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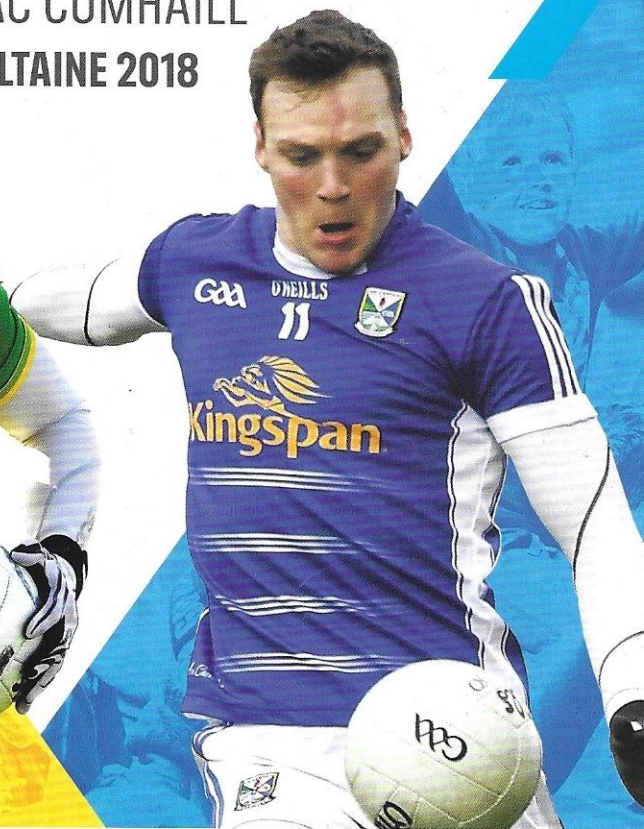
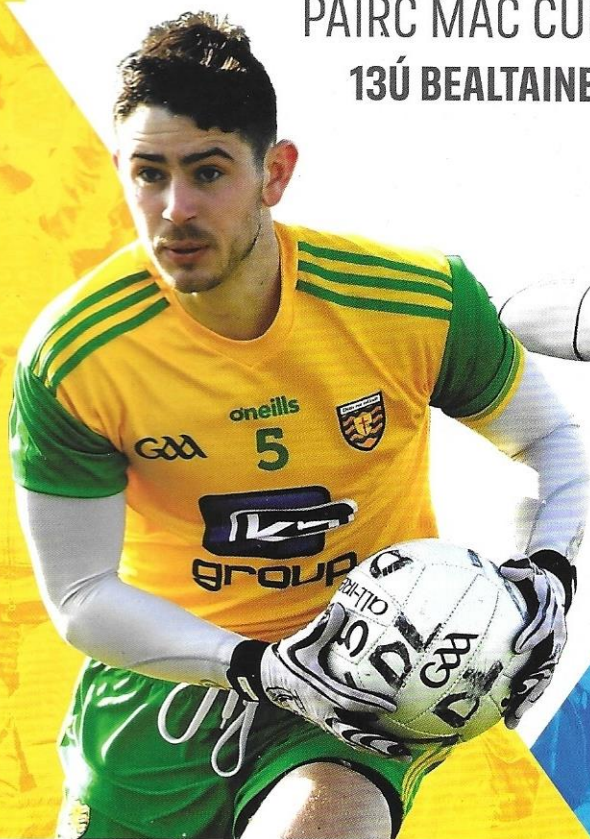
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DÚN NA NGALL

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AN CABHÁN

PAIRC MAC CUMHAILL
13Ú BEALTAINÉ 2018



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SUNDAY 13TH MAY | PÁIRC MAC CUMHAILL

ELECTRIC IRELAND ULSTER GAA FOOTBALL MINOR CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER ROUND 2

DÚN NA NGALL v MUINEACHÁN 2.00PM (Extra time & finish on day)



Referee

Conor Dourneen
(An Cabhán)

Standby

Pat Clarke (An Cabhán)

Linesman

Kevin Faloon (Ard Mhacha)

Sideline Official

Martin Conroy
(Tír Eoghain)

Umpires

Padraig McCabe,
Gerry Sheridan,
Michael Lee and
Joe McQuillan

CONOR DOURNEEN (AN CABHÁN)

Conor (25) from County Cavan will oversee today's Minor Championship tie between Donegal and Monaghan. Hailing from the Ballinagh club, Conor joined the Ulster Panel in 2013 and has been on the National Support Panel for the past three years.

He has refereed at all levels in Cavan, taking charge of the Intermediate Championship Final in 2015 and the 2016 U21 Championship Final. To date in Ulster, Conor has handled several Minor League fixtures as well as McKenna Cup and Ulster Club ties. In 2016, Conor represented the province on International duty where he overseen the Scotland Senior Championship Final in Glasgow between Glasgow Gaels and Dunedin Connolly's. Last summer Championship seen Conor take charge of the Ulster Minor Football Championship Quarter Final between Derry and Tyrone.

Conor has also donned the white coat having umpired at three Ulster Senior Football Finals and the 2015 All Ireland Senior Final in Croke Park between Dublin and Kerry.

ULSTER GAA FOOTBALL SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP PRELIMINARY ROUND

DÚN NA NGALL v AN CABHÁN 4.00PM (Extra time if necessary)



Referee:

David Gough (An Mhí)

Standby:

Paddy Neilan (Ros Comáin)

Linesman:

Brendan Cawley (Cill Dara)

Sideline Official:

Dan Mullan (Doire)

Umpires:

Eugene Gough, Stephen
Gough, Terry Gough
and Dean Gough.

DAVID GOUGH (AN MHÍ)

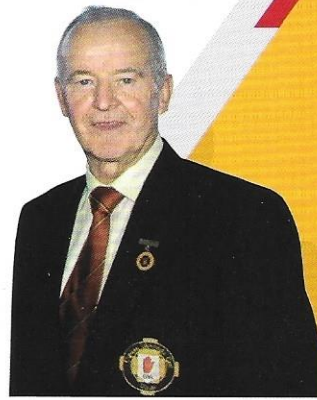
David is a member of Slane GFC and he is the Education and Games Development Officer on St. Patrick's Campus, DCU. He is currently in his 6th year on the National Referees Elite Panel. In 2013 he took charge of the All Ireland U21 Final and the National League Division 2 Final in 2014.

In 2015, he refereed the All Ireland Minor Final between Kerry and Tipperary. Just this year he refereed the All Ireland Club Final on St. Patrick's Day between Corofin and Nemo Rangers. He has refereed All Ireland Semi Finals for the past two years, the 2016 Dublin v Kerry match and last year's Mayo v Kerry replay.

As a player, he won a Hogan Cup Medal with St. Pats Navan in 2001.

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PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD



Ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur roimh na foirne agus an lucht leanúna a tháinig go Páirc Mac Cumhaill inniu ó Dhún na nGall agus ó An Cabhán. Molaim go hard gach duine a chuidigh leis na himreoirí seo thar na mblianta le ullmhú le himirt ag an ardchaighdeán spóirt seo.

Welcome to the 2018 Ulster Senior Football Championship. We face into a much more condensed format this year with the Ulster Final scheduled for 24th June. 8 games over the next 6 weeks as our players, officials and spectators await another championship season.

This year's Preliminary Round fixture sees Donegal and Cavan meet here in Páirc Mac Cumhaill, Ballybofey. Changes are to be introduced to the Ulster Senior Football Championship format from 2020 as decided by the Ulster Competitions Control Committee recently. Nine counties will be included in the draw for the 2019 Ulster Championship. The two counties which are drawn to play in the Preliminary Round will not feature in the Preliminary Round draw for the 2020 and 2021 Championships. Seven counties will be included in the Preliminary Round draw for the 2021 Championship and from the 2022 draw onwards just five counties will be included in the draw for the Preliminary Round game.

Donegal will be disappointed with their league campaign resulting in relegation on the final day although they will take solace from the fact that they introduced a number of young players to their starting line-up. In contrast, Cavan's young squad coped admirably in Division 2 and consequently, will ply their trade in Division 1 in 2019.

It is also a day for the stars of the future to enjoy the admiration of their parents and spectators in today's arena. Cumann na mBunscol children will display their skills at half time while the minor sides from both counties are competing for a place in the Ulster Championship Round 3 Qualifier.

In Ulster, we have an extremely competitive inter-county championship and as evidenced today again, every team can take to the field in a given game with a well grounded hope of success in that fixture. It is testament to our county panels that such a focus and drive underpins their participation and their quest for success.

In 2018, Cancer Focus has been chosen as the charity for Ulster GAA. Cancer Focus is a local cancer charity working since 1969 to reduce the impact of cancer on people's lives. They provide care and support services for cancer patients and their families.

I acknowledge and thank all the Ulster Council and Dún na nGall GAA personnel involved in hosting today's games. Everyone plays their part; supporters and stewards, medics, match officials and players, sponsors, local authorities, media, County Boards and Provincial Council.

I also wish all four teams, their County Boards and management every success in their respective outings today and the match officials whose role should never be overlooked.

Finally, to you the supporters. Your support, attendance and attention is highly valued and we hope the experience of today will encourage you to join us again at some stage over the summer before the 2018 winners of the Ulster Senior Football Championship will be confirmed.

Micheal Ó hÓsain

Micheal Ó hÓsain
Uachtarán Chomhairle Uladh



Amhran na bhFiann

Daire Ó Baoill, 27, is from the town of Dungloe. He studied at The National University of Ireland in Maynooth, l'Université libre de Bruxelles in Belgium and he currently works at Google's European Head-Quarters in Dublin. Daire has a keen interest in Irish culture, traditional music and the Irish language. Daire competed in his first Scór Sinsear competition this year in Amhránaíocht Aonair (solo singing) and he went on to win the County Championship.



CLAR AN LAE

SUNDAY 13TH MAY

- 1.45pm** Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
- 1.48pm** Muineachán amach ar an bPáirc
- 1.50pm** Oifigigh an Cluiche amach ar an bPáirc
- 1.52pm** Toss
- 2.00pm** Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v Muineachán
- 2.32pm** Half Time/Leath Am
Dún na nGall to leave the field immediately on half time whistle
Muineachán to leave the field once Dún na nGall have cleared the field
- 2.33pm** Entertainment/Siamsa
- 2.42pm** Start of Second Half/Tús an dara leath
- 3.15pm** End of Minor Game/Críoch an Chluiche Mionúir
- 3.33pm** Both County Secretaries to present Team Lists in Referees room
- 3.39pm** An Cabhán amach ar an bPáirc
- 3.42pm** Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
- 3.45pm** Oifigigh an Cluiche amach ar an bPáirc
- 3.50pm** Toss
- 3.53pm** Paraid (Dún na nGall closest to the perimeter & An Cabhán on the inside)
- 3.58pm** Amhrán na bhFiann
- 4.00pm** Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v An Cabhán
- 4.37pm** Half Time / Leath Am
An Cabhán to leave the field immediately on half time whistle
Dún na nGall to leave the field once An Cabhán have cleared the field
- 4.38pm** Cluichí Exhibition
- 4.48pm** End of Exhibition Game
- 4.50pm** Presentation of Medals
- 4.52pm** Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
- 5.30pm** End of Senior Game / Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir*
(If Extra Time is required in the minor game, see below)
- 3.25pm** Start of First Period of Extra Time
- 3.36pm** End of First Period of Extra Time
- 3.39pm** Start of Second Period of Extra Time
- 3.50pm** End of Extra Time
- 3.53pm** Both County Secretaries to present Team Lists in Referees room
- 3.54pm** An Cabhán amach ar an bPáirc
- 3.57pm** Dún na nGall amach ar an bPáirc
- 4.00pm** Oifigigh an Cluiche amach ar an bPáirc
- 4.05pm** Toss
- 4.08pm** Paraid (Dún na nGall closest to the perimeter & An Cabhán on the inside)
- 4.13pm** Amhrán na bhFiann
- 4.15pm** Tús an Cluiche: Dún na nGall v An Cabhán
- 4.52pm** Half Time / Leath Am
An Cabhán to leave the field immediately on half time whistle
Dún na nGall to leave the field once An Cabhán have cleared the field
- 4.53pm** Cluichí Exhibition
- 5.03pm** End of Exhibition Game
- 5.05pm** Presentation of Medals
- 5.07pm** Start of Second Half / Tús an dara leath
- 5.45pm** End of Senior Game / Críoch an Chluiche Shinsir

