. Bhuaigh sé Corn Idirmheánach an FAI le

Fanad Aontaithe agus ansin d'imir le Cláirsí na Finne. Ina dhiadh sin bhí sé mar bhainisteoir orthu sin nuair a bhain siad babhta ceannais an Choirn Shinsir amach i 1999.

Le linn am ama sin ar fad lean Charlie McGeever air ag imirt na Peile Ghaelaigh lena pharóiste dúchais, Cloich Chionnaola agus de na cúil ar fad a fuair sé riamh in aon spórt, tá cuimhne faoi leith aige ar an gceann a chinntigh Craobh Shinsear Chomórtais Peile na Gaeltachta dóibh siúd in Indreabhán i gConamara i 1992. I dtús na Mílaoise bhog sé féin agus a theighleach go Cluain Meala, áit a bhfuil Charlie ag roinnt a chuid taithí agus a chuid eolais anois le muintir Thiobraid Árann.





BRANDON BARRETT

Ardfert Height:

Weight: Appearances: Scored:

6' 1" 12st 5

0-0



Height:

Appearances:

5' 11" 11st 5

ANDREW BARRY Na Gaeil Height: Weight:

Appearances: Scored:

6' 1" 13st a 0-2



Weight: Scored:

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DARREN BROSNAN

Gneeveguilla Height:

Weight: Appearances: Scored:

5' 10" 12st 4lbs 5 0-0



RONAN BUCKLEY

Listry Height: Weight: Appearances:

Scored:

6' 12st 4lbs 0-2



NIALL COLLINS

Listowel Emmets Height:

Weight: Appearances: Scored:

12st 2lbs N/A N/A



BILLY COURTNEY

Dr. Crokes Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

6' 2" 13st 10lbs 0-2



EVAN CRONIN

Spa Height: 5' 11" Weight: 12st 13lbs Appearances: 3 Scored: 0-1



IAMES DUGGAN John Mitchels

Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

5' 11" 11st 11lbs 0-0



JASON FOLEY

Ballydonoghue Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

6' 12st 2lbs 8 0-0



JOHN MARK FOLEY

Kilgarvan Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

6' 12st 0-2



MICHAEL FOLEY

Spa Height: Weight: Appearances:

Scored:

6' 12st 8lbs 5 1-7



CONOR GEANEY

Dingle Height: Weight: Appearances:

Scored:

5' 11" 11st 5lbs 5

2-23



JACK GOULDING

Ballyduff Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

5'9" 12st 0-0



IACK MORGAN Austin Stacks

Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

5' 11" 11st 11lbs 6 0-1



DANIEL O'BRIEN

Glenflesk Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

10st 10lbs 5 0-2



EOGHAN O'BRIEN

Churchill Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:

6' 2" 12st 13lbs N/A N/A



FERDIA O'BRIEN

Austin Stacks Height: Weight: Appearances:

Scored:

6' 11st N/A N/A







MARK O'CONNOR

Dingle Height:

6' 2" Weight: 13st 1lb Appearances: 10 Scored: 0-3



BRIAN Ó SEANACHÁIN

Ballydonoghue

Height: 6' Weight: 12st 11lbs Appearances: 5 Scored: 1-0



DARA O'SHEA **Kenmare Shamrocks**

Height: 5' 11" Weight: 11st 5lbs Appearances: Scored: 0-0



SEÁN O'SHEA

Kenmare Shamrocks

Height: 5' 11" Weight: 11st Appearances: 5 Scored: 0-6



GRAHAM O'SULLIVAN

Dromid Pearses Height: 5' 10" Weight: 10st 1lb Appearances:

3 0 - 1



STEPHEN O'SULLIVAN

Templenoe

Height: 5' 10" Weight: 12st 6lbs Appearances: 11 Scored: 0-7



TOM O'SULLIVAN

Dingle Height:

Scored:

5' 11" Weight: 12st 2lbs Appearances: 4 Scored: 0-0



MICHAEL REIDY

Ballymacelligott

6' Height: Weight: 11st Appearances: N/A Scored: N/A



DAVID ROCHE Milltown Castlemaine

5' 10" Height: Weight: 12st Appearances: Scored: 0-0



DAVID SHAW

Dr. Crokes

Height: 6'3" Weight: 12st Appearances: N/A Scored: N/A



BRYAN SWEENEY

Listowel Emmets

Height: 6' 1" Weight: 12st 4lbs Appearances: Scored: 0-2



GAVIN WHITE

Dr. Crokes

Height: 6' Weight: 11st Appearances: 5 Scored: 0-5



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- Stiofán Ó Súilleabháin
 STEPHEN O'SULLIVAN
 Templenoe
- 20. Dara Ó Sé DARA O'SHEA Kenmare
- 21. Séamus Ó Duagáin JAMES DUGGAN John Mitchels
- 22. Graham Ó Súilleabháin GRAHAM O'SULLIVAN Dromid Pearses
- 23. Ronán Ó Buachalla RONAN BUCKLEY Listry
- 24. Eibhin Ó Cróinín EVAN CRONIN Spa

