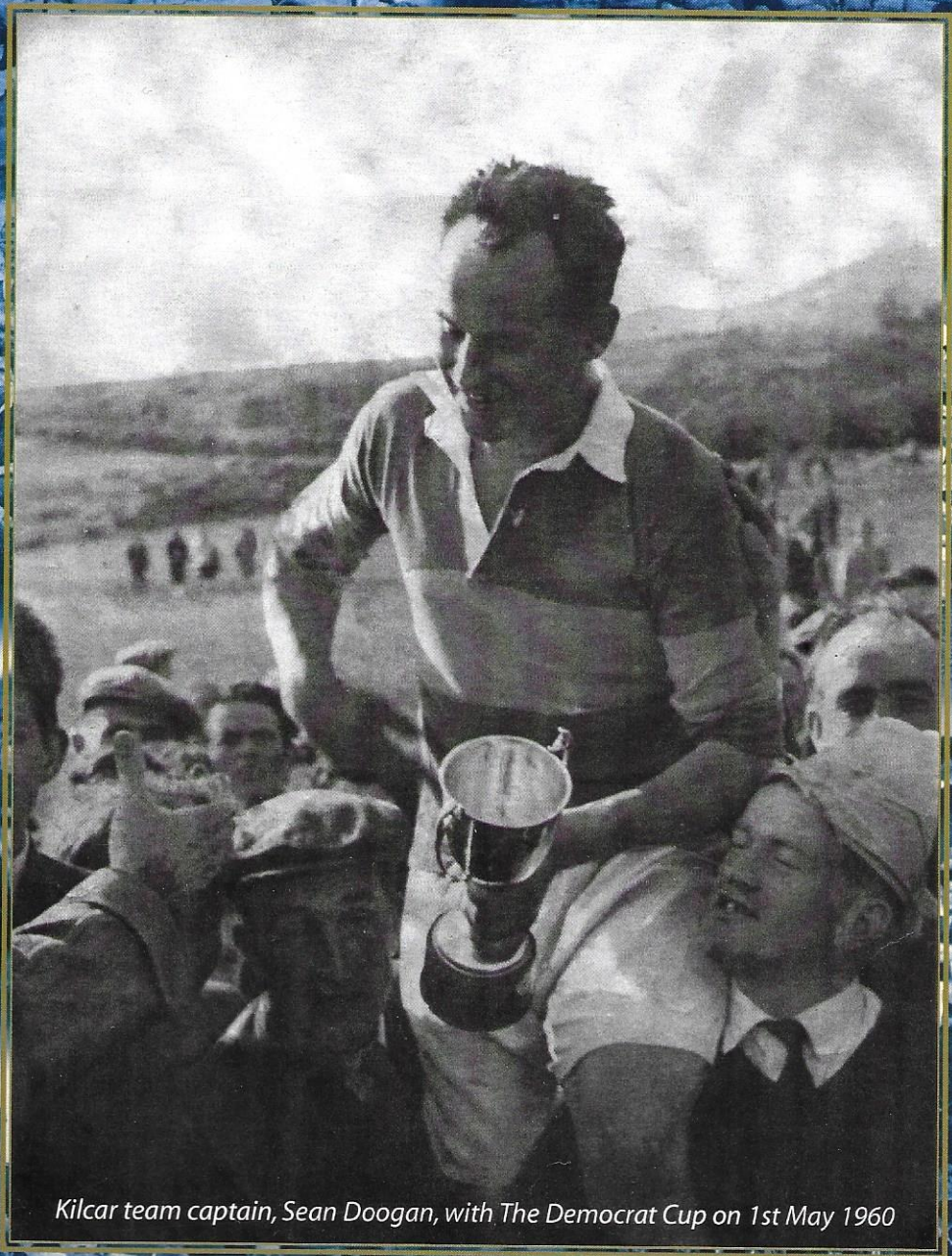




C.L.G. Chill Chartha 1959 – 1960



Nár léigh mé féin é ins na páipéir



Kilcar team captain, Sean Doogan, with The Democrat Cup on 1st May 1960

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Lest we forget

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1959

Donegal Democrat Fri. 30th Jan. 1959. The Donegal GAA County Convention was held on Sunday 25th January and despite snow covered, frost-bound roads, over 130 delegates attended the 54th Convention in Jackson's Hotel, Ballybofey. With the Board showing a profit of £36-19s on the "workings" of 1956, there were 134 nominations for positions and twenty six motions on the clár. Outgoing chairman, Frank Muldoon, predicted a historic year for Donegal in 1959. "Given a little luck, it was possible to emulate the achievements of neighbours Derry" he said.

The following Officers were elected:

President:	Rev. J. McGettigan, C.C., Cnoc Fola, Gweedore.
Chairman:	Jim Mc Glynn, Letterkenny
Secretary:	Hugh Daly, Ballyshannon.
Ass. Secretary:	Rev. Bro. Raphael, Ballyshannon.
Treasurer:	Daniel Boyle, Glenties.
Registrar:	Rev. Bro. Raphael, Ballyshannon.
Team manager:	Jim Mc Glynn, Letterkenny.
Delegates to Ulster Council:	Seán Ó Cinnéide, Dungloe, Harry Carey, Lifford
Delegate to Central Council:	Seán Ó Cinnéide, Dungloe.
Ulster Convention Delegates:	John Wilson, Frank Brennan, John McDermott, Frank Muldoon, Conal Ferry, Hugh Daly.
National Congress Delegates:	B. Griffen, Simon Boyd, John Wilson, John McDermott, Danny Boyle, Frank Muldoon.
Referee's Council:	John McDermott, David Brennan, Seán Ó Cinnéide, John Wilson, Peadar McGeehan, Frank Muldoon.
Ulster Council President Nomination:	F. O'Neill, Coalisland,
Ulster Council Treasurer Nomination:	Harry Carey.

A motion was unanimously adopted recommending that the Central Council terminate the suspension of the Gweedore club, its officials and players by the County Board in August last. E. Gallagher said that as a result of the suspension the club had been unable to take part in last year's championship final. J. Kelly, Falcarragh seconded the motion.



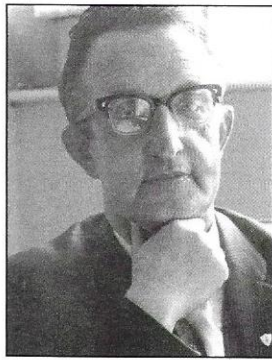
Jim Mc Glynn, Letterkenny, Chairman

Donegal County Board Chairman 1959

St. Eunan's Club chairman, Eastern Divisional Chairman and a referee

Captain of St. Eunan's, winners of the Donegal Senior football championship in 1948

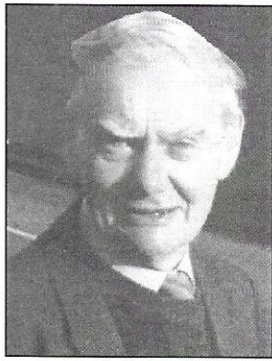
Captain of the County Donegal Junior Hurling team, Ulster Champions 1947 & 1948



Hugh Daly, Ballyshannon, Secretary

Born in Corlea, on the Donegal/Fermanagh border in 1916, he was 57 when he passed away on Saturday 5th May 1973 in The Rock Hospital, Ballyshannon. He made a remarkable contribution to the GAA at Local, County, Provincial and National level.

He served as treasurer with Aodh Ruadh GAA Club, Ballyshannon from 1954 to 1972 and as County Secretary with Donegal GAA for 23 years, from 1951 to 1973. As an administrator, sports journalist and communicator he had few equals and his notices to players informing them of their selection on county teams are now much cherished documents. Ní bheidh a leithid ann arís.



Danny Boyle, Glenties, Treasurer

Donegal County Board treasurer 1959 - 1965

1959 - South-West Divisional Board

Chairman: David Brennan, Glenties
 Vice-Chairman: Seán Ó hAoidhne, Glencolmille
 Secretary, Treasurer: Sergt. Patrick Gill

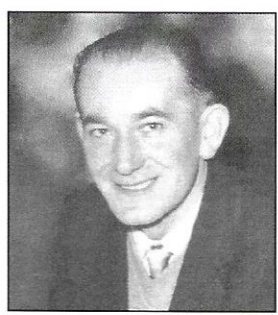
20th Feb. 1959 The Derry Journal. At a meeting of The County Board a long discussion took place regarding the fixing of the Divisions for the 1959 Senior Co. League. It was decided, on a vote, that St. Eunan's, Donegal Town, Ballyshannon and Mac Cumhaill's would form one Division and Dungloe, Kilcar and Dunkineely

the other. S.J. Boyle, Convooy, said that his club would most likely enter but that he could not give an absolute guarantee of that. Further discussion on the matter was left over to the next meeting.

20th Feb. 1959 The Derry Journal. A meeting of the South-West Board took place in The Courthouse, Ardara. In attendance from Kilcar were: Benny Boyle, Michael Erskine, M. Mc Shane, B. Haughey, H. Byrne and Michael McGinley. The chairman intimated that at a County Board meeting that Dungloe, Kilcar and Dunkineely signified their intention to participate in the County League but that a good case had been made by Mr. David Brennan that the St. Connell's Cup be played as a section of the League. If the County Board would agree to this, Ardara and Glenties would be prepared to join Dungloe, Kilcar and Dunkineely.

20th February 1959. The Derry Journal. At the Annual Meeting of the Kilcar G.A.A. Club the following officers were unanimously elected for the coming year:

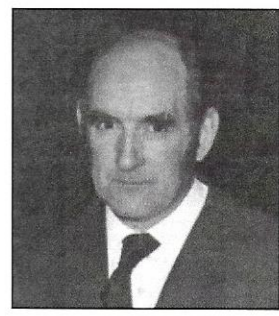
- Chairman: Frank Gillespie
- Secretary: Michael Erskine
- Treasurer: Proinsias Carr
- Committee members: Packie Haughey, Mickey Haughey, Mickey Cannon, Sean Boyle, Paddy Mc Shane, Michael McGinley, Donal Boyle, Joseph Boyle, Charlie Mc Devitt, Brendan McShane, Sean Doogan.
- Captain: Francis O'Donnell, N.T.
- Vice-Captain: Sean Doogan
- Team manager: Frank Gillespie.



Secretary: Michael Erskine.



Chairman: Frank Gillespie



Treasurer: Proinsias Carr



1st March 1959.

A trial game was played in Towney.

Seán Doogan's team defeated Frank O'Donnell's team by 1-07 to 1-03.

(A) **Frank O'Donnell**, Paddy O'Donnell, Cathal McLaughlin, Connie Cunningham, Leo Murray, Connie Cunningham, Charlie Cannon, Mickey Cannon, Donal Boyle, Joseph Boyle, Pat Byrne.

(B) **Sean Doogan**, Aiden O'Donnell, Jimmy Doogan, Packie Haughey, Seamus McNulty, Mickey Haughey, Proinsias Carr, Harry Phillips, Frank Gillespie, John Cannon, Paddy O'Donnell, Sean Boyle, James Ward, Donal McNulty, Sean Brady.

The Derry Journal Fri 20th March 1959.

Dunkineely take (1958) St. Connell Cup.

Kilcar made them fight all the way. Dunkineely 2-2 Kilcar 1-3.

(Report Number 1)

The Derry Journal Tue. 10th March 1959.

Ulster Flops in Railway Cup Semi-Final.

The Ulster football team, containing six of Derry's provincial winning side, crashed to ignominious defeat against the outsiders, Munster, at Tralee on Sunday before an attendance of 10,000 in the Railway Cup semi-final. (Michael Ronaghan, Letterkenny was the only Donegal player on the team) Ulster did not compete in the hurling.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 3rd April 1959.

Minor Trial At Ardara.

A divisional minor trial, held in Ardara, ended in a draw after the Ardara-Kilcar combination had most of the hour only to see a Glenties-Dungloe fifteen score a quick goal and point in the last minutes. Ardara/Kilcar: Packie Haughey (Kilcar), J.A. Mc Gill (Ardara), John Gavigan (Ardara), Conal Maguire (Ardara), Patsy O'Donnell (Dunkineely), John Herron (Ardara), Josie Gillespie (Kilcar), John McHugh (Ardara), J. Maloney (Kilcar), Michael Keeney (Ardara), Jimmy McGill (Ardara), J. Sweeney (Kilcar), Myles McHugh (Ardara), Sean Boyle (Kilcar).

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 3rd April 1959.

County Junior and Minor trials were held in Ballybofey on Easter Sunday 29th March. Kilcar players attending were: Juniors: Cathal McLaughlin, Paddy O'Donnell, and Sean Doogan. Minors: Mickey Haughey, Sean O'Donnell and Leo Murray.

The Derry Journal Friday 3rd April 1959.

Donegal Juniors Out of Championship.

Although they held an interval lead of one point – 2-1 to 1-3 – Donegal failed to last the pace in the second half of their Ulster Junior football championship game with Fermanagh at Irvinstown on Sunday, and sustained a 4-8 to 2-4 defeat. Charlie Brady, Dunkineely, was corner forward on the team.

The Donegal Democrat Friday 10th April 1959.

Fermanagh Through To Ulster Semi-Final.

With a 4-9 to 2-4 victory over Donegal at St. Molaise Park, Irvinstown, on Sunday, Fermanagh have qualified for the Ulster Junior football championship against Armagh at Armagh on Sunday week. Charlie Brady, Dunkineely, played at corner forward.

(Note: Fermanagh later defeated Kerry in the All Ireland Junior Final by 1-13 to 2-3).

The Peoples Press Sat 25th April 1959

Kilcar's comfortable victory.

Kilcar 3-7 Ardara 1-5.

Kilcar took the first step forward in this season's competition in the first round of the St. Connell's Cup and County Donegal Senior Football League at Towney Gaelic Park on Sunday when they had a comfortable victory over Ardara.

(Report Number 2)

The Derry Journal Tue, 28th April 1959.

Donegal K.O'd by Down.

Defensive Collapse Killed Tirconail's Chances.

Donegal 0-11 Down 1-9.

The final minutes of this Dr. McKenna Cup tie at Sean Mac Cumhaill Park, Ballybofey, were nerve-wrecking ones for the Donegal fans, and bitterly disappointing ones too, for they witnessed the final hairline defeat of a side which looked practically assured of a satisfying, if narrow victory, at almost every stage of the game.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 1st May 1959.

A meeting of Donegal Board GAA took place in The Butt Hall, on Sunday evening last, with Mr Jim Mc Glynn, Chairman, Letterkenny, presiding. The secretary, Mr Hugh Daly, read a letter from Central Council intimating that the re-instatement of Gweedore senior club would take effect from May 1st.

The Peoples Press Sat. 5th May 1959.

First Senior Game At Rosses Park.

The Rosses GAA Park, Dungloe housed its first senior football game when Dungloe defeated Kilcar by 2-5 to 1-7 in the St. Connell Cup Competition. Big Frank O'Donnell was the first scorer on the new field.

(Report Number 3)

The Peoples Press Sat. 16th May 1959.

Inniskeel Cup game drawn.

The Ardara v Kilcar, Inniskeel Cup game, played at Towney park, Kilcar, could well be described as "a game of two halves" as Ardara did all the scoring in the first half, while the homesters had all their scores in the second moiety with the exception of a solitary point scored, by Josie Gillespie, in the opening minutes of the game. Kilcar 1-9 Ardara 3-3.

(Report Number 4)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 22nd May 1959.

Kilcar's Comfortable Home Victory.

Kilcar advanced another step in the St. Connell's Cup and



"Democrat Cup" game at their home venue, Towney Gaelic Park, Kilcar, on Sunday when they had a comfortable victory over Dunkineely. Kilcar 3-10 Dunkineely 0-8.

(Report Number 5)

The Donegal Democrat Fri 22nd May 1959.

Big list of Games in Donegal.

Democrat Cup, Senior County Football League, games are to be played shortly:

At Ballyshannon, Ballyshannon v St. Eunan's. At Donegal: Donegal v Mac Cumhailles.

At Dunkineely: Dunkineely v Dungloe.

At Glenties: Glenties v Kilcar at 4.00pm with Michael Erskine as referee.

The Peoples Press Sat. 30th May 1959.

Kilcar beat Glenties.

Kilcar snatched a hard-won victory at Gaelic Park, Glenties on Sunday last in the St. Connell's Cup (Senior Football League) by 1-8 to 1-5.

(Report Number 6)

The Donegal Democrat Friday 5th June 1959.

Played in continuous rain, and on a pitch which even the referee was unable to hold his feet, due to its slippery nature Donegal bested Tyrone by one point, 2-8 to 2-7, in a challenge game played at O'Neill Park, Dungannon on Sunday evening.

The Derry Journal Fri 3rd June 1959. The St. Connell Cup League Table is as follows

	P	W	L	D	Pts
Dungloe	5	3	1	1	7
Kilcar	4	3	0	1	6
Glenties	5	3	0	2	6
Ardara	4	1	0	3	2
Dunkineely	4	0	1	3	1

The Donegal Democrat Friday 12th June 1959.

Donegal flopped badly against Cavan.

Leading by 1-6 to 0-1 at half-time, Cavan defeated Donegal 2-9 to 0-4 in the first round of the Ulster Senior football Championship at Sean Mac Cumhail Park, Ballybofey, on Sunday.

The Donegal Democrat Friday 12th June 1959.

Another milestone in the impressive record of the GAA was marked at Croke Park on Sunday when the new double-tier Hogan Stand with a seating capacity of 16,000 was declared officially open by Dr. J. J. Stuart, president of the Association.

The Peoples Press Sat. 20th June 1959.

Kilcar Defeat Dunkineely.

Kilcar 0-6 Dunkineely 0-3.

Kilcar took the first step forward in the Donegal Senior Championship (Dr. Maguire Cup) at Towney Park, Kilcar, on Sunday when they had a hard fought but well earned victory over Dunkineely.

(Report Number 7)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 26th June 1959.

The Donegal (minor) team to do duty on Sunday was selected on Sunday evening following a county trial at Glenties.

Listed as subs were Mickey Haughey, Kilcar, Patsy O'Donnell, Dunkineely, Sean O'Donnell, Kilcar. Others who were highly rated (following the trial) were Leo Murray, Éamon Cunningham and Aodhan Hegarty. (Kilcar)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 26th June 1959.

Kilcar progress in Championship.

Before a good attendance and in ideal weather conditions, Kilcar, somewhat below full strength, defeated Glenties by 1-7 to 0-6 in the first round of the senior football championship at Glenties on Sunday.

(Report Number 8)

The Donegal Democrat 10th July 1959.

Donegal minors fail in Ulster Semi-Final.

Cavan minors made goal scoring look easy at Castleblaney on Sunday where they defeated Donegal 6-7 to 1-9 in the semi-final of the Ulster minor championship after holding an interval lead of 4-3 to 0-7. Mickey Haughey took over in goal for Donegal just before half-time. Subs not used: Patsy O'Donnell, Dunkineely, Sean O'Donnell, Kilcar.

The Peoples Press Sat. 11th July 1959.

Kilcar continue Their Winning Sequence.

Kilcar continued their winning sequence in the Donegal Football Championship (Dr. Maguire Cup) at the home venue, Towney Gaelic Park, Kilcar, on Sunday when they had a hard fought, but deserving, victory over Ardara. Kilcar 2-6 Ardara 2-3.

(Report Number 9)

The Peoples Press Sat 18th July 1959.

Ardara no match for Kilcar.

Before a good attendance, in ideal conditions, a well-balanced Kilcar fifteen registered their first Minor Championship victory over Ardara at Pearse Park Ardara. Both teams fielded at full strength and with a good sprinkling of Secondary School boys on view a good encounter resulted in a well-earned victory for the visitors. Kilcar 0-8 Ardara 0-2.

(Report Number 10)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 24th July 1959.

Donegal Hurlers Swamped At Belfast.

Antrim scored decisive victories over Donegal in the Junior and Minor Provincial hurling finals, played in fine weather, at Belfast, on Sunday. In the junior game Antrim scored 8-7 to Donegal's 2-2 and in the minor game, Antrim's score was 12-6 to Donegal's 0-2.

The Derry Journal Fri. 31st July 1959.

Kilcar Hold Champions To Exciting Draw.

Both Kilcar and Dungloe maintained their unbeaten records at Páirc na Rosann when they played a drawn game on Sunday week in the senior county football



championship. The teams provided an hour's hard football and at the end, the scores stood even – Dungloe 1-7:Kilcar 2-4.

(Report Number 11)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 31st July 1959.

Kilcar minors convincing win over Ardara.

Kilcar registered a convincing victory over Ardara at Towney Gaelic Park, Kilcar, in the County minor football championship with scores at: Kilcar 3-9 Ardara 1-4.

(Report Number 12)

The Peoples Press Sat 8th Aug 1959.

County Champions beaten by Kilcar in South-West Senior final.

Dungloe, the 1957 and 1958 County Senior Football Champions were defeated in a thrilling, tense game by Kilcar at The Gaelic Park, Glenties on Sunday last. The game lived up to expectations and the result, which was a very fair indication of the worth of both teams, came as a surprise to almost everyone who witnessed the game in a nasty drizzle and unpleasant conditions. Kilcar 2-7 Dungloe 1-3.

(Report Number 13)

The Peoples Press Sat 15th Aug. 1959

South-West Divisional Minor Final.

Dungloe 2-6 Kilcar 1-6.

Before a good attendance, Dungloe had some recompense for the defeat of their seniors by gaining a hard-won victory in the Minor Final, which provided

excellent fare under very trying conditions. Absent from the Kilcar team were Leo Murray and Aodhan Hegarty, two outstanding players in the championship. (Due to the death of Aodhan Hegarty's mother)

(Report Number 14)

The Derry People Sat 15th Aug. 1959

The most interesting game of the week seems to be the clash of Kilcar and Donegal Town at Glenties, Kilcar following their triumph over champions and favourites for the title, Dungloe have been spoken of as the likely top team of 1959. They are enthusiastic, fit and keen, and have prepared for this quarter-final as for their divisional play-off. "Big" Frank O'Donnell has been the South-Westerners big man in victory. At full-forward, with his height and ability to stand solid on the goalmouth, a lob makes him a danger for any full-back

The Derry People Sat 15th Aug. 1959

The Kilcar juvenile team captured the Cup presented by the Carrick Carnival Committee for the winners of the GAA inter-schools competition.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 21st Aug. 1959

Beautiful weather, coupled with the unique pairing, brought a large attendance of spectators to Gaelic Grounds, Glenties for this senior football championship quarter-final when Kilcar, with a 1-6 to 1-2 win over Four Masters, qualified for a semi-final against Gweedore at the same venue on Sunday.

(Report Number 15)



1959 Divisional winners - August 1959

Front Row: L to R: Leo McLaughlin, Mickey Haughey, Sean Doogan, Packie Haughie, Cathal McLaughlin, Jimmy Cunningham, Frank Gillespie, John James Lyons.

Back Row: L to R: Frank O'Donnell, Aodh O'Donnell, Jimmy Doogan, Aiden O'Donnell, Seamus McNulty, James Ward, Paddy O'Donnell, Eamonn Browne, Michael Erskine.



The Derry Journal 21st Aug. 1959

A very successful Juvenile Sports was held at Carrick. In the final of the Tug-O-War Coughish School defeated Teelin. Their team was: Seamus Byrne, Seamus Gallagher, Seamus Gillespie, Sean Cunningham, Sean O'Donnell, Sean Campbell, Sean McGinley, Joseph McGinley, Seamus Cunningham. In the Baby Show Hugh Clerkin, Kilcar came second in the boys section and Carol A. Cunningham; Bavin came second in the girls section

The Derry Journal 21st Aug. 1959

A Seven-a-side Football Tournament will be held at Gaelic Park, Carrick, for "7 All Ireland tickets" on Sunday 30th August, starting time 2.30p.m.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 28th Aug. 1959

Two goals in arrears at half-time, in a game that thrilled to the marrow at many periods, Kilcar put in a tremendous second-half performance to defeat Gweedore by 1-8 to 2-4 in the Senior Football Championship played in Glenties. This senior county championship semi-final will go down in the annals of Donegal Gaeldom as one of the finest ever fought out at any centre for sheer enjoyment and excitement.

(Report Number 16)

(Note: Aidan O'Donnell collapsed, from exhaustion, after the final whistle, and was brought to The Highlands Hotel, upstairs where the team had togged out, where he was given a drink of hot ginger wine. "I handed him the glass but it slipped through his fingers but I caught it before it hit the floor and gave it back to him to drink" says Charlie Mc Devitt. Aiden made a full recovery)

The Donegal Democrat Fri 28th Aug. 1959

Attendance record for a county semi-final went by the boards at Glenties on Sunday where the Kilcar-Gweedore game and the Juvenile final (St. Eunan's 3-5 Gweedore 1-5) drew a crowd representing a "gate" of £200, the highest ever for this stage of the competition.

The Donegal Democrat Fri 28th Aug. 1959

At a Donegal County Board meeting held on Sunday evening in the Town Hall, Glenties, the fixing of the venue for the County championship football final between Mac Cumhaill's and Kilcar proved a most contentious matter. Mac Cumhaill's proposed Sunday 30th August and Kilcar proposed Sunday 6th. By a vote of 17 to 14, the meeting decided that the final should be played on August 30th. Michael Erskine said that Kilcar could not field a team on the following Sunday and it would be impossible to do so. Mac Cumhaill's then agreed to a change of date but the chairman said that a decision had been taken by the Board.

The venue was also decided on a vote 23 for Glenties and 19 for Donegal Town.

Then Mr. Murphy, MacCumhaill's proposed that the date and venue be changed and this was supported by Mr. Feely.

The chairman said that a two-thirds majority would be required to rescind the decision taken under Rule 60.

On a vote of 34 for and 7 against it was decided that the

final be played in Donegal Town on 6th September. Charles Brady, Dunkineely, was transferred from Dunkineely to Urney, Co. Tyrone.

The Derry People Sat 29th Aug. 1959

What an absurd Co. Board meeting!

Mac Cumhaill's size up Kilcar.

The County Board, in a farcical assembly at Glenties, decided to defer the senior final to Sunday week. But principle talk in Gaelic circles still hinges on the senior game of Sunday last in which Gweedore were ousted by the narrowest of margins. No one is sorry to see newcomers Kilcar in a county final....yet Gweedore, on top so much at the close of the first half and raiding so strongly late in the game, must be considered unlucky not to have earned a draw. The Hughie McFadden ball that banged off the crossbar had everyone beaten and there were chances for points that would normally have been taken. It was a game to see again. Mac Cumhaill's had a string of men at Sunday's semi-final to look over the opposition for the county final. This Kilcar team is so refreshingly enthusiastic – their spirit failed to be dampened even by the loss of full-forward Frank O'Donnell. They play a hardworking style of play with few thrills. Everyone on the team is willing to play his utmost and that is the kind of approach that will win a championship.

The Derry People Sat. Sept 5th. 1959

Kilcar and Mac Cumhaill's in Senior County Final.

On Sunday at Donegal Town there is the most important game of inter-club activities in the county. And this year's final is between two teams really new to the big time of Tír Conaill football. Kilcar, shock team of the year, oppose a rising Mac Cumhaill's combination from the twin-towns of Ballybofey and Stranorlar. For Kilcar it would mean their name on the Dr. Maguire cup for the second time. Mac Cumhaill's are without a single title to their name but let that not deceive as they have a very capable team with plenty of football craft in it. The big question for Kilcar followers is whether star full-forward Big Frank O'Donnell will be able to turn out. He was put out of the semi-final game with Gweedore in the first minute with an injured knee. Four stitches were inserted to draw the torn flesh together. He is hoping to be able to take his place.

The Donegal Democrat Fri 11th Sept. 1959

O'Donnell Park, Letterkenny, which with Bundoran shares the honour of being the first vested grounds in the county, is getting a face-lift these days and the St. Eunan's club have opted to play all their "away" games first.

The Derry People Sat. 12th Sept. 1959

Mac Cumhaill's are new Champions. Dr. Maguire goes to Twin-Towns.

An estimated attendance of about 4,000 watched Sean Mac Cumhaill's, Ballybofey; annex the Donegal Senior Football title for the first time in their history at Donegal Town last Sunday. The game, played in a fine sporting



spirit, never reached the heights expected, and had it not been for a valiant effort by Kilcar, midway through the second half, it might be recorded as one of the dullest ever. The mediocre type of play perhaps reflects the standard of football in the county at the moment. The fact that Kilcar had to take the field without their captain and main hope, "Big" Frank O'Donnell, seemed to have an adverse effect on their play. Mac Cumhaill's 2-7 Kilcar 1-6.

(Report Number 17)

**The Derry People Tue 19th Sept. 1959
Kilcar win The Canon Brennan Cup.**

Kilcar 4-7 Dungloe 1-6.

A record attendance at the Gaelic field, Dunkineely, on Sunday 13th, saw Kilcar confirm their championship form by defeating Dungloe 4-7 to 1-6 in the final of the Canon Brennan Cup competition, after being held at the interval by the Rosses men.

The Annual Parochial Dance took place afterwards in St. Mary's Hall. Music by Pete Brown and his Band of Renown, Kiltimagh. Admission 5/-.

(Report Number 18)

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 25th Sept. 1959
Glenties are new Inniskeel Cup holders.**

A small attendance thoroughly enjoyed a very keenly contested Inniskeel Cup Final between Glenties and Kilcar at Gaelic Park, Glenties on Sunday. The issue was in doubt until the final whistle which found the scores 1-10 to 1-6 in favour of Glenties.

(Report Number 19)

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 16th Oct. 1959
Thrilling Fare As Kilcar Defeat Dungloe.**

Kilcar continued their winning sequence in the "Democrat" Cup (Senior Football League and St. Connell's Cup competition) at Towney Park, Kilcar on Sunday where they defeated Dungloe by 1-5 to 0-6.

(Report Number 20)

**The Donegal Democrat 23rd Oct. 1959
Donegal failed to Hold a ten Points' Lead.
Armagh's First Win At Ballyshannon.**

It was third time lucky for Armagh at Fr. Tierney Memorial Park, Ballyshannon, on Sunday where they wiped out the memories of two previous defeats with a 2-8 to 2-6 win over Donegal's youthful side in the Dr. Lagan Cup Competition (National Football League) On

Donegal Football Finalists

The Kilcar team which went under to Sean MacCumhaills, Stranorlar, in the Donegal senior football championship final at Tirconail Park, Donegal Town.



The Junior team in Glenties 30th July 1960

Front Row: L to R: Eamonn Browne, Aiden O'Donnell, Cathal McLaughlin, Leo Murray, Sean O'Donnell Meenaneary, Packie Haughey, Sean Doogan, Mickey Haughey, John James Lyons, Proinnias Carr, Frank Gillespie.

Back Row: L to R: Big Frank O'Donnell, James Ward, Jimmy Cunningham, Josie Gillespie, Jimmy Doogan, Gerry Breslin, Seamus McNulty, Aodh O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, Paddy O'Donnell.



the Team was Jimmy Doogan and Cathal McLaughlin. Paddy O'Donnell was a sub.

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 30th Oct. 1959
Ardara Extended Kilcar.**

Intent on lowering the colours of county finalists, Kilcar, in their senior county league "Democrat" and St. Connell's Cups game at the Pearse Memorial Park on Sunday Ardara put up a rare struggle for supremacy but in the end had to submit to a 5-2 to 3-2 defeat. A sodden pitch, arctic temperatures and a half gale-force wind, all militated against good football. **(Report Number 21)**

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 30th Oct. 1959

John Haughey, Kilcar and Charlie Brady, Dunkineely, were on the Donegal Post Office team defeated by Mayo Post Offices by 4-6 to 1-1 at O'Donnell Park, Letterkenny. Terence Friel (1-0) and Michael Cooney (0-1) were the Donegal scorers.

Donegal – Michael Travers (Donegal Town), E Gallagher (Lifford), Noel O'Donnell (Letterkenny), Joe Coleman (Letterkenny), John Ewing (Lifford), Pat O'Donnell (Letterkenny), John Haughey (Donegal), Brian McManus (Lifford), Hugh Travers (Donegal), Michael Cooney (Donegal), Chas Brady (Dunkineely), Noel Manley (Letterkenny), Kevin Gallen, Terence Friel and Tony Murphy (Donegal).

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 13th Nov. 1959

Glenties Surprise Kilcar by defeating them in Towney by 4-4 to 4-3. Kilcar, Glenties and Dungloe have now 8 points each in the Divisional League. **(Report Number 22)**

**The Donegal Democrat 11th November 1959
Game abandoned at Glenties**

Owing to the atrocious weather conditions prevailing Glenties and Kilcar decided to abandon their senior county league play off at Glenties on Sunday when the game had reached the half time stage. **(Report Number 23)**

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 27th Nov. 1959.
Trilling game at Lisnaskea.**

Fermanagh Beat Donegal In The Rain.

Although most of the estimated 2,000 spectators at the Athletic Grounds, Lisnaskea, on Sunday were wet to the skin long before the half-time whistle sounded, none left the grounds until the end of this thrilling Lagan Cup tie in which the All-Ireland Junior champions, Fermanagh, defeated their neighbours, Donegal by 0-7 to 0-4. Donegal were without five of their selected team including fullback Paddy O'Donnell, Kilcar.

oses from a bush in her garden. The bush is still budding.

should always keep the Town Hall in mind.

The Kilcar G.A.A. team which won the Canon Brennan Cup at Dunkineely last Sunday.