AMHRÁN NA BHFIANN

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

CUMANN NA MBUNSCOL



DÚN NA NGALL

1.	SENAN CARR	BARNESMORE NS
2.	ALEX CULLEN	DEVLINREAGH NS
3.	OISIN KERRIGAN	ST AENGUS, BRIDGEND
4.	CONOR MCCALLION	GLENGAD NS
5.	ROAN DOHERTY	SCOIL EOGHAIN MOVILLE
6.	KARL J MOLLOY	BRACKEY NS
7.	ORAN DOHERTY	SCOIL MHUIRE GLENTIES
8.	MICHEAL CURRAN	SCOIL EOIN PÓL
9.	LUKE CLERKIN	SCOIL CHRÓINE
10.	THOMAS HUGHES	CREESHLOUGH NS
11.	ODHRÁN Ó CONCHÚIR	SCOIL TAOBHÓIGE
12.	MATTHEW MCINERN	ST PETER'S NS
13.	JACK LAFFERTY	BALLYMENA NS
14.	SEAMUS Ó DÚGÁIN	CNOC NA NAOMH NS
15.	LUKE KELLY	SCOIL MHUIRE PETTIGOE
16.	JOHN KEALEY	WOODLANDS NS
17.	CAOLAN DUFFY	DROMORE NS
18.	CORMAIC Ó CNAIMHSÍ	COIMÍN NS



AN CABHÁN

1.	NEIL REILLY	CRUANY NS
2.	OISÍN O'REILLY	CROSSKEYS NS
3.	KYLE MCCABE	BAILIEBORO NS
4.	CIAN HALTON	GOWNA NS
5.	CONAL MOONEY	KILLINKERE NS
6.	JAKE MILLS	BILLIS NS
7.	ÉANNA WARD	ARVAGH NS
8.	OISÍN MC GAHERN	CORONEA NS
9.	DANIEL SWEENEY	BALLYNARRY NS
10.	EMMET O'REILLY	LISBODUFF
11.	CONOR LYNCH	FARNHAM NS
12.	RHYS KELLY	KINGSCOURT NS
13.	MARK DAVIS	LARAGH NS
14.	SHANE SMITH	KILLYCONNAN NS
15.	EVAN CROSSON	DERNAKESH NS
16.	JAMIE LYNCH	BALLINAGH NS
17.	PHILIP CORRIGAN	CARRIGABRUISE NS
18.	BEN COLWELL	CROSSERLOUGH

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

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

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

FIRST AID

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MARY KELLY

CLG ARD AN RÁTHA



Mary Kelly is one of Donegal GAA's hardest working individuals who has served her club CLG Ard an Rátha with distinction from a very young age.

She first became involved at Pearse Memorial Park in the mid eighties. She has served in a variety of roles including PRO, Treasurer and Secretary. And while her work in an official capacity is well recognised, her efforts behind the scenes, on a daily basis, are simply immeasurable.

For that reason more than most, Mary has been the recipient of multiple 'Club Person of the Year' awards.

Outside the parameters of her club, she's been actively involved with the Southern Board. In 1991 she became the first Secretary of the County Ladies' Board where her administrative experience became a vital asset to the then fledgling organisation as she became very active in the promotion of Ladies' Football in the county during those early years. A fluent Irish speaker,

she was one of the real driving forces behind her club's push to host the 2015 national Comortas Peile na Gaeltachta championships. Back in 2013, she also led the efforts that secured Ard an Rátha gold in their Club Maith application.

She has done trojan work with Scór na nÓg and Scór Síneair over the years. When the club decided to publish their detailed and award-winning chronicle of their history - 'Idir Peil agus Pobal'; Mary was again one of the real driving forces.

The new facilities at the GAA grounds in Ard an Rátha are the envy of many. Mary's invaluable input there also means standards won't slip. Her various fund-raising drives remain an invaluable source of income in these ever testing times.

Stalwarts - the unsung heroes behind the scenes and away from the limelight - make a serious contribution to our games. Every club has them. But it's seriously remiss of us to not shine a torch their direction every now and then to let them know we appreciate that work.

Go raibh maith agat, Máire!

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MINOR PREVIEW

BY NIALL GARTLAND,

GAELIC LIFE

GaelicLife

MOST supporters in attendance with a vested interest in today's minor match will come with Donegal colours attached. They'll be tetchy enough about their qualifier clash with Monaghan following what transpired in their first round encounter against reigning All-Ireland champions Tyrone, which was also at Ballybofey. The Red Hand youngsters demolished Donegal's challenge with a five-goal rout, roaring to a 5-12 to 1-10 victory despite only having a handful of survivors from last year's team. Moreover, there has been some upheaval in the lead-up to today's clash as manager Gary Duffy has chosen to dispense with the services of coach Shane Ward in the aftermath of their 14-point trouncing.

Tyrone's physical superiority will have been disconcerting from a Donegal perspective, but something that may prove easier to fix is their unfortunate tendency to conceded goals. Whatever the ins and outs of Ward's exit, it isn't all doom and gloom at underage level in the county either as they won the Buncrana Cup for the first time in five years as the Under 16's overcame Tyrone by just a point 1-12 to 1-11. Since the turn of the decade, Tir Chonaill have won two Ulster Minor Championships, (in 2014 and 2016), but they are sixth on the overall leaderboard behind Tyrone, Derry, Armagh, Down and Antrim.

Monaghan, meanwhile, were hotly tipped to go all the way in this year's Ulster Championship having won the provincial league title, but they slumped to a shock defeat in the first round to Derry. Luckily for both sides, there's a backdoor in this year's competition, and Monaghan have already picked themselves up with the floor with their win at Antrim last weekend.

Seamus McEnaney's side were comfortable 3-13 to 0-7 victors against an out-of-sorts Antrim. They played more than half the game with 14 players after the sending-off of forward Aaron Mulligan, but it mattered not a jot as they overpowered their inferior opposition with goals from Lochlainn Power (two) and Seán Jones.

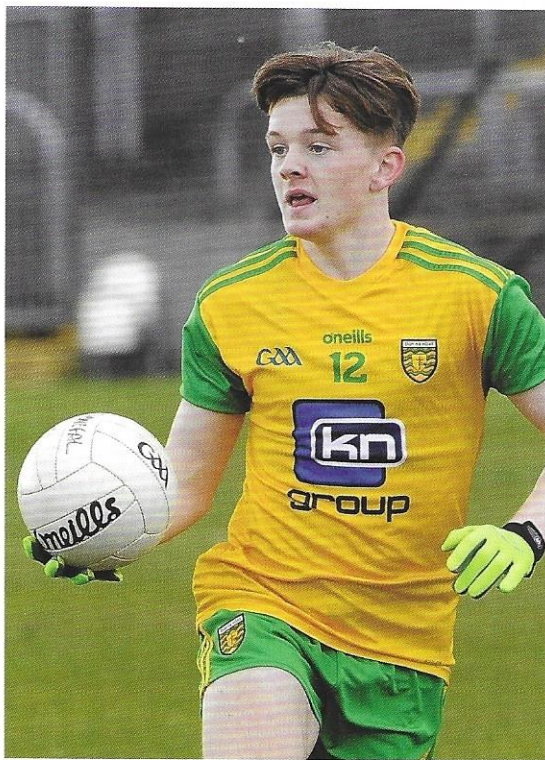
With the match good as over, Monaghan had a comfortable 2-4 to 0-1 advantage at the break and held on for an easy 15-point win.

It'd be foolish to read too much into that match as the Saffrons were dealing with a whole host of problems. Their manager Pdraig MacLaibheartaigh was only appointed in late January, admitted his side lagged

behind the rest of Ulster, and complained about a lack of buy in from the clubs in the county.

If you're looking for some evidence as to how today's match may transpire, you could do worse than reflect on their meeting in Ulster League Final in April. After a close-fought first-half, the Oriel turned on the afterburners after the break and cruised to a 2-21 to 1-12 victory. While it was 'only' the league, the match was played at a fairly high tempo, and it was another instance when the Donegal defence could've been tighter.

Tir Chonaill will look to the likes of Pdraig McGettigan, Nathan Byrne and Shane O'Donnell up front, while Monaghan have equally effective attacking players like Ryan Farrelly, Jason Irwin, Loughlin Power, Aaron Mulligan, Sean Jones and Donnacha Swinbourne. Monaghan have been the better team this year so we'll give them a hesitant nod on this occasion.



Donegal's Steven McFadden pictured during this year's league.

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DÚN NA NGALL

DONEGAL

Manager: Gary Duffy



FÍR IONAIÐ/SUBSTITUTES

16. Daithi Roberts Gaoth Dobhair 17. Josh Conlon Malainn
18. Ronan Frián Gaeil Leitir Ceanainn 19. Leo Dunphy Naomh Conaill
20. Caolan Gallagher An Tearmainn 21. Conor Coll Baile Na nGallglach
22. Matthew Mullholland Buncranncha 23. Steven McFadden Gaoth Dobhair
24. Charlie Breslin Na Cealla Beaga

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1AD Leath						
2AD Leath						
Iomlán						

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MONAGHAN MUINEACHÁN

Manager: Seamus McÉnaney



FÍR IONAIÐ/SUBSTITUTES

16. Ryan McNulty Machaire Cluain 17. Jack McGeown Carraig Mhachaire Rois
18. Darragh Dempsey Leachtain 19. Oisín O'Hanlon Carraig Mhachaire Rois
20. Mark Mooney Tigh Thalainn 21. Eoin Duffy Leachtain 22. Michael Meehan An Bhoth
23. Conor Smith Curraichin 24. Robbie Hanratty Fág an Bealach

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COMÓRTAS PEILE NA GAELTACHTA

Beidh Comórtas Peile na Gaeltachta ar siúl ins Na Dúnaibh, Co. Dhún na nGall ón 1ú go 4ú Meitheamh, 2018.

AN TÚS

I clár an Chomórtas 1994 rinne An tAth. Seán Ó Gallchóir cur síos ar an tús.

I 1968 bhí Antóin Ó Cearrúil ó Ghaoth Dobhair agus Antóin de Bairéad ó Bhaile an Fhéirtéaraigh, Co. Ciarraí ag freastal ar Choláiste na hOllscoile, Baile Átha Cliath. Beirt pheileadóir chumasacha a bhain Corn Sigerson i 1968 agus iad ag imirt leis an Choláiste.

Shocróidh siad cluiche a imirt idir Gaoth Dobhair agus Baile an Fheirtéaraigh i Machaire Gáthláin.

I lár an Gheimhridh a tháinig siad ó thuaidh, Gaoth Dobhair faoi bhrat sneachta nuair a d'éirigh said ar mhaidin Domhnaigh 5ú Eanáir 1969.

Imríodh an cluiche ar scor ar bith agus fuair Baile an Fheirtéaraigh an lámh in uachtar ar Gaoth Dobhair, 3 - 06 in éadán 0 - 03.

Is in Ostán Radharc na Mara a bhí an cabaret an oíche sin in onóir na gCiarraíoch. Bhí Antoin Ó Cearrúil, Feardorcha Ó Colla, Seán Delap agus Antóin de Bairéad ann agus nochtaiodh an smacínú go mba mhaith an rud é Comórtas idir fhochumainn ó na Gaeltachtaí éagsúla a eagrú.

Ar an 15ú lá Marta 1969 tionóladh an chéad cruinniú oifigiúil in Óstán an Caisleáin, Baile Atha Cliath agus toghadh na h-oifigi seo a leanas: Uachtarán: Seán Delap; Leas Uachtarán: Seán Ó Colmáin, An Daingean; Cathaoirleach: Antóin de Bairéad; Rúnaí: Feardorcha Ó Colla, Cisteoir: Séamus Mac Gearailt, Corca Dhuibhne.

Ar an 3ú Lúnasa 1969 cuireadh tús leis an chéad Comórtas Peile na Gaeltachta i Machaire Gáthláin. Bhí naoi bhfoireann páirteach sa chomórtas, Gaoth Dobhair agus Gaeil na Maolruaidhe ó Dhún na nGall; Tuar Mhic Éadaigh agus Acaill ó Mhaigh Eo; Baile an Fhíréaraigh agus Deisceart Ciarraí ó Ciarraí; An Rinn ó Phort Láirge agus foirne ó Ghaillimh agus An Mhí

Bhí an bua ag Gaoth Dobhair ar Bhaile an Fheirtéaraigh sa chluiche ceannais le pointe amháin, 2-8 le 2-7.

Ó SIN

Is é seo an caogadú Comórtas Naisiúnta, sé cinn déag i nDún na nGall, seachtar déag i Mumhan agus seachtar déag i gConnacht/Laighin.

Comh maith lé foirne as na gaeltachtaí éagsúla bíonn curadh a thabhairt do chumainn eile ón taobh amuigh a bhí agus atá ag déanamh sár-iarracht ar son na Gaeilge. Go dáta bhí Laochra Loch Laoi, as Bhéal Feirste, Na Gaeil Óga Baile Átha Cliath agus Móin Dearg, Londún linn agus ar an bhliain seo chugainn, 2019,

beidh Sáirséalaigh Chill Laobháin, Co. Mhuineacháin, ag glacadh páirt s'na Comórtais..

