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Anne Murnane of Clare racing away with the ball from Cork defenders, Mary Ring, (left) daughter of the late Christy Ring, and Liz Maher.

Twenty years after the founding of the Gaelic Athletic Association, Irish girls were still without a national game. At this time, the Gaelic League was thriving. The Craobh an Chéitinnigh Branch of the Gaelic League in Dublin included hurling and football in its programme of activities.

BY MARY MORGAN

Lady members of the Branch complained that there was no Irish game available to them. The Branch Committee took up this challenge and set about inventing a new game based on the ancient game of hurling.

### FIRST GAMES

Tadhg O Donnchada suggested the name "Camóguidheacht". Rules were drafted which vary little from the present Official Guide. The first team was composed of members of the Keating Branch. The second team to be formed played under the name of Cuchullains.

Following practices at Drumcondra Park and later in the Phoenix Park, the first camogie match was staged at Navan on 15th July, 1904. The newspapers of the time described the event as a "novelty".

There is no reference to the quality of play in the early games but, it is reasonable to assume, that the standard was not very high. The fact that the players of the day were grown up before taking to the game would account for this. It was not the accepted thing for girls to play games. A field, team-game would have been new to these girls.

### LACK OF TECHNIQUE

The style of dress of those early players did not lend itself to athletic activity. Long hobble-skirts frequently tripped up their wearers. Footwear was rather restrictive. Laced or buttoned boots, which often came well up the leg, tended to hamper movement.

The majority of the players confined their efforts to ground camogie. A few used all their energy just to show how far they could puck it. The longer the shot, the more satisfaction the wielder of the caman got from her exertion. Whether the ball landed to the advantage of her team-mates or outside the playing area did not seem to matter.

### DEVELOPMENT NATIONALLY

From Dublin the game spread to Dundalk, Cork, Newry, Belfast and other areas. Mayo born Sean O'Duffy, who hurled with Crokes GAA Club, directed his energies towards promoting the new game. In a lifetime of committed endeavour, he saw the game played in each of the thirty-two counties.

Camogie is a superb game. It embraces a complete range of skills. To master the game, it is essential for a girl to be introduced to it at a tender age. Many, many hours of practice are required to

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gain control over the stick and ball. The correct technique must be shown to the new player and guidance from a good coach is necessary as she progresses.

The schools and colleges throughout the country have played a dominant role in fostering the game. Nuns and teachers have made a vast contribution to the raising of standards. Camogie has flourished where the game is well organised in the schools of the area or where there is a strong hurling tradition.

## COMPETITION AND STARS

The All-Ireland championship commenced in 1932. In the ensuing years, tremendous matches have been witnessed and outstanding performers have graced the game. Strangely enough, only five counties, Dublin, Cork, Antrim, Kilkenny and Wexford have engraved their names on the O'Duffy Cup, symbol of All-Ireland supremacy.

Honours in the initial decade of intercounty competition were divided between Dublin and Cork. Dublin notched the first of their twenty five titles in the opening year of the competition. Many of the Dublin players are remembered with pride. Brid Kenny was the outstanding goalkeeper in that era. Her centre-back Maura Gill doubled as captain of the team and President of the Camogie Association. The late Maire O'Kelly was an artistic player with a devastating shot. Emmy Delaney, Queenie Dunne and Jean Hannon possessed individual brilliance.

## DUBLIN AND CORK

Cork bounced on the scene in 1934 and proceeded to win a hat-trick of titles. Lil Kirby, who went on to collect six All-Ireland medals, dominated the centre of the field with her speed and neat striking. Kitty Buckley's delightful stickwork was a treat to watch. Always using her head to assess the best option was Josie McGrath, who later filled the role of Lady Mayoress of Cork.

The 1937 and 1938 Dublin winning sides contained that most colourful of performers, Angela Egan. Her contemporaries place her in the superstar class. Peggy Griffin at centreback was a most accomplished player. Placed at right forward was Agnes Hourigan who devoted her life to the promotion of the game.

## SOME OF THE GREATS

Cork returned to take another hat-trick. Peggy Hogg was a mere twelve-year-old when she first stood between the posts for Cork. A goalkeeper of sheer class, Peggy was rarely beaten by the ball. Kathleen Coughlan and Mary Fitzgerald were stouthearted defenders but it was the clever interplay of forwards Kitty Buckley, Renee Fitzgerald and Eileen Casey which made that Cork outfit a winning one.

Kathleen Mills was the best known players of her era. She won the first of her fifteen medals in 1942. She possessed an elegant style of play. She struck

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Deirdre Lane (Tipperary) attempts to catch the ball under pressure in the Dublin v Galway senior semi-final.



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# OPEN DRAW—WEXFORD'S GREAT

The Open draw All-Ireland Camogie Championship gets under way on Sunday with four attractive pairing down for decision. Wexford entertain Antrim at Monamolin; Galway have Limerick as visitors to Tynagh; Tipperary meet Louth at Cappawhite, while champions, Cork, take on Clare at Sixmilebridge.

The draw leaves Dublin, Kilkenny and Cork in the safe half, while Wexford are tipped to be one of the favourites on the other. K

Masters of the seven-a-side game, Buffers Alley, won the St. Paul's Sevens last weekend

and should their players carry the same spirit into Sunday's encounter, Antrim will find the going difficult.

Limerick, who travel to Galway, still field the majority of the players who did duty for them in the 1981 final. This experience should stand to them at Tynagh. Geraldine O'Brien, Ellen O'Connell, era Mackey, Pauline McCarthy and Brid Stokes know each others' play and should combine effectively.

Galway did not show well in the league. They possess a number of bright prospects

like Breda Kenny and Anne Briscoe, but may find Limerick's all round strength too much to cope with.

The novel and unexpected pairings thrown up by the Open Draw system matches Louth and Tipperary. Tipperary have contested six All-Ireland finals but have yet to bring home the coveted trophy. Louth were a force in the early days of the competition and several of the present side were on the 1982 winning junior team.

Louth have found the transition to the senior grade difficult. With only two senior

clubs to draw from, their pick is limited. Vivienne Kelly, Anne Currid, the Crehan sisters and Anne Harrington will be doing their best to cause a surprise.

Champions, Cork, meet keen rivals, Clare, at Sixmilebridge. Absent from their league winning side will be Martha Kearney, who has left for America. Martha has been a prominent member of the side for the past five years and will be difficult to replace. Cathy Landers, Sandie Fitzgibbon, Marion McCarthy and Mary O'Leary are in good form at the moment and will

be hoping to

There has been recent championship on At Blackrock last year only emerged on top final quarter. Anne Russell, Claire Jones, Devoren, Carmel Moynihan, Martina Beagan love to pull one over on Glenalbyn. National Junior League Armagh is the pick of the junior graded counties at the moment. They who field their Armagh can call

## Can Cork Lay Claim To Unique Double?

CORK set out in defence of their All-Ireland crown on Sunday next and will be hoping to take the first step towards achieving a unique double when they meet Clare at Sixmilebridge in the first round proper of the All-Ireland campaign.

Big game in the long list of club fixtures for the coming week is the intermediate county championship semi-final between Glen Rovers and Youghal.

Although Cork were far from their best in the National League final against Dublin, they still did enough to take that coveted title for the first time — and here perhaps lies the secret of Cork's success — the ability even when playing badly to come up with the necessary scores.

Cork have been training hard since the League Final and should be closer to their best on Sunday. However, Cork followers will remember that Clare gave the county team a tough battle at the same stage of last year's championship and felt they could have won. So on Sunday they will take the field with the feeling that they can win.

Clare were not too impressive in the League campaign but they too have been training very hard for Sunday's crack at the champions. A home venue will be a help too and if their top players, including Maureen Davoren, at centre back, Ann Marie Russell in goal, as well as Patricia and Carmel Moroney, Clare Jones, Veronica Casey, Liz Condon and Martina Beagan all play up to standard, they will be pretty confident of causing a major upset.

For Sunday Cork have lost their star corner forward Martha Kearney, who has emigrated to America and she is going to be greatly missed. A stylist and powerful defender she will be hard to replace. Martha's position will be taken by Liz Lynch, who is no newcomer to the side as she has played many games for the county. She is a sound, close defender, who will give little away and with experienced defenders around her, she should fit in well.

The rest of the team is the same as that which started in the league final against Dublin. This means that grand goalie Marian McCarthy will again be in goal with the solid Eileen Dineen at full back and the sound Miriam Higgins on the opposite wing to Liz Lynch. And at centreback Cork have one of the best defenders in the country in Catherine Landers. Newcomer Liz Dunphy continues to hold her place at full centre and she will be flanked by that exciting and hard working pair Clare Cronin and captain Sandy Fitzgibbon.

It is a little surprising that Cork retained the same attack as this sector was the most suspect against Dublin, and missed many scoring chances. However, up to then they had been pretty effective so the selectors obviously have shown faith in them. Val Fitzpatrick is a powerful centreforward, who did not reach her best last time out while Mary O'Leary and Ger McCarthy on the wings and Angela Higgins at full forward are all capable of being match winners in their own right, although they too, with the exception of Mary O'Leary never reached top form against Dublin.

On the substitutes bench, the Cork selectors have plenty of forward talent in Clare Kelleher, who made a difference when she came on against Dublin, Mary Geaney, and Noelle O'Driscoll and the Cork forwards will have to be on their toes if they are to retain their positions for the full game.

On paper this Cork side looks as if they have too much power for Clare and certainly if they hit top form they will be hard to beat. However, they will have to strike top form from the beginning if they are to account for the determined Clare side, who will be hoping to stop the Cork run not only to a unique double of League and Championship in the same season, but also the chance of making it three All-Ireland titles in a row.

Cork team: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, M. Higgins, C. Landers, L. Lynch, C. Cronin, L. Dunphy, S. Fitzgibbon, M. O'Leary, V. Fitzpatrick, G. McCarthy, A.

Higgins. Subs: M. Twomey, A. M. Landers, C. Kelleher, M. Ring, M. Geaney, L. Zinkant, N. O'Driscoll.

Glen Rovers will be hoping to gain some measure of consolation for their senior county championship defeat last week at the hands of Killeagh by qualifying for the intermediate final when they meet Youghal tomorrow evening at Glen Rovers. But the seaside girls have been playing well this season and will not give up a place in the final without a struggle.

Finally a word about an interesting Camogie Exhibition at the Fitzgerald Park Museum, in which there is a fine display of camogie items, as part of the G.A.A. Centenary Exhibition at the museum. There is also a short history of Cork camogie for sale at the show, which

anyone interested in the game should have.

All evening matches at 7.30 p.m. unless stated otherwise.

This evening (Friday):

U 14 L.B. at Blackrock, Blackrock v Bishopstown A (Ref. Bishopstown).

Tomorrow (Saturday):

L.C. semi-final, Glen Rovers v Youghal at Glen Rovers (Ref. Marie Keaney).

J.B.L., St. Catherine's v St. Fanahans at Ballynoe, 8 p.m. (Ref. Bride Rovers); Passage v Crosshaven at Passage (Ref. Douglas); Ballygarvan v Fr. Matthews at Ballygarvan (Ref. St. Finbarrs); Blackrock v Erins Own at Blackrock (Ref. Nemo Rangers); Sarsfields v Watergrasshill at Watergrasshill (Ref. Erins Own).

Sunday:

All-Ireland Senior Championship, Clare v Cork at Sixmilebridge, 3 p.m. (Ref. Phyllis Breslin, Dublin); Tipperary v Lough at Tipper-

ary, 3 p.m. (Ref. Ann Downey, Kilkenny); Galway v Limerick at Galway, 3 p.m. (Ref. Orla Ni Riain); Wexford v Antrim at Wexford, 3 p.m. (Ref. Belle O'Loughlin).

Tuesday:

U 16 L: Watergrasshill v Erins Own at Watergrasshill (Ref. Bride Rovers); Killeagh v Fr. O'Neills at Fr. O'Neills (Ref. Youghal); St. Finbarrs v Douglas at Douglas (Ref. Glen Rovers); Bishopstown "B" v Blackrock at Blackrock (Ref. Nemo Rangers); Na Piarasigh v Glen Rovers at Glen Rovers (Ref. Fr. Matthews); Aghabullogue v Inniscarra at Inniscarra (Ref. Cloughduv).

Thursday:

U 18 L: Cloughduv v Aghabullogue at Aghabullogue (Ref. Inniscarra); Killeagh v Fr. O'Neills at Killeagh (Ref. Youghal); St. Finbarrs v Nemo Rangers at Nemo Rangers (Ref. Fr. Matthews); Bishopstown v Douglas at Bishopstown (Ref. Ballinora); Na Piarasigh v Blackrock at Blackrock (Ref. Brian Dillons).

### COMFORTABLE WIN FOR CORK

CORK 4-7; CLARE 1-4

Favourites Cork had a comfortable victory over Clare in the first round of the All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship at Sixmilebridge yesterday.

The winners got off to a great start with three goals in the opening ten minutes. From there on, however, there was little between the teams and, in fairness, Clare deserved to be closer at the finish.

Cork led 3-4 to 0-1 at the break, with Sandra Fitzgibbon their star player on the day. She got tremendous support from Valerie Fitzpatrick Eileen Dineen, and goalkeeper Marion McCarthy.

For Clare, Maureen Davern, was outstanding at full back, while others to play well were Carmel and Patricia Moroney, Liz Condon, and Veronica Casey.

Scorers: Cork: V. Fitzpatrick 2-1, A. Higgins 1-1, G. McCarthy 1-0, M. O'Leary 0-2, S. Fitzgibbon, A. M. Landers, L. Dunphy 0-1 each.

Clare: L. Fox 1-0, M. A. McNerney 0-2, L. Condon, C. Wall 0-1.

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## FIXTURES SUNDAY

Monamolin (2.0), Wexford v. Antrim.  
Tynagh (3.30), Galway v. Wick.  
Cappawhite (3.0), Tipperary v. Louth.  
Sixmilebridge (3.9), Cork v. Clare.  
National Junior League: At Glenalbyn (3.0) — Wexford v. Armagh.

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## Antrim no match for Wexford girls

WEXFORD 7-3  
ANTRIM 1-2

WEXFORD senior camogie team played Antrim in the first round of the All-Ireland camogie championship last Sunday in Monamolin. They beat them very convincingly and never really looked in any trouble.

As usual, the Wexford players were a little slow in starting and were quite lucky that they did not concede any scores in the opening ten minutes.

Antrim played with a slight wind advantage in the first half and really should have put it to better use. Wexford got off the mark with a fine goal from Eileen Kehoe who was playing full-forward. She doubled in the air on a cross from Caroline Farrington and the ball crashed into the net.

This was all that Wexford needed to put them into top gear and with further goals from Eileen Kehoe (2) and Jackie Codd (1), they went in at half-time leading 4-0 to Antrim's 0-1.

In the second half they took over and Eileen Kehoe, Jackie Codd and Anne Reddy all scored goals. They were cruising to a comfortable win, so comfortable, in fact, that Kathleen Tonks in goal hardly saw the ball in the second half. Eileen Kehoe, Jackie Codd and Anne Reddy added points before the full-time whistle. Antrim did get two further scores late in the match. One goal from a 15 yard free and a point from play.

This was a very good display from Wexford. They showed a fitness and determination that could see them go further in the championship. But there is still a long way to go, and their next match will be against Down in Down on July 29th.

Team—K. Tonks, A. Butler, G. Wynn, S. Sinnott, T. Fitzhenry, A. Reddy, G. Coady, M. O'Neill, C. Murphy, J. Codd, C. Farrington, E. Kehoe.



The Cork camogie team which defeated Clare in the Munster junior final at Togher, Cork, on Saturday.

(“Examiner”)

## CLEAN SWEEP FOR CORK

CORK 4-3, CLARE 1-5

CORK have once again made a clean sweep of Munster Camogie Championship titles, with the junior string completing the 1984 hat-trick, when the Leesiders had a fine win over a fancied Clare side at St. Finbarr's on Saturday evening. Cork seniors won their provincial championship on Friday evening last, and the minors were successful two weeks ago.

Cork had a dream start with a goal almost from throw-in by full-forward Sarah Murphy, but for the remainder of the first half they had a tough battle, as Clare looked good and, but for missed chances, might well have been ahead at the interval. Instead they just grabbed an equalising point before the break to leave the sides level (1-1 to 0-4).

Caroline Carmody put Clare ahead for the first time just after the interval with an excellent goal, and for a short time they again looked very strong. But then came a fantastic long-range goal from Cork captain Irene O'Leary, and this seemed to inspire the winners. Two further goals from Linda Mellerick and Denise Cotter, and points from Sarah Murphy and Linda Mellerick, to which Clare could only reply with a single point from Ann Murnane, ensured Cork's impressive win.

So this new look Cork team — they

had to field a completely new side this season, having won the All-Ireland last year — completed the coveted championship treble, and kept hopes alive for a retention of the All-Ireland grand slam.

Kathleen Costine, Mary Spillane, Paula Goggins, Irene O'Leary and Denise Cotter impressed for the winners, while Clare had their best performers in Helen Cusack, Marie McNicholas and Ann Murnane.

Scorers—Cork: L. Mellerick, D. Cotter and S. Murphy 1-1 each; I. O'Leary 1-0. Clare: C. Carmody 1-0, M. McNicholas 0-3, A. Murnane 0-2.

Cork—K. Costine, L. Maher, B. Flaherty, M. Spillane, P. Goggins, I. O'Leary, J. Rumley, P. Morgan, R. Scutts, S. Murphy, D. Cotter, C. O'Regan. Subs: M. Currid for J. Rumley; L. Mellerick for C. O'Regan.

Clare—J. Malone, J. Conlon, C. McNamara, H. Cusack, G. Morey, P. Ryan, N. Quinn, T. O'Connell, T. Naughton, M. McNicholas, A. Murnane, C. Carmody. Subs: K. Naughton for C. Connolly.

Referee: H. Sheehy (Limerick).

## Cork Aiming For A Hat-trick

CORK will be hoping to complete a hat-trick of Munster championship titles over the weekend. They have already won the minor title and on this evening (Friday) the seniors play their provincial decider against Clare, and the juniors meet the same county in their final tomorrow (Saturday) evening.

There are no games listed in Cork for Sunday because of the Munster hurling final, but there are league games on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

Cork and Clare met on Sunday last in the All-Ireland championship when the Leesiders had a good win. Now the sides are to meet again this evening in the Munster championship final, and Clare will be hoping to make amends for Sunday last by taking the provincial crown.

And Clare's performance in the All-Ireland tie was

not as poor as the score suggests (4-7 to 1-4) as Cork had two very easy goals, one in each half and Clare were certainly better than the score suggests. They had excellent players in Liz Condon, Clare Jones, Veronica Casey, Carmel and Patricia Moroney and no doubt they will be determined to put up an even better performance this time.

For this evening's game, Cork have made a number of changes. Liz Lynch who came into the side in place of Martha Kearney at corner back is out of favour and on Sunday that vital position will be filled by Margo Twomey. Sandy Fitzgibbon, who starred against Clare, is the only centre to stay in that sector, as Liz Dunphy has been relegated to the reserves, and Clare Cronin has been moved to corner forward with Ann Marie Landers coming into the centre spot and Ger McCarthy moving back from corner forward to wing centre.

Angela Higgins has been left out of the attack and her position at full forward will be taken by Clare Kelleher, who came on in the closing minutes last time out. Mary O'Leary and Clare Cronin will be on the wings and Val Fitzpatrick retains her centre forward position.

It will be interesting to see how all these changes work out as with Cork due to meet the winners of the Kilkenny-Dublin clash in the next round of the All-Ireland championship, it is vital that they find their best combination now. Incidentally that Dublin-Kilkenny game is to be played on Sunday in what must surely be the pick of the first round ties.

There is no doubt that Cork will be expected to win again this evening as not only is there a Munster championship crown on offer but also the players will all be fighting for positions on the All-Ireland side. And they also have the knowledge that they are capable of beating Clare. On paper this Cork side is full of talent and if they strike top form then they will be difficult to beat. And with trainer Tom Nott's guidance they will treat this game very seriously indeed and should win the county's second Munster title of the season.

What of the juniors' chances? Well they are bound to be up against it in Clare as that county can always field marvellous sides in this grade. They have fine young players in Helen Cusack, Maura McNicholas, Ann Murnane, Caroline O'Meara and Patricia Ryan, and will be very tough opposition indeed.

