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SEMI-FINAL SAT 25TH JUNE 7.00PM
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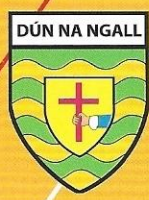
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TODAY'S GAMES

SATURDAY 25TH JUNE 2016
AT KINGSPAN BREFFNI PARK

ELECTRIC IRELAND ULSTER GAA FOOTBALL MINOR CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINAL

THROW IN 5:00pm (Extra time if required)

ULSTER GAA FOOTBALL SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINAL

THROW IN 7:00pm



DÚN NA NGALL
V **MUINEACHÁN**

Referee: Paul Faloon (An Dún)
Standby: Sean Lavery (Aontroim)
Linesman: Martin Conroy (Tír Eoghain)
Sideline Official: Conor Dourneen (An Cabhán)
Umpires: Kevin Faloon, Mickey Cranney,
Marty Tumilty & Noel Tumilty



DÚN NA NGALL
V **MUINEACHÁN**

Referee: Ciaran Branagan (An Dún)
Standby: Joe McQuillan (An Cabhán)
Linesman: Maurice Deegan (Laois)
Sideline Official: Eamon O'Grady (Liatroim)
Umpires: Mark Doherty, Micky Curran,
Seamus O'Hanlon & Eamon Fitzsimons

Paul Faloon (An Dún)

Paul is a member of the Drumgath club in County Down and has been refereeing since 2011.



This is Paul's first year on the National panel and he refereed 3 League games. He has taken charge of numerous finals in Down, most notably the Down Minor Championship Final in 2013 and the Down Intermediate Final 2014.

In 2016, he also refereed the Rannafast and McLarnon Cup Finals. At Ulster level, he has taken charge of Minor and Under 21 Championship games as well as Dr McKenna Cup games.

Paul also refereed the 2015 Ulster Minor Championship Final between Derry and Cavan.

Ciaran Branagan (An Dún)

Ciaran is from the Clonduff club in Co Down where he played both football and hurling. He is married to Karen and has 4 children. He began refereeing in 1999 and has refereed at every level within the County. He was added to the Ulster panel in 2002 and the National panel in 2007.



He has refereed Ulster Minor Championship, Ulster Club and Dr McKenna Cup games. He has refereed an All Ireland Junior Football Championship Final as well as Ulster Senior, Intermediate and Junior Club Finals.

He also refereed the 2013 Ulster Under 21 Final and an All Ireland Under 21 Final. This is his first Ulster Senior Football Semi Final.

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Micheal Ó hÓsain
Uachtarán Chomhairle Uladh

RÉAMHFHOCAL

PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

Cuirim fáilte an-mhór roimh gach duine chuig na Cluichí Leath Ceannais Craobh Peile Uladh 2016 i bPáirc Breifne Kingspan inniu. Ní timpiste ar bith é go bhfuil na ceithre foirne á bheas ag imirt in Roinn 1 de'n t-Sraith Náisiúnta Peile in 2017 fágtha i gCraobh Peile Uladh 2016. Guidhim gach rath agus ádh ar na ceithre foirne a bheas ag imirt anseo inniu.

I extend a hearty welcome to everybody attending the Ulster Championship Semi Finals in Kingspan Breffni Park today. It's not by accident that the four teams who will line out in Division 1 in 2017 are the last four teams still standing in the Provincial Championship. I wish all four teams playing here today every good luck in their game.

Monaghan were Ulster Champions in 1916, were the dominant team in Ulster in the early years having won 10 titles by 1930. Similarities are re-emerging having contested the last three Ulster Finals, seeking their third title in 4 years and are the reigning champions. Donegal hurlers were the more successful team representing the county in the early years, winning Ulster titles in 1906, 1923 and 1932. The footballers contested their first final in 1963 and won their first Ulster title in 1972. Today they will be aiming for six consecutive Ulster Final appearances.

Today we also welcome the minor teams from the same counties to display their skills in the Ulster Minor Championship Semi Final. Both counties have been contesting the latter stages of this competition for the past 5 years. I anticipate a really good game as these minors share the stage on a semi-final day in the Ulster GAA Championship.

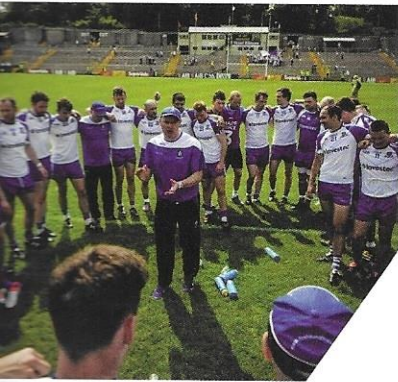
Today sees another opportunity for a special exhibition skills game at half time. As part of the Ulster GAA's Disability Inclusion programme there will be schools & community groups representing the participating counties at the semi-final. Today, we have the following teams involved; Monaghan Special Olympics team, Donegal Dynamos and Willowbridge. A special word of thanks to all those working with these groups. Also, this weekend Feile Peile na nÓg takes place in Limerick and Kerry and I wish to extend my best wishes on behalf of Comhairle Uladh to all those who are involved in this massive event. Please note Cavan, Monaghan and Fermanagh will host this competition in 2017.

I acknowledge and thank all the Ulster Council and An Cabhán GAA personnel involved in hosting today's games. Everyone plays their part; supporters and stewards, medics, match officials and players, sponsors, local authorities, media, County Boards and Provincial Council. I also wish all four teams, their County Boards and management every success in their respective outings today. To our match officials I wish them an enjoyable day and one that they play a significant role in ensuring fair play within the rules of our game.

Finally, to you the supporters; we hope the experience of today will encourage you to join us again at some stage over the summer before the 2016 resting place of the Anglo Celt Cup is confirmed.

Micheal Ó hÓsain

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Uachtarán Chomhairle Uladh



Amhrán na bhFiann

Sinne Fianna Fáil
A tá fé gheall ag Éirinn,
buion dár slua
Thar toinn do ráinig chugainn,
Fé mhóid bheith saor.
Sean tír ár sinsir feasta
Ní fhagfar fé'n tiorán ná fé'n tráil
Anocht a théam sa bhearna bhaoil,
Le gean ar Ghaeil chun báis nó saoil
Le guna screach fé lámhach na bpiéar
Seo libh canaídh Amhrán na bhFiann.



YOUR SAFETY

PLEASE MAKE IT A DAY TO REMEMBER

Please note the following regulations. We ask for your full co-operation with stewards and other volunteers who are doing their best to ensure you enjoy the match. If you fail to co-operate it may be necessary to refuse you entry or, if inside the stadium, to ask you to leave.

Please do not bring anything into the stadium that can be used as a weapon or that will cause interference with others. This includes fireworks, smoke canisters, bottles, flagpoles, banners. We do not allow alcohol in the ground. We ask you not to climb onto walls, stands and other buildings. Likewise, we ask you to refrain from making unnecessary noise that will annoy other spectators near you. That includes the likes of air horns or radios.

Please do not use foul, abusive or offensive language. There are families and children present. We ask you not to enter the field of play during or after the game for health and safety reasons. Occasionally we may be required to search patrons entering the ground. If you refuse to be searched you may be refused entry. Please do not obstruct gangways or stairwells etc. Also, please do not engage in behaviour that may cause a fire or other dangerous event.

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

FIRST AID

First Aid is provided at today's venue by Civil Defence personnel with ambulances located behind the Main Stand and behind the disabled section on the Eastern Terrace.

LOST CHILDREN

Children who have become separated from their parents/guardians should be brought to the designated First Aid Points.

SAFETY NOTICE

We have established this policy for health and safety reasons, to avoid serious injury or death. We thank you for your co-operation, and hope you enjoy the match.



National Anthem Singer

Thomas Hughes is from the Cornafean club in Cavan. He is the current County Senior Solo Singing Scór champion.

At 20 years old, he has previously won five Cavan solo singing titles and six titles with Cornafean Ballad group. He also played underage football with his club.

CLÁR AN LAE

4.45pm	Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
4.48pm	Muineachán amach ar an bPáirc
4.50pm	Oifigigh an Cluiche amach ar an bPáirc
4.52pm	Toss
5.00pm	Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall V Muineachán
5.31pm	Half Time / Leath Am
5.32pm	Entertainment / Siamsa
5.41pm	Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
6.14pm	Críoch an Chluiche Mionúir
6.33pm	Both County Secretaries to present Team Lists in Referees room
6.39pm	Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
6.42pm	Muineachán amach ar an bPáirc
6.45pm	Oifigigh an Cluiche amach ar an bPáirc
6.50pm	Toss
6.53pm	Paráid
6.58pm	Amhrán na bhFiann
7.00pm	Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall V Muineachán
7.36pm	Half Time / Leath Am
7.38pm	Cluichí Exhibition
7.48pm	End of Exhibition Game
7.50pm	Conclusion of presentation

7.51pm	Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
8.30pm	End of Senior Game / Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir

* If Extra Time is required in the Minor game, see below

6.20pm	Start of First Period of Extra Time
6.31pm	End of First Period of Extra Time
6.33pm	Start of Second Period of Extra Time
6.34pm	Both County Secretaries to present Team Lists in Referees room
6.44pm	End of Extra Time
6.49pm	Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
6.52pm	Muineachán amach ar an bPáirc
6.58pm	Oifigigh an Cluiche amach ar an bPáirc
7.00pm	Toss
7.03pm	Paráid
7.08pm	Amhrán na bhFiann
7.10pm	Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall V Muineachán
7.46pm	Half Time / Leath Am
7.48pm	Cluichí Exhibition
7.58pm	End of Exhibition Game
8.00pm	Conclusion of presentation
8.01pm	Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
8.40pm	End of Senior Game / Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir



SPECIAL EXHIBITION

GAA FOR ALL

Monaghan Special Olympics

Padraig Kelly
Padraig Crudden
Damien Treanor
Darren Leonard
Terry Curtis
Freddie Treanor
Aaron Curran
Michael McQuade
Jamie Hughes
Eamon Brummitt
Mark McCabe
Mark McElroy
Clare McElroy
Hugh Coyle
Paul McKenna
Tom Cloonan
Conor Walsh
Ryan Gibson
Lee McMahon
Shane McElwaine
Padraig Smith

Donegal Dynamoes

Anthony Donagher
Brian O'Donnell
Damien Gallagher
David Gallagher
Joe Friel
John Joe Gettins
John Meehan
Kieran Gallagher
Shane Gorman

Willowbridge

Edward Gordon
Nathan McGilly
Jane West
Hannah McCusker
Siobhan Flynn
Cora Bogue
Conall Corrigan
Jack Monaghan
Gary Grew
Aiden McGilly
Jordan Watson

THE GAA ACTIVELY PROMOTES OUR GAMES AS THE GAA FOR ALL. THE REWARDS ARE GREAT FOR PARTICIPATION AT ALL LEVELS, NONE MORE THAN WHAT YOU WILL SEE TODAY AT HALF TIME. PLEASE MAKE YOUR SUPPORT HEARD.