Comórtais Áitiúla - Dún na nGall

I nDhún na nGall tá Comórtais Áitiúla a reachtáil gach bliain.

I gComórtais na bhliana seo bhí seacht fochumann deag páirteach, foirne Fir, Sinsir agus Sóisear, Mná, Sinsir, Idirmheánach agus Sóisear agus Comórtas faoi-14 gasúr. Daichead is a dó cluiche ina iomlán.

Bíonn na cluichí leath cheannais agus ceannais a imirt i rith Deire Seachtaine na Bealtaine gach bhliain. I mbhliana imríodh iad ins Na Dúnaibh.

Tá an Coiste Áitiúil i Dún na nGall fíor bhuíoch dó Coiste Chordae Dhún na nGall, CLG as ucht an deis a thabhairt dúinn na cluichí seo a imirt. Ach go hardaithe tá muid buíoch d' Aidín Uí Ghiolláin, Rúnaí C.L.G. Dhún na nGall, Declan Ó Mairtin, Rúnaí na gcluichí agus Míchéille Ní Bheinéid, Rúnaí na Réiteoirí.

Agus ar dheireadh, cá mbéadh muid gan an Choiste Náisiúnta; Cathaoirleach, Seán O hArcáin, An Fál Carrach agus Muigheo agus an Rúnaí Micheál Mac Donnchadha, Gaillimh agus go deimhin craoltóir na gcluichí, Raidió na Gaeltachta.



A GAME OF 3 HALVES

'Game of 3 Halves' is a cross community event aimed at clubs and schools as part of the SEUPB Peace IV-funded project 'Sport Uniting Communities'. Community Sports Development Officers (CSDO's) from Ulster GAA, Ulster Rugby and the IFA work closely together to promote close relations and community building through sport.

The 'Game of 3 Halves' is a joint initiative rolled out by the three sporting bodies, allowing participants to receive coaching in GAA, Rugby and Soccer in an environment where they are mixed with participants from other backgrounds and are encouraged to work closely and build relationships with people from all sections of the community.

The concept was first developed by Paul Brown, Youth Co-ordinator at Knock Presbyterian Church, together with PeacePlayers International as a cross-community initiative which would bring the three governing bodies together and offer children from both sides of the community the chance to experience Gaelic Games, Rugby and Soccer.

Each governing body invite young people from local primary schools or clubs from within 5 strategic areas and throughout the day participants receive top class coaching from CSDO's from all three sports.

The day is completed in a Blitz format where participants are divided into 'mixed' teams and play matches in all 3 sports.

Research conducted at events in early 2018 show that as little as 55% of participants felt very comfortable or fairly comfortable in engaging with people from other backgrounds prior to the event, increasing to over 90% on completion of the event. Only 11% of participants had regular contact with people from other sections of the community showing that events like this are a necessity in building positive relationships through sport in Northern Ireland and the bordering counties.

Ulster GAA are fully committed to the principles of inclusion and diversity. If your club or school would be interested in hosting a 'Game of 3 Halves' event, contact your local Community Sports Development Officer.

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ULSTER SCHOOLS COLÁISTE AILIGH



Bhí bliain ar dóigh ar pháirc na peile ag Coláiste Ailigh i mbliana, agus iad rathúil i gCraobh Uí Dhochartaigh. Bhí an bua ag an fhoireann sinsear i sraith 2 an chontae agus lean siad ar aghaidh in Uladh le Corn Uí Dhochartaigh a thabhairt abhaile. Bhain fir Ailigh cluiche ceannais na hÉireann amach, ach ar an drochuair, chaill siad amach in éadan buaiteoirí na Gaillimhe, St. Cuan's.

Faoi stiúir John Bosco Ó Gallchóir, chruthaigh an fhoireann stair agus iad ag tabhairt craobh Uladh ar ais go Coláiste Ailigh don chéad uair. Thosaigh siad amach ag tús na bliana sa chéad bhabhta, ag imirt 7 gcluiche agus an bua acu in achan cheann. Lean na gasúraí ar aghaidh sna céad babhtaí eile in Uladh, ag baint in éadan St. Mary's Clady agus St. Aquinas as Béal Feirste. D'éirigh leo an cluiche ceannais a bhaint amach i ndiaidh bua mór sa chluiche leathcheannais in éadan St Catherine's, as na Cealla Beaga.

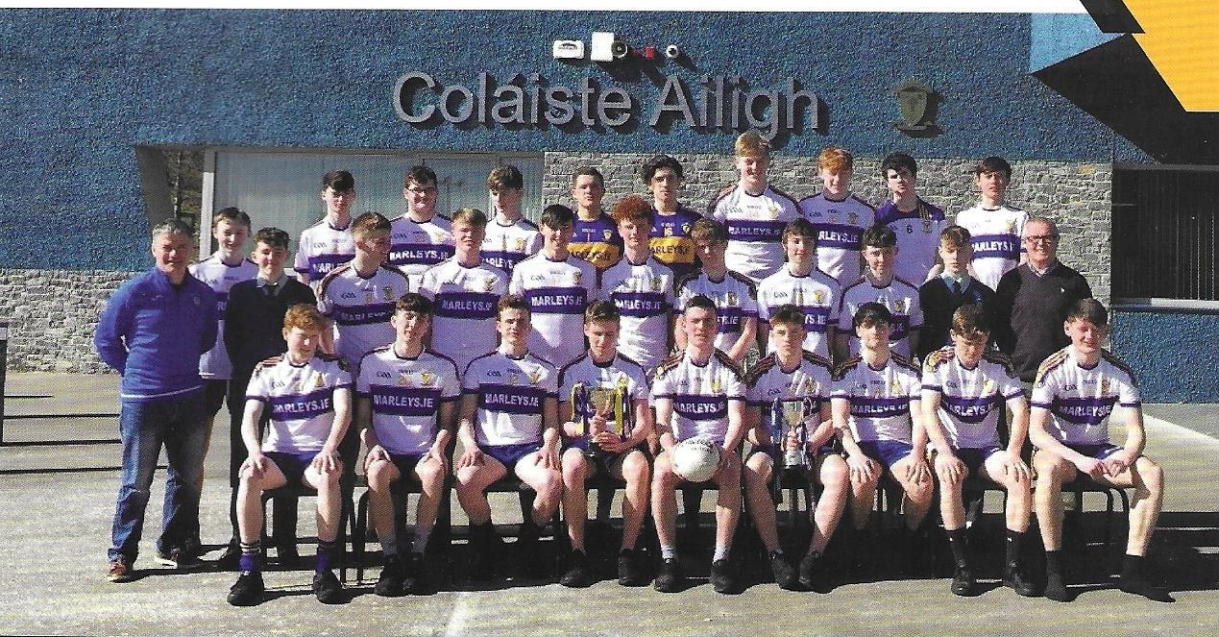
Thaisteal Coláiste Ailigh go Garvagh don dara huair taobh istigh de choicis le aghaidh a thabhairt ar Phobalscoil Ballybay as Muineachán, agus bhí an bua acu agus iad ag cruthú stair le craobh Uladh a thabhairt ar ais go Coláiste Ailigh don chéad uair riamh ar scórlíne 2-10 go 3-11. Cluiche teannta a bhí ann le Ballybay ag troid ar ais ó bheith 8 bpointe síos ag leathama le pointe a chuir idir na foirne, ach thaispeáin fir Leitir Ceanainn spiorad ar dóigh leis an cluiche a bhaint amach.

Thaispeáin curaidh Uladh an spiorad céanna seo arís i gcluiche leathcheannais na hÉireann ag baint amach in am breise ar scórlíne 5-8 go 4-8 in éadan Rathkeale as Luimneach in Abbotstown, Baile Átha Ciath. Bhí an fhoireann síos 9 bpointe agus gan fágtha sa chluiche ach 10 mbomaite, ach d'éirigh leo trí chúl a scóráil sna bomaití deireannach le na foirne a chuir ar comhscór ag deireadh an chluiche. Lean siad ar aghaidh in am breise leis an cluiche a dhruidim amach.

Leis an ghaoth ina gcuid seoltaí, thaisteal Coláiste Ailigh go Collooney I gCo. Shligigh le páirt a ghlacadh i gCluiche Ceannais na hÉireann. Throid an fhoireann go cróga agus d'éirigh leo dhul pointe chun tosaigh sna bomaití deireannach, agus iad síos go 13 imreoirí. Ar an drochuair, níor éirigh leo an bua a fháil.

Ach ní mór a rá gur thaispeáin an fhoireann i rith na bliana an méid dul chun cinn atá déanta acu mar fhoireann. Ag leibhéal faoi 14, chaill an fhoireann céanna amach i gcluiche leathcheannais an chontae agus dhá bhliain ó shin chaill siad in éadan Bun an Phobail sa chluiche ceannais faoi 16.

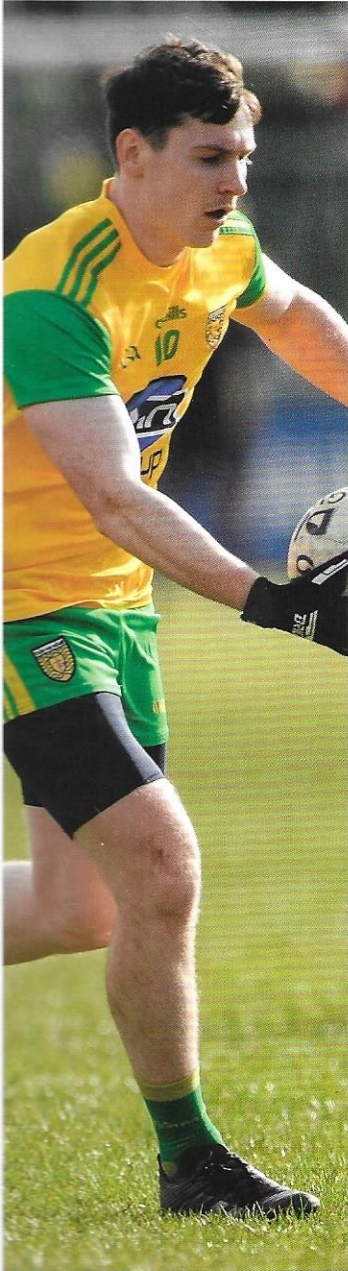
Leis an bhliain stairiúil seo anois tagtha chun deiridh, tá súil ag an scoil go mbeidh siad ar ais ag an leibhéal seo arís i gceann i bhfad.



SENIOR PREVIEW:

CAVAN V DONEGAL

BY SEAN O'NEILL
THE IRISH NEWS



Donegal's Jamie Brennan

THESE two counties had contrasting league fortunes earlier this year, with Cavan gaining an impressive promotion to Division One and Donegal moving in the opposite direction into the second tier.

That they will ply their trade in Division Two next year will be a source of disappointment to Donegal, as they played some terrific football throughout the campaign. Most notably, their clash with Kerry in late January, when they lost by a single point in Killarney, was as exciting a game as one could hope to see.

It is easy to see what new manager Declan Bonner is trying to do. Donegal, under firstly, Jim McGuinness and then Rory Gallagher, had become a team perhaps primarily associated with the defensive side of football. But when a county has at its disposal attacking talent of the quality of Paddy McBrearty, Michael Murphy, Ryan McHugh and Odhran MacNiallais, it is surely imperative that they are allowed to do what comes naturally.

Donegal have been in six of the last seven Ulster SFC finals, three of which they have won and two of which they lost narrowly. That marks them out as a formidable force in the province and although a number of key players have departed the scene over recent years – the likes of Karl Lacey, Colm McFadden and Paul Durcan for instance, they have been able to gradually introduce quality replacements.

And so, players such as Eoghan Ban Gallagher, Jamie Brennan, Nathan Mullins, Tony McClenaghan and Mark Anthony McGinley have all stepped up well.

