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The Ballinhassig indoor camogie team that took part in the recent Carrigdhoun indoor competition organised by the Carrigdhoun Camogie Association.

Glen girls draw Carbery

By Brendan Larkin

ALL-IRELAND club camogie champions Glen Rovers have been drawn against Carbery in the first round of this year's Cork county championship. The draws which were made at Monday night's Co. Board meeting were unusual in that the Blackpool side were the only club team in the hat.

As a result of a decision taken at the annual convention, there will be two senior camogie champions in Cork this season.

The enormous strength of the Glen Rovers Club resulted in all the others pushing through a motion to allow them compete with their divisions in the "A" grade and as individual clubs in the "B".

Many clubs felt that they had little chance of competing with the Glen, and indeed threatened not to compete unless something was done to level the pitch so to speak.

Whether it's a tribute to the Glen is a matter of debate, but was the two tier championship system means that the Blackpool club are automatically through to the Munster club championship for this year.

It also means that the reigning champions can also expect some tough opposition in defence of their titles this year from the divisional sides which can only be good for them.

In the opening round of the "A" championship, Seandun play Imokilly and that should be a game well worth seeing. The city division can now call on players from senior clubs St. Finbarrs, Na Piarasigh and Bishopstown who between them will contribute seven of the Cork All-Ireland winning team of 1993.

The draws for this year's senior championships are as follows:

"A" GRADE: 1st round — A: Seandun v Imokilly
Semi-finals — B: Glen Rovers v Carbery. A v Muskerry.

"B" GRADE: 1st round — A: Bishopstown v Fr. O'Neills

2nd round — B: A v Killeagh. C, Killbrittain v Na Piarasigh. D, St. Finbarrs v Sarsfields. E, Brian Dillons v Aghabullogue.

Semi-finals: E v C. D v B.

INTERMEDIATE: 1st Round — A, Eire Og v Newcestown.

Semi-final: B, Inniscarra v Castlemagner. C, A v Cloughduv.

AVONMORE SPONSOR KILKENNY



Pictured above are Marina Downey of the Kilkenny camogie team and hurling captain Michael Walsh

Avonmore Foods plc, one of Ireland's foremost food processing and marketing groups, announces that it is to sponsor Kilkenny G.A.A. teams for the three years 1994-1996.

Pat O'Neill, Group Managing Director, said: "As a major consumer products group and significant employer in Ireland, Avonmore is delighted to be associated with Kilkenny teams at a time of increasing national and international interest in hurling and football."

The spread of Avonmore's activities includes food processing in Ireland, the United Kingdom, Germany, Hungary, Belgium and the United States, with marketing operations throughout Europe and the U.S. and sales ac-

tivities in many parts of the world. The Group employs 7,000 people and has a turnover in excess of £1 billion.

"The Avonmore sponsorship reflects the great confidence there is in Kilkenny teams," said Nicky Brennan, Chairman of the Kilkenny County Board. "To have the strong backing of a dynamic organisation like Avonmore, is a great boost for the G.A.A. and Kilkenny in particular. The teams, which will carry the Avonmore logo, have won over 53 All-Ireland and eight national titles between them. This sponsorship now allows us to devote all our energies to adding to this impressive list."

CAMOGIE

DUBLIN 1-11 DOWN 1-5
DUBLIN collected their first points in the National Senior Camogie League when they defeated Down at O'Toole Park yesterday. The winners led 0-6 to 0-1 at the break. Down put in a good second half but were not good enough to overcome a rampant Dublin side.

SCORERS — Dublin: C Walsh 0-6, P Carroll 1-1, U Crowley 0-3, A Walsh 0-1.
Down: B Sandys 1-0, V Hynds 0-2, C Hynes, B McCreavy, M McNeenan 0-1 each. Clare v Tipperary, postponed.

Junior League: Kildare 1-7 (S. Mullen 1-5, M. Malone, R. Merriman 0-1 each), Dublin 1-4 (L. Roche 1-0, P. Hale 0-2, A. Mullen, J. Courtney 0-1 each), Cork 2-7, Wexford 1-6.

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• CAMOGIE IN THE U.S.



CELEBRATION ... to mark 90th anniversary of the Camogie Association the North American branch honoured visiting president Bridin Uí Mhaolagáin. Pictured from left are: Kathleen McDonagh (President NACA), Donal Hamill (Irish Consul), Bridin Uí Mhaolagáin, Breige Lavery (Secretary NACA)

Exiles Need Help

BRIDIN UÍ MHAOLAGÁIN was at the American Convention

An invitation to the North American Camogie Association Convention provided me with the opportunity to pack my bags and go to U.S.A. Waiting to welcome me was the President of the North American Camogie Association Kathleen McDonagh originally from Tipperary and Frances Dillon from Galway. Later we were joined by N.A.C.A. secretary Breige Lavery from Tyrone. The warmth of their welcome, their enthusiasm for the promotion of camogie in the U.S. will remain with me for a long time.

Boston was the venue for the convention and Delegates attended from Canada and Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Pennsylvania, Chicago, San Francisco and Los Angeles - on the eve of the earthquake! When one considers the distances involved for games or meetings it is indeed a miracle that camogie flourishes in the Land of the Brave!

Convention was both vibrant and constructive with many interesting discussions on the game as it pertains to our players abroad. I was very moved by the importance and significance which they placed on the visit of a president and it is something which should be part of every president's schedule. Sometimes it is very easy for us at home to take our emigrants for granted. It is important for the association at home to be aware of the difficulties which they face when trying to promote our national game abroad.

Even the equipment - sliotars, sticks, helmets - are not readily available. Likewise promotional material - rule-

books, posters, registration forms etc. all must be sent out from Ireland. It is a great credit to those involved who are so committed to the development and promotion of the game when it would be so easy to become involved in other sports where equipment and facilities are readily available.

One of the highlights of the visit was a reception in my honour organised by the N.Y. Young Irelands Camogie club. Present at the function was Donal Hamill, Consul-General of Ireland, Bill McEvoy, President, U.S. Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann, dignitaries from the G.A.A. and from all the major Irish bodies.

It was very interesting to see how the different bodies, sporting, musical and cultural support each other. I was really moved by the concern which the members of the Camogie Association show towards each other. They embody all that is good in camogie and meet all the aims of our National Body and indeed go much further. Any member unfortunate enough to fall on hard-times be it through unemployment or much more traumatic in U.S. - illness, is taken care of adequately. They very much embrace the social responsibilities of the association.

Now that Britain participates in the All-Ireland series it is imperative that moves take place at once to involve the U.S. to a much greater extent. While it would not be practical for the teams in America to participate in the League or Championship it is important that an Allstar and/or the All-Ireland winners visit America at least every second or

third year with a team travelling in the opposite direction during the intervening years. There is an opportunity for a corporate body with interest on both sides of the Atlantic to undertake sponsorship of these trips.

During my exciting visit I was surprised at the number of camogie players whom I knew from home. Former president of N.A.C.A., Marion Conroy holder of an All-Ireland (senior) medal with Dublin, now playing with Boston Eire Og, has offered to organise a seminar for referees similar to those being organised here, with a view to keeping refereeing standards in line wherever the game is played.

Kathleen McDonagh, founder member of the Young Ireland club (with the full co-operation of her Galway born husband, John) 20 years ago, is a jewel in the crown of camogie in America. She seems to be behind the organisation of all that takes place in New York. She maintains very close links with the G.A.A. to the advantage of both associations.

Breige Lavery, secretary of the N.A.C.A. is a graduate of Coleraine University and played Ashbourne here before emigrating. She will readily admit that only for camogie she would not have stayed in America. Both Kathleen and Breige are steeped in Irish culture and reflect the ethos of what camogie is.

It is important that America/Canada, like Britain, becomes much more an integral part of the association. Too often it can be viewed as a type of body out there on the periphery.

There is no reason why our home players cannot participate in games in America during the summer season. It means a lot to the clubs there and they are always most welcome. There is a need for a much greater two-way flow of information, ideas and personnel. All of this would help to make our association much more vibrant and effective.

Beannacht De oraibh go leir!

North American Camogie Association - Committee 1994: President: Kathleen McDonagh (Tipperary - N.Y. Young Irelands); Vice-president: Patrick Connolly (Anagh - Cailini Chu Chulainn*); Treasurer: Criona Duffy (Galway - Boston Emerald Isle); Secretary: Breige Lavery (Tyrone - N.Y. Young Irelands); Registrar: Sharon Hall (Cailini Chu Chulainn, Pittsburgh); P.R.O.: Teresa Hobbs (Wexford - Boston Emerald Isle); Asst. Secretary: Ann McKiernan (Cavan - San Francisco); *First generation club

New camogie club in Ballyphehane

WITH the success enjoyed by the Cork senior camogie team it is gratifying to record the birth of a new club in the highly populated area of Ballyphehane.

Resplendent in their new blue and white gear their youngsters have played a number of challenge games and now look forward to taking on the more established clubs in the association's competitions.

Officers: chairlady, Denise Walsh; vice-chair, Geraldine O'Connor; hon. sec., Laura Crowley; treasurer, Theresa McCarthy; asst. treasurer, Georgina Vaughan; PRO, Mary Scannell; asst. PRO,



The newly-formed Ballyphehane Camogie team who played Bishopstown in a challenge game last week.

Geraldine McNulty.

Geraldine O'Connor,

Majella O'Connor, Marti

O'Sullivan have been selected as coaches.

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Vocational School News

ALL-IRELAND JUNIOR CAMOGIE FINAL

Loughrea V.S. 3-3
Roscrea V.S. 1-4

It was only in the last ten minutes that Roscrea threatened to dethrone junior champions Loughrea V.S. Thought not lacking in enthusiasm and effort Roscrea failed to make sufficient scoring chances and those that were made squandered. Loughrea led 2-2 to 0-1 at half time, Roscrea's only score coming from a free by Amanda Glennon. A third goal shortly after half-time gave Loughrea an 8 point advantage. Two points from frees by Amanda Glennon reduced the arrears. Then Orla Egan gained possession on the 40, and brushed aside two tackles to score a smashing goal. Before this a fine ground pull by Nicola Keeshan had gone narrowly wide.

Over the hour only Carol Feighery, Sinead Byrne, Pauline Glennon and Sharon Hynes played to their full potential. Carol Feighery was efficient at midfield in the first half but was seen to best effect when moved to full back. Indeed it was her defence and full-blooded hurling which steadied the full-back line. Pauline Glennon all through was rock solid as usual. Sinead Byrne improved as the game went on to end as one of the outstanding players. Goalie Sharon Hynes was in no way at fault for any goal scored. She made many fine saves and dashing clearances.

Karina Cummins when moved to centre field had an excellent game as did Patricia

Moore when switched to corner back. At centrefield Fionnuala Maher had her moments, while Amanda Glennon played a captains part especially in the dramatic last-quarter rally. Orla Egan opened up in the second half to play tremendous hurling but was lacking in support up-front. The full-forward line of Nicola Keeshan, Claire Meagher and Orla Moore came up against the best line of the Loughrea team, but could not be faulted for lack of effort. Without the many goals from Claire and Nicola the team would not be contesting this All-Ireland.

All 12 players were a credit to the school. Defeat on this occasion was no disgrace as they went down with all guns blazing. This twelve will be next years senior team with the addition of two or three of last years senior team. So we look forward to next years campaign.

Team:- Sharon Hynes, Karina Cummins, Patricia Moore, Pauline Glennon, Sinead Byrne, Carol Feighery, Amanda Glennon (0-4), Fionnuala Maher, Orla Egan (1-0), Orla Moore, Claire Meagher, Nicola Keeshan.

Players of the match: Carol Feighery and Pauline Glennon.

Cats have home edge on Galway

KILKENNY and Galway take centre stage in the National League this weekend, with both their junior and senior teams battling it out at Nowlan Park.

This mouth-watering clash between the senior league champions (Kilkenny) and All-Ireland championship finalists (Galway) has all the ingredients for a cracker.

CAMOGIE

The teams met in the league semi-final last year and, after a hectic tussle, Kilkenny emerged victorious by a mere point, 4-8 to 4-7.

They are currently level on points, Kilkenny having a win over Dublin by 2-7 to 2-5 and Galway over Down by 6-11 to 2-0. Home venue must give Kilkenny the advantage but, in the junior clash, the visitors have the upper hand.

Tipperary will welcome Kildare in what should be another exciting senior tussle. The Premier county are a formidable force and Kildare may struggle.

In the other junior clash Tipperary host Carlow. Tipp have full points from three games and could well stay on the winning trail.

Cork travel to Waterford and should take the points, while Tyrone and Derry tussle it out in what should be a close encounter.

CAMOGIE *Galway*

KILKENNY 3-5 DUBLIN 1-10
NATIONAL Senior League champions Kilkenny kept their unbeaten record intact by a whisker when they fought off a strong challenge from All-Ireland finalists Galway in this outstanding game played in brilliant sunshine at Nowlan Park yesterday.

SCORERS — Kilkenny: G Dillon 2-0, I Kennedy 1-1, A Downey, S Milles 0-2 each. Galway: S Glynn 0-7, D Costello 1-1, A Ryan 0-2.

KILKENNY 2-13 GALWAY 0-3
KILKENNY made it a double when their Juniors coasted to victory over Galway. Imelda Kennedy who played in both grades was very impressive here scoring seven points of her team's tally.

SCORERS — Kilkenny: I Kennedy 0-7, A Dunne 1-1, M Comerford 1-0, A M Hughes, C Dunne 0-2 each, M Hickey 0-1. Galway: B Daniels, M Harkin, D Gilligan 0-1 each.

National Senior League: Tipperary 5-4, Kildare 0-4. National Junior League: Tipperary 6-10, Carlow 1-1.

Senior Camogie Championship: St Brigids Ballycavan 2-11, Tullamore 1-4.

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Camogie World by P.J. Fulham

DUBLIN GET OFF THE MARK

Dublin collected their first brace of points in the National Senior League when they defeated Down at O'Toole Park. The winners led 0-6 to 0-1 at the break. Down came to grips with the game in the second half and it turned into a great battle, with Paula Carroll's goal proving to be a vital score for Dublin as they edged their way to victory by 1-11 to 1-5. Scorers: Dublin - Cathy Walshe 0-6, Paula Carroll 1-1, Una Crowley 0-3, Anne Walshe 0-1. Down - Bridin Sands 1-0, Valerie Hynds 0-2, Colleen Hynds, Bonnie McCreevey and Mairin McAlleenan 0-1 each.

In the Junior League Kildare had a three point victory over Dublin 1-7 to 1-4. Scorers: Dublin - Liz Roche 1-0, Patricia Hale 0-2, Ashling Mullen and Joanne Courtney 0-1 each.

Cork got the better of Wexford in a game that was closely contested throughout. Score: Cork 2-7, Wexford 1-6. Scorers: Cork - Jill Hannon 0-4, Patricia Murphy and Bernie Cashman 1-0 each, Hilda Kenneally 0-2, Niamh Regan 0-1.

The National Leagues continue on Sunday. In Senior the All-Ireland champions and League finalists Cork, will pay a visit to Kildare. Cork have two points from their win over Clare, 6-8 to 1-8. Kildare dropped two points to the Banner County, 0-11 to 1-2, but had a convincing win over Wexford, 4-13 to 1-1. The Leesiders have a number of players on the injured list including Breda Kenny and Linda Mellerick. Kildare will be going all out to give their best but will find Cork carrying too much strength.

Clare have Wexford on home ground. The Clare girls are showing great promise in their first year in Senior ranks and will pose lots of problems for the visitors.

In Junior League there are five matches down for decision. Limerick, the 1992 League champions travel to Galway and are sure to meet with stiff opposition. Galway were beaten in the Junior Championship final last year, and look set to take the points here.

Dublin, who have suffered defeat at the hands of Kildare, will be anxious to return to the winning trail when they travel to take on Monaghan who have yet to secure points.

All-Ireland Junior champions and National League holders Armagh will show their hospitality to Cavan. The Orchard County are top of their Division and should not be worried by the Breffni girls.

Derry will tussle it out on home ground with table toppers Antrim, who have won all their games convincingly and may carry too much strength for the Oak Leaf County.

Donegal host Down in what should be a lively affair. Down are doing well in their Division having only dropped two points and are favoured to collect the points here.

New Camogie Magazine For Primary Schools

The Annual Congress of Cumann Camogíochta na nGael saw the launch of a promotional magazine for Camogie in Primary Schools. Called 'Camogíochta', it is a joint effort between camogie's Comhairle na mBunscoileanna and Cumann na mBunscol, - the Primary Schools Gaelic Games body. The magazine aims to raise the profile of camogie among Primary School children and Teachers.

Cumann Camogíochta na nGael, which was founded in 1904, has a long and proud history in the promotion of camogie in Ireland, and celebrates its 90th anniversary this year. Cumann na mBunscol, which operates under the 'ScoilSport' Logo, is the largest schools based sports body in the country and promotes all Gaelic games in the thirty-two counties' Primary Schools.

Both organisations recognise the importance of introducing girls to camogie at an early age. Through the 'ScoilSport' programme they learn the skills of the game in an atmosphere of fun and enjoyment, with the emphasis on participation rather than winning. The objective is to instill a knowledge and love of camogie which will ensure a large follow-on to the juvenile club scene. Clubs greatly benefit from this. The future health of camogie clubs can be measured in part by the strength of camogie in their local schools.

Another development which is exciting camogie people is indoor camogie. With the present satisfactory design of indoor camogie sticks, which are sturdy and long-lasting, interest in the sport is growing. Sile Wallace, Ardrinál, believes that this development strengthens camogie's position. "Indoor camogie is becoming ever more popular with schools and clubs", she says. "It offers teachers the opportunity to impart the skills of camogie and organise games throughout the entire school year".

The new magazine identifies the place which indoor camogie has, particularly as a way of introducing the game to the very young, it is ground camogie. All strokes, blocking skills and others can be practiced indoors.

The magazine 'Camogíocht' highlights the development of Camogie through the many coaching schemes organised and funded by the G.A.A. Provincial Councils and County Boards. These coaching schemes are proving to be an invaluable resource for the development of all gaelic games at Primary School level.

Cumann na mBunscol Mhaighé developed a comprehensive skills programme in ten skills of hurling and camogie. These skills were based on the 'Hurling and Camogie Skills Teaching Manual'. The programme proved to be an unqualified success and one well worth copying.

The Mini-Sevens have contributed significantly also to the development of Camogie. This programme begins with inter-school competition at county level, with the winning school part in these regional finals. 1,560 children from 156 schools take part in these regional finals. 240 children are chosen at the regional festivals to participate in Croke Park during All-Ireland semi-finals and finals in August and September.

This magazine also contains a set of six class lessons which could be used as part of a Physical Education Programme. In her article Frances Murphy has many tips for teachers who take on the coaching of Camogie. Many of the Camogie stars featured in the magazine also have tips for both teachers and children.

Joint editors of the magazine 'Camogíocht', Claire Harrington and John Cotter, aim to show primary schoolgirls that Camogie is a fast, skilful and exciting game.

League Double For Tipperary

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Tipperary.....6-10
Carlow.....1-1

Tipperary Junior Team reached the quarter final stages of the League on Sunday last, when they had a convincing win over Carlow at New Inn.

Tipperary's first score came in the second minute when Aine Hogan slapped home a tremendous goal. Carlow replied almost immediately with a goal, but this was the only score with the exception of a point from Claire Egan and Ciara Buns who was in exceptionally good scoring form and left the score at the interval Tipperary 3-4, Carlow 1-0.

Team and Scorers: Majella O'Neill, Sile Kyne, Nicole Kennedy, Paula Bulfin, Brid Morris, Lizzie Maher, Emma Carroll, Caroline Buckley, Theresa Brophy, Claire Egan (1-1), Mandy Quigley (0-1), Ciara Burns (3-7), Michelle Kennedy, Aine Hogan (1-0), Orla Hogan (1-0), Subs: Michelle Bulfin (0-1), for Aine Hogan (injured), Orla Crompton for Michelle Kennedy, Marie Hogan for Sile Kyne, Nuala Nealon, Patricia Carroll, Annette Brennan, Alison Lawlor.

Senior League

Tipperary.....5-4
Kildare.....0-4
Tipperary Intermediate

team collected a further two league points on Sunday last when they defeated a poor Kildare side.

Kildare opened the scoring with a point from a free in the fourth minute. This lead was short-lived when Deirdre Hughes had a green flag flying for Tipperary. From then on the Kildare team never showed any real threat to the Tipp girls and had a two goal lead at the interval.

Gillian O'Neill was the first to score in the second half with a brilliant goal. The remainder of the game was relatively drab. Kildare put up no battle whatsoever and the Tipperary selectors did not learn much from this lop-sided affair.

Team and Scorers: Ailish Delaney, Ann Marie Fitzgerald, Regina O'Meara, Siobhan Cusack, Cora Kennedy, Suzanne Kelly, Claire Madden, Meadhbh Stokes (0-1), Teresa Bourke (1-1), Noelle Kennedy (0-1), Kaiffe Moloney (1-0), Helen Kiely, Gillian O'Neill (1-0), Deirdre Hughes (2-0), Ann Gleeson (0-1), Subs: Marie Ryan, Susan Kineally, Aileen Delaney, Ann Gleeson.

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Bishopstown shock Glen

Glen Rovers 1-4
Bishopstown 3-5

BISHOPSTOWN created a major upset at the Glen Field last evening when they defeated All-Ireland champions Glen Rovers in the 1993 Cork Senior League tie.

The first-half was very even with the home side turning over leading by 1-1 to 0-2. However, on the turnover Bishopstown upped the pace to score 3-3 to 0-3 for the homeside.

Viv Harris had a splendid game for the winners in the centre of the field and was ably supported by Cork senior Liz Towler.

For Glen Rovers Linda Mellerick and Stephanie Dunlea were best.

Scorers for Glen Rovers: C. McCarthy 1-0, L. Mellerick 0-2, S. Dunlea and T. O'Callaghan 0-1 each. Bishopstown: S. Kelliher 2-0, V. Harris 0-5 (0-2 frees, 0-1 30), E. Kearney 1-0.

Tough for Cork ladies

Cork 2-7
Wexford 1-6

CORK had to fight hard to keep their unbeaten record in the National Junior camogie League intact at Gortree, Youghal, Co Cork, yesterday, when they defeated Wexford in a highly entertaining game.

Scorers: Cork: B. Cashman 1-0, T. Murphy 1-0, J. Hannon 0-4, H. Kenneally 0-2, N. O'Regan 0-1. Wexford: M. Dunne 1-0, A. M. Byrne 0-4, G. McLoughlin 0-2.

Camogie success

COACHFORD Community College senior camogie side brought about a change of fortune on Friday, enjoying a resounding win over St Brogan's, Bandon, to take the Cork Vocational Schools final, having been beaten in the final for the past three years.

The scores at the final whistle reveal the superiority of the Coachford girls, the tallies reading Coachford Community College 4-7, St Brogan's, Bandon 1-4.

Played in weather suited to a lively game, the Coachford girls took the initiative from the very start. The Cork minor players on the team Tina Roche, Catherine O'Leary and Catriona Hogan — from Aghabullogue and Inniscarra clubs — gave early inspiration.

Indeed, the whole Coachford team played in a manner which showed they were determined to avenge the de-

feats of the previous three years.

Nicola O'Leary and Margaret Buckley were particularly impressive and that had a significant bearing on Coachford's final score of 4-7.

In the inaugural Cork Colleges under 15 B championship camogie final, Coachford Community College had a runaway victory over Cobh whom they beat 5-1 to nil.

Outstanding for Coachford were Mairead Twomey, Patricia Murphy, Melaine O'Donovan and Marjorie Twomey.

GAA: The weekend was not a lucky one for Aghabullogue GAA Club. In the intermediate hurling league game against neighbours, Eire Og, Aghabullogue lost by two points, 1-17 to 3-8.

In the Mind-Cork under 21 B football championship, Aghabullogue lost by a single point to Ballincollig, 0-7 to 0-6.

O'Neills win Sevens

By Tom Higgins

IT was a great afternoon for Cork side Fr. O'Neills at the 25th Buffers Alley Interprovincial Seven-A-Side camogie tournament, as they took the title, after a fighting display of skill and heart in the final, against Lisdowney.

The Cork side met Rathnure, who had inter-county players Catherine Murphy, Geraldine Codd and Bernie Higgins in their side in the semi-final and came out on top by 4-5 to 1-5.

In the final they were faced with a very stiff task when they took on Kilkenny champions, Lisdowney, anchored by the Downey twins, Ann and Angela, Bridget Barniville and Catherine Dunne and they looked in trouble when they were seven points down with only five minutes to play.

But they fought back to force a draw level at 3-6 each and in extra-time took the title on a score of 5-8 to 4-8.

Cork star Fiona O'Driscoll was named the player of the tournament.

The Fr. O'Neill panel consisted of Fiona O'Driscoll, Mags Finn, Sharon McCarthy, Sharon Meade, Mary Kennefick, Ann Walsh, Ann Brennan, Carrie Shanahan and Margaret Aherne.

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National Junior Leagues — Limerick 1-7 (L. O'Sullivan 1-0; P. McCarthy 0-5; O'Said 0-2); Galway 1-3 (M. Haverly 1-0, E. Hardman 0-3); Dublin 0-7 (N. Kearney 0-5; Mullen 0-2); Monaghan 1-0 (P. Woods). National Senior League: Cork v Kildare, postponed. Leinster Minor Championship: Wexford 2-5; Kilkenny 1-3.

Coachford win

Coachford C.C. 3-1 Presentation Bandon 2-2

IN the Cork Colleges First Year Camogie Championship quarter-final in Bandon yesterday Coachford fashioned a marvellous two point victory over a fancied Pres Bandon side.

The sides were level at half-time but Nicola Hogan scored two superb goals for Coachford in the second-half. Bandon replied through Elaine O'Donovan but Coachford finished out on top.

Best for Coachford were Miriam Browne, Abby Lehan and Breda O'Regan whilst Elaine O'Donovan and Susan O'Shea tried hard for Bandon.

Coachford now meet Charleville in the semi-final.

Cork minors aiming to make amends

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THE weekend will be busy for Cork camogie teams with the minor and senior teams involved in vital games. The minors play Clare in the first round of the Munster Championship in Ennis today at 6.30 p.m.. Tomorrow the senior team are also travelling as they play Kildare in the National League, at Clane at 2.30.

Last year the minors made a first round exit from the Championship when defeated by Tipperary after a replay in the first round. So they will be hoping to make amends when they clash with Clare. With just four players remaining from last year's team, the selectors are forced to field an almost new look side. However, they have been preparing well under the expert eye of former Inniscarra hurler Martin McDonnell and they are confident that they can advance.

St. Vincent's 'keeper Sandra Ricken is between the posts and she has earned her place after some fine displays with her club. Full-back Tina Roche played a major role in Aghabullogue's victory in the Feile na nGael final last season while corner-back Laura Kelleher was a member of last year's panel.

Together with Leane Dowling and Nora Ahern from Fr. O'Neills they should form a very solid line of defence. The midfield positions go to Evelyn Moynihan, Inniscarra, Donna O'Leary, St. Vincents and the very talented Vivienne Harris, who has been making her mark at club level in recent times. Centre-forward will be Linda Heffernan from Bishopstown with Catherine O'Leary, Nicole Barry and Ellen Clifford completing the full-forward line.

The senior selectors face a daunting task

when they sit down to choose their side for the clash against Kildare. No fewer than six of their regular panel are injured, including Sandy Fitzgibbon, Liz O'Neill, Lix Towler, Breda Kenny, Denise Cronin and Patricia Murphy.

So, the selectors will not finalise their team until before the game. But players like Colette O'Mahony, Paula Goggins, Linda Mellerick, Therese O'Callaghan, Rose Desmond, Fiona O'Driscoll, Lyn and Stephanie Dunlea,

Mags Finn, Sheenagh Morley, Edel Kearney and Colette Cronin will certainly be among the starting 15.

Today — Munster Minor Championship: Cork v Clare at Ennis at 6.30. Tomorrow — National Senior League: Cork v Kildare at Clane at 2.30.

Wednesday — Senior League: Killeagh v St. Finbarrs at Killeagh at 7.15; Aghabullogue v Cloughduv at Aghabullogue at 7.15; Na Piar-saigh v Sarsfields at Na Piar-saigh at 7.15.

Cork beat Clare

IN the u-16 Munster camogie championship game in Ennis last night Cork beat Clare by 2-6 to 2-3.

Easy for Cork girls

Cork 8-17
Kildare 0-1

AN understrength but determined Cork team defeated a poor but equally under-strength Kildare side at New-bridge yesterday in the National Camogie Senior League. While the final score did not do justice to the efforts of Kildare, they were simply outclassed.

Fiona O'Driscoll, Rose Desmond and Irene O'Keeffe, in particular, were in great scoring form while Liz Towler and Terese O'Callaghan shone in defence.

Scorers for Cork: J O'Keeffe 1-2, P Murphy 1-1, D Cronin 0-1, S Morley 0-1, F O'Driscoll 3-2, C O'Mahony 1-4, R Desmond 2-2, J Duffy 0-4.
Kildare: B Farrelly 0-1.
Referee: M O'Connor (Louth).

CAMOGIE: Game must move to 15-a-side

Bonny predicts a bright future

DOWN full forward Veronica McGreevy — known to everyone as Bonny — predicts a brave new future for camogie.

"The speed and fitness of camogie players at present means that the game must move to 15-a-side," says Veronica, who crashed home a last minute goal to win the 1991 All Ireland title.

"We are experimenting with 15-a-side at present," adds the Attical girl. "It requires more thought and more tactical awareness than on the shorter pitch."

"It is more attractive to player and spectator, and if we change there will be no excuses for playing double fixtures with GAA matches."

Today's senior National League game with Kilkenny at Drumaness (1.00) will be 15-a-side, and Bonny will be poaching for goals against the Cats, eight-in-a-row All Ireland winners between 1984-1991.

"I have played on teams which have been thrashed by Kilkenny, but I always tried to learn from them. You only improve if you play the best."

"Nowadays Down and Armagh can compete with the best in the land. We have closed the gap, although we have not taken any major scalps yet."

"We qualified for the league semi-final last year and that means we are definitely in the top half-dozen. With great teenagers like Jennifer Branniff and Edel Mason coming through, we can improve further."



Veronica McGreevy — change to 15-a-side must come

By SEAMAS MAC
GIOLLA FHINNEIN

Bonny plays other sports during the winter to stay fit for camogie. She has represented Murray Ladies in basketball and the NI Civil Service soccer side.

"Sport is great for meeting people," claims the player who made her senior county debut in 1976 while only 15. "I can't see myself not in-

involved in camogie after I finish playing."

Her highlight was naturally the All-Ireland breakthrough in 1991, and many have wondered why she went for goal to win when a point would have tied the game.

"When I went on the run, I was looking to get fouled for. I was looking for McAleenan to point the free. The backs were though and I went for it. There was a bit of involvement," she says.

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Camogie by P.J.Fulham

Mary Hanley, Camogie Association, John Cottor, Editor, Belle O'Loughlin, New President and Claire Harrington, Camogie Association, at the Launch of the new Camogie Magazine.

LOUTH - building for future

In the 1932 Tailteann games Louth were selected en bloc to represent Ireland against Great Britain in a camogie match played along with a football match Ireland v America. The Louth girls had a very easy victory on a score of 4-5 to 0-0. In the Inter-provincial final that year Leinster defeated Connacht 7-11 to 1-9. Nan Boyle was again on the team and a very promising young player from Darver Kathleen Hanratty was also selected and scored 4-1 of Leinster's total.

They won the Leinster senior championship in 1934 by defeating Dublin, Kilkenny and Meath in the final 7-3 to 5-1. They went on to beat Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final 2-3 to 2-1 and lost to Cork in the final 4-3 to 1-4. Leinster senior Champions again in 1936 after defeating Dublin, 5-4 to 4-1 and in the All-Ireland semi-final lost out to Galway 3-6 to 2-3 and to Cork in the All-Ireland final in Croke Park on a score of 6-4 to 3-3.