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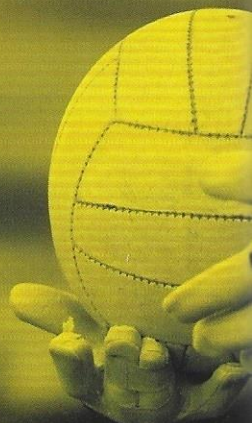
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At The
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of
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Valuing the Volunteer



John Byrne
(CLG Malainn)



Ireland's most northerly Club CLG Malainn adopted Bruckless native John Byrne many years ago. A lover of the GAA in his early years John undoubtedly brought this love of our national game to Malin when he moved to the Parish. A marriage to Susan, whose brother Patrick McLaughlin (R) was Chairman of the Malin Club, meant John's involvement was now set in stone.

With nine children in the family, who played underage level with the Club as well as County, it meant that John spent most of his time in Connolly Park. This continues to this day as those same children now grown up are still involved within the Club locally or also abroad in Donegal Boston GFC.

John's dedication and commitment wouldn't be possible if he didn't have the backing and full support of his wife Susan. The fact that our Black and Amber colours can now be seen worldwide as well as everywhere in our local parish is down to Susan who runs our hugely successful Club Shop.

John has been a dedicated member of the Executive Committee for over twenty five years with many roles, but none as important as being that of Treasurer of the Club. Running a successful Club is almost like running a small business and a local businessman was a sure bet to keep the Club finances in order.

John was heavily involved down through the years when massive improvements were made to Connolly Park. This included the building of a state of the art facility which now includes a top class GAA field, training pitch, covered stand, dressing rooms, function rooms, sports hall and gym. All of which is down to the tireless efforts of all our volunteers throughout the years.

What stands out when we think about John Byrne is his outstanding effort towards Fundraising for our Club. For such a busy man he has a massive engine, he never stops; be it selling our weekly lotto, selling draw tickets at Carrick-on-Shannon mart for a prize heifer, co-ordinating our Fundraising Committee or calling in a few favours when required. John is always a man you can count on when you need something done, he just rolls up his sleeves; whether that is helping with the tea after our Senior games or sponsoring a number of underage team jerseys down through the years through his business Byrne Seafoods.

As well as being involved with our Club, John also helps other local organisations and is heavily involved in raising money for local charities including the RNLI. He is also a driving force behind the Malin Annual Sports Day each year which raises money for two local charities which are close to the hearts of Club members and our local community.

On numerous occasions we could question John's timekeeping but we could never question his commitment, dedication and love for our Club and County. He is a well-known face in MacCumhail Park in his role as steward. He travels the county supporting Malin and the country supporting Donegal, he might get there late but you can be sure he will "Be There. All the Way".

It is true that the volunteer ethos remains one of the most important aspects of the GAA and CLG Malainn would not be the Club we are today without all of our fantastic volunteers including John Byrne. John, CLG Malainn would like to thank you for your continued dedication to our Club.

MINOR PREVIEW

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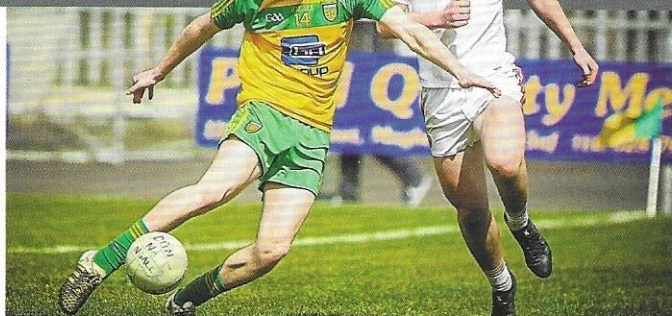
THE leaving certificate is finally put to bed after three weeks of exams, exams and more exams but preparations for today's Ulster MFC Semi-Final between Monaghan and Donegal have been duly hampered by the examination season.

Scores of players from both camps finished the gruelling examinations this week, and they can belatedly turn their full attentions to today's Semi-Final at Breffni Park, with a place in the provincial decider on the line.

On paper it promises to be a competitive encounter between two of the dominant forces in Ulster football since the turn of the decade.

First, the Tir Chonaill men. Donegal clinched the provincial title two years ago on their run to the All-Ireland final spot, while an Ulster Minor League success - their third on the trot - engendered hopes that this year's crop could follow in their footsteps.

Still, Shaun Paul Barrett's side didn't exactly have it all their own way in their Ulster Championship opener against Antrim at Corrigan Park. Staring into a five-point deficit and an early championship



exit in the second-half, captain fantastic Niall O'Donnell pulled Donegal out of the fire with two goals and a series of points.

Kieran Gallagher, Peadar Morgan, Nathan Boyle, Seaghan Ferry, Odhran Shiels and Shane McGrath were also to the fore of their second-half comeback as they eventually won out by 2-11 to 2-7.

It's a new-look Donegal panel with only four survivors from last year's squad, while Monaghan can count 10 players who are back in harness.

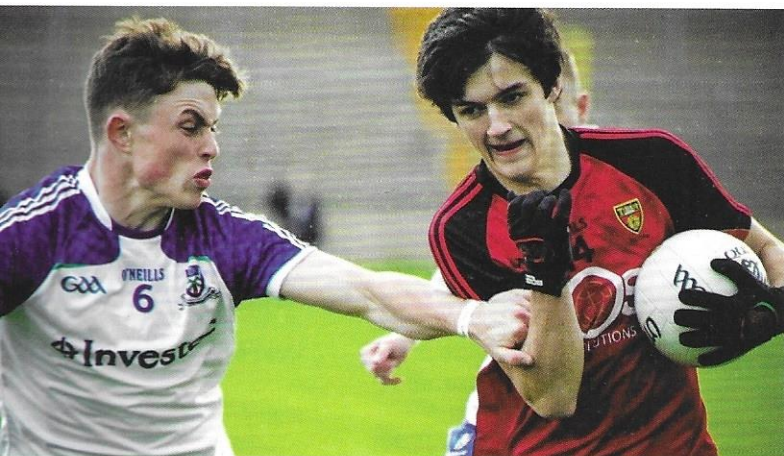
Farney manager Garrett Coyle has worked with this group of players since they were in the U14 development squads and they qualified for today's match with a 1-13 to 0-11 win over James McCartan's Down on May

29. A PE teacher at St Macartan's College, Coyle was pleased with how his side had held firm in the face of a late Down rally - and there's no doubt that a defeat would've been a significant blow considering they were aiming to avoid a repeat of last year's first-round defeat to Cavan.

Like Donegal, the Farney County have a raft of talented individuals in their ranks. Josh Walsh is a teak-tough corner-back, midfielder Padraig Finnan is one to watch out for at midfield, while David Garland will be a familiar name to aficionados of schools' football. Now in his third year on the minor panel, Garland has starred for Patrician High School and was at his brilliant best against Down, finishing with eight points to his name.

Monaghan and Donegal have met this year already - a marathon Ulster Minor League Semi-Final in the middle of April. The Donegal men edged a high-scoring encounter by 0-23 to 0-21 after extra time, with Niall O'Donnell landing 13 points in a virtuoso display - and Garland wasn't far behind, tallying 0-11.

Few would bet that today's encounter will have 44 scores on the scoreboard by the final whistle, but there is enough attacking talent on view to suggest it won't be a damp squib either as both sides stake their claim for a place in next month's final showpiece against Derry.