Also, unlike the senior championship which is now a separate competition since the introduction of the open draw for the All-Ireland, the Munster junior winners go on to the All-Ireland semi-final, so that tomorrow's game has to be won if All-Ireland interests are to be kept alive.

This season Cork had to find a completely new side, as they won the All-Ireland title last season. This is never an easy thing to do, but so far they have played quite well although they have been missing chances up front.

The junior selectors like the seniors have also decided on some changes for this tie. Kathleen Costine, who was so good for Kilkenny in their championship tie against Glen Rovers, and who was in-

jured for Cork's last outing is back in goal instead of Deirdre O'Shea. Bridie Flaherty replaces Una O'Connor in the defence. Josephine Rumley, who came on as a sub last time out retains her place at the expense of Mary Currid and Christine O'Regan comes on instead of Patricia Fitzgibbon, who was injured recently and the selectors fear she may not be fully fit.

So, again like the seniors, players are still trying to establish regular places on the side, so that good performances will have to come from the beginning as there are a number of talented players named in the reserves, who might be called on at any time during the game.

A home venue could help Cork in this tie, but because of the power of the Clare team, the Leesiders will have to produce a top class performance if they are to win.

### CORK TEAMS

Senior: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, M. Twomey, M. Higgins, C. Landers, G. McCarthy, A. M. Landers, S. Fitzgibbon (captain), C. Cronin, V. Fitzpatrick, M. O'Leary, C. Kelleher.

Subs: L. Lynch, L. Dunphy, A. Higgins, L. Zinkant, N. O'Driscoll, M. Ring, M. Geaney.

Junior: K. Costine, M. Spillane, L. Maher, B. Flaherty, P. Goggins, J. Rumley, P. Morgan, I. O'Leary (captain), R. Scutts, D. Cotter, S. Murphy, C. O'Regan.

Subs: D. O'Shea, L. Mellerick, M. Currid, P. Fitzgibbon, L. Cosgrove, U. O'Connor.

### FIXTURES

● All evening games at 7.30 p.m.

This evening (Friday), M.S.C. final, Cork v Clare at Sixmilebridge.

### Cork too strong

CORK 2-6; CLARE 0-0

Despite failing to score, Clare gave one of their better performances against Cork in the Munster senior camogie final at Sixmilebridge last evening. The Clare attack, however, was very disappointing, missing many good chances, including a number of frees straight in front of the post.

Twenty minutes went by before the first score — a Cork goal from Mary O'Leary. Clare Cronin added another before the interval.

In the second half the Clare defence continued to play superbly but their forward line without regulars Lourda Fox and Clare Jones, continued to waste chances. Cork certainly deserved their victory, however, a repeat of last Sunday's success over the same opposition in the All-Ireland championship.

For the winners, Mary O'Leary, Ann Marie Landers, Noelle O'Driscoll and Clare Cronin were best. Clare had their best players in Carmel and Patricia Moroney, Maureen Davoran, Veronica Casey and Liz Condon.

Scorers: Cork — C. Cronin 1-1, N. O'Driscoll 0-4, M. O'Leary 1-0, A. M. Landers 0-1.

# Eire Og Withdraw from all Competition

Eire Og camogie club has withdrawn from all Clare competitions. To-date they have pulled out of the senior and under 12 county championships and its understood that they will not participate in the under 18 competition which is due to get under way shortly.

Eire Og official Kitty McNicholas didn't wish to comment on the matter when I contacted her on Tuesday. She did confirm that her club had withdrawn from all competition. When I asked her why they had taken this action, she suggested that I get in touch with county board officials. "We didn't do it without a reason", she said before declining to comment further on the matter.

A county board official confirmed that Eire Og had not competed in recent championships but added that board officials were not aware of why the club had withdrawn.

Some time ago a senior league tie between Eire Og and Ruan was abandoned in the second half when only two points separated the sides. The county board declared the game null and void and banned Ruan from

competing further in the competition.

Eire Og appealed this decision to Munster Council when the only change made was to award the points from the game to Eire Og.

While officials of the Eire Og club weren't prepared to comment officially, a reliable source within the camogie set-up told the Clare Champion that the Ennis club claim that they are not getting fair play from the board and because of this they decided to withdraw.

Eire Og players have continued to play with Clare in recent Munster championship matches and two members of the Ennis club are named on the county under 18 panel which is presently in training.

There must be doubts about the legality of these players. Have they been made illegal by their clubs decision to withdraw from championship. A club withdrawing from championship loses its affiliation, I understand, and must apply to the county board to be re-instated.

No doubt board officials will be examining the set-up during the coming week.

## Cork again too strong for Clare

THE defeat of the Clare junior team in the Munster final on Saturday last ended a dismal week for Clare camogie teams. On the previous Sunday the seniors went out of the All-Ireland senior race when losing to Cork at Sixmilebridge. When the sides met again at the same venue on Friday evening, this time in the Munster final, Clare failed to score as Cork again took the honours. Then on Saturday the Cork juniors won comfortably in the Provincial decider.

CORK ..... 2-6  
CLARE ..... 0-0

Favourites, Cork, proved too strong for Clare in the Munster final at Sixmilebridge on Friday evening last. While Clare failed to score, it must be said that they did provide stiff opposition for the Cork side. Twenty minutes elapsed before Cork opened the scoring with a goal and they added another goal before the break.

Clare did have a number of chances in the opening quarter but their forward line, without Lourda Fox and Claire Jones, did poorly.

CORK ..... 4-3  
CLARE ..... 1-5

Clare made their exit from the Munster junior camogie championship when they were well beaten by Cork on Saturday. The winners got off to a great start with a goal straight from the throw-in. Clare rallied well but chances were missed and they were a trifle lucky to be on level terms - 0-4 to 1-1 - at the break.

A goal from Caroline Carmody put Clare into the lead in the second half but then disaster struck when Cork had a goal from a long-range shot and they followed up with 2-2 as against a point for Clare.

Helen Cusack gave an outstanding display at centre back and she got good support from Geraldine Morey, Ann Murnane and Maura McNicholas.

Clare take on Cork on Sunday week, July 29, in the minor championship and in preparation for this game there will be a training session at the Fairgreen on this Sunday at 2 p.m. The following players are asked to attend: S. Reidy, D. O'Reilly, N. Quinn, C. Cooney (Sixmilebridge), D. Moroney, B. Daffy (Ruan), S. Marsh (Cloonoy), T. O'Connell, A. Murnane, S. O'Halloran, P. Torpey, C. Carmody, T. Torpey (Kilkishen), M. O'Donoghue, C. McGrath, G. Rochford (Feakle), J. Malone, M. McNicholas (Eire Og), C. O'Loughlin (Corofin), K. Naughton (Shannon).

## Cork Minors Defend Titles

THE highly-talented Cork minor team will play their Munster Championship final against Limerick at Na Piarasigh on Sunday at 3 p.m. And on the same evening the eagerly-awaited Cork senior county semi-final between Glen Rovers, the holders and Killeagh will be played at Carrigtwohill at 7.30 p.m.

Cork, the All-Ireland champions, will be defending their Munster crown on Sunday next against Limerick in what should be a very keenly-contested affair.

Both sides have big wins to their credit, with Cork having accounted for Tipperary and Limerick for Clare.

There is an amount of excellent individual talent in this Cork minor team and if they can put it all together it will take a very good side indeed to beat them. Brid Walsh is a fine goalie, while the backs Kathleen O'Keeffe, Vivian O'Brien Colette Cronin and Niamh Coughlan are all excellent defenders. Deirdre Christie, Colette O'Mahony and Evelyn Healy are three stylish mid-fielders, while the multi-talented Jean Paula Kent, Patricia O'Shea, Helena Barry and Paula Carey are all capable of being match-winners in their own right.

But Cork would not want to be complacent about Limerick who can always produce very good minor sides. They have a highly-rated performer in Kathy McHenry who played so well for Limerick juniors on Sunday last, and they also have very good players in Terry Flynn, Teresa Fitzgerald and Eileen Liston.

But with a home venue Cork will be expected to win.

**Cork Team** — B. Walsh (Cloughduv), K. O'Keeffe (Brian Dillons), V. O'Brien (do), C. Cronin (St. Finbarr's), N. Coughlan (Bishopstown), D. Christie (St. Finbarr's), C. O'Mahony (do), E. Healy (Na Piarasigh), J. P. Kent (do), P. O'Shea (Blackrock), H. Barry (Brian Dillons), P. Carey (St. Finbarr's).

**Subs.** L. Aherne (Eire Og), K. Mellerick (Brian Dillons), A. Barry (Brian Dillons), H. O'Connor (Killeagh), L. Leahy (do), Y. O'Neill (St. Finbarr's), C. Currid (Glen Rovers).

Glen Rovers, the holders, are fancied to retain their county crown this season, but on Sunday they can expect a tough battle against Killeagh, who have been training very hard for the championship and are hoping to upset the odds and win the right to meet Na Piarasigh, in the County Final.

Glen Rovers came back with a 'bang' last season after a long time in the

doldrums and are determined to stay on top. They have a very good team, with strength in all departments and they will be very difficult to stop.

Deirdre Sutton is a very sound goalie, while Ger McCarthy, Val Fitzpatrick, Martha Kearney and Sandy Fitzgibbon need no introduction to inter-county followers, they are all members of the Senior Cork side.

But Killeagh too have their inter-county stars in Catherine Landers, so marvellous against Dublin in the National League Final, and Ann Marie Landers of the senior panel, and Patsy Keniry, Ann Leahy and Mary Spillane, all of whom played junior for Cork. They too have an all round strength and having tasted County Championship success in the past they will be determined to reach the final by defeating the holders on Sunday.

So the stage is set for what is sure to be a tough, exciting battle between two excellent sides.

The remainder of the week is full of fixtures, all in the various leagues as Camogie reaches its busiest time of the year.

Fixtures: (All 7 unless stated otherwise)  
This evening (Fri) Bishopstown 'B' v at Douglas (Ref. barr's).

U-16 L. Ballincollig Og at Ballincollig Aghabullogue).

J.B.L. Blackrock Piarasigh at Bla (Ref. Douglas).

Saturday J.A. O'Neill's v Brian Di Fr. O'Neill's Youghal).

Sunday: Minor Cork v Limerick Piarasigh 3 p.m. S.C. Final: Glen Rovers leagh at Carrig' (Ref. S. Golden).

Tuesday: U-14L. collig v Ballinora at ora (Ref. Ballincollig).

Wednesday: J.B. Catherine's v Bride at Bride Rovers Watergrasshill).

I.L. Eire Og v Youghal (Ref. Kill).

Thursday: All-unc (First named have and second the r) Ballincollig v Alogue. Erins' Own v martyr; Watergrass Fr. O'Neill's, Sard Killeagh: Eire Og carra; Newcest Cloughduv; Bisho 'B' v St. Finbarr's.

## Cork minors keep crown

CORK 3-7 LIMERICK 1-3

CORK retained their Munster Minor Championship crown at Na Piarasigh Grounds yesterday, when they defeated Limerick by 3-7 to 1-3.

Played in glorious weather, this was an excellent game between two talented sides, and although Cork ran out easy winners at the end, the score does not really reflect the part which Limerick played.

Fancied Cork had a fight on their hands in the first half, during which Limerick proved quite promising and the winners were only ahead by a single point at the interval (1-4 to 1-3).

But what a different Cork side came out after the break. Suddenly they clicked and two great goals from Paula Carey and Colette O'Mahony put them on the road to victory. From then to the finish we saw the best of this Cork team as the stylish Jean Paula Kent, Paula Carey and Colette O'Mahony gave the Limerick defence all sorts of problems. Deirdre Christie played a captain's part in the centre, and Evelyn Healy and Niamh Coughlan also excelled.

Limerick battled gamely to the end, with goalie Louise Mulqueen making some excellent saves, Kathy McEnery always threatening and Eve Watson, Marianne Biggane and Terry Finn also doing well.

Scorers: Cork—C. O'Mahony 1-3, P. Carey and H. Barry 1-0 each, J. P. Kent 0-3, P. O'Shea 0-1. Limerick—T. Finn 1-0, K. McEnery 0-3.

CORK—B. Walsh, K. O'Keeffe, V. O'Brien, C. Cronin, N. Coughlan, D. Christie, C. O'Mahony, E. Healy, J. P. Kent, P. O'Shea, H. Barry, P. Carey. Subs. K. Mellerick for C. Cronin (injured), A. Barry for H. Barry.

LIMERICK—L. Mulqueen, M. O'Brien, C. Murphy, L. Long, E. Liston, A. Kiely, K. McEnery, T. Fitzgerald, L. Watson, M. Biggane, T. Finn, M. Sheehan. Subs. K. Kiely for E. Watson, U. Lillis for T. Fitzgerald.

Referee: B. Stokes (Limerick).

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Cork players Colette O'Mahony and Paula Carey, challenge a Limerick player as she kicks the ball from defence during the Munster minor camogie final at Na Piarsaigh Grounds yesterday.

## Dubs Again

DUBLIN ..... 2-4  
ARMAGH ..... 1-3

Dublin, the holders, had to fight all the way to stave off the strong challenge from Armagh in an exciting and keenly contested final of the National Junior Camogie League played at Stillorgan yesterday.

The sides were level at 0-1 each at the interval and again 3 times in the second period. It was the opportunism of M. Connell, who replaced E. Campbell at full forward, that helped the Dubs to retain the title for the third successive year.

S. Doyle, P. Clinton, T. Byrne, M. Connell were outstanding for the winners and B. McNally, M. Moriarty and P. Daly and M. McDonnell were the pick of a good Armagh side.

**SCORERS:** Dublin: M. Connell (2-2), P. Clinton, S. Doyle (0-1 each); Armagh: M. Donnelly (1-1); B. Jordan and M. Moriarty (0-1 each).



Cork (top) who defeated Limerick in the Munster minor camogie final at Na Piarsaigh ground.  
(Pictures, Eddie O'Hare)



Cork defender Niamh Coughlan

## NA PIARSAIG THROUGH TO DECIDER

NA PIARSAIG 3-7  
BALLINORA 1-4

NA PIARSAIG won their way to the Senior county championship final at Ballincollig on Wednesday evening when they accounted for newcomers Ballinora.

Ballinora gave quite an impressive performance, especially in the first half when they were only led by 0-6 to 0-3. However, after the interval, Na Piarsaig came into their own and, with some excellent scores, ran out worthy winners.

Scorers, Na Piarsaig — P. Goggins 1-3, J. P. Kent 1-0, Ann Goggins 1-0, P. Morgan 0-3, and I. O'Leary 0-1.

Ballinora — Mary Hourihan 1-0, Margaret Murphy 0-3, Gertrude Murphy 0-1.

## Killeagh's revenge!

Killeagh..... 3-3  
Glen Rovers..... 1-6

In a sensational finish Killeagh came from a point in arrears to snatch a three-points victory over titleholders Glen Rovers in the last 45 seconds, and thus gained sweet revenge for the defeat they suffered at the hands of the Glen in a senior club tournament, in the semi-final of the county senior championship at Carrigtwohill last night.

Hungry for success Killeagh fought with tremendous courage for most of the 50 minutes and little separated the sides throughout. Both missed good chances but overall it was one of the finest games of camogie seen for a long time in East Cork.

Scorers for the winners: Bernie Costine 2-0, Patricia Fitzgibbon 1-0, Marian Sweeney 0-2, Ann Marie Landers 0-1.  
Scorers for Glen Rovers: Ger

McCarthy 0-5 (0-3 from frees), Val Fitzpatrick 1-1.  
Killeagh — Kathleen Costine, Mary Spillane, Maria O'Donovan, Breda Landers, Kathy Landers, Ann Marie Landers, Shelly Spillane, Aine Leahy, Marian Sweeney (capt.), Patricia Fitzgibbon, Bernie Costine, Ann Leahy. Sub: Vera Motherway for Aine Leahy.  
Glen — Deirdre Sutton, Mary Ring, Clare McCarthy, Maria Ryan (capt.), Martha Kearney, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Mary Currid, Mary Horgan, Ger McCarthy, Denise Cotter, Val Fitzpatrick, Ann Hourihan. Sub: Breda McCarthy for Ann Hourihan.  
Referee: Sheila Golden (Annis-carra).

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The Killeagh team who gained sweet revenge when they defeated Glen Rovers in the semi-final of the Cork County Senior Camogie Championship at Carrigtwohill.



Photographed at the G.A.A. Exhibition in Cork Museum were the Lord Mayor of Cork Cllr. John Dennehy; Derry Gowen, chairman, Cork Co. Board; Frank Murphy, secretary; Con Murphy, chairman exhibition committee; Aodh O Tuama, curator museum; Mary Fitzgerald, Mary Moran, Liam O Tuama, sec. exhibition committee; Austin Cremin, Neilly Duggan, Paddy Madden, Peadar Seymour, Paddy Driscoll and John Sheehan.

(Echo)

# DIFFICULT TASK FOR DUB GIRLS

DUBLIN remain leaders on the roll of honour of the All-Ireland senior championship. The girls in blue hold twenty-five titles and for many years were almost invincible. The present squad has tried very hard to bridge the gap with 1966 when Kay Ryder carried the O'Duffy Cup from the Hogan Stand.

The efforts of the last two seasons failed within a hair's breadth of success. Christy Hayes and his charges are set for a further onslaught on the title. Their assignment, on this occasion, is a particularly difficult one. Kilkenny provide the first hurdle, one which may prove too arduous to clear.

Dublin sailed through their section of the league. They collected full points and ran up impressive scorelines. They suffered a setback in the final when their form deserted them and weaknesses at midfield and in attack were exposed.

The return of Edel Murphy will strengthen the centrefield area. A reshuffle of the attack is likely in an endeavour to find a winning combination. Despite their league final defeat, the Dublin camp is optimistic. They believe that they have put the bad game behind them and got its effects out of their system.

An eager Kilkenny side will test Dublin to the full. Early in the year Kilkenny let it be known that they would be taking the championship seriously. The fall of their county hurlers has improved their chances. It released hurling selector, Brendan O'Sullivan to prepare the camogie side.

Finding an adequate replacement for retired goalkeeper, Teresa O'Neill, is a problem which Kilkenny have not yet solved. In their league outing with Dublin Bridie McGarry, filled the position. They will have to decide whether Bridie is of greater use to the side out the field or in goal. Another option is to place Ann Downey in goal. Still recovering from a knee injury, she may be unable for the strain of her usual role.

The player to decide the match is most likely to be Angela Downey. In the recent St. Paul's Sevens, she scored a dozen goals some of which were superb solo efforts. If Dublin are unable to curtail the supply of ball to Angela, her first-rate ball control, burst of speed and devastating shot will see Kilkenny advance.

Last Sunday's games saw Limerick, Tipperary, Wexford and Cork advance in the Open Draw. There were no great shocks in these results. However, Tipperary's score of 5-17 against luckless Louth raised eyebrows.

Cork return to Sixmilebridge tonight to renew acquaintance with Clare, this time in the final of the Munster championship. The Rebel County had the better of things on Sunday to the tune of 4-7 to 1-4. Two soft goals flattered the score in Cork's favour. Liz Condon, Veronica Casey, Claire Jones and Patricia Moroney hit some great balls for Clare and could take it difficult for the card (1-0) to 1-3 - Ballinacorney.

Champion Malachy's Hill and Bogland water trophy, Love Law, winner of the Guinness Black, attracted Take It Easy, recent track bookmakers, and this has O'Leary 550, sponsored by the

in the race for the All-Ireland minor title. All except Antrim are previous winners of the competition and the northern county has contested the final. Therefore, no new force has emerged on the scene at underage level.



● ANGELA DOWNEY  
... Kilkenny's star forward against Dublin.

## CAMOGIE

Dublin's quest for their first All-Ireland championship success since 1966 begins tomorrow when they come face to face with their arch rivals Kilkenny in Parnell Park at 3.00 p.m. Ever since the draw has been made this has been looked on as the plum tie of the competition. This will be the second meeting of the counties this year as they have already met in the early rounds of the league when Dublin emerged victorious.

This victory will instill confidence into the girls in blue but they will be the first to realise that league form matters nothing when championship time comes around. Kilkenny, as always will travel with high hopes to the capital, and those of us who were lucky enough to have seen the marvellous display of skill and artistry of Angela Downey in her club's recent successful 7-A-side competition, will have come to the conclusion that much will depend on how the Dublin defence cope with the telling runs and accurate finishing of this great player.