Bonner was as obvious a choice for another crack at the senior job as anyone else, and successful terms in charge of the county minors and U21s

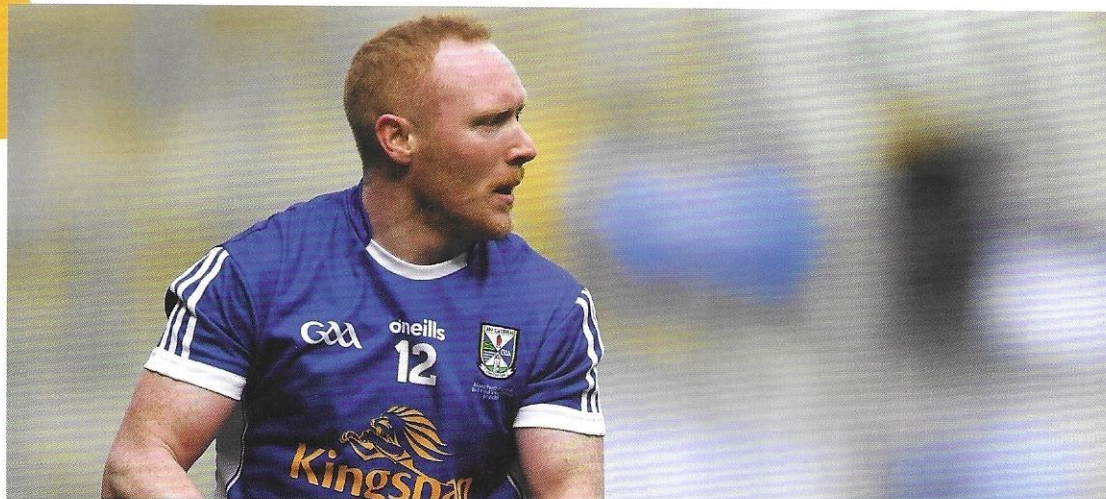
means there is no-one better placed than he is to know what other young talent is available in the county. Donegal are many people's idea of potential Ulster champions this year, and it is not hard to see why.

But first they must overcome Cavan, and that will be no easy task. Terry Hyland had the Cavan senior team for four and a half years, with the suspicion being that although definite progress had been made, the Lacken man had taken the county so far, and could not take them any further.

The arrival of Mattie McGleenan in late 2016 was welcomed, and the Tyrone native will hope that his charges can take their league momentum into this championship opener. They certainly have the tools to get the job done this afternoon. From front to back, they are solid. Raymond Galligan is a top class goalkeeper, while in front of him, the likes of Conor Brady, Padraig Faulkner, Ciaran Brady and Jason McLoughlin are all, not just capable defenders, but excellent all-round footballers to boot.

The towering presence of the versatile Gearoid McKiernan, should he be deployed in midfield, gives Galligan the option to go long with his kick-outs, and up front they can boast the enduring quality of Cian Mackey and Seanie Johnston, alongside newer recruits such as Caoimhin O'Reilly and Oisín Kiernan. Captain of the side Dara McVeety is a significant miss though. In their last competitive outing, in the Division Two final, Cavan lost out to Roscommon on the astounding score line of 4-16 to 4-12.

Although this game is unlikely to be that open, both teams are managed by men who like their players to express themselves, and that should at least make for an entertaining game today.



Cavan's Cian Mackey in action

PREVIOUS CLASHES

JUNE 22 1997

**ULSTER SENIOR FOOTBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL**

St Tiernach's Park, Clones
Cavan **2-16** Donegal **2-10**

THE WINNERS had stellar performers all over the field, in what would turn out to be a memorable year for the Breffni Blues. From goalkeeper Paul O'Dowd, who pulled off a superb double save from James Ruane, to the majestic midfield pairing of Stephen King and Dermot McCabe and the cutting edge of Larry Reilly and Ronan Carolan in attack, Cavan, after a laboured opening half, were irresistible in the second period. Man-of-the-match Carolan, in particular, was inspired, as he responded to being left out for the previous two games, by contributing a magnificent 1-7. It was a day of mixed emotions for Cavan boss Martin McHugh who watched some of his former teammates from the Donegal All-Ireland winning team of 1992 take a beating, which, but for wayward Cavan shooting, could have been decidedly worse.

MAY 12 2002

**ULSTER SENIOR FOOTBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP PRELIMINARY ROUND**

Breffni Park
Cavan **0-15** Donegal **1-17**

CAVAN got off to a nightmare start, when, with just three minutes on the clock, Brian Roper netted for Donegal. That lead became 1-3 to 0-0 with just seven minutes gone, and Cavan, managed by Mattie Kerrigan, never looked like clawing back the deficit. Gowna's Gerald Pierson finished the day with 0-10 alongside his name, and his coolness in front of the posts from play and dead balls was perhaps the only real positive from a Cavan viewpoint. A season that had began well - they reached the NFL Division One final, losing to Tyrone, petered out a few weeks later when Limerick dumped them out in the first round of the qualifiers. Donegal went on to lose the Ulster final to Armagh, and an All-Ireland quarter-final to Dublin

JUNE 12 2011

**ULSTER SENIOR FOOTBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER-FINAL**

Breffni Park
Donegal **2-14** Cavan **1-8**

IN A game played in desperately wet conditions at Breffni Park, Donegal destroyed a young Cavan side. The game was notable for two sendings off and the contribution of a Donegal schoolboy. In an attritional first 20 minutes, Cavan's Ray Cullivan was the first to walk - dismissed for leaving in a boot when contesting a high ball after just eight minutes, while eight minutes later, Donegal's Michael Murphy saw red after an off the ball incident. Patrick McBrearty was a late replacement for Michael Hegarty, and his inclusion reaped a rich dividend for the hosts. The Kilcar lad finished with 1-3. His 20th minute goal came after he was played in from a Mark McHugh line ball. From there he shrugged off his man before slotting the ball home.

MAY 20, 2012

**ULSTER SENIOR FOOTBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP PRELIMINARY ROUND**

Breffni Park, Cavan
Cavan **1-10** Donegal **1-16**

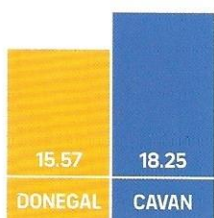
DONEGAL began the defence of their Ulster title with another straightforward win against the Breffni men. Although Terry Hyland's men closed the gap from the previous year by three, the gulf between the sides was still apparent. That said, the home side did start the better, and the teams were still level after 20 minutes. However, when Colm McFadden converted a penalty on 31 minutes, Donegal were six up, and the game was effectively over. Eugene Keating had a fine afternoon for Cavan, hitting five points from play, off Neil McGee. Ultimately though, Cavan could not 'out-Donegal' Donegal. They tried to mirror their opponents game plan of packing their defence, leaving just two up, before counter attacking at speed, but found that Donegal, who would finish the year as All-Ireland champions, were the undisputed masters of that particular tactic.

THE STATS **GaelicLife**



68% From play
32% From Set Pieces

73% From play
27% From Set Pieces



AVERAGE SCORE



AVERAGE GOALS SCORED



AVERAGE GOALS CONCEDED

TOP SCORER



PATRICK MCBREARTY
0-34



CAOIMHÍN O'REILLY
1-20

THE FIXTURES

SAT 19TH MAY | SFC QUARTER FINAL | 7:00PM



REPLAY SAT 26TH MAY

SUN 20TH MAY | SFC QUARTER FINAL | 4:00PM



REPLAY SUN 27TH MAY

SAT 26TH MAY | SFC QUARTER FINAL | 7:00PM



REPLAY SAT 2ND JUNE

SUN 27TH MAY | SFC QUARTER FINAL | 4:00PM



REPLAY SUN 3RD JUNE

SEMI-FINAL

SUN 3RD JUNE | 2:00PM

WINNERS **v** WINNERS

REPLAY SAT 9TH JUNE

FINAL

SUN 24TH JUNE | 2:00PM

WINNERS **v** WINNERS

REPLAY SUN 1ST JULY

SEMI-FINAL

SUN 10TH JUNE | 4:00PM

WINNERS **v** WINNERS

REPLAY SUN 17TH JUNE

SUN 13TH MAY | SFC FIRST ROUND | 4:00PM



REPLAY SAT 19TH MAY

ULSTER GAA PUT REFEREE HEALTH TOP OF AGENDA

In February 2018, Ulster GAA held their free referee health checks at a specially arranged mobile clinic at the Tyrone GAA Centre in Garvaghey.

This annual initiative offers the opportunity for all referees on the provincial panel to avail of a full screening health check free of charge.

Speaking at the clinic, Ulster GAA President Michael Hasson said: "The health and wellbeing of all our members is very important and we continue to promote healthy living and lifestyles to our membership, especially players and officials, who are obviously the most active".

"The focus of our games is usually on the players but recent research has shown that some referees are covering similar distances to players in our top games.

A referee needs to run the length and breadth of the pitch throughout a full game so these checks are essential".

"These health checks give our referees a clear picture of their medical position at the start of the new season and the opportunity to get any health concerns checked out".

The mobile clinic health checks were facilitated by the team from 3fivetwoGroup.



Pictured to the left are: **Conor McGourty** (Ulster GAA Player Welfare Officer), **Jim O'Rourke** (Ulster Referees Secretary), **Jim Murray** (Ulster Referees Chairman), **Niall McKenna** (Referee), **Stephen Donnelly** (Ulster Games Administration Manager) and **Michael Hasson** (Ulster GAA President) pictured with Kerry & Frances from 3fivetwo Group at the Ulster Referees Health Checks.

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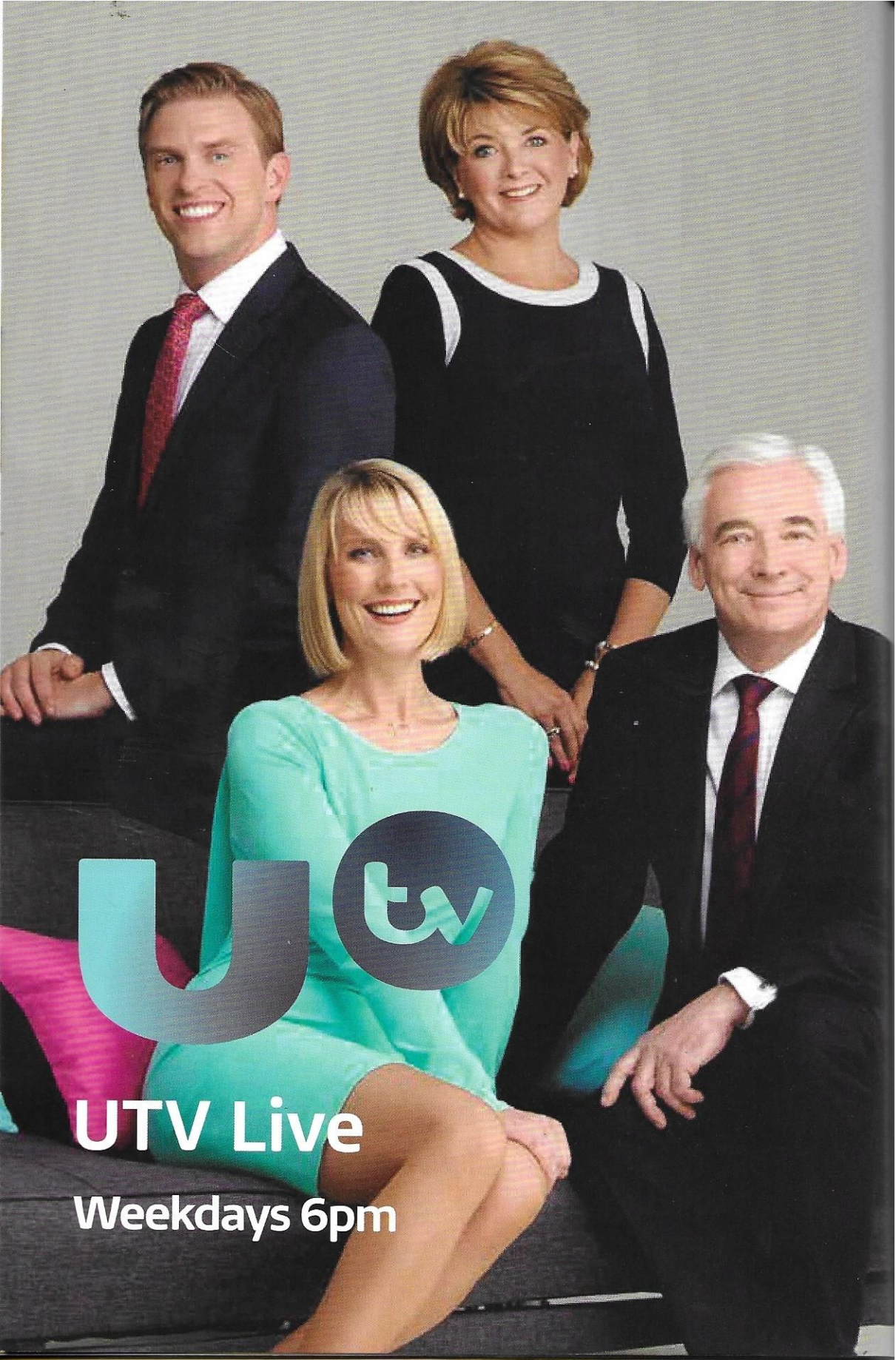
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DONEGAL PEN PICS:

Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Paddy McGrath	Ard an Rátha	28	5ft 10	13st
Caolan McGonagle	Bun Cranncha	21	6ft 3	14st
Darach O'Connor	Bun Cranncha	21	5ft 7	12st
Patrick McBrearty	Cill Chartha	23	6ft 0	15st
Ryan McHugh	Cill Chartha	22	5ft 9	11st
Jamie Brennan	Realt na Mara	20	5ft 9	13st
Mark McHugh	Cill Chartha	26	5ft 10	12st
Neil McGee	Gaoth Dobhair	31	6ft 2	14st
Frank McGlynn	Gleann Fhinne	30	5ft 10	13st
Michael Murphy	Gleann tSúilf	27	6ft 2	15st
Martin O'Reilly	Seán Mac Cumhaill	24	5ft 10	12st
Eoghan Bán Gallagher	Na Cealla Beaga	21	5ft 11	13st
Hugh McFadden	Na Cealla Beaga	23	6ft 3	14st
Caolan Ward	Naomh Adhamhnáin	24	6ft 3	13st
Eamon Doherty	Naomh Adhamhnáin	26	6ft 0	14st
Mark Anthony McGinley	Naomh Micheál	27	6ft 1	14st
Martin McElhinney	Naomh Micheál	28	6ft 1	13st

Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Ciaran Thompson	Naomh Conaill	22	6ft 1	14st
Cian Mulligan	Gaoth Dobhair	20	5ft 11	12st
Paul Brennan	Realt na Mara	26	6ft	13st
Conor Morrison	Naomh Adhamhnáin	20	5ft 11	12st
Brendan McCole	Naomh Naille	19	5ft 11	13st
Conor Morrison	Naomh Adhamhnáin	22	6ft	12st
Tony McClenaghan	Bun na Phobail	22	6ft 2	14st
Ciaran McGinley	Cill Chartha	29	6ft 2	14st
Jamie Brennan	Realt na Mara	22	5ft 9	12st
Leo McLoone	Naomh Conaill	29	6ft	14st
Niall O'Donnell	Naomh Adhamhnáin	19	5ft 9	13st
Michael Langan	Naomh Micheál	21	6ft 2	14st
Stephen McMenamin	Aodh Rua	21	6ft	13st
Stephen McBrearty	Cill Chartha	22	6ft	14st
Shaun Patton	Naomh Adhamhnáin	22	6ft	13st
Odhran MacNaillais	Gaoth Dobhair	26	6ft	13st
Nathan Mullins	Naomh Ceangail	28	6ft 1	13st



DÚN NA NGALL

DONEGAL

Manager: Declan Bonner

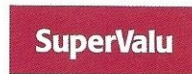


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16. Mark Anthony McGinley Naomh Mícheál 17. Mark McHugh Cill Chartha
18. Cian Mulligan Gaoth Dobhair 19. Stephen McBrearty Cill Chartha 20. Daire Ó Baoill Gaoth Dobhair 21. Caolan McGonagle Bun Crannacha 22. Eamonn Doherty Naomh Adhamhnáin 23. Conor Morrison Naomh Adhamhnáin 24. Tony McClenaghan Bun a Phobail 25. Ciaran McGinley Cill Chartha 26. Darrach O'Connor Bun Crannacha

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CAVAN
Manager: Matthew McGleenan

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16. James Farrelly Dún a Rí 17. Niall Clerkin Searcóg 18. Fergal Reilly Caisleán Reathain
19. Killian Brady Mullach Odhrain 20. Sean McCormack Béal Átha hÉis 21. Ryan Connolly
Droim Leathan 22. Adrian Cole Reamór Aontaithe 23. Paul Gilcreest An Leamhaí
24. Jack Wharton Corr na Féinne 25. Damien McIntyre Searcóg 26. Dara McVéety
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CAVAN PEN PICS:

Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Adrian Cole	Ramor United	29	6ft 2"	14st
Bryan Magee	Cuchulainns	21	6ft 3"	13st
Ciaran Brady	Arvagh	23	6ft	13st
Cian Mackey	Castlerahan	30	5ft 11"	12st
Conor Moynagh	Drumgoon	25	5ft 11"	12st
Conor Madden	Gowna	23	6ft 2"	13st
Caoimhin O'Reilly	Butlersbridge	21	5ft 11"	13st
Ciaran Flynn	Cavan Gaels	33	6ft	13st
Conor Bradley	Ramor United	22	6ft 2"	12st
Dan Wharton	Cornafean	22	6ft 1"	12st
Jack Wharton	Cornafean	22	6ft 1"	12st
David Brady	Ballyhaise	20	6ft 3"	14st
Damien McIntyre	Shercock	25	6ft 3"	12st
Dara McVeety	Crosserlough	24	5ft 11"	13st
Dónal Monahan	Drumlane	20	6ft 2"	13st
David Phillips	Gowna	27	5ft 11"	12st
Enda Flanagan	Castlerahan	23	5ft 10"	13st
Fergal Reilly	Castlerahan	22	5ft 11"	12st
Gearóid McKiernan	Swanlinbar	27	6ft 4"	15st

Name	Club	Age	Height	Weight
Jason McLoughlin	Shannon Gaels	25	6ft	12st
James Farrelly	Kingscourt	24	6ft 3"	14st
Killian Brady	Mullahoran	26	6ft 1"	13st
Killian Clarke	Shercock	24	6ft 3"	14st
Liam Buchanan	Ballymachugh	23	6ft 3"	14st
Martin Reilly	Killygarry	30	5ft 11"	13st
Matthew McKenna	Killygarry	21	2ft 2"	14st
Niall Murray	Cavan Gaels	26	5ft 11"	13st
Niall Clerkin	Shercock	22	5ft 10"	12st
Oisín Kiernan	Castlerahan	25	6ft	13st
Padraig Faulkner	Kingscourt	23	6ft 1"	13st
Padraig Moore	Ballyhaise	23	6ft 1"	13st
Paul Gilcreest	Lavey	22	6ft	12st
Raymond Galligan	Lacken	30	6ft 1"	13st
Ryan Connolly	Drumlane	21	5ft 11"	13st
Stephen Murray	Cavan Gaels	24	5ft 10"	12st
Sean McCormack	Ballyhaise	30	6ft 2"	14st
Sean Johnston	Cavan Gaels	32	5ft 10"	13st



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CHILD PROTECTION LEGISLATION

SAFEGUARDING - CHANGES IN LEGISLATION

On 11 December 2017 the remaining provisions of the Children First Act commenced in full. The GAA published guidance on what clubs and counties must do in order to comply with Safeguarding legislation and Association policy.

VETTING

To comply with vetting legislation, all persons who have a regulated role with children, must be vetted prior to commencement of position.

Gadra Vetting:

<http://ulster.gaa.ie/safeguarding/gardavetting/>

AccessNI vetting:

<http://ulster.gaa.ie/safeguarding/access-ni/>

APPOINTING A CHILDREN'S OFFICER

Club Children's Officer must be appointed and actively in membership of your Club Executive Committee.

APPOINTING A DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON (DLP)

Each Club and County Board must appoint a Designated Liaison Person (DLP) who shall act as a resource, and is responsible for ensuring that reporting procedures within the Club/County are followed so that child welfare and protection concerns are referred as appropriate. The Club or County Chairperson automatically assumes the role of DLP unless another person is chosen and ratified to undertake the role. The DLP should be ratified on an annual basis by their Club or County and must attend the Association's DLP training in 2018.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING (PROTECTION) TRAINING

Child Safeguarding Training is highlighted in Children First as being mandatory and must be completed relevant to the role you play within the club as follows:

- Safeguarding 1 - Child Protection in Sport Awareness Workshops relevant to coaches and others who work in a regulated role with children in the Association.
- Safeguarding 2 - Club Children's Officer Training for Club Children's Officer
- Safeguarding 3 - Designated Liaison Person Training for DLPS in Clubs

COACHING QUALIFICATION

GAA safeguarding codes have for a number of years promoted the practice that all coaches who work with children must have a minimum coaching qualification. Given the standards contained in Children First this requirement is even clearer now and it will also be referenced in our Child Safeguarding Statement. Confirmation of compliance shall be required by March 2018.

RISK ASSESSMENT

The Children First Guidance states that providers of relevant services to children must carry out a comprehensive risk assessment of their services and develop Child Safeguarding Statements thereafter. Each Club Executive shall be provided with a risk assessment template which must be formally discussed at an Executive meeting.

The Executive must minute and date the discussion. Following completion of this process they may then proceed to ratify a Child Safeguarding Statement for their Club and to display the statement as well.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

The GAA Child Safeguarding Statement shall specify the services provided by the GAA and the principles and procedures to be observed to ensure, as far as practicable, that a child availing of our services is safe from harm. Reflective of our risk assessment procedure it shall be issued in poster format highlighting procedures such as Recruitment, the new Code of Behaviour (Underage), Safeguarding Training, Reporting Procedures, Children's Officers roles, DLPs etc. It shall be provided by the GAA for all of our Clubs.

NEW CODE OF BEHAVIOUR (UNDERAGE)

The GAA in collaboration with LGFA, Camogie, Handball and Rounders shall publish a new and enhanced joint Code of Behaviour (Underage).

APPOINTING A MANDATED PERSON

The GAA Mandated Person is Gearóid Ó Maoilmhichíl:
mandatedperson@gaa.ie

For further information please contact

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An Gleann, Doire receive their All Ireland Rine Foirne award from John Horan, Uachtaran CLG and Anton Mac Gabhann, Cathaoirleach Naisiunta Scór.

ALL-IRELAND SUCCESS FOR DERRY AND TYRONE AT SCÓR SINSEAR FINALS 2018

Comghairdeas mór le Ualtár ó Gréachain, An Gleann, Doire agus Dearbhla Scallon ó An Goirtín, Naomh Pádraig, Tír Eoghain who have all been crowned All-Ireland Champions after outstanding performances at the Scór Sinsir All Ireland Final in Sligo IT on Saturday.

The two All-Ireland titles come to Ulster courtesy of Watty Grahams Glen success in winning the Rince Foirne category and Dearbhla Scallon from the Gortin St Patrick's GAA Club claiming the top accolade in the Amhránaíocht Aonair category.

The full list of winners from the 2018 All-Ireland Scór Sinsear Finals are:

RINCE FOIRNE

Watty Grahams Glen
Doire

LÉIRIÚ STÁITSE

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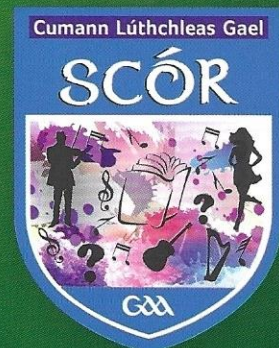
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250,000

Approx. 250,000 spectators in total attended major Ulster GAA controlled fixtures in 2017.

90,000

Active players of Gaelic Games



250,000

Members of the GAA in Ulster

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In 2017 15,000 GAA members took part in Ulster GAA Health and Wellbeing initiatives.



28,000

Children were coached as part of the Foundation and Key-stage 1 Schools programme in 2016.

60%

of sports attendances on the island of Ireland comes from the GAA

42%

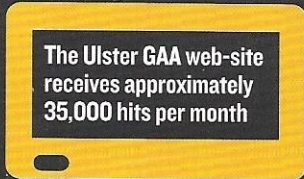
of volunteering on the island of Ireland comes from the GAA.

350

delegates attended the O'Neills Ulster GAA Coaching and Games Conference Annually.

35,000

The Ulster GAA web-site receives approximately 35,000 hits per month



15,000

In 2017 approximately 15,000 games were organised and played within the Province of Ulster.

45,000

Approximately 45,000 spectators attended the 2017 Ulster GAA Club Championship.



126,000

Over 126,000 spectators attended the Ulster Football & Hurling Championships in 2017.



40,000

Spectators approximately attended 2018 Bank of Ireland McKenna Cup

85%

As a grassroots community based not-for-profit organisation, Ulster GAA reinvests approx 85% of its income to grassroots development at County and Club level



37,000

Facebook followers



68,000

Twitter followers



1 MINUTE WITH EAMON DOHERTY

Club: St Eunans Letterkenny

Favourite Position: Centre Half Back

Favourite Pitch:
O'Donnell Park Letterkenny

Hobbies:
Reading, Swimming, Golf (Currently playing off 3 hoping to improve on this)

Childhood hero:
John Haran

Best Player you have played with:
Kevin Rafferty

Best Player you have played against: Jamie Clarke

Best game you have been involved in:
2010 Ulster U21 Final

Best trainer within the squad:
Paddy McGrath

Worst trainer within the squad:
Mark Anthony McGinley

Best motivator within the squad:
Paddy McGrath

Any superstitions:
I wear 2 pair of Socks match day.