DÚN NA NGALL



DONEGAL MINOR TEAM

Manager: Shaun Paul Barrett



FÍR IONAID/SUBSTITUTES

16. Carl Dunnion, Sean Mac Cumhaill 17. Ryan Connors, An Clochán Liath 18. Daniel Lyons, Cill Chartha
19. Brian O'Donnell, Cill Chartha 20. Stephen Carr, Gleann Fhinne 21. Gary Molloy, Cill Chartha
22. Aaron Deeney, Naomh Adhamhnáin 23. Enda McCormick, An Tearmainn 24. Jack Flannery, Naomh Conaill

	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachai	45	Seor	Cloinne
1AD Leath						
2AD Leath						
Ionáin						

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MUINEACHÁN

MONAGHAN MINOR TEAM

Manager: Garrett Coyle



FÍR IONAID/SUBSTITUTES

16. Ryan Connolly, Seán Mac Diarmada 17. Conor Doyle, Cluain Tiobraid 18. Fabian Beggan, Cluain Eois
 19. Robbie McAlister, Scairbh na gCaorach 20. Sean Burns, Corr Dubh 21. Tyler O'Hanlon, Achadh Bog
 22. Darragh Hughes, Cluain Tiobraid 23. Karl McMEnamin, Carraig Mhachaire Rois 24. James McKenna, Gaeil Tríúcha

	Cúil	Cúillíní	Seachai	45	Saor	Ciceanna
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LAOCHRA ULADH

DÚN NA NGALL SA BHLIAIN 1916

Le linn Seachtain na Cásca, de réir mar a bhí dlí agus ord ag titim as a chéile, bhí creachadóireacht forleathan. Bhí gnáthshibhialtaigh i bhfostú sa chrosálmhach. Maraíodh 485 idir fhir, mhná agus pháistí le linn Éirí Amach na Cásca nó mar thoradh díreach air. I measc na ndaoine sin, maraíodh 184 sibhialtach, 107 saighdiúir Breatanach, 58 reibiliúnach agus 13 bhall de nA fórsaí póilíneachta idir 24 agus 29 Aibreán 1916. (Glasnevin Trust, 1916 Necrology 485). I measc na marbh bhí an Saighdiúir Singil Con Ó Dúgáin as Anagaire, 3ú Cathlín Royal Irish Rifles, a maraíodh i mBaile Átha Cliath ar 29 Aibreán.

County Donegal in the second decade of the 20th century was a very different place than it is today. The 1911 census put the population of the county as 168,537 people, with 50% living in houses of just two rooms, although due to the work of local authorities and the Congested District Board the standard of living was rising. But by today's standard the county remained poor and remote with basic and underdeveloped services. By 1916 World War 1 had raged for almost 18 months and many normal state services had slowed or had stopped because financial and human resources were being directed towards the war effort.

When World War 1 was declared in 1914 there were already over 25,000 Irishmen serving in the regular British Army with another 30,000 in the reserve. Many Donegal men were amongst these. For many, the reason for enlisting were a combination of unemployment, idealism and adventure. The pay was good compared to other employment



and an allowance was paid to the spouse of the soldier when he was away on duty. Irish chaplains of all denominations volunteered for service during the war. In January 1916 a Circular was sent to the Bishops of Ireland requesting their assistance in soliciting catholic priests to volunteer. Interestingly the then Fr. McNeely served as Chaplain to the Irish Army in Finner camp 1922-1923.

The countermanding orders by Eoin McNeill on Easter Sunday led to great confusion in Donegal and this is highlighted by Daniel Kelly of the Irish Volunteers who in 1916 was station master in Cashelnagore (Caisel na gCorr near Dunlewey in Gweedore). In his statement to the Bureau of Military History, he states

“On Easter Sunday six volunteers and myself cycled from Cashelnagore to Creeslough where we joined Seamus McNulty who had twenty six men. We cut the phone lines and ordered the R.I.C. back into the barracks and told them to remain there.

Our position was rather delicate as we had no orders. On Easter Monday I decided to travel to Dublin but only got as far as Portadown as there was no trains going to Dublin. I returned home and was arrested the following

Saturday and eventually sent to Frongoch Camp in Wales’.

In 1907 Donegal Bai Deargs won the County Football title and Bundoran Sinn Fein captured the Hurling Championship. Organised competitions ceased in the county until 1919 when Bundoran won the football title. Joe Murray a former Monaghan GAA Secretary was transferred to Bundoran in 1915 and began organising the GAA in Donegal. In 1919 Donegal again competed in Ulster. Amongst the attendance at the June 1919 County Board meeting were— Sam O Flaherty (Castlefin), Joe Murray (Bundoran), Joe Sweeney (Burtonport), PJ Ward (Killybegs) and Dr J.P. McGinley (Letterkenny) all who were actively involved in the War of Independence at that time.

Le linn dóibh bheith i bpríosún bhí faill ag na fir as Dún na nGall bualadh le daoine eile, a dtuairimí polaitiúla a phlé, eolas a fháil ar ealain an chogaidh agus tosú ar BPÉ agus na hÓglaigh a atheagrú. Roghnaíodh Dónall Ó Ceallaigh le bheith i mbun an atheagraithe i nDún na nGall. I rith Chogadh na Saoirse, bhí Ó Ceallaigh gníomhach i mBealach Féich, i dTuaisceart Dhún na nGall agus i nDoire.

*Podraig Ó Cannachtain
Dún na nGall*

LAOCHRA ULADH

MUINEACHÁN SA BHLIAIN 1916

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Ultach Iontach

B'fhear mór an CLG in Uladh é Patrick Whelan. Seirbháil sé mar Uachtarán an Chomhairle Uladh idir 1909 agus 1918 agus san am sin, leag sé an bhunchloch don Chomhairle Uladh bríomhar atá ina fórsa sa Chumann sa lá atá inniu ann.

Rugadh Patrick Whelan sa pharóiste Cill Laobháin i gCo. Mhuineacháin sa bhliain 1871 agus le linn a shaol, bhreathnaigh sé ar amanna éagobhsaí ón taobh sóisialta, polaitíochta agus eacnamaíochta de. Bhí ról lárnach aige i mbunadh a gclub CLG áitiúil, na Sáirséalaigh Cill Laobháin, i 1915.

Bunaíodh an Chomhairle Uladh in 1903 agus bhí Patrick Whelan an chéad fear a rinne ionadóch ar son Muineachán ón bliain 1904 ar aghaidh sular toghadh é mar uachtaráin i 1909. B'am deacair é seo don CLG in Uladh ach d'obair Patrick gan stad gan staonadh chun forbairt a dhéanamh ar an Chomhairle agus cobhsaíocht a fháil, go háirithe ó thaobh airgeadais de. Bhí páirt lárnach aige ag fháil cead taistil d'iarróid do lucht leanúna an CLG ar an Domhnach, b'eisean ceann de na sinitheoirí ar ceannach Páirc an Chrócaigh agus bhí sé ar ceann de na chéad iontaobhí an Chumann, ach is é an forbairt a rinne sé ar Chomhairle Uladh an éacht is mó a bhain sé amach.

Bhí sé páirteach le na hÓglaigh Náisiúnta agus máirseáil sé ó am go ham leo ag chaitheamh culaith míleata. Chomh maith lena dualgais riaracháin, ba réiteoir é Patrick Whelan agus de bharr paisean s'aige don teanga agus cultúr Gaelach, b'eisean a bhí freagrach

don cinneadh cruinnithe an Chomhairle Uladh a reachtáil trí Ghaeilge. Ar barr sin bhí sé freagrach ar ceapachán Eoin O'Duffy mar rúnaí an Chomhairle, fear a bhí rí-thábhachtach, ní amháin don CLG, ach ar cursaí náisiúnta freisin.

Ag cruinniú speisialta ar 7ú Nollaig in 1918, chinn an Chomhairle Láir baill den CLG a chuir ar fionnradh má ghlac siad an Mionn Dílseachta. Mar Giúistis Síochána, bhí ar an Mionn Dílseachta a ghlacadh agus de bharr sin níor ath-toghadh é ag an Tionól Uladh ag deireadh an bhliain 1918.

A Great Ulster Man

Patrick Whelan, a stalwart of GAA in Ulster, served as president of the Ulster Council from 1909 to 1918 and in that time he laid the foundations that sees the Ulster Council become the vibrant force that it is within the Association. Patrick Whelan was born in the parish of Killeevan in Co. Monaghan in the year 1871 and in his life he was to see troubled and turbulent times both socially, politically and economically.

The Ulster Council was formed in 1903 and Patrick Whelan was Monaghan's first representative on the Council, joining in 1904, then going on to be elected president in 1909. These were difficult times for the GAA in Ulster but Patrick worked tirelessly to develop the Council and to get things on an even footing particularly from a financial point of view.

He was instrumental in securing rail travel for GAA followers on Sundays, he was one of the signatories to the purchase of Croke Park and was one of the



first Trustees of the Association, but it was for his work in developing the Ulster Council from very tentative beginnings that he is best remembered

He was also actively involved with the National Volunteers, marching on many occasions at the head of parades in full military regalia. As well as his administrative duties Patrick Whelan was an active referee and he was the man who through his commitment to the Irish language and culture was responsible for the decision that meetings of the Ulster Council be conducted as Gaeilge. He was also responsible for the appointment of Eoin O'Duffy as Secretary of the Council, a man who was to go on to have a major impact not only on GAA affairs but on national affairs as well.

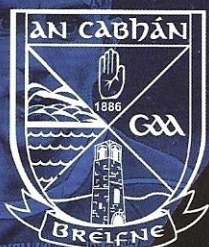
Central Council at a special meeting on December 7th 1918 cast a resolution declaring that all members of the GAA who had taken the Oath of Allegiance were declared suspended pending a definite decision at the 1919 Annual Congress. As a Justice of the Peace Patrick Whelan had taken the Oath of Allegiance and was therefore not returned to office at the Ulster Convention at the end of 1918.

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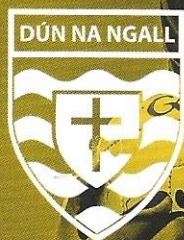


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Paul McConville

YOU have to go back to 2008 for the last time Donegal and Monaghan met in the Championship without some silverware at stake. Then, it was a rather low-key Round Two Qualifier which the Farneymen edged by a point before giving Kerry their fill of it in the next round, but ultimately bowing out thanks to a goal from the towering Ciaran Donaghy in Croke Park.