Dublin no doubt will be aware of the threat of Angela but they possess their own stars in goalkeeper Yvonne Sedmond, defenders Marian Cooney

and Catherine Ledwedge, mid-fielders Una Crawley, Edel Murphy and Barbara Redmond and forwards Anne Colgan, Joan Gormley and Marie Connell.

Indeed, Marie can look forward to her first senior championship match with great confidence after her magnificent display when coming on for the final quarter of last Sunday's Junior League final.

A lot will depend on how quickly the Dublin players settled down in what should surely be a thrilling and close encounter.

Following their recent dismal display again Cork in the senior league final Dublin are yearning to return to Croke Park this year. Two shattering defeats in consecutive years in the championship final have failed to dampen the spirit and determination of these Dublin girls and under the expertise and guidance of former county hurler Christy Hayes have prepared diligently for this year's championship. With home advantage a decided asset in all inter-county games, Dublin will start as slight favourites but they will have to concentrate for the full fifty minutes if they hope to advance to the next round.

## DUBLIN RETURN TO TOP FORM

DUBLIN ..... 6-6;

KILKENNY ..... 4-4

Dublin made a welcome return to form when they defeated Kilkenny in the opening round of the Camogie Senior Championship Open Draw at Parnell Park yesterday.

This was a real team effort on the part of the winners who swept into a lead of 3-1 in the first seven minutes and with wind advantage continued to dominate the first half turning over with a lead of 4-5 to 0-2.

Scorers — Dublin: M. Connell (3-0), J. Gormley (2-0); B. E. Murphy (0-4), B. Redmond (1-0), U. Crowley, A. Thorpe (0-1 each). Kilkenny — A. Downey (4-3), J. Dunne (0-1).

# Hectic Scene On Camogie Front

THERE will be hectic happenings on the camogie scene again this weekend with Killeagh and Na Piar-saigh meeting in the county championship final on this evening (Friday) at Carrigtwohill and Cork taking on Antrim in the All-Ireland minor semi-final at Na Piar-saigh on Sunday morning.

When Killeagh and Na Piar-saigh meet this evening in the Cork Senior Co. Championship, the latter will be chasing their first ever senior title while Killeagh will be hoping to regain the title they dominated a few years ago.

Killeagh had a marvellous win over Glen Rovers in the semi-final and must now be fancied to take the county title. In 1980 Killeagh were the top team in the country and are determined to get back on that pedestal as quickly as possible. They have a very strong side and with Fr. Bertie Troy as their trainer they are going to be a very difficult side to stop. Kathleen Costine is a grand goalie, while Marie O'Donovan, Mary Spillane and Catherine Landers are marvellous defenders and they have Ann Marie Landers, Ann Leahy and Marian Sweeney to inspire them further upfield.

In addition to their semi-final win over the fancied holders, Glen Rovers, Killeagh also accounted for St. Finbarr's in the championship and got a bye from Muskerry.

For their part, Na Piar-saigh had fine wins in the championship too when they defeated a good Watergrasshill side in the first round and went on to account for divisional side Imokilly in the second and new seniors Ballinora in the semi-final.

Na Piar-saigh are always a keen side and are determined that this is going to be their year for county honours. Tom Nott, the Cork team trainer, has taken over the side this season and they have trained very hard under his guidance and are confident that they can give Killeagh a real run for the championship.

They too have an excellent goalie in Deirdre O'Shea, while other fine young players on the side include Cork minors Jean Paula Kent and Evelyn Healy, Cork juniors Irene O'Leary, Paula Morgan and Paula Goggins as well as more experienced stars in Imelda Cronin and Clare Harris. Basically, Na Piar-saigh are a very young side, but what they lack in experience they make up for in determination and effort and if they can hold Killeagh's big names then they should be in with a very good chance. But Killeagh must be tipped to win.

The Cork minor team will also be in action this weekend when they meet Antrim at Na Piar-saigh on Sunday morning. The early start is to enable the Northern team to make the long journey back to Antrim on Sunday, but the morning throw-in should not take from the excitement of the tie.

Cork have a very strong minor side again this season and they will be expected to be the first Cork side to reach an All-Ireland final. They did make heavy work of defeating Limerick, especially in the opening half in the Munster final, but at the end of the day ran out impressive 3-7 to 1-3 winners. And if they can reproduce their second half form in that game on Sunday, then Antrim can hardly expect to hold them.

The Northern girls travel to Cork delighted with the fact that they have won the Ulster title, and with the

long journey and the away venue, they will expect to have a very tough game on their hands. From reports they have some fine young players in captain Marie McAtamney, Roisin McKeegan and Brenda McElevanna, but they will hardly have the all-round strength of a Cork side, who can field seven of last season's All-Ireland winning team.

The homesters have strength in all departments with an excellent goalie in Brid Walsh, sound defenders in Kathleen O'Keeffe, Vivian O'Brien, Colette Cronin and Niamh Coughlan, very effective centres in captain Deirdre Christie, Colette O'Mahony and Evelyn Healy, and opportunist forwards in Jean Paula Kent, Patricia O'Shea, Helena Barry and Paula Carey. And with a home venue it is hard to see them being deprived of a place in the All-Ireland decider.

There is a long list of league fixtures for the coming week so the camogie front continues to be very busy indeed.

## FIXTURES THIS EVENING (FRIDAY)

County final at Carrigtwohill: Killeagh v Na Piar-saigh, 7.30 p.m. (Ref. S. Golden).  
IC: Eire Og v Blackrock at Blackrock, 7.30 p.m. (Ref. Inniscarra).

## SUNDAY

Minor All-Ireland semi-final

at Na Piar-saigh: Cork v Antrim, 12 noon.  
JBL: St. Fanahans v Churchtown at St. Fanahans, 3 p.m. (Ref. Araglen); Passage v Fr. Matthews at Fr. Matthews, 3 p.m. (Ref. Douglas); Ballygarvan v Courcy Rovers at Courcy Rovers, 3 p.m. (Ref. Ballycroy); Blackrock v Sarsfields at Sarsfields, 3 p.m. (Ref. Watergrasshill).

## TUESDAY (All 7.30 p.m.)

U-16 League: Glen Rovers v Brian Dillons at Brian Dillons (Ref. Fr. Matthews); Ballincollig v Aghabullogue at Aghabullogue (Ref. Inniscarra); Watergrasshill v Fr. O'Neills at Fr. O'Neills (Ref. Killeagh); Killeagh v Erins Own at Erins Own (Ref. Sarsfields); St. Finbarr's v Bishopstown 'B' at St. Finbarr's (Ref. Douglas); Blackrock v Douglas at Blackrock (Ref. Glen Rovers).

## WEDNESDAY (All 7.30 p.m.)

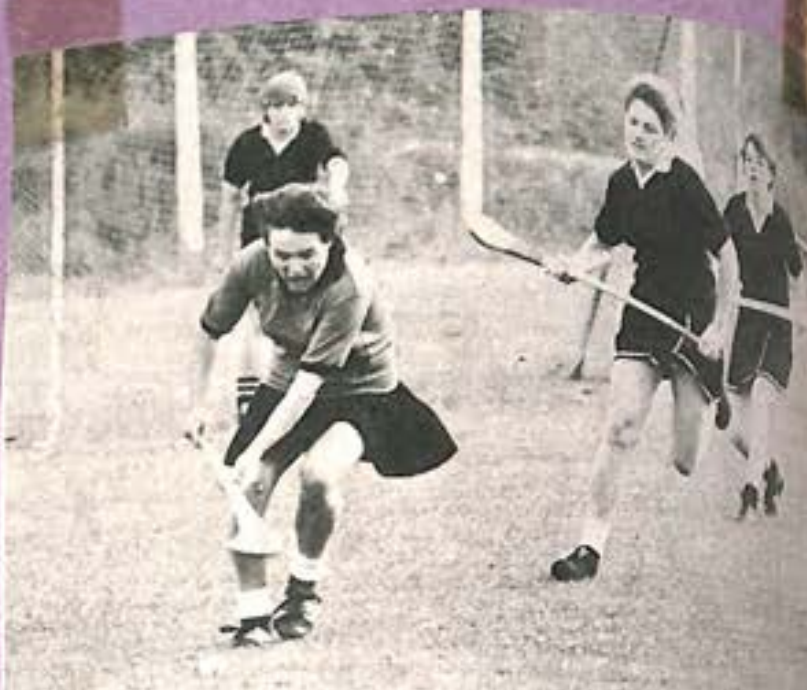
JAL: Fr. O'Neills v Ballyphehane at Fr. O'Neills (Ref. Killeagh).  
U-16 league: Eire Og v Inniscarra at Ovens (Ref. Ballincollig); Na Piar-saigh v Bishopstown 'A' at Bishopstown (Ref. St. Finbarr's).

## THURSDAY (All 7.30 p.m.)

U-18 league: Eire Og v Cloughduv at Ovens (Ref. Aghabullogue); Ballincollig v Aghabullogue at Ballincollig (Ref. Ballinora); Killeagh v Watergrasshill at Killeagh (Ref. Fr. O'Neills); St. Finbarr's v Douglas at St. Finbarr's (Ref. Blackrock); Nemo Rangers v Bishopstown at Bishopstown (Ref. Eire Og); Na Piar-saigh v Brian Dillons at Na Piar-saigh (Ref. Sarsfields); Blackrock v Glen Rovers at Glen Rovers (Ref. Fr. Matthews).

## CAMOGIE

LEINSTER M.C. Final — Dublin 3-2, Kilkenny 0-1, Leinster U. 14 SEMI FINALS: Dublin 3-2, Limerick 0-1, Wicklow 4-1, Wexford 0-1, St. Pauls (Kilkenny) 1-0, Seven-a-side result — Buffers Alley Wexford 3-6, St. Paul's Kilkenny 3-2.  
Wicklow S.C. final — Avoca 2-3, Glenash 0-1.



Killeagh forward Marian Sweeney about to lift the ball onto her stick chased by Na Piar-saigh defender Clare Hanfin, during last night's Cork Co. Senior Camogie Championship final at Killeagh.

(Denis Minihane)

# KILLEAGH ARE THE CHAMPIONS

By JOAN MORLEY

KILLEAGH 0-9  
NA PIARSAIGH 0-3

AS predicted, Killeagh, with an impressive performance, won the Cork County Senior camogie championship at Carrigtwohill last night, but what a worthy performance the youthful Na Piar-saigh side gave in this sportingly contested final.

The first half was very close, with Na Piar-saigh playing very well at this stage, but their forwards could never really get the better of the solid Killeagh defence in which Marie O'Donovan was a tower of strength at full back and Catherine Landers was always in command at centre forward.

And indeed it was the winners forwards who got the only scores in that first period with two points from Marian Sweeney and one from Ann Leahy.

In the second half Na Piar-saigh got a lovely early point from Paula Morgan to narrow the gap but almost immediately Marian Sweeney got a similar score for the winners and from there on the new champions gradually began to come on top, with Marian Sweeney in devastating form at full forward, where she picked off points from all

angles, inspired Killeagh to a 0-9 to 0-3 win.

Other players to shine for Killeagh were, Shelly Spillane, Ann Leahy and Breda Landers.

Na Piar-saigh had two Cork minors on their side, Evelyn Healy, who had a fine game at centre back and Jean Paula Kent, who had some lovely touches in the forward line. For juniors Irene O'Leary and Paula Morgan played themselves to a standstill, while others to impress were Clare Harris and Marie Hegarty.

Killeagh were certainly the top team in the final, and thoroughly deserved their fine win, but looking at the challenge of this very young Na Piar-saigh side the feeling certainly came through that given time and maturity they must be capable of taking their first Senior County title in the not too distant future. Scores: Killeagh: M. Sweeney 0-6, A. Leahy 0-1, Na Piar-saigh: P. Morgan 0-2, O'Leary 0-1.

KILLEAGH: K. Costine, M. O'Donovan, Spillane, C. Landers, B. Landers, E. Leahy, Spillane, A. M. Landers, B. Costine, A. Leahy, Fitzgerald, M. Sweeney, Shelly, M. O'Leary, P. Fitzgerald.

NA PIARSAIGH: D. O'Shea, E. Healy, Hegarty, E. Healy, J. Cronin, L. O'Shea, Morgan, S. O'Sullivan, J. P. Kent, P. Goggins, O'Connell, A. Goggins.  
Referee: S. Golden (Inniscarra).



Killeagh who defeated Na Piar-saigh in the Cork County Senior Camogie Championship final at Carrigtwohill, last night.

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# CORK AND DUBLIN CAN MEET AGAIN

The first All-Ireland camogie semi-finals of the season are upon us, a sure sign that Summer is receding. The minors take the stage on Sunday. Both finalists of 1983, Dublin and Cork have home ties as they bid to reach another decider.

Of the two, Dublin appear to have the more difficult task on hands. They field a much changed side as the majority of last year's team are now over age. Their opponents, Galway, travel with a big reputation. In the Connacht final, they brushed the Roscommon challenge aside and ran up the huge score of 13-8.

The Dublin side is based on girls who play their colleges camogie with Maryfield and their club games with Marino. Eight of the team have benefited from the coaching of Tooy Woods at the Glendore

Road nursery. Consequently, their team work should be good.

Goalkeeper, Colette Hanley holds an All-Ireland senior colleges medal and was the Dublin representative in the Felle Skills. Maria Egan of Round Towers, Margaret Lawlor of Cameron Park, captain Mary Regan, Woodville's Nicole Swift and Catherine O'Byrne of Marino are skilful players of whom Dublin place their hopes.

Deirdre Costello, who drew attention to herself at the All-Ireland colleges junior final with a personal scoring tally of 3-6, will lead the Galway attack. If she enjoys any measure of freedom, Dublin will be in trouble. Assisting her will be her St. Raphael's team-mates, Angela Cooney, Sheila Coen, Angela Laheen and Deirdre Duffy.

## CAMOGIE

All-Ireland champions, Cork are fortunate to be able to call on seven of their winning side. Individually, they possess plenty of talent but in the Limerick game, they took quite some time to knit their play together. Kathleen O'Keeffe, Evelyn Healy, Colette O'Mahony, Niamh Coughlan, Jean Paula Kent and Paula Carey can wrap the game up for Cork.

Their opponents, Antrim, are at a considerable disadvantage. They have to travel the full length of the country to strange surroundings. Led by Marie McAtamney, their side contains useful players in Martina Downey, Cora McQuillan, Branda McElvenna, Donna

Brogan and Sally McErlan. Antrim will cause a surprise if they advance to the final.

The result of the Dublin versus Kilkenny open draw tie took many people by surprise. However, those present were aware of Kilkenny's problems from the opening minutes. It was obvious that Ann Downey had not fully recovered from her knee operation and her mobility was restricted.

The Kilkenny selectors were slow to react to this situation and did not recall the experienced Liz Neary to the trouble spot until late in the game. Further afield many of the Kilkenny side were struck to the ground making one wonder if they were over-trained.

Dublin got off to a glorious start. Marie Connell revelled in the freedom which was afforded to her and took some

great scores. The entire Dublin team reacted and lifted their game. The side was full of running and played with more and more confidence as the game wore on. Dublin's championship prospects now take on a new complexion.

The sides meet again on Sunday, this time in the Leinster senior final. Kilkenny will need to rethink their side. With Dublin now on the crest of the wave, their task will not be easy.

Cork completed a hat-trick of Munster titles. On Friday night, their seniors accounted for Clare as expected. Clare were expected to take the junior crown on Saturday night but defensive mistakes allowed Cork through. Kildare impressed in defeating Kilkenny in the Leinster junior semi-final and advance to play Dublin in the final.

## Cork Trounce Antrim

CORK ..... 5-6

ANTRIM ..... 1-3

By defeating Antrim in the semi-final of the Willwood Tailteann Minor Championship, at Na Piarasigh grounds yesterday, Cork qualified to meet Galway in the final on August 5.

With a slender lead of 2-2 to 1-2 at the break, the home side dominated the second period while the long journey probably took its toll on the Antrim girls.

Scorers: Cork — P. Carey (2-2), J. P. Kitt (2-1), V. Healy (1-0), C. O'Mahony (0-3). Antrim — T. Magee (1-0), A. Nelson (0-2), T. Brogan (0-1).

GALWAY ..... 5-5

DUBLIN ..... 1-2

Galway had the upper hand in the second semi-final played at Leopardstown Ave., yesterday. The winners got away with a dream start and had the game well in hand at the interval when they led by 3-3 to 0-0 at the break.

Scorers: Galway — A. Ryan (3-1), D. Costello (2-0), A. Fahy (0-3), S. Coen (0-1). Dublin — M. Jackson (1-0), S. O'Hara and M. Regan (0-1 each).

—As a mark of respect to late Mr. Paddy Grace, the 1983 Senior final between Kilkenny and Dublin was postponed.

## Cork qualify for minor decider

CORK 5-6 ANTRIM 1-3

Cork qualified for the All Ireland Minor Camogie Final following a clear cut victory over a spirited Antrim side in a well contested semi-final tie at Na Piarasigh Grounds, Cork yesterday.

After an even enough opening half which saw Cork lead by 2-2 to 1-2 the Antrim resistance faded considerably and allowed the winners in for some easy goals.

Jean Paula Kent and Paula Carey emerged as the top scorers. Other Cork players to play well were Katherine O'Keeffe, Deirdre Christie and Ina Leahy, while Bernie McLarnon, Aileen Nelson and Dymphna McGee impressed for the losers.

Scorers Cork: J. P. Kent and B. Carey 2-1 each, E. Harris 1-0, C. O'Mahony 0-3, and D. Christie 0-1. Antrim: B. McElvenny 1-0, and A. Nelson 0-3.

Cork: B. Walsh, K. O'Keeffe, N. Coughlan, V. O'Brien, E. Harris, D. Christie, capt., C. O'Mahony, C. Cronin, I. Leahy, P. O'Shea, J. P. Kent, and P. Carey. Subs: H. O'Connor for O'Brien, C. Currid for Cronin.

Antrim: B. Butler, M. McAtamney, B. McLarnon, M. Downey, B. McGrath, D. Brogan, A. Nelson, C. McQuillan, D. McGee, R. McKeegan, S. McAnnany, B. McElvenny.

Ref: H. Sheehy (Limerick).

## BEFORE CAMOGIE FINAL



Referee and captains at the start of the Cork County Senior Camogie Championship final in Carrigtwohill. Sheila Golden, referee; Claire Hanafin, captain, Ni Piarasigh, and Marion Sweeney, captain, Killeagh.

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# Dubs hotly fancied for senior title

## KILLEAGH REGAIN CO. SENIOR CAMOGIE TITLE

Killeagh 0-9  
Na Piarsaigh, 0-3  
Hot favourites Killeagh regained the Cork County Senior Camogie title on Friday night when they accounted for a very useful Na Piarsaigh side in a very exciting tussle at Carrigrohilly.

Na Piarsaigh with a young side on duty and trained by Tom Nott, coach to the Cork senior squad, took control of the opening seven minutes where their first time hurling upset the East Cork side, but the brilliance of Marie (Costine) O'Donovan, who was winning her ninth senior medal at full back, the brilliance of Cork star, Catherine Landers at centre back and the Landers and Mary Spillane in defence, kept the scoreline for the city side to 0-1, while Killeagh had three points in the opening half — two from the "Player of the Match" — Marion Sweeney and from Anne Leahy.

Killeagh showing their true form came storming out early in the second half and with all their players giving 100 per cent effort they went further ahead through Marion Sweeney from a '30'.

Sweeney had two more glorious points and another from Anne Leahy, with Aine Leahy hitting home the only goal of the game, only to see it being a square ball, before Na Piarsaigh had their second point from Irene O'Leary.

Ann Leahy, however, with seven minutes to go pointed for the eighth time for Killeagh and at that stage only a miracle could have deprived the East Cork side of victory.

Paula Morgan did get a point for Na Piarsaigh, but to the Killeagh side belonged the laurels.

Best for Killeagh were the entire defence, Anne Marie Landers, Shelley Spillane, Marion Sweeney and Anne Leahy. For Na Piarsaigh, Jean Paula Kent, Irene O'Leary, Anna Goggins, Deirdre O'Shea, Imelda Cronin, played their hearts out for the losers.