Favourite Song:
My Way Frank Sinatra

Favourite Film:
Man on fire

Favourite Holiday Destination:
New York

Favourite Meal:
Fish & Chips

Best advice ever received:
Fake it until you make it

Biggest influence on career:
My Father

Club Volunteer of note:
Adrian Shiels (Lotto Man)

Song you listen to before big games:
McFearless – Kings of Leon

Most important skill:
Kicking

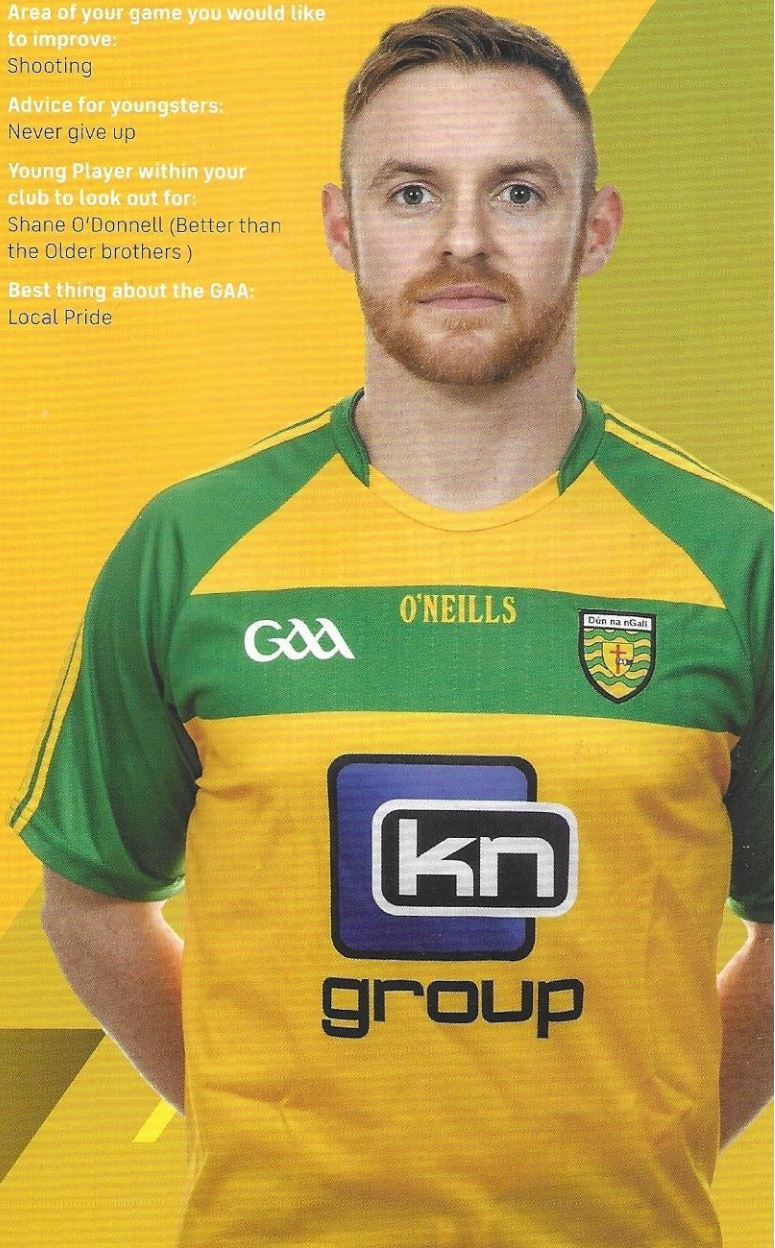
Biggest Strength in your game:
Man Marking

Area of your game you would like to improve:
Shooting

Advice for youngsters:
Never give up

Young Player within your club to look out for:
Shane O'Donnell (Better than the Older brothers)

Best thing about the GAA:
Local Pride





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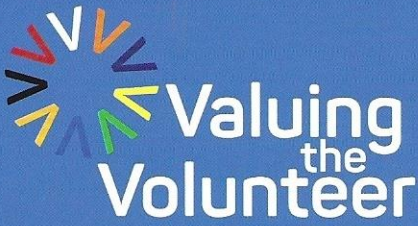
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TOMMY REILLY KINGSCOURT STARS

Over the past 30 years, there have been many iconic images for followers of Cavan GAA; John Brady's gloves, Fintan Cahill's shorts, Damien O'Reilly's point, Jayo's goal and numerous magical days and nights of underage successes in the past decade. Sadly, there have been many more less memorable & glamorous days. But hey, we can't all be from Kerry & Dublin.

However, whether it's the glorious Summer's day in Kingspan Breffni or Clones among 20,000 supporters or the less glamorous environment of Cumann na mBunscoil qualifiers on the 3G in February or an Ulster Junior Club Hurling match qualifier in Cootehill in November in front of just 20, there's generally one constant. Tommy Reilly will invariably be there, getting all the images, good or bad, big or small, on his little camera (usually with Kathleen and her latest book as company!)

Volunteers are very easy to get for the glamour days, not so much for the wet days on the 3G! Tommy is a very unassuming individual who specifically spurns the limelight (Sorry about this Tommy, by the way), and is much more comfortable behind the camera than in front of it. In that, he absolutely fits the volunteer profile that is the cornerstone of the GAA.

He may have his own little box in Kingspan Breffni for the big days that even Ulster Council and RTE know - DO NOT ENTER! However, generally, he's on hills, crates, dugouts, cherry pickers or scaffold in all kinds of weather. A lot of the time with more people on the field than off it.

However, Tommy isn't fussy, if you need him to help out, he'll be there. Like all the volunteers (players included) who give up their time and money to help out the county teams, they also do so at club level, and Tommy is no different. The distant, low hum of a tractor mower whizzing down the roads of Kingscourt is well known around the town, and can only mean one thing, Tommy's on his way to the Park again...

Tommy has also been a member of Kingscourt Stars for nearly 40 years and over that time has been a central part the club, in as much as central can mean firmly in the background. Anyone who has visited O'Raghallaigh Park over the years, especially in the summer, can't help but be impressed with the work of Tommy and his team, the place looks an absolute picture. The KS Star on the Community Centre Bank becoming a particular impressive feature in recent years.

However, Tommy is quite happy to set aside the camera and mower when required to help out club or county in any way. The old adage of getting something done and asking a busy man, would fit Tommy to a tee.

Returning home to Kingscourt this evening, with a victory would be a fitting reward for Tommy. However, if that doesn't come to pass, you can be sure that the pitch will still get cut during the week, and if the hurlers need a challenge match videoed in Ballyconnell, who you gonna call....





1 MINUTE WITH JASON MCLOUGHLIN

Club: Shannon Gaels

Favourite Position: Half Back

Favourite Pitch:

Pairc Gaeil na Sionnaine

Hobbies:

Watching American Football
and playing golf whenever I can

Childhood hero:

Darragh O'Se

Best Player you have played with:

Gearoid McKiernan

Best Player you have played

against: Conor McManus

Best game you have been involved

in: Finish to this year's league game
against Tipperary was a memorable
one

Best trainer within the squad:

There's a few up there but probably
Oisin McKiernan - never misses
training

Worst trainer within the squad:

All of the current squad train hard
or they have Tom/Peter to deal with

Best motivator within the squad:

Dara McVeety

Any superstitions:

Sitting on left side of the bus
going to any away games

Favourite Song:

Avicii - Levels

Favourite Film:

American Gangster

Favourite Holiday Destination:

New York

Favourite Meal:

Chicken Fajitas

Best advice ever received:

Give it to the shooters!

Biggest influence on career:

Parents

Club Volunteer of note:

Anthony Murray & Tommy McManus

**Song you listen to before big
games:**

Nothing in particular; Whatever is
being played in the dressing room

Most important skill:

Kicking

Biggest Strength in your game:

Tackling

Area of your game you would like

to improve: Consistency and staying
off the physio bed

Advice for youngsters:

Believe in your ability and enjoy it

**Young Player within your
club to look out for:**

Caoimhan McGovern

Best thing about the GAA:

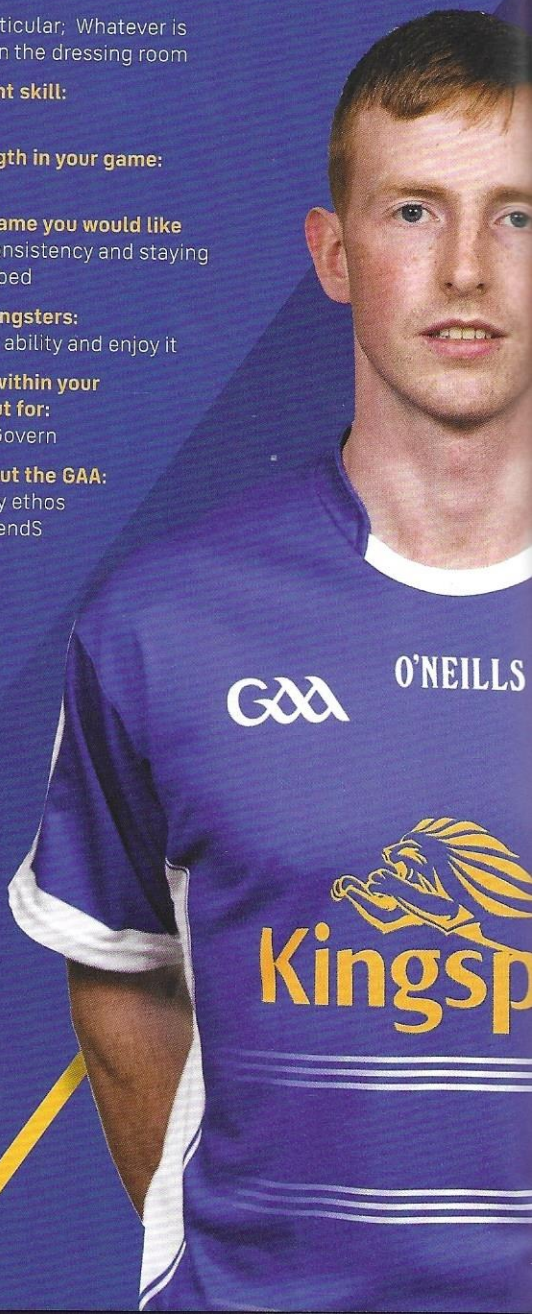
The community ethos
and making friends



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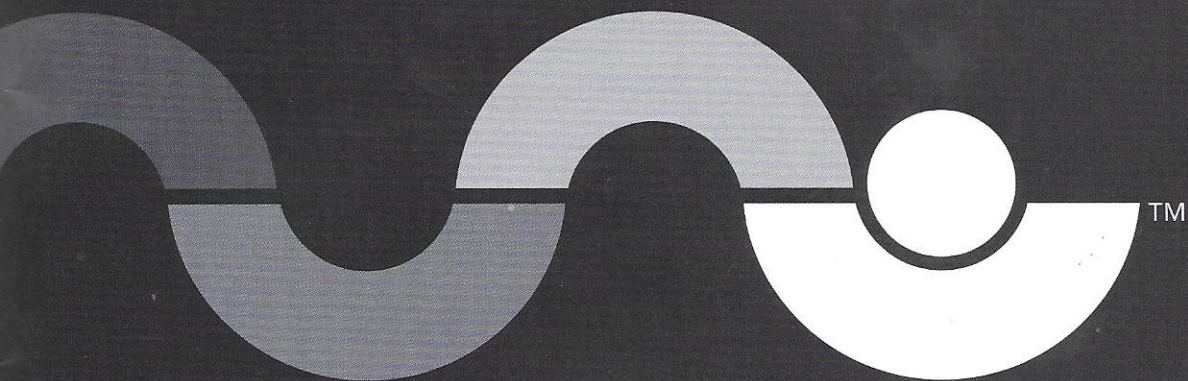


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& Onion**



Tuesday
**Mango
Chicken
Tikka**



Wednesday
**Meat
Feast**



Thursday
**Nacho
Chicken
Salsa**



Friday
**Fiery
Tuna**



Saturday
**Pepperoni
Pizza**



Sunday
**All Day
Breakfast
Mega Melt**





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The Foundation Award is the introductory award for coaches of Gaelic Games. The course is aimed at beginner coaches and will enable participants to assist a coach in the organisation of activities to develop hurling.