Canon Brennan Cup Winners 1959

Front Row: L to R: Aodh O'Donnell, John James Lyons, Proinnsias Carr, Packie Haughey, Sean Doogan, Mickey Haughey, Cathal McLaughlin, Jimmy Cunningham.

Back Row: L to R: Eamonn Browne, Michael Rodden, James Ward, Connie Beag Cunningham, Josie Gillespie, Jimmy Doogan, Gerry Breslin, Sean McGuinness, Paddy O'Donnell.



The Donegal Democrat 27th Nov. 1959
"Democrat" Cup Kilcar had Big win in Play-off

Kilcar 1-9 Glenties 0-1.

By a margin of eleven points, Glenties fell heavily to their visitors, Kilcar, at the Gaelic Park, Glenties, on Sunday last in the play-off of the St. Connell's Cup. Played in difficult conditions the game lacked competition fare and never rose to great heights.

(Report Number 24)

The Derry People Sat 28th November 1959.

Gardaí Cotter's Native County

A Chara, - your G.A.A. commentator in the November 14th issue states that the position of Brian Cotter as a Donegal player in future is "hazy". This, he goes to explain, is because young Cotter is "a Derry born player" and that rules will debar him from turning out next season for Donegal. If your G.A.A. commentator regards Castlefin, Brian Cotter's birthplace, as being in County Derry then it is his knowledge of the geography of his own country that is a "hazy" not Cotter's position.

Fair play, Killybegs

The Derry People Sat. 28th Nov. 1959.

Kilcar v Dungloe Cup final

The game that takes the fancy for Sunday is undoubtedly the St Connell's Cup final at Ardara between Kilcar (county finalists) and last year's county champions, Dungloe. It has everything for a thriller and the hope is that the weather will be kind enough to allow the players to serve up good football.

There is an intensity of purpose behind the clash. Kilcar made the headlines with the number one surprise of 1959 when they knocked champions Dungloe out of the championship in a Divisional decider. They went on to the county final and failed to Mac Cumhaill's but gained a lot of experience on the way against Donegal Town and Gweedore. They should be a more settled team now. They had a win over Dungloe again since that but it was at Towney Park.

On this occasion they will be without former Dunkineely players Sean McGuinness and Michael Rodden. Dungloe will of course miss the opportunities of John Campbell, yet Dungloe should make a fight to get back on top. It was a lackadaisical approach that did much to rob them of their county title but in recent weeks there seems to be a little revival of the Rosses spirit. They have lost a few

top men but their younger men should have improved enough to compensate. For Dungloe this final is a comeback bid. They have footballers enough to win given their spirit.

For Kilcar it is a chance to underline their superiority in the South-West. A boundless enthusiasm and never say die spirit will do much to carry them through.

There is likely to be a big crowd at Ardara, despite the late November touch of weather, to enjoy the thrills of a real cup final. The winners will go through to the closing stages of the County Senior League but the losers have to meet Glenties in order to decide which side earns a passage.

The Donegal Democrat 4th Dec. 1959

Dungloe Get Revenge At Ardara.

Despite the arctic conditions that prevailed, there was a large attendance at the Pearse Memorial Park, Ardara, on Sunday for the St. Connell's Cup final. Dungloe 3-4 Kilcar 1-6. **(Report Number 25)**

The Donegal Democrat 4th Dec. 1959.

Donegal County Committee G.A.A .

At a meeting in the Courthouse, Ardara on Sunday evening, Mr Jim McGlynn, Chairman, Letterkenny presiding, decided to defer playing the quarter-final, semi- finals and final of the current "Democrat" Cup (Senior County League Competition) to February next.

When the question of league fixtures arose Mr Davy Brennan Glenties said in his opinion it would be much better to leave the completion of the competition over to February. It would benefit the teams and the County Board more, he thought.

Sergt Patrick Gill G.S. Clogher agreed it would be better to defer these games in view of the prevailing weather. It would be of greater benefit to the county selection committee and the finances of the county and he proposed that the fixtures be deferred until the first meeting after the County Convention.

Letterkenny, Dungloe and Kilcar delegates present agreed to this course of action and Sergt Gill's proposal, seconded by Mr Brennan, was adopted unanimously.

On the proposal of Michael Erskine, seconded by Mr. McDermott, a vote of sympathy was expressed to James Maloney, Kilcar on the death of his son, as a result of an accident, at Kilcar last week.



1959 Roll of Honour

Competition

Winners

Runners-up

Senior Football Championship	Mac Cumhaill's	Kilcar
Junior Football Championship	Cloughaneely.	Cross Roads
Minor Football Championship	Gweedore	Ballyshannon
Juvenile Football Championship	St. Eunan's	Gweedore
Senior Football League Democrat Cup	Kilcar	Dungloe
Junior Football League	Cloughaneely	Bundoran
St. Connell's Cup	Dungloe	Kilcar
County Benefit Competition	Ballyshannon	Mac Cumhaill's
Inniskeel Cup (Minors)	Glenties	Kilcar
Cannon Brennan Cup	Kilcar	Dungloe
Senior Hurling Championship		
Junior Hurling Championship	Carndonagh	Lifford
Minor Hurling Championship	Burt	Ballyshannon
Juvenile Hurling Championship	Lámh Dearg.	Ballyshannon

The Final of the 1959 Senior League was played on 1st May 1960

The Final of the 1959 Junior League was played on 8th May 1960



1960

Donegal Democrat Fri. 5th Feb 1960.

Some 140 delegates spent over six hours considering the various matters, including 147 nominations and 27 motions, contained in the 43 page agenda in the Butt Hall, Ballybofey, on Sunday 31st January, at the Annual Donegal GAA County Convention. "Never before did the need exist to such an extent as at present, the need for sound and sincere club leadership, for the cultivation of a healthy spirit of sportsmanship amongst supporters, and for co-operation and sympathetic understanding between clubs, teams, the County Board and its subsidiary committees" stated County Secretary, Hugh Daly.

The following Officers were elected:

President;	Rev. J. McGettigan, C.C., Cnoc Fola, Gweedore.
Chairman:	Sergt. Patrick Gill, Clougher, Clooney
Secretary:	Hugh Daly, Ballyshannon.
Ass. Secretary:	P. J. Ryan, Letterkenny
Treasurer:	Daniel Boyle, Glenties.
Registrar:	Rev. Bro. Raphael, Ballyshannon.
Team manager:	Frank Muldoon, Donegal
Delegates to Ulster Council:	Seán Ó Cinnéide, Dungloe, Sean Mc Ginley, Gweedore
Delegate to Central Council:	Seán Ó Cinnéide, Dungloe.
Ulster Convention Delegates:	Simon Boyle, Rev. Bro. Raphael, John Mc Dermott, Frank Muldoon, Hugh Diver, Hugh Daly,
National Congress Delegates:	Tom Farren, J. Mc Dermott, D. Boyle, F. Muldoon, Simon Boyle, P. J. Ryan
Referee's Council:	John Mc Dermott, David Brennan, Seán Ó Cinnéide, Danny Boyle, John Kelly, and Frank Muldoon.
National President Nomination:	Dr. J. J. Stuart, Dublin
National Trustees nominations:	P. Mac Conmidhe, Sean Dunne.



Patrick Gill, County Chairman 1960

Patrick Gill was a native of Clondalkin, Dublin. He played his football with C.J. Kickams. He joined the Garda Síochána, served first in Kilkenny and was transferred to Letterkenny in 1936. There he met and married Rosaleen Coyle, Letterkenny in 1945. He was then transferred to Waterville and later to Mullingar, Quigley's Point, Cloghan and Dunfanaghy. He was promoted to the rank of Garda Sergeant.

He played on the Donegal County Senior football team from 1938 to 1940

He served as Secretary/Treasurer of the South West Divisional Board and also as the Donegal Delegate to The Ulster Council.

He served as Donegal GAA County Chairman in the years 1944, 1960 and 1961.

He died, aged fifty eight, while on duty, during the Donegal Junior Championship Final, Kilcar v St. Michael's, at MacCumhaill, Park, Ballybofey, on Sunday 29th August 1971.

1960. South-West Divisional Board

Chairman: David Brennan, Glenties
Secretary/Treasurer: Sergt. Patrick Gill

The Derry People, Sat. 13th Feb. 1960

The 1959 Senior Football League starts this Sunday with a Western Divisional play off between Gweedore and Dunfanaghy. Kilcar meet Glenties to decide who plays Dungloe in the South-West Division decider.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 19th Feb. 1960

The cancellation due to bad weather conditions last Sunday made it impossible for the Board to proceed with the County Quarter-Final on Feb. 28th.

The Peoples Press Sat 20th Feb. 1960

The Annual General Meeting of the Kilcar GAA Club was held in the Parish Hall. All of the officer's reports and most of the discussions were in Irish. The chairman, Frank Gillespie, said that they could look back on the year as one of the most successful the club ever had. The secretary Michael Erskine congratulated the team on winning the Divisional title for the first time in 34 years. Concluding he thanked the officers of the club, the gate stewards and all the supporters who rendered their services during the past year.

The treasurer, Prionsias Carr, presented his report which showed a credit balance of £13-14-6.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

Chairman: Seamus Mac Briartaigh O.S.
Secretary: Michael Erskine
Treasurer: Prionsias Carr
Committee members: Aodh O'Donnell, Frank Gillespie, Charles Cunningham, Jim Cronin, Sean Doogan, James P. Mc Ginley.

Gate Stewards: Michael Mc Ginley, Sean Boyle and Charlie Mc Devitt
Captain: Sean Doogan
Vice-Captain: Cathal McLaughlin
Team manager: Jim Cronin

Chairman: Seamus Mac Briartaigh



The new chairman, Seamus Mac Briartaigh, O.S., said he felt it was a great honour to be elected and thanked them for their trust in him. He thought that by starting a school league they would ensure that the GAA would be kept flourishing in the area.

Mr. Jim Cronin appealed to members to make an effort to start hurling in the parish and

after some discussion it was decided to get some hurleys for distribution among the schools of the parish. It was decided to enter Senior, Junior, Minor and Juvenile teams in the coming year.

The Derry People, Sat. 27th Feb. 1960

Railway Cup semi-final, Croke Park on 21st Feb. Ulster 2-9 Leinster 1-5

The Derry Journal Sat. 5th March 1960

The first major fixture in the season takes place this Sunday with the clash of the county champions of 1959 and 1958.

Mac Cumhaill's travel to Dungloe to take on the local team to decide which team goes into the final of the 1959 Senior Football League.

The Donegal Democrat 11th March 1960

On St Patrick's Day, at Donegal Town, the South and South-West Divisions meet in the semi-final of the Divisional Competition. (Kilcar players selected on the team were Jimmy, Doogan, Jimmy Cunningham, Paddy O'Donnell, Cathal McLaughlin, and John James Lyons. Sub. Packie Haughey.)

The Donegal Democrat 18th March 1960.

South-West	5-7	South	2-6,
East	5-9	West	0-4,
East	3-6	Inishowen	0-5.

The Derry People Sat. 19th March 1960.

Kilcar for Semi-final. (of the 1959 Senior League Competition).

For the first 15 minutes it looked as if Cloughaneely would win the quarter-final of the Senior Football League at Rosses Park, Dungloe. Entering the second quarter Kilcar found their feet and their experience would prove too much for the exuberance of the Falcarragh boys. Kilcar 2-5 Cloughaneely 1-4.

(Report Number 26)



The County Junior Team 3rd April 1960

The Derry Journal Sat. 19th March 1960

The Railway Cup football final was won by Ulster defeating Munster by 2-12 to 3-8 in Croke Park on 17th March.

The Derry Journal 1st April 1960.

An injury to Boyle was a crushing blow to South-West. East 1-11 South-West 2-6.

(Kilcar players who played in the final were John James Lyons, Cathal McLaughlin, Jimmy Doogan, Packie Haughey and Sean McGuinness).

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 8th April 1960.

Donegal Juniors "Massacred" by Derry.

Donegal's hopes of making progress in the Ulster Junior Football Championship were dashed at Tír Conaill Park, Donegal Town, on Sunday, when Derry after holding an interval lead of 2-1 to 0-3, went on to qualify for the Provincial semi-final by 3-4 to 0-5. (On the Donegal team were Sean McGuinness, John James Lyons. Sub: Cathal McLaughlin. Paddy O'Donnell was selected to play at centre half-back but was unavailable.

The Peoples Press Sat. 9th April 1960

Kilcar GAA Club's meeting.

Mr. Michael Erskine reported that the financial position of the club was reasonably good. Unlike last year this season began with a balance on hands amounting to £13. Thanks to the generous support which attended their Bazaar they had a net profit of £78-18-0. This should put them above financial worries for some time.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 15th April 1960.

A meeting of the South-West Divisional Board GAA was held in Brennan's Hotel, Ardara on Monday night, Mr. Davy Brennan, Glenties presiding. Kilcar delegates, Dan Gillespie, Jim Cronin. The chairman explained what happened at the County Board meeting when the South-West delegates raised the question of making the St. Connell's Cup a section of the senior county league. "Our proposal was not entertained" he said. Sergeant Patrick Gill – "We should go ahead with the St. Connell's Cup and if any team wishes to participate in the county league it would be free to do so". Mr. McCole – Dungloe will not be interested in the League. Ardara and Glenties delegates expressed the same opinion. Mr. Dan Gillespie – "Kilcar is not going to be the black sheep of the Division. We will not take part in the league"

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 29th April 1960.

Donegal's great bid against Ulster Champions in the Dr. McKenna Cup.

Down had the lucky breaks at Newry. Donegal 2-6 Down 2-10.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 29th April 1960.

Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis O'Donnell, Bogagh, Carrick, has passed the examination for the Garda Síochána, and has taken up training in the Depot, Dublin.

The Derry People Sat. 23rd April 1960.

Kilcar are in League final.

Fitness counts in 8pts defeat of St. Eunan's

Kilcar 2-10 St. Eunan's 0-8

Showing but the slightest flicker of form that has won them two Senior League titles in a row, St. Eunan's went



under heavily to rising Kilcar in the semi-final of the Senior League (1959) at Ballybofey on Sunday. The final whistle saw the scoreboard read 2-10 to 0-8, but it could have been much greater though the losers must regret throwing away some gift goal-scoring chances.

(Report Number 27)

The Derry People Sat. 7th May 1960.

Dashing Kilcar Led all the way.

Dungloe conquered in senior League final.

Kilcar 1-11 Dungloe 0-7.

Playing fast, direct football, Kilcar speeded to a merited win in the 1959 Donegal Senior Football League with a triumph over Dungloe at Glenties on Sunday. It was a championship style game with play changing up and downfield in a kick. Stiff tackling was the order but there was not an unseemly incident.

(Report Number 28)

The Derry Journal Friday 6th May 1960.

Kilcar jubilant at League Success.

Previous club triumphs recalled.

Kilcar jubilant at League success.

The victory of Kilcar in the Donegal Senior Football League (Democrat Cup) at Glenties on Sunday last was marked by scenes of great enthusiasm. A big convoy of cars bearing cheering supporters escorted the team through the Donegal Highlands from Glenties to Ardara and on though Killybegs to Fintra, Largy, Shalvey and Bavin. The procession was led by the car carrying the

captain of the team, Sean Doogan, who held the trophy aloft. The celebrations reached their climax when the victorious team reached Kilcar Town. There the players were extended heartiest congratulations in complimentary speeches by club officials and supporters. It was a gala evening for the village and district.

The Derry Journal Fri. 27th May 1960.

Kilcar were in great form.

Donegal senior league champions had things all their own way in their league clash with Ballyshannon at Towney Park, winning by 5-12 to 0-3.

(Report Number 29)

The Donegal Democrat Friday 3rd June 1960.

Donegal beat Sligo, but missed scores.

Donegal 1-9 Sligo 1-4.

(Kilcar players on the Donegal team for this challenge game: Sean McGuinness, Cathal McLaughlin. Sub: Jimmy Doogan).

The Donegal Democrat Friday 10th June 1960.

Defeat by a poor Cavan side.

The humid weather was almost as depressing as the football at Breffni Park, Cavan, on Sunday, where a spiritless and lifeless Donegal side scored one goal to Cavan's 1-10 in the first round of the Ulster Senior-football Championship before an estimated attendance of 3,500. Sean Mc Guinness played at right-half-back.



Sports in Towney



Sports in Towney



The leading members of the organising committee responsible for the very successful revival of Kilcar athletic sports, after a lapse of six years, and which drew competitors from all parts of South and East Donegal. They are (front row) kneeling from left—Mr. Jim Cronin, Forestry Inspector (Chairman); Mr. Michael Erskine (Field Secretary and Chief Steward); Sean McCauley and J. McCauley. Back row (standing): Messrs. Denis Erskine (Secretary), Michael McGinley, C McDevitt, S. Boyle and Pdraig J. Murray.

Kilcar Sports Committee 1960



The Derry Journal Sat. 11th June 1960.

Kilcar – Mac Cumhaill's clash was a Thriller.

The major attraction at Kilcar Athletics sports, held last week-end was the challenge Gaelic football match for The Fr. McClafferty Memorial Cup between the Donegal Senior Football Championship (Dr. Maguire Cup) holders – Mac Cumhaill's – and the Donegal Senior League Champions – Kilcar. This match could virtually be described as a clash of the giants, as it was one, perhaps, of the best exhibitions of football ever seen in the South-West Donegal venue of Towney Park. The final score was Kilcar 2-10 Mac Cumhaill's 1-10. (Report Number 30)

The Derry Journal Sat. 11th June 1960.

Impressive Kilcar Beat Glenties. (In the Inniskeel Cup).

Kilcar 3-9 Glenties 1-8.

Shaping like hot contenders for the Donegal Championship this season, Kilcar's Minor footballers swept to a good win over Glenties, at Towney Park, Kilcar, in the Inniskeel Cup. (Report Number 31)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 24th June 1960.

A new junior club, Rannafast, was welcomed into the ranks of the GAA, when the delegates attended a meeting of the South-West Divisional Board at Ardara, by the chairman, Mr. David Brennan, Glenties.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 1st July 1960.

Donegal minors failed to make the grade.

After a promising start in which they showed a capacity to take home honours, Donegal minor footballers went into arrears and were well beaten by Monaghan, by 4-5 to 1-6, in the first round of the championship at O'Neill Park, Dungannon on Sunday. (On the team were Dermot Ward, Killybegs/Kilcar and Leo Murray. Patsy O'Donnell, Dunkineely/Kilcar came on as a sub.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 1st July 1960.

At Pearse Memorial Park, Ardara, Kilcar met Ardara in the Juvenile football Championship. (Kilcar won by 3-5 to 1-3) (Report Number 32)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 8th July 1960.

"Lost Time" Goals Beat Donegal Hurlers.

Minors Hurlers in Ulster Final.

Junior Hurling Donegal 1-6 Antrim 3-3.

Minor Hurlers Donegal 3-4 Down 3-0.

Donegal Junior hurlers almost brought off a fine double at Burt on Sunday, when following the merited success of the minors over Down in the Ulster semi-final, they went under to the holders Antrim, in a controversial period of "lost time".

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 8th July 1960.

A young, lively, dashing Kilcar side, short nine of their "Democrat" cup final winning side, maintained the club's winning sequence in this year's senior league when defeating Donegal Town by 3-6 to 0-3 at Towney Park on Sunday.

(Report Number 33)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 8th July 1960.

At Towney Gaelic Park, Kilcar, on Sunday evening, a Clogher, Carrick, youth, Joseph Gillespie, who had played with Kilcar against the Four Masters, Donegal Town, in the Donegal Senior football league, Democrat Cup, tie, had his shin bone fractured and broken. Having received first-aid treatment on the side-line by Miss Patricia Meehan S.R.N.I. of St. Catherine's Hospital, Killybegs who was a spectator at the game. He was immediately removed to the Donegal District Hospital for attention. It was stated on Monday last that he was quite comfortable and progressing.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 15th July 1960.

Kilcar's Great Second-Half Rally.

Before a £60 gate at Rosses Park, Dungloe, on Sunday, Dungloe and Kilcar served up a fast hard hour's football with victory going to the visitors due to a fine long-range point by Proinsias Carr in the closing minutes of the game, leaving the final score Kilcar 1-7 Dungloe 0-9. (Report Number 34)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 22nd July 1960.

Kilcar Score Double Over Ardara.

Within a few days, Kilcar scored a double success in senior and minor football championship at Towney Park, Kilcar. In the mid-week game Kilcar minors defeated Ardara, while their seniors followed up on Sunday with a 3-6 to 1-2 win after a close first half. (Report Number 35)

The Peoples Press Sat. 23rd July 1960.

Kilcar Minors had an easy win over Ardara by 3-10 to 0-2. (Minor Football Championship) (Report Number 36)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 29th July 1960.

Donegal minor hurlers Trounced in Ulster Final.

Antrim (holders) 16-4 Donegal 1-0.

The Peoples Press Sat. 30th July 1960.

Kilcar maintain unbeaten record.

Kilcar 3-7 Ardara 1-2

Kilcar, by their defeat of Ardara at Pearse Memorial Park, Ardara, on Sunday, have maintained their unbeaten record in the South-West Divisional football championship. (Report Number 37)

The Derry Journal Sat. 30th July 1960.

A large area of Kilcar Parish, stretching between Kilcar Town and Carrick, which includes the townlands of Cashel, Kilbeg, Curris, Derrylaghan, Doonin and Roxboro, have been connected with the Erne Rural Electrification Scheme and with all the external and internal wiring having been completed last week-end, the whole area has been lit up with electric current.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 5th Aug. 1960.

Down again Ulster Kingpins

Down 3-7 Cavan 1-8.



Foireann Sinsear Chill Chartha v An Clochán Liath
Lúnasa 1960 i Tamhnaigh

Senior Team August 1960

Front Row: L to R: Paddy O'Donnell, Sean McGuinness, Proinsias Carr, Jimmy Beag Cunningham, Charlie Brady, Seamus McNulty, Sean Doogan.

Back Row: L to R: Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Doogan, Connie Cunningham, Packie Haughey, Frank O'Donnell, Leo Murray, Eamonn Browne.



In Glenties 30th July 1960

Front Row: L to R: Harry Phillips, John "D" Cunningham, Fr. Con Cunningham, Michael Gillespie, Oliver McIntyre, Connell McGinley, Francis Cunningham, Maurice Boyle, Youth, Sean Burke.

Back Row: L to R: Youth?, Michael McNelis, A boy?, Eddie Cunningham, John J. Cunningham, Sean O'Donnell (M), Leo Murray, Donal Boyle, Dan Cunningham, John Cannon, Paddy O'Donnell (Ned), Paddy McShane, Frank Gillespie, Donal McNulty, Man in suit, Hugh Byrne.

Top Back: Connie Cunningham, Sean Brady.



**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 5th Aug. 1960.
Dungloe turn the tables on Kilcar.**

Before a large attendance at Towney Park, Kilcar, on Sunday, Dungloe, hitting their best form of the season, opened up the race for senior football honours in the South-West Division with a surprise, 2-13 to 1-8, win over holders Kilcar.

(Report Number 38)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 5th Aug. 1960

The Junior County Championship tie between Rannafast and homesters- Kilcar provided a pulsating finish with Rannafast winning by a point, Rannafast 2-8 Kilcar 3-4.

(Report Number 39)

The Peoples Press Sat. 13th Aug. 1960

Kilcar defeat Gweedore in Challenge Game.

At the new Gaelic Park, Carrick on Sunday afternoon, Kilcar defeated Gweedore by 3-10 to 2-8 in a senior challenge run in conjunction with Carrick's Annual Carnival.

The curtain-raiser was a juvenile match between Kilcar and Glen, Kilcar 0-4 Glen 0-0.

Sean McGinley, son of Mr. James Patrick McGinley, the former Donegal star GAA and Inter-Provincial player,

registered three of Kilcar's points while Oliver Boyle registered the other.

(Report Number 40)

**The Donegal Democrat 19th Aug. 1960
St. Eunan's through to the County Semi-Final.
Four Masters win at Ballyshannon,
Dungloe Wrest title From Kilcar.**

An estimated 4,000 people were in Glenties on Sunday where Dungloe hitting peak form, dethroned Kilcar in the senior divisional final playoff by 3-8 to 1-5.

(Report Number 41)

At the same venue Kilcar juniors defeated Glenties in the second round of the Junior Championship by 4-1 to 2-6.

(Report Number 42)

**The Donegal Democrat 19th Aug. 1960
South-West Board Meeting.**

Minor refused to go – suspended.

At a meeting in Glenties, suspended for two months, a minor footballer, who was ordered off the field for striking an opponent and refused to go. Secretary, Sergt. Patrick Gill, G.S. read a report from Mr. Danny Boyle, Glenties, on the abandoned game between Dungloe and Kilcar in the minor football championship at Kilcar.



**KILCAR CAPTURED CARNIVAL
TROPHY**

The members of the Kilcar Juvenile G.A.A. team who captured the Cup, presented by the Carrick Carnival Committee, for the winners of the G.A.A. Inter-Schools Tournament.

Front Row: L to R: Eamonn Boyle, Tom Campbell, Conal Cunningham, Francie Carr, Bobby Leslie, Donie Doherty, Barry Campbell.

Back Row: L to R: Francis McGinley, Joe McGinley, _____? _____, Hugh Kennedy, Eamonn Cannon, Mickey Doherty.



THE KILCAR PIPE BAND, which provided the music at Falcarragh Show.

August 1960

Front Row: L to R: Mickey Cannon, Willie McShane, John James Cannon, John Cannon, Paddy O'Donnell, Charlie Cannon.

Back Row: L to R: Michael Cannon, James Gallagher, James P. Cunningham, Francie Byrne, John Cannon, Johnny Byrne.

The report stated that four minutes before full-time the referee ordered a Kilcar player off for striking an opponent. He refused to go and the referee had no option but call the game off. The score at that time was Dungloe 6-5 Kilcar 4-6. The game was awarded to Dungloe and the player involved was suspended for two months from the date of the game.

(Report Number 43)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 2nd Sept. 1960 **St. Naul's Club Officials suspended for two years.** **First penalty for Over-Age players imposed.**

The chairman and secretary of St. Naul's Club (Inver) and three over-age players who took part in the county quarter-final of the juvenile football championship have been suspended for two years by Donegal County GAA Officers. The points of the game were awarded to Carndonagh. Kilcar delegates present at the meeting were Sean Boyle, Seamus McBrearty, Charlie McDevitt, H. Haughey, Donal McNulty and Proinsias Carr.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 2nd Sept. 1960 **Glenties Juniors are South-West Champions.**

In a hard fought game, marked by thrilling football, Glenties scored a 3-5 to 0-11 win over Kilcar at Towney Park on Sunday to become South-West Donegal Junior Football Champions.

(Report Number 44)

The Peoples Press Sat. 10th Sept. 1960 **Big Day of Sport in Killybegs.**

Thirteen teams entered for the 7-a-side competition and provided a grand exhibition before the largest crowd ever seen in Emerald Park, Killybegs. In the first round Kilcar beat Killymard. Kilcar obtained a bye into the semi-finals where they defeated Donegal Town by 3-2 to 1-1. In the final Dungloe defeated Kilcar by 2-4 to 2-1. The Kilcar team was: Cathal McLaughlin, (Cpt.), Mickey Haughey, James Doogan, Jimmy Cunningham, Packie Haughey, John James Lyons and Proinsias Carr.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 16th Sept. 1960

St. Eunan's won their seventh senior title on Sunday last in Ballybofey, before an exceptionally large attendance representing a "gate" of approximately £260, with a facile 0-11 to 0-3 win over Gweedore. At the same venue, Downing's, in arrears by five points at half-time, defeated a promising Malin side in the quarter-final of the Junior Football Championship by 2-6 to 1-6

Donegal Democrat Fri. 30th Sept. 1960.

Down win first All-Ireland for the surrendered six.

Before a record crowd of 87,768 at Croke Park, Dublin on Sunday, Down brought the first All-Ireland title to the Six Counties with a facile 2-10 to 0-8 win over the holders, Kerry, in a display of super-charged football, to which the men of the Kingdom had no adequate answer.



The Donegal Democrat Fri. 14th Oct. 1960

Donegal opens up the Lagan Cup.

Derry beaten at Celtic Park.

For the first time in two years, the headlines changed for Donegal, who at Celtic Park, Derry, City, on Sunday, pleased their exceptionally large following of supporters with a merited 1-6 to 0-6 win over favourites Derry, after ending the first half on level terms of 0-3 all.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 21st Oct. 1960

Exciting Fare in "Democrat" Cup games.

"Big Guns" fall at three centres.

The fall of Kilcar to Ballyshannon, 3-2 to 0-4, St. Eunan's to championship finalists, Gweedore, as well as the eclipse of Sean Mac Cumhaill's by Cloughaneely contributed to ripping the league wide open in both sections, with Dungloe starting the campaign well in scoring a win over Four Masters, Donegal Town, at Páirc na Rosann.

(Report Number 45)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 21st Oct. 1960

Raw Donegal trounced by fit Armagh.

Fitter, fearless and much more accomplished Armagh holding the whip hand at midfield from the early stages of the game, gave Donegal an abject lesson on how football should be played before a fairly large attendance at the Athletic Grounds, Armagh City, on Sunday where they led by 2-8 to 0-2 at half-time, and coasted to an impressive 2-13 to 0-7 victory, that makes them favourites to win this section of the Lagan Cup Competition.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 28th Oct. 1960

Dungloe wins Inniskeel Cup.

A strong rally that brought two decisive goals in the last quarter earned victory for Dungloe in the final of the Inniskeel Cup (minor football competition) as Rosses Park, Dungloe on Sunday week when they scored 3-5 to 1-6 for Kilcar.

(Report Number 46)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 28th Oct. 1960

Mounting interest in Senior League.

Champions meet Dungloe.

League champions, Kilcar, following the jolt they got at Ballyshannon last Sunday, will be taking no chances at Towney Park where they meet Dungloe in a first-round game. Rivalry between the sides is keen and Kilcar will be mindful of the fact that they seemed to have the championship sewn up; Dungloe beat them, to force a play-off which they won.

Kilcar usually hit top form at home and except Dungloe can muster all their championship players, they will find it difficult to come out on top, but the game is one for much speculation and a large attendance is expected to see is fought out.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 28th Oct. 1960

Kilcar's St. Connell Cup Victory.

At Pearse Memorial Park, on Sunday week, Kilcar proved too good for a depleted Ardara side in the first round of the St. Connell Cup Competition scoring 2-7 to 0-1 for Ardara.

(Report Number 47)



The Donegal team which defeated Fermanagh in the O'Donnell, Park, Letterkenny, last Sunday.

Dr. Lagan Cup (National League) 6th Nov 1960 Donegal 1-7 Fermanagh 0-6

Front Row: L to R: Seamus Hoare, Michael Ronaghan, Noel O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, P.J. McDermott, Finn Gallagher, John Hannigan, Owenie McBride.

Back Row: L to R: Jackie McDermott, Joe Carroll, Sean McCormack, Brendan McFeely, Sean Ferriter, Andy Gallen, P.J. Flood.



**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 4th Nov. 1960
Kilcar Back in Form, Best Dungloe.**

From a somewhat tame first half, this Senior County League ("Democrat Cup") game at Towney Park, Kilcar, on Sunday, developed into a pulsating second half struggle in which the holders, Kilcar, reversed the championship verdict with a 2-5 to 0-6 win over Dungloe. (Report Number 48)

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 4th Nov. 1960
Gweedore at Head of List in "Democrat Cup"**

St. Eunan's, Kilcar and Donegal fighting for places. It is understood that Ballyshannon are considering withdrawing from the league.

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 11th Nov. 1960
Second Half Spurt saw Donegal Trough.**

Donegal 1-7 Fermanagh 0-6. With scores level at half-time, 0-3 all, this Dr. Lagan Cup tie at O'Donnell Park, Letterkenny, on Sunday, had aroused little more than speculation as to the final outcome, for both sides had missed scores; it was Fermanagh who looked the danger team.

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 11th Nov. 1960
Vital League Games on again.**

In the South-West section Kilcar head the league table with 6 points and one game to play. Ballyshannon have now pulled out of this section so that Kilcar are now down to 4 points. Dungloe have defeated Donegal in the first round but should Donegal reverse the verdict on Sunday they would qualify for a play-off with Dungloe provided Kilcar repeat their victory over the Rosses men at Dungloe on Sunday week.

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 18th Nov. 1960
Vital Games on Sunday.**

Two vital games are listed in the County Donegal GAA calendar on Sunday, the county hurling final at Ballybofey between Lifford and Burt and the senior county football league match between Dungloe and Kilcar. If Dungloe win their game at Dungloe they will go through as runners-up in this section of the league. Kilcar, who are already through as winners, can win this game and if they do Donegal Town and Dungloe will then meet in a play-off. A win for Kilcar would leave them St. Connell Cup winners.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 18th Nov. 1960

In the Donegal Junior football league at Towney Park, Kilcar, on Sunday, Glenties had a comfortable win over Kilcar, the final score being 3-8 to 3-1. (Report Number 49)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 25th Nov. 1960

Preparing for Lagan Cup play-Off. Donegal Test Game on Sunday. Members of the Donegal team and the Rest of the County will meet in a test game at Mac Cumhaill Park, Ballybofey on Sunday at 3 o'clock. (Selected on the Rest of Donegal team were Jimmy Doogan and Charlie Brady.

