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Seniors aiming for revenge

on Sunday when they take on reigning League and All-Iregame both want to win.

This year the League has are playing good camogie. been run on a trial basis for a possible 15-a-side in the future. This has given Kilkenny ample opportunity to blood

young players.
One feels the larger pitch will suit the fitter Cork girls, as Kilkenny's preparations were restricted until two only 12 places up for grabs. weeks ago with club cham-pionships taking priority.

Recent training has been interrupted with injuries to key players - Ann Downey (groin), Claire Jones (ham-string), Gillian Dillon and Una Murphy (back).

All are hopeful of being available on Sunday.

Kilkenny were the giants of camogie until August of last year when Cork ended their bid for eight-in-a-row. Cork were also victorious in the league series proper in April, on a score of 3-20 to 3-5.

Granted Kilkenny were understrength on that occasion. They were minus eight of their more experienced players for various reasons. They will be out for revenge on this occasion and will not go down without a fight.

If Kilkenny are to topple the champions, they will have to step up considerably on their performances of recent times and make more use of the bigger pitch. Against Galway in the semi-final, they played particularly well but lapses of concentration on top of fatigue allowed Galway back into the game when two second half goals were conceded.

Kilkenny were lucky to run

on Sunday as Linda Mel-lerick, Irene O'Keeffe, Sandie land champions Cork, in Fitzgibbon, Collete O'Mah-Ballyragget (3 p.m.) This is a ony, Breda Kenny, Denis game both want to win. Cronin and Fiona O'Driscoll

> The selectors have never had it so good with a panel of 25 players. Never before has there been such competition for places. Nobody can be sure of their position. Come July it will be far greater when there will be

Both teams know they have to face each other in the All-

KILKENNY play the eagerly out victors by four points. A Ireland semi-final in August, awaited camogic League final repeat of this could be critical with Kilkenny again books. One feels Sunday's victors will have a slight psychological advantage.

> Kilkenny panel: Marie Fitzpa-trick, Deirdre Malone, Tracy and Sincad Millea, Mary McGrath, Kay Dunphy, Margaret Comerford, Ann, Angela and Marina Downey (captain), Claire Jones, Bridget Barnaville, Bridget Wall, Catherine Dunne, Gillian Dillon, Sinead Costello, E. Kennedy, Joan Aylward, Bridget Mullally, Breda Holmes, Marie Maher, Bridie McGarry, Una Murphy, Noreen Tierney and Biddy O'Sul-

Haverty who are sure to cause problems for Dublin, who have accounted for Cavan, Armagh, Kildare and Derry. They are a flamboyant squad and will not concede too easily on home ground with players like Paula Carroll, Sabdh Henderson, Cheryl Whittaker, Ailish Mullen, Irene Kirwan and Karen Baurr. This one should go all the way to the wire.

In the second semi-final, the All-Ireland Junior champions Tipperary travel to Armagh. Tipperary won all their games in the campaign, defeating Cork, Waterford, Carlow, Wexford and Limerick in the quarter-final.

Armagh dropped two points to Dublin and have victories over Kildare, Cavan and Donegal in the quarter final, 11-21 to 0-0. They will provide stiff opposition with prominent players Patricia McEvoy, Collette Burns, Joan Rice and Mary Black. Tipperary may carry too much strength with players of the calibre of Deirdre Hughes, Sinead Neilan, Triona Bonner, Noelle Kennedy, Helen Kielly, Marie Ryan and Helen O'Leary. Fixtures for Sunday, June 6th

N.S.L. Final: At Ballyragget: Kilkenny v Cork 3.00 N.J.L. Semi-finals: At Ballymacnab: Armagh v Tipperary 3.00 At St. Anne's Bohernabreena: Dublin v Galway 3.00

Camogie Round-Up

little difficulty in disposing of Down in the semi-final played at Douglas. Cork, the home side, went on scoring spree in the opening half turning over 2-13 to 0-0 at the break, and although Down improved somewhat in the second half the home side were always superior and coasted to victory on a score of 2-22 to 1-1. Scores: Cork: Irene O'Keeffe 1-5, Collette O'Mahoney 1-4, Fiona O'Driscoll and Linda Mellerick 0-5 each, Denise Cronin 0-2, Marie Sexton 0-1. Down: Mairin McAlleenan 1-1.

In Junior, Galway booked their ticket to the National league semifinal with an impressive win over Cork at Loughrea. The home side led 2-4 to 0-0 at the interval. They continued to dominate in the second half with Claire Lynch in top form. They completely outclassed the Leesiders to run out winners on a score of 6-6 to 1-0. Scorers: Galway: Claire Lynch 3-4, Martina Harkins 1-1, Emer Hardiman and Martina Haverty 1-0 each, Carmel Allen 0-1. Cork:

Anne Golden 1-0.

Dublin secured their place in the Junior League semi-final when they defeated Derry at Castledawson. Dublin had a good first half when they notched off some well taken points to lead 0-6 to 0-1 at half time. The second half was more evenly contested and low scoring. Dublin's only score in this half was a goal by Ailish Mullen. Derry piled on the pressure but the winners' rearguard of Janice Kelly, Karen Baurr, Ann Martin and goalie Sinead Caulfield denied them on numerous occasions. Dublin eventually advanced on a score of 1-6 to 0-3. Scorers: Dublin: Ailish Mullen 1-1, Paula Carroll, Ann Walsh, Brigid McKenna, Irene Kirwan, Sabdh Henderson 0-1 each. Derry: Martina Mulholland 0-3.

Limerick, the National Junior League champions for the past two years, crashed to Tipperary in this quarter final match played at Tipperary. After a low scoring first half, Limerick led 0-3 to 0-2 at the break. A second half goal by Tipperary's Marie Ryan was the turning point of the game. Limerick tried hard but failed to avail of the scoring chances afforded them. Tipperary notched off some nice scores to give them a place in the semi-final. Scorers: Tipperary: Marie Ryan 1-0, Noelle Kennedy 0-2, Helen Kielly. Triona Bonner, Catherine Maloney 0-1 each. Limerick: Liz O'Sullivan, Pauleen McCarthy, Bernie Bawke 0-1 each.

On Sunday, the Camogie scene is set for the National Senior League final and the semi-finals of the Junior League. The Senior brings together old rivals Cork and Kilkenny. When those two counties meet it always creates a big interest. The Senior League was inaugurated in 1977. Since then, Kilkenny have won it on seven occasions, having four in-a-row in 1987, '88, '89, '90. Cork have won four - 1984, '86, '91 and '92. The sides met in three deciders with Cork cetting the upperhand in 1991. Last year, they deciders with Cork getting the upperhand in 1991. Last year, they defeated Wexford in the final and their form to date as League and All-Ireland champions leaves them carrying the tag as favourites. they had impressive wins in their campaign to date accounting for Wexford, Dublin and Kilkenny 2-20 to 2-5.

Sunday's game should be much closer as Kilkenny will be anxious to get back on the winning trail. Cork have great speed and their centre field trio of Sandy Fitzgibbon, Linda Mellerick and Denise Cronin will be hard to overcome. Gillian Dillon, Anne Downey and Martina Downey are apt to have the task. Their defence of goalie Kathleen Costine, Breda Kenny, Paula Goggin, Irene O'Leary and Liz Towler have proven ability. Kilkenny will be depending on Brigid Mullally, Sinead Millea, Angela Downey and Breda Holmes to break through. Kilkenny's defence Deirdre Malone, Bridie McGarry and Biddy

O'Sullivan will have to be in top form to curtail the scoring ability of Collette O'Mahoney, Irene O'Keeffe, Fiona O'Driscoll and Liz O'Neill. It should be an excellent encounter with both sides capable of serving up great fare. In the end, Cork may just make it three in a

In the Junior League semi-finals, Dublin play host to Galway. This should be an entertaining affair. Dublin won all their matches into a compaign while Galway dropped two points to National League champions Limerick. In their campaign, they accounted for Offaly, Kilkenny, Clare and Cork. Their squad have all come up through the Colleges, and seem to be improving with every game. They have excellent performers in Claire Lynch, Emer Hardiman, Olivia Broderick, Dympna Maher, Carmel Hannon and Martina P.J. FULHAM

ald rivals

The Cork senior camogie team set out in defence of their National League title when they take on old rivals Kilkenny in the decider at Ballyragett tomorrow at 3pm.

This will be a final with a difference as it will mark the first ever fifteen-a-side decider at National level. In the league campaign to date Cork have adapted very well to the system and will be hoping they can win a third League title in a

Cork have already defeated Kilkenny in an earlier round of the league. On that occasion Kilkenny were short a number of their regulars in Biddy O'Sullivan, Bridie McGary, Clare Jones and Breda Holmes, and Cork experienced little difficulty in defeating

However, this time

out Kilkenny will be at full strength and tomorrow's clash between these two sides promises to be yet another classic encounter.

The Cork team shows two changes in personnel from the side which defeated Down in the semi-final. Clare McCarthy, who played at full-back on that occasion reverts to her more familiar position at full-forward to the inclusion of Liz O'Neill, while Stephanie Dunlea replaces her sister Lyn at left half-forward.

The full line out will see Kathleen Costine between the posts, with Breda Kenny at full-back. Paula Gog-gins is in the right corner with Mags Finn named at left corner back. The half line is Liz Dunphy, Irene

O'Leary and Liz Towler while the midfield positions go to Glen Rovers pair Sandy Fitzgibbon and Denise Cronin.

Fiona O'Driscoll is named at centre-for-ward with Lynda Mellerick at right half forward and Stephanie Dunlea in the left.

The full-forward positions go to Irene O'Keeffe, Clare McCarthy and Colette O'Mahony.

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Cork come unstuck

KILKENNY 4-7 CORK 1-13

CORK'S bid for an historic three-in-arow was shattered by old rivals Kilkenny in this well contested National Camogie League Final at Ballyragget, Kilkenny yesterday.

And has happened so often in the past that great star Angela Downey inflicted severe damage on the loosers.

The fleet footed attacker crashed home 3-1 as Kilkenny claimed a bit of history by winning this first 15-aside league decider.

The camogie league will be run as a 15-aside competition for two years and on the evidence of this game the format certainly has some merit.

Cork took the game to their oppenents from the throw-in and after only two minutes Stephanie Dunlea had the ball in the Kilkenny net.

However that was the only time that Cork led during the half. Goals from the Downey twins Angela and Ann helped Kilkenny into an interval lead of 2-5 to 1-5. Bridget Mullaly extended the winners lead in the second half, but scores from Colette O'Mahony put Cork in front.

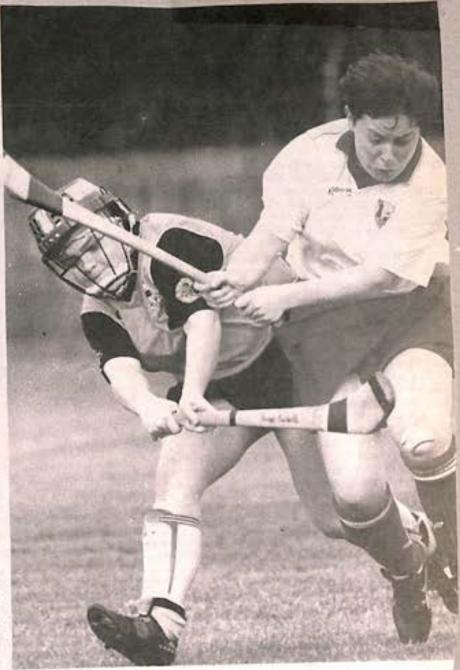
However Angela Downey cracked home two more goals the second of which sealed victory.

Cork saw great play from Linda Mellerick, Irene O'Keeffe, Stephanie Dunlea and Colette O'Mahony who fought really hard to try to save Cork's crown.

Scorers Kilkenny: A. Downey 3-1, Ann. Downey 1-4, B. Holmes, B. Mullaly 0-1 each. Cork: C. O'Mahony 0-7, S. Dunlea 1-0, I. O'Keeffe 0-2, L. O'Neill, F. Driscoll, L. Mellerick, D. Cronin 0-1 each

KILKENNY: M. Fitzpatrick, B. O'Sullivan, B. Barnaville, U. Murphy, D. Molone, B. McGarry, T. Mullea, G. Dillon, A. Downey, M. Downey, B. Holmes, Angela Downey, C. Jones, B. Mullaly, J. Alyword, Subs: S. Costelloe for Alyword, M. Maher for iones

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Cork forward Liz O'Neill clashes with Kilkenny's Sinead Costello in the National League Camogie final at Ballyragget, Co Kilkenny.

(Picture: Des Barry)



Cork forward Linda Melerick hits a point past Kilkenny defender Sinead Costell in the All-Ireland Camogie League final — (Picture by Des Barry)

Ladies take back

League crown

Kilkenny 4-7 with a point from Colette

THE daring camogie ladies from to 0-4 ahead. Kilkenny, who over the past decade or so have plundered all before them, created another bit of history at Ballyragget on Sunday when they won the inaugural 15-aside National Camogie League final.

The classy "Cats" ran up by all the players that paid what turned out to be a dividends in the end. winning score during 45 min—

This year the League was utes of action-packed play. Played with 15-a-side on an During the closing quarter experimental basis. It will be they defended with tremendous heart to take back the the success of the initial trailed by 1-5 to 2-5.

Twice during the opening League crown from Cork, who also hold the All-Ireland

gela Downey destroyed the opposition. Angela lashed home 3-1 of the winners' total as she punished the visitors' every error.

Her twin sister, Ann Downcy, made it a hectic family day as she shot 1-4, which left only two points to be shared by the rest of the team. But if the Downeys were to the fore in the scoring stakes, it was the consuming will to win shown

venture, camogie in this form could have a serious future.

The Leesiders, who were Not unusually, that out- seeking their third win on the standing camogie talent An- trot, showed they meant business in the opening minute when Stephanie Dunlea slipped through for a goal.

In front

setback firmly behind them and during the next 15 minutes or so they took over, scoring-wise, and points from Ann Downey (3) and Breda Holmes put them in front.

The losers got back level

O'Mahony, and with further scores from the same player and Dunlea, they jumped 1-3

Again Kilkenny bounced back in the face of adversity. Angela Downey burst on the scene in the 19th minute when she burst through for a goal. Shortly afterwards a long free from Martina Downey was finished to the net by Ann Downey, to give the winners a 2-4 to 1-3 lead.

Twice during the opening seven minutes of the new half the teams exchanged points. Then Angela Downey came up trumps again and she turned a "65" from Bridget Mullally into the net to stretch the winners' advantage to 3-7

The Munster girls hit back for two scores from Colette The locals put that early O'Mahony and Fiona O'Driscoll before Kilkenny opened up their biggest lead of the match after another goal from Angela Downey (4-7 to 1-9).

Rearguard action

With six points in hand the

challengers looked well placed • The scorers with 14 minutes remaining. Strangely, this was Kilken-ny's last score. During the rest of the game they fought a real rearguard action as Cork charged forward in a near-furious attempt to rescue the match and the League

During the closing stages points were conceded to Denise Cronin, Colette O'Mahony (2) and Linda Mellerick. However, their best efforts to get the goal that would have forced a replay were repulsed by a tigerish home defence.

This was some going by Kilkenny, who were a bit unsure of their standing in this new game. After the hunger and will to succeed shown on this occasion, the Noresiders can look forward with confidence to the cham-

Kilkenny - Angela Downey (3-1), Ann Downey (1-4), Breda Holmes, Bridget Mullally (0-1 each). Cork - Colette O'Mahony (0-7), Stephanie Dunies (1-0), Large C'Kerffe (0-2), Lie O'Mahony Irene O'Keeffe (0-2), Liz O'Neill, Fiona O'Driscoll, Denise Cronin, Linda Mellerick (0-1 each).

The teams

Kilkenny - M. Fitzpatrick, B. McGarry, B. O'Sullivan, U. Murphy, T. Milea, D. Malone, B. Barnaville, G. Dillon, M. Downey, B. Holmes, C. Jones, Angela Downey, B. Mullally, J. Aylward, Ann Downey. Subr - S. Costello, M. Maher. Costello, M. Maher.

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O'Keeffe, F. O'Driscoll, C.
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Classy Kilkenny tops in historic final

CORK..... 11-13 KILKENNY..... 4-7 CLASSY Kilkenny took the National Camagic League title from Cork at Ballyraggett yesterday.

trumps once again and threatened to take over crashed home 3-1 to prevent thanks to good places by the Leesiders, who relieved Linda Mellerick. Errene title last year, clocking up a three-in-a-row in this historic decider.

length pitch. The experiment proved too much for Cork. is to be continued again next

Cork got off to a flying start when the nippy Stephanic Dunlea goaled

goals from the Downey twins, Angela and Ann, helped get them 2-5 to 1-5 in front at half-time.

The losers conceded another point through Bridget Mullally immediately immediately after the change. Cork hit back for a from Collette

Angela Downey came up O'Mahony and for a while Kilkenny of the All Ireland O'Keeffe and Sterringaic

The winners were scentiled with a score from Azngela This final was played Downey, and they openhard up with 15-a-side, and on a full a seven point lead which

SCORERS - KIENCERRY year, and on the evidence of this well-contested game camogic in this format may well have a future.

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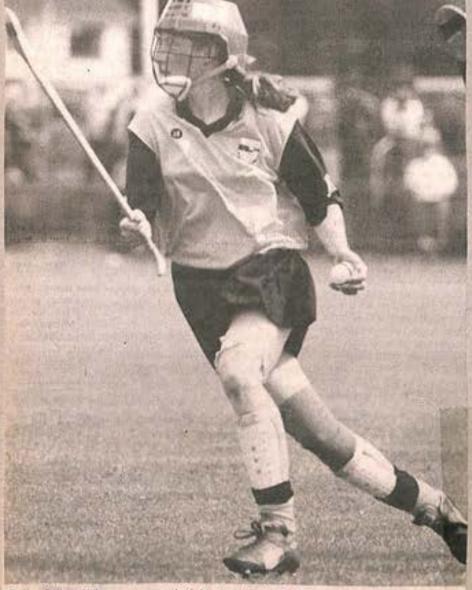
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However, Kilkenny hit back with a vengeance and goals from the Downey

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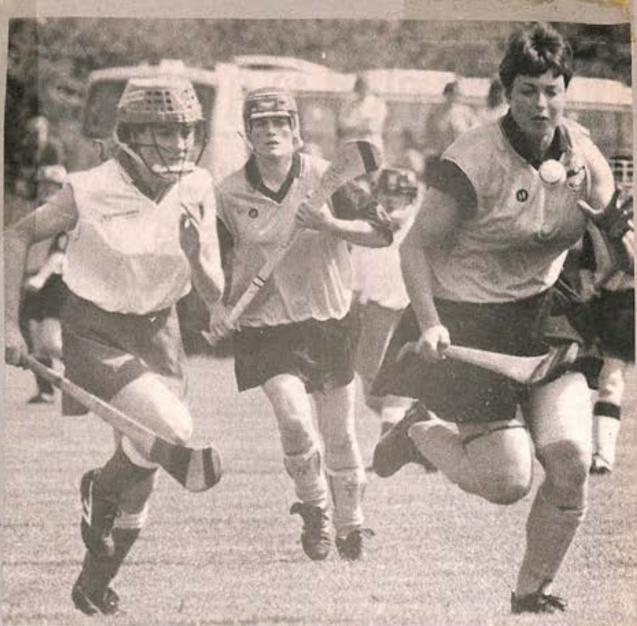
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(Offaly).



Gillian Dillon, Kilkenny, in control of this situation in the National League Camogie Final at Ballyragget.

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Claire Jones, Kilkenny in possession as Liz Towler, Cork, moves in to challenge. Breda Holmes, Kilkenny, moves in to support in the National Camogic League Final. (Photos: Flons Jackson)



Downey, captain of the victorious Kilkenny senior camogie team, which beat Cork 4-7 to 1-13 in the National Senior League Final at Ballyragget, pictured receiving the trophy from Bridin that all the Camogie Association of Ireland, with some of her team members (from left): Una Murphy, Ann Downey, Angela Downey, Tracey Millea, Brigid Barnaville and Dillon.



Ellkenny senior camogie team; winners of the National Senior League final at Ballyragget, against Cork by 4-7 to 1-13. Front row (from left): Margaret Comerford, Esther Kennedy, trine Dunne, Una Murphy, Joan Aylward, Tracey Millea, Biddy O'Sullivan, Brigid Barnaville, Marina Downey (Captain), Bridie McGarry, Claire Jones. Back: Maria Maher, Sinead tello, Brigid Wall, Catherine Dunne, Brigid Mullally, Gillian Dillon, Marie Fitzpatrick, Deirdre Malone, Angela Downey, Breda Holmes.

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and said it was up to the Co. Camogie Board, in the circumstances, to find a suitable training venue for themselves.

"It is unfortunate that the pitch they use, by agreement with the City Division, at Ballinlough was unavailable because of the weather on Tuesday and also on Wednesday because of a previously arranged Co. Championship match, but it must be up to the Co. Camogie Board to make the necessary phone calls to find a suitable venue.

"The Co. Board cannot be responsible in these circumstances and that's the situation," Mr. Barrett added.

Responding to the fact that it is the Co. Board's stated aim to use Christy Ring Park "extensively" for camogie, Mr. Barrett said the ground was closed on the advice of the agronomist because it was 'virgin soil' and activities on it must be curtailed in its first year.

"Certainly it will be made available to the Co. Camogie Board when the time is right and the pitch is fully ready," he said.

In the meantime, the camogie players have secured the use of the facilities at Bishopstown GAA Club for training tonight and the chairman of the selection committee, Mrs. Miriam Murray, said they were very grateful to the club for their help in this matter.

MUDDLES, PUDDLES, TOIL AND TROUBLE

By DECLAN COLLEY

CORK Co. Board were this afternoon totally unrepentant about the fact that the Cork camogic team were last night forced to train on open Corporation land prior to their tilt at a record three-in-a-row National League titles.

A spokesman for the board told the Echo "it is not on to make a big issue of this" and said the Co. Board could not be held responsible for the fact the county camogie side could find no place to train.

Venues

"Every other team under the jurisdiction of the Co. Board wants to train at Pairc Uí Chaoimh or Christy Ring Park, but if these venues are unavailable, as was the case with the camogie side, then the people in charge have to get on the phone to clubs to try and find a venue," Co. Board PRO Brian Barrett said.

He added the board could not be at the "beck and call of each team"

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Bishopstown give pitch to the girls

BY MICHAEL ELLARD

ON discovering the plight of the Cork camogie team, highlighted in today's edition of our sister newspaper the Cork Examiner, the Bishopstown GAA club have made their grounds available tonight for training to the reigning All-Ireland champions.

"This is a most kind gesture by the Bishopstown club and one that we are most appreciative of", commented the Chairman of the Cork camogie team's selection committee Miriam Murphy on learning of the offer early this morning.

Last night Cork, who are due to play Kilkenny in the final of the National League, were forced to train on an open expanse of Corporation land at the Boggy Road after failing to secure a GAA pitch for their preparations.

The City Division Board who regularly provide their facilities at Ballinlough for the ladies use informed the camogie team on Tuesday night that the venue would not be available this week. This prompted overtures to the County Board for the use of Pairc Ui Chaoimh or the new Christy Ring Park.

The camogie team were informed, however, that Pairc Ui Chaoimh was being used by the county's hurlers and footballers while no training was being permitted at the Christy Ring Park at the moment.

So the team that became the first in Cork camogie history to record back-toback National League successes and

complete and All-Ireland-League double found themselves using the public amenity at the Boggy Road with a group of young soccer enthusiasts last night.

"There were pools of water on the ground and it was virtually impossible to train and because of the frustration of not knowing where to turn to as a result of failing to get a proper GAA pitch to train on I don't believe our girls are at this point in time mentally or physically right for next Sunday's National League final against Kilkenny in Kilkenny", said selectorial spokesperson Miriam Murphy today.

lack of gallantry

WHY is it that the GAA, which has rendered such extraordinary service in the cause of nationalism, sport and the community, can at times seem so utterly indifferent to its good public image?

It may have something to do with its major ethical problem over the so-called foreign games that the Association seems so utterly indifferent and sometimes downright dismissive of those outside its own introspective ken.

The administration of CLG is made up largely of sporstmen and ex-sportsmen, who of their nature are gregarious and generous types.

Individually they have the same openminded attitude of all athletes. Collectively, at times, they appear to succumb to what is now a stereo-typed begrudgery of spirit, an indifference to any activity outside their own enormously successful games.

If the officers of any association or business company, ostensibly so dependant on public goodwill and support as the GAA, handled an affair so badly as the lack of a training pitch for the Cork camogic team it would surely lead to a serious inquiry and much soul-searching.

We are not, after all, talking about one of those heinous rivals like soccer or rugby, but soul sisters in hurling.

The Cork County Board has treated the distaff side of the game in Cork with a lack of gallantry of which genuine Rebel sportsmen and women should be truly ashamed.

The Cork camogie team, who are going for a record three-in-a-row National League title, were forced to train on open Corporation land, because there was no GAA pitch available to them.

There can be no quibble with the fact that the Board's two major venues, Pairc Ui Chaoimh or Christy Ring Park, were unavailable.

But surely the County oard could have reacted in a more positive way and used their good offices to ensure that an alternative club venue was offered to the girls.

In a bus a gentleman offers his seat to a lady and is especially delighted to do so, if she has so much in common as do hurlers and camogie players, who enjoy much less material advantage from their game.

Fortunately chivalry in Cork GAA circles is not entirely dead and Bishopstown Club has given the camogie players the use of its pitch.

The club's action does something to mitigate against the discourteous tone of a County Board spokesman who suggested in less than cavalier fashion, that the Beard could not be at the beck and call of each team.

Is this how a great amateur sporting organisation charactrises members of its own fair sex, who have brought their own modest honours to the Rebel County.

What about a response like; "We were really sorry not to be able to fit in their training sessions but, of course, we had no trouble in finding a club to facilitate them."

"The County Board greatly appreciates the achievements of our own Cork girls and will be with them all the way in their bid for

a third NL title."

It is called PR. Most people would thisk
of it as ordinary civility and good neighbourliness.

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CAMOGIE UPDATE

On the Camogie scene this month we focus on Galway, who must be in line for major honours in the not-too-distant future. Galway have always been involved in Camogie. They contested the first All-Ireland Senior Championship Final in 1932 and were back again the following year, but were unsuccessful on both occasions to Dublin. Galway have contested eight senior All-Irelands in all, the last in 1962. However, they have yet to be victorious.

alway have a good record in junior grade. They reached the All-Ireland Championship Final on seven occasions: 1972, '73, '79, '85, '88, '89, '92, losing only in 1973, '89 and

1985 was their most successful year when they brought off a double: the All-Ireland Junior Championship and National Junior League. In the championship they defeated Kildare on a score of 3-10 to 3-3. In the league they accounted for Armagh 8-7 to 3-7.

They have experienced All-Ireland success in minor, contesting nine All-Ireland finals between 1975 and '91. They were victorious in 1977 over Dublin 5-4 to 2-1, '81 over Antrim 3-4 to 3-3, '86 over Wexford 2-8 to 1-4, and '87 over Cork 1-11 to 3-3.

In the All-Ireland Club Championship they experienced some success contesting ten finals and winning three: Oranmore in 1973, Athenry in 1977 and Mullagh in 1991, It was some achievement for Mullagh club only eight years in existence to win an All-Ireland. They had won the National Féile na nGael in 1985 and '86, and that contributed greatly to the club's success against Eglish, and, of course the phenomenal run of St Raphael's College who, this year were defeated by their near neighbours St Brigid's, Loughrea when they were chasing their 9th All-Ireland in a row. St Raphael's success must be beneficial to the present County squads, which this year have it all to play for.

Their junior team, who were defeated in the All-Ireland Junior Final last year by Tipperary, will not be easily disposed of this year. They are in the quarter-finals of the National League, and could well

On the path to the quarter-final from Zone A they dropped two points to National League champions Limerick and were victorious over Offaly 4-8 to 0-6, Kilkenny 4-3 to 1-4, Clare 3-5 to 1-10. They have prominent players in Deirdre and Emer Hardiman, Brigid Fahy, Olivia Broderick, Yvonne Larkin, Teresa Fallon, Dympna Maher, Martina Harkins, Catriona Finnegan, Eilish Kilkenny, Carmel Allen, Martina Haverty.

Last year their senior team were unlucky to lose out to Wexford in the All-Ireland semi-final 2-11 to 1-11. They are now in the semi-final of the National League, Cyril Farrell, St Raphael's successful trainer has taken over this young



THE GALWAY TEAM

Galway team, many of whom hold All-Ireland medals with St Raphael's. They were very impressive in the National League coming out tops in their division.

They accounted for Down 4-12 to 1-3, Kildare 8-10 to 1-4 and Antrim 9-8 to 0-3. They meet a torrid test when they meet Kilkenny in the semi-final. In the All-Ireland championship Open draw, the Galway girls get a bye in the first round, which leaves them in the semi-final against the winners of Wexford v Dublin on July 18.