That meeting was a far cry from the titanic tussles the pair would go on to be involved in as they began to carve up the Ulster Championship between themselves. The last five Anglo-Celts have gone to these counties, with the last three Ulster finals being contested by Donegal and Monaghan.

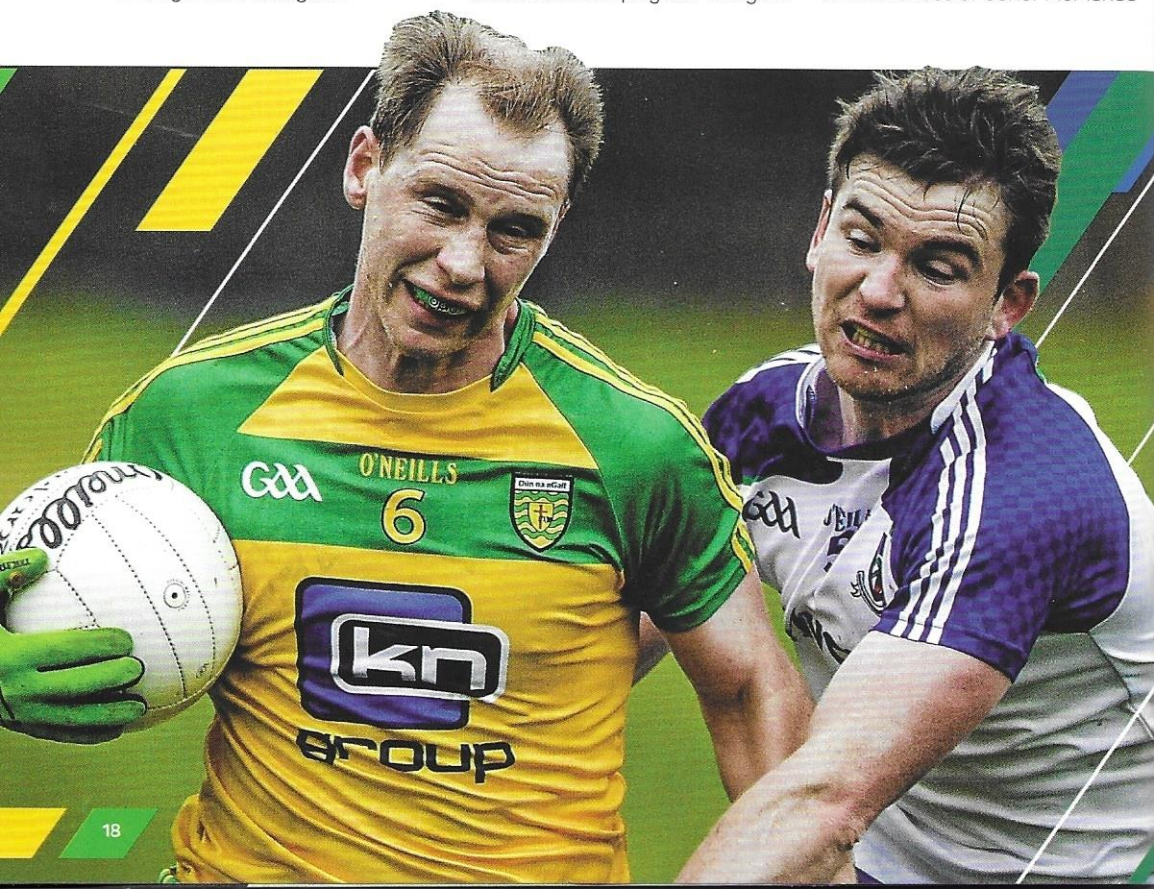
To say they are well acquainted is an understatement. Donegal's breakthrough Ulster win in 2011 was followed up with another triumph in 2012, but when they were seeking and unprecedented hat-trick of titles in 2013, Malachy O'Rourke's Monaghan were lying in wait.

It won't go down as a classic in terms of free-flowing football, but it was an absorbing contest in which every score was hard-earned and turnovers vital. Monaghan managed to shackle the then All-Ireland Champions in first half, while carving out a lead themselves thanks to the deadly boot of Kieran Hughes who banked three precious points from play in the 0-13 to victory. None of Donegal's starting front six scored from play as Monaghan

stunned them by racing into a 0-4 to no score lead with just six minutes on the clock and it was a start the holders never really recovered from.

When the sides met 12 months later at the same stage, the tables were turned and it was Jim McGuinness's side who got off to the quick start. Karl Lacey, Odhran Mac Niallais and Colm McFadden fired over quick scores to open up a three-point lead for Donegal before the Farneymen finally settled thanks to a long-range effort from Paul Finlay after a quarter of an hour.

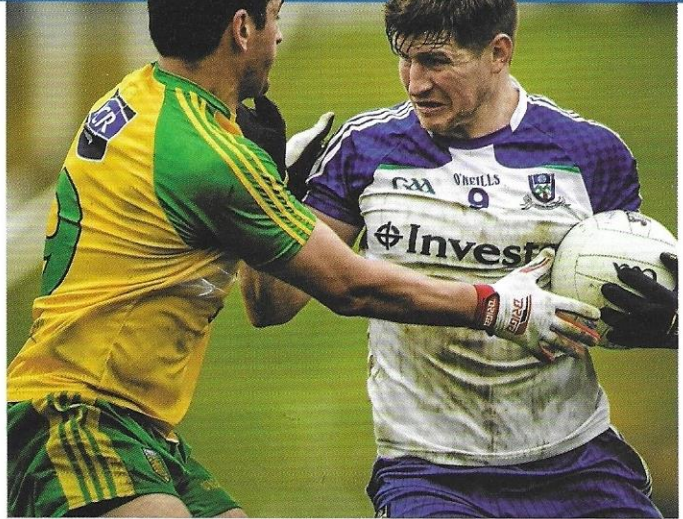
But, with that early advantage secure, Donegal set about suffocating the Monaghan attacking threat, limiting the effectiveness of Conor McManus



THIS EVENING WILL SEE THE SECOND MEETING OF THE COUNTIES IN 2016 AND APRIL'S NFL DIVISION ONE CLASH SHOWED THAT THERE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE A CUP ON OFFER TO GET THEM FIGHTING UNTIL THE BITTER END.



and Kieran Hughes in particular. They managed to keep the Farneymen at arms length with a defensive masterclass, although Monaghan did manage to bring it back to a one-point game thanks to Chris McGuinness's goal 20 minutes from time. But just as they had done in the previous 50 minutes, Donegal closed ranks and hit their opponents on the break, reeling off points from Ryan McHugh, Patrick McBreaty and Michael Murphy to wrestle back the Anglo Celt Cup and ensure it was heading for the Hills for the third time four years.



It would be the springboard for another shot at Sam for Jim McGuinness's men and the looked a good bet after steamrolling All-Ireland champions Dublin in the semi-final. But the Glenties man was not to get the ultimate send off as Kerry proved too much for them in the final.

There may have been a relatively new face in charge of Donegal at the start of 2015 – although Rory Gallagher had already served as McGuinness's assistant and managed the county's U21 – but the Ulster Championship followed a by now familiar pattern.

Donegal were to put their title on the line in the final against Monaghan in a rivalry fast resembling that of Armagh and Tyrone in the Noughties, those counties having shared the Anglo Celt between 1999 and 2010.

Donegal had arguably come through the tougher side of the draw, beating Tyrone in the preliminary round before turning on the style against Armagh and then booking their place in the fifth straight final with an attritional win over Derry.

Monaghan kept it close to home, seeing off neighbours Cavan and Fermanagh secure a third final place in as many years and, once again, there was little between the teams – just a single point to be precise.

The pendulum swung back in favour of the Farneymen who came out on the right side of the 0-11 to 0-10 scoreline in what was an intriguing and absorbing spectacle. This time Donegal got their noses in front early on only for Monaghan to turn the tables on their rivals and produce a strong third quarter, a trait so synonymous with this current Tir Chonaill side.

One of the most interesting match ups of last year's Ulster final was the battle between Donegal full back Neil McGee and and Monaghan's star forward. The Gaoth Dobhair man stuck to the man from Clontibret like glue for most of the match but it was during those precious moments when McManus managed to wriggle free that he was at his devastating best. The Allstar forward kicked six points, four

from frees, despite the limpet-like attention of his Allstar marker and they proved crucial in bringing the cup back to Monaghan.

The Farneymen would go on to frustratingly crash their heads off their own personal glass ceiling in the All-Ireland quarter-finals while Donegal would go on to exit the Championship at the same stage at the hands of Mayo.

This evening will see the second meeting of the counties in 2016 and April's NFL Division One clash showed that there doesn't have to be a cup on offer to get them fighting until the bitter end. On this occasion it was Division One survival for Monaghan which they secured in the dying seconds thanks to the unlikely source of Colin Walshe, his injury time point ensure the Farneymen will continue in the top flight for another year.

But today it's all about the Championship and the latest chapter in an intriguing rivalry. Make sure you read right to the end.



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"Our last annual report highlighted how we distributed more than £3 million worth of funds to those in need locally. More than £1 million of this was spent on direct support for families and individuals, with more than £667,000 spent on fuel and a further £368,000 on clothing and furniture. Our network of 31 shops across the Region supports our work and helps raises vital funds within local communities.

"In recent months the Society of St Vincent de Paul has swiftly reacted to the needs and plights of refugees both at home and abroad. Our volunteers have been at the frontline of assisting families in need by providing a 'funds for food' initiative, clothes and footwear.

"We aim to make the most difference that we can with the resources that we generate through our retail shops or are kindly granted by our benefactors. In the last few years the Society has witnessed a 100% increase in the demand for its services and, in light of this; we are

encouraging new volunteers to join us to help local communities.

