



Cumann Lúthchleas Gael Dhún na nGall



R.T.É Raidio na Gaeltachta Cluiche Ceannais Peile Sinsear & Sinsear B, an Chondae

i bPáirc Sheain Mhic Cumhaill, Bealach Feich
De Domhnaigh, 18ú Deireadh Fómhair 2015



Sinsear
Naomh Conaill
v
Naomh Adhamhnáin
4.00 i.n.

Sinsear B
Ard an Rátha
v
Gleann t-Suilí
1.45 i.n.

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It gives me great pleasure to welcome you here this afternoon to Mac Cumhaill Park, Ballybofey for the Senior B (Reserve) and Senior Football Championship Finals for 2015. I also extend a warm welcome to the players, management, officials and supporters of the competing teams, Ard an Rátha, Gleann tSúilí, Naomh Adhamhnáin agus Naomh Conaill.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the local club Mac Cumhaills for hosting this final and also thank RTÉ Raidió Na Gaeltachta, sponsor of the Senior & Reserve Championships for the past 13 years. Your support is greatly appreciated.

In the curtain raiser, we have Ard an Rátha and Gleann tSúilí both hoping to bring home the John Gallagher Cup for the very first time followed then by Naomh Adhamhnáin, the reigning champions, and Naomh Conaill. We expect an excellent game of football between these great rivals with some of the finest players in the county featuring in this exciting contest for the Dr. Maguire Cup.

Finally, a warm welcome to the Naomh Columba team of 1990 who will be honoured as the County Champions of 25 years ago before the throw-in of the Senior Final.

Tá súil agam go mbainfidh sibh taitneamh as na chluichí agus go mbeidh turas slán sábháilte ag lucht leanúna Ard an Rátha, Gleann tSúilí, Naomh Adhamhnáin agus Naomh Conaill agus iad ag pilleadh na bhaile.

Is mise le meas,
Seán Ó Duinnín,
Cathaoirleach.

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Amhrán na bhfiann singer Eibhlín Mc Gonigle

Eibhlín Mc Gonigle is a member of Club Iorras in the Inish Eoghain parish of Clonmany, married to John with four children and from a family background steeped in musical tradition.

A double winner of Scór Sinsir Dhún na nGall 2015, Eibhlín secured medals in both Amhránaíocht Aonair (Solo Singing) plus Ceol Uirlise (Instrumental Music) and has performed Amhrán na bhFiann at a number of National League matches.

An accomplished singer and musician in her own right, Eibhlín was heavily influenced by her grandfather Neil Eoghain Mc Gonigle, a well known fiddle player himself, plus local musicians such as Mick Mc Elkenny and the late great Seamus Grant.

As a former Scór na nÓg participant Eibhlín is now looking forward to seeing her own daughter Cloey making her scór debut in the coming weeks to extend the family tradition to another generation, and of course, defending her titles in the forthcoming Scór Sinsir. Go néirigh go geal libh.



Amhrán na bhfiann

Sinne fiann a fáil,
Atá faoi gheall ag Éireann,
Buíonn dár slua
Thar toinn do ráinig chughainn
Fé mhóid bheith saor,
Sean-tír ár sinsear feasta
Ní fhágfar faoin tíoran ná faoin tráill.
Anocht a theám sa bhearna baoil
Le gean ar Ghael chun baís nó saoil
Le gunna scréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar
Seo libh canaigh amhrán na bhfiann.

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DHÚN NA NGALL

Urraithe ag RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta

CLÁR AN LAE

Dé Domhnaigh 18ú Deireadh Fómhair 2015

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| 1.00 pm | Gates Open |
| 1.27 pm | Ard an Rátha take the field and line up for team photograph (River End Goal) |
| 1.30 pm | Gleann t-Suilí takes the field and line up for team photograph (Town End Goal) |
| 1.45 pm | Senior Reserve Final |
| 3.00 pm | Presentation of the Trophy by Seán Dunnion, Cathaoirleach Bhord na Condae |
| 3.00 pm | 1990 Champions assemble in the Stand |
| 3.10 pm | St. Naul's Pipe Band |
| 3.20 pm | 1990 Champions proceed to the pitch |
| 3.25 pm | Introduction of the 1990 County Champions--Naomh Columba |
| 3.38 pm | Naomh Conaill take the field and line up for team Photograph (River End Goal) |
| 3.40 pm | Naomh Adhamhnáin take the field and line up for team photograph (Town End Goal) |
| 3.50 pm | Both teams line up for parade |
| 3.58 pm | Amhrán na bhFiann |
| 4.00 pm | 2015 RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta Donegal Senior Football Final |
| Half Time | Naomh Conaill leave pitch first |
| Half Time | St. Naul's Pipe Band |
| | U12 Go Games Blitz Presentation |
| 5.30 pm | Presentation of the MAN OF THE MATCH award sponsored by Ann Mc Geehin. |
| 5.35 pm | Presentation of the Dr Maguire Trophy by Sean Dunnion, Cathaoirleach Bhord na Condae |

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Ba saol eile ar fad a bhí ann i dtaca leis na meáin chumarsáide i dtús na seachtóidí. Anseo i nDún na nGall ní raibh de theacht ag an phobal ar thorthaí agus ar thuairiscí ach ar an Derry People, an Donegal Democrat agus Séan Óg Ó Ceallacháin ar Raidió 1 oíche Dhomhnaigh. Ansin tháinig Raidió na Gaeltachta agus bhí torthaí agus tuairiscí ar chluichí ar fáil achan tráthnóna Dhomhnaigh ar Spórt an Dhomhnaigh agus i gcaitheamh na seachtaine. Lena chois sin don chéad uair ariamh bhí tráchttaireacht bheo ar chluichí CLG ar fáil go rialta agus pobal na gaeltachta agus pobal gaelach na tíre ag cur eolais agus aithne ar pheileadóirí na gContaetha Gaeltachta, peileadóirí a chaith geansaí na Contae ach níos tábhachtaí ná sin cuireadh aithne ar na gnáth pheileadóirí agus ar na carachtair mhóra a raibh baint acu leis na cumainn ar feadh na mblianta. Bheadh sé fíor a rá go raibh níos mó aithne ag pobal na tíre ar lucht peile na gContaetha Gaeltachta nó mar a bhí ar a gcomleacaithe i gcontae ar bith eile sa tír.

Tá athrú mór tagtha ar chúrsaí teicneolaíochta agus an dóigh a n-aimsíonn an pobal a gcuid eolais faoi chúrsaí spóirt le blianta beaga anuas. D'fheadfá rá go bhfuil an margadh plódaithe faoi láthair agus gach seirbhís idir raidió, teilifís, na meáin chlóite agus na gréasáin teicneolaíochta is nua aimsíriú i lár an aonaigh. Mar sin féin tá an ceangal idir RTE Raidió na Gaeltachta agus Cumann Lúth Chleas Gael go háirithe anseo i nDún na nGall chomh láidir agus a bhí riamh. Ní amháin go bhfuil an Raidió ag déanamh urraíochta ar an chraobh i nDún na nGall ó 2004 ach is ar an Raidió a dhéantar an tarraingt do na craobhacha Contae agus tá sin ag tarlú ó dheire na n-ochtóidí.

Ba é an sprioc a bhí ag Raidió na Gaeltachta i dtús ama ná na cluichí gaelacha a chraobhscaoileadh go náisiúnta. Tá athrú ar an saol ach tá an bunspríoc chéanna beo beathach i gcónaí agus tá na cluichí gaelacha a gcrabhscaoileadh chuig pobal na Gaeltachta agus na tíre ní amháin in Éirinn ach anois ar fud an domhain mhóir. Gura fada buan an ceangal idir RTE Raidió na Gaeltachta agus CLG.

RTE RAIDÍO
NA GAELTACHTA

Focail an Eagarthoir

Welcome to MacCumhaill Park for today Senior and Senior B final, in the Senior final. Both teams came through the same group stages and both teams in recent years have made county final appearances. The last meeting in 2012 seen a strong St Eunans team become county champions yet again. In that year Rory Kavanagh made history by winning a Senior Ulster, All Ireland, Inter provincial and Senior County Championship and League medal in the one year, the only Donegal man to do so.

The curtain raiser today sees Ardara take on Glenswilly in what for both clubs will be a first Senior B (formerly reserve) championship title.

I wish all four teams the best of luck along with today's Match Officials and I look forward to an enjoyable afternoon of football in MacCumhaill Park.

As always the big match day means a lot of work behind the scenes. We will have up to 100 people working here today, ensuring you the spectators get to enjoy our finals.

I wish to thank them and all the CCC members, many of them are here today on duty to ensure the smooth running of the day.

I wish also to thank the members of the press who contributed to this programme and who promote our games throughout the year. I also wish to thank the participating club secretaries and PRO's.

Our Senior final today is going out on TG4 deferred coverage, we thank them for doing so and hope our supporters at home and away will not be disappointed with our show piece.

Thanks to our sponsor R.T.E. Raídio na Gaeltachta who have become a huge part of Donegal County Final days and all those who purchased adverts in today's programme. We ask you the supporters to please support our sponsors.

Finally to you all I hope you enjoy today's games.



Eamonn O Broin
O.C.P

Today's Referees

Andrew Mullin

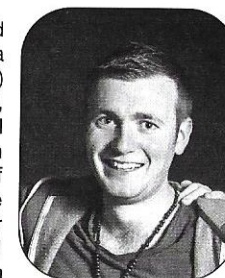
Reiteoir CLG Na Cealla Beaga. Representing the Na Cealla Beaga club, referee Andrew Mullin first officiated at underage level in 1993 before progressing to the adult referee's panel in 1999, during this time he has officiated at all underage finals from Faoi-12 up to Faoi-16. Today is his sixth adult final in Donegal having previously been the man in the middle at the 2004 Junior B Final (Naomh Adhamhnain v Aodh Ruadh), the 2005 Intermediate Reserve Final (Iorras v Cloich Chleann Fhaola), the 2006 U-21 B Final (Bun Na Phobail v Realt Na Mara, Bun Dobhainn), the 2013 Senior Reserve Final (Gaoh Dobhair v Naomh Conaill). Most recently the 2014 Intermediate Final (Bun Crannacha v Cloich Chleann Fhaola).

As a player with his native Killybegs he won 3 Donegal Senior Championships 1992, 1995 and 1996 along with 2 All County Div. 1 Senior Leagues in both 1992 & 1993. Added to this are in 2005 an All County Senior Reserve League (Div. 1) plus a mixture of underage medals from Faoi-12, two Faoi-13, Faoi-14, two All Ireland Faoi-14 Peil na nOg in 1987 & 1988, Og Sport and to Faoi-16. Andrew lives in Killybegs along with Siobhan and their 3 sons, Dylan, Aaron & Shaun where he operates a busy Marine Coatings & Refurbishment business. His umpires for today's match also from the Na Cealla Beaga club are John Murrin, Michael Mullin (Town End), Donal Cannon & Eugene Mulligan (River End) with a special word of thanks in particular to his usual umpire Paul Hegarty who sadly misses today's match due to fishing commitments on his vessel The Western Chieftain. Also to be mentioned are fellow Na Cealla Beaga club referee Jimmy White, Tony Byrne, Mickey Mulhern, Greg McGroary & Lee Jordan along with all those who have previously assisted Andrew on match day. Having refereed both of today's teams already this season an open, fast counter-attacking and competitive game between two closely matched teams is certainly hoped for going on form shown by both clubs to date. Finally Andrew would like to wish all four teams and both sets of match officials all the best in today's finals at Pairc Sean Mac Cumhaill.



Ryan Walsh

I am 24 years of age and work in McEniff amusements in Bundoran. I would like to thank the Donegal cccc for the appointment to today's final. It is a great achievement to be the man in the middle of the the Senior B (reserve) final. I have been refereeing for eight years starting at the age of 16, representing my club Realt na Mara Bundoran who I have represented at all under age and adults levels playing football. I have previously been in charge for the minor and under 21 county finals, as well as taking charge of a McKenna cup game in January. I also was appointed fourth official for the Ulster minor final this year. I am also pleased to be following in my father Pat's footsteps, as he was the referee for the senior reserve final were I officiated as his linesman six years ago. I would also like to thank my mum Geraldine, brother Oisín and my girlfriend Carol, as well as all my umpires through the year. My umpires today are Mark Granaghan Lee, Jordan Peter, Wyatt and Buddy Green. I wish all today's teams and officials the best of luck.



OFFICIALS

RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta Intermediate Senior Final Clg Naomh Conaill v Clg Naomh Adhamhnáin

Reiteoir: Andrew Mullen : Na Cealla Beaga **Linesmen:** Kevin McGinley: Naomh Columba
Stand by: Mark Dorrian: Fanad **Fourth Official:** Michael Friel: Naomh Colmcille

RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta Intermediate Senior Reserve Final Clg Ard an Rátha v Clg Gleann tSúilí

Reiteoir Ryan Walsh: Bundoran **Linesmen** Aideen McAleer
Stand by: Don Langon: St Michaels **4th Official** Joe O'Donnell

RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta Intermediate Senior Championship

PATHS TO THE FINAL

Preliminary Round

Naomh Conaill	2:14	An Clochán Liath	1:08
Naomh Conaill	2:12	Naomh Ádhamhnáin	0:07
Naomh Conaill	2:13	Ardara	1:09
Naomh Ádhamhnáin	2:10	Ardara	0:07
Naomh Ádhamhnáin	0:07	Naomh Conaill	2:12
Naomh Ádhamhnáin	0:14	An Clochán Liath	1:08

Quarter Finals

Naomh Conaill	0:11	Termon	1:05
Naomh Ádhamhnáin	3:07	Glenswilly	0:08

Semi Finals

Naomh Conaill	4:10	Kilcar	0:10
Naomh Ádhamhnáin	2:15	St Michael's	0:11

RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta Intermediate Senior Reserve Championship

PATHS TO THE FINAL

Preliminary Round

Ardara	2:09	St Eunans	1:00
Ardara	2:11	An Clochán Liath	1:10
Ardara	3:14	Naomh Conaill	2:08
Glenswilly	0:09	Gaoth Dobhair	1:05
Glenswilly	0:00	Malin	0:00
Glenswilly	0:13	Sean MacCumhaills	1:08

Quarter Finals

Ardara	2:14	Naomh Muire	03
Glenswilly	1:07	St Eunans	1:05

Semi Finals

Ardara	1:08	Gaoth Dobhair	1:08
Ardara	0:10	Gaoth Dobhair	2:13 Replay
Glenswilly	1:09	Four Masters	1:07

Regan's fresh approach reaping its reward

BY FRANK CRAIG (Donegal Post)

Naomh Conaill's march to this season's senior club championship final has been impressive to say the least.