ROGHNÓIRÍ: JACK O'CONNOR (BAINISTEOIR), Mícheál O'Shea, Eamon Whelan, Alan O'Sullivan, Arthur Fitzgerald







BILLY COURTNEY

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DARREN BROSNAN

Gneeveguilla



JACK MORGAN

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Seasúin Ó Foghlú

JASON FOLEY

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Moyle Rovers



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EMMET MOLONEY

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TOMMY NOLAN Drom & Inch



Aodán Ó Buachalla

AIDAN BUCKLEY St. Patricks



Stiofán Ó Coirc

STEPHEN QUIRKE

Moyle Rovers



ALAN TYNAN

Inane Rovers



BRIAN McGRATH

Loughmore Castleiney



COLIN ENGLISH Fr. Sheehys



Breandán Ó Mairtín

BRENDAN MARTIN

Kilsheelan Kilcash

TIOBRAID ÁRANN

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- 16. Beircheart Ó Cuana BEN COONEY Carrick Swans
- 17. Ross Mac Pheadair ROSS PETERS Clonmel Commercials
- 18. Séamus Ó hAimhrigín JAMIE BERGIN Drom & Inch
- 19. Morgan Ó hEirmhaoin MORGAN IRWIN Moyle Rovers
- 20. Gabháin Ó Faoláin **GAVIN WHELAN** Ardfinnan
- 21. Marc Mac Eochaidh MARK KEHOE Kilsheelan Kilcash
- 22. Seán Ó Duichaointigh IACK DELAHUNTY Newport
- 23. Conchúir Ó Ciosáin CONOR CASHMAN Cahir
- 24. Seán de Paor SHANE POWER Galtee Rovers

ROGHNÓIRÍ: CHARLIE McGEEVER (BAINISTEOIR), Shane Stapleton, Kieran Healy, Michael O'Sullivan, Niall Fitzgerald.

Michael Power



CONOR CASHMAN Cahir Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored: **BEN COONEY** Carrick Swans Height: Weight:

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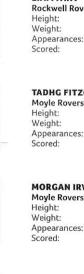














AIDAN BUCKLEY

MICHAEL CONNORS

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12st 7lb:

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11st 11l

12st 8lb

St Patrick's

Appearances:

Drom & Inch

Appearances:

IACK DELAHUNTY

Height:

Weight:

Scored:

Newport

Height:

Height:

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BEN HYLAND Fr. Sheehy's Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored: **MARK KEHOE** Kilsheelan Kilcash Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored:





5' 11"

N/A

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6' 2"

5

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12st 5lbs

11st 4lbs







JACK KENNEDY **Clonmel Commercials** Height: Weight: Appearances: Scored: **TOMMY LOWRY Arravale Rovers** Height: Weight:







BRENDAN MARTIN Kilsheelan Kilcash Height:

Weight:

Scored:

Appearances:

11st 8lbs 0-20 5' 10" 11st 6 0-0

6'

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12st

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6'3"











BRIAN McGRATH Loughmore Castleiney

5' 11" Height: Weight: 11st 11lbs Appearances: 5 Scored: 0-2



EMMET MOLONEY Drom & Inch

Height: 5' 9" Weight: 11st 7lbs Appearances: Scored: 0 - 3



JORDAN MOLONEY

JK Brackens Height: 5' 10" Weight: 11st Appearances: 2 Scored: 0-0



JAMIE MORIARTY

Gortnahoe Glengoole Height: 5' 11" Weight: 13st N/A Appearances: Scored: N/A



TOMMY NOLAN

Drom & Inch Height: 6' Weight: 13st 3lbs Appearances: Scored: 0-5



DANNY OWENS

Moyle Rovers Height: Weight: 12st 5lbs Appearances: 11 Scored: 0-1



KYLE PETERS Clanmel Commercials

6' Height: Weight: 12st 8lbs N/A Appearances: Scored: N/A



ROSS PETERS

Clonmel Commercials Height: 5' 10" Weight: 11st Appearances: Scored: 0 - 3



SHANE POWER

Galtee Rovers 5'11" Height: Weight: 12st 9lbs Appearances: Scored: 0-1



STEPHEN QUIRKE

Moyle Rovers 6' 4" Height: Weight: 14st Appearances: 8 0-7 Scored:



GAVIN RYAN

Clonmel Commercials Height: 6 Weight: 11st 1lb Appearances: N/A Scored: N/A



JACK SKEHAN Holycross Ballycahill Height: 6' 2" Weight: 13st Appearances: 6 Scored: 0-1