"Without your generosity, we simply couldn't continue to tackle the alarming and saddening levels of need that exist in our region. I would like to thank you for taking the time to read about our work."

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AVERAGE SCORE



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TOP SCORER



Michael Murphy
1-31 (1-07 from play)



Conor McManus
2-51 (2-12 from play)

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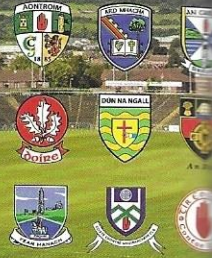


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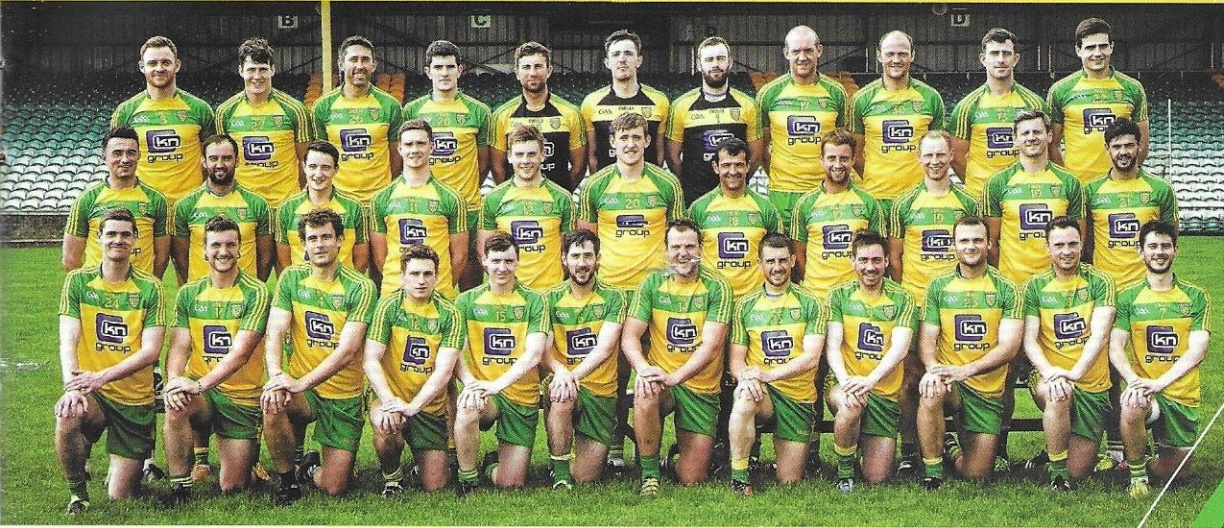
💬 Share your views: We will be offering everyone the opportunity to meet with members of our team to discuss the project. Across 3 days 28th, 29th 30th June our team will be available to chat with you individually. To find out more about where meetings will be taking place follow us on our social media channels and visit our website casementpark.ie to keep up to date.



Note: It is important to note that any comments you make to us during this consultation process do not affect your statutory rights to make further representations to the council or your local council whenever the planning application has been submitted..

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PEN PICS



Ainm	Aois	Airde	Meáchan
Paddy McGrath	27	5ft 10	12st
Caolan McGonagle	20	6ft 3	14st
Darach O'Connor	20	5ft 7	12st
Eoin McHugh	21	5ft 8	11st
Patrick McBrearty	22	6ft 0	13st
Ryan McHugh	22	5ft 9	11st 7
Stephen McBrearty	20	6ft 0	12st
Mark McHugh	25	5ft 10	12st 7
Eamon McGee	32	6ft 3	14st
Kieran Gillespie	19	6ft 1	14st
Michael Carroll	18	6ft 2	14st
Neil McGee	30	6ft 2	13st 7
Odrán Mac Niallais	23	6ft 1	12st
Frank McGlynn	29	5ft 10	13st
Michael Murphy	26	6ft 2	14st
Neil Gallagher	33	6ft 4	15st
Eoghan Bán Gallagher	20	5ft 11	13st
Hugh McFadden	22	6ft 3	14st

AVERAGE AGE IS 25 YEARS

Ainm	Aois	Airde	Meáchan
Karl Lacey	31	5ft 11	14st
Caolan Ward	23	6ft 3	12st 7
Eamon Doherty	25	6ft 0	14st
Rory Carr	18	6ft 3	14st
Rory Kavanagh	33	6ft 2	14st
Anthony Thompson	30	6ft 0	13st 7
Ciaran Thompson	21	6ft 1	13st
Leo McLoone	27	6ft 1	14st
Christy Toyne	33	6ft 3	14st 7
Colm McFadden	32	6ft 2	14st
Mark Anthony McGinley	26	6ft 1	13st 7
Martin McElhinney	27	6ft 1	13st
Jamie Brennan	19	5ft 9	12st
Martin O'Reilly	23	5ft 10	12st
Michael Boyle	28	6ft 0	14st
Peter Boyle	23	6ft 0	13st
Lorcan Connor	19	5ft 8	11st 7
David Walsh	33	5ft 11	13st

AVERAGE WEIGHT IS 13st 1

"IT'S A GREAT HONOUR FOR ME THIS EVENING TO LEAD THE DONEGAL SENIOR FOOTBALL TEAM AS WE STRIVE TO REACH A SIXTH PROVINCIAL FINAL IN A ROW WHICH WILL BE A RECORD IN THE HISTORY BOOKS OF DONEGAL GAA."

Donegal Manager, Rory Gallagher



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DONEGAL SENIOR TEAM

Manager: Rory Gallagher



FÍR IONAID/SUBSTITUTES

16. Peter Boyle, Aodh Ruadh B.A.S. 17. Eamonn Doherty, Naomh Adhamhnáin 18. Mark McHugh, Cill Chartha
 19. Leo McLoone, Naomh Conaill 20. Mícheál Carroll, Gaoth Dobhair 21. Hugh McFadden, Na Cealla Beaga
 22. Christy Toye, Naomh Mícheál 23. Eoghan Bán Gallagher, Na Cealla Beaga 24. Ciaran Thompson, Naomh Conaill
 25. Colm A. Mc Fadden, Naomh Mícheál 26. Darrach O'Connor, Bun Crannacha

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MONAGHAN SENIOR TEAM

Manager: Malachy O'Rourke



FÍR IONAID/SUBSTITUTES

16. Conor Forde, An Bhoth 17. Conor Boyle, Cluain Tiobraid 18. Fintan Kelly, Cluain Eois
 19. Neil McAdam, Na Clairsigh Mhuineacháin 20. Dick Clerkin, Curraichín 21. Paul Finlay, Béal Átha Beithe
 22. Stephen Golligly, Carraig Mhachaire Rois 23. Thomas Kerr, Béal Átha Beithe 24. Owen Duffy, Leachtain
 25. Daniel McKenna, Gaeil Triúcha 26. Jack McCarron, Curraichín

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Colin Walshe	25	5ft 11	13st
Conor Boyle	23	6ft	13st
Conor Forde	21	6ft	13st 7
Conor McCarthy	20	5ft 10	11st 11
Conor McManus	28	6ft	13st*
Daniel McKenna	24	5ft 10	11st 12
Darren Hughes	29	6ft	14st
Dermot Malone	26	5ft 9	13st
Dessie Mone	32	5ft 11	12st
Dick Clerkin	34	6ft 1	13st 5
Drew Wylie	27	5ft 11	13st 5
Fergal McGeough	22	5ft 10	12st 10
Fintan Kelly	26	6ft 1	13st 7
Gavin Doogan	29	6ft	12st 13
Jack Mc Carron	24	6ft 1	13st
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AVERAGE AGE IS 26 YEARS

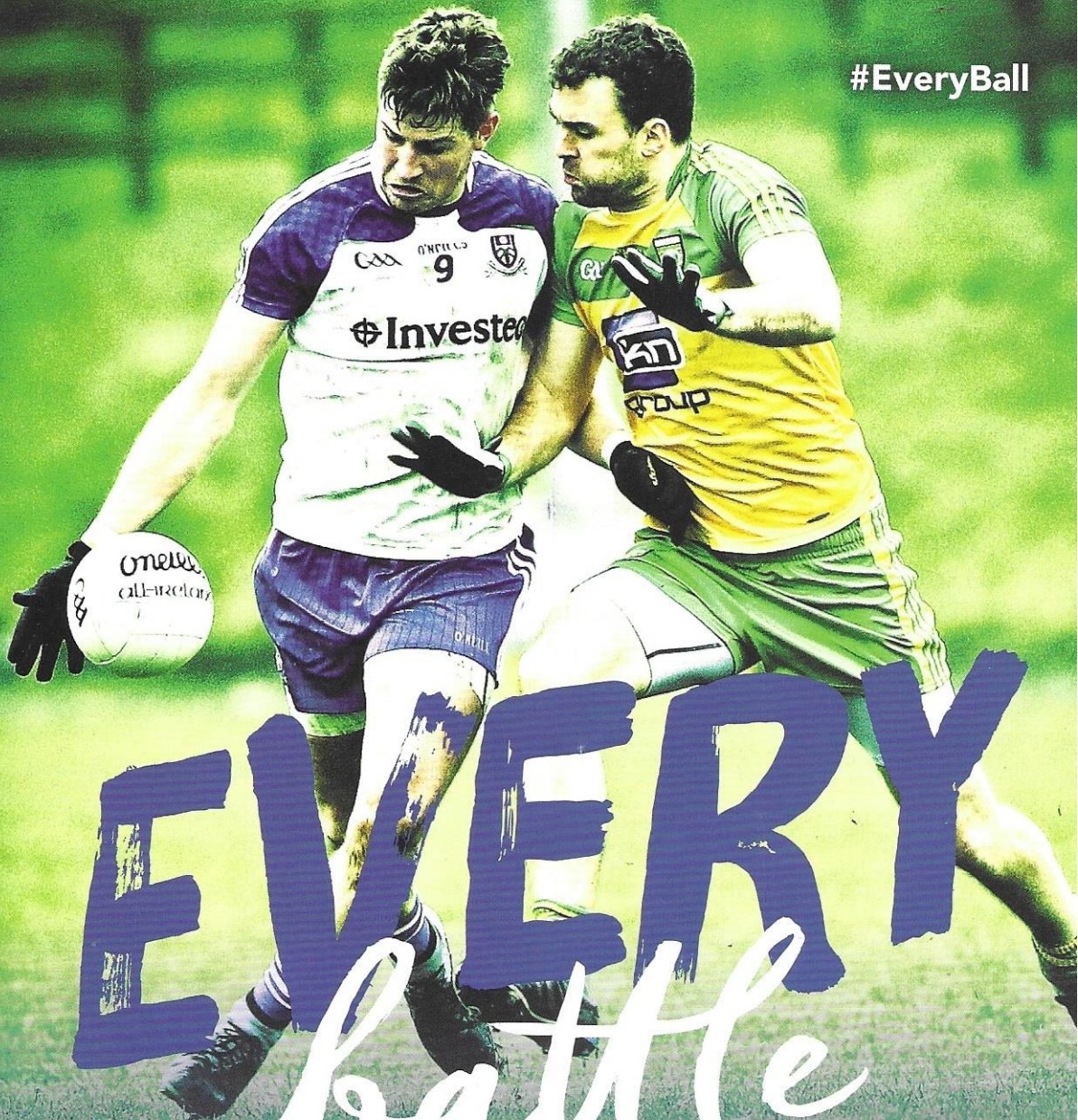
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Neil McAdam	28	6ft	13st 12
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Shane Carey	34	5ft 11	12st 10
Stephen Gollogly	31	5ft 8	11st 7
Thomas Kerr	32	6ft	11st 11
Vincent Corey	31	6ft	13st 7