Martin Regan, in his first season at the helm, has taken a simple but effective approach. Having grown up, played with and now bossed this group of players – he was well placed to know their strengths.

What the new manager has done is un-complicate things. In an era where some sides have no choice but to be cautious; Naomh Conaill's previous uber defensive strategy betrayed the heavy scoring artillery and the natural footballing talent they had in their arsenal.

Regan hasn't thrown complete caution to the wind and their approach is far from out and out cavalier but, in layman's terms, they are certainly more adventurous. The contrast in their games this season to say, encounters with Naomh Muire and Ardara in last year's championship; is palpably obvious.

Against the Rosses men in the Banks last year two points to the good and with an extra man, the sight of Naomh Conaill with everyone back behind the ball, moving possession latterly and looking to run down the clock, convinced me there and then that the Dr. Maguire wouldn't be returning to Davy Brennan Park that season.

Those same constraints also allowed an inferior Ardara side to remain in contention and even go five points in front heading into the final 10 minutes later on in the knockout stages that same season. However, an instinctive switch was flicked and the gameplan abandoned. Six points in a row were rattled off and Ardara were reeled back in.

In essence, what Regan has done is look to harness that impulsive 10-minute cameo from Donegal Town in 2014, and give it structure and balance across, or as close to the entire 60 minutes plus as possible.

When asked on the difference this season, Regan is respectful and keen to avoid indirectly running down anyone else's previous efforts. He downplayed the tinkering both he and Cathal Corey have done. But he agrees there is a more adventurous streak there now.

He said: "It is in a way (we are more attacking). Listen, we still play defensive football when we have to but we are committing more players forward than we did last year. There's always the chance you leave yourself open at the back as well.

"It's a risk and it's paid off until now. Who is

to say it will continue that way. It's all about a balance really and trying to strike it down the middle."

What he will elaborate on is the candid and honest early season get-togethers when the squad committed to getting themselves in the best shape possible for their 2015 championship assault.

And with Leo McLoone, Dermot Molloy and Leon Thompson all stepping away from Donegal commitments, Naomh Conaill and their new management team had some of their most influential leaders' undivided presence and attention from the very off.

"From early on in the year, you couldn't fault the lads' attitude in training," Regan explained. "We worked a lot on fitness early on in the campaign and the boys took responsibility for that as well on their own away from the group."

"They were running the roads and in the gym. You can see that in the likes of Daragh (Gallagher) and Dermot (Molloy). The boys really have applied themselves to get in the best shape as possible."

"They've taken a leaf out of each other's book in that sense. When others are doing it the rest have really followed. It's easier to get things right on the pitch when everyone is putting in the same work off it."

"Some young lads have come in and hit the ground running. The likes of Kevin McGettigan as well – he's really stepped up. He's still only 19. Since he got his first game this season he hasn't let his performances dip. He's probably played more senior games this year than anyone. He's been a huge addition."

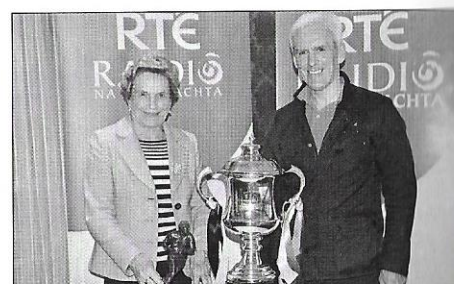
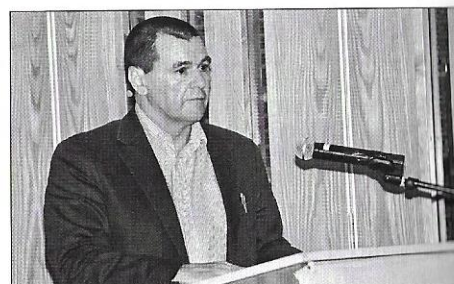
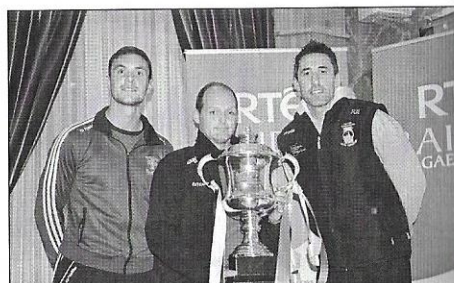
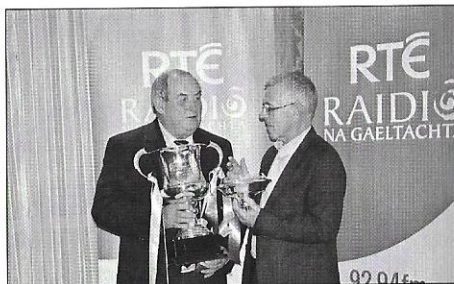
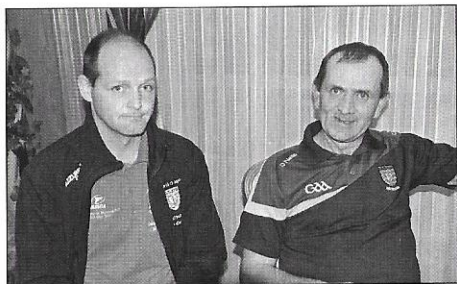
"It's great to see young lads like Ethan (O'Donnell) and Eoghan (McGettigan) coming through. There are other lads there too like Ciaran Gallagher and JD Boyle. They are also pushing really hard in training and aren't that far away. Going forward, it's really pleasing. All those young lads have made a real difference this season."

"Five or six of them have come on board and it's all really positive."

Verdict: Naomh Conaill



County Final Press Night



Dermot Earley

Youth Leadership Initiative / Donegal GAA

Charismatic leader & legend Dermot Earley set to inspire new generation

The family of the late great Dermot Earley Snr believe a new initiative in his honour can help the next generation of young Irish leaders make their mark in the world.

The Dermot Earley Youth Leadership Initiative, brought together by the GAA, Foróige, Ireland's leading youth organisation and National University of Ireland Galway, will commence in Aodh Ruadh GAA club Ballyshannon and Four Masters GAA club in Donegal Town on the 27th October 2015. The Initiative gives young people the opportunity to take part in Foróige's Leadership for Life programme which has been customised for this partnership with the GAA.

15 young GAA and Foróige members from various clubs throughout Donegal have been given the opportunity to develop their leadership skills through this exciting programme that evokes and honours the values Dermot epitomised and held so dear. Helping to facilitate their journey are a troupe of facilitators who volunteered from within the GAA and Foróige and have received four days training provided by Foróige and in NUI Galway, achieving a Foundation Diploma in Training and Education for their time and efforts.

To inspire the lucky participants Donegal GAA footballer Karl Lacey will speak at the launch.

The lucky participants, aged between 15- and 18-years-old, will explore all elements of leadership before being asked to put their skills to work in their own clubs and communities. Those who complete all three modules between September 2015 and May 2016 will be eligible to graduate from NUI Galway with a Foundation Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action.

For more information contact Stacey Cannon, GAA National Health & Health Coordinator on Stacey.cannon@gaa.ie or 01 8192387 or visit www.gaa.ie/community

For further media enquiries contact GAA National Health and Wellbeing Coordinator Stacey Cannon on 01-8192387 or 085-7083598.

Dermot Earley
**YOUTH
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LEARN AND LEAD

A word with Dermot Earley Junior

On behalf of the Earley family I'm delighted to have this opportunity to highlight the Dermot Earley Youth Leadership Initiative. Brought together by the National University of Ireland (NUIG), Galway, Foróige, and the GAA, the Dermot Earley Youth Leadership Initiative aims to inspire a new generation of young Irish leaders by engaging them with the values and ideals that Dad epitomised both on and off the field of play.

Launched in 2013 in Roscommon, Kildare, and Galway the Dermot Earley Youth Leadership Initiative has now spread to eighth counties including Donegal and it is our aim to eventually extend the programme to all 32 counties in the future.

The initiative runs over three modules between September 2015 and May 2016 and involves a series of workshops designed to develop leadership skills followed by a community action project. Those who complete all three modules in the programme will graduate from NUIG with a Foundation Certificate in Youth Leadership and Community Action.

Dad was a great believer in the power and potential of youth. This programme is all about developing the next generation of young GAA leaders in achieving their full potential and in doing so to make their mark in their clubs, their counties, and indeed their country.

I wish all the participants the very best as they begin this year's programme.

Dermot Earley Senior Biography

Lieutenant-General Dermot Earley DSM (24 February 1948 – 23 June 2010) was an Irish army officer and sportsman. He played Gaelic football with his local clubs Michael Glavey's and Sarsfield's and was a member of the Roscommon senior inter-county team from 1965 until 1985. Earley is regarded as one of the greatest players never to have won an All-Ireland Senior Football Championship medal.

Earley's status as one of the all-time greats is self-evident. In a senior inter-county career that lasted for twenty years he won five Connacht titles, one National League, two All-Star awards, however, the ultimate honour of an All-Ireland medal at senior level eluded him. In retirement Earley served as manager of both the Roscommon and Kildare senior inter-county teams.

Earley also served as a high-ranking military official in Ireland and with the United Nations. He was the Irish Defence Forces Chief of Staff from 2007 until his retirement in 2010.

His Newbridge funeral on 24 June 2010 was attended by An Taoiseach Brian Cowen, Irish government ministers and leading GAA figures, while former Taoiseach Liam Cosgrave issued a statement calling him 'one of the great figures of this country'.

Clg Naomh Conaill - A brief History

Founded in 1921 the club has served the Glenties, Finntown and Edeninfagh areas well since then. It caters for under-age groups from 6 years right up to under-18's, under-21's and Seniors. There is a very active Ladies Branch covering under-age and adult teams.

In the early days it was seniors players who were mostly catered for and while they did contest county finals in the 1920's, 1930's and 1940's there was no success in way of trophies to the club. It would be 1965 that before a team contested another Final at senior level. This team played in and won the Junior final in the previous year and the hopes were high going into the '65 final but after a replay they were narrowly beaten by a very strong St. Josephs team. In the following years there was some success at under-age and Intermediate levels but it be forty years before a senior side would contest another final.

A very young side reached the 2005 final against St. Eunans and after a replay Naomh Conaill brought the Maguire to the Parish for the first time. There was a lot of success at under-21 level in recent years with teams from the club competing in eight finals winning five in all. The Seniors again won in 2010 beating Killybegs and

progressed to the final of the Ulster Club Championship only to loose out to a very powerful Crossmaglen outfit. In 2011 we came up short just losing out to St. Eunans.

The club is competing very well at all under-age levels and this is only possible because of all the hard work being put in unselfishly by a lot of people.

It also augers well for the future of the Naomh Conaill Club.

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Naomh Adhamhnáin - A brief History

The G.A.A. was formed in Thurles, Co. Tipperary in 1884. However, it was not until about twenty years later that the Association really became established in Donegal. The first Donegal County Board was formed in 1905 and the first Donegal Senior football team fielded on St. Patrick's Day 1906 against Derry. It was nearly a decade later that clubs really started to become established throughout the county.

Letterkenny's first club 'Fag a Bailes' was formed in 1917 following a meeting in McGovern's public house on Lower Main Street. The club's first playing fields were on the current site of Scoil Colmcille on the Convent Road. This club established the Gaelic code in East Donegal until the 'Black and Tan' war reduced their playing numbers to such an extent that they were forced to cease activities in the early 1920's. Letterkenny re-emerged as a real force in the Association in the mid-twenties with the formation of two famous clubs, the Geraldines in 1924 and Letterkenny Rovers, who won the County tile in 1927.

The year 1930 saw the foundation of the present St. Eunan's club to embrace and unite all G.A.A. people in the town as the Geraldine's and Rovers began to fade from the scene. They first played in Glencar and moved to O'Donnell Park, Sallaghagrane, purchased for £300, in May 1937. The first St. Eunan's club officers and committee formed consisted of: President, Chief Supt. Leahy, Chairman, Supt. Patsy Cronin, Secretary Guard Walsh, Treasurer, John Hourihan, committee: John Curran, John

Crumlish, Guard Murphy and Guard Mulcahy. The move to O'Donnell Park and the foresight of three of the founding members of the club, John Hourihan, John Crumlish and Johnny Curran played a huge part ensuring the club would grow and prosper into what it is today.

The first County title under the St. Eunan's name came in 1948 with a win over Gaoth Dobhair, who were seeking five championships in a row on the day, as Letterkenny men won by 1-07 to 2-01. St. Eunan's hold the record of being the only club to have won at least one senior championship in every decade since that 1948 victory. Wins in 1956, 1960, 1967, 1972, 1983, 1998, 1999, 2001, three in a row from '07 to '09, 2012 and 2014 show a stunning mark of consistency and commitment within the club. The club also holds the distinction of having completed in the Senior Championship every year since it's formation in 1930.

As well as the successes on the field of play, another proud moment in the Club's history came in 1980 when St. Eunan's was announced as the winner in their category in the A.I.B. All Ireland 'Club of the Year'. On hand that evening to accept the award were Club Chairman Dr. James McDaid, Secretary Frankie Campbell, Oifigeach na Gaeilge Seamus De Faoite, vice-chairman Sean Boyle and his wife Ann, who represented the ladies committee and executive member, Denis Doyle.