ALAN TYNAN

Inane Rovers 5' 11" Height: Weight: 12st 4lbs Appearances: 8 Scored: 2-29



GAVIN WHELAN

Ardfinnan 6' 1" Height: 12st Weight: Appearances: Scored: 0-0



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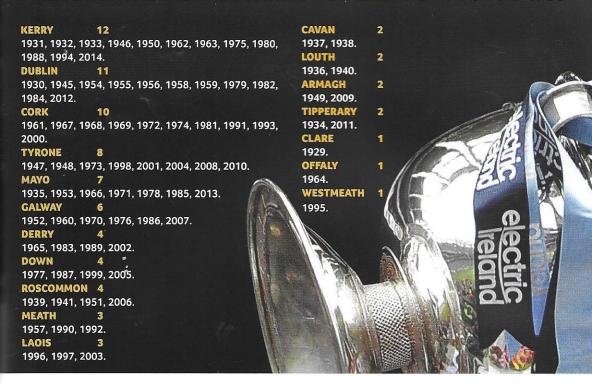
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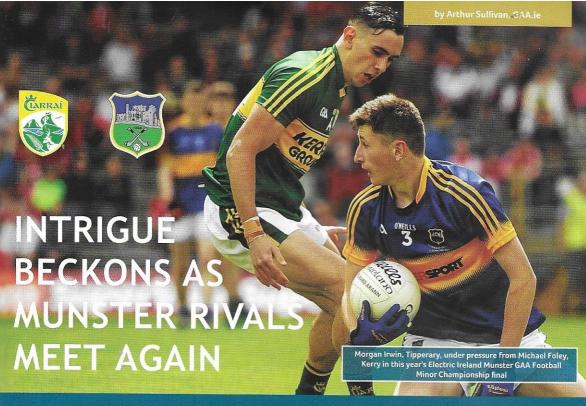


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s this the most unlikely final pairing of all time in the All-Ireland Minor Football Championship? Viewed in the context of the full 86-year history of the competition, it probably is (although Clare v Longford in 1929 takes some beating).

The meeting of two counties from the same province in an All-Ireland minor final has only been possible since 2002, when beaten provincial finalists were given a route back in. This is just the third time that two sides from the same province meet in the final, after Laois v Dublin (2003) and Dublin v Meath (2012).

The obvious place to start in assessing today's final is to go back to the meeting of Kerry and Tipperary in the Munster final on July 5. Jack O'Connor's Kerry, All-Ireland champions lest we forget, were very comfortable winners on the day, more so than the 2-14 to 1-11 scoreline suggests.

Goals from Cormac Linnane, now ruled out with a cruciate knee ligament injury, and Conor Geaney (cousin of Dingle and Kerry seniors Paul and Michael) had the game wrapped up inside 15 minutes for Kerry. Geaney has hit 2-23 in Kerry's five matches to date, almost all from play, and he's the obvious focal point in their attack.

Before beating Tipperary, Kerry accounted for Clare (0-14 to 0-3) and Cork (0-16 to 1-12). They then cruised past Sligo in the All-Ireland quarter-final and saved their most impressive display for the 1-11 to 1-6 semi-final win over Ulster champions Derry, a mature performance in dreadful conditions.

Tipperary, managed by Donegal native and domestic soccer aficionado Charlie McGeever, have bounced back brilliantly since the Munster final with wins over Galway and Kildare, the 2015 Connacht and Leinster champions - no mean feat.

Remarkably, eight Tipperary players were involved with the county minor hurling team that lost to Galway in the decider earlier this month, but the likes of Stephen Quirke, Brian McGrath and Alan Tynan have had a fortnight to recover.

With Tynan (also a rugby star) on fire with 1-5, Tipperary took advantage of Galway's profligacy with a 1-10 to 0-6 win in the last eight and they survived the third quarter sending off of Emmett Moloney to battle to a gritty 0-11 to 0-9 semi-final victory over Kildare at Croke Park.

It showed the kind of spirit that will be familiar to the Laois side of 2003, whose All-Ireland final win over Dublin that year after a replay rendered their Leinster final defeat of a few months earlier utterly meaningless.

That's the scenario Tipperary dream of, and which Kerry dread, in an intriguing curtain-raiser.

MINOR MATCH OFFICIALS



DAVID GOUGH, MEATH

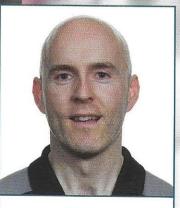
Today's match will be the Royal referee's first Electric Ireland All-Ireland Minor final. The primary school teacher from Slane is in his third year on the inter-county panel and all his assignments over the last couple of seasons have been at the senior grade. His most recent outing in the primary role at U18 level was the Leinster final between Kildare and Westmeath in July 2013.