Scorers for Killeagh, Marion Sweeney 0-6; Anne Leahy 0-3. Scorers for Na Piarsaigh, Paula Morgan 0-2, Irene O'Leary 0-1.

Killeagh: Kathleen Costine, Mary Spillane, Marie (O'Donovan) Costine, Breda Landers, Catherine Landers, Ina Leahy, Anne Marie Landers, Shelley Spillane, Patsy Fitzgibbons, Anne Leahy, Marion Sweeney, Bernie Costine. Sub: M. Motherway for P. Fitzgibbon, injured.

Na Piarsaighs: Deirdre O'Shea, Marie Hegarty, Claire Hannifin, Imelda Cronin, Irene O'Leary, Paula Morgan, Shirley O'Sullivan, Paula Goggins, Jean Paula Kent, Anna Goggins, Celine O'Connell. Referee: Sheila Golden, Inniscarra.

DUBLIN'S comfortable eight point victory over Kilkenny in the preliminary round of the Open Draw championship must make them hot favourites to take the 1984 All-Ireland senior title. The next obstacle in the way of that ambition will be Limerick who they meet on Sunday.

A different side than Kilkenny, Limerick play with a style closer to hurling than Dublin but despite the ability of each player to strike and catch fluently, Limerick may well fall short in the vital aspect of teamwork.

Early in the season, there were obvious weaknesses in the Limerick side. They have put in a lot of work to cure these and the results will have a strong bearing on the outcome.

Limerick won the All-Ireland junior championship in 1977. Their finest hour since was in September 1980 when they held Cork to a draw in the senior final.

They have produced several outstanding players, particularly Vera Mulcahy, Geraldine Coleman, Margie Dore, Helen Collins, Brid Stokes and Pauline McCarthy. These players have given wonderful service to Limerick.

### CHERISHED

Like their Dublin counterparts, they would dearly love to capture a cherished senior medal. To keep their hopes alive, they will need to lift their game on Sunday. With Yvonne Redmond, Bernie Toner, Edel Murphy, Barbara Redmond and Catherine Ledwidge playing so well at the moment, this may be beyond them.

Down take Wexford right



ANNE REDDY . . . Wexford's stylish camogie star.

across the county to Portaferry for their Open Draw game. Wexford had a good league campaign and got off to a great start in the championship.

Playing well within themselves, they comfortably eased past Antrim. As there is little difference at the moment between the standard of Antrim and Down, a win for Wexford must be expected.

### SOLUTION

In their league outing against Cork, Wexford had no difficulty in getting the ball upfield but their forwards had problems finding the target.

The placing of Eileen Kehoe at full forward for the Antrim game provided the solution for that game at least. She responded with four goals and linked up well — with Caroline Farrington, Anne Reddy, Jackie Codd and Catherine Murphy.

Down are at a disadvantage in not having had an outing in the championship. They received a bye in the preliminary round. Their league form was not impressive. Bonnie McGreevey, Joan Gilmore, Teresa Allen, Margaret McNab and Joan Doran will give their best but it may not be good enough to prevent Wexford from advancing.

### JUNIOR FINAL

Dublin juniors travel down the road to Clare on Sunday for the Leinster junior final. Since their last outing Marie Connell and Carmel O'Byrne have been promoted to the senior team. The team is based on the products of colleges camogie over the past few seasons.

County footballer Tommy Carew is directing the preparation of the Kildare side which includes experienced performers in Marian Malone, Marian Johnson, Geraldine Deering and Anna Migan.

Galway and Cork have won through to the final of the All-Ireland minor championship. Both teams overcame tropical conditions and very hard pitches to record 15 point victories over Dublin and Antrim respectively.

Marie Costine collected her ninth Cork County championship senior medal last Friday night when she helped Killeagh defeat the youthful Na Piarsaigh side.

Experience weighed heavily in favour of Killeagh, who included Cathy Landers and Marion Sweeney in their line out. On the other hand, Na Piarsaigh fielded Evelyn Healy and Jean Paula Kent, who did duty for the county minors on Sunday.



Anne Leahy from Killeagh, a member of the Middleton Volleyball team which recently won the All-Ireland Ladies' Championship and Premier League double, and who was the Spring winner of the Searsons of Middleton Seasonal Sports Star Shield.

## THIS WEEK . . . 50 YEARS AGO

JERRY O'MAHONY of the Cork City Club, won the Cork County Senior Handball (Hardball) Singles Championship title when he defeated Frank O'Reilly of Collins Bks., Cork 15-21, 21-19, 21-20, 21-18 in the final.

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CORK qualified for the Munster Camogie Championship final as a result of their easy 10-1 to 3-0 win over Kerry in the semi-final at Killorglin.

## 50 Years Ago

CORK advanced to the second round of the Munster Senior Camogie Championship when they defeated Limerick by 8-2 to no score at the Tivoli Sportsground, Cork. The teams were: Cork: B. Riordan, N. Clarke, E. Stanton, K. Dunlea (capt), M. McCarthy, L. Delaney, M. Buckley, K. McCarthy, J. McGrath, M. Cotter, L. Kirby, M. Kenneally. Limerick: T. Quane, K. O'Toole, E. Mangan (capt), M. O'Regan, E. Mackey, D. Joyce, B. Howard, K. Leeney, E. Hoare, M. Burns, K. Joyce, N. O'Connor, J. Ryan.

# Wexford Look Too Strong For Down

DOWN, who have not had a game to date in the Open Draw Camogie Championship, enter the fray against Wexford on Sunday. By virtue of their 1976 All-Ireland junior success they achieved senior status, but their record in the Open Draw since then has not been impressive.

Their best year was 1981. They accounted for Derry and next Sunday's opponents, Wexford. Their performances in this season's national league campaign do not suggest that they are ready to match the top counties.

Down have some fine players but are not sufficiently strong in all departments to take on the best. Playing at Portaferry will certainly be to their advantage, but it is unlikely that even top displays by Sheila McCartan, Teresa Allen, Veronica McGreevy and Joan Gilmore will be sufficient to carry them to the semi-final.

Wexford looked good against Antrim. Once the side settled down, they were never in danger. Eileen Kehoe showed fine form at full-forward scoring four good goals. Over the past few seasons, Wexford have introduced several young players to their side including Anne Reddy, Jackie Cod Catherine Murphy and Fina Fitzhenry. These girls are settling in nicely and blending with the more experienced members of the team.

## Determined

Wexford showed fitness and determination in their last outing. Despite the long trip north, I expect them to qualify for a semi-final spot with Tipperary.

Just how good are Dublin? That is the question which is being asked following their eight-point victory over Kilkenny. Did Kilkenny's weaknesses on the day make them look better than they really are

or have they got it all together now? On Sunday they travel to meet Limerick in the Open Draw.

Certainly Dublin's confidence has been greatly boosted by their first-round win. The side is fit, eager and determined to do well. There was little to spare between Limerick and Dublin in previous championship contests. Limerick finished one point in front in 1979, but Dublin had three points to spare in 1982.

Limerick did well in the opening round with a satisfying win over Galway. I watched them early in the year at Ballycollig and would not have given much for their championship prospects on that display. Obviously they have improved considerably since then. While Dublin will start as favourites, if Vera Mackey, Margie Dore, Geraldine Coleman, Brid Stokes and Pauline McCarthy rise to the occasion, a surprise could be on the cards.

The Leinster Junior championship final will be staged at Clane on Sunday. Kildare, who won the provincial crown in 1969 and 1981, tackle the holders, Dublin. The Lily Whites have been preparing under the watchful eye of county footballer, Tommy Carew and are confident of doing well.

The side includes the experienced Miriam Malone, Anna Miggin, Rose Merriman, Marian Johnson and Geraldine Deering and will seriously challenge Dublin who have lost Marie Connell and Carmel

O'Byrne to the senior side.

The All-Ireland Minor championship rests between Galway and Cork. In tropical conditions both counties had an identical fifteen point winning margin over their respective opponents Dublin and Antrim.

Killeagh, All-Ireland club champions of 1981, are back as kingpins of Cork camogie. On Friday night they expectedly overcame the up-and-coming Na Pairsaigh side. This win gives Marie O'Donovan, formerly Costine, her ninth Cork championship medal and equals a record held for many years by Mary Fitzgerald of Old Aloysians.

## Fixtures . . .

All-Ireland Open Draw Championship at Adare (3.00): Limerick v. Dublin. At Portaferry (2.30): Down v. Wexford. Leinster Junior Final at Clane (2.00) Kildare v. Dublin.



● Dublin's outstanding centre back Bernie Toner who will be in action against Limerick in the Open Draw Camogie championship at Adare on Sunday.

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## Limerick lose to Dublin

Dublin..... 1-12  
Limerick..... 0-9  
LIMERICK went down to Dublin in the Senior Camogie Championship in an exciting, closely contested and fast flowing match on Sunday last.

Limerick played with fire and determination and were first to score in an evenly contested first half. Pauleen McCarthy was again on target from placed balls and cut an excellent sideline stroke over the bar. Dublin never left Limerick get into too much of a lead. The Limerick backs withstood tremendous pressure all through the match not allowing the Dublin forwards any room to shoot for goal, leaving the score at half time with Limerick leading by 6 points to 5 points.

In the second half Dublin settled quickly and levelled the score and then stretched the lead to 2 pts. but Limerick never gave up. Pauleen McCarthy exchanged two further points with Dublin. Bernie O'Dea and Margie Dore were in excellent form in the back line and cleared numerous balls and it was only in the last five minutes that Carmel O'Byrne for Dublin scored the vital goal and a point. Limerick could only reply with two points leaving the final score at: Dublin 1 goal and 12 points and Limerick 9 pts.

Scorers: Limerick: Pauleen McCarthy (0-9). Dublin: Una Crowley (0-3), A. Thorpe

(0-3), M. Meenagh (0-2), J. Gormley (0-2), C. O'Byrne (1-1), B. Redmond (0-1).

Team: H. Sheehy, B. O'Dea, M. Dore, M. Guiry, H. Collins, H. Clifford, A. Watson, V. Mulcahy, P. McCarthy, B. Chawke, B. Stokes, A. O'Sullivan.

Subs.: E. O'Sullivan for A. O'Sullivan; A. Sheehy for V. Mulcahy; M. Treacy for M. Dore.

## U. 18 MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Limerick are at home to Waterford in the first round of the U. 18 Munster Championship on Friday night next, August 3, in Kilmecody. Limerick have a plentiful supply of talented players in this age group and with proper combination on the night they should have the better of Waterford.

Club Senior Championship: Croagh-Kilfinny are to meet Old Christians in the final of the championship on Wednesday, August 1. In the semi-final Croagh-Kilfinny defeated Granagh by 2 pts and 13 pts. to 1 goal and 3 pts. in hard fought match with Granagh fighting to the bitter end.

## INTERMEDIATE CHAMP. FINAL

Feenagh-Kilmecody are the 1984 Intermediate Champions. They defeated Croagh-Kilfinny in a rather one sided final with a score of 2 goals and 10 points to 1 goal and 3 points.

## Dublin Through To Meet Cork

DUBLIN ..... 1-5  
KILDARE ..... 0-2

Dublin's junior camogie team qualified for an All-Ireland semi-final joust with Cork on August 19, when they accounted for Kildare in the Leinster final at Clane yesterday.

The first half was very keenly contested with both sides level at 0-2 each at half-time. After the interval, however, the metropolitans began to wear away the resilience of their neighbours.

The winners' victory margin would have been considerably larger but for the fact that they missed all of their 30s in the second half and squandered many frees as well.

Best for the winners were Jo Holden, a sister of Dublin star Mick Holden; Noreen

Fleming, Adele Campbell and Patricia Clinton, while Miriam Malone, Nuala O'Connell and Rose Merryman in goal, tried hard for Kildare.

Scorers: Dublin — N. Fleming (1-3), P. Clinton (0-2), B. Reynolds (0-1). Kildare — M. Malone (0-2).

DUBLIN — T. Byrne, M. Cronin, P. Clinton, M. Duane, P. Murphy, S. Doyle, B. Reynolds, N. Fleming, J. Holden, E. Keogh, A. Cooper, A. Campbell.

KILDARE—R. Merryman, G. Dargan, A. Merryman, A. Dargan, L. Lynam, P. Keatley, M. Malone, G. Cooney, P. Nealon, M. Johnson, I. Miggin, N. O'Connell.

Senior Open Draw quarter-final camogie: Wexford 12.5, Antrim 1-5.

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## Galway look good but do not write off Cork

THE BABES of inter-county camogie have their big day at Loughrea next Sunday when the home county, Galway, attempt to dethrone champions Cork in the final of the Willwood Tailteann All-Ireland Minor championship. Minor in camogie means under 16 years of age and these enthusiastic youngsters always oblige with a great final.

In a glance at the Galway team it is difficult to find a weak link. Whether reading from top to bottom or from left to right, the line-out looks formidable.

In goal is the experienced Angela Laheen of Pearses, Ballymacaward. She is fronted by hurling star Jimmy Cooney's sister, Angela. Brid Stratford, who holds down the vital centre-back spot, was a key player with St. Raphael's during the colleges season.

Brid plays her club camogie with Sarsfields and will be flanked by Maura Kennedy of Pearses and Patricia Finnerty from Ahascragh. Representatives of three clubs form the strong midfield line, Deirdre Duffy (Ahascragh), Sheila Coen (Pearses) and Siobhan Maher (Loughrea).

The forward quarter of Claire Robinson (Mullage), Deirdre Costello (Sarsfields), Anne Fahy (Davitts) and Anne Ryan (Pearses) are skilful ball players capable of picking off scores. On home ground and without the disadvantage of a long journey the Galway side will be very hard to stop.

Cork have an excellent record in this grade. They have won six out of the 10 championships played to date and are the current holders of the trophy. They overcame Limerick, Tipperary and Antrim to qualify for next Sunday's final.

Brid Walsh, whose brother Denis huris with the Cork seniors, is in goal. Brian Dillon's Kathleen O'Keefe slots in at full-back.

Evelyn Healy, who fielded for North Pres in the Col-

leges senior final, fills the key position of centre-back while Vivienne O'Brien (Blackrock) and Niamh Coughlan (Bishopstown) occupy the wing back positions.

The team is captained by Deirdre Christie (St. Finbarrs). Her clubmate Colette Cronin plays alongside her. The midfield line is completed by Patricia O'Shea from Blackrock.

More St. Finbarrs girls are listed in the forward line. Last season's captain, Colette O'Mahony wears No. 10 on her back while top scorer Paula Carey is placed in front of goal.

The wing positions are filled by Jean Paula Kent of Na Pairsaigh and Eileen Leahy from the newly crowned county champions, Killeagh.

Over the years we have seen some great minor finals. Next Sunday's clash has all the ingredients for another thriller. The Galway outfit looks very impressive but with experience it would be foolish to write off Cork's chances. Limerick matched Dublin for much of their senior quarter final game on Sunday. But the goal which Limerick needed so badly did not come. Instead the opportunity fell to Carmel O'Byrne and she wrapped the game up for Dublin. It was a different story at Portaferry where Wexford outclassed Dublin.

The stage is now set for the semi-finals. What a pity both games are listed for August 12. Dublin will host champions Cork at Leopardstown Road while Tipperary will journey to play Wexford.

Cavan ousted favourites Armagh in a great Ulster Junior final. This result gives them a home game with Galway in the All-Ireland Junior semi-final. In the other side of the draw, Dublin travel to play Cork.



Cork stars Deirdre Christie (left) and Kathleen O'Keefe.

# Galway Minors Within Sight Of Camogie Glory

by FRANCIS COSTELLO

WHILE Thurles will be the focus of attention for Galway hurling followers on Sunday, this weekend is also a crucial one for Galway Camogie as they bid for an All Ireland minor title when they take on Cork at St. Brendan's Park, Loughrea on Sunday.

This year's minor camogie team have been together for the past two months, training twice weekly in Loughrea under the guidance of Jackie O'Brien and they have reached the final by virtue of victories over Roscommon in the Connacht final and Dublin in the All Ireland semi final.

Galway's win over Roscommon bore many similarities to their minor hurling counterparts facile success of a fortnight ago as they ran up a winning margin of 36 points.

This crushing success did little to indicate Galway's prospects, but any doubts about the team's capabilities were completely brushed aside on Sunday week last when they overcame a fancied Dublin side in Stillorgan convincingly by 5-5 to 1-2.

Cork are current All Ireland minor camogie champions and with six of last year's side lining out on Sunday, they should present Galway with a pretty formidable challenge.

However, Galway's morale-boosting win over Dublin as well as home advantage should enhance their prospects of topping Cork.

The most marked aspect of the Galway teams performances over the past two games has been the individual displays of a number of players in key positions. Angela Lakeen of Pearses has proved a very dependable goalkeeper and has got solid support from Angela Cooney of Sarsfields at full back, who incidentally is a sister of inter-county hurlers Joe and Jimmy Cooney and will be hoping to add an All Ireland minor camogie medal to the family collection which has seen Joe win a minor medal with Galway last year and Jimmy a senior medal with Galway in 1980.

have proved to be invaluable this season.

Anne Ryan of Pearses scored five goals against Roscommon and again produced the goods when it mattered scoring three goals against Dublin. Deirdre Costello, also of the Sarsfields Club, has already won two All Ireland titles with her club in both the Feile na Gael and the Community Games and despite the fact that she is under-age once again next year she is one of the most experienced players on the team. Costello scored four goals against Roscommon and she played very well against Dublin scoring 2-1 of her sides total.

Galway will be again looking to these players in particular to reproduce their current good form on Sunday and with six of the team already All Ireland Colleges Junior Champions with St. Raphaels of Loughrea, the Galway team should not lack the winning touch.

Sean Geraghty, assistant secretary of the Galway County Board, said during the week that he was reasonably confident of the teams chances and he expected Sunday's game to be a very close and exciting encounter.

The team is: Angela Lakeen (Pearses), Angela Cooney (Sarsfield), Maura Kennedy (Pearses), Patty Finnerty (Ahascragh), Breege Stafford (Sarsfields), Siobhan Maher (Loughrea), Deirdre Duffy (Ahascragh), Sheila Coen (Pearses), Deirdre Costello (Sarsfields), Claire Robinson (Mullage), Anne Fahy (Davitts), Anne Ryan (Pearses), Subs: Phidelma Hanlon (Sarsfields), Martin Gavin (Cois Fharraige), Martina O'halloran (Killanin), Sheila Stafford (Sarsfields), Mary Coen (Mullage), Pauline Linnane (St. Thomas's), Louise Curtin (St. Thomas's), Anne-Marie Glynn (Ahascragh), Joan Cooney (Sarsfields), Mary Keane (Davitts). Selectors: Frank Costello (Sarsfields), Mary Kennedy, Brenda Waters and Sairee Ni Bhearra (Cois Fharraige).

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# Cork Minors Defend Title In Loughrea



BRID WALSH who will be in goal for Cork in the All-Ireland Camogie final on Sunday.

THE Cork Minor team travel to Loughrea, Co. Galway on Sunday next to defend the title they won at St. Finbarrs Grounds last year. They will be seeking their seventh title in eleven years, while Galway will be seeking their third. Seven of last year's team are again eligible, Kathleen O'Keeffe, Evelyn Healy, Niamh Coughlan, Deirdre Christie, Jean Paula Kent, Colette O'Mahony and Paula Carey.

It is possibly one of the most talented teams to represent Cork at this level since the golden years of 1978, '79 and '80, when three current seniors, Martha Kearney, Ger McCarthy and Sandie Fitzgibbon captained Cork to three successive titles. Goalkeeper Brid Walsh comes from a famous hurling family and is Cloughduv's only representative on the team. She is an excellent player and certainly gives confidence to her team.

The back line has certainly played impressively up to now. It contains three of last year's team Kathleen O'Keeffe, Evelyn Healy and Niamh Coughlan, the only newcomer being Brian Dillon's Vivienne O'Brien. Evelyn Healy in particular has been playing very well but she will have a difficult job of marking Deirdre Costello top scorer with 3 goals and 6 points in Galway's victory over Dublin in the semi-final.

The match may be won and lost at centre field. Cork have three talented players in this section, Patricia O'Shea (Blackrock) and St. Finbarr's duo Colette Cronin and Captain Deirdre Christie. They will be opposed by very formidable opponents in Deirdre Duffy, Sheila Coen and Siobhan Maher but their experience should see them through.