Today's the day they head for the forest

BY CHRIS McNULTY (Donegal News)

WHEN MAXI CURRAN was announced as the St Eunan's manager in January, 2014, eyebrows went skyward.

For the first time when in search of a senior manager, St Eunan's went outside of the club's membership.

Time was when the position was only open to club members. Even the appointment of Curran, from Glen Village, whose cv was commendable, didn't win over some within O'Donnell Park. Like all breaks with tradition, the move sat uneasily upon some shoulders.

The convincing would take time. St Eunan's had been beaten by Malin in a Championship quarter-final in Buncrana in 2013 and there was a popular school of thought that St Eunan's music had died.

Curran made no bold promises in the early moments of his tenure. They defeated St Michael's in his first game at The Bridge and Curran wagged a cautionary finger.

"This is a new team," Curran said in a howling March wind.

"St Eunan's, in a lot of peoples' eyes, have an endless amount of talent. They do have a lot of talent, but St Eunan's have lost a lot of players too.

"The fellas with all the medals are the wrong side 30 or very close to 30. There is a big gap because the next group are all in their early 20s.

"There is a huge generation gap."

Curran talked about putting the young players in the right frame of mind 'for down the line'.

Last November, St Eunan's won their 14th Dr Maguire with players like Conor Morrison and Caoian Ward sipping from the glorious chalice for the first time.

"Managing St Eunan's is the easiest job in Donegal," Curran says.

"Obviously they're a big club in terms of population, but look at the underage structure: It keeps churning out players who keep rejuvenating the older boys.

"With St Eunan's, it's a given that the target every year is to go and win the Championship - you'd be hung, drawn and quartered here if you didn't have that ambition.

"Some years, the thing will go for you and others it won't, but the club keeps re-energising and the fascinating thing is how these players keep doing that."

The likes of John Haran, Rory Kavanagh, Conall Dunne and Kevin Rafferty are upon familiar battleground this afternoon.

Eunan's have been in 12 of the last 18 SFC finals and that quartet has been around for most of them. They remain the men to strike the match.

While his public utterances last year were conservative, Curran had spoken about Ulster with his players in private at the outset of last year. For a team that has dominated Donegal, their Ulster record was dismal and they reached the semi-finals last winter before succumbing to Omagh St Enda's at Celtic Park.

"There is definitely an itch in these boys

regarding the Ulster club and they do feel that they have let themselves down and that they haven't achieved what they could have achieved over the years," Curran said at the time.

They returned late to training this year, their first, primary objective to defend Dr Maguire and it has only been in recent weeks that St Eunan's have begun to really flex their muscles.

Since the new order came to pass around the turn of the millenium, this will be the fourth time that these two will march behind the band on county final Sunday.

2005 will be forever in Glenties folklore and the image of Paddy Campbell hoisting Dr Maguire aloft is engrained in the memory of those present when the young Naomh Conaill whippersnappers, guided by the eternal lights of Jim McGuinness and John Gildea, put St Eunan's to the sword in a replay.

Eunan's prevailed in the finals of 2009 and 2012, with Naomh Conaill having marched to the Ulster final of 2010, where they performed heroically only to lose against Crossmaglen.

When these two were paired together in the group phase, there was always the feeling that their swords would clang again.

Naomh Conaill hammered St Eunan's 2-12 to 0-8 at O'Donnell Park on an evening when Leon Thompson scored 1-5 from play. It was a thoroughly impressive display and one that will present Eunan's with enough ammunition for this afternoon's final.

The likes of Glenswilly, St Michael's and Kilcar promised big summers, but the former two were beaten impressively and ruthlessly by St Eunan's when it came to the knockout phase and Kilcar limped out against Naomh Conaill.

In the quarter-final, Termon rattled Naomh Conaill, but they called on just enough experience to survive.

It has been a Championship of ups and downs, with Cloughaneely gone back to the Intermediate grade and 2015 seeing a first-ever Championship win for Naomh Muire, when they defeated Killybegs in the group phase.

Malin went to Magheragallon and handed Gaoth Dobhair their coats before they were frogmarched off the premises by St Michael's in the quarter-finals.

St Eunan's and Naomh Conaill have plenty of similarities in the way they've come here, under the stewardship of young managers Curran and Martin Regan, each of whom have Donegal SFC-winning bosses as their right-hand men with Brendan Kilcoyne alongside Curran and Cathal Corey back in station to assist Regan.

Abraham Lincoln coined a phrase about preparation once: "Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe."

It's just what St Eunan's and Naomh Conaill have done. Today's the day they head for the forest, but only one will return with the firewood.

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League Restructuring

BY ALAN FOLEY (Donegal Sport Hub)

Perhaps even last weekend showed the changing of the times. At a first ever senior contest at Coláiste Ailigh in Letterkenny, St Eunan's hosted St Michael's and a 5-11 to 0-14 win for the Dunfanaghy based side ensured a first ever All-County Football League Division One title.

There are differing perceptions as to the value of the All-County Football League just as there are varied approaches to competing in it.

Next year, there will be another side crowned as league champions, although the format under which they will compete to win the Democrat Cup, or even any of its subsidiaries, is yet to be finalised. In fact, it's still at the drawing board. The composition of Donegal's bread and butter is currently under review. And the talk is of restructuring.

Sometimes when there's a review the most important cogs in the wheel are not consulted, in this case the players and management of those who provide the spectacle week in and week out.

Those same players and management provide the backbone of the Association. Just because it's a belief that's now clichéd, it doesn't mean it's any less true.

The Donegal CCC (Competitions' Controls Committee) will meet with administrators, players at a forum in the coming weeks before the regulations meeting on November 30th - and thereafter, an open forum will be announced where there will be an

opportunity for the tuppenceworth worth of all.

The details of this forum will be publicised and the invitation will be extended to all. There are a number of possibilities that can then be narrowed down to the probabilities.

The existing structure at the higher end of the food chain sees each side take to the field 18 times over the course of the season, with four 'star' games - contested without county players - providing more consternation for some clubs than others.

The three loose current alternatives would be to increase the number of teams in the various divisions from 10 to 14 or 16, but to get rid of the home and away fixtures for a single meeting each season.

Another alternative and one that might increase local interest would be to bring in North and South conferences, with conversation regarding the reintroduction of a final also likely to fill some airtime.

Maybe it is changing times. But you have to move with them, so make sure to have your say.



A word from CLG Naomh Conaill

Team Captain, Leo McLoone

On behalf of the Naomh Conaill players, I would like to give a warm welcome to supporters of both Naomh Conaill and Naomh Adhamhnain and all neutrals spectators to this county final today. Both sets of teams have great respect for each other, every game we play against Naomh Adhamhnain is always keenly contested and we have been involved in some big games at senior, u21 and minor level in the past ten years. Both teams show an abundance of youth and experience and both clubs can pride themselves on bringing through some great young players every year. There has huge work gone on at both clubs in the last fifteen years at underage level and both clubs are now reaping the rewards for all that work.



It is 50 years since my father proudly captained Naomh Conaill against St Josephs on county final day. The game ended in a draw and unfortunately they lost the replay 1-11 to 10 points; but as child growing up I remember him telling me of what an honour it is to lead your team behind the band on county final day and I will do that with pride today.

As captain of Naomh Conaill, I would like to thank all those in parish of inishkeel – from the maas bends where look you out towards the Atlantic, to the top of Blue stacks mountains and all the way out through lovely old fintown – who have really got behind us in recent weeks – Go raibh maith agaibh.

Finally, to all supports and spectators at today's county final, I hope you all enjoy today's match and that game does justice to the great occasion that it is.

A word from CLG Naomh Conaill

Chairman, Domhnall Mac Gaoithin



As Chairman of Naomh Conaill Club I would like to wish everyone a memorable and enjoyable County Final day. A lot of hard work has gone in to reach this point today and I congratulate everyone involved. Players and mentors and all the backroom team have give their time unselfishly throughout the season and the must be commended for this. The effort to mark the occasion throughout the Parish is indeed most encouraging.

To our supporters I say a big thank you for your loyalty now and down through the years. I must not forget our very good sponsors who continue to be so generous. There are two teams involved today and I wish our great rivals St. Eunans well.

Go raibh maith agaibh uilig.

Pen-pictures CLG Naomh Conaill

Name	Occupation	Age	Height	Weight
Stephen McGrath	Veterinary Nurse	26	6'1	13.5st
Tony Byrne	Student	16	6'0	13st
Marty Boyle	Construction Worker	31	6'1	11st
John O Malley	Student	23	5'10	12st
Stephen Molloy	Sales Rep	26	5'10	11.5st
Ciaran Thompson	Student	20	6'2	13st
Johnny Bonner	Construction Worker	32	6'2	13st
Eunan Doherty	Student	22	5'10	12st
Brendan McDyer	Wind Turbine Tech	28	5'9	11st
Anthony Thompson	Engineer	29	6'0	13.5st
Daragh Gallagher	Sports Retail	27	6'0	13.5st
Dermot Brick Molloy	Construction Worker	24	6'0	14st
Leo McLoone (c)	Teacher	26	6'1	13.5st
Seamus Corcoran	Garda	25	6'0	12.5st
AJ Gallagher	Factory Worker	25	6'0	12st
Kevin McGettigan	Student	19	5'11	12st
Jason Campbell	Manual Labourer	23	6'0	13st
Cathal Ellis	Student	23	6'0	13st
Eoin Waide	Groundworker	27	5'11	12.5st
Leon Thompson	Construction Worker	30	5'9	11st
Johnny McLoone	Butcher	36	5'11	13.5st
Hughie Gallagher	Student	22	5'11	13st
Ciaran Brennan	Accountant	22	6'2	12.5st
Aaron Thompson	Landscaper	32	5'10	12st
Charlie McGuinness	Student	18	6'3	12.5st
Eoin Boyle	Student	22	6'0	13st
JD Boyle	Student	17	5'10	13st
Ethan O Donnell	Student	18	5'11	11st
Kieran Gallagher	Student	17	6'3	12st
Dominic Bonner	Carpenter	30	5'11	13st
Eoghan McGettigan	Student	17	5'11	11st
Seamus Ellis	Student	21	5'10	12st
Mark Gallagher	Student	21	5'9	11st
Hory Boyle	Teacher	25	6'2	13st
Joe Kennedy	Machine Operator	25	5'10	14st
Logan Quinn	Student	17	5'10	11st
James Doherty	Student	21	5'10	12st
Dermot Ward	Staff Nurse	27	5'8	11st

Naomh Conaill and Naomh Adhmhnán Early Years

In the early years of GAA activities in Donegal competitions were run in the divisional system and it was the mid 1960's that the format of the senior championship was changed from winners of the 5 divisions going forward into the knock out stages.

The first time for today's clubs to meet in the senior championship was 1965 when Naomh Conaill defeated Naomh Adhamhnán in the county semi - final which was played in Ballyshannon.

St. Connell's first appeared in a county senior final in 1922 when they were unsuccessful against Castlefin by 3 points. Letterkenny Rovers first appearance in the final was in 1926 when they lost to Ardara also by 3 points. This game resulted in an unsuccessful objection from the cathedral town team on the basis "that the Ardara goalie was not properly attired".

Charlie Mc Dyer played for St Connells in 1922 and was on the winning Ardara team in 1926. He was also the first Donegal man to play Railway Cup football as he was the county's only representative in the first year of the competition in 1926.

The first minor championship played in the county was in 1931 and St Connells and

Letterkenny played in the final in Ballybofey. The game was a draw and the replay did not take place until St Patrick's Day the following year with the game being fixed for Rashedog with the referee also being from Letterkenny. The home team were victorious on a scoreline of 2-5 to 0-4. 1938 again saw teams for both areas meet in a county minor final and the cathedral town was now represented by the newly formed St Eunans club. The final score saw St Eunans win by 2-2 to 1-3 with their captain Jim Mc Glynn being presented with the Mayo Cup. The Glenties boys had not long to wait for revenge as the following year 1939 they beat Eunans in the county semi - final played in O'Donnell Park and then got the better of Aodh Ruadh Ballyshannon on a scoreline of 2-2 to 0-1 in the final. Davy Brennan became the first Glenties man to receive the Mayo Cup (Minor Championship Trophy).

O'Donnell Park Letterkenny is named after Cardinal O'Donnell a native of Kilraine Glenties. He was the First Patron of Donegal GAA County Board.

A word from CLG Naomh Conaill Senior Manager, Martin Regan

Thar ceann imreoirí agus lucht bainistíochta C.I.G. Naomh Conaill ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur roimh gach duine anseo inniu chuig an ócáid speisialta seo.

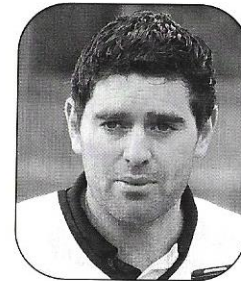
It is a huge honour for me to manage my club in a Senior Championship final in Donegal, in what is one of the biggest days on the GAA calendar.

We renew a healthy rivalry with St. Eunans here today and we hope the game can live up to expectations and both sides put on a show worthy of this great occasion. We have had many battles with St. Eunans in the last ten years and we have huge respect and admiration for what they have achieved in the past two decades and what has put them at the very top of Donegal club football.

Both teams bring a great blend of youth and experience, the teams you see today are a result of the massive work being carried out by both clubs at underage level and I would like to commend all the coaches in both clubs for that.

On behalf of the players and management I would like to thank the Naomh Conaill committee for their backing all year and to the club supporters who, as usual, have got behind us at all times throughout the year. To all the sponsors who have donated so kindly throughout the year and to families for the huge sacrifices they have made - thank you.

Tá súil agam go mbeidh cluiche bríomhar, spórtúil againn, go mbainfidh sibh uilig sult as agus go dté sibh slán abhaile.