Last year the 31-year-old handled two O'Byrne Cup matches, four in the Allianz League (including the Division II final) and four more in the senior championship. 2015 has followed a similar pattern with three O'Byrne Cup matches (including the final) and three in the Allianz League. In the premier competition Gough took charge of four matches in the All-Ireland Qualifiers - at Glennon Brothers Pearse Park (Longford-Carlow), Kingspan Breffni Park (Cavan-Roscommon), the Athletic Grounds (Armagh-Galway) and Semple Stadium (Tipperary-Tyrone).

His most recent inter-county assignment was last month as the whistle-blower in Croke Park for the All-Ireland quarter-final between Mayo and Donegal.



Standby Referee
CIARÁN BRANAGAN, DOWN



Linesman LIAM DEVENNEY, MAYO

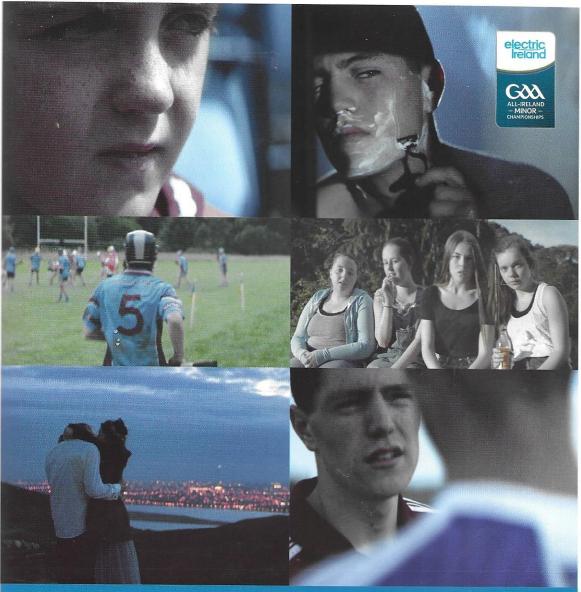


Sideline Official

EAMON O'GRADY, LEITRIM







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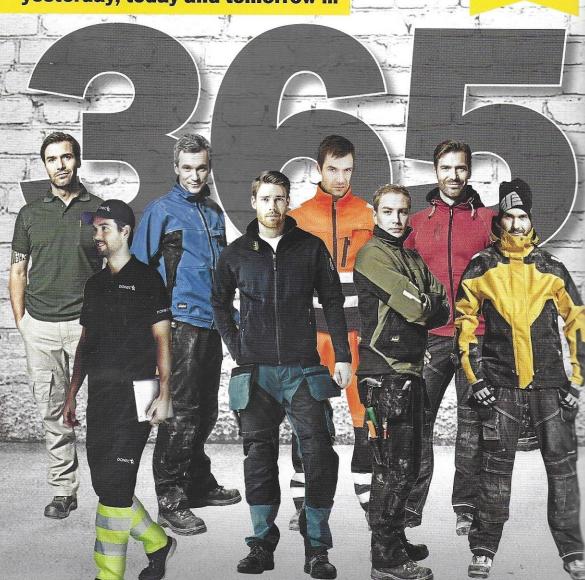


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KERRY	37		TIPPERARY	4
1903, 1904, 1909	, 1913, 1914		1889, 1895, 1900, 1	1920.
			KILDARE	4
1959, 1962, 1969	, 1970, 1975	1978, 1979, 1980, 1981,	1905, 1919, 1927, 1	1928.
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2011 All-Ireland final	Dublin	1-12	1-11	Kerry
2009 All-Ireland quarter-final	Kerry	1-24	1-7	Dublin
2007 All-Ireland semi-final	Kerry	1-15	0-16	Dublin
2004 All-Ireland quarter-final	Kerry	1-15	1-8	Dublin





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2011 Bernard Brogan 0-6, Colm Cooper 1-3 1985 1984

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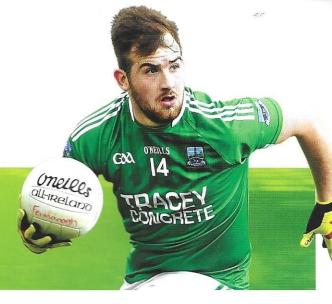
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BERNARD BROGAN, DUBLIN	6-19
Ciarán Kilkenny, Dublin	0-18
Donie Kingston, Laois	2-12
Aidan O'Shea, Mayo	4-6
Paul Geaney, Kerry	2-9
Tomás Corrigan, Fermanagh	2-9
Diarmuid Connolly, Dublin	2-9

...individual 2015

Seán Quigley, Fermanagh 0-14 v Antrim

AIDAN O'SHEA, MAYO 3-4 V SLIGO

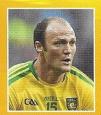
Cillian O'Connor, Mayo 1-9 v Dublin

Andrew Tormey, Meath 1-9 v Wicklow

John Heslin, Westmeath 1-9 v Meath







2010-2014 Top Scorers



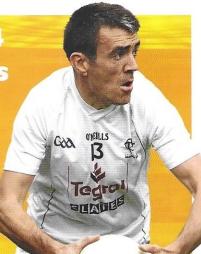
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 2011 - Colm Cooper, Kerry
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 2012 - Colm McFadden, Donegal
 4-32