They have quite a strong defence that has conceded very little, while their forwards led by Claire Lynch are very

They have a host of stars which include: Anne Broderick, Sheila Coen, Deirdre Costello, Olive Costello, Deirdre Hardiman, Emer Hardiman, Triona Dolphin, Brid Statford, Pamela Nevin, Sharon Glynn, Anne Ryan, Tracey Whelan, Claire Lynch, Brigid Fahy, Imelda Hobbins, Imelda Maher, Tracy

To win a National League or an All-Ireland Championship would be a great boost to those young girls from the 'City Of The Tribes'.

The game is very strongly promoted throughout the County at schools and Colleges level. There are twenty-three clubs and competition for all age groups.

They hosted the National Féile na nGael last year, and will again this year. nal Congress was held in Hayden's Hotel, Ballinasloe this year, and Galway County Board left no stone unturned to

make sure that everyone enjoyed their stay.

It is with regret that we record the death of Caitlin O'Duffy which occurred recently. Caitlin, who was in her late 80s, was relict of the late Seaghan O Duffy who was affectionately known as 'Mr Camogie'. From 1930 Caitlin gave her time unstintingly to the promotion of Camogie and was active up to a year

Apart from being a recognised player and referee, she was a first-class administrator with Leinster Colleges, Leinster Council and Dublin County Board.

Camogie followers throughout the Country will be saddened by her pass-

Ar Dheis Dhe go raibh an anam.

FIXTURES

NATIONAL FIXTURES FOR JUNE 1993

JUNE 6: Senior League Final and Junior League Semi-final JUNE 20: Junior League final

JUNE 26/27: Feile na nGael in Galway. The following are the draws:

DIVISION 1: Davitts v Dublin, Pearses v Limerick, St Colmans v Tipperary. Craughwell

DIVISION 2: St Thomas v Wexford, Sarsfield v Offaly, Cappataggle v Clare, Mullagh v Roscommon.

DIVISION 3: Mt Bellew v Westmeath, Athenry v Laois, Turloughmore v Down, Cois Fharraige

DIVISION 4: Castlegar v Fermanagh,

Shamrocks v Waterford, Eskerhills v St Mary's



Noel Skehan presenting Sinead Millea, Captain of St. Brigid's College camogie team with the Hotel Kilkenny/Kilkenny People' sports personality award.

Looking on as Sinead accepts the Kilkenny Crystal trophy are Noelle O'Driscoll (team trainer) and Billy Gardiner (College Principal).

CAMOGIE COLUMN

BY MARY MORAN

Camogie has made great strides over the last three decades

THE thirty-five years just gone have seen camogie spread its wings. Membership has grown significantly particularly in the underage sector. New competitions have been added filling the season's calendar to the brim.

The game itself has altered. Outward signs like the gymfrock, black stockings canvas boots and, indeed, the "Points Bar" belong to bygone days.

Tipperary defeated Antrim in the 1958 All-Ireland Senior Championship semi-final by 8-0 to 5-1. On their way to winning the 1992 All-Ireland Senior Championship Cork scored 8-42. These scorelines illustrate the sweeping changes which have taken place. Literally, the game has got off the ground.

The great Dublin sides which dominated the fifties played predominantly on the ground. They were excellent strikers of a ground ball and had no difficulty in finding a well positioned colleague or the back of the net. They were well trained and highly organised and ahead of all rivals in these facets of the game.

As the balance of power drifted away from Dublin, girls emerged with great hurling skills. Using the term "a great hurler" in its most complimentary sense, Mairead McAtamney, Bridget Doyle, Liz Garvan, Marie Costine, Bridie McGarry and Angela Downey are among the many who deservedly earned the title.

The club player of 1958 had the county team to aspire to. The county team participated in the knockout provincial Senior Championship. No minor or junior grades existed to help the player bridge the gap from club to inter-county scene. There were no National Leagues to prepare a team for the championship. A player was dropped in at the deepend. Some swam and survived, others drowned. A defeat

in the first round of the Provincial championship saw the county gymfrocks return to the mothballs for another twelve months.

That has all changed. Camogie made great strides in the sixties and seventies. To mark the Diamond Jubilee of the Association, an All-Ireland Club Championship was introduced. The



Angela Downey, Kilkenny.

new championship was an immediate success. Celtic (Dublin) overcame Deirdre (Belfast) in the inaugural final in 1964. St. Paul's (Kilkenny), Buffer's Alley (Wexford) and Glen Rovers (Cork) became household names through the Club Championship. The weaker counties received a great boost four years later with the setting up of the All-Ireland Junior Championship.

Perhaps the most influential development was the establishment of the All-Ireland Colleges Council in 1969. Its effects have been far reaching with the benefits evident in every county. This in turn lead to an increase in camogie teams in the Third Level Colleges. From four universities

competing in the Ashbourne Cup, the C.C.I.A. has expanded to cater for all types of colleges in a variety of competitions.

The Camogie Association catered by and large for an adult membership in 1958. The All-Ireland Senior Championship and the Gael-Linn Inter-provincial series were the only competitions organised by Ardchomhairle.

Underage camogie, which involves a large proportion of today's players, was unknown. Now each county organises a wide selection of underage competitions. In addition, Primary Schools, Community Games, Feile na nGael and Street Leagues attract many youngsters into the game.

In administration circles, the huge growth in activities necessitated the appointment of a Full-Time Officer. From her office in Croke Park, Sheila Wallace combines the demanding duties of Ard Runai with the challenging role of Development Officer.

The past few decades have seen the decline of Dublin and Antrim, the return of Cork and the rise of Wexford and Kilkenny. As well as those mentioned earlier, a host of star performers graced the game. Many will recall Ally Hussey, Orla Ni Siochain and Judy Doyle in the pale blue of Dublin, Margaret O'Leary, Elsie Walsh and Mary Sinnott came to prominence with the great Wexford sides. Pat Moloney, Mary O'Leary, Marion McCarthy and Sandie Fitzgibbon hurled delightfully for Cork. Kilkenny's rise brought Liz Neary, Helen O'Neill, Anne Downey and Marie Fitzpatrick into the limelight. The Camogie Association may look forward to a bright future. Gifted youngsters like Claire Lynch and Sinead Millea may be the ones to dominate the next decade.

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GAELSPORT FAMILY TIES

Not since the Doyles of Thurles in the '50's and '60's has a family made such an impact on Tipperary hurling as the Bonners of Cashel King Cormac. The Bonners from Tipperary, a family of fifteen comprising of seven girls and six boys, are, without a doubt, worthy of a Gael Sport Family Ties profile.

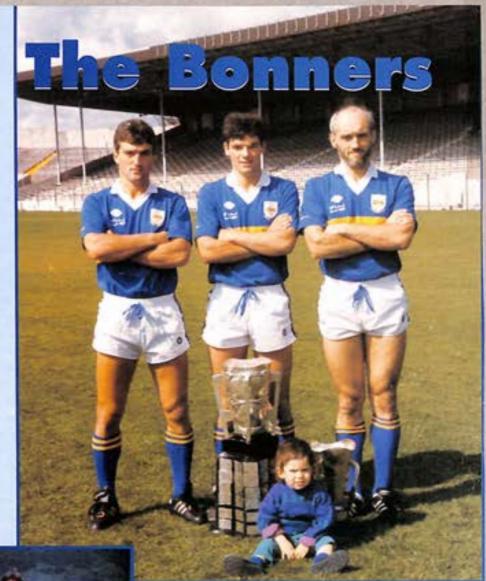
leran, (42), eldest brother, watches the Championship matches from Alberta in Canada while Brendan, (36), plays senior football with four of his brothers.

Brendan is senior hurling selector and played football with Tipperary seniors along with Cormac in the early eighties.

Cormac, (32), "the man in the iron mask" represented Tipperary at minor U21 and in senior hurling

and football. He holds two All Ireland U21 hurling medals from 1979 and '80 and played full back along with Pat Fox, who was corner back. He also holds two Fitzgibbon Cup medals with UCD from '78 and '79 and made his name in 1988 when he came on as a sub and scored a goal against Cork in the Munster Final. He has since won 2 senior All Irelands in '89 and '91 while receiving All Star awards both years, he also played Railway Cup hurling. Cormac has been on the inter-county scene for the past 12 years, although he has only held down a regular team place since 88. Working as a secondary school teacher in Limerick, Cormac is one of three brothers who is on the Tipperary senior hurling team.

Colm. (28), started his inter county hurling in 1982 and in the past eleven years he has won 9 Munster medals, - minor 1982, U21 in '83, '84, '85, Junior '85, Senior '87, '88, '89, 91 and has won 4 All-Irelands. One minor in '82, one U21 in '85, and two senior in '89 and '91.



Above L-R: Colm, Conal and Cormac LEFT: Eithne & Ann on a trip to Alaska

He also has a national league medal from 1988 and All-Star Award for midfield in 1988. Colm captained Cashel

to first county and Munster hurling club honours in 1993 along with his three other brothers Cormac, Conal and Ailbe. Brendan was a selector and Pearse (father) was first aid man. In 1987 Colm was employed as the first full time hurling coach.

Conal, (24), the most medal bedecked member of the Bonner family, was a minor in 1986 when they lost the All-Ireland final to Offaly but gained revenge in 1989 beating Offaly in the All Ireland final U21. Conal won a senior All Ireland the same year and another in 1991. He has two All Star awards for wing back in '89 and '91 and came onto the senior panel for the All Ireland final in 1988 having watched the semi final in the Cusack stand. In 1989 Conal, Colm and Cormac played in the Railway Cup Final only to lose by two points in a late Connacht raily.

Ailbe, (22), has played hurling for Tipperary at minor and U21 level but never got past the Munster stage. He plays centre forward for the Cashel Senior hurling team.

Pearse (father), must hold the distinction of being the oldest player to wear the cashel jersey. In 1991 in a senior football match Cashel could only "muster" up fourteen players. At the start of the second half, Pearse was asked to tog out and play at corner forward. At 74 years of age this was quite an undertaking. To everyone's surprise he played the 30 minutes and ended up giving away numerous frees as he never knew the tackle rule had been changed since he played leet.

Both parents are from Donegal. Most Summer evenings when the family were all young they would all play a game of hurling in the back garden and the girls were just as tough as the boys.

All the girls including Maureen (mother) played senior Camogle for Cashel and some have six in a row County senior camogle medals from 1985 - 1991.

Nuals (32), Eithne (30), Trions (25) and Niamh (23) have all played with Tipperary at one stage or another. In 1992 Trions captained Tipperary to their first Camogle Junior Title. These girls also have All Ireland Tailteann and Community Games Handball medals. ■

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sfields skill wins the day

Sarsfields 1-12 Fr. O'Neills 3-2 AN opportunist goal from Sheila Barry at a time when a point separated the sides proved decisive for Sarsfields in their quarter-final tie of the Senior Camogie Championship played at Clonmult Memorial Park, Midleton on Saturday.

Some powerful camogie was introduced with

Some powerful camogie was introduced with Sarsfields picking off some magnificent points from all quarters. They were by far the better side and their total commitment was a major factor in their win.

Liz Dunphy was in devastating form and at all

es posed a threat to Fr. O'Neills who were ten in the field.

A brace of points from Dunphy and another from Susan Barry saw Sarsfields open an early lead. They were rattled, however, by a powerful combination of Maggie Finn and Frances Flavin with Flavin crashing home a great goal in the seventh minute.

It was their last score, however, for a quarter of an hour and while O'Neills were finding it difficult to come to grips in midfield, Dunphy, with another brace of points, Susan Barry, Sheila Barry, Val Twomey and Lillian Zincant were scoring. With four minutes to the break, Fiona O'Driscoll

reduced the leeway with a point.

Playing with a stiff breeze, Sarsfields led at half-time by 0-8 to 1-1. O'Driscoll combined well

O'Neills piled in the pressure at this stage but a powerful Sars defence hung on for victory. Sarsfields niw meet title-holders Glen Rovers

half-time by 0-8 to 1-1. O'Driscoll combined well with Maggie Finn and the player worked the ball goalwards where O'Driscoll palmed home a goal to bring her side back into contention. When it should have acted as a spur for O'Neills, it was the other way round and Liz Dunphy set the Sarsfield's scoring machine going two minutes later.

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A brace of points from Lillian Zincant saw her side lead by four points after 10 minutes of the second half.

Scorens: Sarsfelds — S. Barry 1-1; L. Dumphy 0-5; L. Zincant 0-3; S. Barry 0-2; V. Twomey 0-1; Fr. O'Neills — F. O'Deiscoll 2-2; F. Flavin 1-0.

SARSFELDS: L. Twomey; L. Davis, P. Dwyer, N. Abern, B. Katay, L. Dumphy, S. Barry, A. Brady, V. Twomey, L. Zincant, D. Hanley, S. Barry, Subs. E. Twomey, for N. Abern (inj), D. Hollhand for Hanley, FR. O'NEILLS: A. M. Bremann; E. Hennessy, F. Hennessy, M. Abern, S. Meade, C. Shanahan, S. McCarthy, D. Hayes, M. Kenefick, F. Flavin, F. O'Driscoll, M. Firm Sub; A. Widsh for C. Shanahan, Ref. O'Driscoll, M. Firm Sub; A. Widsh for C. Shanahan,

second half.

However it took O'Neills another 10 m
before they got their third goal.

Aghabullogue girls Cork's representatives

Aghabullogue 3-2 St. Vincents 2-4

AGHABULLOGUE
won their way through to
represent Cork in the All
Ireland Feile na Gael
camogie blitz in Galway.
They had a 3-2 to 2-4
victory over favourites
St. Vincents in a highly
skilful and thrilling game
at Farranlea Road last
evening.

The winners led 2-2 to 0-2 at half-time. In the second-half St. Vincents put enormous pressure on the Aghabullogue defence and scored 2-2. However, Aghabullogue had a goal by Patricia Murphy and this sealed the game for them.

Eleven-years-old Marie Noonan was superb in the Aghabullogue goal whilst Donna O'Leary and Orla O'Shea gave superb displays for St. Vincents, who were unlucky not to snatch a draw.

Scorers for Aghabullogue: P. O'Flynn 1-0, T. Roche 0-2, P. Murphy 1-0, M. Toubig 1-0.

St. Vincents: O. O'Shea 1-2: D. O'Leary 1-1, L. Fitzaptrick 0-1. LAST Wednesday at the Coliseum Sportshowl Anne Phelan won the Ladies Scratch Singles League. Anne had qualified for the stepladder final the previous week by ending up with top points in the league proper. The other qualifiers for the stepladder final were Elaise Twomey, Veronica O'Loughlin and Anita Nikolaisen. In the first game of the stepladder on Wednesday Veronica O'Loughlin defeated Anita Nikolaisen 191 to 149. In the second game Veronica had another great game of 192 when she beat Elaine Twomey who had 167. Then in a very exciting final Veronica O'Loughlin had another great game of 186 but it wasn't enough to overcome the challenge of Anne Phelan who had a 214 game. So Anne Phelan is the 1993 Coliseum Ladies champion. Another trophy to add to her great array this year.

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is Ladies'

Champion

CAMOGIE — Ulster Juster championship: Tyrone 4-10 (RM McGradey, 0 Device, M Falson 1-2 each; S Snell 1-0, E Burke 0-3, V Hughes 0-1) Down 2-8 (J Baned 1-4, S McGovern 1-1, M McCartan 0-3), Armagh 4-8 (P McEvoy 2-0, 8 McBride 1-3, A Lancon 1-1, U McGovern 0-3, J Rice 0-1) Derry 2-1 (D Downey 2-0, M Muholland 0-1), Leinster Championship: Dubin 3-3 (A Muholland 3-0, 1 Kirwan 0-2, S Caverley 0-1) Louth 0-7 (A McDonald, G Crehan, V Weldon 0-2 each, E Moynagh 0-1,

THIS WEEK . . 50 years ago:

NAOMH BRIGHID qualified for the final of the Cork City Junior Camogie Championship as a result of their 1-1 to 1-0 win over Rathpeacon in a low-scoring semi-final at the Victoria Cross Grounds, where K McGrath, with a goal, and E Barry with a point, scored for the winners, while M Cronin scored the goal for Rathpeacon.



Con McDonnell, Bishopstown and Sinéad Crowley of Waterfall who plays with Ballincolie
will represent Cork in the Féile na nGael Hurling and Camogie Skills in Galway at the
weekend. (25th - 27th June). (Photo: M. English.)



The Aghabullogue Under-14 Camogie team which will represent Cork in thue Féile na nGael finals in Galway at the weekend.

It's the girls' turn

TWELVE months ago, the Under-14 hurlers of Aghabullogue created history by winning the Cork Féile na nGael competition and went on to represent their county in the All-Ireland series.

Not to be outdone, the girls from the same club have achieved a similar distinction this year and tomorrow they are off to Galway as Leeside representatives in the camogie All-Ireland finals.

This is not the first time that the Aghabullogue girls have reached the All-Ireland series. In 1985 they went to Wexford and the following year competed in Clare, on both occasions with little success.

The Aghabullogue Camogie Club was founded in 1969 and has enjoyed great success in the intervening years, culminating in winning the county intermediate championship in 1990.

A lot of preparation has gone into the under 14 team who defeated Ballincollig, St. Finbarrs, Killeagh, Kilbrittain, Brian Dillons and St. Vincents to win the Cork Féile final.

Team officials Patsy Walsh, Nora Twomey, Eileen Buckley and Margaret Twomey are confident that the team can do Cork proud.

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TOGHER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION — The St. Finbarr's team (top), who played Ballygarvan in the Togher Festival Under-14 camogie.

Girls show their mettle

By TOM HIGGINS

THE finals of the camogic section of the Cork Examiner sponsored Sciath na Scol were played in very heavy conditions at Pairc Úi Chaoimh, yesterday and all six finals were keenly contested.

Watergrasshill 3-0 Scoil Oilibhear 1-1

TWO goals in the last thirty seconds gave Watergrasshill a desrved victory in the Roinn A final.

Scoil Oilibhear were the better side in the opening half and turned over leading 1-0 to 0-0 at the break. A quick goal in the opening minute of the second-half put Watergrasshill on terms, but, despite continuous pressure they failed register the scores. Indeed they looked set for defeat when Cait Ni Bhuachalla scored a point for Scoil Olibhear four minutes from time. However, then up stepped Watergrasshill's best player, Annie O'Donoghue, to lob the ball into the Scoil Oilibhear square, and, when goalkeeper Niamh Ni Ghoilin failed to clear, Christine O'Donovan was on hand to shoot home. Watergrasshill sealed victory when Brid O'Neill scored their third goal in the dying seconds.

Scorers, Watergrasshill: C O'Donovan 2-0, B O'Neill 1-0.

Scoil Oilibhear: C Ñi Bhuachalla 1-1. WATERGRASSHILL: O Foley; C O'Donoghue, C Flynn,

S O'Sullivan; S O'Callaghan, A O'Donoghue, E Ahern; S O'Mahony, L O'Sullivan; L Hedderman, C O'Donovan, F McCarthy; V O'Neill, B O'Neill, A Fitzgerald.

SCOIL OLIBHEAR: N Ñi Ghoilin; Ý Ñi Chathain, S Ñi Cheilleachair, C Ñi Inne; K Ñi Riordáin, N Ñi Mhuirthile, P Ñi Shuibhne; E Ñi Riordáin, S Ñi Mhúineacháin; G Peelo, S E Ñi Nuirseann, E Gregor; C Ñi Chochláin, C Ñi Bhuachalla, A Guiton.

Cloghroe 4-4 Scoil Barra (Ballincollig) 1-1

A brilliant display by captain Criona Harte helped Cloghroe to a well deserved win over Scoil Barra in the Roinn B decider.

Criona dominated midfield and her striking from either side was a treat to watch. Even when her defence was under pressure, she was able to drop back to gain possession and set up some fine attacking movements. Cloghroe were were awarded four "30s" during the the game and Miss harte was successful from all four. She added two goals to emerge her side's top scorer with 2-4.



The Scoil Marie Assumpta, Ballyphehane team which won the C final at the Sciath na Scoil Camogie finals at Pairc Ui Chaoimh. (Picture: Des Barry)

Cloghroe led led 2-1 to 1-0 at the break, Scoil Barra's goal coming two minutes from the break from E. O'Leary. Cloghroe were completely on top in the second-half and only poor shooting denied them an even bigger victory.

Scorers, Cloghroe: C Harte 2-4 (0-4 "30's"), J O'Donovan 2-0.

Scoil Barra: E O'Leary 1-0. H Barry 0-1.

CLOGHROE: N Arnott; A Kieran, M Ahern, I Cronin; G O'Connor, P McCarthy, O Barry; D Scully, C Harte; K McBratney, L Hall, A O'Shea; J O'Donovan, C O'Brien, O O'Leary. Subs. V Walsh for A O'Shea (32nd minute), C Mitchell for C O'Brien (35th minute).

SCOIL BARRA: L Perry; L O'Mahony, N Pierce, J McCarthy; K Hegedus, H Barry, L Rath; E Curley, D Harvey; L Breen, C Denieffe, M Glavin; E O'Leary, T Gleeson, C Stephenson. Sub. B Fitzgerald for L Rath (27th minute).

Maria Assumpta (Ballyphehane) 1-1 St. Patrick's NS 0-1

BALLYPHEHANE had to fight hard for their victory in the Roinn C final.

They did all their scoring in the opening half, after which they led 1-1 to 0-0.. St Patrick's reduced the lead with a point shortly after the interval, but they failed to add to their tally and the Ballphehane girls held out.

Scorers, Ballyphehane: J Treacy 1-0, G O'Sullivan 0-1 St. Patrick's: S Buckley 0-1.

MARIA ASSUMPTA: V Nash; M Foley, G O'Sullivan, L Cotter; M Cummins; G O'Sullivan, M Sheehan, M O'Keeffe; B Maher; J Teacy, L O'Connell, L O'Callaghan. Sub. N Delaney for L O'Callaghan (38th minute).

ST PATRICK'S: M O'Brien; S McSweeney, G O'Connell, L Keating; J O'Sullivan; T Drummond, B Corcoran, S Buckley; T Deane; R O'Mahony, S Kelly, W Sexton. Sub. M Hogan for G O'Connell (14th minute).

Goggins Hill 6-1 Ballinapittle 0-0

FULL-BACK Sinead Crowley was the star of Goggins Hill's big win over Ballinaspittle in the Roinn D decider.

Goggins Hill were far from impressive in the opening half and had to rely on a goal from a "30" from Crowley after ten minutes for their 1-0 to 0-0 lead at the break. But they were a totally different side in the second-half, banging in five more goals, and ran out easy winners.

Scorers, Goggins Hill: E Higgins, M Collins 2-0 each, S Crowley 1-1 (1-0 "30", 0-1 free), S Twohig 1-0.

GOGGINS HILL: M Cullinane, S Crowley, K Coleman, P Curtin, E Higgins, O Cullinane, M Griffin, M Collins, S Twohig, Sub. K McCarthy for P Twohig.

BALLINSPITTLE: O Murphy, C Collins, J Mallinson, S

Hayes, L O'Mahony, R Moloney, L O'Leary, J Murphy, L Coughlan, Sub. G Mc Carthy for L Coughlan.

Aghabullogue 2-0 Farran 0-1

AGHABULLOGUE had to come from behind to win the Roinn E final against Farran.

They looked the better side in the first-half, but a tendency to try and pick the ball in the heavy underfoot conditions cost them dearly and they were behind at the break 0-1 to 0-0. However, they got their act together in the second-half and, with Deirdre Twomey having an excellent game, they scored two goals to secure a deserved victory.

Scorers, Aghabullogue: F McSweeney 1-0, S Buckley 1-0. Farran: A M O'Brien 0-1.

AGHABULLOGUE: M Noonan, C Noonan, L Ronan, N Noonan, D Twomey, S Buckley, C O'Leary, M O'Donovan, F McSweeney

FARRAN: T O'Sullivan, C Moriarty, A Gleeson, C Kenny, M Crowley, C Sheehan, A M O'Brien, B Sheehan, D O'Brien

Barryroe 3-2 Ballygarvan 1-2.

A last minute goal by Helena Keohane clinched Barryroe's victory in a keenly contested Roinn F final.

Barryroe built up a 1-2 to 0-0 advantage after eleven minutes, but a goal from Maire Lane and a point by Nora Hallahan in the final two minutes of the half left only a point between the sides at the break. Barryroe increased this advantage with a goal three minute into the second-half, but Hallahan pointed again for Ballygarvan with ten minutes to go to leave only a goal between the sides. Ballygarvan did most of the attacking after that but poor finishing cost them dearly and with time running out Keohane's second goal put the seal on Barryroe's victory.

Scorers, Barryroe: H Keohane 2-0, G Collins 1-1, R Holland 0-1 ("30").

Ballygarvan, M Lane 1-0, N Hallahan 0-2, BARRYROE: H O'Sullivan, R McCarthy, R Holland, O Brickley, G Collins, E O'Donovan, F Collins, H Keohane, K

BALLYGARVAN: E Foley, T Marshall, M Marshall, N Bouse, N Hallahan, F Butler, M Lane, S Desmond, L Butler.

•All games were referred by Mary Byrnes (Na Piarsaigh).

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Cork take on Camogie Limerick focus

into actin when they take on Limerick in the first round of the Munster Junior Championship.

Also over the weekend the Aghabullogue u-14 camogic team travel to Galway where they will represent Cork in the All-Ireland Féile Na nGael competitions while Sinéad Crowley from Ballinhassig will be Cork's representative in the Skills competition. The coming week will also see a number of u-14 and junior 'B' legue games decided.

Cork have not won a Munster Junior title since the late 80s so no doubt all involved with this present panel will be very anxious that they can rectify this situation on Sunday next when they take on Limerick in a first round game at Ballincollig. In recent months this present panel have been putting in a lot of training under the watchful eye of Finbarr O'Neill and as a result will be facing Sunday's game with every confidence. Last year Cork were defeated by Limerick in the first outing so they will certainly be under no illusions as to the task confronting

During the recent league campaign the selectors have experimented with a number of different players and they will be hoping that they will be in a position to field their strongest possible side for this vital clash. At the time of writing the team had not been confirmed but is certain to include goalkeeper Lilian Twomey, Diane Deane, Colette Cronin, Niamh O'Regan, Eileen Buckley and Patricia Murphy while other possible inclusions are Hilda Kenneally, Fiona Twomey, Lyun and Stephanie Dunlea, Alison Dilworth and Ann

Our best wishes go this weekend with the u-14 players of Aghabullogue where they will keep the Cork flag

flying in the All-Ireland Féile Na nGael finais in Galway. They had a marvellous victory in the Cork final with a surprise victory over a fancied St. Vincents side. They are a very determined side and going on their displays in the Cork competition will certainly not easily be defeated. They have fine performers in Tina Roche, Linda Ronan, Marie Noonan, Sinead Buckley and Deirdre Twomey and if these girls produce the goods they could make a bold bid for honours. Sinead Crowley of Ballinhassig will be our representative in the Skills competition. Sinéad came through the Cork final in flying colour and on form should be in their with a very good chance of success.

SATURDAY JUNE 26, 7.45 p.m.
U-14 'B' League 93: St. Fannahans v Cobh 'B' at Cobh, Re.f St. Fannahan; Crenagh v St. Vincents 'B' aty Grenagh, Ref. St. Vincents; Delaneys v Mallow at Delaneys, Ref. Mallow; Mayfield v Glen Rovers 'B' at Mayfield, Ref. Glen Rovers.

SUNDAY, JUNE 27

Munster Junior Championship: Cork v Limerick at Ballincollig 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 7.45 p.m.

Junior 'B' League 93: Valley Rovers v Courcy Rovers at Valley Rovers, Ref. Bandon; Ballinhassig v St. Finbarrs at Ballinhassig, Ref. Tracton; Castlemagner v

Midleton at Castlemagner, Ref. Irnascarra, Sarsfields v
Cobh at Sarsfields, Ref. Watergrasshill; Mayfield v
Delaneys at Mayfield, Ref. Brian Dillons.

THURSDAY, JULY 1, 7.45 p.m.

Junior 'B' League 93: Kilbrittain v Tracton at
Kilbrittain, Ref. barryroe; Inniscarra v Bandon at
Inniscarra, Ref. Aghabullogue.

Cork cruise to victory

By TOM HIGGINS

Cork 6-13 Limerick 2-8

ALTHOUGH the scoreline suggests that Cork had an easy victory over Limerick in this Munster Junior Championship game at Ballincollig, Cork, yesterday, had Limerick taken their chances in the opening period the scoreline would have been much closer.

Cork were very slow to settle down and Limerick were completely in control in the opening 12 minutes registering three points - but missing two open goals. After five minutes Ida Quaid got free of her marker and with only the goalkeeper Lilian Twomey to beat shot wide from ten yards and the same player was again at fault in the 23rd minute when she blazed wide

from almost in front of the goal.

After Lyn Dunlea had Cork's first score from a "30" after 13 minutes Cork began to

settle and when the same player had a goal in the 18th minute and another a minute later this put the home side very much in control and another major by Stephanie Dunlea in the 22nd minute gave the Rebel County a 3-3 to 0-5 advantage at the break. The main difference between the sides was the fact that Cork took their chances and shot only two wides while Limerick had six wides to their credit.

After Dunlea had put Cork further ahead with a point in the opening minute of the second half Limerick took over and with a goal from substitute Kay Burke and a point from Liz Riordan they looked like getting back into the match after five minutes as they were now only four points behind.