1939 again brought success at Leinster level accounting for Meath 8-2 to 4-1 but were knocked out by old rivals Cork in the All-Ireland semi-final. The next year they retained the Leinster Championship title with a 7-6 to 2-2 win over Kildare in the final. The All-Ireland semi-final played at Darver again saw the girls from the 'Wee County' play second fiddle to the 'Leesiders', the score 4-3 to 1-5.

They were re-graded junior in 1962 and won the Leinster junior championship, qualified for the Intermediate final and lost out to Wexford 3-4 to 2-2. In 1964 they met the same fate against the same opponents. Kilkenny Club won the Leinster Junior Club Championship in 1977 defeating Dunboyne, Meath 3-2 to 1-2. The following year St Anne's kept the Leinster Club Championship title in Louth when they overcame the Kildare Champions Cappagh in the final 6-4 to 2-0.

Leinster junior champions again in 1980 and defeated by Tyrone in the All-Ireland semi-final. In 1981 they reached the National junior league final, and were defeated by Cavan in a replay by 0-2. 1982 was their year of glory. They beat Galway for a first All-Ireland title.

After that victory they were graded senior, but after three years at the top without success they were re-graded junior in 1986.

There are six clubs registered at present and competitions are organised for all grades from under 12 to senior in League and Championship. Recently the County under 14 team won the Leinster Championship. At junior level they are team building and should be a force to be reckoned with in the not-too-distant future.

Famous players down the years were: Kathleen Hanratty,

This month we take a look at our National Game in Louth. In the very early years of the Association, Camogie was played at various venues throughout 'The Wee County'. The first County team was affiliated in 1928 and has been active ever since. When Leinster defeated Connacht in the 1928 Tailteann games final there were two girls from Darver club on the Leinster team: Nan Boyle and Rose Quigley.

Kathleen Lynch, Shiela Connor, Kitty Sharkey, Mary Connor, Noeleen Brady, Susie McGuinness, Vivienne Kelly, Eileen Crehan, Noeleen Maguire, the Murphy Sisters and the Murtagh Sisters.

The man with his shoulder to the wheel over the years is Peter Hoey, who has given a lifetime of service to Camogie as an Administrator and trainer. Three years ago he stood down after spending twenty years in the Chair. For ten of those years he was joined by his daughter Bernadette as Secretary. His hard work and dedication was rewarded when he was elected Chairman of Leinster Council. Peter is currently on the Management Committee of Central Council and County PRO.

Annual Congress held at Howth Lodge Hotel elected a new President of the Association Belle O'Loughlin, Warrenpoint, Down, Belle won this prestigious position at her second attempt. Last time she was defeated by two votes, and had four votes to spare over Phyllis Breslin, Dublin. The new President hopes to continue the good work of the Association, which is stepping up in pace in preparation for its Centenary in ten years time.

It was one of the largest attended Congresses for many years, representing 65,000 registered members of the Association. There were 44 motions tabled. Among those that got through were: 1. That a Committee be set up to look into the possible affiliation between Cumann Camógaiochta na nGael and Cumann Luthcleas Gael. 2. That a player of the match award be presented in the following All-Ireland finals: Senior, Intermediate, Junior and Minor.

A motion proposed by Kilkenny that the size of the sponsorship logo on uniforms be increased was also passed and is sure to create more sponsorship. The North American Board tabled two motions that the All-Ireland Camogie Champions and an All-Star selection visit the US as ambassadors for the promotion of Camogie in the US at least every three years, and in alternate years US All-Stars go to Ireland to play against Championship teams. This was defeated because of the expense it would incur.

They also lost out in their second motion that a Camogie Co-ordinator for overseas be appointed to concentrate on the needs and aims of clubs and teams overseas.

The All-Ireland Primary Schools Committee launched their first-ever Camogie Magazine at a reception at the Howth Lodge Hotel. Dublin's Lord Mayor Tomas MacGiolla launched the book, which is the a credit to those involved. (More about it later.)

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Camogie World

By: P.J. FULHAM

St. Mary's, Nenagh, collected their first All-Ireland Senior Camogie Colleges Title with a convincing win over St. Patrick's, Maghera, in this final played at Tullamore. Noelle Kennedy, St. Mary's captain, was in top form and notched off 1-8 of her team's tally.

The first half was evenly enough contested with the winners leading 1-4 to 1-1 at the break. In the second half the Nenagh girls stepped up the pace, and while St. Pat's showed lots of fire they could manage only one point in the second half. Final score St. Mary's, Nenagh 1-10, St. Patrick's, Maghera 1-2. Scorers: St. Mary's: Noelle Kennedy 1-8, Ciara Gaynor and Sarah Madden 0-1 each. St. Patrick's: Karen McGrath

O'Callaghan, Offaly.

Kilkenny's Juniors made it a double when they coasted to victory over Galway in this National Junior League match played as a curtain raiser to the Senior contest. Imelda Kennedy, who played in both grades was very impressive here scoring seven points of her team's tally. Final score: Kilkenny 2-13, Galway 0-3. Scorers: Kilkenny: Imelda Kennedy 0-7, Aine Dunne 1-1, Margaret Comerford 1-0, Annemarie Hughes and Catherine Dunne 0-2 each.

FIRST SENIOR TITLE FOR ST. MARY'S, NENAGH



St. Mary's, Nenagh, who defeated St. Patrick's, Maghera in the All-Ireland Senior Colleges Final

1-0, Anna O'Loughlin 0-2. Referee: Jane Beatty, Galway.

St. Mary's, Charleville made it a Munster Colleges double when they coasted to victory over St. Mary's, Magherafelt in this All-Ireland Junior Colleges final also played at Tullamore. The winners led by 2-5 to 0-3 at the break. In the final half the Derry school missed many scoring opportunities as Charleville continued to edge their way to victory and were worthy winners on a score of 3-6 to 1-5.

Scorers: St. Mary's, Charleville: Caomhe Harrington 2-0, Jeanne Cullinane 0-4, Roni Hawe 1-0, Vera Sheehan and Laura Leslie 0-1 each. St. Mary's, Magherafelt: Amanda Kennedy 1-0, Eilis O'Neill 0-3, Blaithe Mclvor and Simone Forbes 0-1 each. Referee: Jane Beatty, Galway.

National Senior League Champions, Kilkenny collected a valuable brace of points which could place them in the semi final when they fought off a strong challenge from Galway to win by a whisker in this National Senior League tie played at Nowlan Park. It was an outstanding game of Camogie played in brilliant sunshine, and produced great determination by both sides. After a hard fought first half Kilkenny led 2-2 to 0-7 at the break. Minutes into the second half, Galway's Deirdre Costelloe put her side in front with a brilliant goal. The sides exchanged points before Kilkenny's Gillian Dillon scored an all important goal which put her side back in front. From then on it was score for score with Kilkenny holding on to a one point victory at the finish. Final score: Kilkenny 3-5, Galway 1-10.

Scorers: Kilkenny: Gillian Dillon 2-0, Imelda Kennedy 1-1, Anne Downey and Sinead Millea 0-2 each. Galway: Sharon Glynn 0-7, Deirdre Costelloe 1-1, Anne Ryan 0-2. Referee: Miriam

the final half left them easy winners on a score of 5-4 to 0-4.

Scorers: Tipperary: Deirdre Hughes 2-0, Theresa Burke 1-1, Gillian O'Neill and Cathy Maloney 1-0 each, Maebh Stokes, Noelle Kennedy and Anne Gleeson 0-1 each. Kildare: Siobhan Mullen and Melanie Treacy 0-2 each. Referee: Marie Pollard, Waterford.

In a Junior League tie Tipperary had a runaway victory over Carlow on a score of 6-10 to 1-1.

Scorers: Tipperary: Ciara Bums 3-7, Claire Egan 1-1, Orla Hogan, Aine Hogan 1-0 each, Mandy Quigley and Michelle Bulfin 0-1 each. Carlow: Valerie Crean 1-1. Referee: Maura Sheedy, Clare.

The National League is now drawing to a close. There are three important Senior games down for decision on Sunday. Dublin and Galway will tussle it out at Ballinasloe. This should be a sparkling encounter. Both sides are level on points and the prize here will be a place in the semi finals. Galway go into this game carrying the tag of favourites, with such players as Sharon Glynn, Claire Lynch, Deirdre Costelloe, Anne Ryan and Olivia Broderick. However, Dublin will be no push-over, they seem to be well organised and will be looking to experienced players such as Cathy

Margaret Hickey 0-1. Galway: Brendan Daniels, Martina Harkin and Denise Gilligan 0-1 each. Referee: Eileen Kinsella, Offaly.

Tipperary stamped their authority at New Inn when they recorded a convincing win over Kildare in this Senior tie. The Premier County led 2-3 to 0-3 at the break. A hat-trick of goals in

Walshe, Una Crowley, Geraldine Dunne, Paula Carroll and Irene Kirwan to take the points. There is sure to be a lot of interest in this game as both teams could meet later in the year in the All-Ireland Championship semi final.

Tipperary will host the All-Ireland champions Cork in what should be an excellent game. Tipperary are a young team that can produce plenty of flair and determination and have full points to date. They have good performers in Anne Gleeson, Noelle Kennedy, Maebh Stokes, Deirdre Hughes and Gillian O'Neill. The Leesiders have also full points and are assured of a place in the semi final. They may carry too much experience for their opponents with such players as Sandy Fitzgibbon, Therese O'Callaghan, Collette O'Mahoney, Lynn Dunlea and Fiona O'Driscoll.

The League champions Kilkenny, who are also assured of a place in the semi finals travel to cross swords with Down. The home side have yet to collect their first points and are not likely to get them here.

In the Junior League Offaly travel to take on Galway in what should be a close affair. Offaly have full points while Galway dropped two to Kilkenny. This one should go all the way to the wire.

Limerick have a home game against Clare and may edge their way to collect the points here.

Fixtures for May 1st:

N.S.L. at Druminess: Down v Kilkenny 1 p.m. at Ballinasloe: Galway v Dublin 3.30 p.m. at Toomevara: Tipperary v Cork 3 p.m.

N.J.L. at Ballinasloe: Galway v Offaly 2 p.m. Limerick v Clare (no venue to hand).



Senior Finalists - St. Patrick's, Maghera

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Camogie World

By: P.J. FULHAM

Extracts from *Sille De Bhailis, Ardrunal, Cumann Camogaiochta na nGael*, report to Congress 1994.

Our Association has developed and expanded in various ways during the nine decades of its history and has met the challenges of the various eras. Over the years, each stage in development, and each new direction taken by the Association, has contributed to its overall growth and present position. The organisation has adapted to changing times and values while keeping sight of its ideals and aims.

The pace and nature of change in the modern era pose new challenges for us and touch virtually every aspect of our Association. Cumann Camogaiochta na nGael has much to offer in terms of the game itself, its ideals and aspirations, and its potential as an influence for good in society. The challenge lies in promoting our game in a way which will attract and retain the young people of today so that we may look forward to continued growth as we reach our centenary.

In reviewing the past year and in planning for the future, we need to recognise both our strength and weaknesses, build on those strengths, avail of opportunities to develop and, in doing so, enable our Association to embark on its second century with well founded optimism.

There were several interesting aspects to the competitions during 1993. Kilkenny, which initially proposed the 15-a-side Test Series hosted the first weekend trial, won the first National Senior League final to be played with 15-a-side. Armagh achieved a unique double in winning its first Junior

Championship title with 12-a-side and the National Junior League title with 15-a-side. Armagh was the first name to be inscribed on *Corn De Burca* when it won the first Junior League in 1980. Clare won its first Intermediate title, bringing to four the titles won by Munster.

Galway had the unusual distinction of reaching the Senior, Junior, Minor and Club Championship finals, as well as the semi finals of both Senior and Junior National Leagues. Now, with the disappointment of losing behind them, the people of Galway may look back with pride on a tremendous achievement and equally tremendous displays against excellent Cork, Armagh, Tipperary, Kilkenny and Dublin teams.

Dublin also suffered the disappointment of losing two finals but, like Galway, should take heart from its achievements.

It is heartening for all of us to see All-Ireland titles go to six different counties, and two different Provinces, and also, to see the progress of several other counties. Down contested three semi finals, Intermediate and Minor Championship and Senior National League. Wexford reached the Senior Championship semi final, Kildare the Intermediate semi final and Carlow its first ever Junior Championship semi final. Derry and Donegal shared top points in their zone of the National Junior League, while Limerick joined Galway as leaders in their zone.

London continues to make steady progress and is now in a position of having competitions at three grades to cater for its players. They have also established a Referees Committee. A very welcome development during 1993 was the introduction of Camogie at underage level.

Despite the enormity of the task the American Board is also making progress and is making every effort

to develop both in the United States and Canada.

The work of the three Colleges' Councils is vital to the consolidation and development of Camogie. The continued progress at every level augurs well for the future. C.C.I.A. has found it necessary to restructure its competitions in order to cater for the growing number of Colleges affiliating to it. With the increasing number going on to third level, and with the growth of Third Level Colleges themselves throughout the country, C.C.I.A. is looking to the future and streamlining its organisation so that it will be in a position to avail of opportunities for development.

Comhairle na n-Iarbhunscoileanna continue to expand and to successfully manage the task of catering for the various school structures at second level. 1993 marked a milestone in the history of Na n-Iarbhunscoileanna as it saw Ulster Colleges Council celebrate fifty years in existence.

It is self evident that we need to bring our game to as many primary school girls as possible. With our own Comhairle, Na Coiste Contae, Cumann na mBunscol and the I.N.T.O. working together, we should be enabled to realise our potential in this area.

Feile na nGael proves to be an annual high point for our participating Under fourteen teams. It is a delight to all of us to see our young girls and boys displaying the skill of the game at such a high standard and, in particular, to see them enjoying our own Gaelic games. Feile na nGael gives an opportunity to each county to promote and develop Camogie and to attract both the young people and their parents to our Association.

As we enter the last few years of our first century in existence and, as we face the changes and challenges of the twentieth century, we might ask ourselves what we need to accomplish in order that Cumann Camogaiochta na nGael can adapt to change and meet those challenges.



Members of the Dublin County Board who organised Congress in the Howth Lodge Hotel. Front, left to right: Sophia Brack (Registrar), Chris Green (Treasurer), Kathleen Timmins (Leas-Cathaoirleach). Back, left to right: Pat Rafferty (Secretary), Maire Brady (Cathaoirleach).

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National Senior League champions, Kilkenny advanced to the semi-final with a convincing win over down at Drumoness. It was quite a good tussle, and was more evenly contested than the score suggests. Kilkenny led 1-5 to 0-2 at the break and picked off some nice points in the second half to offset Down's brace of goals. In the last quarter, Kilkenny's experience clearly gave them the edge to finish on a score of 2-17 to 2-3. Scorers: Kilkenny: Gillian Dillon 1-3, Sinead Millea 0-6, Marie Maher 1-0, Imelda Kennedy 0-3, Anne Downey and Brigid Mullally 0-2 each, Margaret Commerford 0-1. Down: Eileen McGuirean 2-0, Jennifer Blangniff, Coleen Hynds and Valerie Hynds 0-1 each.

Galway also reached the League semi-final when they defeated Dublin at Ballinasloe. Dublin had a disappointing first half and trailed 1-9 to 1-0 at the interval. The second half proved very entertaining but Dublin were unable to pull back the first half deficit as Galway ran out winners on a score of 3-13 to 2-8.

KILKENNY ADVANCE To SEMI FINALS

Cork had an easy passage to the semi-final when they proved too strong for Tipperary in this match played at the Mardyke. Score: 6-14 to 2-3.

In National Junior League Dublin got the better of Monaghan in this tie played at Carrickmacross. It was a keenly contested affair especially in the first half. Dublin notched up 0-1 before Monaghan's Pauline Woods scored a goal on the 20th minute to put her side in front. This was to be Monaghan's only score of the game as they led 1-0 to 0-2 at the break. Strong defensive work by the Ulster County made scores hard to come by and indeed it was only in the final five minutes that Dublin's Niamh Kearney and Ailish Mullen added points to their teams tally to leave Dublin winners by 1-7 to 1-0. Scorers: Dublin: Niamh Kearney 0-5, Ailish Mullen 0-2. Monaghan: Pauleen Woods 1-0. Referee: Pat Reynolds, Louth.

Limerick are through to the Junior League quarter finals when they had a four point win over Galway at Ardrahan. After a keenly contested first half the sides were level at the break 0-2 each. The final half was a ding dong battle with Limerick gaining the upper hand in the last quarter. Pauleen McCarthy was in top scoring form registering five points of her teams tally. Final score: Limerick 1-7 Galway 1-3. Scorers: Limerick: Pauleen McCarthy 0-5, Liz Sullivan 1-0, Aodha Quaid 0-2. Galway: Martina Harverty 1-0, Emer Hardiman 0-3. Referee: Liam Davitt, Westmeath.

Limerick consolidated their position with a further win over Clare played at Mary's College. The score: Limerick 3-7, Clare 1-3.

Offaly kept on the winning trail when they had a 1-7 to 3-3 win over Galway at Ballinasloe.

Other results: N.J.L. Derry 4-5, Antrim 2-4.

Leinster Colleges 7-a-side finals:

Roinn A. Loreto, Kilkenny 3-3 st. Brigids, Callan 2-0.

Roinn B. Blakestown C.S., Dublin 5-3 Ard Scoil Ciaran, Clara 0-2.

Ulster Minor League: Derry 3-18 Antrim 3-1.

Leinster Minor Championship: Kilkenny lost their Leinster Minor Championship title when they were defeated by Wexford in the first round played at Oylegate. This was an outstanding match full of excitement all the way. The sides were level 0-2 at the interval. On the resumption Wexford's Esme Murphy had an excellent goal but back came Kilkenny's Maryrose Ryan with a similar score. It was a ding dong struggle all the way until the final ten minutes when Wexford stamped their authority to win by 2-5 to 1-3. Scorers: Wexford: Esme Murphy 1-2, Michelle O'Leary 1-1, Caroline Kinsella and Anne Carroll 0-1 each. Kilkenny: Maryrose Ryan 1-0, Mairead Costello 0-2, Olive Hennessy 0-1. Referee: Clare Green, Dublin.

Offaly 4-3 Louth 3-2. Scorers: Offaly: Anne Bergin 2-3, Mary Carroll and Sinead Kenny 1-0 each. Louth: Orla Begley 2-0, Noreen Quigley 1-2. Referee: Breda McKenna, Meath.

Quarter-Finals: Dublin 1-10 Laois 0-1. Scorers: Dublin: Fiona Corcoran 0-5, Emer Dunne 1-0, Aisling Byrne and Emer Branigan 0-2 each, Grace Stephens 0-1. Laois: Yvonne Egan 0-1.

Westmeath 7-3 Carlow 1-4. Scorers: Westmeath: Marie Austin 3-0, Oonagh Brady 2-0, Emma Martin and Nuala Shaw 1-0 each, Andrea Martin 0-3. Carlow: Caitriona Doyle 1-1, Olivia Maye 0-2, Anne Doran 0-1. Referee: Breda Byrne, Wicklow.

On Sunday next the Leinster Minor semi-finals take place. Wexford travel to play Westmeath and carry the tag of favourites. The Slaneysiders won the Under 14 Championships two years ago after a replay with Dublin. Westmeath have quite a strong side who are sure to put up a good fight. Dublin, who are favourites to meet Wexford in the final await the winners of Offaly versus Kildare who will have the venue.

The National Leagues are now at the knock out stages. In senior there are two divisions with two teams from each qualifying for the semi-finals. In Division One Cork, last years finalists are through. They will be joined by either Clare or Tipperary.

In Division Two League Champions Kilkenny and Galway have qualified. In Junior there are four zones with the top two teams going through to the quarter-finals. In some zones there are games yet to be played due to the weather.

Zone A. There is one outstanding fixture Offaly versus Kilkenny. If Offaly win they will be tops with Limerick second. If Kilkenny win, all three will be level and there will be a play-off.

In **Zone B** Tipperary and Cork are through.

In **Zone C** League holders Armagh have qualified. Kildare have to play Monaghan and if they win they are through, but if defeated must play-off with Dublin.

Zone D looks like Antrim, Down and Derry being involved in a play-off.

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Jack of all sports . . .



● Jack Charlton trying his hand at a spot of hurling, much to the amusement of Chris Green, from Cumann Camogaiocta na nGael, at the opening of the Recreation Fair at the RDS yesterday.
Picture by Jim O'Kelly

Tipperary no match for Cork

Cork 6-14, Tipperary 2-3

TIPPERARY proved no match for Cork in this National Senior Camogie League tie at the Mardyke, Cork yesterday. Cork led by 4-6 to 0-3, after playing against the wind, at the break and the game was never in doubt afterwards.

Two brilliant goals in the opening eleven minutes put Cork on the road to this facile win. The first came in the 7th minute from Irene O'Keeffe and the same player was again on hand in the 11th minute to run onto a Therese O'Callaghan free to beat goalkeeper Ailish Delaney from close range to leave the score 2-2 to 0-2. Another goal in the 16th minute from Fiona O'Driscoll, who was set up by Linda Mellerick, gave the the Rebel County a 3-2 to 0-2 advantage after the opening quarter and there was never any doubt about the outcome afterwards.

Despite playing with the wind in the second-half Cork were slow to settle but they got their act together in the last ten minutes to amass their big total. In fact Tipperary's only scores in the second period, two goals, came from close in frees by Noelle Kennedy.

Scorers for Cork: L Dunlea 2-4, I O'Keeffe 2-2, F O'Driscoll 2-1, C O'Mahony 0-5 (0-2 frees), S Dunlea 0-1, L Mellerick 0-1.

Tipperary: N Kennedy 2-1 (2-0 frees, 0-2 "30's"), D Hughes 0-1, A Gleeson 0-1.

Cork: K Costine; M Finn, P Goggins, L Towler; A Coleman, T O'Callaghan, L O'Neill; S Dunlea, T Murphy; S Morley, L Dunlea, L Mellerick; C O'Mahony, F O'Driscoll, I O'Keeffe. Subs. R Desmond for K Costine (half-time), C Cronin for A Coleman (42 mins), J Duffy for F O'Driscoll (51 mins).

Tipperary: A Delaney; A Fitzgerald, R O'Meara, S Cusack; T Bourke, C Kennedy, C Madden; K Moloney, M Stokes; M Ryan, H Kiely, N Kennedy; A Gleeson, G O'Neill, D Hughes. Sub. C Bourke for T Bourke (37 mins).

Referee: M Pollard (Waterford).

Slick Dillons do damage early on

Brian Dillons 1-12,
Kilbriann 1-2

A MUCH slicker and more experienced Brian Dillons side captured the 1993 Cork Under-18 camogie title at the Mardyke, Cork, yesterday, defeating a gallant Kilbriann side.

The winners laid the foundations to their success in the opening half scoring 0-8 to 0-1, but the losers, who played against the wind could have been much closer if they had converted their frees and "30's".

In the second-half an early goal by Laura Holland took a lot of the fight out of Kilbriann and although they fought back to score a goal, when Miriam Deasy's effort was diverted into her own net by full-back Deirdre Murphy, they were always fighting a losing battle against a talented City side.

Scorers for Brian Dillon's: J Hannon 0-6; N O'Regan 0-5; L Holland 1-0; L Fleming 0-1.

Kilbriann: D Murphy (o.g) 1-0; N O'Mahony and K Foley 0-1 each.

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By: P.J. FULHAM

Cork proved too strong for Kildare in this National Senior League game played at Newbridge. The All-Ireland Champions were in great scoring form. Kildare had no answer to curb their scoring ability. Score: Cork 8-17, Kildare 1-0. Scorers: Cork: Fiona O'Driscoll 3-4, Rose Desmond 2-3, Patricia Murphy 2-2, Irene O'Keeffe 1-2, Janice Duffy 0-4, Denise Cronin and Susan Morley 0-1 each. Kildare: Bernadette Farrelly 1-0.

Tipperary had a convincing win over Clare which gave them their ticket to the Senior League in a match played at Shannon. The winners dictated matters for most of the game and led 2-4 to 0-2 at the break. With early second half goals the game was over as a contest. Clare fought hard all the way, but firm defensive work by Tipperary made scores hard to come by. Final score: Tipperary 6-7, Clare 0-7. Scorers: Tipperary: Gillian O'Neill 3-1, Deirdre Hughes 2-1, Anne Gleeson 1-1, Noelle Kennedy 0-4. Clare: Catherine O'Loughlin 0-4, Frances Phelan, Debbie McDonagh and Anne Keane 0-1 each.

In National Junior League Kildare qualified for a place in the quarter final when they were in top form against Monaghan, running out winners on a score of 5-3 to 0-1. Scorers: Kildare: Leona Tracey 2-0, Liz Doran 1-1, Caomhe Brennan and Bernie McSweeney 1-0 each, Rose Merriman and Siobhan Mullen 0-1 each. Monaghan: Monica McKiernan 0-1.

Kilkenny coasted to victory over Offaly and secured a place in the quarter finals while Offaly must play off with Limerick for the second out of this division. Kilkenny field a young team and had the advantage of 2-3 to 1-1 at the break. This was a disappointing affair by Offaly, while they fought hard it was Kilkenny who were masters on a score of 3-5 to 1-2. Scorers: Kilkenny: Imelda Kennedy 1-3, Kay Dunphy and Mary McGrath 1-0 each, Margaret Comerford 0-2. Offaly: Caroline McCarthy 1-0, Geraldine Mahon and Catherine Byrne 0-1 each. Referee: Colette Kennedy, Galway.

Antrim consolidated their position in the Junior League with an overwhelming victory over Donegal 6-19 to 0-0. Scorers: Antrim: Karen Conery 2-5, Ursula Keane 2-4, Elaine Dowds 2-1, Brona McCorry 0-4, Carla Doherty and Anne McKee 0-2 each, Roisin McCauley 0-1.

Kilkenny are through to the second round of the Leinster Junior Championship when they edged their

way to victory over Wexford in a game played at Oylegate. It was a keenly contested affair all the way with little separating the sides at any time. After a good first half tussle the sides were level at the break 0-5 each. A goal by Wexford's Anne Byrne shortly after the resumption put her side in a good position, but Kilkenny's Imelda Kennedy and Sinead Costelloe were in great form of picking off long range points and edged their way into a two point lead in the final minutes to give them victory on a score of 0-12 to 1-7. Scorers: Kilkenny: Imelda Kennedy 0-5, Sinead Costelloe 0-3, Mary McGrath 0-2, Catherine Dunne and Anne Marie Hughes 0-1 each. Wexford: Anne Byrne 1-1, Margaret Doyle 0-3, Bernie Higgins 0-2, Barbara Sludds 0-1. Referee: Phylliss Breslin, Dublin.

In the Leinster Minor Championship Offaly advanced to meet Dublin in the semi final when they had a 4-12 to 0-0 victory over Kildare at Lusmagh. Scorers: Offaly: Mary Carroll 3-0, Audrey Hennessy 0-5, Lorainne Corcoran 1-3, Leona Gath 0-2, Amanda Glennon and Mary McDermott 0-1 each. Referee: Brendan Williams, Kilkenny.

In the Ulster Minor Championship quarter finals Down the holders lost their title when defeated by Armagh 2-1 to 1-2. In the other game Tyrone notched 10-9 compared to Monaghan's 0-1. Tyrone scorers: Gillian Lagan 3-5, Marie McKiernan 2-0, Simone Forbes 1-2, Orla Cassidy, Orla Forbes, Orla Martin and Brenda Martin 1-0 each, Susan Snell 0-2. Fermanagh: 4-12, Cavan 0-1. Maguire Cup: Derry 3-13, Tyrone 0-7.

On Sunday next the semi finals of the National Senior League are down for decision and are sure to create big interest. Kilkenny, the holders, will travel to take on Tipperary in what should be a very interesting affair. Kilkenny have full points from their campaign while Tipperary just dropped two points to Cork.

Tipperary are graded Intermediate and have been doing well in Senior ranks. They have an abundance of young talent having won the All-Ireland Minor Championship for the past two years. They field many stars which include Deirdre Hughes, Maedbh Stokes, Triona Bonner, Kaiffie Malone and Theresa Burke. They have proved themselves a formidable force and home ground will give them great confidence, but taking on the champions

Kilkenny is quite a task. The Leinster County have fine young stars such as Brigid Mullaly, Gillian Dillon, Imelda Kennedy, Tracey and Sinead Millea blended in with players of the calibre of Anne Downey, Marina Downey, Claire Jones and Brigid Barnaville. They will not surrender their title easily, and carry the tag of favourites in this encounter.

In the other semi final All-Ireland champions, Cork cross swords with Galway at the latter venue in a repeat of the All-Ireland Senior final when Cork ran out winners 3-15 to 2-8.

Cork emerged from their division with full points. Galway's only defeat was by Kilkenny. On the Galway injured list recently are Claire Lynch, Imelda Hobbins and Imelda Maher, but it is almost certain that they will be fit for this tussle. Cork too are not without injury problems with Linda Mellerick, Breda Kenny and Sandy Fitzgibbon hoping to be fit to line out. Cork have the experience. They were defeated in the final last year and will be going all out to make amends. While Galway are a spirited side Cork may prove too strong on the day.

Kilkenny Panel: Bridie McGarry, Sinead Costelloe, Gillian Dillon, Margaret Hickey, Esther Kennedy, Imelda Kennedy, Joan Aylward, Brigid Mullaly, Kay Dunphy, Maire Fitzpatrick, Mary McGrath, Deirdre Malone, Sinead Millea, Tracey Millea, Brigid Barnaville, Angela Downey / Browne, Anne Downey, Marina Downey, Claire Joans, Fran Shore, Breda Holmes, Marie Maher, Una Murphy, Biddy O'Sullivan, Noreen Tierney.

Tipperary Panel: Ailish Delaney, Regina O'Meara, Siobhan Cusack, Ann Marie Fitzgerald, Theresa Burke, Triona Bonner, Anne Gleeson, Helan Kiely, Meadhb Stokes, Kaiffie Maloney, Noelle Kennedy, Gillian O'Neill, Marie Ryan, Claire Madden, Deirdre Hughes, Cora Kennedy.

Cork

Too Strong For KILDARE

MAY 1994

CAMOGIE COMMENT

By
Mary Moran

In the pleasant surroundings of Howth, Congress '94 turned out to be a placid event with the delegates in no mood for significant change. Indeed, only twelve of the forty four motions tabled were passed.

The meeting elected a new President. Ulster administrator and referee Belle O'Loughlin emerged from a keen contest with Phyllis Breslin to guide the Association for the next few years. An able and experienced official, Belle will bring to the job the commitment and dedication which have always been part of her character.

The 1994 Congress attracted the largest attendance for some years. However, from 1995 onwards the numbers attending the annual get-together will increase sharply. A motion to increase the representation of counties with few clubs got through. In the future, no delegate will have to face Congress on her own.

The Association was slow to introduce sponsor's name and logo on playing gear. When first brought in the dimensions of the lettering was minuscule. It was almost impossible to read from the stands. Therefore, sponsors considered that they got a poor return for their investment. A Kilkenny motion to match the lettering on player's jerseys with the measurements used by GAA teams was easily passed.

Kilkenny did not enjoy the same support to extend the pilot scheme now in place for the National Leagues and inter-provincial championships using the full size GAA dimensions and

St Mary's, Nenagh, 1994 All Ireland Colleges Senior Champions. Back: Alison Lawlor, Suzanne Kelly, Noelle Kennedy (Capt), Niamh Bonnar, Sheila Kyne, Sarah Madden and Marie Slattery. Front: Susan Kenneally, Marie Ryan, Sinead Kennedy, Aine Hogan and Ciara Gaynor.



fifteen aside teams. Apart from Kilkenny and the CCIA delegates there was little evidence of enthusiasm for the idea. However, the real decision will be made when the next Playing Rules Congress comes around in 1996.