 2013 - Cillian O'Connor, Mayo
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 2014 - Cillian O'Connor, Mayo
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MAY 3, NEW YORK Galway 2-18 0-8 **New York** MAY 17, CARRICK-ON-SHANNON 0-8 Galway 1-13 Leitrim MAY 24. RUISLIP Roscommon 1-14 0-10 London **IUNE 14. SALTHILL** Galway Mavo 1-15 2-8 IUNE 20. MARKIEVICZ PARK Sliao 1-14 0 - 13Roscommon FINAL - JULY 19, ROSCOMMON 6-25 2-11 Sligo

ALL-IRELAND QUALIFIERS

JUNE 20, POP	RTLAOISE		
Antrim		1-16	Laois
JUNE 20, DUI	NGARVAN		
Offaly JUNE 20, RUI	1-20	1-7	Waterford
JUNE 20, RUI	SLIP		
Cavan	2-22	0-11	London
JUNE 20, LON	IGFORD		
Longford	2-15	1-8	Carlow
JUNE 27, ARI	MAGH		
Armagh	2-17	2-7	Wicklow
JUNE 27, DRO	OGHEDA		
Louth	1-16	0-11	Leitrim
JUNE 27, WE.	XFORD		
Wexford	2-16	2-11	Down
JUNE 28, OM	AGH		
Tyrone	1-14	0-8-	Limerick
JULY 4, ENNIS	5		
Longford	2-12	1-12	Clare
JULÝ 4, TULL	AMORE		
Kildare	1-15	1-13	Offaly
JULY 4, CAVA	N		
Roscommon	3-17	1-16	Cavan
JULY 5, ENNIS	SKILLEN		
Fermanagh	1-21	0-11	Antrim

JULY 11, OWENBEG 1-16 0-10 Wexford JULY 11, THURLES 3-21 0-7 Tipperary Louth **JULY 11, OMAGH** Tyrone 1-10 0-11 Meath JULY 11, MULLINGAR Kildare 2-24 0-11 Longford JULY 12, ARMAGH Galway 1-12 0-12 Armagh JULY 12, ENNISKILLEN 0-16 Roscommon Fermanagh 1-14 JULY 18, THURLES 0 - 190 - 7Tyrone Tipperary JULY 18, SALTHILL Galway 1-11 Derry JULY 25, CAVAN Fermanagh 1-13 0-7 Westmeath JULY 25, THURLES **Kildare** 1-21 1-13 Cork AUGUST 1, CROKE PARK 0-21 0-14 Sligo Tyrone

3-12

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Galway

Donegal

ALL-IRELAND QUARTER FINALS

AUGUST 2, CROKE PARK
Kerry 7-16 0-10 Kildare
Dublin 2-23 2-15 Fermanagh

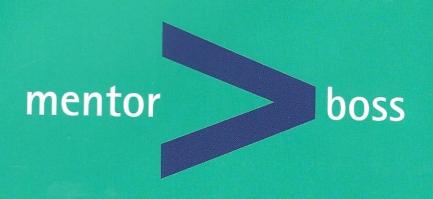
AUGUST 8, CROKE PARK
Tyrone 0-18 0-14 Monaghan
Mayo 2-13 0-11 Donegal

ALL-IRELAND SEMI-FINALS

AUGUST 23, CROKE PARK
Kerry 0-18 1-11 Tyrone

AUGUST 30, CROKE PARK Dublin 2-12 1-15 Mayo

SEPTEMBER 5, CROKE PARK (REPLAY)
Dublin 3-15 1-14 Mayo



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RÉITEOR

DAVID COLDRICK, MEATH

Four years ago when Dublin and Kerry last met in the senior decider David was the standby referee but today assumes the primary role for the 13th final meeting of football's kingpins. The Blackhall Gaels clubman is no stranger to the top officiating role on the third Sunday in September as he took charge of the 2007 and 2010 finals.

One of the game's most experienced whistle-blowers, David is in his 13th year on the inter-county panel and is no stranger to Croke Park with today's fixture his fourth of the year at headquarters. His first of the season was back in March for the AIB Club final between Corofin and Slaughtneil while both Dublin and Kerry featured in his subsequent outings.

In June the Metropolitans' Leinster semi-final with Kildare came under his jurisdiction while at the beginning of last month the Lilywhites' All-Ireland quarter-final against the Kingdom became part of his 2015 CV. Other championship assignments this year were the Armagh-Donegal Ulster quarter-final at the Athletic Grounds and the subsequent provincial final between Monaghan and Tír Chonaill.