Cork again raised their game and with a succession of tremendous scores, in particular some excellent long range points from Lynn Dunlea, they had the game in safe keeping well before the finish.

Cork had excellent defenders in Vera Motherway. Diane Deane and Collette

Cronin while Stephanie Dunlea was particularly impressive in the second half at midfield. Undoubtedly the star of the game was Lyn Dunlea who moved outfield in the second half while Patricia Murphy was also in excellent form.

Agnes Sheehy and Bernedette Chawke were very solid in the defence for Limerick, Liz Riordan tried hard at midfield, while Mary Lynch and Ida Quaid were the pick of the visitors' forwards.

Scorers: CORK – L Dunlea 2-7 (0-2 "30s", 0-1 free), P Murphy 1-2, S Linchan 1-1, S Dunlea 1-0, N O'Regan 1-0, A Brady 0-1, H Kennealy 0-1, E Healy 0-1, LIMERICK – I Quaid 1-2, M Linchan 0-5 (0-1 "30"), K Burke 1-0, L Riordan 0-1.

CORK: L Twomey; V Motherway; D Deane, C Cronin, B Kelleher; S Dunlea, E Healy, A Brady; H Kenneally, N O'Regan, P Murphy; L Dunlea. Subs: S Linchan for H Kenneally (40th minute). LIMERICK: D Carroll; M Guiry; A Sheehy, B Chawke, H McCarthy; M Treacy, L Riordan, N Noonan; P McCarthy, M Linchan, A Linchan; I Quaid. Subs: C Shanahan for N Noonan (22nd minute), K Burke for P McCarthy (half-time), B O'Brien for D Carroll (52nd minute).

Referee: J Flynn (Waterford).

Third time lucky for Loughrea in Féile

LOUGHREA can truly say it was third time lucky ola sponsored Féile na when they won the Gael Divison One hurling title at Kenny Park, Athenry, Co. Galway, yesterday, against fellow Galwegians, Turloughmore, as 1991 they had lost to Na Piarsaigh and in 1992 to Dublin opposition.

Kerry represented by Ballyduff reached the semi-final of the Division Three competition for the Michael Cusack Trophy before losing to Antrim and, in the camogie, Waterford representatives Dunhill reached the division four final before losing to Fermanagh. One person who won't forget Féile '93, however, is Limerick's Michelle Casey who won the camogie skills competition.

Hurling: Div 1 Christy Ring Trophy (Galway unless stated): Turloughmore 2-5, Kälkenny (James Stevens) 1-4; Loughrea 1-5, Athenry 0-6. Final: Loughrea 2-5, Turloughmore 2-3. Div 2 Canon Fogarty Trophy semi-finals: Sarsfields 1-7, Wicklow (Michael Dwyers) 0-1; Laois (Portlaoise) 0-3, Wexford (Rathnure) 0-1. Final: Laois 3-5, Sarsfields 0-2. Div 3 (Michael Owack Trophy): Armach (Keady) 2-6. St. Thomas 3 (Michael Cusack Trophy): Armagh (Keady) 2-6, St. Thomas

0-0; Antrim (Rurai Og Cushendall) 4-4, Kerry (Ballyduff) 0-1. Final — Antrim 3-2, Armagh 0-2. Div 4 (Dr Birch Trophy): Meath (Trim) 6-3, Tynagh 1-3; Kildare (Ardelough) 2-8, Meath (Trim) 6-3, Tynagh 1-3; Kildare (Ardclough) 2-8, Ahascragh 0-0. Final: Kildare 4-3, Meath 1-4. Div 5 (McMahon Trophy) semi-final: Tyrone (Eoghan Ruadh) 9-2, St. Joseph's 3-0; Mountbellew 3-3, Longford (Lough Forbes) 1-2. Final: Mountbellew 2-3, Tyrone 1-2. Div 6 Final Corn Mhuigheo: Mayo (Crosmalina) 2-2, London 2-1. Hurling skills: 1, E. Corbett (Mervue Galway); 2, J. Murray (Tallow,

Skills: 1, E. Corbett (Mervue Galway), 2, 3, Murray (Tanow, Waterford); 3, B. O'Shea (Dunamaggin, Kilkenny). Camogie – Div 1 semi-final: Craughwell 2-0, Pearses 1-2; St. Colman's Ardrahan 3-0, Davitts 0-0. Final: St. Colmans 0-1, Craughwell 0-5. Div 2 semi-finals: Wexford (Bunclody) 4-1, 1, Craughwell 0-5. Div 2 semi-finals: Wexford (Bunclody) 4-1, Mullagh 2-2; St. Thomas 2-3, Cappataggle 1-4. Final: Wexford 7-1, St. Thomas 0-0. Div 3 semi-final: Mountbellew 2-1, Down (Balyholland) 0-1; Athenry 1-2 Turloughmore 0-3, Final: Mountbellew 5-0 Athenry 0-1. Div 4 semi-finals: Fermanagh (St. Marys Teemore) 7-5, Esker Hills 0-0; Waterford (Dunbill) 4-3, Eyrecourt 2-0. Final: Fermanagh 4-3, Waterford (D.0. 3. Waterford 0-0.

Camogie skills: 1, M. Casey (Limerick); 2, K. Casey (Wexford); 3, C. Priests (Roscommon).
Handball skills: 40x20 Boys, 1, P. Brady (Cavan).

ANOTHER TOUGH CAMOGIE DRAW FOR KILDARE

ildare got a tough draw in the All-Ireland Senior Championship when they will meet Kilkenny. This is Kildare's third year in Senior ranks. Last year they won their way to the semi final of the National Senior League, but found the eventual winners Cork much too strong. They bowed out of the Senior Championship in the first round to Galway. In the National Senior League this season they defeated Antrim and were denied a place in the semi final by Down. They also have quite a good Junior team who were deprived of a place in the quarter finals by Armagh.

Kildare will have to make an all out effort this year, as a bad performance would leave them facing being regraded to Junior. They will need a longer spell in the top grade before they would be in contention for the O'Duffy Cup. They have a hard task against Kilkenny on July 7th, but are sure to put up a good fight on home ground. If they are beaten, all is not lost as they will be eligible to take part in the new Intermediate Championship, which was inaugurated last year. This competition caters for Junior Championship winners and some Senior teams who are knocked out in the first round of Senior Championship and has proved to be

The Lilywhites have seven sisters playing between their Senior and Junior teams, 'The Treacy's'. This must be a record. In the

sixties, Wexford had five, 'The Kehoe Sisters'.

Kildare, like any other county would like to raise the 'O'Duffy

Kildare's success in Junior first came in 1986 when they won the Cup' in Croke Park National League. The following year they took the All-Ireland Championship title. In 1988 they were beaten by Limerick in the All-Ireland semi final.

the captured National League All-Ireland Championship to join the elite.

In the first round of this year's Leinster Championship they have a home venue against Wicklow, Marie Woods a long serving official of County Kildare Board and Treasurer of Leinster Council is adamant that her county will hit the high spot in the not too distant future.

The inspiration of Kildare's team is Miriam Malone, one of the most skillful and versatile players the game has produced, and is always a treat to watch, an excellent personality on and off the field.

playing Camogie with Longwood, Co. Meath in 1966. She also playing Canada Meath team the same year against her own County in played on the Championship. The following year a team was formed in her homeland, Broadford, and Miriam transferred to formed in her homelayed with her club and county since. Since 1967 she has only missed one county match, this is some record,

Her list of honours are as follows: 15 Senior Club Championships, 18 Senior Club Leagues, 4 Camogie Player of the Championships, 10 Jenior Superstar Awards, 8 Leinster Junior Year Awards, 5 Camogle Superstat Championships, 3 National Championships, 3 All-Ireland Junior Championships, 3 National Junior Leagues, 5 Gael Linn Junior medals, 4 Gael Linn Senior medals, 1 National Camogie Player Of The Year.

Miriam is a true Lilywhite and long may she continue playing and give her followers the joy of watching her skill and ability.

Leinster Junior Championship Draws: Louth Dublin Round 1: Wexford Laois Wicklow Kildare D. Quarter finals: Offaly Westmeath Carlow

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Semi Finals:

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Ulster Junior Championship Draws:

Kilkenny

Meath

Armagh Derry A. Round 1 Down Tyrone B. Quarter finals Antrim C. Donegal Monaghan D. Cavan Fermanagh E. DVE. B v C, Semi Finals:





■ D.C.S.! Sinead Horgan, from Ballyphiehane, Cork, are received here D.C.S.; also included are her parents Willie and Peggy.

Jubilant Scenes In Ballyragget. Kilkenny Are Back

here were jubilant scenes in Ballyragget recently, as specta left the match many could be heard saying 'Kilkenny are back'. Kilkenny had just defeated Cork in the National Senior Camogie League final in what was a thriller. Cork were favourities to take their third title in a row, but Kilkenny played with great flair, determination and will to win. Their team work, especially in the forward line proved a vital factor.

Cork were first to score 1-0 after three minutes by Stephanie Dunlea, who hand-passed to the net. Points from Anne Downey and Breda Holmes put the sides on level terms after eleven minutes of play. Kilkenry soon took the lead when Anne Downey pointed. Back came Cork with three points by Collette O'Mahoney to put her County 0-2 in front. A great combination by the Downey sisters Anne and Angela led to 1-0 each inside of four minutes. Cork replied with 0-2 and Angela Downey finished the half when she netted, leaving the half time score Kilkenry 2-5, Cork 1-5.

On the turn over Brigid Mullally put Kilkenry further shead. The sides exchanges scores. A free by Brigid Mullally was shot to the net by Angela Downey, but Cork kept coming back with points from Fiona O'Driscoll and Collette O'Mahoney. On the 16th minute Una Murphy collected at centre field and made a great run towards goal, spotting Angela Downey on the loose she passed over and Angela sent a sizzling ball to the net for her third goal, leaving the score 4-7 to 1-9.

Kilkenry failed to score for the next 17 minutes which included time added on while Cork whittled away at the deficit. They managed 0-4 and on several occasions it looked as if a draw was on the cards. But the great defence of Kilkenny's goalie Marie Fitzpatrick, Biddy O'Sullivan, Deirdre Malone and Sinead Costello denied Cork of any chance of victory in the closing stages. Final score: Kilkenny: Marie Fitzpatrick, Biddy O'Sullivan, Brigid Barnaville, Una Murphy, Deirdre Malone, Bridie McGarry, Tracey Millea, Gillian Dillon, Marin Downey, Capt. Breda Holmes 0-1, Anne Downey 1-4, Angela Downey 3-1, Claire Jones, Brigid Mullally 0-1, Joan Aylward, Subs: Sinead Costello for J. Aylward, Marie Maher for C. Jones. Cork: Kathleen Costine, Paula Goggins,

Costine, Paula Goggins, Liz Dunphy, Mags Finn, Irene O'Leary, Breda Kenny, Liz Towler, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Denise Cronin 0-1, Linda Mellerick, Capt. 0-2, Claire McCarthy, Stephanie Dunlea 1-0, Irene O'Keeffe 0-2, O'Driscoll, Fiona Collette O'Mahoney 0-7. Subs: Liz O'Neill 0-1 for C. McCarthy, Lynn Dunlea for I. O'Keeffe. Referee: O'Callaghan, Offaly.

By virtue of their win Kilkenny have made history as being the first team to win a National final with 15 a side on the full G.A.A. pitch.

Dublin recorded an impressive win over a fancied Galway side in the semi final of the National Junior league at Bohemabroona. The first half was very close, producing great defensive work by both sides. Galway led 0-3 to 0-2 at the break.

As play resumed Dublin stamped their authority, and a goal by Paula Carroll was the turning point of the

game. Galway tried hard to get back on terms, but the winners defence were in excellent form, and they ran out worthy winners on a score of 1-6 to 0-4. Scorers: Dublin: Paula Carroll 1-1, Irene Kirwan 0-3, Ailish Mullen and Sabdh Henderson 0-1 each. Galway: Enser Hardiman 0-4. Referee: Mary Connor, Louth.

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Armagh caused a surprise when they defeated the All-Ireland Junior champions Tipperary in the other semi final of the National Junior League at Ballymannab. Tipperary were favourites to advance. The home side took the game to their opponents from the start and it turned out to be an excellent game of Camogie. It was a tit for tat battle. Both forward lines took their chances well with Armagh holding on to a one point lead. Final score: Armagh 5-8, Tipperary 6-4.

Scorers: Armagh: Donna McCusker 2-0, Patricia McEvoy 1-4, Mary Black and Bernie McBride 1-1 each, Ursula McGivern 0-2. Tipperary: Deirdre Hughes 3-0, Joan Tobin 2-0, Noelle Kennedy 0-4, Arn Gleeson 1-0. Referce: Kathloen McAllister, Antrim.

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On Sunday next the National Junior League final takes place between Dublin who have the venue and Armagh. This will be another historic occasion with 15 a side played on a full G.A.A. pitch.

The National junior League was inaugurated in 1980. Armagh were the first to win the title when they defeated Kildare 2-5 to 2-3. Since then they contested three finals being victorious over Down in 1988. They lost to Kildare the following year. Dublin have contested five finals, winning in 1982, '83, '84 and '87. The sides met in the 1984 decider, the score, Dublin 2-4. Armagh 1-3. 2-4, Armagh 1-3.

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Both teams emerged from the same division. When they met in the preliminary round Dublin were victorious on home ground 2-4 to 1-2. This was Armagh's only defeat while Dublin ended tops.

In the quarter finals Dublin defeated Derry 1-6 to 0-3 while Armagh had a win over Donegal. In the semi finals both sides met with stiff opposition, Dublin 1-6, Galway 0-4: Armagh 5-8, Tipperary 6-4.

Sunday's game is sure to be a cliff hanger. Both counties have the necessary qualifications to success, skill, expertise, flair and know-how.

necessary qualifications to success, skill, expertise, flair and know-how Form on the day will decide.

Armagh are sure to be well served by star performers, Ursula McGivern, Bernie McBride, Sally McCone, Joan Rice, Donna McCusker, Patricia McEvoy and Mary Black. Dublin have prominent players in Cheryl Whittaker, Karen Bauer, Paula Carroll and Ailish Mullen.

Dublin team: Sinead Caulfield, Janice Kelly, Karen Bauer, Tara O'Connell, Karen Fox, Cheryl Whittaker, Nicola McTiernan, Sabdh Hendergen Brigid McKenas Lin Bosche Issue Kinnes Cail O'Lean, Allish Hendergen Brigid McKenas Lin Bosche Issue Kinnes Cail O'Lean, Allish

Henderson, Brigid McKenna, Liz Roache, Irene Kirwan, Cait O'Leary, Adlish Mullen, Loma White, Niamh Kearney, Paula Carroll.

Fixtures: Sunday June 20th N.J.L. Final at St. Vincent's Park, Malahide. Dublin v Armagh, 3.00 p.m. L.S.C. semi final at Bunclody, Wexford v Kilkenny. 3.00 p.m. Wednesday June 23rd

L.S.C. semi final at Clane, Kildare v Dublin, 7.30 p.m.

Armagh league champions

ARMAGH.....3-8 WHEN the national junior camogic league was inaugurated in 1980, Armagh were the first county to hold the title.

They again made history yesterday when they defeated Dublin in the first ever 15-a-side national junior league final played at St. Vincent's Park, Malahide Road.

Armagh were first to score with a point by Bernie McBride and within three minutes they had 1-1 on the scoreboard when Joan Rice goaled.

Minutes later Paula Carroll opened Dublin's account when she goaled from a pass from Ann Waish.

However, Armagh dominated the rest of the game and after Rice hit her second goal there was no doubt about the

SCORERS — Armagh: J Rice 2-1, M Donnelly 1-1, B McBride, U McGivern 0-2 each, D McCusker, P McEvoy 0-1 each. Dublin: P Carroll, A Mullen 1-0 each, S Caverly 0-1

ARMAGH — M McKee; G Haughey, O Murphy, A Donnelly; M Moriarty, C McGeary, C Burns; M Black, A Lennon; B McBride, U McGivern (capt), D McCusker; M Donnelly, P McEvoy, J Rice.

DUBLIN — S Cauffield; J Kelly, K Bauer, T O'Connell; K Fox, C Whittaker, N McTiernan; B McKenna, A McGovern; L Roche, S Caverly (capt), A Walsh; A Mullen, P Carroll, I Kirwan, Subs: C O'Leary for K Fox, injured; N Kearney for T O'Connell.

REF - M Pollard (Waterford).

Cork juniors tackle Tipp

THE Cork Junior camogie team, following their impressive win over Limerick in the preliminary round, take on All-Ireland champions Tipperary in the Minster semi-final at the Glen Field, Cork on Friday (7.30).

The Cork girls have trained hard for this match and, with home advantage, are hopeful of making it to the final, as Tipperary will be fielding a new team with the side who were successful last year now graded Intermediate. Still they are likely to have a strong side as their minors have dominated the Munster Minor Championship for the past few year and last year won the All-Ireland title. They will no doubt have some of the players who beat Cork in the replayed Munster final at Ballyanley last Saturday on the panel.

However, Cork feel that this is going to be their year. They reached the quarter-finals of the National League and have trained hard since under the direction of Finbarr O'Neill. They have top class players in Lillian Twomey, Lynn Dunlea, Evelyn Healy, Diane Deane, Brid Kelleher and Vera Motherway and, if they can reproduce the form they showed when defeating Limerick by a big score, they should advance.

Dunlea stars for Cork

Cork 3-9, Tipperary 1-8

CORK stripped Tipperary of their Munster and All-Ireland Junior camogic titles at the Glen Field last night when they scored an inpressive seven point victory over the girls from the Premier

The scoring exploits of full-forward Lynn Dunlea who amassed the impressive total of 2-5 was the difference between the sides.

Cork got off to a great start with an Evelyn Healy goal in the first minute and with Miss Dunlea leading the forwards in excellent style they turned over 3-5 to 1-7 in front at half-time.

The second-half developed into an exciting tussle as Tipp fough back. But Cork were in no mood to concede and after Trisha Murphy hit over three points without reply, there was no way back for the Tipp girls.

Scorers for Cork: L. Dunies 2-5; E. Healy 1-0; T Murphy 0-3; S. Dunies 0

Tipperary: O. Hogan 0-5; C. Egan 1-0; N. Dwyer, C Burke, and M Ryan 6 Cork: L Twomey, V. Motherway, D. Desne, C. Cronin, B. Kelleher, S. Dunies, E. Hesly, A. Brady, T. Murphy, N. O'Regan, H. Kenneally, L.

Tipperary: N. Dwane, M. Hogan, S. Kelly, T. Burke, E. Carroll, N. Dwyer, C. Burke, O. Hogan, M. Ryan, H. Kiely C. Egan, A. Hogan, Referee: M. Polland (Waterford).



ky to survive a strong challenge from Louth the first round of the Leinster Championship the first round of the Leinster Championship by yed at Bohernabreena recently. Louth layed with great determination and after a sery close first half, a goal by Aliish Mullen ve Dublin the edge at half time 1-3 to 0-3. The 'Wee County' did not make it easy for leir opponents in the second half with leading Crehan and Anne McDonald in top

was only in the final ten minutes that Dublin the upperhand with Ailish Mullen completing hat trick of goals to leave the final score: Dublin 1 Louth 0-7. Scorers Dublin: Ailish Mullen 3-frene Kirwan 0-2, Sabdh Caverly 0-1. Louth: ane McDonald, Geraldine Crehan, Valerie Louden 0-2 each. Eileen Moynagh 0-1. Referee: in Pender, Kildare.

Veldon 0-2 each. Eileen Moynagh U-1. Reserved In Pender, Kildare.

In the Ulster Championship Tyrone had a survincing win over Down on home ground. It is quite a spirited encounter with Tyrone just adding a lead of 2-4 to 1-5 at the break.

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Armagh recorded a good win when they hosted Derry. It was a keenly outested first half. Armagh stamped their authority in the second moiety



Davitt's, Galway winners of Division 2 Feile na nGael '92

Killyon they served up good fare with Kilkenny getting through on a score of 2-10 to 1-7.

Meath will be depending on a good performance from: Stephanie Fitzsimons, Laura Carney, Anne Gannon, Christine O'Brien, Margaret Burke and Mary Burke. However, they will meet with a formidable force

in the Noresiders who have quite a young squad which includes prominent players such as: Imelda Kennedy, Paula Dowling, Sinead Costello, Marie Maher, Mary McGrath and Joan Aylward.

Dublin play host to Offaly at Bohernabreena at 3.00 p.m. Dublin have been riding the crest of the wave, but Offaly will provide stiff or provide st

and ran out worthy winners on a score of 4-8 to 2-1. Scorers Armagh: Patricia McEvoy 2-0, Bernie McBride 1-3, Aine Lennon 1-1, Ursula McGivern 0-3, Joan Rice 0-1.

The first poset of the club Championship care.

Lennon 1-1, Ursula McGivern 0-3, Joan Rice 0-1.

The first upset of the club Championship came when the Ulster Senior Club champions Portglenone were beaten in the first round of the Antrim Championship by Dunloy in a

thrilling game 4-7 to 5-3.

Cavan had not a great run in the National League, but County Board Official Molly Clarke is adamant that they can do well in the Ulster Championship. The following is the Cavan Panel: Anne McConnell, Siobhan Smith, Lorraine Cavan Panel: Anne McConnell, Siobhan Smith, Lorraine Day, Crudden, Olive Scorr, Catherine Smith (Capt.), Lorraine Day, Micola O'Hanlon, Majella Prior, Emer Brennan, Pauleen Nicola Caraghan, Marie Murray, Louise Adams, Brenda Lynch, McGaraghan, Marie Murray, Louise Adams, Brenda Lynch, Sinead Lynch, Margaret Mulligan, Celia Mulligan, Nicola Crowe, Miranda Crowe, Anne Rodgers, Geraldine Reilly, Anne McCabe.

provide stiff opposition.

Carlow have Westmeath at home at Carlow Hurling Ground at 3.00 p.m. Carlow are the beaten Leinster finalists, and have put up a good show in the National League this year. They should have little trouble in advancing as the Midland county are in the progress of team building. Wexford travel to the winners of Kildare v Wicklow.

This weekend is a very important date on the Camogie Calender when Feile na nGael, the National Festival of Camogie for Under 14's takes place in Galway. 16 clubs are hosted. They arrive on Thursday with competitions commencing on Friday. Some finals will be played on Saturday and the premier finals on Sunday.

The individual skills takes place on Saturday at Loughrea at 1 The individual skills takes place on Saturday at Loughrea at a o'clock. The following are the draws: First named are host clubs: Division 1: Davitts v Dublin, Pearses v Limerick, St. Colmans v Tipperary, Craughwell v Cork. Div. 2: St. Thomas v Wexford, Sarsfields v Offaly, Cappataggle v Clare, Mullagh v Roscommon. Div. 3: Mt. Bellew v Westmeath, Athenry v Laois, Turloughmore v Down, Cois Fharraige v Kildare. Div. 4: Castlegar v Fermanagh, Shamrocks v Waterford, Eskerhills v St. Marys, Eyrecourt v Mayo.

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Cullion, Westmeath winners of Division 4 Feile na nGael '92

Aghabullogue girls go through

Aghabullogue 2-9 Kilbrittain 2-4

THANKS to brilliant daplays from Edeen Buckley and Helena Moynikan. Aghabullogue qualified to moet Na Piaraigh in the Cork Senior Camogie championship semi-final when they had a five points victory over Kabrittain at Overs last evening.

The winners had three points on the board after 13 minutes but Kilbrittain fought back to draw level after 23 minutes. But a point from Ger Barry Murphy and another from Helena Moynihan, from a '30' gave them a 0-5 to 0-3 interval lead. Kilbrittain failed to con-

vert three frees just after the break and although they went ahead for the first time in the 31st minute with a goal from Miriam Deary they were fighting a losing battle afterwards.

Aghabullogue made some shrewd switches and it had

the desired effect as Roche scored two goals in the space of four minute to put her side 2-6 to 1-3 in front after 40 minutes and when Moynihan added a point from a 30' four minutes later they looked safe.

Kilbrittain out the deficit with a with a goal and a point in the last five minutes out never looked like troubling the winners.

Scorers for Aghabullo-gue: J Roche 2-0, H Moyni-han 0-5 (0-3 '30's), G Barry Murphy 0-2, E Buckley 0-1, S Buckley 0-1.

Kilbrittain. M Deary 2-1, M Brennan 0-2 (free, '30'). C O'Regan 01. AGHABULLOGUE:

Evelyn Buckley; M Twomey; N Twomey, P Walsh, Elleen Buckley; H McSweeney, S Buckley, H Moynihan; M McSweeney, T McCullagh, J Roche; G Barry Murphy, Sub. T Ron-dan for H McSweeney (466 minute).

KILBRITTAIN R Hayes: C Whelton: A O'Leary, M Brennen, H O'Donovan; M Desmond, C Dincen, M Sexton; K Foly, M Desmy, E I Crowley, M Dessy, E O'Neill, Sub. CO'Regan for C Dincen (41st mi Referce: I O'Keefle

n the Camogie scene the race for the All-Ireland Senior Championship and the coveted O'Duffy Cup has commenced. The first encounter brought together Kilkenny and Kildare at Clane. Kilkenny had a 5-12 to 1-4 victory. The scoreline would suggest that it was a run-away victory, but the Lilywhites made their opponents fight all the way. It was a very skilful and entertaining affair. The Noresiders led 3-5 to 0-3 at half time, and ended up worthy winners. Scorers: Kilkenny: Sinead Millea 2-3, Anne Downey 2-0, Angela Downey 1-3, Marina Downey, Brigid Mullaly 0-3 each. Kildare: Nuala Kerrigan 1-0,

Miriam Malone 0-3, Rose Merriman

Galway Minors are through to the All-Ireland final when they got the better of Kilkenny in a closely contested semi final played at Craughwell. This was a sparkling game with little separating the sides at any time. Kilkenny led 2-2 to 1-4 at the break. The second half continued to be a tit for tat battle and five minutes from the end, Galway took the lead for the second time in the game. Just on the full time whistle Kilkenny lost their chance of victory, when what looked to be a goal went narrowly wide. Final score: Galway 3-5, Kilkenny 2-6. Scorers: Galway: Denise Gilligan 1-3, Lorraine Fahy and Colleen Crowe 1-0 each, Anne Hardiman 0-2. Kilkenny: Michelle Fennelly 1-5, Catriona Butler 1-1. Referee: Liam Davitt, Westmeath.

The Munster Minor Championship final replay lived up to all expectations of a thrilling game, when the All-Ireland Champions Tipperary and Cork displayed great speed and skill in this game played at Inniscarra, Cork. Little separated the sides in the first half. A goal by Tipperary in the closing stages of the first half gave them a 3-5 to 2-5

lead at the break.

Just after the turnover Cork equalised again. It was an end to end battle from then until the final ten minutes when the champions got the break and ran out winners on a score of 4-10 to 3-6. There were jubilant scenes as Joanne Horgan received the Munster Trophy. Tipperary scorers: Mandy Quigley 1-5, Gillian O'Neill 2-1, Lisa McCormack 1-0, Ciara Gaynor 0-3, Mary Looby 0-1.

Down became the new Ulster Minor champions when they dethroned the reigning champions Antrim in a keenly contested affair with both sides giving a star performance. Down sealed victory in the closing stages and earned a tilt at the All-Ireland Champions Tipperary. Final score: Down 2-9, Antrim 2-4. Scorers: Down: Ciara McGovern. Bernie McCartan 1-1 each, Jennifer Blaniff 0-4, Ciara McGrath 0-2, Siobhan Savage 0-1. Antrim: Fiona McKenna, Catriona Fanning 1-0 each, Fiona Burke, Una Elliott 0-2 each.

In the Ulster Junior Championship

semi finals, the newly crowned National League champions Armagh had a convincing win over Cavan 4-12 to 1-2. Armagh Scorers: Bernie McBride 1-5, Patricia McEvoy 1-1, Anne Donnelly, Colleen Byrnes 1-0 each, Ursula McGivern 0-3, Mary Donnelly 0-2, Anne Lennon 0-1.

Armagh's opponents in the Ulster final will be Monaghan, who had a 3-7 to 1-7 victory over Tyrone. This final takes place on Sunday and Armagh must be hot favourites to advance. Armagh Senior Championship final: Keady 2-4,

Ballymacnab 1-3.

On Sunday next the All-Ireland Senior Championship continues with two games down for decision. All-Ireland champions Cork will be making their debut in defence of their title, when they play host to Antrim. Last year when the teams met in the quarter final it was one way traffic with Cork going on a scoring spree, 6-14 to 0-2. Cork will be anxious to shrug off the disappointment of the League final, and should not be worried

. Race for the coveted O'Duffy Cup ias commenced

by the Glensiders, who, if defeated will be eligible to take part in the All-Ireland Intermediate Championship.

Cork Panel: Kathleen Costine, Paula Goggins, Liz Dunphy, Mags Finn, Irene O'Leary, Breda Kenny, Liz Towler, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Denise Cronin, Linda Mellerick, Claire McCarthy, Stephanie Dunlea, Irene O'Keeffe, Fiona O'Driscoll, Collette O'Mahoney, Liz O'Neill, Lynn Dunlea, Rose Desmond, Patricia Murphy, Mary Sexton.