A new name, St Mary's, Nenagh was added to the plinth of Corn Sceilg at the All-Ireland Colleges Finals at Tullamore. The Tipperary school fielding the majority of the players who won All-Ireland Colleges Junior

ranks.

Nenagh bring to seven the number of schools who have captured All-Ireland Colleges titles in both senior and junior grades. They join Pres. Athenry, Scoil Muire, Cashel, Maryfield College, St John of God, Artane, St Raphael's, Loughrea and Colaiste Bhríde, Callan in the class of dual champions.

Perhaps the next school to join that elite company will be St Mary's, Charleville, who collected their third All-Ireland Colleges Junior title in a very entertaining curtain-raiser. Opponents, St Mary's Magherafelt travelled with high hopes and indeed but for some very narrow wides may have brought it off.

Caoimhe Harrington, who was introduced to the side during the semi-final against Loreto, Kilkenny, came into her own with two well-taken goals in the final. Vera Sheehan, Jean Cullinane, Muireann Harrington, Roni Hawe and Karina Carroll will make a big impact with the Charleville senior side in the next few seasons.

A nice touch at the colleges finals was provided by the four umpires on the day. Claire Lynch, Anne Fahy, Deirdre Hardiman and Pamela Nevin, all past pupils of St Raphael's, Loughrea, can boast of over twenty All-Ireland Colleges medals between them.

Results so far this season indicate that Kilkenny, Galway and Cork will continue to dominate the senior inter-county arena. While it is early days yet, this trio have taken up where they left off in 1993 and should share the major honours of the season between them.

"In future no delegate will have to face Congress on her own"

Championships in 1990 and 1991 and were comfortable winners over St Patrick's, Maghera.

This Nenagh side has progressed well since their junior days. They produced an excellent exhibition of camogie in the Munster Colleges Final. Centre-back Suzanne Kelly, right back Marie Ryan, midfielder Ciara Gaynor and forwards Noelle Kennedy and Ciara Burns appear destined for glittering careers in the blue and gold of Tipperary. With such great talent on the way up, it should not be long until the Premier County is back in the senior

"TIPPERARY LOOK ALL SET TO RE-JOIN THE SENIOR RANKS"

Tough one for Cork girls

THE Cork minor camogie team play Tipperary tonight at 6.30 p.m. in the Munster final at Ballinlough, while tomorrow the senior team make the long journey to Ballinasloe to play Galway in the National Senior League semi-final.

A club level the Féile na nGael blitz will be held tomorrow with no fewer than 30 games being played at six different venues.

Because of injury problems, the Cork minor selectors will not

name their team until shortly before the game. Vivienne Harris, Tricia Doyle and 'keeper Sandra Ricken are all on the injured list. Should all three be unavailable it would be a huge loss to Cork.

Cork will include players like Laura Kelleher, Catherine O'Leary, who captains the side, Ellen Clifford, Nora Aherne and Tina Roche. They are very experienced performers and looked good when they defeated Clare in their first outing. How-

ever, they face very difficult opposition in Tipperary and will certainly have to be at their best.

Tomorrow's National Senior League semi-final between Cork and Galway will be a repeat of last season's All-Ireland final. Galway will be very anxious to reverse the All-Ireland result and with home advantage could cause problems for the Cork girls.

The Cork team should see Kathleen Costine between the

posts with Paula Goggin at full-back and Liz Towler and Mags Finn filling the corner back positions. The half back line will be Liz O'Neill, Therese O'Callaghan and Ann Coleman with midfield positions going to Patricia Murphy and Stephanie Dunlea — if available.

The half-forward positions are expected to go to Linda Mellerick, Fiona O'Driscoll and Sheenagh Morley, with Irene O'Keefe, Rose Desmond and Colette O'Mahony fil-

ling the full-forward line.

Today

Munster Minor final: Cork v. Tipperary, at Ballinlough, at 6.30 p.m.

Under-16 B League '93: Fermoy v. Youghal, at Fermoy, 7.30 p.m. (ref. Youghal).

Tomorrow

National Senior League: Cork v. Galway, at Ballinasloe, at 3 p.m.

Féile na nGael blitz will be held at the following venues: St. Finbarrs, commencing at 3 p.m.; Farranlea Road, commencing at 10.30; Ballincollig, commencing at 10.30; Bally-

only commencing at 10.30; Watergrasshill commencing at 10.30; Clon Kavanagh commencing at 10.30.

Tuesday

Féile na nGael blitz will be held at the following venues: St. Finbarrs, commencing at 3 p.m.; Farranlea Road, commencing at 10.30; Ballincollig, commencing at 10.30; Bally-

Wednesday

Senior League '93: Kilkenny v. Kildare, at Kilkenny, 7.30 p.m.

Thursday

Under-16 'A' League: St. Vincent's v. St. Vincent's, at Farranlea Road, 7 p.m.

Friday

Féile na nGael blitz will be held at the following venues: St. Finbarrs, commencing at 3 p.m.; Farranlea Road, commencing at 10.30; Ballincollig, commencing at 10.30; Bally-

MAY 1994

Premier County retains title

Tipperary 2-12, Cork 1-6

TIPPERARY retained their Munster minor camogie championship title when they beat arch rivals Cork by double scores in a cracking final at Ballinlough on Saturday night, writes **BRENDAN LARKIN**.

Displaying a brand of camogie that belied their years, the Premier County girls led after two minutes when ace freetaker Catherine Hennessy pointed a free, and they proceeded to pick off some delightful points to turn over six in front at the break.

Inspired by a superb display at centre-back by Jacqueline O'Connor, the Tipp girls continued to dictate matters in the second-half, and Cork's cause wasn't helped when Vivian Harris — easily their best player on the night — was rather harshly sent off.

Vivian's dismissal spurred her colleagues on to greater things and Evelyn Moynihan and Donna O'Leary kept them in touch with a point apiece. Cork were still in contention as the last quarter dawned, but the extra player proved too much of a handicap for them.

Also the Cork forwards could make little impression up front due to the excellence of Maeve Corcoran, Marie Harkins and Ciara Gaynor, and when outstanding forward Mary Looby goalied for Tipp in the 52nd minute, there was no way back for the home side.

Scorers for Tipperary: C. Hennessy 0-6 (frees); M. Looby 1-3; H. Campion 1-0; C. Gaynor 0-2; J. O'Connor 0-1.

Cork: E. Moynihan 0-3 (frees); C. O'Leary 1-0; D. O'Leary 0-2; A. O'Neill 0-1.

Tipperary: E. Hayden, M. Corcoran, E. Fitzgerald, M. Harkins, J. O'Connor, C. Gaynor, F. Hanrahan, N. O'Dwyer, C. Hennessy, H. Grogan, H. Campion, M. Looby. Subs. J. Delaney for Campion, O. Egan for Hanrahan.

Cork: K. Murphy, T. Kelleher, C. Twomey, T. Roche, N. Aherne, E. Moynihan, V. Harris, M. Kearney, C. O'Leary, E. Clifford, A. O'Neill. Subs. T. Doyle for Kearney, T. Kearney for Kelleher, K. Riordan for O'Neill. Ref: M. Pollard (Waterford).



Tipperary's Maeve Corcoran going high to clear the ball from defence during the Munster Minor Camogie Championship final at Ballinlough, Cork. (Picture: Denis Minihane)

Camogie focus

FOR the past few seasons, Tipperary minors have dominated the Munster Championship and are currently the All-Ireland champions. Tonight they will defend their title when they play Cork in this year's Munster final at Ballinlough at 6.30. This should be a game well worth seeing and, hopefully, we will see a big home following there.

Tomorrow, the Cork senior team travel to Ballinasloe to play Galway in the National Senior League semi-final while on the home front the Feile na nGael blitz dominates the fixture list with no fewer than 30 games down for decision. The quarter-finals of this competition will be played on Tuesday night with the semi-finals scheduled for Thursday night.

The Cork Minor selectors will not name their side to play Tipperary until shortly before the game. They are currently experiencing a number of injury problems with Vivienne Harris, Tricia Doyle and goalkeeper Sandra Ricken all doubtful starters. These girls, should they not be available, will certainly be a huge loss to Cork.

In their first outing they narrowly defeated Clare and their performance on that night would have to show a big improvement if they are to succeed tonight. However they have prepared well under the expert eye of former Inniscarra hurler Martin McDonnell and hopes are high that, on form, they can end Tipperary's dominance at this level. While the team is expected to show a number of changes it is certain to include such fine performers as Laura Kelleher, Ellen Clifford, Nora Aherne, Tina Roche and captain of the side, Catherine O'Leary from Inniscarra.

Tomorrow, the Cork senior team will be hoping to repeat their All-Ireland victory over Galway when they clash once again with them at Ballinasloe in the National Senior League semi-final. Cork will be short two of their key players for tomorrow's clash in full-back Breda Kenny and Sandy Fitzgibbon. Both these players are definite non-starters and there is also a doubt about the Dunlea sisters, Lyn and Stephanie, and Linda Mellerick, all of whom are presently preparing for examinations.

The team is: Kathleen Costine, Paula Goggins, Mags Finn, Liz Towler, Liz O'Neill, Therese O'Callaghan, Ann Coleman, Patricia Murphy, A.N. Other, Sheenagh Morely, Fiona O'Driscoll, A.N. Other, Irene O'Keefe, Rose Desmond, Colette O'Mahony.

FIXTURES

TODAY

Munster Minor final: Cork v Tipperary at Ballinlough at 6.30 p.m.

Under-16 "B" League 1993: Fermoy v Youghal at Fermoy at 7.30 p.m. (Referee, Youghal).

TOMORROW

National Senior League: Cork v Galway at Ballinasloe at 3 p.m.

Feile na nGael Blitz will be held at the following venues: St Finbarrs, commencing at 3 p.m.; Farranlea Road, 10.30 a.m.; Ballincollig, 10.30 a.m.; Ballyanly, 10.30 a.m.; Watergrasshill, 10.30 a.m.; Glen Rovers, 10.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 24

Feile na nGael quarter-finals: Venues to be decided.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

Senior League, 1993: Killeagh v Kilbrittain at Killeagh, 7.30. (Ref., Fr O'Neills).

U-16 'A' League semi-final: St Vincents v Inniscarra at Farranlea Road, 7.30. (Ref., Mary McSweeney).

THURSDAY, MAY 26

Feile na nGael semi-finals at Farranlea Road at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

CAMOGIE

National Senior League semi-final: Galway 5-10, Cork 2-6. Scorers — Galway: S. Glynn 0-7, D. Broderick and D. Costello 2-0 each; A. Ryan 1-3. Cork: I. O'Keefe 1-1; C. O'Mahony 0-3, L. Mellerick 1-0, P. Murphy, F. O'Driscoll 0-1 each. Tipperary 4-8; Kilkenny 2-7. Scorers — Tipperary: D. Hughes 3-3, N. Kennedy 1-3, A. Gleeson 0-2. Kilkenny: A. Downey 1-1, S. Miles 0-4, M. Downey 1-0, M. Comerford, M. McGrath 0-1 each.

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1994

Deserved win for Tipperary

Tipperary 4-8 Kilkenny 2-7

TIPPERARY advanced to the National League senior camogie final when they upset favourites Kilkenny at Toomevara yesterday.

It was a very emphatic victory for the Tipperary

side. Given very little chance going into the game they took the game to Kilkenny throughout and led by 2-7 to 1-3 at the break.

Tipperary were in no mood to relinquish their lead after the break and only a goal and two points late in the game gave the scoreboard a respectable look from a Kilkenny point of view.

Cork prove much too good

Cork 2-6 Kilkenny 0-1

CORK proved much too good for Kilkenny in this National Junior League camogie game at Ballincollig yesterday, running out easy winners.

The home side led 1-1 to 0-1 at the break and took complete control in the second-half to hold the visitors scoreless.

Scorers for Cork: Niamh O'Regan 1-1, Ann Golden 1-1, Jill Hannon 0-2, Patricia Murphy 0-1, Linda O'Sullivan 0-1, Hilda Kenneally 0-1.

Kilkenny: Kay Dunphy 0-1.

Bishopstown 3-7 Inniscarra 1-0

BISHOPSTOWN captured the 1993 U-16 Leag

GER O'LOUGHLIN, best known as the 'Sparrow,' felt there was no real turning point in the game. "But, I suppose after the second goal went in we were fairly sure of it."

JAMES O'CONNOR, the team's star performer, agreed, commenting: "when Fergus Tuohy got the last point, I knew we had it."

Team captain ANTHONY DALY, pointed to the team's determination to wipe out the memory of last year. "If you are beaten by 18 points and don't respond like that, you are a dead duck. We had the upper hand psychologically, but, Kerry will have it in the semi-final. They nearly beat us in the League."

Team manager LEN GAYNOR revealed that he

Sinead tops

SINEAD CROWLEY of Ballinhassig has won the Camogie Skills final of Feile na nGael for the second year in succession. In an exciting contest she retained her title at the expense of Criona Harte of Inniscarra and Clare Kenny of Eire Og.

IN the Feile na nGael camogie final Aghabullogaue defeated Bishopstown 4-1 to 2-1.

CAMOGIE

NATIONAL J.L. QUARTER-FINALS
Armagh 2-9 (B. McCallen 1-1, B. McBride 1-0, M. Donnelly, M. Black, P. McEvoy, U. McGivern 0-2 each). Down 2-3 (B. Sands, V. Hynds 1-0 each, M. McAleenan 0-3). Limerick 2-6 (P. McCarthy 2-5, L. Leonard 0-1). Tipperary 0-1 (D. Hughes 0-1). Cork 2-0; Kilkenny 0-2. Kildare 1-10; Antrim 1-3.

LEINSTER MC FINAL
Wexford 1-11 (E. Murphy 1-8, A. Hogan, L. Wickham, K. Kelly 0-1 each). Dublin 1-10 (F. Coocoran 1-10).

MAY 1994

Camogie World

BY P.J. FULHAM

Kilkenny had a convincing win over Offaly in the National Junior League at Shinrone and are through to the quarter finals. Offaly must play off with Limerick. Kilkenny led 2-3 to 1-1 at the break, before winning 3-5 to 1-2. Scorers: Kilkenny: Imelda Kennedy 1-3, Kay Dunphy and Mary McGrath 1-0 each, Margaret Commerford 0-2. Offaly: Caroline McCarthy 1-0, Geraldine Mahon and Catherine Byrne 0-1 each.

In the Leinster Minor Championship semi finals, Wexford got a shock when they travelled to cross swords with Westmeath, winning by only one point. The Slaneysiders found the Lake County girls a formidable force. Two lucky goals inside 30 seconds halfway through the first half gave Wexford a 2-1 to 1-3 lead at the break. After a ding dong second half Wexford got through by 2-4 to 2-3. Scorers: Wexford: Lizzie Wickham 2-0, Michelle O'Leary and Esme Murphy 0-2 each. Westmeath: Marie Austin 2-0, Andrea Martin 0-3.

Dublin had an easy win over Offaly in the other semi final at Kinnity. The winners led 6-5 to 1-1 at the break, and ran out winners on a score of 8-6 to 2-4. Scorers: Dublin: Louise O'Hara 3-1, Fiona Corcoran 2-4, Emer Brannigan 2-1, Jeane McNamara 1-0. Offaly: Audrey Hennessy 2-3, Lorraine Corcoran 0-1.

All-Ireland Minor champions, Tipperary qualified for the Munster final against Cork when they recorded a comprehensive win over Limerick. The first score of the game came on the 2nd minute when Jean Cullinan pointed from an awkward angle for Limerick. It was not until the sixth minute that Tipperary got their first score when Caitriona Hennessy gave a beautiful pass to the waiting Mary Looby who blasted the ball past the Limerick goalie. Tipperary led all the way after that with the remaining scores coming from Caitriona Hennessy, Helan Grogan, and Jacqueline O'Connor to leave the half time score Tipperary 1-3, Limerick 0-4. In the second half Limerick piled on the pressure from time to time, but the superb saves by Emily Hayden goals and the intelligent work by the Tipperary backs, Elaine Fitzgerald, Marie Harkin, Ciara Gaynor and Meabh Corcoran kept any danger at bay. Final score: Tipperary 3-11, Limerick 1-5.

Tipperary team and scorers: Emily Hayden, Elaine Fitzgerald, Marie Harkin, Ciara Gaynor, Meabh Corcoran, Jacqueline O'Connor 0-1, Fiona Hanrahan, Nolette O'Dwyer, Grainne Shanahan, Caitriona Hennessy 2-6, Helan Grogan 0-2, Mary Looby 1-2. Subs: Orla Egan, Paula Stapleton, Nease O'Driscoll, Grace Ormond, Helan Campion, Alice Darcy, Olwen Noonan, Patricia Cummins, Julie Delaney, Catherine Tiernan, Claire Horan, Catherine Cahill.

On Sunday next the quarter finals of the National Junior League are down for decision. The holders, Armagh, throw down the gauntlet to Down at the latter venue. Armagh came out tops of their division and are a formidable force carrying the tag of favourites to advance fielding noted performers in Doonan McCusker, Aine Lennon, Mary Black, Mary Donnelly and Bernie McBride. Down have only dropped two points in their campaign. They are a classy squad but may find the champions too strong. They will be depending on Bonnie McCreevey, Mairin McAleenan, Jennifer Blanniff, Monica McArtan and Ciaran McGovern to cause an upset.

Cork are at home to Kilkenny. This promises to be a sparkling encounter. Whatever grade those two counties meet in they always produce good fare. Cork lost out at this stage last year. They are in good form this year dropping just two points to Tipperary. They will pose quite a problem for the visitors with players such as: Niamh O'Regan, Hilda Kenneally, Evelyn Healy, Anne Golden and Jill Hannon. Nevertheless, Kilkenny have quite a strong force and seem to improve with every game. They have good performers in Imelda Kennedy, Hilda Butler, Sinead Costelloe, Marie Maher and Margaret Commerford. It should be close with little separating the sides at the final whistle.

Kildare have the venue for their tussle with Antrim. The Northern County were regraded from Senior last year. They only lost one match in the campaign and that was to Derry. They have a number of experienced players which include Karen Convery, Roisin McAuley, Denise O'Boyle, Elaine Dowds and Brona McCorry. Kildare will be a force to be reckoned with. They did well in their campaign dropping just two points to Armagh, and had a good victory over last year's League finalists, Dublin. With the following players in top form: Miriam Malone, Caomhe Brennan, Siobhan Mullen, Leona Treacy and Rose Merriman, the Lilywhites will be no push-over.

Tipperary are away to the winners of Offaly v Limerick. Tipperary are riding the crest of the wave and are favourites to advance to the semi finals.

The Leinster Senior Championship takes place this weekend. Kilkenny, the reigning champions will host Dublin in what should be an excellent encounter. When the sides met in the National League Kilkenny had two points to spare. It should be a good warm up for the All-Ireland Championship with Kilkenny to advance to the final.

In the other semi final Kildare have Wexford on home ground. Kildare had a win over the Slaneysiders in the National League but may find the opposition stronger this time. Wexford and Dublin clash in the Leinster Minor Championship final. The teams contested the Under 14 final two years go which Wexford won after a replay. It is sure to be a keenly contested affair going all the way to the wire.

Wexford panel: Linda Byrne, Deirdre O'Neill, Aine Codd, Mary Mooney, Angela Murphy, Joan Redmond, Katherine Kinsella, Anne Hughes, Esme Murphy, Michelle O'Leary, Lizzie Wickham, Anne Carroll, Martina Ryan, Luran Crane,

Linda Kanavagh, Annette Synott, Rosemary Breen, Michelle Whelan.

Dublin panel: Margaret Saurin, Helena O'Hanlon, Eileen Wall, Marie Byrne, Sorcha Farrelly, Caroline Byrne, Emer Dunne, Fiona Guckian, Miriam Carty, Fiona Corcoran, Aisling Byrne, Eimear Brannigan, Paula Lee, Jean McNamara, Orla Smith, Darelle Dolan, Grace Stephenson, Mary Nevin.

KILKENNY JUNIORS HAVE CONVINCING WIN OVER OFFALY

Marino crowned Senior 'A' champions

ALUTE the Marino masters, crowned champions of the Dublin camogie scene for the third time in succession after their victory in the Senior 'A' Championship.

After all the years of knocking on the door of the bigtime, Marino have firmly established themselves as the best team in Dublin. And they collected this latest honour without three of their finest players, Mairead Coyle, Patsy Murphy and Carmel O'Byrne.

And tomorrow night, they

continue their bid for the double when they tackle Ballyboden St. Enda's in Fairview Park. Nobody would begrudge Marino their time in the sun, but the club themselves will not bask in the glory for too long.

They want to secure the League title, but the major wish of the club is to do well in the Leinster Club competition.

The Marino squad have worked extremely hard to reach their present lofty situation, and the only cloud on their Championship victory last week was the confusion at the end

CAMOGIE

By NIAL SCULLY

regarding the score, which was corrected after the initial verdict from the referee indicated a drawn match.

Celtic played their part in a terrific tussle. They provided a stern resistance. The second half display of Marino's new recruit Denise Smith was critical for the champions.

Denise O'Leary was utterly reliable both from the placed ball and from play, and she linked up to good effect with Patricia Clinton. Louise Lynch, coming back to form after injury, made a tidy contribution in the Marino attack, and Helen Drumgoole gave a very solid performance.

Alas, Marino will well know the feeling of the Dublin minors at the moment. For the second year in a row, they were beaten by a point in the Leinster final by Wexford last Saturday at Silver Park.

Kildare race into semi-final

KILDARE raced into the semi-finals of the National Junior League with a convincing 1-10 to 1-3 victory over Antrim in Clane on Sunday.

It was an entertaining encounter throughout, with Kildare leading 0-5 to 0-2 at the break. The early part of the second half was evenly enough contested, but Mary Healy's goal in the 17th minute ensured a Kildare victory.

Kildare scorers were: M Healy 1-1, S Mullin 0-4, A Treacy 0-2, L Doran, M Aspel and C Brennan 0-1 each. Referee: L Davitt (Westmeath).

Kilkenny bowed out of the race for the National Junior League honours when they found Cork too strong in another quarter-final at Ballincollig. The Leinster county never got going and Cork ran out easy winners on a score of 2-6 to 0-2.

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Wexford became Leinster Minor champions when they overcame Dublin by a whisker in this final played at Silverpark. It was a great struggle all the way through. At the break the sides were locked Wexford 1-4; Dublin 0-7.

On the resumption, Wexford went three points ahead, but then Dublin's scoring ace Fiona Corcoran had a well-taken goal to put the sides on level terms.

Approaching the final whistle Wexford launched a final attack and Kate Kelly sent over the bar for the winning point to give Wexford a 1-11 to 1-10 victory.

Scorers for Wexford: E Murphy 1-8, A Hogan, L Wickham and K Kelly 0-1 each. Dublin: F Corcoran 1-10. Referee: M Connor (Louth).

U14 Championship: Wexford 3-9; Dublin 1-2. Westmeath 2-1; Meath 0-0. Louth 4-9; Kildare 4-1. Laois 3-3; Wicklow 2-1.

On Sunday next, Kildare, who are Leinster's only hope of collecting a National League title, travel to take on Cork in the semi-final of the National Junior League. This encounter is sure to be a cracker.

Imokilly girls take on Seandun

THE first game in this year's Cork Senior Camogie championship takes place in Midleton tomorrow (7.30) when Imokilly face Seandun.

Imokilly will be composed mainly of players from Sarsfields, Fr. O'Neill's, Killeagh, St. Catherine's and Cobh, with Kathleen Costine, Breda Kenny, Liz Dunphy, Mags Finn, Fiona O'Driscoll and Cork Junior players Ann Brady and Vera Motherway on their selections.

Seandun will rely on players from Bishopstown, St. Finbarrs, Na Piarasigh and Brian Dillons to see them through to the next round and will have a strong panel. The can call upon the likes of Liz Towler, Colette O'Mahony, Paula Goggins, Liz O'Neill, Rose Desmond, Collette Cronin, Karen Mellerick and Gail Fleming all of whom are talented players.

Seandun advance

Seandun 1-10 Imokilly 2-4

SEANDUN deserved their three points win over Imokilly in this first round Cork Senior Camogie championship game at Midleton last evening.

The City side made good use of their chances in the first-half and turned over leading 1-7 to 0-2. Imokilly should have been much closer but they wasted quite a few chances.

The crucial score of the half was an excellent goal by young Vivienne Harris five minutes from the break. Colette O'Mahony raced in from the wing and parted to Vivienne, who gave Marie Costine no chance from close range.

Imokilly upped the tempo in the second-half but found the Seandun defence, in which Karen Mellerick, Colette Cronin and Goggins were outstanding, very much in control.

Fiona O'Driscoll got through for a goal seven minutes after the restart and a further goal a minute into injury-time set up an exciting finish. But the Seandun defence stood firm in the final five minutes of overtime to gain a worthy victory. They now play Muskerry in the second round.

Scorers, Seandun: C O'Mahony 0-5 (0-4 frees, 0-1 "30"), V Harris 1-0, I O'Leary 0-4 (0-2 frees), K Mellerick 0-1. Imokilly: F O'Driscoll 2-1, M Kennefick 0-2 (0-1 "30"), S Cahalane 0-1.

SEANDUN: R Desmond (Bishopstown); B Kelleher (St. Finbarr's); C Cronin (do); E Healy (Na Piarasigh); P Goggins (do); K Mellerick (Brian Dillons); J Hannon (do); S Morley (Bishopstown); I O'Leary (Na Piarasigh); C O'Mahony (St. Finbarr's); V Harris (Bishopstown); L O'Neill (do).

IMOKILLY: K Costine (Killeagh); V Motherway (do); S Meade (Fr. O'Neill's); M Finn (do); L Dunphy (Sarsfields); A Brady (do); B Kenny (do); S Cahalane (Killeagh); M Kennefick (Fr. O'Neill's); M O'Connor (Killeagh); F O'Driscoll (Fr. O'Neill's); G Martin (Cobh). Sub: S McCarthy (Fr. O'Neill's) for G Martin. Referee: M Murphy.

Tomorrow at St. Finbarr's Grounds, Toghher, Cork will take on Kildare in the semi-final of the National Junior Camogie League. The game is due to start at 2.00.

Camogie Board

THE Cork Co. Camogie Board meeting was adjourned last night as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Con O'Sullivan, husband of Lily O'Sullivan, registrar of the Cork Co. Camogie Board.

Chairperson Sheila Golden, paying tribute to the late Mr. O'Sullivan, said his work and help to the camogie board was enormous and the sympathy of the board was extended to the O'Sullivan family.

Success for Barryroe

Barryroe 3-7, Newcestown 2-2

BARRYROE captured the 1993 Cork Junior League camogie title at Farranlea Road yesterday when they had a good win over Newcestown.

The winners laid the foundations to their success in the opening half when they picked off some nice scores to lead 2-5 to 1-1 at the break.

Newcestown, who were missing Hilda Kenneally through injury, made a valiant effort to get back into the game in the second-half and although Antonette O'Connell was in brilliant form, the Barryroe defence held firm and broke up some very promising attacking moves.

Scorers for Barryroe: J Cahalane 2-0, A Sheehy 0-5 (frees), M O'Sullivan 1-0, E McCarthy 0-2. Newcestown: A O'Connell 2-2.

National Senior League champions Kilkenny suffered a shock defeat by the underdogs Tipperary in this National Camogie Senior League semi final played at Toomevara. The winners took the Leinster County by surprise and led 2-7 to 1-3 at the break. While the champions tried hard to recover they found Tipperary defence quite staunch and Tipperary ran out 4-8 to 2-7 winners. Scorers: Tipperary: Deirdre Hughes 3-3, Noelle Kennedy 1-3, Anne Gleeson 0-2. Kilkenny: Anne Downey 1-1, Sinead Millea 0-4, Marina Downey 1-0, Margaret Comerford and Mary McGrath 0-1 each.

Galway, last year's All-Ireland Championship finalists got their revenge when they coasted to victory over All-Ireland champions Cork in this National Senior League semi final played at Ballinasloe. The Galway girls were hungry for victory and took the game to their opponents from the start and by half time they had built up a lead of 3-2 to 0-4. Second half goals by Cork's Irene O'Keeffe and Linda Mellerick was not enough to pull back the first half deficit as Galway picked off some well taken points to advance on a score of 4-10 to 2-5. Scorers: Galway: Sharon Glynn 0-7, Olivia Broderick and Deirdre Costelloe 2-0 each, Anne Ryan 0-3. Cork: Irene O'Keeffe 1-1, Colette O'Mahoney 0-3, Linda Mellerick 1-0, Patricia Murphy and Fiona O'Driscoll 0-1 each.

All-Ireland Minor champions Tipperary gave notice of their intention with a comprehensive win over Cork in this Munster Minor Championship final played at Ballinlough. It was quite an exciting affair and was more closely contested than the score suggests. Tipperary took their points well and led 1-10 to 1-4 at the break. They ran out winners on a score of 2-13 to 1-6. Scorers: Tipperary: Caitriona Hennessy 0-7, Mary Looby 1-3, Helan Campion 1-0, Ciara Gaynor 0-2, Jacqueline O'Connor 0-1. Cork: Catherine O'Leary 1-0, Eibhlín Moynahan 0-3, Donna O'Leary 0-2, Vivienne O'Neill 0-1.

Carlow, the Leinster Junior champions, were lucky to keep their title intact when they were beaten by Westmeath in the quarter final played at Dr. Cullen Park. The first half was a ding dong struggle with Carlow leading 0-6 to 0-5 at the break. The second half continued to be an edge of the seat affair. In the closing stages the champions edged their way to a 1-12 to 1-8 victory. Scorers: Carlow: Valerie Crean 0-8, Marie Sheehan 0-4, Aine Murphy 1-0. Westmeath: Annette Heffernan 0-6, Una Loughlin 1-0, Yvette Cully and Aileen Lawlor 0-1 each.

Kilkenny had an easy passage to the semi finals when they defeated Meath in the Leinster Junior Championship quarter final played at Lisdowney. The winners led 2-5 to 1-1 at the interval and finished on a score of 3-8 to 1-6. Scorers: Kilkenny: Margaret Kavanagh 2-1, Margaret Comerford 1-3, Sinead Costelloe 0-3, Catherine Dunne and Kay Dunphy 0-1 each. Meath: Frances Heavey 1-2, Dearville O'Carroll 0-3, Anne Gannon 0-1.

Dublin are also through to the semi finals when they had a convincing 5-7 to 0-5 win over Laois at Ballyboden. Scorers: Dublin: Tara O'Connell 2-0, Ailish Mullen 1-2, Patricia McHale 0-3, Siobhan Treacy and Irene Kirwan 1-1 each. Laois: Bernadette Fitzpatrick 0-5.

Offaly must play Limerick again to decide a place in the quarter finals of the National Junior League. This was a hard fought play off at Rath which ended in stalemate. Offaly 1-9, Limerick 3-3 after extra time. Scorers: Offaly: Michelle Davis 1-3, Geraldine Mahon 0-4, Caroline McCarthy and Dymphna Whyte 0-1 each. Limerick: Aine Cahill 2-0, Marguirite Guiry 1-0, Liz Leonard, Liz O'Riordan and Pauleen McCarthy 0-1 each.

It has just come to hand that Limerick have defeated

Offaly in the replay.

Ulster Senior Championship semi final: Armagh 4-6, Derry 0-2. Scorers: Armagh: Mary Donnelly 2-0, Rosie McCalelland and Ursula McGivern 1-0 each, Aine Lennon 0-3, Patricia McEvoy 0-2, Bernie McBride 0-1.

Ulster Minor Championship semi final: Derry 2-11, Tyrone 2-6. Derry scorers: Claire McNichol 2-4, Catherine Pickering 0-3, Ailish O'Neill and Aileen O'Kane 0-2 each.

Maguire Cup: Down 4-6, Armagh 2-6. Scorers: Down: Mairin McAleenan 2-6, Bonnie McCreevy 2-0. Armagh: Mary Black 1-4, Dolores McCreesh 1-0, Deirdre Connolly and Colette Connolly 0-1 each.

