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GAA Football All-Ireland
Senior Championship Final

Electric Ireland GAA Football All-Ireland
Minor Championship Final



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Electric Ireland GAA Football All-Ireland Minor Championship Final 1.15 PM

CIARRAÍ v DOIRE

An Réiteoir: Anthony Nolan (Cill Mhantáin)

Linesmen: Jerome Henry (Maigh Eo) (standby ref), James Molloy (Gaillimh) Sideline Official: Martin McNally (Muineachán)

Umpires: Damien Byrne, Donal O'Keeffe, Peter Case, Patrick Doyle



GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship Final 3.30 PM

ÁTH CLIATH v MAIGH EO

An Réiteoir: Joe McQuillan (An Cabhán)

Linesmen: Conor Lane (Corcaigh) (standby ref), Pádraig O'Sullivan (Ciarraí) Sideline Official: Niall Cullen (Fear Manach)

Umpires: Ciarán Brady, TP Gray, Jimmy Galligan, Mickie Lee

In the event of a draw, the replay will take place in Croke Park on September 30

CLÁR AN LAE

11.45	Stíles open	13.49*	INTO/RESPECT Exhibition GoGames	15.17	Uachtarán na hÉireann introduced - accompanied by Uachtarán CLG
12.54	Ciarraí amach ar an bpáirc	13.50*	Pitch Walk: Teams (Áth Cliath/ Maigh Eo) & Match Officials	15.18	Uachtarán na hÉireann agus Uachtarán CLG meet the teams followed by Respect handshake
12.56	Doire amach ar an bpáirc		Band: Blás		
12.58	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc	13.52*	Tús an Dara Leath	15.22	Paráid na fóirne
13.00	Toss - Live on big screen	13.57*	Crioch an cluiche	15.28	Amhrán na bhFiann
13.08	Introduction of Uachtarán CLG, agus Eirleamh CLG - via players' tunnel	14.30*	Presentation of Trophy by Uachtarán CLG	15.30	Tús Chluiche Peile Sinsear na hÉireann 2017
13.11	Introduction of An Taoiseach leis an Ard Stúirthóir - via players' tunnel	14.32*	Winning Minor Team lap of honour	16.07*	Leath Am
13.13	Respect Handshake with Uachtarán CLG	14.40	Dún na nGall 1992 Jubilee Team	16.10*	Singer: Imelda May
13.15	Tús Chluiche Peile Mhionúir na hÉireann 2017	14.56	Áth Cliath amach ar an bpáirc	16.22*	Tús an Dara Leath
13.47	Leath Am	14.58	Maigh Eo amach ar an bpáirc	17.00*	Críoch an cluiche
		15.00	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc	17.01*	Interview by MC on screens
		15.10	Toss - Live on big screen	17.03*	Presentation of Trophy by Uachtarán CLG
		15.12	Artane Band enter	17.15	Lap of honour by winning team

* Depending on 'added time'

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Entertainment

Half-time in the minor match

Blás

Blás are one of the most exciting new bands to emerge on the trad/folk scene in recent times, captivating audiences everywhere they go.



Half-time in the senior match

Imelda May

Prepare to be blown away... Imelda has found a new groove, exploring blues, soul, gospel, folk, rock, sensitive acoustics, cinematic drama and explosive balladry on a set of the boldest, most personal and intimately autobiographical songs she has ever written.

IMELDA MAY



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RÉAMHFHOCAL ÓN UACHTARÁN

DIA dhaoibh agus fáilte romhaibh go léir go Páirc an Chrócaigh ar lá mór na Peile. Lá thar a bheith speisialta is ea é go háirithe daoibhse a tháinig abhaile don chluiche agus daoibhse atá fós thar lear ag féachaint ar chúrsaí i bPáirc an Chrócaigh inniu. Cuirim fáilte speisialta roimh fhoirne, riarthóirí agus lucht tacaíochta na gcontaetha. Tá súil agam go mbainfidh sibh uilig pléisiúr as an lá.

Another thrilling summer of Gaelic Games activity reaches a crescendo today with the meeting of Dublin and Mayo in the GAA Football All-Ireland senior final.

These have been extraordinary times for 'Peiladoírí na Cathrach'. Their victory over Kerry in 2011 was their first in 16 years and has unleashed the floodgates of success.

They arrive back at this stage as defending champions seeking a third straight Sam Maguire, and a fifth crown in seven years.

Mayo have been no less impressive in the resilience and courage shown in the championship in recent times. Comhghairdeas le Maigh Eo agus Áth Cliath – the last two teams standing on the last day of the football season and with the hand of history outstretched in front of them.

These players are great ambassadors for our games and our Association. They are standard bearers too, for the people, parishes, communities and GAA clubs who moulded and shaped them.

We will see to it that these clubs are also recognised on this most auspicious of sporting occasions.

Of course this day will mean so much to the footballers of Dublin and Mayo and the young men representing Derry and Kerry.

Ach is le gach duine an lá speisialta seo – gach duine bainteach le Cumann Lúthchleas Gael ag ceiliúradh ár gcultúr.

All-Ireland Finals belong to all of us. They are expressions of who we are and celebrations of the heroic deeds of the Laochra Gael who inspire us.

They can also make us mourn for people who are not here to share the experience with us. We have lost many members and friends and family since we were last here and we remember them all for the contribution they made to our lives and for the legacy they leave behind. Ar dheis Dé go raibh siad.

Today, there are more than 400 GAA clubs in existence outside of Ireland and they are thriving. It is important that on occasions such as this that we also acknowledge them, and it is wonderful that through our broadcasting arrangements our extensive diaspora get to see, hear and share in this excitement.

It was in September 1943 that Cavan man Bill Doonan, a radio operator in the British Army stationed in southern Italy, took off in search of a signal. His quarry wasn't enemy intel, but rather the echoes of the then 2RN station and Micheál Ó hÉithir's commentary of the All-Ireland between Cavan and Roscommon.

When he was eventually located, Bill was found up a tree on the side of a hill, oblivious to all around him as he strained to hear word of the football battle taking place at home.

Four years later, Bill was back in Ireland and part of the Cavan team that travelled and beat Kerry in the 1947 All-Ireland final at the Polo Grounds in New York.

The game, which was the GAA's contribution to commemorate the centenary of An Gorta Mór, was a bold move by the Association and one that came at a serious financial cost. But 70 years on we can still look back on it as a brave and a worthwhile experiment.

I believe we have been equally as brave as an Association in our decision to debate and make changes to the structure of the Football Championship from 2018-2020.

We will see more great games and great players under the new format. But crucially, we will have also struck a decisive blow for the wellbeing of our clubs and club players.

Later this month the GAA will hold a Special Congress to debate and vote on motions to amend the structure of the All-Ireland Hurling Championship. Any proposed changes to the hurling format - just like the football championship reforms - are also

designed to give more time back to our clubs and club players to play and to thrive.

Major steps have been taken that will now provide not just a window, but a clear opportunity for club activity to happen unhindered.

The All-Ireland finals will finish at least two weeks earlier in 2018, and the Allianz leagues will finish at least two weeks earlier in April.

We have changed rules so that more matches will finish on the day through extra time if necessary, instead of automatically requiring a replay at the end of normal time.

Moving inter-county minor hurling and football to U17 and U21 inter-county football to U20, with no U20 player allowed to play senior inter-county in the same year, will also free up schedules for club and county.

It is now important for our clubs and our club fixture planners in every county to grasp this opportunity to make a difference.

Tá súil agam go mbeidh díospóireacht dhearfach againn ag an gComhdháil Speisialta agus go bhfeicimid feabhas ina dhiaidh dá bharr. Tá daonlathas tábhachtach dúinn.

In the last five years the GAA has been able to invest €10m on providing funding to ambitious clubs across every county in Ireland for the redevelopment and enhancement of their facilities. In 2016 there were 415 clubs who received such funding.

Every year more than €10m is provided for coaching and games development, work done with the help of an army of more than 350 GAA coaches working full and part-time with clubs and schools all over Ireland.

This level of funding is made possible by the phenomenal level of support that we enjoy. More than 80 cent out of every euro is reinvested directly back into the growth of our Association and it is worth

remembering on days like today at a packed Croke Park that your support of our games allows the GAA to build and be the best we can be. Míle Buíochas.

The GAA has never been stronger. We have reached this point together, not by being negative or short-sighted, but through passion, ambition, hard work and positivity.

It is nothing short of amazing that on an island of six million people that the Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps can continue to set such record numbers every summer and this year we had 142,000 young children between the ages of six and 13 involved in them across the 32 counties.

Tosaíonn clár na gcluichí inniu le Cluiche Ceannais Mionúir na hÉireann Electric Ireland idir Doire agus Ciarraí. Guíonn muid gach rath ar na himreoirí óga, a dteaghlach, a gclubanna is a gcontaetha.

Gach beannacht fosta do na páistí bunscóile a imrönn i gcluichí an INTO Cumann na mBunscol GAA ag leathama agus gabhann muid buíochas leis na scoileanna a chuireann ár gcluichí chun cinn.

Ádh mór inniu dár réiteoirí Joe McQuillan agus Anthony Nolan is dá maoir foirne.

Tugaim buíochas an Chumainn do eir, AIB agus SuperValu as a n-urraíocht is as a dtacaíocht.

Sea, lá mór inniu i saol na nGael, tá súil agam go bhfanfaidh cuimhní dearfacha an lae linn go ceann fada an lá.

Éire agus CLG go brách!

Aogán Ó Fearghail

Aogán Ó Fearghail
Uachtarán
Cumann Lúthchleas Gael



MESSAGE FROM THE SPONSORS



RICHARD HOAT
CEO, eir

All-Ireland Final Sunday is here, the pinnacle of the Irish sporting calendar and the culmination of a year of hard work, sacrifice and hope. It is a day of possibilities. For players, there is the possibility to become a hero, a legend in their county. For supporters, it's the possibility of watching the Sam Maguire being raised with your county colours. This day brings together entire communities, and connecting communities is core to what we in eir do.

We are extremely proud to celebrate another outstanding season with the GAA. Just as the GAA connects people across communities, eir connects people in every town and county across Ireland and bring possibilities every moment of every day. It's not just the players and managers that have been hard at work. We are hard at work too, providing access to high speed broadband throughout the country, connecting supporters from county towns to rural villages, from farms to large enterprises.

eir is upgrading its infrastructure in 890 communities throughout the country, erecting new pole and fibre cable infrastructure along 23,000 kilometres of Irish roads, representing more than half the circumference of the world. One million six hundred thousand homes and businesses are already connected, and this includes more than 100,000 homes and businesses that can access the fastest broadband speeds in Ireland, on par with the best speeds in Europe, letting supporters connect the way they want using the technology they want.

We at eir understand the pride and passion you have today - and every day - for your team, your county and your game. Your skills, your knowledge and passion will not only buoy your team, but they will also inspire the next generation of fans. As part of our sponsorship we have reached out to fans online, and we haven't been disappointed. Once again we will be taking the eir FanPic during the game so be sure to find your face in the crowd on Monday at the eir GAA website (www.eir.ie/gaa), and don't forget to share this historic All-Ireland Final with your fellow fans. Enjoy the match!



BERNARD BYRNE
Chief Executive
Officer, AIB

It is a privilege to be here with you in Croke Park today as a sponsor of the GAA All-Ireland Senior Football Championships. The Senior Football Championship is a very important sponsorship to us here at AIB, as is our support for the AIB GAA and Camogie Club Championships. We are very proud to be once again at the heart of our communities, "Backing Club and Country."

It's a repeat of last year's final and we're treated to another captivating battle between Mayo and Dublin. What is left to say about these two masters of football? Mayo have been resilient throughout their campaign this year, playing over 630 minutes of championship football so far. Dublin have shown their classic ruthlessness in their battles, falling only to Kerry in April.

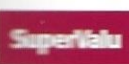
As both sides take to the field today, I wish players, management and fans the very best of luck. The work and commitment that these players and management have put in over the last number of months, indeed years, is monumental. The remarkable and intense dedication that both sets of fans have shown to their teams throughout the championship reflects the unique nature of the GAA and its place in all our lives.

This is AIB's third season backing club and county, and we are delighted to continue our support for the GAA at all levels. It is impossible to overestimate the importance of the Association in our society and the joy and excitement that the games bring to families, parishes, counties and the whole country! The hard work and perseverance of all those involved finally comes to fruition in Croke Park today and being here to witness it is something very special.

On behalf of AIB, I congratulate Dublin and Mayo on reaching the GAA All-Ireland Senior Football Championship Final.

Reaching the final is an achievement in itself and we wish both teams the best of luck.

Is mise le meas,



MARTIN KELLEHER
CEO, SuperValu

On behalf of SuperValu, I would like to warmly welcome you all to Croke Park today to see these two great sporting counties battle it out, in what is sure to be a great All-Ireland Final. As proud sponsors, I would like to congratulate the players from Dublin and Mayo, their loyal supporters and all those who worked hard to bring both teams here today - it is a real demonstration of their dedication and commitment to our national sport.

At SuperValu, we are passionate about local and nothing represents this more than the GAA, with its strong heritage and deep roots in every community across Ireland. Although it is not easy for a Cork man to do, I would like to acknowledge the Kerry minor football team that are taking to the field in the Minor Final today. In particular their manager Peter Keane, who together with his wife Siobhán manages and owns SuperValu Killorglin. Similar to the GAA, our independent retailers strive to build vibrant local communities by supporting local clubs and counties.

This year, SuperValu will help to inspire future generations. Through our Behind the Ball campaign, SuperValu stores will donate 55,000 GAA footballs to clubs across the country. This is an ambitious initiative and was designed to get children as young as six playing football and exercising regularly. This year, SuperValu stores have contributed over €1million to grassroots GAA clubs nationwide.

We have witnessed a fantastic showcase of skill and determination throughout the season and I have no doubt that today's game will be just as exciting with both teams so close to the ultimate prize. I would like to wish both teams, their management and all the fans, the best of luck in today's All-Ireland Football Final.

Míle buíochas,

Is Mise le Meas,

ÁTH CLIATH

ROGHNÓIRÍ - JIM GAVIN (BAINISTEoir), Jason Sherlock, Declan Darcy, Shane O'Hanlon



1 *Stiofáin Cluxton (C.)*
STEPHEN CLUXTON
Parnells

2 *Pilib Mac Mathúna*
PHILIP McMAHON
Ballymun Kickhams

3 *Cian Ó Súilleabháin*
CIAN O'SULLIVAN
Kilmacud Crokes

4 *Micheál Mac Síomóin*
MICHAEL FITZSIMONS
Cuala

5 *Seán Ó Cúipéir*
JONNY COOPER
Na Fianna

6 *Seán Ó Caoilte*
JOHN SMALL
Ballymun Kickhams

7 *Seán Mac Gafraidh*
JACK McCAFFREY
Clontarf

8 *Brian Ó Fiannachta*
BRIAN FENTON
Raheny

9 *Séamus Mac Cárthaigh*
JAMES MCCARTHY
Ballymun Kickhams

10 *Ciarán Mac Giolla Choinnigh*
CIARÁN KILKENNY
Castleknock

11 *Conn Ó Ceallacháin*
CON O'CALLAGHAN
Cuala

12 *Neil Ó Scoláí*
NIALL SCULLY
Templeogue Synge Street

13 *Pól Ó Mainnín*
PAUL MANNION
Kilmacud Crokes

14 *Pádraig Mac Aindriú*
PADDY ANDREWS
St. Brigid's

15 *Dean Mac Concharráige*
DEAN ROCK
Ballymun Kickhams

FIR IONAIÐ

16. *Eimhín Mac Cumascaigh*
EVAN COMERFORD
Ballymun Kickhams

17. *Bernard Ó Brógáin*
BERNARD BROGAN
St. Oliver Plunkett's/Eoghan Ruadh

18. *Daibhéid Ó Broin*
DAVID BYRNE
Naomh Olaf

19. *Diarmuid Ó Conghaile*
DIARMUID CONNOLLY
St Vincent's

20. *Cormac Mac Coisdealbha*
CORMAC COSTELLO
Whitehall Colmcille

21. *Darren Ó Dálaigh*
DARREN DALY
Fingal Ravens

22. *Pól Mac Floinn*
PAUL FLYNN
Fingallians

23. *Eric Lowndes*
ERIC LOWNDES
St. Peregrine's

24. *Micheál Mac Amhlaoidh*
MICHAEL DARRAGH MACAULEY
Ballyboden St. Enda's

25. *Caoimhín Mac Meanman*
KEVIN McMANAMON
St. Jude's

26. *Eoghan Ó Gadhra*
EOGHAN O'GARA
Templeogue Synge Street



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1 *Daithí Ó Cléirigh*
DAVID CLARKE
Ballina Stephenites

2 *Breandan Ó Hearchaí*
BRENDAN HARRISON
Aghamore

3 *Donal Ó Beachain*
DONAL VAUGHAN
Ballinrobe

4 *Ceit Ó hUiginn*
KEITH HIGGINS
Ballyhaunis

5 *Laoi Mac Aogáin*
LEE KEEGAN
Westport

6 *Críostóir Baróid*
CHRIS BARRETT
Belmullet

7 *Coilm Baoill*
COLM BOYLE
Davitts

8 *Séamus Ó Sé*
SÉAMUS O'SHEA
Breaffy

9 *Tómas Mac an Phearsúin*
TOM PARSONS
Charlestown

10 *Caoimhín Mac Laughlainn*
KEVIN McLOUGHLIN
Knockmore

11 *Aodhán Ó Sé*
AIDAN O'SHEA
Breaffy

12 *Diarmuid Ó Choncuir*
DIARMUID O'CONNOR
Ballintubber

13 *Séasáon Dochartaigh*
JASON DOHERTY
Burrishoole

14 *Cillian Ó Choncuir (C.)*
CILLIAN O'CONNOR
Ballintubber

15 *Aindriú Ó Moráin*
ANDY MORAN
Ballaghaderreen

FIR IONAID

16. *Riobard Ó hIonnaile*
ROBERT HENNELLY
Breaffy

17. *Gearoid Mac Eafarcaigh*
GER CAFFERKEY
Ballina Stephenites

18. *Pádraig Ó Dhuarcáin*
PADDY DURCAN
Castlebar Mitchels

19. *Stíofain Ó Cadháin*
STEPHEN COEN
Hollymount/Carramore

20. *Daithí Drach*
DAVID DRAKE
Ballaghaderreen

21. *Seán Mac An Fhailghigh*
SHANE NALLY
Garrymore

22. *Dónall Ó Ciarba*
DANNY KIRBY
Castlebar Mitchels

23. *Conchúr Ó Lachtnáin*
CONOR LOFTUS
Crossmolina

24. *Choncuir Ó Sé*
CONOR O'SHEA
Breaffy

25. *Barra Ó Móráin*
BARRY MORAN
Castlebar Mitchels

26. *Ailéin Diolún*
ALAN DILLON
Ballintubber



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NUMBER OF REFEREES ON THE GAA FOOTBALL REFEREE CHAMPIONSHIP PANEL: 10
 NUMBER OF SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES: 63

INFORMATION OF DISTANCE & SPEED OF FOOTBALL MATCH OFFICIALS FROM SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES

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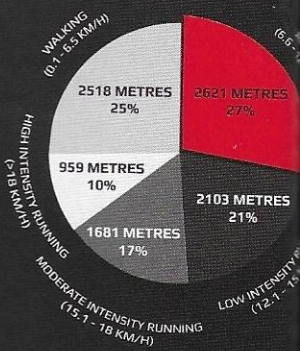
TOTAL DISTANCE COVERED IN A GAME

AVERAGE: 9.8 KM
 MAX: 11.7 KM
 AVERAGE (LINESMAN): 5.9 KM
 MAX (LINESMAN): 6.97 KM

DISTANCE BREAKDOWN

(MEASURED IN METRES. TOTAL DISTANCE IS DIVIDED INTO 5 SPEED ZONES)

- WALKING (0.1-6.5KM/H) - 2.5 KM - 25%
- JOGGING (6.6-12KM/H) - 2.6 KM - 27%
- LOW INTENSITY RUNNING (12.1-15KM/H) - 2.1 KM - 21%
- MODERATE INTENSITY RUNNING (15.1-18KM/H) - 1.6 KM - 17%
- HIGH INTENSITY RUNNING (>18KM/H) - 0.9 KM - 10%



SPEED

MAX: 28.3 KM/H
 AVERAGE MAX SPEED: 24 KM/H



SPRINTS

(RUNNING AT >18KM/H FOR MORE THAN 15SEC)
 AVERAGE PER GAME: 49
 MAX: 90

OTHER INFORMATION

TOTAL DISTANCE COVERED BY REFEREE & LINESMEN IN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES - 1360 KM

FOUL PLAY

YELLOW CARDS

TOTAL - 377
 AVERAGE - 6.08 PER GAME

BLACK CARDS

TOTAL - 68
 AVERAGE - 1.10 PER GAME

RED CARDS

TOTAL - 38
 AVERAGE - 0.61 PER GAME

SCORES

AVERAGE SCORES IN A CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

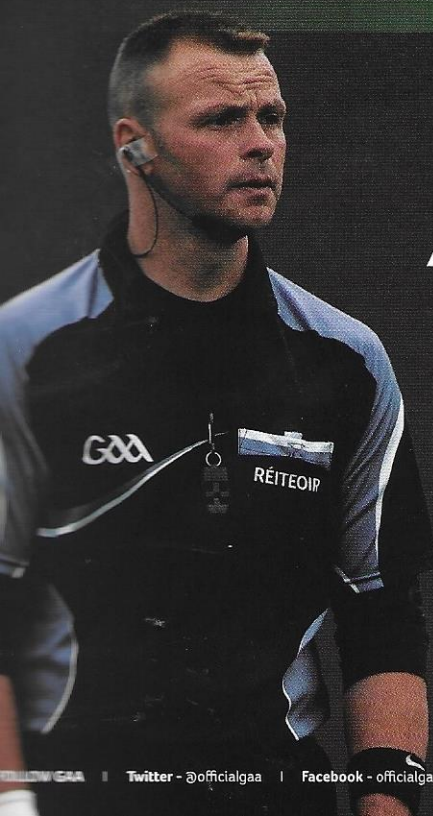
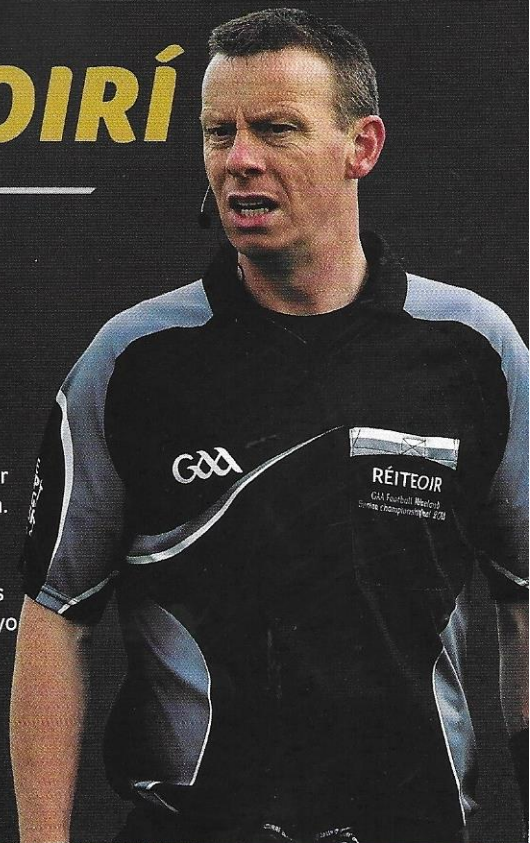
GOALS: 2
 POINTS: 29

NA RÉITEOIRÍ

SENIOR FINAL REFEREE

JOE McQUILLAN (CAVAN)

A 45-year veteran of the inter-county panel, this afternoon the Kill Shamrocks clubman takes charge of his third All-Ireland senior final after the 2011 and 2013 deciders came under his jurisdiction. Following on from the 2013 final, the 42-year-old's most recent Dublin v Mayo championship confrontation was their 2015 game at the semi-final stage. This season the Breffni whistle-blower has been assigned four matches in the senior campaign; Galway v Mayo at Salthill, Kildare v Meath at Tullamore, the Ulster final between Tyrone and Down and most recently the Mayo v Roscommon drawn All-Ireland quarter-final. McQuillan's last outing with the Metropolitans was in this year's Allianz League when they faced Monaghan in Clones while he also took charge of Dublin v Tyrone in the league at Croke Park in February.



