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Coiste Chontae Dhún na nGall



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Craobh Sinsir Peile na Contae A agus B
I bPáirc Sheáin MhicCumhaill, Bealach Féich
Dé Domhnaigh, 15ú Deireadh Fómhair 2017

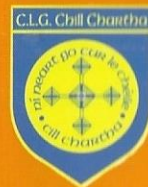
SINSEAR A

Cill Chartha

v

Naomh Conaill

4.00 i.n.



Referee: Enda McFeely - Naomh Mhuire Conmhaigh

Stand By Referee: Robbie O'Donnell - Naomh Muire Íochtar na Rosann

Linesman: Shaun McLaughlin - Malainn 4th Official: Jimmy White - Na Cealla Beaga



SINSEAR B

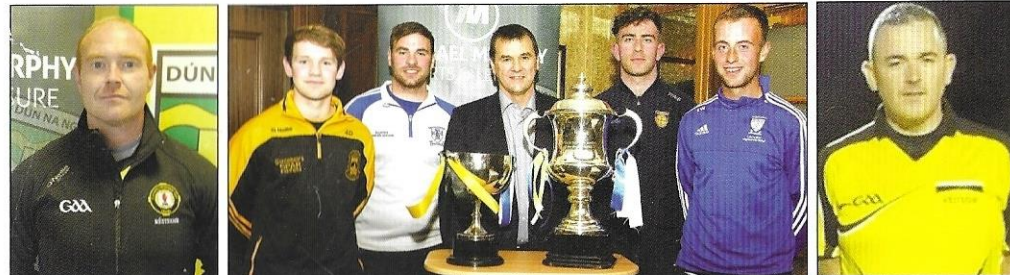
Naomh Adhamhnáin v Naomh Conaill

1.45 i.n.

Referee: Referee Greg McGroary - Na Ceithre Máistirí

Stand By Referee Jimmy White - Na Cealla Beaga

Linesman Martin McKinley - Naomh Colmcille 4th Official: Marc Brown - Na Ceithre Máistirí



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Ar son Bord na Condae CLG Dhún na nGall, ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur romhaibh go léir anseo inniu go Páirc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill, Bealach Féich.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you here this afternoon to Mac Cumhaill Park, Ballybofey for the Senior B (Reserve) and Senior Football Championship Finals for 2017. I also extend a warm welcome to the players, management, officials and supporters of the competing teams, CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin, CLG Naomh Conaill agus CLG Chill Chartha.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the local club Mac Cumhalls for hosting these finals today and also thank Michael Murphy and the team at Michael Murphy Sports & Leisure who is the sponsor of all our adult football and hurling championships for 2017. Your support is greatly appreciated.

In the curtain raiser, we have Naomh Adhamhnáin and Naomh Conaill both hoping to bring home the John Gallagher Cup followed then by Cill Chartha and Naomh Conaill. We expect a very competitive and exciting game of football between these two great teams with some of the finest players in the county featuring in a very eagerly awaited contest for the Dr. Maguire Cup.

Finally, a warm welcome to the Na Cealla Beaga team of 1992 who will be honoured as the County Champions of 25 years ago before the throw-in of the Senior Final.

Tá súil agam go mbainfidh sibh taitneamh as na chluichí agus go mbeidh turas slán sábháilte ag lucht leanúna CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin, CLG Naomh Conaill agus CLG Chill Chartha agus iad ag pilleadh na bhaile.



*Is mise le meas,
Seán Ó Duinnín,
Cathaoirleach.*

Amhrán na bhFiann

Sinne Fianna Fáil
Atá faoi gheall ag Éirinn,
Buíon dár slua
Thar toinn do ráinig chugainn.
Faoi mhóid bheith saor,
Seantír ár sinsir feasta
Ní fhágfar faoin tíorán ná faoin tráil
Anocht a théim sa bhearna baoil,
Le gean ar Ghaeil chun báis nó saoil
Le gunnascréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar
Seo libh canaigí Amhrán na bhFiann.

Caitriona Solan

Caitriona Solan, from CLG An Clochan Liath is the current Donegal county champion and the Ulster champion in Scór Sinsir solo singing. Caitriona has won the Donegal County final on five occasions and this is her first year as Ulster champion. She has an interest in all genres of music but is first and foremost a keen traditional singer and musician.




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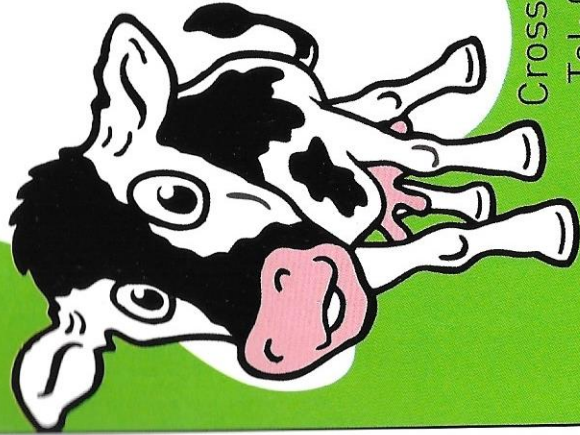
Dé Domhnaigh 15ú Deireadh Fómhar 2017

- 1:00 pm **Gates Open**
- 1:27 pm Naomh Adhamhnain take the field and line up for team photograph. Proceed to Town end goals. Naomh Adhamhnain will use the Town end dugouts.
- 1:30 PM Naomh Conaill take the field and line up for team photograph. Proceed to River Finn end goals. Naomh Conaill will use the River Finn end dugouts.
- 1:45 PM **Senior Reserve Final Throw in**
- 3:00 PM **Presentation of the Trophy by Sean Dunnion, Cathaoirleach Bhord an Condae**
- 3:10 PM St. Catherine's Band, Killybegs
- 3:00 PM 1992 County Champions assemble in the Stand
- 3:10 PM 1992 County Champions proceed to the pitch
- 3:15 PM Introduction of the 1992 County Champions, Na Cealla Beaga
- 3:38 PM Cill Chartha take the field and line up for team photograph. Proceed to Town end goals. Cill Chartha will use the Town end dugouts.
- 3:40 PM Naomh Conaill take the field and line up for team photograph. Proceed to River Finn end goals. Naomh Conaill will use the River Finn dugouts.
- 3:50 PM Both teams line up for Parade
- 3:58 PM Amhrán Na bhFiann
- 4:00 PM **2017 Michael Murphy Sports & Leisure Donegal Senior Football Final**
- Half Time Cill Chartha leave the field first, Naomh Conaill to wait at centre of pitch. St. Catherine's Band. / RNL - RESPECT THE WATER
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- 5:30 PM **Presentation of the MAN OF THE MATCH award sponsored by Ann McGeehin**
- 5:35 PM **Presentation of the Dr. Maguire Trophy by Sean Dunnion, Cathaoirleach Bhord an Condae**

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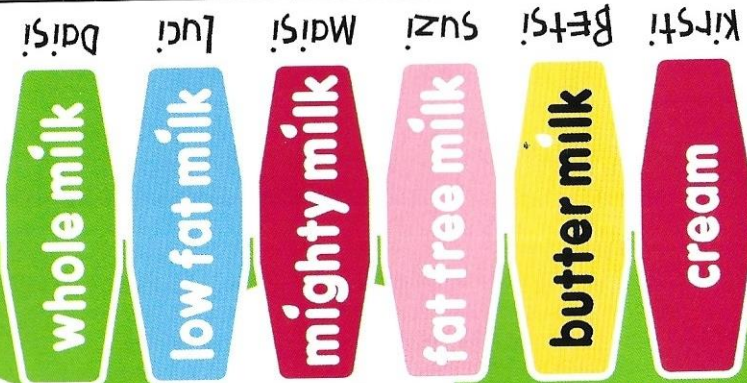


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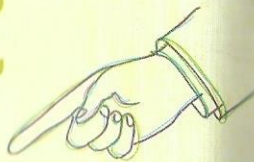


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Focail an Eagarthoir

I would like to welcome everyone to today's games the Senior A & B Football Finals. The Senior Final brings together last year's Allsportstore.com league finalists where Kilcar took the honours at that meeting. Both teams at the recent press night told us how reaching the finals is the result of ongoing work and development that has been ongoing not just this year but over the past number of years. Today at 5.30pm we will crown our new County Champions be it Cill Chartha or Naomh Conaill I look forward to what I believe will be an exciting final. Whoever wins today will represent Donegal in the Ulster Club Championship and we wish them well.

The Senior B Final will see last year's winners St Eunans take on Naomh Conaill a club yet to win Senior B title, again I expect to see an exciting game as St Eunans will look for back to back titles while Naomh Conaill look to bring the Senior B Title back to Naomh Conaill.

I wish all four teams, Referees Enda McFeely & Greg McGrory the best of luck today and I look forward to an enjoyable afternoon in Páirc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill.

Today we honour the Championship winning team of 1992, this is a great honour to them, their families and their club, more so when it is the second year in a row for many of that team. Commonly known as the team of the 90's Na Cealla Beaga appeared in 6 out of 7 finals from

1990 to 1996 CLG Dhun na nGall welcome the team, management and the three principal officers from 1992, Chairperson Seamus Gillispie, Secretary Clare Tully and Treasurer Mary Boyle.



As always the County Final requires a lot of hard work in the run up to the game and on the day, Thank you to all those who give up their time voluntarily to do this work, to the MacCumhaills club on having the grounds looking so well here today.

My thanks to all the photographers and members of the media and the clubs who have contributed to this programme. Thank you to our Championship main sponsors Michael Murphy Sports & Leisure, to all who booked advertisement space in today's programme this year we would encourage you to support them when you can. Finally to all attending today's game I hope you enjoy the day.

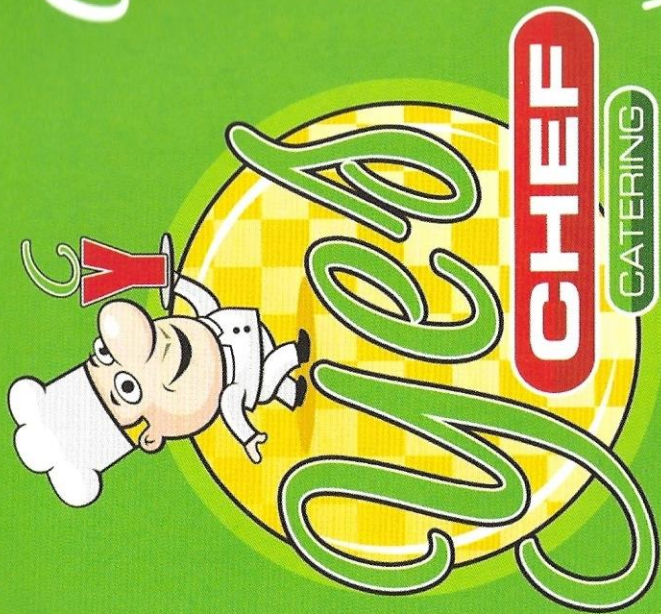
Eamonn O Broin
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Tráth na gCeist – CLG

1. Bhí athair Déaglán Ó Cnáimhsigh (Bainisteoir foirne peile shinsearach Dhún na nGall) ar an fhoireann dheireanach as An Clochán liath a bhain craobh na contae sna blianta 1957 agus arís i 1958. Ainmnigh athair Déaglán?
2. Cé'n bhliain a bunaíodh craobh peil shinsearach Dhún na nGall?
3. Níor imríodh cluiche ceannais peil shinsearach Dhún na nGall sa bhliain 1921 nó 1950. Cé'n tríú bliain nár imríodh cluiche ceannais craobh peil Sinsearach Dhún na nGall?
4. Ainmnigh an peileadóir a bhain sé chraobh (clubanna sinsearach). Beirt le na Cealla Beaga, beirt i Nua-Eabhrac, ceann amháin i Londain agus ceann amháin sa Bhreatain?
5. Ainmnigh an chéad pheileadóir as Dún na nGall a bhain All Star?
6. Ainmnigh an chéad Ultach a bhí mar Uachtarán ar an CLG?
7. Ainmnigh Uachtarán Peil na mBan (LGFA) Ladies Gaelic Football Association.
8. C'ainm atá ar an chorn a bhronnfar ar buaiteoirí uile Eireann sa chamógaíocht? (Sinsear)
9. Cé'n bhliain a bunaíodh Scór?
10. Cén bhliain a roghnaíodh Antoine Ó Ludhóg (Anthony Molloy) do'n chéad uair mar chaptaen foirne Dhún na nGall?

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TODAY'S OFFICIALS

SENIOR REFEREE - Enda McFeely

Refereeing out of the Naomh Mhuire Club Convoiy. I started officiating in 2012 and joined the Ulster Academy in 2013 also graduating from the Academy in 2015.

I have previously taken charge of the Ulster under 17 League, Ulster Minor League and championship games and under 18 Ulster Minor League games as well as Ulster club senior and intermediate league's.

Today will be my eighth final having previously refereed the 2014 minor b final, the 2015 junior B final, 2016 Ulster senior league final, 2016 minor A final, 2017 Senior Gaeltact final, 2017 Scottish junior and senior finals in Glasgow.

His umpires for today are Dessie Mc Feely, Brendan Kelly (river end). Pat Walsh, Mark Brown (town end). I would like to thank my girlfriend Emer for all her support and the rest of his team who have officiated throughout the year namely. Joe O'Donnell, Ciara McFeely, Michael McDaid, Aaron Foy and Liam Mc Conalogue and anyone else who has assisted him.