Colette O'Mahony (St. Finbarr's) will lead the charge for goal from the centre forward position and will be ably assisted by clubmate Paula Carey at full forward, Ina Leahy (Killeagh) and Jean Paula Kent (Na Piarsaigh) left and right corner forward respectively. This is probably Cork's most talented sector with each of the girls having an abundance of natural ability and capable of scoring from any position, but an away venue may well work against them so every ball will have to be vigorously contested. Galway defeated by Cork in the semi-final a year ago are confident of avenging their defeat.

Five of the team are members of the successful Junior college's champions St. Raphaels Loughrea. Ann Ryan was Feile na nGael skills winner in 1981 while the remainder of the team have tasted success at community games level with New Inn or in Feile na nGael with Galway Shamrocks. They defeated a fancied Dublin side in the semi-final and are hopeful of bringing the trophy west of the Shannon for the first time since 1981. Last year Cork completed a hat trick of Inter County successes so followers will be hopeful

of a win on Sunday to start the 1984 ball rolling.

A special bus carrying the team will leave the city library at 3.00 p.m. on Saturday.

On the local front there are very few fixtures. There will be a break for most teams for the first fortnight in August, the traditional Holiday period. There are, however, a number of under-age fixtures listed for Saturday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Clubs are reminded that the next board meeting will not be until August 20th.

## TEAMS:

**CORK**—Brid Walsh (Cloughduv), Kathleen O'Keeffe (Brian Dillon's), Vivienne O'Brien (Brian Dillon's), Evelyn Healy (Na Piarsaigh), Patricia O'Shea (Blackrock), Colette Cronin (St. Finbarrs), Deirdre Christie (St. Finbarrs), Jean Paula Kent (Na Piarsaigh), Colette O'Mahony (St. Finbarrs), Ina Leahy (Killeagh), Paula Carey (St. Finbarrs). **SUBS:** Yvonne O'Neill (St. Finbarrs), Helen O'Connor (Killeagh), Karen Mellerick (Brian Dillon's), Helena Barry (Brian Dillon's).

**GALWAY**—Angela Laheen, Angela Cooney, Maire Kennedy, Brid Stratford, Patricia Finnerty, Deirdre Duffy, Sheila Coen, Siobhan Maher, Claire Robinson, Deirdre Costello, Ann Fahy, Ann Ryan.

## FIXTURES:

**Saturday: Under-14 League:** Erins Own v. Churchtown at Middleton, Referee Erins Own, 7.30 p.m.

**Sunday: All-Ireland Minor Final:** Cork v. Galway at Loughrea, 3.00 p.m.

## Cumann Camógaíochta na nGael



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# Galway Girls Early Barrage Not Enough

CORK ..... 2-12  
GALWAY ..... 5-0

by FRANK COSTELLO

A GALLANT Galway minor camogie team just failed in their bid for All-Ireland honours when a tremendous first-half display was just not enough to prevent Cork from retaining the title at Loughrea on Sunday.

Indeed both teams deserve great credit for serving up some magnificent camogie in a thrilling game which saw play fluctuate from end to end with the issue only being resolved towards the latter stages when Cork, after surviving the early Galway onslaught, eventually pulled away to secure victory.

Cork were the quicker of the two sides to settle and their early efforts were rewarded with two well-taken points from Colette Cronin and Colette Mahony both from play.

However, the course of the game took a dramatic twist in the 10th minute when Galway's Deirdre Costello collected the sliotar out on the right wing and waltzed past the Cork defence to score with a handpass to the net from close range.

It was this piece of individualistic skill on Costello's part that ushered in Galway's best period of the game and it was Costello who again prized open the Cork defence to create Galway's second goal four minutes later.

She collected the ball again out on the right wing, but seemed to be bottled up by a number of Cork defenders. However she still managed to get the ball across to an intruding Siobhan Maher who crashed it home from close range.

## Kept in Touch

A now rampant Deirdre Costello scored Galway's third goal after 19 minutes and while Cork did manage to keep in touch during this period with three points from play, their chances were dealt a further blow in the 21st minute when Anne Fahy rounded her marker to score Galway's fourth goal.

This four goal blitz by Galway really left Cork with it all to do but a goal from Cork's Jean Paul Kent brought her side back to within four points of the lead. The goal came about from a long range shot from Kent which went straight to the net and while it was a stroke of luck on Cork's part, coming as it did with three minutes remaining in the first half, the goal proved to have a bearing on the eventual outcome.

Cork's recovery got the boost it just needed when with just three minutes played in the second-half, Karen Mellerick was first to the dropping ball and knocked it past a hesitant Galway Goalkeeper to bring Cork back to within a point.

After this there was no stopping Cork, despite a tremendous goal from Galway's Anne Ryan when she blasted a shot past Brid Walsh, from about 15 yds. out, three minutes later.

This, however, proved to be Galway's last score as Cork consistency began to tell. Points from Ina Leahy, and Pat O'Shea reduced the deficit for Cork and two further points from frees from Colette O'Mahony midway through the second-half levelled the issue.

Galway tried desperately to regain control as this stage but were unable to penetrate the solid wall of Cork defenders and it was Cork's best forward of the afternoon who fittingly gave her side the lead after 16 minutes of the second-half when she scored from a "30".

## Excellent Score

Then Jean Paul Kent stretched Cork's lead two minutes later when she broke through the Galway defence to score an excellent point under pressure.

In the dying minutes of the game Galway's Deirdre

Costello launched a last desperate attack but she was stopped short in her tracks near the Cork goal after making a threatening run through the Cork defence.

Collette O'Mahony then scored Cork's insurance point with two minutes to go to give the Munster girls a deserved victory once they had weathered the early Galway storm.

Unfortunately, the heroic performances of a number of individuals on the Galway team was not enough to gain victory over what proved to be a better balanced Cork side.

Deirdre Costello, Anne Ryan, Maura Kennedy and Sheila Coen all battled bravely for Galway while Cork's outstanding performances came from Evelyn Healy in defence, Colette O'Mahony and Colette Cronin in midfield and Jean Paul Kent in attack.

CORK: K. O'Keefe, E. Healy, V. O'Brien, N. Coughlan, C. O'Mahony (0-6), Colette Cronin (0-2), P. O'Shea (0-10), I. Leahy (0-1), Jean Paul Kent (1-2), P. Carey, K. Mellerick (1-0). Subs: E. O'Neill, for K. O'Keefe, D. Christal for P. O'Shea, and H. Barry for K. Mellerick.

GALWAY: A. Laheen, A. Cooney, M. Kennedy, B. Straford, P. Finnerty, D. Duffy, S. Coen, S. Maher (1-0), C. Robinson, D. Costello (2-0), A. Fahy (1-0), A. Ryan (1-0). Subs: P. Hanlon for P. Finnerty and M. Coen for D. Duffy.

Cork winners of the All-Ireland Minor Camogie title at Loughrea last Sunday.



## CORK MINORS KEEP CROWN

CORK 2-12  
GALWAY 5-0

CORK retained their All-Ireland Minor camogie crown when they overcame a spirited Galway challenge in a thrilling final played in Loughrea, Co. Galway, yesterday. From the throw in, play swung from end to end and Cork went into a two point lead after 10 minutes.

However, Cork, who were looking good at this stage, were sent reeling midway through the half when Galway's most dangerous forward, Deirdre Costello, who had two tremendous goals, created a third for colleague Siobhan Maher. This put Galway into a commanding lead and Cork's chances were given a further blow in the 21st minute when Anne Fahy scored Galway's fourth goal.

Cork did stay in touch thanks to three points from play and with three minutes remaining in the first half, Jean Paul Kent saw her long range shot go straight to the net for a goal that brought her side back to within four points of the lead.

On the resumption Cork got the tonic they needed after just three minutes when Karen Mellerick was first to a dropping ball and knocked it past a hesitant Galway goalkeeper to bring her side to within a point of the lead.

Anne Ryan scored Galway's fifth goal three minutes later when she blasted the ball past the

helpless Cork keeper from about 15 yards out but despite this Cork gradually began to reduce the deficit with points from Ina and Pat O'Shea.

## SOLID WALL

Two further points from frees from Colette O'Mahony midway through the second half levelled the issue. Galway tried desperately to regain control at this stage but were unable to penetrate the solid wall of Cork defenders and it was Cork's best forward of the afternoon Colette Mahony who fittingly gave her side the lead after 16 minutes when she scored from a "30". Then Jean Paul Kent stretched her side's lead two minutes later when she broke through the Galway defence to score an excellent point under pressure. Colette O'Mahony then scored Cork's insurance point with two minutes to go.

Cork: B. Walsh, K. O'Keefe, E. Healy, V. O'Brien, N. Coughlan, C. O'Mahony, G. Cronin, P. O'Shea, I. Leahy, J. P. Kent, K. Mellerick, P. Carey, Subs: V. O'Neill, for K. O'Keefe, D. Christal for P. O'Shea, H. Barry for K. Mellerick, Scorers: C. O'Mahony 0-6, G. Cronin 0-2, P. O'Shea 0-1, Leahy 0-1 each, J. P. Kent 1-2, K. Mellerick 1-0.

Galway: A. Laheen, A. Cooney, M. Kennedy, B. Straford, P. Finnerty, D. Duffy, S. Coen, S. Maher, C. Robinson, D. Costello, A. Fahy, A. Ryan, Subs: P. Hanlon for P. Finnerty, M. Coen for Duffy, Scorers: S. Maher, A. Fahy and A. Ryan 1-0 each, D. Costello 2-0.

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# Cork Girls Capable Of Reaching Final

IT'S All-Ireland semi-final day on the camogie front on Sunday with holders Cork meeting old rivals Dublin at Parnell Park and Tipperary taking on Wexford at Monomolin. And on the home front the Leagues continue.

Cork have had a good record over Dublin in recent times, with five championship wins over them since 1978. In that season Cork defeated Dublin in the decider — a feat they also achieved in the last two seasons. In addition Cork have semi-final wins over Dublin in 1980 and 1981 and of course earlier this season the Leesiders took the National League title for the first time at the expense of the Metropolitans.

However, in spite of this marvellous record over Dublin, Cork can be far from complacent on Sunday, as only the narrowest of margins separated the sides in the championship finals of '83 and last year and although Cork had a good win — at the finish — in the National League final this was early in the season and both sides were well below par.

At this stage Dublin have been stung so often and so narrowly by the champions, that they are really "up-in-

arms" and are determined that 1984 is their season for All-Ireland honours, which they last achieved way back in 1966. That is a long time ago and this season they have prepared very carefully with intensive training and games every two weeks since early on. Also they have the boost of a fine win over Kilkenny — never an easy task — as well as a facile win over Down, and an exciting, though hard-fought seven-point win over Limerick.

Dublin could be without one of their stars, Edel Murphy, who is recovering from an appendix operation, but are hopeful that she will at least line out in the substitutes. Germaine Noonan is in America on Holiday, but will almost certainly be back while otherwise the team is likely to be very strong.

Since last season Dublin have made some changes, one of which was switching forwards Marion Conroy and Ann Colgan to the defence, which has proved most successful. They are, basically, a comparatively young side, full of running and quick pulling and they are also a team, who if they get their heads in front are very hard to catch.

So the first quarter of an hour is bound to prove vital for Cork, for if they can get

ahead early then Dublin could get dispondent especially with Cork's recent tradition.

For their part Cork have been forced to make a number of changes from the side which won the title last season. Martha Kearney has emigrated to America and her position will be taken by that solid back Mario Twomey. Otherwise the defence is the same with the always sound Marian McCarthy in goal and the well-tryed Eileen Dineen and Miriam Higgins at full and on the other wing. And of course, they have the marvellous Catherine Landers at centre-back.

Cork have moved Angela Higgins to full centre from the forward line, where she will be partnered by the hard running and stylish Clare Cronin and Sandy Fitzgibbon, while the front line shows changes too, with Mary Geaney, who didn't play in the League, being recalled to full-forward in place of Clare Kelleher who is on holidays. Ger McCarthy, who has been a regular all season retains the place vacated by Marian Sweeney, who has retired from inter-county camogie (temporarily at least) and that excellent duo of Mary O'Leary and Val Fitzpat-

rick make up the rest of the attack.

So far this season, Cork have not been as impressive as one might have liked. They did win the League, but not with a great performance, and then got a bye to the second round of the championship where they did have a convincing win over Clare. Of course, Cork against Dublin in the All-Ireland are a different side as this meeting seems to bring out something extra in the Leesiders. They are arch rivals and will not give an inch, and although Dublin have the advantage of a home venue Cork are capable of having yet another win over the Dubliners, but again it is likely to be the closest of contests.

Munster are also represented in the second semi-final with Tipperary taking on Wexford at Monomolin.

Tipperary had a fine win over Louth in their quarter final tie and if Deirdre Lane, Jenny English, Maura Hackett, Rosie Ryan and Mona Quigley can reach top form then they should have a good run for a place in the final.

However, Wexford, who had a two-point win over the Premier county in the League and have persuaded the highly talented Eileen Keogh back into action at full-forward, seems to be playing well enough at the moment to account for Tipperary.

**Cork:** M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, M. Higgins, C. Landers, M. Twomey, C. Cronin, A. Higgins, S. Fitzgibbon, M. O'Leary, V. Fitzpatrick, G. McCarthy, M. Geaney. Subs.: N. O'Driscoll, L. Dunphy, L. Lynch, L. Zinkant, M. Ring, A. M. Landers.

**Dublin (probable side):** Y. Redmond, M. Conroy, A. Colgan, B. Toner, C. Ledwith, U. Crowley, M. Mernagh, B. Redmond, A. Thorpe, C. O'Byrne, J. Gormley, M. Connell.

**Sunday:** All-Ireland semi-finals: Cork v. Dublin at Parnell Park, 3 p.m.; Tipperary v. Wexford at Monomolin, 2.30 p.m.

# Seniors face Tipperary in semi final

**Wexford's Senior Camogie Team face Tipperary in the All-Ireland Semi-Final at Monamolin on Sunday next, August 12th at 2 p.m. The winners will face either Dublin or Cork in the final in Croke Park on Sunday, Sept. 9th. Following the failure of qualifying for the League decider, the Wexford panel, under the watchful eye of team trainer Rory Kinsella and selectors Packy Kelly and Willie Corcoran have shown a marked improvement. This was clearly in evidence in the quarter final clash away in Down, in which the Slaney sides blasted the home side 12-5 to 1-5.**

Tipperary will be no strangers to Monamolin, for this year was the same venue at which Wexford won the National Senior League last March. No doubt the girls from Tipperary will be hoping to do much better on the return visit. The Wexford team need to be in top form to beat their visitors. Team spirit and confidence should be high after the recent win against Down but the team should not be over-confident prior to the match. If the Wexford team can produce

the right determination and team work a place in the All-Ireland final is a definite possibility.

The team itself is a good blend of youth and experience with players from the clubs. Buffers Alley, Rathnure, Cloughbawn, Ballindaggin, Ferns and Oulart combining to make up the Wexford Panel. The full panel is Kathleen Torkis, Stella Sinnott, Ann Butler, Geraldine Wynn, Elsie Coady, Fiona Cousins,

Dorothy Kenny, Caroline Farrington, Gertrude O'Leary, Monica Gahan, Imelda O'Leary, Teresa Hobbs, Catherine Sinnott, Ailish Kavanagh, Catherine Murphy, Eileen Kehoe, Tina Fitzhenry, Marita O'Neill, Deirdre Guinan, Ann O'Leary, Ann Reddy, Jackie Codd.

As a curtain raiser to the senior game the final of the u-12 championship will take place between Rathnure and the winners of Buffers Alley v Cloughbawn v. Oulart

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# The tension will be sky high at Parnell

Eight weeks ago Dublin and Cork met in the National League Final at Ballinlough. The performance of both teams fell well short of what had been expected from them on that occasion. However, Cork improved sufficiently in the last quarter of the game to take the A.I.B. Cup for the first time.

Let us follow the fortunes of both sides as they attempted to shake off the effects of that experience and prepare for the Open Draw campaign. Cork were first into action with an away game against Clare. Short Marit Keane, who had taken off to America, the Rebel County won comfortably on the scoreboard. But their display did not satisfy their mentors.

A week later Cork scored another win over Clare, this time in the Munster championship. As Clare are not

considered to be on the top rung of the inter-county ladder, Cork cannot afford to be carried away with these results.

## CONFRONT

Meanwhile, Dublin had an engagement with fancied Kilkenny in a preliminary round of the Open Draw. On the day, there was only one team in it. Twelve Dublin girls went about their business in an enthusiastic and confident manner.

Indeed, only the superb skill of Angela Downey saved Kilkenny from a complete whitewash. Mention of Angela, prompts me to extend the congratulations of players all over the country to her on the occasion of her wedding during the week.

Adare was the next stop for the Dublin team. In that confined playing area,

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Limerick matched them for much of the game. In the end, the superior fitness of Dublin saw them through. In conclusion, Dublin have been the more impressive in the interim.

The tension will be high at Parnell Park next Sunday when Belle O'Loughlin throws in the ball between girls in blue and their opponents in the familiar red to decide which goes through to the All-Ireland final on September 9. Cork have named their side which shows two changes from their last meeting.

Martha Kearney is back in the country. She is under doctor's orders following an accident in the States and will not take part. Her position at left back is taken by Margo Twomey who won an

All-Ireland junior medal last September.

Liz Dunphy has fallen out of favour and has been demoted to the reserves. Her number seven spot is filled by Angela Higgins, who reverts from full-forward.

## LATE ENTRY

As happened last season, Mary Geaney makes a late entry to the side. She resumes her usual role at full-forward. The tight-marking and long clearances of Martha Kearney will be sorely missed. Cork have not been seen at their best as yet this season. A return to form by all 12 would delight their supporters.

The Dublin team is likely to start as it finished in the Limerick game. That means that Edel Murphy, sidelined by appendicitis, would not be ready for the fray. She may, of course, come on at

some stage of the game. Anne Colgan moved to right back at Adare and is likely to remain in that position should Germaine Noonan be still unavailable.

Carmel O'Byrne had a very successful outing at centre-forward against Limerick. No doubt she will find a place on the team but whether the selectors decide that she is the best player to place on the experienced Cathy Landers remains to be seen.

Dublin field a very young forward line which is full of running. Outside them, the midfield trio of Una Crowley, Mary Mernagh and Barbara Redmond can play a vital role in dictating the trend of the play.

There has been so little between Dublin and Cork in the past three years that another close and exciting

contest is Sunday. Wexford proved a country. year they young all pionship well beat Wexford in these players. paying attention of a they are reach Final. They are perary at Sunday. In with Dublin finished a behind. The a nice bit and south good enough final.

# SHOCKER FOR CORK

DUBLIN 3-4; CORK 1-9

ALL-IRELAND champions, Cork, suffered a most dramatic defeat at the hands of arch rivals, Dublin, in this season's semi-final which was played at Parnell Park, Dublin, yesterday.

This was yet another cliff-hanger between these sides only this time it was the Dubliners who snatched a late win — a goal three minutes from time — to give them a place in the final and rob Cork of their chance of a three-in-a-row.

Dublin looked the sharper side, and they concentrated more on first time pulling which proved very effective against the slower Cork twelve. They took their scoring chances, unlike Cork, who missed at least three glorious opportunities of goals, and Cork's lack of scoring power is highlighted by the fact that only one Cork forward, Mary O'Leary, was on target.

For their part, Dublin looked far better than they did in the National League decider and must now be fancied to take the title for the first time since 1966.

Yvonne Redmond had a great game for Dublin in goal while Catherine Ledwith, Una Crowley, who was surprisingly substituted during the second period, Joan Gormley and Marie Connell were all in brilliant form. And what a difference Edel Murphy's appearance made in the middle of the second period. Though still recovering from an appendix operation, her presence seemed to inspire her colleagues.

Dublin opened the scoring with a goal from Carmel O'Byrne after five minutes. Mary O'Leary scored Cork's first point soon after and then scored a fine opportunist goal to put Cork in the lead. Una Crowley brought Dublin back on terms with a minor but O'Leary quickly negated this. O'Leary and Una Crowley swapped points and the Cork wing forward scored yet another minor before the interval to leave the half-time score at 1-4 to 1-2 in favour of the holders.

The winners made a great start to the second half when strong full-forward Marie Connell crashed home a first minute goal to put them into a one point lead again.