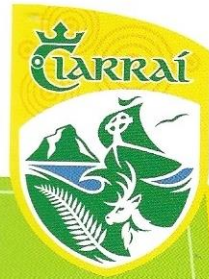
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ANTHONY NOLAN (WICKLOW)

Today's final will not be the Baltinglass clubman's first All-Ireland decider at Croke Park for back in 2014 Nolan was the top official for the AIB Club intermediate meeting of Truagh and Kiltane. In his first year of inter-county panel duty (2013) the Garden County whistler was assigned the Mayo-Monaghan Electric Ireland minor semi-final. This season has been a busy one for the 37-year-old with five outings in the Allianz League, the last of which was at Croke Park (Tipperary v Louth Division III final). GAA Headquarters has also featured among his championship assignments this year as the Leinster final and the Mayo-Roscommon All-Ireland quarter-final replay fell under his jurisdiction. Other championship games he refereed this year were Laois-Longford, Roscommon-Leitrim, and the Round 4A Qualifier between Galway and Donegal.

CIARRAÍ

ROGHNÓIRÍ - PETER KEANE (BAINISTEOR), Tommy Griffin, James Foley, Chris Flannery, Pádraig Murphy



1 *Deividas Uosis*
DEIVIDAS UOSIS
Dingle

2 *Seán Ó Laoire*
SEÁN O'LEARY
Kilcummin

3 *Criostóir Ó Donnchú*
CHRIS O'DONOGHUE
Glenflesk

4 *Cian Gamal*
CIAN GAMMELL
Killarney Legion

5 *Pádraig Ó Murnán*
PATRICK WARREN
Gneeveguilla

6 *Micheál Potts*
MICHAEL POTTS
Dr. Crokes

7 *Niall Ó Donnchú*
NIALL DONOHUE
Firies

8 *Barra Ó Mathúna*
BARRY MAHONY
St Senans

9 *Djarmuid Ó Conchúir*
DIARMUID O'CONNOR
Na Gaeil

10 *Adam Ó Donnchú*
ADAM DONOGHUE
Castleisland Desmonds

11 *Daithí Ó Clúmháin (C.)*
DAVID CLIFFORD
Fossa

12 *Dónal Ó Suilleabháin*
DÓNAL O'SULLIVAN
Kilgarvan

13 *Fiachra Ó Clúbháin*
FIACHRA CLIFFORD
Laune Rangers

14 *Jeaic Ó Grifin*
JACK GRIFFIN
Dr Crokes

15 *Briain Ó Fril*
BRIAN FRIEL
Rathmore

FIR IONAID

16. *Nelu Ó Dochartaigh*
NELU O'DOHERTY
Dr. Crokes

17. *Donnchadh Ó Suilleabháin*
DONNCHADH O'SULLIVAN
Firies

18. *Éamann Ó hÓrain*
EDDIE HORAN
Scartaglen

19. *Ciarán Ó Rathallaigh*
CIARÁN O'REILLY
Austin Stacks

20. *Rian Ó Néill*
RYAN O'NEILL
Na Gaeil

21. *Micheál Ó Slattara*
MICHAEL SLATTERY
Austin Stacks

22. *Míchéal Ó Laoire*
MICHAEL O'LEARY
Renard

23. *Dylan Ó Cathasaigh*
DYLAN CASEY
Austin Stacks

24. *Cathal Ó Feirtéir*
CATHAL FERRITER
Annascaul



DOIRE

DAMIAN McERLAIN (BAINISTEOIR), Killian Conlan, Gavin McGeehan, Anthony Campbell, Seán McKenna, Barry Gillis- ROGHNÓIRÍ

1 *Oran Ó hArtáin*
ORAN HARTIN
Léim an Mhadaidh

2 *Oran Mac an Ghoill*
ORAN MCGILL
An Gleann

3 *Conchúr Mac Bhloscaidh*
CONOR McCLUSKEY
Machaire Fiolta

4 *Seán Mac Íomhair*
SEÁN McKEEVER
Dún Geimhin

5 *Siomón Mac Fhirleann*
SIMON McERLAIN
Machaire Fiolta

6 *Pádraig Mac Gruagáin (C.)*
PÁDRAIG MCGROGAN
An Droichead Nua

7 *Conleth Mac Seáin*
CONLETH McSHANE
Baile Eachaidh

8 *Oisín Mac Uilliam*
OISÍN McWILLIAMS
An Suaitreach

9 *Dara Ó Raifeartaigh*
DARA RAFFERTY
Droim Sorn

10 *Pádraig Ó Cuaig*
PATRICK QUIGG
Cill Ria

11 *Risteard Ó Maoláin*
RICHIE MULLAN
Dún Geimhin

12 *Mairtín Ó Brolcháin*
MARTIN BRADLEY
Baile na Scríne

13 *Beircheart Mac Cearáin*
BEN McCARRON
Baile Stíl

14 *Lorcán Mac Uilliam*
LORCAN McWILLIAMS
An Suaitreach

15 *Marcas Mac Gruagáin*
MARK MCGROGAN
An Droichead Nua

FIR IONAIÐ

16. *Odhran Ó Lionsigh*
ODHRAN LYNCH
Machaire Fiolta

17. *Callum Mac an Bhreithiun*
CALLUM BROWN
Léim an Mhadaidh

18. *Deaglán Ó Caiside*
DECLAN CASSIDY
Baile Eachaidh

19. *Seán Pol Ó Dobhílin*
JON PAUL DEVLIN
Baile na Scríne

20. *Tiarnán Mac Aodha*
TIARNAN McHUGH
Droim Sorn

21. *Fergal Ó Muireartaigh*
FERGAL MORTIMER
An Chreig Bhán

22. *Conchúr Ó Coinne*
CONOR QUINN
Baile Eachaidh

23. *Odhran Ó Coinne*
ODHRAN QUINN
Baile Eachaidh

24. *Maitiú Mac Gabhann*
MATTHEW SMYTH
Baile an Doire

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19. J. Cassidy



20. D. Donagher



21. T. O'Reilly



23. E. Tiernan

Bhíonn aon stró orthú siúd a théann chuig Tráthanna na gCeisteanna Boird go rialta phríomhchathracha an domhain a liostáil agus ar an gcuma chéanna is furasta díbhe ar maith líbh na Cluichí Gaelacha páircianna móra na heagraíochta sin a ainmniú – an ceann ina bhfuil muid inniu ar an gceann is stairiúla ar fad acu, chomh maith leis na cinn eile ar a n-imritear na cluichí móra i gcraobhacha ár gcuigí gach bliain.

Ach níos minicí ná a chéile, ar an liosta sin, beidh sean-ghairc nach bhfaca sibh riamh, ceann atá leagtha go talamh ó 1964 agus nár himríodh ann sna 70 bliain a raibh sé oscailte ach aon chluiche craoibhe peile amháin. Cluiche ar leith dar ndóigh ab ea an ceann sin, Cluiche Ceannais Peile na hÉireann idir an Cábhán agus Ciarraí ar an 14ú Meán Fómhair 1947, trí scóir go leith bliain ó shin, an t-aon chluiche ceannais riamh a himríodh thar lear.

Ba nós le foirne as Éirinn taisteal go Nua-Eabhrac timpeall an ama sin – go deimhin idir sna 1950idí agus sna '60idí ba mhinic a himríodh cluichí ceannais na Sraithchomórta Náisiúnta ansiúd in aghaidh foirne de chuid na cathrach sin.

Ach is rud eile cluiche ceannais na craoibhe agus bhí cúiseanna faoi leith go rabhtas sásta cluiche mór peile na bliana a bhogadh thar lear i 1947.

Ar dtús bhí deireadh nach mór curtha leis an imirce chuig na Stáit Aontaithe ag an Dara Cogadh Domhanda agus mheas ceannaisithe Chumann Lúthchleas Gael thall go raibh gá le mórócáid leis an eagraíocht a spreagadh arís.

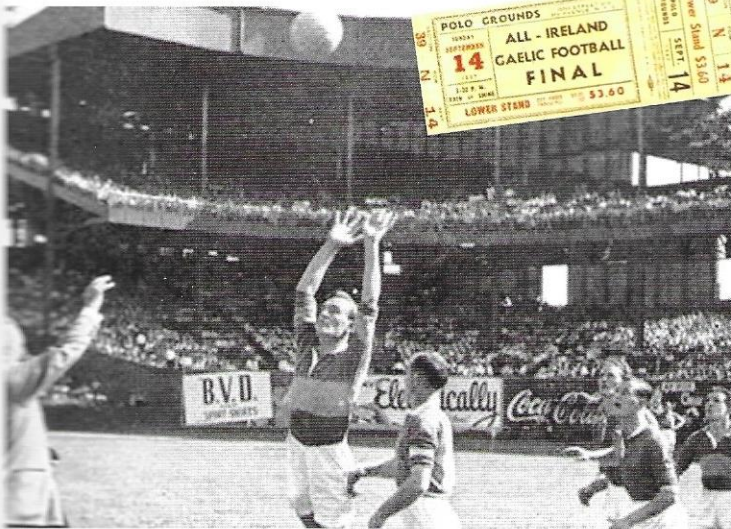
Chomh maith leis sin ba 100 bliain díreach roimhe (1847) ba mheasa a bhí an Gorta Mór agus bhí daoine ann a cheap go mba cheart sin a thabhairt chun cuimhne freisin.



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Bhí Cluichí Ceannais na hÉireann buaite ag Ciarraí i 1944 agus i 1946 agus dá bharr cheap formhór na nuachtáin go mba acusan a bheadh an bua arís i gcluiche ceannais ’47.

Agus glór Mhichíl Uí hÉithir á chraobhscaoileadh ar ais abhaile chuala éisteoirí RTÉ ó cheann ceann na tíre go raibh Ciarraí Biggáilín chun cinn agus gan ceiste ach ceathrú huaire – cúil fhaighte ag Batt Garvey agus Eddie Dowling. Ansin fuair Joe Stafford agus Mick Higgins cúil do fhir Bhreifne. Choinnigh siad an tús leath-ama a bhí acu agus bhuaigh 2-11,2-7.

Tá timpeall 10 nóiméad den chluiche le feiceáil ar DVD dar teideal GAA Gold a d’fhoilsigh Institiúid Scannánaíochta na hÉireann (IFI) cúpla bliain ó shin agus is maith is fiú féachaint air.

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Bhí an ghrian ag scalladh ar na Polo Grounds ar an 14ú Meán Fómhair nuair a chaith méara Nua-Eabhrac Bill O’ Dwyer, a rugadh i mBoth Chomhla i gCo. Mhaigh Eo agus a chuaigh ar scoil i mBealach an Doirín, isteach an liathróid. Agus iad ag féachaint i dtreo na gréine sin sa chéad leath, bhí hataí baseball á gcaitheamh ag go leor de chosantóirí Chiarraí, rud nár facthas go dtí sin i stair Chumann Lúthchleas Gael ach an oiread, déarfainn.

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Dublin players Paul Mannion, left, and Jack McCaffrey, celebrate with the Delaney Cup

THE GENERATION GAME

by Malachy Clerkin, Irish Times

PUT me down for what I said last year. That's what they used to say at the Kerry press nights, isn't it? Pithy, smart-aleck, knowingly Kerry. Thing is, we're sitting here watching the same two teams line up in back-to-back finals for the first time since 1987-'88 and the temptation is to peddle the same lines and crack the same gags and match the same strengths up against the same weaknesses. And vice-versa, of course.

Dublin players stand for the National Anthem ahead of the drawn GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship Final v Mayo last year



You never stand in the same river twice, though. These are the same two teams from last year but then again, they're not. Not really. The respective evolutions of Dublin and Mayo has brought them to this point in September 2017 in different places than they were 12 months ago. Some of it, indeed, is because of where they were 12 months ago. Some of it is just nature taking its course.

Take, for example, the teams' competing age profiles. This day last year, the average age of the Dublin team who faced the flag was 27.33. The average age of Mayo's starting 15 that day was 27.64. Much of a muchness, really – Mayo in the region of three-and-a-half month older per player. No big deal, nothing that could be construed as decisive anyway.

Consider the change now, 12 months on, however. Jim Gavin has rinsed his team out since that

drawn All-Ireland final. Only nine of the team that started that day made the 15 for the semi-final against Tyrone. With the exception of Mick Fitzsimons (29) coming in for David Byrne (23), every change has cut years off the team.

Jack McCaffrey's return has pushed James McCarthy to midfield, squeezing Michael Darragh Macauley onto the bench – out goes a 31-year-old, in comes a 23-year-old. Paul Mannion for Bernard Brogan – 33 out, 24 in. Kevin McManamon (30) has made way for Con O'Callaghan (21), Niall Scully (23) took the place of Paul Flynn (31). Even Paddy Andrews (29) for Diarmuid Connolly (30) lowered the number ever-so slightly.

The overall result has been to slash a full year off Dublin's average age. That might not sound like much in the general scheme of things but when you consider that Dublin are

All-Ireland champions, are going for three-in-a-row and didn't have a single retirement from their first 15 over the winter. Yet the team who started against Tyrone in the semi-final had an average age of 26.26.

Even though the numbers can get a bit dizzying, Mayo generally have a way of simplifying matters.

The starting 15 for their replay against Kerry in this year's semi-final showed only one change from last year's drawn final, with Chris Barrett (30) replacing Paddy Durcan (21). Otherwise, everyone else just got a year older. Add it all up, divide by 15, carry the one and so on and you're left with this – Mayo's average age in the semi-final was 29.17.

At the time of writing, the teams for today haven't been announced. Maybe Connolly will come in on the Dublin side, maybe room will be



found for Durcan in the Mayo side. If neither or both has happened, the distance in average age between the two sides will have narrowed a touch. But only a touch.

The long and short of it is that teams who were more or less the same age this day last year are separated by almost three years today. And interestingly, it isn't the team who are chasing their first All-Ireland who've made wholesale changes. Instead, it's the team aiming to do what only nine teams from four counties have ever done before – put three Sam Maguires back-to-back.

Gavin started this process between the final and the replay last year. In came Mannion for Brogan, Andrews for Macauley and Fitzsimons for Byrne. There was a passage of play around the 53-minute mark in that drawn game that might well have influenced his thinking. Mayo were getting something of a run on Dublin,

culminating in an Andy Moran shot that skimmed over the crossbar to bring the margin to a point.

Stephen Cluxton aimed his kick-out at Brian Fenton and from there, Dublin methodically took the sting out of the game.

They put together a sequence of passes that went the length of the field and took close to a minute to get there. Not a single Mayo hand touched the leather until conditions made the ball squirt loose to Diarmuid O'Connor on his own endline where he was fouled by Andrews.

The most interesting thing about what was, in truth, a fairly rudimentary passage of play is who was involved. Paul Flynn and Cian O'Sullivan were in there but only to dish off quick return passes to players running off them. They took up just two of the 54 seconds that encompassed the move.

Otherwise, the Dublin players involved were Fenton, Ciarán Kilkeny, John Small, Mannion and Byrne. The five youngest Dublin players on the pitch.

That's what Dublin's engine consists of now. It used to be that when people talked of Dublin's golden generation, they meant Brogan, Connolly, Cluxton, Macauley and Flynn. Gavin's greatest achievement has been Dublin's trio of All-Irelands, naturally. But it shouldn't be underestimated the size of the job he had in front of him as he set about transitioning from one generation to the next.

We don't know yet if this generation is just as golden as the one he's been gradually moving on from. But if it is, and it turns out Gavin has overseen a transition period while still stock-piling All-Irelands, his place in the pantheon of managers is assured.

THE BEST RIVALRY AROUND

by Colm Keys, Irish Independent

THE wounded list from the Dublin front line after the 2013 All-Ireland football final was like something from a war zone.

Eoghan O’Gara was immobilised with a badly torn hamstring while Michael Darragh Macauley limped away from the Dublin dressing-room with a suspected broken bone in his foot. When Paul Flynn, clearly worn from the exertions of covering those players in that final quarter, stopped to speak to the waiting media he apologised for his delivery.

“The hardest game I have played,” reflected Flynn. “There’s not enough crutches in here for some of

the lads. I have never seen anything like it. That’s a credit to Mayo.”

We can take it the scene was something similar in the other dressing-room as they quietly slipped away to reconcile with a second successive All-Ireland final defeat for most of these players. Mayo had lost but the level of attrition they brought that day had made a statement.

Lee Keegan/Diarmuid Connolly has become the flagship head-to-head, underpinning a rivalry that has become as fast and furious as any in modern times.

In each of their six championship meetings (three All-Ireland finals,

three All-Ireland semi-finals) there has been a spikiness prevalent that has helped to push them to the physical edge. It’s what makes their rivalry different and all the more engrossing, neither set of players willing to take a step back. What Tyrone didn’t do in their All-Ireland semi-final against Dublin last month, you can be sure Mayo will. Because it is their nature to physically engage to the maximum.

But meeting the physical demands of competing with this Dublin team isn’t the only box that Mayo tick. They can bring a relentless pace to their game too that has really only manifested on a consistent basis since their All-Ireland quarter-final replay with Roscommon.



At some point this season they collectively forgot the past and ditched any lingering baggage there may have been about being so tantalisingly close and yet so far from a cherished All-Ireland title at so many stages over the previous five seasons.

Last chance saloon has, it seems, come and gone so often for them since 2013, another look through those swinging doors isn't likely to unnerve them.

After an edgy, sometimes cranky campaign in league and championship they simply became themselves again, that hard-running, fast-breaking team that developed under James Horan and forgot about percentages to just go for it boldly.

Throwing off the shackles is a state of mind as much as a physical expression of liberty.

Meticulous as he is and exposed to much deeper statistical and technical analysis, Stephen Rochford would not accept a transformation in such simple terms could take place but somewhere between the two Roscommon games Mayo made that change and decided 'enough was enough.'

Their performance the second day against Roscommon was full of the power and pace of old, bodies forging their way through gaps with wave after wave of sustained attack. It was 'blitzkrieg' thrown in with a touch of 'shock and awe', an approach tempered somewhat for the drawn game with Kerry but which manifested again for the replay. For much of the season they had staggered, recovered and straightened up again only to stumble once more from Pearse Stadium to MacHale Park, Cusack Park in Ennis to the Gaelic Grounds and even Croke Park.

Those who felt they would explode into full bloom when they hit headquarters were right, albeit quite a bit behind schedule.

It's been a most circuitous route, a nine-game run that has taken in two periods of extra-time to match the journey of Tyrone in 2005 and Meath in 1991 who both played All-Ireland finals as their 10th matches in a campaign.

Tyrone took the spoils, Meath didn't, underlining that dramatic and courageous campaigns don't always end well.

By Sunday evening, goalkeeper David Clarke will have played the full complement of 740 championship

minutes (not including added time that routinely stretched to 10 minutes per game these days), while Cillian O'Connor, provided he stays on until the end, will have played for just over 720 minutes (he was black-carded in the 51st minute of the Kerry replay), extraordinary for an outfield player in today's game. Contrast that to the ease with which Dublin have cruised to a third successive final. Dublin still take the hits but they no longer show the same effects as they did in 2013.

The changes in personnel since then have been subtle too, the emphasis on consistent movement evident in the number of times Paul Mannion, ostensibly a creator and finisher, tracked back to rip possession from Tyrone players the last day.

That Dublin could leave two former Footballer of the Year recipients, Michael Darragh Macauley and Bernard Brogan, benched for the entire 70-plus minutes in that All-Ireland semi-final underlined their evolution as a team.

Mayo, too, have evolved, albeit with much the same personnel, but while there is more control and patience in both their games, they never stray too far from those fast and furious principles that have made their rivalry the best around.



DUBLIN v MAYO

BY THE NUMBERS

1 The number of times Dublin and Mayo have met in the Senior Football Championship outside Croke Park. The first-ever head-to-head between the counties took place at the Athlone Sportsfield in May 1906 where Dublin won by 0-8 to 1-4. That semi-final encounter was actually from the 1904 Championship which was running two years behind schedule.

3 The number of times Dublin and Mayo have met in All-Ireland finals. The first decider meeting was on June 17 1923, but actually was the 1921 final which Dublin won easily – 1-9 to 0-2. Ninety years passed before the sides again met in the final (2013) with Dublin winning 2-12 to 1-14. Last year's final was their third with Sam Maguire on the line and Dublin maintained their 100 per cent final record over Mayo, albeit after a replay, 1-15 to 1-14.

5 The record number of consecutive final victories (without losing a final) is five. Dublin achieved this feat first with wins in 1897, '98, '99, 1901 and '02 before losing the '04 final. Kerry enjoyed similar success in 1929, '30, '31, '32 and '37 but lost the '38 final. The Kingdom had another five victories in 1984, '85, '86, '97 and 2000 before coming a cropper in the 2002 final. If Dublin win today they will have won their sixth consecutive final, after wins in 1995, 2011, '13, '15 & '16.

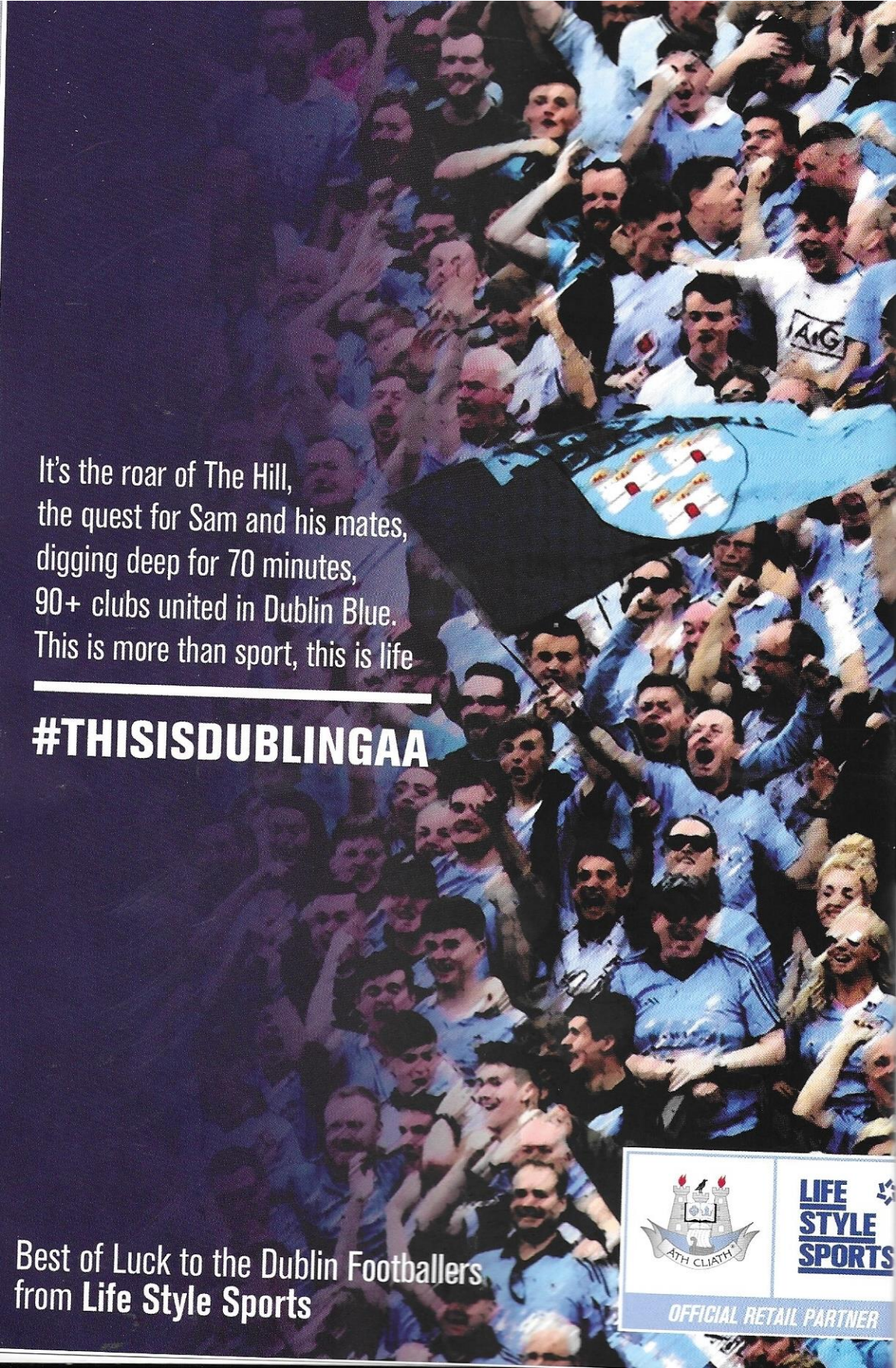
6 The number of successive All-Ireland finals Dublin appeared in between 1974 and 1979. The Metropolitans won three of those finals defeating Galway ('74), Kerry ('76) and Armagh ('77) but lost out to the Kingdom in the other three years. The current side are appearing in their third successive final and their fifth in seven years.

14 The number of senior championship confrontations between Dublin and Mayo with the Metropolitans registering eight wins to Mayo's two. Dublin's last win was in October's final replay while Mayo's most recent success was in the 2012 semi-final (0-19 to 0-16). The sides have drawn on four occasions – 1955, 1985, 2015 and 2016.