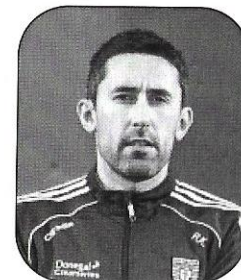
A word from CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin Team Captain, Rory Kavanagh

We are delighted to be back in a county final.

We face a big challenge today from the blue and white of Naomh Conaill. When we met in the Championship earlier in the year we were very disappointed in the way we performed. Today is a different day and we hope to reverse that scoreline.

Our club members deserve great credit for transforming the town over the past few weeks. We really appreciate your support and we hope you can get behind us again today.

Finally, I want to thank all the club sponsors. We are very fortunate to have your support for the Black and Amber.



A word from CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin Senior Manager, Maxi Curran

It is another proud occasion for me to be involved on the biggest day in the GAA calendar in Donegal. I have watched many finals over the years and feel very privileged to be preparing this St Eunans team for a county final for the second year in a row. N. Adhamhnain have been on remarkable run over the last 18 years having contested 12 finals in that time, and this present group are proud to be a part of that.



The 2015 Championship has been a bit less dramatic than 2014 due to the breathers we have got between games, last year was very exhausting playing 8 straight weekends of championship football, and while it makes for compelling viewing for spectators, it was draining for the players. This year however, everyone has had a chance to prepare properly for games and I think this has led to an improvement for most teams.

It has been a mixed campaign for St Eunans so far, starting and finishing the group with victories over Ardara and Dungloe, but these of course sandwiched a very dark day out against today's opponents N. Conaill who came to O'Donnell Park and handed out a very comprehensive beating, on a day we were just out thought and out fought. We then qualified out of our group and received a great draw in Glenswilly for the quarter final. It was a brilliant draw for both teams and probably the one needed to kick start the championship for everyone and thankfully we got over the line with a hint of good fortune along the way. Another lovely draw awaited us in the Semi-final and a repeat of last year's epic battle with St Michaels. Again lady luck was with us and we got a few crucial breaks at important times to help us over the line. This however, has only led us to our biggest challenge to date, and another joust with a now familiar foe, N. Conaill. N. Conaill have been the form team all year, and go in to today's game as bookies favourites and no one could deny them that such is the run they've been on. But it's challenges like these that enthuse players, and with the memories of our last meeting fresh on our minds, we hope a different N. Adhamhnain might turn up this time.

Finally I'd like to thank the club officers, Cathal Greene, Charlie Mc Ateer and Niall Doherty and the other board members of St Eunans for giving the players and management every support we needed to prepare all year, and the backroom team Brendan Kilcoyne, Barry Meehan, Vincent McGlynn, Noel Keaveney and Noel Ferry for all their time and dedication. To our S&C coach Neil Barrett from Crossfit Letterkenny, and our medical team Mickey McGlynn, Amanda Withrow, Paul McIntyre, Nichola Ayres, Nicola and Brian Mc Monagle a huge thank you for all your endeavours'. A sincere thanks also to Charlie Harvey, Maire Greene, Andrew McGlynn and Adrian Shields who looked after the players all year. And finally our main sponsor Letterkenny Shopping Centre, Brian McCormicks Sports who sponsored our training gear along with many other generous contributors like, Ciaran Brogan, Highland Bakery, Mount Errigal Hotel, Sweeneys Spar Express, Dale Farm, Macs Mace, McGlynns Restaurant Castlefin and the Abbey Hotel Donegal Town, who have all given kindly to us throughout the year.

A word from CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin Chairman, Cathal Greene

Seo lá mór do Chumann Lúthchleas Gael Dhún na nGall. Lá na gcluichí Ceannais Sinsir idir foirne Naomh Adhamhnáin agus Naomh Conaill agus idir Gleann Súilí agus Ard an Ratha sa chluiche tacaíochta. Tá lúcháir mhór orainn i gClub Naomh Adhamhnáin go bhfuil muid anseo inniu sa Chluiche Ceannais don dara bliain i ndiaidh a chéile agus don hochtú uair le deich mbliana.



Caitheadh mé aitheantas mór a thabhairt do oifigí Bhord na Contae atá ag eagrú an lá seo. Tá moladh mór tuille acu as an sár oíche don phreas a d'eagraigh siad san Óstán Villa Rose ar an Chéadaoin 30 Meán Fómhair. Tá na meáin uilig i nDún na nGall ag tabhairt freastal mhaith ar chúrsaí Peil Ghaelach sa Chontae. Tugaim buíochas do RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta as son urraíocht don chomórtas seo.

We are proud of the achievement of our Senior Team in reaching this year's County Final, prouder still that this is our 8th final since 2005, winning some and losing some. In St. Eunan's we appreciate the great effort our senior team has made to be here today. There are endless hours of training and coaching notwithstanding sacrifices made. I want to thank the senior team management led by Maxi Curran for the professional preparation undertaken for the County Championship and today's final.

I also take this opportunity to thank the coaches and team managers of the many age groups involved with our club in Gaelic Football, Hurling and Camogie. Finally, thank you to the various companies and individuals who give financial support to our club, without them we would not survive.

Ádh mór ar na foirne uilig inniu.

Pen-pictures CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin

Name	Age	Height	Occupation
John Paul Clarke	36	6' 0"	I.T.Analyst
Conor Parke	22	5' 11"	Pramerica
Sean Hensey	26	6' 3"	Retailer
Peter Devine	24	6' 0"	Teacher
Caolan Ward	23	6' 3"	Student
Eamon Doherty	25	6' 0"	Teacher
Conor Gibbons	23	5' 10"	Student
Kevin Rafferty	34	6' 5"	Storeman
Rory Kavanagh	33	6' 1"	Teacher
Dara Mulgrew	21	5' 11"	Student
Conal Dunne	32	5' 10"	Finance Director
Sean Mc Veigh	25	6' 0"	Neurologist
Rory Carr	18	6' 3"	Student
John Haran	38	6' 4"	Teacher
Lee Mc Monagle	21	5' 11"	Student
David Tyrell	20	6' 0"	Student
Mark Mc Gowan	27	5' 10"	Energy Trader
Conor O' Donnell	19	6' 1"	Student
Paddy Mc Gowan	25	6' 1"	Sales Assistant
Mick Martin	29	6' 0"	
Conor Morrison	19	5' 11"	Student
Conal Mc Ginley	23	6' 1"	Physiotherapist
Ciaran Sharkey	31	5' 8"	Teacher
Michael Miller	19	5' 10"	Student
Conal O' Boyle	19	5' 10"	Student
Oisin Carr	19	5' 11"	Student
Odhran Mc Ginley	18	5' 10"	Student
Cormac Coughlan			
Barry Mc Geehin			
David O' Herlihy			
Sean Hume			
Garvan Grant			
Matthew Gallagher			

St Eunan's Record Breakers

BY TOM COMACK (Donegal Democrat / Peoples Press)

St Eunan's veteran John Haran is set to play in his 13th Donegal Senior Football Championship final win this afternoon's Naomh Conaill.

The number is fourteen if you count the 2005 final replay with Naomh Conaill and he is three ahead of his team colleagues in Sunday's showdown Rory Kavanagh, Kevin Rafferty and Conall Dunne, who have played in 10 (and 11 if you count the Naomh Conaill replay).

It is a truly amazing record in the modern game and underlines the dominance enjoyed by St. Eunan's in Donegal football for the best part of the two last two decades.

The versatile Haran's first final was the controversial 1997 final. St Eunan's won that final on the field but lost it in the boardroom afterwards over the eligibility of former county player Leslie McGettigan, who had been living and playing in America for a number of years beforehand.

St Eunan's defeated Aodh Ruadh 1-11 to 2-7 in the 1997 final. But Aodh Ruadh objected and after the disciplinary process had their objection upheld.

John won the first of his seven official titles in 1999 when St Eunan's defeated Aodh Ruadh by eight points, 1-19 to 1-11.

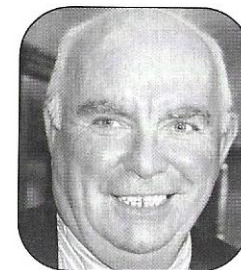
His other six final wins were in 2001 against Four Masters; Glenswilly in 2007, the first of a three in-a-row which included

Termon in 2008 and Sunday's opponents Naomh Conaill in 2009 and Naomh Conaill again in 2012 and Glenswilly again last year.

While big John always claims the 1997 final he is bidding to officially join officially Danny Gillespie, Gaoth Dobhair and the Bundoran duo of Brian McEniff and Seamie Granaghan on eight senior championship winners medals. Brian McEniff and Seamie Granaghan won seven of theirs with the great St Joseph's team of the 1960s and '70s and one with their home club Bundoran. St Joseph's was an amalgamation of Ballyshannon and Bundoran.

Rory Kavanagh, Kevin Rafferty and Conall Dunne are playing in their 11th final and are the holders of six winners medal and are chasing a seventh this afternoon.

St Eunan's are also bidding to set a new championship record this afternoon. They currently share the top spot on 14 along with Gaoth Dobhair. A win this afternoon and they will move on to 15 all on their own.



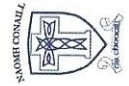
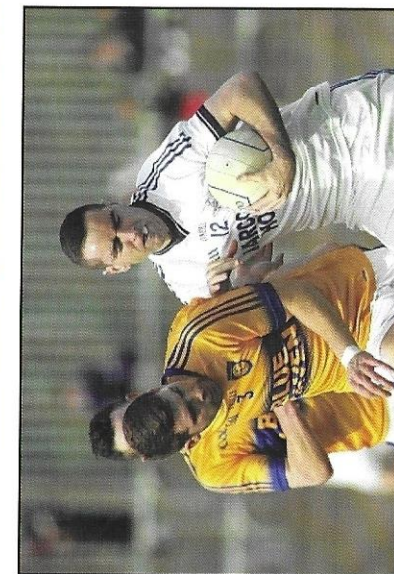
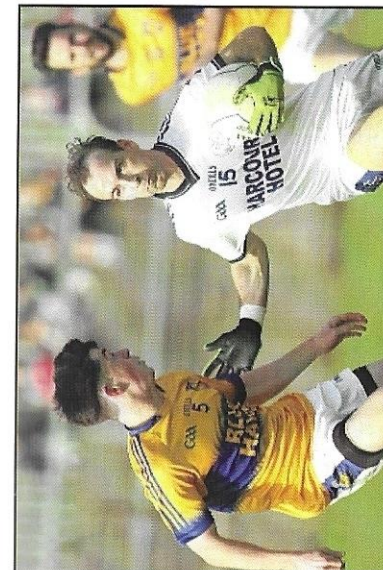
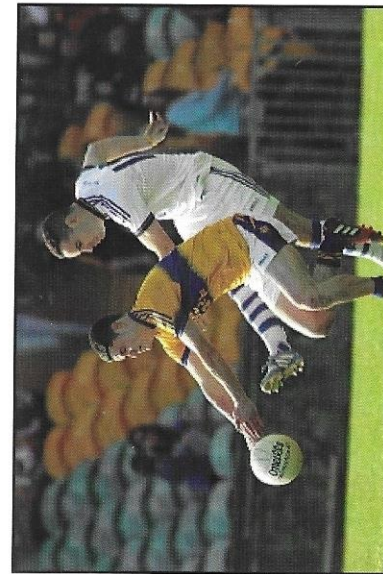
St. Naul's Pipe Band

St. Naul's Pipe Band began life in 1945 as the Ardagh A.O.H. Pipe Band. Due, mainly to immigration, it lapsed for a number of years in the 60's but reformed in 1968 and has been 'going strong' since thanks mainly to Jim Kennedy and his family. Jim, now 80 + is still piping with the Band. Membership has increased in latter years, attracting members from as far away as Co. Monaghan.

In 1976 the Band took a big step forward. Having fund-raised for a year, new uniforms and instruments were purchased, an instructor was brought on board to give tuition to both current and new members and the A.O.H. label was dropped. The Band was now a community band named St. Naul's after our local saint - Naomh Náile.

The Band has had a few trips abroad, New York St. Patrick's Day 2002, WWI commemoration in Flanders St. Patrick's Day 2007 and London St. Patrick's Day 2010. Other than that the Band has played all over Ulster, parts of Connaught and as far south as Athlone.

St. Naul's Pipe Band has, this year, celebrating its 70th birthday, acquired new kilts and accessories - hence today's collection.