The Peoples Press Sat 26th Nov. 1960

By a 4-4 to 0-8 victory over Kilcar at Rosses Park, Dungloe, on Sunday, Dungloe gained the runners-up berth in their section of the Senior Football League. (Kilcar finished as winners of the section) (Report Number 50)

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 2nd Dec. 1960.
Historic Year For South-West Division.**

A successful year within the division and one in which history was made by Glenties in contesting the final of a county hurling championship for the first time, was recorded by the secretary, Sergt. Patrick Gill, G.S., in his report to the Annual Convention of the South-West Donegal Divisional Board G.A.A. at Dungloe on Monday night, Mr. David Brennan, chairman, presiding. All of the out-going officers were re-elected.

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 9th Dec. 1960
Donegal faded in second half.**

Donegal 1-3 Derry 2-7. Thirty mud-soaked players' trekked out of Mac Cumhaill Park, Ballybofey, in semi-darkness on Sunday evening; some two thousand spectators who had braved the atrocious, bitter weather went with them, and it was the same old story – Donegal had lost another vital game, a Dr. Lagan Cup play-off, to Derry, at their favourite ground.

The Peoples Press Sat 10th Dec. 1960

Kilcar made amends for their lapse against Glenties in the same competition, the Donegal Junior Football League, when they had a comfortable victory over Rannafast at Towney Park, Kilcar by 4-3 to 1-0. (Report Number 51)

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 16th Dec. 1960
Donegal Nomination Lists.**

With five named for the chair and seven for county team's manager, the Donegal nominations lists for the County Convention to be held in Ballybofey next month would seem to indicate competition for a number of offices.

**The Donegal Democrat Fri 30th Dec. 1960
Player of the year.**

Naming Donegal's "player of the year" is not an easy task for as well as performances one has to take into account consistency as well for both club and county. So far as club performances go there are several names that come readily to mind. From Kilcar, Jimmy Doogan, Leo Murray, Paddy O'Donnell, Packie, Haughey, Charlie Brady, Connie Cunningham and Cathal McLaughlin come to mind.

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 17th Feb. 1961.**Dungloe Beat League Champions.**

At Pearse Memorial Park, Ardara, on Sunday, Dungloe defeated Kilcar, Senior League holders, by 2-1 to 1-1 in the final of the St. Connells Cup Competition.

(Report Number 52)

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 24th Feb. 1961.

At a County Board meeting held in the Butt Hall, Ballybofey, on Sunday 19th Feb. 1961 a letter was read from Kilcar asking that the venue for the league semi-final be changed from Donegal to Ballybofey for their game with Mac Cumhaill's. This was agreed to.

The Donegal Democrat Fri 3rd March 1961.

Donegal's hopes of figuring in the final stages of the Dr. Lagan Cup Competition were dashed at a gale-swept O'Neill Park, Dungannon, on Sunday, where they failed by 1-7 to 0-2 against Armagh in the play-off for a place in the semi-final against All-Ireland winners Down

The Derry People 18 March 1961.**Senior league semi-final was a rousing game.**

In a rousing game which thrilled a moderate attendance at Ballybofey on Sunday locals Mac Cumhaill's made sure of their entry to the senior football league final by defeating Kilcar in the semi-final to the tune of 3-5 to 1-4.

(Report Number 53)

1960 roll of Honour

Competition	Winners	Runners-up
Senior football Championship	St. Eunan's	Gweedore
Junior Football Championship	Bundoran	Downing's
Minor Football Championship	Gweedore	Dungloe
Juvenile Football Championship	Mac Cumhaill's	Cloughaneely
Senior Football League Democrat Cup	Mac Cumhaill's	Dungloe
Junior Football League	Bundoran	Convoy
St. Connell's Cup	Dungloe	Kilcar
County Benefit Competition		
Inniskeel Cup (Minors)	Dungloe	Kilcar
Cannon Brennan Cup		
Fr. Mc McClafferty Cup	Kilcar	Mac Cumhaill's
Senior Hurling Championship		
Junior Hurling Championship	Lifford	Burt
Minor Hurling Championship	Mac Cumhaill's	Glenties
Juvenile Hurling Championship	Carndonagh	Ballyshannon

The Final of the 1959 Senior League was played on 19th March 1961

The Final of the 1959 Junior League was played on 16th April 1961

The final of the St. Connell's Cup was played on 12th Feb. 1961



Reports

Report Number 1

The Derry Journal Fri 20th March 1959.

Dunkineely take (1958) St. Connell Cup.

Kilcar made them fight all the way.

Dunkineely 2-2

Kilcar 1-3.

Dunkineely had little to spare in this St Connell Cup decider. Although they were never in arrears from start to finish they had to fight all the way to hold on to their slim margin against a Kilcar lot which were in the game with a chance right up to the final stages.

Their victory gives Dunkineely the St Connell Cup for the first time and on the whole they just about deserved it. Kilcar supporters may feel that their side was unlucky not to have forced at least a draw and had they taken advantage of the scoring chances which came their way they might well just have done that. Faulty finishing, however, was their downfall and while the Dunkineely attack was to blame in this respect also they always looked the more workman- like unit around goal.

Dunkineely held a single point advantage at half time and they were sorely tried to maintain their position in the second. In the final quarter especially, when Kilcar went all out for equality, there were many hectic scrambles but it speaks glowingly for the work of the Dunkineely defence that only a point was notched during the second half. Both sides were below full strength, Dunkineely were without their inter-county defender Brian Cotter but they had able rear guard men in William Cunningham, conspicuous all through, and outstanding individual displays by Charlie Brady, Peter Sweeney, Hugh Sweeney and Michael Rodden who contributed much to their success.

Paddy O'Donnell was the pick of the Kilcar defence with good displays forthcoming from Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Packie Haughey and Mickey Haughey. Sean Doogan and Eamonn Browne caught the eye in midfield while in attack Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Frank O'Donnell and Josie Gillespie were well to the fore.

The scorers were: Dunkineely- Charlie Brady (1-1) Michael Rodden (1-0) and Maurice Boyle (0-1)

Kilcar- Frank O'Donnell (1-1) and Cathal McLaughlin (0-2)

The teams were

Dunkineely-Patsy McGowan, Willie Cunningham, Tony McGowan. P O'Donnell, Sean McGuinness, Patsy O'Donnell, Hugh Sweeney, Peter Sweeney, Charlie Brady, Michael Rodden, F Gallagher, Eamon Haughey, Maurice Boyle, Michael Galvin, Dan Quigley.

Kilcar- Mickey Haughey, Aiden O'Donnell Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Cunningham, Paddy O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Sean Doogan, Eamonn Browne, Cathal McLaughlin, Proinsias Carr, John James Lyons, Connie Cunningham, Big Frank O'Donnell, Josie Gillespie.

Following the game the cup was presented to the Dunkineely captain Charlie Brady by the chairman of the South West Divisional Board, Mr Davy Brennan Glenties.

Report Number 2

The Peoples Press Sat 25th April 1959

Kilcar's comfortable victory. - St. Connell's Cup & Democrat Cup

Kilcar 3-7

Ar dara 1-5.

Kilcar took the first step forward, in this season's competition, in the first round of the St. Connell's Cup and County Donegal Senior Football League at Toney Gaelic Park on Sunday when they had a comfortable victory over Ar dara.

Although the visitors led at the interval by 1-1 to 1-0 after a very keen and hard fought half in which both sides attacked and defended alternately the homesters regained mastery in the second moiety and scored 2-3 to the visitors solitary minor.

Mr. G. Breslin was referee.

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Josie Boyle, Jimmy Doogan, Aidan O'Donnell, Paddy O'Donnell, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Cunningham, John James Lyons, Sean Doogan, Packie Haughey, Proinsias Carr, Cathal McLaughlin, Connie Cunningham, Big Frank O'Donnell, Frank Gillespie.

Ar dara: Seamus McGee, Dessie Shovlin, Billy Maxwell, Peter Breslin, Mick Herron, Pat McGee, James McGinley,



Hughie Bennett, Jim O'Connor, John Mc Hugh, Michael Keeney, Packie McGinley, John Gavigan, Myles Mc Hugh, John Keeney.

Report Number 3

The Peoples Press Sat. 5th May 1959.

First Senior Game At Rosses Park. – St. Connell's Cup & Democrat Cup

Dungloe 2-5

Kilcar 1-7

The Rosses GAA Park, Dungloe, housed its first senior football game when Dungloe defeated Kilcar by 2-5 to 1-7 in the St. Connell Cup Competition. Playing with a strong breeze Kilcar opened the scoring after two minutes and it was fitting that former inter-county and veteran player, Frank O'Donnell, who lobbed over from the wing, should have his name on the record as the first scorer on the new pitch. Continued Kilcar pressure was nullified by poor finishing until Cathal Mc Laughlin pointed a free to put the visitors two up. It was the twelfth minute before Dungloe's account was opened by Sean O'Donnell with a point from a free. Kilcar came back and Connie Cunningham finished a nice passing movement with a well-taken point. Shortly after, Frank O'Donnell rocketed the ball off the crossbar but the whistle had gone for a previous infringement. Kilcar were well on top at this stage and Paddy O'Donnell pointed from well out. The same player was on the mark two minutes later, with the best point of the game from a sideline kick. Dungloe had their second point in the twenty fourth when J. C. Boyle drop-kicked a well-judged rising ball in from the wing. In a Kilcar attack Paddy O'Donnell was fouled and Cathal McLaughlin pointed the resulting free. Paddy O'Donnell had the last point of the half, following a Kilcar passing movement, to leave the visitors leading by 0-7 to 0-2 at half-time.

Positional changes

Both sides showed a number of positional changes when the lined out for the second half. With the breeze in their backs Dungloe went quickly into the attack and when Packie O'Donnell turned in a ball which was going wide, J. McGovern was on the square to punch to the net. Heartened by this first-minute score, Dungloe continued to press but finishing was poor and seven minutes had gone before Sean O'Donnell narrowed the gap with a point from a fifty. Continued Dungloe pressure went without reward until the seventeenth minute when P. Boyle hooked a ball into the goalmouth and Paddy O'Donnell finished to the net, to give the homesters the lead for the first time.

It was all Dungloe at this stage and they appeared to have the game well sewn up when Dom Murray had a good point from far out and Sean O'Donnell went through for another. Kilcar, however, fought back and after a few good chances, were awarded a fourteen yard free in the twenty-sixth minute. The taker was Frank O'Donnell and the big centre-forward blazed in a pile-driver which skimmed in under the crossbar for the best

score of the match. With only a point between the teams Kilcar went all out for the equaliser but Dungloe held out until the final whistle.

On the Dungloe, side which contained a number of new faces, Dan Bonner, Sean O'Donnell, J.C. Boyle, Dom Murray, P. O'Donnell and Owenie Boyle, in an unaccustomed role in goal, caught the eye while Eamon Browne, Jimmy Doogan, Paddy O'Donnell, Frank O'Donnell and Cathal McLaughlin worked hard for Kilcar.

Scorers: Kilcar: Cathal McLaughlin 0-1, Connie Cunningham 0-1, Paddy O'Donnell 0-4. Frank O'Donnell 1-0.

Dungloe: Sean O'Donnell 0-3, James "Cookie" Boyle 0-1, J. McGovern 1-0, P. O'Donnell 1-0, Dom Murray 0-1.

Dungloe: Owenie Boyle, John Duffy, Dan Bonner, P. Boyle, Eddie O'Donnell, Manus Ward, Ben O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, James "Cookie" Boyle, J. Boyle, Dom Murray, H McGee, P O'Donnell, J. McGovern, P Boyle.

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Aidan O'Donnell, John James Lyons, Eamonn Browne, Seamus McNulty, Sean Doogan, Gerry Breslin, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Cathal McLaughlin, Proinsias Carr, Frank O'Donnell, Connie Cunningham.

Report Number 4

The Peoples Press Sat. 16th May 1959.

Inniskeel Cup game drawn.

Kilcar 1-9

Ardara 3-3.

The Ardara v Kilcar, Inniskeel Cup game, played at Towney Park, Kilcar, could well be described as "a game of two halves" as Ardara did all the scoring in the first half, while the homesters got all their scores in the second moiety with the exception of a solitary point, scored by Josie Gillespie, in the opening minutes of the game. The game was the opening encounter of the season in the Inniskeel Cup Minor Football Competition in the South-West Division. The teams were very well balanced and there was comparatively little or nothing between them on the run of play. The Ardara forwards are to be commended for the fact that they took more advantage of the scoring opportunities which came their way in the first moiety, when they had the choice of ends, and scored three goals to the homesters single major when the latter had the breeze at their backs during the second moiety. The teams in this competition are 13-a-side. The visitors most prominent players were Jimmy O'Donnell, goalkeeper, Joseph Herron, and Conal Maguire in defence: Michael Keeney in midfield and Myles McHugh and Danny Sweeney and Ned Gallagher in the attacking lines. Kilcar were best served by Jimmy Cunningham, Patsy O'Donnell, Paddy O'Donnell and Pat Byrne in defence and Mickey Haughey, Josie Gillespie and Connell McGinley in the attacking lines.



The Play.

Ardara opened the scoring with a goal in the second minute by Ned Gallagher, but Josie Gillespie reduced the lead with a Kilcar point in the 4th minute. Michael Keeney stretched the Ardara lead with a point in the 9th minute and Bart Whelan stretched it further with another minor two minutes later. Towards the end of the first quarter Michael Keeney further stretched the Ardara lead with a minor. Despite the fact that the homesters defence had given a great display at that stage, it was the visitor's forwards who were doing most of the attacking and in the 20th minute of play they succeeded in breaking through for a second goal scored by Bart Whelan. Having taken full advantage of the breeze the visitors were definitely on top at this stage and in another strong offensive movement by the 25th minute Ned Gallagher put his side strongly in front with a goal from a rasping shot. Despite repeated offensives by the homesters they failed to reduce the arrears before the interval which left the half-time result – Ardara 3-3 Kilcar 0-1.

Both sides revealed a number of positional changes on the turn-over. The homesters took an early advantage of the existing conditions and with the breeze to their backs they were quickly in attack when Josie Gillespie sent over a point to reduce the arrears after resuming. From this stage the homesters continued to press and in attack after attack they succeeded to score six successive points – one by Patsy O'Donnell three by Josie Gillespie and two by Mickey Haughey.

Encouraged by their success the homesters had now a good grip on the game but trailing by a four point deficit they fought hard for a goal which came after a number of near misses. Josie Gillespie gained possession and to narrow the gap to a solitary point he beat the Ardara 'keeper for a great goal. This "gift" was scored in the 25th minute and for the ensuing two minutes the forwards strove hard but with the Ardara defence holding a tight grip on their slender lead it seemed as if this much sought after score would elude them. Their determination, however, paid rich dividends and in the dying moments Connell McGinley sent a 40 yards shot sailing over the bar to share the points.

The teams under Cathal Mc Laughlin, Carrick, were:

Ardara: Jimmy O'Donnell, Seamus Boyle, John Herron, Josie Brennan, Conal Maguire, J Boyle, Michael Keeney, James McGinley, Jimmy McGill, Myles McHugh, Danny Sweeney, Ned Gallagher and Bart Whelan.

Kilcar: Mickey Campbell, Seamus Cunningham, Paddy (N) O'Donnell, S McGinley, Barney Cunningham, Patsy O'Donnell, Pat Byrne, Josie Gillespie, Mickey Haughey, Sean Boyle, Connell McGinley, Hugh Hegarty and Mickey Maloney.

Report Number 5

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 22nd May 1959.

Kilcar's Comfortable Home Victory. – St. Connell's Cup & Democrat Cup

Kilcar 3-10

Dunkineely 0-8

Kilcar advanced another step in the St Connell Cup "Democrat" cup game at their home venue, Towney Gaelic Park, Kilcar, on Sunday when they had a comfortable victory over Dunkineely. The first half, which ended with scores level 2-2 to 0-8, was very keen and hard fought with both sides attacking and scoring alternately. The homesters seem to be an all round better combination and were faster on the ball. Despite the fact that Dunkineely had a scoreless second half the game was by no means a one sided affair during this moiety, as the visitors kept trying and were in there with a chance until the final stages. Their movements were repelled by a strong Kilcar defence while at the other end the homester's forwards took advantage of the existing conditions to add a goal and 8 points to their first half tally. For the homesters Jimmy Doogan (full back) gave a first class display while his co-defenders, Paddy O'Donnell and Jimmy Cunningham also gave a good account of themselves. Mickey Haughey, the Kilcar minor player, was in goal and gave a very good performance throughout. Seamus McNulty, Eamonn Browne and Packie Haughey as the second line of defence also showed up well and repelled many good movements by their opponents. Paddy O'Donnell at midfield for Kilcar was the star of the game and was ably supported throughout by Gerard Breslin. John James Lyons was the spear head of attack in the three-quarter's line and he was well supported by Sean Doogan and Proinsias Carr. Cathal McLaughlin, the nippy Carrick youth, proved himself to be again the master forward accounting for most of his side's scores both from play and from frees. He received good co-operation from big Frank O'Donnell and Connie Cunningham. The Dunkineely side who were much below strength and had such noticeable absentees as Brian Cotter the Donegal, the inter-county defender, Michael Rodden, Peter Sweeney, Patsy O'Donnell and Hugh Sweeney. In defence Willie Cunningham was conspicuous all through. Others who gave very good displays on the side were Patsy McGowan in goal, Sean McGuinness, Charlie Brady, Tony Keyes, Thomas McCready, F. Gallagher and Maurice Boyle. They played well in their positions of defence, midfield and attack.

Prior to the start of the game two minutes of silence was observed in memory of the late Mr Patrick Gillespie Largydaughtan Kilcar who was a former playing member of the Kilcar club.

The scores

Aided by the breeze Dunkineely broke away from the throw in and Charlie Brady opened the scoring for his side with a point in the first minute. Kilcar retaliated and forced a close in free from which Cathal Mc Laughlin



sent over the equaliser in the third minute. After a bout of spectacular play, and a long drive into Dunkineely territory, Big Frank O'Donnell gained possession to slam through a great goal to put his side in front. In a Dunkineely offensive the homesters conceded a forty yards free and F Gallagher made it number 6 shortly afterwards. The homesters at this stage fought hard for scores but the visitors defence drove them back. Maintained pressure by the homesters however had its reward when, on the 23rd minute of play, Connie Cunningham put the homesters again in the lead with a great goal and Cathal McLaughlin added a well taken point from a free. After a period of end to end exchanges the visitors resumed the offensive again and F. Gallagher reduced the lead with a point. Just before the interval Charlie Brady shot over the equalising point to leave the half time scores: Kilcar 2-2 Dunkineely 0-8.

They continued the good work and Paddy O'Donnell, who gave outstanding performance at the centre field again, proved the trump-card of the homesters in the second half. Aply assisted by his partner, Gerry Breslin, the mid-fielders kept the half - forwards and forwards well supplied with the ball and therein was laid the foundation for their success. They pressed attack after attack, most of which were fruitful.

At the other end the homesters defence dealt cleanly with several dangerous movements by the visitor's forwards, although the latter had a number of very near misses. During this moiety the Kilcar marksmen were Cathal Mc Laughlin (1-5) Frank O'Donnell (1-2) Connie Cunningham (0-1).

Under Mr Seamus Clearly Ballyshannon the teams were:-

Kilcar Mickey Haughey, Aiden O'Donnell, Jimmy Doogan, Jimmy Cunningham, Seamus McNulty, Eamonn Browne, Packie Haughey Gerard Breslin, Paddy O'Donnell, John James Lyons, Sean Doogan, Cathal McLaughlin, Connie Cunningham, Big Frank O'Donnell and Proinsias Carr.

Dunkineely Patsy McGowan, Tony McGowan, Willie Cunningham, Hugh McCormack, John McGroarty, Sean McGuinness, Thomas McCready, Patsy O'Donnell, Tony Keyes, Michael Mitchell, Charlie Brady, Dermott Aleman, Maurice Boyle and F. Gallagher and L. Burke.

Report Number 6

The Peoples Press Sat. 30th May 1959.

Kilcar beat Glenties. - St. Connell's Cup & Democrat Cup

Kilcar 1-8

Glenties 1-5

Kilcar snatched a hard-won victory at Gaelic Park, Glenties on Sunday last in the St. Connell's Cup (Senior Football League). The Glenties forwards missed some good opportunities and scores went a begging from placed balls. Much good fielding was spoiled by wrong approach tactics. Both sets of backs acquitted themselves well and some good fielding and clearing was witnessed. Honours were even at midfield with each

team having periods of supremacy. The Kilcar forwards powered by Cathal McLaughlin, Jimmy Duggan and Big Frank O'Donnell were very forceful and made good use of the opportunities presented to them while Glenties had active players in Christy Boyle, Bernie Gildea, F. Craig and Brian Campbell. In the back division Glenties were well served by John McDyer, Danny McGill, Sean Early and Packie Keeney.

Kilcar had a good defence in Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Duggan, Seamus McNulty and Paddy O'Donnell, while Proinsias Carr was much in evidence.

Scorer's for Kilcar: Eamonn Brown 1-0, Cathal McLaughlin 0-6, Jimmy Duggan 0-1, Gerry Breslin 0-1

Scorers for Glenties: T. Craig 1-0, J. Sheridan 0-1, B. Campbell 0-2, P. Breslin 0-1, M. Coll 0-1.

Referee: Michael Erskine, Kilcar.

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Duggan, Aodh O'Donnell, Proinsias Carr, Paddy O'Donnell, Seamus McNulty, Eamonn Browne, Gerry Breslin, Cathal McLaughlin, Sean Duggan, John James Lyons, Josie Gillespie, Frank O'Donnell, Connie Cunningham.

Glenties: Cornelius Bonner, Martin Molloy, John Mc Dyer, Danny Mc Gill, Sean Earley, Packie Keeney, Paddy Gavigan, Brian Campbell, John Sheridan, Eamonn Melly, Bernie Gildea, Christy Boyle, Patsy Breslin, Mick Coll and F. Craig.

Report Number 7

The Peoples Press Sat. 20th June 1959.

Kilcar Defeat Dunkineely. - Dr. Maguire Cup.

Kilcar 0-6

Dunkineely 0-3.

Kilcar took the first step forward in the Donegal Senior championship (Dr. Maguire Cup) at Towney Park; Kilcar on Sunday when they had a hard fought but well earned victory over Dunkineely.

After having led at the interval by 0-3 to 0-1 the homesters were hard pressed to hold on to their three point lead in the closing stages when the visitors fought hard to pull the game out of the fire.

The fact that not a single goal was scored was a tribute to the respective defences. There was comparatively nothing between the sides on the run of play and many people regarded the visitors as unlucky not to have won or at least shared the points.

Kilcar won because their forwards made more use of the ball and furthermore due to the fact that they had a match-winner in Cathal Mc Laughlin who secured five of his sides six points.

Mr Seamus Cleary, Ballyshannon was referee.

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Aiden O'Donnell, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Paddy O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Eamonn Browne, Gerard Breslin, Proinsias Carr, Sean Doogan, John James Lyons, Cathal McLaughlin, Connie Cunningham, James Ward.

Dunkineely: Patsy McGowan, M. Thornton, Willie



Cunningham, Tony McGowan, P. Mc Groarty, Sean McGuinness, Patsy O'Donnell, Michael Rodden, J. Mc Brearty, F. McBrearty, Charlie Brady, Eamon Haughey, Maurice Boyle, Hugh McCormack, Pat Quinn.

Tony Keyes was replaced by Hugh McCormack in the early stages of the first half.

Report Number 8

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 26th June 1959.

Kilcar Progress in Championship – Dr. Maguire Cup.

Glenties 0-6

Kilcar 1-7

Before a good attendance and in ideal weather conditions, Kilcar, somewhat below full strength, defeated Glenties 1-7 to 0-6 in the first round of the Senior Football Championship at Glenties on Sunday.

Kilcar surprised a fancied Glenties side fresh from their defeat of the county champions in the "Democrat Cup" recently. Kilcar were without full forward Frank O'Donnell and their chief marksman Cathal McLaughlin, but had very capable replacements in Proinsias Carr and John James Lyons.

At midfield Gerry Breslin (Kilcar) John Sheridan (Glenties) performed well. John James Lyons, Sean Doogan and Frank O'Donnell were conspicuous in the Kilcar attack. For Glenties John McDyer, fullback John O'Donnell and Sean Early stood up to strong pressure, but the home forwards were not as good as usual. A feature of the game was the ineffectiveness of both teams when playing with a slight breeze.

The scoring

Bernie Gildea, off a free, opened the scoring for Glenties with a point, to which James Ward replied. Terence Craig restored Glenties lead with a delightful point, but at the other end, Jimmy Doogan equalised from a free. Seamus McNulty gave Kilcar the lead again with a point, but B Gildae again equalised for Glenties. Sean Doogan (free) pointed for Kilcar to give them a point lead at half time. Kilcar faced the breeze in the second half, but soon began to assert superiority. John O'Donnell, in the Glenties defence, repelled many attacks. Glenties attacked spiritedly and after ten minutes Brian Campbell equalised of a free. A Kilcar move ended in Sean Doogan scoring a well taken goal. After end to end exchanges John James Lyons again pointed again for Kilcar but a point each by Bernie Gildea and John Sheridan (off a 50) left only two points in it with five minutes to go. Kilcar had a point each per Sean O'Donnell and Gerry Breslin, to clinch the issue.

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Glenties – Cornelius Bonner, John O'Donnell, John

McDyer, Paddy Gavigan, Sean Early, Packie Kenney, Martin Molloy, John Sheridan, Bernie Gildea, Christy Boyle, Brian Campbell, Patsy Breslin, Terence Craig, Mick Coll, Patrick Craig.

Referee Tommy Boyle, Ardara,

Report Number 9

The Peoples Press Sat. 11th July 1959.

Kilcar continue Their Winning Sequence. – Dr. Maguire Cup.

Kilcar 2-6

Ardara 2-3.

Kilcar continued their winning sequence in the Donegal Football Championship (Dr. Maguire Cup) at the home venue, Towney Gaelic Park, Kilcar, on Sunday when they had a hard fought, but deserving victory over Ardara.

The visitors led at the interval by 2-2 to 1-1 but with the change of sides the homesters gradually gained the upper hand and towards the approach of the last quarter were on level terms. In the closing stages, however, the homesters had to keep a very tight rein to maintain their slender lead.

On the whole the homesters just about deserved their victory but a little more steadiness in attack might have swung it in the visitors favour as during the early stages of the first-half several good chances were fritted away due to faulty finishing.

Both teams were below full strength. Kilcar were without Mickey Haughey who was on the County Donegal Minor selection playing against Cavan at Castleblaney, while other notable absentees were Gerard Breslin and John James Lyons.

Cathal McLaughlin who proved the "scorer-in-chief" in recent games was a severe loss to the team during the first moiety, having been nursing a recent leg injury. When he made his appearance during the second moiety he immediately made his presence felt. This "star" forward not only changed the trend of events but definitely enhanced his reputation of being a "match-winner" for his team. He scored four points and due to his good lead-up work was responsible for transferring a "gift" ball to Frank O'Donnell to secure a goal.

Sean Brady in the homester's goal proved a good deputy for Mickey Haughey and on the whole their line-out was a fairly good combination.

Jimmy Doogan in the full-back berth gave a first-class display and his co-defenders of Aiden O'Donnell and Jimmy Cunningham gave a good account of themselves. Paddy O'Donnell, in the centre of the second line of their defence, was the side's star performer and he was ably flanked by Packie Haughey and Seamus McNulty, all of whom repelled many good movements by their opponents. Sean Doogan and Eamonn Brown played well in mid-field while the centre- three- quarter player James Ward did excellent work throughout, and was well supported by Prionnseas Carr and the team's manager, and veteran Frank Gillespie, who made a comeback to give an impressive



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Referee: Michael Erskine, Kilcar.

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Report Number 11

The Derry Journal Fri. 31st July 1959.

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Report Number 12

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 31st July 1959.

Kilcar minors convincing win over Ardara. – Minor Championship

Kilcar 3-9

Ardara 1-4.

Kilcar registered a convincing victory over Ardara at Towney Gaelic Park, Kilcar in the Co Donegal Minor Football Championship with scores at: Kilcar 3-9 Ardara 1-4.

The homesters included in their line-out a number of secondary school boys and were the more methodical combination throughout. At times they served up copy book football, their fielding being stamped with class, which should leave them hot favourites for county honours in their grade. On the whole they were more experienced, fitter, and faster fifteen than their opponents and used all their opportunities to better advantage. The Kilcar side had a very sound defence in Conal Gillespie, Dan Hegarty and Seamus Cunningham while in the second line of defence; Aodhan Hegarty, Eamon Cunningham and Patsy O'Donnell were equally prominent. In fact there was scarcely a weak link on the side and with Mickey Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Leo Murray, Sean O'Donnell, J. Gillespie, Conal McGinley, P. J (Paddy Beag) Gillespie and Sean Burke in peak form, Ardara had no answer to the homester's superiority. The Ardara players who had an excellent game were: Michael Keeney the Donegal County "star" and Charles O'Donnell playing at midfield, Michael Boyle in the full back berth, and Jimmy McGill at centre-three quarter.

An interesting feature of the game was the midfield duals between Michael Keeney, Ardara and Aodhan Hegarty, Kilcar, who although much lighter and smaller in stature, took his own share of the breaks and Keeney found in him an exceedingly difficult nut to crack.

Despite the disparity in scores the game, however, was of a very high standard and proved most interesting and entertaining throughout.

The scores-

Ardara opened the scoring in the first minute with a point by Charlie O'Donnell but Kilcar retaliated immediately with a point by Josie Gillespie. Kilcar forced a "50" and from the resultant spot kick Barney Cunningham put them in front with a minor. Sean Burke added another from play before Josie Gillespie, from a

Paddy Gillespie pass, put them strongly in front with a well – taken goal. Leo Murray beat the Ardara keeper for a second goal. Charles O'Donnell pointed for Ardara but Leo Murray negated before the interval following a "50" spot kick taken by Barney Cunningham. Kilcar maintained their superiority during the second half but the visitors secured more of the breaks. Kilcar increased their tally with three additional points by Paddy Gillespie, Josie Gillespie and Patsy O'Donnell before Ardara got on the offensive to add to their score sheet – a point taken by Charles O'Donnell from a "50" yards free. The visitors put on a very fine spurt in the last ten minutes and Charlie O'Donnell from a long range free reduced the arrears with a minor while Jimmy McGill, after a great bout of play by Ardara midfielders Michael Keeney and Charlie O'Donnell, found the net with a great goal, a shot which left the Kilcar keeper helpless. Kilcar resumed the offensive and finished strongly with a brace of points from Connell McGinley and Leo Murray.

Mr Dónal Whelan O.S Ardara was referee and the teams were

Kilcar- Paddy (N) O'Donnell, Éamon Cunningham, Aodhan Hegarty, Seamus Cunningham, Dan Hegarty, Barney Cunningham, Dan Hegarty Barney Cunningham, Mickey Haughey, Patsy O'Donnell, Leo Murray, Sean "Hughie" O'Donnell, J. Gillespie, Conal Eamonn Gillespie and P.J (Paddy Beag) Gillespie.

Ardara- Jimmy O'Donnell, John McNelis, Michael Boyle, Josie McGinley, John Herron, Conal McGuire, Anthony Cunningham, Michael Keeney, Charlie O'Donnell, Danny Sweeny, Jimmy McGill, S. Gallagher, Brendan McBride, Jack O'Donnell and Ned Gallagher.

Report Number 13

The Peoples Press Sat 8th Aug 1959.

County Champions beaten by Kilcar. – Dr. Maguire Cup.

South-West Senior Final.

Kilcar 2-7

Dungloe 1-3.

Dungloe, the 1957 and 1958 County Senior Football Champions, were defeated in a thrilling tense game by Kilcar at The Gaelic Park, Glenties, on Sunday last. The game lived up to expectations and the result, which was a very fair indication of the worth of both teams, came as a surprise to almost everyone who witnessed the game in a nasty drizzle and unpleasant conditions.

Both teams rose to the occasion, made nought of the treacherous underfoot conditions and a greasy ball, and treated an enthusiastic crowd to a grand display of fast clean football – the best seen in the South-West Division for many years.

Dungloe had many close calls during the year, but never beaten, were strong favourites to take Divisional honours, but from the outset ill-luck dogged the team due to the absence of Sean O'Donnell, through injury, for the first half and the early retiring of James "Cookie"



Boyle owing to injury. Also missing was Owenie Boyle, their usual left full-back.

Although Dungloe got off to a good start, Kilcar forced the pace which was a cracker, and suited their fit, well trained, fast moving, young players. Dungloe, during the first half, lacked the cohesion and dash which was a feature of their displays and at the end of the first moiety were in arrears to the extent of five points.

The Kilcar attack combined well throughout and was ably led by "Big" Frank O'Donnell, who proved a rare opportunist, tactician and strategist, full use was made of every ball that fell in the Dungloe territory. Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons and Frank Gillespie moved quickly and effectively and kicked accurately. Backed by Jimmy Duggan and Eamonn Browne they caused the Dungloe defence many anxious moments.

During the first half the Kilcar mid-field had the better of matters but the position was evened up in the second moiety when Sean O'Donnell came on for Dungloe and sent forward a stream of well placed balls to his forwards.

During this half the Kilcar defence was called more into action and gave as sound a display as their forwards in the first half, coming through with flying colours.

Conspicuous were Mickey Haughey, in goal, Jimmy Cunningham, Paddy O'Donnell and Seamus McNulty, while a special word of praise goes to Packie Haughey, who gave an excellent display at right half-back. Frank O'Donnell at midfield was sound and Sean O'Donnell was also sound in the second half.