THE FOUR MODULES ARE:

- Introduction to Games
- Skill Development
- Movement Skills
- Coaching Children, Youths and Adults

BY THE END OF THIS COURSE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Assist a coach in organising a programme of games and skill development activities appropriate to each participant's needs and abilities
- Identify the skills of hurling
- Assist a coach in organising progressive activities (drills and fun games) to develop five key skills
- Assist a coach in organising progressive activities to develop movement skills appropriate to Gaelic Games
- Assist a coach in organising and managing players for an effective practice session
- Build rapport, observe, analyse, explain, provide demonstration and positive feedback to players.

DATE - 2nd July (6-10pm) & 3rd July (9am-5pm)

VENUE - University of Ulster, Jordanstown

COST - Free (Accommodation & meals provided)

PARTICIPANTS MUST BE OVER 16.

ULSTER FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

FORMAT TO CHANGE FROM 2020

Changes are to be introduced to the Ulster Senior Football Championship from 2020. The Ulster GAA Competitions Control Committee have decided that from that year teams which play in the Preliminary Round will be exempt from playing in the province's opening fixture for two years. The change will mean that just five counties will be included in the Preliminary Round draw for the 2022 Championship and the championships thereafter.

Ulster GAA Provincial Secretary Brian McAvoy explained the rationale for the change saying;

"For many years the draw for the Ulster Championship has been conducted on the basis that all nine counties entered the bowl at the outset and the first two teams drawn played in the Preliminary Round. There was a time when the draw worked on a two-year cycle and there were indeed occasions when a county had to play in the Preliminary Round for four consecutive years."

"In my Annual Report to the Ulster Convention in January I highlighted the fact that Ulster was the only province that operated a 'straight' draw and that each of the other provinces had some 'conditions' attached to their Football Championship Draw.

"This in itself was not a valid reason for change but a close study showed how the Championship draw 'favoured' some counties over others when it came to Preliminary Round appearances. Cavan for example have played in the Preliminary Round on seven occasions since the millennium, while Derry have been drawn to play in it on just two occasions.

"While some may validly argue that this is just the luck of the draw, the statistics paint a picture which shows the teams which contest the Preliminary Round have a very poor record when it comes to actually winning the Ulster title. On only four occasions has a team that played in the Preliminary Round gone on to win the Ulster title; Cavan in 1945, Armagh in 2005 and Donegal in 2011 and 2012."

The decision of the Ulster Competitions Control Committee is not retrospective, so nine counties will be included in the draw for the 2019 Ulster Championship. The two counties which are drawn to play in the Preliminary Round will not feature in the Preliminary Round draw for the 2020 and 2021 Championships. Seven counties will be included in the Preliminary Round draw for the 2021 Championship and from the 2022 draw onwards just five counties will be included in the draw for the Preliminary Round game.

Brian McAvoy said; "It will come as no surprise that counties prefer not to be playing in the Preliminary Round and while some counties will in all probability continue to be 'favoured' by the draw more than others this change will hopefully add some measure of equilibrium to the statistics. While there is no ideal figure a two-year exemption strikes the correct balance as a one-year exemption was unlikely to bring about much meaningful change, while a three-year exemption would result in just three counties being in the Preliminary Round draw and this would significantly increase the prospect of repeat pairings."

YEAR	GAME		WINNER
2018	DONEGAL	V CAVAN	
2017	MONAGHAN	V FERMANAGH	MONAGHAN
2016	FERMANAGH	V ANTRIM	FERMANAGH
2014	TYRONE	V DOWN	DRAW TYRONE
2013	CAVAN	V ARMAGH	CAVAN
2012	CAVAN	V DONEGAL	DONEGAL
2011	DONEGAL	V ANTRIM	DONEGAL
2010	DERRY	V ARMAGH	ARMAGH
2009	FERMANAGH	V DOWN	FERMANAGH
2008	ANTRIM	V CAVAN	CAVAN
2007	CAVAN	V DOWN	DOWN
2006	CAVAN	V DOWN	DOWN
2005	FERMANAGH	V ARMAGH	ARMAGH
2004	TYRONE	V DERRY	TYRONE
2003	MONAGHAN	V ARMAGH	ARMAGH
2002	CAVAN	V DONEGAL	DONEGAL
2001	FERMANAGH	V DONEGAL	DRAW FERMANAGH
2000	FERMANAGH	V MONAGHAN	FERMANAGH

	PLAYED	WON
ANTRIM	3	0
ARMAGH	4	3
CAVAN	6	2
DERRY	2	0
DONEGAL	5	4
DOWN	4	2
FERMANAGH	6	4
MONAGHAN	3	1
TYRONE	3	2

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LOOKING BACK

CAVAN V DONEGAL 1997

The Ulster Championship of 1997 was one of the most competitive provincial championship in recent memory - 11 games in total, three of them replays, with plenty of drama throughout. Donegal scrapped past Antrim in Ballybofey, with goals from Brian Murray and Tony Boyle needed to secure a two-point victory.

Cavan needed a replay to see off the challenge of Fermanagh, with Peter Reilly and Fintan Cahill notching 0-3 each in a 0-14 to 0-11 win.

That brought together the clash of Cavan and Donegal in the first semi-final and the game drew much intrigue, with former Donegal All-Ireland winner Martin McHugh lining up as manager of Cavan. Over 20,000 supporters packed St Tiernach's Park and were treated to a virtuoso performance from Cavan full-forward Ronan Carolan.

The Cuchulainn's clubman weighed in with a personal tally of 1-7, ably assisted by brothers Peter and Larry Reilly who helped themselves to 1-2 and 0-4 respectively. Donegal battled gamely and kept themselves in touch with goals from Tony Boyle and Brian McLaughlin, but it was to prove in vain as Cavan ran out winners by six points.

Donegal's Adrian Sweeney takes on the Cavan defence in the 1997 clash

SEMI-FINAL			
Cavan	2 - 16	2 - 10	Donegal
R Carolan	1-7	1-1	T Boyle
P Reilly	1-2	0-4	M Boyle
L Reilly	0-4	1-0	B McLaughlin
S King	0-1	0-2	B Roper
D Reilly	0-1	0-2	D Bonner
R Cunningham	0-1	0-1	N Hegarty

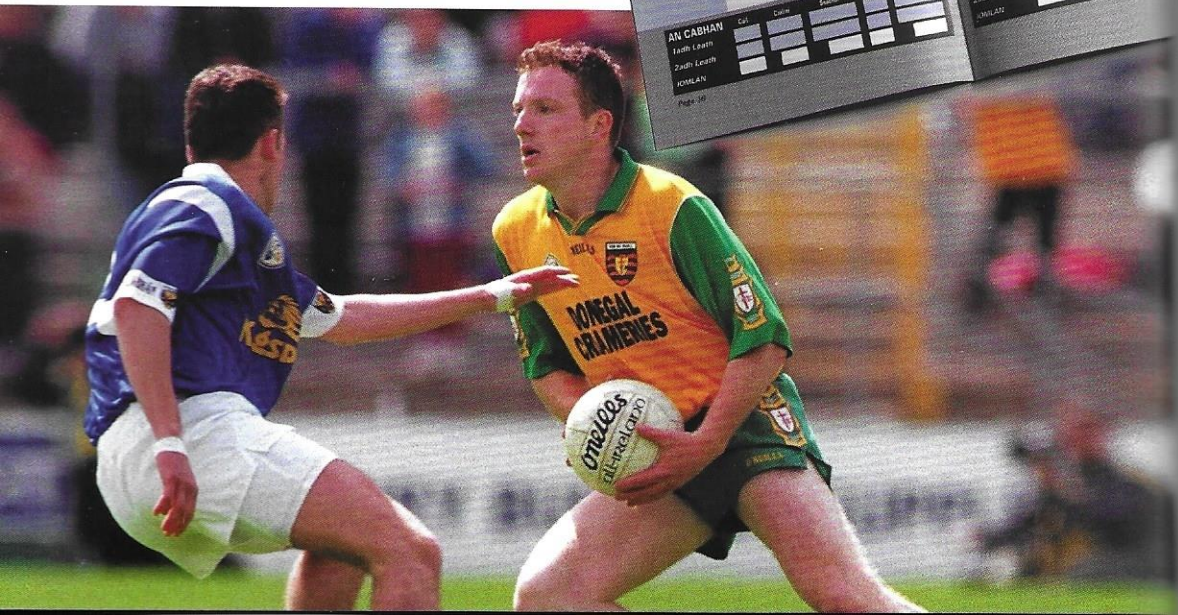
St. Tiernach's Park, Clones
Attendance: 20,493
Referee: J Curran (Tyrone)

AN CABHÁN
Dathanna: Síom agus Blán

- P. O. Duda
- C. Mac Brádaigh
- G. O. Séanaid
- S. Mac an B
- F. O. Cahill
- F. O. Séanaid
- P. O. Séanaid
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DÚN na nGALL
Dathanna: Síom agus Blán

- P. O. Séanaid
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- A. O. Séanaid
- D. O. Séanaid
- K. O. Séanaid





DONEGAL- THE PAST DECADE

2017

USFC QF Donegal 3-19 Antrim 1-09
USFC SF Tyrone 1-21 Donegal 1-12
AIQ R2A Donegal 0-12 Longford 0-07
AIQ R3A Meath 1-14 Donegal 1-15
AIQ R4A Donegal 0-14 Galway 4-17

2016

USFC QF Donegal 2-12 Fermanagh 0-11
USFC SF Monaghan 0-14 Donegal 1-11
USFC SF R Donegal 0-17 Monaghan 2-10
USFC FINAL Tyrone 0-13 Donegal 0-11
AIQ R4B Cork 1-15 Donegal 0-21
AI QF Dublin 1-15 Donegal 1-10

2015

USFC R1 Donegal 1-13 Tyrone 1-10
USFC QF Armagh 0-08 Donegal 2-11
USFC SF Derry 0-10 Donegal 1-09
USFC FINAL Monaghan 0-11 Donegal 0-10
AIQ R4B Donegal 3-12 Galway 0-11
AI QF Mayo 2-13 Donegal 0-11

2014

USFC QF Derry 0-11 Donegal 1-11
USFC SF Donegal 3-16 Antrim 0-12
USFC FINAL Donegal 0-15 Monaghan 1-09
AI QF Donegal 1-12 Armagh 1-11
AI SF Donegal 3-14 Dublin 0-17
AI FINAL Kerry 2-09 Donegal 0-12

2013

USFC QF Donegal 2-10 Tyrone 0-10
USFC SF Donegal 0-12 Down 0-09
USFC FINAL Monaghan 0-13 Donegal 0-07
AIQ R4 Laois 0-08 Donegal 0-14
AI QF Mayo 4-17 Donegal 1-10

2012

USFC R1 Cavan 1-10 Donegal 1-16
USFC QF Donegal 2-13 Derry 0-09
USFC SF Donegal 0-12 Tyrone 0-10
USFC FINAL Donegal 2-18 Down 0-13
AI QF Donegal 1-12 Kerry 1-10
AI SF Donegal 0-16 Cork 1-11
AI FINAL Donegal 2-11 Mayo 0-13

2011

USFC R1 Donegal 1-10 Antrim 0-07
USFC QF Cavan 1-08 Donegal 2-14
USFC SF Donegal 2-06 Tyrone 0-09
USFC FINAL Donegal 1-11 Derry 0-08
AI QF Donegal 1-12 Kildare 0-14 AET
AI SF Dublin 0-08 Donegal 0-06

2010

USFC QF Donegal 2-10 Down 1-15
AIQ R1 Armagh 2-14 Donegal 0-11

2009

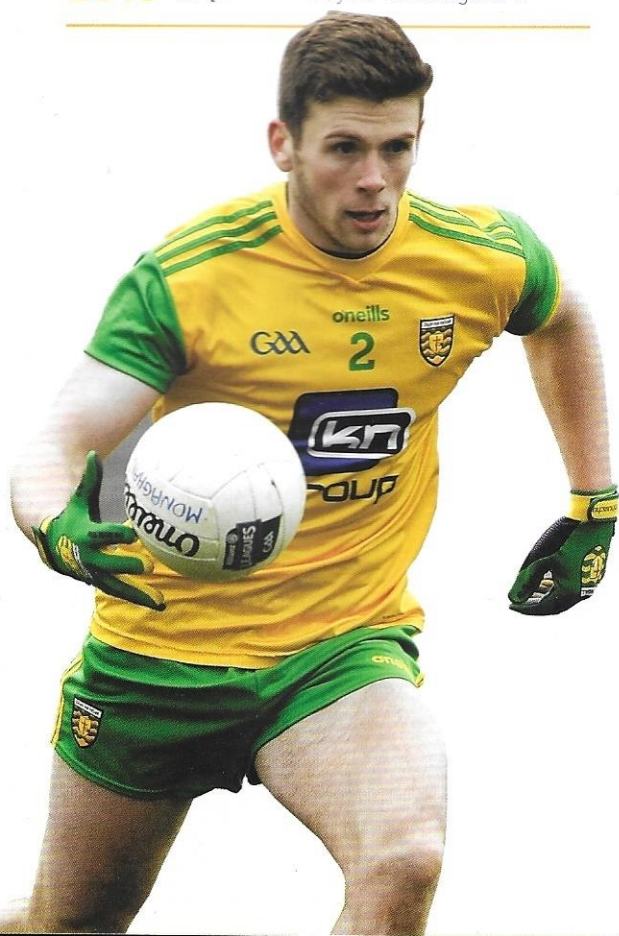
USFC QF Antrim 1-10 Donegal 0-12
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AIQ R2 Donegal 0-13 Clare 1-07
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AIQ R4 Donegal 0-14 Galway 0-13
AI QF Cork 1-27 Donegal 2-10