31 The number of years that have passed since a county successfully recorded a hat-trick of All-Ireland senior football titles. Having beaten Dublin in 1984, Kerry went on to retain the title with a win over Dublin again 12 months later and completed the three-in-a-row by defeating Tyrone in 1986.

90 The number of championship matches Stephen Cluxton has played in since debuting for Dublin in 2001. The Parnells net-minder tops the list for championship appearances ahead of Seán Cavanagh (89) and Tomás Ó Sé and Marc Ó Sé (88). Mayo's most 'experienced' player is Andy Moran who will play his 72nd championship match for the green and red this afternoon.

303 The aggregate score accumulated by Cillian O'Connor for Mayo since he made his debut against London in 2011. The Ballintubber marksman has scored 20 goals and 243 points in his inter-county career to date, giving him an average of almost seven points per match. Dublin's top marksman in the current squad is Bernard Brogan with 21 goals and 198 points.



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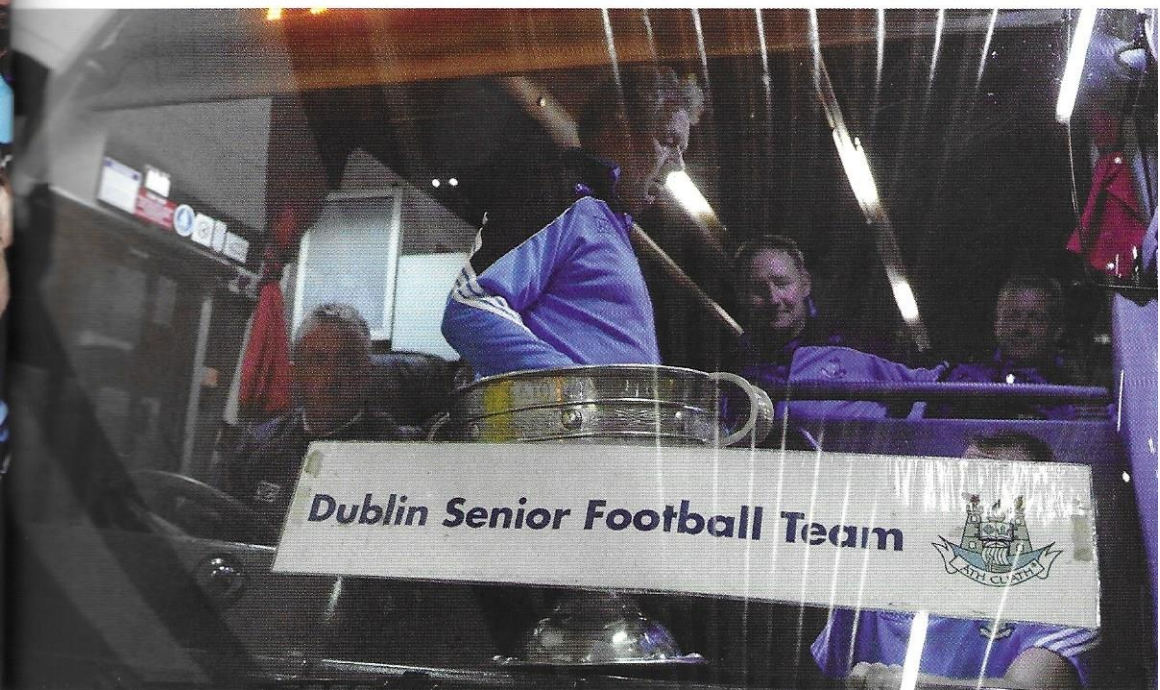


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IT'S NOT THE JOURNEY, BUT THE DESTINATION

by Paul Brennan



It goes without saying that every other county team that goes more than a couple of games into the Championship clocks up more travel miles than Dublin do, given the latter's proximity to Croke Park and the fact they seldom play summer football outside of the capital. It's just a fact that the Romans always played in the Colosseum.

If you take St Clare's beside DCU as the Dubs' Championship training base, then by the time they would theoretically arrive back there this evening they will have clocked up approximately 250 kilometres travelling to and

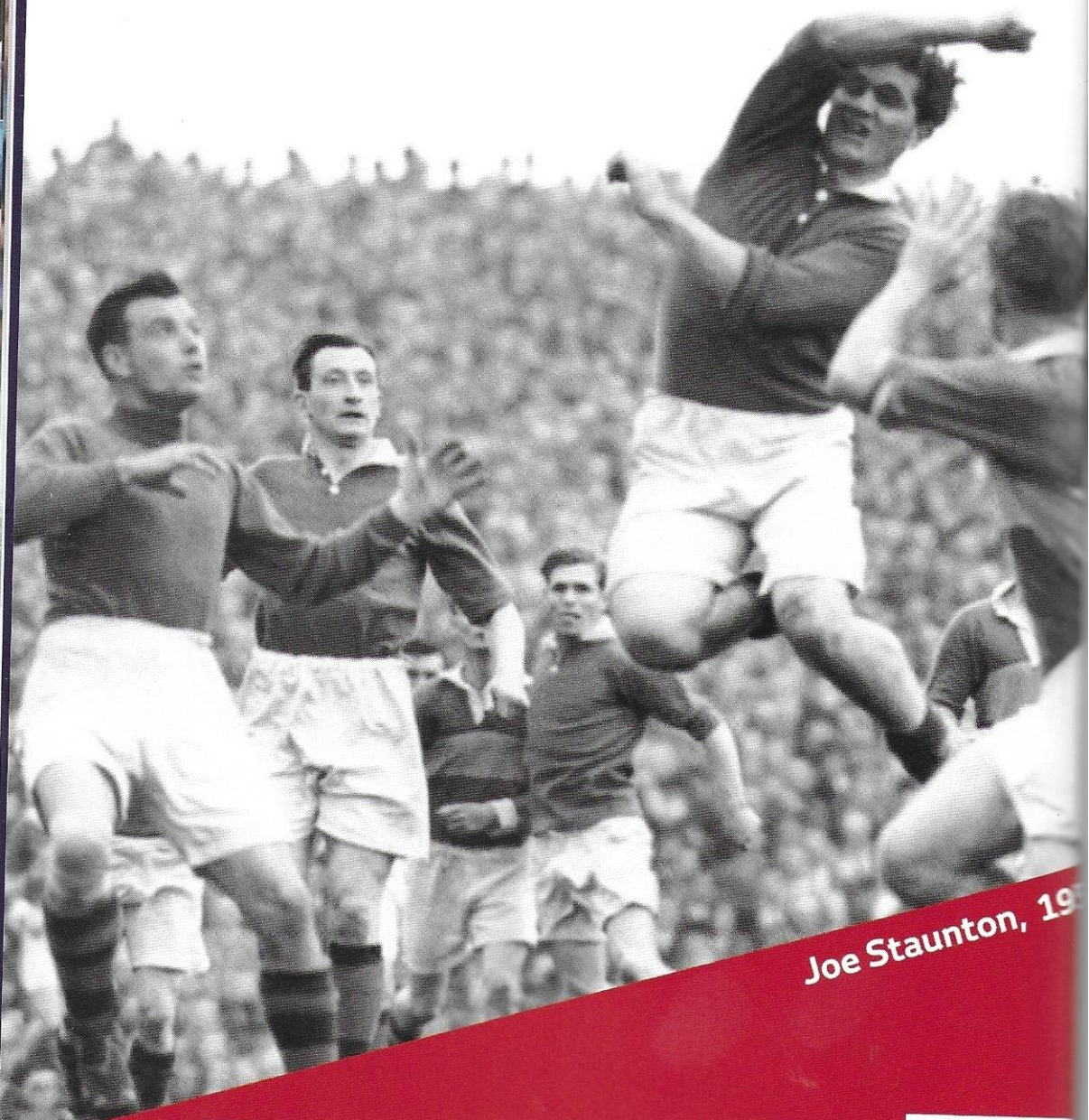
from their six Championship engagements thus far this year. That's five short return trips down the Ballymun Road to Croke Park, and a handy spin to and from Portlaoise for their summer opener against Carlow.

By contrast, the Mayo team – taking Castlebar as their training base – will, when they arrive back there tomorrow evening, have an extra 3,160 kilometres on the team coach odometer as their epic championship journey comes to an end – barring a replay. In astronomical terms if Dublin have been to the moon this summer,

then Mayo have been to Mars. Mayo's route, in every sense, to today's final has been long and winding by any yardstick. A record equalling tenth Championship match in one campaign awaits them today, fattened by Qualifiers and replays, much the same as Tyrone's epic march to All-Ireland glory in 2005.

Stephen Rochford's men started out as local as possible, hosting Sligo in Castlebar, but knowing what we know now the wonder is that the gods didn't throw them a ticket to Ruislip or The Bronx. Or both if that's possible.

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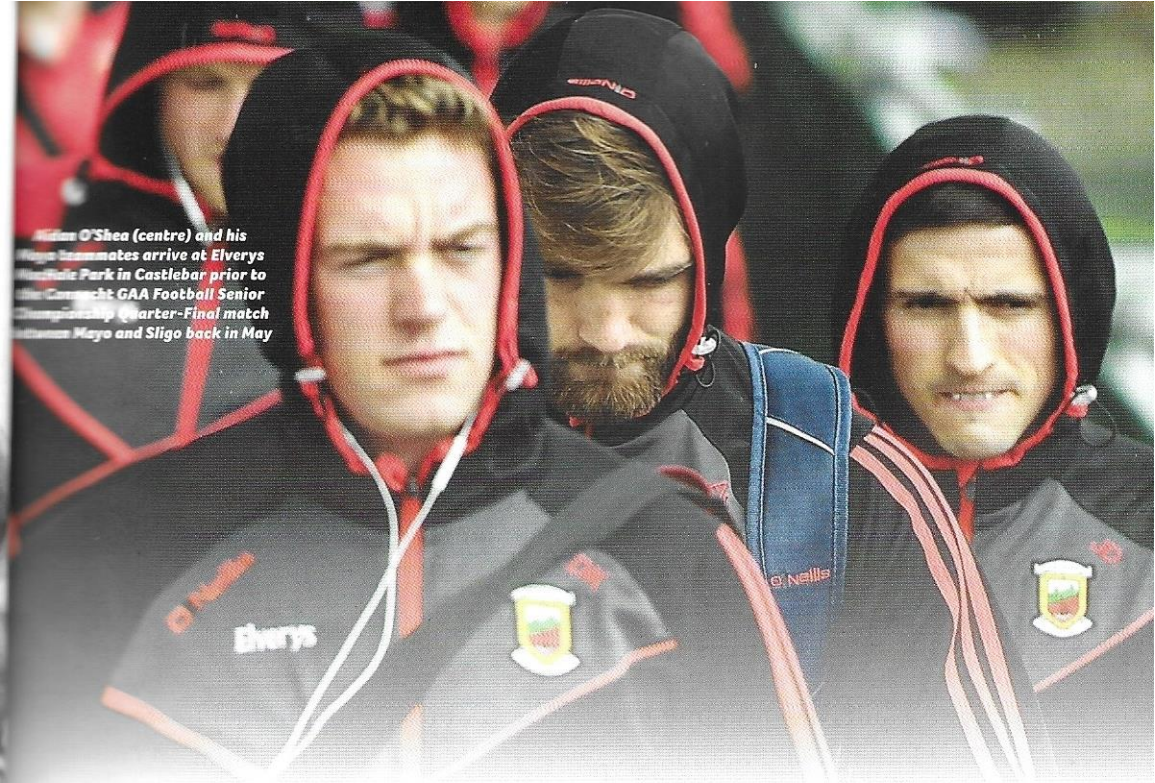
Good Luck to all

From the Staunton Family



TOYOTA

BUILT FOR
A BETTER
WORLD



Kieran O'Shea (centre) and his Mayo teammates arrive at Elvrys Woodside Park in Castlebar prior to the Connacht GAA Football Senior Championship Quarter-Final match between Mayo and Sligo back in May

Thereafter, the team and its loyal army of support bungeed their way up and down the west coast. Salthill and back. Ennis and back. Limerick and back.

Next up were a few shuttle runs across the country. Twice to Croke Park to address a local squabble with Roscommon.

Twice to the capital to sack the Kingdom. It's reasonable to assume Andy Moran and teammates just left their boots and bits in the Hogan Stand dressing room these last eight weeks.

Dublin, meanwhile, started taking care of business with a day trip to Portlaoise in early June and have kept on keeping on since without having had to go beyond the city limits. What it amounts to is that by tomorrow evening the Mayo footballers will have clocked nearly 13 times the distance travelling to and from championship games this summer to what the All-Ireland champions have.

Only Kerry in 2002, when they went the Qualifier route to that year's All-Ireland Final, have travelled further in getting to the third Sunday in September, when games in Limerick, Cork, Portlaoise twice, Thurles, and three in Croke Park saw Páidí Ó Sé's team cover a little over 3,500km that summer.

In 2009 Kerry racked up a comparable distance – about 3,140km – to what Mayo have done this year, by way of trips from their Killarney base to Cork, Longford, Tralee, Tullamore and three spins to Dublin before they won the Sam Maguire.

Even over the course of that 2005 ten-game odyssey, which included two trips to Clones and seven games in Croke Park, Tyrone accumulated a mere 2,750 kilometres from their Healy Park base in Omagh.

All the while Dublin have rarely ventured beyond the confines of their 'home from home', Croke Park.

That trip to O'Moore Park in June to play Carlow was only their second championship match away from Croke Park in over a decade.

Twelve months ago they headed to Kilkenny to play Laois in the Leinster championship, the first time the Dubs left the capital for a championship match since they went to Longford in 2006.

Where a Luas card or a short bus ride will have sufficed for most Dublin supporters to have followed their team across the summer, the Mayo supporters have needed deep pockets, well-serviced cars and Sat Navs to have been eye-witnesses to their team's heroic journey to today's final. In any event, today's result will determine whether it has been money well spent, or not, as the case may be.

Whether you're from Westport or Walkinstown, Belmullet or Balbriggan, it's the destination, not the journey which matters.

SENIOR SCOREBOARD

2017

LEINSTER

Louth	1-19	1-14	Wicklow
Laois	4-15	0-16	Longford
Carlow	2-17	2-13	Wexford
Meath	0-27	3-9	Louth
Kildare	1-21	1-7	Laois
Dublin	0-19	0-7	Carlow
Westmeath	0-10	0-10	Offaly
Westmeath	3-17	0-15	Offaly*
Kildare	2-16	0-13	Meath
Dublin	4-29	0-10	Westmeath
DUBLIN	2-23	1-17	KILDARE

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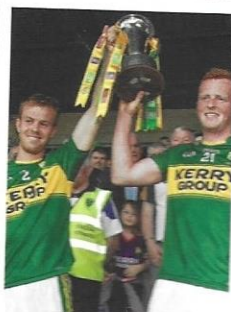
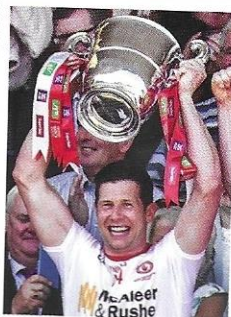
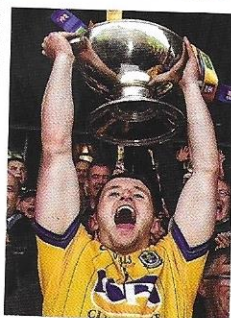
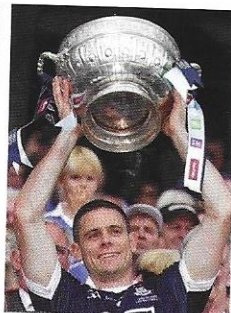
Sligo	1-21	1-13	New York
Mayo	2-14	0-11	Sligo
Leitrim	3-10	0-16	London
Galway	0-15	1-11	Mayo
Roscommon	2-23	1-9	Leitrim
ROSCOMMON	2-15	0-12	GALWAY

ULSTER

Monaghan	1-20	1-11	Fermanagh
Tyrone	0-22	0-11	Derry
Donegal	3-19	1-9	Antrim
Down	0-15	2-7	Armagh
Monaghan	1-15	0-15	Cavan
Tyrone	1-21	1-12	Donegal
Down	1-14	0-15	Monaghan
TYRONE	2-17	0-15	DOWN

MUNSTER

Clare	1-13	1-12	Limerick
Cork	1-12	1-11	Waterford
Kerry	1-18	1-12	Clare
Cork	1-10	1-9	Tipperary
KERRY	1-23	0-15	CORK



ALL-IRELAND

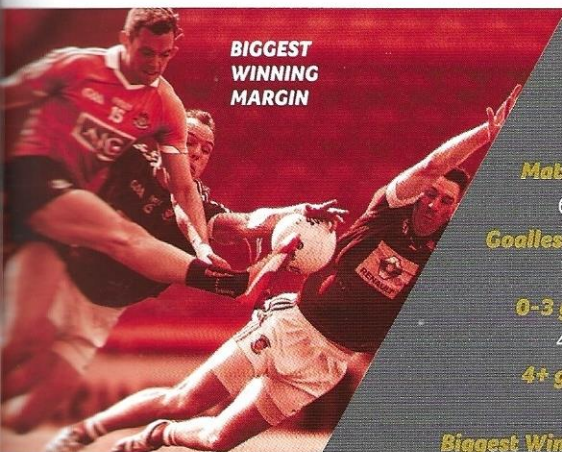
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Longford	2-15	1-10	Louth
Laois	2-16	3-10	Wicklow
Sligo	0-22	3-7	Antrim
Wexford	0-12	0-11	Limerick
Carlow	0-13	0-12	London
Cavan	1-17	0-16	Offaly
Armagh	0-20	0-11	Fermanagh
Clare	2-18	0-14	Laois
Mayo	2-21	1-13	Derry
Donegal	0-12	0-7	Longford
Meath	0-14	1-9	Sligo
Tipperary	2-15	0-18	Cavan
Carlow	2-14	0-13	Leitrim
Monaghan	3-23	1-11	Wexford
Armagh	1-12	1-7	Westmeath
Mayo	2-14	0-13	Clare
Donegal	1-15	1-14	Meath
Armagh	1-17	1-15	Tipperary
Monaghan	1-12	1-7	Carlow
Mayo	0-27	2-20	Cork
Galway	4-17	0-14	Donegal
Monaghan	1-24	1-16	Down
Armagh	1-17	0-17	Kildare
Kerry	1-18	0-13	Galway
Mayo	1-12	2-9	Roscommon
Tyrone	3-17	0-8	Armagh
Dublin	1-19	0-12	Monaghan
Mayo	4-19	0-9	Roscommon*
Mayo	2-14	2-14	Kerry
Mayo	2-16	0-17	Kerry*
Dublin	2-17	0-11	Tyrone

*replay

CHAMPIONSHIP 2017



BIGGEST WINNING MARGIN



HIGHEST AGGREGATE SCORE



Matches:

62

Goalless games:

7

0-3 goals:

46

4+ goals:

9

Biggest Winning Margin:

31pts – Dublin 4-29 Westmeath 0-10

Highest Aggregate Score:

53pts – Mayo 0-27 Cork 2-20*

Lowest Aggregate Score:

19pts – Donegal 0-12 Longford 0-7

Top scorer (overall):

Cillian O'Connor (Mayo) 3-59

Top scorer (single match):

Con O'Callaghan (Dublin) 0-12 v Kildare

Cillian O'Connor (Mayo) 0-12 v Derry*

Top scorer (single match from play):

Paul Mannion (Dublin) 0-8 v Westmeath

Andy Moran (Mayo) 1-5 v Kerry

Johnny Heaney (Galway) 2-2 v Donegal

Paul Cunningham (Wicklow) 2-2 v Laois

Most individual scorers in a match:

Monaghan (13) v Wexford

*extra time

TOP SCORER SINGLE MATCH



EYES ON THE BIGGEST PRIZE

by Alan Mac Maoldúin,
Stiúrthóir Cumarsáide CLG

THE scene is set. The rest have departed and once again the most enduring football rivalry of recent years will be renewed before the winter resting place of the Sam Maguire trophy is confirmed.

Dublin and Mayo as a fixture has captured the imagination of the Gaelic football public like no other duel since the spats of 2006, 2012, 2015 and 2016.

East v West; holders v challengers; draws, dramas, replays and general madness - not least in the sphere of what has become the annual ticket hunt.

One Dublin footballer timed his arrival on the scene well to secure a view of the rivalry and of his county's recent upward trajectory that leaves him challenging for a fifth Celtic Cross.

A teak tough, street smart, attacking - and crucially scoring - defender, Philly McMahon has been a driver of the Dublin set-up since making his first All-Ireland final appearance in the second half of the dramatic 2011 final win - the decider that will forever include the prefixes of 'Cluxton' and 'McManamon' with it.

It seems like a long time ago now and you won't be surprised to learn that the Ballymun Kickhams clubman is very much a man for the here and the now when it comes to the ongoing crusade for honours and accolades.

Mayo's presence in the final is no cause for surprise.

"I can't say I'm surprised," says McMahon. "To do what they do, year-in, year-out, to keep coming back to challenge shows you what sort of character they have in the team.

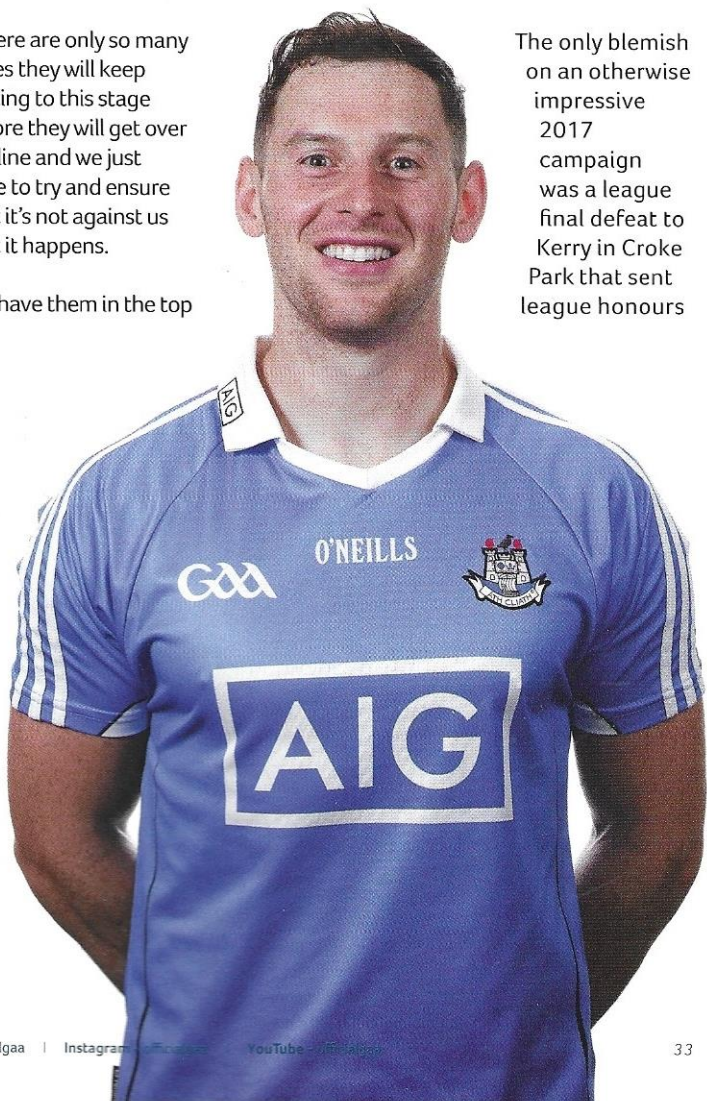
"There are only so many times they will keep getting to this stage before they will get over the line and we just have to try and ensure that it's not against us that it happens.

"I'd have them in the top

grouping of counties every year and if anything this year the extra games appear to have stood to them because they look like they have improved with each outing."

If Dublin's year to date hasn't been flawless, it hasn't been far off.

The only blemish on an otherwise impressive 2017 campaign was a league final defeat to Kerry in Croke Park that sent league honours





south to set chins wagging across football.

Kerry's subsequent championship semi-final disappointment underlines the warnings that accompany league campaigns and honours, and similarly Dublin's league final reversal didn't serve as an omen for the remainder of their year either.

McMahon admits the setback - their only defeat in 42 competitive outings - served as a timely reminder that a certain level has to be reached for the big games against the big teams. "Things were a little different this year," he adds. "We had a couple of weeks off in the early stages of the year and we were in catch-up mode thereafter. It took us a while to get going before we managed to set up a good run. We managed to break the record even if it wasn't really something we went chasing.

"The league final defeat was an eye opener though. It reminded us that we weren't where we needed to be at the time.

"There was no panic after it and there was no need for panic. We got to the final and we fell short

and the good thing is that you take learnings from that as you do from most games. I think that has stood to us.