AVERAGE WEIGHT IS 12st 13

"A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF RESPECT HAS BEEN BUILT UP BETWEEN THE TWO TEAMS OVER THE YEARS BUT THIS WILL IN NO WAY DECREASE THE DESIRE OF BOTH TEAMS TO GIVE THEIR ALL IN PURSUIT OF VICTORY."

Monaghan Manager, Malachy O'Rourke

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EOIN McHUGH

Club: Kilcar

Favourite Position: Wing Back

Favourite Pitch: Towney

Hobbies: Music

Childhood hero:
Declan O' Sullivan

Best Player you have played with: Frank McGlynn

Best Player you have played against: Kevin McMenamin

Best game you have been involved in: Kilcar v St. Eunan's Under 21 Final 2015

Best game you have ever seen: Donegal v Kildare 2011

Best trainer within the squad: Paddy McGrath

Worst trainer within the squad: Colm McFadden

Worst training drill: Warm-up

Best motivator within the squad: Kieran Gillespie

Pre Match meal: Chicken and Pasta

Any superstitions: Same seat in the changing rooms

Favourite Song: Coldplay - Fix You

Favourite Film: Up

Favourite Holiday Destination: Tenerife

Favourite Drink: Rock Shandy

Favourite Meal: Chicken Goujons and Chips

Best advice ever received: 'You can catch a lot of flies with honey, but you can catch more honey's being fly'
- Hugh McFadden

Biggest influence on career: Family and Neil Gallagher is always good for a few words of wisdom

Club Volunteer of note: Patrick McShane

Song you listen to before big games: Nothing just listen to Jigger talking nonsense

Most important skill: Kicking with both feet

Biggest Strength in your game: High fielding

Area of your game you would like to improve: Shooting

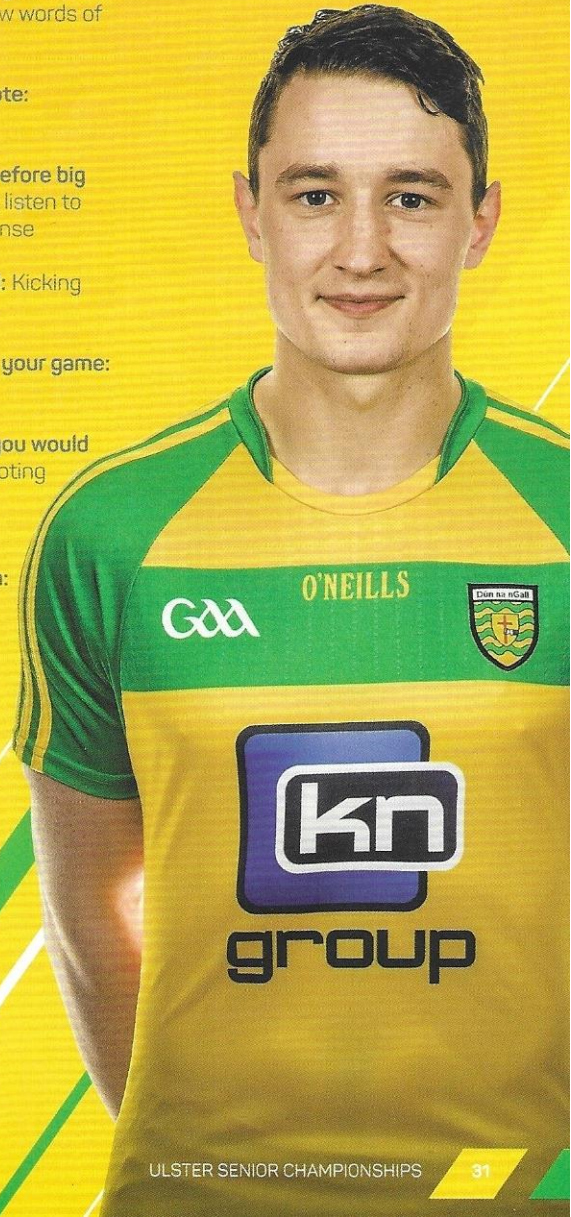
Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own: Naomh Ultan

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

Advice for youngsters: Enjoy the game

Young Player within your club to look out for: Daniel McCloskey and Dillon O'Gara

Best thing about the GAA: Gear



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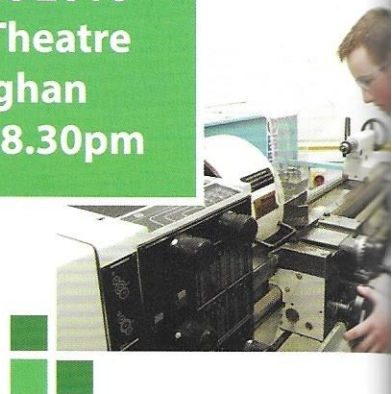
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Valuing the Volunteer



Paddy McGlynn (Tigh Thalainn)

Volunteering is at the heart of Tyholland which is the smallest parish in the Diocese of Clogher. What Tyholland lack in club size they make up for in energy, enthusiasm and a vision of making Tyholland GFC the best it can be! There is no shortage of volunteers in the club. One of their longest serving members deserves a special mention today, Paddy McGlynn.

Paddy has been an active member of Tyholland GFC and got involved on the committee in the 1970's, the word "no" is simply not in his vocabulary.

Tyholland GFC has seen many major improvements over these years such as the purchase of a new training field, development of the main pitch and the erecting of the spectator stand. Paddy has been involved in all of these projects.

Paddy played on the Championship team in 1979 but had already begun serving on the committee as Secretary at this stage. He served no less than three terms in this position. He also held the position of Chairman on four occasions, Development Officer, PRO, County Board Delegate and has served on a number of County Sub Committees.

When his late son Damian began playing football in the 80's Paddy helped out with the juveniles. Paddy could also be found on the field assisting the medics when needed and umpiring. He has probably clocked up as many miles as Frank Lennon, travelling to matches and would always be the man to call if you missed a game as you will surely get a blow by blow account of all the action until the final whistle and indeed after, on some occasions!!

When asked the highlight of his time with Tyholland GFC he couldn't pinpoint one single event but said being Chairman of the club when Tyholland won the Intermediate Championship in 2007 or the All Ireland 7's in 1997 would certainly be on the top of his list.

Tyholland's 60th year celebrations were also led by Paddy with the help of Gabriel Mullen and this was an event that celebrated and reminisced on the club from the beginning. It was a particularly memorable occasion with many past members and players travelling from as far as Canada to celebrate. Many of the 1961 Dr Ward Cup winning team were in attendance and presentations were made to them as well as Sean Creighan who was one of the first registered members of the club alongside Frank Lennon, Frank McKenna and Brendan Hughes.

A retired Psychiatric Nurse, Paddy now spends his time with his wife Patricia, regularly babysitting his grandchildren for Carla and Laura as well as tending to his vegetable garden.

Paddy is always available to help out in whatever way he can and like every volunteer much of his work goes unseen by many. He is a man who lives, eats and breathes Tyholland GFC and Tyholland as a club would like to express their gratitude to all that he has done over the years.

ONE MINUTE WITH...

