

Bank of Ireland 

Dr McKenna Cup

2015



Dún na nGall v Fear Manach

14ú Eanáir 2015 ar 8.00 i.n.

Pairc Mac Cumhaill

Referee: Niall McKenna (Muineachán)

Standby: Dan Mullan (Doire)

Linesman: Martin McNally (Muineachán)

Sideline: Sean Paul Doherty (Dún na nGall)



Dún na nGall

Manager: Rory Gallagher

- 1
Paul Durcan
Pól Ó Duarcáin
(An Tearmann)
- 2
Eámonn ó Dochartaigh
Eamonn Doherty
(Naomh Adhamhnáin)
- 3
Eamonn McGee
Eamonn Mag Aoidh
(Gaoth Dobhair)
- 4
Déaglan Breathnach
Declan Walsh
(Málainn)
- 5
Eoin MacAodha
Eoin McHugh
(Cill Charta)
- 6
Proinsias Macfhloinn
Frank McGlynn
(Ghleann Fhinne)
- 7
Ciarán MacFhionnghaile
Ciarán McGinley
(Cill Charta)
- 8
Críostóir ó Tuathaigh
Christy Toye
(Naomh Mícheal)
- 9
Máirtín
MacGiollachainnigh
Martin McElhinney
- 10
Mark McHugh
Marcas Mac Aodha
(Cill Charta)
- 11
Odhrán MacNiallais
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(Gaoth Dobhair)
- 12
Gary McFadden
Gearóid Mac Pháidín
()
- 13
Dónal MacLochlainn
Daniel McLaughlin
(Naomh Mícheal)
- 14
Aodh MacPháidín
Hugh McFadden
(Na Cealla Beaga)
- 15
Máirtín Ó Raghallaigh
Martin O Reilly
(Sean MacCumail)

Fir Ionaid:

16. **Michael Boyle** An Tearmainn
17. **Shaun Hensey** Naomh Adhamhnain
18. **Corey Gallagher** An Clochan Liath
19. **Joe Gibbons** Gleann tSúili
20. **Ryan Mally** Ard an Ratha
21. **Dermot Molloy** Naomh Conaill
22. **Willie Gillespie** Naomh Cholmcille
23. **Ciarán McCaughey** Bun Dobhrain
24. **Eunan Doherty** Naomh Conaill
25. **Éamonn Ward** Gleann tSúili
26. **Malachy McDermot** Bun an Phobail

Fear Manach

Manager: James McCartan

- 1
Thomas Treacy
Tomás Ó Treasaigh
(An Deibhinis)
- 2
Conor Quigley
Concur O Coigligh
(Ros Laith)
- 3
James Allen
Seámus Ó hAilín
(Cill Náile)
- 4
Tiarnan Daly
Tiarnan O Dalaigh
(Doire O gConaile)
- 5
Declan McCusker
Deaglan MacOscair
(Naomh Seosamh)
- 6
James McMahan
Seámus MacMathúna
(Ros Laith)
- 7
Marty O Brien
Máirtín Ó Briain
(An Deibhinis)
- 8
Richard O Callaghan
Risteard Ó Ceallacháin
(Inis Ceithleann)
- 9
Conall Jonas
Conal MacSeoin
(Doire ó gConaile)
- 10
Barry Mulrone
Barri Maoi Ruain
(An Deibhinis)
- 11
Darren McQuade
Dáire MacUaid
(An Cuach)
- 12
Sean McManus
Sean MacMathúna
(Cill Náile)
- 13
Ryan Jones (C)
Rian MacSeoin
(Doire ó gConaile)
- 14
Sean Quigley
Sean ó Coigligh
(Ros Laith)
- 15
Daniel Kille
Dónall ó Cillín
(Lios na Sceithe)

Fir Ionaid:

16. **Chris Snow** Naomh Seosamh
17. **Aidan Breen** An Tiompiu
18. **James Duffy** Na Cearna
19. **Damian Kelly** An Tiompiu
20. **Mickey Jones** Doire Ó gConaile
21. **Eoin McManus** Tigh Mor
22. **Ryan Lyons** Gaeil na h-Eirne
23. **Ruairí Corrigan** Cill Náile
24. **Paul McCusker** Naomh Seosamh
25. **Ciaran Flaherty** Beal Cú
26. **Eoin Donnelly** An Cuach

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Group A	P	W	D	L	Pts	Pts For	Pts Against	Scoring Average
Cavan	2	1	0	1	2	27	23	1.174
Monaghan	2	1	0	1	2	31	31	1.000
Down	2	1	0	1	2	27	28	0.964
Ulster University	2	1	0	1	2	27	30	0.900

Group B	P	W	D	L	Pts	Pts For	Pts Against	Scoring Average
Fermanagh	2	2	0	0	4	28	19	1.474
Derry	2	1	0	1	2	29	20	1.450
Donegal	2	1	0	1	2	30	30	1.000
QUB	2	0	0	2	0	20	37	0.541

Group C	P	W	D	L	Pts	Pts For	Pts Against	Scoring Average
Tyrone	2	2	0	0	4	30	16	1.875
Armagh	2	1	0	1	2	30	22	1.364
Antrim	2	1	0	1	2	17	26	0.654
St Mary's	2	0	0	2	0	12	25	0.480

Wednesday 14th January: Group A:

An Dún v Ulster University at Pairc Esler

An Cabhán v Muineachán at Kingspan Breffni Park

Group B: Doire v QUB at Owenbeg;