Antrim Panel: Marie McAttaney. Tara Lundy, Deirdre Cunning, Jane Armstrong, Brona McCorry, Sinead McMullen, Ciara Nelson, Anne McKee, Christine Camphill, Siobhan McErlane, Donna McLoughlin, Denise O'Boyle, Catriona Higgins, Grace McMullen,

Karen Convery.

In the other Senior Championship quarter final, Wexford will show their hospitality to Dublin. Wexford are the All-Ireland beaten finalists. They had not a great run in the National League. but bounced back to form in the Leinster Senior Championship semi final, when they were defeated by the minimum

margin by Kilkenny, the current League champions 3-13 to 4-9. The sides met at the same stage of the Championship last year: Wexford 1-9, Dublin 0-4, Since then Dublin teams have improved, the defeated the Staneysiders in the National League 7-12 to 4-5. This should be a tough tie with little separating the sides at the final whistle.

Dublin Panel: Sincad Caulfield. Louise Curry, Catherine Boyle, Geraldine Dunne, Collette Murphy, Carmel Gray, Cheryl Whittaker, Veronica Trehy, Patsy Murphy, Adrienne McGovern, Denise O'Leary, Patricia Clinton, Louise Lynch, Carmel O'Byrne, Janice Kelly, Ruth Lyons, Cathy Walsh, Norah Maguire, Marie Connell, Irene Kirwan, Niamh Nearney, Paula Carroll, Una Crowley, Mairead Cronin.

Wexford Panel: Terri Butler, Ailish Kavanagh, Stella Synott, Jean O'Leary, Ann Marie O'Connor, Paula Synott, Geraldine Wynne, Deirdre Hearne, Angie Hearne, Claire Cullen, Aideen Gordan, Christine Harding, Mary Hayden, Catherine Murphy, Anne Reddy, Geraldine Codd, Eileen Dillon, Jackie Wickham, Maura Codd, Tina Fitzhenry, Ursula Neville, Marion O'Leary, Tina Farrell, Paula Rankin.

On Saturday next the Leinster Under 14 Roinn B Championship final takes place between Offaly and Westmeath at St. Loman's Park, Mullingar at 4 p.m. Offaly last won the title in 1989, when they defeated Saturday's opponents in the final 6-4 to 2-2. They have a skilled panel of players coming from clubs such as St. Rynagh's, Drumcullen, Coolderry, Lusmagh, Shinrone and Tullamore.

Westmeath will be contesting their third final in four years and have yet to win one. They have a fine panel of players and will be hoping it will be

third time lucky.

Offaly Panel: Sarah Nolan, Anne Marie Trodd, Rita Longwood, Pauleen Glennon, Lorraine Corcoran, Sinead Kenny, Mary Carroll, Lorna Fitzgerald, Alma Boyd, Deborah Deegan, Catriona Killeen, Carol Mannion, Carmel Doorley, Carol Feighery, Deirdre Parlon, Catherine Hannon, Gemma Keeshan, Marcella Keesham, Pauleen Dooley. Erin Kennedy, Lisa Byrne.

Westmeath Panel: Caroline Moran, Aoife Davitt, Kelly Hourihane, Claire Hynes, Karen Doyle, Catriona Buckley, Andrea Martin, Melanie Hoare, Lisa Connaughton, Sara O'Donnell, Siobhan Molloy, Aoife Dwyer, Emma Martin, Marcella Austin, Ann Marie Fanning, Caroline Conaty, Deirdre Boyhan,

Margaretta Boyhan.

Sunday next is National Camogie Day and Counties are organising various events. Offaly have their Senior and Junior Championship finals down for decision at Birr. Senior Drumcullen v Shinrone, Junior Coolderry v Lusmagh. They are to be an entertaining affair.

P.J. FULHAM

Kilkenny to 'Clane' up

KILDARE host Kilkenny in a lively first game of the All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship at Clane on Sunday.

The Noresiders may be too strong for the Lilywhites but Kildare should put up a good fight. If they fail they are still eligible to take part in the All-Ireland Intermediate Championship.

Meanwhile, Association's new rules concerning play and administration come into force on July 12.

KILKENNY (v Galvery) — K Ryan (capt), F Shore, M Norris, E Walsh, A O'Canoll, A Hickey, C Butler, D O'Sulfivan, C Carey, F Lanigan, M Fennelly, M R Ryan, C Atkins, A Byrne, E Dempsey, T Kennedy, Y O'Meara, R Comerties.

TIPPERARY (v Cork) — E Hayden, S Kenneally, M White, S Latton, J Hogan, C Buckley, C Gaynor, T Brophy, N Kennedy, M Quigley, J O'Nelli, C Dunne, M Luby, D Cullenton, A Barry, O Hayden, M Maxwell, J O'Connor, M Harkins, M Larkin, L McCormack, F Hanrahan, C Entertaint & Photos. Fitzgerald, B Phelan.

CORK - S McCartty, N O'Leary, L Crowley, J. Hannon, P. Doyle, L. O'Sutilvan, V. Harris, N. Buckley, E. Cristond, M. O'Connor, C. O'Leary, F. Flavin, P. Carney, L. Heffernan, Y. McCarthy.

Fixtures — Saturday — "; — At Inniscarra — Munster Minor Championship final replay: Tipperary v Cork, 7.0. Sunday — At Croughwell — All—Ireland Minor Championships semi-finat: Galway v Killenny, 2.0. At Clane — All—treland Senior Championship Open Draw: Kildare v Killenny 7.30.

Munster Minor Camogie Championship Final Replay



Nicola O'Leary (Eire Og) Cork Full-back



Patricia Doyle (Bishopstown) Cork Left-back



Linda Heffernan (Bishopstown) Cork Right Forward



Nicola Buckley (Inniscarra) Cork Captain



Linda O'Sullivan (Ballinhassig) Cork Mid-fielder

It often happens that the team which forces a draw comes out on top in the replay. The Cork Minor Camogie team will certainly be hoping it will follow when they meet Tipperary in the replay of the Munster Championship final at Ballyanly on Saturday night.

Seven weeks ago, Cork travelled to Drum-Inch to play Tipperary who are both the Munster and All-Ireland Minor Champions. Weather conditions could not have been worse. A few miles away the Cork hurlers struggled with Wexford in the National League final. Great sympathy was expressed to the hurlers for having to contend with such conditions. But when one considers that minor camogie players are under sixteen it puts their efforts in perspective.

In a keenly fought first half, Tipperary registered 1-2 to 1-1 by Cork. Cork stuck to their task and tried all they knew to break the Tipperary defence. In the closing minute, full-forward Frances Flavin broke through for her second goal of the afternoon and the score which tied the game.

Patrica Doyle, Gill Hannon and Nicola O'Leary did trojan work in defence in the drawn game. Vivienne Harris and Linda O'Sullivan hurled excellently in midfield. Up front Mary O'Connor, Ellen Clifford and Frances Flavin caught the eye.

Saturday's replay give Cork a second chance. Hopefully the weather on this occasion will be kind and allow these young players to show what they are capable of. Cork return to Ballyanly where they defeated Waterford 8-12 to 0-1 in the first round.

However, it will not be easy. Tipperary field four of their All-Ireland side, Joanne Horgan, an excellent defender, Teresa Brophy, Ciara Gaynor, daughter of former Tipperary All-Ireland hurler and now Clare Manager, Len Gaynor, and Mandy Quigley.

The healthy state of camogie in the Muskerry area

is reflected in the number of players from the locality on the Cork side. Cork would like to see a big following turn out to see the game and get behind these young players. A win over Tipperary would leave Cork with a home match against the Ulster Champions on 11th July.

Fixture Munster Minor Championship Final (replay) Saturday, 3rd July at Ballyanly (Inniscarra) at 7.30

Cork Panel

Nicola Buckley (Capt) (Inniscarra), Leona Nolan (Inniscarra), Sadie McCarthy (Kilbrittain), Nicola O'Leary (Eire Og), Gill Hannon (Brian Dillons), Patricia Doyle Linda (Bishopstown). O'Sullivan (Ballinhassig), Vivienne Harris (Bishopstown), Catherine O'Leary (Inniscarra), Yvonne McCarthy (Glen Rovers), Laura Kelleher (St Finbarr's), Mary O'Connor (Killeagh), Ellen Clifford (Na Piarsaigh), Linda Heffernan (Bishopstown), Frances Flavin (Fr. O'Neills), Patricia Kearney (Na Piarsaigh), Patricia O'Donovan (Na Piarsaigh), Linda Crowley (Newcestown), Angelique Ryan (Glen Rovers), Gill Morrissey (St. Vincent's). Vicki Could (St. Vincent's). Aideen O'Neill (Brian Dillons).

Tipperary Bid For Munster Glory

Tipperary minors take on Cork on Saturday evening next in Inishcarra, Cork at 7.30 pm in the replay of the minor final championship. The team are well prepared and have been training reg-ularly since May 16th but have stepped up the preparations the last two weeks. All injuries have healed up and nothing should stand in their way to retain their title.

Panel of players: Susan Kineally, Emly Hayden, Sharon Lawton, Marie White, Joanne Horgan, Caroline Buckley, Nicola Kenne-dy, Theresa Brophy, Ciara Quigley, Clofagh Dunne, Gillian O'Neill, Ann Barry, Lisa McCormack, Miriam Maxwell, Bridget Phelan, Olivia Hayden, Durcey Culleton, Mary Looby, Marie Harkins, Jacqueline O'Con-nor, Michelle Larkin, Fiona Hanrahan, Catriona Fitzgerald.

Feile na nGael:- Disappointment was obvious on the face of the Drom and Inch contingent in Adhrahan on Saturday evening when they went down by two points to the Craughwell team from Galway. Drom and Inch team should hold their heads up. They did the club and their county proud to put up such a great performance overall and it should be heartening that the two teams who defeated them contested the final. However, Drom and Inch didn't come home empty handed. They were awarded a prize for the best visiting banner, "Well done girls".

In the skills competition, Helen Campion from Clonoulty was very unlucky not to have taken a prize. She also did her club proud and came out in fourth position. Helen was last years representative also and she is still eligible for next year.

Golf Classic:- The time sheet is beginning to fill up now, so I would advise anyone who wishes to take part to enter as soon as possible.

Deserved win for Tipperary

Cork 3-6. Tipperary 4-10

TIPPERARY retained their Munster Mino camogie title with a well deserved win over Cork in a replay at Ballyanley, Cork on Saturday night, writes Tom Higgins.

The home side got off to a great start thanks to a goal from Mary O'Connor after only 30 seconds and a point from Francis Flavin in the third minute and at that stage looked like taking control.

However, once Tip-perary settled down they began to play some attractive camogie and gradually began the target to lead at the break 3-4 to 2-4.

Cork made a valliant effort to get back into the game in the second-half but with Mandy Quigley in fine form from placed balls, and Cork losing Tricia Doyle through injury, the visitors ran out worthy winners.

Scorers for Tipperary: M Quigley 1-6 (0-3 '30s, 0-1 free); G O'Neill 2-1; L

O'Callaghan 1-1; C Gayner and M Looby 0-1 each Cork: M O'Connot 24; F Flavin 1-1; L O'Sullivan Harris (free) and C O'Lest

Cork: L Nolan; N O'Leary. N Buckley, J Hanson, J Doyle; L O'Sullivan, V Harris, C O'Leary; L Heffernan, E Clifford, M O'Conner; F Flavin. Sub. P Kearney for F

Plavin. Sub. F Mc
Doyle (inj.).
Tipperary: S Kenneally. S
Lawton; C Buckley, M What
J Horgan; A Barry, T Bopho,
N Kennedy; M Quigley.
Guynor, L McConnack; G
O'Neill Sub. M Looby for G
O'Neill (inj.).
Referee: T. Twomey

(Limerick).

CAMOGIE WORLD

ublin and Carlow could not be separated in a Leinster Camogie Championship semi final played at Myshall recently. The teams were evenly matched and gave a sparkling performance.

Dublin looked good when they led 1-6 to 0-4 at the break. The home side showed their authority in the second half, and at the end of normal time, the sides were level: Dublin 1-10, Carlow 2-7. Extra time of the usual ten minutes a side had to be played. Inside the first five minutes Eilis Mullen had a well taken goal for Dublin. On the turnover Nuala Quirke put the sides on level terms and they remained that way until the end. Final score: Dublin 2-10, Carlow 3-7. The replay will be on Sunday next.

Kilkenny booked their ticket to the Leinster Junior final when they got the better of Wexford in this semi final game played at Oulart. This was quite a close affair, especially in the first half, which ended with Kilkenny leading 0-5 to 1-1.

The sides were level on two occasions in the second half. Kilkenny clinched the issue in the closing stages 2-8 to 1-4. Scorers: Kilkenny: Mary McGrath 1-3, Hilda Butler 1-1, Imelda Kennedy 0-2, Brenda Maher and Sinead Costello 0-1 each. Wexford: Marguirite Doyle 1-2, Anne Marie Byrne 0-2. Referee: Pat Rafferty, Dublin.

Kilkenny retained the Leinster Senior Championship title when they had a convincing win over Dublin at O'Toole Park. The winners, scoring two goals within the first five minutes gave a positive performance that augurs well for All-Ireland Championship ambitions.

The Noresiders led 3-3 to 0-6 at half time, and Dublin could make little impact against a very solid looking unit. In the closing stages Angela Downey scored two cracking goals to leave the full-time score Kilkenny 5-11, Dublin 0-8. Scorers: Kilkenny: Angela Downey 2-3, Brigid Mullally 1-6, Anne Downey 1-1, Marina Downey 1-0, Una Murphy 0-1. Dublin: Cathy Walsh 0-6, Una Crowley and Carmel O'Byrne 0-1 each. Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

A masterful display in the first half by the All-Ireland Minor champions Tipperary set them up for a place in the All-Ireland final, when they disposed of a gallant Down team at The Ragg, Thurles. At the end of the first half the home side had chalked up a score of 4-6

The second half was more evenly contested, but the first half deficit proved too much for the visitors. Final score: Tipperary 7-9, Down 2-5. Scorers: Tipperary: Mary Looby 3-0, Gillian

O'Neill 2-0, Mandy Quigley 0-6, Ciara Gaynor, Anne Barry 1-0 each, Joanne Horgan 0-3. Down: Jennifer Blaniff and Siobhan Savage 1-2 each, Ciaran McGovern 0-1. Referee: Kitty McNicholas, Clare.

Cork were in top form when they had a 3-10 to 1-8 victory over Tipperary in the Munster Junior Championship semi final. The Leesiders led 3-5 to 1-7 at half time. Scorers: Cork: Lynn Dunlea 2-2, Stephanie Dunlea 1-1, Evelyn Healy 0-3, Anne Golden 0-2, Hilda Kenneally 0-2. Tipperary: Orla Horgan 0-5, Claire Egan 1-0, Caitriona Burke, Nessa O'Dwyer, Martina Ryan 0-1 each.

On Sunday next the All-Ireland Minor champions Tipperary throw down the gauntlet to Galway in the All-Ireland Minor Championship final at The Ragg, Thurles. The sides will be meeting for the first time in an All-Ireland Minor final. Tipperary contested their first All-Ireland in 1989, losing to Kilkenny. The

Hard to separate Dublin & Carlow

following year they won their first at Kilkenny's expense. They added another last year, again Kilkenny were their opponents, the score: 4-9 to 2-3. Tipperary have won four Munster titles in the last six years. This year's final went to a replay, where Tipperary excelled over Cork 4-10 to 3-6. Galway have contested eight All-Ireland finals since 1975. They carved their name on the Corn Tailteann in 1977 when they defeated Dublin. Following defeats 1982, '84 and '85, they bounced back to win in 1986 and '87. Their last contest was in 1991. They have always been tops in Connacht and in this year's final they accounted for Roscommon by double scores 4-6 to 2-3.

Tipperary and Galway met in last year's All-Ireland semi final, when it took a replay to separate them. The score 7-9 to 4-3. In this year's semi finals Galway had two points to spare over Kilkenny in a thrilling encounter 3-5 to 2-6 while Tipperary had an impressive win over Down 7-9 to 2-5. Tipperary field eight of last year's victorious side: Susan Keneally, Joanne Horgan, Captain,

Caroline Buckley, Theresa Brophy, Anne Barry, Mandy Quigley, Clodagh Dunne and Ciara Gaynor, who was also a member of the 1990 side. Ciara is daughter of hurler Len, current manager of Clare Senior hurlers. Mary Looby, Gillian O'Neill and Lisa McCormack have all contributed greatly to their teams success.

Galway field six of last year's team: Anne Hardiman, Colleen Crowe, prominent members of St. Raphael's College, Erin Dolan, Captain Olivia Cone, Lorrainne Fahy, members of St. Brigid's Vocational, Loughrea that won the Connacht Senior Colleges final, and Honolivia Mitchell. Gretta M

maher, Theresa Murphy and Denise Gilligan have also been instrumentally in their team's victories. It all points to this final being a thriller. While Tipperary carry the tag of favourites to retain the title, Galway will be no pushover.

The Leinster Under 14 Roinn A Championship final takes place on Saturday next, when Wexford, the holders, and Dublin cross swords. When the sides met in the preliminary round Wexford were tops 1-12 to 0-6. They are likely to hold on to the title with All-Ireland Junior College star Esme Murphy in top form.

Wexford Panel: Linda Byrne, Patricia Roberts, Aine Codd, Linda Kavanagh, Emma Carroll, Angela Murphy, Tina Bergin, Michelle O'Leary, Esme Murphy, Kate Kelly, Lena Fogarty, Fionnula Heame, Roisin O'Grady, Claire O'Connor, Diane Curran.

Dublin Panel: Fiona Kearney, Lorraine Stephens, Louise Fanning, Patricia O'Callaghan, Darrelle Dolan, Triona Rafferty, Elaine Skelly, Avril Cluxton, Gemma Orange, Nicola Carroll, Sonya Butler, Sara Jane McLoughlin, Emer Brannigan, Marie Connell, Sharon Hilliard, Miriam Carthy, Sile Byrne, Ciara Lucy, Emer O'Leary, Imelda O'Hanlon.

County Championship Final Results: Armagh: Keady 2-4, Ballynacnab 1-3 Down: Leitrim 4-11, Ballycran 1-2 Wicklow: Gleally 4-5, Donard 0-2 Westmeath: St. Munnas 1-12

Westmeath: St. Munnas 1-12, Crookedwood 2-2 Louth: Kilkerley 2-10, St. Anne's 1-5.

Eixtures: Sunday 25th July

All-Ireland Minor Championship Final, at The Ragg, Thurles: Tipperary v Galway 3 p.m.

L.J.C. Semi Final replay at St. Anne's, Bohernabreena Dublin v Carlow 3 p.m. Saturday 24th

Leinster Under 14 final; Wexford v Dublin 3 p.m. Venue to be decided on toss.

- P.J. FULHAM

July 1993

Piarsaigh girls in decider

By Tom Higgins

Na Piarsaigh 1-8 Aghabullogue 1-2

IT will be an all Northside final in the Cork senior camogic championship. At Ballyanley last evening Na Piarsaigh booked their place in the decider against Glen Rovers when they defeated a very spirited Aghabullogue side in a physical game.

In the opening half the less fancied Aghabullogue girls were the more determined side and they really put it up to Na Piarsaigh as they tackled hard for every ball and were as good as their rivals. However, the City side had they little bit more experience and they had Irene O'Leary, who picked off some excellent points from long range.

It took the winners 15 minutes to open their account and at the interval
they found themselves a
point behind, 0-3 to 1-1, the
Aghabullogue goal coming
from Eileen Buckley in the
24th minute.

The sides were deadlocked after 40th minutes, 0-5 to 1-2, when Paula Martin of Na Piarsaigh was sent off by referee Colette O'Mahony. This seemed to spur the City side and they began to play their best camogie. They finished with a flourish after Lorraine Kelly had got their goal in their three minutes from time.

Scorers for Na Piarsaigh: I O'Leary 0-6 (0-1 "30", 0-1 free), L Kelly 1-1, E Clifford 0-1.

Aghabullogue: E Buckley 1-0, H Moynihan 0-2 (0-1 free).

NA PIARSAIGH: D O'Shea; P Martin; S Cooney, C Martin, D Kelly; I O'Leary, P Goggins, M Coade; L Sheehan, M Byrnes, E Healy; E Clifford. Subs. L Kelly for D Kelly (43rd minute). AGHABULLOGUE: E

AGHABULLOGUE: E Buckley; M Twomey; N Twomey, P Walsh, E Buckley; H McSweeney, S Buckley, H Moynihan; M McSweeney, T McCullagh, J Roche; G Barry Murphy. Subs J Riordan for T McCullagh (47th minute).

McCullagh (47th minute). Referce: C O'Mahony (St. Finbarr's).

by 3-0, Gillian Keneally, Joanne

CAMOGIE ALL-IRELAND MC Senf-Stat — Taparray 7-9 (M Looby 3-0, J O'Nell 2-0, M Guspley 0-6, C Gaynor, A Sarry 1-0 each, J Horgan 0-1), Down 2-5 (J Bland, S Savage 1-2 each, C McGovern 6-1).

LEINSTER JUNIOR C'SHIP
Sent-Snait — Dublin 2-10 (F Caroll
1-3, E Malien 1-2, J Kirwan 0-3, B
McKensa, A McGovern 0-1 each), Certow
3-7 (N Quicke 1-4, M Coady, A Murphy
1-0 each, V Crean 0-3);

Dubin 2-10; Carlow 3-7; Kilkenny 2-4 (M. McGath 1-3, H. Butler 1-1, I. Kennety 0-2, B. Malon, S. Cestello 0-1 each, Westerd 1-4 (M. Doyle 1-2, A.M. Bytte 0-2).

MUNISTER JUNIOR C'SHIP Send-Seal — Cork 3-10. Topocary 1-8.

CAMOGIE

UBLIN 2-

CARLOW held on for one point victory over Dublin, in the Leinster Junior Camogie championship semi-linal replay, at St Annes, Boternabrena, yesterday, At the

end of the first half, after many chances being missed by both sides, Carlow led 0-5 to 0-0; in the second half. Dublin lifted their game and goals by Arish Mulien and Elleen Kirwan put them in contention.

A brace of Carlow goals by Margaret Hogan was a killer blow to the Dubs, but they fought on, picking off some well-taken points. Carlow held on by the minimum score to earn the the right to meet Kilkenny in the final.

SCORERS: Carlow — M Hogan 2-0, V Crean 0-6. Dublin — I Kirwan 1-2, A Mullen 1-0, P Carroll 0-2, S Callery 0-1. CAMOGIE — Ulster JC semi-tinais: Amagh 4-12 Cavan 1-2 Monaghan 3-7. Tyrone 1-7. Ulster MC final: Down 2-9: Antries 2-4. Munster MC Final reptay: Toporary 4-10, Cork 3-6. Alf— Ireland MC semi: Gaway 3-5. Kilkenny 2-6.

Cork girls take the first step

By TOM HIGGINS

ON Sunday next at Ballinlough (12 noon) the Cork senior camogie team set out on the road to retaining the All-Ireland title when they face Antrim in a first

Antrim are not as strong as in previous year's but they are sure to put up a good show as the have quite a few players from the Geraldines Portglenone Club, who reached the semi-final of last year's All-Ireland senior club championship.

In the National League final Cork had to give best to Kilkenny in the 15 aside game and they will be hoping to make up for that setback with a comprehensive win on Sunday when its back to the 12 aside team.

On Saturday last at the Nemo Ground, in a repeat of last year's All-Ireland final, Cork defeated Wexford in a challenge game at the Nemo Festival and were very sharp, which augurs well for Sunday's

Captained this year by Linda Mellerick, the girls know what is expected of them if they are to progress to the semi-final and they are sure to be keyed up for this tie.

They will be missing Therese O'Callaghan from last year's successful side. The Glen player has fought back from injury and had her first game for quite a while when her club beat Sarsfields in the Cork Senior championshipo semi-final recently. She could be on the subs bench, however, and may get a run before the end of the game.

Cork will not lack their stars as included in the panel are Sandy Fitzgibbon, Paula Goggins, Fiona O'Driscoll, ace free taker Colette O'Mahony and Irene O'Keeffe.

CORK: K Costine; B Kenny; P Goggins, S Fitzgibbon, L Towler; L Mellerick (capt), D Cronin, I O'Leary; C O'Mahony L O'Neill, I O'Keeffe; F O'Driscoll.

Camogie game off

THE All-Ireland Senior Camogic Championship tie between Cork and Antrim scheduled for Ballinlough tomorrow has been cancelled. Antrim yesterday informed Central Council they could not travel and Cork are now expected to be

Wexford see off Dublin

.....1-13 DUBLIN BATTLING Wexford are through to the semi-final of the All Ireland senior camogie championship when they beat Dublin in this quarter-final played at Wexford Park

SCORERS — Wexford: A Reddy 1-2; F Dunne 0-4; AM O'Connor 0-3; C Murphy 0-2; A Hearne and M Bailey 0-1 each. Dublin: C Walsh 0-7; N Maguire 0-3; A McGovern, P Murphy, P Clinton, V Trebey 0-1 each

* In the other quarter-final, Antrim conceded a walkover to Cork Mumter Junior Championship final - Cork 3-10, Clare 1-8,

JULY

Cork back in action

ALL Ireland Camogie champs Cork make their debut in defence of the title when they play host to Antrim on Sunday.

Last year when the teams met in the quarter final it was one way traffic with Cork going on a scoring sprec 6-14 to 0-2.

Cork will be anxious to shrug off the disappointment of the league and should not be worried by the Glensiders who if defeated will be eligible to take part in the All Ireland Intermediate championship.

In the other Senior Championship quarter final Wexford entertain Dublin at Wexford Park (3.0). Wex-ford are the All Ireland beaten finalists.

But they did not have a great run in the National League but bounced back to form in the Leinster senior championship semi-final when they were defeated by the minimum margin by Kilkenny the current league champions.

CORK (Panel) — K Costine, P Gog-gins, L Dunphy, M Finn, I O'Leary, B Kenny, L Towler, S Fizgibbon, D Cronin, G Mellerick (Capt.), C McCarthy, S Dunlea, I O'Keetle, F O'Driscotl, C O'Mahony, L O'Neill, L Dunlea, R Desmond, P Murphy,

ANTRIM — M McAttaney, T Lundy, D Canning, J Armstrong, S McCorry, S McMullen, C Nelson, A McKee, C Cam-phill, S McErtane, D McLoughlin, D O'Boyle, C Higgins, G McMullen, K Con-

ARMAGH (JC) — M McKee, M Moriarly, B McBride, J Green, A Donnelly, M Donnelly, M Black, S McCone, A Lan-non, U McGivern, P McEvoy, C Burns, D

MONAGHAN (JC) — M Deery, M McCarthy, N Crosby, G Clarke, J Kelly, R Merrey, M McArdie, M Flanagan, A Gise-son, N McGovern, P Devlin, F Byrne.

Last gasp Galway reach final

GALWAY......3-5 KILKENNY......2-6

NEVER-SAY-DIE Galway minors qualified for the All-Ireland camogie final when they got the better of Kilkenny in a closely contested semi-final at Craughwell yesterday.

Kilkenny led 2-2 to 1-4 at the break. A sparkling second half continued to tit-for-tat battle and five minutes from the end Galway took the lead for the second time in the game.

Just on the full-time whistle Kilkenny lost their chance of victory when what looked to be a goal went narrowly wide.

SCORERS — Galway; D Gilligan 1-3, L. Fahey, C Crowe 1-0 each, A Hardiman 0-2, Kil-kenny; M Fennelly 1-5, C Butler

Musster Minor Championship final replay - Tipperary 4-10; Cork 3-5.

Glen through

By Tom Higgins

Glen Rovers 3-13, Sarsfields 0-5

ALL-IRELAND Senior Club camogie champions Glen Rovers qualified for yet another Cork County final at Midleton last evening when they defeated

Sarsfields in a disappointing game.

There was little doubt that the winners were the better side laying the foundation to their big win in the opening half when playing against a strong wind. Faster to the ball and showing more urgency they picked off some excellent scores, thanks mainly to the accuracy of Lyn Dunlea and Linda Mellerick to lead 2-7 to 0-3 at the break.

With the wind in their favour in the second-half one would have expected the champions to add considerably to their total but overuse of the ball and poor finishing cost them dearly and they had to wait until the ninth minute of the half for their first score.

In fact it was Sarsfields who played the better in the opening ten minutes of the half but they found a hard tackling Glen defence in top form and were given little scope to get a clear shot on goal.

It was a disappointing second-half with the standard of camogie poor but the Glen showed snatches of their true form which paid dividends in

For the winners Mary Ring was very solid at fullback and got good support from Diane Deane and Sandy Fitzgibbon. Therese O'Callaghan made a return after injury to midfield.

Lyn Dunlea and Linda Mellerick were the pick of the forwards.

For Sarsfields, Noelle Ahern tried hard at fullback while Lisa Davis also did well. Their best player was undoubtedly Breda Kenny, who was the best player on view. Ann Brady was the pick of the centrefield players while Val Twomey and Lilian Zinkant tried hard in a closely marked forward

Scorers for Glen Rovers: L Dunlea 1-6 (0-2 '30s, 0-2 free); L Mellerick 0-6; G McCarthy and C McCarthy 1-0 each; D

Cronin 0-1 (free). Sarsfields: L Zinkant (*30, free) and B Kenny (0-1 free) 0-2

each; V Twomey 0-1.