Having refereed these evenly matched teams already this year, a tough, exciting, competitive game should be in store. Finally, I wish all four teams and officials all the best today here in Pairc Sean Mac Cumhaill.



SENIOR B REFEREE - Greg McGroary

Representing the Na Ceithre Maistri Club, referee Greg Mc Groary first officiated at underage level in 2014 before progressing to the Adult Referee's Panel in late 2014. During this time, he has officiated at all underage finals from Faoi-12 up to Faoi-18.

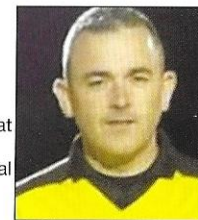
Today is his second adult final in Donegal having previously been the man in the middle at the 2016 Senior C Final (Naomh Conaill V Gleann tSuiil). This year Greg has refereed the u18 Minor League Final (Naomh Columba V Sean Mac Cumhaill), u14 Championship Final (An Clochan Liath V Naomh Adhamhnain) & the 2017 Senior Schools Final.

As a player with Na Ceithre Maistri Greg has won a mixture of underage medals from Faoi-14, Faoi 16, Faoi 18 and two Secondary Schools County Medals at Faoi 14 and Senior for the Abbey Vocational School, Donegal Town

Greg lives outside Donegal Town along with Geraldine and their 2 children, Shaun & Ava. Greg is an Account Manager for Molson Coors. His umpires for today's match, also from Na Ceithre Maistri, are Peter Wyatt, Marc Brown, Ciaran Harley & Owen Doherty from Naomh Columba.

Having refereed both of today's teams already, an open, fast counter-attacking and competitive game between two very closely matched teams is certainly hoped for going on the form shown by both clubs this season. Greg would also like to thank Geraldine for all her support throughout the year and also thank Shane Tolan, Pat Walsh, Lee Jordan, Jimmy White, Robbie O'Donnell and Andrew Mullin for their help and support since he started refereeing.

Finally, Greg would like to wish all four teams and both sets of match officials all the best in today's finals at Pairc Sean Mac Cumhaill.



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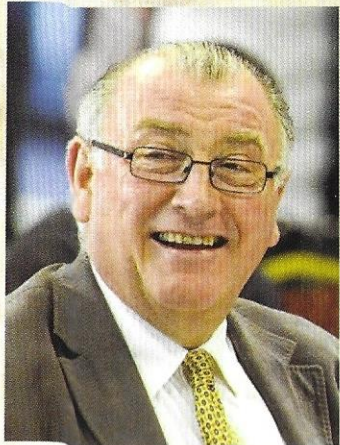
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David Kelsh Chair Naomh Conaill



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In ómós an Iar-Uachtaráin agus an iar-lománaí Joe McDonagh atá an scéim ainmnithe agus tá sé leagtha amach ar bhealach a dhéanann oibair na gclub anna i bhfad níos éasca agus iad i mbun na hoibre.

An chéad úis atá leis sin go bhfuil go leor tacaíochta le fáil ón eagraíocht Glór nan Gael.

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agus comhairle a thabhairt maidir le gníomhartha agus imeachtaí a spreagfaidh úsáid agus foghlaim na Gaeilge i measc na mball.

Tá liosta gníomhaíochtaí ina bhfuil 70 rud nach bhfuil deacair a dhéanamh aonaíthe mar bhunchloch – rudaí simplí praiticiúla. Ar chuid acu sin tá dhá-theangachas a bheith i réim ar fhógraíocht, suíomh idirlín an chlub, ranganna a chur ar fáil, páirt a ghlacadh i 'Seachtain na Gaeilge', seisiún traenála trí Ghaeilge nó clorcal comhrá a eagrú agus a leithéid sin.

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Is iad na hiarsmaí is sine dá bhfuil againn den Ghaeilge Ársa ná inscríbhinní ar chlocha Oghaim ón 5ú agus ón 6ú haois. Cuireadh tús le scríobh na Sean-Ghaeilge san aibítir Rómhanach roimh thús an 7ú haois. Is í an Ghaeilge, mar sin, an teanga scríofa is sine dá bhfuil fós á labhairt lastuaidh de na hAlpa.

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Bhí stádas na Gaeilge mar mhórtithe ag cailte. Ach ba í an Ghaeilge teanga fhorhmhór phobal na tuaithe i gcónaí agus, go ceann tréimhse, ag an lucht oibre sna bailte. Ó lár an ochtú céad déag, de réir mar a bhí maolú ag teacht ar na péindlíthe, agus méadú ar dheiseanna sóisialta agus eacnamaíochta ag an seanphobal Gaelach, thosaigh an chuid ba

rafaire orthu ag tiontú ar ghnás na meánaicme gallda agus an Béarla a tharraingt chucu féin. Chuaigh an nós seo i dtreise le linn agus i ndiaidh an Ghorta Mhóir (1846–1848). Bhí an teanga i mbéal an bháis.

I dtús an ochtú haois déag, thosaigh an lucht léinn ag cur spéise sa teanga agus ina litríocht. Thuig a lán daoine go raibh an Ghaeilge labhartha ag meath. Bhí Tomás Dáibhís, sa bhliain 1843, ar dhuine de na daoine a dhearbhaigh go poiblí gur 'teanga náisiúnta' í an Ghaeilge. Baineadh leas as an téarmaíocht seo arís i mBunreachtáí 1922 agus 1937. Sa bhliain 1893, bhunaigh Dubhghlas de hÍde, Eoin Mac Néill, an tAthair Eoghan Ó Gramhnaigh, agus daoine eile, Conradh na Gaeilge. Laistigh de cúpla bliain d'éirigh leo mórghluaiseacht tacaíochta ar son na Gaeilge a chruthú. Tosaíodh ar litriú agus ar ghramadach na teanga scríofa a thabhairt chun réitigh leis an nuatheanga labhartha. Bhí de thoradh ar na hiarrachtaí sin an Caighdeán Oifigiúil a d'fhoilsigh Rialtas na hÉireann sa bhliain 1958.

Tá athrú suntasach tar éis teacht ar iomhá na Gaeilge le blianta beaga anuas. Tá sé seo le sonrú ar líon na ndaoine atá á labhairt agus á foghlaim ní hamháin in Éirinn ach ar fud na cruinne. Labhraítear an Ghaeilge mar theanga an phobail i gceantair Ghaeltachta in Éirinn agus tá an Ghaeilge ag bailiú nirt lasmuigh den Ghaeltacht chomh maith. Léiríonn suirbhéanna le tamall fada go bhfuil an-bhá i measc an phobail i dtaobh na teanga ar fud an oileáin agus nach bhfuil an bhá sin teoranta do lucht labhartha na teanga amháin.

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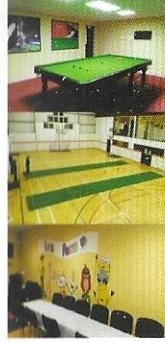


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1992 - a year that will always be associated with Donegal

By Peter Campbell, Sports Editor, Donegal Democrat

Fate is something I believe strongly in. What's before you will not pass you. Fate decreed that I was involved in sports journalism just two years before Donegal's greatest triumph in 1992.

And fate played its part in many aspects of Donegal finally getting to climb the steps of Croke Park and Anthony Molloy to get his hands on Sam Maguire.

Fate can manifest itself in many ways, some helpful and some very cruel.

The Martin McHugh/Tony Boyle goal which brought Donegal back from the dead in Breffni Park in the opening round of the championship; the renewed partnership of Anthony Molloy and Brian Murray at midfield; the perceived hurt when John Cunningham was sent to the line in the Ulster final; the magnificence of Tommy Ryan when moved to full-forward in that game after Tony Boyle's knee met the boot of Anthony Tohill; the lack of finishing power in the Mayo front line when Donegal were there for the taking; Manus Boyle's timely arrival on the scene; the Dublin over confidence for the final; Charlie Redmond's missed penalty!

There are so many memories, and yet two of the most vivid surround the final - the injury which deprived Martin Shovlin of his place on the starting team and the 'rumour/story' surrounding Joyce McMullin's brother, Gerard.

Fate didn't treat Martin Shovlin well, but Donegal were very well equipped to survive with John Joe Doherty coming in and putting in a starring role; John Cunningham would probably have felt a little hurt at not getting the call; that was a tough call for Brian McEniff.

What was most pleasing about the 1992 final was that Donegal had won an All-Ireland playing some great football. Not alone did they win, but they did so convincingly, scoring 18 points, 11 of those from play. It probably wouldn't be fair to say that they reserved their best football for

the final, but it was their second best game. Their best display, and the one that will stand out in most people's minds, was the second half of the Ulster final against Derry in Clones. That was the period when the 1992 All-Ireland was won, with a half-back line of Donal Reid, Martin 'Rambo' Gavigan and Martin Shovlin relentless in driving Donegal forward and Martin McHugh at his best.

It is really unfair to mention individuals, because everyone put their shoulder to the wheel in that second half.

Now 25 years on, it is fitting that their feats are remembered. Those of us of a certain age are very fortunate that we were around for that time and also for the recent return of Sam Maguire under the management of one of the babes of the 1992 team, Jim McGuinness.

We have grown up (and old) with one All-Ireland winning team and were present for the birth of the second. There will be comparisons made between players of both teams; what member of the 1992 team would make the 2012 team? And vice versa.

Manus Boyle versus Colm McFadden; Tony Boyle versus Michael Murphy; Declan Bonner versus Patrick McBrearty.

The 1992 boys would probably say they are still the best, even though they would be giving them 30 years!

But what memories all of these players have left us with. They have also left a legacy of heroes in so many clubs throughout the county, which has been a springboard for the GAA. All of them have continued to leave their mark on the Association at club and county level and many in media outlets.

They were a credit to themselves, their clubs and Donegal in 1992.

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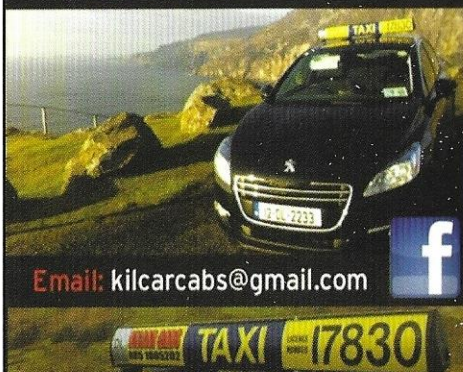
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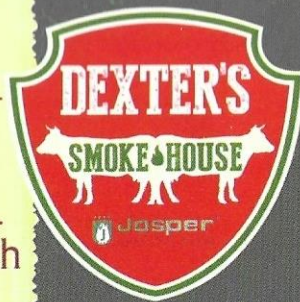
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Jim Clarke

By Chris McNulty (Donegal Daily/Donegal Sport Hub)

Pulling together the mix of experience and youth is often a complex task for managers, but particularly those of reserve teams.

For Jim Clarke, manager of the St Eunan's reserves, the challenge is perhaps even greater, given the black and amber draw their participants from a town that is bustling with clubs at all codes and levels.

But Eunan's are in the Senior B final thanks to that blend of youthful exuberance and the wise experience.

The likes of Colin McIntyre, Mick Martin, Kieran Sharkey and David O'Herlihy have all been with the St Eunan's seniors on quests for Dr Maguire. They're now toiling with the reserves, bringing on a young batch of players aiming to break into the senior ranks.

"They have come from senior championship and you can see why they've won. Their attitude is exemplary," Clarke says of those veterans.

"We have good footballers who will progress on to senior football and some others have been at senior level.

"The lads have got us there. We're in an urban area where we have a lot of competition. It's a credit to all the coaches at St Eunan's to be competitive."

Clarke is aided by Christy Callaghan, Gerard McGinley, Eunan McIntyre and Adrian Shields and they're aiming to get their hands on the prize again today.

Clarke says: "It's a big day for the lads after the amount of effort they put in.

"My main emphasis is to try and get the basic skills right and get some fun and enjoyment. If you don't have that, the rest won't come."

Coming from an urban centre like Letterkenny brings its own challenges, too; a vibrant sporting town with all sorts of clubs and teams.

Clarke says: "We are competing against a lot of other sports. People think that we have major numbers, but we do struggle at times as well. There were a few times this year where we struggled with numbers when men were doing exams at school or university.

"There is only a certain element who play Gaelic football.

"We're lucky in that we have good structures in the club and we're getting as many as we can. We're in the schools doing heavy work there and we're trying our best there in the Letterkenny area. But even there, there are kids from maybe seven different clubs who are in there."

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Its final number six for Naomh Conaill's Marty Boyle

Tom Comack, Donegal Democrat/People's Pr

Naomh Conaill's Marty Boyle is in his 14th senior football championship campaign and is playing in his sixth county final today here in Ballybofey. The versatile defender and All-Ireland winner with Donegal from 2012, is also chasing a fourth Donegal senior medal.

"I've played in five county finals and I have won three and lost two and the goal is to make it title number four on Sunday," said Boyle. "We've had a great run at the club and we all know it won't go on forever and besides the clock is ticking for me personally. "I'm 34 and when you reach that age you want to make the most of it because you don't know if you will get another chance." And despite the passing years and the wear and tear on the body Boyle insists he is as hungry as the day he first donned the blue and white of Naomh Conaill.

"The championship is the pinnacle and if you're from your hometown and you have a chance of doing well you won't want to miss the chance." He missed the first half of the season after having knee surgery.