Standby Referee

JOE McQUILLAN, CAVAN



Linesman
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Sideline Official

DEREK FAHY, LONGFORD

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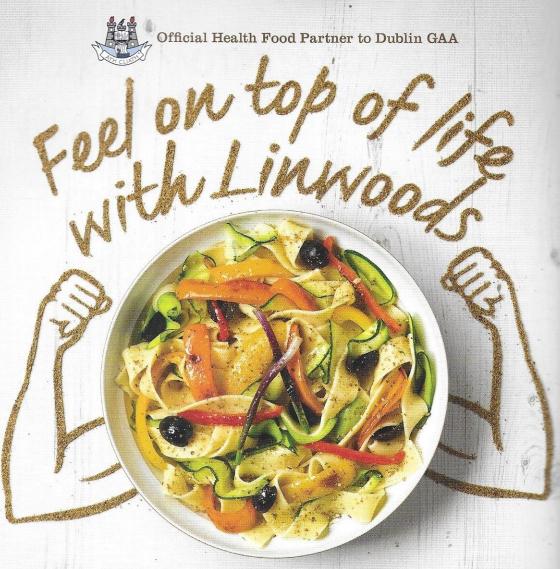
Referee - David Kane, Ballyroan BNS, Ballyroan Road, Dublin 16

DUBLIN BOYS

- 2 PEADAR CAFFREY, St. Patrick's NS, Corlough, Cavan
- 3 JACOB COUGHLAN, Schull NS, Schull, Cork
- 4 EOIN MARTIN, Scoil Mhuire, Belcruit, Kincasslagh, Donegal
- 5 RÚAIRÍ DEEHAN, Scoil Phádraig Naofa, Castleknock, Dublin
- 6 DYLAN O'TOOLE, North Brunswick Street CBS, Dublin
- 7 GARRY CURRAN, St Mary's NS, Tang, Ballymahon, Longford
- 8 DANIEL KILCULLEN, St John's NS, Temple Street, Sligo
- 9 THOMAS DOWNEY, New Inn BNS, Cashel, Tipperary
- 10 TERRY DEVLIN, Holy Trinity PS, Cookstown, Tyrone
- 11 JUSTIN MORAN, Rathangan NS, Duncormack Wexford

KERRY BOYS

- 2 REVAN MCMAHON Rannakarni NC Pannakarni Carlani
- 3 SHEA McKENNA New Row PS Castledayson Derry
- 4 DIARMAID KING, St Mary's PS, Newtownbutler, Fermanagh
- 5 DECLAN Ó LOCHLAINN, Scoil Náisiúnta Cholmcille, An Tulach, Gaillimhe
- 6 EVAN MURPHY, Kilcummin NS, Kilcummin, Kerry
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- B LIADH BARRY, Our Lady of Mercy, Bantry, Cork
- 4 SHANNA FETTES, St Malacahy's PS, Kilcoo, Down
- 5 ABBIE McVERRY, St. Laurence O'Toole's PS, Belleek, Newry, Down
- 6 AMY CURTIS, Divine Mercy SNS, Balgaddy, Lucan, Dublin
- 7 ERRIS SMITH, Scoil Mhuire, Woodview, Lucan, Dublin
- 8 AUVEEN O'NEILL, Scoil Naomh Pádraigh, Ballyroan, Dublin
- 9 EMER STYNES, St Canice's Co Ed NS, Granges Road, Kilkenny
- 10 CAOIMHE McCORMACK, St Sinneach's NS, Colehill, Longford
- 11 MAEVE GREENE, Durrow NS, Tullamore, Offaly

KERRY GIRLS

- 2 RHIANNON KENNY, Garryhill NS, Bagenalstown, Carlow
- 3 SINÉAD CLANCY, Knockanean NS, Ennis, Clare
- 4 CAOIMHE McGLYNN, Scoil an Choimín, Cloghan, Lifford, Donegal
- 5 THERESE KINNEVEY, St Annin's NS Rosscahill Galway
- 6 RACHEL DWYER, St Finnian's NS. Spunkane Waterville Versu
- 7 SALLY MIJEDHY Scoil Physide MC Miles IVII.
- 8 SARAH LARKIN, St Colman's NS, Stradbally, Laois
- 9 EIBHLÍS LEE, Glenbrohane NS, Garrysnillang, Kilmallock, Limesial
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- 11 MAUDE ROBINSON GREENE, Kilcommon NS, Tinahely, Wicklow

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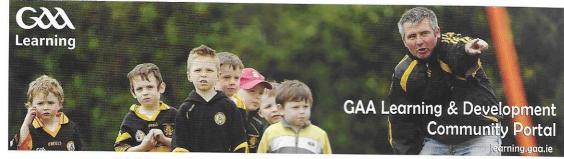
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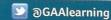














GAMES DEVELOPMENT PARTICIPATION INITIATIVES

The GAA Games Development Department in conjunction with our provincial and county units engage in a number of participation initiatives for child (7-11 years) and youth (12-17) players. Here are some highlights.