CLG Naomh Conaill



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1 Stiofán Mac Craith
Stephen McGrath

2 Aaron Mac Tomáis
Aaron Thompson

3 A.J.O Gallchóir
AJ Gallagher

4 Caoimhín Mac Eiteagáin
Kevin McGettigan

5 Máirtín Ó Baoill
Marty Boyle

6 Antaine Mac Tomáis
Anthony Thompson

7 Eoin Mac Uaid
Eoin Waide

8 Seainín Mac Giolla Uain
Johnny McLoone

9 Ciarán Mac Tomáis
Ciaran Thompson

10 Adhamhnán Ó Dochartaigh
Eunan Doherty

11 Diarmaid Ó Ludhóg
Dermot Molloy

12 Dara Ó Gallchóir
Dara Gallagher

13 Seán Ó Máille
John O'Malley

14 Leon Mac Giolla Uain
Leo McLoone (c)

15 Leon Mac Tomáis
Leon Thompson

16 Antaine Ó Beirne
Tony Byrne

17 Eátán Ó Domhnaill
Ethan O'Donnell

18 Séamas Ó Corcráin
Seamus Corcoran

19 Seainín Ó Cnáimhsí
Johnny Bonner

20 Cathal Mac Ellis
Cathal Ellis

21 Iasón Mac Cathmhaoil
Jason Campbell

22 Eoghan Mac Eiteagáin
Eoghan McGettigan

23 Breandán Mac Duibhir
Brendan McDyer

24 Ciarán Ó Braonáin
Ciaran Brennan

25 Aodh Ó Gallchóir
Hughie Gallagher

26 Doimíníc Ó Cnáimhsí
Domnic Bonner

27 Stiofán Ó Ludhóg
Stephen Molloy

Bainisteoir: Martin Regan

Maor Foirne: Martin Regan, Cathal Corey

Roghnóirí: Patrick Gill, Seamus O Malley, Martin Gallagher, Vincent Cranley

Captain: Leo McLoone

	Cúil	Cúillíní	Seachái	45	Saor	Ciceanna
1 Adh Leath						
2 Adh Leath						
Iomlán						

CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin



1 Sean Pól O'Cléirigh
John Paul Clarke

2 Conchur O'Páirc
Conor Parke

3 Sean O'hEansaigh
Sean Hensey

4 Peadar O'Duibheann
Peter Devine

5 Caolan Mac a'Bháird
Caolan Ward

6 Eamon O'Dochartaigh
Eamon Doherty

7 Conchur O'Giobúin
Conor Gibbons

8 Caoimhín O'Raifeartaigh
Kevin Rafferty

9 Ruairí O'Camhanach
Rory Kavanagh (c)

10 Dara O'Maolcraoibhe
Dara Mulgrew

11 Conal O'Dúin
Conal Dunne

12 Sean Mac an Bheata
Sean Mc Veigh

13 Ruairí Mac Giolla Cearra
Rory Carr

14 Sean O'hEaráin
John Haran

15 Lea Mac Miongháil
Lee Mc Monagle

16 Daibhéid O'Tiorúil
David Tyrell

17 Marc Mac Gabhann
Mark Mc Gowan

18 Conchur O' Domhnaill
Conor O'Donnell

19 Padraig Mac Gabhann
Paddy Mc Gowan

20 Micheal O'Mairtín
Mick Martin

21 Conchur O'Muireasáin
Conor Morrison

22 Conal Mac Fhionnghaile
Conal Mc Ginley

23 Ciaran O'Searcaigh
Ciaran Sharkey

24 Micheal O'Miolúir
Michael Miller

Bainisteoir: Maxi Curran

Maor Foirne: Brendan Kilcoyne

25 Conal O'Baoill
Conal O'Boyle

26 Oisín Mac Giolla Cearra
Oisín Carr

27 Odhran Mac Fhionnghaile
Odhran Mc Ginley

28 Cormac O'Coghlaínn
Cormac Coughlan

29 Baróid Mac Gaoithín
Barry Mc Geehin

30 Daibhéid O'hEarlaghaigh
David O'Herlihy

31 Sean o'hUime
Sean Hume

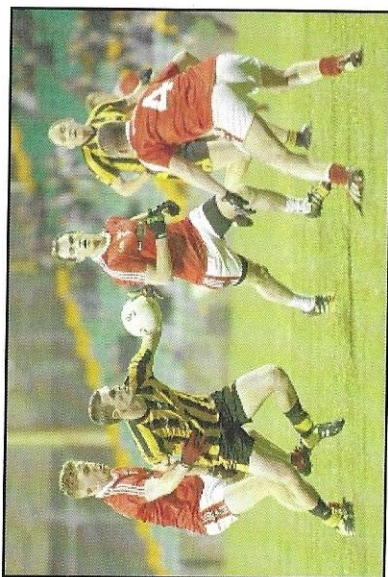
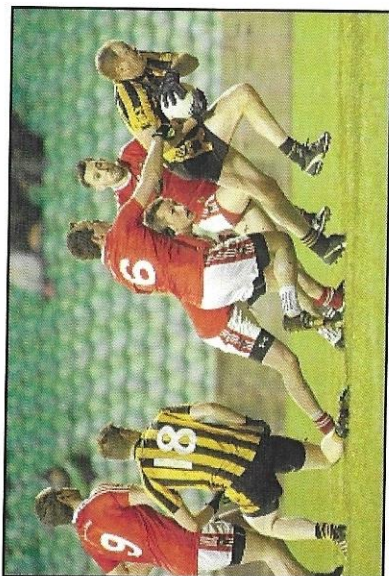
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Garvan Grant

33 Mathú O'Gallachóir
Matthew Gallagher

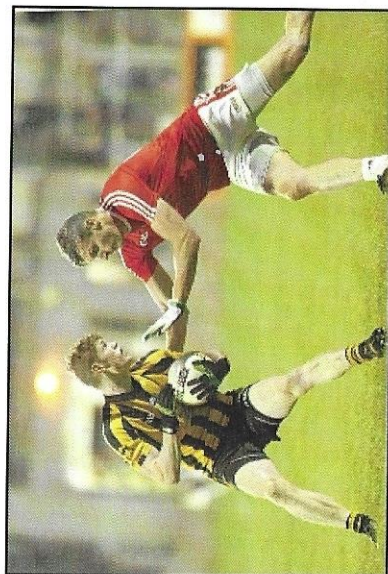
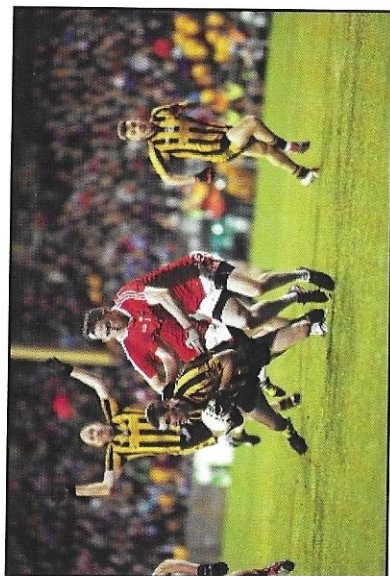
Roghnóirí: Barry Meehan, Vincent Mc Glynn

Captain: Rory Kavanagh

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CLGNaomh Adhamhnáin



1990 - Naomh Columba by a point

Naomh Columba 0-10 V Killybegs 0-9


Sunday, 23rd September, 1990 saw the men from Glencolmcille lift the Dr. Maguire Cup for the second time in their history. At the end of that day they had contested two senior finals and won both. There was celebration in both camps the day before also as the Killybegs captain Manus Boyle and Kevin Gillespie of Naomh Columba were at the altar for nuptials with most of the panels in both camps involved. Kevin married Teresa Gavigan, sister of the footballing clan and cousins of the Carrs. Killybegs led by 0-6 to 0-5 at half-time and the sides were level six times including at 0-9 each before Michael Oliver McIntyre and Seamus Carr combined to win the free for Noel Hegarty to clinch the title.

The teams were:

Naomh Columba: Kevin Doherty; Conal Gavigan, John Paul Curran, John Joe Doherty (capt); Sean Gavigan, Noel Hegarty (0-1,f), Paul Carr; Dessie Cunningham, Paddy Gavigan; Seamus Carr (0-5), Paddy Hegarty (0-2), Paul McIntyre; Noel Carr, Michael McNelis (0-1), Michael Oliver McIntyre (0-1,sideline). Subs., Damien Gillespie for P McIntyre. Rest of panel: Eugene Doherty, Martin Gillespie, Finian Ward, James Sweeney, Aidan Burke, Paul Hegarty, Michael Gillespie, Michael Cunningham.

Killybegs: David Meehan; Michael Campbell, Paul Carbery, Kevin White; Barry Cunningham, John Cunningham, Conal Gallagher; Barry McGowan (0-1), Manus Boyle (0-5,3f); Mark Boyle, John Ban Gallagher (0-1), Jimmy White; Conal F. Gallagher (0-1), Denis Carbery (0-1), Rory McNelis. Subs., John McGuinness for Campbell; Paul Murrin for J White; Declan Boyle for McNelis.

Referee: Mick McGrath (Aodh Ruadh)

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1990 OUR CHAMPIONSHIP YEAR

The success we achieved in 1990 started at our AGM when we appointed Michael McNelis as player / manager, assisted by Jimmy Cunningham, Sean Burke and Paddy Beag Gillespie. They instilled into the team a belief in themselves that we were as good as any team in the county and that victory could be attained through commitment, spirit and perseverance. Under a rigid training programme which began in early February the team began to put in the effort, naturally enough at the beginning the training was tough but the players soon began to come to grips with it and gradually began to look forward to it each Tuesday and Thursday night. the training would later pay dividends when we began to get good league results. A match in Kingscourt was organised in the Spring and our Senior and Reserve teams stayed overnight. We had a team meeting in the hotel and every player in the Senior panel was left in no doubt what was expected of them for the rest of the year. This brought all Naomh Columba players together and the crack in Kingscourt is still recalled to this day. We started our league campaign slowly losing our first 2 games against Glenfin and Kilcar but they would turn out to be the only games we would lose in league or Championship that year. The team needed to win some silverware to bring some confidence to our young Senior team and we achieved this by winning the Eamon Byrne memorial cup in Fintra against Killybegs. This would be the first of three important victories against our great rivals and from this victory onwards the team played with the spirit and belief that McNelis demanded. The championship began in May when we defeated Gaoith Dobhair in Magheragallon in the first leg in a hard fought match. A week later in the second leg at Pairc Na NGael we were more impressive and ran out convincing winners. In the quarter Final we met Glenfin in Fintra. This was not one of our best performances against a strong Glenfin could not get the vital scores against a rock solid Glen defence final score Naomh Columba 0-10 Glenfin 0-4. In the semi-final we met our neighbours Kilcar in McCumhalls Park. My

memorials of that day would have to be Paddy Hegarty's first half goal when he carried the ball straight through the Kilcar defence and stuck it in the corner. Paddy's goal celebration and the roar from our great supporters. Michael McNelis goal in the second half from 40 yards that caught the Kilcar goalie out and the final ten minutes when Kilcar played the McHugh brother Martin and James in the full-forward line and we matched them with John Joe and Noel Hegarty. All 4 of these players would win an All-Ireland 2 years later, great days. Final score Naomh Columba 2-10 Kilcar 1-11. Appearing in our first county final since 1978 our young side did not perform to our usual standards in the first half. It took us a while to settle and I remember an early marker being put down by Paddy Hegarty when he hit the Killybegs centre-half back a tremendous shoulder. Michael Oliver McIntyre scored an amazing point from a side-line kick and Seamus Carr started to carry the ball straight at the Killybegs defence. Seamus scored some amazing points that day and deservedly won the man of the match award. At half time the score was Naomh Columba 0-5 Killybegs 0-6. We needed a kick up the ass at half-time and McNelis was the man to deliver that and the bang he hit the table during his half-time talk woke us up. The success of 1990 was built upon our great defence and when the pressure came on in the second half we responded in the style. Our back line was a unit and so it would be unfair to name one or two, all year we backed each other up. However I have to mention my old friend Sean Gavigan who made some vital catches for us in the last 10 minutes, he had a great game for one of our more experienced players. Our midfielders Dessie Cunningham and Paddy Gavigan won so much possession against a bigger Killybegs midfield. In the last few minutes we fought for every ball as if our lives depended on it and when our winning point was disallowed it fell to Noel to slot over the resulting free and the Doctor Maguire was ours. Final score Naomh Columba 0-10 Killybegs 0-9. In a very moving speech labhair John Joe go han fluirseach i ngaillge agus thug se an

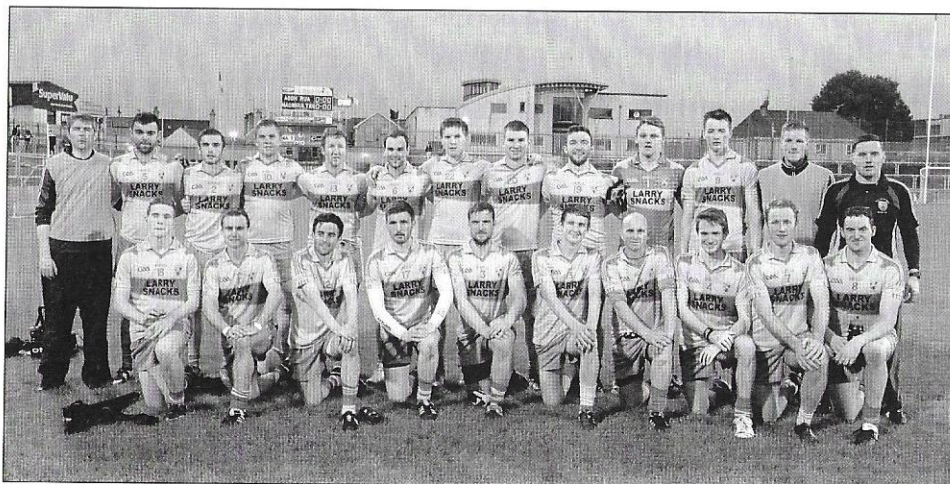
molladh don fhoirne, do buinisteoir agus do hairithe an lucht tachaiochta. Bhi ceol agus craic go maidin san Gleann an oiche sin. The celebrations at the final whistle, the cavalcade home and the joy it brought to so many people when the Doctor Maguire crossed Carrick bridge will never be forgotten. The following Sunday we met Killybegs again in an important league game in Fintra. This was a physical but fair game between the two best teams in the county and my memory of this was a close game until the last 10 minutes when Michael Sconie Cunningham scored a great goal in the top corner. We had a great panel in 1990 and our success could not have been achieved

without all these players. The league final was against Glenfin at home and we knew from previous meetings that this would be tough but after a slow start we pulled clear in the second half and finished the year with the double. I was so proud to play behind so many great players in 1990, but to me Naomh Columba is all about the players that I played with at senior, reserve and third team level and all these teams played with the same spirit as our 1990 team. Finally it is great to see that the players from the 1990's are still the backbone of our club, from senior board to under-age managers, and the future of our great club is in safe hands.