Naomh Conaill and Kilcar know each other very well and their championship paths have crossed at the semi-final stage in the last two years. Naomh Conaill won the 2015 semi-final by 11 points, 4-10 to 0-11 and Kilcar turned the tables last season with an eleven points victory, 5-10 to 1-11.

However, despite the margins of victory in both games Marty Boyle insists the final winning margins were not a true reflection of the games. "Even though the score lines in those two games were lopsided the winning margins were not a reflection of the actual games.

"In 2015, when we beat them, they missed a couple of big goal chances in the first half two in particular. "And we probably scored two lucky goals in the first half and that gave us the platform to pull away in the second half.

"Last year's game was a great game for 15 minutes. It was end to end and it was their turn to get the goals and we couldn't stick with them in the second half. "The goals in each of them games were the big scores and that is why it is so important to take the chances when the chances open up.

"That will be the case again on Sunday. It will all come down to which team takes the most of their chances.."

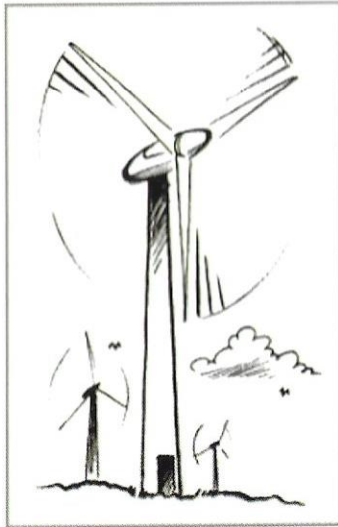
Naomh Conaill have had wins over Dungannon and Four Masters in the group and a quarter final win over Killybegs and they ended Gaoth Dobhair's run in the semi-final.

"It was good to get over Gaoth Dobhair because it was a big game for us. After last year's defeat to Kilcar it was important that we won the semi-final because our record hadn't been great of late. Up to Gaoth Dobhair we had played in four semi-finals in a row and had only won two of them.

"If you beat a good team like Gaoth Dobhair you take confidence from it and coming back from six points down will boost the confidence even further.

"We have been improving with every game and we will definitely need to improve and hopefully we will step up a notch again on Sunday," said Boyle.

Shannagh Wind Farm



Would like to wish the Kilcar Senior Team
the best of luck in the County Final

ST CATHERINES ACCORDIAN BAND, KILLYBEGS

Killybegs has a long history of marching bands dating back over 100 years. There have been flute & pipe bands but in the last half century it has been the accordion band. In the early 1990s a new children's band was formed. It was great for the older retired members to see a band on the streets again. After a period of inactivity the St Catherines Accordion Band was reformed in 2001 for the "Conlin Road 50th Anniversary Reunion" and has gone from strength to strength since.

St. Catherine's Band provides a great spectacle of music and colour at many events in Killybegs and surrounding areas. The band continues to be a great advertisement for the town of Killybegs and has represented the town in Dallas and Seattle, USA, and London as part of their St Patrick's Day celebrations. This band have also paraded in Eurodisney Paris in April this year as part of Disney's 25th Anniversary celebrations. It was a certainly a once in a lifetime experience for the band members.

The current St Catherines Accordion Band, on parade here today, mainly consists of children and young teenagers with 80% of members only having joined in the past year or so. Their commitment and dedication is greatly appreciated. The band provides an equal opportunity to all children in Killybegs and surrounding areas to access music, drum and majorette lessons.

We are continually grateful for the support the band receives from the people of Killybegs and surrounding areas. There is a wide network of people we can always call on to help out when required. It is local support like this which will ensure St. Catherine's Band continues for generations to come.



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*Best wishes to both Naomh Conaills Senior
and Reserve teams in todays County Final.*

Football is everything in Kilcar

By Chris McNulty (Donegal Daily/Donegal Sport Hub)

They're fond of the history in Kilcar, but the class of 2017 want to write a new chapter.

Dr Maguire hasn't been in Towney since 1993, when Kilcar were last kings of Donegal, winning their fifth title via a 0-12 to 0-10 win over Killybegs.

Donegal football's most sought after prize hasn't been 'down the trough' since.

"It's been too long," says Kilcar senior manager Barry Doherty.

"I was a senior player for 14 years too and we didn't really compete. We've been getting closer. The day will come where these players have to get over the line."

Kilcar appeared last year in their first senior final in 23 years.

They roared to the decider with all the momentum of an express train, but they shuddered to a halt when Glenswilly pulled the shutters down in the final. The winter months were long and agonising for Kilcar. Now, they're back, again as favourites.

But Doherty cautions: "Being favourites, I wouldn't read anything into that. It got us nowhere last year.

"We'll treat Naomh Conaill with respect. They're an excellent team. They've won three titles. We're coming in with none. We'll put the best foot forward and see where it takes us.

"They're wiser. You learn a lot more from losing than you do from winning. They'll have learned a lot from losing and from how they felt.

"Anything you lose in life, you want to try and correct it.

"You look at Mayo, the finals they lose and

they keep coming back at it. You think it would help, but they still haven't got over the line."

Doherty took over following the resignation of Martin McHugh, the Donegal football legend stepping down after just a year at the helm.

Expectation levels soared after 2016 and the draw wasn't kind to Kilcar, handed a place in the 'group of death' alongside Ardara, Gaoth Dobhair and, almost inevitably, Glenswilly, their conquerors from last year.

But Kilcar hit the ground running and blitzed the group phase.

Bundoran were swatted aside in the quarter-final and St Michael's obliterated in the semi-final.

Once more, Kilcar are back in the final - and looking to close that gap to '93.

"We hear a lot in Kilcar," McBrearty, this year's captain, says.

"They had a golden generation from the 1980s to '93. We're happy now what we're doing. We're on the verge of a third League, we've won Minor and U21 Championships. It's a matter now of breaking in for our first Senior Championship and getting that ghost away. We've a massive 60 minutes to go.

"Football is everything in Kilcar. You can't go anywhere without talking football. It's the only thing, but they're passionate about it too. They've been brought up with it their whole lives."

C.L.G. Naomh Conaill - Under 10s



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|------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Orin Brannigan | 6 Shauna Molloy | 11 Connor Farrell | 16 Sennan O'Donnell |
| 2 Daniel Breslin | 7 Niall Roarty | 12 Darragh Kennedy | 17 Caoimhin Smith |
| 3 Max Campbell | 8 Dathi Molloy | 13 Alan McLoone | 18 Ethan Dewhirst |
| 4 Jamie Byrne | 9 Aidan Gallagher | 14 Ciaran Boyle | 19 Leon Mc Dyre |
| 5 Phelim Boyle | 10 Charlie Dooley | 15 Stephen McDévvitt | 20 Erin Bonner |



Peadar McGeehin Memorial Trophy - Man of the Match Award

Fo-cumainn Naomh Conaill - A brief History

Founded in 1921 the club has served the Glenties, Fintown and Edeninfagh areas very well since then. The club caters for underage groups from 6 years of age right up to U-18, U21 and Seniors.

There is also a very active Ladies branch covering underage and adult teams. In the early days it was senior players who were mostly catered for. While teams did contest County Finals in the 1920's 1930's and 40's no trophies were ever won. It would be 1965 that Wesaw another team reach a senior final again only to lose out in a replay to a very good St Josephs (Bundoran / Ballyshannon) team. Indeed having won the Junior Championship the previous year hopes were high in this senior final but it was not to be.

In the following years there was some success at the under-age and Intermediate levels but it would be forty years before we reached another senior final.

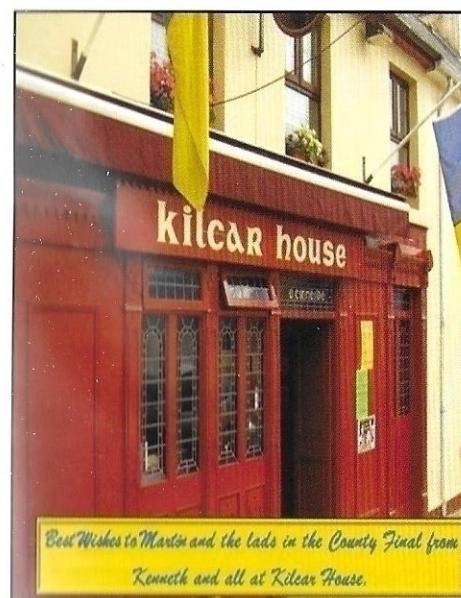
In 2005 a very young side reached the final against St Eunan's and after a replay the Dr Maguire Cup came to the Parish for the first

time.

At this time a string of U21 teams came to the fore, playing in 8 consecutive finals between 2006 and 2013 winning five in all.

We next reached a Senior Final in 2009 but lost out to St Eunan's. In 2010 we regained the Dr Maguire Cup at the expense of Killybegs and went to the final of the Ulster Club Championship only to go down to a powerful Crossmaglen team. We lost out in the 2012 final to St Eunan's however when we met again in the 2015 Final the Boys in Blue came out on top. That year too we won the Comortas Peile na Gaeltachta - Naisiunta for the first time when it was played in Ardara and we retained the title in 2016 when the final was played in Co. Corcaigh.

We have competed at all levels in the under-age competitions and have had much success. This is all possible because of the hard work put in by a lot of people in the club. It is due to them that we are here today competing for the premier GAA trophy in the County



A word from Naomh Conaill Chairman, David Kelch

This is an immensely proud day for the Naomh Conaill club to have both the reserves and seniors teams contesting for honours today in one of the biggest days on the GAA calendar in the county.

County final day is a special occasion in the GAA year and I would like to wish all those involved well, the opposing teams Naomh Adhamhnain and Cill Charta, the referee, linesmen, umpires and the county board officials. The hard work & dedication put in by the players and backroom teams this year should be commended. We should also praise their wives, girlfriends & families for the sacrifices they make to allow these players & managers to represent their club so well. All teams involved today are a culmination of the unselfish work put in by coaches & mentors involved in our clubs down through the years.

On this unique day in CLG Naomh Conaill history, I must also wish our Senior ladies team well as they play their Ulster Junior Championship quarter final this afternoon also.

To our supporters, I must say a big thank you for all your help and support this past year and all down through the years. The support you provide all our teams, both senior and underage is a massive lift to these players and managers at games. The parish of Inishkeel has put in a great effort this past few weeks to fly the Blue and White in the area. I cannot forget all our sponsors who so generously support the club over the years, the support you provide the club is very much appreciated. Go raibh maith agaibh

To all supporters, spectators and the 1992 County Champions at today's games, I hope you enjoy this wonderful occasion.



A word from the Manager, Naomh Conaill Martin Regan

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

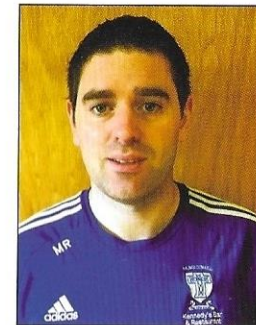
County final day is the pinnacle of club football in Donegal so to manage my club on this special occasion is something which gives me great pride.

On behalf of the players and management I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee members in Naomh Conaill for their support of this team all year and to our supporters who have, as usual, got behind us throughout the year, particularly at times when we were struggling for form. To all our sponsors who have so kindly donated to us throughout the year and to our families who have made huge sacrifices to allow us prepare as best we can for this and all games throughout the year – thank you.

Today is a special day for the club as it is the first time in our history we have two teams lining out in reserve and senior finals on the same day. It is testament to the hard work being put in by all our underage managers that we can bring through so many quality players.

Today we come up against a very formidable team in Kilcar. Similar to ourselves, there is huge work going in there at underage and it is now coming to fruition at senior level. We have had a lot of big battles with Kilcar in the last number of years at Senior, U-21 and Minor level so lets hope today we can serve up another quality game that is befitting of the occasion.

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



A word from the Naomh Conaill Team Captains, Eoin Waide & Brendan McDyer



On behalf of the Naomh Conaill players, we would like to give a warm welcome to supporters of both Naomh Conaill and Kilcar and all neutral spectators to this county final today.

We face a big challenge from Kilcar today, who have been very impressive on their run to the finals. We have built up a very healthy rivalry with Kilcar over the last number of years and we have



prepared hard to try and overcome our semi final defeat to them from last year.

Both teams on show today are as a result of huge work going on at underage in both parishes so we would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who helped out at underage down the years and continue to do so.

Finally, to all supporters and spectators at today's games, we hope you all enjoy the games and that the final does justice to the great occasion that it is.

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Best of Luck in the Final to Martin and Seamus and both Naomh Conaill teams.



1 Minute with.....

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Club: Naomh Conaill
Favourite Position: Centre Half Forward
Favourite Pitch: Convoy
Worse Pitch: Gortin
Hobbies: Pool, Swimming
Childhood hero: Colm O'Neill (Cork)
Best Player you have played with: Niall O'Donnell
Best Player you have played against: James McSharry
Best game you have been involved in: Club Minor Final 2016 v Eunans
Best game you have ever seen: Donegal v Kildare 2011
One Game to forget: All Ireland Minor Semi-Final 2016 v Galway
Best trainer within the squad: Eoin Waide
Worst trainer within the squad: Leon Thompson (whenever he turns up)
Biggest joker on the team: Dermot "Brick" Molloy
Best manager you have played under: Martin Regan
Odd items in your kitbag: None
Any superstitions: No
Favourite Song: Weekend in Amsterdam by Hughie Gallagher
Favourite Film: Hangover 1
Favourite Holiday Destination: Kusadasi Turkey
Favourite Drink: Rock Shandy
Favourite Meal: Tuna & Pasta
Club Volunteer of note: James "Plumber" Boyle
1 change you would make in GAA: A sin bin when black carded because a sub is no punishment
Most important skill: 2 feet can be hard to mark
Biggest Strength in your game: Speed
Area of your game you would like to improve: Everything, you can never be good enough
Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own: Ardara
Young Player within your club to look out for: Conor Roarty
Best thing about the GAA: The fact that everyone puts their lives on hold just because they love the game.