Excitement was at fever pitch from then on as O'Leary levelled it after eight minutes; Edel Murphy put Dublin ahead with 13 minutes to go; O'Leary levelled it again three minutes later and then immediately put Cork ahead with yet another point.

Then it was Joan Gormley's turn to even things again before two further minors from Cork's sole scorer put Cork two points up with only three minutes to go. But then came that golden Gormley goal which gave Dublin that coveted win.

Scorers: Dublin — J. Gormley 1-1, M. Connell and C. O'Byrne 1-0 each; U. Crowley 0-2, E. Murphy 0-1.

Cork — M. O'Leary 1-9.

Dublin: Y. Redmond, M. Conroy, A. Colgan, B. Toner, C. Ledwith, U. Crowley, M. Mernagh, B. Redmond, A. Thorpe, J. Gormley, C. O'Byrne, M. Connell. Subs.: E. Murphy for M. Mernagh; M. Mernagh for U. Crowley; G. Noonan for A. Thorpe.

Cork: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, M. Higgins, C. Landers, M. Twomey, S. Fitzgibbon, A. Higgins, C. Cronin, G. McCarthy, V. Fitzpatrick, M. O'Leary, M. Geaney. Sub. A. M. Landers for C. Cronin. Referee: Bel O'Loughlin (Down).

## WEXFORD 0-7 TIPPERARY 1-4

A last second goal by Jenny English enabled Tipperary to snatch a dramatic draw with Wexford in the All-Ireland senior camogie semi-final at Monamolin, Co. Wexford, yesterday.

Ten minutes earlier Wexford with a lead of 0-7 to 0-2 seemed to be heading for an All-Ireland final day with Dublin as they had virtually dominated the game up to that. But their supremacy was not reflected in scores.

However, Tipperary then staged a sensational comeback due mainly to the reshuffling of their midfield and attack. Midfielder English, who was moved into the half forwards, gave power to the Tipp attack and they soon had Wexford reeling.

In the 21st minute English's power shot was

brought out over the end line by the Wexford 'keeper and Deirdre Lane pointed the 30. Two minutes later Anne Gleeson sent over after being placed by English to leave only a goal in it. Then in dramatic fashion Tipperary attacked in the dying seconds for English to score from a goalmouth scramble.

Scorers: Wexford — A. Reddy 0-4, J. Codd, C. Murphy and E. Coady 0-1 each. Tipperary: D. Lane 0-2, J. English 1-0, S. McDonald and A. Gleeson 0-1 each.

Wexford: K. Tonks, T. Fitzhenry, A. Butler, A. O'Leary, S. Sinnott, C. Barrington, E. Coady, M. O'Neill, A. Reddy, C. Murphy, J. Codd, E. Kehoe. Subs. F. Cousins for M. O'Neill, G. Duggan for A. O'Leary, G. O'Leary for C. Murphy.

Tipperary: B. Kennedy, M. Sheehy, M. Hackett, T. Bonnor, M. Madden, J. English, G. Ryan, B. Ryan, A. Gleeson, S. McDonald, M. Griffin, D. Lane. Subs. S. Wickey for T. Bonnor.

Referee: H. McCormack (Kilkenny).



Marie Connell (Dublin) shoots for goal just as she is challenged by Cork's Margo Twomey, at Parnell Park yesterday.

CATHY LANDERS

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### 50 Years Ago

CORK won the Munster Senior Camogie Championship title, when they had a runaway 9-8 to 1-1 win over Waterford in the final at Waterford Sportsfield.



CORK ... the 1984 All-Ireland Minor camogie champions: Back—Brid Walsh, Colette O'Mahony, Karen Mellerick, Niamh Coughlan, Deirdre Christie (capt.), Colette Cronin, Yvonne O'Neill, Helena Barry, Ina Leahy and Vivienne O'Brien. Front—Carmel Currid, Patricia O'Shea, Jean Paula Keant, Paula Carey, Evelyn Hely and Kathleen O'Keefe.

# Late Saver For Tipp

WEXFORD ..... 0-7  
TIPPERARY ..... 1-4

TIPPERARY, with a last second goal by Jenny English, snatched a dramatic draw with Wexford in an exciting All-Ireland senior camogie semi-final in sunny Monamolin in Co. Wexford yesterday.

With ten minutes to go, Wexford, with a lead of 0-7 to 0-2, seemed to be heading for an All-Ireland final date with Dublin. Indeed up to that, they had virtually dominated the game but their supremacy was not reflected in the scoreline.

Tipperary's sensational come back was due mainly to the reshuffling of their midfield and attack. Midfielder, Jenny English, who was moved into the half forward line, gave power to the attack and they soon had Wexford reeling.

In the 21st minute Jenny English's power shot was brought out over the line by the Wexford keeper and Deirdre Lane pointed from the '30'. Two minutes later, Ann Gleeson pointed after being placed by Jenny English to leave only a goal between the sides.

### Panic

Panic set into the Wexford defence but when Tipperary missed a point from a close in free with a minute to go, they looked to have shot their bolt. Then in dramatic fashion Tipperary attacked again and with virtually the last stroke of the game goaled from a scramble in front of the goal.

Wexford have only themselves to blame for not wrapping up a game they had controlled for so long. They paid dearly for their lack of accuracy from favourable scoring positions.

Outstanding for Tipperary were Jenny English at midfield and in attack, while goalie, Breda Kennedy, brought off some great first half saves. Sheehy, Rosie Ryan and Siobhan McDonald also impressed.

Wexford had superb players in Tina Fitzhenry in defence, Elsie Cody at midfield and Catherine Murphy and Ann Reddy in the forwards.

It is expected that the replay will be on August 26 at a Tipperary venue.

Scorers — Wexford: Ann Reddy (0-4); Jackie Codd, Catherine Murphy, Elsie Cody (0-1 each). Tipperary: D. Lane (0-2); Jenny English (1-0); Siobhan McDonald, Ann Gleeson (0-1 each).

WEXFORD: K. Tonks; T. Fitzhenry; A. O'Leary, A. Butler, S. Sinnott; C. Farrington, E. Cody, M. O'Neill; A. Reddy, C. Murphy, J. Codd; E. Keogh. Subs—F. Cousins for M. O'Neill; G. O'Leary for Catherine Murphy.

TIPPERARY: B. Kennedy; M. Sheehy; M. Hackett, T. Bonner, M. Madden; J. English, G. Ryan, R. Ryan; A. Gleeson, S. McDonald, M. Griffin; D. Lane. Sub—Susan Hickey for T. Bonner.

Referee—H. McCormack (Kilkenny).

## Cork Fall To Dublin

DUBLIN ..... 3-4  
CORK ..... 1-9

Cork's reign as All-Ireland senior camogie champions finished at Parnell Park yesterday when arch rivals Dublin beat them. It was a fiercely contested semi-final with the winning goal from Joan Gormley coming in the final minute of normal time.

The win was sweet revenge for Dublin who have lost the last two All-Ireland finals to Cork — but it was a close struggle all the way. The Dublin defence's failure to keep taps on Mary O'Leary, a sister of hurler Seanie, led to a heavy price being paid as she scored all of the Cork tally.

However, Dublin's ability to put the ball in the net proved crucial in the end, with goals coming from Carmel O'Byrne, Marie Connell and John Gormley. Cork led 1-4 to 1-2 at half-time and were leading 1-9 to 2-4 when the killer goal came; and even four minutes of injury time wasn't enough for them to stay in contention to regain their title.

Scorers: Dublin—J. Gormley (1-1), C. O'Byrne, M. Connell (1-0 each); U. Crowley (0-2); E. Murphy (0-1); Cork — M. O'Leary (1-9).

## Camogie Champions

Proving that their male counterparts haven't a complete monopoly, Shannon U-14 Camogie Team attracted a lot of attention when they won the Clare Community Games finals held recently in Ruan.

A total of eight teams took part in this year's competition with Shannon taking the gold, Sixmilebridge the silver and Kishen the bronze.

As a result of this win Shannon will now represent Clare in the forthcoming provincial finals.

Team Front Row (left to right) Karen O'Rourke, Elaine O'Shaughnessy, Marie CAREW, Frances Phelan, Michelle Halpin, Michelle Smith, Lisa Parry, Lucia Hyde. Back row (left to right) Sinead Lohan, Caroline Sweeney, Audrey Carrig, Liz Keane, Catherine May (Capt.) Angela Sheridan, Sharon, McGee, Rolaine Arthurs.



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## Losing your skirt on the match



Getting carried away by the match . . . the skirt of Cork forward, Mary O'Leary in the All-Ireland Camogie Semi-Final at Parnell Park yesterday. Mary found her wandering skirt and, with help from team mate, Eileen Dineen, redressed for the part.

## To Make

# History?

The team climbed that obstacle and many others since. Their greatest performance was against Armagh in the Ulster final. Armagh were fancied in all quarters but a superb effort saw Cavan through by a single point.

On Sunday, they took the Galloway who emerged untroubled from Connacht. Their defence, built around Margaret Hastings, its Brady and Anne McKiernan proved that they can withstand great pressure in the Armagh game. Further afield the Smith twins, Francesa and Pauline, Noleen Kiernan, Bernice Callaghan and Olive Scott are players to be reckoned with.

In comparison, Gateway field a younger side. Angela Lethen, Deirdre Costello and Anne Ryan still play in the under sixteen grade. Captained by Isabel McGeec, Galway field useful players in Lorna Hermon, Deirdre Lawless, Maureen Robinson, Eileen Howey and Anne Kennedy. The stiff challenge which Cavan had to contend with in Ulster should stand to them on Sunday.

### Young Side

Dublin have been out of the junior honours since 1970. They are, however, the most experienced side of the four semi-finalists. Holders of the National Junior League and All-Ireland finalists, they meet newcomers to the intercounty scene, Cork.

According to rule, Cork had to find a completely new panel of players as a result of their victory in this competition last September. With an eye to the future, the Cork selectors have placed the emphasis on youth. The majority of the side are former minor and college players.

Captained by Irene O'Leary, who had to cry off last year's team for the final due to illness, the side includes some promising players such as Mary Spillane, Paula Grogans, Linda Mellick, and Patricia Fitzgerald. The side is very short on experience, a quality which counts for much at this stage of the competition.

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# Camogie girls to take on U.S.

By BRIAN DOWLING

The All-Ireland College Camogie champs from Maryfield College, Drumcondra (pictured left), flew out to the U.S. yesterday, where they hope to take on the best from some New York and Boston schools.

"When we won the All-Ireland championship back in March for the first time ever, we decided this trip was one way to mark our victory," said teacher and coach Micheal Dunne.

Then they faced several weeks of fund-raising to make the trip possible.

Early today, the girls, with four of their teachers, left Dublin for New York, where they will play two matches this weekend.

"After those games they will get a rest and a chance for some sight-seeing, then we are off to Boston the following

week for the third match," explained Micheal. The college team will spend 18 days in the U.S.

But before they left yesterday, Vice-Principal Miss Breege McCarrick had some good news for seven members of the team: Patricia Clinton, Copeland Avenue, Clontarf; Carmel O'Byrne, Brian Avenue, Marino; Denise O'Leary, Brian Road; Deirdre McGrew, Brian Avenue; Ann Byrne, Brian Road; Eileen Courtney, Grace Park Road, Drumcondra; and Patricia Grant, Croydon Road, Marino, whose Leaving Cert. results came out.

Said Breege: "They need not worry, they did very well, some of them did exceptionally well, so this really makes it a great send-off for the girls and the college. We are very pleased."



# At home venue, Cavan could put out Galway

ELEVEN COUNTIES are graded senior for camogie inter-county competition. All other counties play their first choice in the junior championship. The senior counties play their second string. In addition, All-Ireland medal holders in either senior or junior grades are also debarred, and rightly so, from selection on junior sides.

Despite these restrictions, the strong counties continue to dominate the junior championship. Cavan are the lone representatives of the "junior" counties in the All-Ireland junior semi-finals scheduled for Sunday next. The three remaining places are filled by Galway, Dublin and Cork.

Cavan's record to date reads National Junior League (1981), Ulster senior champions (1940 and 1941), Ulster junior championship (1979) and Ulster minor (1979 and 1980). Cavan drew Derry in the opening round of this season's championship and felt that they would advance no further. They defeated Derry and eventually won their way to the Ulster final where they had a one point victory over hotly fancied Armagh.

On their home ground at Cootehill, Cavan expect to do well against Galway. Captained by goalkeeper Anne McKiernan, they field six girls who played in their National League victory three years ago.

Margaret Hastings at full-back, centre-back Ita Brady, forwards Bernie Callaghan, Olive Scorr and Rosita Brady and the Smith sisters on the right wing are fine performers on whom Cavan pin their hopes.

## EASY PASSAGE

Galway had an easy passage in Connacht which leaves them in the dark about the true worth of their side. Three current minors, Angela Lahcen, Anne Ryan and Deirdre Costello, find places on the team.

Former minors Anne Ken-

nedy, Lorna Hernon, Mary Griffin and Maureen Robinson are also included making this a very youthful side. If Cavan can recapture their Ulster final form it should be sufficient to see them through.

Cork won the 1983 All-Ireland junior championship. Consequently, the county selectors had to find a completely new squad for the current competition. Very little was expected from the new team but despite their obvious inexperience and limited teamwork they have managed to dispose of Waterford, Tipperary and Clare.

Dublin provide the opposition to Cork. National League champions for the past two years and All-Ireland finalists in 1983, the majority of the Dubs have been together for some time. They know each other's play and have gained confidence from playing successfully together.

Several highly skilled players were on view in the All-Ireland minor final at Loughrea. Holders Cork opened well but found it hard to find their range. In

a fifteen minute period of the first half, Galway prised open the Cork defence and slotted in four goals.

The match looked over at this stage. Cork ran out for the second period showing several switches. The gaps had been sealed and slowly but surely Colette O'Mahony and Jean Paula Kent are away at the Galway lead and forged ahead to bring the cup home once again.

## VITAL GOAL

Joan Gormley has scored a hatful of goals in her career but none more vital than the one she netted with two minutes to go at Parnell Park last Sunday. It heralded a vital breakthrough for Dublin who have not recorded a championship win over Cork for many years.

Dublin must now feel that the O'Duffy Cup is at last within their grasp. They await the replay of the second semi-final. A late goal from left-handed Jenny English snatched a draw for Tipperary. Meanwhile, the Cork side which gave great enjoyment to its supporters by accumulating four All-Ireland titles in six years is in need of rebuilding.

## CAVAN GIRLS FOR ALL-IRELAND FINAL

Cootehill is the venue for the All-Ireland junior camogie semi-final on Sunday next between Cavan and Galway, with the throw-in timed for 3 p.m. This is Cavan's second venture into this stage of the competition, the first being in 1976 at Crosskeys when they

lost to Cork by 2-6 to 1-6 after a thrilling game.

Incidentally five of that team, Ann McKiernan, Margaret Hastings, Bernie O'Callaghan, Noleen Kiernan and Catherine Clarke are included in the panel for Sunday's game.

Cavan will start as complete outsiders as they are the only county left in the competition who have not already won a junior championship. They are also the only county left who do not have an established senior side. However, it will be remembered that nobody at the start of the season, gave the Cavan girls much of a chance in the Ulster championship, yet here they are, after fine victories over Derry, Donegal and Armagh, representing their province as worthy Ulster champions.

The selectors have got together as fine a panel of players (25 in all) as ever represented the county and the girls in turn, have left no stone unturned in their efforts to bring glory to their native county, having trained twice weekly for the past four months as well as playing for their clubs.

It is hoped to have a large number of supporters in attendance at Cootehill on Sunday to cheer on the local team, and clubs are asked to make a special effort to support the team in what is for them the biggest game of their camogie careers.

## STRONG PANEL

Cavan have some excellent players to choose from, and although the team is not selected at time of going to 'Press' it can be assumed that players of the undoubted ability of the Brady sisters, the Smith twins, Margaret Hastings, Noleen Kiernan, Lorainne O'Neill, Catherine Clarke, Olive Scorr and Bernie O'Callaghan will take at least some part in the game and give of their best.

Galway came with an easy passage through Connacht behind them, which may be their biggest disadvantage. However, they are used to the big occasion and will look to A. Lehan, L. Hernon, I. Magee, D. Lawless, D. Costello and A. Ryan to bring them through to yet another final.

However, if Cavan get the breaks and also get the support they deserve, they may upset the form-book once again, and qualify for the final for the first-time ever.

The big game will be preceded by the intermediate championship tie between Cuchullains and Killygarry at 1.30.

The Cavan team, who should be in Cootehill not later than 2.15, will be selected from the following panel — The Smith sisters, T. Lynch, E. Fitzpatrick (Killygarry), M. Tully, N. Tully, B. O'Callaghan, P. McPhillips, L. O'Neill (Castletara), M. McMullen, C. Clarke, Olive Scorr, B. McDermott (Cootehill), A. McKiernan, M. Hastings, N. McGovern (Templeport), N. Kiernan, I. Farrelly (Crosserlough), R. and I. Brady (Laragh), M. and G. Martin (Gowna), M. Carroll (Knockbride) and D. Rudden (Redhills).

# Cork Fans Hope For Better Things . . .

STILL reeling from the defeat of the senior side at the hands of Dublin on Sunday last, Cork followers will be hoping for better things on Sunday next when the county's junior string take on Dublin in their All-Ireland semi-final clash, this time at St. Finbarr's Grounds, Toghur.

Cork are holders of the Junior All-Ireland title, and as last year's winners, had to field a completely new side this season. So far this "new look" side has done exceptionally well, with good wins over Waterford in the preliminary round of the Munster Championship and Tipperary in the first round proper. And they had an especially fine win over a fancied Clare side in the provincial decider.

Eight of the Cork side play senior club camogie with either Killeagh, Glen Rovers, Na Piarasigh or Eire Og, so for the most part they are an experienced side.

However, Dublin, whom Cork defeated in last year's final will be hard to beat

and will almost certainly start as favourites.

They have been very impressive this season, brushing aside all opposition in Leinster and also winning the National Junior League.

Also their seniors' win over Cork on Sunday last must be a source of inspiration to them and although Cork have the advantage of a home venue, Dublin are treating this game very seriously, as they now have their sights firmly set on the senior-junior All-Ireland double.

They have very good players in Toni O'Byrne, May Duane, Suzanne Doyle and Edel Campbell and they will not easily give up the chance of joining their seniors in Corke Park on All-Ireland finals day.

But Cork will be trying hard to keep the red and white flag flying in Corke Park on ladies day and if grim determination is enough they they could cause an upset.

Kathleen Costine is an excellent goalie, while the

defence of Liz Maher, Mary Spillane, Una O'Connor and Paula Goggins is quite sound. In the centre they have the stylish Irene O'Leary, so good in the Munster final against Clare, the hardworking Mary Currid and Josephine Rumley, while in the attack they have Linda Mellerick, Regina Scouts, Patricia Fitzgibbon and Sarah Murphy, all tried and tested forwards.

And they have the sort of fighting spirit which saw them snatch victory from the jaws of defeat at the hands of Clare in the Provincial final.

## TEAMS

**Cork:** Kathleen Costine, Liz Maher, Mary Spillane, Una O'Connor, Paula Goggins, Mary Currid, Irene O'Leary, Josephine Rumley, Linda Mellerick, Regina Scouts, Patricia Fitzgibbon, Sarah Murphy.

**Dublin:** Toni O'Byrne, Mairéad Cronin, Lorraine Ormond, Mary Duane, Patsy Murphy, Suzanne Doyle, Jo Holden, Deirdre Byrne, Bridget Reynolds, Ann Cooper, Una Keogh, Edel Campbell.

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# ALL-IRELAND JUNIOR CAMOGIE

## CHAMPIONSHIP

# CAVAN CRUSH GALWAY CHALLENGE

CAVAN 8-4, GALWAY 3-5

CAVAN qualified for the All-Ireland Junior Camogie final for the first time ever when they defeated Galway by 8-4 to 3-5 in the semi-final played at Cootehill on Sunday last. This was a marvellous achievement for the Cavan girls and indeed for the selectors who have stood by the players through thick and thin over many years, when more often than not defeat was their lot, but they persevered with the task of putting Cavan on the camogie map once again. For the players all the pressure and pain of the many training sessions seemed worthwhile, when referee Mrs. Mary Lynch blew the full-time whistle as the players, mentors and supporters alike jumped for joy and congratulated each other on a job well done.