Dungloe improved considerably during the second half and scored 1 goal 3 points to Kilcar's 1 point. This was due to Sean O'Donnell coming into the game, the return of James "Cookie" Boyle and the attempt to pull the game out of the fire, which indeed seemed possible at the three quarter stage. Kilcar regained the initiative at this point and finished on the offensive.

For Dungloe Packie Boyle, in goals, Dan Bonner, Manus Ward, Jim Connors were good in defence. In the forwards John Campbell always proved to be the danger man and gave a good display, ably assisted by Dom Murray and J. O'Donnell.

On the whole Kilcar were a faster, fitter team and has improved considerably in the past few weeks. Handling and fielding was sound and sure and the incentive to defeat the champions added edge to their display but Dungloe went down fighting and contested every ball until the final whistle sounded with the scoreboard reading Kilcar 2-7: Dungloe 1-6.

The Game.

Dungloe broke away from the throw-in and John Campbell pointed the resulting free after one minutes play. From the kick out Dungloe returned to the attack and when Dom Murray was fouled John Campbell added a second point. Kilcar broke away and in a concerted attack in which Cathal Mc Laughlin featured on the wing, ended in a high ball falling in the Dungloe square for Frank O'Donnell to take down and pass to John James Lyons who finished first time to the net, giving Kilcar the lead, a lead they never relinquished

during the hour.

A good movement by Paddy Roarty put Dungloe into attack and John Campbell was wide with a good shot. After 8 minutes play Kilcar had a free which Prionnseas Carr pointed. Kilcar maintained the pressure and in a concerted attack Frank O'Donnell ended by sending inches wide. From the kick out another move brought a Dungloe 50 which proved abortive. From the kick out Eamonn Browne sent forward to Frank O'Donnell who punched over the bar to stretch Kilcar's lead to three points. Dungloe returned to the attack and after Paul Sweeney was wide a free was pointed from 14 yards by John Campbell.

After 20 minutes Kilcar had a period of resurgence with Packie Haughey and Cathal McLaughlin much in evidence in an attack which brought a 50 which Paddy O'Donnell sent forward to Proinsias Carr who pointed. A further attack brought Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons and Frank O'Donnell into action before the latter secured possession to send a low rasping shot to the net.

Play fluctuated from end to end with both sides sending wide but no more scores resulted.

Half-time score: Kilcar 2-3 Dungloe 0-3.

On the resumption Kilcar went into the attack and John James Lyons was wide with his effort before Proinsias Carr pointed a free. Dungloe got a grip of the game after eight minutes and from an Eddie O'Donnell free John Campbell got possession and made no mistake with a fast rising shot which found the net to cut the lead to four points.

Play resumed and both sides had near misses. Mickey Haughey was called into action to clear the Kilcar lines and Paddy O'Donnell and Seamus McNulty were much in action.

The Kilcar defence stood firm and conceded no scores and when the forwards went into action again Packie Haughey sent to Frank Gillespie who pointed. John Campbell replied with a similar score and repeated the performance a minute later from a placed ball to which Sean O'Donnell added another point. Cathal McLaughlin completed the scoring with a point for Kilcar. Final score Kilcar 2-7 Dungloe 1-3.

Tommy Boyle, Ardara was the referee.

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**Report Number 14****The Peoples Press Sat 15th Aug 1959.****South-West Divisional Minor Final.
Dungloe 2-6 Kilcar 1-6.**

Before a good attendance, Dungloe had some recompense for the defeat of their seniors by gaining a hard-won victory in the Minor Final, which provided excellent fare under very trying conditions.

Underfoot conditions were far from good due to heavy rain and the sod being cut up after the senior game. Added to this a very greasy ball which performed some unaccountable tricks, even in the players' hands. Both teams engaged in a whole-hearted display and if at times the standard was not as good as one associates with these two good teams, interest was kept alive by the great come-back of the Dungloe team in the second half.

In fact, it was a transformed team that played hard, fast, first-time football that paid dividends in the existing conditions, and Kilcar, who had scored one goal and five points in the first half and one point in the first minute of the second half, did not succeed in getting another score for the remaining 29 minutes.

Dungloe just ran riot in the second half, ably abetted by J. Mc Garvey, John Duffy, J.S. Boyle, Sean O'Donnell and H. Ward in the forwards and Charles Greene and J. Boyle in the backs.

Kilcar were best served by Mickey Haughey (in goal) who time and time again came to the rescue, even to the extent of saving a penalty and again from the return, which he tapped over the bar.

Others to do well were Sean Burke, Dermot Ward, Sean O'Donnell, and Patsy O'Donnell. Absent from the team were Leo Murray and Aodhan Hegarty, two outstanding players of the championship, and Dungloe were without the services of B. Cannon.

The first half was all Kilcar with the forwards running up a total of one goal and five points to Dungloe's three points. In the second half Dungloe took control and camped in the Kilcar territory for long periods. The pressure eventually wore down the defence and the forwards were out of the game. Dungloe's tally for this half was one goal and six points to Kilcar's solitary point from a free.

The Game.

Kilcar started off well and within a minute Sean Burke pointed a free. In the return attack, a square infringement brought a penalty which Sean Burke sent to the net after it was parried by the Dungloe keeper Packie Boyle. From the kick-out Dungloe broke away and John Duffy had a point from a free. Mickey Haughey was called into action and saved well. J. Mc Garvey was wide from a good position but made amends later with a point from a free. Sean Burke replied with a similar score and J. Mc Garvey repeated again before Patsy O'Donnell sent over from play to leave the half-time score – Kilcar 1-5 Dungloe 0-3.

On resuming, Sean Burke sent over a free from twenty

yards, in the first minute. Play became dour and no advantage was gained for almost ten minutes. By then, Dungloe had gained the initiative and wore down the Kilcar defence. J. McGarvey had a point from play followed by a point from a free. Dungloe were awarded a penalty which Mickey Haughey saved but Paul Sweeney returned to send over the bar. J. McGarvey soloed through for a well taken goal. H. Ward, on the left wing, went through for a similar score which completely deceived the defence. J. McGarvey added two further points from play.

The referee was Tommy Boyle, Ardara.

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Report Number 15**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 21st Aug 1959.****Senior football championship quarter-final -
– Dr. Maguire Cup.****Kilcar 1-6****Four Masters 1-2**

Beautiful weather, coupled with the unique pairing, brought a large attendance of spectators to the Gaelic Grounds, Glenties for this Senior Football Championship quarter-final when Kilcar, with a 1-6 to 1-2 win over Four Masters, qualified for a semi-final against Gweedore at the same venue on Sunday.

Kilcar faced the sun and breeze in the first half and at the interval the scores were level at 1-1 each. During the course of play, Donegal were unfortunate to lose, through injury, the services of midfielder, Garda Sean Reilly (Donegal), who was replaced by Seamus Caldwell. This game, while not, perhaps reaching classic heights, was one that held interest until near the close, due to the closeness of the scoring, and the all-out efforts of both sides. They seemed to be little in it at half-time, and when Donegal, against the breeze, took temporary command at midfield for a period in the second half, to pin the South-Westerners, in their own territory, it was then that we saw what a really fine fifteen the eventual winners were. At this stage, Donegal should certainly have earned a few scores that could well have put a different complexion on the final result, but these Kilcar backs, fielding cleanly and playing with great earnestness and determination were not to be overcome. They weathered the storm well, and soon defence was turned to attack so well that in the final thirty minutes, Four Masters only score was a point off a free.

Fitness all through was Kilcar's trump card, and as the game progressed, this become more pronounced, for in



the final ten minutes, we often saw some of their players, beating opponents by yards to gain possession first, or to dispossess them when they held the advantage. In this respect, the Kilcar right back, Packie Haughey, proved adept in anticipation. Time and time again throughout the game he robbed Donegal in many a promising move. But he had tremendous support in the high, sure fielder, Paddy O'Donnell, at centre-half, and Seamus McNulty on the other wing. Even when Donegal made positional switches and brought in Joe Moss to the opposing sector, the efficiency of the Kilcar trio was never in any great danger, and apart from the opening lapse that resulted in an opportunist goal for Donegal by Jack McMullen, the full back line of Sean Doogan, Jimmy Cunningham and Aiden O'Donnell could not be faulted in any way.

Midfield duels were always keen, here, Eamonn Browne and James Ward put in an amount of work for Kilcar. They faded from the picture for a period in the second half, but came prominently into the picture again, to send the forwards moving. Prionnseas Carr at right half forward, Cathal McLaughlin on the opposite wing and John James Lyons in the centre, formed an astute half-forward line, and were it not for the brilliant display for Donegal by centre-half, P.J. Flood, many more scores would have accrued.

Right through the game it was a tremendous battle of wits between the towering Kilcar full-forward, Frank O'Donnell, and the Donegal full-back, Patsy Brogan. Honours were well divided in the first half but in critical attacks in the second half, the Kilcar man had the better of matters, to get, or make possible, the scores that counted. On the top of the right and left respectively, Sean O'Donnell and Frank Gillespie were hard triers for Kilcar, but got little change out of P. L. Brogan and John Gallagher, the Donegal backs.

A sparkling keeper.

Many of the thrills of this game were produced by the Donegal cúl báire Michael Travers. At different periods, particularly in the first half, when Kilcar were on the rampage, young Travers covered himself in glory by his tremendous saving, sometimes from almost point-blank range. One of his saves ranked with the best ever made in any game.

Donegal gave a very credible performance. Their eclipse was mainly due to failure at midfield, the absence of any real finishing power in the attack, but mainly, in the final analysis, to the fact that in most sectors Kilcar proved themselves a much fitter team. Patsy Brogan, P.J. Flood, Liam Briody, P.J. Mc Dermott, John Gallagher, P.L. Brogan, Jack McMullen, Brian Gallagher and Joe Moss put great effort into their work, but the sought-for scores did not come.

How the scores came-

Kilcar opened on the attack and Frank O'Donnell "broke" the ball to Cathal McLaughlin, who shot wide. Within five minutes Donegal had a goal lead. Patsy Brogan advanced to make a tremendous clearance, although challenged by Frank O'Donnell; the ball travelled far

upfield where Brian Gallagher swiftly lashed it through, with Jack McMullen racing forward to make contact with it as it rolled past the Kilcar defence. The Kilcar keeper, Michael Haughey, hesitated to leave his goal and in a twinkling McMullen had buried the ball in the net. Kilcar pressed strongly but Patsy Brogan cleared well. Michael Travers saved successively as Kilcar advanced and then, Paddy Kelly made a good clearance for Donegal, and Joe Kelly, fielding near the end line, sent the ball screwing to the net, but the score was disallowed for an infringement.

In the 12th minute a Kilcar right-wing move saw Proinsias Carr get possession from James Ward. He took his chance to score a fine goal and the equaliser. Subsequently John Reilly retired with an injury from the Donegal side, and was replaced by Seamus Caldwell. Joe Moss broke through but was fouled and the free by Paddy Kelly was cleared by Jimmy Cunningham.

Proinsias Carr and Jack Mullen were wide at each end before Brian Harvey gathered the ball and drove it over the bar to give Donegal a point lead in the 23rd minute. Following a 40 yard solo by Cathal McLaughlin, and a hot attack on the Donegal goal, Patsy Brogan came though with the ball again. A move opened by John James Lyons sent the ball via Cathal McLaughlin to Frank O'Donnell who finished it to the net, but the score was disallowed. Following this, Michael Travers made another great save, and Kilcar sped through again, but Eamonn Browne shot wide. Again Kilcar attacked, and Frank O'Donnell broke down the ball to Prionnseas Carr, who had an equalising point near half-time when the scores stood 1-1 each.

Within a minute of the re-start, following an abortive Donegal raid, Kilcar were in the lead with a point by Frank O'Donnell, who received from John James Lyons. Following a free by Cathal McLaughlin, Frank O'Donnell punched the ball over the bar, to give Kilcar a two-point lead with five minutes gone.

Donegal Attack.

At this stage, P.J. Flood put in a tremendous performance for Donegal, and although he was always hotly challenged by the Kilcar attack, he sent streaming balls into Kilcar territory. It was at this stage that the game was really won and lost. The Kilcar defence was sound, and apart from the clearances they made, the Four Masters' forwards were off the mark on six occasions in succession. Charlie Timoney replaced Joe Kelly on the Donegal side, and Donegal were off the mark again with a point. Kilcar rallied at midfield, and from a 25 yards free, Cathal McLaughlin, stretched their lead with another point in the 19th minute.

Kilcar at their best.

Kilcar now reached their peak form. Their fitness told against a tiring Donegal side, in some sectors, and now it was the Donegal backs that were called on to repulse attacks. Frank Gillespie, fielded near the end-line, screwed over a lovely point in the 24th minute to give his side a four points' lead. A minute later, P.J. Flood pointed a 35 yard free for Donegal, the ball hitting the upright and bouncing over the bar. Again, Kilcar fought



back to force a "50" which was taken by Paddy O'Donnell and John James Lyons grabbed the ball to land another point near full-time.

Under referee Tommy Boyle, Ardara, the teams were:

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Sean Doogan, Aiden O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Seamus McNulty, Éamonn Browne, James Ward, Proinsias Carr, John James Lyons, Cathal McLaughlin, Sean O'Donnell, Frank O'Donnell, Frank Gillespie.

Four Masters (Donegal): Michael Travers, John Gallagher, Patsy Brogan, P. L. Brogan, Paddy Kelly, P.J. Flood, Liam Briody, Austin Coughlin, John Reilly, Brian Gallagher, P. J. McDermott, Joe Kelly, Brian Harvey, Jack McMullen, Joe Moss. Subs: Seamus Caldwell for John Reilly and Charlie Timoney for Joe Kelly.

Report Number 16

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 28th Aug 1959.

Kilcar 1-8

Gweedore 2-4

Dr. Maguire Cup.

Two goals in arrears at half-time, in a game that trilled to the marrow at many periods, Kilcar put in a tremendous second-half performance to defeat Gweedore by 1-8 to 2-4 in the Senior Football Championship played in Glenties.

This game will go down in the annals of Donegal Gaeldom as one of the finest ever fought out at any centre for sheer enjoyment and excitement.

At the same venue St Eunan's won their fourth consecutive juvenile football championship title by defeating the holders, Gweedore by 3-5 to 1-5, in an entertaining curtain raiser

Kilcar fitness saw them through

In the first minute of the game Kilcar lost the services of their captain and full forward Frank O'Donnell who after "breaking a ball" goalwards slipped and injured his leg so badly he had to have four stitches inserted. The South Westerners moved Frank Gillespie forward and called on Leo Murray to fill the vacancy. This was a game in which every ball was fought for with rare dash and élan by the respective sides, and all through, although victors and vanquished made an all-out effort for supremacy, the spirit of sportsmanship was everything that could be asked for.

Kilcar started in promising manner and within thirteen minutes they led by three points. Then came the anti-climax as Gweedore levelled with a goal and then went on to score another major to lead by two goals at half-time.

Kilcar had the wind advantage in the second half and on 12 minutes they were on level terms again. Gweedore again took the lead and Kilcar drew level as the game developed into a pulsating struggle. Fourteen minutes from time Kilcar registered the winning score of the game

by substitute Michael Byrne who pointed after a series of attacks.

There were many near misses at both ends before the final whistle and in a typical Gweedore rally in the closing stages the Gaeltacht men almost snatched victory when a tremendous drive by Hugh McFadden ended in the ball rebounding off the crossbar before being deflected for a "50" which proved abortive. So ended Gweedore hopes of at least drawing level again. Superior fitness and the ability to set and maintain a gruelling pace at critical stages again proved Kilcar's trump card against what unquestionably was a well trained fifteen. Throughout, the high fielding Kilcar centre back Paddy O'Donnell was a prominent figure in this game, repulsing many Gweedore raids and often turning defence into attack. Full back Jimmy Doogan was also a sheet-anchor in the Kilcar defence and Cathal McLaughlin, Sean Doogan, Proinsias Carr, Frank Gillespie and John James Lyons proved forwards of high calibre when scores were most needed.

Gweedore had an outstanding full back in Hughie Tim Boyle who gave one of the best displays of his career and Barney Coyle proved as reliable as ever on his left. Paddy Sweeney, throughout the game, put in a tremendous performance at centre half back with help from forwards Donal Breslin and Cathal Carr. Also well to the fore were Owenie McBride and Gene McGinley. Until he retired Michael Jas, Gallagher put in an amount of work at midfield where the Kilcar pair Eamonn Browne and James Ward had a successful partnership.

The scoring;

Kilcar attacked from the throw in and as Frank O'Donnell "broke" the ball to Frank Gillespie, he slipped, injured his leg and had to retire immediately. In the 4th minute Frank Gillespie opened scoring with a point for Kilcar. Gene McGinley was wide at the other end and subsequently, Donal Breslin placed Thomas Breslin in Gweedore attack but a free out eased the situation. Owenie McBride equalised for Gweedore off a free. In the 10th minute Gweedore came through again but Michael Haughey saved well from Thomas McGinley. Paddy O'Donnell sent Kilcar moving and Proinsias Carr was fouled. Cathal McLaughlin pointed the free in the 12th minute.

A minute later Frank Gillespie had another point for Kilcar. Following a grand clearance by Hughie Boyle, Michael J Gallagher sent Gweedore surging through and when Thos McGinley centred, Gene McGinley rushed to punch the ball to the net to give Gweedore a point lead. Anton Rodgers followed up with a point.

In the 18th minute Donal Breslin centred and Thomas McGinley punched the ball through for another Gweedore goal. Near half-time Cathal Carr sent the ball to Ownie McBride who pointed to give Gweedore an interval lead of 2-3 to 0-3.

Kilcar opened the second half on the attack but when Sean Doogan was fouled, Cathal McLaughlin drove the ball low from the free and was cleared well by Paul Carr. Kilcar had another wide before Eamonn Browne sent the ball to John James Lyons, who sent it on to Leo Murray



who beat the Gweedore keeper for a goal. In 18th minute Cathal McLaughlin pointed a free as Kilcar pressed, and two minute later Packie Haughey added another point. Kilcar went all out for the equaliser and Frank Gillespie pointed in the 12th minute. The game now aroused considerable excitement and following a fine clearance by Hughie Boyle, Gweedore went through again to take the lead by Ownie McBride of a free in the 13th minute. Two minutes later, Cathal McLaughlin levelled the scores again and Michael Byrne, who had replaced Leo Murray on the Kilcar side, gave his team the lead again with a point in the 18th minute. This was the last score, but until the end, the game continued at a hectic pace with both sides having near misses.

The teams under referee Seamus Cleary. Tanatallon, were;

Kilcar Michael Haughey. Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Aidan O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Seamus McNulty, Eamonn Browne, James Ward, Proinseas Carr, Sean Doogan, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Frank O'Donnell, Frank Gillespie Subs- Leo Murray for Frank O'Donnell, Michael Byrne for Leo Murray.

Gweedore- Pat McNelis, Paul Carr, Hughie "T" Boyle, Barney Coyle, Chas. Breslin, Paddy Sweeney, Cathal Carr, Michael J. Gallagher, Denis Diver, Donal Breslin, Ownie McBride, Gene McGinley. Anton Rodgers, Tom McGinley, Tom Hickey. Subs- Hugh McFadden and Peter Gallagher

Report Number 17 The Derry People Sat. 12th Sept 1959.

Mac Cumhaill's are new Champions. - Dr. Maguire goes to Twin-Towns.

Mac Cumhaill's 2-7 Kilcar 1-6.

An estimated attendance of about 4,000 watched Sean MacCumhills, Ballybofey, annexes the Donegal Senior Football title for the first time in their history at Donegal Town on Sunday.

The game, played in a fine sporting spirit, never reached the heights expected, and was it not for a valiant effort by Kilcar, midway through the second half, it might have been recorded as one of the dullest finals ever. The mediocre type of play perhaps reflects the standards of football in the county at the moment

The facts that Kilcar had to take the field with-out their captain and main hope, "Big" Frank O'Donnell, seemed to have an adverse effect on their play. During the opening half they never looked like the side that had accounted for ex-champions Dungloe and championship specialists Gweedore on their way to the final. On the resumption they improved considerably, but were unable to match the clever play of their opponents.

MacCumhills looked invincible during the opening half when they held complete control at mid-field, with some fine football from ex-minor Liam Doherty, ably

abetted by Bernard Lafferty. On the turn-over, Kilcar switched Sean O'Donnell to this sector and the exchanges were more evenly divided. MacCumhills last line of defence showed a weakness hitherto unapparent. Their half-line of Paddy Finnerty, Tom Mannion and Brendan McFeely was very sound. Paddy Finnerty being particularly impressive, he completely blotted out Kilcar danger man, Cathal McLaughlin.

In attack Mac Cumhaill's had right three-quarter Harry Lafferty in brilliant form, sweeping aside with nonchalance every Kilcar effort to subdue him. In fact three different men were tried on him without success during the course of the hour. Andy Gallen, on the forty, distributed the ball to midfield to assist there when ever the need arose. Dessie Griffin and Mickey Lafferty also caught the eye.

For Kilcar full-back Jimmy Doogan took the main honours. His place kicking was reminiscent of Frank White and his brilliant interceptions robbed the winners' attack of scores on more than a few occasions. Paddy O'Donnell, in the second half, came into prominence with some superb fielding. It's a pity he lacks mobility. Packie Haughey at right half-back seemed troubled by Dessie Griffin's speed for a time but later played with his usual verve. Kilcar were badly out of it in midfield although Sean Doogan, when moved there, improved it considerably. Of an inexperienced attack which squandered some fine chances at a vital stage only Eamonn Browne looked dangerous. Cathal McLaughlin, from whom so much was expected, was a big disappointment. In summing up, my impression was that had "Big" Frank been able to play, Kilcar might have made the encounter more interesting. There is no denying his influence on the South- Western standard-bearers. Still victory went to the better team. They are a young side and with the experience gained will be hard to dispossess of their crown.

How the scores came

Dessie Griffin opened the scoring for Mac Cumhaill's in the third minute when he netted with a fierce cross shot from a pass by Billy Quinn. Gerry Griffin saved an awkward situation and at the other end, Mickey Haughey, the Kilcar cúl báire, cleared a Harry Lafferty drive. Haughey retired injured in the 18th minute and was replaced by Eamonn O'Donnell. Paddy O'Donnell had a chance to reduce the leeway for Kilcar, but he shot weakly from a free. Mac Cumhaill's then took up the running but they shot wide twice in quick succession. Harry Lafferty increased the Ballybofey men's total when he pointed a 14 -yards free. Kilcar had a lucky break when the keeper dropped the ball but it was scrambled away. Mickey Lafferty pointed from play in the 16th minute and four minutes later Eddie McMenamin finished a Harry Lafferty free to the net. At the other end Proinsias Carr was wide with two long-range efforts before Harry Lafferty weaved his way through the Kilcar defence and parted to Mickey Lafferty who pointed. Mac Cumhaill's were really rampant now and points by Harry Lafferty and Andy Gallen left the interval score:-



Mac Cumhaill's 2-5; Kilcar 0-0

During the interval Kilcar made positional changes and Sean O'Donnell replaced Seamus McNulty in their line up. These switches seemed to put new life into them. Cathal McLaughlin opened their account with a point from a free in the first minute. Harry Lafferty failed for Mac Cumhaill's from a short free and when Kilcar put on the pressure John Lafferty gave away a fifty. The 50 was taken by full-back Jimmy Doogan. His kick went to Sean O'Donnell who pointed. From another fifty in the 12th minute Sean Doogan sent the ball soaring between the posts. At the end of the third quarter Sean Doogan had a further point for Kilcar. A minute later Packie Haughey, moving up into attack, crossed the ball to Eamonn Browne, who sidestepped two defenders before crashing the ball to the net.

With 14 minutes to go the Mac Cumhaill's lead had been reduced to four points and we were looking forward to a grand – stand finish to compensate for the earlier sluggishness in play. The men from the twin-towns had other ideas and soon reasserted their superiority. After McMenamin had missed a golden opportunity, Harry Lafferty converted a free in the 21st minute. Cathal McLaughlin missed a chance for Kilcar but Sean O'Donnell narrowed the gap with a point from a free in the 27 minute.

A minute from the end Paddy Finnerty placed Bernard Lafferty who drop-kicked a 30 yard point for Mac Cumhaill's thus ensuring that the premier trophy would rest in the Finn Valley for the next 12 months.

On the call of time Jimmy Doogan, with another beautifully judged kick, sent a 50 all the way for a point, leaving the final score:- Mac Cumhaill's, 2-7; Kilcar 1-6,

After the game the Dr Maguire Cup was presented by Rev Father McGettigan, C.C Knockfolla, President, Donegal Board, G.A.A to the captain of the winning team, John Lafferty, Fr. McGettigan congratulated Mac Cumhaill's on their fine win and also paid tribute to the gallant loser's for their sporting display. Mr Ben Griffin, for Mac Cumhaill's replied.

Mr Frank Muldoon and his colleagues from Donegal Town are to be congratulated on the efficient manner in which they handled the stewarding arrangements.

Under Mr Patsy Brogan, Donegal the teams were:-

Mac Cumhaill's- Gerry McGranahan, Gerry Griffin, John Lafferty, Mick Whelan, Paddy Finnerty, Tom Mannion, Brendan McFeely, Bernard Lafferty, Liam Doherty, Harry Lafferty, Andy Gallen, Dessie Griffin, Mickey Lafferty, Eddie McMenamin, Billy Quinn.

Kilcar- Michael Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Aidan O'Donnell, Paddy Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Seamus McNulty, Gerry Breslin, James Ward, Proinsias Carr, Sean Doogan, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Eamonn Browne, Frank Gillespie.

Prior to the match the teams were paraded around the field by the Killybegs Accordion Band.

Report Number 18

The Derry People Tue 19th Sept. 1959.

Kilcar win The Canon Brennan Cup.

Kilcar 4-7

Dungloe 1-6.

A record attendance at the Gaelic Field, Dunkineely, on Sunday 13th, saw Kilcar confirm their championship form in defeating Dungloe 4-7 to 1-6 in the final of the Canon Brennan Cup competition, after being held at the interval by the Rosses men.

Kilcar won because of the ability of their forwards to take their scoring chances. The game, played in sweltering heat, was clean and sporting right through.

In a solid Kilcar defence, Proinsias Carr, at left-halfback was outstanding while Packie Haughey played a brilliant attacking game on the opposite wing. Full back Jimmy Doogan was sound, and his long kick-outs were of great advantage. Paddy O'Donnell had a quiet first half at midfield but came well into the picture, from the turnover, at centre half-back. Kilcar's outstanding forward was James Ward, while John James Lyons and Eamonn Browne were the other forwards to play well.

Dungloe had a sound fullback in Seamus Jim O'Donnell while Sean O'Donnell and Eddie O'Donnell put in a tremendous amount of work at midfield. The Dungloe forwards were closely marked by the Kilcar defence and seldom got much scope.

The Scoring:

Kilcar opened with a goal in the 2nd minute by James Ward, who smashed through for another major a few minutes later. Michael Rodden followed up with a point to which Eddie O'Donnell replied. John James Lyons negated this with a point for Kilcar but Dungloe cut through and Dan Bonner finished to the net from a sideline kick by Sean O'Donnell. D. Sweeney followed up with a point, but John James Lyons had a similar score for Kilcar. Sean O'Donnell, Dungloe and Paddy O'Donnell, Kilcar exchanged points before halftime.

Apart from a point by Ed. O'Donnell for Dungloe it was all Kilcar in the second half.

Kilcar scorers in this half were: Micheal Rodden, a point from 35 yards in the 3rd minute; James Ward, a point, in the 5th minute; Micheal Rodden, a point from a 14 yard free; Cathal McLaughlin, a goal from a penalty in the 13th minute and a goal in the 25th minute by Sean McGuinness.

The teams under referee Tommy Boyle were:

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Duggan, Aodh O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Sean McGuinness, Proinsias Carr, Paddy O'Donnell, Michael Rodden, James Ward, Gerry Breslin, Sean Duggan, John James Lyons, Eamonn Browne, Cathal McLaughlin. Sub: Josie Gillespie for Cathal McLaughlin.

Dungloe: Seamus Jim O'Donnell, P. Boyle, Nal McCole, N. Boyle, A. J. O'Donnell, Paddy Roarty, Jim Connors, Manus Ward, Eddie O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, P. O'Donnell, Ben O'Donnell, Owen Boyle, C. Cannon, Dan Bonner, D. Sweeney.



Cunningham and Aidan O'Donnell. Packie Haughey, Eamonn Browne and Sean McGuinness were a forceful half-back line also while Gerard Breslin was a star in midfield. Proinsias Carr, Sean Doogan and James Ward were much in the picture and Cathal McLaughlin was successful at full forward well assisted by John James Lyons and Aiden O'Donnell, who retired in the second half and was replaced by Frank O'Donnell whose influence told in securing a number of vital scores. The Rosses side had great players in Owenie Boyle, Jim McHugh, Eddie O'Donnell, Brendan Concannon, John Campbell, Sean O'Donnell and Dom Murray. Their goalie Packie Boyle gave an outstanding performance.

How the scores came.

Eddie O'Donnell had a Dungloe point and Dom Murray added two more points before Kilcar attacked and Cathal McLaughlin finished to the net for the equalising score. John Campbell pointed a free to give Dungloe an interval lead of 0-4 to 1-0. Kilcar attacked from the start and Sean Doogan punched over the equaliser. Frank O'Donnell moved in full-forward and put Kilcar in the lead with a point. From a free Cathal McLaughlin pointed and John James Lyons added another from play. Dungloe came back into the picture again but the home defence were up to the threat. Sean O'Donnell added two points to complete the scoring.

Under Tommy Boyle, Ardara, the teams were:

Kilcar: Patsy Mc Gowan, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Aodh O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Eamonn Browne, Sean McGuinness, Gerard Breslin, Michael Rodden, Proinsias Carr, James Ward, Sean Doogan, Cathal McLaughlin. Aidan O'Donnell, John James Lyons. Sub: Frank O'Donnell for Aiden O'Donnell.

Dungloe: Packie Boyle, L Boyle, Dan Bonner, Naul McCole, Paddy Roarty, Owenie Boyle, S.J. O'Donnell, Eddie O'Donnell, Brendan Concannon, P. O'Donnell, John Campbell, Seamus Maguire, D Boyle, Dom Murray, Subs: Sean O'Donnell replaced Elliot and W Ward replaced P. O'Donnell

Report Number 21

Donegal Democrat Fri. 30th Oct. 1959.

Ardara Extended Kilcar.

St. Connell's Cup & Democrat Cup

Ardara 3-2

Kilcar 5-2

Intent on lowering the colours of county finalists, Kilcar, in their senior county league (Democrat and St Connell Cup) game at the Pearse Memorial Park on Sunday, Ardara put up a rare struggle for supremacy but in the end had to submit to a 5-2 to 3-2 defeat.

A sodden pitch, arctic temperatures and a half gale – force wind all militated against good football but after a somewhat indifferent start, both teams threw themselves into the fray in earnest, and give a good attendance something to shout about.

Kilcar weathered the storm and held on to a precarious lead, established by some soft scores, which would not have been recorded has the usual Ardara keeper Seamus McGee, been available for the position. Kilcar rarely missed a scoring opportunity, and their forwards were fast and incisive.

Kilcar were minus James Ward, Paddy O'Donnell and Frank O'Donnell while Ardara were without the service of Thady Gallagher, P. McGee (who came on as a goalkeeper in the second half), Hughie Brennan, Packie McGinley and James McGinley.

Both defence had an anxious hour, due to the greasy ball and under footing conditions and in all nine goals were scored (one been disallowed). It was a field day for the forwards and some scores were secured easily. Long range attempts always spelled danger. One such drop by Hugh O'Donnell (Ardara) from forty yards and against the breeze, although parried, went to net for a brilliant goal, as also did a simpler attempt by John James Lyons aided by the gale.

The Kilcar team did not function so successfully as a unit as on other occasions but certainly showed stamina and fitness. Paddy O'Donnell, Jimmy Duggan, Packie Haughey, John James Lyons, Josie Gillespie and Cathal McLaughlin took the honours for the hour while for Ardara Hugh O'Donnell gave his beat display and was the outstanding player on the field.

The scoring.

Following a "50" John Gavigan opened scoring with a point for Ardara and Hugh O'Donnell playing well, soon added another minor from forty yards.

Eamonn Browne started a Kilcar move by sending the ball to Cathal McLaughlin and Josie Gillespie goaled from close range. Within a minute, John Gavigan had negatived after making a 50 yards solo and sending in a hard shot, which Michael Haughey failed to hold, and which John Gavigan, still on the race in, finished to the net.

The Ardara lead was short lived as a ball returned by Peter Breslin went to Josie Gillespie, who registered a well taken goal. Cathal McLaughlin and Josie Gillespie added points to leave the half-time score. Kilcar 2-2 Ardara 1-2.

On the resumption John James Lyons sent the ball to the Ardara goal area where the defence failed to hold it and it rolled into the net. Ardara struck back spiritedly for Charlie Kenney to punch to the net. Kilcar attacked and Frank Gillespie goaled seconds later. John James Lyons passed to Josie Gillespie who registered another goal. Good work for Ardara by Peter Breslin and Pat McGee gave Hugh O'Donnell possession to send a rising shot to the net from forty yards. John McShane added a point on the call of time.

Kilcar –Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Duggan , Aiden O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Seamus McNulty, Gerry Breslin, Sean Duggan , Proinsias Carr, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Eamonn Brown, Josie Gillespie, Frank Gillespie

Ardara – J. McNelis, John Herron, Mick Herron, Peter Breslin, Pat McGee, John Keeney, Conal McGuire, Eddie



Doherty, James Keeney, Edward O'Donnell, John Gavigan, Raymond Brennan, Hugh O'Donnell, Charlie Kenney, Michael Boyle.