Naomh Conaill Senior A Pen-Pics 2017

NAME	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	OCCUPATION
Stephen McGrath	28	6ft 1	13 St 7lb	Claims Assessor
Kevin McGettigan	21	5ft 10	11 St	Landscaper/Barman
AJ Gallagher	27	6ft	12St 3lb	Safety Instructor
Jason Campbell	24	6ft 1	13St 7lb	Defence Forces
Ultan Doherty	19	6ft	12St 7lb	Student
Anthony Thompson	31	6ft	13St 7lb	Engineer
Eoin Waide	29	5ft 11	12 St	Ground Worker
Leo McLoone	28	6ft 1	14 St	Teacher
Ciaran Thompson	22	6ft 2	14 St	Student
Marty Boyle	33	6ft 1	12 St	Machine Operator
Dermot Molloy	26	6ft	14 St	Construction
Ethan O'Donnell	20	6ft	11St 7lb	Student
Brendan McDyer	30	5ft 10	11 St	Wind Turbine Technician
Eoghan McGettigan	19	5ft 11	10St 7lb	Student
John O Malley	24	5ft 10	12St 7lb	Student
Tony Byrne	18	6ft 2	14St 7lb	Mink Farmer
Eunan Doherty	24	5ft 10	12st 10lb	Accounts Assistant
Johnny McLoone	38	5ft 11	13 St	Butcher
Kieran Gallagher	19	6ft 4	15 St	Student
Leon Thompson	32	5ft 9	12 St	Landscaper
Seamus Corcoran	27	6ft	13St 7lb	Garda
Johnny Bonner	34	6ft 2	13 St	Construction
Logan Quinn	19	5ft 10	11St 10lb	Student
Aaron Thompson	34	5ft 8	12St 4lb	Landscaper
Jeaic McKelvey	19	5Ft 10	12 St	Student
Dara Gallagher	29	6ft 1	13 St	Device Technician
Stephen Molloy	28	5Ft 11	11St 7lb	Sales Representative
Seamus Ellis	23	5ft 10	13 St	Leisure Centre Attendant
Charles McGuinness	20	6ft 3	14 St	Student
Jamie Cranley	20	6ft 1	11St 3lb	Student
Hughie Gallagher	24	5ft 10	12St 7lb	Agriculture
Paul McGuinness	18	6ft 1	12 St	Student
JD Boyle	20	5ft 10	13 St	Student
Dermot Ward	28	5ft 6	11 St	Staff Nurse
Joe Kennedy	27	5ft 11"	14 St	Ground Works Contractor
Odhran Doherty	17	5ft 10	11 St	Student
James Boyle	19	6ft 2	12 St	Student

CLG Naomh Conaill



Stiofan Mac Craith
Stephen McGrath



Caoimhín Mac Eiteagáin
Kevin McGettigan



Antoine Seosamh Ó Gallachóir
Anthony Joseph Gallagher



Jason Ó Cathmhaoil
Jason Campbell



Últan Ó Dochartaigh
Ultan Doherty



Antoin Mac Tomais
Anthony Thompson



Eoin Mac Uaid
Eoin Wade



Leo Mac Giolla Uain
Leo McLoone



Ciarán Mac Tomais
Ciaran Thompson



Mairtín O Baoill
Marty Boyle



Diarmaid Ó Luaigh
Dermot Molloy



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Ethan O'Donnell



Breandan MacDuibhir
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John O'Malley

Fir Ionaid

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- 17 Adhamháin Ó Dochartaigh
- 18 Sean Mac Giolla Uain
- 19 Ciarán Ó Gallachóir
- 20 Leon Mac Tomais
- 21 Seamus Ó Corcoráin
- 22 Séan O Cnaimhsi
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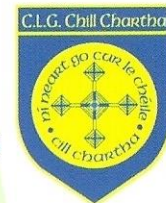
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- 28 Seamus Ó hEilís
- 29 Cathal Mac Aonghusa
- 30 Seamus Ó Cranlaí
- 31 Aodh Ó Gallachóir
- 32 Pól Mac Aonghusa
- 33 S. D. Ó Baoill
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Rian Mac Aidh
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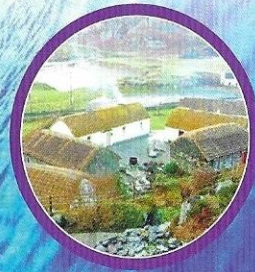
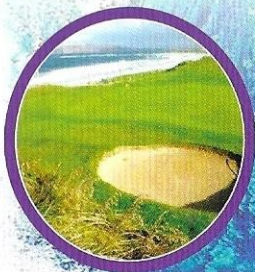
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CHILL CHARTHA

Cé nar ghlac Cill Chartha páirt in imeachtaí Chumann Luthcleas Gael go dtí 1924 bhí cluichí gaelacha a imirt roimh sin. Ní raibh cumann peile ar bith eagraithe sa Pharóiste roimh 1920. Bhí sacar a imirt ins an Pharóiste roimh 1920 ach tareis na Black and Tans theacht anseo thosaigh na gasúir óga ag imirt peil ghaelach de bharr athbheochaint náisiúnachas sa cheanntar.

Nuair a d'imir foireann Chill Chartha ar an trá i gCaiseal, Gleanncholmcille don chead uair i 1924, ba ar trí charr a dtarraingt ag capaill an córas iompar a bhacú. Ba iad Aodh Mac Giolla Chearra agus Seán Mac Seáin as Druim Rítheach, agus Padraig McDaibhid as Baile and Teampaill na tiománaithe. Ba ar Iorrai Phódraigh UaGabhra, nó Paddy Tim nó Bradley mar a tugáir air, a thaisteal siad ina dhiaidh sin.

I 1925 buaigh Cill Chartha Craobh an Contae de bharr éagmaise. Cuireadh Ard

A' Ratha agus Béal Átha Seannaigh ar fionraí agus dhiúltaigh Dún Fionnachaidh Cill Chartha a imirt ins an chluiche ceannais mar nach raibh siad sásta gur cuireadh na foirne eile ar fionraí.

I 1933 agus 1935 buaigh an chumann Straith Sinsir an Chontae ach de bharr imirce ní raibh an chumann an-láidir i rith na tríochaidí.

Bhí Corn Shliabh Liag a imirt ag an am sin idir foirne ó Chill Chartha agus Gleanncholmcille.

Bhuaidh Gleann a' Bhaile Dhuibh corn Shliabh Liag i 1930-'31, Baile an Droichid i 1931-'32. Níor chríochnaíodh an comórtas i 1931-'33. Bá é an tAthair O Gríofa a bhí ar an Charraig a chur tús leis an chomórtas seo.

I rith an ama seo bhí fear amháin ins an Pharóiste a raibh clú agus cáil air, sé sin **James Patrick MacFhionnghaile**. **Bhí sé ar pheileadóir chomh maith is a bhí sa tír ag an am.** Thosaigh sé ag imirt i 1924 agus chomh maith le bheith ag imirt leis an chlub d'imir sé le fochumainn Ard A'Ratha, Na Cealla Beaga agus Gleanncholmcille. D'imir sé ar fhoirne Chontae idir 1933 agus 1946. Bhíodh sé ag réiteoireacht comh maith i rith na h-ama seo. D'éirigh sé as an imirt agus an réiteoireacht i 1948.

I rith na dachaidí, ach go h-airáithe i rith an chogaidh, ní raibh an chumann ábalta foirne láidir a chur chun na páirce de bharr easpa córais iompar. I 1948 tháinig feabhas ag ghnóthaí eacnamaíochta agus d'éirigh leo an chuiche ceannais de Craobh Soisear an Chontae a bhaint amach ach fuair Na Dunaibh an lámh in uachtar orthu.

Bhí an chlub an lag ag tús na gcaogaidí ach rinneadh iarracht mór i 1951 chun an chlub a atheagrú. I 1953 bhí foireann mionúr ag imirt faoin ainm **An Charraig** agus bhí siad comh maith agus a bhí ins an Chontae. Bhí biseach ag teacht ar gnóthaí eacnamaíochta ins an Pharóiste comh maith mar go raibh Gaeltarra Éireann agus comhlucht foraoiseachta ag cur fostaíocht ar fáil.

I 1959 bhuaidh siad Sraith Sinsir na Contae nuair a bhuaidh siad ar An Chlochán Liath ins an cluiche ceannais. **Fuair Séan Mac Cumhaill an lámh in uachtar orthu i gcluiche ceannais Craobh Sinsir na Contae.**

Bhí siad ins an cluiche ceannais den Craobh arís i 1963 ach fuair Séan Mhic Chumhaill an buaidh orthu.

I 1964 d'éirigh le foireann na Mionúr Craobh an Chontae a bhaint don chéad uair agus bhí brí ur le feiceál ins an chlub.

I 1968 rinneadh atheagrú ar an chlub arís agus thosaigh siad ag imirt i Craobh Soisear na Contae.

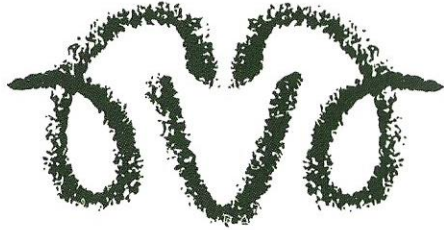
Bhí an Pháirc in aice na trá, i dTamhnaigh a bhí a úsáid ó na fichedáí maith le leor, gidh go raibh sé goirid, agus bhí neart scríofa faoin suíomh álainn agus an radharc álainn i mbá Thamhnaigh leis na "Grandstands" ar gach taobh. Bhí grinneall gainimhe aige a bhí i gcoánaí tirim agus bhí sé réasúnta rírdh Roimh na fichedáí chuir muintir na h-áite clocha móra amach i gcoinne na taoide agus líon sé suas an spás le gaineamh na trá. Tógadh balla stroighne cois na h-abhann i 1950/'51 sa dóigh nach mbheadh briseadh agus réabadh a dhéanamh ar an talamh.

Ag dtreadh na gcoaghadaí agus ag tús na seasadaí, bhí mórán leoraithe agus tarracóirí ag tógáil garbhéil agus gainimhe ón trá. Mar gheall ar seo bhí an taoide ag ithe giota indhaidh giota den talamh go dtí nach raibh fágtha ach tuairim dhá dtrian den gnáth pháirc imeartha. Ní raibh sé sásúil i goirí cluichí do dhaoine fásta gidh go raibh sé measartha maith do na buachaillí óga.

Fuair Micheál Óg Mac Pháidín, Teachta Dála agus Seanadóir, bás i 1958 agus go luath i 1959 tionóladh cruinníú sa pharóiste agus piocadh coiste sa bhaile agus i gcéin le éacht éigin a dhéanamh i gcuimhne Mhichíl Óg. Ceannaíodh píosaí talaimh in aice na h-abhna ó fheirmeoirí Thamhnaigh agus bronnadh ar an chlub iad.

Tugadh Páirc Chuimhneacháin Mhicheáil Óg Mhic Phaidín air agus osclaíodh é i Mí Lúnasa

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1964 le cluiche in éadan an Chlochán Liath. Bhí deacrachtaí leis mar go raibh sé doiligh an t-uisce a bhaint den pháirc nuair a bhí an aimsir fliuch mar gheall ar súiomh agus guí an talaimh. Ní raibh an pháirc leathan go leor go háirithe ar an taobh in aice Bá Thamhnaigh, rud a d'fhág cluichí dian le caighdeán iséal peile agus muintir Chill Chartha cailte ar pháirceanna móra an Chontae.
Bhí an pháirc seo a úsáid go dtí 1984 nuair a tógadh agus fosclaíodh an páirc úr atá ar shuíomh na páirc a bhí in aice na trá.

Bhí tús ciúin go leor leis na seachtóidí agus ní raibh leidiú ar bith a thabhairt faoin ré órga a bhí le teacht.

Bhain an chlub, a bhí ag imirt sa roinne Soisear, Comórtas Peile na Gaeltachta Dhún na nGall sa bhliain 1970.

Bhain an club an Craobh Soisear na Contae i 1971. Craobh faoi-21 i 1972, 1973 agus 1974.

Bhí fear óg darbh ainm Mícheál Mac Giolla Chearra ag imirt leis na foirne faoi-21 agus bheadh clú agus cáil air níos moille. Bháin sé bonn Craobh Uladh ag imirt le Dún na nGall i 1974.

Bhain siad Comórtas Peile na Gaeltachta (Dhún na nGall) i 1975.

D'éirigh leo Sraith Sinsir na Contae a bhaint i 1975 agus i 1979.

Ag deireadh na seachtóidí cuireadh tús le obair ar an pháirc úr. Bhí na cluichí ar fad a imirt ar Pháirc Cuimneachain Mhícheáil Óg Mhic Phaidín ach bhí páirc eile a dhíth ar an chlub.