GAA GO GAMES

GAA Go Games are Gaelic Games for children aged 7-11.

They are based on the principles of fun, full participation and fair play.

They are played on a blitz basis with small-sided teams, smaller pitches and specific equipment to meet the developmental needs of participants.

Since being launched in 2004, national participation in Gaelic Games has increased significantly with U12 player registration at 150,000 and over 90 per cent of all clubs and schools participating in a Go Games Programme.

With GAA Go Games 'Every Child Gets a Go!'



www.gaa.ie/gogames

KELLOGG'S GAA CÚL CAMPS



The Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps in 2015 reached record levels of participation with over 100,000 children attending 1,100 camps in 32 counties.

The camps provide children with the chance to play and develop their skill in Gaelic

football, hurling, handball and rounders.

All activities are catered for in a positive playing environment and provide all children with the opportunity to derive maximum enjoyment from their involvement in Gaelic Games.

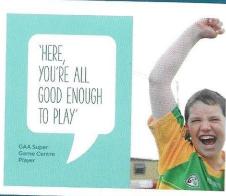
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GAA SUPER GAME CENTRES

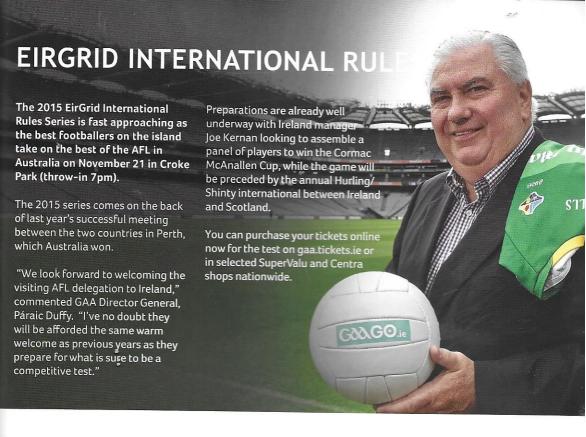
GAA Super Games centres have been designed as a measure to counteract drop off within the GAA amongst youth players.

The primary objective is to maximise participation

opportunities for players aged 12-17 years by providing a meaningful schedule of small-sided games with minimal coaching inputs.



gaa.ie/coaching-and-games-development/youth-games-centres/



HEALTHY CLUB PROJECT - PHASE 2

Phase 2 of the GAA's innovative and ground-breaking Healthy Club project will open to interested new clubs in November 2015.

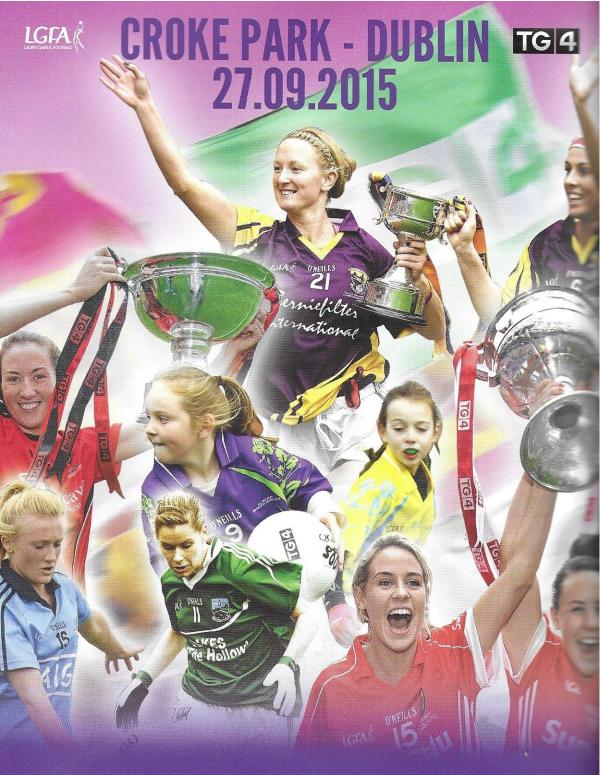
The final report from Phase one which involved 16 clubs, four from each province - will be published next month (October). Compiled by an independent evaluation team from Waterford IT, it will contain details of the phenomenal work carried out by the Phase 1 clubs as well as recommendations on how the project can be amended and improved as it moves into its second phase. At least one club from each county will be selected following an

invitation for expressions of interest later this year. A strong interest is expected.

The project is run in partnership with the HSE, the National Office for Suicide Prevention, and various academia and will seek to involve greater collaboration with the PHA across the six counties in Phase 2. Recognising its potential to support the health and wellbeing of Irish people in their own clubs and communities, Irish Life has backed the project for the coming three years to the tune of €1m through a CSR investment.