Toomevara retained the Tipperary Senior League title in a real thriller at Borrisoleigh when they snatched a last minute goal from old rivals Cashel. Both teams sporting a number of intercounty players, Toomevara took the lead three minutes into the game when Deirdre Hughes goaled from a close in shot. Cashel's Triona Bonner pointed almost immediately. Play went from end to end with every ball eagerly contested. Two points separated the sides at the interval with Toomevara ahead 1-3 to 1-1. On the resumption both teams had to work hard for every score. The last quarter of the game was fast and furious and with five minutes to go the sides were locked together. Karina Perdue pointed for Cashel, this was followed almost immediately with a similar score from Cashel's Neasa O'Dwyer. At this stage it looked as if the cup was heading west but a free for Toomevara gave them a chance to reduce Cashel's lead to 0-1. However, Noelle Kennedy opted to go for a goal, her attempt was saved and cleared. Deirdre Hughes gained possession and sent the ball to the net to leave the full time score: Toomevara 2-7, Cashel 2-6.

On Sunday next the National Junior League semi finals take place. At the time of writing, the pairings are not known. Next week we will preview the National Senior League final with two new teams involved.

Tipp shock League champions Kilkenny

Comeback foiled by late goal

Our Lady's, Templemore 2-7
St. Mary's, Charleville . . . 3-8

OUR LADY'S senior camogie team took on St. Mary's, Charleville, in the Munster senior league final in the GAA pitch in Charleville.

Caitriona Hennessey got the first point from play just minutes into the game, but this was quickly matched by Charleville. St. Mary's got another two points from play but Templemore fought hard and Caitriona Hennessey got

another point from play. Charleville took control and secured two soft goals from long-range shots followed by three points both from play and frees. Our Lady's replied with two points from frees, leaving the half-time score St. Mary's 2-6, Our Lady's 0-4.

From the start of the second half Templemore played with true spirit and Helen Grogan sent the ball crashing into the net after seven minutes. Our Lady's took charge and dominated

the second half. Jackie O'Connor sent a great pass to Helen Grogan, who rounded her player and scored a second goal, and soon after hitting the crossbar. Pressure on the backs was enormous but Maria Harkin, Orla Meagher and Catherine Cahill did very well. Templemore's hopes were quashed when Charleville got an easy goal from a long-range shot. Templemore replied with another point from a free, leaving the final

score Charleville 3-8, Templemore 2-7.

Sinead Ryan and Jackie O'Connor played very well in the second half, as did Grace Desmond, H. Grogan and C. Hennessey in the forward line. All Templemore players are underage again next year, except one, so the future will be bright for this team.

Scorers Templemore: C. Hennessey (0-5), H. Grogan (2-1), G. Ormond (0-1).

Junior girls in decider

Cork 2-7 Kildare 3-1

CORK qualified for the National Junior League camogie final against Armagh in Toghher yesterday when they defeated Kildare in an exciting tussle.

Some poor defending cost the Cork side dearly in the opening half when they allowed the visitors, who played with the wind, to score three easy goals, but they were still only a point behind at the break, 2-2 to 3-0.

On the resumption Cork tightened up and although their forwards picked off some nice points the Cork defence still had to withstand a good deal of pressure as the Kildare forwards were always dangerous.

Scorers for Cork: H Kenneally 1-3, N O'Regan 1-0, J Hannon 0-2, L O'Sullivan 0-2 (frees).

Kildare: B O'Brien 2-0, M Healy 1-0, S Mullins 0-1.

Ballygarvan 5-0 Mayfield 1-1

IN the U-16 B League final played at Farranlea Road on Saturday night, Ballygarvan captured their first trophy since the club was reformed seven years ago by beating Mayfield.

They opened the scoring with a goal from Claire Barrett and this was quickly followed by two goals from Orla O'Sullivan. Mayfield's only reply in this half came from a point by Vanessa Kennedy to leave Ballygarvan ahead at the break 3-0 to 0-1.

On the resumption, Mayfield won a lot more possession but squandered some scoring chances.

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Biddy Phillips (Tipperary Camogie Board) presenting the cup to Grace Ormond, captain of Our Lady's team. (Photo: Seamus Bourke)

Cork dispose of the Lilywhites challenge

KILDARE failed to make the National Junior League final when they lost their semi-final to Cork at St Finbarr's last Sunday.

It proved quite a tussle between two evenly matched sides, with the outcome in the balance right up to the final whistle.

The Lilywhites got off to a great start with three first half goals — two by Breda O'Brien and the other by Mary Healy.

Cork replied with a brace of goals and just one point sepa-

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rated the sides at half-time, Kildare 3-0, Cork 2-2.

Kildare showed lots of fire in the second half but could only manage a solitary point as Cork edged their way to a three point victory in the closing stages.

SCORERS — Cork: H Kenneally 1-3, N O'Regan 1-0, G Hannon, L O'Sullivan 0-2 each. Kildare: B O'Brien 2-0, M Healy 1-0, S Mullen 0-1.

There is one game down for decision on Sunday, a Leinster championship quarter-final meeting between Offaly and Kildare at Rath (3.0).

This is sure to be a cracker, particularly as both teams are out of the National League and so will be going all out to impress in the championship.

OFFALY PANEL — B Rosney, B Nugent, E Kinsella, H Kinsella, M Lynch, G Mahon, G Gath, A Hennessy, A Dooley, M

Dooley, H Dooley, A Bergin, R Bergin, M Davis, D White, A Kelly, B Murphy, B McNamara, D Troy, I Larkin, M Searson, V McGarry.

KILDARE PANEL — L

Doran, N Egan, N Kerrigan, M Malone, E Miley, R Treacy, A Treacy, N Treacy, N Leahy, S Finneran, M Finneran, P O'Brien, K Brennan, M Feeney, R Merriman, D Feeney, S Mullen, B O'Brien, B McSweeney, L Brennan, C Hopkins, M Healy.



Munster u-15 Camogie Champions. Our Lady's Secondary School u-15 camogie team who beat St. Pat's, Cork, in the final. Front row (l to r.) Maria Harkin (Drom), Anita Deegan (Templemore), Patricia O'Brien (do.), Catriona Hennessy (Drom), Grace Ormond (Loughmore), Deirdre Foy (Templemore), Laura Bohan (do.), Marie Bourke (Killea), Monica Reilly (Templemore), Jane Collins (do.). Back row (l to r.) Shona Byrne (Clonakenny), Paula Stapleton (Templemore), Jackie O'Connor (Drom), Eileen Ryan (do.), Deirdre O'Connor (do.), Ciara Ormond (Templemore), Catherine Cahill (do.), Helen Grogan (do.), Niamh Buckley (Shankill), Caroline O'Connor (Drom), Fiona Loughnane (Templemore), Teresa Brennan (trainer).

Photo: Seamus Bourke.

Hail Mary's!



The successful St Mary's, Charleville camogie teams, on left are the Seniors and right, the Juniors.

By DIARMUID O'FLYNN

TWENTY Cork Colleges titles, 16 Munster titles, seven All-Irelands, Senior county winners for the last three years in-a-row, junior winners for the last four years, and — signs that there's no fall-off in talent — the first-years recently won their county title, another four-in-a-row. And all in the last 10 years!

In the '93 season, they were eligible for 10 competitions — they made the finals of all 10, losing only two. Unfortunately, these were the two big ones — the All-Ireland senior and junior.

On the week that I called to see them, they wrapped up two more titles — the Munster Senior League, when they beat Templemore by 3-8 to 2-7, and the First-Years County Championship. They are the reigning All-Ireland junior and seven-a-side champions.

Surely, you would think, this College is a household name? St. Mary's Secondary in Charleville.

You've probably never heard of them, and, after this brief moment in the limelight — such as it is — possibly won't hear of them again for a while. And that is hugely unfair.

Two principal reasons for this — the sport at which they're picking up all those titles is camogie, and the school is in limbo — on the Cork/Limerick

border.

Well, in the last few years, the girls of St. Mary's have defeated more than a few all-boys teams. In some of those cases the boys, admittedly, were a year younger than the girls, but still...

NOT SURPRISED

I am not surprised at the levels of ability in camogie. Both my mother and my older sister could fairly hurl — though when I think of it now, my sister could also unfairly hurl! But that's another story.

Suffice to say for the moment — camogie doesn't get the recognition, support or publicity it deserves. Promotion, publicity badly needed. Perhaps a few good camogie reporters from within the ranks...

I could go on, but this is not a camogie treatise. Let's get back to St. Mary's, and the second reason they're denied recognition. Limbo — the Cork/Limerick border.

Most of the players of St. Marys come from Limerick clubs, Granagh and Ballygran being the two power-bases there. A few come from the only Cork club in the area, Newtown (an amazing statistic that — only one camogie club in the hurling stronghold of North Cork), with the occasional player from Ballyhea. In just a few years playing camogie, Frances Broderick and Claire O'Callaghan

have more All-Irelands than most of the male hurlers that Ballyhea ever produced, and this they achieved almost anonymously.

Because the expense of travelling to Cork was prohibitive, the Newtown camogie club opted to play in the Limerick competitions, but as a result of that decision, the Newtown girls end up playing for Limerick in inter-county competition, which contributes to their lack of recognition in Cork.

This article, then, is a belated attempt to recognise the achievements of the school.

The driving force behind camogie in Charleville is the duo of Spanish and Maths teacher Vincent Harrington and PE teacher Anne-Marie O'Keefe. It's a tough job...

"In every school, it seems to be left up to just a few teachers to do all the work. We have to try and organise the buses, the players, the jerseys, hurleys, balls — the whole lot. On a few occasions, half-time came around before we realised we forgot to bring water! Sometimes we wonder if the girls themselves realise all the work involved..."

They do, Vincent... "I think Mr. Harrington is great — he never criticises us if we get things wrong, always finds reasons to praise us. He and Miss

O'Keefe give up lots of their spare time..."

DEDICATION

So spoke Muireann Harrington — no relation of Vincent's — the current junior and senior full-back of St. Marys. The girls also gave up much of their spare time, training twice a week right through the Christmas break, the mid-term break, and Easter. That's dedication.

Is Muireann worried about injuries? "Full-face helmets are compulsory, even in training. Anyway, if you know the game, know how to pull, you won't get injured..."

Muireann is one of those Cork girls currently playing inter-county with Limerick, at U-16 level.

Camogie at the school is almost self-financing, with most of the year's expenses met through a sponsored walk on the beautiful Ballyhouras and a well-supported camogie parents' flag day in Charleville.

Vincent was also unstinting in his praise of the Newtown and Charleville GAA clubs, for their work in preparing fields, dressingrooms, showers etc for the "home" games. Charleville GAA also hosted a formal evening for the teams at their impressive social club — the girls appreciated being appreciated. And don't we all.

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Belle O'Loughlin

Belle O'Loughlin wants to emulate Peter Quinn by presenting the trophies to Ulster girls

BY SEAMUS McALEENAN

In March 1994, Belle O'Loughlin was elected by a four-vote margin to lead Cumann Camogaíochta na nGael towards its centenary in 2004. She became the 23rd President and the seventh from Ulster. Three years ago, the Warrenpoint club member suffered the disappointment of a two-vote defeat to Bridin Uí Mhaolagáin, but she was happy to enter the contest this year, after receiving encouragement from within her province.

"It will be difficult to follow Bridin, but I have my own ideas that I would like to see come to fruition," ventures the former Ulster president and secretary. "The arrival at All-Ireland level of counties like Galway, Tipperary, Down and Armagh has led to increased interest in camogie. This wider base should make our game more attractive to sponsors."

The new President, a national coach and referee herself, also emphasises the role of the coach in the club and school.

"While the All-Ireland Senior final is our show-piece, under-12, under-14 and college sides are the work-shop. No one will look at the shop-window, if the goods arriving there are not in first-class condition."

Belle was first introduced to camogie in the St. Bridget's club and Sacred Heart school in her home town of Newry. Mar-

riage to Arthur brought her to the picturesque town of Warrenpoint on the banks of Carlingford Lough. She therefore becomes the second President from her adopted town, following Sighle Nic an Ultaigh (1949-54). Like Sighle, Belle has an impressive background in administration. She has served her county in all board positions including three stints as cathaoirleach. She was founder member of Newry and Mourne Sports' Advisory Committee, and still sits

Nicola are all grown-up now and that was another factor in my decision to run for the Presidency. The position is a demanding one for the whole family but they have always given me their full support."

Her family have all played for the Warrenpoint club and it is this grassroots unit which Belle is keen to represent.

"Sometimes Ardchomhairle, unintentionally, seems remote from the ordinary club member. If I can make the top and the



THE CUP THAT CHEERS ... Linda Mellerick (Cork) with the All-Ireland trophy the new president hopes to present to an Ulster captain

on that body.

Her first administration position in the Mourne county, treasurer, came while Belle was still playing. She collected provincial medals with Down but missed out on her county's junior All-Ireland victory of 1968 because of an addition to her family in February 1969.

"The children, Damien, Mark, Barry and

bottom feel closer together, then my three years will have been a big success. "However", continues Belle, "I have no illusions as to what lies ahead."

Like most Ulster people, the new President, wears her heart on her sleeve. "No disrespect to anyone, but I hope I can copy Peter Quinn in handing over plenty of cups to Ulster girls."

Camogie:-

Templemore Far superior to weak Cork side

Our Lady's, Templemore 5-14
St. Pat's, Cork 0-2

Our Lady's Templemore Junior team proved much too strong for St. Pat's Cork side when they had a comprehensive victory in the junior league final played in Templemore on Monday.

Our Lady's were a class apart, even though this was the third game for several players having played in the senior schools league final and for Tipperary minors within a week. The experience gained in these matches was very worthwhile.

Templemore stormed into the game from the throw in and had the Cork back line under severe pressure. Cathriona Henessey took scores like a true marksman in the first ten minutes scoring four points. Helen Grogan was always a danger for the Cork full back and scored 2-2 in the first half. Jackie O'Connor dominated midfield and sent in several passes to the forward line as well as scoring some fine points. Cork only replied with two points from frees to leave the score at the interval 2-9 to 0-2.

In the second half St. Pat's

had it all to do and tried to get through the Templemore back line but failed to get past such players as Maria Harkin, Catherine Cahill and Deirdre Foy who cleared any threat to the defence. Helen Grogan netted another three goals in the second half with great passes from Grace Ormond and Cathriona Henessey. Paula Stapleton and Jackie O'Connor had a great half. Cork tackled and chased everything but the final score showed Our Lady's a far superior side.

Scorers: H. Grogan (5-3), C. Henessey (0-6), J. O'Connor (0-4), M. Harkin (0-1).

Excitement intense

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NON STOP action and intense excitement was the order of the day at the Sciath na Scoil Camogie finals at Páirc Uí Chaoimh yesterday.

St. Mary's 2-1

Scoil Oilibheir 1-0

Catherine Harrington emerged as the heroine for St. Marys On The Hill in their victory over Scoil Oilibheir in the Roinn 'A' final.

The corner-forward grabbed a goal in each half to give the Knocknaheeny school their second title in three years. Siun Ní Cheilleachair replied for Scoil Oilibheir.

Scorers for St. Mary's: C. Harrington 2-0; H. O'Keeffe 0-1
Scoil Oilibheir: S. Ní Cheilleachair 1-0.

ST. MARY'S: V. Guiney, V. McCarthy, J. Dowdall, L. Murphy, T. O'Halloran, H. Richmond, D. Falvey, K. O'Brien, H. O'Keeffe, C. Harrington, P. Keating, S. Clarke.

SCOIL OILIBHEIR: N. Ní Ghoillín, S. Ní Neill, A.M. Ní Chroidean, M. Ní Aodh, A.Ní Ghiollarnath, A. Guison, A. Hosford, D. Ní Choistealla, G. Peelo, S. Ní Labhais, S. Ní Cheilleachair, L. Ní Laocha.

Referee: M. Byrne (Na Piarsaigh).

St. Patrick's 5-6

Maria Assumpta (Ballyphehane) 0-0

St. Patrick's, beaten by Maria Assumpta twelve months ago, gained sweet revenge in the Roinn 'B' final.

The Gardiners Hill side dominated the game from the outset and three goals from Sinead Kelly and one apiece from Ellen Daly and Sinead O'Brien saw them run out convincing winners.

Scorers for St. Patrick's: S. Kelly 3-0; S. Buckley 0-6, E. Daly and S. O'Brien 1-0 each.

ST. PATRICK'S: P. Rogers, E. Mackey, A. Hurley, S. McSweeney, N. Kenny, R. Williams, S. Buckley, C. Brown, M. Gillis, S. Kelly, E. Daly, S. O'Brien.

MARIA ASSUMPTA: V. Nash, J. O'Sullivan, L. Cotter, D. Carroll, H. Condon, A. Maher, G. O'Sullivan, E. Ahern, S. O'Connell, V. Maher, J. Treacy, G. O'Connor.

Referee: M. Byrne.

St. Catherine's 3-1

St. Columba's 3-0

St. Catherine's edged out St. Columbas by the narrowest of margins in a thrilling Roinn 'C' decider.

The Bishopstown girls, for whom Ciara Healy excelled, trailed by two points with five minutes remaining but a goal from substitute Sinead White swung the tie in their favour.

Scorers for St. Catherine's: C. Healy 1-1; K. Kenefick and S. White 1-0 each.

St. Columba's: G. McCormack, A. Garvey and D. Callanan 1-0 each.

ST. CATHERINE'S: E. Kenneally, E. Burns, J. Anthony, D. Barry-Murphy, J. Crowley, A. Heffernan, C. Healy, J. Kenefick, D. Nolan, L. Cronin, L. McCarthy, C. Kenefick.

ST. COLUMBA'S: A. Brannigan, A. Garvey, A. O'Regan, D. Roche, M. O'Sullivan, N. Garvey, S. Goulding, L. Sexton, F. Harris, G. McCormack, D. Callanan, F. Riordan.

Referee: M. Byrne.



Rachel Moloney of Ballinspittle NS soloing past Innishannon NS player Sinead Deasy during the Roinn D final at the Sciath na Scoil camogie finals at Páirc Uí Chaoimh.
(Picture: Denis Minihane)

Ballinspittle 4-2

Innishannon 0-0

Ballinspittle were always in the driving seat in the Roinn 'D' final.

Ahead by a Geraldine McCarthy goal at the interval, they turned on the power in the second half and further goals from McCarthy, Rachel Moloney and substitute Yvonne Hayes put the gloss on an impressive victory.

Scorers for Ballinspittle: G. McCarthy 2-0; R. Moloney 1-2; Y. Hayes 1-0.

BALLINSPITTLE: A. O'Regan, S. Wright, J. Murphy, C. Collins, S. Hayes, S. Quinn, R. Moloney, Cora Nyhan, M. O'Regan, Caroline Nyhan, G. McCarthy, T. Daly.

INNISHANNON: E. Foley, D. O'Sullivan, C. O'Mahony, S. O'Sullivan, M. Falvey, S. Deasy, G. Murphy, A.M. Murphy, B. Cullinane, M. Hurley, J. Dwane, M.T. Allen.

Referee: M. Byrne.

Kilcredan 2-0

Glenville 0-0

TWO goals from Nora O'Leary enabled Kilcredan overcome a brave Glenville challenge in the Roinn 'F' decider.

O'Leary opened the scoring after only four minutes and struck again in the second half to settle the issue.

Scorers for Kilcredan: N. O'Leary 2-0.

KILCREDAN: M. O'Brien, J. Collins, F. O'Keeffe, S. Kenefick, D. Pomphrett, P. Quinn, C. Walsh, S. O'Driscoll, N. O'Shea.

GLENVILLE: E. Cahill, V. Quirke, M. Cronin, M. Forde, H. O'Keeffe, E. McHugh, N. Herlihy, C. Coakley, N. O'Mahony.

Referee: M. Byrne.

Farran 5-0

Clontead 4-0

THE Roinn 'E' final produced a cracking contest, with Farran defeating Clontead by the odd goal in nine.

Brid Sheehan played a captain's role for the winners, scoring a hat-trick, her third goal in the closing minutes finally thwarting a brave Clontead comeback.

Scorers for Farran: B. Sheehan 3-0; D. O'Brien and P. Corkery 1-0 each.

Clontead: L. Murphy 2-0; P. Lehané and O. O'Sullivan 1-0 each.

FARRAN: T. O'Sullivan, S. Reck, A. Gleeson, C. Sheehan, C. Barry, C. Moriarty, D. O'Brien, B. Sheehan, P. Corkery.

CLONTEAD: K. Crowley, A. Ennequess, J. Fitzgerald, M.B. Ennequess, K. O'Flynn, S. Buckley, O. O'Sullivan, P. Lehané, L. Murphy.

Referee: M. Byrne.

St Patrick's NS, Cork, winners of the Roinn B final in the Sciath na Scoil camogie finals at Páirc Uí Chaoimh.
(Picture: Denis Minihane)



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St Catherine's School, Bishopstown Ave., Cork players jumping for joy after defeating St Columba's Girls' NS, Douglas, Cork in the Roinn C final at the Sciath na Scol camogie finals at Páirc Uí Chaoimh. (Picture: Denis Minihane)



■ St Catherine's School, Bishopstown Avenue, Cork players Audrey Heffernan and Amy Quinn celebrating after another forward scored the winning goal in the Roinn C final against St Columba's Girls' NS, Douglas, Cork at the Sciath na Scol camogie finals at Páirc Uí Chaoimh. (Picture: Denis Minihane)

Camogie finals programme

THE Sciath na Scol camogie finals, once again sponsored by the Cork Examiner, take place at Páirc Uí Chaoimh today.

11.00am — Roinn 'A': St. Mary's On The Hill, Knocknaheeny v Scoil Oibheir, Ballyvolane.

12.00 — Roinn 'B': St. Patrick's, Gardiners Hill v Maria Assumpta, Ballyphehane.

1pm — Roinn 'C': Douglas Girls School v St. Catherine's, Model Farm Road.

2pm — Roinn 'D': Ballinspittle v Innishannon.

3pm — Roinn 'E': Kilereddán v Glenville.

3.45pm — Roinn 'F': Farran v Clontarf.

On Sunday next the National Senior League final is down for decision. It will be the second to be run on a 15-a-side format. It sees two new teams do battle for the title, Galway and Tipperary. Both counties have been very much to the fore at All-Ireland Minor and colleges level in recent years with the famed St. Raphael's, Loughrea and St. Mary's, Nenagh. The sides met in last year's All-Ireland Minor Championship final and it took a replay to separate them as Tipperary won its second title in a row. Galway won two similar titles in 1986 and 87.

Tipperary claimed the inaugural National Senior League in 1977 defeating Wexford 4-2 to 1-3, they figured unsuccessfully in the 1980 final, while Galway never contested a senior league final. The Premier County contested three All-Ireland Junior Championship finals winning in 1992 against Galway 6-13 to 2-7. Galway won it in 72, 79, 85 and 88 and were defeated in both senior and junior All-Ireland finals last year.

Following Tipperary's All-Ireland Junior success they were graded Intermediate and bowed out at the semi-final stage of the All-Ireland series last year. This year they opted to take part in the senior league, and created a good impression.

On the path to the final both teams emerged from different divisions. Tipperary disposed of Clare, Wexford and Kildare, losing only to Cork. Galway overcome Down and Dublin and were defeated by Kilkenny by one point. In the semi-finals Tipperary caused a big upset when they knocked out the League title holders Kilkenny on a score of 4-8 to 2-7. Galway had their moment of glory when they turned the tables on the All Ireland Champions Cork defeating them by 5-10 to 2-6.

This final is sure to be a sparkling encounter with both sides fielding a



Ann Derham, Dublin, who will be in charge of the N.S.L. final

host of stars. Galway have noted performers in Sharon Glynn, Deidre Costello, Anne Ryan, Olivia Broderick, Imelda Hobbins, Emer Hardiman and Claire Lynch.

Tipperary will be full of zest after topping the Champions and are a lively squad which include Triona Bonner, Deidre Hughes, Noelle Kennedy, Meabh Stokes, Anne Gleeson, Helen Kiely and Regina O'Meara. The Connacht County carry the tag of favourites to collect its first title, home venue will be an advantage, but Tipperary cannot be underestimated. They are capable of causing another upset.

Venue: Ballinasloe at 3.30
Referee: Aine Derham, Dublin.

National Junior League quarter final results:

National Junior League champions, Armagh had to fight all the way against Down in this match played at Ballyholland. At the end of the

first half the sides were level at 0-1 each. Early in the second half goals for Down by Bridin Sands and Valerie Hynds had the champions worried and after ten minutes Down led 2-3 to 0-3. It was Armagh who took their scoring chances from then on, to run out winners on a score of 2-9 to 2-3. Scorers: Armagh: Roisin McCallenan 1-1, Bernie McBride 1-0, Mary Black, Mary Donnelly, Patricia McEvoy and Ursula McGivern 0-2 each.

Down: Bridin Sands and Valerie Hynds 1-0 each, Mairin McAleenan 0-3.

Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

Kildare raced into the semi-final with a convincing 1-10 to 1-3 victory over Antrim at Clane. It was an entertaining encounter throughout, with Kildare leading 0-5 to 0-2 at the break. The early part of the second half was evenly contested, but Mary Healy's goal in the 17th minute ensured a Kildare victory. Scorers: Kildare: Mary Healy 1-1, Siobhan Mullen 0-4, Aisling Tracey 0-2, Michelle Aspel, Liz Doran and Caomhe Brennan 0-1 each. Antrim: Margaret McAttaney 1-3. Referee: Liam Davitt, Westmeath.

Kilkenny bowed out of the race for National League honours when they found Cork too strong in this match at Ballincollig. The Leinster county never got going and Cork ran out easy winners on a score of 2-6 to 0-2. Limerick gave a good display against Tipperary at Mary I College to win by 2-6 to 0-1. Scorers: Limerick: Pauleen McCarthy 2-5, Liz Leonard 0-1. Tipperary: Anne Gleeson 0-1.

Wexford became Leinster Minor Champions when they overcame Dublin by a whisker in this final played at Silverpark. It was a great struggle all the way through. At the break the sides were locked at Wexford 1-4, Dublin 0-7. On the resumption Wexford went ahead 0-3, but then Dublin's scoring ace Fiona Corcoran scored a well taken goal to put the sides on level terms. Approaching the final whistle Wexford launched a final attack and Kate Kelly sent over the bar for the winning point to give Wexford a 1-11 to 1-10 victory.

Scorers: Wexford: Esme Murphy 1-8, Anna Hogan, Lizzie Wickham and Kate Kelly 0-1 each. Dublin: Fiona Corcoran 1-10. Referee: Mary Connor, Louth.

Galway and Tipp to do battle in National Senior League decider

FIRST FOR GALWAY

GALWAY and Tipperary meet in the national camogie senior league final at Duggan Park, Ballinasloe today. The westerners are appearing at this stage for the first time. Tipperary won the inaugural final in 1977 and lost their only other decider in 1980.

Galway did well last time out to take revenge over fancied Cork for their All-Ireland final defeat last September, giving a polished and purposeful display when forging out a decisive 13 points win. Sharon Glynn, top scorer against Cork with 7 points, Deirdre Costello and Olivia Broderick, who each scored two goals in the semi-final, lead an attack that is likely to present the Tipperary defence with some problems.

Tipperary showed up well when surprising favourites and defending champions Kilkenny in the semi-final. Maebh Stokes and Kaiffe Moloney did much to earn that win with their high-quality play at centre field.

However, with an edge in midfield and attack, Galway should ensure that a new name is inscribed on the winners' list.

Galway: T. Labeen, O. Costello, S. Coen, B. Kilgannon, C. Allen, D. Stratford, P. Nevin, I. Maher, B. Fahy, I. Hobbins, S. Glynn, A. Murphy, A. Ryan, D. Costello, O. Broderick.
Tipperary: A. Delaney, A. Gleeson (Holycross), T. Burke, S. Cusack, S. Kelly, C. Kennedy, C. Madden, M. Stokes, K. Moloney, N. Kennedy, C. Burke, H. Kiely, G. O'Neill, D. Hughes, A. Gleeson (Toomevara).

Camogie National League Final

Galway v Tipperary, Ballinasloe, 3.30

IT'S only three years since Tipp blew a junior All Ireland in Croke Park and we wondered when all their simmering potential would finally bubble up. While Cork have gone eight years without a minor All Ireland Tipperary have been the team to put it up to Kilkenny more successfully than anybody else. That pool of talent has made the jump from junior to senior less of an ordeal than it must have seemed three years ago.

Galway have recovered well from their disappointment last September. The sight of their best player Dymphna Hardiman dashing her helmet to the ground after being substitute was an adequate enough summary on how bad things had gone. But they are still the coming force. Galway win.

Tipperary's bid for sen

TIPPERARY will line out on Sunday next in the National Senior League final, against arch rivals Galway. Their last appearance in the League final was in 1977 when they beat Wexford in a replay. This is Galway's first appearance in a League final, so with both sides virtually new to this finale it should be a very interesting encounter.

Galway will probably be fancied to take this final but Tipperary will not go down without a battle and are quite happy to go into the game as the underdogs.

Under coach John Kennedy and selectors Biddy Phillips and Martin Kennedy, this squad have been quite successful since the beginning of this decade, winning three Munster titles, contesting three Junior all-Ireland finals winning one and last year winning the Munster Intermediate championship final.

Tipperary entered the Senior league this year to gain experience of playing against the stronger opposition. They would have been happy gaining four points out of a possible eight but never did they think that they would reach the pinnacle of the league. They have had convincing wins over Wexford, Kildare and Clare but went down to Cork with a very understrength side. Their major achievement during

the league campaign was their victory over Kilkenny three weeks ago when they had seven points to spare in the semi-final.

Tipperary now know that they are as good as the best and will go to Ballinasloe on Sunday with one thing in mind to bring their first Senior Camogie title since 1977 back to the Premier County.

This Tipperary side are on an average age of twenty, victory on Sunday should surely see them heading for the O'Duffy Cup on the steps of Croke Park within the next three years. With young players like Claire Madden, Helen Kiely, Catherine Bourke, Gillian O'Neill, Deirdre Hughes and Noelle Kennedy and the more experienced Cora Kennedy, Ann Gleeson, Teresa Bourke, Meadhbh Stokes and Kaiffe Moloney, this blend of youth and experience should give them the edge they need. Galway on the other hand have the experience of competing in last year's Senior Championship final where they went down to Cork but had a convincing win over the Leesiders in the league semi-final.

We are appealing to all Tipperary camogie and hurling patrons to give this great Tipperary side the support they deserve and come along

The line out for Sunday's National League senior final is as follows-

Ailish Delaney (Templemore)	Theresa Bourke (Shannon Rovers)	Siobhan Cusack (Toomevara)
Ann Gleeson (Holycross-Ballycahill)	Cora Kennedy (Toomevara)	Claire Madden (Portroe)
Suzanne Kelly (Toomevara)	Meadhbh Stokes (Clonmel)	Kaiffe Moloney (Cashel)
Noelle Kennedy (Toomevara)	Catherine Bourke (Shannon Rovers)	Helen Kiely (Drom-Inch)
Gillian O'Neill (Thurles)	Deirdre Hughes (capt) (Toomevara)	Ann Gleeson (Toomevara)

Substitutes - Susan Kinneally (Kilruane MacDonagh's); Regina O'Meara (Toomevara); Marie Ryan (Toomevara); Ann Marie Fitzgerald (Cashel).

to Ballinasloe on Sunday at 3-30 p.m. to cheer them on. It will be greatly appreciated.

JUNIOR TRIALS

Trials for the County Junior team in preparation for the championship will held in Thurles Vocational School on Friday evening next at 7.30 p.m. All clubs are asked to send at least two players of County standard, past County Minors are particularly welcomed.

MINOR TRAINING

Traububg for the Minor County team will continue each Friday evening at 7 p.m. until exams are completed, training will then be held three times a week in preparation for the all-Ireland semi-final against Wexford on July 24th.