I 1980 rinne an foireann sinsir éacht nuair a bhain siad Craobh Sinsir na Contae. Bá iontach an lá sin don chlub. Bhí laoch nua eile le feiscint an lá ud, sé sin Máirtín Beag Mac Aoidh. Ní raibh sé ach ocht mbhlíana déag d'aois ag an am. Gan aon dabht ba seo an éacht ba mhó riamh ar pháirc na himeartha agus thug sé seo misneach don chumann agus don foireann óg seo.

Bhain siad an Craobh arís i 1985, 1989 agus bualadh orthu ins na cluiche ceannais i 1982, 1987 agus 1988.

Bhain siad Srath Sinsir na Contae i 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984 agus 1987.

I gComórtais Peile na Gaeltachta bhain siad an Craobh Contae agus an Chraobh Náisiúnta Sinsir i 1987 agus i 1989 bhain siad an Craobh Sinsir agus an Craobh Soisear Contae agus an Craobh Sinsir agus Soisear Náisiúnta i Gleanncolmille.

Bhí an foireann Soisear ag imirt ins an Craobh Idirmheanach agus bhí siad ins an cluiche ceannais i 1984 nuair a bualadh orthu.

Fósclaíodh an pháirc úr ar 5ú Lúnasa 1984 agus bhí bail an chlub ag ceiliúradh an ócáid stairiúil seo.

1990, 1991, Bhain Cill Chartha Comórtais Náisiúnta Peile na Gaeltachta. sé sin trí mbliana as a chéile.

I 1993 bhain an foireann Sinsir Craobh Sinsir na Contae nuair a fuair siad an láimh in uachtar ar Na Coilla Beaga

I 1993 bhain an foireann Soisear Craobh na Contae nuair a bhuaill siad Gaeil Fhannada ins an cluiche ceannais.

I 1998 bhain na Mionúr Craobh na Contae in athimirt in éadan Na gCeithre Maistirí. Rinne Aaron Ó hÍgheartaigh éacht an lá úd nuair a scóráil sé ceithre cúl.

I 1999 bhain an foireann Sinsir An Chraobh Chontae de Chomórtais Peile na Gaeltachta agus bhí deireadh seachtaine tharr bharr acu i Rinn Ua gCuanach, Port Lairge.

I 2000 bhain an foireann Sinsir an Chraobh Chontae de Chomórtais Peile na Gaeltachta arís agus thug siad a n-aghaid ar Cill tSéadhna i gContae Maigh Eó. Bhuaill Naomh Abán iad sa cluiche ceannais.

I 2001 bhain an foireann Soisear Craobh Soisear B na Contae.

I 2008 bhain Cill Chartha Comórtais Náisiúnta Peile na Gaeltachta

I 2011 bhain an foireann Sinsir Tacaíochta Craobh na Contae (Cill Chartha 0-10 Na Ceithre Maistrí 1-05)

I 2011 bhain Cill Chartha Craobh Faoi-21 na Contae (Cill Chartha 3-9 Naomh Conaill 2-10)

I 2013 bhain Cill Chartha Craobh Faoi-21 na Contae (Cill Chartha 1-10 Naomh Conaill 1-8)

I 2014 bhain Cill Chartha Comórtais Náisiúnta Peile na Gaeltachta

I 2015 bhain Cill Chartha Craobh Faoi-21 na Contae (Cill Chartha 0-13 N. Adhnamhan 1-8)

I 2016 bhain Cill Chartha Srath Sinsir na Contae

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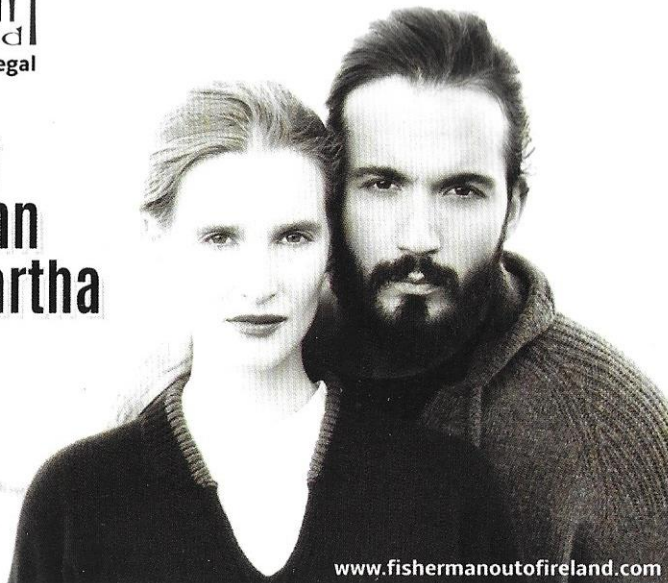
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Club Honours

Dr. Maguire Cup - Donegal Senior Football Champions (5)

1993	Cill Chartha	0-12	Killybegs	0-10
1989	Cill Chartha	1-09	Aodh Ruadh	0-09
1985	Cill Chartha	0-09	Four Masters	0-07
1980	Cill Chartha	1-13	Ardara	0-08
1925	Cill Chartha	w/o	Dunfanaghy	

Democrat Cup - Donegal Senior League Champions (12)

2016 Finished top

2014 Finished top

1987 Finished top

1984 Finished top

1983 Finished top

1982 Finished top

1981 Finished top

1979 Finished top

1975 Finished top

1959	Cill Chartha	1-11	Dungloe	0-07
1935	Cill Chartha	3-04	Four Masters	0-01
1933	Cill Chartha	4-02	Gaoth Dobhair	2-04

Comórtas Peile na Gaeltachta, Sinsir, Buaiteoirí, (Na hEireann) (6)

2014	Cill Chartha	3-14	Micheal Breathanach	0-13	(Maigh Cuilinn)
2008	Cill Chartha	0-10	Naomh Columba	1-05	(Naomh Columba)
1991	Cill Chartha		Maigh Cuilinn		(Beal Átha Ghaothaigh)
1990	Cill Chartha	2-13	Corca Dhuibhne	0-08	(Gallarus)
1989	Cill Chartha	1-09	Naomh Columba	0-09	(Naomh Columba)
1987	Cill Chartha	0-11	An Fhairche	0-10	(Béal an Mhuirthid)

Donegal Senior Reserve Football Champions (3)

2011	Cill Chartha	0-10	Four Masters	1-05
1994	Cill Chartha	1-13	Killybegs	1-04
1991	Cill Chartha	1-08	Killybegs	2-04

Donegal Junior Football Champions (5)

1993	Cill Chartha	2-07	Fanad	0-09
1971	Cill Chartha	2-06	St Michaels	0-07

Donegal Junior Reserve Football Champions (3)

2001	Cill Chartha	1-09	Lifford	0-11
2000	Cill Chartha	3-27	Lifford	0-05
1996	Cill Chartha	2-11	Ard A' Ratha	1-05

Donegal Under 21 Football Champions (6)

2015	Cill Chartha	0-13	St. Eunan's	1-08
2013	Cill Chartha	1-10	Naomh Conaill	1-08
2011	Cill Chartha	3-09	Naomh Conaill	2-10
1974	Cill Chartha	2-08	Naomh Conaill	0-04
1973	Cill Chartha	1-05	Four Masters	0-05
1972	Cill Chartha	6-15	Convoy	0-05

Donegal Minor Football Champions (4)

2012	Cill Chartha	2-11	St Eunan's	2-04
2010	Cill Chartha	0-07	Cloich-Fhaola	1-03
1998	Cill Chartha	4-03	Four Masters	0-11
	Cill Chartha	0-09	Four Masters	1-06
1984	Cill Chartha	2-07	Four Masters	0-04



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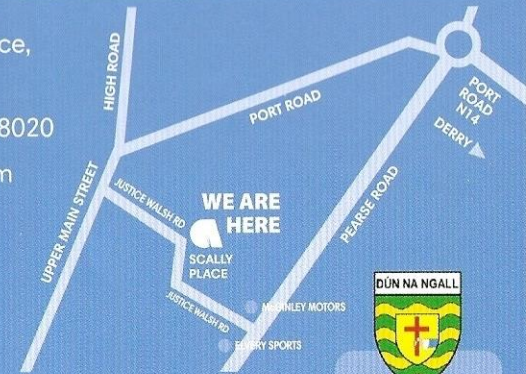
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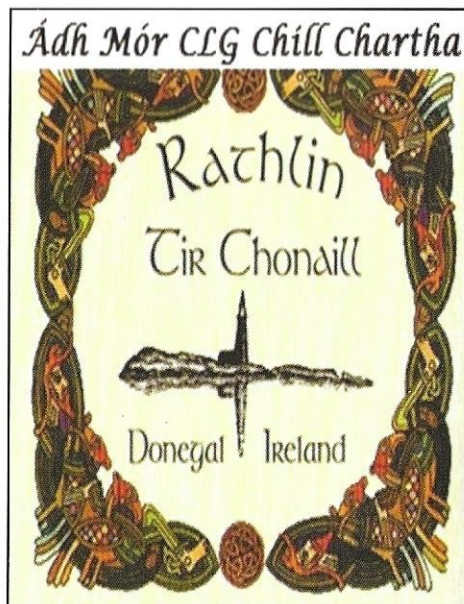
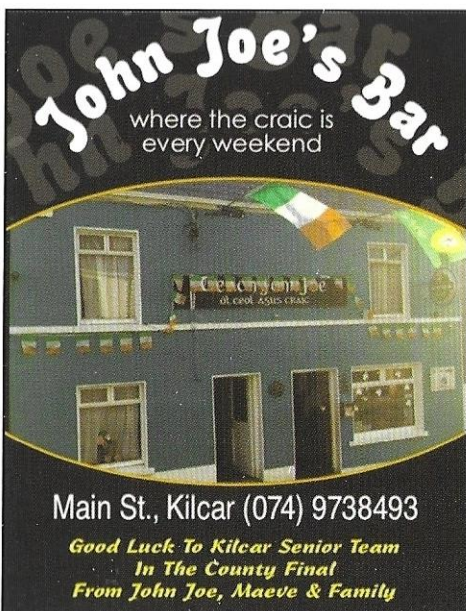
Seo lá mór do Chumann Lúthchleas Gael Dhún na nGall. Lá na gcluichí Ceannais Sinsir idir foirne Chill Chartha agus Naomh Conaill agus idir Naomh Adhamhnáin agus Naomh Conaill sa chluiche tacaíochta. Tá luchtáir mhór orainn i gClub Naomh Adhamhnáin go bhfuil muid anseo inniu sa Chluiche Ceannais tacaíochta don dara bliain i ndiaidh a chéile.

Caithfidh mé aitheantas mór a thabhairt do oifigí Bhord na Contae atá ag eagrú an lá seo. Tá moladh mór tuillte acu as an sár oíche don phreas a d'eagraigh siad in Ostan na Mainistreach ar an 5 Deireadh Fómhair. Is deas casadh leis an Phreas, Oifigí na gClub, Imreoirí, lucht Bainistíochta na gClub agus na Réiteoirí. Tá na meáin uilig i nDún na nGall ag cuidiú go mór le cúrsaí Lúthchleas Gael sa Chontae.

We are proud of the achievement of our Senior Reserve Team in reaching this year's County Final. In St. Eunan's, we appreciate the great effort our Senior Reserve Team has made to be here today. There are endless hours of training and coaching notwithstanding sacrifices made. I want to thank the Senior Reserve team management led by Jim Clarke and supported by Christy Callaghan and Gerard Mc Ginley for the professional preparation undertaken for the County Championship and today's final.

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

In recent days, we were able to host county semi-finals and finals in O'Donnell Park and we are always pleased to welcome various teams and supporters to the park. This year, we are celebrating the 80th anniversary of the opening of O'Donnell Park. Our forefathers would be proud of the facilities we have and the progress made in recent years on and off the pitch. I would like to thank all the people of Donegal and further afield who helped us in our major fundraising draw which took place last Easter Sunday. Go raibh maith agaibh go léir as bhur dtacaíocht. Ádh mór ar na foirne uilig inniu.



Cill Chartha V Naomh Conaill le Damien Ó Dónaill ó RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta

Beidh buaiteoir úr againn i mbliana ar chraobh na contae i ndiaidh de Ghleann tSúil an chraobh a sciobadh ar shiúl leofa anuraidh. Bhí Cill Chartha mar rogha na coiltiantachta anuraidh mar atá aríst i mbliana, ach ní den chéad uair ina shaol, thug Michael Murphy mórthaispeántas sa Chluiche Ceannais agus ní raibh freagra ag foireann Chill Chartha ar teaicticí Gary Mc Daid agus Gleann tSúil. Tá mé cinnte go raibh foireann Chill Chartha gortaithe go mór i ndiaidh an chluiche úd agus gur iomaí ceist a chur siad orthu féin le linn oícheanta tuara/thada an gheimhridh.