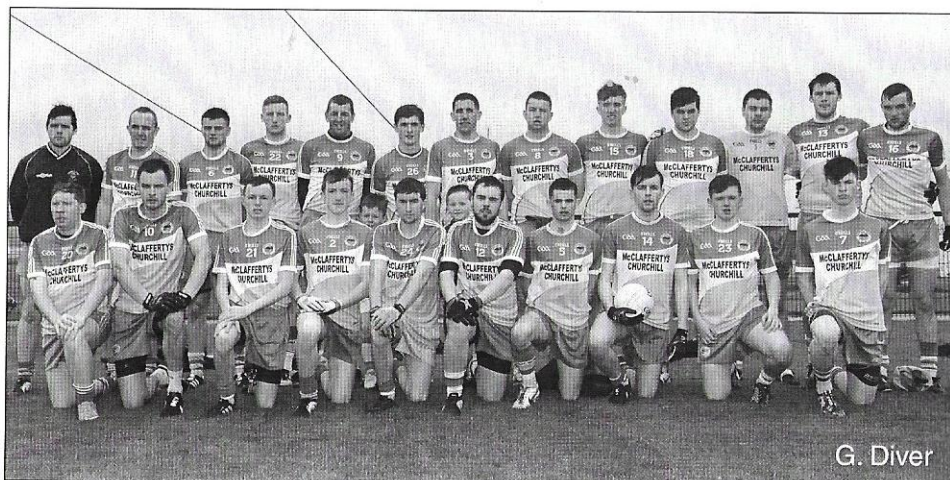
Naomh Columba 1990 Senior Panel:

Kevin Doherty, Conal Gavigan, John Paul Curran, John Joe Doherty, Sean Gavigan, Noel Hegarty, Paul Carr, Paddy Gavigan, Dessie Cunningham, Seamus Carr, Paddy Hegarty, Paul mc Intyre, Noel Carr, Michael mc Neilis, Michael Oliver mc Intyre, Eugene Doherty, Martin Gillespie, Finian Ward, Damien Gillespie, James Sweeney, Aiden Burke, Paul Hegarty, Michael Gillespie, Michael Cunningham





CLG Ard An Rátha Reserves



G. Diver



CLG Gleann t-Suilí Reserves



CLG Ard An Rátha

1 Pádraig Ó Gaibheagáin Patrick Gavigan			4 Seán Mac Lochlainn Sean McLochlainn		
2 Nicholas Ó Breasláin Nicholas Breslin		3 Pádraig Ó Gallchoir Patrick Gallagher			
5 Kelvin Ó Sluaigh Kelvin Slowey		6 Prionsias Ó Baoill Francis Boyle		7 Seán Ó hEairainn Johnny Herron	
8 Seán Mac an Ghoill Johnny McGill			9 Eoghan Ó Dónaill Eoin O'Donnell		
10 Kyle Ó Gallchoir Kyle Gallagher		11 Peadar Mac Aoidh (C) Peter McHugh (C)		12 Pól Mac Fuairisce Paul Watters	
13 Gearóid Mac Cába Gerard McCabe		14 Stiofán Mac Giolla Dé Stephen Gildea		15 Seán Ó Breanáin Jack Brennan	
16	Lorcan O'Donnell	21	Kevin Byrne	26	Simon Breslin
17	Noel Gallagher	22	Joe Melly	27	Ollie Nolan
18	Conor Gallagher	23	Jonathon Shovlin	28	Liam Sweeney
19	Killian Boyle	24	Aaron Bennett	29	Senan Boyle
20	Tony Harkin	25	Aidan Shovlin	30	Cathal Gallagher
Bainisteoir: Mark Cassidy Captain: Peter McHugh					
Roghnoiri: Leonard Molloy & David Hennigan					

CLG Gleann t-Suilí

1		
Proinsias ó Cairbre Frank Carberry		
2	3	4
Brian MacDaibhéid Brian McDaid	Pádraig MacPháidín (C) Paddy McFadden (C)	Pádraig MacDhónaill Paddy McConnell
5	6	7
Ciarán MacGiobúin Ciaran Gibbons	Dónall MacDhónall Daniel McConnell	Barra O Máolumhuaidh Barry Molloy
8		
Pádraig ó Baoill Padraig Boyle		9
		Críostóir MacMaoghail Christopher McMonagle
10	11	12
Cathal Bonner Charley Bonner	Caoimhin Ó Mearthaile Caoimhin Marley	Seán MacPháidín John McFadden
13	14	15
Rian Ó Duibhidhir Ryan Diver	Diarmaid MagFhionaille Dermot McGinley	Rian MacLochlainn Ryan McLaughlin
16 Mark McAteer	21 Conor Harkin	26 Ryan Toner
17 Manus McFadden	22 Rory Callaghan	27 Leigh Crerand
18 Connor Boyce	23 Jason Flood	28 Liam Dorrian
19 Colm Farrell	24 Liam Molloy	29 Paddy Diver
20 Shane Carberry	25 Ciarán Hunter	
Bainisteoir: Aidy Glackin Captain: Patrick McFadden		

Ard An Rátha - A brief History

With six senior titles and with influential hands in both of Donegal's All-Ireland wins, the Ardara club has had a very proud and impacting history since its inception in 1921. Over the years, the work and commitment of so many individuals has seen the development of the club, on and off the field, swell to admirable proportions.

The facilities now in place at Pearse Memorial Park are state-of-the-art and would rival anything in the country. With the addition of floodlights, a new playing pitch, covered stand and excellent clubhouse; those visionary men that first gathered in Den's shop way back in the early 20s would surely approve of the direction their initial ambition has taken ever since.

The national Comortas Peile na Gaeltachta was the perfect opportunity to showcase all that endeavour. It did for the majority of the June Bank Holiday weekend but unfortunately the only thing the club members' hard work couldn't influence, the weather, cruelly conspired against them on the final day itself. However, the junior and senior finals have now been rescheduled for Saturday, October 24. Downings will take on Oileain Arann in the junior decider at 12.45pm while Naomh Conaill battle Kilcar in the senior showpiece at 2pm.

Pen-pictures CLG Ard An Rátha Reserves

Name	Occupation	Age
Patrick Gavigan	Student	21
Nicholas Breslin	Student	21
Patrick Gallagher	Life Insurance Advisor	31
Sean McLochlann	Student	20
Kelvin Slowey	Student	22
Francis Boyle	Student	25
Johnny Herron	Quantity Surveyor	32
Johnny McGill	Civil Engineer	31
Eoghan O'Donnell	Student	20
Kyle Gallagher	Student	20
Peter McHugh	Contracts Manager	37
Pol Watters	Environmental Engineer	24
Gerard McCabe	Bar Man	30
Stephen Gildea	Net Maker	37
Jack Brennan	Student	18
Lorcan O'Donnell	Student	19
Noel Gallagher	PE Teacher	26
Conor Gallagher	Shop Assistant	20
Killian Boyle	Student	19
Tony Harkin	Student	17
Kevin Byrne	Marine Engineer	36
Jo Melly	Student	18
Jonathon Shovlin	Construction Worker	24
Aaron Bennett	Student	21
Aidan Shovlin	Student	21
Simon Breslin	Student	17
Ollie Nolan	Physiotherapist	28
Liam Sweeney	Student	19
Senan Boyle	Student	17
Cathal Gallagher	Student	19

A word from CLG Ard An Rátha Reserve Captain, Peter McHugh

It's great to be looking forward to a county final today and to be leading what is a very committed and talented group of players into battle in Ballybofey. There is a great mixture of youth and experience there and they've shown great character at various junctures along the way as we've won through to the final against Glenswilly. To our management team, they've left no stone unturned and it's been the exact same in the lead-up to Sunday. County finals, at any level, are special days. The fact that the reserve final is the curtain raiser to the big one will only add to the occasion. It will be a great experience for the younger members of the side. Glenswilly will provide us with a huge test. The winners cup is named after an Ardara man – John Gallagher – so we'd love to finally win it.



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A word from CLG Ard An Rátha Reserve Manager, Mark Cassidy

Managing this side this season has been an absolute pleasure. To see how some of the younger lads have taken the lead from the likes of Peter McHugh, Stephen Gildea, Johnny Herron and Kevin Byrne has been very encouraging. It's hard to believe that, over the years, Ardara have never landed a senior reserve title. We came through a very difficult section in the group stage that included St. Eunan's, Naomh Conaill and Dungloe. But I think the boys realised then that they could make a real push from there on in. I feel we have a great chance at the weekend but I know fine well what a difficult hurdle Glenswilly are going to be. They're a great club that have made huge strides in recent times. A bit like ourselves, they've added some experienced heads to the mix this season and it's made all the difference. We'd love to take the John Gallagher trophy back to Pearse Memorial Park but we know we're going to have to produce a serious performance to achieve that goal.



A word from CLG Ard An Rátha Chairman, Stephen McCahill

The CAS Factor

Ardara have always had good Reserve Teams competing in the League and Championship and it was considered over the years that the Club was unlucky that not more silverware was delivered at this level. This year Mark Cassidy and his team seem to have got the right mix of youth and experience to hopefully deliver a championship win.

Ardara's folk hero Stephen Gildea and his good friend Peter McHugh are having a wonderful season and are certainly encouraging great young talent like Jack Brennan and Eoghan O'Donnell to express their great talents and the result is Ardara in this years Reserve Final.



Gildea leading by example

BY FRANK CRAIG (Donegal Post)

Stephen Gildea says that Ardara are long overdue a senior reserve title.

The Pearse Park men have come close over the years but they've never been able to get over the line or clear that final hurdle. This season, with the likes of Gildea, Paddy Gallagher, Peter McHugh and Johnny Herron blending experience with some exciting youth; manager Mark Cassidy will hope he's finally found the winning formula.

Jack Brennan, Lorcan O'Donnell and Eoghan O'Donnell are just some of the fresh faces making an impact and, as Gildea says, 'doing most of the running'. They lock horns with Glenswilly in Sunday's curtain raiser.

The veteran sharpshooter, who pinged 0-10 in their semi-final clash with Gaoth Dobhair last time out, admits that he doesn't know a whole lot about the weekend's opponents. There was a good Glenswilly presence along the terraces in Ballybofey last Saturday evening taking everything in. So in that sense, does Gildea believe they have a slight upper hand?

"They probably got to see both games, the first semi and the replay," he said. "I suppose that was to be expected. I've seen a wee bit of their reports in the papers. They're a wee bit like ourselves with a few ex senior players like Brian 'Shorty' McDaid, Barry Molloy, John McFadden and Charlie Bonner.

"I don't know if that'll count for much (getting a look at us). Finals are all really about on the day. The fact that it's on before the senior game means there will be a good crowd. It'll be a big occasion for a lot of those young lads.

"And again, regardless of what happens – the reserves is all about bleeding young lads

with the view to them stepping up to senior football. There are five or six of them there that are more than capable of making that step up.

"A reserve title would be a big boost for them in that they'd then be making that step with a medal in their back pockets."

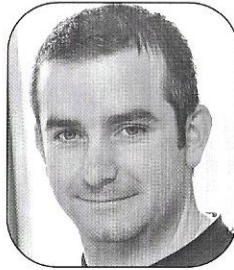
At 37, Gildea has two senior championship medals from 2000 and 2004 to go along with Junior B prizes from 2012 and 2014. He jokes that he'll have the full collection if Ardara prevail on Sunday.

One suspects if the Pearse Park men are to win out, Gildea will need to produce the goods once again in the final third.

He added: "Yeah, I didn't really think about that – 'the full collection'. Seriously though, when you're getting to the end of things in your career it's great to be looking forward to a reserve final.

"I'd a clear run of things this year in terms of injury and I'm enjoying it. We've played some really good football in spells and there is a lot of pace there in the side. It makes it that wee bit easier for the likes of me! We'll need to settle quick. And if we play to the level we know we can for close to the full 60 minutes then we'll not be far away."

Verdict: Ardara.



CLG Gleann t-Suilí - A brief History

The club was founded in 1982 and is situated in a rural area between Letterkenny and Churchill. In approximately 1995, the club moved to Foxhall where Pairc Naomh Columba stands today. Over the years the club developed its clubhouse, a Prunty pitch and in 2006/2007 developed a multipurpose hall, complete with gym, which catered for the many events hosted at the club today.

On the pitch the club has enjoyed much success despite its relatively young years. In 1984 it won the Junior B Championship, the Shield in 1991, Division 4 in 1993, U21 B in 1994, Division 4 in 2000, Intermediate Championship in 2005, Division 1B in 2007

while it also reached the county final in 2007. It also won the Gaeltacht Championship in 2011, Division 2 senior and serve league in 2013. Club was also Division 5 winners in 2014.

Amongst the highlights at senior level was winning the championships in both 2011 and 2013 while also reaching the Ulster Club Final in 2013. The club also reached the senior final in 2014.

The club has a strong and proud youth policy and has had much success at underage level with both by and girls teams while the club's Scor team have also been All-Ireland champions.

Pen-pictures Gleann t-Suilí Reserves

Name	Age	Height	Weight	Occupation
Frank Carberry	28	6'2"	13.5 stone	Quantity Surveyor
Brian McDaid	37	5'7"	10.7 stone	Stone Plasterer
Patrick McFadden (c)	32	6'1"	13 stone	Floor Technician
Patrick McConnell	31	5'8"	12.5 stone	Civil engineer
Ciaran Gibbons	18	6'3"	13 stone	Student
Barry Molloy	29	6'2"	15 stone	Teacher
Padraig Boyle	19	5'8"	10.6 stone	Student
Christopher Mc Monagle	23	6'3"	14.5 stone	Joiner
Charley Bonner	38	6'2"	14 stone	Metal Engineer
Gaoimhin Marley	18	6'4"	13 stone	Student
John McFadden	37	6'	13.5 stone	Factory Worker
Daniel McConnell	22	5'11"	13.5 stone	Lifeguard
Dermot McGinley	22	5'11"	13.5 stone	Student
Ryan Mc Laughlin	17	5'11"	11 stone	Student
Ryan Diver	21	5'10"	13.5 stone	Army
Mark McAteer	17	5'11"	10.10 stone	Student
Manus McFadden	35	6'	12 st	Factory worker
Connor Boyce	17	6ft	12 stone	Student
Colm Farrell	28	5'10"	11 stone	HSE
Shane Carberry	24	6'5"	14 stone	Plumber
Conor Harkin	19	6'1"	11.5 stone	Student
Rory Callaghan	23	6'3"	12 stone	Physics teacher
Jason Flood	17	5'8"	11.5 stone	Retail sales assistant
Liam Molloy	23	5'10"	13.5 stone	Intel Technician
Ciaran Hunter	17	5'10"	10.5 stone	Student
Ryan Toner	18	5'8"	10.5 stone	Retail sales assistant
Leigh Crerand	23	6'1"	13.5 stone	Fitter
Liam Dorrian	20	6'2"	15 stone	Student
Paddy Diver	18	5'10"	11.5 stone	Student

A word from CLG Gleann t-Suilí Reserve Manager, Aidy Glackin

It is a great honour to bring these fine group of players to MacCumhaill park on County Final day. From our Captain to our backroom staff this is always where we wanted to be. We face a strong Ardara team side well drilled by a talented manager with both teams giving it everything. Im sure the wonderful Glenswilly supporters will be our 16th man as always. Together we hope to bring the silverware home to the Hills !! May the best team win.