GOLF CLASSIC

Brochures have been issued to all clubs for our forthcoming Golf Classic to be held in Dundrum Golf and Leisure club on July 15th.

Entry fee is £80 per team of four. Prizes are valued at £1,500. We hope that all clubs make a big effort to submit at least one team each to help raise the necessary funds to complete the development of the dressing rooms in our camogie grounds.

BOARD MEETING

The monthly meeting of Tipperary Camogie Board will be held in The GAA Pavilion Nenagh on Thursday night June 9th at 9 p.m.

league title



Tipperary team to play Galway in the senior league final: Back row (l. to r.) John Kennedy (coach), Meadhbh Stokes, Teresa Bourke, Claire Madden, Deirdre Hughes (capt.), Ailish Delaney, Cora Kennedy, Siobhan Cusack, Catherine Bourke, Biddy Phillips (selector). Front row (l. to r.) Martin Kennedy (selector), Kaiffe Moloney, Ann Gleeson, Suzanne Kelly, Noelle Kennedy, Helen Kiely, Ann Gleeson, Gillian O'Neill.

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AN GHAILLIMH MARUN AGUS BAN

1. TRACEY NI LAITHIN (Tracey Laheen) Pearses
2. OILBHE NIC COISTEALA (Olive Costtello) Sarsfields
3. SILE NI CHADHAIN (Sheila Coen) Mullagh
4. BRID NIC GIOLLA GHANNAIN (Bridget Kilgannon) Pearses
5. CAIRMEAL NIC AILIN (Carmel Allen) Craughwell
6. BRID STRATFORD Sarsfields
7. PAMELA NIC CNAIMHIN (Pamela Nevin) Mullagh
8. IMELDA NI MHEACHAIR (Imelda Maher) Davitts
9. BRID NI FHATHAIGH (Bridget Fahy) Mullagh
10. AILIS NI MHURCHU (Alice MURphy) Mullagh
11. SHARON NIC GHLOINN (Sharon Glynn) Pearses
12. IMELDA NIC OIBICIN (Imelda Hobbins) Mullagh
13. OILBHE NI BHRUADAIR (Olivia Broderick) Davitts
14. DEIRDRE NIC COISTEALA (Deirdre Costello) Sarsfields CAPTAEN
15. AINE NI RIAIN (Anne Ryan) Pearses

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16. MARTINA NI EARCAIN (Martina Harkins) Pearses
17. DAMHNAIT NI MHEACHAIR (Dympna Maher) Davitts
18. EIBHLIN NI RIAIN (Helen Ryan) Shamrocks
19. TREASA NI FHALLUIN (Teresa Fallon) Shamrocks

AN GHAILLIMH 5.10 CORCAIGH 2.06

TIOBRAID ARANN GORM AGUS ORGA

1. AILISH NI DHUBHLAINNE (Ailish Delaney) Templemore
2. AINE NI GLIASAIN (Ann Gleeson) Holycross/Ballycahill
3. TREASA DE BURCA (Teresa Bourke) Shannon Rovers
4. SIOBHAN CHIOSOG (Siobhán Cusack) Toomevara
5. SIOBHAN NI CHEALLAIGH (Suzanne Kelly) Toomevara
6. CORA UI CHINNEIDE (Cora Kennedy) Toomevara
7. CLAR NI MHADAIN (Claire Madden) Portroe
8. MEADHBH DE STOC (Meadbh Stokes) Clonmel
9. KAIFFE NI MHAOLOMHNNAIGH (Kaiffe Moloney) Cashel
10. NOLLAIG NI CHINNEIDE (Noelle Kennedy) Toomevara
11. CAITRIONA DE BURCA (Catherine Bourke) Shannon Rovers
12. EIBHLIN NI CHADHLA (Helen Kiely) Drom/Inch
13. GILLIAN NI NEILL (Gillian O'Neill) Thurles
14. DEIRDRE NI AODHA (Deirdre Hughes) Toomevara CAPTAEN
15. AINE NI GLIASAIN (Ann Gleeson) Toomevara

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16. SIOBHAN NI CHINNAOLAIDH (Susan Kinneally) Kilruan McDonagh
17. RIONACH NI MHEARA (Regina O'Meara) Toomevara
18. MAIRE NI RIAIN (Marie Ryan) Toomevara
19. AINE MAIRE NIC GEARAILT (Ann-Marie Fitzgerald) Cashel

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Absence of Maher big blow to Galway girls hopes of lifting National League title

THE Galway Senior Camogie team big to annex their first National League title by overcoming surprise finalists Tipperary in Ballinasloe on Sunday (3.30 p.m.).

Having contested their first All-Ireland senior final in thirty-one years last September when they went down to Cork, Galway continued to build on this progress by putting together a good league run.

With the league being run on a fifteen-a-side basis Galway were able to experiment throughout the winter campaign, as they recorded

victories over Down and Dublin, while going down narrowly to Kilkenny in a game where the Galway girls looked poised for victory.

This run set up a semi-final clash with Cork, and Galway got revenge for the All-Ireland final defeat by comprehensively defeating the Leesiders by 5-10 to 2-6.

Leading by 3-2 to 0-4 at half-time Galway looked highly impressive on the day against a Cork team minus only three of their All-Ireland line-up.

Davitt's **Olivia Broderick** and Sarsfield's **Deirdre Costello** got the Galway goals, two apiece, as the Galway half back line of **Carmel Allen**, **Brid Stafford** and **Pamela**

Nevin impressed. Apart from the creative Broderick at corner forward, **Sharon Glynn** with 0-7 and **Ann Ryan** (1-3) provided much of the guile for Galway.

However the possible loss of Sharon Glynn through injury and the exam-tied **Dympna Maher** for Sunday's final will be a big blow, to what is still a very young Galway side and the backroom team of **Tony Ward** (manager) and selectors **John Keane** and **Madge Kennedy** will hope to select from an otherwise full strength panel.

All in all Sunday's final provides Galway with a very good chance to capture a National title and if the same

commitment and free flowing camogie is reproduced from the semi-final, then Galway can emerge victorious. However, Tipperary's victory over the famed Kilkenny side in the semi-final is a clear indication of their potential, and with **Deirdre Hughes** and **Noelle Kennedy** in outstanding form, Galway's task on Sunday is a difficult one.

Galway: Tracey Laheen, Olive Costello, Sheila Coen, Bridgid Kilgannon, Carmel Allen, Brid Stafford, Pamela Nevin, Brigid Fahey, Imelda Maher, Imelda Hobbins, Sharon Glynn, Alice Murphy, Olivia Broderick, Deirdre Costello, Ann Ryan.

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Galway pip Tipp to take title

GALWAY made amends for their defeat in both the senior and junior All-Ireland Camogie championship finals last year when they collected their first ever National Senior League title.

But they had to pull out all stops to beat a strong intermediate Tipperary side.

The race for the All-Ireland senior championship commences on July 10 and appears to be open enough. Holders Cork, who were defeated by Galway in the League semi-final, will be going for three-in-a-row and will still carry the tag of favourites.

They got a bye in the first round and play the winners of Kilkenny and Clare in the semi-final. Kilkenny who have a number of young stars are also sure to improve on their League performance.

FIXTURES

SUNDAY — At An Port Mear: Ulster SCC final: Armagh v Down 1.0 At Ballyragget: Leinster JCC semi-final: Kilkenny v Carlow 3.0.

Galway girls claim crown

**Galway 1-13
Tipperary 1-8**

GALWAY captured their first National Senior Camogie League title at Ballinasloe yesterday with a hard-earned win over a gallant Tipperary side.

The home side started in promising fashion and led 0-4 to 0-1 after ten minutes, but a goal from Noelle Kennedy put the sides on level terms and it was still level at the break 0-7 to 1-4. However Tipperary will rue their many misses in the half as they should have been in front at the break.

The game was decided in the opening three minutes of the second half when Galway hit a purple patch going five points in front with two points from Sharon Glynn, who was their star player, and a goal from Imelda Hobbins. Although Tipper-

ary matched Galway score for score afterwards they failed to get that all important goal that would have put them back in the game.

Scorers — Galway: S Glynn 0-9, I Hobbins 1-0, M Harkins 0-2, D Costello 0-1, A Murphy 0-1. Tipperary: N Kennedy 1-7, D Hughes 0-1.

GALWAY: T Laheen; O Costello, S Coen, B Kilgannon; C Allen, B Stafford, P Nevin; I Maher, B Fahy; A Murphy, S Glynn, I Hobbins; O Broderick, D Costello, A Ryan. Subs. M Harkins for A Murphy; D Maher for I Maher.

TIPPERARY: A Delaney; Ann Gleeson (Holy Cross), T Burke, S Cusack; R O'Meara, C Kennedy, C Madden; A Stokes, K Moloney; N Kennedy, C Burke, H Kiely; J O'Neill, D Hughes, A Gleeson (Toomevara). Sub S Kelly for A Gleeson (Holy Cross).

Ref: A Derham (Dublin).

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Gamogie National Senior league final-

Gallant Tipperary fail to Galway

By John Guiton

Galway 1-13
Tipperary 1-8

ALL-IRELAND Junior Gamogie champions in '92 Tipperary must wait a while longer in its attempt to become a force at Senior level, but if their display against red hot favourites Galway in this keenly contested senior league final at sun-kissed Ballinasloe on Sunday last is anything to go by, the wait will be well worthwhile. In the end Galway's experience allied to a crucial goal from Imelda Hobbins, three minutes into the second-half, saw them kill off a very spirited challenge from the Tipperary ladies.

Hobbins goal was a gift from heaven for last years All-Ireland senior finalists. Galway had started in riveting fashion and looked like demolishing Tipperary as they raced into a 0-5 to 0-1 lead after seven minutes. However, a grand goal from Noelle Kennedy after eleven minutes brought Tipp on level terms, and the sides were deadlocked again when referee sounded the half time whistle.

Within three minutes of the second period the favourites had amassed 1-2 and how crucial Hobbins goal turned out to be as on the strength of it the home county took a grip that they never relinquished. Tipp fought like tigers but could never break down a Galway three point advantage, and the winners finished with style to fully deserve their five point tally.

So, Galway girls reversed the result of the Senior hurling league final. And it happened in a game played in scorching sunshine on a beautiful Duggan Park surface. But in defeat Tipperary can take a sizeable dollop of consolation. After all the

Westerners had contested last years Senior All-Ireland final only to lose to Cork, and on the way to this years league decider they defeated the same opposition. They had plenty of experience therefore, and it showed up when the crunch came in this entertaining tie.

Tipperary, on the other hand, had come from the Intermediate grade last year to the Senior league to gain experience, and that they certainly achieved. Disappointed they may have been to have fallen at the final hurdle, but the great work being invested in the county in recent years, winning three Munster Junior titles and one All-Ireland, as well as last years provincial Intermediate success, is paying handsome dividends, and it augurs well for their future in Senior ranks. The bulk of the side is young and this spirited performance should give them great heart.

Tipperary took the scalps of some of the games strongest outfits on the way to the final of this competition that, incidentally, was played with fifteen a side. And there can be no argument that they had every chance of winning this game had they availed of several chances in the first-half. On the contrary Galway used all their craft in the early stages to build up an advantage, and in centre-forward Sharon Glynn they had a magnificent target-hitter. She accounted for ten points of their total, nine from frees, and it was her accuracy that time and time again scuttled Tipperary's confidence just as it seemed the Premier County were in a promising position. She had four of her sides five points in seven minutes, the other coming from the stick of Deirdre Costello, and Tipp had one in reply from Noelle Kennedy.

Indeed we witnessed seven frees in seven minutes. Noelle Kennedy scored Tipperary's second when Ann Glesson was fouled, and then came Tipps goal after a beautiful move involving Deirdre Hughes and Catherine Bourke was finished to the net by Noelle Kennedy (0-7 to 1-2). That score gave Tipp great confidence and the defence took a grip on the dangerous Galway attack, while Kaiiffe Moloney at midfield, and Claire Madden were particularly prominent. Indeed, up to the half way stage the much vaunted Galway only managed two points and Tipperary were in with a great chance as the sides remained tied on a scoreline 1-4 to 0-7.

The early stages of the second-half were going to be vital however, and Galway made its mark in good time. Sharon Glynn pointed in twenty seconds, and followed with a score from a free. And then before Tipperary had time to take corrective action Hobbins struck for her goal. Ironically, another forward had mishit the ball, and the half forward got a great chance, and made no mistake from close range. In three minutes Galway had moved five points to the good. Any fears, however, of a Galway runaway, from a Tipperary viewpoint, did not one is happy to say, materialise. But fair dues to the home county they never let their strangle-hold slip and had tremendous performers in Sheila Coen at full-back, goalie Tracey Laheen who made vital saves from Ann Gleeson, and Catherine Bourke, Brid Stratford at centre-back, Sharon Glynn, Imelda Hobbins, and sub Martina Harkins who made a huge difference when introduced scoring two nice points.

Tipperary fought with all

they knew to the end, but they could never redace Galways three point advantage. In Claire Madden in the first-half they had a royal performer, and Regina O'Meara, who replaced the injured Suzanne Kelly from the start, also did well. Teresa Bourke and Cora Kennedy played well too, particularly in second-half, while Kaiiffe Moloney and Meave Stokes were always battling hard.

Noelle Kennedy took top honours up front and never gave up the chase while Ann Glesson worked like a beaver from start to finish. Goalie Ailish Delaney made one fine save. Helen Kiely also caught the eye in the second-half. To be fair every player of the fifteen made a big effort against a much more experienced side. Now Tipp must continue in the Intermediate championship and hopes are high of doing well after such a fine sojourn in the Senior league.

Galway - T. Laheen, O. Costello, S. Coen, B. Kilgannon; C. Allen, B. Stratford, P. Nevin; I. Maher, B. Fahy; A. Murphy, S. Glynn (0-10), I. Hobbins (1-0); O. Broderick, D. Costello (0-1), A. Ryan. Subs: M. Harkins (0-2), D. Maher.

Tipperary - A. Delaney (Templemore), A. Gleeson (Holycross/Ballycahill), T. Bourke (Shannon Rovers), S. Cusack (Toomevara); R. O'Meara (Toomevara), C. Kennedy (do), C. Madden (Portroe); M. Stokes (Clonmel), K. Moloney (Cashel); N. Kennedy (Toomevara) 1-7, C. Bourke (Shannaon Rovers), H. Kiely (Drom/Inch); G. O'Neill (Thurles), D. Hughes (Toomevara), A. Gleeson (Toomevara). Sub: Anne Marie Fitzgerald (Cashel).

Referee - A. Derham (Dublin).

Aghabullogue girls representing Cork

AGHABULLOGUE U-14 camogie team will represent Cork for the second year in succession in this year's Féile na nGael competition.

This year's Féile na nGael is being held in Limerick from Friday 24 to Sunday 26 June and the girls from Aghabullogue will be hosted by the Newtownshandrum club in Co. Cork, whose affiliation is with the Limerick County Camogie Board.

This county title is just another addition to the many underage titles that Aghabullogue have won in the past, most of which were in the last decade. Their first-ever County Féile title came in 1985, when the club then travelled to Castlebridge in Co. Wexford and were defeated in the semi-final by the Dublin representatives.

In 1986, the mid-Cork girls received a special invite from Féile na nGael, due to the withdrawal of a club from the competition, and on this occasion, Aghabullogue were guests of the Tolle Tone Club in Shannon. Aghabullogue reached the semi-final of Section "B" and were narrowly defeated by the Armagh representatives that year.

However, the club did not make an appearance at Féile again until last year when they defeated a fancied St. Vincent's side to capture the County Féile title for the second time in their history.

This victory led the people from the parish of Aghabullogue back the familiar road to Galway, to the village of Craughwell, where the U-14 boys were hosted in 1991, when they represented the county.

Unfortunately, Aghabullogue were outclassed in last year's competition but are now back and more determined than ever to prove that they are a force to be reckoned with when they battle for this year's All-Ireland title.

Aghabullogue played a total of six games to retain this year's title.

The girls are now back in training in preparation for their All-Ireland bid in Limerick on the last weekend in June.



Picture shows (left to right), Back row: Fiona McSweeney, Olive O'Sullivan, Abbey Lehané, Patricia Murphy, Sheila Crowley, Patricia O'Flynn, Susan Cooney, Sinead Buckley, Linda Ronan. Front row: Marjorie Twomey, Maria Noonan, Miriam Browne, Louise Murphy (capt.), Chris Murphy, Mary Ennaguess, Deirdre Twomey.

Féile flying

THE Féile na nGael got underway in Limerick yesterday but despite the drizzle and the counter attraction of the World Cup there were good attendances at all venues.

Athlery representing Galway and James Stephens of Kilkenny gave early notice of their intentions in the premier competition in beating local clubs Adare and Mungret and one of the finest performances in the lower divisions was that given by Kerry's Ballyduff who beat Limerick's Hospital Harbinstown by 8-9 to nil.

Div 1 Section A Round 1: Patrickswell 1-9, Roanmore 1-2; Wolfe Tones 1-3, Ballybrown 0-2. Div 1 Sec B: James Stephens 8-9, Mungret nil; Athlery 5-4, Adare 0-1. Div 1 Sec C: Carrigaline 1-2, Kilmallock 0-5; Erins Isle 2-3, Pallasgreen 0. Div 1 Sec D: Drom-Inch 4-5, Ahane 0-3; St. Finbarrs 1-5, Monalee 0-4.

Div 2 Sec A: Na Piarasigh 1-9, Feenagh 0; South Liberties 4-6, Glenageary 0-3. Div 2 Sec B Round 1: Croagh 2-6, Cloughaun 0-5; Drom 2-5, Portlary 2-1. Div 2 Sec C Round 1: Drom 8-10, Bruff 0-1; Croagh 1-3, Kilmallock 1-3. Div 2 Sec D Round 1: Knockaney 1-3,

Portlary 1-0; Ballyduff 8-9, Hospital 0. Div 3 Sec A Round 1: Caherline 4-2, Monagea 1-1; Oliver Plunketts 4-8, Cappamore 1-1. Round 2: Caherline 8-3, Cappamore 0; Oliver Plunketts 8-7, Monagea 0.

Div 3 Sec B Round 1: Drom 6-7, Murroe 1-3; Killeely 1-3, Pearse Og 1-2. Round 2: Drom 2-7, Killeely 0-2; Pearse Og 3-2, Murroe 1-2. Round 3: Drom 6-3, Pearse Og 1-2; Murroe 3-2, Killeely 2-1. Div 3 Sec C: Myshall 4-3, Blackrock 0; O'Donovan Rossa 1-5, Bruree 0-4. Round 2: Bruree 1-0, Blackrock 0-1; Myshall 3-7, O'Donovan-Rossa 2-2. Round 3: O'Donovan-Rossa 7-1, Blackrock 1-2; Bruree 2-4, Myshall 0-3. Div 3 Sec D Round 1: Newcastlewest 5-4, Ballinscreen 3-3; Tourmalula 4-2, Parteen 1-1. Round 2: Newcastlewest 2-3, Tourmalula 1-1; Parteen 4-4, Ballinscreen 2-5. Round 3: Newcastlewest 1-5, Parteen 1-2; Ballinscreen 3-3, Tourmalula 1-2.

Div 4 Sec A Round 1: St. Senans 5-8, Fedamore 0; Knockaderry 5-1, Castleblaney 0. Div 4 Sec B Round 1: Atheigue 3-4, Drom 3-3; Glenagh 5-3, Keady 2-2. Div 4

Sec C Round 1: Galbally 2-2, Feenagh 0-5; Navan 3-3, Efin 0-1. Div 4 Sec D: Garryspokane 7-7, St. Marys 0; Castletown 1-0, Lilywhites 2-7.

Div 5 Sec A Round 1: Killeedy 2-2, Carrick-On-Shannon 0-5; Westport 1-8, Eoinua 0-1. Round 2: Killeedy 1-5, Eoinua 1-1; Westport 1-4, Carrick-On-Shannon 1-1. Round 3: Killeedy 1-2, Westport 0; Carrick-on-Shannon 1-0, Eoinua 0-2; Div 5 Sec B: St. Kierans 4-2, Lough Forbes 0-1; Pallasgreen 5-11, Tubbercurry 0. Round 2: Pallasgreen 4-3, St. Kierans 1-3; Lough Forbes 2-7, Tubbercurry 1-2. Round 3: St. Kierans 4-3, Tubbercurry 0; Lough Forbes 2-2, Pallasgreen 2-5. Div 5 Sec C Round 1: Kildimo 4-4, Fermanagh 1-0; Ballinacorra 9-9, Crossaloch 0. Round 2: Kildimo 2-3, Ballinacorra 0-2; Fermanagh 2-9, Crossaloch 0-3. Round 3: Kildimo 4-3, Crossaloch 0; Ballinacorra 5-5, Fermanagh 0-3. Div 5 Sec D Round 1: Glenroe 2-6, Naomh Colmille 0; Naomh Mura 3-2, Ballybricken 2-2. Round 2: Glenroe 9-4, Ballybricken 2-0; Naomh Colmille 3-3, Naomh Mura 4-2. Round 3: Glenroe 4-2, Naomh Mura 2-1;

Ballybricken 2-3, Naomh Colmille 2-1.

Div 6 Sec A Round 1: London 3-4, St. Patricks 1-1. Round 2: St. Patricks 5-0, Creora 1-2. Round 3: Creora 1-3, London 1-2. Div 6 Sec B: Warwickshire 5-3, Kilcorran 0-1. Round 2: Kilcorran 3-1, Askeaton 2-1. Round 3: Warwickshire 2-2, Askeaton 1-0.

CAMOGIE: Div 1 Sec A: Grenagh 2-3, Kilkenny 1-3; Galway 9-16, Killeedy 0. Sec B: Cork 3-2, Newtownshandrum 2-0; Wexford 3-5, Ballyagran 0.

Div 2 Sec A: Truagh 3-1, Dublin 1-2; Bruff 4-1, Antrim 0-1. Sec B: Tipperary 5-5, Shannon 2-0; Roscommon 4-2, Croagh 0-1.

Div 3 Sec A: Laois 3-2, Adare 0; Waterford 0-7, Patrickswell 0. Sec B: Fermanagh 8-2, Newcastlewest 0; Knockaderry 3-2, Kildare 0.

Div 4 Sec A: Wicklow 2-3, St. Fintans 2-0; Carlow 1-0, Newport 0. Sec B: Donegal 1-0, Ahane 0; Westmeath 2-0, Na Piarasigh 2-0.

Semi-Finals for Saturday Hurling: Div 3A: Oliver Plunketts v Drom; 3C: O'Donovan Rossa v Newcastlewest. Div 5A: Killeedy v Pallasgreen; Kildimo v Glenroe. Div 6A: St. Patricks v Kilcorran; Warwickshire v London.

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AT LIMERICK: Division 1

Semifinals: James Stephens 5-3 Patrickswell 2-2; St. Finbarrs 2-4, Erins Isle 2-1. Division 2 Semifinals: Na Piarasigh 2-3, Croagh 2-2. Dufart 2-2 Knockaney 1-4. Div 3 Semifinals: Oliver Plunketts 4-2 Dromin Ashlaca 2-1, O'Donovan Rossa 5-6, Newcastlewest 3-1. Finals: Oliver Plunketts 0-6 O'Donovan Rossa 0-4. Div 5 Semifinals: Killeedy 0 Pallasgreen 2-3, Glenroe 5-4 Kildimo 0-4. Final: Glenroe 2-4, Alica Kerry 1-0. Div 6 Semifinals: St. Patricks 6-6 Kilcorran 1-0, London 3-2 Warwickshire 2-2. Final: London 5-5 St. Patricks 1-2.

Camogie: Div 1 Semifinals: Peorses (Galway) 4-3 Aghabullogue (Cork) 1-0; St. Ibars (Wexford) 5-2 Granagh Ballygarry (Limerick) 0-1.

Div 2: Truagh (Limerick) 3-5 Oran (Roscommon) 0; Drum and Inch (Tipperary) 2-3 Bruff (Limerick) 1-5.

Div 3: Dunhill (Waterford) 4-1 Knockaderry (Limerick) 0; Teemore (Fermanagh) 7-8 Silver Bloom (Laois) 0. Final: Teemore 2-4, Dunhill 0-1.

Div 4: Aughrim (Wicklow) 2-2 Raharney (Westmeath) 2-0; Na Piarasigh (Limerick) 1-2 Kildavin (Carlow) 1-0.

Camogie finals: Pearse of Galway 1-9 St. Ibars, Wexford 0-4. Div 2, Drumanish 4-9 Truagh 2-2. Div 3, Teemore 2-4 Dunhill 0-1. Div 4, Na Piarasigh 2-0 Aughrim 0-0.

Seandún and Glen to advance

By Tom Higgins

BALLINLOUGH is the venue tomorrow evening for camogie followers when the two semi-finals of the Senior "A" Championship are down for decision.

In the first Seandún take on Muskerry at 7.00, with the City side favourites to advance, while All-Ireland Club champions, Glen Rovers, will take on Carbery at 8.00. It will be a major

sensation if the Blackpool girls do not come out on top here.

Seandún will no doubt have benefitted from their win over Imokilly in the first round and with a very strong panel will be hard to beat. They are captained by Na Piarraigh's Paula Goggins, who will have club colleagues Irene O'Leary and Evelyn Healy to help her, while Colette O'Mahony, Colette Cronin and Brid Kelleher

from St Finbarr's, Sheenagh Morley, Liz O'Neill, Rose Desmond and Vivienne Harris from Bishopstown and Gillian Hannon and Karen Mellerick from Brian Dillons will constitute the nucleus of a very strong side.

The fact that they played together in the opening round of the championship will be of immense value to them and they will be hard to

beat. Muskerry will be relying on Irene O'Keefe, Fiona O'Donovan and Ann Golden from Inniscarra, Eileen Buckley, Patsy Walsh and Helen McSweeney of Aghabullogue and Ann Marie Healy of Cloughduv to see them through but they do not seem to have the same all round strength as their opponents and although they will fight hard they still may have to give best to

the City girls. Glen Rovers will be missing two of their stalwarts, Diane Deane and Trish Murphy, for their game with Carbery but they have such strength in depth that they their loss should not trouble them unduly. With players of the calibre of Mary Ring, Sandie Fitzgibbon, Therese O'Callaghan, Denise Cronin, Linda Mellerick and the Dunlea sisters,

Stephanie and Lyn, to call upon it is hard to see them being beaten. Carbery have trained hard for this game, and have had a number of challenge matches against club opposition to sharpen up the side. But the Glen are such a talented side that Carbery will find it hard to break down their defence and with such free-scoring forwards Glen Rovers are a very well

balanced side. Still Hilda Kenally, Antoinette O'Connell, Cliona Long, Helen O'Donovan, Miriam Deasy, Aine Leahy and Ann Sheehy will play their hearts out but they face a very difficult task. Although this is the year of the surprises in hurling I cannot see this game resulting in anything but a big win for the Blackpool side.

Kilkenny through to final

KILKENNY are through to the Leinster junior camogie championship final. They had a convincing win over champions, Carlow in this semi-final at Ballyraggett on Sunday.

The first half was even enough, goals by Imelda Kennedy and Margaret Kavanagh giving Kilkenny a 2-4 to 1-3 lead at the break.

While Carlow gave a spirited display in the second half, it was the Noreiders who picked-off the scores with long range points coming from Kilkenny scoring ace Imelda Kennedy who also banged home a goal. Full time score, Kilkenny 3-11; Carlow 1-5.

Scorers - Kilkenny: I Kennedy 2-5; M Kavanagh 1-1; M McGrath 0-2; M Maher 0-1. Carlow: A Murphy 1-0; V Crean 0-3; M Sheehan and K Brennan 0-1 each.

An error in the amount of time played in extra-time of the quarter final between Offaly and Kildare on the previous Sunday caused Leinster Council to order a replay.

LEINSTER CAMOGIE

Kildare and Offaly played again on Sunday at Clane. Offaly showed their dominance throughout to end up winners, 4-9 to 0-6. Scorers: Offaly G Mahon 1-4; M Davis 1-3; M Lynch 1-2; C Byrne 1-0. Kildare: M Aspel 0-3; M Feeney 0-2; B McSweeney 0-1.

The semi-final between Dublin and Offaly will now take place on Sunday July 3 at the latter venue. Tomorrow (Thursday) Kildare host Wexford in the semi-final of the Leinster senior championship at Clane 7.30. Kildare had a win over the Slaneysiders in the league but may find the opposition stronger this time.

On Friday, Kilkenny, the reigning champions, entertain Dublin in what should be an excellent encounter. When the sides met in the league, Kilkenny had just two points to spare.

It should be a good warm-up for the All-Ireland championship with Kilkenny to have the edge. National Feile na Gael takes place in Limerick this weekend.

There will be eight Leinster counties represented in this U14 competition which is divided into four divisions.

Super Seandún

By TOM HIGGINS

SEANDÚN and Glen Rovers qualified for the Cork Senior "A" camogie championship final when they had big wins over Muskerry and Carbery respectively at Ballinlough, Cork last evening.

Seandun 6-13 Muskerry 0-4

In the first game Seandun were never in any danger of losing in a very one sided affair.

Scorers—Seandun: L O'Neill 4-2, C O'Mahony 0-5 (0-3 frees, 0-1 "30"), N O'Regan 0-4, V Harris 1-1, S Morley 1-0, K Mellerick 0-1. Muskerry: I O'Keefe 0-4 (0-1 free, 0-1 "30").

SEANDÚN: R Desmond (Bishopstown); C Cronin (St. Finbarr's); L Towler (Bishopstown); K Mellerick (Brian Dillons); E Healy (Na Piarraigh); S Morley (Bishopstown); C O'Mahony (St. Finbarr's); A Dilworth (Brian Dillons); V Harris (Bishopstown); J Hannon (Brian Dillons); N O'Regan (Brian Dillons); L O'Neill (Bishopstown). Subs: I O'Leary (Na Piarraigh) for A Dilworth (half-time); J Duffy (St. Finbarr's) for S Morley (37th minute); C Martin (Na Piarraigh) for E Healy (46th minute).

MUSKERRY: L Aherne (Cloughduv); N Twomey (Aghabullogue); H Walsh (Eire Og); C O'Callaghan (Inniscarra); T Ryan (do); C O'Callaghan (Eire Og); E Buckley (Aghabullogue); M Corkery (Cloughduv); N O'Leary (Eire Og); I O'Keefe (Inniscarra); H Moynihan (Aghabullogue); A Golden (Inniscarra). Subs: S O'Brien (Eire Og) for L Aherne; M O'Sullivan (Inniscarra) for N O'Leary.

Glen Rovers 2-24 Carbery 2-1

ALL-IRELAND champions Glen Rovers won the second semi-final in impressive style when beating a gallant Carbery side. The winner's in control in all departments.

Scorers—Glen Rovers: L Dunlea 2-7 (0-1 "30"), L Mellerick 1-5, D Cronin 1-3, G McCarthy 0-3, T O'Callaghan 0-2, C McCarthy 0-2, M Currid 0-1, S Fitzgibbon 0-1 (free).

Carbery: A O'Connell 1-1, C Cahalane 1-0. GLEN ROVERS: M O'Leary; M Ring; D McCarthy; S Fitzgibbon; S Dunlea; D Cronin; T O'Callaghan; M Currid; L Mellerick; L Dunlea; G McCarthy; C McCarthy. Subs: M Kennefick for L Mellerick and A Coleman for T O'Callaghan.

CARBERRY: R Hayes (Kilbrittain); C Whelton (do); A O'Donovan (Bandon); A Leahy (do); M Sexton (Kilbrittain); A O'Connell (Bandon); H Kenneally (Newcestown); E McCarthy (Barryroe); Y O'Callaghan (Newcestown); C Hurley (Kilbrittain); C Cahalane (Barryroe); E Kenneally (Newcestown). Subs: A O'Donovan (Newcestown) for A Leahy and M Deasy (Kilbrittain) for E Kenneally.