Glen Rovers: M O'Leary; M Ring; D Deane, S Fitzgabon,
D McCarthy; P Murphy, T O'Callaghan, D Coons, G
McCarthy, L Dunlea, L Mellerick; C McCarthy.
Sarsfields: L Twomey; N Ahern; T O'Dwyer, B Kenny, L
Davis; Susan Barry, L Dunphy, A Brady; Shella Barry, V
Twomey, L Zinkant; E Twomey, Sub. D Holland for Shella Barry. Referee. M Murphy.

●THE second semi-final between Na Piarsaigh and Aghabullogue will take place at Ballyanley on Wednesday night at 7.30.

exford, the beaten All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship finalists of last year had just two points to spare over Dublin in a keenly contested quarter final game played at Wexford Park. Both sides were in top form and gave a sparkling display. Perhaps Dublin can count themselves a little unlucky. Their scoring ace on the day was Cathy Walshe who shot seven points. A goal by Wexford's Anne Reddy gave them a lead of 1-5 to 0-7 at the break. The second half was a ding dong battle with little separating the sides at any time. It was the Model County who held the upperhand in the closing stages to emerge winners on a score of 1-13 to 0-14. Scorers: Wexford: Anne Reddy 1-2, Fiona Dunne 0-4, Anne Marie O'Connor 0-3, Catherine Murphy 0-2, Angie Hearne, Marita Bailey 0-1 each. Dublin: Cathy Walsh 0-7, Nora Maguire 0-3, Adrienne McGovern, Patsy Murphy, Patricia Clinton and Veronica Trehy 0-1 each. Referee: Betty Joyce, Cork. In the other quarter final, Antrim conceded to Cork.

The All-Ireland semi finalists have now emerged. Kilkenny will play old rivals Cork on home ground, while Wexford will travel to take on Galway. Incidentally the pairings are the same as last

Cork became Munster Junior Champions when they recorded a convincing win over Clare 3-10 to 1-8. The Dunlea Sisters Lynn

and Stephanie scored 3-8 of Cork's tally. Armagh retained the Ulster Junior Crown when they proved too strong for Monaghan, who were contesting their first Ulster final in twenty six years. The score 4-9 to 0-5. Scorers: Armagh: Patricia McEvoy 2-1, Anne Lennon 1-2, Mary Donnelly 1-0, Ursula McGivern 0-4, Joan Rice, Mary Black 0-1 each. Monaghan: Rosemary Merry, Geraldine Duff 0-2 each, Frances Byrne 0-1.

On Sunday next there are three important games down for decision. In the All-Ireland Intermediate Championship Tipperary travel to face Down. The sides are no strangers to each other. They met in the All-Ireland Junior Championship final in 1991. Tipperary seemed to be coasting to victory but had it snatched from them in

the closing stages by a Down side who were full of fire. The

score, Down 3-13, Tipperary 2-14.

The sides met in the National League semi final last year and again it was The Stars of the County Down who came out tops on a score of 4-10 to 3-7. Last September Tipperary were back again in Croke Park seeking All-Ireland honours. They gave an outstanding performance to emerge victors over Galway 6-13 to 2-7. Sunday's game will be a tough tussle between two teams capable of producing the best. It should go all the way to the

Tipperary Panel: Ailish Delaney, Ann Marie Fitzgerald, Regina O'Meara, Cora Kennedy, Claire Madden, Triona Bonner, Kaiffe Maloney, Maeve Stokes, Deirdre Hughes, Joan Tobin, Sinead Neilan, Jovite Delaney, Helan O'Leary, Ann Gleeson, Noelle Kennedy.

Down Panel: Laura O'Prey, Ann Coyle, Pauleen Green, Teresa Allen, Dolores Smyth, Isobel Oakes, Nuala McCartan, Bernadette Kelly, Mairin O'Higgins, Mairin McAlleen, Norreen O'Prey, Veronica McCreevy, Valeria Hynds, Donna McGreeran, Deirdre Savage, Bridgeen Sands.

Clare show their hospitality to Kildare in the Intermediate Championship semi final. This should be a keenly contested affair. Claire have prominent players in Pauleen O'Brien, Sylvia O'Brien, Clodagh Lennon, Frances Fielding, Theresa Loughnan and Maura McNicholas, while Kildare will be depending on Miriam Malone, Melanie Treacy, Geraldine Dwyer, Antoinette Merriman, Nuala Kerrigan and Liz Doran to take them to the final, but the Banner County will be difficult to overcome on nome ground.

In the All-Ireland Junior quarter final Armagh host London. London have been taking part in the All-Ireland Junior Championship since 1988, coming in at quarter final stage. They never got over the first hurdle, never-the-less they have displayed some great talent. Their lack of match practice is a big draw back. On home ground last year they lost out to Tipperary after an exciting game 1-11 to 2-2.

Armagh are riding the crest of the wave and will be going all out to add the All-Ireland Championship to the National League title.

Armagh Panel: Margaret McKee, Margaret Moriarity. Geradine Haughey, Orla Murphy, Anne Donnelly, Celene McGreary, Colette Burns, Mary Black, Aine Lennon, Bernie McBride, Ursula McGivern, Donna McCusker, Mary Donnelly, Patricia McEvoy, Joan Rice, Sally McCone, Pauleen Smyth, Teresa McNally, Roisin O'Neill.

Let us meet the London Squad, their native counties and

present clubs:

Kilkenny

are throug

Mary Gilligan, Tuam, Galway, Tara. Mary has been playing Camogie for a number of years in Ireland, but won her first Championship medal in London.

Gabrielle Hussey, Oran, Roscommon, London-Irish, Gabrielle has represented her county, she was last year's team captain. This

is her second year on the panel. Breda Kelly, Killeigh, Cork, Tara. Breda has represented her county at Junior level and has also played for Munster.

Deirdre Daly, St. Joseph's, Barefield,

Clare, London-Irish. Deirdre has played for her county at Under 18 grade.

Julie Drumm, Delvin, Westmeath,

London-Irish. Julie has played Minor and Junior for her native county. This is

her second year on the panel.
Therese O'Dwyer, Toomevara,
Tipperary, Pearses. This is Therese's
second year with the London squad.

Geraldine Guinan, Drumcullen, Offaly, Green-Isles. Geraldine has been playing camogie in London for four years. This

is her second year on the panel.

Margaret Campion, a native of Laois,
Green-Isle. Margaret started her playing career in London two years ago.

Mary Roe, a native of Wexford, Islington-Irish. Mary played at schools level and took up the game again in

London where she is a student nurse.

Jacqui Horan, Na Fianna, Dublin, Islington-Irish. Played in the Colleges Cup in '82 with U.C.D. Jacqui was on the London panel in 1990.

Pauleen O'Callaghan. Pauleen was born in Berkshire. Her father hails from Cork, her mother from Cavan. She learned Camogie while at school in Macroom.

Susan Weir, Erin go Braith. Susan is a relative newcomer to the game. She starting playing just 15 months ago. Born in Warwickshire. Parents Irish.

Helan Boxwell, Erin go Braith. Helan is the youngest member of the squad at 17. She started playing Camogie four years ago.

Parents Irish.

Julie Watchorn, Erin go Braith. Julie played in goals last year and plays the same position with her club. Her father comes from Kilkenny and her mother from Longford.

Mary Greally, a native of Galway, Tara. Mary played on the Galway Senior team.

FIXTURES FOR SUNDAY AUGUST 1ST.

All-Ireland Intermediate C at St. Patrick's Park, Portaferry, Down v Tipperary 1.00 All-Ireland I.C. Semi final at Cusack Park, Ennis Clare v Kildare 2.00

All-Ireland Junior C quarter final at Portmore, Armagh Armagh v London 2.00

Leinster Junior C final

Kilkenny v Dublin/Carlow at the latter venue 3.00

- P.J. FULHAM



(Picture by Des Barry)

Cork girls fancied

THE Cork junior camogie team will attempt to bridge a nine year gap when they take on Clare in the Munster final at Mallow tomorrow night, throw-in at 7.30 p.m.

The Leesiders will start favourites, having beaten Limerick and the reigning Munster and All-Ireland champions Tipperary en route to the final.

To be fair, Tipp were obliged to field a new team for this year's campaign, but, nonetheless, Cork were impressive victors. Clare, who

draw the bulk of their players from the Wolfe Tones Club in Shannon, beat Waterford in the semi-final.

Cork are coached and trained by Finbarr O'Neill (Glen Rovers) and he has left no stone unturned in their preparation. The team will be captained by Vera Motherway (Killeagh) and will also include the vastly experienced Colette Cronin, Patricia Murphy and Lillian Twomey, all of whom are former county minors.

The winners will meet the Connacht champions in the All-Ireland semi-final on August 22.

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Dunlea sisters sparkle

Cork 3-9 Clare 1-4

CORK regained the Munster junior camogie championship after an absence of four years when they proved too good for Clare at Mallow last night. Inspired by the scoring exploits of the Dunlea sisters, Stephanie and Lynn, who between them contributed 3-7, the Cork girls deserved their victory, but it could have been all so different if Clare were a little steadier in front of goal.

Aided by the wind in the first-half, Clare enjoyed a lot of possession, but their forwards were guilty of poor finishing, shooting seven wides in the

opening half. The main difference between the sides was Cork's ability to register a score every time they attacked, and we got a glimpse of the Dunlea girls' ability in the 10th minute when Stephanie set Lynn up for a cracking goal.

Three points quickly followed before Lynn Dunlea blasted a close-in free to the roof of the Clare net to put the home county into a comfortable lead. To their credit Clare recovered well and lively forward Myra McMahon gave them some hope with a goal in the 25th minute.

Clare finished the opening half camped in Cork's area, but could make little impression on a very dependable defence in which goalkeeper Lillian Twomey, team captain Vera Motherway, Colette Cronin and Eileen Buckley were outstanding, and they went in at the break, 2-3 to 1-1 in front.

The Banner county girls resumed the secondhalf in determined fashion and after Frances Phelan pointed a free to reduce the deficit, it took a great save by Lillian Twomey from Noelle Cummins to deny them a goal in the 35th minute.

Cork weathered the Clare storm in fine style and when Tricia Murphy dispossed the Clare 'keeper before crossing for Stephanie Dunlea to score her second and Cork's third goal in the 45th minute, there was no way back for Clare.

Scorers for Cork: S. Dunica 2-3; L. Dunica 1-4 (1-2 frees, 0-1 30); T. Murphy, N. O'Regan 0-1 each.
Clare: M. McMahon 1-0; F. Phelan 0-3 (0-2 frees); D.

CORK: L. Twomey: V. Motherway, C. Cronin, E. Buckley, D. Deane, N. O'Regan, B. Kelleber, A. Brady, T. Murphy, S. Dunlea, E. Healy, L. Dunlea, Sub. H. Kenneally for T.

CLARE: D. Kelly: M. Costelloe, P. Rochford, D. McDonagh, S. Cullinan, S. Maher, F. Phelan, K. Ially, N. Cammins, E. Arthur, M. McMahon, Sub. P. Moloney for S. Cullinan.



Cork camogie players in training at the Mardyke were Therese O'Callaghan and Sandy (Picture: Eddie O'Hare) Fitzgibbon.



■ The senior camogie team with coach Mrs. P. McCarthy and Principal, Mr. E. O'Donovan

SPORTS

IN our school many pupils are very dedicated to sport, often

staying behind after school for training.
We concentrate mainly on volleyball and camogie. In volleyball, under the expert guidance of Mrs. O'Neill, the Senior team made it to the semi-finals of the All Ireland Schools' League and the Junior Cadets made it to the quarter finals in their grade.

Though not everybody can make it on to the School teams, all are encouraged to participate, even the teachers! In the final of the last school league they were just beaten by the third years

At break times many pupils practice their skills and recently indoor taining has begun in Lismore Community

Centre. This should ensure the further development of skills and even greater success for teams.

Camogies was undertaken for the first time in the school in September 1992. The combination of the coaching skills of Mrs. Patricia McCarthy and the dedication of the players

paid off immediately.
Victories over Scoil Pol of Limerick, St. Mary's, Charleville, Laurel Hill Limerick and Scoil Mhic Shuibhne of Cork brought us the Munster Intermediate Colleges Championships. The Final was played in the G.A.A. pitch in Lismore in front of a capacity crowd. Here's hoping for another successful year,

Jennifer MacKintosh and Emma Dunne



The material for this page has been supplied by students of St. Mary's Secondary School, Convent of Mercy, Charleville, Co. Cork

CAMOGIE in Charleville broke all records this year, when we won the seven-a-side All-Ireland, the Munster in the first-year blitz, reaching the All-Ireland finals in both the Junior and Senior, and winning several Cork colleges medals.

It was third time lucky for the seven-aside team. We travelled, our third year in a row, to Dublin last May as Munster champions. We were rewarded with a hard-earned All-Ireland medal.

Double glory for junior and senior teams was not to be. The scene was set for a great day. Four buses full of exuberant supporters travelled to Tullamore on Saturday, April 3. The day was beautiful, but victory was not for

Our juniors were defeated by Bun-clody, Co. Wexford. Four of our players

senior, only to be defeated by Callan, Co. Kilkenny.

This year's campaign has started. The uniors had a convincing win over Kilfinane and Cashel (and we are now into the Munster quarter-final). Our senior team met arch-rivals Nenagh (whom we defeated at three different levels last year) on Saturday, November 6. We had a bad start, as the assigned referee did not show. After a delay of an hour, the match began.

On the day, Nenagh were a classier and more determined team. We can't win them all! The girls were very disappointed, but we can still look forward to the Shield and the Senior League.

The trainers, teachers Vincent Harrington and Ann Marie O'Keeffe and local man Mike O'Brien are putting in as much effort as the girls.



Winners of Senior Munster Cup, 1993

TheRovers

By T.P.O'Mahony

ON the sideline, selector Helena Mullins was aghast, her face a mask of concern. In the square Therese O'Callaghan, a Glen supremo, was down.

As coach Noel Lynam rushed in to check things out, Helena glanced anxiously at fellow-selector Anne O'Donovan, and exclaimed: 'Oh God! She's all right,' said Anne, as

Therese was getting up. A look of relief lit up Helena's face. 'Come on out here on the wing, Therese,' she shouted.

Worrled

Little wonder that the Glen's mentors were wor-ried at the final training session in Blackpool the other night. Star player Therese is just back in action after breaking her leg in a league game

against Sars in March.

Indeed, nothing more typifies the 'spirit of the Glen' than the manner in which Therese has recovered to full fitness. 'The most awful part was the seven weeks I spent on crutches,' she told me.

During the last training session before Sunday's County Senior Camogie Final against Na Piarsaigh at Ballinlough, there were no signs of any carry-over from the injury. Therese looked superbly

fit, though in that one worrying incident in the square she sent the hearts of the onlookers crossways.

'Will ye win on Sun-day?' I asked. 'They'll come at us, there's no doubt about that,' replied Therese, her blond hair tightly cropped. 'And I suppose as champions we're there to be knocked off our pedestal. But we want to stay champions,



Coach Noel Lynam with his Glen Rovers squad for next Sunday's Cork County Series Camogie final.

and that could make all the difference on Sunday'.

When Glen Rovers line out against their Northside rivals at Ballinlough, they will be contesting their eighth consecutive final. They carried off the trophy in 1986 and 1987, and again in 1990, 1991 and

'Incentive'

'The chance of achieving the four-in-a-row is obviously going to work as an incentive for our girls,' said Mary Newman McCarthy, the club secre-tary and also one of the selectors.

'Na Piarsaigh won't make it easy for us - and they will be trying very hard to put their name on the Cup for the first time. But I think our girls have the craft and the experience, and that should see us through. 'You have to respect the opposition, but nothing but a win will do

Under the watchful eye of coach Noel Lynam, himself the holder of senior County medals with the Glen, the squad went through a rigorous routine.

The key players on whom the Glen have relied so much in the past - the likes of Sandy Fitzgibbon, Linda Mellerick, Mary Ring, Patricia Murphy, Mary Currid and Claire McCarthy - are looking forward to the clash with Na Piarsaigh in the first-ever all-Northside Final.

Missing from the side that beat the 'Barr's in last year's final will be Anne Coleman, who is expecting a baby. In fact, two other members of the panel -Mary Currid and Geraldine McCarthy - also recently became mothers.

'You could say that babies have been causing problems for us,' laughed Anne O'Donovan. Anne, who is a teacher, and who played in the All-Ireland Club Championship win-ning sides of 1986 and 1990, says Sunday's decid-er will be no pushover for the Glen.

Remember we lost a big lead to Killeagh in 1988. and in 1989 we got stuffed by Sars. In a final you can't take anything for granted. Okay - we're going in as favourites because we are the holders. But on the day it's going to be fifty-fifty. It always is in a final'.

Team captain Diane Deane whose aunt Paulene Deane played in the famous seven-in-a-row sides of 1962-68 - knows it won't be easy against Na Piarsaigh.

'I am expecting a very tough match, and I think it will be very physical. And no matter what people say about us as favourites and all of that, we know we won't have it easy.

'Na Pinrsaigh will be hungry for their first title. They will be on a bit of a high - and I think the game will have a lot of needle, given that we are both Northside teams'.

None of the Glen girls said it explicitly, but they feel they must make up for the fact that the Glen senior (male) team was knocked out of the County championship by Na Piarsaigh the other week.

Tradition

'The sense of tradition is still very strong in this club, and pride will be at stake on Sunday,' un Mary Newman.

One newcomer - Lin Dunlea - will be mai her debut in a sen on Sunday, and will be bridging a gap with the sixties because her mot Nuala Duniea (nee Hir phries) played on the ven-in-a-row teams of the period, and also for Cor

'I'm keeping my fago crossed,' said Nusls, wite watched Lyan goot through her paces.

As the training see: See See was winding up, Anter a relief O'Leary, a staunch and all the spporter of the career armye team, and a member of the Blackpool Harriers,
dished the hunting-bert short withe carries to every gamma-arr arrive

'I hope I'll be an ability give a few good or blasts on this on Section We must warrens who blasts on this on night!' We must wanted

By the way, the therean is timed for 7.30pm.

Camera: Des Barry

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MINDY KENEFICK

Recently qualified a nurse, Mandy is menused playing camogic after niring to concentrate studies. Holder of unirelege, senior county mustales well as Munster and Allreland club honours.

YVINE McCARTHY

She is the younged sember of the panel at 16 of age. A pupil at S. idans Community coulders

IN HORGAN

Holder of under junior and interest honours with the class Captain of the junior test season.

AN LONERGAN

Holder of junior and intermediate medials club. Was captain of the dub when the junior the county championship in 1983.

DMA HARTE

A daughter of former hurler Patsy Hartes team.

MIRE DEANE A sister of captain Diane, Maire is the intermediate and senior honours with the



Geraldine McCarthy and Mary Currid, who recently became mothers, will be in the panel for Glen Rovers against Na Piarsaigh in the Cork County Camogie final on Sunday.

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Return

By Brendan Larkin

GLEN ROVERS' record in Cork camogie is the envy of many. They are the holders of 18 county senior titles, the first of

which was won in 1950 when the present chairman of the club, Nora Newman, was a member of that victorious team.



Dianne Deane, who will captain Glen Rovers in the Cork County Camogie final against Na Piarsaigh on Sunday next.



Glen Rovers camogie selectors Helena Mullins, Mary Newman and Anne O'Donovan.

The club has also won six Munster, three All-Ireland club titles, as well as numerous intermediate, junior, seven-a-side and under age awards over the years.

Following a tremendous run of successes between 1962 and 1968, the club fell on lean times, and regraded to the intermediate ranks in 1971 to regroup. It took the club just two seasons to get back to the premier grade,

What a record!

and they have been there ever since, stronger than ever.

Under-age

Like their opponents. Glen sought to guarantee their future by organising a highly successful underage section and many of today's seniors have come up through these ranks.

up through these ranks.
Sunday's final is the
Glen's eighth in-a-row,
and should the win, it will
give them their fourth title
in-a-row. The team is
trained and coached by
Noel Lynham and his
selectors are Ann Delaney, Helena Mullins and
club secretary Mary Newman-McCarthy, all of
whom have left no stone
untrurned in their quest
for further honours.

Captain

The team is captained by Diane Deane whose Aunt Pauline led the Glen to victory in the 1964 county final, and Diane would surely love to emulate that feat.

On their way to the final, Glen Rovers beat Killeagh and Sarsfields, and on the strength of these victories, will start favourites on Sunday, but shouldn't underestimate their great northside city rivals.



Glen Rovers camogie team in training for next Sunday's Cork County Camogie final against Na

Glen pen pictures

Sketched by Brendan Larkin

MAIREAD O'LEARY

UCC student, playing in her second county final. Holder of county, Munster and All-Ireland club medals.

MARY RING

Captained the Glen to county, Munster and All-Ireland honours last year. Holder of six county medals.

DEIRDRE McCARTHY

Holder of senior, intermediate and under age county championship medals, as well as Munster club and All-Ireland honours. A past pupil of St. Patricks School, Gardiners Hill.

SANDY FITZGIBBON

Camogic player of the year for 1992. Captained Cork to All-Ireland honours same year. Holder of every honour in the game.

THERESE O'CALLAGHAN

Captained the Glen to All-Ireland club honours in 1990. Is just back after serious injury and played a starring role in the defeat of Sars recently in the semifinal of the county.

DENISE CRONIN

A very versatile player equally at home in any position. Was a member of the Cork team that won the All-Ireland last year. Holder of under-age, and county senior championship medals.

LINDA MELLERICK

Captain of Cork senior team for the coming season.

Holder of county championship medals at intermediate
and senior level,d as well as All-Ireland club honours.

DIANE DEANE

Captain of Sunday's team in the final. Holder of under-age, junior and senior medals. She recently won a Munster junior medal with Cork.

PATRICIA MURPHY

UCC student. Holder of under-age and adult medals with the club, and recently won a Munster junior medal with Cork.

CLAIRE McCARTHY

Holder of senior county and All-Ireland club medals, as well as minor, junior and senior honours with Cork.

LYNN DUNLEA

In her first season with the club, she will be hoping to emulate the feat of her mother who helped the Glen to a record seven-in-a-row titles from 1962 to 1968. A member of the Cork Junior and senior panels this year.

FIONA TWOMEY

A former Cork minor, she was unlucky to miss the All-Ireland club final last year due to an accident. Holder of under-age, intermediate and senior honours with the

GER McCARTHY

Back in action the recent birth of a daughter. holder of six county medals as well as Munster and All-Ireland club honours. Was club captain in 1991.

MARY CURRID

Wife of St. Finbarr's senoir football Eric Barrett, Mary has just returned to playing after the birth of her daughter Niamh. Holder of six senior county medals, Munster and All-Ieland club honours as well as intercounty honours with Cork.

Na Piarsaigh Pen Pictures

By Brendan Larkin

IRENE O'LEARY Captain of their team is Irene O'Leary current senior inter-county player. A centre-field player Irene is an account by profession. Holder of under 18 and 18 county medals. I senior All-Ireland, I junior All-Ireland, 3 National league medals. Munster sports star award in 1984.

DULY

PAULA MARTIN

Student, holder of under 18 co. championship medal 1984, Munster senior colleges medal with North Press. All-Ireland feile medal in 1981.

PATRICIA

O'DONOVAN Student, midfield player. Playing camogie since 11 years of age. County minor this year. Honours won include Munsater u-15 netball meadl with North Pres.

DEIRDRE O'SHEA

School Secretary, and goalkeeper. Holder of under 18 co. championship, Munster junior and All-Ireland medals for 1984, All-Ireland Feile skills winner in 1978 and 1979 and All-Ireland feile medal in 1976.

FRANCES ROTH-WELL

General operative. Hol-der of 5 alal-Ireland senior medals with Kilkenny, 4 National League medals, 4 Gael Linn medals with Leinster, and one co. championshp medal with St. Brigids, Ballycallan.

LINDA SHEEHAN Computer operative, holder of under 18 co. championship medal 1984, Munster Community Games medal.

PATRICIA KEARNEY Student, member of this year's co. minor team. Captain of North Pres netall team which won the Munster championship thisyear.

EVELYN HEALY

Computer operator. Holder of 2 All-Ireland minor, 2 Gael Linn junior, Munster junior and senior colleges, and one Munster junior championship,

DAWN KELLY

Computer operator. Holder of under 18 championship medal 1984.

LORRAINE KELLY

General operative. Holder of under 18 championship, Munster junior colleges with North Press, and All-Ireland minor, medals.

JEAN PAULA KENT Cork Co. Council employee. Holder of three Munster and three All-Ireland minor, 3 Munster under 18, 2 Munster junior, 2 Gael Linn, one All-Ireland senior, 2 National League medals.

AINE MARTIN

Computer operator/ac-countant technican. Holder of under 18 co. championship for 1984.

CATHERINE MARTIN. Fashion consultant. Holder of under 18 co. championship medal 1984, Munster junior and senior colleges medal with North Pres, All-Ireland feile medal 1981.

MARY BYRNES

Teacher. One of the longest serving members of the team. Holder of Munster junior medal with Cork, junior and intermediate medals with Piar-

ELLEN CLIFFORD Student, youngest player on team at 15 years. Member of this year's county minor team.

MICHELLE COADE Computer operative. Holder of under 18 co. championship medal 1984.

SIOBHAN COONEY Teacher. Took up camogie while at college, playiung with Parsaigh for six years. Coaches the game at Carrigaline national schools.

PAULA GOGGINS Computer operator.

Holder of All-Ireland feile medal 1976, won All-Ireland medals at minor, junior, senior and national league level with Cork. Gained 5 international caps with Irish ladies soccer team.

GRAINNE HASSETT Assistant Accountant. Holder of under 14 county

By T.P.O'Mahony

OUT on the pitch the helmets and hurleys lay in patterns - each serving as a mark for the exercises the squad of players would soon be going through.

Momentarily, with the arrival of the photographer, some of the

squad got skittish. "Where is my make-up - hurry, get it for me," laughed Catherine Martin, as team captain Irene O'Leary adjusted an elastic support on her

The levity was shortlived. Preparing for a County Senior Camogie Final is a serious busi-

Trainer Noel Mullins issued the instructions in a quiet but firm voice. The time for messing was over. Now it was down to the hardstuff.

Pride is often the engine of sport - the key driving factor. And for the girls of Na Piarsaigh reliance on pride will be huge on Sunday when they confront Glen Rovets in the County Final at

Ballinlough.
This is the first-ever all-Northside final, and one that is eagerly awaited.

On paper the sides are mis-matched.



Catherine Martin, Patricia O'Donovan and Siobhain Cooney at the Na Piarsiagh camp.

"We know it's not going to be easy," admits Noel Mullins. "But anything can happen in a final, and on the day it's fifty-fifty."

Coach Aidan Swayne is away on holidays, but he'll be back in time for

him something to cheer about," says Jean Kent, who is secretary of the club and who plays at

midfield. "Hopefully we can do

the final on Sunday it. The Glen have a green evening up and Aidan and Noel up and Aidan and Noel

have worked hard to prepare us."

The fact that Na Piarsaigh got this far has surprised some people. But not the players themselves.

Paula Goggins, who plays at centreback and works as a computer operator, stresses this.

"We've been improving all season," says the 29-year-old who plays on the Cork senior team. "If

By Brendan Larkin

NA PIARSAIGH'S first hurdle MA PIARSAIGH'S first hurdi was against Cloughduv who offered only token resistence. Bishopstown were their next opponents in the quarter-final who were fancied in many quarters to make the final.

However giving a superb display of camogle Plarsaigh, inspired by some magnificent goalkeeping by Deirdre O'Shea, and brilliant outfield play by Jean Paula Kent and Irene O'Leary, tore the form book to shreds to score a splendid victory.

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In the semi-final Aghabullogue provided the opposition, and again Plarsaigh were pushed all the way by the Mid Cork girls, and it was only in the closing minutes they got the match winning scores.

Plarsaigh are a very young but very determined side who play a very good brand of camogle and won't be one bit overrawed by the champions. The possess some excellent players in Irene O'Leary. Paula Goggins and Evelyn Healy who will provide the experience of the team.



Frances Rothwell, Evelyn Healy, Paula Martin and Grainne Hassett.



Linda Sheehan, Deirdre O'Shea and Paula Goggin

things go right for us on the day, we can take the title from the Glen."

Her confidence was echoed by centre-forward Linda Sheehan. "We've nothing to lose, and we'll be giving it everything on the day," says the girl whose father, Donal "Fox" Sheehan, was not only an international basketball player, but was also on the Cork panel for the famous 1966 All-Ireland Final against Kilkenny.

Among the spectators at the training session at the club's pitch at The Commons, Fair Hill, the Deirdre O'Shea, the current goalkeeper.

There is an element of irony here because Breda (nee Kiely) won a senior county medal with the Glen in her own days as a player.

When I spoke to her she emphasised the importance of attitude. "What matters when all the training is over is the state of mind of the players. If the attitude is right, then anything can happen."

Team captain Irene O'Leary, who lives in Ballyvolane and works as an accountant, accepts this and remains guardedly confident.

dedly confident.

"You have to respect the Glen because they are the All-Ireland Club champions. And I know that nobody is giving us a chance.