Dún na nGall v Fear Manach at Ballybofey

Group C: Tír Eoghain v Aontroim at Healy Park

Ard Mhacha v Naomh Mhuire at Athletic Grounds

Sunday 18th January: Semi Finals:

1) Group A Winner v Group B Winner

2) Group C Winner v Best Runner Up

Saturday 24th January: Final:

FERMANAGH GIVE DONEGAL A FRIGHT

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MATCH STATS

Donegal: P Durcan; P McGrath, E McGee, D Walsh; M McHugh, F McGlynn (0-1), C McGinley (0-1); C Toye, N Gallagher (0-1); E McHugh (0-2), R Malley (0-1), M McElhinney; D McLaughlin (0-2), H McFadden, M O'Reilly (0-3, 0-3 frees).
Subs: G McFadden for D McLaughlin (58); E Doherty for C Toye (61); C Gallagher for F McGlynn (65); C McCaughey for M McElhinney (67). **Yellow cards:** M McHugh (63); R Malley (69). **Black cards:** M Murphy replaced H McFadden (46);

Fermanagh: T Treacy; C Quigley, J Allen, T Daly; D McCusker, J McMahon, M O'Brien (1-0); R O'Callaghan, C Jones; B Mulrone, D McQuade, S McManus; R Jones (0-1), S Quigley (1-2, 0-1 free), D Kille (0-1 free).
Subs: P McCusker for S McManus (h/t); R Corrigan for D Kille (h-t); E Donnelly for R O'Callaghan (h/t); M Jones for T Daly (47); D Kelly for C Jones (50); E McManus for D McQuade (52).

Referee: Niall McKenna (Monaghan)

has taken him over there. We just had to look at the logistics of flights. He keeps himself in great condition and he is doing a lot of work over there. Fitness will not be an issue for Anthony."

Gallagher also indicated that he was not surprised by Rory Kavanagh's decision to announce his retirement.

"In fairness to Rory, me and him spoke before I even got the job and he was telling me that he was thinking all last year that it was going to be his last year.

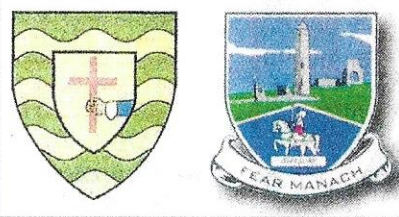
"He is very content in his mind. He probably wants to focus his energies into his club career. He has other things in life and he has had a long career.

"He has 14 in the squad and he has a wonderful last four. He is bound to be very content with where he is at."

Section B

Donegal..... 0-12
Fermanagh..... 2-5

From Paddy Heaney in Ballyshannon



Despite Treacy making two point blank saves in the first 30 minutes, Donegal were scoring at will. They led by seven points at half-time. By that stage, the result seemed beyond doubt.

But the Ernemen were transformed in the second half. While they had to rely on their goalkeeper to make another two saves, it was Fermanagh who dictated the terms of engagement.

Donegal managed just two points in the second period. Meanwhile, Fermanagh were left to rue their profligacy. They kicked nine wides in the second half, and 17 over the course of the game.

Martin O'Brien kick-started Fermanagh's resurgence. The fleet-footed wing-back was one of the few Fermanagh players who impressed in the first half.

O'Brien got the rewards for his tireless running when he finished a great move in the 41st minute. When Sean Quigley bagged Fermanagh's second goal, the margin was reduced to just two points.

With Donegal on the back foot and looking increasingly ragged, Fermanagh could easily have secured a morale-boosting win. But their inaccuracy undermined their sterling efforts. An injury-time free from Quigley could have earned Donegal a draw, but his effort trailed wide.

Afterwards, Pete McGrath praised his players for the character they displayed in the second half.

"They showed great courage. They showed spirit," said McGrath.

But why did his players perform so poorly in the first half?

"I think it was a case of some people being psychologically intimidated by who they were playing against. There is no doubt about that," said McGrath, who had stern words with his players at half-time.

"We said some things and we got them back to a more reasonable way of thinking."

However, a rousing team-talk wasn't the only reason why Fermanagh were a different proposition after the interval.

The introduction of Ruairi Corrigan, Paul McCusker and Eoin Donnelly also helped to change the pattern of the contest.

McGrath also predicted to his players that their superior fitness would enable them to dominate the last quarter.

"I said to the players at half-time, we have a lot more work done on the field than Donegal. In the last 15 minutes of this game, I told them we would be the top team.

"Given the amount of work we have done, it transpired that way. Donegal definitely flagged. We lost the game by a point but I think we hit 17 wides.

"A lot of them came when we had Donegal where we wanted them. One or two of those would have got us over the line," said the Erne boss.

Commenting on the experience of steering Donegal to a win against

his native county, Rory Gallagher said: "I was a wee bit worried there towards the end. I wouldn't have wanted to come away with a draw. It's nice to win.

"But Fermanagh were very game. I was very impressed with their tackling and their work-rate. If they had brought their shooting boots, they would probably have come out on the right side in the second half."

Although he failed to secure a semi-final berth, Gallagher was still satisfied with Donegal's McKenna Cup campaign.

"It's a bit disappointing," said Gallagher. "We put ourselves in a position to qualify but we would have taken two wins at the start.

"Overall we are quite pleased. We got a lot of our established guys back in and a number of new additions have done well and they have put their names forward for our League squad."

The Tir Chonaill manager confirmed that **Anthony Thompson (pictured)**, who is currently working in England, will be included in the National League squad.

"We will get him over. Anthony, in fairness, said from day one that he was very interested in staying involved.

"But his work