Camogie success for Ballygarvan

WELL done to the Ballygarvan Under-16 camogie side on winning the 1993 County B camogie final defeating Mayfield in the final on Saturday last capturing their first title since the club was reformed seven years ago.

In this final Mayfield started promisingly but goals from Orlan O'Sullivan and Aileen Hallahan helped the winners grow in confidence and a third goal by Orla O'Sullivan left Ballygarvan leading at the interval by 3-0 to 0-0.

After the break Mayfield exerted strong pressure and were rewarded with a goal and a point but further Ballygarvan goals from Claire Barrett and Aileen Hallahan left the South East side comfortable and deserving winners.

This victory is another great boost for camogie in the division and is a reward for the great work being done by the clubs for camogie.

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Camogie World

By: P.J. FULHAM

A first for Galway GALWAY 1-13 TIPPERARY 1-8

Galway took their first Senior Camogie League title when they overcame a strong challenge from a spirited Tipperary side in this final played at Ballinasloe recently. The League was run for the second successive year with 15-a-side played on a full size G.A.A. pitch. Both sides made good use of the space in what was a fast free-flowing game which was evenly contested throughout. Tipperary, a young side, graded Intermediate, gave early notice of their intentions. They had most of the play in the first half but failed to convert their many scoring opportunities.

After ten minutes of play Galway led 0-4 to 0-1. Minutes later Tipperary's scoring ace Noelle Kennedy put the sides level with a brilliant goal. From then to the break it was score for score, with Galway's Sharon Glynn in excellent form. The sides were level on four occasions and at the break they were still locked: Tipperary 1-4, Galway 0-7.

Galway's winning moments came three minutes into the second half, when they went five points ahead, 0-2 by Sharon Glynn and 1-0 by Imelda Hobbins. However, Tipperary fought back with two points by Noelle Kennedy. In the closing stages Galway's experience kept them in touch to give them a five point victory and their first Senior League title.

Scorers: Galway: Sharon Glynn 0-9, Imelda Hobbins 1-0, Martina Harkins 0-2, Deirdre Costello and Alice Murphy 0-1 each. Tipperary: Noelle Kennedy 1-7, Deirdre Hughes 0-1.

Galway Team: Tracey Laheen, Olive Costello, Shiela Coen, Bridget Kilgannon, Carmel Allen, Brid Stratford, Pamela Nevin, Imelda Maher, Bridget Fahy, Alice Murphy, Sharon Glynn, Imelda Hobbins, Olivia Broderick, Deirdre Costello (Capt), Anne Ryan. Subs: Martina Harkins for A. Murphy, Dymphna Maher for I. Maher. Rest of panel: Helan Ryan, Teresa Fallon.

Tipperary Team: Ailish Delaney, Ann Gleeson, Teresa Bourke, Siobhan Cusack, Regina O'Meara, Cora

Kennedy, Claire Madden, Meadh Stokes, Kaiffe Maloney, Noelle Kennedy, Catherine Bourke, Helan Kiely, Gillian O'Neill, Deirdre Hughes (Capt.), Ann Gleeson. Subs: Suzanne Kelly for Ann Gleeson. Rest of panel: Susan Kinneally, Marie Ryan, Ann-Marie Fitzgerald.

Referee: Aine Derham, Dublin.

Offaly clinched a thrilling 3-14 to 2-14 victory over Kildare in this Leinster quarter final tie which went to extra time at Rath. This was a tough hard struggle with little separating the sides at any stage of the game. They were locked together at the break - Kildare 1-3, Offaly 0-6. The second half continued to be a ding dong struggle and at the end of normal time, the sides were level again at 1-8 apiece.

Offaly made better use of their chances in the first period of extra time and led 3-12 to 2-10 at the change of ends. Kildare came fighting back but eventually lost out by three points. Scorers: Offaly: Geraldine Mahon 1-6, Michelle Davis 0-5, Dymphna White 1-1, Catherine Byrne 1-0, Margaret Lynch 0-1. Kildare: Michelle Aspel 1-3, Rose Merriman 1-2, Siobhan Mullen 0-5, Nora Egan 0-2, Bernie McSweeney and Aisling Treacy 0-1 each.

N.B.: It has just come to notice that due to an error in the duration of extra time in the above match Leinster Council have decided on a replay.

Leinster Under 14 Championship: Kilkenny 4-5, Dublin 0-5.

Scorers: Kilkenny: Aoife Neary 2-0, Mary Ryan 1-1, Mairead Costello 1-0, Pauleen Commerford 0-4. Dublin: Paula Bruan 0-2, Cathy Dickens, Paula Malconson and Sarah Massey 0-1 each.

Westmeath 4-2, Louth 2-5: Scorers: Westmeath: Caitriona Buckley 3-1, Irene Nooney 1-0, Emma Martin 0-1. Louth: Donna Crehan 0-5, Maureen Kiernan and Emma Flynn 1-0 each.

Offaly 6-6, Wicklow 2-4. Meath 4-2, Kildare 0-2.

Ulster Junior Championship Quarter finals:

Armagh, the holders, are through to the semi final when they had a convincing win over Monaghan. The first half was

closely enough contested with Armagh leading 2-2 to 0-5 at the break.

On the resumption a goal by Monaghan's Michelle Byrne put the sides on level terms. Armagh made better use of their chances with some well taken points by Colette Conway and her twin sister Coleen and a goal by Dolores McCreesh put the Orchard County on their way to victory. Final score: Armagh 3-11, Monaghan 1-8. Scorers: Armagh: Colette Conway 2-7, Dolores McCreesh 1-0, Helan Mone 0-2, Coleen Conway and Deirdre Connolly 0-1 each. Monaghan: Elaine Dowds 0-6, Michelle Byrne 1-0, Marina Flanagan 0-2.

Antrim just edged their way through in this sparkling encounter with Down who led 2-3 to 1-3 at the break. A brace of goals by Antrim's Majella McMullen in the second half put her side in front. From then on it was a ding dong battle and as the full time whistle approached the sides were locked. Antrim's Carla Doherty, last years Minor goalkeeper gained possession and sent over the bar to give her side the verdict by a whisker. Final score: Antrim 3-4, Down 2-6.

Scorers: Antrim: Majella McMullen 2-0, Una Elliott 1-0, Carol Lundy 0-2, Carla Doherty and Sinead McMullen 0-1 each. Down: Monica McArtin 2-1, Jennifer Branniff 0-3, Edel Mason and Jennifer Clarke 0-1 each.

Derry had one point to spare over Tyrone in another close and entertaining encounter. A goal by Mary O'Kane gave Derry a 1-7 to 0-7 lead at the break. The second half was an 'edge of the seat' affair with goals coming for Tyrone from Brenda Burke and Dolores Hughes. It was an end to end battle up to the final whistle. Score: Derry 1-13, Tyrone 2-9.

Derry Scorers: Martina Mulholland 0-6, Mary O'Kane 1-2, Brona Birt 0-3, Nuala Rankin and Orla Downey 0-1 each. Tyrone: Brenda Burke 1-1, Mary Rose McGraddy 0-4, Dolores Hughes 1-0, Catherine Finnegan 0-3, Leona Fay 0-1. Semi final pairings: Antrim play Derry on Sunday (no venue to hand) and Armagh play Cavan or Donegal.

In the Ulster Minor Championship final Derry await the winners of Armagh versus Fermanagh.

Under 14 League: Down 1-10, Monaghan 0-0. Down now meet Fermanagh in the final at the end of the month.

Down Senior Championship quarter final replay:

Ballycran 1-8, Ballygalget 0-2.

Owing to the National Feile na nGael being held in Limerick this weekend there are no important fixtures at intercounty level.

GALWAY

Take First

Senior League Title

JUNE 1994

Camogie World

By: P.J. FULHAM

National Junior Camogie League Champions Armagh, had an easy passage to the final with a convincing win over Limerick in this semi final match played at Keady. The first half was quite a tussle, with Limerick piling on the pressure but was denied several scores by goalie Margaret McKee. Armagh led 2-1 to 0-1 at the break and stamped their authority in the second half with no less than seven of their players putting their names on the scoreboard to run out winners on a score of 4-7 to 0-1. Scorers: Armagh: Bernie McBride, Mary Donnelly and Colette Burns 1-1 each, Aine Lennon 1-0, Colette Conway 0-2, Ursula McGivern and Mary Black 0-1 each. Limerick: Pauline McCarthy 0-1. Referee: Geraldine Clarke, Monaghan.

Cork are through to meet Armagh in the Junior League final when they got the better of Kildare in this semi final played at St. Finbarrs. After a ding dong first half Kildare led 3-0 to 2-2 at the break. The second half continued to be an exciting affair with Cork taking their scoring chances better than the visitors and edged their way to a three point victory. Final score: Cork 2-7, Kildare 3-1. Scorer: Cork: Hilda Kenneally 1-3, Niamh O'Regan 1-0, Gillian Hannon and Glenda O'Sullivan 0-2 each. Kildare: Breda O'Brien 2-0, Mary Healy 1-0, Siobhan Mullen 0-1. Referee: Marie Pollard, Waterford.

Results:
Derry S.C.: Lavey 2-13, Glen 0-5.
Down S.C.: Leitrim 6-14, Druminess 0-1.
Ulster Under 14 L: Monaghan 2-1, Armagh 2-0.
Leinster Under 14 C: Wexford 3-9, Dublin 2-1, Westmeath 2-1, Meath 0-1, Louth 4-9, Kildare 4-1, Laois 3-3, Wicklow 2-1.
Tipperary Under 14 C Final: Ballinahinch 1-0, Louth 0-2.

On Sunday next the Leinster Junior Championship Semi Finals take place. The champions, Carlow, travel to cross swords with Kilkenny in a repeat of last year's final. This should be a good tussle. Kilkenny had victories over Meath and Wexford. Carlow got a bye in the first round and recorded a 1-10 to 1-6 victory over Westmeath. Kilkenny, who took part in the National League will have the advantage. There is a lot of fire in this Carlow squad and they will not surrender their title too easily.

In the other semi final Dublin travel to the winners of Offaly v Kildare. No matter which route they take the Metropolitan side will be hard beaten.

The National Feile na nGael takes place on the week ending June 26th. This year it will be hosted by Limerick. Feile na nGael is a National Festival of Hurling Camogie and Handball for

boys and girls under the age of 14 years. It was started in Thurles, Co. Tipperary in 1971 and celebrated its 21st birthday in Thurles. Each year 20,000 boys and girls take part in the Festival in 32 counties. When the preliminary competition is completed in each county the winners travel to the host county on Thursday, 23rd June, where they are hosted by families and engage the home club in first round matches on Friday.

Feile na nGael is a National movement with the primary objective of facilitating and enabling the personal social and cultural development of young people. The competition is run on a League basis with each team guaranteed at least three games. There will be 80 camogie matches played.

Limerick Feile na nGael Committee: Marguerite Guiry, Vera Mulcahy, Helan Clifford, Bernie O'Dea, Mary Hayes, John O'Connor, Judy Hennessy, Kathleen Coffey, Agnes Sheehy and Mary O'Connell have worked hard in organising this event and must be complimented.

The following is the camogie fixtures for the weekend:

First mentioned in first rounds are host clubs within Limerick:

Div. 1 Section A 1st Rd. Friday 24th at 4.30
At Ballingarry: Granagh / B'garry v Kilkenny at Killeedy: Killeedy v Galway.

2nd rd., Saturday 25th
At Ballingarry: Granagh / B'garry v Killeedy 9.30 a.m.: Galway v Kilkenny 10.30 a.m.

3rd rd. at Killeedy: Killeedy v Kilkenny 1.30 p.m.: Granagh / B'garry v Galway 2.15 p.m.

Div. 1 Section B Friday 24th at 4.30 p.m.
At Newtown: Newtownshandrum v Cork at Ballyagran: Ballyagran v Wexford.

2nd rd. Saturday 25th at Ballyagran: Winners A v Runners-up B 4.30: Winners B v Runners-up A 5.30 p.m.

Final: Sunday 26th at Gaelic Grounds at 1.15 p.m.

Div. 2 Section A 1st Rd. Friday at 4.30 p.m.
At Truagh: Truagh v Dublin at Bruff: Bruff v Antrim.

Saturday:
2nd rd. at Truagh: Truagh v Bruff 9.30 a.m.: Dublin v Antrim 10.30 a.m.

3rd rd. at Bruff: Bruff v Dublin 1.30 p.m.: Truagh v Antrim 2.15 p.m.

Div. 2 Section B 1st Rd Friday at 4.30 p.m.
At Shannon: Shannon v Tipperary at Croagh: Croagh / K'finny v Roscommon.

Saturday:
2nd rd. at Shannon: Shannon v

Croagh / K'finny 9.30 a.m.: Tipperary v Roscommon 10.30 a.m.

3rd rd at Croagh: Croagh v Tipperary 1.30 p.m.: Shannon v Roscommon 2.15 p.m.

Semi finals at Truagh: Winners A v Runners-up B 4.30 p.m.

Winners B v Runners-up A 5.30 p.m.
Final at Mary Immaculate College at 8.00 p.m.

Div. 3 Section A 1st Rd. Friday at 4.30 pm.
At Adare: Adare v Laois: Patrickswell v Waterford.

Saturday:
2nd rd. at Adare: Adare v Patrickswell 9.30 a.m.: Laois v Waterford 10.30 a.m.

3rd rd at Patrickswell: Patrickswell v Laois 1.30 p.m.: Adare v Waterford 2.15 p.m.

Div. 3 Section B 1st Rd Friday at 4.30
at Knockaderry: Knockaderry v Newcastle W, 9.30 a.m.: Kildare v Fermanagh 10.30 a.m.

3rd rd. at Newcastle West: Newcastle W v Kildare 1.30 p.m.: Knockaderry v Fermanagh 2.15 p.m.

Semi finals: At Mary I College:
Winners A v Runners-up B 4.30 p.m.:

Winners B v Runners-up A 5.30 p.m.
Final at Mary I. at 7.00 p.m.

Div. 4 Section A 1st Rd. Friday at 4.30 p.m.
At Doon: St. Fintan's v Wicklow at Newport 9.30 a.m.: Wicklow v Carlow 10.30 a.m.

Rd. 3 at Newport: Newport v Wicklow 1.30 p.m.: St. Fintan's v Carlow 2.15 p.m.

Div. 4 Section B 1st Rd. Friday at 4.30 p.m.
At Ahane: Ahane v Donegal at Na Phiarsaigh: Na Phiarsaigh v Westmeath.

Saturday 2nd rd. at Ahane:
Ahane v Na Phiarsaigh 9.30 a.m.: Donegal v Westmeath 10.30 a.m.

3rd rd. at Na Phiarsaigh:
Na Phiarsaigh v Donegal 1.30 p.m.: Ahane v Westmeath 2.15 p.m.

Semi finals: At Na Phiarsaigh:
Winners A v Runners-up B 4.30: Winners B v Runners-up A 5.30 p.m.

Final at Mary I College at 8.00 p.m.



Dublin stars hoping to make the Leinster final:
Left to right: Irene Kirwan, Sadhb Caverly,
Paula Carroll

EASY PASSAGE FOR ARMAGH

JUNE 1994

Camogie World

By: P.J. FULHAM

On Sunday next the National Junior League final is down for decision between the reigning Champions, Armagh and Cork. The Leesiders won the venue on a toss. This should not worry the Orchard County as the League titles they won were away games: to Down in 1988 and last year to Dublin. They also won the inaugural final in 1980 against Kildare. Armagh is a county that has made great strides. Last year was a historic year for them, after winning the National League, they went on to capture the All-Ireland Junior Championship after a replay with Galway. They are fancied to hold on to their title on Sunday with good performers in Ursula McGivern, Sally McCone, Mary Black, Mary Donnelly, Bernie McBride and Donna McCusker. However, Cork will be no pushover. This is the Leesiders first appearance in a National Junior League final and they will make a brave bid to make history. They have a good young squad. They performed well in the League campaign and now with exams over they should be fielding full strength with players of the calibre of: Hilda Kenneally, Anne Golden, Niamh O'Regan, Patricia Murphy, Bernie Cashman and Jill Hannon they are sure to put up a good fight.

Armagh Panel: Margaret McKee, Margaret Moriarity, Sally McCone, Celine McCreary, Orlagh Murphy, Collette Byrne, Mary Black, Aine Lennon, Bernie McBride, Ursula McGivern, Mary Donnelly, Patricia McEvoy, Joan Greene, Donna McCusker, Teresa McNally, Olive McGeown.

Kilkenny are through to the Leinster Junior Championship final, they had a convincing win over the champions, Carlow in this semi final at Ballyraggett. The first half was even enough, goals by Imelda Kennedy and Margaret Kavanagh giving Kilkenny a 2-4 to 1-3 lead at the break.

While Carlow gave a spirited display in the second half, it was the Noresiders who picked off the scores with long range points by Kilkenny's scoring ace Imelda Kennedy who also banged home a goal. Full time score: Kilkenny 3-8, Carlow 1-5. Scorers: Kilkenny: Imelda Kennedy 2-5, Margaret Kavanagh 1-1, Mary McGrath 0-1, Marie Maher 0-1. Carlow: Aine Murphy 1-0, Valerie Crean 0-3, Marie Sheehan and Kathleen Brennan 0-1 each. Referee: Aogan Swords, Wexford.

An error in the amount of time played in the extra time of the quarter final between Offaly and Kildare, caused Leinster Council to order a replay. Kildare and Offaly played again. Offaly showed their dominance throughout to end up winners 4-9 to 0-6. Scorers: Offaly: Geraldine Mahon 1-4, Michelle Davis 1-3, Margaret Lynch 1-2, Catherine Byrne 1-0. Kildare: Michelle Aspel 0-3, Marianne Feeney 0-2, Bernie McSweeney 0-1.

The semi final between Offaly and Dublin will now take place on Sunday next. Kilkenny

booked their place in the Leinster Senior Championship final when they had an overwhelming victory over Dublin in this semi final played at Ballyraggett. Kilkenny were short just one of their usual squad and the return of Angela Downey was well noted. Dublin also fielded short on the day. They gave a very good display against a very determined Kilkenny side who led 5-5 to 2-5 at the break.

The second half continued to produce quite a tussle, goals by Dublin's Cathy Walsh and Geraldine Dunne were soon followed by similar scores by Angela Downey and Brigid Mullally. The Noresiders were in good scoring form with eight of their team putting their names on the scoreboard. Final score: Kilkenny 8-10, Dublin 4-6. Scorers: Kilkenny: Sinead Millea 3-3, Angela Downey 2-1, Brigid Mullally 1-3, Catherine Dunne and Gillian Dillon 1-0 each, Marina Downey, Imelda Kennedy and Anne Downey 0-1 each. Dublin: Cathy Walshe 2-0, Geraldine Dunne 1-1, Niamh Kearney 0-4, Anne Walshe 1-0, Ruth Lyons 0-1. Referee: Liam Davitt, Westmeath. Wexford will be Kilkenny's opponents in the final. They had a 4-8 to 1- victory over Kildare in the semi final at Newbridge.

Ulster Championships: Armagh took the Ulster Senior Championship when they coasted to victory over Down in this final played at An Port Mor. The winners led 2-3 to 0-2 at the break. down put up a spirited display in the second half but were unable to pull back the first half deficit. Full time score: Armagh 4-3, Down 1-5. Scorers: Armagh: Deirdre 3-1, Patricia McEvoy 1-1, Collette Byrnes 0-1. Down: Mairin McAleenan 1-3, Edel Mason and Pauleen Greene 0-1 each.

Fermanagh gained entry to their first ever Ulster Minor Championship final when they had a convincing 8-14 to 1-10 win over Armagh. Fermanagh, boasted by Teemore club who won Division 4 of the National Feile na Gael last year now meet Derry in the final on Sunday. Scorers: Fermanagh: Glenda Fitzpatrick 5-6, Ursula Maguire 2-1, Roisin Owens 1-2, Gemma McCaffrey 0-2, Michelle Carey 0-1. Armagh: Bernie Gribbon 0-5, Sinead Gray 1-1, Gillian Fearon 0-2, Martina Bellen and Sinead Carraher 0-1 each.

Derry Senior Championship quarter finals: Banagher 9-6, Glenullin 0-4. Scorers: Banagher: Margaret O'Connor 4-3, Deirdre McWilliams 3-0, Mary O'Kane 0-4, Elaine McGonicle and Patricia Cooke 1-0 each. Glenullin: Michelle Kealey 0-4.

Bellaghy 4-7, Ballerin 0-1. Scorers: Monica Woulahan 2-3, Karen Lee 1-4, Fiona Molloy 1-0.

Swatragh 4-9, Slaughtneil 0-5. Scorers: Swatragh: Sarah McNicholl 2-4, Breige McGilligan and Deirdre O'Doherty 1-0 each, Claire Scullion 0-2, Marie Mullan, Bernie Mullan and Sinead O'Kane 0-1 each. Slaughtneil: Aileen O'Kane 0-4, Ciara O'Kane 0-1.

Ballynaskreen 3-8, Lavey 1-3.

Fixture: Sunday July 3rd: National Junior League Final: At Ballincollig: Cork v Armagh: 1.00 p.m.; Referee: Biddy Phillips, Tipperary.



Biddy Phillips, Tipperary, who takes charge of the League final



Armagh stars who are sure to cause problems for Cork. Left to right: Aine Lennon, Joan Rice, Donna McCusker

Ard Mhacha

1. MAIREAD MHIC AOIDH
2. GEARÓIDÍN NIC EACHAIDH
3. MAIREAD NÍ MHIRCHEARTAIGH
4. CAITLÍN DE BRÚN
5. COLETTE NÍ BHROIN
6. CEILÍN NIC GAOTHRA
7. ORLA NÍ MHURCHÚ
8. OILBHE NIC EOGHAIN
9. MÁIRE NÍ DHUIBH
10. BRIAINÍN NIC GIOLLA EHRIDE
11. URSULA NIC UIDHRÍN
12. ÁINE NÍ LEANNAÍN
13. DEIRDRE NÍ CHONGHAILE
14. MÁIRE NÍ DHONNAILE
15. PÁDRAIGÍN NIC FHOIBHÚÍ

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| (Geraldine Haughey) | St. Mochua's |
| (Margaret Moriarty) | St. Enda's |
| (Cathy Browne) | St. Patrick's |
| (Collette Byrne) | Cuchullain's |
| (Celine Mc Geary) | Collegelands |
| (Orlagh Murphy) | St. Brigid's |
| (Olive Mc Geown) | St. Brenda's |
| (Mary Black) CAPTAIN | St. Mochua's |
| (Bernie McBride) | St. Mochua's |
| (Ursula McGivern) | St. Enda's |
| (Aine Lennon) | Clan na nGael |
| (Deirdre Connolly) | St. Patrick's |
| (Mary Donnelly) | St. Brenda's |
| (Patricia McEvoy) | Crossmaglen Rangers. |

Corcaigh

1. MÁIRE NÍ SHUILLEABHÁIN
2. COLETTE NÍ CHRÓINÍN
3. EIBHLÍN NÍ ÉALAITHE
4. ALSÚN NÍ DHULUACHRA
5. MÁIRE NÍ CHORCRA
6. KAREN NÍ MHAOILGHEIRIC CAPTAIN
7. STIOFAINÍN NÍ DHOINNLE
8. BEIBHINN NÍ EARCHAÍ
9. ANTOINETTE NÍ CHONAIL
10. HILDE NÍ CHINNAOLAIDH
11. NIAMH NÍ RIAGÁIN
12. LINDA NÍ SHUILLEABHÁIN
13. GILLIAN NÍ RIAIN
14. ÁINE NÍ GHÓILÍN
15. MÁIRE NÍ SHEASNÁIN

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| (Colette Cronin) | St. Finbarr's |
| (Evelyn Healy) | Na Phiarsaigh |
| (Allison Dilworth) | Brian Dillon's |
| (Marie Corkery) | Cloughduv |
| (Karen Mellerick) | Brian Dillon's |
| (Stephanie Dunlea) | Glen Rovers' |
| (Vivienne Harris) | Bishopstown |
| (Antoinette OConnell) | Newcestown |
| (Hilda Kenneally) | Newcestown |
| (Niamh O Regan) | Brian Dillon's |
| (Linda O Sullivan) | Ballinahassig |
| (Gillian Ryan) | Brian Dillon's |
| (Ann Golden) | Inniscarra |
| (Mary Sexton) | Kilbritten |

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| 16. ROIS NIC GIOLLA ADAIN | (Rosie McClelland) | St. Brigid's |
| 17. SORCHA NIC COMHAIN | (Sally Mc Cone) | St. Brenda's |
| 18. COLLETTE NI CHONBHUI | (Collette Conway) | St. Patrick's |
| 19. EIBHLIN MONE | (Helen Mone) | St. Patrick's |

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| 16. MÁIRE NÍ CHONGHAILE | (Marie Connolly) | Cobh |
| 17. BEIRNIS NÍ CHIOSÁIN | (Bernice Cashman) | Blackrock |
| 18. EIBHLÍN NÍ CHLUMHÁIN | (Ellen Clifford) | Na Phiarsaigh |
| 19. MÁIRE DHEISEACH | (Miriam Deasy) | Kilbritten |

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JULY 1994

Cork take on champions

By TOM HIGGINS

ALL-IRELAND champions Armagh make the journey to Ballincollig on Sunday (1p.m.) to meet Cork in the final of the All-Ireland Junior camogie League.

The girls from the North won their title last September when they defeated Galway in a replay, and with a very strong panel, will be fancied to make it a double.

They are also the holders of the League title, having beaten Dublin 3-8 to 2-1 in the first 15-side decider last year. They are no strangers to League honours as they were also successful in 1980 and 1988.

They have a very well balanced side and will be relying on the likes of Mary Donnelly from the Niamh Brenda Club, the experienced Patricia McElvey (Crossmaglen Rangers), who has two League titles and a Gael Linn medal to her credit and Combined Universities, and Colleges star Sally McCone to see them through.

On their way to the final they recorded impressive wins over Cavan, Down and Galway in their section and seemed to have adapted well to the 15 aside game.

Cork, on the other hand, will be seeking their first League success and with a very strong panel will be hoping that this will be their year. They were beaten by Galway in last year's All-Ireland semi-final but have a much stronger side now. They will be captained by Karen Mellerick, who will be hoping to emulate her sister, Linda, who led Cork seniors to their All-Ireland title last year.

The Cork girls looked impressive when beating Waterford and Wexford in their opening two games and showed much improved form when getting the better of Kilkenny in the semi-final.

They have been training hard under Barrs coach Jerry O'Shea, who is sure to have them in top form.

Amongst those who will be expected to play a prominent part for the Leesiders are Evelyn Healy (Na Piarasigh), Mary Sexton (Kilbriann), Colette Cronin (St. Finbarr's), and Trish Murphy and Stephanie Dunlea from the Glen Rovers club.



■ Cork's Allison Dillworth battles with Armagh's Deirdre Connolly, during the junior camogie league final at Ballincollig yesterday. Picture: Dan Linehan.

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Cork rewarded with a second chance

By BRENDAN LARKIN

Cork 1-10
Armagh 1-10

CONFUSION reigned at the conclusion of this highly entertaining All-Ireland junior camogie league final at Ballincollig, Co. Cork, yesterday.

Many in the crowd including this reporter felt Armagh had retained their title with a one point victory, but according to the referee, the game ended all square.

Cork who have never held this title came within seconds of winning, when after Stephanie Dunlea tied the scores for the seventh time with three minutes left, Dunlea and Linda O'Sullivan spurned two gilt-edged chances to clinch a home victory.

It was a marvellous game of camogie played by two very evenly matched sides that were level four times in the opening half which ended at 0-5 each.

Armagh upped the pace of the game in the second half and when Mary Black's long range effort went all the way to the Cork net in the 40th minute, they looked to be heading for their second successive win in this grade.

However, the home side weren't going down without a fight, and inspired by the brilliance of Alison Dilworth, Stephanie Dunlea and Karen Mellerick in defence, and Vivienne Harris in the forwards, they laid siege to the Armagh goal and were rewarded when Linda O'Sullivan's effort from a 50 metres free went all the way to the Armagh net in the 50th minute to tie the scores at 1-7.

Mary Sexton looked to have given her side the lead with a point in the 55th minute, but while the umpire signalled a score, the flag didn't go up, and we had to wait until the final whistle to know the outcome.

The closing minutes were extremely exciting as both sides exchanged points, and when Bernie McBride had an Armagh point just before full time, it looked to be the winner, until the referee decided otherwise.

● The replay has been fixed for Armagh on July 17.

Scorers — Cork: L. O'Sullivan 1-5 (1-3 frees, 0-2 30s); G. Ryan, S. Dunlea 0-2 each; N. O'Regan 0-1. Armagh: U. McGovern 0-4 (0-2 30s); M. Black 1-0; P. McEvoy 0-3; B. McBride 0-2; A. Lennon 0-1.
CORK: M. O'Sullivan; C. Cronin, E. Healy, A. Dilworth; M. Corkery, K. Mellerick, S. Dunlea; V. Harris, A. O'Connell, E.



■ Cork's Stephanie Dunlea breaks upfield challenged by Armagh's Olive McGeown and Mary Black during the All-Ireland junior camogie league final at Ballincollig, Co. Cork, yesterday.
Picture: Dan Linehan.

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Camogie World

By: P.J. FULHAM

Sunday next is the commencement of the Open Draw Senior Championship and the race for the coveted "O'Duffy Cup". There are two games down for decision. Newly crowned National Senior League Champions, Galway will travel to cross swords with Kildare. The Lilywhites are still only feeling their way in Senior ranks. They will find the visitors a formidable force carrying too much strength on the day.

Galway Panel: Treacy Laheen, Olive Costello, Sheila Coen, Bridget Kilgannon, Carmel Allen, Brid Stratford, Pamela Nevin, Imelda Maher, Alice Murphy, Bridget Fahy, Sharon Glynn, Imelda Hobbins, Olivia Broderick, Deirdre Costello, Anne Ryan, Martina Harkins, Dymna Maher, Helan Ryan, Teresa Fallon.

Kildare Panel: Rose Merriman, Geraldine Dwyer, Therese Farrell, Liz O'Donoghoe, Antoinette Crofton, Caoimhe Brennan, Melanie Treacy, Reiltin Treacy, Aisling Treacy, Claire Moloney, Michelle Aspel, Miriam Malone, Elaine Miley, Siobhan Mullen, Marianne Feeney.

Dublin host Wexford in what should be an entertaining tussle. The sides met at this stage last year and Wexford had two points to spare 1-13 to 0-14. Wexford were not impressive in the National League this season, while Dublin seem to be getting their act together. This one should go down to the wire.

Dublin Panel: Orla Connolly, Denise O'leary, Geraldine Dunne, Karen Bauer, Carmel Gray, Irene Kirwan, Ruth Lyons, Adrienne McGovern, Cathy Walshe, Niamh Kearney, Anne Walsh, Paula Carroll, Catherine Boyle, Miriam Murphy.

Wexford Panel: Terri Butler, Marita Bailey, Maura Codd, Mary Hayden, Catherine Murphy, Fiona Dunne, Paula Rankin, Barbara Sludds, Anne Marie O'Connor, Anne Reddy, Geraldine Codd, Marian O'Leary, Stella Synott, Tina Farrell, Orla Hearne, Avis Nolan, Eilis Atkinson, Orla Gahan, Esme Murphy.

The Leinster Junior Championship will take place on Sunday. Kilkenny await the winner of Offaly versus Dublin. The venue will be decided on toss regardless of who Kilkenny's opponents are.

In the Ulster Junior Championship semi final Cavan had a surprise win over Armagh. The Breffni girls put up a great display and after an excellent first half led 0-6 to 0-2. The second half was also eagerly contested. Armagh could only manage a point in this half while Cavan added a further 1-1. Full time score: Cavan: 1-7, Armagh 0-3. Scorers: Cavan: Majella Prior 0-5, Catherine Smyth 1-1, Ita Brady 0-1. Armagh: Collette Conway 0-2, Helena Murray 0-1.