"We think we are in a good place now but in truth you never know until afterwards. We're approaching this final in the same positive frame of mind as we have the others and hoping for a performance."

When Jim Gavin and his selectors sat down to pick a team in recent days it can't have been an easy task.

A welcome dilemma perhaps, but the competition for places is as intense as any time McMahon can recall.

For the semi-final win over Tyrone, Cormac Costello and Denis Bastick did not make the bench. Michael Darragh Macauley and Bernard Brogan did - but neither got game-time.

Against Monaghan Kevin McManamon had to be content with a non-playing bench spot too.

Having players of that quality is one thing, how you use and manage them is another and McMahon, who broke onto the panel back in 2008, admits the

battle for places and game time is intense.

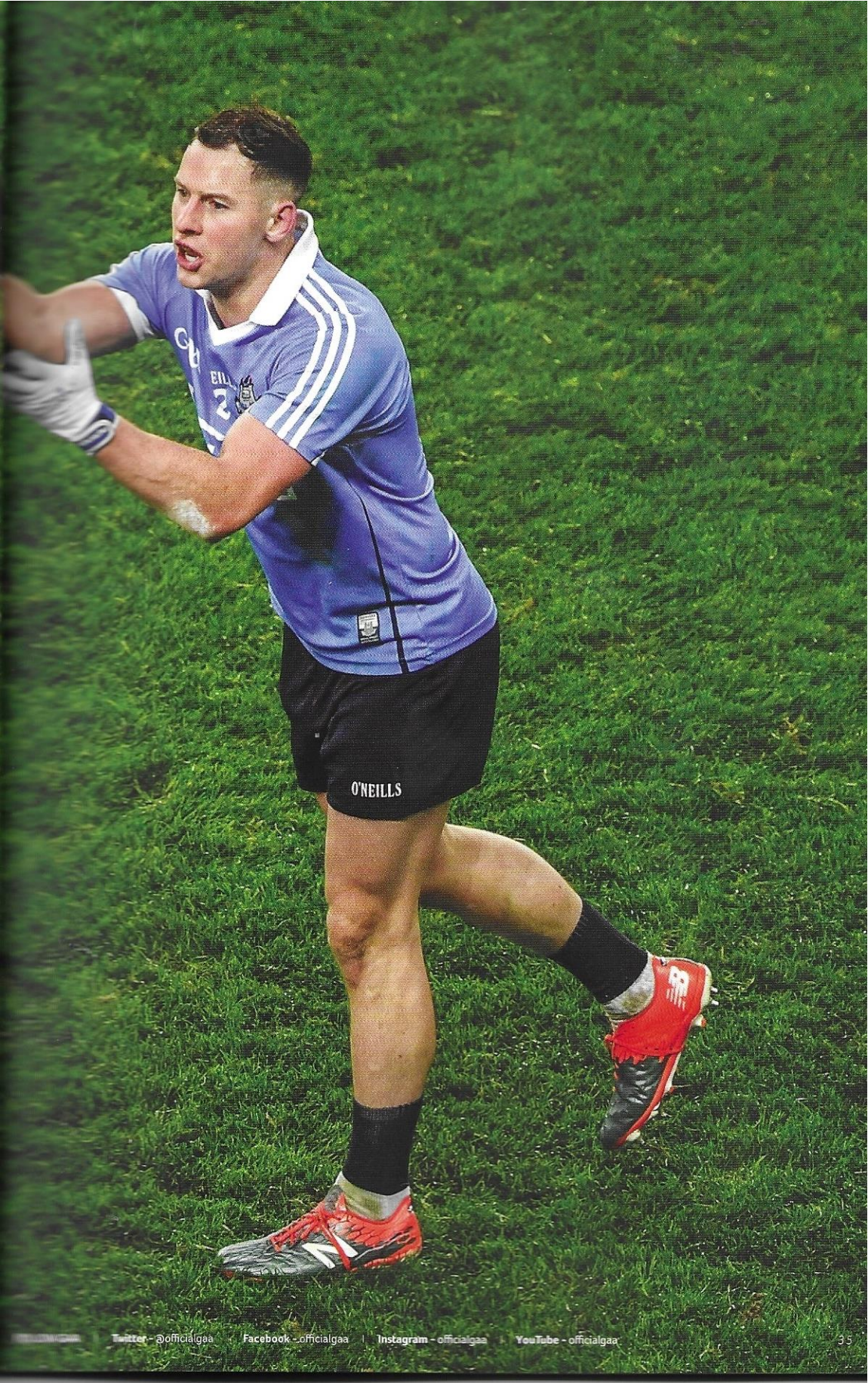
"It's arguably the most intense I've ever experienced," he continues. "We also happen to be injury free just when we want to be, which is very strange. It's like we got all of the injuries at the right time and they've cleared up.

"I really look forward to the training games at this time of the year with everyone challenging for places and everyone bringing out the best in each other.

"Recently I looked down through the team and noted that myself, Stephen Cluxton and Cian O'Sullivan were the only players over the age of 28 which gives you some idea of the age profile and an indication of the fresh blood that has been introduced.

"It doesn't give you a license to win an All-Ireland but it gives us a good platform to take on the Mayo challenge - that's what we are all focused on ahead of what is the biggest game of the year."

To that end, monitor McMahon's contribution today. He is sure to be in the thick of it just as we've come to expect.



ÁTH CLIATH IMREOIRÍ



MICHAEL FITZSIMONS
Cuala

Age: 29
Height: 6'
Weight: 13st 1lb

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

JACK McCAFFREY
Clontarf

Age: 23
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st 11lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 0-5



JONNY COOPER
Na Fianna

Age: 27
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st

2017 Championship appearances: 4
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

BRIAN FENTON
Raheny

Age: 24
Height: 6' 4"
Weight: 14st 3lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 0-3



JOHN SMALL
Ballymun Kickhams

Age: 24
Height: 6'
Weight: 13st 10lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 3
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

JAMES MCCARTHY
Ballymun Kickhams

Age: 27
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 3lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 1-1



CIAN O'SULLIVAN
Kilmacud Crokes

Age: 29
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 1lb

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

PHILLY McMAHON
Ballymun Kickhams

Age: 30
Height: 6'
Weight: 13st 8lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 3
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



(1) denotes appearances as a substitute



CONGRATULATIONS

GAA Football Championship Finalists 2017



DUBLIN MAYO



NIALL SCULLY
Templeogue Syngé Street

Age: 23
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st 2lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 4
2017 Championship scores: 0-1



CON O'CALLAGHAN
Cuala

Age: 21
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 12st 13lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 1-20



CIARÁN KILKENNY
Castleknock

Age: 24
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 10lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 1-9



PAUL MANNION
Kilmacud Crokes

Age: 24
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 13st 6lbs

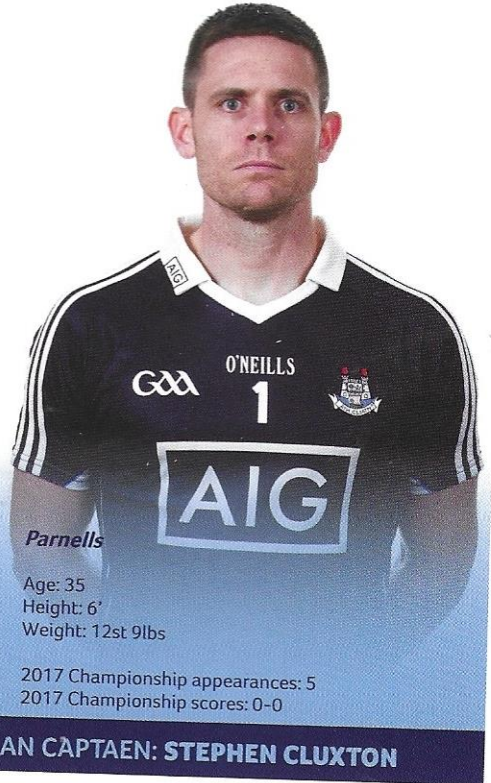
2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 0-13



PADDY ANDREWS
St Brigid's

Age: 29
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 13st 6lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 4
2017 Championship scores: 0-8



Parnells

Age: 35
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st 9lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

AN CAPTAEN: STEPHEN CLUXTON

OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP APPEARANCES

20

MARK SCHÜTTE / CONOR MCHUGH 1
BRIAN HOWARD 2
SHANE CARTHY 3
NIALL SCULLY 4

CON O'CALLAGHAN 8
CORMAC COSTELLO 10

DAVID BYRNE 12
ERIC LOWNDES 13
JOHN SMALL 17

BRIAN FENTON 19
DARREN DALY 20

25

PAUL MANNION 23
JACK McCAFFREY 24

30

CIARÁN KILKENNY 28
JONNY COOPER 29
PADDY ANDREWS / DEAN ROCK 30

35

EOGHAN O'GARA 34
DENIS BASTICK 35

DEAN ROCK
Ballymun Kickhams

Age: 27
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 6lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 5
2017 Championship scores: 3-23



EOGHAN O'GARA
Templeogue Synge Street

Age: 31
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 13st 12lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (3)
2017 Championship scores: 2-2



PAUL FLYNN
Fingallians

Age: 31
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 14st 7lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (2)
2017 Championship scores: 0-4



ERIC LOWNES
St Peregrines

Age: 23
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 13st 11lb

2017 Championship appearances: 5 (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



KEVIN McMANAMON
St Judes

Age: 30
Height: 6'
Weight: 13st 10lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 4 (3)
2017 Championship scores: 1-1



DIARMUID CONNOLLY
St Vincent's

Age: 30
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 10lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 2 (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-1



DARREN DALY
Fingal Ravens

Age: 30
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 12st 2lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 4 (3)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



BERNARD BROGAN
St Oliver Plunkett's/Eoghan Ruadh

Age: 33
Height: 6'
Weight: 13st 3lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (4)
2017 Championship scores: 0-9



() denotes appearances as a substitute

40

JAMES MCCARTHY 30
MICHAEL FITZSIMONS / CIAN O'SULLIVAN 40

45

PHILLY McMAHON 42
MICHAEL DAREAGH MACCAULEY 42
KEVIN McMANAMON 43

50

DIARMUID CONNOLLY 47
PAUL FLYNN 50

...60

BERNARD BROGAN 57

...100

STEPHEN CLUXTON 90



MICHAEL DARRAGH MACAULEY
Ballyboden St Enda's

Age: 31
Height: 6' 3"
Weight: 14st 7lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



MARK SCHÜTTE
Cuala

Age: 25
Height: 6' 3"
Weight: 13st 12lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



DAVID BYRNE
Naomh Olaf

Age: 23
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 13st 6lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (4)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



CONOR MCHUGH
Na Fianna

Age: 23
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st 4lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-1



SHANE CARTHY
St Vincent's

Age: 25
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 1lb

2017 Championship appearances: (3)
2017 Championship scores: 0-3



DENIS BASTICK
Templeogue Synge Street

Age: 36
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 13st 8lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



BRIAN HOWARD
Raheny

Age: 20
Height: 6'
Weight: 13st 1lb

2017 Championship appearances: (2)
2017 Championship scores: 0-1



CORMAC COSTELLO
Whitehall Colmcille

Age: 23
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st 4lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES

10

20

DAVID BYRNE / BRIAN HOWARD /
ERIC LOWANDES / CONOR MCHUGH /
NIALL SCULLY 0-1

JONNY COOPER / JOHN SMALL 0-2

SHANE CARTHY 0-3

CIAN O'SULLIVAN 0-5

DENIS BASTICK 1-6

BRIAN FENTON 0-10

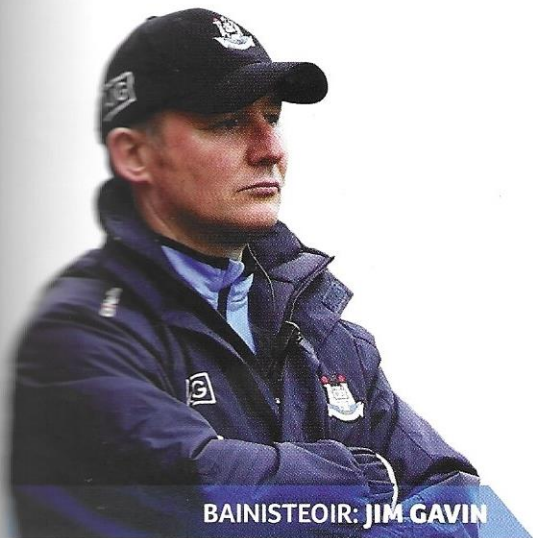
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MICHAEL DARRAGH MACAULEY 2-7

JACK MCCAFFREY 2-9

CORMAC COSTELLO 1-13

PHILLY McMAHON 1-14



BAINISTEOR: JIM GAVIN

CONOR MULLALLY

Cuala

Age: 22
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 12st

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



EINO MURCHAN

Na Fianna

Age: 21
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 11st 12lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



COLM BASQUEL

Ballyboden St Enda's

Age: 21
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 13st 6lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



CILLIAN O'SHEA

Kilmacud Crokes

Age: 21
Height: 5' 9"
Weight: 11st

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



EVAN COMERFORD

Ballymun Kickhams

Age: 19
Height: 6'
Weight: 11st 12lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



CIARAN REDDIN

St Mairs

Age: 25
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 6lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



() denotes appearances as a substitute

...50

CON O'CALLAGHAN 1-21

PAUL MANNION 4-24

PADDY ANDREWS 1-35

EOGHAN O'GARA 8-18

CIARÁN KILKENNY 1-46
STEPHEN CLUXTON 0-49

...100

KEVIN McMANAMON 8-35
PAUL FLYNN 5-46

...250+

DIARMUID CONNOLLY 12-69

DEAN ROCK 6-124

BERNARD BROGAN 21-198

MAIGH EO IMREOIRÍ



DAVID CLARKE
Ballina Stephenites

Age: 33
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 14st 2lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

CHRIS BARRETT
Belmullet

Age: 30
Height: 5' 10"
Weight: 13st

2017 Championship appearances: 9
2017 Championship scores: 0-2



BRENDAN HARRISON
Aghamore

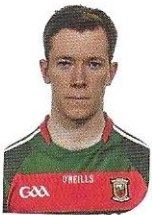
Age: 24
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st

2017 Championship appearances: 7
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

AIDAN O'SHEA
Breaffy

Age: 27
Height: 6' 4"
Weight: 15st 6lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9 (2)
2017 Championship scores: 0-7



DONAL VAUGHAN
Ballinrobe

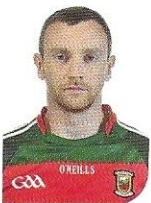
Age: 28
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 14st 5lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9 (3)
2017 Championship scores: 0-2

COLM BOYLE
Davitts

Age: 31
Height: 5' 9"
Weight: 12st 8lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9 (1)
2017 Championship scores: 1-1



KEITH HIGGINS
Ballyhaunis

Age: 32
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 12st

2017 Championship appearances: 8
2017 Championship scores: 1-2

SÉAMUS O'SHEA
Breaffy

Age: 30
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 15st

2017 Championship appearances: 9 (2)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0





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i gCluiche Ceannais Peile na hÉireann, 2017.*

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every success in the 2017 All-Ireland Football Final.**

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TOM PARSONS
Charlestown

Age: 29
Height: 6' 3"
Weight: 14st 2lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9 (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-4



DIARMUID O'CONNOR
Ballintubber

Age: 22
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 14st

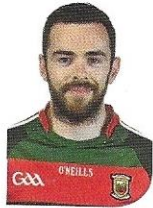
2017 Championship appearances: 9 (1)
2017 Championship scores: 3-5



LEE KEEGAN
Westport

Age: 27
Height: 5' 10"
Weight: 13st 1lb

2017 Championship appearances: 8
2017 Championship scores: 1-6



KEVIN McLOUGHLIN
Knockmore

Age: 28
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 13st

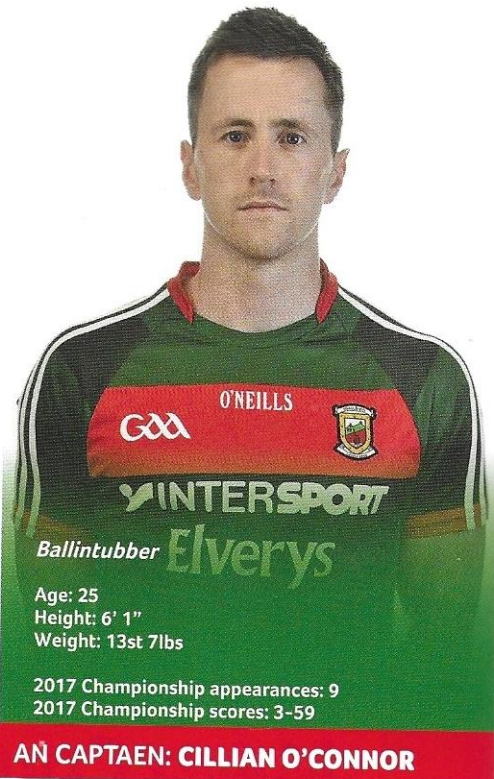
2017 Championship appearances: 9
2017 Championship scores: 2-7



JASON DOHERTY
Burrishoole

Age: 27
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 13st 3lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9 (4)
2017 Championship scores: 1-10



AN CAPTAEN: CILLIAN O'CONNOR

OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP APPEARANCES

10

CAOLAN CROWE 1
SHANE NALLY 2
FERGAL BOLAND / DANNY KIRBY 4

DAVID DRAKE 9
CONOR O'SHEA 10

20

EVAN REGAN 11
CONOR LOFTUS 12

STEPHEN COEN 17
ROBERT HENNELLY 19
BRENDAN HARRISON 20

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PATRICK DURCAN 21

DIARMUID O'CONNOR 24

CHRIS BARRETT 30

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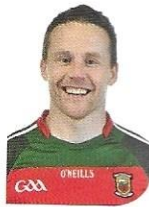
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BARRY MORAN 35
GER CAFFERKEY 36

ANDY MORAN
Ballaghaderreen

Age: 33
Height: 5' 10"
Weight: 13st 3lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9
2017 Championship scores: 3-21



STEPHEN COEN
Hollymount Carramore

Age: 21
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 3lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 9 (7)
2017 Championship scores: 0-1



PATRICK DURCAN
Castlebar Mitchels

Age: 22
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st 13lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 8 (3)
2017 Championship scores: 0-9



DANNY KIRBY
Castlebar Mitchels

Age: 25
Height: 6' 4"
Weight: 14st 2lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (4)
2017 Championship scores: 0-1



CONOR LOFTUS
Crossmolina

Age: 22
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st

2017 Championship appearances: 8 (7)
2017 Championship scores: 1-5



DAVID DRAKE
Ballaghaderreen

Age: 27
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 10lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (6)
2017 Championship scores: 0-1



CONOR O'SHEA
Breaffy

Age: 24
Height: 6' 3"
Weight: 14st

2017 Championship appearances: 2 (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



ALAN DILLON
Ballintubber

Age: 33
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 12st 2lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (3)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



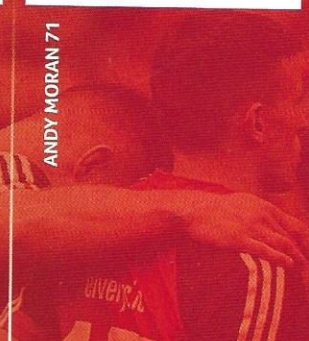
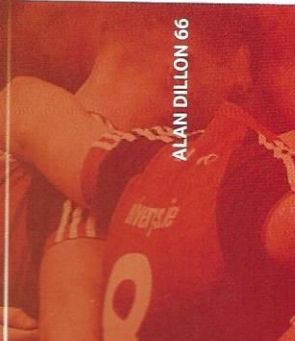
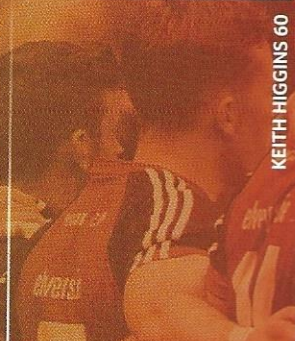
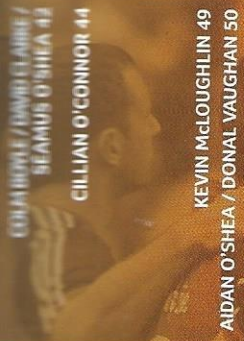
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SHANE NALLY
Garrymore

Age: 26
Height: 6'
Weight: 13st 5lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-2



CAOLAN CROWE
Garrymore

Age: 25
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 14st

2017 Championship appearances: (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



GER CAFFERKEY
Ballina Stephenites

Age: 30
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 13st 5lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 6
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



FERGAL BOLAND
Aghamore

Age: 21
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Weight: 12st

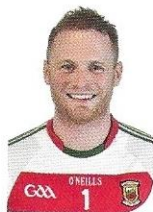
2017 Championship appearances: 4 (1)
2017 Championship scores: 0-3



EVAN REGAN
Ballina Stephenites

Age: 24
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 12st 13lbs

2017 Championship appearances: (3)
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



ROBERT HENNELLY
Breaffy

Age: 27
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 15st

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



BARRY MORAN
Castlebar Mitchels

Age: 31
Height: 6' 5"
Weight: 15st

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



DONAL NEWCOMBE
Castlebar Mitchels

Age: 28
Height: 5' 10"
Weight: 12st 11lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0

OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES

DANNY KIRBY / DAVID DRAKE 0-1

SHANE NALLY 0-2

FERGAL BOLAND / STEPHEN COEN 0-3

CONOR O'SHEA 1-1
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SEAMUS O'SHEA 1-8

CONOR LOFTUS 2-7
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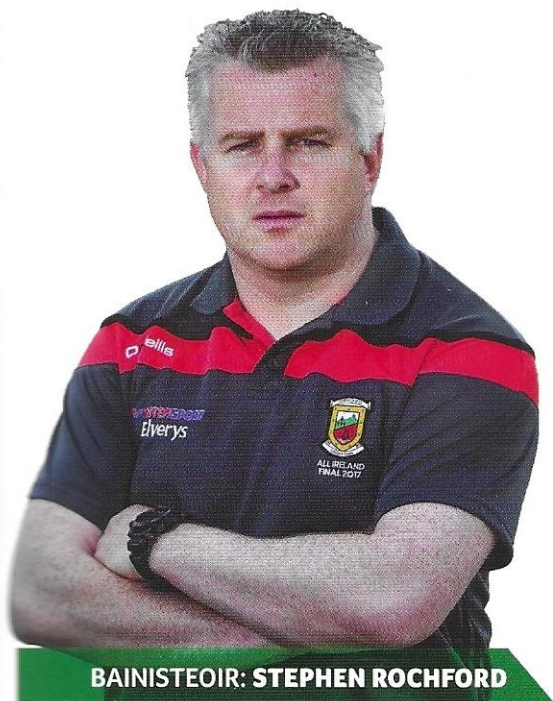
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BAINISTEOIR: STEPHEN ROCHFORD

ADAM GALLAGHER
Mayo Gaels

Age: 22
Height: 6'
Weight: 12st 10lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



EOIN O'DONOGHUE
Belmullet

Age: 21
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 11st 8lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



MATTHEW RUANE
Breaffy

Age: 20
Height: 6' 2"
Weight: 14st

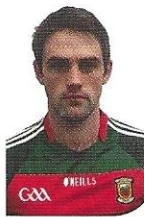
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STEPHEN DUFFY
Crossmolina

Age: 27
Height: 5' 11"
Weight: 12st 8lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



JAMES CARR
Ardagh

Age: 20
Height: 6' 1"
Weight: 12st 10lbs

2017 Championship appearances: 0
2017 Championship scores: 0-0



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BARRY MORAN 4-11
DONAL VAUGHAN 2-17

DIARMUID O'CONNOR 5-22

LEE KEEGAN 5-34

...100

JASON DOHERTY 6-33
AIDAN O'SHEA 9-28

KEVIN McLOUGHLIN 4-48

...300+

ALAN DILLON 1-108
ANDY MORAN 9-94

CULLEN O'CONNOR 50-242

HOME AWAY FROM HOME

by Alan Mac Maoldúin,
Stiúrthóir Cumarsáide CLG

DUBLIN'S Jonny Cooper may have, in the past, laid claim to being the player born closest to Croke Park on the current sky-blue team, but the accolade of who resides closest to headquarters is surely claimed by a Mayo man – and not a Dub.

Versatile Mayo attacker Jason Doherty has had a bird's eye view of both Croke Park and the final build-up in the capital this year living a few hundred metres from the stadium in Drumcondra – a distance his dual code colleague Keith Higgins would cover with a few pucks.

Doherty's location in the city adds another dimension in a season that has had everything for Mayo as their resilience has bubbled to the surface yet again and powered them back to the most important game in the inter-county football calendar.