RYAN McANESPIE

Club: Emyvale

Favourite Position: Forwards

Favourite Pitch: Croke Park

Hobbies:

Watching Movies and Golf

Childhood hero: Peter Canavan

Best Player you have played with: Conor McManus

Best Player you have played against: Michéal McCarville

Best game you have been involved in: Ulster Minor Final 2013

Best game you have ever seen: Dublin v Kerry 2011 All Ireland Final

Best trainer within the squad: Fintan Kelly

Worst trainer within the squad: Karl McQuaid

Worst training drill: Anything involving tackling

Best motivator within the squad: Vinny Corey

Pre match meal: Chicken and Rice

Any superstitions: None

Favourite Song: Dancing On My Own

Favourite Film: Southpaw

Favourite Holiday Destination: Santa Ponsa

Favourite Drink: Chocolate Mooju

Favourite Meal: Pizza

Best advice ever received: If you are tired of starting over, stop giving up

Biggest influence on career: Family

Club Volunteer of note: Noel Kennedy

Song you listen to before big games: Moguai – Hold On

Most important skill: Being fit to use both feet

Biggest strength in your game: Running

Area of your game you would like to improve: Shooting

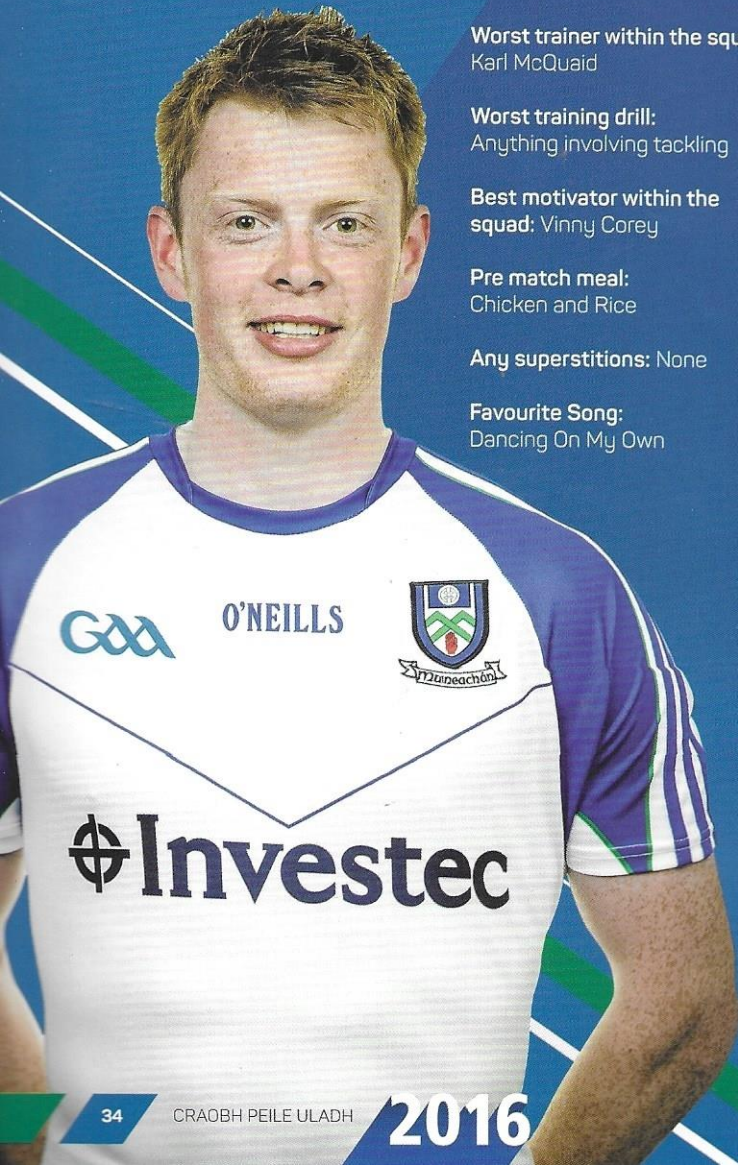
Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own: Better say Aghaloo or the younger brother will be giving out.

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

Advice for youngsters: Have fun and enjoy every minute of playing

Young Player within your club to look out for: Karl Gallagher

Best thing about the GAA: Making new friends



MATCH STATS

AN CABHÁN v TÍR EOGHAIN



3	GOALS	0
7	POINTS	16
16	SCORE	16
55	POSSESSIONS	56
42	ATTACKS	45
29	SHOTS	36
12	WIDE	11
9	SHOTS SHORT	7
34	SHOT SUCCESS (%)	44
2.9	PRODUCTIVITY (Points/10 Possessions)	2.9
29	TOTAL KICK OUTS	21
69	OWN KICK OUTS WON (%)	76
24	OPPOSITION KICK OUTS WON (%)	31
50	TOTAL KICK OUTS WON (%)	50
29	TURNOVERS (Ball Lost)	26
53	TURNOVER RATE (%)	46
4	SCORABLE FREES CONCEDED	1

Story of the Match

THE FIRST DRAWN GAME IN THIS YEAR'S ULSTER CHAMPIONSHIP WAS ALSO THE FIRST TO BE AFFECTED BY THE WEATHER.

NOTABLY, THE VOLUME OF TURNOVERS WAS SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED, A TOTAL OF 55 TURNOVERS. THE HIGHEST IN PREVIOUS MATCHES WAS 41 (DERRY V TYRONE).

PARITY ON THE SCOREBOARD WAS, NOT SURPRISINGLY, REFLECTED IN MANY KEY AREAS. THE OBVIOUS DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TEAMS WAS IN SHOT SUCCESS, WITH TYRONE 44% ACCURATE, FAR SUPERIOR TO CAVAN'S 34%.

CAVAN HOWEVER WERE ABLE TO COMPENSATE FOR THEIR INFERIOR ACCURACY BY SCORING 3 GOALS, WITH TYRONE UNABLE TO REGISTER A MAJOR.

AN CABHÁN

Despite the need for the late goal, and many observers asserting that Tyrone let the result slip, Cavan will look at the numbers and be satisfied that they were full value for the draw. However, despite widespread acclaim for their kick out strategy they only secured 69% of their own kicks, less than Tyrone's 76%. While their kick outs were excellent, they need to acknowledge that they still have room for improvement.

The other key area Cavan will want to improve is their shot return. They were unable to repeat their accuracy from their quarter final against Armagh (58%), only scoring from 34% of shots taken. It must be acknowledged that they were only awarded 1 free inside the 45m line, with Tyrone very disciplined in this zone.

However, a number of Cavan's failed efforts were due to poor shot selection, when more patience may have helped.

TÍR EOGHAIN

Many pundits post-match suggested Tyrone should have won this match. However, despite the perception, the stats highlight that this match was fairly evenly balanced.

Tyrone edged possessions by the minimum advantage 56 - 55. The overall kick out contest was perfectly balanced with each team claiming 50% of kicks. Tyrone will be keen to replicate the success they had on their own kicks (76%) in the replay. Given conditions Tyrone's shot success rate of 44% was fairly positive - 10% greater than Cavan.

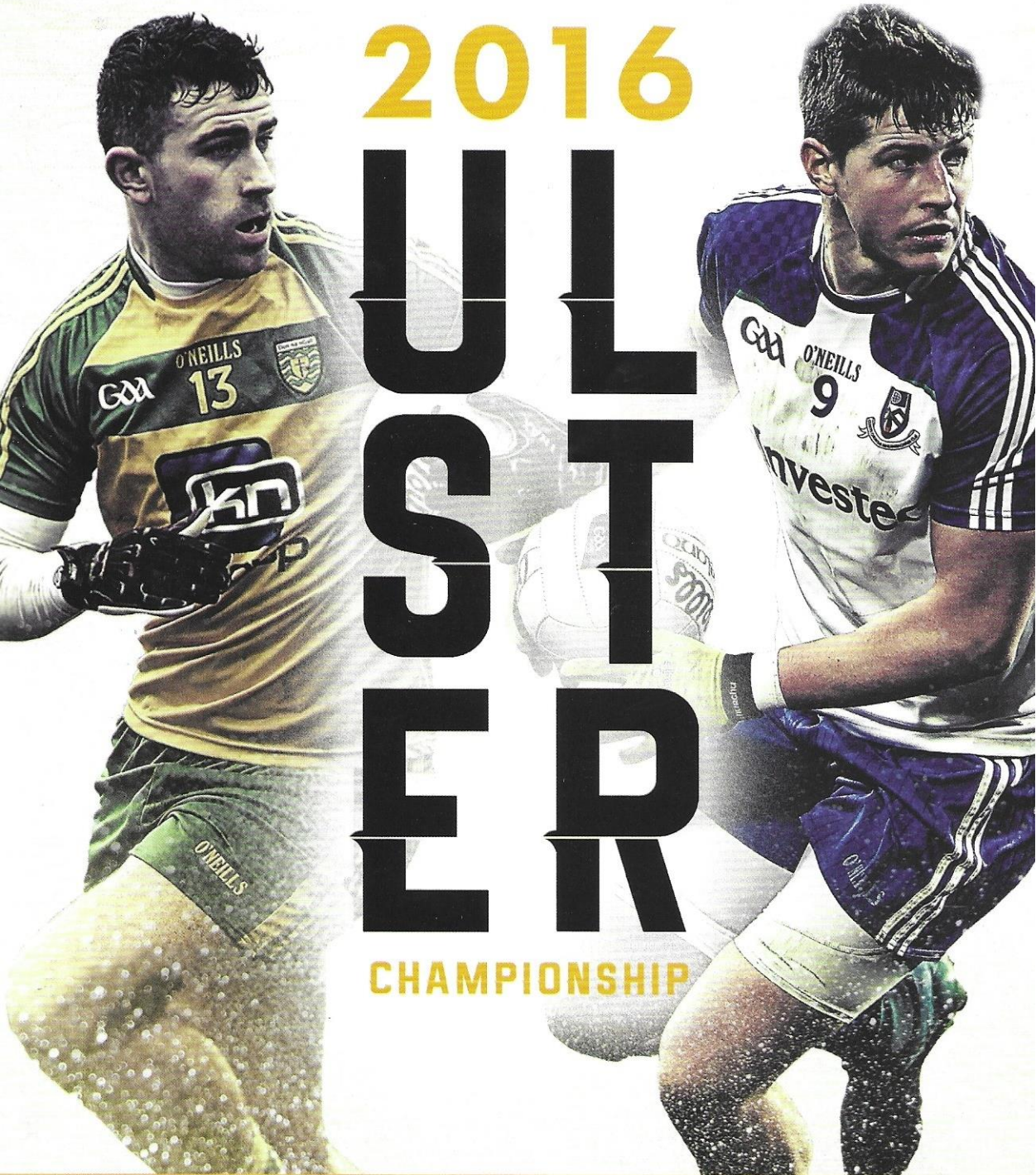
However, defensively the concession of 3 goals was crucial. This was their only defensive issue - they conceded 1 free kick inside the 45m line. While Cavan had 29 shots, their poor conversion rate suggests a lot of these efforts were from range or under pressure.