In the other semi final Antrim had four points to spare over Derry in this sparkling game. The winners led 3-4 to 1-2 at the break. Derry had a better scoring second half but failed to pull back the first half deficit. Final score: Antrim 4-7, Derry 3-6. Scorers: Antrim: Una Elliott 3-1, Carla Doherty 1-0, Elaine Dowds 0-3, Ann McKee,

Majella McMullen and Karen Convery 0-1 each. Derry: Brona Birt 2-2, Mary O'Kane 1-2, Martina Mulholland 0-2.

Armagh Senior Championship semi finals: Derrynoose and An Port Mhor will have to meet again after playing a draw in a spirited game in which Armagh's captain Mary Black scored 1-7 for Derrynoose. The score: Derrynoose 1-13, An Port Mhor 4-4. Scorers: Derrynoose: Mary Black 1-7, Bernie McBride 0-5, Aoife Woods 0-1. An Port Mhor: Madeline Doherty 1-2, Phil Campbell, Caroline Jordan, Miriam Anderson 1-0 each, Anne Donnelly 0-2.

The other semi final between Keady and St. Brigid's was also a ding dong battle which looked at one stage as if there would be another draw. In the end Keady got there by a whisker. The score: Keady 1-6, St. Brigid's 0-8. Scorers: Keady: Colleen Conway 1-0, Collette Conway 0-3, Deirdre Connolly 0-3. St. Brigid's: Ellen Donnelly 0-4, Fionnuala McGrath 0-2, Orla Murphy and Geraldine McCloskey 0-1 each.

Ulster Colleges Under 14 semi final played at Falls Road, Belfast. St. Patrick's Maghera 2-7, St. Patrick's Portlaffery 3-0.

The National Feile na nGael which was hosted by Limerick was a great success. The Committee in charge of the Camogie Section take a bow for the smooth running of the competitions and a job well done. It was an impressive and colourful sight as over 3,500 young hurler Camogie players and handballers marched from the City Centre to the Gaelic Grounds. When the parade, headed by the Artane Boys Band and seventeen other Bands arrived at the Gaelic Grounds in good weather conditions there was a Celebrated Feile Mass with former Limerick Hurler Fr. Paudie Fitzmaurice principal Celebrant. Afterwards Trophies were awarded for the most attractively attired team and the most attractive Banner.

The following are the results:
Individual Skills: 1st Emma Ni Ghalbhain, Port Cladach, Waterford 76 points
2nd Rosemary Breen, Monageer, Wexford 75 points
3rd Gillian Coleman, Ballyagran, Limerick 69 points
Div. 1 Semi finals: Pierces, Galway 4-3, Aghabullogue, Cork 1-0
St. Ibar's, Wexford 5-2, Granagh/Ballingarry, Limerick 0-0

Final: Pierces 1-9, St. Ibar's 0-4.
Div. 2 Semi Finals: Truagh, Limerick 3-5, Oran, Roscommon 0-0
Dromininch, Tipperary 2-3, Bruff, Limerick 1-5
Final: Dromininch 4-9, Truagh 2-2
Div. 3 Semi finals: Dunhill, Waterford 4-1, Knockaderry, Limerick 0-0
Final: Teemore 2-4, Dunhill 0-1
Div. 4 Semi finals: Aughrim, Wicklow 2-2 Raharney, Westmeath 2-0
Na Piarasigh, Limerick 1-2, Kildavin, Carlow 1-0
Final: Na Piarasigh 2-0, Aughrim 0-0.

Open Draw Championship Commences On Sunday

Lilywhites face another big hurdle

THIS Sunday sees the start of the race for the Senior Camogie Championship the coveted O'Duffy Cup.

There are two games down for decision, newly crowned National Senior League champions Galway travel to cross swords with Kildare, at Newbridge.

The Lilywhites are still only feeling their way in senior ranks, and should find the visitors a formidable force, with too much fire power for them on the day.

It would far too much to ask that Kildare could emulate their footballers and even hold the League champions to a draw.

Dublin host Wexford in what should be quite an entertaining tussle.

The sides met at this stage of the competition last year and Wexford had two points to spare 1-13 to 0-14.

But they were not impressive in the League this season while Dublin seemed to be getting their act together.

They have talented players in Cathy Walsh, Una Crowley, Geraldine Dunne, Carmel O'Byrne, Denise O'Leary and Carmel Grey.

Wexford are sure to be well served by Catherine Murphy, Stella Synnott, Paula Rankin, Fiona and Siobhan Dunne. This one should go all the way to the wire.

FIXTURES

SUNDAY — All Ireland Senior Championship, O'Toole Park: Dublin v Wexford 3.0, Mary Connor (Louth). At Sarsfields, Newbridge: Kildare v Galway 2.0, Aine Derham (Dublin). Leinster Junior Championship final, Nowlan Park: Kilkenny v Offaly 3.0, John Pender (Kildare).

ALL-IRELAND SENIOR CAMOGIE QUARTER-FINALS

Wexford.....3-12 Dublin.....2-9
Galway.....6-23 Kildare.....1-9

LEINSTER JUNIOR CAMOGIE FINAL

Kilkenny.....3-10 Offaly.....2-10

Limerick take spoils

Limerick 4-6
Cork 2-7

THE Limerick junior camogie team took their cue from the senior hurlers when they pulled off a major surprise in beating Cork in the semi-final of the Munster Championship at the Mary Immaculate grounds in Limerick.

Cork who drew with Armagh in the League final a week earlier found themselves 2-3 to 0-2 behind at the half stage and were never really able to claw their way back afterwards.

When the appointed referee failed to put in an appearance John Dunlea father of Corks top scorer Stephanie Dunlea agreed to take over and he handled the game quite well.

FIRST HALF GOALS

Limerick turned in a fine performance and their confidence soared after Pauline McCarthy and Celia Fitzgerald snatched first half goals with McCarthy adding a point and

others following from Kay Burke and Mary Lonergan.

Cork rather out of tune in this half replied from Stephanie Dunlea with two points.

IN CHARGE

At the three-quarter stage Limerick were still in charge at 3-4 to 0-6 with Celia Fitzgerald having their third goal and Cork with their reputation on the line putting the late rally for Dunlea and Hilda Kenneally to raise green flags but their effort was too late and Limerick marched on.

Scorers — Limerick: C Fitzgerald 2 goals; P McCarthy 1-2; M Lonergan 1-1; K Burke 0-2; M McCarthy 0-1. Cork: S Dunlea 1-5; H Kenneally 1-1; V Harris 0-1.

LIMERICK: B O'Brien, H Clifford-McCarthy, A Sheehy, L O'Brien, L Leonard, L O'Sullivan, M Burke, M McCarthy, C Fitzgerald, K Burke, K O'Connor, P McCarthy, Subs: M Lonergan for K O'Connor

CORK: M O'Sullivan, C Cronin, E Healy, M Corkery, P Mellerick, A O'Connor, S Dunlea, V Harris, M O'Regan, M Casey, B Kenneally, L O'Sullivan.

Ref: J Dunlea, Cork.

Super Sars

By TOM HIGGINS

Sarsfields 1-11 St Finbarr's 1-6

A GOAL after 10 seconds set Sarsfields on the road to victory in this Senior "B" camogie championships game at Mayfield, Cork, last night.

Breda Kenny lobbed the ball towards the goal from 40 yards out and the ball slipped from 'keeper Marie O'Sullivan's grasp and Lily Twomey was on hand to bat the ball home.

Although the 'Barrs hit back to score two points from Colette O'Mahony, from a "30" and a free, in the opening two minutes this was to be their only scores of the half and Sarsfield, with the aid of a strong crosswind, built up a 1-4 to 0-2 lead at the break.

St Finbarr's were expected show more of their fighting spirit with the wind in their favour in the second half but it was Sarsfields who got off to the better start with Breda Kenny punishing the Blues from placed balls.

However, they made a valiant effort to come back into the game in the 41st minute when Marie O'Dea goaled, to leave the score 1-9 to 1-5, and when Colette O'Mahony added another point two minutes later there was only a goal between the sides.

However Sarsfield's finished the stronger and two excellent points from Twomey in the closing stages put the game out of the 'Barrs reach.

Scorers — Sarsfields: B Kenny 0-7 (0-4 frees, 0-2 "30's") L Twomey 1-2, L Dunphy 0-2 (frees). St. Finbarr's: C O'Mahony 0-5 (0-3 "30's, 0-1 free), M O'Dea 1-0, E Barry-Murphy 0-1.

SARSFIELDS: L Barry; P O'Dwyer; N Ahern, L Dunphy, L Davis; E Twomey, J Cashman, A Brady; S Barry, B Kenny, V Twomey, L Twomey.

ST. FINBARR'S: M O'Sullivan; C Cronin; C Barry, A O'Donovan, E Kelleher; D Christie, C O'Mahony, R O'Donovan; M O'Dea, M O'Sullivan, E Barry-Murphy, J Duffy.

Ref: B Joyce (Killeagh).



Seandun camogie team who play Glen Rovers in the County Championship senior final on Wednesday night in Midleton.

Glen face toughest test yet in county

By Brendan Larkin

THERE is a unique pairing for this year's Cork county senior camogie championship final which takes place at Clonmult Park in Midleton tomorrow (Wednesday) night at 7.30 p.m.

Reigning county, Munster and All-Ireland club champions Glen Rovers put their three titles on the line against a divisional side that is appearing in its first decider.

It's an unusual pairing, and comes about because of the change that was made to this year's championship at the annual convention back last January.

Practically all of the other senior clubs felt they had little chance of competing with the Glen, such is the strength of the Blackpool club at present, and they succeeded in having a second county senior championship introduced for 1994.

The original championship would stay with the Glen, along with the divisions taking part, while the second championship or "B" grade, was confined to the remaining senior clubs.

Seandun have come through to reach the final following impressive victories over Imokilly and Muskerry, while the Glen defeated Carbery in their only game in the championship to date.

Because of the strength of the city divisional side, Glen Rovers are expecting a very serious challenge to their titles. In all nine members of the Seandun side



Linda Mellerick on the opposite side to her sister Karen in the county final on Sunday.

have played senior with the county.

These include Colette O'Mahony, Colette Cronin, Marie O'Sullivan (St. Finbarrs), Liz Towler, Rose Desmond,



Karen Mellerick (Brian Dillons) will captain Cork junior camogie team against Armagh in the All-Ireland final at Ballinlough on Sunday.

Liz O'Neill (Bishopstown), Irene O'Leary, and Paula Goggins (Na Piaras) who will captain the side, and the

holders are guaranteed their toughest test in years.

Like all divisional sides, the biggest problem Seandun have is their lack of collective training, but to the credit of their coach Jean Kent, they have made a big effort, and are not without hope.

Glen Rovers however are the champions and are chasing a record 20 titles, and five in a row. They have prepared very hard under the watchful eye of coach Noel Lynam who has left no stone unturned in getting his side into shape.

That sportsperson supreme Sandie Fitzgibbon captains the side which will also include Linda Mellerick, Therese O'Callaghan, the Dunlea sisters Lynn and Stephanie and Ger McCarthy.

Mellericks have to win

By Brendan Larkin

THE Mellerick household on the Ballyvolane Road will be divided right down the middle tomorrow night when Seandun and Glen Rovers meet in this year's Cork county senior camogie championship final in Midleton.

Sisters Linda and Karen find themselves on opposite sides as the reigning champions Glen Rovers face what will be their toughest test over the last five years to their status as kingpins of senior camogie in Cork.

The camogie careers of the sisters Mellerick couldn't be more different. Linda is the holder of four senior county medals and is appearing in her seventh final, while Karen is appearing in her first senior final, and is the holder of one intermediate county medal won with her club Brian Dillons.

Linda is the elder of the sisters and has been playing camogie since her school days in St. Patricks. Last year was the highlight of her career to date when she captained Cork to victory over Galway

and capped a great season by being voted the Camogie Player of the Year and the Jury's sportsperson for the month of September.

Karen has also been playing camogie since her days at the same school, and is currently the captain of the county junior team which recently came very close to winning the All-Ireland league title for the very first time last week, forcing a replay with the champions Armagh out in Ballincollig.

For tomorrow night's final both the sisters will be going all out to ensure victory for their respective sides, and the only certainty is that a county camogie senior championship medal will find its way to the Mellerick home.

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New look camogie showdown



● Liz Towler.

IT will be different, and it ought to be close, very close. The "different" bit I can vouch for; the "close" bit is always a bit dodgy when it comes to sport, and camogie is no exception.

On paper, tomorrow evening's County Senior Camogie Final at Clonmult Park in Midleton ought to be a finely balanced contest.

After all, it pits one half of the Cork senior team against the other half. More or less.

In theory, you can't get much closer than that. In practice - as so often in sport - the outcome could be very different.

What matters overall - and this is surely what everyone will be hoping for - is that this Final should be good for camogie in general in Cork.

Different

This final itself is cer-

tainly different, as I have already said, because for the first time in nearly 20 years it is being contested by a club side (Glen Rovers) and a divisional side (Seandun).

The whole thing is by way of an experiment - and one which has not been universally welcomed.

This is especially so on the part of the Glen, and the attitude of the Blackpool club is understandable.

But it is possible to argue that what is good for the Glen isn't necessarily good for camogie in general in Cork.

Crux

That's the crux which



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the Camogie County Board had to confront.

Because of the Glen's dominance in Cork in recent years - and the effects of this on the morale of other clubs - the County Board decided to make some changes.

In order to stiffen the competition for the Glen, it was decided that in the 1994 County Championship they would play divisional sides.

And these sides, being based on a panel of players drawn from a number of clubs, should put it up to the Glen.

That's the theory anyway.

Practice

How it works out in practice is very much another matter.

And, of course, the whole idea has left the Glen aggrieved.

They feel - with some justification - that they are being penalised for being good.



● Mary Ring.

That argument has merit.

Looking at things from the point of view of the County Board, however, a somewhat different picture emerges.

The good of the overall game in Cork, and the responsibility for fostering that game, lies with the County Board.

Healthy

It so happens that right now the sport is in a healthy condition in the county, with the Cork senior team attempting this year to win their third All-Ireland title in a row.

Similarly, at club level, the Glen will be trying to capture their third All-Ireland senior club championship in a row.

So 1994 could be the year of a double treble (if you see what I mean) for Cork camogie.

So why isn't everyone happy?

The problem is the Glen's dominance.

If they go on sweeping all before them in the manner in which they have been doing it in recent years, then other clubs will simply throw in the towel.

Not quite: they'll come out and play, but their hearts won't really be in it.

This is the scenario with which the County Board had to contend.

Cork may be flying just now in the All-Ireland series - but how long can that last if the bottom starts to fall out of the club structure, club competitions and club morale?

Clubs are where the game is nurtured, so if things start to go wrong at that level, then the rot soon spreads.

Which is why we have this year's experiment.

It may not have the desired effect, and it may have left the Glen feeling badly done by.

But at least it is well-intentioned, and it can be reviewed and altered.

Okay - Glen Rovers see things differently.

They are entitled to. They have enjoyed great success in recent years, but they have worked very hard for it.

I have said it before, and I'll say it again - the girls who play camogie don't get anything like the credit they deserve for the effort they put in, and the sacrifices they make.

That said, it must also be acknowledged in a wider context that what's good for the Glen isn't necessarily good for camogie in Cork.

So will tomorrow evening's game in Midleton be good for the game overall?

I think it will.

Greatness

And I think it will be a true test of the Glen's greatness.

Seandun can rely on players from Bishopstown, St Finbarrs, Na Piarasigh and Brian Dillons for this final.

They can call on the likes of Liz Towler, Colette O'Mahony, Paula Goggins, Liz O'Neill, Rose Desmond, Sheenagh Mor-



● Paul

ley and Colette Cronin take on the Glen.

The Blackpool side will be powered by Sandra Fitzgibbon, Theresa O'Callaghan, Lynn Dunlea, Mary Ring, Claire and Ger McCarthy and Linda Mellerick.



● Lind



● Lynn Dunlea.

Camogie final

The stage is now set for the final of this season's senior championship and on Wednesday night next at Ballinlough at 7.30 reigning champions Glen Rovers and Seandun will battle it out to decide the destination of the Science Cup for 1994. Tonight the Cork junior team will set out in defence of their title when they travel to Mary Immaculate Grounds in Limerick to play the home county in the first round of the Munster Junior Championship.

In an eagerly awaited county senior final the reigning champions, Glen Rovers, and Seandun will be in opposition at Ballinlough on Wednesday night. For the past number of years Glen Rovers have been in a league of their own when it came to senior camogie. Despite the efforts of many clubs they always proved to be the dominant force and with the significant gap between themselves and Na Piarsaigh in last year's decider the clubs decided that something had to be

done if interest was to be maintained in camogie at senior club level. Hence at convention last December a request for a senior 'A' and 'B' championship was unanimously passed. Because of this Glen will probably face their most difficult challenge of recent years when they take on Seandun who will be made up of players from Na Piarsaigh, Bishopstown, Brian Dillons and St. Finbarrs.

However Glen will start as favourites to retain their title. Spearheaded by such marvellous performers as Sandy Fitzgibbon, Therese O'Callaghan, Denise Cronin, Mary Ring, Linda Mellerick and the Dunlea sisters, Lyn and Stephanie, they are without doubt one of the most talented teams ever to grace a field. On Wednesday they will be chasing their fifth title in a row and their 20th in all.

On the other side of the coin divisional sides have always found it very difficult to get together but Seandun have certainly overcome this and have managed to bring together a very experienced outfit. Captained by Na Piarsaigh player Paula Goggins, they have other fine per-

formers in Liz Towler, Liz O'Neill, Colette O'Mahony, Colette Cronin, Karen Mellerick, Niamh O'Regan and Evelyn Healy. These girls are certainly very experienced performers and should on form provide stiff opposition for the Glen girls. In their first outing Seandun certainly looked capable of great things when they defeated a fancied Imokilly side. Since then they have lost the services of Brid Kelleher who is injured and Irene O'Leary who is on holidays. These girls are certainly a big loss

but they can still have a strong panel to choose from and if these girls produce the goods on the night we should have a very exciting game in store.

The Cork team for tonight's clash with Limerick in the Munster Junior Championship will see Marie O'Sullivan between the posts. Evelyn Healy will be at full-back with Colette Cronin and Marie Corkery filling the wing-back positions. Karen Mellerick, who captains the side, will be at centre-back with the mid-field

positions going to Vivienne Harris, Jill Hannon and Stephanie Dunlea. Antoinette O'Connell will be at centre-forward with Linda O'Sullivan, Miriam Deasy and Niamh O'Regan completing the full-forward line.

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Munster Junior Championship — Cork v Limerick at Mary Immaculate Grounds, Limerick, at 7 o'clock.

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Junior 'B' League — Fermoy v Cobh at Fermoy at 7.30 p.m. (referee from

St. Catherines); Mayfield v Sarsfields at 7.30 p.m. (Brian Dillons); St. Fannahans v Watergrasshill at St. Fannahans at 7.30 p.m. (Kildorrery); Castlemagner v St. Catherines at Castlemagner at 7.30 p.m. (Mallow); Gleann Na Laoi v St. Finbarrs at Gleann Na Laoi at 7.30 p.m. (Bishopstown); Ballygarvan v Bishopstown at Ballygarvan at 7.30 p.m. (Tracton); Delaneys v St. Vincents at Delaneys at 7.30 p.m. (Glen Rovers); Clonakilty v Kilbrittain at Clonakilty at 7.30 p.m. (Bandon).

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The Seandun team who were so near to beating Glen Rovers last night in the county final at Midleton

Glen glory in thriller

By Brendan Larkin

Glen Rovers 1-14
Seandun 1-9

GLEN ROVERS created history at Midleton last night when they won the Cork county senior camogie championship title for a record 20th time and their fifth year in-a-row with a five point victory over Seandun in a magnificent final.

In a match that gave the championship a tremendous boost, Seandun put it up to the champions, but buckled under the enormous pressure the Glen applied in the closing minutes.

When it comes to writing the history of Glen camogie, the name of Lyn Dunlea will figure prominently. Almost single handedly she rescued her side from impending defeat with a display that will rank as one of the best ever at this level.

Down four points 15 minutes into the second-half and defeat staring her side in the face, she grabbed the game by the scruff of the neck and turned it right round in Glen's favour.

On moving to full-forward, she plucked Therese O'Callaghan's long delivery out of the sky, but with only the 'keeper to beat, blasted the ball inches over the bar.

She tacked on two further points before bringing the crowd to its feet seconds later when she beat her way past two defenders before unleashing an unstoppable shot to the net.

However, Lyn's display didn't earn her the "person of the match" award because that went to Therese O'Callaghan for her marvellous second-half display at midfield. But Dunlea's contribution

of 1-10 of her side total easily marked her out as a player of exceptional ability.

Seandun lost no caste in defeat and can be very pleased with their contribution to an outstanding match played in the proper spirit. Inspired by the brilliance of Colette O'Mahony, Paula Goggins Sheehagh Morley and Karen Mellerick, they took the game to the Glen from the throw-in and were well worth their 0-6 to 0-1 lead after 20 minutes.

Glen were shocked by the ferocity of Seandun's early challenge, but gradually they came more into the game in the closing five minutes and the accuracy of Dunlea from frees had them on level terms at the end of the first-half.

The divisional side made the running in the second-half and were rewarded with a splendid goal from substitute Eithne Duggan in the 27th minute.

The champions were rattled, but responded superbly and in those closing minutes the "Spirit of the Glen" was seen at its very best as they fought back to retain their title.

Scorers for Glen Rovers: L. Dunlea 1-10 (0-5 frees, 0-3 30s); L. Mellerick 0-2; T. O'Callaghan, C. McCarthy 0-1 each. Seandun: C. O'Mahony 0-6 (0-4 frees); E. Duggan 1-0; J. Hannon 0-2; P. Goggins 0-1.

GLEN ROVERS: M. O'Leary; D. McCarthy, M. Ring, S. Dunlea, S. Fitzgibbon, D. Cronin, T. O'Callaghan, M. Currid, L. Mellerick, L. Dunlea, G. McCarthy, C. McCarthy. Subs. P. Murphy for Currid, A. Coleman for D. McCarthy.

SEANDUN: R. Desmond (Bishopstow); E. Healy (Na Piarasigh), C. Cronin (St. Finbarrs), P. Goggins (Na Piarasigh), L. Towler (Bishopstow), S. Morley (do.), K. Mellerick (Brian Dillons), J. Hannon (do.), V. Harris (Bishopstow), L. O'Neill (do.), C. O'Mahony (St. Finbarrs), N. O'Regan (Brian Dillons). Sub. E. Duggan (Bishopstow). Referee: M. Kearney (Sarsfields).



The ball breaks between Vivienne Harris, Seandun, and Stephanie Dunlea and Denis Cronin, Glen Rovers, during the Cork County Camogie final at Midleton last night. (Picture: Maurice O'Mahony)



Sandy Fitzgibbon, Glen Rovers strikes the ball as Liz O'Neill, Seandun challenges, during the Cork County Final at Midleton (Pic: Maurice O'Mahony).

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Seandún have no cribs

By Brendan Larkin

SENIOR camogie in Cork received a tremendous shot in the arm last night down in Midleton where Glen Rovers created history by lifting the county title for the 20th time.

Twice in a pulsating match the champions clawed their way back from a five point deficit to eventually win by five, but not before divisional side Seandun gave them the fright of their lives.

Selector Mary Newman-McCarthy told *Echo Sport* this morning: "We were very nervous going into the game as we knew Seandun had a very good team. The character in the team was seen to great effect when the chips were down and they responded superbly to the challenge".

For Mary's mother Nora Newman who is now club chairperson, it was a victory to savour. She played on the first Glen team to win the title back in 1950, and last night was seen to dance a jig on the sideline at the final whistle as the club won its 20th title.

For team coach Noel Lynam it was a night to remember in more ways than one. For most of the game he pranced up and down the sideline urging his charges on to greater effort and was thrilled at the victory.

Later back at the club pavilion he was the recipient of a presentation from the camogie club to mark his retirement after over 30 years service with Players Wills.

Seandun forward Collette O'Mahony who played her part in this memorable final said the game was there for the taking, but they failed to take advantage.

"When the Glen upped the pace of the game in the second half we had little in reserve. We failed to build on the goal we scored in the second half and we lost a chance or two to increase our lead before they staged their great comeback.

"All in all however it was a marvellous final, and they didn't get it as easy as they had in recent years", she added.

It was a game that Seandun could have won had their sideline mentors instructed Paula Goggins to follow Lynn Dunlea when she moved into the full forward line in the second half.

Prior to that move Paula had to do a great marking job on Lyn but once the Glen player was free of the close marking, she proceeded to run riot and her contribution of 1-3 in those closing hectic minutes ensured her side a thrilling victory.



Sandy Fitzgibbon, Glen Rovers, flying high as she tries the ball past Niamh O'Regan, Seandun.

New look final "a thriller"

GLEN WIN - BUT ONLY JUST



Glen Rovers team who created history last night in the Cork County Senior Camogie final at Midleton.

National Junior Camogie League champions, Armagh, were well rattled by a young Cork side and were lucky to get a second bite at the cherry, when the sides ended on level terms in this National Junior League final played at Ballincollig. After a lack-lustre first half the sides were level 0-5 each. In the second half both sides gave a sparkling display with a ding dong struggle all the way. Cork went two points ahead but back came Armagh's captain Mary Black with a blazing shot to the net. A Cork goal by Liz O'Sullivan kept her team in touch. In the closing stages the Leesiders edged in front with a point by Stephanie Dunlea. Just on time Patricia McEvoy latted to force a draw.

Final Score: Armagh 1-10 Cork 1-10

Scorers: Armagh: Ursula McGivern 0-4, Mary Black 1-0, Mary Donnelly and Aine Lennon 0-2 each, Olive McGowan and Patricia McEvoy 0-1 each.

Cork: Liz O'Sullivan 1-5, Stephanie Dunlea 0-2, Niamh O'Regan, Gillian Ryan and Vivienne Harris 0-1 each. Referee: Biddy Phillips, Tipperary.

The replay will take place on Sunday next at An Port Mor, Armagh. Armagh will now be fancied to hold on to their title with home venue advantage. Cork may be fielding short some of their regulars.

Offaly are through to the Leinster Junior Championship final when they had a decisive win over Dublin in this semi-final played at Rath. Dublin did not produce their usual form and lacked scoring power. Offaly showed great determination, flair and ability, goals by Margaret Lynch and Michelle Davis gave them a 2-4 to 0-4 lead at the break. They continued their dominance in the second half even though more closely contested than the opening half, with Offaly notching off a further 1-3 to Dublin's 1-0.

Final Score: Offaly 3-7 Dublin 1-4.

Scorers: Offaly: Michelle Davis 1-4, Margaret Lynch 2-0, Geraldine Mahon 0-2, Maureen Dooley 0-1.

Dublin: Paula Carroll 1-2, Irene Kirwan 0-2.

Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

Leinster under 14 championship: Wexford 8-13 Kilkenny 2-4 Laois 5-8 Offaly 1-0

All-Ireland Club Champions Glen Rovers, Cork have reached their County final. Their opponents are Shandon. The Glen are fancied to advance to the All-Ireland stages and if they play to last years form they must be favourites to lift three All-Irelands in a row. However it is a long road yet.

The semi finals of the All-Ireland Minor Championship is coming up soon. The pairings are as follows: Wexford V the reigning champions Tipperary and Derry V Galway - last years beaten finalists. (More details on that next week).

The Club Championship in most counties in Ulster are reaching a climax. Down Senior semi-finals: Leitrim, the holders had a 4-9 to 1-4 victory over Portaferry. Down County star Mairin McAleenan scored 2-6 of her teams tally, Mairin O'Higgins 1-2, Isobel Oakes 1-0, Majella Murray 0-1. Portaferry: Edel Mason 1-3, Lisa Faloona 0-1.

Ballycran 5-7 Attical 2-0. Scorers: Ballycran: Geraldine O'Prey 4-1, Jennifer Banniff 1-5, Bridget Woods 0-1. Attical: Annette McAlinden and Catherine Cunningham 1-0.

The Final: Leitrim 0-15 Ballycran 2-0 Scorers: Leitrim: Mairin McAleenan 0-9, Mairin O'Higgins 0-3, Nuala McGee, Bernie McCartan and Grainne Crickard 0-1 each. Ballycran: Frances Masterson 2-0.

Derry Senior semi-finals: Bellaghy, the holders had to give way to a determined Swatragh side 2-11 to 0-8. Scorers: Swatragh: Sarah McNicholl 1-7, Deirdre O'Doherty 1-0, Breege McGilligan 0-3, Sinead O'Kane 0-1.

Bellaghy: Karen Lee 0-6, Barbara Birt and Eimear Lee 0-1.

Ballinascreen 1-9 Banagher 0-6. Scorers: Ballinascreen: Paulen McGuigan 0-4, Claire McGuckin 1-0, Maureen McGuigan 0-3, Eilis O'Neill 0-2.

Banagher: Margaret O'Connor 0-4, Deirdre McWilliams 0-2.

Armagh senior semi-final replay: Derrynoose 3-3 An Port Mor 1-4.

Scorers: Derrynoose: Mary Black and Bernie McBride 1-1 each, Leontia Gorman 1-0, Aoife Woods 0-1. An Port Mor: Anne Donnelly 1-0, Mairead Donnelly 0-2, Madeline Doherty and Brenda Rice 0-1 each.

Antrim senior championship: Cushendall coasted to victory over Rossa 2-11 to 1-4 in this semi final. Scorers: Cushendall: Aileen Nelson 0-7, Marion McNaughton 2-0, Bridget Walsh 0-2, Una Mc

Cambridge and Anne McNaughton 0-1 each. Rossa: Marian Galway 1-3, Sinead Boyle 0-1.

Dunloy had it easy in this quarter final match, accounting for Deirdre 4-8 to 0-4. Scorers: Dunloy: Una Elliot 1-4, Elaine Dowds 1-2, Majella McMullen and Brenda Kearnes 1-0 each, Christine McCamphill and Anne McKee 0-1 each. Deirdre: Bronagh McCorry 0-4.

In the other quarter final Loughgiel, the holders had five points to spare over Portglenone in this sparkling encounter. After a low scoring first half the sides were level on 0-4 each. Loughgiel took their chances better in the second half. A goal in the closing stages by Grace McMullen put the icing on the cake. Score: 2-10 to 1-8. Scorers: Loughgiel: Grace McMullen 1-3, Claire McGarry 0-6, Annette Connolly 1-0, Rosie Butler 0-1.

Portglenone: Bronagh McLenna 1-1, Anne McGrath 0-3, Karen Convery 0-2, Brenda McLenna and Anne Monaghan 0-1 each.

Fermanagh failed to lift their first ever Ulster Minor Championship Title when they had to give way to Derry. it was a very closely contested match with the sides locked 2-1 each at the break. In the closing stages Derry went on to secure their third title, with Eileen O'Neill player of the match. Final Score: Derry 3-4 Fermanagh 2-4. Scorers: Derry: Shauna McCaul, Aileen O'Kane and Eilie O'Neill 1-1 each, Ciara O'Kane 0-1.

Fermanagh: Joanne Donnelly and Glenda Fitzpatrick 1-0 each, Ursula Maguire 0-3, Michelle Curry 0-1.

Galway 6-22
Kildare 1-9

Kildare were comprehensively beaten by Galway in the first round of the senior championship, trailing 0-6 at the break.

Kildare go on to play Down in the intermediate championship at the end of July. Teams beaten in the first round of the senior qualify for the intermediate championship.

Kildare: Anna Dargan, Geraldine Dwyer, Terese Farrelly, Antoinette Crofton, Phyllis Bambury, Liz O'Donohoe 0-1, Melanie Treacy 0-2, Reiltin Treacy, Martina Miley, Claire Moloney 0-4, Naomi Treacy 1-0, Nora Egan 0-2.