The energy engineer who works in project management for the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland admits the daily drive past the stadium can be slightly surreal but all the more appealing when there is still the chance to tog off there today.

Doherty completed a MA in Energy Management in DIT in 2013 – winning a Sigerson Cup alongside team-mate Aidan O'Shea – and brushing shoulders with Ciarán Reddin and Kevin O'Brien, two men with Dublin

experience, in the process. Doherty is long used to city life but a Mayo v Dublin final pairing adds a quirk to his capital residence status.

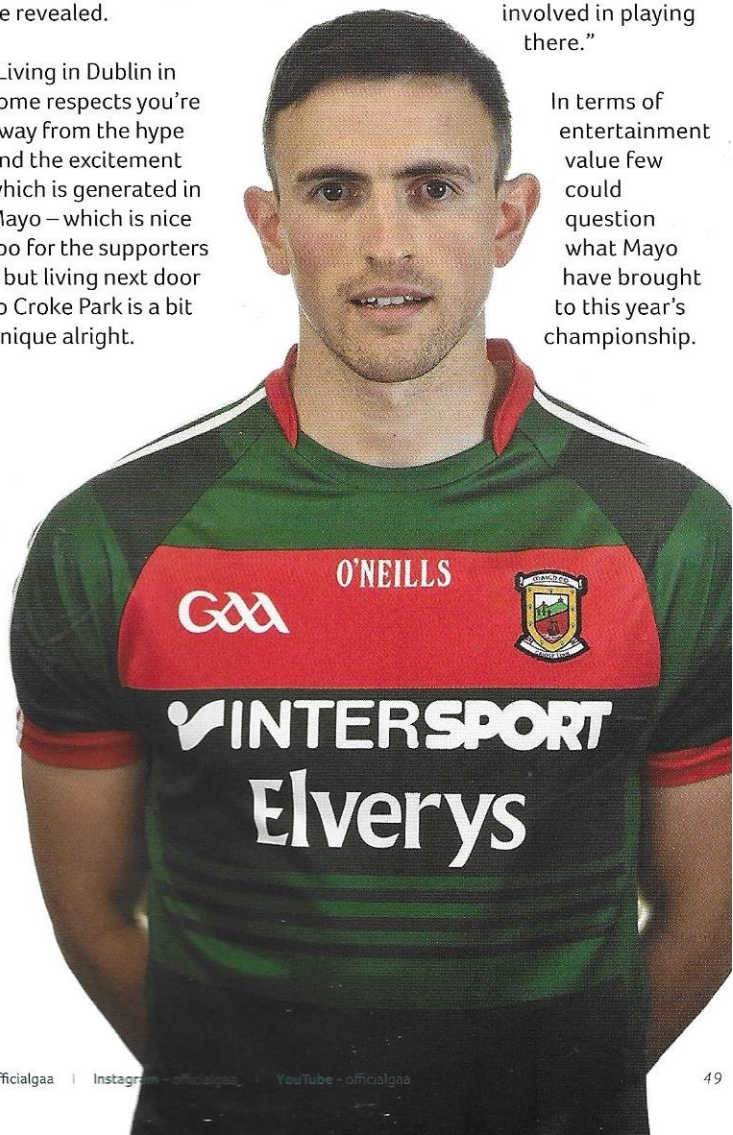
"I'm in Drumcondra three months – I've only moved apartment," he revealed.

"Living in Dublin in some respects you're away from the hype and the excitement which is generated in Mayo – which is nice too for the supporters – but living next door to Croke Park is a bit unique alright.

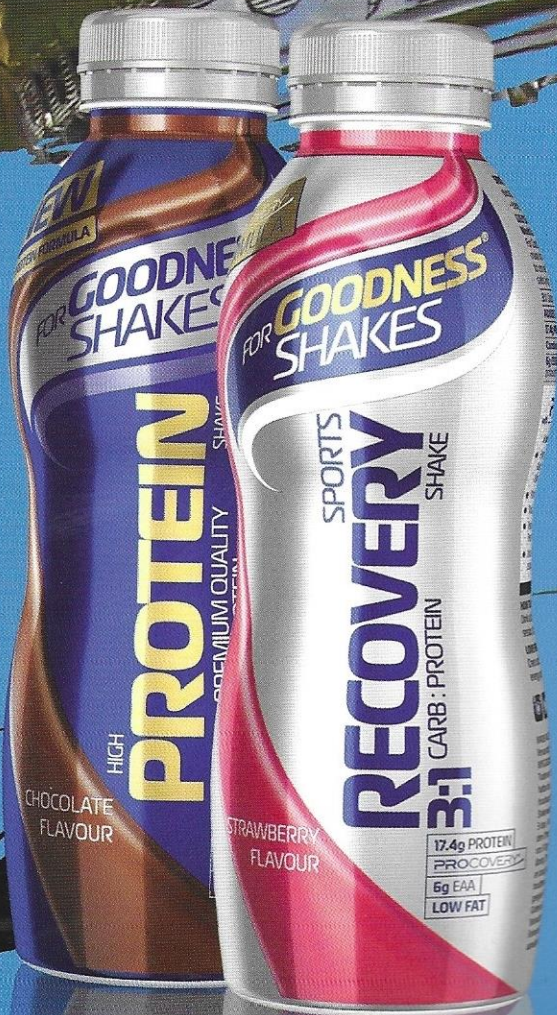
"You're seeing it every day driving to work – it's different.

"We're just glad to be back playing there given the long season we've had – it's a lot easier looking at it every day when you're actually involved in playing there."

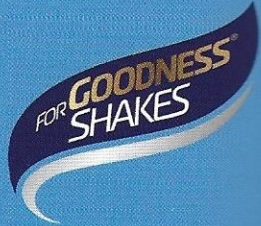
In terms of entertainment value few could question what Mayo have brought to this year's championship.



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Doherty tears away from Philip McMahon and James McCarthy during the drawn 2016 GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship Final

Nine games – to date – two draws, two victorious replays and the usual quota of colour, drama, excitement and all-round energy and it's no exaggeration to say that championship 2017 would have been a lesser place without them and the incredible support they bring, week-in, week-out. Had Derry sealed the deal in their first qualifier outing at Elverys MacHale Park this conversation would not be taking place.

"We definitely got a wake-up call against Derry," accepts the Burnisshoole clubman.

"Remember James Kielt had a free on the side-line that day and it could have been the difference between us going on a journey and having a great year so far and being knocked out in our first qualifier game.

"It reminded us that if we don't get ourselves together we can be average and when we do get it together we can be excellent. There is a fine line between getting to an All-Ireland final and

being knocked out at the first hurdle in the qualifiers.

"With every game, we've been able to tweak, adapt and learn. There were different aspects of our game that either went well or we need to improve on.

"That's slowly been building with every game we've had and we've been able to fine tune little bits and pieces.

"It's no different with the final in terms of things to improve on from the performance against Kerry but also the positives.

"Nothing changes other than the fact that we have had more time to do that than we have been used to for the last nine or ten weeks."

While the seemingly never-ending Mayo push for a re-acquaintance with the Sam Maguire will consume many – not least the travelling hordes from Mayo, it won't be featuring on the players' agenda. It simply doesn't register for a team that are dealing with the

here and now as the relentless drive for top honours goes again. "I know it sounds boring but it is a new year," adds Doherty.

"Every year there is a turn around with new players coming in and new backroom team. So, it quickly becomes a new group, a new focus and a new objective.

"This year is no different. It just so happens that Dublin are in the way again.

"In terms of the rivalry there have been some great games but we haven't come out at the right end. We wouldn't be back in the final or still going if we didn't feel we could come out on top whether that might be against Dublin or anyone else.

"We don't over-think past defeats. It's a new year, we've a new team and we have been on a different journey and we are set up very differently compared to other finals and have put ourselves in a good position to go out and win it.

"We are confident in our own abilities and taking on this Dublin team."

Buckle up.

If recent encounters are an accurate barometer, it should be some journey before one captain or another is called to the podium and the curtain falls on Championship 2017.



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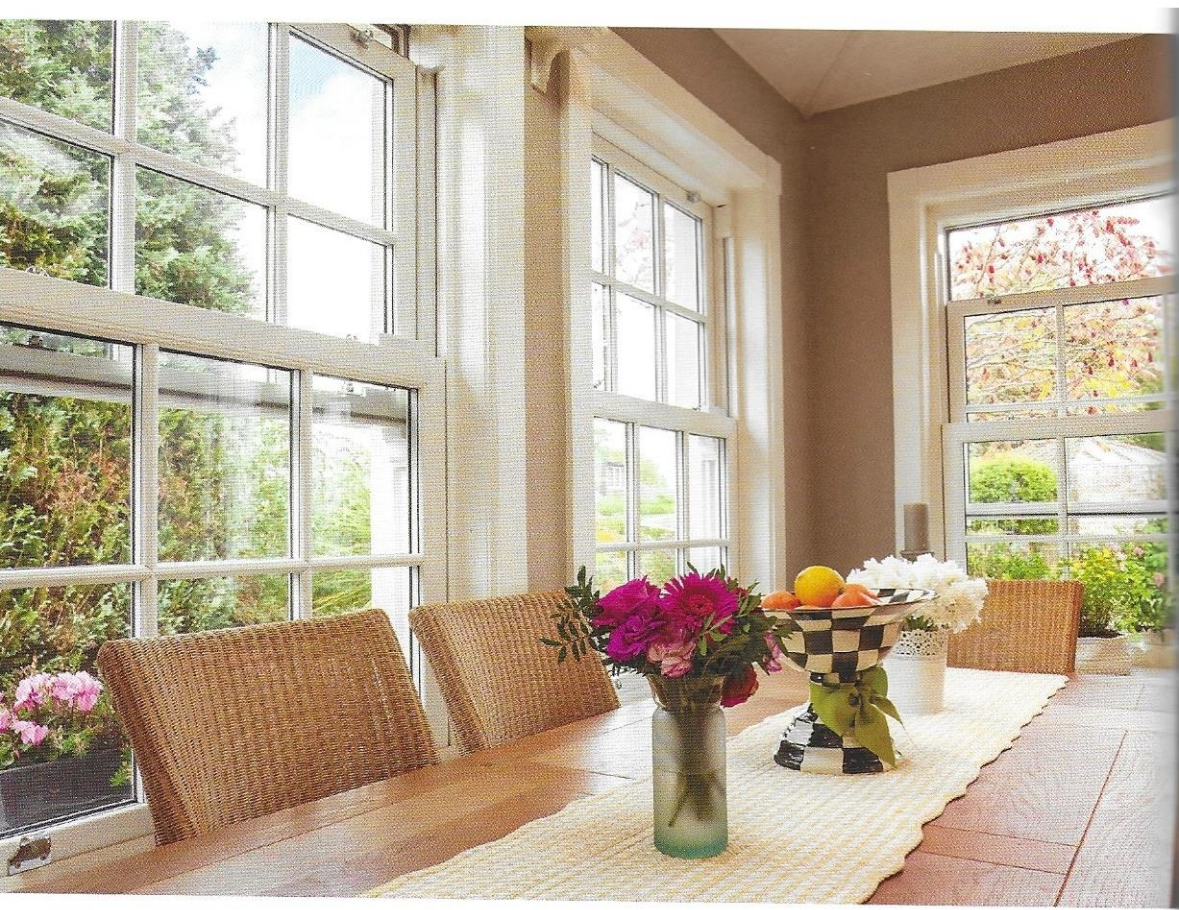
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DUBLIN v MAYO

LINE BY LINE

by Arthur Sullivan



Arthur Sullivan takes a look at both teams, line by line, and sees where their respective strong links lie in potential match-ups as they battle it out in Croke Park today to claim the Sam Maguire Cup.



Goalkeepers

When the discussion gets going on the goalkeeper position for this year's All Star selection, the conversation is unlikely to stray too far beyond Stephen Cluxton and David Clarke. Both men are now in their mid thirties but are in the form of their lives. Cluxton's kickouts have never been better, as illustrated by the masterclass he delivered in the semi-final win over Tyrone. Clarke's were at similar levels in Mayo's replay win over Kerry, the Westerners winning all of their own kick-outs as the Castlebar man didn't miss a beat. Both men have also commanded their goal with authority – Clarke's stunning double save from Paul Geaney and Barry John Keane comes to mind, as does Cluxton's penalty stop from Peter Harte. The big question is which team will do most damage to the other's restart strategy? Past indicators would suggest Mayo's is slightly more vulnerable to disruption than Dublin's.



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Half-Back
Describing team formations in modern Gaelic football is something of a fool's errand, but we can assume that Dublin's last line of defence this afternoon will have Jimmy Cooper and Michael O'Sullivan at its heart, with Cian O'Sullivan sweeping in front and either both of Philly McMahon and John Small likely to be given specific man-marking details.

Defenders' tenacity, bravery and anticipation are traits shared by Cooper, while McMahon is the one most likely to be given the task of shutting down the in-form Jack Moran. He'll also look to get forward himself.

At the other end, Mayo's full-back line has evolved over the course of

their kaleidoscopic season. With Aidan O'Shea unlikely to find himself in the full-back line too often this afternoon following his much commented upon cameo there for the Kerry games, Chris Barrett, Brendan Harrison and Keith Higgins are the three most likely to provide Clarke's last line of protection.

Harrison is a supreme man-marker – he held Bernard Brogan scoreless in last year's drawn final – and he is likely to be given a similar detail against one of the Sky Blue sharpshooters today. Higgins is enjoying his best season since his last All Star in 2014 and he is one of the few with the athleticism required to handle the in-form Paul Mannion.



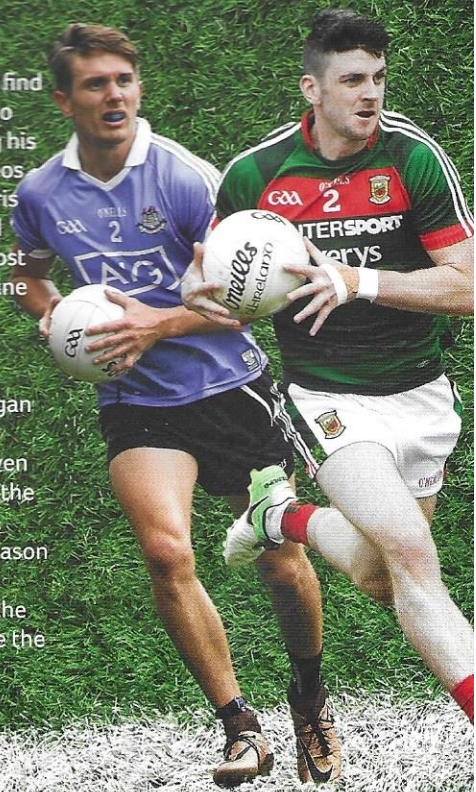
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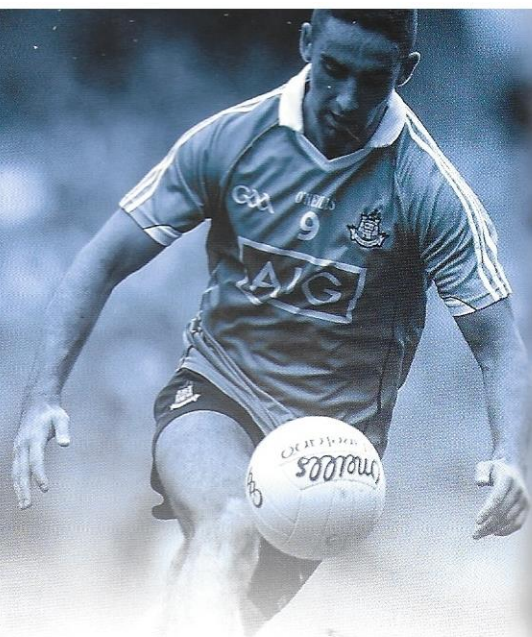
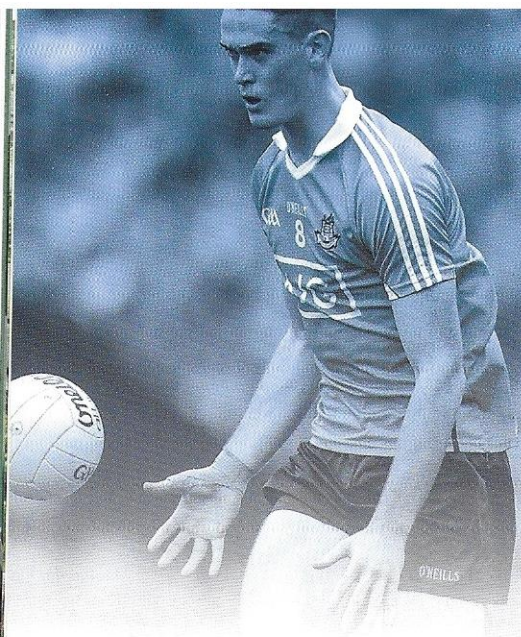
Mayo's 'man to man' approach, in stark contrast to that provided by Tyrone, will place more demands on this vital line of Dublin's. Jack McCaffrey – man of the match in the Tyrone game and back to his best form – is Dublin's primary attacking weapon from this area and he will look to stretch Mayo at every opportunity. John Small was given a man-marking job on Peter Harte in the semi-final and Jim Gavin may opt for more attacking forces this time out, with Eric Lowndes a possible option. Philly McMahon is likely to be further back the field than the central 'pivot' position he occupied for long periods against Tyrone while O'Sullivan will sweep between the lines, as ever.

With Diarmuid Connolly's inclusion from the start less than

certain, Lee Keegan may find himself with a different remit against Dublin this year. He has been a little off-colour since his superb performance in the drawn game against Roscommon and Mayo need a big performance from him.

Colm Boyle will be tigerish in defence and energetic in attack, while Donal Vaughan and Patrick Durcan will play big roles in this line today, whether from the start or from the bench. Between them, Durcan (0-9), Keegan (1-6), Boyle (1-1) and Donal Vaughan (0-2) have scored 2-18 in Mayo's championship campaign so far. The extent to which these players can puncture Dublin's brilliantly refined defensive structure, whilst maintaining order at their own end, will prove crucial to Mayo's chances.





Midfield

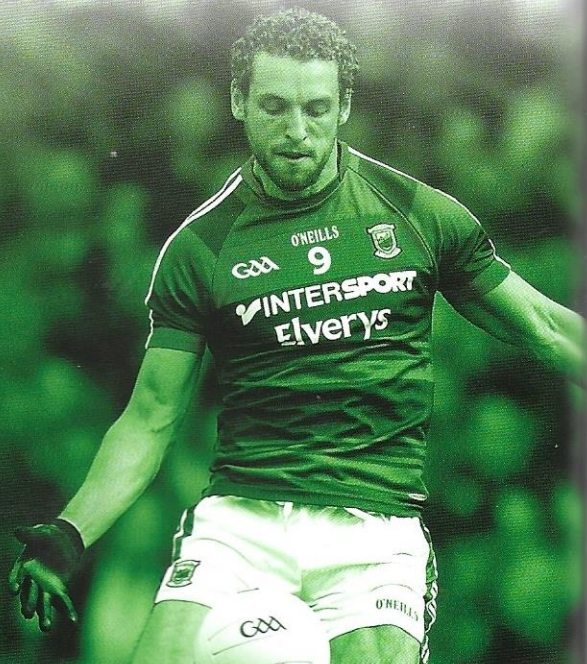
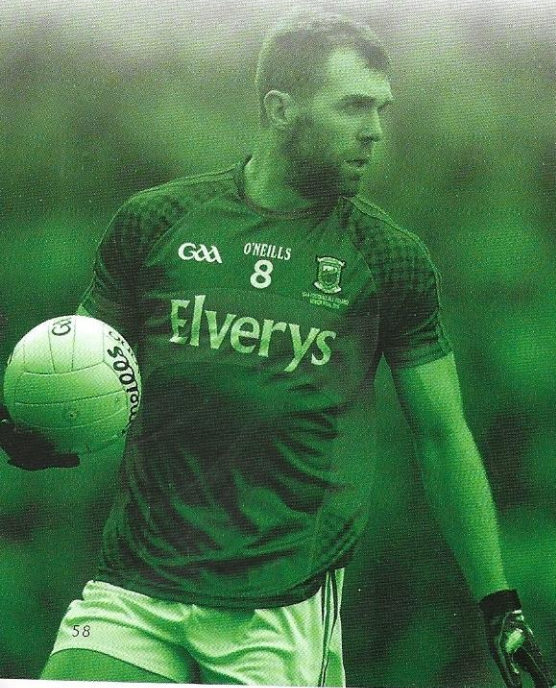
Trying to find weaknesses in the Dublin team is a fairly futile exercise, and Gavin's midfield pairing of Brian Fenton and James McCarthy is about as strong as it gets.

That said, Mayo might feel that their muscular combination of Séamus O'Shea and Tom Parsons (and occasionally Aidan O'Shea)

can get the better of Fenton and McCarthy in the air.

Therefore, as they have done before against Dublin, Mayo will try to prompt as many aerial battles in this sector as they can. Fenton and McCarthy are both more mobile than O'Shea and Parsons though, and they are extremely effective at linking

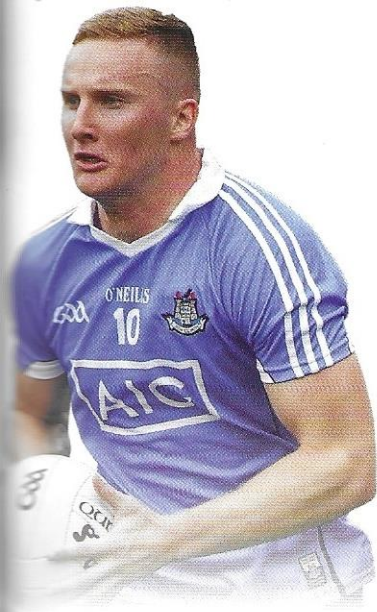
defence to attack, fitting in perfectly with Dublin's 'tiki-taka' style (don't laugh - Dublin's remarkable ability to hold possession through both hand-passing and kick-passing is about as close as Gaelic football has come to an equivalent of the suffocating possession style made famous in soccer by Spain and Barcelona).



Half-Forward

While Diarmuid Connolly and Paul Flynn are both in contention to start, Con O'Callaghan, Ciarán Kilkenny and Niall Scully are the most likely starting trio here.

Kilkenny is one of Gavin's primary conductors as the Castleknock man gets on the ball more than any other Dublin player – he had more than 60 possessions against Tyrone. Scully provides a similar option while O'Callaghan is a

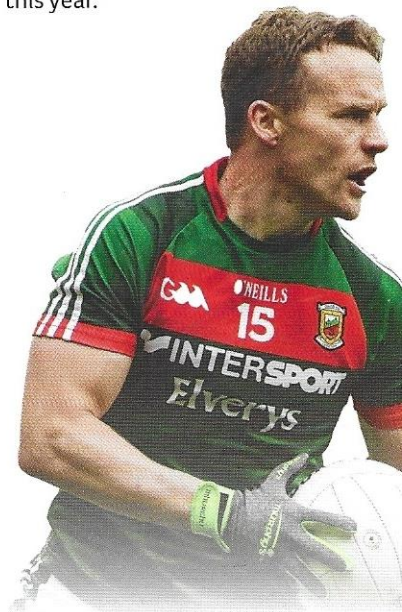


more direct attacking threat, as evidenced by his magical goal against Tyrone. Should Connolly or Flynn not start, expect them to make match-shaping entrances in the second half or even earlier, should the need arise.

Mayo's half-forward line is likely to feature Aidan O'Shea, Jason Doherty and Diarmuid O'Connor, with Kevin McLoughlin roaming further back. O'Shea will look to provide the attacking threat

his detailing of Kieran Donaghy largely prevented him from doing against Kerry while O'Connor and Doherty will provide intense workrate, physical power and an occasional attacking option.

Both will funnel back constantly in a bid to thwart Dublin's attacking rhythm, but they are capable of asking questions going forward themselves, with Doherty in particularly good form this year.



CHAMPIONSHIP 2017 STATISTICS

TOTAL SCORES

DUBLIN: 9-107 MAYO: 16-148

SCORES FROM OPEN PLAY:

DUBLIN: 9-74 MAYO: 16-103

AVERAGE SCORES FROM PLAY (PER GAME)

DUBLIN: 0-17 MAYO: 0-17

GOALS PER MIN:

DUBLIN: 1/46 MAYO: 1/42

MINUTES PLAYED:

DUBLIN: 420 MAYO: 670

PLAYERS USED:

DUBLIN: 29 MAYO: 27

Full-Forward

After the semi-final win over Tyrone, Cian O'Sullivan suggested Dublin's shooting needed to be better, a rather ominous thought given how effective Paul Mannion, Dean Rock and Paddy Andrews were against the Ulster champions.