"We don't mind that. In fact, we're delighted with the tag of underdoes."

dogs."
Siobhan Cooney and
Catherine Martin —
both of whom play in the
backline — smiled as
they listened to their
skipper, who has been a
regular on the Cork
senior panel since 1985.
But will the girls of Na

But will the girls of Na Piarsaigh be smiling on Sunday night?

Apart from belief in their own abilities, and The main one has to do with dates. This is the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Na Piarsaigh Club — and that in itself is acting as a cogent spur for all associated with it.

Over much of that period Na Piarsaigh lived in the shadow of Glen Rovers. But in 1990 — after many valiant attempts — the club finally cast off that shadow by winning the County Senior Final for the first time.

Na Piarsaigh are hoping to add a second title in this their 50th anniversary year.

sary year.

And the girls of Na
Piarsaigh would dearly
love to make it a double
by lifting the camogie
title.

Twice before — in 1982 and 1984 — they reached the final, losing on both occasions to Killeagh.

"This time things can be different," says Irene O'Leary. "This time we can make the breakthrough."

This squad badly want to go into the history books as "the golden girls" of Na Piarsaigh the girls who brought the Cup to Fair Hill in the Golden Jubilee year of the Club.

It's a mighty incentive. But will it be enough?



Dawn Kelly and Jean Kent at the camp.

By Brendan Larkin

NA PIARSAIGH camogie team will endeavour to emulate the feat of their male counterparts at Ballinlough on Sunday night next where they meet their great northside city rivals Glen Rovers in the final of the 1993 Cork county senior camogie championship.

The fact that the Glen are the reigning champions adds a little more spice to the occasion, as Piarsaigh try to break their duck against a side that has won the county on 18 previous occasions.

Contrary to popular belief Na Piarsaigh first fleided a camogie team in the late 1950s, but it was at the 1972 county convention that the club first affiliated to the county board.

Taking a leaf out of the male club's book, the camogie section decided early on that their future lay with the youth of their catchment, and to everybody's delight success was quick in complex.

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Just four years after they officially became a club;
Na Piarsaigh won the under 14 Felle Na nGael title.
Prominent members of that history-making team were
Deirdre O'Shea, Claire McCarthy, Paula Goggins and
Martha Kearney all now members of next Sunday's
senior team.

From winning that Feile title in 1976, Piarsaigh went on to win their first adult title three years later when they defeated St. Finbarrs in the county junior final, and the following year they won the intermediate title which gave the club senior status in 1981.

In only their second year in senior ranks, Piarsaigh reached the county final of 1982 but ran up against a very experienced Killeagh combination who took the honours.

Undaunted Piarsaigh were back again in the county senior final in 1984 but again defeat was their lot with Killeagh emerging triumphant for the second time in as many years.

Hope springs eternal however and Piarsaigh continued with their youth policy which earned them a second Feile title in 1981, and that team went on to win the county under 18 three years later. JULY 1993



Captain Irene O'Leary pictured at the training camp.

Glen Rovers go on the rampage

By TOM HIGGINS

Glen Rovers 5-18 Na Piarsaigh 0-3

GLEN Rovers are still Cork, Munster and All-Ireland Club Senior Camogie champions. In a disappointing final at Ballinlough, Cork last evening, they proved much too good for Na Piarsaigh in an all Northside decider to capture their fourth title in a row and their 19th in all.

It wasn't that Na Piarsaigh were a poor side it was that Glen Rovers were a superb team and were in

control in all sectors of the field.

The Glen played against a strong wind in the opening half and still turned over leading by 3-8 to 0-2 at the break.

They were slow to settle down and wasted a few chances through over-elaboration in the opening 15 minutes when they led by 1-4 to 0-2. But once they settled down they began to make the most of their chances, creating some superb scores.

The second half was all one-way traffic, with the Glen in complete control, and although Na Piarsaigh never gave up they could make no impression on the

Mary Ring was very solid at full back while Sandie Fitzgibbon was dominant at centreback, and in fact was selected as the player of the match. She received good support in defence from captain, Diane Deane, while Lyn Dunlea and Therese O'Callaghan controlled the centre of field.

Linda Mellerick always had the legs of Frances Rothwell and she set up some excellent scores for

Lyn Dunlea and Claire McCarthy.

For Na Piarsaigh Deirdre Sheehan could not be faulted for any of the goals that beat her as she had quite a good game between the posts. Catherine Martin and Paula Goggins, who had quite a handful in Denise Cronin, tried hard in defence. Irene O'Leary was Piarsaigh's outstanding player in midfield despite having a tough battle with Therese O'Callaghan, while Eileen Clifford and Evelyn Healy were the pick of the forwards.

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Scorers — Glen Rovers: L Dunlea 1-10 (0-4 frees, 0-3

"30's), C McCarthy 2-1, L Mellerick 1-3, D Cronin 1-0, T

Murphy 0-2, S Fitzgibbon 0-1, T O'Callaghan 0-1, Na Piarsaigh:
1 O'Leary 0-2 (0-1 "30"), E Clifford 0-1,

GLEN ROVERS: M O'Leary; M Ring; D Deane, S Fitzgibbon,
D McCarthy; L Dunlea, T O'Callaghan, G McCarthy; L

Mellerick, D Cronin, P Murphy; C McCarthy, Sub, M Currid

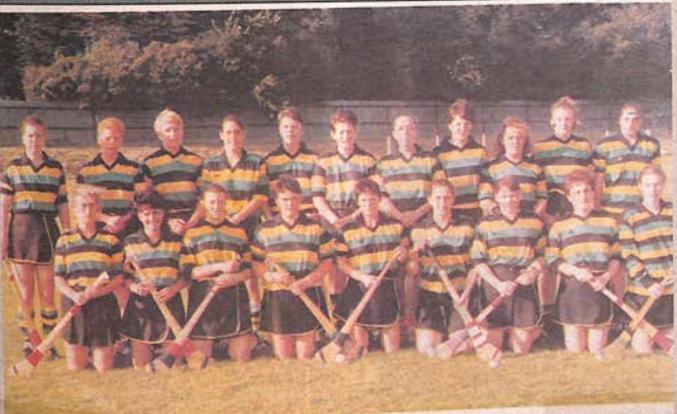
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NA PIARSAIGH: D O'Shea: S Cooney; C Martin, P Goggins, F Rothwell; L Sheehan, I O'Leary, M Coade; E Clifford, D Kelly, M Byrne; E Healy, Subs. L Kelly for D Kelly (31st minute), G Hassett for L Sheehan and A Martin for M Byrne (43rd minute).

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FOUR-IN-A-ROW GIRLS



The Glen Rovers team (left), who defeated Na Piarsaigh in the Cork County camogie final at Ballinlough, Cork.

GLORIOUS GLEN



Glen players Therese O'Callaghan and Patricia Murphy, getting the better of Na Piarsaigh player Eileen Clifford, during the Cork County Final at Ballinlough, Cork. (Picture: Dan Linehan)

Glen players Sandie Fitzgibbon and Patricia Murphy and Na Piarsaigh player Dawn Kelly, in pursuit of the ball during the Cork County Final at Ballinlough, Cork. (Picture: Dan Linehan)

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Sandie Fitzgibbon, Glen Rovers, gets the better of Na Piarsaigh's, Dawn Kelly, in last night's Cork Senior Camogie final at Balliplough. (Picture: Dan Linehan)

Na Parsaigh player Eileen Clifford coming away with the ball from Glen player Patricia Murphy, during the Cork County camogie final at Ballinlough, Cork. (Picture: Dan Linehan)

Echo staff journalist T.P.O'Mahony joined in the celebrations in famed Blackpool last night/early this morning as the Glen girls toasted their County Final victory with great gusto:

LAST night in Blackpool the celebrations went on into the wee small hours as the camogie girls of the Glen marked their four in-a-row in fitting style.

Few expected that their win over northside rivals Na Piarsaigh in the Cork County Senior Camogie Final would have been as easy as it turned out.

By half-time in Ballinlough it was effectively all over — the second-half being little other than an exhibition by the Glen.

And how they hurled! The array of skills on display was breath-taking as the Blackpool girls swept aside their challen-

The 5-18 to 0-3 result surprised many of the sizeable attendance, because pre-match expectation were that Na Piarsaigh would give the All-Ireland club champions a tough contest.

It was not to be. The Glen were unstoppable. On last night's performance — as they took their 19th senior championship — there is every reason to believe that they can match the great seven in-a-row achievement of the Glen teams of the sixties.

An elated Noel Lynam, the team coach, would not be drawn on this last night. "I'm thrilled at the display and very happy for the team, but we must concentrate now on the Munster and All-Ireland Championships. We'll let next year take care of itself."

Team captain Diane Deane was full of praise for her colleagues. "The girls were in magnificent form, and I don't think

there is a team in the country that could

have beaten us last night."
Paddy "Chancer" Barry, who has seen the great Glen camogie teams over the years, echoed these sentiments.

This is the best Glen camogie team I have ever seen," he said.

Once again it was the Glen stalwarts such as Sandie Fitzgibbon, Mary Ring, Therese O'Callaghan and Linda Mel-lerick who laid the foundations for victory.

But newcomer Lynn Dunlea (who scored 1-10) showed she is a player to watch.

And Denise Cronin, who had a fine game, got a goal that will linger in the memory for many a long day.

Na Piarsaigh, totally outclassed on the day, were well served by their captain Irene O'Leary, Catherine Martin and Paula Goggins.

But it was the Glen's day. Diane Deane was carried shoulder high (on male shoulders, I hasten to add) into a packed and cheering clubbouse last night.

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TIPPERARY HOPES TO RETAIN TITLE

All roads lead to the Ragg on Sunday next when Tipperary bid to retain their All-Ireland minor title at 3 p.m. when they play Galway in the All-Ireland final.

Last year, Tipperary drew with & Inch); Galway in the semi-final but had a convincing win over them in the replay. Galway reached this year's final when they had a two point win over Kilkenny, Kilkenny have contested the last five finals, incidentally all those with the exception of one, was against Tipperary. Galway will be hoping to achieve what their juniros failed to do last Sept and for any team to beat a Kilkenny side with the above history will be no cakewalk.

Tipperary have had a number of tough games put behind them. Their drawn game against Cork in particular and must surely deserve victory on Sunday after their spectacular display against Cork in Inisharra on July 2nd in the replay.

This year, particularly, they have a well balanced side and each and every player have done a lot of hard work since last March.

Support from all clubs would be appreciated on Sunday next in the Ragg at 3 p.m. for their quest to retain their All-Ireland title. The final will be preceeded by the Intermediate championship game between Portroe and Moyearkey.

The line out is as follows: Susan Kineally (Kilruae MacDonagh's): Sharon Lawton (Fethard); Caroline Buckley (Knockavilla), Marie White (Kilruane Mac-Donagh's), Joanne Horgan (Captain, Knockavilla); Nicola Kennedy (Roscrea), Theresa Brophy (Burgess), Ann Barry (Drom & Inch); Mandy Quigley (Roscrea). Ciara Gaynor (Kilruane Mac-Donagh's), Mary Looby (Drom

Gillian (Thurles).

Subs: Emily Hayden, Cashel; Miriam Maxwell, Toomevara; Marie Harkins, Drom & Inch; Lisa McCormack, Fethard; Fiona Hanrahan, Burgess; Jacqueline O'Connor, Drom & Inch; Olivia Hayden, Cashel; Bridget Phelan, Toomevara; Durcey Culleton, Dunne, Clodagh Cashel; Gortnahoe; Catriona Fitzgerald, Knockavilla; Michelle Larkin, Kilruane.

Ann stars in late late show

TIPPERARY..... GALWAY..... A POINTED free by Ann Hardiman three

minutes from time gave Galway a deserved draw with holders Tipperary in an exciting All-Ireland Minor camogic final at The Ragg yesterday.

Galway had the strong breeze in the first half but took a long time to settle.

However, a lucky goal by Lorraine Fahy on the stroke of halftime enabled them to lead 1-4 to 0-3 at the interval.

Tipperary dominated the second half but missed many chances and were also denied by the excellent Erin Dolan in goal for Gal-

A Mary Looby goal in the 10th minute for Tipperary had the sides level and though Looby put Tipperary ahead with a point in the eighteenth minute Galway finished strongly and got their just reward with Lorraine Hardiman's equaliser.

SCORERS — Tipperary: M Looby 1-1 C Gay-nor 0-3 G O'Neill 0-1. Galway: A Hardinan 1-3 L Fahy D Gilligan 0-1 each.

TIPPERARY — S Kineally; S Lawton, C Back-ley, M White; J Horgan, N Kennedy, T Brophs; A Barry, L McCormack; C Gaynor, M Looby, G O'Neill, Subs: M Maxwell for Barry M Harkis for McCormack.

GALWAY - E Dolan; O Coen, T Murphy, D Gilligan; E Martin, A Lynskey, A Hillery: G Maher, C Crowe; L Fahy, A Hardiman, V Curtin.

REF - C McAllister (Antrim).

Tipperary..... Galway ...

HAVING looked the part of champions for prolonged stages of the second half, Tipperary had their backs to the wall in the closing minutes to defend their All-Ireland minor camogie title at The Ragg on Sunday, as Galway put in a storming finish to grab an equalising point three minutes from the end. Appearing in their third final of the '90's and seeking their third title in the grade, Tipperary will feel they ought to have won, but they can console themselves with the thought that they have a second chance to retain the championship won last year.



Selectors of the Tipperary minor camogie team photographed before the start of the All-Ireland final at The Ragg on Sunday - Conor Ryan and Marion Graham.

Photo B. O'Const

For wholehearted endeayour and great excitement, this contest would be hard to beat Both sides went at it in a full-blooded manner and for that reason, it was perhaps an equitable outcome that there should not be a loser. However, Tipperary will feel that they had an abundance of chances to win, but the absence of regular free-taker Mandy Quigley, who in indisposed, proved very costly.

However, it must be stated that conditions were very difficult for free-taking with a blustery breeze and some very heavy showers and Galway, too, let some favourable opportunities slip, though not as many as Tapperary.

With seven of the team that won the title last year in action, Tipperary had every reason for optimism and that optimism seemed fully justified in the early stages of the first half when against the beceze they carried the game to Galway. Some excellent midfield and defensive work never allowed Galway settle and the Tipperary attack always threatened danger when in possession.

While Gillian O'Neill saw a rasping shot slip wide of the a rasping shot slip wide of the posts, early on, it was left to Ciara Gaynor to do the scoring from frees and this she did, pointing three to give Tipperary a 0-3 to 0-1 lead after twenty minutes.

Galway had missed a number of good chances number of good chances from frees but gradually they began to assert themselves, drawing level and then edging ahead in the 28th minute with a point. Veronica Curtin night have had a goal for them when she raced through but the blazed wide and as Galway maintained their strong fresh to the half they got a vial break on the stroke of half-time when Anne

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Hardiman's shot from thirty yards went all the way to the Tipperary net to put them 1-4 to 0-3 ahead at the interval.

For twenty minutes of the second half Tipperary bombarded the Galway lines but they failed to turn great possession and the most favourable of chances to scores. In the very first minute Ciara Gaynor raced through but her blistering shot was saved by the Galway goalkeeper Erin Dolan for a '30.' Gillian O'Neill had a Tipperary point in the second minute but it was a further six minutes before the sides were level, Mary Looby taking a pass from Ciura Gaynor, whose run spreadeagled the Galway defence, to shoot to the net.

Tipperary were poised for victory at this stage, but while they maintained the pressure on the Galway goal, and only some desperate defending deprived them of scores at times, they were not putting away their chances. Eventually, in the 18th minute, Mary Looby put them ahead when she pointed after another penetrating run by Ciara Gaynor created the chance.

shance.

Still Tipperary attacked but still they failed to shake off their rivals, and as time ran out Galway made a big effort with Veronica Curtin twice getting in behind the Tipperary backs only to shoot wide. Anife Lynskey was also off target from a reasonable opportunity.

They were not to be denied, however, and three minutes from time Anne Hardiman pointed a simple free from directly in front of goal to send the tie into a replay at a Galway venue.

Tipperary will certainly regret the many chances they let slip but due allowance must be made for the difficult conditions, and also the excellence of a Galway side which fought with great determination all through. The absence of Mandy Quigley was a big blow to Tipperary but all the girls played their hearts out and it would have been a travesty of justice had they lost.

Therese Brophy was outstanding in midfield, covering an enormous amount of ground but there were top class displays also from Caroline Buckley, Marie White, Ciara Gaynor, Mary Looby and Gillian O'Neill.

Galway's courage paid off as they never threw in the towel even when things were going against them in the second period. They owe their draw in great part to the outstanding displays of goalkeeper Erin Dolan, Denise Gilligan, Lorraine Fahy, Anne Hardiman and Veronica Curtin.

Tipperary scorers - M. Looby 1-1; C. Gaynor 0-3; G. O'Neill 0-1.

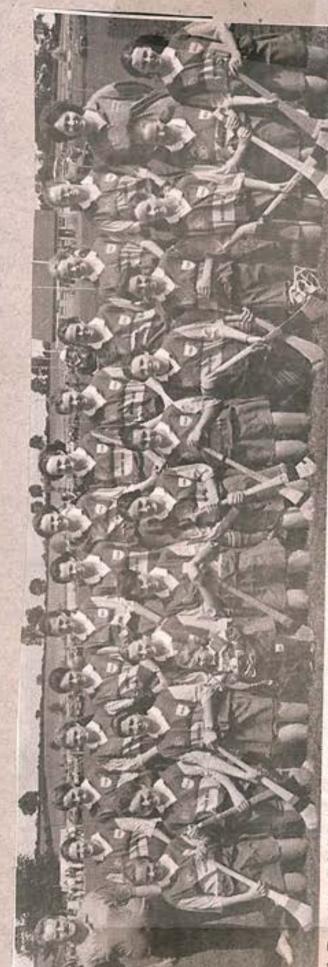
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Substitutes - Miriam Maxwell (Toomevara) for Barry; Marie Harkin (Drom-Inch) for McCormack.

Galway - E. Dolan; O. Coen, T. Murphy, D. Gilligan, E. Martyn, A. Lynskey, A. Hillery, G. Maher, C. Crowe, L. Fahy, A. Hardiman, V. Curtin.

Referee - A. McAllister, Aptrim.



Emily Hayden, Michelle Larkin Horgan (captain), Gillian O'Neill, Liza McCormack, Jacqueline O'Connor, Conor Ryan (selector), Clodagh 10 r) (1) lay last. Back row Buckley, Sharon Caroline Buckley, Shai Ryan (mascot), Journe on Sunday The Tapperary panel which drew with Galway in the minor camogie All-Ireland final at The Ragg of Marie Harkins, Darcey Culleton, Mary Looby, Mandy Quigley, Nicola Kennedy, Marie White, C (selector), Front row - Fiona Hanrahan, Miriam Manuell, Ciara Gaynor, Theresa Brophy, Aine R, Ann Barry, Cathriona Fitzgerald, Olivia Hayden, Bridget Phelan.

AN GHAILLIMH

Dathama: Marún agus Bán

1 ERIN NÍ DHÚLÁIN (Captaen)

Erin Dolan

(Craughwell)

2 OILBHE NÍ CHADHAIN

Olivia Coen (Mullagh)

3 TREASA NÍ MHURCHÚ 4 DENIS NIC GIOLLAGÁIN 5 EISTIR NÍ MHÁIRTÍN

Teresa Murphy

Denise Gilligan

Esther Martyn

(St. Colman's)

(Craughwell)

(Craughwell)

6 AOIFE NÍ LOINSCIGH

7 ÂINE NÍ IRILE Anne Hillery

8 GORETTA NI MHEACHAIR

Aoife Lynskey (St. Colman's)

(Pearses)

Goretta Maher (Davitts)

9 COLLEEN NIC CONCHRA 10 LORRAINE NÍ FHATHAIGH 11 ÁINE NÍ ARGADÁIN

Colleen Crowe

Lorraine Fahy

Anne Hardiman

(Craughwell)

(St. Thomas)

(Mulligh)

12 VERONICA NIC CURTÁIN

Veronica Curtin

(Craughwell)

IONADAITHE:

13 AOIFE NÍ THANAIDHEAIN Aoife Tannian (St. Colman's). 14 LORRAINE NI LINNEÁIN Lorraine Linnane (St. Colman's)

15 AISLING NIC AN BHAIRD Aisling Ward (Pearses)

16 CAITRÍONA NÍ LINNEÁIN Catherine Linnane (St. Colman's).

TIOBRAID ÁRANN

Dathama: Gorm agus Orga

1 SIOBHÁN NIC CONGHAILE

Susan Kineally (Kilruane McDonagh)

2 SHARON NÍ LACHTNÁIN

Sharon Lawton (Fethard)

3 CEARÚILÍN NÍ BHUACHALLA 4 MÁIRE de FAOITE

5 SIOBHÁN NÍ ARGÁIN

Caroline Buckley (Knockavilla)

Marie White (Kilruane McDonagh) Joanne Horgan

(Knockavilla) (Captaen)

6 NICOLA NÍ CHINNÉIDE

7 TREASA NÍ BHRÓITHE

8 AINE DE BARRA

Nicola Kennedy (Roscrea)

Therese Brophy (Burgess)

Anne Barry (Drom & Inch)

9 MANDY NÍ CHOIGLIGH 10 CIARA NIC FHIONNBHÁIRR 11 MÁIRE NI LÚBAIGH

Mandy Quigley

Ciara Gaynor

Mary Looby

(Kilruane McDonagh) (Roscrea)

(Drom & Inch)

12 GILLIAN NÍ NÉILL

Gillian O'Neill (Thurles)

IONADAITHE:

13 EIMILE NÍ ÉIDEÁIN Emily Hayden (Cashel)

14 MIRIAM NI MHEISCILL Miriam Maxwell (Toomevara)

15 MÁIRE NÍ EARCÁIN Marie Harkins (Drom & Inch)

16 LISA NIC CORMAIC Lisa McCormack (Fethard)

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AN GHAILLIMH - Mionúir 1993



AR CHÚL (ó chlé): Aisling Nic an Bhaird, Veronica Nic Curtáin, Lorraine Ni Fhathaigh, Áine Ni Argadáin, Treasa Ni Mhurchú, Aisling Ní Mhurchú, Áine Ní Irile, Aoife Winston, Oilbhe Ní Chadhain, Lorraine Ní Linneáin, Onóra Mhistéil, Áine Ní Choirc. CHUN TOSAIGH (ó chlé): Caltriona Ní Linneáin, Denise Nic Giollagáin, Colleen Nic Conchra, Eistir Ní Mháirtín, Goretta Ní Mheachair, Aoife Ní Thanaidheáin, Erin Ní Dhúláin (Captaen), Aoife Ní Loinscigh, Tara Ní Chuinn.

TIOBRAID ÁRANN - Mionúir 1993



AR CHÜL (ó chlé): Conor Ó Riain (Oiliúnaí) Cloda Ní Dhuinn, Eimile Ní Eideáin, Jacqueline Ní Chonchubhair, Bríd Ní Fhaoláin, Máire Ní Earcáin, Áine de Barra, Nícola Ní Chinnéide, Máire de Faoite, Mandy Ní Choighligh, Lisa Níc Cormaic, Máire Ní Lúbaigh, Michelle Ní Lorcáin, Marion Uí Ghreacháin (Roghnóir), Durcey Níc Collatáiní. CHUN TOSAIGH (ó chlé): Caitríona Níc Gearalt, Ciara Níc Fhionnbhairr, Míriam Ní Mheiscill, Síobhán Níc Conghaile, Treasa Ní Bhróithe, Síobhán Ní Argáin (Captaen), Cearúilín Ní Bhuachalla, Sharon Ní Lachtnáin, Fiona Ní Anracháin, Oilbhe Ní Eideáin, Gillian Ní Néill.

Foireann Thiobraid Árann

(Mar a d'éirigh les go dtí seo)

Siobhán Nic Conghaile (Kilruane McDonagh).

Munster and All-Ireland Minor medals. Bhuaidh si bonn Uile-Èireann lena scoil, Naomh Mhuire, Aonach Urmhumhan.

Sharon Ní Lachtnáin (Fethard)

Bhí si ina captaen ar fhoireann a scoile a bhuaidh Craobhchomórtas faoi-16 ina contae i mbliana. Enjoys tennis, racquetball and volleyball.

- Cearúilín Ní Bhuachalla (Knockavilla)
 Bhí sí ina ball den phainéal anuraidh.
 Munster and All-Ireland Minor
 medals.
- Máire de Faoite (Kilruane McDonagh) s'I seo an chéad bhliain ar fhoireann na mionúr di. Is interested in several sports. Is le Gairmscoil Bhuirios Ui Chéin a imríonn si.
- Siobhán Ní Argáin (Knockavilla)

 Captaen. Munster and All-Ireland

 Minor medals. Tá boinn faoi-16 agus

 boinn ag leibhéal na sóisear buaite aici
 lena club.
- Nicola Ní Chinnéide (Burgess).

 County Championship medal.

 Bhuaidh sí Roinn 4, Féile na nGael,
 lena club i 1991. Enjoys badminton.

Trease Ní Bhróithe (Burgess).

Munster and All-Ireland Minor medals. Several county medals with her club. Imrionn si lena scoil, Gairmscoil Aonach Urmhumhan. s'I seo an triù bliain leis na mionur di.

Aine de Barra (Drom & Inch).

Seo an tarna bliain ag imirt leis na mionúir di. Munster and All-Ireland minor medals. s'I a scoil ná An Clochar, Dúrlas Éile.

Mandy Ni Choiglig (Roscrea).

Munster and All-Ireland Minor medals. Bhuaidh si Roinn 4, Fèile na nGael, 1991, lena club. Imrionn si ar

fhoireann na Gairmscoile, Ros Cré.

Ciara Nie Fhionnbháirr (Kilruane McDonagh). Bhuaidh sí bonn Uile-Éireann lena scoil Naomh Mhuire. Aonach

Bhuaidh si bonn Uile-Eireann lena scoil, Naomh Mhuire, Aonach Urmhumhan. Daughter of famed hurler Len Gaynor.

Máire Ní Lúbaigh (Drom & Inch). Junior county League medal. Bhain si an Cluiche Ceannais i Roinn 1, Féile na nGael, amach lena club i 1992. s'I a scoil ná Coláiste Iósaif, Buirios Ó Luigheach.

Gillian Ní Néill (Thurles).

Has won an U-14 county title. Was selected for the Munster Schools Volleyball team this year from her school, Clochar an Toirbheirte, Dûrlas Eile. s'I seo an chéad bhliain ar fhoireann na mionúr di.

Eimíle Ní Eideáin (Thurles).

Has won U-14 and U-16 county medals. Tá an-suim i gcursaí spóirt aici, agus tús áite ag an gcamógaíocht agus ag an gcispheil. Is le Clochar an Toirbheirte, Caiseal, a imríonn sí.

Miriam Ní Mheiscill (Toomevara).

Seo an tarna bliain ag imirt leis na mionúr di. Several medals at underage levels. Scoláire eile de chuid Naomh Mhuire, Aonach Urmhumhan i.

Máire Ní Earcáin (Drom & Inch).

Several schools and county championship medals at U-14. Bhain si an cluiche ceannais, Féile na nGael, 1992, amch lena club. s'I a scoil na Scoil Mhuire, An Teampall Mor.

Lisa Nic Cormaic (Fethard).

Holds county League medals with her club and school, and a seven-a-side schools medal. Baincann si taitneamh as leadog agus eitpheil. Is le Clochar

Foireann na Gaillimhe

(Mar a d'éirigh leo go dtí seo)

Erin Ní Dhúláin (Craughwell) Captaen. Connacht Minor Championship, Connacht Junior Club Championship and All-Ireland Vocational School medals. Imrionn si le Gairmscoil Bhride, Baile Locha Riach.

Oilbhe Ní Chadhain (Mullagh).

All-Ireland Senior and Junior Colleges and under-age county championship medals. Is le Gairmscoil Bhride,

Baile Locha Riach a imrionn si.

Treasa Ní Mhurchú (St. Colman's).

Under-age county championship
medals. Galway Féile na nGael Skills
star. d'Imir si le foireann faoi-14 na
Gaillimhe, 1991/92.

Denise Nic Giollagáin (Craughwell). Connacht Junior Club and minor championship medals. Imreoir eile de chuid foireann faoi-14 na Gaillimhe, 1991/92 i.

Eistir Ní Mháirtín (Craughwell).

Connacht championship medals at club and school level. s'I a scoil ná Naomh Rafael, Baile Loch Riach.

Aoife Ni Loinscigh (St. Colman's). Under-age county championship and All-Ireland Community Games medals. b'I a bhi ina captaen nuair a bhuaidh a club Roinn 1, Féile na nGael, 1993.

Áine Ní Irile (Pearse's).

Boinn faoi 14 Cúige Chonnacht agus
Roinn 1, Féile na nGael, 1991.

Goretta Ni Mheachair (Davitts).

Connacht Colleges Junior and under14 and 16 county championship
medals, Bhuaidh si bonn i Roinn 2,
Fèile na nGael, 1992.

Colleen Nic Conchra (Craughwell)

Competed in I.N.T.O. mini series in

Croke Park. Bunscoileanna and Connacht Junior Club Championship and

Minor Championship medals. d'Imir
si le foireann na Gaillimhe, faoi'14.