The referee was Dan Shovlin Glenties

Report Number 22

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 13th Nov. 1959.

Glenties surprised Kilcar

St. Connell's Cup & Democrat Cup

Glenties 4-4

Kilcar 4-3

Kilcar, this year's county championship finalists, at their home venue, Towney Park, on Sunday were beaten by the slender margin of a solitary point (4-4 to 4-3) by Glenties.

It was a pulsating hour of football very keenly contested and hard fought. The closeness of the scoring keeping enthusiasm at fever pitch. The teams twice drew level and the lead changed hands on seven occasions. Kilcar, Glenties and Dungloe now have each got eight points in the Divisional League.

Kilcar had to field without three stalwart players, Aiden O'Donnell, Gerry Breslin, and Big Frank O'Donnell.

John McDyer, John Campbell and Brian Campbell, in defence J. Sheridan at midfield, Christy Boyle right half forward and Jimmy McKelvey on the left as well as Eamonn Melly at full forward flanked by two very young players Patrick Craig and Terence Craig were all first class performers on the visitors side Paddy O'Donnell again proved to be the homesters star and was the outstanding player on the field. Others who were remarkable good defenders were, Jimmy Doogan, County defender Jimmy Cunningham, James Ward, Sean Doogan, Packie Haughey, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons and Joseph Gillespie.

Glenties fielded a number of young players including a number of last season's minors and juveniles. Terence Craig opened the Glenties account with a point in the second minute of play. After end to end exchanges, Cathal McLaughlin, from a Sean Doogan shot, sent the ball to the net to put Kilcar in front.

In a strong Glenties offensive, right half forward, Christy Boyle had a great goal following a Gillespie – Carr movement, John James Lyons sent over Kilcar point to leave the issue level. In a strong offensive movement by the homesters, James Ward drove a ground shot far in and Connie Cunningham put Kilcar in the lead with a grand point. Just on the interval the visitors forced a "50" which was taken by Brian Campbell who drove a long shot in to the square, and in an ensuing goalmouth tussle, Terence Craig punched through to give his side a two point's advantage before the break.

The homesters were the more dangerous after the restart and following a good movement by John James Lyons and Aodh O'Donnell, Cathal McLaughlin secured possession to flash through a major to put Kilcar in front again.

Packie Keeney slapped the ball through for a goal to put

the visitors again in front. In a subsequent period of pressure by the visitors Josie McKelvey stretched their lead with a long range point. The homesters came back with a bang and after a fine movement by Doogan and Gillespie, it was Paddy O'Donnell who levelled up the score.

The visitors again got the upper hand but it was more through a defensive slip than by brilliant forward play by the visitors that the ball flashed into the Kilcar net to leave the homesters again a goal in arrears

Kilcar forced a close-in free but the spot-kicker was hopelessly wide. A moment later a Cathal McLaughlin close-in free was punched out by a Glenties defender for place kicker (McLaughlin) to again secure possession and sent over the bar to narrow the lead.

Terence Craig had a point for Glenties and Bernie Gildea added another.

The issue was soon wide open again when, in a determined Kilcar offensive, Sean Doogan crashed through a great goal to leave only a single point between the sides.

Excitement was intense as Kilcar pounded the visitors defence but John McDyer, John O'Donnell and company never faltered in holding on to their slender margin.

Under Mr Thomas Boyle Ardara the teams were:-

Glenties – Cornelius Bonner, John O'Donnell, John McDyer, Sean Early, Leo McLoone, Brian Campbell, Martin. Molloy, John Sheridan, Bernie Gildae, Christy Boyle, Packie Keeney, Josie McKelvey, Patrick Craig, Eamonn Melly and Terence Craig.

Kilcar – Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Aodh O'Donnell, James Ward, Sean Doogan, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Josie Gillespie, Connie Cunningham, Eamonn Browne, and Proinsias Carr.

Report Number 23

The Donegal Democrat 11th November 1959

Game abandoned at Glenties – St. Connell's Cup & Democrat Cup

Owing to the atrocious weather conditions prevailing, Glenties and Kilcar decided to abandon their senior county league play off at Glenties on Sunday when the game had reached the half time stage.

At this stage Kilcar were leading 1-3 to nil and referee Thos. Boyle, Ardara, who braved the elements with the protection of a plastic mac, had no option but to call the game off as the players could no longer endure the prevailing arctic conditions which continued from the start of the game and showed no signs of abating.

The teams took the field in driving sleet with a gale force wind and the few spectators viewed the game from the shelter of cars or hedges.

Kilcar were favoured by the gale to some extent and their attack was all the time in action against a resolute



1959 Senior League Semi-Final April 1960

Front Row L to R: Gerry Breslin, Sean O'Donnell, Frank O'Donnell, James Ward, Connie Cunningham, Mickey Haughey, Seamus McNulty, Leo Murray, John James Lyons.

Back Row L to R: Joseph Boyle, Cathal McLaughlin, Prionnsias Carr, Josie Gillespie, Jimmy Doogan, Sean Doogan, Eamonn Browne, Aodh O'Donnell, Paddy O'Donnell, Dan Cunningham, Jimmy Cunningham.



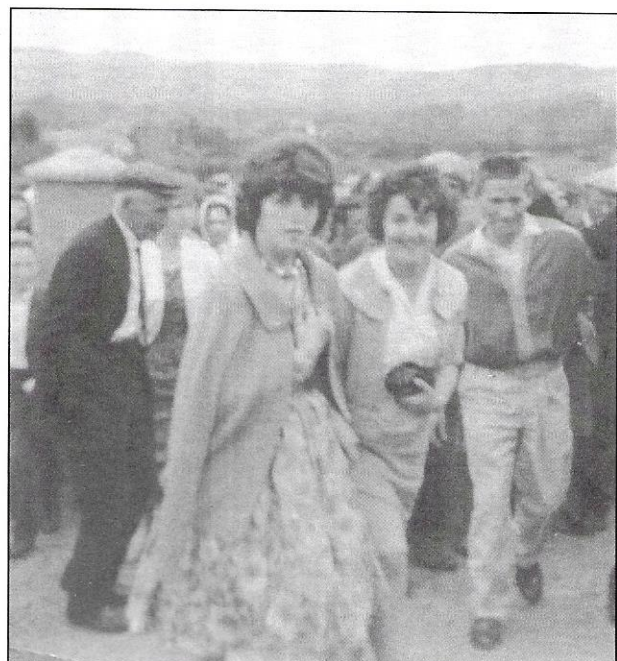
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Packie Haughey, with the magic bottle, being carried off by Charlie McDevitt and Connie Cunningham.



After the game



Máire McNulty and Anna Cannon



The game, always exciting, reached its greatest heights in the second half, when following strong pressure, Kilcar brought down the Rosses men's lead to four points.

In the closing five minutes each side registered a goal with both teams putting everything they had into the contest.

Defeat in this instance does not mean the end of the "Democrat Cup" ambitions for Kilcar who have yet to play Glenties for runners-up position, in this section, of the Senior Football League.

The first half was fairly even with Dungloe leading by 1-2 to 0-3 at half time.

Within two minutes of the restart they added a goal to that from a long range drive by Joe O'Donnell and then defended solidly when Kilcar put on the pressure.

This win puts Dungloe well into the reckoning for league honours in the spring.

In addition to J.C Boyle Dungloe had outstanding players in Ownie Boyle, Paddy Roarty, Manus Ward, Nal McCole, Seamus O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, Dom Murray, Joe O'Donnell, and Eddie O'Donnell. Packie Boyle in the Dungloe goal gave a fine performance saving well on many occasions throughout the game.

Kilcar's outstanding performers were Paddy O'Donnell, Paddy Haughey, Gerry Breslin, Sean McNulty, Cathal McLaughlin, Jimmy Duggan, Proinnseas Carr and John James Lyons.

The game:

Dungloe opened on the attack but Jimmy Duggan cleared his lines well. Dungloe came through again but Joe O'Donnell shot wide twice in succession. At the other end John James Lyons had similar luck and when Cathal McLaughlin broke through Packie Boyle saved well. Joe O'Donnell came through for Dungloe following a clearance by Ownie Boyle; Paddy O'Donnell cleared the Kilcar lines before Sean O'Donnell shot wide for Dungloe.

Play followed this pattern until the 12th minute when Kilcar took a one point lead per Cathal McLaughlin, from a 14 yards free, which was punched over by a Dungloe back. Four minutes later Dungloe were level terms where Ben O'Donnell placed brother Sean for a point.

Kilcar attacked without result and from a dive by Manus Ward, Sean O'Donnell sent the ball in to Kilcar territory. There was some mis-kicking on the slippery sod before Dan Bonner drove the ball through for a goal, from close range, in the 18th minute.

Kilcar fought back, but missed chances, before Cathal McLaughlin pointed a 21 yard free. Kilcar kept up the offensive, but finished badly.

In the 24th minute, Proinnseas Carr sent over a neat point, but two minutes later, Dom Murray negated this at the other end.

Paddy O'Donnell sent in a good centre for Kilcar but the forwards failed to connect, just before the half-time whistle, with Dungloe leading 1-2 to 0-3.

In the 2nd minute of the second half, Joe O'Donnell sent in a long-range shot which slid through for a goal at the corner of an upright. Sean O'Donnell added a point from

14 yards free but Michael Haughey, from play, had a similar score for Kilcar who now pinned Dungloe to their posts, with Paddy O'Donnell on the "40". A sideline free by John James Lyons was fielded by Frank O'Donnell who shot hard but wide.

After 12 minutes, Dungloe come through again and Sean O'Donnell pointed a 45 yards free. Again Dungloe were on the defensive but Packie Boyle brought off a great save from Cathal McLaughlin. John James Lyons shot hard and Packie Boyle tipped the ball over the bar, as Kilcar went all out.

Paddy O'Donnell sent over another point in the 21 minute but 3 minutes later Dungloe broke through for Dom Murray to score a goal.

Kilcar forged through again and following a free by Paddy O'Donnell, Frank O'Donnell finished with a goal four minutes from time.

This was the last score of the game.

The teams under referee Seamus Cleary Tanatallon were:-

Dungloe - Packie Boyle, Nial McCole, Jim Boyle, Seamus O'Donnell, Paddy Roarty, Owenie Boyle, Manus Ward, Brendan Connannon, Eddie O'Donnell Sean O'Donnell, Joe O'Donnell, Ben O'Donnell, Seamus McGuire Dan Bonner, Dom Murray.

Kilcar - Conal McShane, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Duggan Sean McNulty, Paddy Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Aodh O'Donnell, Connie Cunningham, Josie Gillespie, Proinnseas Carr, Gerry Breslin, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Frank O'Donnell, Mickey Haughey.

Report Number 26

The Derry People Sat. 19th March 1960.

Kilcar for Semi-final. (Of the 1959 Senior League Competition, Democrat Cup).

Kilcar 2-5

Cloughaneely 1-4.

For the first 15 minutes it looked as if Cloughaneely would win the quarter-final of the Senior Football League at Rosses Park, Dungloe. Entering the second quarter Kilcar found their feet and their experience would prove too much for the exuberance of the Falcarragh boys.

Intermittent rain fell during the match, which drew a large crowd to the popular Rosses venue. The players, however, dealt extremely well with the greasy ball and the attendance was treated to some fine fielding.

Paul Kelly opened the scoring in the 5th minute when he sent over a point for Cloughaneely from a difficult angle on the wing. Keeping up the pressure Cloughaneely had a second point with a fine effort from Owenie Collum after 8 minutes. In the 11th minute Paul Kelly was taken down and Mick McGinley took the free. His effort came back off the upright to Paul Kelly who goaled with a rasping shot. Kilcar began to settle down



and in the 20th minute Cathal McLaughlin opened their account with a point from a 14-yard free. Two minutes later Josie Gillespie gained possession, ten yards out, and gave the Cloughaneely 'keeper no chance with a well-placed ball to the centre of the net. In the 25th minute, Paddy Galvin pointed a short free for Cloughaneely. Kilcar had the last score of the half from roving half-back Packie Haughey, who picked up a Cloughaneely clearance to send over from far out, leaving the interval score – Cloughaneely 1-3 Kilcar 1-2.

Kilcar re-started in whirlwind fashion and had two points in as many minutes from John James Lyons and Eamonn Browne. In the 9th minute Owenie Colum levelled the scoring with a well-taken point from the wing. Cathal McLaughlin restored the Kilcar's lead with a point from a short free in the 15th minute. Two minutes later, when Jimmy Duggan sent a 50 to the Cloughaneely goalmouth, Kilcar were awarded a penalty for a square infringement. The spot-kick was taken by Cathal McLaughlin whose shot came back off the Cloughaneely keeper and was cleared.

The turning point of the game came in the 20th minute when Cathal McLaughlin, after a good run down the wing, centred to the square, where centre-forward Sean Doogan went above all others to punch to the net. This completed the scoring although Cloughaneely fought back in the closing minutes, which saw good efforts by Tony Langan and Owenie Collum foiled by the excellent fielding of Kilcar centre-half Paddy O'Donnell.

Big man in the Kilcar defence was Paddy O'Donnell with Packie Haughey and Jimmy Doogan solid workers. James Ward was prominent at centre-field, where Gerry Breslin came more into the game in the second half. Cathal McLaughlin was the chief schemer in the forward line, with John James Lyons and Josie Gillespie eager to scrap up chances and Proinsias Carr sending in some beautiful centres.

The Cloughaneely full-back, Eugene McCabe, had a good game, while John Keyes, at centre-half, got in an enormous amount of work, ably supported by Tony Langan. Packie Doohan tried hard at centre-field, while Owenie Collum and Paul Kelly were the danger men up front.

The teams under Mr. F. White, Dungloe were:

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Aodh O'Donnell, James Ward, Gerry Breslin, Proinsias Carr, Eamonn Browne, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Sean Doogan, Josie Gillespie.

Cloughaneely: Peter Mc Ginley, Rory McMonagle, Eugene McCabe, Paddy Carr, Tony Carr, Tony Kelly, John Keyes, Tony Langen, Packie Doohan, Eugene Greene, Mick McGinley, Joe Quinn, Ownie Collum, Paddy Barry, Paddy Galvin.

Report Number 27

The Derry People Sat. 23rd April 1960.

Kilcar are in League final. – The Democrat Cup Fitness counts in 8pts defeat of St. Eunan's Kilcar 2-10 St. Eunan's 0-8

Showing but the slightest flicker of form that has won them two Senior League titles in a row St. Eunan's went under heavily, to a rising Kilcar team, in the semi-final of the Senior League (1959) at Ballybofey on Sunday. The final whistle saw the scoreboard read 2-10 to 0-8, but it could have been much greater though the losers must regret throwing away some gift goal-scoring chances.

Kilcar were, fit, fast and eager in contrast to the slapdash Letterkenny side that were beaten in the dash for possession and were but a shadow of the side expected from a club which has earned a high reputation for combined, skilful, football. There was little skill about their play in defence and in attack they were almost as disjointed as they could be. There were glaring defensive weaknesses that Kilcar gloried in. Indeed Kilcar's two goals were such simple things that the scorers were practically unchallenged, one wondering if the referee's whistle had halted play.

Kilcar were out to win and certainly deserved their victory. They were first to the ball and masters in the air. They controlled matters around the centre of the field and their halfbacks had a variety of the St. Eunan's three-quarters tied in knots during the hour. Eunan's never seemed to see that it was absolutely necessary to put the ball through low to their forwards, in the few times they did it quickly, the South-Westerners were troubled.

Carroll comeback.

St. Eunan's surprised with their team when Joe Carroll made a comeback at centre half back. Carroll, after a shaky start to get in touch with the game after his long lay-off, emerged as the big man of the losers' side, showing snatches of his old form in the hour. But this was not the only surprise from the Eunan's mentors. On the sideline they had James McGettigan and Teddy Gleeson among the subs. The game was not very long alive when they must have seen the need for them on the field and brought them into action. But they followed on with two other changes in personnel, exceeding the maximum number allowed of three and one wonders why?

In addition to forwards Leo Murray and John James Lyons Kilcar had a winner in left winger Cathal McLaughlin who sparkled in touchline solo runs and put through splendid balls as well as taking a couple of points and had a hand in others.

At full forward Big Frank O'Donnell, back to the game, after his knee injury of midsummer, was a problem to St. Eunan's but was well contained by an efficient Fionn Gallagher.

Midfielders Sean O'Donnell and James Ward were having a keen tussle with John Hannigan and Pat O'Donnell although James Ward was allowed too much scope in loose play. As the game wore on the South-



westerners came out on top. This was a heavy blow to St. Eunan's forwards who needed good service.

Paddy O'Donnell Stars.

Big man of the Kilcar defence was centre-half Paddy O'Donnell, who brought down some glorious high balls and revelled in the type of ball coming up from the St. Eunan's defence and midfield. He kept, normally lively, Noel O'Donnell fairly quiet, while left half Aodh O'Donnell was in control of his sector with the high lobs suiting him. Jimmy Doogan did quite well at fullback as did Eamonn Brown at right half.

St Eunan's had no steam.

Facing the sun, Kilcar led 1-4 to 0-5 at the interval, and they always looked the better side, although there was a threat that Eunan's might strike the form that wrecked many defences before. On the turnover, however, it was Kilcar who took over the game, and with the Letterkenny men wilting at midfield, they steadily got a firmer grip on the game and stretched their lead until there was not the slightest doubt about the result. There was no question of a Letterkenny rally. They tried it but never could get up enough steam. The Kilcar men were too fit and watchful.

At the close, double scores was a true reflection of the superiority of Kilcar. Undoubtedly, it could be said that everything went well for them in this game. The ball ran kindly and both their goals were "soft" ones, but they had the men fit enough to be on the spot when unfit Eunan's were rooted to the ground.

Kilcar might easily have another goal on the board in the closing stages. Sean Doogan found himself inside, an ever-jittery defence, with only the goalkeeper Seamus Hoare to beat. Out came Hoare to grab Sean Doogan by the arm and swing him around resulting in Doogan throwing the ball outfield. Turning a charitable eye, with the game decided, the referee Davy Brennan did not blow for what seemed a glaring penalty.

Big Gap.

From the very start Kilcar saw that there was a big gap in the Eunan's defence and certainly they made use of it. On their right wing John James Lyons and Leo Murray were beating Jim Killoran and Michael Ronaghan at their ease. They waltzed around and took more watching than Letterkenny could afford. Leo Murray had three points to his name in the first half and made football look easy while he bored holes as he wished, in the defence, with outfield wanderings on the turnover.

Letterkenny out of touch.

Apart from Joe Carroll and Fionn Gallagher there were few successes in the St. Eunan's lineout and many failing to stay the pace after their long period of inactivity. Indeed it must have been apparent to even the most casual spectator that the Letterkenny men were sadly out of touch with the game and could never raise themselves to the full stretch that a county semi-final demanded.

John Hannigan unexpectedly, and I expect somewhat

unwillingly, turned out at midfield and was unable to stick the pace. Pat O'Donnell shaped fairly well there, as did Hannigan in the first half but there were too many weak spots on the team and none were fit enough to fill them.

James Larkin clung tenaciously to Cathal McLaughlin in the first half but could not match his pace after that. Patrick Peoples came back to left-half to patch a hole, and after a shaky settling period, turned in a fairly satisfactory display.

Goal chances muffed.

When James McGettigan came on he had quite a useful time, but there was a poor supply of the ball coming in. When it did come, in the second half, the Eunan's forwards could get through but their finishing was faulty. Frank McLaughlin and Teddy Gleeson, both did useful things, were given great goal chances but muffed them. Gleeson came on in the 12th minute of the second half. Up the right a Noel O'Donnell, James McGettigan move brought the ball to Harry Blake who crossed to Teddy Gleeson who was moving in, and he found himself in the square with only 'keeper Mickey Haughey to beat. The 'keeper blocked him and Eamonn Browne was on hand to clear out-field. Had that goal come it would have brought Eunan's within a point of Kilcar and might have meant a closer finish.

Frank McLaughlin's chance was also from a well placed Harry Blake ball that left him inside the defence but he blazed on the run and over the bar. That chance was lost in the 26th minute and could only have meant cutting down the lead.

Late again

The game was timed for a late start, there having been a switch from 4.30pm to 5 o'clock, but even at that it did not get going on time. Twenty minutes behind time substitute referee Mr. David Brennan, Glenties, got things underway. The appointed referee, Mr. Patsy Brogan, Donegal, having failed to turn up.

The game.

In glorious sunshine, Eunan's were off to an opening raid. Frank McLaughlin put Harry Blake through but he fumbled and was fouled. John Hannigan pointed the free in the second minute. In three minutes John Hannigan sent a 50-yarder soaring over the bar to put Eunan's two up. In a 9th minute Kilcar raid James Ward pointed after a sideline kick and a minute later Sean Doogan popped a ball from a scramble to unmarked Leo Murray, who ambled in to level scores.

After a Eunan's raid, in which Eamonn Browne had obstructed John C. Duffy, there was some words spoken and just after that, Paddy O'Donnell was blown for charging with the ball. John Hannigan had poor luck when after inter-passing with Frank McLaughlin but his shot came off the upright. Cathal McLaughlin was heavily buffeted trying to get through just after that. Kilcar again pressed heavily and on the right and John James Lyons beat Jim Killoran, gave to Leo Murray who rounded Michael Ronaghan and went on to score a



point for the lead.

"Soft" Goal.

James McGettigan came in for Jim Killoran and Patrick Peoples switched to defence. Patrick Peoples had a clearance blocked and James Ward gained possession in front of goals to left foot the ball past a bewildered defence for a goal. That was just the 16th minute.

A minute later Harry Blake pointed a free after Noel O'Donnell was downed heavily going through. Another minute, another score – John James Lyons rounded Ronaghan, gave to Leo Murray, who had all the time in the world to point.

Harry Blake pointed a free on Duffy a minute later to leave the score at 1-4 to 0-4 in favour of Kilcar. Cathal McLaughlin had a delightful run from midfield to send over a great point, but was whistled back for a free on himself. Teddy Gleeson came in for T. Ryan and Jimmy Cunningham was replaced by Seamus McNulty for Kilcar. Just before half-time, John Hannigan had another ball come off the upright, but Harry Blake gave to Gleeson, who shot over to make the half-time score: Kilcar 1-4 St. Eunan's 0-5.

Kilcar control second half.

Kilcar gave quick notice of taking over when Cathal McLaughlin pointed a 14-yard free in the first minute and then sent in a goalmouth lob that Frank O'Donnell punched over the bar. Four points down, St. Eunan's came back and Frank McLaughlin forced a 50, but it was wided. In the 6th minute Noel O'Donnell gave to Gleeson, who sent in a dangerous under the bar ball that had St Eunan's James McGettigan and Kilcar 'keeper Mickey Haughey rising to have it turned over the bar.

A Cathal McLaughlin ball was broken down for John James Lyons to grab, run on, and score an easy point for a 4 point lead again.

Eunan's third change brought in Michael O'Donnell for John C. Duffy. Then came Gleeson's goal chance and in the 13th minute. Noel O'Donnell gave to James McGettigan, put to McLaughlin, who tried a low drive that rebounded off a defender. At the other end Seamus Hoare nervously handled a John James Lyons' lob.

Kilcar were well on top and Paddy O'Donnell was hitting top form at centre-half with some fine fielding.

In the 18th minute, Cathal McLaughlin seized on a blocked ball to shoot over a 35 yard point. In 20 minutes it was all over as the Eunan's defence was nowhere when Prionnseas Carr lobbed to the goalmouth, Sean Doogan got a hand to it, to have it trickle into the corner of the goals. Sean O'Donnell's midfield free was grabbed by Big Frank, who tapped it to Leo Murray and as he fell he pointed.

Eight points down, Eunan's brought on a fourth sub. Brian MacManus for James Larkin.

Leo Murray was out at midfield and took the ball in to 35 yards before pointing. Cathal McLaughlin blazed over a point, that the umpire disagreed with, and the scoring was over.

Mr. David Brennan, Glenties, was referee

Kilcar: Michael Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Gerry Breslin, Eamonn Browne, Paddy O'Donnell, Aodh O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, and James Ward, John James Lyons, Sean Doogan, Cathal McLaughlin, Proinsias Carr, Frank O'Donnell, Leo Murray. Sub: Seamus Mc Nulty for Jimmy Cunningham injured.

St. Eunan's: Seamus Hoare, Seamus McCann, Fionn Gallagher, Michael Ronaghan, James Larkin, Joe Carroll, Jim Killoran, Pat O'Donnell, John Hannigan, T. Ryan, Noel O'Donnell, John C. Duffy, Harry Blake, Frank McLaughlin, Patrick Peoples.

Subs: James McGettigan for Jim Gilloran, Michael O'Donnell for J.C. Duffy, Teddy Gleeson for T. Ryan, Brian McManus for James Larkin,

Note: extracts from The Donegal Democrat 22nd April 1960.

Kilcar Win Through To County Final.

The Kilcar team seemed composed of men of steel against whose unbending strength wave after wave of St. Eunan's attacks broke down. St. Eunan's made substitution after substitution in an effort to hold their own, but they were clearly outmatched by a superior combination that thoroughly deserved their win. Leo Murray was, unfortunately, injured on the Kilcar side, though apparently not serious, in the last moments of the game

Report Number 28

The Derry People Sat. 7th May 1960.

Dashing Kilcar Led all the way.

Dungloe conquered in senior League final.

–Democrat Cup

Kilcar 1-11

Dungloe 1-7

Playing fast, direct football, Kilcar, speeded to a merited win in the 1959 Donegal Senior Football League with a triumph over Dungloe at Glenties on Sunday. It was a championship style game with play changing up and downfield in a kick. Stiff tackling was the order, but there was not an unseemly incident.

Take a look at the scoreline, Kilcar 1-11 Dungloe 0-7, but don't think that this was an easy thing for Kilcar, far from it indeed, though they led from the first minute. With the sun and wind they were ahead 0-9 to 0-2 at the interval but could not count themselves out of danger. They were right in the middle of a grilling, in the third quarter, as Dungloe came back with a bang. They stormed around the Kilcar goals threatening to sweep all before them. Five points were scored in the first six minutes of the second half, one of them for Kilcar, and the game was in the melting pot. Only four points down, Dungloe battled it out but could not maintain their grip on the game.

Indeed it was Kilcar that proved the stronger with their brightest star of defence, Paddy O'Donnell, bringing off some tremendous clearances and hammering back the red-shirted waves. From the 6th to the 20th minute it



was a hard struggle with both sides trying for a telling score. Then it came and it was for Kilcar.

"Soft" Goal Decided.

And what a "soft" score it was to decide such a trilling struggle. Cathal McLaughlin soloed his way up the left, twice evaded the tackles of Manus Ward, and sent a twisting ball into the goalmouth. Goalkeeper Packie Boyle seemed to have it covered, but it turned in the breeze and the jubilant Kilcar supporters were leaping in the air as the net shook. That virtually decided the game, although there were several bids by Dungloe to get back in the running.

Carr a star.

When the game got underway the Kilcar men were bounding to the ball, winning the dash for possession and mainly masters in the air. They controlled midfield and their halfbacks were strong in backing up the James Ward – Sean O'Donnell pair. With plenty of ball, they never dallied, but kept driving the ball in, picking off points at long and close range. Dungloe must have expected worries from Cathal McLaughlin but most of the first half ones came from the right, where Proinsias Carr was taking everything there. He bored holes in the defence, snatched three points himself, and sent a series of troublesome balls into Big Frank O'Donnell that stretched the Dungloe defence to near breaking point. This was championship football and it was paying off with scores.

In the second half it was Cathal McLaughlin's turn to take the limelight. After a fairly successful half-hour he came into his own, too often he gave Sean Ward the slip, and threatened the Dungloe goals. His only second half score was that goal, but what a valuable one it was. Had luck run the other way and Dungloe netted at that stage in those vital 6th and 20th minutes they would likely have gone on and won.

Kilcar superbly fit.

As it was, Kilcar proved themselves the real masters of the game. They were superbly fit and their fitness told over the hour. In the first half they set a sharp pace that Dungloe could not fully attain. In the second half some of their men ran out of steam, but a couple of judicious switches helped to ease things. Eamonn Browne was one who had such an active and successful first half he, was unable to last the pace on the turn over, but back came John James Lyons and the gap was sealed.

Forward pep.

Dungloe carried plenty of forward pep, but did not use it to the full. They made the mistake of keeping Dom Murray at corner forward when it was apparent that he would be more useful to them in the centre. This was a surprise line-out and one that did not work out. Eddie O'Donnell was on the side again and on the 40, apparently to match the high-catching of Paddy O'Donnell, but the Dungloe man could not knock the Kilcar strong-man off his game, and there should have been an earlier switch to have the centre-half bottled up

some way or other.

Dungloe had some weak spots that they could not afford against a team so fit and as strong as Kilcar. This was a Kilcar team out to win, full of energy, dash and determination. They had a few holes in defence, but Dungloe could not make use of them.

Brilliant save.

Goalkeeper Michael Haughey came off the field happy after a good hour. One save, in the second, half looked like a certain goal. Paddy O'Donnell had just flashed across to block a Liam Kelly low drive for a 50. Owen Boyle gave a short 50 to Ward, who lobbed in for Sean O'Donnell to fist to the corner of the goals, but Haughey was there, in a quick leap, to turn out the leather.

In the closing stages it became impossible to follow the play in the top right corner with the crowd flowing well into the pitch.

Paddy O'Donnell the Big Man.

Paddy O'Donnell was, of course, the big man for Kilcar. He reached his peak with some brilliant fielding in the second half and covered across the goals well, his clearances being lengthy.

At left-back, Aodh O'Donnell also had a good hour, fielding well, with Jimmy Cunningham managing to curb Dom Murray well. Eamonn Browne was to the fore in the first half, but had to switch up field later.

There was not a lot in the mid-field exchanges, the control changing often. Kilcar had the stronger half-back and three quarters to decide the balance in midfield play. Sean O'Donnell and James Ward worked unspectacularly for the hour, though Sean O'Donnell found it hard to keep up with the pace of Liam Kelly. For the winners Cathal McLaughlin and Proinsias Carr had a bright time, while Gerry Breslin was much in the game. Nal McCole had John James Lyons generally under control, while Sean Doogan missed several easy first half chances, with S.P. O'Donnell slow but improving considerably on the turn-over to effect many clearances. Frank O'Donnell was hard to handle, but was well watched by the capable Neal G. O'Donnell. 'Keeper Paddy Boyle had a good game were it not for that goal lapse.

Owen Boyle worked solidly all the time, though beaten in the dash by Gerry Breslin, but Ben O'Donnell was little in it. Manus Ward had Cathal McLaughlin under control for most of the first half, but was caught out after the break. Liam Kelly shaped up well, but Sean O'Donnell was again over holding the ball when a quick drive to his forwards would have given them the chances. As it was the Kilcar backs were given time to cover off before the ball reached the goal-scoring area.

Joe O'Donnell had some bright moments in which he showed plenty of good football, but seemed troubled with the injury sustained in Newry the previous Sunday. He slacked off too much at times when a full effort was necessary to keep his team in the running. John Campbell was danger laden. He shaped up in the first half like he would have a basketful of goals when the ball came in, but it never came through fast enough to



give him goal scoring opportunities. Dom Murray was out of it too much and showed what might have been, coming out to the 40 much too late in the game.

Kilcar in control.

In the first minute Éamonn Browne sent in and Proinsias Carr was there to left foot, of the bar, for Kilcar's opening point. Another minute and Big Frank O'Donnell gave to Sean Doogan who had a chance but he got a 50 that Ben O'Donnell cleared. Dungloe pressed, but Kilcar came back up for Big Frank to fist Sean Doogan's cross for a point. Joe O'Donnell gave to John Campbell in the middle but 'keeper Mickey Haughey was out to clear. Sean Doogan had a gift chance handed to him by James Ward. He blazed wide.

Everybody was beaten as Big Frank got a loose ball, let fly a left-footer to see it come off the upright just above the bar. Big Frank then broke down a Sean Doogan sideline ball for Proinsias Carr to point.

Nal McCole came across to tangle up with N.G. O'Donnell and the ball came to John James Lyons but he was slow and the fullback cleared. Packie Haughey stepped in to take a broken mid-field ball and lob it over for Kilcar's fourth point.

Boyle tips over.

Ben O'Donnell was beaten by the hop of an Eamonn Browne ball to leave Proinsias Carr a chance and he let go with a hard shot just under the bar that Boyle did well to turn over for a point. Big Frank was harried as he took a Cathal Mc Laughlin centre, he got the ball to Sean Doogan, who was held when almost through. Cathal McLaughlin pointed the free.

In the 21st minute, Dungloe raided, Sean O'Donnell sent to Campbell but a free resulted and Campbell pointed it. Kilcar were back next minute as their Sean O'Donnell and Sean Doogan pointed as the Dungloe backs hesitated. Cathal McLaughlin made it eight with a sideline kick. Back came Dungloe with Dom Murray giving to Eddie O'Donnell and he was heading in on goals with a good chance but was fouled by Paddy O'Donnell. John Campbell pointed the free.

A back-charge on Big Frank gave Cathal McLaughlin a chance to make it 0-9 to 0-2 in favour of Kilcar and he took it just at half-time.

2nd Half: Dungloe comeback.