While there are some question marks over Rock's scoring stats from play, his exemplary free-taking and composure under pressure makes him a vital player in the modern game of inches. Andrews' two early points against Tyrone underlined his potency in a tight space while Mannion is enjoying the best year of his

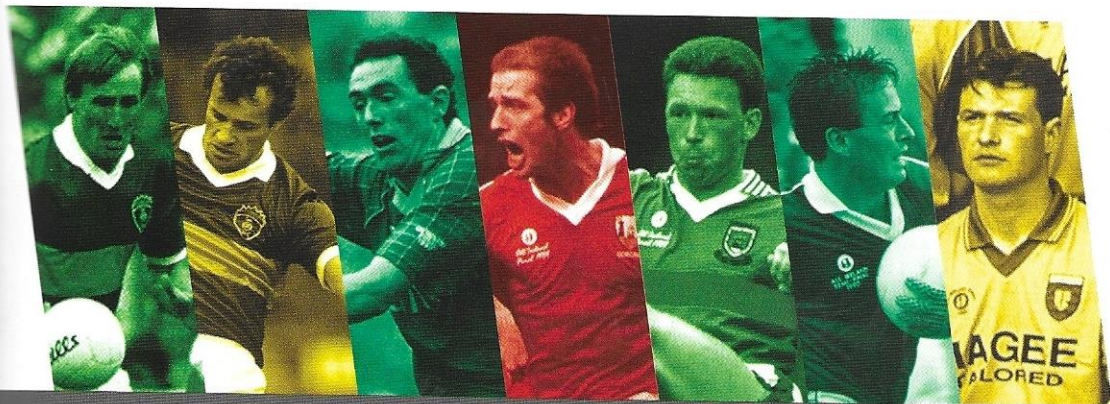
career to date – the eight points from play he kicked against Westmeath showing exactly why he is now a guaranteed starter. Dublin's options on the bench in this area are lethal – either Bernard Brogan or Kevin McManamon could yet prove to be the match-winner today, as McManamon was in 2011 and as Cormac Costello was last year.

At the Mayo end, it's all about Andy Moran and Cillian O'Connor. A big performance from Moran – who turns 34 in November – will leave him in with a real chance of winning the Footballer of the Year award. He has scored 3-21 this summer in Mayo's nine

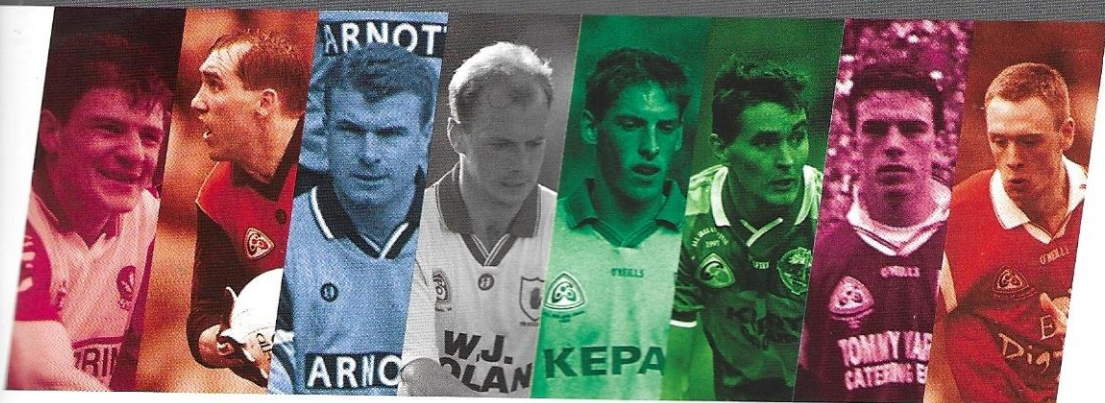
matches, all of it from play, and his performances have improved steadily. He's one of the few forwards in the country capable of delivering under the intense pressure Dublin apply. O'Connor has been typically effective from placed balls yet again this year but he has also scored 3-15 from open play, taking his summer tally to 3-59.

Both of these men will likely face man-markers today, but their form suggests they are capable of standing up and delivering. Their combined tally of 6-80 for the year, 6-36 of it from play, makes a mockery of the tired cliché that Mayo have "no marquee forward".

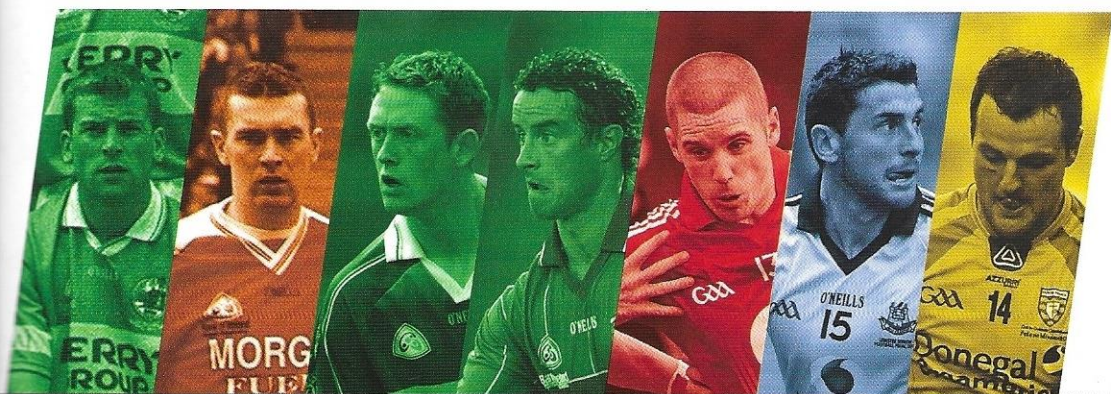
FINAL TOP SCORERS 1986-2000



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	Mikey Sheehy	(Kerry)	1-4	v Tyrone	1994	Mickey Linden	(Down)	0-4	v Dublin
1987	Brian Stafford	(Meath)	0-7	v Cork		Charlie Redmond	(Dublin)	0-4	v Down
1988	Brian Stafford	(Meath)	0-8	v Cork	1995	Peter Canavan	(Tyrone)	0-11	v Dublin
	Larry Tompkins	(Cork)	0-8	v Meath	1996	Trevor Giles	(Meath)	1-4	v Mayo
1989	Michael Fitzmaurice	(Mayo)	0-7	v Cork	1997	Maurice Fitzgerald	(Kerry)	0-9	v Mayo
1990	Brian Stafford	(Meath)	0-6	v Cork	1998	Pádraic Joyce	(Galway)	1-2	v Kildare
1991	Bernard Flynn	(Meath)	0-6	v Down	1999	Philip Clifford	(Cork)	0-5	v Meath
1992	Manus Boyle	(Donegal)	0-9	v Dublin	2000	Pádraic Joyce	(Galway)	0-6	v Kerry

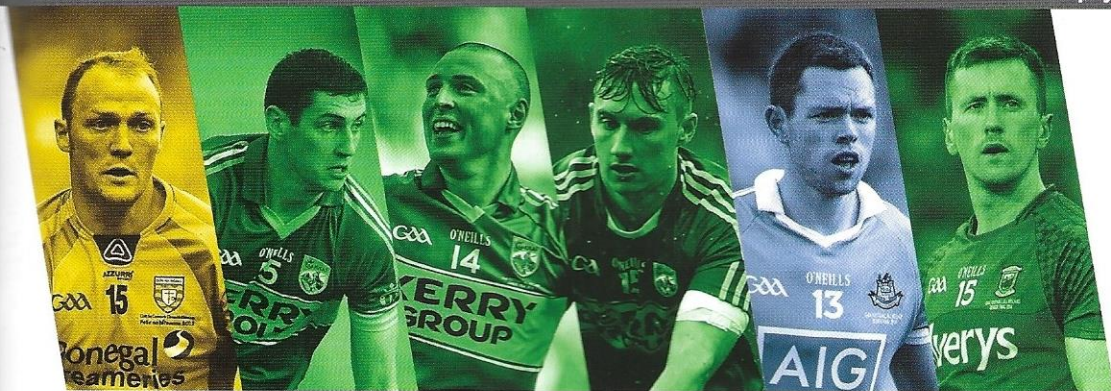


FINAL TOP SCORERS 2001-2016



2001	Pádraic Joyce	(Galway)	0-10	v Meath	2010	Daniel Goulding	(Cork)	0-9	v Down
2002	Dara Ó Cinnéide	(Kerry)	0-5	v Armagh	2011	Bernard Brogan	(Dublin)	0-6	v Kerry
	Oisín McConville	(Armagh)	1-2	v Kerry		Colm Cooper	(Kerry)	1-3	v Dublin
2003	Peter Canavan	(Tyrone)	0-5	v Armagh	2012	Michael Murphy	(Donegal)	1-4	v Mayo
2004	Dara Ó Cinnéide	(Kerry)	0-8	v Mayo		Colm McFadden	(Donegal)	1-4	v Mayo
	Colm Cooper	(Kerry)	1-5	v Mayo	2013	Bernard Brogan	(Dublin)	2-3	v Mayo
2005	Colm Cooper	(Kerry)	0-5	v Tyrone	2014	Paul Geaney	(Kerry)	1-2	v Donegal
2006	Kevin O'Neill	(Mayo)	2-0	v Kerry		Kieran Donaghy	(Kerry)	1-2	v Donegal
2007	Colm Cooper	(Kerry)	1-5	v Cork	2015	James O'Donoghue	(Kerry)	0-3	v Dublin
2008	Colm Cooper	(Kerry)	0-6	v Tyrone	2016	Dean Rock	(Dublin)	0-9	v Mayo*
2009	Colm Cooper	(Kerry)	0-6	v Cork		Cillian O'Connor	(Mayo)	0-9	v Dublin*

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THE MAGIC OF THE THREE-IN-A-RROW

by Donal Keenan

It is with a degree of certainty that one suggests the Dublin team manager Jim Gavin will not have been concentrating on history lessons in the build-up to the 2017 All-Ireland final. For history itself suggests that being on the cusp of a history-making feat is a dangerous place to be.

More than three decades have passed since the magical “three-in-a-row” was achieved in Gaelic football; only Kerry, Galway, Wexford and Dublin have enjoyed

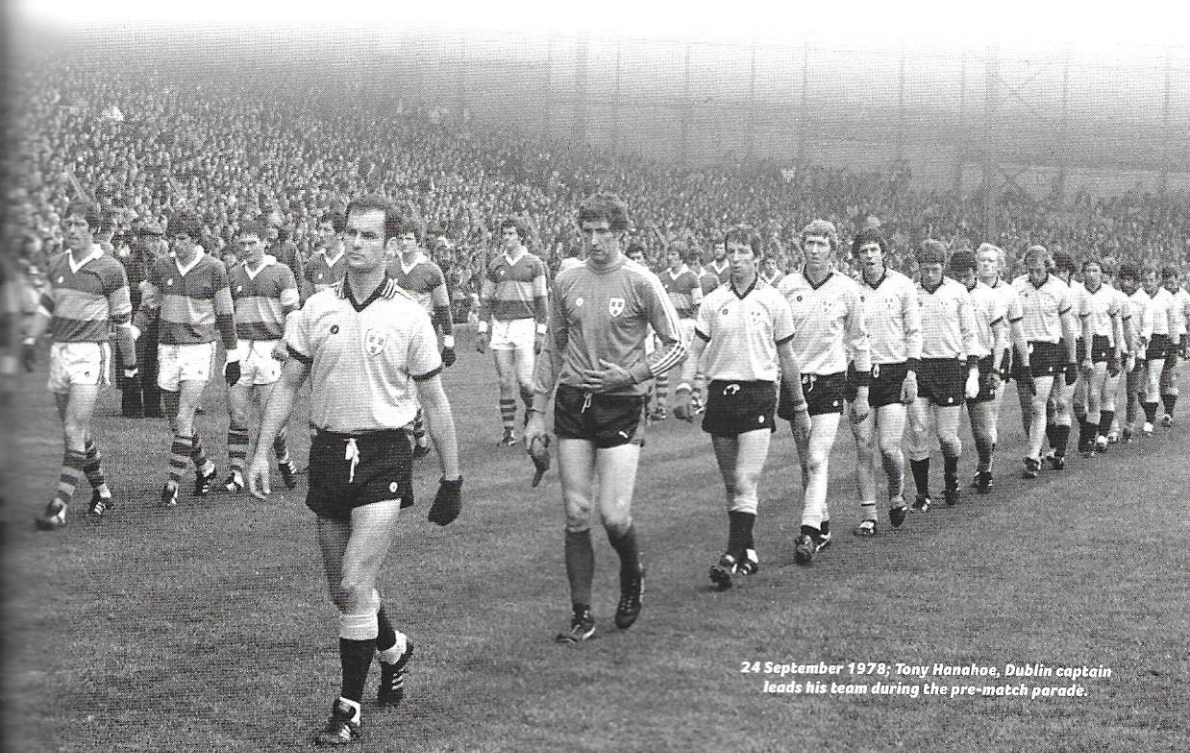
the distinction and it is almost a century since Dublin were last three-time champions. The Sam Maguire Cup was not even the prize at that time.

A much longer list of teams have put together back-to-back titles, but have found the next step one too many. The feted Dublin team of the 1970s is listed within that grouping, their tilt at immortality thwarted in dramatic fashion in the famous final of 1978 by, typically, Kerry in the game

that featured the never-to-be-forgotten Mikey Sheehy goal.

Form and fitness are obvious obstacles. But as the current Dublin team will attest, it is the fiercely competitive nature of the championship that makes winning three consecutive championships so difficult.

And it is why their place amongst the all-time great teams of football, if not the greatest, would be cemented if they win today.



24 September 1978; Tony Hanahoe, Dublin captain leads his team during the pre-match parade.



Pat Spillane flying high against Roscommon in 1980

Kerry's monumental achievements during the 1970s and '80s have earned that extended group of players stretching from 1976 to 1986 the "greatest of all" mantle. And on reflection, their victory in 1986 was probably the most difficult of all.

They were overwhelming favourites to beat Tyrone in that final yet found themselves trailing by seven points as Tyrone produced a sensational performance. It took the genius of Pat Spillane and Mikey Sheehy, who scored 1-4 each, to haul Kerry back from the brink of defeat.

Journalist Eamon Horan, who chronicled that team's complete story for *The Kerryman* newspaper, wrote of that game; "Seldom, if ever, has this present Kerry team of greats had to claw its way back from the jaws of imminent defeat as it had to in this final which enthralled and thrilled the official attendance of 68,628.

"Once again, manager-trainer Mick O'Dwyer was fully justified for the awesome training disciplines which he insisted in

putting his players through all across the summer: the final hurdle is always the stiffest one, irrespective of who provides the opposition and the fact that Kerry went into this unique final as the hottest of favourites only added to their burden."

Their previous three-in-a-row success, achieved when beating Roscommon in 1980, is not recorded as quite so memorable.

They won by 1-9 to 1-6. In the *Irish Press* Peadar O'Brien declared; "Maybe when time has dimmed the memory and we are a lot older, we will recall the 1980 All-Ireland football final and Kerry's third title in-a-row as a fine and memorable occasion. Unfortunately, nothing could be further from the truth. Frankly, it was, eminently, the most forgettable final I have seen in 25 years covering Gaelic games."

More than 50 years on there is still something magical about the great Galway team who won their three-in-a-row between 1964 and 1966. Their success in 1966 came against Meath and prompted celebrated GAA reporter John D. Hickey to pay tribute in the *Irish Independent*.

"Galway, playing with the assurance, design and authority that distinguishes real champions from lesser men, earned the mantle of greatness at Croke Park yesterday."

He had special praise too for a legendary player. "The Galway attack was devastating. How appropriate it was the centre forward Mattie McDonagh, the veteran of the side in a playing sense, should have his best game ever in the Galway jersey, a 'blinder'."

Some of football's most storied teams were denied the special prize of a third title – Down in 1962 (lost to Cavan in the Ulster final) and Offaly in 1973 (lost to Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final) when John Tobin kicked eight of Galway's 16 points."

Mayo's heroes of the 1950s were hot fancies to win again in 1953 but were beaten by Roscommon in what the *Western People* described as "a sensation".

Dublin are within touching distance of something very special and that is why they have to be so careful.

MINOR SPONSOR MESSAGE

On behalf of Electric Ireland, it is a great pleasure to welcome you to Croke Park for the Electric Ireland Minor Football Final – a day that promises to be filled with excitement, emotion and incredible talent.

This is the fifth year of Electric Ireland's sponsorship of the Minor Championship and we have recently announced an extension of the partnership to 2021. Over the past five years, we have been focused on redefining what it means to be a Minor player and the #GAATHisMajor campaign seeks to empower and encourage young players, and recognise the significance of their participation. In line with this, we recently

announced the inaugural Minor Star Awards, taking place in Croke Park in October, which aim to champion Minor hurlers and footballers and acknowledge their hard work throughout the season.

The Minor Football Championship began earlier this year with each county setting out with gusto in pursuit of an All-Ireland victory and the day has finally come when two counties, Derry and Kerry, will battle it out in a game which requires so many months of hard-work, determination and sacrifice.

I would like to extend my support to both teams on this very special occasion. It has been a real pleasure for Electric Ireland to support them every step of the way.

Is mise le meas,



PAT O'DOHERTY
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DEIS NACH SÁRÓFAR CHÓICHE

le Mártaín Ó Ciardha

NÍ haon rud nua do pheileadóirí Chiarraí gaiscí a bheith á ndéanamh acu nach bhfuil déanta ag aon chontae eile. Is iad is minicí a bhuaigh (37) agus a chaill (22) Cluichí Ceannais Sinsireacha Craoibhe; tá corn na Sraithe Náisiúnta crochta leo acu níos minicí ná ag aon chontae eile agus is ag Chiarraigh is mó atá gradaim peile All Stars buaite.

Anois má éiríonn le peileadóirí an chontae Corn Tom Markham a bhuan anseo tráthnóna beidh curiarracht eile cruthaithe acu – ceann nach sárófar go deo. Sin go mbeidh Craobh Mhionúir Peile na hÉireann buaite acu don 4ú bliain as a chéile, éacht nár dearnadh go dtí seo agus nach mbeidh seans é a dhéanamh arís mar go bhfuil deireadh ag teacht le craobh na mionúir tar éis an lae inniu.

Cé chomh deacair agus a bheidh sé stop a chur leo? Tá sin le feiceáil sna 5 chluiche craoibhe atá imeartha acu i 2017 – cúig chluiche ina raibh

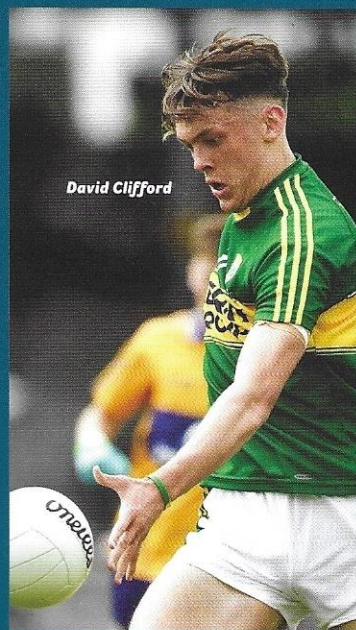
idir 10 agus 24 cúlín d'fharasbarr acu nuair a chríochnaigh siad – David Clifford le lua go minic i measc na scóráilaithe.

Ina mbua ar an gCabhán i mbabhta leathcheannais na hÉireann chuir Chiarraí imreoirí as 17 club éagsúil sa gcontae chun páirce, comhartha ar neart na peile faoi aois ansiúd.

Ar an taobh eile ní raibh de fharasbarr ag Doire ach aon chúilín amháin ar Shligeach i gcluiche ceathrú ceannais na hÉireann agus sa mbabhta céanna ina gcúige féin in aghaidh Thír Eoghain, nuair ba chun deireadh a bhíodar agus trí ceathrú na himeartha déanta. Sa gceathrú deireanach ba láidre freisin iad i gCluiche Leathcheannais na hÉireann in aghaidh Áth Cliath nuair a scóráil siad 7 gcúlín, gan géillte ach péire.

Tugann sin le fios go bhfuil ar a gcumas scóranna a chur ar an gclár nuair a bhíonn an lasóg sa bharrach

- Lorcan McWilliams agus Peter Quigg ar bheirt a rinne a gcion nuair a theastaigh sin.



David Clifford

MINOR SCOREBOARD 2017

LEINSTER

Offaly	3-18	Wexford	0-6
Kildare	2-13	Carlow	0-9
Longford	1-19	Wicklow	3-8
Offaly	0-13	Westmeath	1-4
Dublin	1-15	Meath	1-13
Louth	2-11	Laois	0-15
Wexford	2-14	Wicklow	3-7
Laois	0-11	Meath	0-10
Carlow	2-12	Westmeath	0-17
Dublin	6-12	Longford	0-5
Kildare	1-14	Laois	2-6
Louth	0-15	Offaly	1-11
Wexford	1-12	Carlow	2-8
Louth	4-10	Wexford	2-15
Dublin	1-16	Kildare	0-14
DUBLIN	2-19	LOUTH	0-12

CONNACHT

Galway	3-15	Mayo	0-11
Galway	1-13	Roscommon	1-6
Sligo	3-12	Leitrim	3-7
GALWAY	3-11	SLIGO	0-10

MUNSTER

Cork	3-21	Tipperary	1-8
Kerry	2-16	Clare	1-6
Limerick	1-10	Waterford	0-9
Clare	5-11	Waterford	0-8
Clare	0-10	Tipperary	0-5
Kerry	2-17	Cork	1-10
Clare	3-13	Limerick	0-12
KERRY	2-21	CLARE	0-3

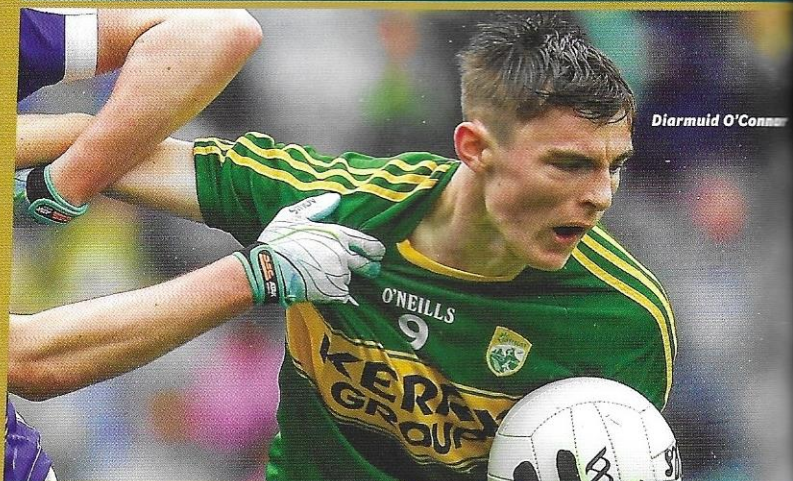
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Monaghan	1-17	Fermanagh	2-7
Antrim	0-21	Donegal	2-14
Derry	0-18	Tyrone	1-14
Cavan	3-14	Monaghan	0-15
Down	2-13	Armagh	2-11
Derry	3-17	Antrim	0-10
Cavan	0-15	Down	2-7
DERRY	1-22	CAVAN	2-12

ALL-IRELAND

Cavan	1-11	Galway	0-11
Derry	1-13	Sligo	0-15
Kerry	1-21	Louth	2-9
Dublin	2-11	Clare	0-10
Kerry	2-22	Cavan	2-10
Derry	0-17	Dublin	0-14

KERRY SEEK MAJOR P



Diarmuid O'Connor

IT'S not so much the Kerry minors that are going for an unprecedented All-Ireland four-in-a-row today as it is their entire county and the incomparably deep waters of their Gaelic football culture.

Kerry have not lost a minor championship match since a two-point defeat to Tyrone in the All-Ireland quarter-final on August 4, 2013. If that remarkable run had been achieved by one majestic, all-conquering outfit, it would be easier to comprehend than the reality, which is that Kerry have achieved their historic run with four markedly different teams each season.

By 3pm today, around 70 different Kerry players will have featured in the last four All-Ireland minor finals. Win, lose or draw, this is a remarkable achievement. No All-Ireland minor title since 1994 before 2014, and today they become the first county to play in four successive finals.

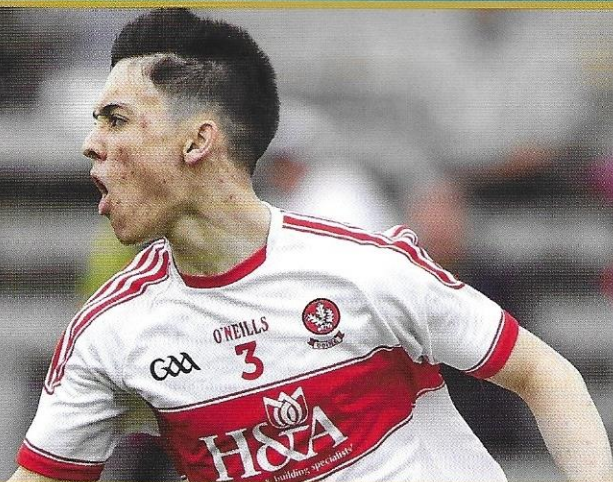
Not that this should all be about them though. Not unlike the Kingdom's situation pre-2014, a couple of years ago, the Derry underage football scene was in something of a funk. Traditionally, the Oak Leafers were potent in the Ulster and All-Ireland youth ranks, but no Ulster minor or U21 title since 2002 spoke for itself.