If your club is interested in embedding a culture of wellbeing in its day to day activities and would like to support the health needs of its members and the community it serves, keep an eve on the GAA club newsletter and GAA. ie throughout October and November. Further details of the Healthy Club Project is available at

www.gaa.ie/community



TG4 ALL-IRELAND FOOTBALL FINALS

Adults; €25, Students/Senior Citizens; €10, U-14 €5, Groups of U-16 (min 10) €5 each, Family Tickets; 2 Adults €25 each and children €5 each Tickets available through the LGFA Office and all GAA ticket outlets

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GPA'S FIGHT AGAINST CHILDHOOD CANCER

Fortitude, bravery, endurance . . . they are traits we associate with the warriors performing in Croke Park today.

They are also the traits displayed by children who have to face a battle with cancer and the reality of chemotherapy and radiotherapy treatments.

This inspirational courage shown by these children and indeed their families is what inspired the Gaelic Players Association to become official charity partners with the Childhood Cancer Foundation earlier this year.

Having been approached by the family of a former county footballer, the GPA was humbled to call on county players to lend a strong arm of support to this wonderful voluntary body and help Ireland's fight against childhood cancer. During September, the Childhood Cancer Foundation will run their

Light It Up Gold Campaign, where iconic Irish buildings and landmarks will be lit up in beautiful gold both to raise awareness of the disease and raise much needed funds for the organisations dedicated to dealing with childhood cancer. Footballers and hurlers from counties nationwide have volunteered their services to support this campaign and will be calling on the public to show

solidarity with the families who have to cope with a seriously sick child.

So remember, September is Childhood Cancer Awareness month. To support the Childhood Cancer Foundation, text GOLD to 50300 to donate €4.

For more information about the Light It Up Gold and CCF see www.childhoodcancer.ie.



LADIES GAELIC FOOTBALL FINALS

The 2015 TG4 Ladies All-Ireland Football Finals feature a couple of novel pairings and a renewal of a great rivalry.

The junior final will see Louth return to Croke Park for the first time since 2012 and their opposition will be provided by first time finalists, Scotland. The Scots had a great win over Derry in the semi-final to secure their place in this decider and will provide strong opposition to the experienced Louth side.

Kildare produced a glut of goals to

ensure their passage to the TG4 All-Ireland Intermediate Football Final when they defeated Offaly in their semi-final. Waterford have been the nearly team in the Intermediate championship and they will return to the final for the third time since 2010 having secured their seventh Munster title in a row. This Waterford team will hope to return the county to the glory days of the 1990s but Kildare are a county that are more than capable of claiming the Mary Quinn Trophy themselves. The 2014 TG4 Senior All-Ireland

Football Final is one that will be remembered for many years following Cork's remarkable comeback against Dublin. One year later and it will be these two sides that will renew their rivalry.

Dublin have seen a massive turnover in players as eight of last year's starting side are unavailable this year but they have integrated young talent to produce a new and exciting squad. Cork are on a quest for their fifth All-Ireland in a row and their tenth in 11 years so they will need no motivation for this encounter.

Tickets are available now on www.tickets.ie or at usual GAA outlets.



JOIN THE #DUBVKER DEBATE ONLINE

Make sure you follow all of the GAA Football All-Ireland Championship Final debate online by following officialgaa across all social platforms including Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

Use the hashtag **#DUBvKER** on social media and send us your matchday photos, be it pre-match, during the game or following the final whistle.

Join the debate online on which players impress the most today, who is in the running for 'Man of the Match' and tell us your experience of All-Ireland Final day.

By using the #DUBvKER match hashtag, your photos can also feature on our #BeThereAllTheWay page on GAA.ie so make sure you support your team and show off your county colours proudly.

Don't forget to also keep in touch with all the latest news and reports from GAA.ie – your number one source for all the latest GAA news.













GROWTH OF GAA HANDBALL CONTINUES

After the success of the Schools Membership Scheme in 2014, GAA Handball are once more delighted to release the 2015/16 Schools Membership Scheme enabling schools nationwide to purchase handballs at their lowest ever price as a special introductory offer.

Over the last few years, GAA Handball's One-Wall for Schools

Initiative has seen huge growth, with an ever-increasing number of schools not only taking up GAA Handball for the first time, but also proceeding to actually build handball specific walls.

With 350+ schools building One-Wall courts in their sports halls and outdoor areas in recent years, this membership scheme provides schools with an excellent opportunity to further develop handball in their schools.

A vast array of new promotional items and coaching resources are included in the membership packs, whilst every school that registers will be included in monthly draws for prizes and coaching sessions with top players.

Although the scheme is primarily for schools, this year GAA Handball will open the scheme to GAA Clubs looking to develop handball.

Schools can register online at www.gaahandball.ie while any additional information/queries, can be sent to Darragh Daly on development.handball@gaa.ie