Lorraine Ni Fhathaigh (St. Thomas).

County Club Championship U-16,
Connacht Junior Colleges and Minor
Championship medals. Represented
An Gaillimh at U14 level. Imrionn si
le Gairmscoil Naomh Cillian, An
Cnoc Breac.

Áine Ní Argadáin (Mullagh).

All-Ireland Colleges seven-a-side and
under-age county championship
medals.Imreoir eile de chuid Naomh

Rafael, Baile Locha Riach i.

Veronica Nic Curtáin (Craughwell).

Under-age county championship and
All-Ireland Community Games medals. Bhain si an Cluiche Ceannais i
Roinn 1 d'Fhèile na nGael, amach i
1993.

Aoife Ní Thanaidheáin (St. Colman's)
Connact U-14 and county U-12 and
U-14 championship medals. Ghlac si
páirt i gCluichí Comhphobail na
hÉireann.

Lorraine Ní Linneáin (St. Colman's).

Bhuaidh si boinn faoi-13 agus faoi-14
lena club. Represented An Ghaillimh
at U-14 level.

Aisling Nic An Bhaird (Pearse's).

Connacht Junior A Colleges medal.

Division 2 winners, Féile na nGael,
1991. Represented An Ghaillimh at
U-14 level. Imrionn si le foireann a
scoile, Naomh Cuan, Gallach.

Caltriona Ni Linneáin (St. Colman).

Tá boinn buaite lena scoil aici. Poe
fada medals. Nicce of Galway hurler
Sylvie Linnane.

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Teachtaireacht an Uachtaráin

EARAIM fior chaoin fáilte roimh chách go Cluiche Ceannais na Mionúr idir An Ghaillimh agus Tiobraid Árann.

Is i seo an ócáid is ansa le mo chroí – i seo agus Féile na nGael – mar is i measc ógra na mBan a bhraithim an dul chun cinn is mó.

Tá an buaicphointe sroichte ag an da fhoireann seo agus rachainn i mbannaí go mbeidh sár chluiche againn.

This year Tipperary and Galway have earned their place in the All-Ireland Minor Final by defeating Down and Kilkenny respectively. Undoubtedly Tipperary will be loath to let Corn Tailteann leave the foot of Sliabh na mBan but An Ghaillimh, after a gap of six years, will be eager to bring this coveted Cup across the Shannon.

With the upsurge of Camogie in both counties and the level of skills witnessed at every level from under-age upwards, no doubt this should prove to be a great final.

Many of the players here today will most likely have featured in Féile na nGael competitions. One of the best games in this year's Féile featured two teams, fittingly enough, from An Ghaillimh and Tiobraid Árann. Both served up one of the finest displays of camogie that I have witnessed in recent times. Indeed, the game would have done justice to two senior teams.

The friendly rivalry between the counties will make for a very keen contest and at the end of the day it is difficult to foresee any more than a point or two separating the teams.

All those participating at minor level are a credit to their mentors, trainers, teachers and officials who give generously of their time to pass on the skills, sportsmanship and enthusiasm necessary for the promotion of camogie – our native game.

My sincere gratitude to all sponsors for their great generosity to this most important section of our Association. Bail o Dhia oraibh.

Táim go mór faoi chaomaoin ag na h-oifigigh, na muinteoirí agus ag na tuismitheóirí as an obair fhónta atá déanta acu ar son na Camógaíochta i rith na bliana. Nár laga Día sibh.

Gúim beannacht agus rath ar ár lucht leanúna agus táim lán cinnte go léireoidh ár gcailíní gaisce na gcamóg ar an bpairc imeartha.

BRÍDÍN UÍ MHAOLAGÁIN Uachtarán



Craobhchomórtas na Mionúr

Na Buaiteoirí		Na Tánaistí
1974	An Dún	Corcaigh
1975	Corcaigh	AN GHAILLIMH
1976	Corcaigh	An Dún
1977	AN GHAILLIMH	Áth Cliath
1978	Corcaigh	Áth Cliath
1979	Corcaigh	An Cabhán
1980	Corcaigh	An Cabhán
1981	AN GHAILLIMH	Aontroim
1982	Áth Cliath	AN GHAILLIMH
1983	Corcaigh	Áth Cliath
1984	Corcaigh	AN GHAILLIMH
1985	Corcaigh	AN GHAILLIMH
1986	AN GHAILLIMH	Loch Garman
1987	AN GHAILLIMH	Corcaigh
1988	Cill Chainnigh	Ardmhacha
1989	Cill Chainnigh	TIOBRAID ÁRANN
1990	TIOBRAID ÁRANN	Cill Chainnigh
1991	Cill Chainnigh	AN GHAILLIMH
1992	TIOBRAID ÁRANN	Cill Chainnigh

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THIS KILKENNY SIDE IS TRULY A GREAT OUTFIT

NY notions that the star-Astudded Kilkenny team which blazed a trail over the past decade was nearing the end of its innings were blown sky high at the National Senior League Final in Ballyraggett. Showing all the flair, skill and will-to-win which made this Kilkenny side a truly great outfit, they brought Cork, who interrupted their winning sequence in 1992, back to earth with a 4-7 to 1-9 victory.

With the exception of exam tied Sinead Millea, Kilkenny were able to call on a full squad. Angela Downey, who missed so much of last season, showed that she had lost nothing in terms of goal scoring finesse or enthusiasm for the game during her lay-off.

At the time of writing the semi-finals of the All-Ireland Senior Championship have yet to be decided. The prospect of another Kilkenny-Cork clash will attract a huge crowd to the Kilkenny venue. This time it will be for a twelve aside game. However, that matters little and the key players from both sides will be in the line-up to do battle for the major honours of the

Galway have been attracting attention this season. Under the guidance of Cyril Farrell, they enjoyed a good run in the National Senior League. He has assembled a talented squad most of whom have enjoyed All-Ireland success in lower grades. Whether they have sufficient experience to go all the way this year remains to be seen.

In the semi-final, Galway are matched with Wexford, Wexford made a poor start to the season finding it difficult to lift themselves following the disappointments of 1992. However, they are back in harness and their clash

with Galway will be very interesting.

The semi-final places in the All-Ireland Junior Championship will be filled by Galway, Armagh, Cork and Carlow. With the strength and success of under-age camogic in Galway, it is no surprise to see the county's second string emerging at this level.

Armagh, who took the National Junior League title, kept up the pressure at the expense of Derry, Cavan and Monaghan and scored a good win over London in the All-Ireland Quarter

With Tipperary promoted to the intermediate grade, the way was clear for new champions in Munster, Limerick were strongly fancied. They prepared thoroughly under the direction



Captain, • Kilkenny Downey admires the National Senior League trophy following her side's impressive victory over

of Earmonn Cregan. They failed to a revitalised Cork side at the first hurdle

Finbarr O'Neill, who steered Glen Rovers to All-Ireland Club champions honours, was brought in shortly before the championship campaign got underway and quickly made an impression. Players who had earlier shown little interest joined the squad and things started happening. Cork proceeded to defeat Tipperary and Clare to capture a title they last held in 1989. Sisters Lyn and Stephanic Dunlea have been in superb form for the Cork juniors but have captured the attention of the senior selectors and may be called for duty in that grade.

Carlow made a historic breakthrough to earn their first Leinster Championship title. It is satisfying to see a new name added to the list of champions and encouraging for those who have yet to see their own engraved. Carlow showed excellent form taking the scalps of Dublin and Kilkenny en route.

Tipperary survived two drawn games against Cork and Galway towin their third All-Ireland Minor title in four years. As in the previous sides, Tipperary have players in the current team who are destined to go far. Theresa Brophy, Cura Gaynor, Gillian O'Neill, Caroline Buckley and Mandy Quigley should progress to a higher level without difficulty

Although disappointed in the All-Ireland Minor Linal, Galway can look to the future with real hope. The showing of the clubs in the National Leile na nGael was excellent. Four Galway sides contested the semi-finals of the premier grade leaving the visiting countries in the shade

Cyril Farrell has assembled a talented squad in Galway

FOCUS ON CLARE

n the camogie scene this month we focus on Clare. Camogie was founded in Clare by Michael Hennessy of Clooney, the then Secretary of the GAA Board to mark the Golden Jubilee of the GAA in 1934. There were eight clubs affiliated. Sean O'Grady, Creesheen then TD for Clare presented a Cup for the league com-

Clooney became the first inter-county champions in 1934 and continued to dominate the championship throughout the 30s. and 40s. They also held the O'Grady Cup until 1945.

Clare played their first Inter-county match against Kerry in the Munster Championship at Ennis in 1934, with victory going to the Kingdom. Defeat was their lot the following year when they played cork after which they withdrew from inter-county competition until the 40's

Clare won their only Munster Senior Championship title in 1944 when they defeated Tipperary on a score of 3-1 to 3-0. Chris Markham of Clooney was the outstanding player on that memorable occasion and was responsible for all her County's scores, with the winning point coming from a thirty yard free which was virtually the last puck of the game. Dublin proved too strong in the All Ireland semi-final,

After 1945 there was a constant stream of immigration among Camogie girls which stripped clubs of many of their finest players with the result that Camogie barely existed.

1958 saw the revival of the game in the Banner County when an enthusiastic group of delegates from eight clubs gathered at Ennistymon in a bid to organise and reestablish Camogie.

Kilfenora dominated the competitions for

the next decade, until Éire Óg of Ennis came on the scene and won the first of their twelve Championships in 1968. In the meantime the county team were giving a good account of themselves, with many promising displays in both the League and the Championship, In 1974 they secured their first Munster junior title when they defeated Limerick by 0-1. They ousted Galway in the All-Ireland semi-final and went on to win their first All-Ireland junior title at the expense of Dublin on a score of 3-2 to 3-0.

Seven years later in 1981 Clare won their second All-Ireland junior title by defeating Antrim 3-2 to 0-7 in the final.

After their initial success in 1974 they were graded senior and took part in the Senior League and Championship. After drawing Wexford in the opening round of the Championship they went under in the replay. Wexford went on to win the All-

The county's last success was in 1986 when they recorded a 1-13 to 3-4 win over Kildare to take their third All-Ireland junior

Sixmilebridge were the dominant club of the 80's when they won their first senior title in 1983, after which they went on to win eight county championships in a row and one Munster title.

Wolfe Tones, Shannon won their first Championship in 1978. In all they have five titles to their credit and are the current

The County Board runs sixteen competitions ranging from under 12 right up to senior level to cater for the needs of its twenty two affiliated clubs. At inter-county level level they field in minor, junior and intermediate as well as Féile na nGael and other competitions.

On the Colleges scene Shannon Comprehensive won the All-Ireland senior title by defeating St. Raphael's, Loughres in the final in 1982. Ennis Vocational College won four All-Ireland titles in a row in the

Much work is being done at Primary and post Primary School level where coaching and competitions are organised. Kitty McNicholas was the leading light behind the success of schools Camogie which she started in 1974 and now boosts twenty eight primary and eight secondary schools.

Kitty is County Board Chairperson, also delegate to Munster and Congress. She is a prominent referee, having had charge of the 1987 All-Ireland junior final between Armagh and Kildare and All-Ireland Colleges finals in senior and junior. She is Chairperson of the National referees Committee. Kitty played at centre field on Clare's winning team in 1974 and her daughter Maire captained the victorious 1986 team

Behind Clare's success in recent years is a band of hard working officials, who have given their time willingly to the organisation and promotion of Camogie. They include County Secretary Bridie Hehir, Vera Hennessy, Maura Sheedy and Lie O Sullivan

Fr. Michael McNamara of Shannon has given an enormous contribution at dub and county level over the past two decades Kevin Twomey has also been instrumental in training County teams and tasted success with the 1986 All-Ireland winning team Kevin and Fr. Michael are managing the con rent County squad who hope to do well in this years intermediate Champions in

CAMOGIE WORLI

Saviour in

Minor Final

nne Hardiman was Galway's saviour when she pointed from a free three minutes from time to give her side a draw with the holders Tipperary in an exciting All-Ireland Minor e final ast The Ragg. Thurles. Galway had the strong breeze in the first half but took a long time to settle. However, a fortunate goal by Anne Blardiman on the stroke of half time enabled them to lead 1-4 to 0-3 at the interval. Tipperary dominated the second half but missed manay chances and were also denied by the excellent Erin Dolan in goals for Galway. A Mary Looby goal in the tenth minute had the sides level, and although the same player put Tipperary ahead with a point in the 18th minute Galway finished strongly and

ahead with a point in the 18th minute Galway finished strongly and got their just reward when Anne Hardiman sent over the equaliser, leaving the fully time score Tipperary 1-5, Galway 1-5. For Galway seeking their first title since 1987 Erin Dolan, Denise Gilligan, Lorraine Fabry. Anne Hardiman and Veronica Currain caught the eye. For Tipperary Caroline Buckley, Marie Whyte, Teresza Brophy, Ciara Gaynor, Gillan O'Neill and Mary Looby excelled. Scorers: Tipperary: Mary Looby 1-1, Ciara Gaynor 0-3, Gillan O'Neill 0-1, Galway: Anne Hardiman 1-3, Lorraine Faby and Denise Gilligan 0-1 each. Referee: Cathorine McAllister, Antrim. Referee: Catherine McAllister, Antrim.

Carlow's super sub Margaret Hogan doomed Dublin's chances of advancing to the Leinster Januar Championship final with a brace of goals in the second half of this semi final replay, played at St. Anne's, Bohemabreena After both sides missed many scoring chances in the first half Carlow led 0.5 to 0.0 at the break. In the final half Dublian lifted their game and goals by Eilis Mullern and Irene Kirwan placed

them in contention. Margaret Hogan, who was introduced just before half time had have well taken goals. This was a killing blow to the Dublin girls, best they fought on, picking off some well taken points. Carlow held one to the minimum score to earn them a place in the final against Kilkenmy. Final score: Carlow 2-6, Dublin 2-5. Carlow scorers: Margaret Hogaran 2-0, Valerie Crean 0-6, Dublin: Irene Kirwan 1-2, Eilis Mullen 1-0, Panala Carroll 0-2, Sadbh Caverly 0-1. Referee: John Pender, Kildare

The Dublin Intermediate team had better luck when recording a convincing wirin over Antrim 4-12 to 1-8 to reach the All-Ireland Intermediate Cichampionship semi final.

Dublin and Wexford must meet again in the Leinster Under 14 Championship when the final ended in the first ever draw at this level at

St. Anne's, Bobbbernabreena. This was an excellent game with both your eng sides giving a great display. Wexford had previousisty defeated their opponents on two occasions. Durublin led 2-2 to 0-1 at half time. In the second half WWExford whittled away at the leeway and were somewhitnat lucky to force a draw. The score: Dublin 3-2, WWexford 2-5. Scorers: Dublin: Emer Branagan 1-1.0. Mary Nevin and Triona Rafferty 1-0 each, Darrelle 1: Dolan 0-1. Wexford: Esme Murphy 1-4. Rosemary Bremonn 1-0, Aine Codd 0-1. Referee: Mary Connor, Louth 1

There are noo National fixtures on Sunday. In Leinster, the Club Chammpionship gets underway. The structure: The champions from the Junior counties play to a final. The winners tehen join the Senior county champions for the remainder of the competition, with the ultimate goal, the All-Irelancal

Carlow charringsons, Myshall host Wicklow champions, Gleneally at Myshall 2 p.m. This is sure to be an exciting tusslee. Myshall have a number of players on the county testam which will make them a formidable force. Glenerally are always hard to overcome. They wen the Leignster Junior Club Championship in 1991 and will be despending on players such as Nuala Cullen, anna Byrne. Audrey Kinsella, Susan Snell, Carol anna Byrne. Audrey Kinsella, Susan Snell, Carol Murphy and Patsy Bradshaw to overcome the Myshall girls, which sinclude: Nuala Quirke, Margaret Hogan, Catherine Carookes, Shiela Ryan, Agnes Harkins and

The Offal o champions. Drumcullen show their

ospitality to the Laois champions Camross at Rath 3 p.m. Drumcullen will be hard beaten here. They are the reigning Junior Club champions and have star performers in Eileen Kinsella, Honor Kinsella, Brigid Rosney, Bernie Nugent, Geraldine Mahon and Caroline Guinan. While the Laois girls are capable of putting up a good fight it must be the Offaly champions to advance.

Westmeath champions St. Munnas have the Louth champions Kilkerley on home ground: Turin 3 p.m. This should be an evenly contested encounter with little separating the sides at the final whistle. St. Munnas have star players in Annette Heffernan, Yvette Cully, Aileen Lawlor, Jennifer Nooney, Helena Finglas. Kilkerley will be depending on prominent performers in Mary McGivern, Theresa Bares, Yvonne Quigley, Kitty Sharkey and Anne McDonald.

The Ulster Colleges Camogie Council is the oldest Colleges Council.

ounded in 1943, the Council celebrated it's olden jubilee this year. The highlight was the Ulster Senior and Junior Colleges finals being played in Casement Park, Belfast after many ears of unavoidable absences.

Magherafelt defeated Loreto, Cavan in the unior decider and their Seniors defeated Armagh College of Further Education in a replay. Both teams were defeated in the All-Ireland semi finals by Munster's dual champions Charleville. The celebration meal was held in St. Gall's Club, Falls Road. AUG

Ulster have 55 Colleges affiliated from the nine counties. This is a great achievement

Among the Committee involved are two former Presidents of the National Camogic Association, Rosina McManus and Lily Spence. These ladies have been the driving orce behind Ulster Colleges for many years. Rosina holds the position of Treasurer and Lily Secretary. The President is Fr. Anthony Davis.

Ulster coaches are a dedicated class who promote Camogie in the face of great obstacles, among them Rita Moran, Magherafelt coach. Rita has done trojan work for the team in just two years. She won an All-Ireland Senior Championship medal with Antrim in 1979. Her father Brian McAleer was a member of the first Ulster side to win a Railway Cup and a star forward with Antrim in the 40's and 50's.

May Ulster Colleges continue to thrive in the years ahead. COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL RESULTS: OFFALY: Drumcullen 3-8, Shinrone 1-4.

MEATH: Killyon 3-8, Trim 2-5.

DERRY: Bellahy 2-8, Castledawson 0-5. MONAGHAN: Castleblayney 5-11, Clontibret 1-2.

P.J. FULHAM



Joanne Lawlest. Home venue will be an advantage to Officers of Ulster Colleges Camogie Council, left to right: Rosina McManus, the Carlow champions.

Treasurer, Fr. Anthony Davies, President, Lily Spence, Secretary. Pictured at the Golden Jubilee Celebrations

KILKENNY DETHRONE CORK

Kilkenny sprang a surprise victory over old rivals Cork in the National Senior league final played at Ballyragget. Kilkenny veteran Angela Downey had a hat trick of goals and her sister Ann scored the fourth

In an excellent match, Cork, going for three tatles in a row, met with a formidable force in the Noresiders. ominated in most parts Winners of the field. They opened up a seven point lead which proved too much for Cork. Final score Kilkenny 4-7 Cork 1-

This final was another milestone in Camogie history as it was the first to be played with 15 aside on a GAA pitch. The experiment is to be continued again next year, and on the evidence of this well contested game, Camogle in this format, may well have a future.

TEAMS AND SCORERS

Kilkenny: Marie Fitzpatrick. Biddy O'Sullivan, Brigid Barnaville, Una Murphy, Deirdre Malone, Bridie McGarry, Tracey Millea, Gillian Dillon, Marina Downey, Captain Breda Holmes 0-1, Anne Downey 1-4. Angela Downey 3-1, Clare Jones, Brigid



Kilkenny, Camagie National Senior League Champions.

Multally 0-1, Joan Aylward, Subs: Sinead Costello for J Aylward, Marie Maher for

Cork: Katisleen Costine, Paula Goggins, Liz Dunphy, Mags Finn, Irene O'Leary, Breda Kenny, Liz Towler, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Denise Cronin 0-1, Captain Linda Mellerick 0-2, Claire McCarthy, Stephanie Dunlea 1-0, Irene O'Keeffe 0-2, Fiona O'Driscoll, Collette O'Mahoney 0-7. Subs: Liz O'Neill 0-1 for C. Mc Carthy, Lynn Dunles for I O'Keeffe. Referee: Miriam O'Callaghan, Offaly.

Tipperary...... 3-10
Galway 2-9

THE Tipperary minor camogie team retained their all-Ireland title on Monday last when they accounted for Galway in the replay of the drawn game. This was the occasion when all the spirit and commitment present in this team was called on.

Galway were first to score when they pointed after a minute and a half and they increased it to two after four minutes. Ciara Gaynor opened Tipperary's account after five minutes and the same player added the next score after 12 minutes.

Scores were at this stage hard to come by as defences were on top. Susan Kineally, in goals, made some great saves. Sharon Lawton at full-back and Marie White at centre were playing blinders, ably assisted by Caroline Buckley, but their defence was breached in the 16th minute when Galway goaled, Tipperary reduced the deficit with a Gillian O'Neill point in the 22nd minute.

Tipperary conceded another goal after 24 minutes when a free 30 yards out went all the way to the net. Midfield of Theresa Brophy, Nicola Kennedy and Miriam Maxwell were having the better of exchanges now and the forward line of Mary Looby, Ann Barry and Gillian O'Neill were getting a plentiful supply. Ciara Gaynor was also causing Galway problems. Galway, though, were next to score with another point. Ciara Gaynor reduced the deficit just on the stroke of half-time with another point to leave it 2-3 to 0-4 at the break.

For the second half Tipperary introduced Mandy Quigley, who starred in the Munster final and all-Ireland semi but missed the drawn game due to an illness. This was to prove an inspired move as the team now received a great boost and panic signals were evident in the Galway team.

The first score of this half went to Galway, a point shortly after this the Tipperary revival started when from a 30 yard free Ciara Gaynor blazed low and hard and beat the defence for a goal. Galway, though, were next to score with a point and added a further one shortly after. Tipperary then won a line ball 25 yards out which was well struck and Ann Barry doubled on it over the bar. Mandy Quigley had a great point later.

Galway scored another point before Tipperary's next point, a great point from 50 yards out by Sharon Lawton from a free. Ciara Gaynor goaled in the 25th minute and Nicola Kennedy pointed two minutes later. Then came Tipperary's best score when, from a '30', the ball came into the goalmouth and Ann Barry put the finishing touches, a goal. Galway pointed shortly after, but the last score of the game fell to Tipperary, a point by Ciara Gaynor to wrap up the game and sent the all-Irleland trophy back again to the Premier County.

This win was a credit to everybody concerned and to the great number of supporters who travelled on a very happy occasion. Joanne Horgan accepted the cup on behalf of the team from the President of the Association amid wild scenes.

Team - S. Kineally, S. Lawton (0-1); C. Buckley, M. White, J. Horgan, T. Brophy, N. Kennedy (0-1); M. Maxwell, M. Looby, C. Gaynor (2-4); A. Barry (1-1), G. O'Neill (0-1); M. Quigley (0-2); E. Hayden, M. Harkins, L. McCormack, C. Fitzgerald, J. O'Connor, D. Culleton, O. Hayden, B. Phelan, C. Dunne, M. Larkin, F. Hanrahan.

Tipp girls retain title Tipperary 3-10 Galway 2-9

TIPPERARY retained their All Ireland Minor Camogie title when they defeated Galway in a thrilling replay at Duggan Park, Ballinasloe vesterday.

Galway enjoyed a good six minute spell between the 17th and 23rd minutes as Colleen Crowe found the net twice and this helped her county to a five point lead at halftime, 2-3, 0-4.

Tipperary had their first goal in the 38th minute from Ciara Gaynor, who blasted a 13 metre free to the net. It was now Galway 2-4, Tip-

perary 1-5.

Ciara had her second goal with eight minutes to go to give Tipperary a one point lead and the victory was sealed three minutes from time when Ann Barry had

there third goal.
Scorers for Tipperary: C.
Gaynor 2-4, A. Barry 1-1,
M. Quigley 0-2, S. Lawton
0-1, N. Kennedy 0-1, G.

O'Neill 0-1 Galway; C. Crowe 2-3, V. Curtin 0-3, D. McGilligan 0-1, G. Maher 0-1, A. Hardiman 0-1

man 0-1
TIPPERARY: S. Kineally, C. Buckley, M. White, J.
Horgan, N. Kennedy, T.
Brophy, M. Maxwell, A.
Barry, C. Gaynor, M.
Looby, G. O'Neill, Sub: M.
Ouigley for Maxwell.

Quigley for Maxwell.

GALWAY: E. Dolan, O.
Cohen, T. Murphy, D. Gilligan, E. Martyn, L. Fahy, A.
Hillary, G. Maher, A. Linskey, V. Curtin, A. Hardiman, C. Crowe, Subs. A.
Ward for Martyn, A. Tan-

nian for Hardiman. Referee: C. McAllister (Antrim).

Aue 1993

Super Dillons so impressive

Brian Dillons 3-10 Killeagh 1-1

DISPLAYING a vast array of skills, Brian Dillons coasted to a facile victory over Killeagh in the semi-final of the Cork County Intermediate Camogie championship at Midleton last night.

From the outset they took control, and, playing against a very stiff breeze, led by 2-1 to nil after 10 minutes, the goals coming from Gillian Ryan, the best player on view, and Niamh O'Regan.

PILED ON AGONY

Brian Dillons added another brace of points before Betty Joyce opened Killeagh's account in the 24th minute from a free. Niamh O'Regan piled on the agony for Killeagh when she increased Dillons lead in the first minute of the second-half.

Killeagh tried hard, especially Siobhan Ahern, Breda Landers, Ann Marie Landers, Geraldine Foley and Evelyn Leahy, but the Brian Dillons powerhouse proved too much for the East Cork side.

Louise Fleming, who lined out in goal for Brian Dillons, moved to fullforward in the last 10 minutes and for good measure scored 1-1.

Killeagh got a consolation goal from a Betty Joyce free.

Scorers for Brian Dillons: Gillian Ryan 1-6 (0-4 frees). Niamb O'Regan 1-2, Louise Fleming 1-1, Alleen Barry 0-1.

Killeagh: Betty Joyce 1-1.
BRIAN DILLONS: L. Fleming, A.
Dilworth, S. Fahy, U. O'Donovan, K.
Mellerick, C. O'Mahony, G. Hammond, G.
Fleming, N. O'Regan, A. Barry, D.
Morphy, G. Ryan,

Michael C. O'Mahony, G. Hammond, G. Fleming, N. O'Regan, A. Barry, D. Murphy, G. Ryan, KILLEAGH: S. Ahern, B. Landers, G. Foley, C. Landers, B. Landers, A.M. Landers, M. Murphy, I. Brosnan, D. Fitzgibbon, E. Leahy, V. Ahern, B. Joyce, Subs: S. Spillane for D. Fitzgibbon, G. Walsh for I. Brosnan, Canadalds.

Referee: M. O'Callaghan, Sarsfields.

Tipp in intermediate all-Ireland

(intermediate) team made the long journey to Portaferry on last weekend to take on Down in the intermediate championship.

Having tasted defeat in their previous two outings against the Mourne team, the players and management were in no mood to experience a third defeat and in the early stages of the games this was evident as they took the game to the opposition. Noelle Kennedy opened the scoring in the fourth minute with a point, a minute later. Deirdre Hughes had a goal. The same player made it 1-2 to 0.0 a few minutes later.

Down were finding their feet now and caused some problems which the Tipperary defence of Ann Marie Fitzgerald, Clare Madden, Cora Kennedy, Suzanne Kelly dealt very capably

The team was dealt a serious blow shortly after this when captain Cora Kennedy west over on her ankle and had to leave the field. Anne Gleeson (Toomevara) replaced her. Anne was to make ber presence felt quickly with two points in seccession before Down opened their account in the 17th minute with a point. Tipperary had a couple of bad misses before Helen Kiely who was having a great game pointed to increase the lead. Down had a rather backy goal shortly after to reduce the leeway. Helen Kiely pointed again for Tipperary and Theresa Boerke who was very im-mentive increased the lead

The Tipperary camogie with a great point from 60 yards out.

Down had another point in the 26th minute, A great move between Ann Gleeson, Helen Kiely and Noelle Kennedy yielded a great goal in the 27th minute. Down replied with a point and the last score of the half fell to Deirdre Hughes when she goaled from a great pass by Noelle Kennedy, leaving the score at the break 3-7 to

The second half was just two minutes old when Noelle Kennedy pointed. Down replied with a point, but Ann Gleeson had a great point in the fifth minute. Down again replied in the seventh minute. Their hopes were short-lived as from the puckout Deirdre Hughes collected and soloed through for a goal. Nicola Kennedy increased the lead with a point after nine minutes. Down had another pont after fourteen minutes and they goaled from a free after 17 minutes. Tipperary replied with a Helen Kiely goal after 25 minutes when she was set up by Ann Gleeson and Deirdre Hughes. Marie Ryan belied her years with an impressive performance. Jovita Delaney and Helen O'Leary made their debut at this stage and played no small part in helping in this win. Down pointed in the 26th minute and Deirdre Hughes can-celled it in the 27th minute. Down then had a consolation goal before Helen O'Leary finished the scoring with a point to leave it 5-12 to 3-7 at the final whistle.