Bogfaidh muid ó thuaidh ó Chill Chartha suas go paróiste Inis Caoil agus bhí siadsan ag ehair leofa go ciúin le linn míonna an gheimhridh fosta. Thug Cill Chartha greidimín daofa sa chluiche leathcheannais anuraidh agus is cinnte gur ghoill seo ar Chumann Naomh Conaill. D'fhógair Leo Mac Giolla Uain agus Antoin Mac Thomais nach mbeadh siad ag imirt de Dhún na nGall i mbliana, rud a d'fhág go mbeadh na seo a leanas ar fáil d'fhir Inis Caoil. Leo, Antoin, Brick, Marty Ó Baoill agus go mbeadh na fir óga Eithan Ó Dónaill agus Ciarán Mac Thomais ar shiúl leis an chontae. Arbh é seo ré na Cumann Naomh Conaill? An mbeadh siad tair go leor i mbliana le Craobh Peile Dhún na nGall a bhaint? Bhuel, thug siad freagra ar na ceistanna sin uilig sa chluiche in éadan Ghaoth Dobhair a tharla coicís ón gcluiche arís agus déarfainn go bhfuil daoine go fóill fa Ghaoth Dobhair nach greideann gur chaill siad an cluiche sin. Bhí Naomh Conaill ar theabhas sa dara leath in éadan Ghaoth Dobhair agus cé gur shíl an mhór rithid againn i dtús na Craobhe nach raibh

deis acu a bheith sa Chluiche Ceannais i mbliana, tá siad agus an méid sin tuillte acu.

Tá mé ag súil go mór le cluiche an lae inniu mar go bhfuil mé lánchainte go mbeidh sár-choimhlint againn idir an dá fhoireann agus an dá Chumann atá agus a bheas i measc na foirne móra sa chontae sna blianta atá le theacht. Le Ryan, Mark, Eoin Mac Aoidh agus deartháireacha Mhic Breartaigh, Ciarán Mac Fhionnghale i lár páirce agus Michéal Ó Heigeartaí go fóill ag stiúradh an bháid daofa, is cinnte nach bhfuil a dhath níos mó ar an domhan seo gur mhaith leis an méid sin uilig atá luaite agam, ná bonn contae a bheith ina bpóca agus Corn Mhic Uidhir a bheith i mBaile an Droichid acu anocht.

Ba mhaith liom gach ráth a ghuí ar an dá Chumann agus ar Naomh Adhamhnáin fosta a bheas ag imirt sa Chluiche Ceannais B.

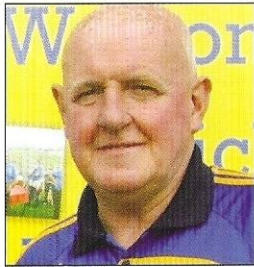
Is lá mór é an lá inniu do go leor daoine. Do na h-imreoirí, lucht bainistíochta, Bord na Condae, na maoir, na meáin chumarsáide a chuireann na cluichí Gaelacha i mbéal an phobail agus de Chumann Mhic Cumhaill a chuireann áiseanna d'ard chaighdeán ar fáil dúinn uilig.

Ar deireadh, ba mhaith liom comhghairdeas a dhéanamh le Danny Ó Dónaill agus Cumann Bhaile na nGallóglach i ndiaidh an lá stairiúil a bhí acu Dé Domhnaigh seo caite. Go mbainimid uilig sult as an lá!



Kilcars Chairman - John Carr

Last years Co. Final defeat was a big disappointment for our players, management and supporters alike. We were hot favourites to win on the day, but we were beaten by the narrowest of margins by a more experienced Glenswilly team. However, the players left the dressing room that day, a beaten but not a broken team, as they vowed to be back here again today to try and make amends. I would like to thank them all for the huge effort and commitment they have given since that disappointment, and I wish them the best of luck today in their quest to bring the Dr Maguire back to Kilcar.



Conaill manager Martin Regan. I thought we would have an advantage, in that we would get some inside information, but to date Martin has been playing his cards very close to his chest. I would like to congratulate Martin in bringing Naomh Conaill back to a county final again, having won it in 2015 with them. I wish him good luck on the day and may the

team who performs best on the day lift the Dr Maguire.

Behind every team, there's a number of volunteers whose work behind the scenes go unnoticed. From the men looking after our pitches, Mary Football who launders and prepares all the gear, the ladies who provide refreshments after games and training, lotto sellers, bingo organizers, club draw sellers, gate collectors and all members of the club executive, who all together keep the show on the road. A big thank you to everyone involved.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors: The Blue Haven Hotel who are main sponsors to the senior team, John Joe's and Atomic Hair who sponsored training tops and Donegal Plumbing and Heating who sponsored Polo shirts for today's final, and all the other sponsors who supported our under age teams through out the year.

Finally, I wish to thank our supporters, who I know will have traveled from near and far to be here today. Your continued support over the years has been second to none, so let's all get behind Barry, Patrick and all the team and bring the Dr Maguire down the 'Trough again.

I would like to congratulate Barry Doherty and his backroom team for guiding the boys back to the final today. It wasn't an easy task for Barry to follow in the footsteps of the professional set up that was put in place by last year's manager Martin McHugh. Barry has stepped up to the mark and continued in the role admirably, and I know he and his backroom team will leave no stone unturned in their efforts to get the team over the line.

Naomh Conaill, our opponents today, are not unlike last years winners Glenswilly, as they bring a lot of experience to the table, having won 3 championships in the last 11 years. While we are favourites again this year we will certainly not be underestimating the huge challenge we face, so all looks set for an interesting contest. As Chairman of Kilcar, I have an unusual situation in that my wife Valerie is from Glenties and our daughter Orlagh happens to be married to the Naomh

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Best of Luck to St. Eunan's in the Final

A word from the Kilcar Manager, Barry Doherty

First and foremost, it's a personal honour for me to be manager of this Kilcar team, I am very grateful to the club officials who backed me 100% during the year and all who have helped me and the team prepare this year.

I would like to thank our sponsors for their support, the players for their commitment and our supporters who have been excellent all year. I would also like to wish the match officials all the best today. Kilcar and Glenties have had some gripping matches over the years and I'm sure today's will be no exception. Like ourselves, Glenties are also challenging for the title. They have had a terrific season so far, playing entertaining football, and will be doubly determined to make amends for last year's semi-final defeat.

One of the hardest jobs of being a manager is to select the starting team from so many quality players. Everybody wants to play in the Championship decider but unfortunately only 15 names can be written on the team sheet. Those who have played and are left out today will obviously be disappointed but they have contributed to Kilcar reaching this stage.

We have faced Glenties twice, this season, we drew the game in Glenties and won in Kilcar. We will treat Martin Regan's side with the upmost respect, as we do all our opponents.

Glenties along with St.Eunans and Glenswilly have been the benchmark in Club football in Donegal for over a decade and we as a small parish in South-West Donegal are striving to be there at the top as well.

I would like to mention a special word of thanks to all who helped us in reaching the final and especially to girlfriends, wives, families and employers who must sacrifice their everyday life and plan everyday life around football. To me they have sacrificed the most.

Championship deciders are one-off affairs and anything can happen. They always guarantee a super atmosphere and I know that this will especially be the case against our great rivals today. As ever you can be sure we will be giving it our best shot today and hopefully give our supporters, who have again been a credit to the club, plenty to cheer about on the way back to Kilcar tonight.

Enjoy the game.



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Best of luck to CLG Chill Chartha

A word from the Kilcar Captain, Patrick McBrearty

It's a great privilege to captain the Kilcar Senior Football team for 2017 and into today's Donegal County Final against a very strong Naomh Conaill side who have shown great form in this year's championship.

I want to firstly thank our management team of Barry Doherty, Ronan Brennan, Paul Hegarty, Seamus Gallagher and James Hegarty for their continued hard work and effort throughout the year.

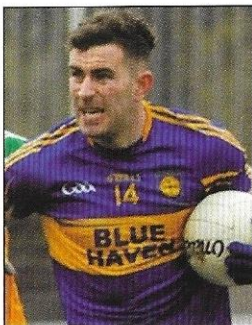
I can't continue without mentioning the rest of the back room team, our physio Emma McSweeney, kit men and waterboys whose commitment and help does not go unnoticed by both the players and management. Also a special mention to Valarie Rowan and Carol McBrearty who provided dinner to the players and management after every training session this year. Your help is hugely appreciated and does not go unnoticed.

I want to pay tribute to each one of our panel for the effort and commitment that they have shown this year. I would also like to thank our club chairman John Carr and all the Cill Chartha GAA officials for all their help and assistance they have given to the team throughout the year.

To the Blue Haven Hotel, Atomic Hair Design, John Joes Bar and to Donegal Plumbing and Heating, on behalf of the players I would like to thank you for your financial support over the past year in helping towards the teams preparation for this years championship.

Furthermore, I hope that today's Donegal Senior Football Final will give both teams the opportunity to display the football that they are capable of playing and make it a great occasion to be a part of.

Last but not least, thank you to all of our supporters who have been behind us in good times and bad. Here's hoping for a sporting and enjoyable Donegal Football Final.



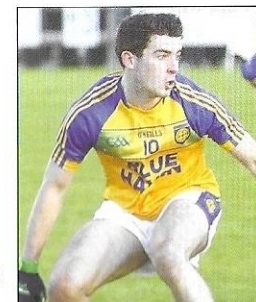
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1 Minute with.....



- Name:** Conor Doherty
Club: Kilcar
Favourite Position: Centre Half Forward
Favourite Pitch: Towney
Worse Pitch: St. Nauls
Hobbies: Soccer, TV and Fishing
Childhood hero: Peter Canavan, Tyrone
Best Player you have played with: Ryan McHugh and Patrick McBrearty
Best Player you have played against: Danny Monagle, Carndonagh
Best game you have been involved in: U-21 Ulster Final 2016
Best game you have ever seen: Dublin v Donegal 2014
One Game to forget: County Final 2016
Best trainer within the squad: Patrick Cricket Gallagher
Worst trainer within the squad: Mark Sweeney
Biggest joker on the team: Mark Sweeney
Best quote you've heard either from a manager, team mate or opponent: "next ball is the only ball"
Best manager you have played under: Barry Doherty
Odd items in you kitbag: Padre Pio Statue
Any superstitions: 6 weetabix with sugar and cup of coffee morning of games
Favourite Song: Send me on my way – Rusted Root Group
Favourite Film: Remember the Titans
Favourite Holiday Destination: Magaluf
Favourite Drink: Football Special
Favourite Meal: Lasagne with Coleslaw
3 people you would invite to dinner: James Gordon, Denzel Washington, Chris Tucker
Best advice ever received: To use/practice with both feet from an early age
Club Volunteer of note: Nicola Doogan
1 change you would make in GAA: Less training, more games
Most important skill: Soloing speed
Biggest Strength in your game: Speed
Area of your game you would like to improve: Weaker foot
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Naomh Adhamhnáin Senior B

	16 Conchubhar Ó hEaraile Conor Harley	
2 Sean O Foghlaigh John Foley	3 Colin Mac a'tSaoir Colin Mc Intyre	4 Sean O hEaibhaigh Sean Halvey
5 Brian Mac a'tSaoir Brian McIntyre	6 Micheal Ó Máille Michael O Malley	7 Marcus MacGiollarach Mark Forde
8 Donal MacGiolla Easpaigh Daniel Gillespie	9 Oisín Mac Giolla Cearra Oisín Carr	
10 Sean MacEiteagháin Sean McGettigan	17 Kieran Ó Searcaigh Kieran Sharkey	12 Daibheid O Tirial David Tryell
13 Eadbhard De Blaca Eddie Blake	14 Micheal O Mairtín Mick Martin	15 Seamus O Faoláin Jake Whelan
18 David O'Herlihy	23 Eoin McLaughlin	28 Peter Gibbons
19 Darragh McWalters	24 Cormac Coughlan	29 David Tyrell
20 Ronan Lennon	25 Matthew McColgan	30 Jordan O'Dowd
21 Matthew McColgan	26 Brian MacIntyre	32 Fionn Clarke
22 Oisín O'Boyle	27 Oisín Clarke	31 Caolan Flood

Naomh Conaill Senior B

	1 Seamus Ó Baoill James Boyle	
2 Diarmuid Mac a Bhaird Dermot Ward	3 Cathal Ó hEilís Cathal Ellis	4 Stiofán Ó Luaigh Stephen Molloy
5 Odhhrán Ó Dochartaigh Oran Doherty	6 Mairtín Ó Gallachóir Martin Gallagher	7 Aodh Ó Gallachóir Hughie Gallagher
8 Seamus MacAoidh Jamie McHugh	9 Antoine Ó Beirn Tony Byrne	
10 Marcus Ó Gallachóir Mark Gallagher	11 Seán McDaibhidh Shane McDevitt	12 Darach Ó Gallachóir Dara Gallagher
13 Pól Mac Aoghanaosa Paul McGuinness	14 Séarlas MacAoghanaosa Charles McGuinness	15 Seamus Ó hEilís Seamus Ellis
16 Eoin Boyle	20 Eoin Boyle	24 Brian McGuigan
17 Kieran Mollugh	21 Joe Kennedy	25 Jamie Gallagher
18 JD Boyle	22 Jamie Cranley	26 James Doherty
19 Brian Reid	23 David Gallagher	27 Paul Molloy
		Brian Mac Guigín
		Séamus Ó Gallachóir
		Séamus Ó Dochartaigh
		Pól Ó Luaigh

Naomh Conaill Senior B Manager - Seamus O'Malley

County Final day is always a special day for any player who is fortunate to compete on that day. This group of Naomh Conaill players are doubly fortunate in that they are competing on the same day that our seniors are vying for the Dr Maguire Cup.



Since the start of our year David Gallagher and myself knew that we had a special group of players. Their skills and winning mentality picked up as they graduated through the ranks at Davy Brennan memorial park was easy to see. We knew that if they could just get a few breaks along the way that we could give the Reserve Championship a real go. From the beginning of the year the Senior A & B squads trained together and for the Senior B players this was a huge boost. They learned from the senior players in the squad and under the tutelage of Martin Regan, Michael O'Malley and Michael O'Donnell their performance at training was kept at a high level.