The second half got off to a ring of excitement, John Campbell was held in taking a Joe O'Donnell ball and he pointed the free. In the second minute back swept Kilcar. Paddy O'Donnell placing Proinsias Carr on to Gerry Breslin and it was a point. Dom Murray nipped in on Sean O'Donnell's midfield free and pointed for Dungloe. Seamus Maguire was fouled and Campbell pointed. Six minutes gone, Ben O'Donnell gave to Sean McGarvey, in to Joe O'Donnell, and he swung a fine ball over the bar to make it 10 to 6.

Joe O'Donnell sent in again to Dom Murray, on to John Campbell, and Mickey Haughey saved the low drive. Aodh O'Donnell was on the spot to clear Sean O'Donnell's fist ball and the play was exciting, swinging

from one goalmouth to another, with the goalkeepers and backs saving well. Then came Cathal McLaughlin's "soft" goal and the game was as good as over.

But Dungloe battled on, Dom Murray and Eddie O'Donnell worked the ball to Liam Kelly, who had a bad miss. Everyone thought John Campbell had goaled as he got the ball from Seamus Maguire, he shot low, but it was no score. Paddy O'Donnell and Jimmy Doogan had spectacular clearances. Cathal McLaughlin earned a Kilcar free with Gerry Breslin pointing.

Dungloe still tried hard although down 8 points. Eddie O'Donnell was forging in, but was brought down, with Paddy O'Donnell clearing the free.

Paddy O'Donnell, again, flung himself at a Liam Kelly goal attempt at the corner and turned it for a 50. This led to a great Mickey Haughey save from Sean O'Donnell and there was a minute remaining when a Dungloe man swung a sideline ball over the bar from the obscured corner of the pitch, with the crowd in on the field.

Dungloe fought hard, Dom Murray sending to John Campbell to be blocked to Jimmy Doogan. Then Eddie O'Donnell had a drive come smashing off the crossbar and Cathal McLaughlin relieved the pressure with a solo run up the left.

Kilcar: Michael Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Aodh O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Eamonn Browne, Sean O'Donnell, James Ward, Proinsias Carr, Gerry Breslin, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Frank O'Donnell, Sean Doogan.

Dungloe: Packie Boyle, S.P. O'Donnell, Neal G. O'Donnell, Nal McCole, Manus Ward, Owen Boyle, Ben O'Donnell, Joe O'Donnell and Liam Kelly, Sean McGarvey, Eddie O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, Seamus McGuire, John Campbell, Dom Murray.

Extract from The Donegal Democrat Friday 6th May 1960.

Previous high attendance records for the "Democrat" Cup final went by the boards at the Gaelic Grounds, Glenties, on Sunday where a huge crowd saw Kilcar win the trophy for the first time since 1935 with a merited 1-11 to 0-7 win over last year's finalists, Dungloe.....Let it be said at once that as far as the "Democrat" Cup final was concerned the honours in the end rested where they had been richly earned Kilcar threw themselves into the game with rare abandon.... Their forwards missed few opportunities.....and very many Dungloe sallies floundered on the magnificence of the Kilcar backs.

Report Number 29

The Derry Journal Fri. 27th May 1960.

Kilcar were in great form

Runaway Win over Ballyshannon

Kilcar..... 5-12

Ballyshannon.....0-3



Donegal Senior League Champions, Kilcar, had things all their own way in this League clash with Ballyshannon in Towney Park. They dominated the game from start to finish and so clear-cut was their superiority that they never looked like losing their lead at any stage.

The game ended at the interval when Kilcar led by ten points to one, having played against the wind in the first half. They were the fitter and faster side in every department.

They continued comfortably in the second period against a Ballyshannon side, which tried hard, without ever achieving anything like their opponents' precision. The visitors were well enough in the game from the point of view of play. They had their chances in both periods but their attack failed to snap them up. Jimmy Doogan again excelled himself in the home defence. With Jimmy Cunningham and Patsy McGowan, he formed a solid full-back line which, on current form, must be rated as one of the best in the competition. Other defensive stars were Aodh O'Donnell, Sean McGuinness and Charlie Brady.

Man of the match was right half-forward Cathal McLaughlin. A clever, elusive raider, Cathal McLaughlin turned in one of his best games to date, highlighting a fine display with a number of brilliant solo efforts which caused panic in the Ballyshannon defence.

Pick of a Ballyshannon side, which earned full marks for spirit, were Danny Bannigan, John Murphy, Jackie McDermott and Owen Roe O'Neill, in defence and Sean Kane and Dermot McIntyre in attack.

Scorers; Kilcar - Connie Cunningham (2-0), Cathal McLaughlin (1-3), Josie Gillespie (1-3), Gerry Breslin (1-1), Charlie Brady (0-3) and Aodh O'Donnell (0-2)

Ballyshannon - Owen Roe O'Neill (0-2) and Pat Ward (0-1)

Kilcar - Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Patsy McGowan, Packie Haughey, Sean McGuinness, Eamonn Browne, Aodh O'Donnell, James Ward, Cathal McLaughlin, Charlie Brady, Proinsias Carr, Sean Doogan, Gerry Breslin, Josie Gillespie. Sub: Connie Cunningham

Ballyshannon - Noel Bannigan, Pat Ward, Danny Bannigan, John Murphy, Paddy McCready, Jackie McDermott, Owen Roe O'Neill, Cathal Haloran, Michael McGovern, Charlie Keown, Sean McCormick, Val Wynn, Dermot McIntyre, Sean Kane, Pat Tuohy.

Report Number 30

The Derry Journal Sat. 11th June 1960.

Kilcar - MacCumhaill's clash (Fr. McClafferty Memorial Cup final) was a thriller.

Kilcar 2-10 Mac Cumhaill's 1-10.

The major attraction at Kilcar Athletic Sports, held last weekend, was the challenge Gaelic football match for the Fr. McClafferty Memorial Cup, between the Donegal Senior Football Championship (Dr. Maguire Cup) holders-MacCumhaills-and the Donegal Senior League

Champions-Kilcar. This match could virtually be described as a clash of giants, as it was, perhaps, one of the best exhibitions of football ever seen at the South-West Donegal venue of Towney Park.

The team from the twin towns, who fielded without Gerry Griffin, Mick Whelan, Brendan McFeely, Bernard Lafferty, Liam Doherty, Andy Gillen and Dessie Griffin of the side who defeated Kilcar in the final of the 1959 County Senior Championship, at Donegal Town, had able substitutes in Joe Moss, Dessie Lafferty, K. McCole, Harry Lafferty, Billy Quinn, Michael O'Flanagan, Tony Quinn, and Terence Friel, while Kilcar, who were minus such outstanding stars as Paddy O'Donnell and James Ward, Jimmy Cunningham, Seamus McNulty, Josie Gillespie and Charlie Brady, their present outstanding "40" man, had able substitutes in Sean McGuinness, Michael Rodden, Patsy McGowan, Joseph Gillespie, Big Frank O'Donnell and Connie Cunningham.

The sides were exceptionally well matched and the game was so keenly fought from start to finish with such an electric atmosphere prevailing that the encounter in every respect was fully characteristic of a County Championship Final and to many is resembled the 1959 Dr. Maguire Cup Final played over again. The contest was an hour of hard, clever and real dashing football, and provided first-class entertainment with thrills galore for the large attendance, as both sides battled gallantly to a close finish with the result in doubt up to the final whistle.

The representatives from the Twin Towns proved on this occasion that they are a hard tackling, lively team and one of poise, polish, pace and power with no weak links and not only did they bring out the best in the experienced home side, but they stretched them to their full capacity.

In this game, the pace was a "cracker" throughout and a great tribute is due to the South-Western team who again moved with such precision and co-ordination of effort throughout so as to gain the mastery.

In a game in which sparkling and spirited football by both was the order of the day, full back Jimmy Doogan was again the big man in the Kilcar defence, while Patsy McGowan was also an able wing defender. Sean McGuinness, who filled the centre half back berth, was good and was ably supported by Packie Haughey and Eamon Browne being in top form. Gerry Breslin was at midfield where he partnered Aodh O'Donnell and both gave a good display.

The homesters' star attacker was Cathal McLaughlin in the three-quarter line, John James Lyons on the 40 and Proinsias Carr also played well as did the full-forward line led by Big Frank O'Donnell. Full-back Eddie McMenamin emerged from the fray with full marks. John Lafferty at midfield was one of the stars of the game and when he retired injured in the last ten minutes of the encounter his loss was severely felt. He was ably supported by Sean Ward. Joe Moss on the 40 spearheaded many successful onslaughts on the Kilcar goal and he had good wingers in Billy Quinn and Harry Lafferty. At the interval the Dr. Maguire Cup holders led by 1-7 to 0-3 after playing with the aid of a fairly strong

**Report Number 32****The Donegal Democrat Fri. 1st July 1960.****Kilcar 3-5****Ardara 1-3**

At Pearse Memorial Park, Ardara, Kilcar met Ardara in the Juvenile football Championship.

The football was of a very low standard. Kilcar had the better of exchanges in the first half and led at the turnover by 10 points to nil.

In the second half Ardara settled down and opened their scoring with a well taken goal by Edward O'Donnell. From the kick-out Kilcar went into the attack and forced a fourteen yard free which P. Byrne sent over the bar. The same player had a goal before Ardara forced three frees which John McNelis sent over, leaving the fulltime score: Kilcar 3-5 Ardara 1-3.

Scorers for Kilcar: P. Byrne 1-1, Josie Smith 1-0, Eunan Murray 1-0 and Mickey Maloney 0-1.

Scorers for Ardara: E. O'Donnell 1-0, J. McNelis 0-3

The teams under Michael Erskine were:

Kilcar: Benny Boyle, Sean Boyle, Hugh Hegarty, Pat Cannon, M. O'Donnell, S. Boyle, Tommy Hegarty, Paddy Maloney, Eunan Murray, John "A" Cannon, J. Byrne, M. Byrne, P. Byrne, Josie Smith and Conal Cunningham.

Ardara: John Joe Doherty, P. Gallagher, John McNelis, F. McGill, J. Boyle, J. Boyle, J. Boyle, J. Kennedy, Conal McNelis, Peter O. McNelis, Hugh McHugh, Edward O'Donnell, Dessie Shovlin, T. Gallagher, Tom O'Donnell.

Report Number 33**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 8th July 1960.****Kilcar's Winning Sequence Prevails.****Kilcar 3-6****Donegal 0-3**

A young, lively, dashing, Kilcar side, short nine of their "Democrat" Cup final side,

maintained the club's sequence in this years Senior League when defeating Donegal Town to 0-3 at Towney Park on Sunday.

After the first ten minutes, the homesters dominated the exchanges, and so clear-cut was their superiority that they never looked like losing the lead at any time. As a contest, the game ended at half-time, when Kilcar led by 2-4 to 0-2. Kilcar were the fitter and faster team in every department and continued comfortably in control Donegal were well enough in the game from the point of view of play. They had their chances but their attack lacked punch to cope with the strong play of full back Jimmy Doogan and the other defenders. Off the Kilcar side were Paddy, Sean and Aodh O'Donnell; James Ward, Eamonn Brown, Gerry Breslin, John James Lyons, Frank O'Donnell and Cathal McLaughlin. Donegal, who were short D. Thomas and H. Travers, were best served by Patsy Brogan, John Gallagher, Clement Coughlin, Denis Hegarty, John Reilly and P.J. McDermott.

The Scoring.

Sean Doogan opened with a point for Kilcar, but Brian

Gallagher equalised. Leo Murray pointed for Kilcar and P.J. Flood pointed a 40 yards side-line kick for Donegal to level the scores again. Joseph Gillespie goaled for Kilcar, and a few minutes later he retired injured with a broken shin bone. Prionnseas Carr pointed for the homesters and Joseph Boyle followed up with a fine goal. Charlie Brady added a point to give Kilcar an interval lead of 2-4 to 0-2.

Sean Doogan had an early home point in the second half. From a close-in free J. Mitchell pointed for Donegal. Prionnseas Carr flashed through Kilcar's third goal ten minutes from time and he then added a point.

The game was refereed by Mr. Michael Williamson, Donegal and the teams were:

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Packie Haughey, Sean McGuinness, Aodhan Hegarty, Dermot Ward, Charlie Brady, Prionnseas Carr, Sean Doogan, Leo Murray, Connie Cunningham. Sub: Joseph Boyle for Joseph Gillespie.

Donegal: Michael Travers, John Gallagher, Patsy Brogan, Clement Coughlin, P. Kelly, Denis Hegarty, John Haughey, John Reilly, P.J. Flood, Dom Breslin, P.J. McDermott, Brian Harvey, Jack McMullan, Brian Gallagher and J. Mitchell.

Report Number 34**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 15th July 1960.****Kilcar's Great Second-Half Rally. – Dr. Maguire Cup
Kilcar 1-7
Dungloe 0-9**

Before a £60 gate at Rosses Park, Dungloe, on Sunday, Dungloe and Kilcar served up a fast, hard hour's football with victory going to the visitors from a fine long-range point by Proinsias Carr in the closing minutes of the game, leaving the final score Kilcar 1-7 Dungloe 0-9. Dungloe dominated the first half turning over with a five point lead which they stretched to seven. The turning point of the game came in the 6th minute of the second half, when Kilcar, still on the defensive, launched a lightning attack which caught the Dungloe defence completely out of position for Aodhan Hegarty to round off the movement with a rasper to the net. The score infused fresh life into the Kilcar side which subsequently held the locals scoreless and eventually, even though with little time to spare, forged ahead. Prominent for the winners were: Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, Charlie Brady, Prionnseas Carr and Aodhan Hegarty, while Dungloe were well served by S. J. O'Donnell, Nal McCole, Owenie Boyle, Sean O'Donnell, Mickey Bonner and John O'Donnell.

The teams under Mr. D. Brennan, Glenties were:-

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Aodh O'Donnell, Sean McGuinness, Jimmy Cunningham, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell (0-2), Seamus McNulty, Sean O'Donnell, Eamonn Browne, Prionnseas Carr (0-1), Charlie Brady (0-1), Leo Murray (0-1), Aodhan Hegarty (1-1), Sean Doogan (0-1), Connie Cunningham.

Dungloe: Packie Boyle, S. J. O'Donnell, J. O'Donnell, Naul

**Report Number 38****The Donegal Democrat Fri. 5th August 1960.****Dungloe turn the tables on Kilcar. – Dr. Maguire Cup.****Dungloe 2-13****Kilcar 1-8**

Before a large attendance at Towney Park, Kilcar, on Sunday, Dungloe, hitting their best form of the season, opened up the race for the senior football championship honours in the South-West Division with a surprise 2-13 to 1-8 win over holders Kilcar.

The attendance at the game was a record "gate" receipts being £74.

Kilcar's downfall came as a big surprise to their large following, as at Dungloe, three weeks earlier; they beat the locals and were hot favourites to annex Divisional honours. Dungloe, in this game, fielded better, were quicker to the ball and their anticipation and finishing qualities were good.

Kilcar, without some of their star players, felt their loss. These included James Ward, the O'Donnell brothers, Sean and Aodh, John James Lyons, Gerry Breslin and Aodhan Hegarty. The team never at any stage struck even a fraction of the precision which characterised their "Democrat" Cup success over the Rosses men and their entire display could be written off as most disappointing against their opponents' swift and lively co-operative machine.

However, during most of the game play was of a high standard with hard knocks given and taken in every sector. Dungloe proved the better team but the game was not as easy for them as the scoreboard would seem to indicate. The pace was a cracker in the first half but the story was rather different in the second half. Dungloe assumed longer periods of supremacy and Kilcar's effort became more spasmodic and sometimes individualistic while the Rosses men moved in unison. On the whole it was a clean game, played in a sporting manner and free from incidents.

Dungloe had a strong defence with Naul McCole at full back, well supported by S.P. O'Donnell and P. O'Donnell. Owenie Boyle at centre half back proved the rock on which many Kilcar thrusts perished. He had able wing partners in Manus Ward and Paddy Roarty. At midfield Joe O'Donnell was very effective and his duels with Kilcar's Sean Doogan were one of the special features of the game. Sean O'Donnell on the "40", was a spearhead of many successful Dungloe movements, and was deadly accurate from frees. Eddie O'Donnell at full forward and Mickey Bonner on the wing also gave outstanding displays, while B. O'Donnell, Fred Sweeney also had their moments.

Jimmy Doogan, the Kilcar full back, was again the big man in the home defence. Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, and Sean McGuinness were very hard triers. At mid-field it was only occasionally that Sean Doogan and Eamon Browne succeeded in getting the upper hand. Charlie Brady, on the "40", was the star performer for Kilcar, while Cathal McLaughlin was their best forward.

The scoring

Dungloe, with their back to the sun, started off well. Eddie O' Donnell sent in to the centre but Mickey Haughey brought off a clever save. Sean O'Donnell opened for Dungloe with a point and Fred Sweeney had another before Cathal McLaughlin pointed for Kilcar. In the eighth minute Cathal McLaughlin levelled the scores but Sean O'Donnell restored Dungloe's lead from a free and two minutes later he shot another point from play. Kilcar tried without result and at the other end Eddie O'Donnell pointed. Sean O'Donnell and Sean McGuinness were to the fore in driving back Dungloe thrusts and from an acute-angle free Cathal McLaughlin pointed. Dungloe came back again for Mickey Bonner to point. Leo Murray replied with a point for Kilcar but Eddie O' Donnell negated this. Sean O'Donnell had a point for Dungloe, off a free. Two minutes from the interval the Dungloe goal had a close shave when Frank O'Donnell had a rasping shot strike an upright and was cleared, leaving Dungloe leading 0-8 to 0-4.

Dungloe's first goal.

The first minute of the second half brought Dungloe's first goal when Eddie O'Donnell flashed the ball to the net. Leo Murray replied with a point and Kilcar pressed strongly for five minutes, but the Dungloe defence conceded nothing. Dungloe came through again for Mickey Bonner to point but Leo Murray negated this and Cathal McLaughlin sent over a long-range point. Seamus Maguire pointed and Proinsias Carr replied with a point for Kilcar. Dungloe got on the attack to force a penalty from which Sean O'Donnell pointed. Shortly afterwards, Mickey Bonner sealed the issue with a goal to put the Rosses men ten points in front. Kilcar tried hard and Leo Murray had a goal at the other end. With the Dungloe defence holding out well Sean O'Donnell had the last point of the game for Dungloe, off a free.

The teams were paraded prior to the start of the game by the A.O.H. Band.

Should Dungloe beat Ardara at Páirc na Rosann on Sunday a play off, between Kilcar and Dungloe for Divisional honours, will then be necessary.

The teams under referee Tommy Boyle, Ardara were:

Dungloe – Packie Boyle, S. P. O' Donnell, Naul McCole, P. O' Donnell, Paddy Roarty, Owenie Boyle, M. Ward, Joe O' Donnell, Fred Sweeney, Ben O'Donnell, Sean O' Donnell, Mickey Bonner, Joe O'Donnell, Eddie O' Donnell, and Seamus Maguire. Sub. Dan Bonner for S. P. O' Donnell.

Kilcar – Mickey Haughey, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Cunningham, Jimmy Doogan, Packie Haughey, Paddy O'Donnell, Sean McGuinness, Sean Doogan, Eamonn Browne, Proinsias Carr, Charlie Brady, Leo Murray, Cathal McLaughlin, Frank O'Donnell, and Connie Cunningham.

**Report Number 39**

**The Donegal Democrat Fri. 5th August 1960.
Junior Championship**

Rannafast 2-8**Kilcar 3-4**

At the same venue Kilcar juniors went under by a single point 3-4 to 2-8 to the recently formed Rannafast team. This junior game was a "needle" affair, with the lead changing several times, and the issue being in doubt until the final whistle.

This tie between Kilcar and Rannafast provided a pulsating finish with Kilcar making an all-out bid to level the scores.

There was little in the game which was keenly contested and produced play of a fairly high standard. Rannafast had sound defensive players in John Sweeney, Paddy McGee, and John Pat O'Donnell, while Paddy Boyle was outstanding at centre-half back. Joe Rodgers was their star performer at midfield.

Connie Meehan was Kilcar's best defender, and the fact that he had to retire with an injury may have cost the homesters the points. At midfield, Leo McLaughlin did great work, well supported by Sean O'Donnell, while in attack Connie Cunningham had two of his side's three goals.

The Scoring:

Kilcar started off well with a goal per Connell McGinley following a 50 by Sean Burke. Following a good move by Paddy Boyle, Tony Doherty goaled for Rannafast. Paddy Devenney added another and J. Doherty added a point. Connie Cunningham had a point for Kilcar, and from a Leo McLaughlin centre, Connell McGinley had a great goal to leave the teams level. Maurice Boyle finished a good effort to the net subsequently, to leave Kilcar leading by 3-1 to 2-1 at half time.

Tony Doherty had an early second half point for Rannafast but Maurice Boyle negative this. Brian (Feda) O'Donnell had a well-taken point and Tony Doherty added another for Rannafast. Maurice Boyle replied with a pointed free for Kilcar, but Brian Feda O'Donnell pointed for Rannafast from about 50 yards. Two minutes later, Seamus McGarvey levelled the scores again with a minor. Leo McLaughlin (free) put Kilcar ahead with a point, but the scores were level for the fourth time when Denis Green pointed for Rannafast. In the closing stages, Paddy Devenney put Rannafast in front with a point, and they held out, against Kilcar pressure, to the end.

Under Mr. Danny Boyle, Glenties, the teams were:

Rannafast: Pat Gallagher, Paddy McGee, John Sweeney, John Pat O'Donnell, Martin Green, Paddy Boyle, Denis Green, Dronnacha Devenney, Joe Rodgers, Brian (Feda) O'Donnell, Seamus McGarvey, Tony Doherty, N. O'Donnell, J. Doherty, and Paddy Devenney.

Kilcar: Sean Brady, John J. Cunningham, Connie Meehan, Dan Cunningham, Michael Gillespie, Dónal Boyle, John Cannon, Sean O'Donnell, Leo McLaughlin, Oliver Mc Intyre, Francis Cunningham, Maurice Boyle, Sean Burke, Connell Mc Ginley, Connie Cunningham.

Report Number 40

The Peoples Press Sat. 13th August 1960.

Kilcar defeat Gweedore in Challenge Game.**Kilcar 3-10****Gweedore 2-8**

At the new Gaelic Park, Carrick, on Sunday afternoon, Kilcar defeated Gweedore by 3-10 to 2-8 in a senior challenge run in conjunction with Carrick's Annual Carnival.

The game was most interesting and drew a large attendance as both teams are making a determined bid to capture the Donegal Senior Football Championship (Dr. Maguire Cup) later in the season.

In a game in which Kilcar sparkled in comparison with their recent game with Dungloe and in which open football was the order of the day, full marks must be awarded to Jimmy Doogan, the Kilcar full back. His great saving and long clearances were a feature of the game while almost on par with him was Jimmy Cunningham who gave his best performance ever. Seamus McNulty was also seen to support on many occasions to drive back the Gweedore attacks.

Sean McGuinness, who filled the centre half-back line, with Packie Haughey and Patsy Mc Gowan on the wings, proved an exceptionally good line of defence. Charlie Brady in his mid-field berth was in great form and was conspicuous for his clever, masterly movements all through. He was ably partnered by Eamonn Browne who gave a great display. Proinsias Carr, Cathal McLaughlin and Leo Murray could well be described as a star-studded three-quarter line while Joseph Boyle, Sean Doogan and Connie Cunningham all emerged from the fray with full marks. The Kilcar goalkeeper, Mickey Haughey, was put severely on trial on several occasions but gave a good account of himself by his handling of some difficult situations.

Gweedore were best served by their defender Barney Coyle in the full-back berth and he was ably assisted by P. McGinley. Others who took the laurels were Paddy Sweeney on the half-back berth, Thomas Hickey as midfielder, ably assisted by Pat McBride, while Hugh Tim Boyle was in top form on the 40, ably supported by Ownie McBride and Jackie Coyle on the wings. The full forward line of Tom McGinley, Gene McGinley and Neil Gallagher attacked consistently all through. During periods when Kilcar forwards were in the ascendancy Pat McNelis, in the Gweedore goal, also gave a good display.

The Scoring.

Kilcar opened the scoring with a goal following a good Prionnseas Carr movement. Ownie McBride reduced the lead with a Gweedore point and Hughie T. Boyle reduced it with another point from a spot-kick after the visitors had forced a penalty. Charlie Brady restored Kilcar's lead with a well taken minor and Cathal McLaughlin, received from Eamonn Browne, put the homesters ahead by a three point margin. In a Gweedore offensive Tom McGinley punched the ball over the bar in a goalmouth scramble. Gweedore retaliated and Gene McGinley cut



the lead with a minor.

At this stage Connie Cunningham retired, through an injury, from the Kilcar side and was replaced by Sean Burke. After a series of tries by the Kilcar forwards Prionnseas Carr sent over a point to leave a goal margin between the sides but shortly before the interval Hughie Tim Boyle again reduced the deficit with a Gweedore point.

The interval score was Kilcar 1-3 Gweedore 0-5.

Shortly after the resumption Leo Murray stretched the homesters lead with a minor and Cathal McLaughlin scored another from a close in free, before Pat McBride reduced the Gweedore arrears with another point. Kilcar swung into attack again and Cathal McLaughlin soloed well in, Prionnseas Carr gained possession to flash a terrific close-in shot to the net for his side's second goal. Tom Hickey gained possession to narrow the lead with a point. Joseph Boyle stretched Kilcar's lead with a point and Prionnseas Carr added another brace of minors. When Sean Doogan slammed home another Kilcar goal and Cathal McLaughlin added two points from 30 and 45 yard frees it appeared as if it was curtains for Gweedore, but the reverse was the position. Back they came and forced a "50" which was taken by Barney Coyle and in a scramble in the Kilcar goalmouth the ball was driven to the net by a Gweedore attacker. Ownie McBride with a rasping shot drove through to the net for another goal which left the Gweedore supporters in jubilant mood.

The game was refereed by Mr. Leo McLaughlin, Carrick, a leading playing member with London Gaels, who was home on holidays.

Kilcar: Mickey Haughey, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Doogan, Jimmy Cunningham, Packie Haughey, Sean McGuinness, Patsy McGowan, Charlie Brady, Eamonn Browne, Proinsias Carr, Cathal McLaughlin, Leo Murray, Joseph Boyle, Sean Doogan and Connie Cunningham. Sub: Sean Burke for Connie Cunningham.

Gweedore: Pat McNelis, Barney Coyle, Hugh Brennan, P. Mc Ginley, Paddy Sweeney, Michael Coll, Tom Hickey, Pat McBride, Jackie Coyle, Hughie T. Boyle, Owenie McBride, Neil Gallagher, Tom McGinley, and Gene McGinley

The curtain-raiser was a juvenile match between Kilcar and Glen Kilcar 0-4, Glen 0-0. Sean McGinley, son of Mr. James Patrick McGinley, the former Donegal star GAA and Inter-Provincial player, registered three of Kilcar's points while Oliver Boyle registered the other.

Report Number 41

The Donegal Democrat 19th Aug. 1960.

St. Eunan's through to County Semi-Final.

Four Masters win at Ballyshannon,

Dungloe Wrest title From Kilcar. – Dr. Maguire Cup.

Dungloe 3-8

Kilcar 1-5

At the Gaelic Park, Glenties, on Sunday, in brilliant

sunshine, with a slight breeze and an attendance of an estimated 4,000 people representing a "gate" of £140, Dungloe regained South-West divisional honours by defeating Kilcar 3-8 to 1-5.

The game was a good clean, hard fought struggle without incident, and the spectators were thrilled right from the throw-in.

Kilcar, who were without two of their regulars, Paddy O'Donnell and Gerry Breslin, went down with flying colours and the final score was not a true indication of the closeness of the game. Although the better team won, had the Kilcar forwards put to account some of the scoring chances they missed, the result might have been different. Dungloe, slightly the fitter team, had better understanding in attack and were also without two of their stalwarts, P. O'Donnell and Fred Sweeney.

Most of the Dungloe scores came from the movements sparked off by their centrefield men, Jim Connors and John O'Donnell who had a slight advantage over Sean O'Donnell and James Ward. Owenie Boyle at centre-half back was the hero of the Dungloe defence and his many timely clearances were a feature of the game. Packie Boyle, the Dungloe goalie, had many brilliant saves. Dan Bonner had a good game in the defence until he retired at half-time and was replaced by Jim (Cookie) Boyle, who also had a good game. Eddie O'Donnell and John Campbell in the forward line and Sean O'Donnell, centre half forward, were always a headache for the Kilcar defence in which Jimmy Doogan, Aodh O'Donnell and Sean McGuinness were prominent. Cathal McLaughlin was an inspiring leader in the Kilcar attack, while Charlie Brady had a good game but lacked some of the dash he displayed in recent games. Sean Doogan was the pick of the forwards.

The scoring

After a series of wides by both teams Mickey Bonner opened the score for Dungloe with a point. In the 13th minute Eddie O'Donnell placed John Campbell for another Dungloe point. From the kick out Charlie Brady placed John James Lyons for Kilcar's opening point. In the 15th minute, from a pass from Brady, Cathal McLaughlin got the equaliser. A minute later Dungloe were in the lead from a Mickey Bonner point. Sean O'Donnell added a point from a 40 yards free. In the 21st minute, John O'Donnell took a 50 yards free and Sean O'Donnell punched to the net. In the 23rd minute John Campbell found the net again for Dungloe. Kilcar per Cathal McLaughlin had a point blank shot saved. From the rebound Packie Boyle saved on the goal line and Dan Bonner deflected the ball for a 50. Sean Doogan crashed the ball to the net from the kick by Sean O'Donnell. In the 27th minute Sean O'Donnell had a point for Dungloe, leaving the half-time score: Dungloe 2-4, Kilcar 1-1.

In the 8th minute of the second half, Kilcar attacking strongly now, had a point by Proinsias Carr and seconds later Cathal McLaughlin broke through the Dungloe defence but Packie Boyle saved.

In the 17th minute Kilcar conceded a 50 and Sean O'Donnell sent over the bar. In the 21st minute Eddie



O'Donnell pointed a free from Dungloe. Charlie Brady replied with a point for Kilcar. A few minutes later Eddie O'Donnell put Dungloe further ahead with a point from 40 yards. From the kick out Kilcar went on the attack which was successful with a point for James Ward. Eddie O'Donnell made matters safe for Dungloe when he punched to the net after the Kilcar goalie, Mickey Haughey, had stopped his first shot at goal.

The teams under Tommy Boyle were:

Dungloe: Packie Boyle, S.P. O'Donnell, Naul McCole, Dan Bonner, Paddy Roarty, Owenie Boyle, Manus Ward, Jim Conners, Joe O'Donnell, Mickey Bonner, Sean O'Donnell, Ben O'Donnell, John Campbell, Eddie O'Donnell, Liam Kelly. Dom Murray replaced Liam Kelly in the 10th minute.

Kilcar – Mickey Haughey, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Doogan, Aodh O'Donnell, Packie Haughey, Sean McGuinness, Eamonn Browne, Sean O'Donnell, James Ward, Cathal McLaughlin, John James Lyons, Proinsias Carr, Leo Murray, Sean Doogan, Charlie Brady.

Report Number 42

The Donegal Democrat 19th Aug. 1960.

Kilcar 4-1

Glenties 2-6

At Glenties the Kilcar juniors defeated Glenties in the second round of the Junior championship by 4-1 to 2-6. Scorers for Kilcar were: Harry Phillips 0-2, Maurice Boyle 1-0, Oliver McIntyre 1-1, Scorers for Glenties were: B. Gildea 0-4, T. Craig 1-1, C. Boyle 1-0, P. Rodgers 0-1.

The teams under J. C. Boyle were:

Kilcar: Sean Brady, Seamus Cunningham, Paddy McShane, Dan Cunningham, Paddy (c) O'Donnell, Donal Boyle, Sean Burke, Mícheal Gillespie, J. D. Cunningham, Oliver McIntyre, Francis Cunningham, Harry Phillips, Maurice Boyle, Connell McGinley, Connie Cunningham.

Glenties: C. Bonner, P. Keeney, J. O'Donnell, S. Early, J. McKelvey, B. Campbell, M. Coll, E. Melly, P. Rogers, M. Molloy, B. Gildae, T. Craig, C. Boyle, C. Keeney, P. Craig.

Report Number 43

The Donegal Democrat 19th Aug. 1960.

South-West Board Meeting.

Minor refused to go – suspended.

South-West Divisional Board GAA, meeting in Glenties. Minor player suspended for two months.

A minor footballer was ordered off the field for striking an opponent and refused to go.

The secretary, Sergt. Patrick Gill, G.S. read a report from Mr. Danny Boyle, Glenties, on the abandoned game between Dungloe and Kilcar in the minor football championship at Kilcar. The report stated that four minutes before full-time the referee ordered a Kilcar

player off for striking an opponent. He refused to go and the referee had no option but call the game off. The score at that time was Dungloe 6-5 Kilcar 4-6.

After the views of the delegates had been expressed, the chairman Mr. Davy Brennan, Glenties, quoted a rule awarding the game to Dungloe and suspending the player involved for two months from the date of the game.

Present at the meeting were Sean Boyle, James McBrearty, Charlie McDevitt, H. Haughey, Dónal McNulty, and Proinsias Carr (Kilcar). P. Conaghan, H. McGee, E. Boyle and J. McCole (Dungloe). F. Doherty, D. Devenney (Rannafast), D. Shovelin, J. McLoone, J. McSwiggan, P. Ward, D. Sweeney (Glenties), Tommy Boyle, Frankie Brennan, J. O'Donnell, J. McNelis, Jimmy O'Donnell, and John Keeney (Ardara).