The accomplished Damian McErlain guided Derry to the 2015 Ulster minor title – providing the kind of steady hand on the tiller that Jack O'Connor had done with Kerry in 2014 – and this year's Ulster crown, their second in three years, makes them a real force to be reckoned with. Little separated these two counties when they met in the 2015 All-Ireland minor semi-final, a telling indicator that there is likely to be little between them today either.

Derry may have been away from the scene for a while, but their minors have shown a historic capacity for plunder when they come to Croke Park, as the

MINORS CELEBRATION OF HISTORY

Conor McCluskey



All-Ireland crowns of 1965, 1983, 1989 and 2002 attest to McErlain's side booked their place in the decider with a hard-fought but deserved 0-17 to 0-14 win over Dublin three weeks ago. They beat Cavan in the Ulster final (1-22 to 2-12) and Sligo in the All-Ireland quarter-final (1-13 to 0-15), having beaten Tyrone (0-18 to 1-14) and Antrim (3-17 to 0-9) earlier in the Ulster campaign.

Defender Conor McCluskey and midfielder Oisín McWilliams have impressed this year on a well-balanced Derry side, whose efficient, egoless division of labour is underlined by the manner in which forwards Richie Mullan, Patrick Quigg, Ben McCarron, Lorcan McWilliams and Declan Cassidy have shared out the scoring burden in 2017.

Kerry, who are managed by Peter Keane, have marched serenely to another All-Ireland final. Wins over Clare (2-16 to 1-6), Cork (2-17 to 1-10) and Clare again in the final (2-21 to 0-3) gave them a fifth consecutive Munster title and they backed it up with untroubled All-Ireland quarter-final and semi-final wins over Louth (1-21 to 2-9) and Cavan (2-22 to 2-10) respectively.

Kerry talisman David Clifford brings a reputation into this final like few minors have ever done before. The uncommonly gifted Fossa man has scored - wait for it - 4-37 in five championship matches this season, with 4-27 coming from open play, an average contribution of 0-8 from open play per game. The shadow he casts is long, but Donal O'Sullivan, Brian Friel, Chris O'Donoghue and Diarmuid O'Connor all warrant special mention for their performances this year.

Kerry are bidding for their 15th All-Ireland minor crown today while Derry seek their fifth.

MINOR ROLL OF HONOUR

KERRY	14
1931, 1932, 1933, 1946, 1950, 1962, 1963, 1975, 1980, 1988, 1994, 2014, 2015, 2016.	
DUBLIN	11
1930, 1945, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1958, 1959, 1979, 1982, 1984, 2012.	
CORK	10
1961, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1972, 1974, 1981, 1991, 1993, 2000.	
TYRONE	8
1947, 1948, 1973, 1998, 2001, 2004, 2008, 2010.	
MAYO	7
1935, 1953, 1966, 1971, 1978, 1985, 2013.	
GALWAY	6
1952, 1960, 1970, 1976, 1986, 2007.	
DERRY	4
1965, 1983, 1989, 2002.	
DOWN	4
1977, 1987, 1999, 2005.	
ROSCOMMON	4
1939, 1941, 1951, 2006.	
MEATH	3
1957, 1990, 1992.	
LAOIS	3
1996, 1997, 2003.	
CAVAN	2
1937, 1938.	
LOUTH	2
1936, 1940.	
ARMAGH	2
1949, 2009.	
TIPPERARY	2
1934, 2011.	
CLARE	1
1929.	
OFFALY	1
1964.	
WESTMEATH	1
1995.	



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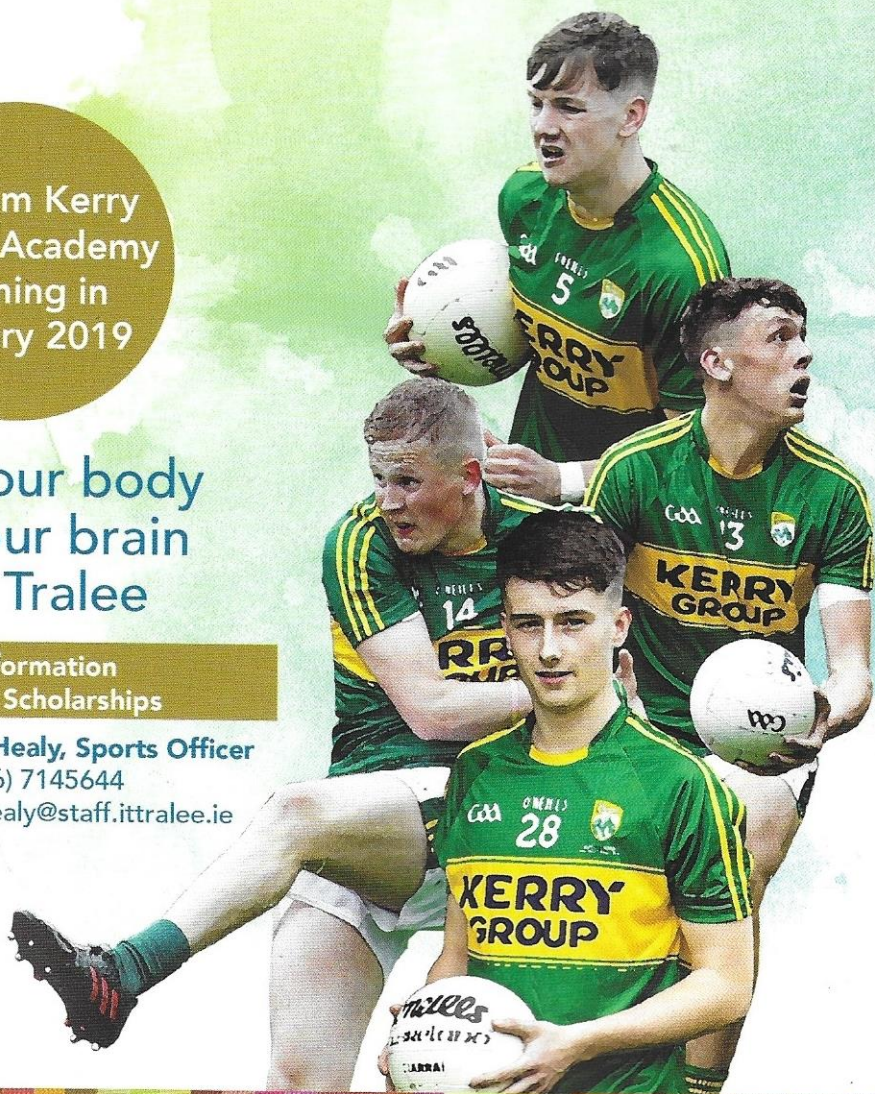
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MEETING



Electric Ireland GAA Football All-Ireland Minor Championship Quarter-Final

KERRY 1-24 DERRY 2-10

Date: July 31 2016

Referee: J Hickey (Carlow) Half-time score: Kerry 0-12 Derry 2-6

CIARRAÍ



DOIRE

1 B COURTNEY

1 B MCKINLESS

2 D NAUGHTON

3 G O'SULLIVAN

4 N COLLINS

2 C McCLUSKEY

3 G McLAUGHLIN

4 A BRADLEY

5 M POTTS

6 D O'BRIEN

7 M FOLEY

5 S McERLAIN

6 E CONCANNON

7 P McGROGAN

8 M BREEN

9 M RYAN

8 P CONEY

9 C DOHERTY

10 B SWEENEY

11 S O'SHEA

12 D MOYNIHAN

10 S HIGGINS

11 C DEVLIN

12 P QUIGG

13 F O'BRIEN

14 D SHAW

15 D CLIFFORD

13 S DOWNEY

14 F HIGGINS

15 E BRADLEY

Subs: B Friel, C Teahan, S Okunbar, K Dwyer, C Linnane, T O'Connor

Subs: O McKeever, O McWilliams, S Mortimer, R Young, L Kielt, JP Devlin.

Kerry scorers:

Derry scorers:

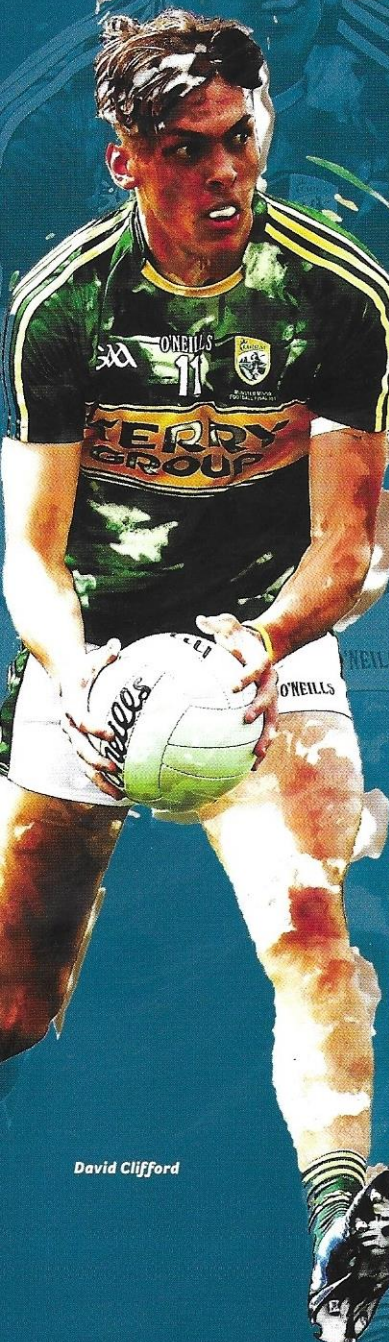
S O'Shea 1-6, D Clifford 0-5, D Shaw 0-5, D O'Brien 0-2, M Potts 0-1, M Breen 0-1, M Ryan 0-1, D Moynihan 0-1, B Friel 0-1, C Teahan 0-1.

F Higgins 1-2, P Coney 0-3, C Devlin 0-3, P Quigg 1-0, P McGrogan 0-1, S Higgins 0-1.



CIARRAÍ

Kerry have used 23 players in their five-match run to the All-Ireland final. The player, his club, the number of appearances (as a substitute in brackets) and his score are as follows:



David Clifford

	NAME	CLUB	GAMES	SCORES
	DEIVIDAS UOSIS	<i>Dingle</i>	5	0-0
	SEÁN O'LEARY	<i>Kilcummin</i>	5 (1)	0-0
	CHRIS O'DONOGHUE	<i>Glenflesk</i>	5	0-0
	CIAN GAMMELL	<i>Killarney Legion</i>	4	0-1
	PATRICK WARREN	<i>Geneveguilla</i>	5 (3)	0-0
	MICHAEL POTTS	<i>Dr. Crokes</i>	5	0-0
	NIALL DONOHUE	<i>Firies</i>	5 (1)	0-2
	BARRY MAHONY	<i>St Senan's</i>	5	0-3
	DIARMUID O'CONNOR	<i>Na Gaeil</i>	5	0-1
	ADAM DONOGHUE	<i>Castleisland Desmonds</i>	5	0-1
	DAVID CLIFFORD	<i>Fossa</i>	5	4-37
	DONAL O'SULLIVAN	<i>Kilgarvan</i>	5	3-20
	FIACHRA CLIFFORD	<i>Laune Rangers</i>	5	0-8

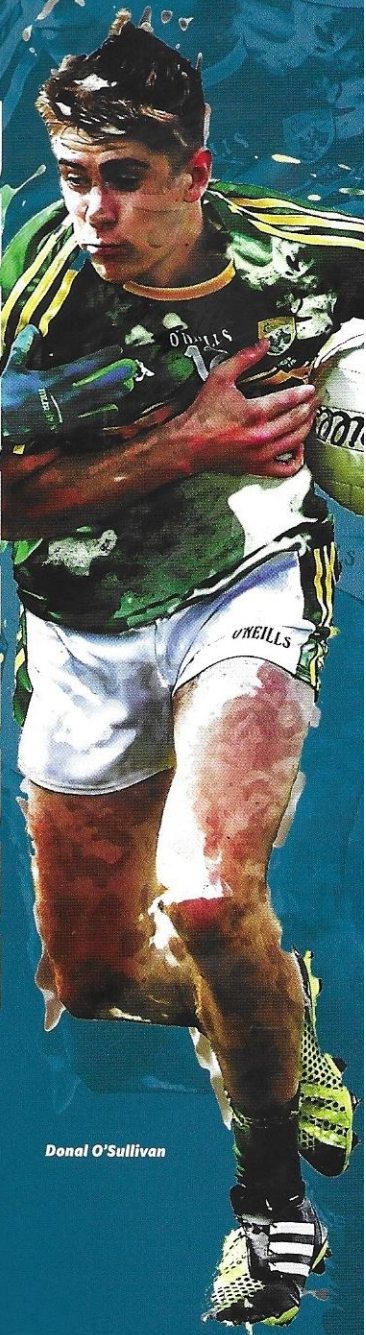
IMREOIRÍ

SCORES	GAMES	CLUB	NAME
0-12	5	Rathmore	BRIAN FRIEL 
1-3	(4)	Dr. Crokes	JACK GRIFFIN 
0-2	5 (1)	Scartaglen	EDDIE HORAN 
0-0	(2)	Annascaul	CATHAL FERRITER 
0-0	(5)	Austin Stacks	CIARÁN O'REILLY 
0-0	(5)	Renard	MICHAEL O'LEARY 
0-0	5 (3)	Renard	RYAN O'NEILL 
0-0	(2)	Austin Stacks	DYLAN CASEY 
0-1	(3)	Austin Stacks	MICHAEL SLATTERY 
1-7	5	Firies	DONNCHADH O'SULLIVAN 

Additional panel members:

**Brian Lonergan, Eddie Browne, Fergal Barry,
Franz Sauerland, Gearóid Fennessy,
Nelu O'Doherty, Seán O'Connell**

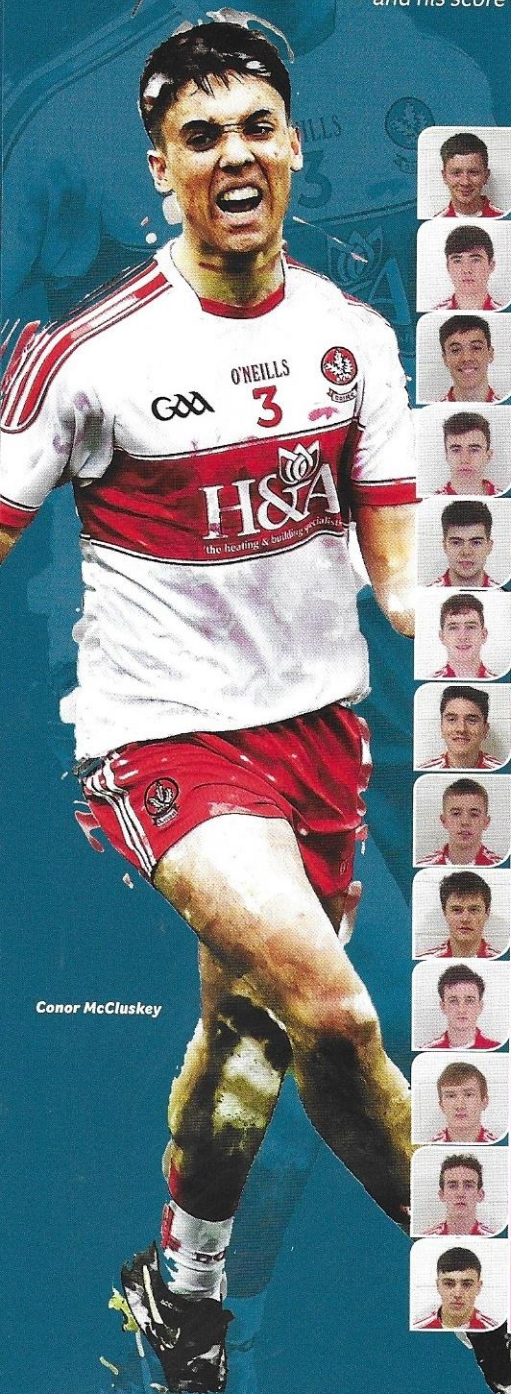
Donal O'Sullivan





DOIRE

Derry have used 25 players in their five-match run to the All-Ireland final. The player, his club, the number of appearances (as a substitute in brackets) and his score are as follows:

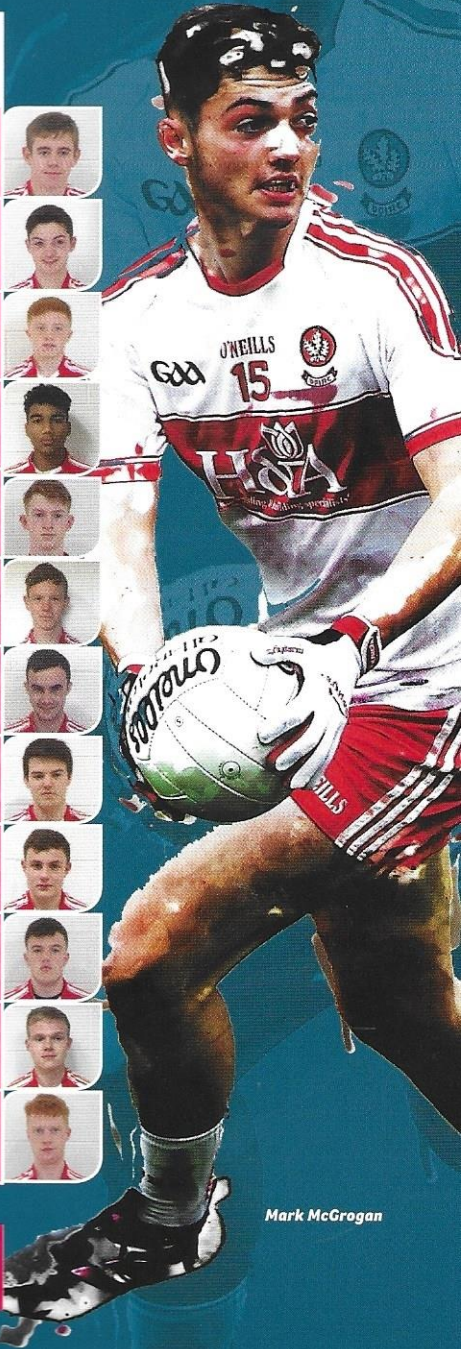


Conor McCluskey

	NAME	CLUB	GAMES	SCORES
	ORAN HARTIN	Limavady	5	0-0
	ORAN MCGILL	Glen	5	0-0
	CONOR McCLUSKEY	Magherafelt	5 (1)	1-0
	SEÁN MCKEEVER	Dungiven	5	0-0
	SIMON McERLAIN	Magherafelt	5 (1)	0-2
	PÁDRAIG MCGROGAN	Newbridge	5	0-2
	CONLETH McSHANE	Bellaghy	5	0-1
	OISÍN McWILLIAMS	Swatragh	5	2-12
	DARA RAFFERTY	Drumurn	5	0-0
	PATRICK QUIGG	Kilrea	5	0-17
	RICHIE MULLAN	Dungiven	5	1-6
	ODHRÁN QUINN	Bellaghy	2	0-1
	BEN McCARRON	Steelstown	5 (1)	1-10

IMREOIRÍ

SCORES	GAMES	CLUB	NAME
0-16	4	Swatragh	LORCAN McWILLIAMS
0-3	5 (2)	Newbridge	MARK MCGROGAN
0-5	5 (4)	Craigbane	FERGAL MORTIMER
0-0	(4)	Limavady	CALLUM BROWN
0-6	5 (1)	Bellaghy	DECLAN CASSIDY
0-0	(5)	Ballinascreen	MARTIN BRADLEY
0-2	2 (1)	Ballinascreen	JON PAUL DEVLIN
0-3	4 (3)	Drumsumn	TIARNAN McHUGH
0-0	4 (2)	Magherafelt	CORMAC MURPHY
0-0	(1)	Bellaghy	CONOR QUINN
0-1	2 (1)	Glen	ALEX DOHERTY
0-0	(2)	Swatragh	TIARNAN WALSH



Mark McGrogan

Additional panel members:

Damon Gallagher, Lorcan Spier, Odhrán Lynch, Peadar McLaughlin, Ryan Scullion, Matthew Smyth

HALF-TIME EXHIBITION GAMES

IS mór an phribhléid é don Chumann Lúthchleas Gael agus do Chumann na mBunscol fáilte a chur roimh na buachaillí agus cailíní óga atá roghnaithe chun imirt inniu mar chuid d'ár gcluichí leath ama i bPáirc an Chrócaigh.

The excitement attached to the build-up to our All-Ireland Football finals has been matched if not surpassed by the dreams of 42 young people, their families and their schools as the big day beckons and they take to the field as part of the 2017 Cumann na mBunscol INTO/Respect Exhibition Go Games.

Throughout the football and hurling semi-finals and the two All-Ireland finals more than 250 children, drawn from all counties in Ireland, have participated in our championship half-time



DUBLIN GIRLS

2	KEEVA GILLEN	St. Mel's NS	Co. Longford
3	ROISÍN LYNCH	St Naul's NS	Co. Donegal
4	NIAMH RICE	St Bronagh's PS	Co. Down
5	MAEVE LYDON	Scoil Treasa	Dublin 24
6	SOPHIE DENNEHY	Fossa NS	Co. Kerry
7	SAOIRSE McGUINNESS	St. Manchan's NS	Co. Westmeath
8	AOBHA HARMON	Rathcoyle NS	Co. Wicklow
9	CIARA CUMMINS	Danecastle NS	Co. Wexford
10	ISEULT REILLY	Scoil Mológa	Baile Átha Cliath 6W
11	RUBY COFFEY	Scoil Mhairtín	Co. Cork

MAYO GIRLS

2	RUBY McCLEARY	Bunscoil an tSléibhe Dhuibh Co. Aontroim
3	SIOFRA McCREESH	Anamar PS Co. Down
4	MICHAELA JUDGE	St. Brigid's NS Co. Leitrim
5	CIARA HEGARTY	Corrandulla NS Co. Galway
6	GRACE MURTAGH	Milltown NS Kildare
7	AOIFE NÍ STANDÚIN	Gaelscoil na Cruaiche Co. Mhaigh Eo
8	FREYA HARDY PETTIT-DE-MANGE	Gaelscoil Osraí Cill Chainnigh
9	SOPHIE DALY	Annagh NS Co. Clare
10	FAYE McEVOY	Scoil Eoin Phóil Naofa Co. Laois
11	HANNAH BRENNAN	Scoil Mhuire Co Limerick

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It is a fine tribute to their schools and clubs that the young players and referees here today have attained the standards required that brought them to this level.

Guímid chuile rath ar na peileadóirí óga inniu ag súil go bhfeicfear anseo arís iad ag déanamh ionadaíochta ar son a gcontaetha féin.