A word from CLG Gleann t-Suilí Reserve Captain, Patrick McFadden

I am honoured and privileged to Captain this Glenswilly team today in our first ever Senior B (Reserve) Final. I would like to tale this opportunity to thank our management, Aidy, David Martin, and Charlie for their endless hours of training and committment in getting us to the Final.

On our Journey to the Final we encountered strong good footballing teams in Gweedore, St Eunans, Four Masters and I am sure Ardara today will be no different, we are looking forward to a good spirited encounter . Id like to thank our many sponsors and our devoted supporters, we appreciate your continyed loyalty.

To my team mates for their inspiration and Courage a sincere word of thanks to you all for your hard work and dedication put in throughout the year.

Finally I would like to thank our club committee for there endless work throughtout the year. I have no doubt we will do our best today and I really hope that we can do you proud.



A word from CLG Gleann t-Suilí Chairman, Peter McConnell

I would like to take this opportunity in congratulating our reserve team in reaching the county final. It's always a proud day for any club to have a team competing on county final day.

This team has a good blend of youth and experience. Some of the older players have been here before and know what it's all about and what it will take to get them across the line today.

A lot of hard work has been done to get this team here today and this appearance is the reward for the many sacrifices they have made in their daily lives. It's a great credit to our manager Adrian Glackin and his backroom team of Martin (and Caolan!) Glackin, Charlie McGinty and David Cafferey.

During the season, Adrian and Martin had to cope with the passing of their father Finbar who we were proud and honoured to have as our club president. "How proud would he be today?"

Finally, a huge thanks to all our supporters who have been magnificent all year. Good luck today boys.



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GAA – Senior Reserve Championship Final

BY RYAN FERRY (Donegal Post)

GLENSWILLY have become accustomed to chasing silverware on county final day, and they will hope to lift the John Gallagher Cup for the first time today.

The Pairc Naomh Columba men are no strangers to competing at Donegal GAA's showpiece event, with their senior team contesting three of the last four SFC finals.

The Glenswilly senior team exited the championship at the quarter-final stage this year, but their reserve team have stepped up to the plate and given their supporters something to cheer about.

Glenswilly manager Aidy Glackin has moulded his team into a formidable outfit and shown that there is a depth of talent within the club.

"We've always had plenty of talent in Glenswilly," said Glackin.

"This year Michael Canning came in as senior manager and he made a decision to try and develop the whole club, and not just aim for short-term success.

"He brought in a lot of last year's under 16 and under 17 players and gave them a bit of experience.

"A lot of those lads would be part of our panel now and we have a few older boys as well to help them, so we have a good blend."

Glenswilly's campaign has been remarkable and few could have predicted they would reach the Reserve final early in the season.

They won only one of their first seven league matches, and they didn't even manage to score a point in their humiliating defeat to Kilcar.

That proved to be the final straw and Glackin says his players took it upon themselves to transform their fortunes.

"The lads took ownership for that defeat and they called a team meeting the Monday night after the match.

"Nobody likes to get beat 12-nil and there were a few home truths. They knuckled down and a few older boys like Barry Molloy and Brian 'Shorty' McDaid could see that the team were struggling and came and offered their services.

"Our next game after that was against Gaoth Dobhair in the championship down in Magheragallon and we just about got over the line that day and it kind of took off from that."

The Glen men also defeated Sean MacCumhaill's to qualify for the knockout stages, but they were underdogs for their quarter-final tie with neighbours St Eunan's.

However, they performed well and won by two points to claim the local bragging rights and

a spot in the last four.

"We said that we were going to give the championship a good go, but you're never quite sure how you're fixed until you meet one of the top teams," Glackin said.

"St Eunan's were the reigning champions and they have the best reserve players in the county.

"They had beaten us in a challenge game a couple of weeks before that by about 12 or 13 points, but we sat down and looked at it, and came up with a game plan to frustrate them, and we managed to do that and pull off a smash and grab win by two points."

Four Masters stood between them and a final berth, but things weren't looking good as the Donegal Town men had the better of the match.

However, a last-gasp Dermot McGinley penalty sent them through to the final.

"We were surprised at how physical the Four Masters game was and they played very well," the Glenswilly manager commented.

"They were winning by a point as the game went into injury-time. Dermot could have taken a point to draw the match, but I suppose you could say he has the winning mentality and he went for goal and we scored."

McGinley has been a key player in the forward line this year, as has the evergreen John McFadden and minor player Caoimhin Marley.

Charlie Bonner has rolled back the years with some big displays in midfield, while Brian McDaid and Paddy McFadden will man the key roles in defence.

They are in good form, however Glackin has been impressed with Ardara and he expects them to be difficult opponents.

"We would have felt at the start of the year that the two teams to beat were Ardara and St Eunan's.

"They played each other in the group stages in Kentucky and we went up to watch that, and we have seen most of their other games too.

"I thought they were very unlucky not to beat Gaoth Dobhair the first day, but they were much the better team in the replay.

"They have a good mix of young and old and Mark Cassidy has them very well set up. It will be a really tough game for us."



Q&A ...

... Eoin Waide



Club: Naomh Conaill

Occupation: Groundworker

Q. Who always seems to carry an injury on training nights ?

A. Stephen Molloy (Pirate)

Q. What is the best reason to miss training that you have heard ?

A. Breastfeeding – Pirate

Q. What's your manager's best saying ?

A. Where's Pirate?

Q. Who is the worst trainer in the squad ?

A. Leon Thompson

Q. Who is the best Trainer in the squad ?

A. Eunan Doherty

Q. What are your hobbies ?

A. Cinema/Poetry

Q. What is your favourite holiday destination?

A. Tenerife

Q. What is your favourite pitch to play on apart from your home club ?

A. McCool Park

Q. Who is the young player in your club to watch out for ?

A. Daniel Gildea

Q. What is the best thing about the G.A.A.?

A. Representing the parish

Q. Which team-mate has the biggest bag of toiletries?

A. Johnny Bonner

Q. Who is your favourite GAA player of all-time?

A. Peter Canavan

Q. Favourite form of Social media ?

A. Facebook

Q. Who is your favourite Actor / Actress?

A. Morgan Freeman

Q. What music are you listening to at the moment?

A. Highland Radio

Q. What's your favourite film of all-time?

A. Wolf of Wall Street

Q. Other than GAA training, how else do you stay fit?

A. Indoor Soccer

Q. Biggest influence on your career?

A. Family

Q. If you weren't a GAA player what sport would you be playing?

A. Soccer

Q. If you had to coach an underage team what advise would you give them?

A. Work hard and enjoy it

Q. What is the best about being a member of your club ?

A. Its close knit and playing with boys you grew up with

Q. Name the toughest opponent you have faced?

A. All tough

Q. Which county apart from your own do you secretly like to do well and why?

A. Antrim, I was born there

Q. What is your favourite sporting memory?

A. winning the clubs first ever county championship 2005.



Q&A ...

... **Conor Gibbons**



Club: CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin

Occupation: Student

Q. Who always seems to carry an injury on training nights ?

A. Barry Mc Geehin, loves a good stretch

Q. What is the best reason to miss training that you have heard ?

A. Peter Devine lost a stud one day, kicked up a fuss and wouldn't train.

Q. What's your manager's best saying ?

A. Men get the ball to Gibby

Q. Who is the worst trainer in the squad ?

A. Caolan Ward, always complaining

Q. Who is the best Trainer in the squad ?

A. Eamon Doc puts in a good shift

Q. What are your hobbies ?

A. Follower of boxing, the odd night out socialising with friends, chilling in Century Cinemas.

Q. What is your favourite holiday destination?

A. New York. Have been twice and loved what I saw.

Q. What is your favourite pitch to play on apart from your home club ?

A. Mac Cumhaill Park under lights

Q. Who is the young player in your club to watch out for ?

A. Niall O' Donnell is definitely a player to look out for

Q. What is the best thing about the G.A.A.?

A. It can give people young and old a positive focus in their lives

Q. Which team-mate has the biggest bag of toiletries?

A. J. P. Clarke

Q. Who is your favourite GAA player of all-time?

A. Brendan Devenney

Q. Favourite form of Social media ?

A. Twitter for updates on all sports and instagram for trying to kick-start my career in photography

Q. Who is your favourite Actor / Actress?

A. Will Ferrell

Q. What music are you listening to at the moment?

A. No set genre

Q. What's your favourite film of all-time?

A. The Town

Q. Other than GAA training, how else do you stay fit?

A. Ipad in and out for runs has been the main one over the years

Q. Biggest influence on your career?

A. Parents

Q. If you weren't a GAA player what sport would you be playing?

A. Definitely football probably my favourite sport growing up

Q. If you had to coach an underage team what advise would you give them?

A. To enjoy training and playing games, that is the main thing. The hard work and graft will follow in later years.

Q. What is the best about being a member of your club ?

A. Getting the opportunity to wear the black and amber jersey on championship day

Q. Name the toughest opponent you have faced?

A. Eddie Brennan in training

Q. Which county apart from your own do you secretly like to do well and why?

A. Dublin. They play such attractive football that is hard not to see them do well

Q. What is your favourite sporting memory?

A. Brendan Devenney kicking 14 points in the 99 final



Q&A ...

... **Paul Watters**



Club: CLG Ard An Rátha Reserve

Occupation: Environmental Engineer

Q. Who always seems to carry an injury on training nights ?

A. A tossup between Stephen Gildea or Peter McHugh

Q. What is the best reason to miss training that you have heard ?

A. Going on a date !

Q. What's your manager's best saying ?

A. Where do you start with Mark Cassidy

Q. Who is the worst trainer in the squad ?

A. Lorcan O'Donnell - Loves Damian Divers training sessions

Q. Who is the best Trainer in the squad ?

A. Peter McHugh - the man trains the way he plays

Q. What are your hobbies ?

A. Soccer and Tennis

Q. What is your favourite holiday destination?

A. Rome in Italy

Q. What is your favourite pitch to play on apart from your home club ?

A. Tir Chonaill Park, Donegal Town.

Q. Who is the young player in your club to watch out for ?

A. Matthew Sweeney

Q. What is the best thing about the G.A.A.?

A. Pride within the Community

Q. Which team-mate has the biggest bag of toiletries?

A. Kevin Byrne - Anything you need Kevin seems to have it!

Q. Who is your favourite GAA player of all-time?

A. Mauric Fitzgerald

Q. Favourite form of Social media ?

A. Twitter

Q. Who is your favourite Actor / Actress?

A. Declan Washington

Q. What music are you listening to at the moment?

A. Mumford & Sons - Ditmas

Q. What's your favourite film of all-time?

A. Man on Fire

Q. Other than GAA training, how else do you stay fit?

A. Going to the Gym as you can see from my Physic

Q. Biggest influence on your career?

A. My father Eamon and Uncle Noel Watters - they would be great fit for Mayo!

Q. If you weren't a GAA player what sport would you be playing?

A. Soccer

Q. If you had to coach an underage team what advise would you give them?

A. Hard work breeds success

Q. What is the best about being a member of your club ?

A. Playing a game you value and are passionate about. Community Spirit.

Q. Name the toughest opponent you have faced?

A. Joe Melly - he never holds back

Q. Which county apart from your own do you secretly like to do well and why?

A. Waterford Hurlers

Q. What is your favourite sporting memory?

A. Michael Murphys goal against Mayo in the 2012 All Ireland Final



Q&A ...

... **Patrick McFadden**

A. Ciaran Gibbons



Club: Gleann t-Suil Reserve

Occupation: Floor Technician

Q. Who always seems to carry an injury on training nights ?

A. Shane Carberry

Q. What is the best reason to miss training that you have heard ?

A. Can't disclose the name but "had to take the girlfriend to get her hair done"!!

Q. What's your manager's best saying ?

A. If you're out the night before a game lads don't have people putting it on your snap chat story!!

Q. Who is the worst trainer in the squad ?

A. A toss up between Caoimhin Marley and Paddy McConnell

Q. Who is the best Trainer in the squad ?

A. Mark McAteer, Leigh Crerand and myself of course!!

Q. What are your hobbies ?

A. Darts, Golf and socialising

Q. What is your favourite holiday destination?

A. Lake Garda Italy

Q. What is your favourite pitch to play on apart from your home club ?

A. Macumhaill park

Q. Who is the young player in your club to watch out for ?

A. Paddy McConnell, he's been threatening to break through now for 20 years!!! And Shane McDevitt

Q. What is the best thing about the G.A.A.?

A. Old men analysing games and saying how it was better in their day!!

Q. Which team-mate has the biggest bag of toiletries?

Q. Who is your favourite GAA player of all-time?

A. Maurice Fitzgerald

Q. Favourite form of Social media ?

A. Twitter, love an old tweet during Liverpool games #Rodgersout !!

Q. Who is your favourite Actor / Actress?

A. Paddy McConnell when he gets fouled and Daniel Washington

Q. What music are you listening to at the moment?

A. Taylor Swift and Justin Bieber

Q. What's your favourite film of all-time?

A. Superbad Legendary!!

Q. Other than GAA training, how else do you stay fit?

A. Darts in the Rock !!

Q. Biggest influence on your career?

A. Mum and dad

Q. If you weren't a GAA player what sport would you be playing?

A. Soccer

Q. If you had to coach an underage team what advise would you give them?

A. Stay out of the pub and avoid blanket defenses!!

Q. What is the best about being a member of your club ?

A. We are like muck, we stick together! !

Q. Name the toughest opponent you have faced?

A. They are all tough!!

Q. Which county apart from your own do you secretly like to do well and why?

A. Offaly, same colours as Glenswilly! !

Q. What is your favourite sporting memory?

Coaching Structure in County Donegal

Recently C.L.G. Dhún na nGall carried out a full and comprehensive review of the Primary School Coaching throughout Donegal. Primary School coaching in certain regions of the County did not have any coaching input from County Coaches and in other regions Coaches were only visiting Primary Schools for one seven-week block throughout the year due to lack of resources.