This win sets the team up

for an All-Ireland semi-final tilt against Dublin on August 15th at a Dublin venue.

Others to play well for Tipperary were Ailish Dela-ney, Maeve Stokes, Suzanne Kelly and Marie Ryan.

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Team: A. Delancy, A. M. Fitzgerald, S. Kelly, C. Kennedy (captain), C. Madden T. Bonnar, T. Bourke 0-1, M. College M. Brown H. Kiala I. Stokes, M. Ryan, H. Kiely 1-2; N. Kennedy 1-3, D. Hughes 3-2, A. Gleeson 0-3. H. O'Leary 0-1, J. Delaney, N. Dwan, S. Cusack, S Nealon, A. Gleeson (Holy cross), R. O'Meara.

AUG 1993

So easy for Tipp

Tipperary 4-11 Clare 1-7

TIPPERARY won the Munster intermediate camogie championship title when they defeated Clare in a game played in a continuous drizzle at Cusack Park, Ennis last evening.

Goals from the outstanding Deirdre Hughes and Marie Ryan helped them to lead at the break on the score of 2-5 to 1-4. Sylvia O'Brien was the Clare goalscorer six minutes before half-time.

Three early second-half points stretched Tipperary's lead and when Deirdre Hughes had her second goal ten minutes after the resumption, the writing was on the wall for the home side.

In addition to the outstanding Hughes, the winners had strong players in Suzanne Kelly, Triona Bonner, Noelle Kennedy and Helen Kiely. For Clare Marie Collins, Aine McCormack, Francis Phelan, Sylvia O'Brien and Maura McNicholas did

Scorers for Tipperary: D Hughes 2-2, N Kennedy 0-5, H
Kiely 0-4, T Bonner, M Ryan 1-0 each.
Clare: S O'Brien 1-1, F Phelan, C O'Loughlin 0-2 each.
M McMahon, M McNicholas 0-1 each
TIPPERARY: A Delancy, A M Fitzgerald, S Kelly
Kennedy, C Madden, T Bonner, M Stokes, T Burke.
Kennedy, H Kiely, M Ryan, D Hughes.
CLARE: A McCormack, T O'Connell, S O'Brien, M
Collins, M Costelloe, S O'Brien, M Neylon, F Phelan, M
McNicholas, N Comyns, M McMahon, C O'Loughlin
Referee: Patricia Twomey (Limerick)

Clare show class Clare 4-10 Cork 1-2

CLARE qualified to meet Tipperlary in the Munster intermediate camogie chapponship final following an emry over Cork in a oneaded semi-final at the Glen Rovers Field on Saturday evening

This was a power-packed perforout a defence that was strong and disciplined and matched by an attack her characteristic was willing to take

Cost on the other hand, had to field whose tex players - away on effort to find the field whose tex players - away on effort to fin the gaps. They got some early stepagement when Ann Gol-

den hammered in an early goal after the Clare 'keeper, Aine Ni Cormaic, blinded by the evening sun, dropped the sliotar.

A point from Hilda Kenneally put them three points in front but joy was shortlived as Clare knuckled down to the task ahead.

The visitors struck with a goal from full-forward, Catherine O'Loughlin that left them three points in front midway through the first-half and they never looked back.

Francis Phelan and Sinead O'Brien were outstanding at midfield while the two wing forwards, Maura McNicholas and Moira McMahon, were superb outside of Catherine O'Loughlin, who scored two great

With Clare leading 2-7 to 1-2 after playing against the wind in the firsthalf the game was as good as over at half-tine. In fact, Cork, struggling to come to grips with the situation, failed to regster a score in the second-half.

But while they lacked depth, the young Cork side had some good performers. Mairead O'Leary could not be faulted for the goals that were scoredagainst her while Brid Kelleher and Evelyn Healy played their hearts out in defence. Mary Sexton tried hard at midfield while Hilda Kenneally worted hard in an effort to get the forwards going.

Scorers for Clare: C. O'Loughlin 2-1; M. McNicholas 1-2; F. Phelan 0-3; P. Moloney 1-0; M. McMahon 0-2; N. Comyns, S. O'Brien 0-1 each.

Scorers for Cork: A. Golden 1-0 and F. Kenneally and E. Healy 0-1 each.

CLARE: A. Ni Cormaic; T. O'Connell; M. Costello, D. McDonagh, P. Rochford; F. Phelan, M. Neylon, S. O'Brien; M. McNicholas, N. Comyns, M. McMahon; C. O'Loughlin. Subs, M. Collins for P. Rochford; S. O'Brien for M. Neylon; P. Moloney for M. McNicholas.

CORK: M. O'Leary; V. Motherway, D. Deane, B. Kelleher, E. Healy; N. O'Regan, M. Sexton, J. Power; H. Kenneally, F. Twomey, B. Cashman; A. Golden, Subs. S. Lenihan for F. Twomey; B. Sheils for B. Cashman; H. Moynihan for N. O'Regan.

Referee: Orla Finn (Waterford).

OVER the coming weekend the Cork senior team will make the journey to Nolan Park where tomorrow they will play Kilkenny in the semi-final of the All-Ireland Senior Championship. At club level pick of the games will be the clash of Castlemagner and Inniscarra in the Intermediate Championship semi-final.

Over the past decade great rivalry has existed between the senior camogie teams of Cork and Kilkenny and tomorrow's clash between these two great sides promises to be no different with another cracking contest on the cards. Up to last year Kilkenny were the dominant force and were chasing their seventh All-Ireland title in a row before Cork denied them

of this with a marvellous

victory in the semi-final

played at Ballinlough.

Sunday's game has a lot at

stake for both sides with

Kilkenny no doubt very anxious to re-establish

themselves at the top

while Cork will be very

determined to prove that last season's All-Ireland

victory was no flash in the

Kilkenny have already defeated Cork in the

National League final last

June. This season's league

was played on an experi-

mental 15-a-side basis

which on the day appeared

to suit Kilkenny very well.

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The championship has returned to the usual format of 12-a-side which hopefully will be more advan-tageous to Cork.

Preparations for this game have not gone as well as Cork would have liked. Firstly Antrim did not travel to play them in their first round game and apart from challenge games Cork will be going into tomorrow's game without any competitive championship match. Cork are also experiencing a number of injury problems. While the return of Therese O'Callaghan after a long lay-off through

injury is certainly a big boost they will now be without the services of Irene O'Leary and Liz Dunphy, both out through injury, while Clare McCarthy is also unvailable. These girls will certainly be a big loss to the side and left the selectors with a difficult task when they sat down to choose their side.

Tomorrow's team will see regular 'keeper Kathleen Costine once again commanding the number one position. Breda Kenny will be at full-back with Paula Goggins and Liz Towler filling the wing-

back positions. Theresa O'Callaghan, playing her first competitive match with Cork this season, is named at centre-back with the mid-field positions going to Linda Mellerick who captains the side, Sandy Fitzgibbon and Denise Cronin. Fiona O'Driscoll will be at centre-forward with Irene O'Keeffe, Liz O'Neill and Colette O'Mahony completing the full-forward

Kilkenny

At the time of writing the Kilkenny team was not available but is certain to include regulars Angela and Ann Downey, Biddy O'Sullivan, Bridie McGarry, Marino Downey, Sinead Millea, Gillian Dillon, Breda Holmes and Clare Jones.

At local level the clash of Inniscarra and Castlemagner in the Intermediate Championship semi-final promises to be a close affair. Both these sides met in the junior final two years ago when it took a second game to decide the outcome. This time out Castlemagner will probably be slightly favoured. They appear to be the stronger all-round side but Inniscarra have a lot of up-and-coming young stars and if Cork senior player Irene O'Keeffe is on form it certainly would be no surprise if the Mid-Cork side were to advance.

Cork senior panel Kathleen Costine, Paula Goggins, Breda Kenny, Liz Towler, Therese O'Callaghan, Linda Mellerick, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Denis Cronin, Fiona O'Driscoll, Irene O'Keeffe, Liz O'Neill, Colette O'Mahony, Rose Desmond, Lyn Dunlea, Mags Finn, Stephanie Dunlea, Patricia Murphy.



TOMORROW

All-Iteland Se Championship Sen — Cotk v Kauts Nolan Park, Kilkerie

MONDAY, AUGUST

Junior & League St. Farnahara v I field at St. Farnahar 7.30 (teletree Ferr Cobb v Delacrys at at 7.30 (Sanifields)

CORCAIGH

Dathanna: Dearg is Bán

(1) CAITLÍN NIC OSTIN Kathleen Costine

(Killeagh)

(2) BRID NIC CIONADITH

Breda Kenny (Sarsfields)

(3) PAULA GHOGAN

Paula Goggins (Na Piarsaigh) (4) TREASA NÍ CHEALLACHÁN

Therese O'Callaghan (Glen Rovers) (5) EILÍS TOWLER

Liz Towler (Bishopstown)

(6) LINDA N

MHAOILCHEIRIC Linda Mellerick (Capt.)

(Glen Rovers)

(7) SANDIE NIC GIOBÚIN

(Sandie Fitzgibbon) (Glen Rovers) (8) DENISE NÍ CHRÔINÍN

(Denise Cronin) (Glen Rovers)

(9) IRENE NÍ CHAOIMH Irene O'Keeffe (Iniscarra) (10) FIONA NÍ DHROISCEOIL

Fiona O' Driscoll (Fr. O'Neill's) (11) COLETTE NÍ MHATHÚNA

Colette O'Mahony (Barra Naofa)

(12) EILÍS NÍ NÉILL Liz O'Neill

(Bishopstown)

IONADAITHE:

- (13) RÓIS NÍ DHEASÚNAIGH Rose Desmond (Bishopstown)
- (14) LYNN NÍ DHOINNLE Lynn Dunlea (Glen Rovers)
- (15) MAIRÉAD NÍ FINN Mags Finn (Fr. O'Neill's)
- (16) PÁDRAIGÍN NÍ MURCHÚ Patricia Murphy (Glen Rovers)
- (17) STIOFÁINÍN NÍ DHOINNLE Stephanie Dunlea (Glen Rovers)

CILL CHAINNIGH

Dathonna: Dubh is Ómra

(1) MÁIRE NIC GIOLLA PHÁDRAIGH

Marie Fitzpatrick (Graigue-Ballycallan)

(2) BRÍD NÍ SHÚILLEABHÁIN

Biddy O'Sullivan

(Tullogher)

(3) TRACY NÍ MHAOLAOIDH Tracey Millea

(Graigue-Ballycallan

(4) DEIRDRE NÍ MHAOILEOIN Deirdre Malone

(Graigue-Ballycallan)

(5) UNA NÍ MURCHÚ Una Murphy (Tullogher)

(6) MARINA NI DHÚNAIGH

Marina Downey (Capt) (Lisdowney) (7) ÁINE NÍ DHÚNAIGH

Ann Downey (Lisdowney) (8) GILLIAN DHIOLÚN

Gillian Dillon (Freshford)

(9) BRÍD NÍ MHAOILALAIDH

Brigid Mullally (Glenmore) (10) CLÁR NIC SHEOIN

Claire Jones (Lisdowney) (11) AINGEAL NÍ DHÚNAIGH-DE BHRUN

Angela Downey-Browne (Lisdowney)

(12) SINÉAD NÍ MHAOLAOIDH

Sinead Millea (Graigue-Ballycallan)

IONADAITHE:

- (13) BRID BHEARNABHAL Brigid Barnaville (Lisdowney)
- (14) BRÎD MHIC FHEARAIGH Bridie McGarry (Dicksboro)
- (15) SINÉAD NIC COISTEALA Sinead Costelloe (Freshford)
- (16) MÁIRE NÍ MHEACHAIR Marie Maher (Tullaroan)
- (17) SIOBHÁN AIGHLEART Joan Aylward (Glenmore)
- (18) NÓIRÍN NÍ THIARNAIGH Noreen Tierney (Tullogher)
- (19) CÁIT NIC DHONNCHAIDH Kay Dunphy (Graigue-Ballycallan)

ROGHNÓIRÍ

Trainer: Tom Ryan; Selectors: Tom Ryan, Carmel Savage, Noel Barnaville.

Clash of Champions

ON Sunday next (3 p.m.), at Nolan Park, Kilkenny, Cork, the senior all-Ireland camogie champions, take on national league champions Kilkenny in the All-Ireland semi-final. A cracker of a game is in store as when the two sides last met in the national league final on June 6 last, only one goal separated the sides.

This eason the league was played on a 15-a-side level. However, it is back to 12-a-side for the championship and pride is most definitely at stake.

Last season Cork defeated Kilkenny at the same stage of the competition.

However, this game was played in Cork and the huge home following helped to soar the girls to victory.

Selector Miriam
Murphy emphasised this
and pleaded with Cork
camogie followers to
travel in strength to Nolan
Park. "Support is a crucial
factor on Sunday as
Kilkenny will have a fierce
home following and they
are very determined to
topple the All-Ireland
champions. She urges
everybody to travel and
support the team.

support the team.

Kilkenny have recalled many of their more experienced stalwarts for the national league and they are putting in a tremendous effort to give it one last shot. Players of the calibre of Breda Holmes, Bridie McGarry and Clair Jones have won every honour in the game and their experience has

added to the younger players, Gillian Dillon, Marie Fitzpatrick and Marina Downey have all been through the mill and will give it one heck of a go to defeat Cork.

Last season Angela
Downey only came on in
the second half of the
Cork game having six
weeks earlier given birth
to her daughter Katie.
However in the league
final Angela proved that
all the old sharpness is still
there and she is sure to
continue with her twin

to try and plot the downfall of Cork.

Trained

The Cork team have trained extremely hard for this their most important assignment to date, having received a walk-over from Antrim in the first round they have yet to play a championship game and this must surely be a cause for concern. The team have been training in the plush surroundings of the Mardyke and coach, Joe McGrath, has left no stone unturned in their quest to repeat last season's dream achievement.

Cork, however, are decimated by injury which has seen their panel of players reduced to just 17. Out of the team who played the national league final are Irenc O'Leary who has a hand injury, Liz Dumphy who is ill and Claire McCarthy who is out of the country on holidays. The selectors are also concerned about Therese O'Callaghan who broke her leg in March but



Members of the Cork camogie panel for the All-Ireland semi-final against Kilkenny on Sunday. (Picture: Eddie O'Hare)

stope task ine Cark garls will have large cask on their hands ver. They have a very nord backroom who will leave no se stranged to ensure Selectors Marion ency, Marie Mackey and Mirram Murphy are all All-Ireland medal olders and having been the mil will know he feelings and tion of the girls. Cork are led this season by Linda Mellerick from Gles Rovers. Linda has had a great season with her clab and would dearly

love to lead Cork to

victory and on to Croke

Park. Also in the Cork

line out is camogie player of the year Sancine

Fitzgiboon, Dieda Kemiy and Lis Towler, all who will be going flat out to achieve a victory on

For many of the Kilkenny squad this will surely be the end of the road if defeated but going in as favourites with a victory already over Cork in the league final they must be confident of reaching Croke Park on the last Sunday in September. Cork, however, will give it an almighty shot to hold on to their title.

Changes

The Cork panel will show several changes to last year with six of last season's panel members unavailable through injury, retirement and illness. Onto the panel this year have come three members of the Cork junior side who have also reached the All-Ireland semi-final versus Galway on August 22. Stephanie

Dunica, Patricia Murphy and Lynn Dunlea are all very experienced campaigners and have all played at intervarsity and junior level with Cork. The Dunlea sisters both played in the national league final v. Kilkenny and Patricia Murphy has plenty of senior experience having won an All-Ireland club medal with Glen Rovers last season. The three girls are sure to be eager to impress if called upon.

Panel

Cork panel: Kathleen Costine, Breda Kenny, Liz Towler, Lynn Dunlea, Colette O'Mahony, Sandie Fitzgibbon, Linda Mellerick (capt.), Therese O'Callaghan, Denise Cronin, Stephanie Dunlea, Liz O'Neill, Paula Goggin, Fiona O'Driscoll, Mags Finn, Rose Desmond, Irene O'Keeffe, Patricia Murphy.



Gillian Dillon in full control during the League Final.

ACRACKER IN STORE

Cats on the prowl again!

By a Special Correspondent

The years between 1983 and 1993 may have been pretty grim in senior hurling terms for Kilkenny, but that's not to say the Black and Amber's reputation for stylish deeds with stick and sliotar became tarnished in any way. It didn't.

The reason why? The feats of the county camogie team, of course!

Beginning in 1985, the Noreside ladies ran up a sequence of success that set them apart as Gaeldom's most talented team of the era. With seven All-Ireland titles in a row, and National League victories in most of those seasons for good measure, the Downey sisters and colleagues kept the flame burning bright.

As years go by, it's easy to forget how convincingly those triumphs were achieved. The records go like this:

1985: Kilkenny 0-13, Dublin 1-2.

1986: Kilkenny 2-12, Dublin 2-3. 1987: Kilkenny 3-10, Cork 1-7.

1988: Kilkenny 4-11, Cork 3-8.

1989: Kilkenny 3-10, Cork 3-8. 1990: Kilkenny 1-14, Wexford 0-7.

1990: Kilkenny 3-8, Cork 0-10.

What was especially heartening was the goodwill and pride the ladies' success engendered among local hurling followers who ordinarily wouldn't have counted themselves camogie fans. From being practitioners of a game that was almost invisible to most Kilenny hurling enthusiasts, "the girls"

moved to being TV stars, their All-Ireland-winning exploits being broadcast to the nation courtesy of

Who could watch Angela Downey's score-getting achievements and not be impressed? See Gillian Dillon's two cracking goals in the 1991 decider against Cork and not applaud her stunning talent?

The presence of President Robinson on the latter occasion was a nice boost for the standing of the game, a type of top-level seal of approval signifying just what an important event it is in the Irish sporting

calendar. Naturally the Cats' great run had to grind to a halt sooner or later, and having suffered at their claws in four of the previous five finals it was only fitting that Cork's turn in the sun should arrive at last twelve months

Now, a year later, Kilkenny appear to have regained their appetite, at least if their National League win against today's visitors is anything to

After last week's lacklustre hurling semi-finals, we could do with a topclass encounter to satisfy the apparently insatiable public desire for quality action.

It will be no surprise if these ageold opponents provide it!



Cats caught on the line

PLUCKY champions, Cork lashed home four second half goals, the last just 30 seconds from time, to snatch a dramatic victory from Kilkenny's grasp in a pulsating All-Ireland senior camogie semi-final at Nowlan park on

their knees after the stylish Sinead Millea picked off two five minutes to put the chal-lengers within inches of a place in the final against Galway. nice points during the closing

But in one desperate last effort to save the day, Cork sub Lynn Dunlea won possession following a free from midfield by Breda Kenny. The nippy Dunlea was shep-herded away to the right of the town end goal by home defenders who were careful not to concede another close in free after losing three goals that way earlier.

But somehow Dunlea got in a shot and the well struck effort ended high in the Kilkenny net. The locals bar-

The champions were on the field before the final whistle sounded and they were left empty handed after one of the finest camogie we minutes to put the chalgames seen at the venue in

> In the end Kilkenny fell to Dunlea's goal, but they made life difficult on themselves by conceding three goals from 15 metre frees during the second half. Each time they looked like making a decisive break, the hard striking Colette O'Mahony would drill home a close-in free to drag Cork back into the match.

Burst through

In the end the Noresiders paid the price for not solving this particular difficulty and when the door was left open

5-10 (25 pts.) for Cork they burst through in 2-18 (24 pts.) the end and stole the ticket into the final from the opposi-

From the beginning this match was brimful of exciting incidents and top class camogie. Cork got off to a hectic start when Fiona O'Driscoll goaled in the early stages.

Shortly afterwards Sinead Millea hit a like score for Kilkenny, who then settled into a comfortable stride and opened up a 1-5 to 1-3 lead by the 19th minute. At this stage Angela Downey-Browne and Sinead Millea burst open the Cork defence, but the latter was deprived of a goal by alert keeper Kathleen Costine.

Captain Marina Downey shot a beautiful point to leave the Leesiders 1-3 to 1-6 behind in the 21st. minute. However, the hard chasing visitors were never out of the reckoning and twice they came back to level, the second time at 1-8 each at the break.

When Brigid Mullally opened the second half with a brace of Kilkenny points, the signs looked good. But then Collette O'Mahony dril-

led home the first of her three goals from 15 metre frees (2-8 cracked over the equaliser, to 1-10).

Danger area

Again Kilkenny hit back with stunning efficiency. Ann Downey brought the ball into the danger area and after a scramble near the goal, Claire Jones forced the ball over the line, Brigid Mullally tacked on a smashing point from 40 yards to really turn the screws on the champions (2-11 to 2-8).

All credit to Cork, they maintained their composure and after Fiona O'Driscoll and Angela Downey-Browne tacked on points, they jumped back level via a goal from a close in free by O'Mahony (3-9 to 2-12).

Again the home side took up the running with points from Mullally and Millea. Colette O'Mahony had a single reply for Cork, before Mullally found the target for Kilkenny. Then came O'Mahony's third goal from a close in free, which put the visitors 4-10 to 2-15 in front.

Angela Downey-Browne more scores to put the challengers on the verge of one of their finest wins in ages. However, it was not to be, and Dunlea became the hero of the hour when she drilled home the deciding score with no more than 30 seconds remaining.

The Scorers

Cork: C. O'Mahony (3-5), F. O'Driscoll (1-1); L. Dunlea (1-0); L. Mellerick (0-2); L. O'Neill, T. O'Callaghan (0-1 each). Kilkenny: B. Mullally (0-6); S. Millea (1-3); A. Downey-Browne (0-4); C. A. Downey-Browne (0-4). A. Downey-Browne (0-4); C. Jones (1-0); M. Downey (0-3); Ann Downey (0-2).

The Teams
Cork: K. Costine, B. Kenny, P.
Goggins, T. O'Callaghan, L.
Towler, L. Mellerick, S. Fitzgibbon, D. Cronin, I. O'Keeffe, F.
O'Driscoll, C. O'Mahony, L.
O'Neill. Sub: L. Dunlea.
Kilkenny: M. Fitzpatrick, B.
O'Sullivan, T. Millea, D. Malone, U. Murphy, M. Downey (captain), Ann Downey, G. Dillon, B. Mullally, C. Jones, A.
Downey-Browne, S. Millea. Sub: B. McGarry. B. McGarry.



First For Cork Kilkenny defenders are beaten in this goal shot from the first of Cork's penalties.

Cork win a classic

A WELL struck goal by Lynn Dunlea 30 seconds from the finish earned champions Cork a dramatic victory over Kilkenny in a captivating All-Ireland Senior Camogie semi-final at Nowlan Park, Kilken-

Into the closing 5 minutes a pair of points from Sinead Millea looked like downing the champions, but with time ticking away Breda Kenny flighted a hall lind the Kilkenny area and Dunlea beat three players before shooting high into the net.

The quality of camogie was stunning as the teams became locked in a gripping contest.

Cork started with a soft early goal from Fiona O'Driscoll. Minutes later Sinead Millea had a relatively easy goal for Kilkenny who for a while got the upper hand. But gritty Cork kept in the hunt and at half-time gained parity at 1-8 each.

When the challengers threw over two early secondhalf points by Bridget Molally they really looked as if they were heading for the victory that the 1,000 or so home crowd were cheering for.

But in the 33rd minute Colette O'Mahony delivered a 15 yard free to the Kilkenny net to put Cork ahead by 2-8 to 1-10.

Twice subsequently Kilkenny hit the front and twice the powerful striking O'Mahony called them back with goals from 15 vard frees.

Into the closing 5 mintues Kilkenny looked like getting away again but were caught on the line by Dunlea's superb stroke.

Scorers for Cork: C. O'Mahony 3-5; F. O'Driscoll 1-1; L. Duslea 1-0; L. Mellerick 0-2; T. O'Callaghan and L. O'Neill 0-1 each. Kilkenny: S. Mellea 1-3; B. Molally 0-6; A. Downey-Browne 0-4; C.

Jones 1-0; M.: Downey 0-3; A. Downey 0-2. CORK: K. Costine, B. Kenny, P. Goggins, T. O'Callaghan, L. Towler, L. Mellerick, S. Fitzgibbon, D. Cronin, I. O'Keeffe, F. O'Drincoll, C.

O'Mahony, L. O'Neill. Sub. L. Dunlea for O'Keeffe. KILKENNY: M. Fitzpatrick, B. O'Sullivan, T. Mellea, D. Malone, U. Murphy, M. Downey, Anne Downey, G. Dillon, B. Molally, C. Jones, Angela Downey-Browne, S. Mellea, Sub. B. Mc Garry for O'Sultvan. Referee: K. McNicholton (Clace).

Galway 5-7. Wexford 2-13

GALWAY have reached the All-Ireland Senior Camogie final for the first time in 31 years after they defeated Wexford in a thrilling semi-final played at Duggan Park, Ballinasloe, yesterday.

The ladies of the West trained by Cyril Farrell, had their first goal after three minutes from Anne Ryan, but by midway through the opening half the scoreline stood at Galway 1-3, Wexford 0-4,

Two goals in a two minute spell from Deirdre Costello and then a Claire Lynch point helped Galway to a seven point lead at half-time 3-5 to 0-7.

Wexford started the second-half reasonably well but in the 48th minute Galway had their fourth goal thanks once more to full-forward Lynch. It looked all over for last year's All-Ireland senior finalists when with eight minutes to go Ryan also had her second goal to open up a nine point lead - 5-6 to 0-12.

However, Wexford were determined to come back into the tie. With five minutes remaining, substitute Marian O'Leary drilled the sliothar to the net and ninety seconds later full-forward, Siobhan Dunne, had another goal to close the gap. In the dying seconds Geraldine Codd had a point from a thirty for Wexford, but it was too late as Galway had booked their place to meet Cork in the final.

Scorers for Galway: C. Lynch 2-4; A. Ryan 2-0; D. Costello 1-1; S. Glynn 0-2.

Wexford: S. Dunne 1-7; F. Dunne 0-5; M. O'Leary 1-0; G. Codd 0-1. GALWAY: T. Laheen, S. Coen, C. Allen, B. Stratford, P. Nevin, O. Broderick, S. Glynn, D. Maher, A. Ryan, D. Costello (capt.), I. Hobbins, C. Lynch. Sub. B. Fahy for Broderick (55 mins).

WEXFORD: T. Butler, C. Murphy (capt.), S. Sinnott, P. Rankin, D. Hearne, M. O'Neill, F. Dunne, A. Hearne, G. O'Grady, A. Reddy, J. O'Leary, S. Dunne, Subs. G. Codd for J. O'Leary (30 mins.), M. Codd for O'Grady (38 mins), M. O'Leay for O'Neill (51 mins).



Kilkenny goal-keeper M. Fitzpatrick about to clear her lines in yesterday's All-Ireland camogie semi-final against Cork at Nowlan Park.

Referee: A. Derham (Dublin).

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CORK GIRLS MAKE THEIR POINT!

y T.P.O'Mahony

"All we have to do now is bring home the cup!" That was the comment from a breathless Linda Mellerick after Cork's stunning victory over arch-rivals Kilkenny in yesterday's All-Ireland Camogie Semi-Final.

Team captain Linda one of several blonde bombshells on this hugely talented Cork side — was delighted with the one point victory.

"To beat Kilkenny at any time is an achievement, but to do so in Nowlan Park when everything was at stake is very gratifying indeed."

Skills

In a game which had everything — marvellous skills, intense competitiveness and high drama — Cork edged their way into the All-Ireland Final with a 5-10 to 2-18 win over Kilkenny.

"The game was in the balance right to the very end, and with the seconds ticking away I thought we were goners."

Substitute Lynn Dunlea — a Glen Rovers clubmate of Linda's —



Cork star, Therese O'Callaghan, strikes the ball past her Kilkenny opponent, with Cork captain Linda Mellerick in the background, at the All-Ireland semi-final at Nowlan Park, yesterday.

sealed victory for the Leesiders with a superb goal 30 seconds from the finish.

Now Cork must face Galway who reached the All-Ireland Final for the first time in 31 years when they defeated Wexford by 5-7 to 2-13 in the second Semi-Final at Duggan Park, Ballinalsoe, yesterday. "We don't really know

what Galway will be like in the final, but we'll be all fired up anyway," said Therese O'Callaghan, who turned in another fine performance yesterday.

Easy

"We knew it wasn't going to be easy against Kilkenny in their own backyard, but the girls hurled with incredible commitment, and never gave up," added Therese.

In a game that amply justifies its description as a classic, it was this never-say-die attitude which saw Cork through. "We knew it would take all our resources to defeat Kilkenny, and we went into this game in a very determined mood," said Linda.

"All I want to do now is bring the Cup back to Cork — if we can beat Galway it will round off a marvellous year."

Three Goals

Three great goals by Colette O'Mahony coming at crucial stages — kept Cork alive.

"Those goals by
Colette pulled us back
from the brink, and
Lynn's goal was the
clincher — but we must
do it all again now
against Galway," said
Linda.

After yesterday's classic at Nowlan Park, this Cork side will be hot favourites for next month's All-Ireland Final.

"Yeah — we'll go in as favourites after yesterday. No doubt about that. But we'll be taking nothing for granted," commented Linda.

"If Galway are going to beat us, they'll have to be very good indeed."

In the light of yesterday's exhibitating performance few will argue with that.