Cork head north

THIS weekend the Cork junior team make the long journey to the North to play Armagh in the replay of the National Junior League Final. The game, which is scheduled for 2 p.m. tomorrow, will be played at Portmore, Co. Armagh. At local level there are two Senior 'B' Championship games down for decision and will see Bishopstown and Fr. O'Neills in opposition on Monday night at Midleton while at Ballynalyon on Thursday night Brian Dillon clash with Aghabullogue.

The Cork junior team must certainly consider themselves a little unlucky to have to travel to Armagh this weekend to replay the National Junior League Final. In the first game at Ballincollig two weeks ago Cork looked destined for victory but Armagh came back to equalise in the final minutes and forced a replay after a very tightly fought contest. This time Cork will no doubt be up against it and Cork will certainly have to be at their best if they are to halt an Armagh side that are the reigning All-Ireland junior champions and who on this occasion will be favoured with a home venue.

The Cork team for tomorrow's game will see Marie O'Sullivan between the posts with Evelyn Healy at full-back and Colette Cronin and Catherine Martin from Na Piarasigh filling the corner-back positions. The half-back positions go to Karen Mellerick, Maria Corkery and Stephanie Dunlea with Jill Hannon and Patricia Murphy completing the mid-field pairing. Hilda Kenneally, Antoinette O'Connell and Vivienne Harris are named in the half-forward line with Linda O'Sullivan, Niamh O'Regan and Miriam Deasy filling the full-forward positions.

On Monday night at Midleton we should have a cracking contest in store when Bishopstown and Fr. O'Neills clash in the Senior 'B' Championship at Midleton. The outcome of this game is certainly difficult to predict as both sides appear to be fairly evenly matched. On form Fr. O'Neills will probably be slightly favoured as they appear to be the more evenly balanced side but it certainly would be no surprise if the city side were to come out on top. Spearheaded by inter-county players Liz Towler, Liz O'Neill, Rose Diamond, Sheenagh Morley and Vivienne Harris, Bishopstown certainly look like a side that could upset the plans of their opponents but they will certainly have to be at their best if they are to

halt a Fr. O'Neills side that can call on such marvellous performers as Fionna O'Driscoll, Mags Finn, Sharon Meade, Sharon McCarthy and Frances Hennessy.

In the second game on Thursday night Aghabullogue could have a fight on their hands when they face newly promoted side Brian Dillons. The city side won the Intermediate and Under-18 County Championships last season and while they are a very young side they are certainly not lacking in talent. Powered by such fine players as Karen Mellerick, Jill Hannon, Niamh O'Regan, Christien O'Mahony and Gail Flemming, they will be fancied to advance at the expense of an Aghabullogue side that will look to players like Eileen Buckley, Patsy Walsh and Helen Moynihan to carry them through.

FIXTURES

TOMORROW

National Junior league Final replay, Cork v Armagh at Portmore at 2 p.m.

Junior 'A' League — Tracton v Glen Rovers at Tracton (referee from Ballygarvan); Ballinora v Douglas at Ballinora (Eire Og); Blackrock v Killeagh at Blackrock (Delaneys).

TUESDAY, JULY 19
(All games 7.45 p.m.)

Junior 'A' League '94 — St. Finbarrs v Watergrasshill at Watergrasshill (Killeagh); Glen Rovers v Ballinora at Glen Rovers (Sars); Douglas v Blackrock at Douglas (Bishopstown); Barryroe v Tracton at Barryroe (Courceys).

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20
(All games 7.30 p.m.)

Watergrasshill v Mayfield at Watergrasshill (Sarsfields); Sarsfields v St. Fannahans at Sarsfields (Brian Dillon); Cobh v Castlemagner at Cobh (Carrigtwohill); St. Catherine's v Fermoy at St. Catherine's (St. Fannahans); Inniscarra v Ballygarvan at Inniscarra (Eire Og); St. Finbarrs v Delaneys at St. Finbarrs (Douglas); St. Vincents v Gleann Na Laol at St. Vincents (Na Piarasigh); Bandon v Newcestown at Bandon (Barryroe); Kilbrittain v Courcey Rovers at Kilbrittain (Bandon); Ballinhassig v Clonakilty at Ballinhassig (Valley Rovers).

THURSDAY, JULY 21
(All games 7.30 p.m.)

Under-16 'A' League '94 — Killeagh v St. Vincents at Killeagh (Youghal); Brian Dillons v Bishopstown at Brian Dillons (Bishopstown); Fr. O'Neills v Watergrasshill at Fr. O'Neills (Watergrasshill); Glen Rovers v Eire Og at Glen Rovers (Aghabullogue); Cloughduv v Aghabullogue at Cloughduv (Na Piarasigh); St. Finbarrs v Na Piarasigh at Inniscarra (Ballinhassig); Newcestown v Kilbrittain at Newcestown (Kilbrittain); Courcey Rovers v Barryroe at Courcey Rovers (Barryroe).

Under-16 'B' League '94 — Tracton v Bandon at Tracton (Bandon); Valley Rovers v Clonakilty at Valley Rovers (Clonakilty); Shamrocks v Ballygarvan at Shamrocks (Ballygarvan); Youghal v Ballincollig at Youghal (Ballincollig); Fermoy v Cloyne at Fermoy (Cloyne); Midleton v St. Fannahans at Midleton (St. Fannahans).

SATURDAY, JULY 23

Carrigaline v St. Vincents at Carrigaline, 11 a.m. (Douglas).

FRIDAY, JULY 22
(All games 7.30 p.m.)

Under-12 League '94 — St. Finbarrs v Tracton at St. Finbarrs (Tracton); Carrigaline v Ballygarvan at Carrigaline (Ballygarvan); Ballypheane v Douglas at Ballypheane (Douglas); Cloughduv v Bishopstown at Cloughduv (Bishopstown); Ballinhassig v Ballincollig at Ballinhassig (Ballincollig); Inniscarra v Eire Og at Inniscarra (Eire Og); Kildorrery v Grenagh at Kildorrery (Grenagh); Bandon v Newcestown at Bandon (Newcestown); Courcey Rovers v Clonakilty at Courcey Rovers (Clonakilty); Killeagh v Carrigtwohill at Killeagh (Carrigtwohill); Cobh 'A' v Watergrasshill at Cobh (Watergrasshill); Na Piarasigh v Sarsfields at Na Piarasigh (Sarsfields).

SATURDAY, JULY 23

Under-12 League '94 — Glen Rovers v Na Piarasigh at Glen Rovers, 1 p.m. (Na Piarasigh); Cobh 'B' v St. Vincents at Cobh, 1 p.m. (Watergrasshill).

Armagh make no mistake

Armagh 1-18 Cork 1-2

ARMAGH retained their All-Ireland Junior League camogie title with a comprehensive win over Cork in the replay at Portmore, Armagh yesterday.

The home side, who drew with the Rebel County 1-10 each in Cork two weeks ago, were in complete control yesterday and in fact held the visitors scoreless in the opening half leading 1-13 to 0-0 at the break.

Scorers for Armagh: U McGivern 0-9, P Connolly 1-2, B McBride 0-3, M Donnelly 0-2, P McEvoy 0-2.
Cork: A O'Connell 1-0, M Sexton, V Harris 0-1 each

Camogie showdown up North

By TOM HIGGINS

CORK make the long journey North to Portmore, Armagh tomorrow (2.00) to oppose All-Ireland, and League, champions Armagh in the replay of this year's National Junior Camogie League title and will find it hard to relieve the home side of their title.

The sides met in Cork a fortnight ago and finished level at 1-10 each. In fact, a lot of the crowd had been of the opinion that the visitors had won by a point but the referee had it as draw on her score sheet.

Cork received a setback last Saturday night when they travelled to Limerick to play the home side in the Munster Junior Championship but failed to the Shannonsiders, which will do little for their confidence.

The Northerners won their All-Ireland title last September, following a replay against Galway, and have a very strong panel. They took last year's League title with a comprehensive win over Dublin 3-8 to 2-1 in the first 15-a-side decider. They had previously won League honours in 1980.

A very well balanced side, they will be relying on the likes of Mary Donnelly for the Naoimh Brenda Club and the experienced Patricia McEvoy (Crossmaglen Rangers), who was on both their League winning sides, and Combined Universities, and Colleges star, Sally McCone to see them through.

On their way to the final they recorded victories over Cavan, Down and Galway in their section.

Cork on the other hand will be seeking their first League title in this grade. They were beaten by Galway in last year's All-Ireland semi-final but are a much more settled side now. They are captained by Karen Mellerick, who will be hoping to emulate her sister, Linda, who led Cork to their All-Ireland senior title last year.

They have trained hard under the watchful eye of Jerry O'Shea of St. Finbarr's and will not give in easily.

Amongst those who will be expected to pay a prominent part for the Rebels are Evelyn Healy (Na Piarasigh), Mary Sexton (Kilbrittain), Colette Cronin (St. Finbarr's), and the Glen pair Stephanie Dunlea and Trish Murphy.

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Galway girls cruise past weak Kildare

Galway.....6-23
Kildare.....1-9

THE Galway senior camogie team were not tested in the All-Ireland Senior Championship quarter-final played at Newbridge, Kildare on Sunday last.

Galway opened the scoring with points from Ann Ryan and Imelda Hobbins before Nora Egan and Melissa Tracey had Kildare's first two points.

Then, Sharon Glynn scored 1-4 without reply and in the 19th minute Clare Maloney had a point for Kildare but Ann Ryan collected a nice pass from Dymna Maher which she sent to the net and added two more points immediately afterwards.

Galway were now coasting and in the last six minutes of the half Kildare had three more points with Galway's Olivia Broderick scoring a goal and Sharon Glynn adding two points to leave the half-time score Galway 3-11, Kildare 0-6.

The start of the second half saw Imelda Maher get a point from the throw-in and Galway had a score a minute with points from Ann Ryan (2), Deirdre Costello, Olivia Broderick and a goal and two points from Sharon Glynn. Galway were now in command and goals from Deirdre Costello and Olivia Broderick sealed a convincing win.

Galway's scorers: S. Glynn 2-

9, O. Broderick 2-2, A. Ryan 1-6, D. Costello 1-3, I. Maher 0-2, I. Hobbins 0-1.

Kildare scorers: C. Maloney 0-6, M. Tracey 1-1, N. Egan 0-1, L. Donaghue 0-1.

Galway: T. Laheen, S. Coen, C. Allen, B. Stafford, B. Kilgannon, D. Maher, I. Hobbins, I. Maher, O. Broderick, S. Glynn, A. Ryan, D. Costello.

Sub: A. Murphy for D. Costello.

Next game will be the All-Ireland semi-final away to Wexford on August 28.

Camogie fixtures:

Junior A Championship semi-finals, Sunday 12 noon. In Mullagh: Eyrecourt v St. Colman's. Ref. Noleen Cormican. In Craughwell: 1 p.m. Cois Ferraige v Athenry. Ref. John Keane. Craughwell: Senior Championship semi-finals, 2 p.m. Pearses v Davitts; 3 p.m. Mullagh v Clarinbridge.

Results: Under-12 Championship: Pearses 1-1, St. Coleman's 0-1; Under-10A Championship: Athenry 1-0, Pearses 0-0; Under-12A Championship: Craughwell 0-1, Athenry 0-1; Under-12A Championship: Davitts 5-2, Cappataggle 0-0.

Co. Camogie semi-finals

WITH the club hurling action postponed the camogie players of Galway provide an attractive double header for the followers of the caman on Sunday at Craughwell.

Staging of the County Senior Camogie semi-finals brings together two of the most attractive pairings in the county. The first game at 2 p.m. brings a repeat of the classic county final of 1992 with Pearses winning the first county senior title when overcoming Davitts after two epic hours of camogie in the county final replay.

Inspired all year by Sharon Glynn, Pearses will be anxious to win back the county title for the Ballymacward/Gurteen Club but the Pearses management will be concerned about the fitness of Glynn and county defender Bridget Kilgannon, both of whom sustained blows during Galway's game with Kildare last Sunday.

Davitts are not without major problems either. Losing both the final of '92 and semi-final of '93, both in a replay, the Duniry based outfit are without star forward Claire Lynch and central defender Catriona Finnegan.

The second semi-final between All-Ireland Club finalists of last year Mullagh and last year's Intermediate champions Clarinbridge also provides interesting pairing. Mullagh will be favourites to advance but without Pamela Nevin and Bridget Fahy, both working in the U.S. for the summer, they will find the Clarinbridge team, who are noted to their competitiveness, difficult to overcome.

Liz to rescue for Bishopstown

Bishopstown 1-7 Father O'Neill's 0-10

BISHOPSTOWN and Father O'Neills will have to renew rivalry following a gripping Cork County Senior 'B' Camogie Championship quarter-final at Middleton last night.

A tremendous finish by Bishopstown saw them come from four points in arrears to snatch a deserved draw.

Liz O'Neill had a great game for Bishopstown getting all her sides tally and some of her scores were simply superb. The only goal of the game came from Liz in the 38th minute after Anne Marie Brennan had brought off a series of great saves. One effort she batted out, however, resulted in O'Neill tapping home the rebound.

Father O'Neills looked the better side though and led at half-time 0-6 to 0-2. Following Liz O'Neill's goal Bishopstown came storming back and in the 44th minute she stuck over the all-important equaliser.

Scorers for Bishopstown: L. O'Neill 1-7 (0-3 frees, 0-2 30's).

Father O'Neills: M. Kennefick 0-8 (0-5 frees, 0-2 30's), F. O'Driscoll 0-2.

BISHOPSTOWN: R. Desmond, C. Murphy, L. Towler, A. Buckley, E. Duggan, S. Morley, V. Harris, L. Walsh, L. O'Neill, A. White, B. Keating, U. Leahy. Sub: P. Doyle for A. Leahy.

FR. O'NEILL'S: A.M. Brennan, M. Aherne, F. Hennessey, M. Kennefick, S. Meade, N. Aherne, M. Finn, S. McCarthy, E. Hennessey, F. O'Driscoll, C. Shanahan, A. Walsh. Sub: F. Flavin for A. Walsh.

Referee: M. Pollard (Tramore).

Tipp test for Cork

CORK, who are training hard for their clash with Kilkenny in the All-Ireland semi-final on August 21, make the journey to Toomevara, Co. Tipperary this evening to take on the home county in the first round of the Munster Senior camogie championship.

Although the All-Ireland champions should win, they will not have matter all their own way against a Tipp side who were beaten in the final of the National Senior League by Galway.

Tipperary have put an enormous effort into under-age camogie in the past few years and have won the All-Ireland minor title for the past two years to add to their All-Ireland Junior title, which they captured in 1992. This augurs well for the state of the game in the Premier County and the step up to senior grade will help them in their rebuilding programme.

They have excellent players in Deirdre Hughes for Toomevara, Cora Kennedy and Jovita Delaney.

Cork will be expected to field a very strong side, captained by Therese O'Callaghan. With Lynn Dunlea, who scored 1-10 in the recent county final, in top form and Paula Goggins and Liz Towler also playing well at the moment the Tipperary girls could be in for a tough game.

Cork and Tipp must meet again

IN the Munster Senior Camogie Championship in Toomevara last night, Cork and Tipperary played an exciting draw. The game finished level at full-time, Cork 1-13 Tipperary 2-10. Munster Council insisted that the teams play extra-time, however, but after only 15 minutes the referee decided to abandon the game with the score Cork 2-16 Tipperary 3-10.

The replay date has yet to be fixed. At half-time Cork led 0-9 to 1-4.

Best for Tipperary were Maeve Stokes, Regina O'Meara and Kaffie Moloney whilst Liz Towler, Liz O'Neill and captain Terese O'Callaghan played well for Cork.

Piarsaigh are poised to pounce

THE camogie scene is dominated this weekend by the clash of Na Piar-saigh and Kilbrittain in the Senior 'B' championship whilst the junior and under age leagues continue to progress.

The Kilbrittain versus Na Piar-saigh clash is sure to be an interesting one with last year's Senior County finalists Na Piar-saigh, having now dropped down a grade this year to play in the newly organised Senior 'B' competition, taking on Kilbrittain, who are now in their second year in senior competition.

The Northside team on paper look stronger in all departments with Inter County players Paula Goggins, Evelyn Healy and Kilkenny Senior Frances Rothwell, who last season transferred to the Na Piar-saigh club, and they can also call on the experienced Mary Swane and Catherine Martin.

Kilbrittain, who have made great strides in their short time in camogie, will be looking to Cork Junior Mary Sexton, Catherine Whelton and the experienced campaigner Mary Brennan to get them through. However, last year's county finalists Na Piar-saigh look to have enough power to advance.

Fixtures: Tonight U-12 League

Cobb 3 v St. Vincents at Cobb.

Sunday: Senior 'B' Championship

Na Piar-saigh v Kilbrittain at Ballinacraig, 12 noon.

Tuesday, July 26: Junior 'A'

League all 7.45 p.m.: Tracton v St.

Flaburns at Tracton; Blackrock v Glen

Rovers at Blackrock; Watergrasshill v

Killeagh at Watergrasshill; Ballinora v

Ballyroe at Ballinora.

Wednesday, July 27: Junior 'B'

League, all 7.30 p.m.: St. Finbarr's v

Cobb at St. Finbarr's; Mayfield v St.

Catherines at Mayfield; Castlemagner

v. Sanfields at Castlemagner; Bally-

garvan v. St. Vincents at Ballygarvan;

Delaney v. Bishopstown at De-

laney.

Junior B League: Glan na Lae v.

Imiscarra at Glan na Lae; New-

town v. Ballinacraig at Newtown;

Courney Rovers v. Valley Rovers at

Courney Rovers; Clonsilla v. San-

don at Clonsilla.

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Camogie World

By: P.J. FULHAM

Wexford are through to the semi finals of the All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship when they got the better of Dublin in this match played at O'Toole Park, Dublin. The winners were in good form, and the issue was never in doubt. Wexford led 1-10 to 0-5 at the break. Both sides slammed home early second half goals and despite hard work by an eager Dublin side, Wexford were always dominant and were worthy winners on a score of 3-12 to 2-9. **Scorers:** Wexford: Ann Marie O'Connor 1-7, Esme Murphy and Marian O'Leary 1-1 each, Paula Rankin, Anne Reddy and Fiona Dunne 0-1 each. Dublin: Una Crowley 1-5, Cathy Walshe 1-2, Adrienne McGovern and Denise O'Leary 0-1 each. Referee: Mary Connor, Louth.

Galway coasted to victory over Kildare in this Senior Championship quarter final played at Newbridge. The newly crowned Senior League Champions were in sparkling form and led 3-11 to 0-6 at the break. Their continued dominance in the second half earned them the right to meet Wexford in the semi final. Final score, Galway 6-23, Kildare 1-9. **Scorers:** Galway: Sharon Glynn 2-9, Olivia Broderick 2-3, Anne Ryan 1-5, Deirdre Costello 1-3, Imelda Maher 0-2, Imelda Hobbins 0-1. Kildare: Claire Maloney 0-6, Naomi Treacy 1-0, Nora Egan, Melanie Treacy and Liz O'Donoghue 0-1 each. Referee: Aine Derham, Dublin.

Kilkenny are Leinster Junior champions, they got the better of Offaly in a closely contested final played at Nowlan Park. Both sides produced lots of fire. Goals by Imelda Kennedy and Catherine Dunne gave Kilkenny a 2-6 to 0-6 lead at the break. Offaly came more to grips with the game in the second half. Their scoring ace Michelle Davis scored 2-6 from frees, but they could not head the Noreiders whose scoring ace Imelda Kennedy picked off some long range points to hold on to a three point victory on a score of 3-10 to 2-10. **Scorers:** Kilkenny: Imelda

Kennedy 1-7, Catherine Dunne and Marie Maher 1-0 each, Margaret Comerford 0-2, Margaret Kavanagh 0-1. Offaly: Michelle Davis 2-8, Honor Kinsella and Maureen Dooley 0-1 each. Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

Tipperary advanced to the Munster Junior Championship final when they overcame Clare after extra time by the narrowest of margins at Cusack Park, Ennis.

Clare got off to a good start with a point in the third minute. Therese Brophy, Tipperary's centre back having a fine game, succeeded in curtailing the threat of Clare's attack time and time again until wing forward, Anne Keane managed to break loose in the 18th minute and rattled Tipperary's net. Both teams were evenly matched and at the interval Clare led 1-5 to 1-3.

On the resumption, Clare were again first to score 0-1 from a free. From here on Tipperary began to take control and had six points before Clare replied with a point. Time was running out and Tipperary were that one point in arrears when they were awarded a free. Ciara Burns was the taker and made no mistake by putting it over the bar to leave the full time score Clare 1-7, Tipperary 0-10.

Extra time commenced with Clare going on the attack almost immediately and by the end of the first half were ahead by 0-4. The second half was a pulsating affair with play going from end to end, with three minutes to go Ciara Burns levelled for Tipperary with a well taken pass from Aine Hogan that ended in the Clare net. Clare replied almost immediately with a similar score. Joanne Horgan was introduced for Tipperary and right away collected and levelled again with a brilliant goal. At this stage it looked as if the sides would have to meet again when Ciara Burns put the ball over the bar in the final seconds to set Tipperary up for a Munster final against Limerick on a score of Tipperary 2-12, Clare 3-8.

Scorers: Tipperary: Ciara Burns 1-8, Joanne Horgan 1-0, Liz Eggerton and Aine Hogan 0-2 each. Clare: Anne Keane 2-1, Fiona Kinsella 0-5, Mary

Neilan 1-1, Pauleen Rochford 0-1. Tipperary Under 12 Championship finals.

'A' Templemore 2-5 Drom/inch 1-3
'B' Thurles 1-0 St. Cronins, Roscrea 1-0

'C' Silvermines 6-3 Lorrha 1-0
Ulster Junior Championship Final:
Cavan 4-10 Antrim 4-7

Ulster Under 14 Championship Final:
Fermanagh 4-3, Down 0-1

Armagh S.C. Final: Keady, the holders 5-12, Derrynoose 0-7

Scorers: Keady: Collette Conway 2-4, Coleen Conway 1-5, Deirdre Connolly 2-3. Derrynoose: Mary Black 0-4, Bernie McBride 0-3.

Tyrone S.C. Semi finals: Eglis, the holders 3-9, Clonoe 0-2.

Kildress 2-8, Derrylaughan 1-5.

On Sunday next Kilkenny will show their hospitality to Clare in an All-Ireland Senior Championship quarter final. Cork, who got a bye in the first round will play the winners of this match. Kilkenny carry the tag of favourites to advance. However, Clare are the Intermediate Champions and are capable of putting up a good performance. They have stylish players in Sylvia O'Brien, Maura McNicholas, Catherine O'Loughlin, Frances Phelan and Debbie McDonagh, but it looks like Kilkenny to get the verdict.

Also on Sunday the semi final of the All-Ireland Minor Championship takes place. Wexford host the champions Tipperary in what should be an entertaining match. Wexford have quite a good squad which include F.C.J. Bunclody star Esme Murphy. Nevertheless, Tipperary will be a formidable force and will take some stopping as they bid for three All-Irelands in a row.

The Leinster Junior Club Championship gets underway with three games down for decision: Laois champions v Carlow champions, Meath champions v Westmeath champions, and Wicklow champions v Louth champions.

On Saturday the Leinster Under 14 Roinn 'B' Final takes place between Westmeath th holders and Laois at St. Loman's Park, Mullingar at 3.00 p.m.

WEXFORD Through To Semi Finals Of Senior Championship

Piarsaigh survive

No Piarsaigh 2-6 Kilbrittain 2-6

LAST year's county finalists, Na Piarsaigh, must consider themselves lucky to have gained a draw in this Cork Senior 'B' camogie championship tie at Ballincollig, Cork yesterday when they came from four points down in the closing stages to earn a draw.

Scorers — Na Piarsaigh: I O'Leary 1-6 (1-0 '30', 0-1 free, 0-1 '30'), A Martin 1-0. Kilbrittain: F O'Regan 1-4 (0-2 frees, 0-1 '30'), K Foley 1-0, M Sexton 0-2.

NA PIARSAIGH: S Buckley, F Rothwell, C Martin, P Martin, E Healy, M O'Sullivan, P Goggin, S Cooney, I O'Leary, M Byrne, A Martin, T Kearney. Sub: D Kelly for P Martin.

KILBRITTAIN: R Hayes, C Whelton, S O'Donovan, M Brennan, H O'Donovan, C Hurley, M Sexton, A M Collins, M Deary, E O'Regan, C Dineen, K Foley.

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Camogie by P.J. Fulham

DEBUTANTS GALWAY TAKE NATIONAL SENIOR CAMOGIE LEAGUE TITLE: GALWAY 1-13 TIPPERARY 1-8

Galway took their first Senior Camogie League title when they overcame a strong challenge from a spirited Tipperary side in this final played at Ballinasloe. The League was run for the second successive year with 15-a-side and played on a full size GAA pitch.



Bridin Uí Mhaolagáin, who recently completed her term as Camogie President, presents a copy of "The Shell Book Of The McCarthy Cup" by Owen McCann to Donal Hamill, Consul General of Ireland in New York, during her visit to The North American Camogie Congress.

Both sides made good use of the space in what was a fast free-flowing game which was evenly contested throughout. Tipperary, a young side, graded intermediate, by its display gave notice of its intentions. They had most of the play in the first half but failed to convert their many scoring opportunities.

After ten minutes of play Galway led 0-4 to 0-1. Minutes later Tipperary's scoring ace Noelle Kennedy put the sides level with a brilliant goal. From then to the break it was score for score, with Galway's Sharon Glynn in excellent form. The sides were level on four occasions and at the break they were still on equal terms: Tipperary 1-4, Galway 0-7.

Galway's winning moments came three minutes into the second half, when they went five points ahead, 0-2 by Sharon Glynn and 1-0 by Imelda Hobbins. However, Tipperary fought back with two points by Noelle Kennedy. In the closing stages, Galway's experience kept them in touch to give them a

five point victory and their first Senior League Title.

Scorers: Galway: Sharon Glynn 0-9, Imelda Hobbins 1-0, Martina Harkins 0-2, Deirdre Costello and Alice Murphy 0-1 each.

Tipperary: Noelle Kennedy 1-7, Deirdre Hughes 0-1.

Galway Team: Tracey Laheen, Olive Costello, Sheila Coen, Bridget Kilgannon, Carmel Allen, Brid Stratford, Pamela Nevin, Imelda Maher, Bridget Fahy, Alice Murphy, Sharon Glynn, Imelda Hobbins, Olivia Broderick, Deirdre Costello, Capt., Anne Ryan. Subs: Martina Harkins for A. Murphy, Dymphna Maher for I. Maher. Rest of panel: Helen Ryan, Teresa Fallon.

Tipperary Team: Ailish Delaney, Ann Gleeson, Teresa Bourke, Siobhan Cusack, Regina O'Meara, Cora Kennedy, Claire Madden, Meadh Stokes, Kaiffe Maloney, Noelle Kennedy, Catherine Bourke, Helen Kiely, Gillian O'Neill, Deirdre Hughes, Capt., Ann Gleeson. Subs: Suzanne Kelly for Ann

Gleeson. Rest of panel: Susan Kinneally, Maire Ryan, Ann-Marie Fitzgerald. Referee: Aine Derham, Dublin.

National Junior League final is down for decision on July 3rd between the reigning Champions, Armagh and Cork. The Leesiders won the venue on toss. This should not worry the Orchard County as the League Titles they won were away games: to Down in 1988 and last year to Dublin. They also won the inaugural final in 1980 against Kildare. They are fancied to hold on to the title with good performers in Ursula McGivern, Sally McCone, Mary Black, Mary Donnelly, Bernie McBride and Donna McCusker. However, Cork will be no push-over. This is their first appearance in a National Junior League final, and they will make a brave bid to make history. They have a good young squad. They performed well in the League campaign and now with exams over they should be fielding full strength with players of the calibre of Hilda Kenneally, Anne Golden, Niamh O'Regan, Patricia Murphy, Bernie Cashman and Jill Hannon, they are sure to put up a good fight.

July 10th is the commencement of the Open Draw Senior Championship and the race for the coveted O'Duffy Cup. There are two games down for decision. Newly-crowned National Senior League Champions, Galway will travel to cross swords with Kildare. The Lily Whites are still only feeling their way in senior ranks. They will find the visitors a formidable force who may carry too much strength on the day.

Dublin host Wexford in what should be quite an entertaining tussle. The sides met at this stage last year and Wexford had two points to spare 1-13 to 0-14. Wexford were not impressive in the National League this season, while Dublin seems to be getting their act together. They have talented players in Cathy Walshe, Una Crowley, Geraldine Dunne, Carmel O'Byrne, Denise O'Leary and Carmel Gray.

Wexford are sure to be well served by Catherine Murphy, Stella Synnott, Paula Rankin, Fiona and Siobhan Dunne. This one should go down to the wire.

July 24th Kilkenny will show their hospitality to Clare. Cork, who got a bye in the first round will play the winners of this match. Kilkenny carry the tag of favourites to advance. However Clare are the Intermediate Champions and are capable of putting up a good performance. They have stylish players in Sylvia O'Brien, Maura McNicholas, Catherine O'Loughlin, Frances Phelan and Debbie McDonagh, but it looks like Kilkenny to get the verdict.

Kilkenny again in semi-final

KILKENNY..... 2-16 CLARE..... 3-10

KILKENNY booked their place in the All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship semi-final when they got the better of Clare in this quarter-final match at Ballyragget on Sunday.

Kilkenny had a good first half, setting the pace from the start. A goal from a free by Ann Downey pushed them into a 1-11 to 0-6 lead at the break. Clare were quite a spirited side and proved this in the second half with two early goals by Patricia Moloney.

Brigid Mulally pulled one back but Catriona O'Loughlin had Clare back in contention with a well taken goal. Kilkenny had to fight all the way to hold on for a three-point victory.

Kilkenny scorers: B Mulally, A Downey 1-4 each; Angela Downey 0-4, S Millea 0-3, M Downey 0-1; Clare: P Moloney 2-0, C O'Loughlin 1-2; F Phelan 0-4, S O'Brien 0-3, D McDonagh 0-1. Referee: B Joyce (Cork).

CAMOGIE

WEXFORD 5-11 TIPPERARY..... 6-8

WEXFORD must meet Tipperary again to decide a place in the All Ireland Minor Championship final when they ended all square after a sparkling encounter in this semi-final played at Monamolin.

It was a ding-dong battle all the way. Goals by Lizzie Wyckham and Kate Kelly gave Wexford a 4-5 to 2-5 lead at the break.

On the resumption, Tipperary took over and had the sliotar in the net twice inside eight minutes. From then on it was score for score. With four minutes left, Tipperary led by one point.

Wexford scoring ace Esme Murphy collected from about 40 yards out and sent over the equaliser. Just on time Tipperary got their chance when they were awarded a free but failed to convert.

Scorers for Wexford: E Murphy 0-9; L Wyckham, K Kelly 2-0 each; M O'Leary 1-0; C Kinsella 0-2. Tipperary: C Hennessy 3-6; J O'Connor 2-0; M Luby 1-0; C Gaynor 0-2. Referee: J Pender (Kildare).

■ Replay scheduled for Sunday, Aug 7, at Tipperary venue.

WESTMEATH..... 3-1 LAOIS..... 2-4

WESTMEATH and Laois must also meet again for the Leinster U14 Roinn B Championship, having drawn in the final at St Loman's Park on Saturday last. The sides were level at halftime, Westmeath 1-0 Laois 0-3.

Scorers for Westmeath: C Buckley 1-1; T Goss, I Nooney 1-0 each. Laois: M Moore 2-0; T Keenan, S Culliton 0-2 each.

■ Replay takes place this Friday evening at Mountrath at 7.30 p.m.

On Sunday next, Kildare have a home venue against Down at Clane, 2pm in the first round of the Intermediate championship. Last year Kildare lost out to the eventual winners Clare in the semi-final.

The Lilywhites, who were defeated by Galway in the senior championship, are due a win and just might share this one. Leinster Junior Champions Kilkenny cross the water to face London in the quarter-final of the All Ireland Junior Championship.



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