In a year when Cavan have not performed too well on the football and hurling field, except the junior

footballers, who are of course Ulster Junior Champions it is indeed gratifying to see the girls,

who are all natives of the county by the way doing so well and within one game of an All-Ireland title.

Many neutrals at the game were loud in their praise of the excellent skills displayed by the Cavan girls and indeed in all their games of late.

The game itself began with Cavan on the attack from the throw in and when they were awarded a free, Frances Smith duly pointed from fifty yards to open the scoring. From the puck out the home side went into the attack again and this time, Olive Scorr was on hand to score a great goal. Cavan kept up the pressure and forced a "thirty" which Frances Smith pointed.

Cavan remained on the offensive and after much pressure Rosita Brady crashed home a great goal. Galway made one of their brief excursions into the Cavan half and had their first score when Anne Ryan pointed.

### Goal Blitz

However this was Cavan's day and nothing was going to deny them of victory and when G. Martin scored goals in the tenth and eleventh minute to put her side thirteen points in the lead the writing was on the wall for Galway. The losers had their second point through M. Griffin in the fourteenth minute but G. Martin had a similar score to restore Cavan's thirteen point lead.

Isobel Magee then scored another point for Galway. In the last attack of the half, R. Brady had yet another Cavan goal to leave the half time score, Cavan 5-3, Galway 0-3.

The second-half saw Galway come more into the game as the home side rested on their fifteen point lead. However despite some early pressure the visitors failed to score and indeed it was Cavan who got the first score of the half, when Olive Scorr shot a fine goal to leave Cavan leading by six goals.

Galway had their first goal of the match from Anne Ryan in the seventh minute, which was followed by an unfortunate injury to Cavan's brilliant full-forward Olive Scorr who was replaced by Bernice O'Callaghan. Galway's captain, Isobel Magee, then scored a point to narrow the gap. G. Martin got through for her 3rd goal of the game for Cavan. It was followed by two scores for Galway, a goal from Angela Manning and a point from A. Ryan.

Cavan brought on B. McDermott for E. Fitzpatrick. In the nineteenth minute Cavan were awarded a free which was pointed by Frances Smith. Two minutes later, Galway had their last score when D. Lawless sent to the net from a free. Once again however Cavan were not to be denied on this occasion and R. Brady scored her third goal of the game.

For Cavan, A. McKiernan played a captains part in goals, while M. Hastings played well at full-back. With star defender L. O'Neill unavoidably absent, Cavan brought in I. Farrelly who played a great game in the half-back line as did I. Brady and E. Fitzpatrick while B. McDermott also impressed when introduced in the second-half.

At midfield, P. Smith, N. Kiernan and C. Clarke played their hearts out throughout. But it was the forwards who really showed the way on this occasion with Olive Scorr in superb form at full-forward, where her speed and intelligence caused many headaches for the Galway defence.

G. Martin the youngest player on the team, was positively brilliant on the wing, while R. Brady took her three goals in excellent fashion. P. Smith got plenty of the ball but failed to get on the score sheet and B. O'Callaghan tried desperately hard when brought on for the injured O. Scorr.

For Galway, A. Laheen had a happy afternoon in goal, while K. Moran found O. Scorr quite a handful. I. Magee tried very hard rally her forces as captain and centre half-back, where she got good support from A. Kennedy and L. Hernon. M. Robinson, E. Cannon and K. Murray all had their moments at midfield. A. Ryan was the best of the forward where she got good support from A. Manning, D. Lawless and M. Griffin.

**Scorers Cavan:** G. Martin 3-1, R. Brady 3-0, O. Scorr 2-0, F. Smith 0-3. **Galway:** A. Ryan 1-2, A. Manning 1-0, D. Lawless 1-0, I. Magee 0-2, M. Griffin 0-1.

**Cavan:** A. McKiernan (Capt.), M. Hastings, I. Farrelly, I. Brady, E. Fitzpatrick, F. Smith, N. Kiernan, C. Clarke, G. Martin, R. Brady, P. Smith, O. Scorr. **Subs:** B. O'Callaghan for O. Scorr, B. McDermott for E. Fitzpatrick.

**Galway:** A. Laheen, K. Moran, A. Kennedy, I. Magee (Capt.), L. Hernon, M. Robinson, E. Cannon, K. Murray, A. Manning, M. Griffin, D. Lawless, Anne Ryan. **Subs:** Deirdre Costello for M. Robinson, A. Fahy for Mary Griffin, Margaret O'Reilly for K. Murray.

**Ref. Mrs. Mary Lynch (Monaghan).**

## Camogie

### Notes

Tipp earn replay in All-Ireland Semi-Final.

A brilliant goal by Jenny English, (Emly) in the dying seconds of the game earned Tipperary a home venue replay against a fancied Wexford side on Sunday week last.

The first half was dull and unexciting with very close marking from both sets of defence leaving forwards very little room for attack. Tipp lacked the commitment and skill which they had shown in the challenge game against cork the previous week. Nonetheless this good win over Cork made the girls believe they could still get on top of Wexford. They started the second half just 3 pts behind and were determined to make amends for their first half errors.

Still luck was not on the Tipp side and things just did not go right and the girls found themselves 7 pts to 2 pts down with 10 minutes remaining. Tipp selectors moved Mary Sheedy, (Portroe), to midfield and Jenny English (Emly) into attack. This change immediately began to bear fruit. A power shot by Jenny English was deflected and Deirdre Lane (making a welcome return after injury) pointed the 30. Two minutes later Mary Griffin (St. Mary's) had a lovely point and there was only 1 goal between the sides. Tipp now began to believe in themselves and in dramatic fashion attacked the Wexford defence once more. A scramble in front of the goalmouth saw Jenny English crash the ball to the net much to the relief and delight of the Tipp supporters, and they had lived to fight another day. Breda Kennedy (Portroe) had a brilliant game particularly in the first half. Mary Sheedy, (Portroe) at full back again showed what a fine player she is and her switch to midfield with 10 minutes to go was a major factor in the last few attacks on the Wexford defence. Maire Hackett, Mgt Madden (Portroe) played big parts throughout the game. Triona Bonne (Cashel) at centre back hadn't the best game to date. Centre field players Jenny English (Emly) played a major role particularly when moved to attack. Geraldine Ryan, (Cappawhite) was not on her game and Rosie Ryan (St. Bers) was always a threat to the Wexford girls.

The attack of Mary Griffin (St. Mary's), Ann Gleeson (Terry) Siobhan McDonnell (St. Cuthberts) and Deirdre Lane (Celtic/Dublin), all had their moments with Deirdre and Siobhan always showing they were a force to be reckoned with and Susan Hickey (Portroe) when she replaced Fiona Bonner played a big part and set up few attackers.



Rosita Brady is again in the action as she races for possession along with a Galway defender.

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# JUNIOR CAMOGIE — by Noel Spillane

## Cork make the final

BY NOEL SPILLANE

Cork 1-7;  
Dublin 2-2

ALL-IRELAND Junior champions Cork left it late to overcome Dublin when they scored a narrow 1-7 to 2-2 win in their All-Ireland junior championship semi-final at St. Finbarr's Hurling and Football Club grounds, at Toghher, yesterday.

Cork now qualify for the All-Ireland final against Cavan, who crushed Galway by 8-4 to 3-5 in yesterday's other semi-final tie.

It took a goal five minutes from the end of an entertaining game by Josephine Rumley to pull

Cork back to level terms at 1-5 to 2-2.

Irene O'Leary, the team skipper and Denise Cotter, who came in as substitute in the second half for Sarah Murphy, hit the two match winning points in the last four minutes.

The sides were level 0-4 to 1-1 at the interval after Adele Campbell goaled for Dublin seven minutes into the game. Cork looked to be in trouble early in the second half when Mary Dwane netted from a free when her shot took a deflection and dropped into the net.

Dublin led 2-1 to 0-5 for much of the second half and only a superb reflex save by Kathleen Costine prevented the Dubs from

going further ahead midway through the half.

Cork rallied, however, and showed their fighting character with a splendid comeback as Regina Scouts, Irene O'Leary, Mary Currid, and Paula Goggins in defence, played prominent roles.

For Dublin, who beat Cork last weekend in the senior semi-final, Patsy Murphy, Ann Cooper, Bridget Reynolds, and goalkeeper, Toni O'Byrne, all played well.

Scorers for Cork — Regina Scouts 0-3 (0-1 free); Josephine Rumley 1-0; Patricia FitzGibbons, Linda McElrick, Irene O'Leary and Denise Cotter 0-1 each.

Dublin — Mary Dwane 1-1 (0-1 free); Adele Campbell 1-0; Ann Cooper 0-1.

Referee: Miss Helen Sheehy, Limerick.

# GALWAY GIRLS BITE THE DUST

CAVAN ..... 7-4  
GALWAY ..... 3-5

Galway lost their last chance of All-Ireland honours in 1984 when the county's junior camogie team were defeated in the All-Ireland semi-final by Cavan at Coochill on Sunday.

The game was played in ideal weather and in a very sporting manner. The Breffni girls were the move experienced side and got off to a whirlwind start with two quick goals and a point which unsettled the younger Galway side.

During the first half, nothing seemed to go right for Galway and Cavan led by three goals at half-time. In the second half Galway settled down and matched the home side in most positions and indeed in the last ten minutes were superior to the Cavan girls but they couldn't overhaul their big lead.

The Cavan girls, in sporting spirit, kept up the pace until the last whistle and came out convincing and deserving winners and must fancy their chances of the All-Ireland title on September 9 at Croke Park.

The Galway girls need not be ashamed of their endeavour as they are a young team — average age 18 years — and as it was their first year together time is certainly on their side.

On the day they had some outstanding players notably their captain and centre back, Isbeal McGee who played her heart out. The forwards, Deirdre Lawless, Angela Manning and Ann Ryan played well but didn't get the required possession to do enough damage. Substitutes Ann Fahy, Margaret O'Reilly and Deirdre Costello seem to strengthen the team in the second half.

Best of Cavan girls were Ann McKieran, Ita Brady, Frances Smyth, Pauline Smyth and full forward Olive Scorr.

Galway: Angela Labeen, Kathleen Moran, Ann Kennedy, Isbeal McGee (capt), Lorna Hernon, Maureen Robinson, Ema Cannon, Kathleen Murray, Mary Griffin, Deirdre Lawless, Angela Manning, Ann Ryan, Subs: Margaret O'Reilly for Kathleen Murray; Ann Fahy for Mary Griffin; Deirdre Costello for Maureen Robinson. Scorers: A Ryan (1-2), Isbeal McGee (0-1), D. Lawless (1-0), D. Costello (0-1), Angela Manning (1-0), Mary Griffin (0-1).

Cavan: Ann McKieran, Margaret Hastings, Ita Farrelly, Liz Fitzgerald, Ita Brady, Frances Smyth, Noleen Kiernan, Catha Clark, Roseta Brady, Geraldine Martyn, Pauline Smyth, Olive Scorr.



Pictured above is the victorious Cavan junior camogie team who have qualified for the All-Ireland final.



Rosita Brady from Laragh club scores one of her three goals which helped Cavan to success.

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## It's a Cavan —Cork final

CAVAN ..... 8-4  
GALWAY ..... 3-5

Cavan qualified for the All-Ireland junior camogie final for the first time when they defeated Galway in an entertaining semi-final at Cootehill yesterday.

Cavan scored 4-2 in the opening ten minutes, to knock the heart out of their opponents. Although Galway fought back in the second half, the Cavan defence stood firm.

Cavan's outstanding player was full forward Olive Scorr, who got good support from Anne McKiernan, Ita Brady, Carmel Clarke, and the Smith twins.

Scorers: Cavan—G. Martin (3-1), R. Brady (3-0), O. Scorr (2-0), F. Smith (0-3). Galway—A. Ryan (1-2), A. Manning, D. Lawless (1-0 each), I. McGee, M. Griffin, D. Costelloe (0-1 each).

CORK ..... 1-7  
DUBLIN ..... 2-2

ALL-IRELAND Junior Camogie champions Cork had to come from behind to beat Dublin in their All-Ireland championship semi-final in Cork yesterday. Cork will meet Cavan in the final.

The sides were level 0-4 to 1-1 at half time before Cork drew level five minutes from the end when Josephine Rumley netted to make it 1-5 to 2-2. Cork's winning points came from Irene O'Leary and Denise Cotter in the closing minutes.

Scorers: Cork—R. Scouts (0-3), J. Rumley (1-0), P. Fitzgibbons, S. Mellerick, I. O'Leary, D. Cotter (0-1 each). Dublin—M. Dwan (1-1), A. Campbell (1-0), A. Cooper (0-1).



Jim Shell presents the cup to Nora Gahan, captain of the winning Buffers Alley team, following Sundays County Camogie Final.

## ANGELA DOWNEY

### A CAMOGIE SUPERSTAR TO RANK WITH THE WORLD'S BEST



Mary Moran pays tribute to one of the best forwards ever seen

ANGELA DOWNEY

THE 1984 All-Ireland Final will be a unique occasion. As the participating teams take the pitch, the players will run smack into the view of television cameras. For many years, the Camogie Association has sought to have the senior final televised. The word at the moment is that the game will be shown live and, in addition, the Centenary Sunday Game will cover the highlights.

It is widely accepted that the upsurge of interest in certain sports is largely due to television coverage. Now it is our turn to display what we have to offer. A high standard of presentation will be necessary by the officials planning the details of the event. The players involved can do a major selling job for their sport by giving a skilful exhibition of camogie.

This exposure of our game will bring camogie before those who are unfamiliar with it. The late transmission will place the game in the critical eye of the sport-following public who are accustomed to viewing entertainment of high

quality. The ball is certainly in the court of the Camogie Association—they will gain considerably if they play it to their advantage.

Thousands of girls play camogie matches. This trend is equally true of other games played by girls. What a boost the attendance at our finals would receive if our players travelled from far and near to support and enjoy the showpiece of the season.

We need to convince the sport-going public that camogie has much to offer, both as a spectacle and an entertainment. There must be a large volume of people in the Dublin area who like to go somewhere on a Sunday afternoon. To these we say, why not come along to Croke Park on September 9 and view our finals from a comfortable seat and enjoy the excitement and thrills.

At the time of writing six counties remain in the race for the Open Draw Championship. Galway, Louth, Antrim, Clare and Kilkenny have retired to the sidelines to await another year. A look into the crystal

ball could reveal whether Dublin's long-awaited breakthrough is at hand. Cork stand a chance of the elusive championship and league double. Wexford hope to bridge the gap back to 1975. The remaining contenders, Limerick, Tipperary and Down, dream of a historic first title.

### SUPERSTAR

The tag superstar is widely used in sport. The achievements and praises of the likes of Barry McGuigan, Eamon Coughlan, Mary McKenna and Sean Kelly fill many columns of the sports pages and magazines. Camogie has a superstar whose performances are on a par with the best. In the past two months alone, Angela Downey has shown what a superb competitive athlete she is.

In Gradam Tailte, the Kilkenny girl took on the best that camogie had to offer. On the athletic track, the basketball court, in the gym and on the playing fields, she pitted her skill,

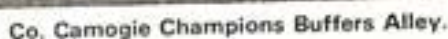
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The Carnegie Trust for the United Kingdom and Ireland is the main sponsor of the journey. Boris Becker is expected to face the winner of the Semi-Finals in the Final on Sunday, September 10. The match will be played at Wembley Stadium on Sunday, September 10.

Two further points saw Cork safely through to the All-Ireland Junior final. Their opponents in the final will be newcomers to Croke Park, Cavan, who had a convincing victory over Galway, will be welcome participants in All-Ireland Day.

The full team is listed: John Carlson, Gordon Dorfman, Roy Laidlaw, Graham Price, Colin Douglas, Joan Rutherford, Peter Patterson, Steve Balmford, Peter Winfield, Eddie Butler, John Pierce Rivers.

Muskrat President: XV —  
(from) Hugo McNellie, Trevor En-  
lund, Moss Lion, Michelle Kier-  
nan, Keith Cronan, Olie Cam-  
bell, Tony Ward, Michael Brad-  
ley, Alex O'Regan, Phil Orr,  
Caren Alexander,  
McNabbin, Moss Kearse, Donna  
Leahy, John O'Donoghue, Willie  
Duggan, Donald Springs, Michael  
Gibson.



Crough-Kilfinny: H. Sheehy, T. O'Dea (capt.), M. Guiry, M. Dore, H. Collins, R. Fitzgerald, A. Watson, A. Sheehy, R. Stokes, G. Murphy, S. Dundon, M. P. Butler. Referee: S. Golden (Innis-carra).

# Wexford to advance at second attempt

the game virtually won a complete loss of concentration in the team and defensive error led in the losing score for Tipperary. Wexford had started the game but finishing cost them a in the final at their attempt. The Wexford will have to be even determined now to nt for Tipperary and

win a place in the Croke Park Final. A special 'bus for the Tipperary game will leave Ferns, at 10 a.m. Enniscorthy 10.15 and Killealy 10.45 on route for the match. Supporters are asked to contact the county secretary, Margaret Shiels at 051-24637 for reservations of seats on the 'bus since the numbers are limited.

**WEXFORD PANEL:**  
KATHLEEN TONKS, ANN BUTLER, STELLA SINNOTT, GERALDINE WYNN, ELSIE COADY, FIONA COUSINS, DOROTHY KENNY, CAROLINE FARRINGTON, MONICA GAHAN, GERTRUDE O'LEARY, IMELDA O'LEARY, TERESA HOBBS, CATHERINE SINNOTT, AILISH KAVANAGH (Buffers Alley), CATHERINE MURPHY, EILEEN KEHOE (Cloughbawn) TINA FITZHENRY (Ballindaggin), MARTINA O'NEILL AND DEIRDRE GUINAN (Ferns), ANN O'LEARY (Oulart), ANN REDDY, JACKIE HIGGINS (Rathnure).

There will be a county board meeting, on Monday next, August 27th, at Murphy Floods Hotel, at 9 p.m. and all clubs are requested to attend this meeting.



Beaten Camogie finalists Rathnure.

## THE ROCKIES GO UP

**BLACKROCK 4-7;  
GLEN ROVERS 2-3**

Amid scenes of great rejoicing Blackrock won their way back to senior camogie ranks when they defeated Glen Rovers in the Cork Intermediate Championship final at Ballinlough.

This was a marvellous game right through. The new champions, playing with the wind in the first half, had run up an impressive 2-5 to 0-2 lead at the interval. But Glen Rovers, who were hoping to gain some measure of consolation for their Senior Co. Championship semi-final defeat, were far from out of it and they made a gallant second half effort which saw them get to within two points of the winners.