Our first championship game in May gave Davy and myself a glimpse of what these players were capable of and while our league form could only be described as patchy, we always had our eye on the championship and our next game on August 20th.

During the month of July we could sense an increase in the tempo of our play with the added boost of the experience of Dara Gallagher, Stephen Molloy and Cathal Ellis being added to the group. Joe Gallagher also joined us on the sideline around this time. Following a good performance against Four Masters we played a top of the table game against St Eunans on August 27th which ended in a draw. Following this game we now felt that these players could hold their own with the best Senior B teams in the county. A workmanlike performance saw us past Naomh Muire in the Quarter Final before we held our nerve to overcome a good Naomh Michael side in the semis.

And so to the final! These players have trained very hard starting with gym work last January. They are now back at college and while away from the collective training sessions they are doing their own training wherever they can find a half acre to run on. It has been an honour to be associated with this special group of players and hopefully they and our captain Joe Kennedy can achieve something no Naomh Conaill team has done so far – bring the Senior B Reserve title back to the bridge on Sunday.

Naomh Conaill Senior B Captain - Joe Kennedy

It's a great honour to captain the Naomh Conaill reserve team on the biggest occasion in the club's history, with both senior and reserve teams reaching the county final. I'd like to thank the players and management for their endless hours of work this season which has enabled us to reach this stage of the competition. To all who sponsored us, you have been a huge support to us throughout the year and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you on behalf of the team.



To our opponents Naomh Adhamhnáin, who we have great respect and admiration for, we have come up against each other on numerous occasions over the last few years and it has always been a contentious battle, today will be no different as we foresee a challenging and competitive contest which we hope will entertain all present in MacCumhaill Park. Both teams are a testament to the hard-working management, coaches and backroom teams from under age right through to senior championship level, as is evident in the success to date of both Naomh Conaill and Naomh Adhamhnáin.

Finally, on behalf of all the players and management I would like to thank our supporters, it's thanks to your dedication and support that makes days like today so much more enjoyable. To see your hometown decorated in blue and white in the run up to the county final makes us all so proud to be representing Naomh Conaill!!!

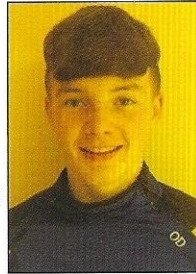
Pen Pics – Naomh Conaill Senior B squad

NAME	OCCUPATION	AGE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT
James Boyle	Factory Worker	19	6' 1"	12st
Dermot Ward	Staff Nurse	28	5' 6"	11st
Cathal Ellis	Physio	25	6' 1"	14st
Stephen Molloy	Sales Rep	28	5' 10"	11st
Oran Doherty	Student	17	5' 10"	11st
Martin Gallagher	Stock Controller	29	5' 10"	11st
Hughie Gallagher	NCT Technician	24	5' 11"	12st
Jamie McHugh	Construction Manager	26	6' 0"	12½st
Tony Byrne	Self Employed	19	6' 0"	13st
Mark Gallagher	Teacher	23	6' 0"	12st
Shane McDevitt	Student	18	5' 8"	9st
Dara Gallagher	Quality Controller	28	6' 0"	13st
Paul McGuinness	Student	18	6' 1"	12st
Charles McGuinness	Student	20	6' 3"	14st
Seamus Ellis	Leisure Attendant	23	5' 11"	13st
Kieran McHugh	Barman	28	5' 11"	12½st
JD Doyle	Student	19	5' 9"	13½st
Brian Reid	Engineer	30	5' 11"	11st
Eoin Doyle	Student	24	6' 0"	13st
Joe Kennedy	Business Man	27	5' 11"	14st
Jamie Cranley	Student	20	6' 1"	11½st
David Gallagher	Ambulance Driver	27	5' 9"	11st
Brian McGuigan	Software Developer	28	5' 6"	10½st
Jamie Gallagher	Psychologist	25	6' 0"	13st
James Doherty	Student	23	5' 10"	13st
Paul Molloy	Student	20	6' 0"	14st

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1 Minute with.....



- Name:** Odhran Doherty
Club: Naomh Conaill
Favourite Position: Wing Back
Favourite Pitch: Davy Brennan Memorial Park Dungloe
- Worst Pitch:**
Hobbies: Soccer with Fintown Harps
Childhood hero: Paddy Bradley
Best Player you have played with: Eoghan McGettigan / Dara Gallagher
Best Player you have played against: Niall O'Donnell
Best game you have been involved in: Minor Final last year v St Eunans
Best game you have ever seen: All-Ireland Final 2012
One Game to forget: Last year v Kilrea
Best trainer within the squad: Big Cha McGuinness
Worst trainer within the squad: Hughie Gallagher (would need to lay off the kebabs)
Biggest joker on the team: Joe Kennedy
Best quote you've heard either from a manager, team mate or opponent:
Best manager you have played under: Martin Regan / John O'Malley
Odd items in you kitbag: Holy Water
Any superstitions: None
Favourite Song: Sweet Home Alabama
Favourite Film: The Wolf of Wall Street.
Favourite Holiday Destination: New York
Favourite Drink: Milk
Favourite Meal: Roast beef
3 people you would invite to dinner: Nate Diaz, Lisa Ann and Kevin Harte
Best advice ever received: There's a reason you are on the team, so play like you belong there.
Club Volunteer of note: Owen McGeehan
1 change you would make in GAA: Replace the black card with a sin bin.
Most important skill: Kickpassing
Biggest Strength in your game: Outside of the left points.
Area of your game you would like to improve: Ability to score with both feet.
Which club do you like to see do well apart from your own: Naomh Ultan
Young Player within your club to look out for: Nathan Byrne
Best thing about the GAA: The coming together of the community.

Naomh Conaill & St. Eunan's

By Harry Walsh, Sports editor, Donegal News

SEAMUS O'Malley is hoping to guide Naomh Conaill to a first ever Senior B Championship this afternoon.

It promises to be a busy day's sport for the amicable Galway native who works as an Adult Education teacher with the Donegal Education and Training Board (ETB) based in Donegal town.

His son John is a member of the club's Senior squad while eldest son Michael is team trainer for Martin Regan's charges and O'Malley (Snr) will discard the bainestoir's bib to become a supporter and proud father ahead of the Senior Championship final meeting with Kilcar.

Although Séamus lined out for Kilcar towards the end of his playing career and he and his wife Bernie briefly flirted with the idea of buying a house in Ardara they decided to call Glenties home in the late seventies.

"It was down to two houses - one in Ardara and the other in Glenties," he recalled this week.

While Ardara won senior titles in 2000 and 2004, it is their neighbours who have held the local bragging rights even since, bringing the Dr Maguire Cup back to the parish in 2005, '10 and '15.

Given the rich conveyor belt of talent who have come through Davy Brennan Memorial Park over the last fifteen years or more it is somewhat surprising to note that Naomh Conaill have never won a Senior B Championship.

"We've been in the final a few times alright but we've never quite managed to get across the line. Maybe the boys can change that on Sunday," he smiled.

Joined on the sidelines by three Gallaghers, namely David Joe and John, Séamus O'Malley is coming to the end of his second year in charge.

One of Naomh Conaill's main men this afternoon is expected to be Daragh Gallagher who, at 29, is still young enough and more than good enough to play Senior football.

Indeed, he played in all three Senior Championship winning teams and, together with team captain Joe Kennedy, Stephen 'Pirate' Molloy and Cathal Ellis, brings a wealth of experience to the team.

O'Malley hasn't been afraid to give young players a chance, with Paul McGuinness, Tony Byrne, Shane McDevitt and Odhrán Doherty, whose older brothers Ultan and Eunan are part of the senior squad, among those catching the eye.

"Daragh brings huge experience and he's been a huge asset to us this year. The team is coming along nicely and we're all looking forward to the final," he said.

Having lost out to 'Eunan's in a league game in Letterkenny, Naomh Conaill drew with today's opponents in the Championship group stages - also in O'Donnell Park. They'll be hoping it's a case of third time lucky this afternoon.

"We've never won it before and it would give the senior lads a lift ahead of their match," he said.

Naomh Conaill saw off Naomh Muire at the quarter-final stage, before Gallagher scored eight points in their semi win against St Michael's.

Now based in Sligo, Daragh missed the first championship group game as he was away on honeymoon following his marriage to Sandra in April.

"I went back to training and started playing for the reserves and that's just the way it worked out. I'm there now and I'm enjoying it, and it's good football. There's not much difference between the two teams, we're training together at home.

"For us to have two teams in finals is great and it's down to all the work underage managers have done for the last 10-20 years," Gallagher said.

It could be an historic day for Naomh Conaill, but Gallagher concedes that both teams have tough tests ahead of them.

St. Eunan's Club History

St. Eunan's was formed in 1930 from the ashes of two GAA clubs that were playing Gaelic Games in Letterkenny, The Geraldines and Letterkenny Rovers. It took until 1948 for St. Eunan's to claim a first Senior County Football title and 13 more have followed in the years since with the club enjoying two "golden periods" where county Senior finals became the norm between the mid 40's and mid 70's and again from 1997 until the present day. St. Eunan's have also enjoyed success at Senior B level over the years and are going for back-to-back titles today in their game v N. Conaill having defeated Gaoth Dobhair in last year's decider.

In 2017 our club celebrates the 50th Anniversary of our 1967 Senior Championship Final victory over St. Joseph's on a score of 1-13 to 1-09. That team included legendary Donegal players Seamus Hoare, Joe "Dodo" Winston, Anthony Gallagher, Sean Ferriter and John Hannigan to name but a few.

In 2017 St. Eunan's contested the Senior Hurling Final where they were defeated by Setanta and the Ladies Intermediate Final where they lost out to St. Naul's. Both squads are fielding young teams and the future looks bright across all codes. The Junior men's footballers were also pipped at the post in their Championship Final by neighbours Glenswilly.

Developments at O'Donnell Park have continued at pace over the last 20 odd years with the development of a training pitch and a brand-new main pitch and 2,500 seater stand now gracing the grounds. A new Astroturf pitch and Hurling Wall are currently being developed to further enhance the facilities that are widely regarded as the finest in the county. We are home to the Donegal Senior Hurlers and host a wide variety of games across all age groups and codes as a neutral venue and we would encourage other clubs to open their gates on a more regular basis as ourselves and St. Mary's, Convoys do in the Northern area of the county.

The years since 1997 have also been very good for the underage structures at St. Eunan's since the introduction of our Century Cinemas Sunday Morning Football Academy and our Friday Evening Hurling & Camógie Academy. Whilst Boys football has been to the fore in winning county titles, Girls Football, Hurling and in the last few years, Camógie have all begun to claim titles on a regular basis.

Two Ulster Óg Sport Gael 7-a-side titles were claimed in 2013 & 2014 and the Ulster Minor Final was also contested in 2015. The club lifted the Spirit of Paul McGirr Ulster U16 title in 2016 as well, as the success at County level has begun to reap rewards at Provincial level.

In 2017 The Minor Boy's Football & Hurling teams became the first ever team from Ireland to compete at the Continental Youth Championships that were held in Buffalo, NY. The lads narrowly lost the Hurling Final but defeated USGAA in the Football Final on a score of 5-11 to 0-05. Upon their return they claimed the Co. Minor Football title for the 2nd time in 3 years with a big win over Kilcar in the final. The Minor Hurlers lost their county final after a replay against Buncrana. The U14 boy's footballers claimed a 3rd successive county title when they defeated Dungloe in the final. The U16 Girls Footballers defeated neighbours Termon to claim successive Championship titles and the U16 Hurlers will meet Dungloe in the Co. Championship Final this weekend having already lifted the League title. Camógie Championship titles were won at Minor and U16 with the U14's claiming League honours and narrowly losing their Championship final. The U16 boy's footballers have reached their Championship quarter-finals having already claimed the Co. League title in what is proving to be another outstanding season for the Black & Amber of St. Eunan's.



A word from the St. Eunan's Captain, Mark Forde

Clearly looking forward to the final, it's a great feeling being back there again this year. I mean when you begin that horrid preseason training all those months ago, there's nowhere other than Ballybofoey in October on your mind, and thankfully we're there. The boys have put in a serious shift this year in terms of training and I must give a big thanks to both our senior management and players for the high standard brought into the training throughout the year.

It's obviously going to be a tough game, as is every time you face a N. Conaill team. I don't think too many teams these days can ever say they've had an easy win over N. Conaill. There's obvious pressure on ourselves as defending champions to stay on top and retain the title but I'm sure with the buzz down in Glenties and plenty of Glenties supporters dreaming of doing the double this year that too will bring pressure on them.

I'd hope to hear and see plenty of black and amber in the stands on Sunday because the Glenties fans will be out in numbers for sure.

It's a big day for our club to bring in some Senior silverware this year to match the standards our underage teams set as they fly the flag year in, year out.

On a side note, it would be great for management teams across the county if the county board set the fixtures of the championship next year so that there isn't one championship game played in May and then nothing played for 2 months (or more) afterwards. I don't think it's fair on either the management or the players to be getting physically and mentally prepared for championship in May for one game and then have to do it all again then 2 months + later.