Report Number 44

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 2nd Sept. 1960.

Glenties Juniors are South-West Champions.

Kilcar 0-11

Glenties 3-5

In a hard fought game, marked by trilling football, Glenties scored a 3-5 to 0-11 win over Kilcar at Towney Park on Sunday to become the South-West Donegal Junior football Champions.

Glenties leading 1-3 to 0-3 at the interval were always a step in front of the homesters whose defeat came as a disappointment to the home supporters.

In defence and at midfield Glenties excelled while their cúl báire, John McLoone, was also to the fore. John O'Donnell, at full back, with Packie Keeney and Raymond Early on the wings, and their second line of defence, Martin Molloy, Brian Campbell and Thady Bonner, played a big part in the Glenties win, as did midfielder Patsy Rodgers well supported by Eamonn Melly. On the "40" Bernie Gildae was also conspicuous.

Kilcar were best served by Paddy Gillespie, in defence, and by Paddy O'Donnell, Paddy McShane, Sean Burke, Oliver McIntyre, Seamus Cunningham. Maurice Boyle and Connell McGinley.

The scoring.

In the 5th minute, Mick Coll, goaled for Glenties. Oliver McIntyre replied with a point for Kilcar. Josie McKelvey restored the lead with a point before Kilcar had a point from Connell McGinley, followed by a similar score from Maurice Boyle. Glenties continued to attack and Bernie Gildae enhanced their lead with a brace of points before the interval.

On the turnover Maurice Boyle had a Kilcar point. Glenties swung into attack and Josie Ward rattled the Kilcar net with a hard drive. Kilcar, now well in arrears, forced the pace and had a point off a free by Paddy Beag Gillespie, who replaced Mícheal Gillespie on the home team. He later pointed another close in free. Bernie Gildae replied with a point for the visitors. Kilcar attacked strongly and Maurice Boyle narrowed the gap with a point, but Glenties clinched the issue when they



scored a goal from a goalmouth melee.

When Bernie Gildae flashed over a point it "was curtains" for the homesters. Kilcar never gave up and Paddy Beag Gillespie, who was doing trojan work in the forward line, sent over a point and repeated the performance a few minutes later, Maurice Boyle and Connell McGinley had points each to reduce the lead to a goal and end the scoring.

Under P. Bonner, Glenties the teams were:

Glenties: John McLoone, Packie Keeney, John O'Donnell, Raymond Early, Martin Molloy, Brian Campbell, Thady Bonner, Patsy Rodgers, E. Molloy, Terence Craig, Bernie Gildae (3 pts), Josie McKelvey (1 pt), Terence Craig, Mick Coll (1 pt), and Paddy Gavigan. Sub: Josie Ward (1 goal) for Paddy Gavigan.

Kilcar: Sean Brady, Seamus Cunningham, Paddy Gillespie, Frankie "Tam" Gallagher, Paddy (c) O'Donnell, Paddy McShane, Sean Burke, Francis Cunningham, Oliver McIntyre (1 pt), Maurice Boyle (4 pts), Jim Boden, Mícheal Gillespie, Connell McGinley (2 pts), Connie Cunningham. Sub: Paddy Beag Gillespie (4 pts) for Mícheal Gillespie.

Report Number 45

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 21st Oct. 1960.

Exciting Fare in "Democrat" Cup games.

"Big Guns" fall at three centres.

Kilcar put up a stiff battle

Ballyshannon 3-2 Kilcar 0-4

The form book was torn to shreds at the Fr. Tierney Memorial Park, Ballyshannon, on Sunday evening, where a re-organised home fifteen that included some newcomers, injected interest into their supporters with a 3-2 to 0-4 win over the holders, Kilcar.

At half-time Ballyshannon held a five point league lead, 2-2 to 0-3, and faced the wind in the second half of a game that fell only by a trend of "too much fighting spirit" in an exciting second half. This, however, was confined to a small sector, and two minutes from the end, referee Peter Breslin, Ardara, gave a home player his marching orders after an incident in which he and a Kilcar defender were involved.

Ballyshannon's form was a revelation to many, for they matched the champions in all facets of the game, and showed a refreshing spirit of resistance that had been notably absent from the side for the past two seasons. A few players from each side were inclined to overdo it, however, but as a pulsating spectacle, this game had a lot to commend it right until the end. Both teams tackled keenly, particularly in the thrilling closing quarter, when Kilcar, in an all-out effort to break through what proved to be a remarkably sound home defence in which full back, Joe O'Neill, had a brilliant hour, introduced two fresh players and made some positional switches that brought full back, Jimmy Doogan to midfield and Charlie Brady to the 40.

Exchanges in the second half were, however, very close,

with each side scoring once. Ballyshannon adding a goal a minute after Kilcar had recorded their last point. The Ernesiders were the better equipped side, and they always seemed capable of meeting the strongest demands on their resources, with their two county representatives, centre half back, Jackie McDermott, and centre half forward Sean McCormick, contributing much to their success. They were not unduly flattered by their seven points win although both sets of forwards, with steadier finishing, might have been on the mark to a greater extent.

Hectic football

As the game progressed, exchanges became keener, and there was little place for the chicken-hearted in some sectors, with the respective sides all out for supremacy. The closing ten minutes were indeed hectic as Kilcar gained mastery at midfield, but never did the home defenders play as well. Full back, Joe O'Neill, right full Danny Bannigan, centre half Jackie McDermott with young Jim McGarrigle in goal, formed a human barrier, well supported by minors Padraig McGarrigle, Val Wynn, stylist of the side, left full back Sean Murray, who saved some dangerous situations. Players often dived, regardless of their own safety, to block the ball on the boots of the opposing forwards, or went high to field it and send it back down the field as the full force of the champions attack was unleashed.

In this period, Kilcar, with more accurate finishing, should have taken a few scores, but some fine saving by Jim McGarrigle, coupled with great coverage by his defence, gave the visitors little scope for scores.

Back in form

Turning in his best display for two seasons, Owen Roe O'Neill contributed much to the successful incursions of the forwards. Here, two newcomers to the side, who have been knocking on the door for places since the start of the season, Gordon Walsh and Andy Barrett, must have put home members thinking since they gave punch to an attack that has still plenty of room for improvement with further games. Kilcar failed to make the over-all impact expected. In the early stages, they showed signs of dictating the trend of the exchanges and by the end of the first quarter, against the breeze, they led by three points to one.

As Ballyshannon came well into the game, the Kilcar posts had some lucky escapes before Sean McCormick blazed through the goal of the game with a left-footed drive that gave his side a one-point lead for the first time.

Midfield stars

At midfield Kilcar had the stars in the ever-trying Charlie Brady, one of the most accomplished forwards afield and Eamonn Browne who had the edge on Sean Kane and Dermot MacIntyre despite the fact that both contributed well to their side's success.

The full back line of defence got plenty to do but Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty and Jimmy Cunningham gave full-hearted performances throughout while centre half



back, Sean O'Donnell was well in the game in spots. The forwards generally were hard triers but the power-packed football of the home defence gave them little scope with toe-to-toe marking. Before the end of the third quarter Kilcar brought on Francis Cunningham and Jim Boden to the exclusion of Josie Gillespie and Joseph Boyle.

The Scoring:

Kilcar started off well, and within a minute, Charlie Brady had soloed through for a point. Paddy Parks in the home goal in the first half, saved well from a shot by Cathal McLaughlin, at the expense of a 50, which was taken by Sean O'Donnell and subsequently Proinsias Carr shot wide. Jim Boyle had similar luck before Jackie McDermott sent the home forwards through. Andy Barrett crossing the ball to Jim McGarrigle who's shot was deflected for a 50. It was taken by Dermot McIntyre who placed Sean McCormick for the equalising point in the 7th minute. Sean Kane sent Ballyshannon through again, the ball going from Jim McGarrigle to Andy Barrett, who shot wide. A clearance by Val Wynn was fielded by Gordon Walsh who was also off the mark.

In the 12th minute, from Sean O'Donnell, Proinsias Carr fielded and placed Joseph Boyle for a point and the lead for Kilcar for the second time. Charlie Brady followed up with another point from long range three minutes later, and off a free, Patsy McGowan missed the target. Ballyshannon attacked again and a free by Sean McCormick from 45 yards out rebounded off an upright and went from Gordon Walsh to Paddy McCready, who shot wide. It was following this that McCormick smashed through the first of Ballyshannon's three goals. Jackie McDermott had sent the ball upfield and Owen Roe O'Neill slipped the Kilcar defence. Twice the ball was almost across the Kilcar goal line but was cleared before Sean McCormick snapped it up to send it flashing through from about 15 yards range and the homesters were a point in the lead for the first time. Kilcar fought back to scoring distance but Cathal McLaughlin was out of luck and Ballyshannon were soon through again for Dermot MacIntyre to place Sean McCormick who took a point from well out in the 22nd minute.

Two minutes later the Kilcar goal fell again when Paddy McCready centred and Jim McGarrigle was on the spot to goal. Val Wynn made one of his fine clearances and Owen Roe O'Neill soloed through but Sean McCormick was off the mark and the half-time scores stood: Ballyshannon 2-2, Kilcar 0-3.

In the second half Ballyshannon brought Paddy Parks to the attack and switched Jim McGarrigle to the goal. Exchanges in this half were keen and sometimes rugged. The two scores came within a minute of each other. In the 16th minute from a free by Jimmy Doogan, Joe O'Neill tipped the ball over the bar with the Kilcar attack swarming in. A minute later Jackie McDermott and Sean McCormick had sent Ballyshannon through and Paddy Parks sent to Andy Barrett, who slammed the ball past Mickey Haughey for a goal. It was hectic from that to the end with Ballyshannon containing the Kilcar attack and launching occasional forays.

Under referee Peter Breslin, Ardara, the teams were:

Ballyshannon - Paddy Parks, Danny Bannigan, Joe O'Neill, Sean Murray, Pdraig O'Neill, Jackie McDermott, Val Wynn, Dermot MacIntyre, Sean Kane, Paddy McCready, Sean McCormick, Owen Roe O'Neill, Gordon Walsh, Andy Barrett, Jim McGarrigle.

Kilcar - Mickey Haughey, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Doogan, Jimmy Cunningham, Aodh O'Donnell, Sean O'Donnell, Patsy McGowan, Eamonn Browne, Charlie Brady, Proinsias Carr, Josie Gillespie, Cathal McLaughlin, Josie Boyle, Conal McGinley, Connie Cunningham. Subs - Francis Cunningham and Jim Boyden.

Report Number 46

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 28th Oct. 1960.

Dungloe win Inniskeel Cup.

Dungloe 3-5

Kilcar 1-6

A strong rally that brought two decisive goals in the last quarter earned victory for Dungloe in the final of the Inniskeel Cup (minor football competition) as Rosses Park, Dungloe on Sunday week, when they scored 3-5 to 1-6 for Kilcar.

In the first half Dungloe failed to use the wind advantage and the writing seemed to be on the wall for them when Kilcar went ahead after twenty minutes of the second half. It was then that the big home rally started, to win them the coveted trophy.

Seamus McGuire opened the scoring for Dungloe with a good point from about 40 yards after five minutes, but Kilcar levelled per Michael Byrne after 10 minutes. Dan Bonner and Seamus McGuire replied with points for Dungloe but in one of the rare Kilcar forays Connell McGinley finished smartly to the net in a goalmouth melee. The scores were level in the 18th minute when T. Breslin punched over for Dungloe and subsequently guided a centre from C. Boyle into the net in the 2nd minute. Kilcar had a point each from Michael Byrne and Sean Boyle to leave the interval scores, Dungloe 1-4 Kilcar 1-3.

Early in the second half Dan Bonner stretched Dungloe's lead with a point but making full use of the wind Kilcar had points by Paddy O'Donnell and Connell McGinley and when Sean Boyle sent over another from 25 yards they were in the lead again. Dungloe, however, revived and a Seamus Maguire-Dan Bonner movement split the defence for Dan Bonner to send in a shot which J. Bonner helped to the net. A minute later Dan Bonner placed J. Bonner for a goal to put the issue beyond doubt.

Seamus McGuire and Dan Bonner were the big men in Dungloe's victory with Charles Greene, J. Walsh and D. Gallagher also prominent. Paddy O'Donnell, Patsy O'Donnell, the Hegarty's, Sean Boyle and Connell McGinley showed up well for the visitors.

The teams under Tommy Boyle, Ardara were:

Dungloe: D. Gallagher, D. Sweeney, Charles Greene, J.



performance, and there was little between the sides in superiority. Kilcar excelled in fielding, and positional play and reaped the dividends as a result.

Outstanding for Dungloe were Naul McCole, Jim C. Boyle, Owenie Boyle, Jim Connors, Eddie O'Donnell and Sean O'Donnell, who got good support on the "40", from Ben O'Donnell, Cannon, Ward, Paddy Roarty, and Seamus McGuire.

In addition to those mentioned Kilcar had star performers, in their entire defence as well, in Eamonn Browne, Sean Mc Guinness, Conal Mc Ginley and Joseph Gillespie.

The game:

Dungloe forced an early penalty which Sean O'Donnell sent wide of the mark. Sean O'Donnell opened the scoring for Dungloe with a point. (free), Charlie Brady soon equalised again. Sean O'Donnell (free) was on the mark with a point and Kilcar looked like equalising again but Cathal McLaughlin's shot was blocked. Patsy McGowan saved well from Connie Boyle as Dungloe resumed the offensive, but Kilcar weathered the storm and Eamonn Browne equalised in the 20th minute. Sean O'Donnell broke through again and placed Eddie O'Donnell for a point. Again, Sean O'Donnell was on the mark with a point to leave the interval scores, 0-4 to 0-2 in favour of Dungloe.

The home goalie, Patsy McGowan, done well when he caught and cleared a rasping shot from J. G. Boyle early in the second half. Ben O'Donnell followed up with a point. At this stage Francis Cunningham retired from the Kilcar side and was replaced by Paddy O'Donnell. Shortly afterwards 'Big Frank' came on as a substitute for Aodh O'Donnell, and there was some positional changes, after which there was a noticeable Kilcar resurgence and finally the Dungloe goal became the victim when Connell McGinley drove to the net to put the homesters in front for the first time. Cathal McLaughlin then added a minor.

Against strong pressure, the Dungloe defence remained firm. Naul McCole and J. C. Boyle affected some magnificent clearances. Several moves for Dungloe proved unproductive before Kilcar forced a "50" which was taken by Paddy O'Donnell and Patsy O'Donnell drove a rasping ground shot to the net to put his side 5 points in front. Dungloe attacked again and forced a close-in free and a "50", both of which proved abortive. Paddy O'Donnell sent over a long-ranged point to give his side a 2 goals lead. Dungloe tried hard to cut the lead but their only score was a point by Owenie Boyle, being the last score of the game.

The game was ably controlled by Tommy Boyle, Ardara.

Kilcar - Patsy McGowan, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Doogan, Jimmy Cunningham, Aodh O'Donnell, Sean McGuinness, Eamonn Browne, Charlie Brady, Sean O'Donnell, Sean Doogan, Patsy O'Donnell, Cathal McLaughlin, Francis Cunningham, Aiden O'Donnell, Conal McGinley.

Subs: Big Frank O'Donnell and Paddy O'Donnell for Aodh O'Donnell and Francis Cunningham respectively.

Dungloe - Packie Boyle, P. Cannon, Jim C. Boyle, Naul McCole, Manus Ward, Owenie Boyle, Paddy Roarty, Jim Connors, Eddie O'Donnell, Seamus McGuire, Sean O'Donnell, Ben O'Donnell, D. Cannon, J. G. Boyle, A. Logue, Subs. - Dan Bonner for A. Logue.

Report Number 49

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 18th Nov. 1960.

Glenties 3-8

Kilcar 3-1

In the Democrat Junior Football League at Towney Park, Kilcar, on Sunday Glenties had a comfortable win over Kilcar. The final score was 3-8 to 3-1. Half-time scores were 2-7 to 1-0 in favour of Glenties.

Glenties, the better balanced side started with a wind and almost-gale advantage and had knocked up a goal and four points before the homesters got within scoring distance. Although Kilcar succeeded in reducing this lead somewhat by the end of the first quarter Glenties swung back into action and dominated for the remainder of the half.

On the turn-over Kilcar, with the wind in their backs, gave a most disappointing display and it was the visitors, now in the teeth of the wind, who made most of the running and added a goal and a point to their total. Glenties were deserving winners as they adapted themselves better to the prevailing conditions. Their forwards availed of every scoring chance. On the other hand the Kilcar forwards lost many golden scoring opportunities as their second line and midfielders gave them a liberal supply of the ball, particularly in the second half, when the visitors defence was forced to concede no less than six '50's.

Despite unfavourable conditions, generally, there were some flashes of good football with plenty of excitement for a moderate attendance.

Both sides fielded a number of minors and recent minors. Glenties without such regulars as Packie Keeney, Sean Early, Thady Bonner, C. O'Donnell and Terence Craig had able performers in John O'Donnell at centre full back, Brian Campbell at centre half back, Eamonn Melly at midfield and Bernard Gildae on the 40, partnered by Josie Ward on the right. P. Brennan, Patrick Cornelius Bonner, Patrick Craig, Mick Coll and Patsy Breslin. All played their part in forming a sound attacking machine. Their goalie M. Molloy gave a credible performance. John O'Donnell in defence was the dominant figure.

Most prominent performers on the home side were Donal Boyle and Paddy O'Donnell in defence. Seamus Cunningham and Oliver McIntyre at midfield, John Cannon and Maurice Boyle in the half forward line and Frank Gillespie, full forward, former senior player who staged an impressive comeback.

Scorers were:

Glenties - J. Ward (0-2), B. Gildae (1-1), B. Campbell (1-0), Breslin (0-2), Brennan (0-1), Bonner (0-1), Coll (0-1). Glenties third goal came from a goal mouth scrimmage, after a Gildae, Ward, Coll movement.



McNulty. They created havoc with the Rannafast defence and there wasn't anyone capable of holding them back. In the backline, centre-full Dan Cunningham was very sound, while Sean Boyle, Dónal Boyle and Paddy O'Donnell almost stopped everything that came their way. Midfielders Aodhan Hegarty and Mickey Maloney also gave a sound display throughout.

The scores.

After eight minutes, Kilcar opened their account per Donal McNulty, Kevin Craig and Frank Gillespie with a minor each which enhanced their score sheet before Mickey Maloney scored a great goal following an Oliver McIntyre 50 yard 'free'. In another movement before the interval, initiated by Frank Gillespie, Donal McNulty left the homesters tally 2-3.

On the resumption Rannafast held Kilcar for a long spell and following a very good movement by Brian Feda O'Donnell reduced the lead with a goal. In a subsequent period of Rannafast pressure they forced a close-in free. The spot-kick was taken by John Sweeney, but an ensuing goalmouth struggle proved abortive and when Kilcar swung back into attack, Donal McNulty shot to the net to restore the homesters lead. Kilcar resumed the offensive, Frank Gillespie, gained possession and his close range shot had goal written all over it as it crashed through the Rannafast net.

Mr Peter Breslin, Ardara, was referee.

Kilcar: Connie Hegarty, J. Cunningham, Dan Cunningham, C. Gillespie, Sean Boyle, Donal Boyle, Paddy O'Donnell, Aodhan Hegarty, Mickey Maloney, Kevin Craig, Oliver McIntyre, Frank Gillespie, Connie Cunningham, Donal McNulty and Mickey Cannon.

Rannafast: Antoin Rodgers, Seamus Rodgers, Paddy McGee, James Sharkey, Paddy Gallagher, Jim Boyle, John Pat O'Donnell, John Sweeney, Patrick Boyle, B. O'Donnell, P. Boyle, Tony Doherty, Paddy Devanney, Brian Feda O'Donnell and M Gallagher

Report Number 52

The Donegal Democrat Fri. 17th Feb. 1961. Note.

Dungloe Beat League Champions. – St. Connell's Cup Dungloe 2-1 Kilcar 1-1

At Pearse Memorial Park, Ardara, on Sunday, Dungloe defeated Kilcar, Senior League holders, by 2-1 to 1-1 in the final of the St. Connell's Cup Competition.

The standard of football was below par for a final, but this may have been due to the winter layoff from games and after effects of 'flu. There was a good sporting spirit in evidence. Dungloe, without Ben O'Donnell and Jim O'Connor, narrowly deserved to win. Their forwards combination being the big factor in seeing them through. The Dungloe defence was sound with centre half J. Keyes much in the picture, taking the brunt of the pressure of the full back line where Nial McCole was outstanding with James Cookie Boyle at full back also well to the fore. Eddie O'Donnell, the hero of many

Dungloe victories, whose pace is somewhat slower, dominated at midfield most of the time while Sean O'Donnell had a good game. Young Dan Bonner showed promise and John Campbell, UCD was always a headache for the Kilcar defence. J G Boyle was always a clever forward, his well-taken goal meaning much to the Rosses men.

Kilcar without Frank O'Donnell, Mickey Haughey (goalie), Sean O'Donnell and James Ward, lacked the understanding and combination of their rivals. Their forwards missed many chances. At midfield, Paddy O'Donnell had a good hour while Charlie Brady played his usual good game. Others to shine on the side were Cathal McLaughlin, Packie Haughey, the two Doogan's, Sean McGuinness and Seamus McNulty.

The scoring:

John Campbell opened the scoring with a well taken goal for Dungloe. In the 13th minute, Charlie Brady, for Kilcar, hit the upright with a thirty yard drive and Conal Gillespie equalised. Five minutes later, Owenie Boyle sent to J. G. Boyle who found the net for Dungloe, to leave Dungloe leading 2-1 to 1-0 at half-time.

The only score of the second half was a point for Kilcar by Paddy O'Donnell from 45 yards. Kilcar tried hard and many spectators thought that they had earned a 14-yard free when the referee placed the ball and went towards the goals to consult the umpires, who ruled that there had been no infringement, and the ball was then hopped. According to rule a referee can stop play to consult the umpires if he is in doubt about an infringement.

Under referee Tommy Boyle, Ardara, the teams were:

Dungloe: Packie Boyle, Owenie Boyle, Jim Boyle, Naul McCole, Manus Ward, J Keyes, Paddy Roarty, Eddie O'Donnell, Brendan Concannon, S Maguire, Sean O'Donnell, Dom Bonner, J.G. Boyle, John Campbell, Neil Logue.

Kilcar: Patsy McGowan, Donal Boyle, Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Packie Haughey, Sean McGuinness, Eamon Browne, Charlie Brady, Paddy O'Donnell, Cathal McLaughlin, Conal Gillespie, Proinsias Carr, Connell McGinley, Sean Doogan, Leo Murray.

Report Number 53

The Derry People 18 March 1961.

Senior league semi-final was a rousing game.

Mac Cumhaill's 3-5 Kilcar 1-4

In a rousing game, which thrilled a moderate attendance, at Ballybofey on Sunday, the locals, Mac Cumhaill's made sure of their entry to the Senior Football League final by defeating Kilcar in the semi final to the tune of 3-5 to 1-4.

Keen tackling, high fielding and long kicking were the order of the day. Mac Cumhaill's established a substantial lead but had to face a strong challenge from Kilcar towards the end of the second half when the



margin between the teams was narrowed to a single goal. It was then, however, that Mac Cumhaill's recovered their poise and went forward in magnificent style to make up lost ground and emerged clear and indisputable winners over opponents who also acquitted themselves with the highest credit. The thrust of Mac Cumhaill's attack carried the day for although there was much wide shooting their forwards never relaxed and ceaselessly harassed a competent Kilcar defence, still further strengthened when Paddy O'Donnell was pulled back from the three quarters line to the half backs. The speed and dash of Mac Cumhaill's Joe Moss were fully equalled by his supporting forwards, Harry Lafferty and Dessie Griffin and kept their opposite numbers in continual hot water. Kilcar were tremendously fit and at times it seemed as if some of the Mac Cumhaill's men were tiring under the strain but they held on with great tenacity and after occasional lulls came back with almost increased vigour.

Mac Cumhaill's pressure

Early Kilcar pressure by Paddy O'Donnell was unavailing. Then Mac Cumhaill's went into the attack and there was three 50's, several wides and a lost ball which caused an eight minute delay while it was being retrieved from the river. Joe Moss sent over for Mac Cumhaill's first point after 16 minutes of play. Continued MacCumhaill's pressure resulted in Harry Lafferty gaining a Mac Cumhaill's point, from the place kick, with 22 minutes of playing time gone.

In the meantime Paddy O'Donnell had gone to the Kilcar half back line to exchange with Eamonn Browne but Mac Cumhaill's were beginning to find the range and when Harry Lafferty took a close free he gave a great fillip to his side with a timely goal.

Kilcar fought back and had their first and only point of the half when Cathal McLaughlin, who always needs a lot of watching, scores from in front of the goal. Joe Moss, Andy Gallen, Dessie Griffin and Paddy O'Flanagan were trying to improve Mac Cumhaill's lead in the dying minutes but no score came and the half finished with Mac Cumhaill's leading 1-2 to 0-1.

Positional changes

When the teams lined out again, Eddie McGee was off the Mac Cumhaill's side and Dan McCumhaill had come on as full forward allowing Mickey Lafferty to fill Eddie McGee's berth. Jimmy Doogan cleared well when Harry Lafferty put Michael O'Flanagan in possession and Harry Lafferty then shot wide. Joe Moss forced a fifty for Mac Cumhaill's when Dessie Griffin drove a long shot along the wing.

Bernard Laverty kicked the ball which was broken down by the defence and Harry Laverty gained possession to send to the net in the 10th minute, leaving Mac Cumhaill's in the seemingly comfortable position of leading by 2-2 to 0-1.

Jimmy Doogan cleared well following a Joe Moss's bid from a Harry Laverty free. Sean Doogan of Kilcar forced a fifty which Jimmy Doogan took but it did not improve the position. When a score did come, in the 15th minute,

it was Mac Cumhaill's again, following a free from Harry Laverty to Joe Moss and back to Harry Laverty again for him to send over the bar. Mac Cumhaill's were advancing nicely when Michael O'Flanagan punched over in the 16th minute from a Harry Laverty pass.

Kilcar's best period.

Kilcar's best period, however, was yet to come and it was heralded by a fine Cathal McLaughlin move along the left wing to score a point from long range. Proinsias Carr retired from the Kilcar side to be replaced by Connie Cunningham. Then, in the 20th minute, Josie Gillespie passed to big Frank O'Donnell who made no mistake for a point. MacCumhaill's began to make positional changes, Joe Moss moving back to let Andy Gallen in to the spearhead of the attack, but Andy Gallen was bested by Jimmy Doogan and Kilcar were once more on the move.

Patsy O'Donnell, who was one of Kilcar's really great players, sending to Josie Gillespie who pointed at close range in the 23rd minute. Then the same O'Donnell, Patsy, crashed through irresistibly to land the ball in the Mac Cumhaill's net within the next minute to bring Kilcar, for the first time, within striking distance of their opponents. Mac Cumhaill's reeled under the impact of this unexpected blow and for a time seemed to be completely disorganised. They made a further change; sending Sean Ward to full-forward and bringing Andy Gallen back once more to his original position, as they sought to steady themselves to the sudden storm.

Regained confidence

Regaining the confidence, at this vital period, Mac Cumhaill's got moving into the attack. Bernard Laverty gave to Harry Laverty who crossed to the corner of the Kilcar goal, where Dan McCumhaill was waiting at the square to get through to the net in the 23rd minute and restore the position. A minute later MacCumhaill's had the added assurance of another point per Sean Ward after Brendan McFeely's try was broken down. Three minutes before the end John Lafferty went off the MacCumhaill's side with an injured leg and Eddie McGee went on again. John Ward and Andy Gallen were both wide for the winners in the dying minutes but Kilcar were on the offensive as the game ended. Cathal McLaughlin, closely attended by John Ward, sending wide and Eddie Menamin being called on to hold off another attack as the final whistle went.

Referee was Seamus Cleary, Mountcharles.

The teams were;

MacCumhaill's – Gerry McGranaghan, John Ward, Eddie McMenamin, Eddie McGee, Paddy Finnerty, John Lafferty, Brendan McFeely, Bernard Lafferty, Sean Ward, Harry Lafferty, Andy Gallen, Dessie Griffin, Michael O'Flanagan, Joe Moss, Michael Lafferty. Sub: Dan McCumhaill for Eddie McGee

Kilcar – Mickey Haughey, Aodhan Hegarty, Jimmy Doogan, Seamus McNulty, Jimmy Cunningham, Sean McGuinness, Eamonn Browne, Patsy O'Donnell, Charlie Brady, Josie Gillespie, Paddy O'Donnell, Cathal Mc



Laughlin, Proinsias Carr, Big Frank O'Donnell, Sean Doogan. Sub: Connie Cunningham for Proinsias Carr

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The Derry People 4th March 1961.

Kilcar Annual General Meeting

Kilcar had a most satisfactory year.

"For all members of the Gaelic Athletic Association, loyalty and faithfulness to its ideals and thereby extending their wholehearted support to the club's activities while playing the game in a clean sporting manner, should be the aim of every player" stated Seamus McBrearty O.S., Derrylaghan N.S. outgoing chairman, in his address delivered exclusively in Irish at the Annual General Meeting of Kilcar G.A.A., held in the Parish Hall, Kilcar last week.

Mr Mc Brearty gave a brief review of the activities of the club during the past year, and said they could glance back upon it as one of their most successful years if not the most successful year in the club's history. First of all, he said, it was his pleasant duty to congratulate their Senior team on winning the Democrat Cup, which was one of their greatest achievements for a long number of years. They were worthy of great praise, he said, and had a great deal to be proud of, not only in the final, in which they captured the coveted title, but in every encounter throughout the series, they had given an excellent account of themselves. They played the game in a clean sporting spirit in accordance with the rules and ideals of the Association, and that was important, if not more so than the winning of trophies.

During the past year, he said, the activities of the club in the Gaelic football arena had been fairly extensive, as they had teams participating in four grades, Senior, Junior, Minor and Juvenile. They had competed in the different County Competitions and all of the teams gave a credible account of themselves in every respect, and he complimented each team on their magnificent displays.

Mr. McBrearty then went on to advise playing members as quoted at the outset and appealed to all to be true to the ideals of the Association and hoped that the year ahead would be equally successful in every respect as the previous one, which should be an inspiration and a source of pride for each and every one of them.

Mr. Denis Erskine, Towney, presided during the election, when the outgoing officers were unanimously re-elected as follows:-

Chairman:	Mr. Seamus McBrearty O.S. Derrylaghan,
Secretary:	Mr. Michael Erskine, Towney.
Treasurer:	Mr. Prionnseas Carr, Kilcar Town.
Team Manager:	Mr. James Cronin, Forestry Inspector.
Captain of the Senior Team:	Sean Doogan.
Vice-Captain:	Cathal McLaughlin.
Captain of the Junior Team:	Frank Gillespie.
Selection Committee:	Neil J. Doogan, Charles Brady, Charles Cunningham and James Cronin.
Committee:	Messrs. Frank Gillespie, Neil J. Doogan, Patsy McGowan, Michael McGinley, Charles McDevitt, Benny Boyle, Sean Boyle.



1959

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 Minor Championship
 Minor league
 Juvenile Championship
 St. Connell's Cup
 Inniskeel Cup
 Fr. McClafferty Cup
 Canon Brennan Cup
 Hurling, Senior, Junior, Minor, Juvenile

Senior Football

Dr. Mc Kenna Cup.

26th April 1959

1st Round, Donegal 0-11 Down 1-9

Dr. Mc Kenna Cup winners: Down

Ulster Senior Championship

7th June 1959 1st Round, Mac Cumhaill Park,

Donegal 0-4 Cavan 2-9

Ulster Senior Championship final:

Down 2-16 Cavan 0-7

All Ireland Senior Championship final:

Kerry 3-7 Galway 1-4

Dr. Lagan Cup. - National League

18th Oct. 1959 1st Round, Ballyshannon,
Donegal 2-6 Armagh 2-822nd Nov. 1959 2nd Round, Lisnaskea,
Donegal 0-4 Fermanagh 0-7

Dr. Lagan Cup winners: Derry

National Football League Final:

Kerry 2-8 Derry 1-8

Junior Football

5th April 1959 1st Round, Irvinstown,
Fermanagh 4-9 Donegal 2-4

Ulster Junior Championship final:

Fermanagh 2-13 Antrim 1-4

All Ireland Junior Championship final:

Fermanagh 1-13 Kerry 2-3

Minor Football

5th July 1959 1st Round, Castleblaney,
Donegal 1-9 Cavan 6-7

Ulster Minor Championship final:

Cavan 2-11 Antrim 2-7

All Ireland Minor Championship final:

Dublin 0-11 Cavan 1-4



Junior Hurling

19th July 1959 Ulster Junior Championship final:
Antrim 8-7 Donegal 2-2

All Ireland Junior Championship final:
Antrim 3-4 Cork 2-3

Minor Hurling

19th July 1959 Ulster Minor Championship final:
Antrim 12-6 Donegal 0-2

All Ireland Minor Championship final:
Tipperary 2-8 Kilkenny 2-7

Railway Cup 1959

Football

15th Feb. Leinster 0-10 Connaught 0-8
8th March Tralee Munster 2-12 Ulster 0-7
17th March Croke Park
Leinster 2-7 Munster 0-7

Hurling

17th March Croke Park
Connaught 2-14 Leinster 3-7
7th June Munster 7-11 Connaught 2-6
Ulster did not compete.