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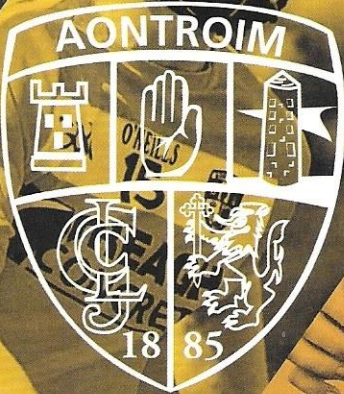
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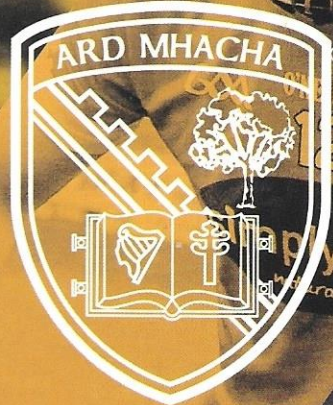
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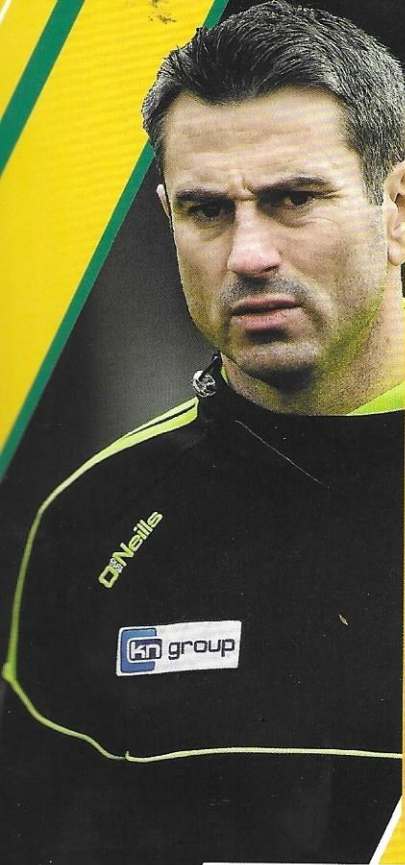
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RORY GALLAGHER

Dún na nGall Manager

It's a great honour for me this evening to lead the Donegal Senior Football Team as we strive to reach a sixth provincial final in a row which will be a record in the history books of Donegal GAA. This is a huge testament to the players in particular that have been involved over these past 6 years but the enthusiasm and application demonstrated by the new players that have come through during my two year management term to date must also be acknowledged.

This will be a fourth championship meeting with our opponents today in the last four seasons having met in the last three Ulster Finals with Monaghan slightly holding the upper hand taking two titles home with them from Clones on the 3rd Sunday in July.

We have met this evening's opponents many times in the recent years both in league and championship, building up a very healthy rivalry along the way, all of which makes for a very interesting contest today. Monaghan are a very experienced outfit and after a very comprehensive win over Down, they pose a massive challenge for us today if we are to reach the 2016 Ulster Final.

From my own perspective, I would like to thank the full squad of players for all the effort and commitment they have shown to date this season. A word of thanks also to the backroom team, the medical staff, the conditioning coaches, the County Board, our sponsors the KN Group and the MCR Group and the many clubs who have given up their facilities so freely these past few months. Finally, I must also mention our tremendous supporters who follow us all over the country whatever the weather. We will endeavour to repay your support this evening in Breffni Park.

HEAD TO HEAD

MALACHY O'ROURKE

Muineachán Manager

I am delighted to lead the Monaghan Senior Football team into our fourth Ulster Senior Football Championship Semi Final in successive years.

Today we renew our rivalry with Donegal who we have met in the last 3 Ulster Finals. A tremendous amount of respect has been built up between the two teams over the years but this will in no way decrease the desire of both teams to give their all in pursuit of victory and so claim a place in the 2016 decider.

I want to thank the entire panel of players for their tremendous application and dedication so far this year. I also want to say thanks to all members of the backroom team for their tireless work in order to give the players the best chance of success.

A special word of thanks to the Monaghan County Board for their staunch support and also Michael Cullen and Investec for their unrelenting encouragement and assistance as the main team sponsor and also Matt Mohan and the FKM group for coming on board as the Tier 2 sponsor. For all the other sponsors and people who do so much to aid the Teams preparations including Club Monaghan and Monaghan GAA club in New York - a massive Thank you.

Finally I want to pay tribute to the supporters who have shown tremendous loyalty to the team over the past number of years. This support is never taken for granted and the players are really determined to put in another big performance today in the hope of reaching the 2016 Ulster Final.



ULSTER SCHOOLS COME TOGETHER



For almost the past ninety years, the pupils attending schools and colleges in Ulster have been served by the selfless work of the various committees charged with arranging games and competitions.

The Ulster Colleges Council, founded in Armagh in 1928, was joined thirty years later by the Ulster Secondary Schools Committee, who were tasked to cater for the growing number of Secondary Intermediate Schools in Northern Ireland. A request by Galway's Jack Mahon and endorsed by Art McRory saw the schools of Monaghan, Donegal and Cavan join the rest of Ulster in forming the Ulster Vocational Schools in 1968.

We are blessed in our schools to have so many teachers who are willing to give so much of their time and energy in promoting Gaelic Games with the fortunate few enjoying their rewards in the winning of Ulster and All-Ireland titles.

The record of Ulster Schools at All-Ireland level over the past

seventy years is one to be envied as the Hogan Cup, Inter County Vocational All-Ireland, O'Keefe Cup and All Ireland 'B' crowns are regular visitors to schools across the province.

The benefits of this strong base at schools' level, encouraged by the support from our Principals, is reflected in the achievements of the club and county teams throughout the province.

On May 13th 2016 in Quinn's Corner, Ulster Colleges and Ulster Vocational Schools, conducted their final AGMs, before coming together as Ulster Schools, where they were welcomed by John Devaney, who had been given the task by Martin McAviney, of assisting the amalgamation of both of these bodies. John deserves praise for all of his tireless work during his period in office.

At this inaugural meeting, those present were addressed by Oliver Galligan, Comhairle Uladh, who thanked all for their work on behalf of their schools and assured them that the new body

Back Row: Noel Ward, Carl McCabe, Kieran McGourty, Sean McGourty (Treasurer), Alastair McGilligan, Jock Gormley, Richard Thornton, David Treanor (Treasurer), Raphael Gatt (PRO).

Front Row: Gareth Coyle, Sean O'Connor, Paddy Linden (Vice-Chairman), Jimmy Smyth (Chairman), Seamus Woods, (Secretary), Mark Grogan (IT Officer), Paul Maxwell (Delegate to Ulster Council), Peadar Hynes.

would have the blessing and financial backing of Comhairle Uladh in the promotion of Ulster Schools.

The task of the new committee is to encourage participation by providing meaningful competitions and opportunities for the young people in our 131 schools to embrace all positive aspects of our games.

The new Ulster Schools will cater for everyone with competitions in six Football and four Hurling grades, all of which will be overseen by the new Committee and administered by the newly appointed Servicing Officer.

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PUTTING REFEREE HEALTH TOP OF THE AGENDA



Ulster GAA have once again teamed up with the 3fivetwo Group to offer Ulster referees free health checks. Highlighting the benefits of this programme, Ulster GAA President Michael Hasson stated, "Our referees benefited greatly last year from our free health checks provided by the 3fivetwo Group and we are delighted to provide this service free-of-charge to Ulster referees again this year."

"This initiative has helped to prioritise health and wellbeing for our key match officials. Through the health checks, our referees are able to start the year on the best footing, either in the knowledge that they have a clean bill of health or are able to get health concerns investigated ahead of our hectic competition schedule. We value our referees and are delighted to have the 3fivetwo Group on board again to provide this essential service."

Speaking following the event, Mark Regan of 3fivetwo Group, NI's Largest Private Healthcare Provider stated, "3fivetwo Group are delighted to work with Ulster GAA to provide these much needed health checks for provincial referees. Not only does this initiative provide important data for Ulster GAA on the general health and fitness of referees but it also provides individual referees an opportunity to detect any unknown health problems, which could result in preventative treatment and advice."

"Our doctors and medical teams, some of whom are members of GAA clubs themselves are able



to assess and diagnose the widest variety of health issues. As well as offering a range of player and membership benefits through our new medical partnership with the GAA in Ulster, we can also deliver a series of basic lifesaving and defibrillator training courses both at our Training Academy or onsite at a home club or community centre."

Pictured at the launch of the Ulster GAA referee health checks are Ryan Mellon, Ulster GAA player welfare officer, Joe McQuillan, Inter-County referee, Jim O'Rourke, Ulster Referees Committee Secretary, Martin McAviney, Ulster GAA Iar Uachtaran, along with staff from the 3fivetwo group.

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