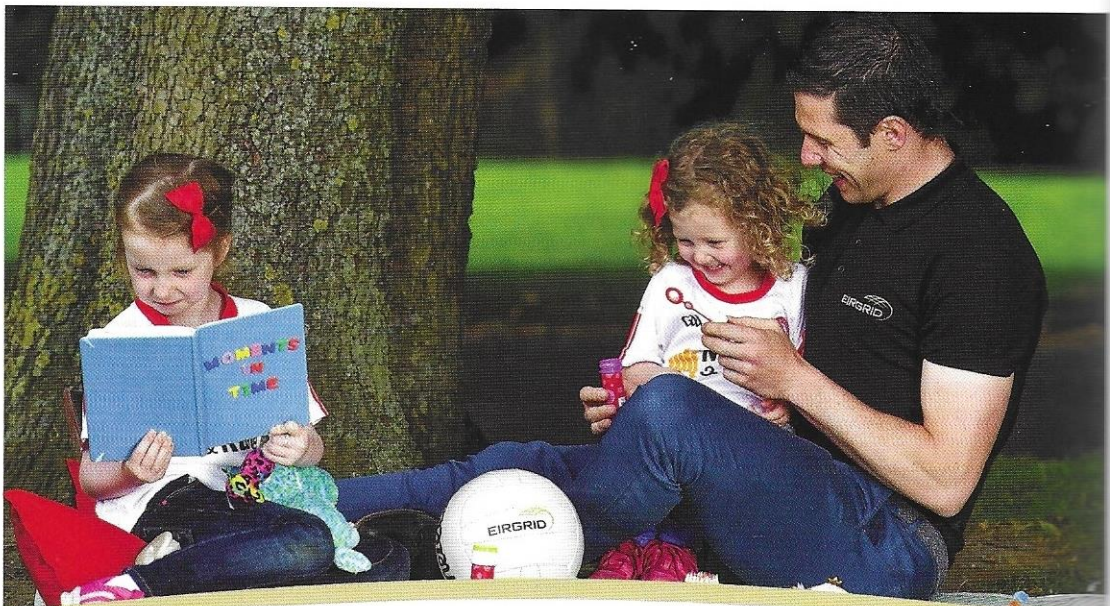
DUBLIN BOYS

2	MATHEW COWLEY	St Michael's NS	Co. Kilkenny
3	BRYAN HAYES	St. Anthony's Boys NS	Cork
4	MAX MORGAN	Star of the Sea NS	Dublin 4
5	ROY MURPHY	De La Salle NS	Dublin 10
6	DYLAN BOYLE	St Naile's PS	Co. Fermanagh
7	RUAIRÍ McCULLAGH	St. Teresa's PS Loughmacrory	Co. Tyrone
8	CILLIAN BYRNE	Poulfur National School	Co. Wexford
9	JOSHUA BUTLER	St Cronan's BNS	Co. Wicklow
10	JAMES CRANNY	Bennekerry NS	Co. Carlow
11	FIACHRA DOWD	St Mary's NS	Co. Cavan

MAYO BOYS

2	GERARD Ó MUIREARTAIGH	Gaelscoil Liatroma	Co. Liatroma
3	MARTIN KIRK	St. Finloughs PS	Co. Derry
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6	CIARAN KENNY	Ardkeerab NS	Co. Sligo
7	MICHAEL HENRY	St. Oliver Plunkett BNS	Co. Westmeath
8	LIAM O'CONNOR	CBS Primary School	Co. Louth
9	BEN LYNAGH	Kentstown NS	Co. Meath
10	CONOR HALLEY	Grange NS	Co. Tipperary
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JUBILEE TEAM

DONEGAL 1992

AT the start of the 1992 season, Donegal lost a McKenna Cup match to Monaghan, which for a group of players proved to be their darkest hour before a glorious dawn.

Donegal had won All-Ireland U21 titles in 1982 and '87 and big things were expected of them. It was nearly over before it started in 1992, however, as Donegal needed a replay to beat Cavan in the first round of the Ulster Championship,

DONEGAL 1992:
 Anthony Molloy
 Gary Walsh
 Barry McGowan
 Matt Gallagher
 Noel Hegarty
 Donal Reid
 Martin Gavigan
 John Joe Doherty
 Brian Murray
 James McHugh
 Martin McHugh
 Joyce McMullan



before seeing off Fermanagh and then Derry to take the Ulster title.

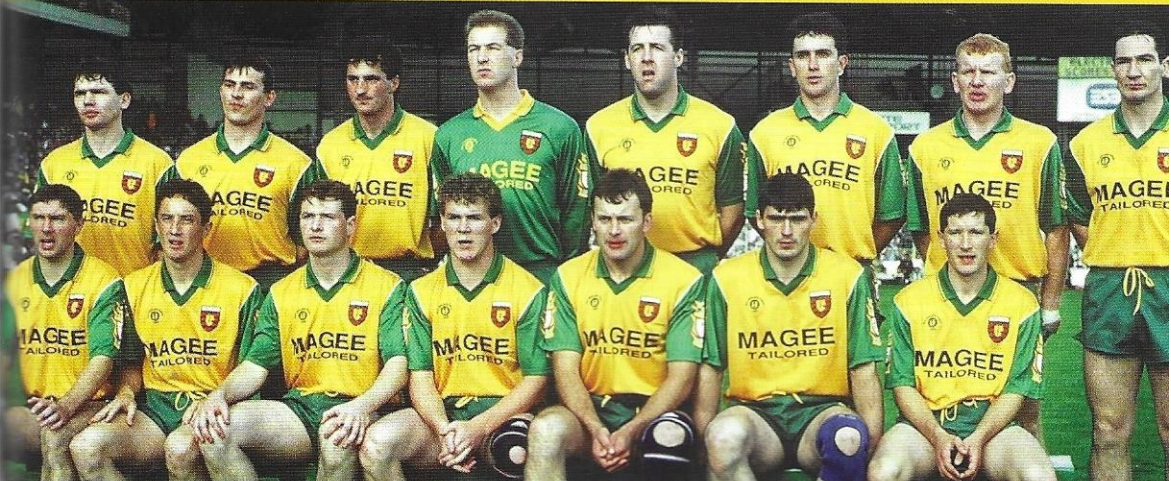
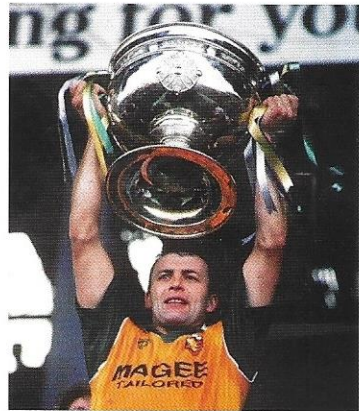
Having lost All-Ireland semi-finals in 1972, 1974, 1983 and 1990, Brian McEniff's side broke the jinx against Mayo, with Manus Boyle coming off the bench to see them over the line.

Donegal captain Anthony Molloy hadn't lost a toss all year and obliged again in the final against Dublin. Charlie Redmond, kicking

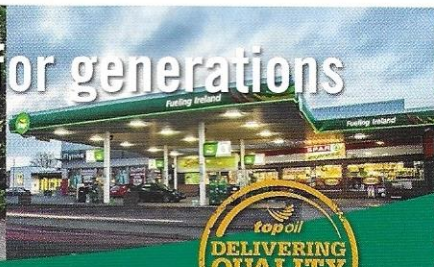
into the Canal End, famously missed an early penalty and Donegal led by 0-10 to 0-7 at the break, before Boyle knocked over his sixth score in the second half and Declan Bonner sealed a 0-18 to 0-14 win and Donegal's first-ever All-Ireland title.

Molloy took Sam Maguire from GAA President Peter Quinn and, in front of a sea of jubilant supporters, famously declared: 'Sam for the Hills'.

Declan Bonner
 Tony Boyle
 Manus Boyle
 Barry Cunningham
 Martin Shovlin
 Jim McGuinness
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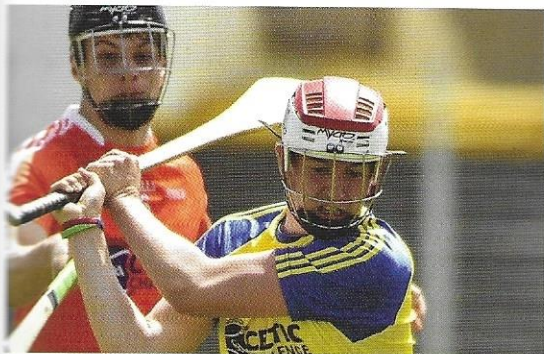


GAMES DEVELOPMENT

PLAY TO STAY WITH THE GAA

THE overall aim of Games Development is to maximise participation and optimise performance standards along the GAA Player Pathway so that people 'Play to Stay with the GAA' and that Fun, Friendship, Fairness, Freedom and Fitness are at the heart of this ethos.

This year the following Games Development activities have taken place:



- 783 Coaches attended the GAA Games Development Conference in January 2017;
- 10,242 individuals were certified as qualified coaches through 792 Coach Education Courses last year;
- Over 40,000 children participated in National Go Games week in April 2017;
- 47 teams representing 32 Counties participated in the Bank of Ireland Celtic Challenge through which 1,200 players participated in a total of 153 games over a seven-week period;
- 176 Hurling and 112 Camogie teams participated in Féile na nGael - a total of 684 games were played;
- 160 Gaelic football and 92 Ladies football teams participated in Féile Peile na nÓg - a total of 606 games were played;
- 142,467 children attended the Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps; this means on a per capita basis the Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps is one of the biggest and most successful Child Sport Promotions globally;
- There has been a significant growth internationally with over 420 GAA clubs now playing our games worldwide. Fifty-Nine Games Development Projects in International GAA Clubs received grants through the Global Games Development Fund in 2017;
- More than 43,000 people are registered users of www.learning.gaa.ie.

Many of these initiatives ensure that children and young people in Ireland receive the recommended 60 minutes of Moderate to Vigorous Physical Activity per day. In this regard, GAA Games Development is working to develop a new initiative known as GAA 5 Star Centres, which will recognise Primary Schools that provide pupils with 60 minutes of Gaelic Games activity per week.

These activities are a testament to the efforts of thousands of volunteers in Ireland and Internationally. They also reflect the work of the Association's Games Development Personnel – supported through Sport Ireland funding - in every County and Province as well as within the National Games Development Department. All these individuals deserve thanks and recognition for their efforts to ensure that hundreds of thousands of people 'Play to Stay with the GAA'.

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THE TG4 Ladies Gaelic Football All-Ireland finals take place next Sunday, September 24 and for the first time in seven years the senior final will not feature Cork. Instead, a pairing that is close to the heart of most Croke Park spectators today, will take to the field as Dublin play in their fourth decider in-a-row against a Mayo side featuring the legendary Cora Staunton.

These teams have already met earlier this year in the first ever Lidl NFL match played in Croke

Park, with Mayo winning by just a single point. Next Sunday will be a totally different occasion however and if the level of performance matches that of last March, we are in for a treat.

The Dublin and Mayo ladies teams are as rich in rivalry as their male counterparts. When they last met in the TG4 All-Ireland final in 2003, Mayo denied Dublin, who were incidentally managed by Mick Bohan.

Their last championship meeting was in the 2016 TG4 All-Ireland semi-final with Dublin emerging victorious thanks to a last gasp Sinéad Aherne pointed free.

To be there and witness this fantastic game, as well as the TG4 intermediate final between Tipperary and Tyrone along with the meeting of Derry and Fermanagh in the TG4 junior final, go to www.tickets.ie to book your tickets and be a **#properfan**

A GROWING SPORT OF SKILL

GAA Rounders was one of the four original games included in the GAA Charter of 1884.

Rounders is a bat and ball game and is very good for developing hand-eye co-ordination. This terrific activity is played by school children right up to and including adults. It is also the only sport in the GAA that female and male players can play on the same team in our mixed competitions.

Because it is a non-contact sport, rounders is a big attraction to our

youth members. The 2017 season was the biggest year for rounders to date and it is hoped that greater numbers join and participate in the sport in the future.

Rounders clubs from today's senior football finalists include Greenhills, Limekiln and Na Fianna in Dublin, and Breaffy Rounders club in Mayo.

For anyone interested in participating in rounders, contact your local GAA club about setting up a team or visit www.GAARounders.ie to

find your nearest club. You can also follow @GAARounders on Facebook and @GAARoundersOffi on Twitter to keep up with the latest rounders news.



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HEALTHY CLUB HEROES RECOGNISED IN CROKE PARK

SINCE the dawning of civilisation man has marked special occasions with great ceremony and pomp.

The third Sunday in September has taken on such import in the Irish cultural calendar. The young men who make up the minor and senior squads of Derry, Kerry, Dublin, and Mayo, will forever be able to say: "I was there on All-Ireland Sunday." For those who win, that experience is elevated to an even higher status as the victorious heroes climb the steps of the Hogan Stand to receive the Tom Markham and Sam Maguire Cups, respectively.

While the four squads involved

today have been working towards this goal since long before their championships began, for the past 18 months 60 clubs from across the 32 counties have been striving towards another goal: to become the first officially recognised 'Healthy Clubs' in the Association. They began their participation in the GAA Healthy Club Project in January 2016 with the simple aim of making the GAA a healthier place for everyone to enjoy while becoming hubs for health for their members and their communities.

Driven by the passionate volunteers who make up their Healthy Club project teams, each club identified priority areas to

focus on. These ranged from healthy eating, physical activities for non-playing members, and mental health, to supporting older members of their communities or becoming smoke-free GAA clubs, amongst others.

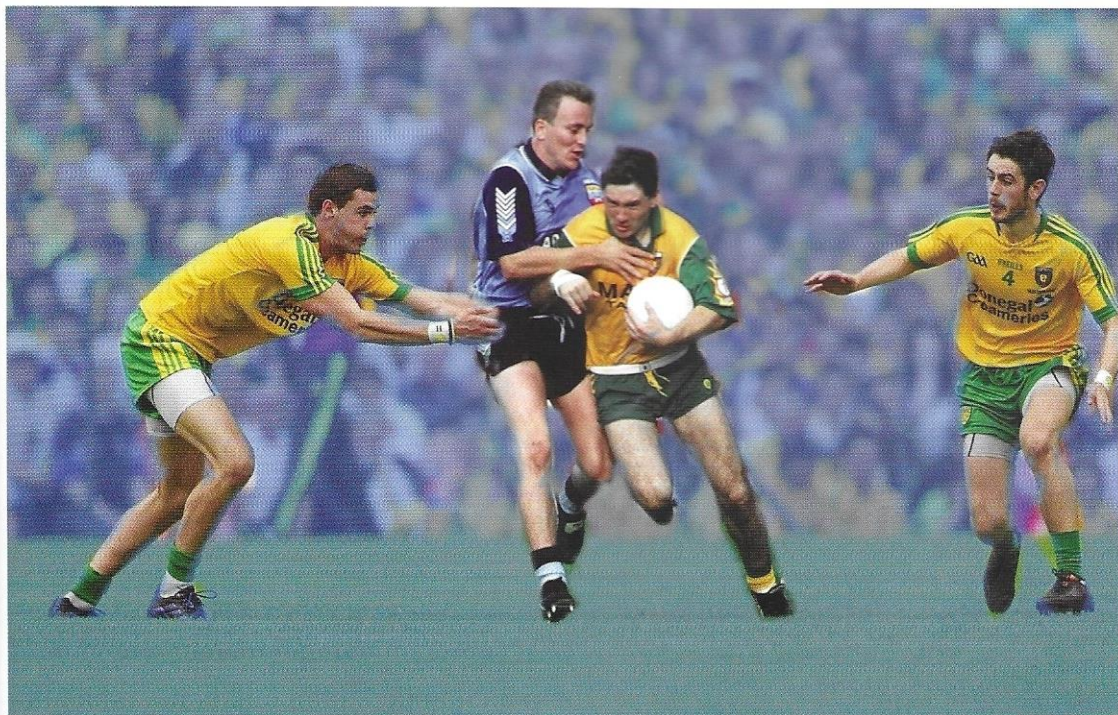
As with all things worth doing, there has been effort involved. That effort will be recognised and celebrated at a special event in Croke Park on November 4 at which the clubs will be awarded a unique flag and plaque to be proudly displayed at their grounds, informing their members and communities that they are one of Ireland's first official 'GAA Healthy Clubs'.

A photograph showing four people standing in front of a blurred background. They are all wearing black and green tracksuits with 'Irish Life' and 'in the community' logos. The person in the center is holding a large white sign with the words 'Healthy Club' in blue, bubbly letters. The person on the far right is holding a white Gaelic football with 'Gaelic' and 'Camogie' written on it. The other three people are smiling and looking towards the camera.

Healthy Club

Pictured at the GAA Ulster Healthy Clubs Roadshow are (l-r) Philly McMahon, Gaelic footballer for Dublin and Ballymun Kickhams, Michael Fennelly, hurler with the Kilkenny senior team, Anna Geary, former Cork Camogie captain, and Mickey Harte, manager of the Tyrone senior inter-county team.

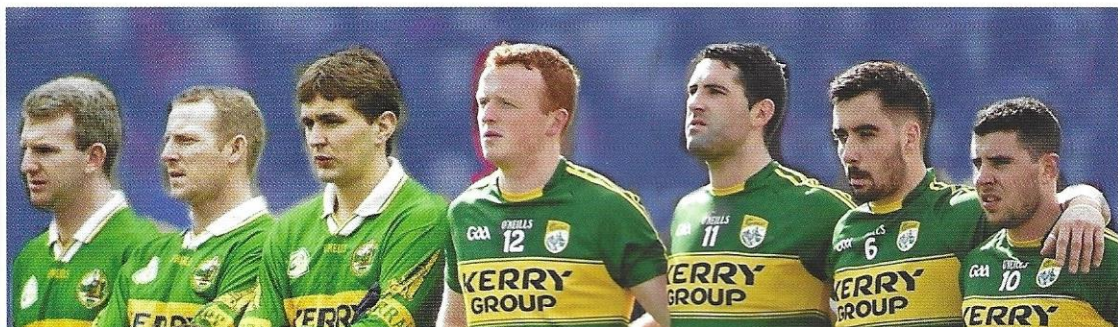
The Healthy Club Project is proudly supported by Irish Life, Healthy Ireland, the HSE, the National Office for Suicide Prevention, and the PHA. It is intended to open the next phase to interested clubs in early 2018. For more information see www.gaa.ie/community



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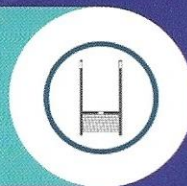
€1.5m

was raised for Clubs through a National Club Draw



€10M

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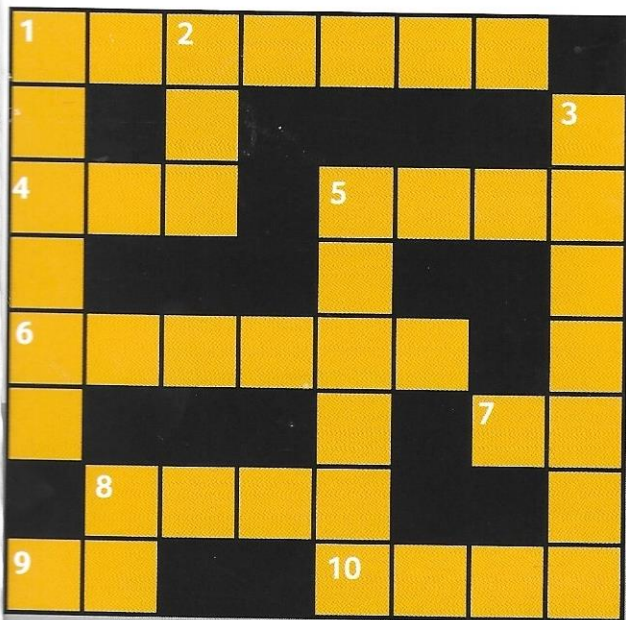
€1m

over the next four years will be spent on the GAA Healthy Club Project in partnership with Irish Life targeting 60 Clubs across 32 counties reaching 44,638 members



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le Mártan Ó Ciardha



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TRASNA

1. Ainm baiste chaptaein Mhaigh Eo
4. Cuir an focal 'Maria' leis seo agus beidh paidir nó amhrán agat.
5. "Chomh bán le sneachta, chomh dearg le?"
6. Féach 2 síos
7. An scánán faoin mbuachaill a bhfuil cara beag ón spás aige
8. 'Mac le Barney an Charraig'
9. & 5 Síos. An t-arm a bhí ag Finn Mac Cumhaill, nó club Jonny Cooper (2,6)
10. An Brogan a d'imir le Áth Cliath idir 2002 – 2015

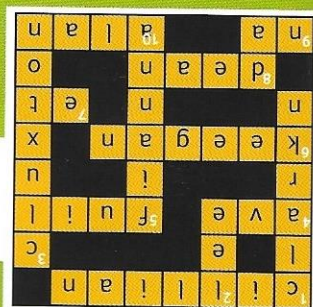
SÍOS

1. Cúl báire Mhaigh Eo
- & 6 *Trasna*. Cúlai as Maigh Eo a dhéanann go leor scórála (3, 7)
3. Cúl báire Áth Cliath
5. Féach 9 trasna

CEISTEANNA

1. Cluiche Craoibhe amháin a chaill Maigh Eo i 2017. Cé a bhuaigh orthu ?
2. Ainmnigh an contae a d'imir in aghaidh Áth Cliath i gCluiche Ceannais Laighean 2017
3. Cé mhéid cluiche imeartha go dtí seo ag Maigh Eo i gCraobh Shinsear Peile 2017 ?
4. Cén club lena n-imríonn Ciarán Kilkenny ?
5. D'imir Maigh Eo am-breise i dhá cheann de na Cluichí Cáilithe – cé a bhí ina gcoinne ?
6. Stephen Cluxton a ghlac Corn Mhic Guidhir i 2013, '15, & '16. Cé a rinne sin do na Dubs i 2011 ?
7. Ainmnigh an mótar-bhealach atá timpeall Bhaile Átha Cliath.
8. Cén córas iompair a bhí ag Molly Malone ?
9. Cén baile i Maigh Eo ina bhfuil an club ar a dtugtar na Mistéalaigh ?
10. Cén corn a fhaigheann buaiteoirí chluiche ceannais na mionúr ?

FREAGRÁI: 1. Gaillimh 2. Cill Dara 3. Naol 4. Caisleán Cnucha 5. Corcaigh & Doire 6. Bryan Cullen 7. M50 8. Barra Rotha 9. Caisleán a Bharraigh 10. Corn Tom Markham.



THE SAM MAGUIRE CUP

by Jerry Grogan

THE Sam Maguire cup was named in honour of a Cork man, Sam Maguire, who lived in London and was very involved in the GAA at the turn of the 20th century.

It was presented to the GAA by a group of Sam Maguire's friends and it was first presented to Kildare captain, Bill 'Squires' Gannon, on September 30, 1928.

In 1988 it was decided that the

original cup should be retired to the GAA Museum.

The last player to receive the old cup was Meath's Mick Lyons in 1987. The first recipient of the new cup was Meath's Joe Cassells in 1988 after The Royals completed a double.

Sam Maguire attended Ardfield NS near Clonakilty in Co. Cork, the same school as his friend

Michael Collins. He died in Cork of tuberculosis on February 6, 1927, aged 48.

Sam Maguire captained London footballers and, after his playing days were over, he was Chairman of the London County Board.

Vice-Chairman was Liam MacCarthy - delegate to the GAA Annual Congress and a trustee of GAA Central Council.

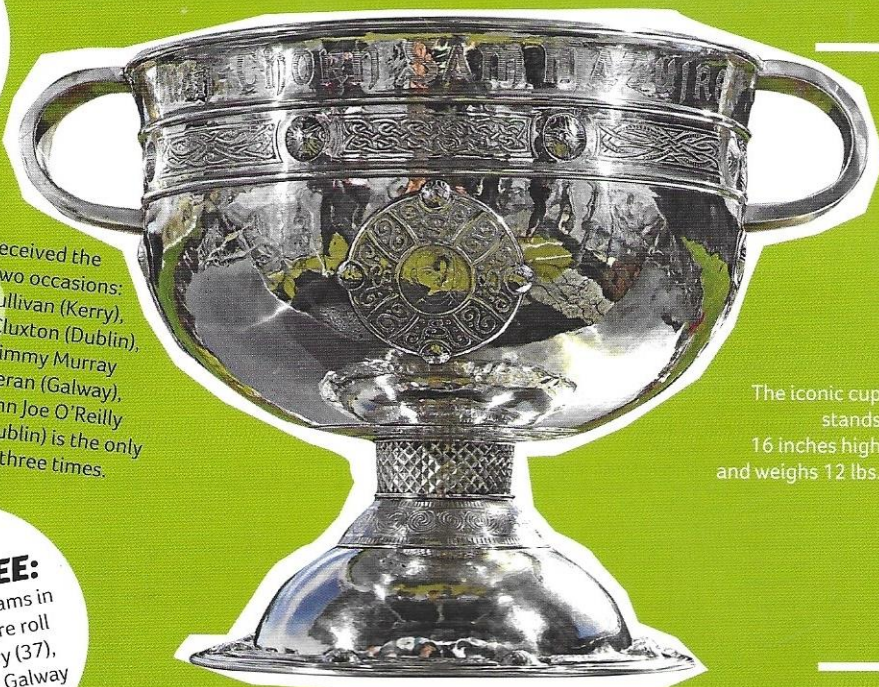
The Sam Maguire Cup is modelled on the Ardagh Chalice.

The original cup was crafted by silversmith and master craftsman, Matthew J Staunton of D'Olier St in Dublin. The cost was £300 - the equivalent of approximately €53,000 in today's money.

Nine players have received the Sam Maguire Cup on two occasions: Joe Barrett, Declan O'Sullivan (Kerry), Tony Hanahoe, Stephen Cluxton (Dublin), Brian Dooher (Tyrone), Jimmy Murray (Roscommon), Enda Colleran (Galway), Seán Flanagan (Mayo), John Joe O'Reilly (Mayo). Stephen Cluxton (Dublin) is the only player to receive the cup three times.

TOP THREE:

The top three teams in the Sam Maguire roll of honour: Kerry (37), Dublin (26) and Galway (9).



The iconic cup stands 16 inches high and weighs 12 lbs.



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Ciarraí v Oíre