Arising from the review, due to the geographical size of the County and one hundred and seventy three primary schools, it was decided to have a dedicated County Primary Schools Coach in each of the five regions of the County, namely Inishowen, East, North-West, South-West and South to cover football. A dedicated County Hurling Coach would also cover the two feeder schools linked into the eleven (11) Hurling Clubs.

At present there are 2 five day primary school coaches in the County and 4 three-day week part time coaches. By increasing the existing three-day coaches from three days weekly to five days, it would create visits to all schools in all regions to two and half, seven week blocks per year. As a result a significant and more structured coaching presence would exist in all Primary Schools, Paddy Hegarty, Games Promotion Officer would be allocated to a 22 x Secondary Schools in the County covering programmes such as Super Touch, Peil 7 a side and development of Coaching initiatives in Secondary Schools.

C.L.G. Dhún na nGall have Doubled their own investment in the Coaching to €127,000 per annum and the clubs in the County have agreed to contribute an additional €20,000 per year.

C.L.G. Dhún na nGall look forward to delivering this Coaching Structure and thank the Clubs for playing a part in delivering to our underage players.



Donegal GAA Health & Wellbeing Committee

As part of the ongoing work of the Donegal GAA County Health & Wellbeing committee we have recently partnered with the Donegal Youth Council in a campaign in promoting road safety.

The campaign is fully backed by Donegal GAA and Donegal Youth Council with Donegal Senior Team Player, Ryan McHugh as its Ambassador.

Our message is simple – make smart choices about how you use the roads: never ever drink or drug drive, strictly keep to the speed limits and reduce your speed, make sure you and your passengers are wearing seatbelts before you set off on a journey, no matter how short and never use your mobile phone for any purpose while driving.

Ryan McHugh said “It was a great honour for him to be selected as the Donegal GAA Road Safety Ambassador and looked forward to working with both the County Health & Wellbeing Committee and the Donegal Youth Council in promoting a safe driving culture for both young and older drivers. He also appealed to everybody, both drivers and passengers, to heed the many safe driving messages that will be delivered particularly over social media channels in the coming months”.



Scór na nÓg Dhún na nGall 2015/2016

Scór is a GAA competition that combines all the colour and rivalry of Gaelic Games with the social/fun element of Ireland's traditional past-times. The competition was established by the GAA in 1969 with the aim of promoting Ireland's traditional pastimes and culture while offering club members the chance to meet up, have fun and represent their club during the winter months while Football and Hurling had ceased.

There are eight events/disciplines in Scór that cover all aspects of Irish culture: Figure/Céilí Dancing, Solo Singing, Instrumental Music, Recitation/Scéalaíocht, Ballad Group, Léiriú Stairiúil, Question Time and Set Dancing. The competition is divided into two age levels, Scór Na nÓg, for young people under 17 and Scór Sinsear, for those over 17.

Just like the All-Ireland Football and Hurling Championships clubs taking part in Scór must first take part in a county championship. The winners go on to the provincial championship and then the All-Ireland Final.

It is interesting to note the All Ireland Scór champions are presented with their medals by the President of the GAA, winners are All-Ireland Champions in their own right in the same way as All-Ireland Senior Football or Hurling Final winners!

The rules are listed on pages 7 to 21 of the Scór Rule Book which is available online. All competitors should know the rules.

1. (a) **Competitors must be registered members of their club in accordance with An Treoraí Oifigiúil 2013.**
 - (b) Competitors from Camogie, Ladies Football, Handball and Rounders Clubs must be registered and bona fide members of their own clubs in accordance with their official membership guidelines.
 2. Clubs competing in Scór competitions must submit the GAA/Associate Body Membership number of all of their competitors to the County Scór Secretary when entering. These numbers must accompany county entrants at Provincial level and Provincial winners at All-Ireland level.
 3. **Competitors may only compete for one club, their own club.**
 4. A club need enter only one group or competitor as the case may be in any of the specific Scór disciplines.
 5. The entry fee for Scór na nÓg and Scór Sinsear at Divisional/County level shall be at the discretion of each Divisional or County Scór Committee.
 6. In accordance with the amateur ethos of the Association:
 - (a) Fulltime professional performers are not eligible to take part in competitions relative to their profession.
 - (b) People whose livelihood is the teaching of music, dancing or elocution are not allowed to participate in competitions in which they specialise.
- Penalty for Breach of this Rule - Disqualification**

IMPORTANT SCÓR DATES

Scór na nÓg Dhún na nGall 2015/2016:

The three semi finals will take place:

Dáta - Date	Ionad - Venue	Am - Time
Dé hAoine 6ú Samhain – Friday 6th November	Magh - Muff	7.00pm
Dé Satharn 7ú Samhain – Saturday 7th November	Gort a' Chóirce – Gortahork	7.00pm
Dé Domhnaigh 8ú Samhain – Sunday 8th November	Gleann Fhinne - Glenfin	3.30pm

The Donegal County Final of Scór na nÓg will take place in either Glenfin or Ramelton on Friday 13th November at 7.00pm.

Ulster Semi Final involving Dún na nGall

Dáta - Date	Ionad - Venue	Am - Time	Contaetha ag glacadh pairt – Cointies taking part
28ú Samhain 2015 – 28th November 2015	Galbally, Co. Thír Eoghain	5.00pm	Dún na nGall, Tír Eoghain, Dore agus an Dún

The Ulster final of Scór na nÓg will take place in Silverbridge, Co. Armagh on Saturday 12th December at 5.00pm.

All entries for this year's competition must be with Rúnaí Scór, Fergus McGee on or before 24th October 2015. No entries will be accepted after this date.

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The Inter-County Managers 2015 /2016

Rory Gallagher Senior Football Manager

Donegal senior football manager, Rory Gallagher is no stranger to Donegal Football and has cut his managerial cloth this year in retaining Div 1 Status and taking Donegal to an All-Ireland Quarter Final. Catching up with Rory and chatting about his year so far he points out that Donegal's performance against Monaghan in the League was disappointing. But in Castlebar we put in a hard performance and booked a place in the Alliance League Semi-Final. In the Championship we had a great start to the campaign beating Tyrone at home and a great Ulster Campaign. Leaving the shooting boots at home Donegal were taken by Monaghan, even now Rory shakes his head in disbelief that we did not manage to get a positive result or a draw. He is confident Donegal would have won a replay. In relation to the Galway game he witnessed many positives in Croke Park, but with Mayo aiming for the elusive All-Ireland it was a step too far for the team - this year. Rory currently is talking about bringing in 10-11 new players to the panel, all in their early 20's and he wants to see how they will perform in the McKenna Cup and the early part of the league. He also mentions the more experienced players in the squad and how the two will blend together. (Rory smiles when you mention retirement, he retired himself a few years ago; he is only involved in Gaelic Football 6 days a week now). As always, Rory is focused on the football and reminds me that the championship draw for 2016 Ulster Championship is on Thursday night (prior to the County Final), hopefully we will get a good one. Finally, he speaks about the Donegal Supporters and how they welcomed him and expresses his thanks to the supporters for the great support they show him and the team.

His parting words were to pass on his best wishes to all four teams today and he hopes we have 2 very competitive and exciting games.

Ardal McDermott Senior Hurling Manager

Senior Hurling manager, Ardal was a noted Club and County player. Ardal won 17 Senior Hurling Championship Titles and he holds a Lory Maher All Ireland Medal. He was a Selector and Assistant Manager with Ray Durack when Donegal captured the Nicky Rackard Cup. Ardal was appointed in September 2015 and has currently started working on a draft panel of players including many new faces. He has already met the players and given them Strength and Conditioning programmes to work with before they resume training. Ardal hopes that during his term more clubs in the County will get involved in Hurling and he hopes to participate in the development and promotion of hurling in Donegal so we can compete at all levels. Ardal's aim is to maintain Division 2b status and recapture the Nicky Rackard in 2016. His backroom team comprises of Adrian Gaffey (St Eunan's) Eunan O'Donnell (St Eunan's) and Sean Murphy (Burt)

Lorcan O'Toole Minor Hurling Manager

Lorcan is a member of the Four Masters and a primary school teacher. He has been involved with the promotion of Hurling in the club and in schools in the south of the county. He has managed a number of age groups for the clubs and moves into County Management for the first time this year.

Lorcan will start to look at new blood in the coming weeks and a fresh approach to the Donegal Minor Hurlers. We wish Locarn all the best in his role.

The Intercounty Managers 2015 /2016

Declan Bonner U21 Football Manager

Declan himself is a Senior Football All Ireland medalist and he brings a wealth of experience at all levels to the U21 set up. Experience tells us that no stone will be left unturned to bring a challenge to the highest level. He has experience with this talented group of players through his involvement with the 2013/2014 minor teams and bringing much success to them. Looking ahead to the Ulster Championship, Declan takes it one match at a time and while the 2016 Draw is in place, Donegal will face Derry or Antrim in the opening game, together with his backroom team he will be ensuring over the winter that the "young Club" will be preparing to peak for the Ulster U21 Championship. Declan has much of his minor backroom team which brought Donegal to an All Ireland Minor Final in 2014 in place again this year. Declan aims high and that will ensure an interesting year ahead with U21's. Declan tells me he started in management 15 years ago and his record is Senior, U16, U17, U18 and U21 which is some record and hopefully he will set a few more!

Sean Paul Barrett Donegal Minor Manager

Another well know face within the Donegal development Squads, Sean Paul Barnett. He was with Donegals u16/u17 squads and has now stepped up to the rank of Minor manager. A member of the Milford Club SP has managed to bring Milford to an u21 b championship title and currently they are sitting on top of Division 3. Sean Paul as manager has played an important role in club development in Milford and in his coaching roles. Like Declan Bonner Sean Paul knows whats ahead and has had his eye on challenging at the top level in Ulster. This year he will get that chance, we wish Sean Paul all the best.

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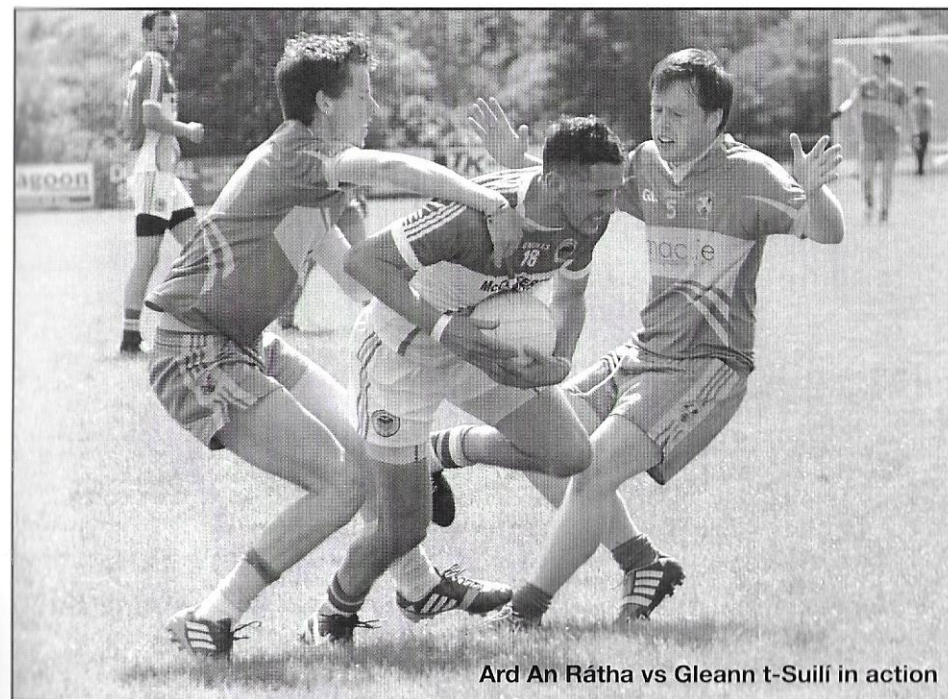
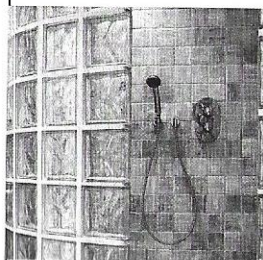
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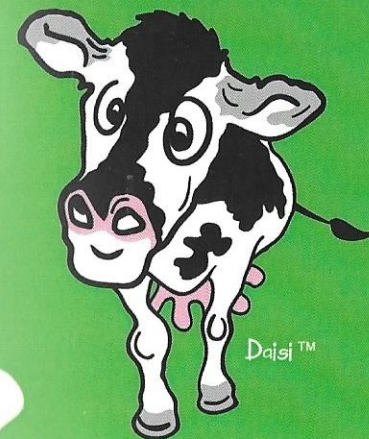
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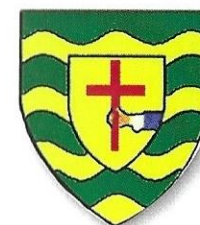
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