A word from the Jim Clarke, St. Eunan's Senior Reserve Manager

I'm very proud to take this bunch of players to the final on Sunday, They have worked very hard since the beginning of the year, with St Eunan's it takes a big team effort, Barry, Eddie, Ciaran, Neil, Dave and Pat from the senior management and then our own group Christy, Gerard, Eunan, and Adrian. I hope the guys show today a performance that their efforts deserve. They have been a pleasure to work with all year and it's great to be here on County Final Day. We have a great rivalry with N. Conaill at under age and Senior level and I'm sure Sunday will serve up all that is best from both teams. I'd also like to thank our sponsors Sweeney Spar Express.



Pen Pics – Naomh Adhamhnáin Senior B squad

NAME	AGE	OCCUPATION	HEIGHT	POSITION
Mark Forde	24	Courier	5' 0"	Half-back
Conor Harley	24	Student	6' 0"	Goalkeeper
Sean Halvey	19	Student	5' 8"	Corner Back
Daniel Gillespie	21	Student	6' 2"	Midfield
Kevin Meehan	23	Student	5' 11"	Forward
Oisín O'Boyle	19	Student	5' 8"	Forward
Jake Whelan	19	Student	6' 0"	Forward
Oisín Carr	22	Student	6' 0"	Midfield
John Foley	24	Technician	5' 11"	Defender
Cormac Coughlan	26	Mechanic	6' 4"	Midfield / Forward
David O'Herlihy	36	Teacher	5' 11"	Forward
Ronan Lennon	37	Solicitor	5' 11"	Defender
Kevin Kealy	19	Student	6' 1"	Defender / Forward
Eddie Blake	30	Cleaner	6' 0"	Forward
Sean McGettigan	19	Student	6' 2"	Midfield / Forward
Colin McIntyre	32	Garda	6' 2"	Defender
Mick Martin	31	Factory Worker	6' 2"	Forward
Mick O'Malley	31	Teacher	6' 1"	Defender
Thomas Grant	22	Student	5' 9"	Defender
Matthew McColgan	25	Computer Technician	5' 10"	Forward
Darragh McWalters	20	Student	6' 1"	Defender
Brian MacIntyre	19	Student	5' 9"	Defender
Oisín Clarke	21	Student	6' 1"	Forward
David Tyrell	21	Defence Forces	6' 0"	Midfield / Forward
Fionn Clarke	19	Student	5' 10"	Forward
Michael Roache	23	Student	5' 9"	Defender / Forward
Kieran Sharkey	33	Teacher	5' 10"	Forward
Jordan O'Dowd	21	Student	6' 2"	Midfield / Forward
Peter Gibbons	21	Student	6' 1"	Defender / Forward
Caolan Flood	24	Student	5' 11"	Forward
Eoin McLaughlin	17	Student	5' 10"	Goalkeeper

Freagraí

- Dónal Ó Cnáimhsigh (Dan Bonner) D'imir Dan ag lán cúil i 1957 agus i 1958.
- 1920 - Sa chluiche ceannais, Bun Dobhain 2 - 4 Cúil na gCuirridín 1 - 2
- 1966
- Barry Cunningham
- Brian McEniff 1972
- Pádraig McNamee (Rugadh in Ard Mhacha é ach rinne sé ionadaíocht ar son Aontroim. Bhí sé sa phost ó 1938 - 1943. Tá na McNamee awards ainmnithe ina onóir).
- Marie Hickey (as Ballylinan, Co. Laois)
- Corn Uí Dhubhaigh (O'Duffy Cup)
- 1969 (Déirigh leis an tairiscint ag an Chomhdháil Náisiúnta ó Derry Gowan as Corcaigh. Derry Gowans motion to National Congress (1969) was successful. First competition was 1970 - Scór '70)
- 1989

Killybegs were champions again in 1992

By Peter Campbell, Sports Editor, Donegal Democrat

In a golden era for the Killybegs club, the team captured the Dr. Maguire Cup for the second year running in 1992, in a year when the championship was condensed because of the All-Ireland success.

The return of Barry Cunningham from the US for club and county duty meant that the Fishermen were well prepared for the season, although they were without Conor White, who missed most of the season due to injury.

Jimmy White was again player manager and they started their campaign with a home win against Ardara before repeating the feat in Pearse Park against their staunch local rivals.

The championship resumed the week after Donegal defeated Mayo in the All-Ireland semi final and with Barry McGowan injured, Killybegs were lucky to defeat Dungloe by one point.

The county semi-finals were fixed a week after the All-Ireland final and a below par Killybegs had to strike two late goals and a few points to turn a five point deficit into a three point win against Red Hugh's. However, they were to lose John Cunningham for the final after he and John Lynch clashed.

In the final Naomh Columba were the opposition and Killybegs, thanks to a very good second half, were winners 0-12 to 0-9. The sides were level 0-4 each at the end of the first half. Naomh Columba player manager, Noel Hegarty, with 0-8 of the their total, was named man of the match, but it was Denis Carberry, Barry Cunningham, Barry McGowan and Manus Boyle who stood out for the winners with 18-year-old Declan Boyle outstanding at centre half-back.

Killybegs went on to defeat Enniskillen Gaels in the first round of the Ulster Club championship before losing to Lavey in the



semi-final. However, they picked themselves up and won the league title, finishing with two games in two days, away to Naomh Columba on Saturday evening and home to Gaoth Dobhair in Fintra on the Sunday.

No complaints about health and wellbeing in 1992 for this super

team!

The teams and scorers from the final were:

KILLYBEGS: David Meehan; Peter McGinley, Denis Carberry, Paul Carberry; Michael Campbell, Declan Boyle (0-1), Francis Murray; Barry Cunningham (0-1), John Ban Gallagher; Paul Callaghan (0-2), Barry McGowan, Mark Boyle; Jimmy White (0-2), Manus Boyle (0-6,4f), Conal Gallagher.

Rest of Killybegs panel: John Cunningham, Stephen Burke, Rory McNelis, Tony Hegarty, Conor White, James Pat Cunningham, John Murray, Paul Rowan, Barry Mullen, Declan McMenamin, Darren Cunningham, Barry Cunningham jnr, John McGuinness, Arthur Meehan, Thomas Cormack, Michael Callaghan, James T Gallagher.

The club officers were: President, Frankie Cunningham; Vice-President, Seamus Tully; Chairman, Seamus Gillespie; Secretary, Claire Tully; Treasurers, Brendan Dempsey and Mary Boyle; PRO, Jimmy White; Oifigeach na Gaeilge, Pádraig Mac Fhionnghaile.

The Naomh Columba team on final day was: Kevin Doherty; Conal Gavigan, John Paul Curran, Sean Gavigan; Eunan McIntyre, John Joe Doherty, Dessie Cunningham; Paddy Gavigan, Noel Hegarty (0-8,7f); Seamus Carr (0-1), Paddy Hegarty, Michael McNelis; Michael Cunningham, Aidan Boyle, Paul O'Donnell. **Subs.,** Michael Hegarty for McNelis; Paul Hegarty for O'Donnell.

Referee: Mick McGrath (Aodh Ruadh)

Best of luck to C.L.G Chill Chartha from everyone at Iron Force Strength.

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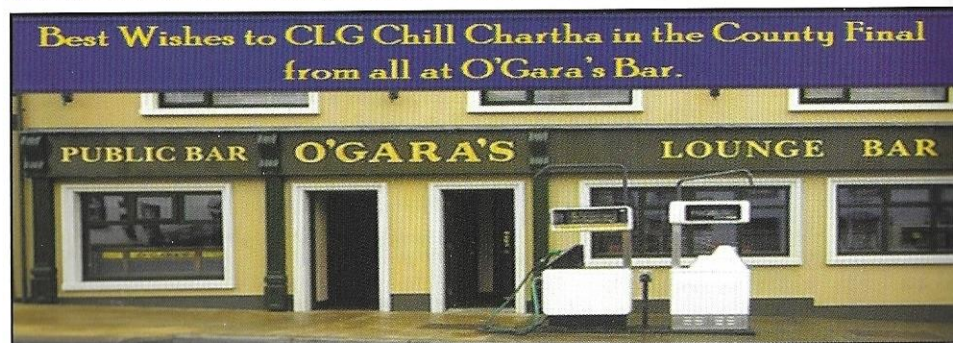
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Best of luck to C.L.G Chill Chartha in the Final!



Hall of fame award for Séamus Mac Géidigh

Séamus Mac Géidigh, inducted into the IMRO Radio Awards Hall of Fame posthumously at an event in the BAI's office in Dublin.

Séamus's wife Dolores, his son Dónal, and his sister Ann with her husband Joe McElroy, were there to accept the award on behalf of the family. Gearóid Mac Donncha, Acting Head of RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta, was also there and spoke at the event.

Séamus was working as Regional Manager of RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta in their Doirí Beaga studio in northwest Donegal when he passed away suddenly in July 2016. He had spent 28 years working with the service.

He was a highly respected broadcaster, and was especially well-known and valued for his GAA commentary. He was described by Fr Beán Ó Gallchóir as The Donegal Voice of Gaelic Games.

Speaking today, Gearóid Mac Donncha, RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta, said:

"It is a great honour for any broadcaster to receive the Hall of Fame award, and we are very proud today that it will be awarded to our friend and colleague Séamus who is sadly no longer with us. It's hard to describe all that Séamus did and the type of person he was. He was, of course, a superb broadcaster on RTÉ Raidió na Gaeltachta, and he achieved so much in his chosen career, but he also made an impression on all those he met through his work, in the GAA, and in the community in general. He had friends everywhere he went, because he was someone who was interested in others and in their stories. We miss our friend dearly, may he rest in peace."

Sean Murtagh, Chairperson of the IMRO Radio Awards Committee said "the Hall of Fame inductees are very worthy recipients of this accolade and held in the highest regard by their peers."

Eleanor McEvoy, IMRO Chairperson, said: "We are delighted to induct four of the most respected radio professionals on the island of Ireland into the IMRO Radio Awards Hall of Fame. Each of them in their own way has made an indelible mark on the broadcasting sector and they rightfully deserve to take their place alongside the many other great Irish radio luminaries who have been honoured by their peers over the years."

Others who have previously received this award include Gay Byrne, Mícheál Ó Muircheartaigh, Seán Bán Breathnach, Marian Finucane, Larry Gogan, Áine Lawlor and Tony Fenton.

Others inducted into the Hall of Fame today include Linda McAuley from BBC Ulster, Billy McCarty (RIP) from WLRFM and Joe King, Broadcast Technical Services.

Ílis Shéamus, Dolores: ar a thriúr clainne – Éadaoin, Dónall agus Póilín; ar a dheirfiúr Anne agus a dheartháir Mícheál agus ar fhoireann Raidió na Gaeltachta. Go gneasaí a gneácha.

Agus guímid go bhfuil Séamus é féin i gcuibhrinn ghlasa na Glóire.



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RNLI / GAA Partnership

The RNLI/GAA partnership was launched officially in Croke Park in March and Donegal was represented by Real Na Mara players there on the day too. https://youtu.be/_gg2FDL7z6o - launch story here.

You may also have the RNLI recently at the Kerry v Mayo semi final in Croke Park where we were on the pitch with a large Respect The Water flag before the main game started. Footage here - https://youtu.be/oqq_xIOxrpY

As well as Search and Rescue, the RNLI are also focusing on drowning prevention with the aim of halving of all preventable drownings by the year 2024. With this in mind the RNLI has teamed up with the GAA to spread the word about drowning prevention and sea safety further into the community particularly as there is a high number of GAA clubs within 5 miles of an RNLI Lifeboat station. The ultimate goal of the partnership is to prevent drownings and save lives. Mark McHugh of Kilara is an ambassador for the campaign and has recently appeared in a video for us.

The RNLI mascot Stormy Stan will meet and

greet supporters today. The RNLI will have representatives at today's game mascots and crew members who would be dressed in the lifesaving crew gear.

Watch out at half time today as the RNLI will have a presence on the pitch at half time

The RNLI would like to thank the Donegal GAA for supporting The Respect The Water RNLI Partnership

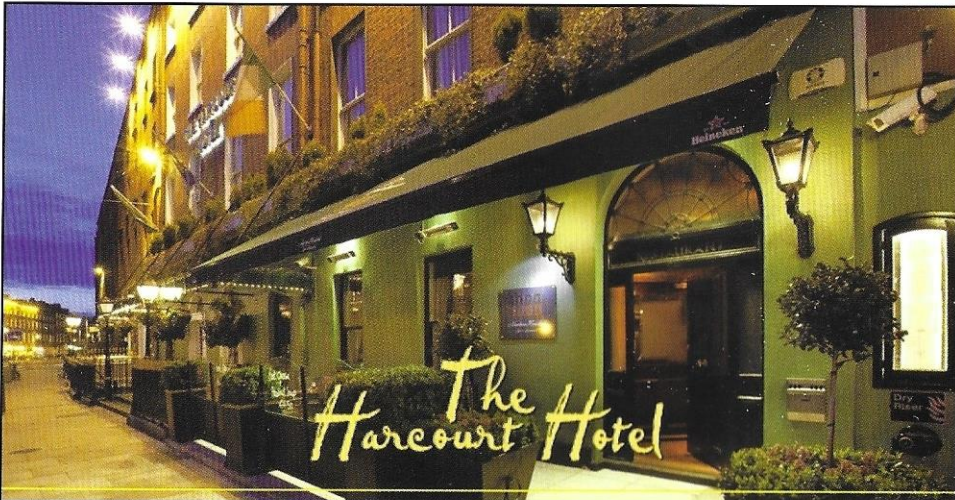


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