Senior Championship 1959

West **2 teams St. Finnian's & Gweedore**
19th July St Finnian's 2-6 Gweedore 0-1
26th July Gweedore 2-9 St Finnian's 0-4
9th Aug.
playoff Gweedore 3-06 St. Finnian's 0-7

Inishowen **1 team, Inishowen**

East. **3 teams: St. Eunan's, Mac Cumhaill's & Na Piarasáí.**
28th June St Eunan's 1-4 Mac Cumhaill's 2-10
2nd August Mac Cumhaill 1-9 St. Eunan's 1-5

Na Piarasáí St. Eunan's
19th July St. Eunan's 5-4 Na Piarasáí 0-1

12th July Mac Cumhaill's 4-14 Na Piarasáí 0-6
26th July Na Piarasáí 0-4 Mac Cumhaill's 4-8

Div. winners: Mac Cumhaill's

South West **5 teams: Glenties, Kilcar, Ardara, Dungloe & Dunkineely**

14th June **Kilcar** 0-6 Dunkineely 0-3
21st June Glenties 0-6 **Kilcar** 1-7
5th July **Kilcar** 2-6 Ardara 2-3
19th July Dungloe 1-7 **Kilcar** 2-4

12th July Ardara 1-6 Dungloe 2-6
26th July Dungloe 4-10 Glenties 0-5
21st June Dunkineely 0-6 Dungloe 7-9
13th Sept. Glenties 1-3 Ardara 2-5
Glenties Dunkineely
Dunkineely Ardara

2nd Aug. **playoff**
Kilcar 2-7 Dungloe 1-3

South **2 teams: Donegal & Ballyshannon**
5th July Ballyshannon 2-5 Donegal 1-8
Donegal drew with Ballyshannon

19th July **playoff**
Donegal 5-5 Ballyshannon 0-4

Quarter-final
16th August **Kilcar** 1-6 Donegal 1-2

Semi-finals
16th Aug Mac Cumhaill's 6-10 Inishowen 2-1
23rd Aug. **Kilcar** 1-8 Gweedore 2-4

Final
6th Sept. Mac Cumhaill's 2-7 **Kilcar** 1-6



The All-County League (Democrat Cup) 1959

Section A. Ardara, Glenties, Dungloe, Dunkineely and Kilcar

Section B. Ballyshannon, Donegal, Mac Cumhaill's, St. Eunan's and Na Piarasáí

Section C Gweedore and Cloughaneely.

Section A (Also the St. Connell's Cup competition)

5th April Ardara 2-3 Glenties 3-9
10th Oct. Glenties 2-13 Ardara 0-5

10th May Ardara 1-3 Dungloe 2-4
20th Sept. Dungloe 2-5 Ardara 0-3

31st May Ardara 2-4 Dunkineely 1-2
Dunkineely Ardara

10th May Glenties 2-5 Dunkineely 1-3
Dunkineely Glenties

19th April Ardara 1-5 **Kilcar** 3-7
24th Oct. **Kilcar** 5-2 Ardara 3-2

31st May Glenties 2-5 Dungloe 0-8
Dungloe Glenties

17th May **Kilcar** 3-10 Dunkineely 0-8
Dunkineely Kilcar

3rd May Dungloe 1-7 **Kilcar** 2-5
10th Oct. **Kilcar** 1-5 Dungloe 0-6

24th May Glenties 1-5 **Kilcar** 1-8
1st Nov. **Kilcar** 4-3 Glenties 4-4

Dungloe draw Dunkineely
Dunkineely Dungloe

Kilcar, Dungloe & Glenties finished level at the top of the Divisional League

Playoffs

8th Nov Kilcar 1.03 Glenties 0.00, abandoned at half-time due to atrocious weather conditions, driving sleet and gale force winds

22nd Nov Kilcar 1-9 Glenties 0-1

29TH Nov (Final) Dungloe 3-4 Kilcar 1-6

Winners: Dungloe Runners up: Kilcar

Section B.

17th May Na Piarasáí 2-3 Ballyshannon 1-1
11th Oct. Ballyshannon 3-3 Na Piarasáí 2-5

24th May Ballyshannon 1-5 St. Eunan's 2-4
6th Nov. St. Eunan's 2-8 Ballyshannon 1-4

3rd May Ballyshannon 1-4 Donegal 0-4
Donegal Ballyshannon

17th May St. Eunan's Mac Cumhaill's **Abandoned**
11th Oct. Mac Cumhaill's 0-4 St. Eunan's 4-8

25th Oct. St Eunan's 1-10 Donegal 0-4
31st May Donegal St. Eunan's

St Eunan's Na Piarasáí
Na Piarasáí St. Eunan's

3rd May Mac Cumhaill's 2-10 Na Piarasáí 1-8
13th Sept. Na Piarasáí Mac Cumhaill's (won)

14th June Mac Cumhaill's 2-5 Ballyshannon 1-3
25th October Ballyshannon 1-1 Mac Cumhaill's 2-4

6th Nov. Donegal Na Piarasáí
21st June Na Piarasáí 1-7 Donegal 1-11

24th May Donegal Mac Cumhaill's
1st Nov. Mac Cumhaill's 0-9 Donegal 0-1

Table 6th November	P	W	D	L	Pts
Mac Cumhaill	8	6	0	2	12
St. Eunan's	5	5	0	0	10
Ballyshannon	6	2	0	4	4
Donegal	6	1	0	5	2
Na Piarasáí	5	1	0	4	2

Winners: St Eunan's **Runners up:** Mac Cumhaill's

Section C

29th Nov. Gweedore 3-1 Cloughaneely. 2-5

13th Dec 1959 Gweedore 2-5 Cloughaneely 0-2

21st February 1960 Cloughaneely 2-14 Gweedore 2-0

Winners: Cloughaneely

Quarter Finals:

13th March 1960 Kilcar 2-5 Cloughaneely 1-4

Semi- Finals

17th April 1960 - Kilcar 2.10 St. Eunan's 0-8

6th March 1960 Dungloe 1-6 Mac Cumhaills 1-6

1st April 1960 Dungloe 4-8 Mac Cumhaills 1-10

Final

1st May 1960 - Kilcar 1-11 Dungloe 0-7



Junior Championship 1959

Eastern Division Crossroads, Mac Cumhaill's, Castlefin, Lámh Dearg, Convoy, Lifford

5th April	Crossroads	2-5	Mac Cumhaill's	0-4
21st June	Mac Cumhaill's	1-9	Crossroads	0-6
10th May	Crossroads	2-6	Castlefin	1-3
19th Aug.	Castlefin	2-7	Crossroads	2-7
16th Aug	Crossroads		Lámh Dearg	
	Lámh Dearg		Crossroads	
24th May	Crossroads	3-1	Convoy	2-3
26th July	Convoy	2-5	Crossroads	1-6
10th Aug	Crossroads		Lifford	
	Lifford		Crossroads	
10th Aug	Mac Cumhaill's		Castlefin	
13th May	Castlefin	1-7	Mac Cumhaill's	1-1
	Mac Cumhaill's		Lámh Dearg	
	Lámh Dearg		Mac Cumhaill's	
10th Aug	Mac Cumhaill's		Convoy	
7th June	Convoy	2-7	Mac Cumhaill's	2-1
30th June	Mac Cumhaill's	5-6	Lifford	2-7
14th June	Lifford	1-3	Mac Cumhaill's	0-6
5th April	Castlefin	1-9	Lámh dearg	1-2
21st June	Lámh dearg	2-2	Castlefin	1-3
10th Aug	Castlefin		Convoy	
13th Aug	Convoy		Castlefin	
	<i>serious problems according to the referees report</i>			
5th April	Convoy	1-0	Lifford	1-7
	Lifford		Convoy	
16th Aug	Castlefin		Lifford	
	Lifford		Castlefin	
	Lámh Dearg		Convoy	
12th July	Convoy	1-5	Lámh Dearg	1-4
	Lámh Dearg		Lifford	
	Lifford		Lámh Dearg	

Southern Division- Donegal, Bundoran, Barnesmore, Killymard

19th June	Donegal		Bundoran	
	Bundoran	2-9	Donegal	2-7
	Donegal		Barnesmore	
	Barnesmore		Donegal	
2nd Aug	Donegal		Killymard	
	Killymard	2-1	Donegal	0-2
	Bundoran		Barnesmore	
	Barnesmore		Bundoran	
	Bundoran		Killymard	
	Killymard		Bundoran	
17th May	Barnesmore		Killymard	
	Killymard	1-16	Barnesmore	0-5
10th May	Ballintra		Bundoran.	
	<i>Ballintra did not fulfil the fixture and were suspended</i>			
	<i>See report, Donegal Democrat 22nd May 1959.</i>			
16th Aug Div. final	Bundoran		Killymard	

Western Division

21st June	Cloughaneely Won		Dunfanaghy	
16th August	Gweedore	1-1	Cloughaneely	1-11
20th Sept. Div. final replay	Cloughaneely	4-9	Gweedore	0-3

Inishowen Division - teams

21st June	Malin	0-2	Inch	0-5
	Inch		Malin	
19th July	Malin	1-6	Carndonagh	1-2
	Carndonagh		Malin	
	Inch		Carndonagh	
	Carndonagh		Inch	

South West. No teams took part

Semi-Finals

1st October	Crossroads	1-4	Bundoran	1-2
25th October	Cloughaneely	3-6	Inch	2-2

Final

1st Nov	Cloughaneely	4-7	Crossroads	0-2
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Junior League 1959.

Eastern Division

Crossroads, Mac Cumhaill's, Castlefin, Convoy

20th Sept.	Crossroads	6-3	Mac Cumhaill's	0-3
3rd Jan. 1960	Mac Cumhaill's	0-3	Crossroads	2-0
10th March	Crossroads	2-6	Castlefin	1-3
24th Jan. 1960	Castlefin	3-3	Crossroads	5-5
20th Dec.	Crossroads	0-5	Convoy	4-4
	Convoy		Crossroads	
13th Sept.	Mac Cumhaill's	0-5	Castlefin	1-1
	Castlefin		Mac Cumhaill's	
6th Dec	Mac Cumhaill's	0-0	Convoy	1-6
	Convoy		Mac Cumhaill's	
22nd Nov.	Castlefin	1-3	Convoy	3-1
	Convoy		Castlefin	

Southern Division-

Donegal, Bundoran, Barnesmore, Killymard, Ballyshannon

17th May	Donegal	0-2	Bundoran	1-8
	Bundoran		Donegal	
	Donegal		Barnesmore	
	Barnesmore		Donegal	
21st May	Donegal	defeated	Killymard	
	Killymard		Donegal	
24th AY	Donegal		Ballyshannon	
	Ballyshannon	0-11	Donegal	0-9
	Bundoran		Barnesmore	
	Barnesmore		Bundoran	
	Bundoran		Killymard	
	Killymard		Bundoran	
	Bundoran		Ballyshannon	
	Ballyshannon		Bundoran	
11th Oct.	Barnesmore	1-4	Killymard	1-4
	Killymard		Barnesmore	
	Barnesmore		Ballyshannon	
	Ballyshannon		Barnesmore	
	Killymard		Ballyshannon	
	Ballyshannon		Killymard	

Western Division

Inishowen

24th May Final	Buncrana	1-8	Carndonagh	1-4
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South West.

Semi-Finals

1ST May 1960	Cloughaneely	2-7	Convoy	1-4
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Final

8th May 1960	Cloughaneely	1-9	Bundoran	2-4
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Minor Championship 1959

South West		Ardara, Dungloe, Glenties & Kilcar			
8th July	Ardara	0-2	Kilcar	0-8	
22nd July	Kilcar	3-9	Ardara	1-4	
8th July	Dungloe	0-7	Glenties	0-5	
22nd July	Glenties		Dungloe		
10TH Aug. Div. final	Dungloe	2-6	Kilcar	1-6	

South		St. Naul's, Barnesmore, Ballyshannon			
	St. Naul's	8-4	Barnesmore	2-0	
			<i>abandoned</i>		
31st July	St. Naul's		Barnesmore		
14th Aug	Ballyshannon	2-4	St. Naul's	2-4	
Replay	Ballyshannon		St. Naul's		

East		Lifford, Convoy & Crossroads. St Eunan's did not enter			
7th August	Crossroads	4-8	Convoy	3-3	
9th August	Convoy	1-2	Crossroads	2-11	
	Convoy	w/o	Lifford	scd	
	Crossroads	w/o	Lifford	scd	

Inishowen			
	Carndonagh	Burt	
	Burt	Carndonagh	

County quarter-finals.			
12th Aug	Carndonagh or Burt	Crossroads	

County semi-finals.			
19th Aug	Ballyshannon	0-12	Dungloe 1-2
26th Aug	Gweedore	Crossroads	

County final			
30th August	Gweedore	3-5	Ballyshannon 0-6

Juvenile Championship 1959.

South West Division				
15th July	Dungloe	8-5	Glenties	0-4
	Glenties		Dungloe	
Playoff	Glenties		Dungloe	
	Ardara		Kilcar	
	Kilcar		Ardara	
Divisional final				
9th Aug	Glenties	1-9	Ardara	0-2

East **Mac Cumhail's, Lifford, St. Eunan's, Raphoe withdrew.....report Derry People 8th August.)**

21st June	St. Eunan's	1-4	Mac Cumhail's	1-3
9th Aug	St Eunan's		Lifford	

South			
18th June	Bundoran	Ballyshannon	
24th June	Killymard	Ballinakillew	
1st July	Ballinakillew	St. Naul's	
5th July	St. Naul's	defeated	Killymard

West			
	Cloughaneely	Dunfanaghy	
	Gweedore		

County Qtr-final
St. Naul's defeated Glenties

County semi-finals.			
	St. Eunan's	0-3	Carndonagh 0-3
	St. Eunan's		Carndonagh
	St. Naul's		Gweedore

County final			
23rd August	St. Eunan's	3-5	Gweedore 1-5



County Benefit (Senior) 13-a-side Competition 1959.

21st March qtr-final	Ballyshannon 4-3	Donegal	1-9
12th April semi-final	Mac Cumhaill's 6-8	Dungloe	0-5
12th April semi-final	Ballyshannon 4-3	Ardara	0-5
10th May Final	Ballyshannon 0-5	Mac Cumhaill's 3	

Inniskeel Cup (minors) 1959.

10th May	Glenties 4-4	Dungloe	1-0
10th May	Kilcar 1-9	Ardara Ardara	3-3
20th Sept. Final	Glenties 1-10	Kilcar	1-6

Fr. McClafferty Cup

5th June	Kilcar 2-10	MacCumhaill's	1-10
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Canon Brennan Cup

14th Sept.	Kilcar 4-7	Dungloe	1-6
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Senior Hurling Championship

3rd April	Carndonagh 6-3	Burt	0-1
	(1st Round game)		

Junior Hurling Championship

21st June	Burt 1-3	Carndonagh	1-3
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Semi-final

23rd Aug.	Lifford 3-12	Donegal	4-6
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Final

20th Dec.	Carndonagh 4-4	Lifford	2-7
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Minor Hurling Championship

28th June	Lamh Dearg 4-8	Lifford	2-2
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Semi-final

11th July	Lamh Dearg 2-3	Burt	2-3
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Final

1st Nov	Burt 6-4	Ballyshannon	2-1
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Juvenile Hurling Championship

3rd April	Carndonagh	won Burt.	
26th April	Lamh Dearg 6-1	Mac Cumhaill's	5-1
25th May	Lamh Dearg 8-2	Lifford	6-0
12th July	Mac Cumhaill's 6-3	Lifford	1-0

Final

15th Nov.	Lamh Dearg 9-3	Ballyshannon	3-4
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1960 Senior Football

Dr. Mc Kenna Cup.

24th April 1960. 1st Round, Newry,
 Donegal 2-6 Down 2-10

Dr. Mc Kenna Cup winners: Derry

Ulster Senior Championship

5th June 1960. 1st Round, Cavan,
 Donegal 1-0 Cavan 1-10.

Ulster Senior Championship final:
 Down 3-7 Cavan 1-8

All Ireland Senior Championship final:
 Down 2-10 Kerry 0-8

Dr. Lagan Cup. - National League

9th Oct. 1960 1st Round, Derry,
 Donegal 1-6 Derry 0-6
 21st Oct. 1960 2nd Round, Armagh,
 Donegal 0-7 Armagh 2-13
 6th Nov. 1960 3rd Round, Letterkenny,
 Donegal 1-7 Fermanagh 0-6
 4th Dec. 1960 Ballybofey,
 Donegal 1-3 Derry 2-7
 26th Feb 1961 Playoff
 Donegal 0-2 Armagh 1-7

Dr. Lagan Cup winners: Down

National League winners:

Down 0-12 Cavan 0-9

Junior Football

3rd April 1960 1st Round, Donegal Town,
 Donegal 0-5 Derry 3-4.

Ulster Junior Championship final:
 Antrim 1-7 Derry 1-6

All Ireland Junior Championship final:
 Dublin 1-12 Galway 0-9

Minor Football

26th June 1960 1st Round, Dungannon,
 Donegal 1-6 Monaghan 4-5

Ulster Minor Championship final:
 Down 2-7 Monaghan 1-4

All Ireland Minor Championship final:
 Galway 4-9 Cork 1-5



Junior Hurling

3rd July 1960 1st Round, Burt, Donegal	1-6	Antrim	4-3
Ulster Junior Championship final: Down	5-2	Antrim	1-7
All Ireland Junior Championship final: Carlow	2-15	Cork	3-5

Minor Hurling

3rd July 1960 Ulster Semi-final, Burt, Donegal	3-4	Down	3-0
24th July 1960 Ulster Final, Casement Park, Donegal	1-0	Antrim	16-4
All Ireland Minor Championship final: Kilkenny	7-12	Tipperary	1-11

Railway Cup Football

21 Feb. 1960 Croke Park Ulster	2-9	Leinster	1-5
28th Feb. 1960 Tralee Munster	4-9	Connaught	2-3
17th March 1960 Croke Park Ulster	2-12	Munster	3-8

Hurling

21st Feb. 1960 Limerick Munster	5-12	Connacht	1-9
21st Feb. 1960 Croke Park Leinster	8-6	Ulster	5-3
17th March 1960 Croke Park Ulster	6-6	Leinster	2-7.

Senior Championship 1960.

Western Division - 2 teams, St Finnian's, Gweedore

24th July	St Finnian's	1-8	Gweedore	0-5
10th July	Gweedore	2-7	St Finnian's	0-5

Inishowen Division - 1 team, Inishowen

Eastern Division - 3 teams, St. Eunan's, Mac Cumhaill's, Na Piarasáí

3rd July	St. Eunan's	1-9	Mac Cumhaill's	0-8
24th July	Mac Cumhaill's	1-6	St Eunan's	3-3
17th July	Na Piarasáí		St. Eunan's	
24th July	St Eunan's		Na Piarasáigh	
10th July	Mac Cumhaill's		Na Piarasáigh	
26th June	Na Piarasáigh		Mac Cumhaill's	

South West Division- 3 teams, Dungloe, Ardara, Kilcar,

17th July	Kilcar	3-6	Ardara	1-2
24th July	Ardara	1-2	Kilcar	3-7
3rd July	Ardara	1-02	Dungloe	7-7
7th August	Dungloe	4-13	Ardara	1-3
10th July	Kilcar	1-8	Dungloe	2-13
10th July	Dungloe	0-9	Kilcar	1-7
14th August Playoff	Kilcar	1-5	Dungloe	3-8.

Southern Division - 2 teams, Donegal, Ballyshannon

11th August	Donegal	0-3	Ballyshannon	0-2
15th August	Donegal	1-7	Ballyshannon	1-4

Quarter Finals

14th August	St. Eunan's	6-8	Inishowen	2-3
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Semi-Finals

21st August	Gweedore	2-11	F. Masters	2-5
28th August	St. Eunan's	1-11	Dungloe	1-4

Final

11th September	St. Eunan's	0-11	Gweedore	0-3
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The All-County League
(Democrat Cup) 1960

Section A. Inishowen
1st May Carndonagh 2-6 Malin 1-2

Section B. Dungloe, Kilcar, Donegal & Ballyshannon

At a South-West Divisional Board meeting held in Brennan's Hotel, Ardara, in April 1960, Ardara and Glenties decided not to participate in the Senior County League but to enter the St. Connell Cup with Dungloe and Kilcar. Games between Dungloe and Kilcar qualify as the County Senior League and St. Connell's Cup

3rd July Kilcar 3-6 Donegal 0-3
Donegal Kilcar

8th May Ballyshannon 2-6 Donegal 2-8
30th Oct. Donegal 3-10 Ballyshannon 2-3

16th Oct. Dungloe 3-11 Donegal 1-7
13th Nov. Donegal 3-9 Dungloe 3-4

30th Oct. Kilcar 2-5 Dungloe 0-6
20th Nov. Dungloe 4-4 Kilcar 0-8

22nd May Kilcar 5-12 Ballyshannon 0-3
16th Oct. Ballyshannon 3-2 Kilcar 0-4

Not played Dungloe Ballyshannon
Ballyshannon Dungloe

Ballyshannon withdrew from the League and all clubs that defeated them had the points deducted.

Section Winners: Kilcar **Runners-up:** Dungloe

Section C Gweedore, Cloughaneely, St. Eunan's, Mac Cumhaill's.

2nd Oct Gweedore 4-1 Cloughaneely 2-3
30th Oct Gweedore 1-6 Cloughaneely 1-4

15th May Mac Cumhaill's 4-6 Cloughaneely 1-3
23rd Oct. Cloughaneely 4-2 Mac Cumhaill's 2-1

27th May St. Eunan's 0-10 Gweedore 3-4
9th October St. Eunan's 0-7 Gweedore 2-3

31st July Gweedore 0-4 Mac Cumhaill's 3-3
13th Nov. Mac Cumhaill's 5-4 Gweedore 3-4

Cloughaneely St. Eunan's

13th Nov. St. Eunan's 3-6 Cloughaneely 2-2

22nd May St. Eunan's 5-8 Mac Cumhaill's 1-3
30th Oct Mac Cumhaill's 0-9 St. Eunan's 2-5

Div-final
10th Feb. Mac Cumhaill's St. Eunan's

The Divisional final was cancelled between St. Eunan's and Mac Cumhaill's and at a County Board meeting held in the Butt Hall, Ballybofey, on Sunday 19th Feb. 1961 the points were awarded to Mac Cumhaill's and St. Eunan's disqualified from the league.

Winners: Mac Cumhaill's

Qtr-final
17th Feb. 1961 Dungloe 4-17 Inishowen 1-5.

Semi-Finals
5th March 1961. Dungloe 1-7 Gweedore 0-6
12th March 1961. Mac Cumhaill's 3-5 **Kilcar** 1-4

Final
19th March 1961 Mac Cumhaill's 2-12 Dungloe 1-8



Junior Championship 1960

Section A: Ballinakillew, Ballyshannon, Bundoran,

24th July	Ballinakillew	Ballyshannon.		
	Ballyshannon travelled but Ballinakillew were unable to field			
	Ballyshannon	Ballinakillew		
	Bundoran	Ballinakillew		
	Ballinakillew	Bundoran		
17th July	Ballyshannon 3-6	Bundoran	0-5	
	Bundoran	Ballyshannon		
28th Aug. Div final	Bundoran 1-13	Killymard	1-5	

Section B: Barnesmore, Killymard & Donegal

3rd July	Killymard	won	Barnesmore	
29th May	Barnesmore 0-3	St. Mary's,	Killymard	5-6
24th July	Donegal	defeated	Killymard	

Section C: Glenties, Rannafast, Kilcar & Ardara

24th July	Glenties	2-8	Rannafast	0-7
22nd July	Rannafast	2-4	Glenties	1-7
31st July	Kilcar	3-4	Rannafast	2-8
21st Aug.	Rannafast		Kilcar	
14th Aug.	Glenties	2-6	Kilcar	4-1
28th August	Kilcar	0-11	Glenties	3-5
22nd May	Glenties	2-8	Ardara	0-3
22nd July	Ardara	3-3	Glenties	0-2

Section D: Crossroads, Convoy, Lifford, Sean Mac Cumhaill's St. Eunan's *(Castlefin withdrew and their players played with Crossroads – see report 13th May 1960)*

29th April	Convoy 1-6	St. Eunan's	0-2	
	St Eunan's	Convoy		
8th May	Crossroads 1-4	Lifford	0-4	
29th May	Lifford 4-4	Crossroads	2-2	
15th May	Mac Cumhaill's 2-2	Convoy	1-6	
29th April	Convoy 0-2	Mac Cumhails	2-5	

8th April	Convoy 2-4	Crossroads	1-3	
18th Dec	Crossroads 1-3	Convoy	1-5	
5th June	Mac Cumhaill's 2-4	Crossroads	0-2	game stopped by referee
24th April	Crossroads 0-3	Mac Cumhaill's	0-3	
24th June	Mac Cumhaill's	St. Eunan's	Mac Cumhaill's	
3rd July	Lifford 0-2	Mac Cumhaill's	1-6	
12th June	MacCumhaill's	Lifford		
22nd May	Lifford 1-6	St Eunan's	1-5	
	St Eunan's	Lifford		
22nd May	Lifford 4-4	Convoy	0-5	
19th June	Convoy 1-6	Lifford	0-3	
	Crossroads	St. Eunan's	Crossroads	
	St Eunan's			

Winners: Convoy **Runner-up** Crossroads

Section E: Malin

Section F: Downing's

Qtr-final				
11th Sept.	Downing's 2-6	Malin	1-6	
	Glenties	Barnes/Killymard/	Donegal	

Semi-finals

18th September	Glenties 2-3	Downing's	2-5
18th September	Bundoran 4-9	Mac Cumhaill's	1-5

Final

2nd October	Bundoran 4-7	Downing's	1-1
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Junior League 1960

Eastern Division Convoy, Lifford, Castlefin, Crossroads

30th Oct	Convoy Lifford	1-3	Lifford Convoy	0-3
27th Nov	Convoy Castlefin		Castlefin Convoy	
18th Dec	Convoy Crossroads	1-5	Crossroads Convoy	1-3
27th Nov.	Crossroads Lifford		Lifford Crossroads	
4th Dec 16th Oct	Lifford Castlefin	1-3	Castlefin Lifford	2-4
	Castlefin Crossroads		Crossroads Castlefin	

Southern Division

Section A

18th Dec.	Four Masters Killymard	scd	Killymard Four Masters	w/o
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Section B

18th Dec. 8th Jan.	Bundoran Ballinakillew		Ballinakillew Bundoran	
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22nd Jan final

South West.

13th Nov. 24th Nov	Kilcar Glenties	3-1	Glenties Kilcar	3-8
31st Nov.	Kilcar Rannafast	4-3	Rannafast Kilcar	1-0
	Glenties Rannafast		Rannafast Glenties	

Western Division

Inishowen Division

Qtr-Final

5th March 1961	Convoy		Downing's	
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Semi-Finals

19th March 1961	Convoy	2-7	Inch	1-5
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Final

16th April 1961	Bundoran	1-11	Convoy	0-9
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Minor Championship 1960.

South West

13th July	Kilcar defeated	Ardara		
20th July	Ardara	0-2	Kilcar	3-10
3rd July 10th July	Glenties Dungloe	3-3	Dungloe Glenties	5-3
	Ardara Glenties		Glenties Ardara	
5th June	Kilcar Glenties	3-9	Glenties Kilcar	1-8
14th Aug.	Kilcar	4-6	Dungloe	6-5
	<i>.....game called off as a Kilcar player who was ordered off refused to leave the field</i>			
	Dungloe		Kilcar	
Div final	Dungloe won the division			

South

24th July	Bundoran	3-9	St. Naul's	2-4
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East

22nd June	Lifford Crossroads		Crossroads Lifford	
26th June	Mac Cumhaill's St. Eunan's	2-6	St. Eunan's Mac Cumhaill's	1-5
7th Aug.	Mac Cumhaill's Crossroads	3-10	Crossroads Mac Cumhaill's	2-3

County Qtr-final

14th August	Mac Cumhaill's	5-8	Carndonagh	0-2
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Semi-finals.

27th August	Gweedore	1-4	Sean Mac Cumhaill	2-1
27th August	Gweedore	3-8	Sean Mac Cumhaill	2-4
			<i>...replay....</i>	

21st Aug.	Dungloe	3-11	Bundoran	0-2
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Final

4th September	Gweedore	2-3	Dungloe	1-5
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Juvenile Championship 1960

South West

	Glenties		Dungloe	
	Dungloe		Glenties	
27th July	Kilcar		Ardara	
22nd June	Ardara	1-3	Kilcar	3-5
22nd July	Glenties		Kilcar	
19th June	Kilcar		Glenties	won
15th July	Glenties		Ardara	
	Ardara		Glenties	
	Dungloe		Kilcar	
	Kilcar		Dungloe	
	Dungloe		Ardara	
	Ardara		Dungloe	

Ardara won the division

East

Section A: Mc Cumhaill's & St. Eunan's
Section B: Lifford, Crossroads & Convoy

22nd June	St. Eunan's		Mac Cumhaill's	
13th July	Mac Cumhaill's	3-8	St. Eunan's	3-3
17th June	Lifford		Crossroads	
29th June	Crossroads		Lifford	
24th June	Crossroads		Convoy	
5th July	Convoy		Crossroads	
19th June	Convoy		Lifford	
13th July	Lifford		Convoy	
7th Aug. Div. final	Mac Cumhaill	5-9	Lifford	1-1

South

24th July Ballyshannon defeated Ballinakillew who only fielded 12 boys
 31st July Ballyshannon defeated Bundoran
 14th Aug St. Naul's defeated Ballyshannon

County Qtr-final

14th Aug. St. Naul's 1-6 Carndonagh 0-3
 St. Naul's played overage players – game awarded to Carndonagh

County Semi-finals

24th Aug. Cloughaneely 3-4 Ardara 2-3
 31st Aug. Mac Cumhaill's Carndonagh

County final

4th Sept. Mac Cumhaill 2-8 Cloughaneely 1-5

St. Connell's Cup 1960

Glenties, Kilcar, Dungloe, Ardara

13th Nov.	Glenties		Kilcar	
	Kilcar		Glenties	
8th May	Glenties	0-5	Dungloe	4-10
29th May	Dungloe	1-9	Glenties	1-4
15th May	Glenties	1-2	Ardara	3-6
	Ardara		Glenties	
	Kilcar		Dungloe	
	Dungloe		Kilcar	
22nd Oct.	Ardara	0-1	Kilcar	2-7
	Kilcar		Ardara	
	Ardara		Dungloe	
	Dungloe		Ardara	

12th Feb. 1961 final

Dungloe 2-1 Kilcar 1-1

Inniskeel Cup 1960.

Ardara, Kilcar, Glenties & Dungloe

20th March	Dungloe	4-4	Ardara	0-2
8th May	Ardara	2-3	Dungloe	3-4
12th June	Kilcar	3-9	Glenties	1-8
	Glenties		Kilcar	
16th Oct final	Dungloe	3-5	Kilcar	1-6

Vocational Schools Football Competition.

10th Sept. Ballybofey
 Stranorlar 2-6 Glenties 0-6



Senior Hurling Championship

No records found

Junior-Hurling-Championship - 6 Teams

Burt, Carndonagh, Carrowmore, Inch, Lifford, Ballyshannon,

20th March	Lifford	3-7	Ballyshannon	2-1
2nd May	Ballyshannon	2-7	Lifford	4-5
7th Aug	Burt	4-8	Carndonagh	0-0

28th Aug. **(Inishowen final)**

Carndonagh defeated Burt

28th Nov. Final	Lifford	6-3	Burt	2-3
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Burt appealed to the County Board as they claimed that Lifford played "illegal" players. The appeal was ruled out of order

Minor Hurling Championship - 7 teams

Ballyshannon, Burt, Carrowmore, Carndonagh, Glenties, Lámh Dearg, Mac Cumhail's

6th June	Mac Cumhail's	2-2	Lámh Dearg	1-1
13th June	Lámh Dearg	4-0	Mac Cumhail's	6-0
7th Aug.	Burt	5-2	Carndonagh	0-0

25th Sept. Semi-final

Mac Cumhail's Burt

Semi-final Glenties Ballyshannon

16th Oct. Final	Mac Cumhail's	6-4	Glenties	1-1
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Juvenile Hurling Championship - 3 Divisions -6 Teams

Ballyshannon, Burt, Carndonagh, Castlefin, Lámh Dearg, Lifford.

Inishowen: Carndonagh, Burt

East: Castlefin, Lifford, Lámh Dearg

20th Aug	Lifford	0-1	Lámh Dearg	0-0
31st Aug. Final	Lámh Dearg	4-3	Lifford	2-0

South: Ballyshannon

9th Oct **Semi-final** Lámh Dearg Carndonagh

16th Oct. **Final** Carndonagh 6-6 Ballyshannon 4-0



August 1960

Front row L to R: Jim Gillepsie, Michael Erskine, Tommy McHugh, Paddy McShane, John Brown, Michael Driscoll.

Middle row L to R: John McCauley, Eddie McBrearty.

Back row L to R: Paddy Carr, Thomas McHugh, Proinnsias Carr, Frank Brown.



THE ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONS

The Down team that won the Sam Maguire Cup in 1960

Front L to R: Eamonn McKay, Patsy O Hagan, Paddy Doherty, Kevin Mussen, George Lavery, Tony Hadden, Brian Morgan.

Back L to R: James McCartan, Joe Lennon, Jarlath Carey, Leo Murphy, Dan McCartan, Sean O'Neill, Kevin O'Neill, Pat Rice.