2008

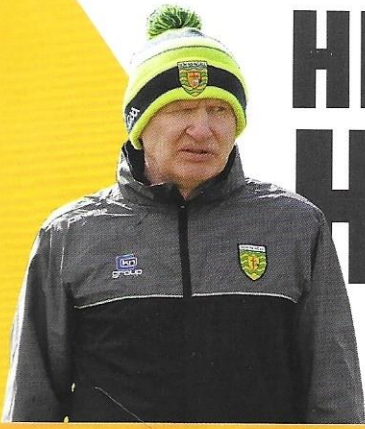
USFC QF Donegal 1-12 Derry 1-14
AIQ R1 Donegal 3-11 Roscommon 1-09
AIQ R2 Donegal 0-15 Monaghan 0-16

2007

USFC QF Donegal 1-09 Armagh 1-08
USFC SF Tyrone 2-15 Donegal 1-07
AIQ R1 Leitrim 1-12 Donegal 1-14 AET
AIQ R2 Westmeath 1-08 Donegal 1-13
AIQ R3 Monaghan 2-12 Donegal 1-07



HEAD TO HEAD



DECLAN BONNER
DONEGAL SENIOR FOOTBALL TEAM MANAGER

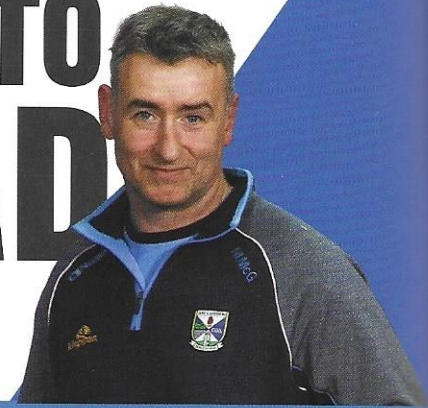
It's a tremendous honour for me to manage Donegal in the Ulster Senior Football Championship once again. Our players and support staff have put in a tremendous effort over the past six months with today in mind and we fully intend to leave it all out there on the pitch. We were, of course, disappointed to have been relegated from Division 1 this spring, but we took some great learning from the league campaign. There were elements of our performance that we were pleased with and elements that we were less happy with and have been working on since to address.

We also used the league to give game time to a lot of young players - 37 players in all played in the competition - something that we're confident will stand to them in Championship 2018 and beyond. The relationship between Donegal and Cavan is a long-standing one. I recall lots of hard battles with them from my own playing days, and I have particularly fond memories of the summer of '92 when a hard fought draw in Breffni Park sent us on the way to All-Ireland success. I also recall our win over Cavan, the then reigning Ulster champions, in 1998 when I was in my first stint as senior manager.

After their impressive promotion from Division 2 of the league, Cavan and their supporters will bring great noise, colour and intensity to Mac Cumhaill Park today, and while I can't exactly wish them well I do expect they'll contribute handsomely to another fantastic Ulster Championship occasion.

From our own perspective, I would like to thank the players for all the commitment and effort they have shown to Donegal football to date. I also appreciate the support from our team mentors, backroom staff, medical personnel, county board and our sponsors, KN Group and The Abbey Hotel. Preparing a county team these days is vastly different from it was 20 years ago and a huge collective effort from everyone involved is required to have us at our best.

And finally, I want to thank our wonderful supporters for all their support: we are proud to represent you. Dún na nGall abú.



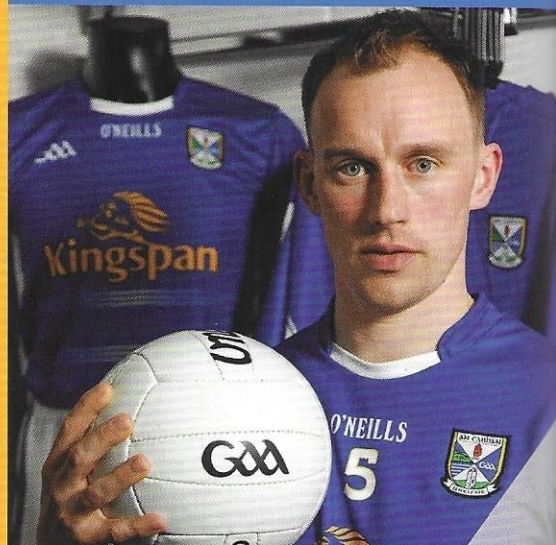
MATTHEW MCGLEENAN
CAVAN SENIOR FOOTBALL TEAM MANAGER

It's a great honour for me to be managing this Cavan team in today's Ulster Championship clash against Donegal. We are delighted with our promotion back to Division 1 of the Allianz Football League for the 2019 season and we hope that those experiences will stand to us today.

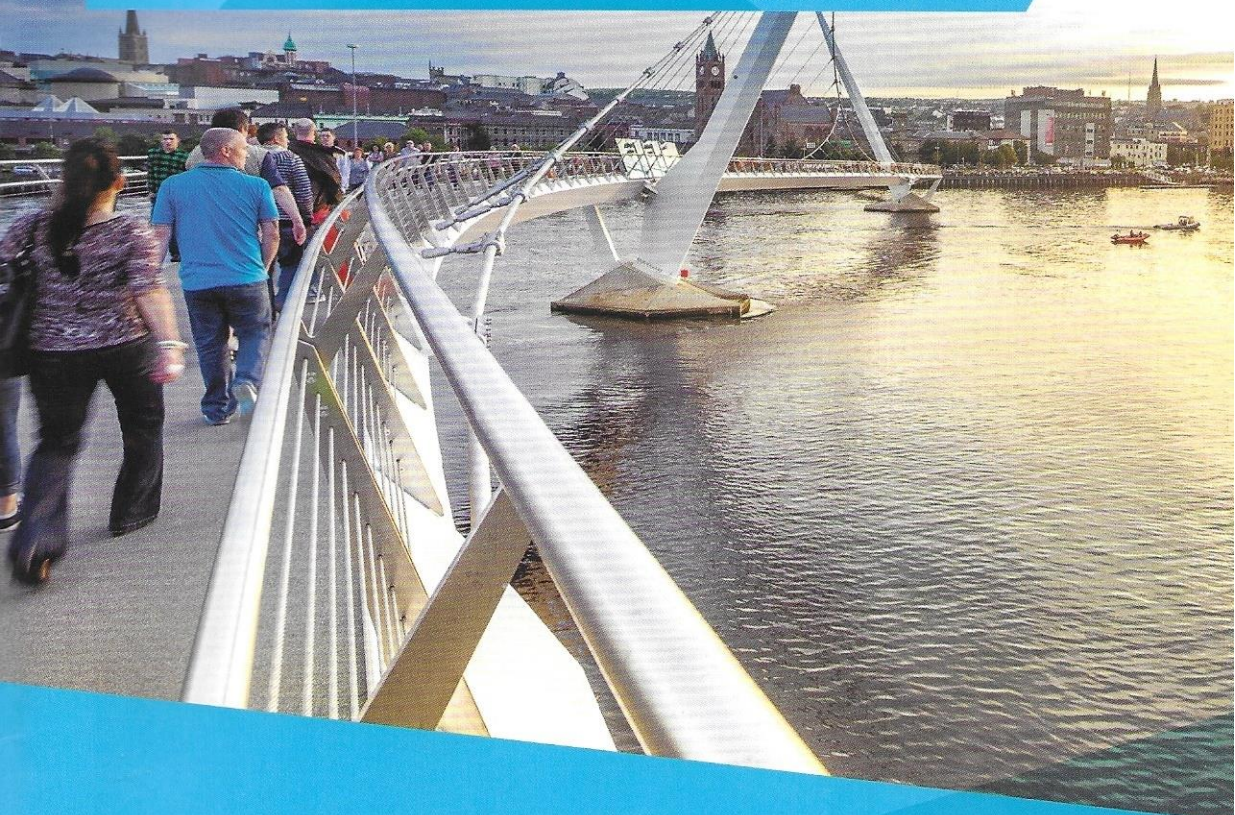
I want to thank the entire panel of players and backroom team for their belief and trust in each other, their application and dedication to the team, since the start of the season. A special word of thanks to our Chairman Gerry Brady and Cavan County Board for the outstanding support and encouragement of all the Cavan teams.

I want to thank Gene Murtagh and Kingspan for their continual support of Cavan GAA.

Finally, I want to wish our supporters safe traveling today. We know you will make your voices heard once again and we hope we can give you a performance to be proud of.



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ULSTER SCHOOLS

BAILIEBOROUGH COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Bailieborough Community School was formed in 1981 from the amalgamation of Bailieborough Vocational School and Lourdesville Secondary School. Teams from the school draw from the surrounding GAA clubs; Bailieborough Shamrocks, Knockbride, Shercock, Killinkere, Laragh United, Kingscourt Stars and Cuchullains from Cavan; with Moynalty and Kilmainhamwood from our "dear rivals" from Co. Meath.

The school has enjoyed varied periods of success over the years, and have helped to nurture many talents who have gone on to wear the blue of Cavan with distinction.

When Cavan reached the Ulster final in 1995 after an absence of 12 years, there were four former BCS students on the field, Paul O'Dowd, Peter Reilly, Adrian Lambe and Gerry Sheridan. Also at corner-forward that day was John Brady, Laragh United clubman and current staff member and GAA coach.

Two years later, when Cavan regained the Anglo-Celt Cup for the first time since 1969, Peter Reilly,

Gerry Sheridan and Paul O'Dowd were joined on the panel by Peter's brothers, Michael and Larry, the latter being arguably Cavan's best forward of the last 30 years.

Other BCS alumni who progressed to the senior team included Raphael Rogers, Brian Sankey, Michael Argue, Conor Gilsenan and Alan Clarke from Kingscourt, who captained the team for a period of time.

At underage, the school, along with the clubs, have helped provided a steady stream of talent to Cavan underage teams. In more recent times, Brian Sankey, Michael Argue and Billy O'Mara were on the minor team in 2011 that bridged a 37-year gap between titles. Also, Cavan's four in a row of under 21 titles from 2011-14 was assisted by BCS alumni who included Alan O'Mara, Conor Gilsenan, Brian Sankey, Michael Argue, Conor Tierney, Shane Gray and Barry Tully.

Bailieborough Community School have had many successes at county vocational school level, although an Ulster title for the boys' teams

has remained elusive. Highlights over the years have included a very successful period in the mid 90s, and also a three in a row of U14 from 2002 to 2004. In recent times, the school won the senior Cavan title in 2015, going on to lose in the Ulster semi-final in a replay. U14 and U16 titles followed last year, with the U14s losing the Gerry Brown semi-final at Ulster level. This year's U16 team also won a Cavan title and again fell at the penultimate stage. The ladies did bring home Ulster silverware with an U14 title in 2013.

As a school, we have welcomed the move from Vocational to Post-Primary competition, and we relish the challenges that are to come.

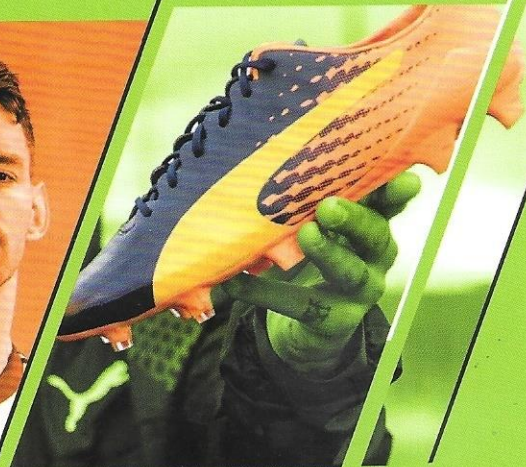
The very best of luck to the Cavan senior team today.



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