## CAMOGIE SEVEN A SIDE

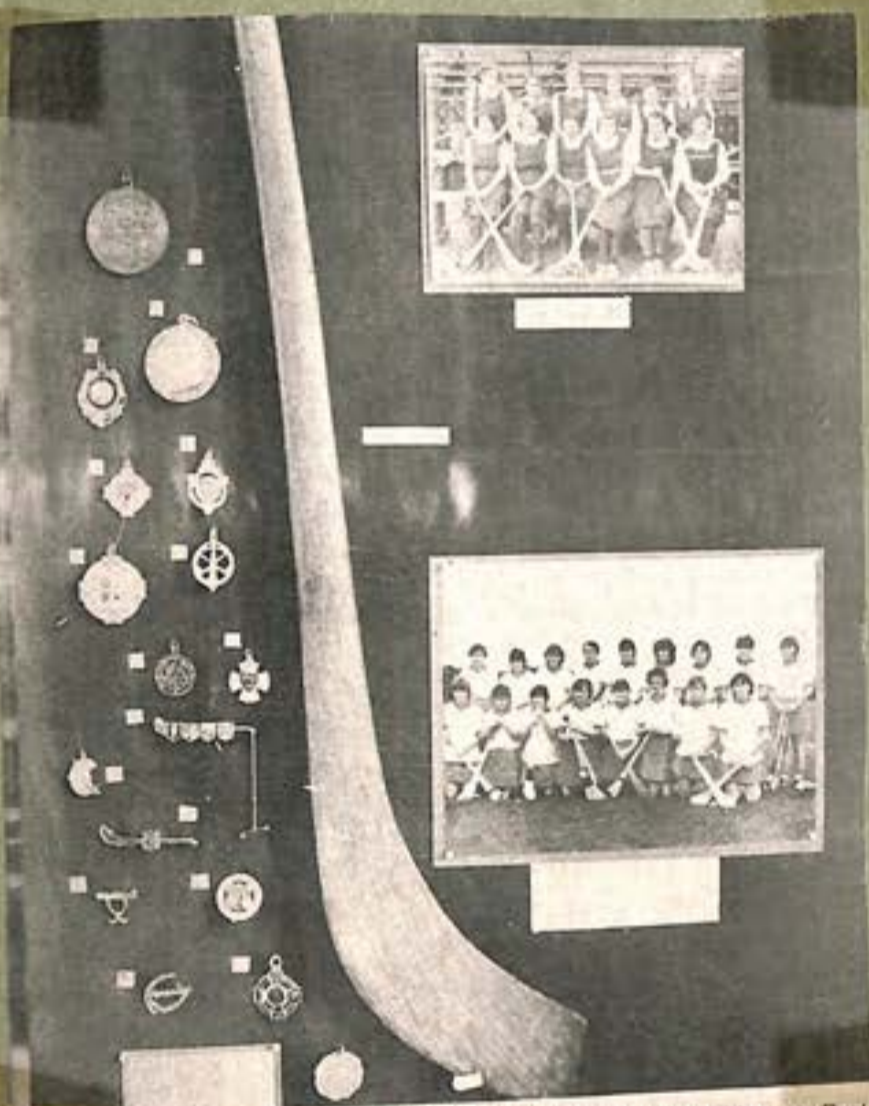
The draw for next Saturday's 11th annual Kilmacud Crokes All Ireland seven-a-side camogie championship — sponsored by Hospital Enterprises — was announced in Dublin last night.

The entry list of 32 clubs — representing 16 counties and all four provinces — will be divided into eight league sections, the winners of which will qualify for the quarter-finals.

The draw is: **Group One** — Eire Og (Cork), St. Brigids (Kilkenny), Ui Chonnail (Dublin), Loughrea (Galway). **Group Two** — Moycarkey Borris (Tipperary), Na Fianna (Dublin), Cuala (Dublin), Ardkeen (Waterford). **Group Three** — Croagh Kilfinney (Limerick), Phoenix (Dublin), St. Annes (Louth), Cameron (Dublin). **Group Four** — St. Pauls (Kilkenny), Marino (Dublin), Kilbride (Meath), Faythe Harriers (Wexford).

**Group Five** — Buffers Alley (Wexford), Avoca (Wicklow), Woodville (Dublin), Naomh Aoiife (Dublin). **Group Six** — An Ríocht (Down), Wolfe Tones (Clare), Kilmore (Dublin), Kilmacud Crokes (Dublin). **Group Seven** — Crumlin (Dublin), Myshall (Carlow), Portoferry (Down), Ballyeran (Down). **Group Eight** — Athenry (Galway), An Caislean (Dublin), Prosperous (Kildare), Birr

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Display of camogie medals and hurley in the G.A.A. exhibition at Cork Museum.



Display of the various outfits worn by camogie players from 1905 to the present day.

# Wexford go under to Tipp in replay

Wexford ..... 1-4  
Tipperary ..... 1-10

Wexford made the long trip to Borrisokane to play Tipperary in the replay of the senior camogie All Ireland semi final replay and were defeated on a scoreline of 1-10 to 1-4.

The game started with Wexford taking command in the opening minutes. The first Wexford attack with Eileen Kehoe in full flight for goal but somehow the Tipperary goalie Breda Kennedy managed to prevent the chance of a goal and following the goalmouth scramble, a blow to the head of full forward Jackie Codd held up the game for a few minutes.

Wexford wasted good scoring opportunities during the opening quarter of the game and when Jenny English opened the scoring for Tipp, after seven minutes and three more points in the next few minutes to put the home team well in the lead.

It took Wexford until the sixteenth minute to open their account when following a long pass from midfield by Anne Reddy the ball was slotted to the net by Jackie Codd. Anne Reddy with two points, one from a '30', put Wexford into the lead after twenty minutes. Other Wexford scores by Elsie Coady, point from a free, and a point by Catherine Murphy added to the visitors tally. Two points by Jenny English for Tipp, towards the end of the half left the score 1-4 to 0-6 in favour of Wexford at the interval.

Tipperary drew level when Jenny English scored two points from '30s' in the fifth and sixth minute of the second half. The scores remained level, with both teams playing excellent camogie much to the delight of the large number of spectators.

Midway through the half Kathleen Tonks in the Wexford goal made an incredible save to prevent Jenny English from scoring a certain goal. A point by Geraldine Ryan put the home team into the lead and Jenny English with a point from play added to the lead.

Wexford replaced Caroline Farrington and Dorothy Kenny with Marita O'Neill and Geraldine Wynn in the last few minutes. Jenny English with a point, her ninth of the game, with four minutes remaining put Tipperary three points in the lead. Wexford, in an effort to force the game into extra time, pushed players forward to score from a long clearance from goal. Mary Griffin rounded the outcoming Kathleen Tonks to score a goal. From the puck out the final whistle sounded and scenes of delight as the Tipperary fans cheered their heroines and look forward to the final and their clash with Dublin in Croke Park on Sunday 9th September.

For the Wexford team it was the end of a dream, for having played so well in the home game at Monamolin two weeks previous and with a place in the final within their grasp, lack of team concentration cost them dearly and let Tipperary in for the equalising score.

The Wexford team against Tipperary played extremely well and in particular Tina Fitzhenry who was the outstanding player on view, at centre

back and never put a foot wrong throughout the game. Kathleen Tonks in goal halted the Tipperary attack on a number of occasions. Ann Butler at full back was also at her best and prevented many scoring opportunities for Tipp.

Elsie Coady played a captain's part at centre field and with Ann Reddy controlled midfield throughout. Wexford's forwards played well but were unable to capitalise

on the scoring chances noticeable in the opening quarter. Catherine Murphy at centre forward combined well with midfield and her constant solo runs were a constant danger to the Tipp defence.

Best for Tipperary were Jenny English, Maura Hackett, Maura Sheedy, Susan Hickey.

The Wexford team throughout the national league and championship campaign showed great team

work and much credit is due to team manager Rory Kinsella and team selectors Packy Kelly and Willie Corcoran for their dedication in preparing the team for Sunday's semi-final. Great credit is due to the players for their commitment both for training and at games.

**Scorers:** Wexford - Jackie Codd (1-0); Ann Reddy (0-2); Elsie Coady and Catherine Murphy (0-1 each). Tipperary - Jenny English (0-9); Mary

Griffin (1-0); Geraldine Ryan (0-1).

**Wexford:** Kathleen Tonks, Ann O'Leary, Ann Butler, Stella Sinnott, Tina Fitzhenry, Anne Reddy, Elsie Codd (capt.), Caroline Farrington, Catherine Murphy, Eileen Kehoe, Jackie Codd, Dorothy Kenny. Subs: Marita O'Neill for Caroline Farrington; Geraldine Wynn for Dorothy Kenny.

**Tipperary:** Breda Kennedy, Mary Sheedy, Maura Hackett, Trina Bonner, Margaret Madden, Geraldine Ryan, Ann Gleeson, Rosie Ryan, Deirdre Lane, Jenny English, Siobhan McDonald, Mary Griffin. Subs: Susan Hickey for Rosie Ryan.

**Ref:** Helina McCormack (Kilkenny).

## Great win for Tipp

Tipperary Senior Camogie team qualified for the All-Ireland final against Dublin when they overcame a strong challenge from Wexford in the All Ireland semi final at Seamus Gardiner Memorial Park, Borrisokane on Sunday last.

Tipp, with a two point lead and three minutes remaining, sealed their victory with a well taken goal by Nancy Griffin of St. Mary's. The Tipp supporters were jubilant and really got behind their players who finished far superior to the Wexford side.

Breda Kennedy (Portroe) in goals had a superb game bringing off some fine saves — one brilliant save in the first few minutes when the Wexford forward soloed in with the ball and palmed it from less than three ft. from the goal. This was a magnificent save and gave the Tipp girls the confidence they needed. Mary Sheedy and Maire Hackett (both Portroe) were a power of strength in the defence and both were applauded time and time again for their first class display. Triona Bonner (Cashel) and Mgt. Madden (Portroe) the two other defenders had good performances also showing a little bit of inexperience at times. These two players can only improve with each game and are the two babies of the team being eligible for the Tipp under 18 team this year also.

Centre field players, Geraldine Ryan (Cappawhite) and Ann Gleeson (Templederry) came into their own in the second half — Geraldine scoring a lovely point from centre field at a crucial moment for Tipp. Ann Gleeson worked hard right through and supplied the ball quite freely to the forward line. Rosie Ryan (Roscrea) must be displeased with her performance. Rosie, who normally causes severe problems for the opposition, did not rise to the occasion. Flying back from her holidays specially for the game may not have helped but no doubt Rosie will lift herself for the All Ireland final.

Jenny English (Emly) was just superb in the attack. Wexford had no answer for this talented young player who is a cousin to Nicky English the All-Star player. Wexford had made up their mind at the start that Tipp were not going to score goals. In the early stages both Jenny English and Deirdre Lane (Celtic, Dublin and Lorrha) were brought down as they

soloed goalwards. This demoralised the Tipp attack for a while but they soon found their feet again. Siobhan McDonnell (St. Culsains) had a quiet game, breaking even with a very talented Wexford centre back and while she did not get her name on the scoreboard, she fought very hard for the entire match. Her experience adds much to the Tipperary attack. As mentioned earlier Deirdre Lane was not going to get through for goal but she played a vital role and was a threat to the Wexford girls. Mary Griffin (St. Mary's) had a reasonably quiet game until that last few minutes when she went through and flicked the ball passed Kathleen Tonks in the Wexford goal and sealed victory for Tipperary. Susan Hickey (Portroe), when she replaced Rosie Ryan did a power of work winning numerous balls at centre field and breaking up the Wexford attack. Susan has proved to be "Super Sub" this year and it is a boost to any team to have players like this on the side-line.

Tipp now meet Dublin on Sunday, September 9th, in Croke Park and let's hope they will get plenty of support.

Our thanks on Sunday to the great supporters who travelled to Borrisokane; to the Borrisokane Camogie Club for looking after refreshments for both teams; to the lads who collected on the gate; to the Park Committee who had the field looking so well; to Geraldine McKenna who let us have the use of her function room and lastly to everyone who helped in any small way to make this day happen. See You In Croke Park!

**Team:** Breda Kennedy, Mary Sheedy, Maire Hackett, Triona Bonner, Mgt. Madden, Rosie Ryan, Geraldine Ryan, Ann Gleeson, Jenny English, Siobhan McDonnell, Deirdre Lane, Mary Griffin.

**Subs:** Susan Hickey (used), Ann Keeshan, Geraldine Feehan (both Roscrea), Eithne Bonner, Kirsty McCluskey (both Cashel), Marian Graham (Moycarkey).

**Selectors:** Monica Butler (St. Culsains), Nick Cody (Roscrea), John O'Connell (Portroe), Trainer John O'Connell (Portroe).

**Fixtures:** Don't forget the County Senior Camogie final between Portroe and St. Mary's (Newport) in Borrisoleigh on this Friday evening, 31st at 7.15 p.m.

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# Historic date for Tipp girls

From the moment it was first mooted that the Centenary All Ireland hurling final would be staged in Thurles, it became the ardent desire of Tipperary folk that they should participate in this historic match. However, that is not to be. But the girls of Tipperary to whom no attention was paid, have reached the senior camogie final on September 9.

Before a large home following, Tipperary lifted their game in the last quarter and opponents Wexford could only watch as the Premier County drew away to win. Tipperary trainer, John O'Connell is fully aware that his charges will have to play from the word go if they are to entertain any hope of

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bringing the O'Duffy Cup home.

When Tipperary freed themselves of the tension which inhibited their play in the early stages they performed quite well. From 1949 to 1979 Tipperary contested six All-Ireland finals without success. For long serving members of the side like Deirdre Lane, Siobhain McDonnell and Mary Sheehy victory on Sunday week would be very sweet indeed.

One of the most attractive dates on the camogie calendar is the eve of the all-Ireland finals when the Kilmacud Sevens takes place. The 1984 com-

petition, which has drawn an entry of thirty two clubs, will be run off at Silver Park.

Several previous winners are included in the line up notably St. Pauls, the holders, Buffer's Alley and Killeagh. The additional attractions of Player of the Tournament, Silver Save and Golden Goal add interest to the occasion.

News filtering through from America is that Maryfield College players are enjoying a wonderful trip. At Gaelic Park they took on a U.S. selection and also had a game with the New Ireland Club in New York. They finished on top in both matches. They move on to Boston to meet a

Boston Selection and return home on Saturday.

Killeagh, All-Ireland club champions in 1980, gave notice of their intentions on Sunday when they totally outclassed the Limerick champions Croagh-Kilfinny in the Munster club championship. The Cork champions were superior in every sector and will make a bold bid to come out of Munster.

As expected Loughgiel, the Antrim champions, proved too strong for Letterkenny in the semi final of the Ulster club championship. The Down club, Leitrim surprised Swatragh (Derry) in the second semi final by 4-3 to 1-3. The final is arranged by 16th September.

# DUBLIN FOR TITLE

## Camogie Final preview

Dublin 25, Tipperary 0. That is the impressive number of titles that Dublin have accumulated over the years while Tipperary still have to have their name engraved on the O'Duffy Cup.

On experience alone Dublin should romp away with the title at Croke Park tomorrow, but when it comes to All-Ireland day, anything can happen.

If one were to go back to the beginning of the year, few if any, would have envisaged this pairing. While a lot of emphasis had been placed on the Tipperary senior hurlers and the hopes and wishes that they might have contested the final in Thurles in this the G.A.A. centenary year, it's to girls who have stolen the limelight and have quietly but deservedly earned the right to their place in this intriguing clash.

Make no mistake about it, Tipperary are in Croke Park tomorrow because they have proved beyond all doubt that they are never beaten until the final whistle.

Their fighting spirit and determination in their two matches with Wexford, when they came back from the jaws of defeat on both occasions, have shown this. Perhaps they were in the easier side of the draw in that they also had to overcome the challenge of Galway who have flattered to deceive in recent years, but nonetheless many punters would have put their money on Wexford at the outset.

Dublin, on the other hand, were drawn against Kilkenny, Limerick and old-Ireland champions for the past 2 years, Cork. In the preliminary round they faced Kilkenny and after a brilliant opening period they eventually ran out easy winners. This victory was the foundation stone on which they pinned their hopes.

On to Limerick where it took a long time to wear down a tenacious Munster side. It wasn't until well into the second half that they shook off

the close marking of the Limerick girls and broke through for the vital goal that clinched victory.

The next game saw them face their arch rivals Cork in the semi-final. Again this was a close striking encounter with fortunes swaying. Just as in all their clashes of late, with the exception of the League Final, this year, there was never more than a puck of a ball between both sides and this game was no exception.

Going into the last few minutes Dublin were trailing by two points, but they soared on to the attack and with practically the last stroke of the game Joan Gormley got her stick to a ball in the goal-mouth and it ended up resting in the corner of the net.

It was no more than Dublin deserved for they had faced two shattering defeats by Cork in the 1982 and 1983 all-Ireland finals.

Tipperary have contested the final on six occasions prior to this and have tasted defeat each time. Five times Dublin have been their conquerors while on their most recent appearance in 1979 Antrim were the victors.

Thus Tipperary will make a bold bid to gain the honours this time out.

Amazingly it is 18 years since Dublin won their last title. They have trained hard and diligently since last March and if one was to look back and reflect on what was the turning point of this year's campaign one would say that it was the defeat that Cork inflicted on the min the League final.

Nobody could come up with an answer as to why they failed so miserably that day. Perhaps they had been lulled into a false sense of security by their demolition of Louth, Down and Kilkenny in the

earlier rounds and were brought back to earth with a bang that sunny afternoon in Cork.

But since then they have matured and to their credit have come fighting back with great determination and enthusiasm. In the semi-final they proved themselves to be a good side when they beat champions Cork, especially with that dramatic last-minute goal.

Even though the pressure to win will be more on Dublin than Tipperary, pre-match nerves will not be as bad for the Metropolitans as they have been at this stage more recently than their Munster rivals. The fact that they are appearing in their third successive final will stand to them.

The Dublin selectors have made two changes in personnel from the side that won through the semi-final. Anne Thorpe and Carmel O'Byrne make way for Edel Murphy and Germaine Noonan. In fact 11 of this team played in last year's final while 8 remain from the '82 game.

With the experimentation of the League and the earlier rounds of the championship behind them the selectors now feel that their captain Anne Colgan is of better benefit to Dublin at centre forward rather than in the back line. The goalkeeper Yvonne Redmond will be fronted by perhaps the most improved player on the panel this season, Marian Conroy. Corner forward and captain of last year's team, Marian has developed into a steady and stylish full back.

On either side of her Dublin have two good corner backs in Germaine Noonan and Catherine Ledwedge, both of whom will give nothing away. Indeed Catherine will have her hands full in coping with the skills of the very talented corner forward Jenny English who got all of Tipperary's scores bar a goal in their semi-final victory over Wexford. The responsibility of the vital centre back position is given to Bernie Toner whose long upfield clearances will be of tremendous help to her forwards.

Dublin place an awful lot of faith in their middle of the pitch trio of Una Crowley, Mary Mernagh and Barbara Redmond.

Perhaps the surprise of the team is the placing of Edel Murphy at left corner forward. Following her impressive performance when she was introduced at half time in the semi-final the selectors feel that she will add a little bit more experience and scoring power to the forward line.

Tipperary have their own stars in Breda Kennelly, Mary Sheedy, Maura Hackett, Rosie Ryan, Mary Griffen and Jenny English. Leading the Tipperary team will be the ever-enthusiastic Deirdre Lane. Deirdre, who plays her club camogie with Celtic in Dublin, is a club-mate of Dublin captain Anne Colgan and knows all the Dublin players' play. No doubt she will have passed on this information to her Tipperary mentors and team mates.

Tipperary will have benefited from those two lousing meetings with Wexford and while they will travel confidently to the capital I think that Dublin will have the upper hand but—once they concentrate for the full game and not just for the last ten minutes.



BERNIE TONER... in the Dublin team against Tipperary tomorrow.



MARIAN CONROY... lines out for Dublin in the camogie final at Croke Park.

# MEET THE PLAYERS



ANN  
McKIERNAN



ITA  
BRADY



ROSITA  
BRADY



MARGARET  
CARROLL



CATHERINE  
CLARKE



ITA  
FARRELLY



ELIZABETH  
FITZPATRICK



MARGARET  
HASTINGS



NOELEEN  
KIERNAN



TERESA  
LYNCH



GERALDINE  
MARTIN



MARY  
MARTIN



BRIDGET  
McDERMOTT



NOELLE  
McGOVERN



MARY  
McMULLEN



PATRICIA  
McPHILLIPS



BERNADETTE  
CALLAGHAN



LORRAINE  
O'NEILL



DYMPNA  
RUDDEN



OLIVE  
SCORR



CATHERINE  
SMITH



FRANCES  
SMITH



PAULINE  
SMITH



MARGARET  
TULLY



NORA  
TULLY

**ANN McKIERNAN** (Team Captain): Templeport. Age 21. Occupation: Machinist. Won 1 National League, 2 Ulster Juniors, 1 All-Ireland Minor Silver, 1 Ulster Minor; also colleges, county league and championship medals in all grades. Ann plays in goal and has been a regular on the panel since 1979.

**ITA BRADY**: Laragh. Age 18. Occupation: Waitress. Won 1 Ulster junior, 1 Ulster minor, county league and championship at Intermediate grade. Ita is a central defender and joined the panel this year.

**ROSITA BRADY** (sister of Ita): Laragh. Age 20. Occupation: Secretary. Won 1 Ulster junior, 1 All-Ireland minor silver, 1 Ulster minor silver, 1 Ulster minor, 2 Ulster Colleges, county medals; won with Laragh and Cootehill. Rosita is a centre-forward and joined the panel this year.

**MARGARET CARROLL**: Knockbride. Age 18. Occupation: Student. Won 1 National League, 1 Ulster junior, 1 All-Ireland minor silver, 2 Ulster minor, 1 county minor championship. Margaret, who comes from Kingscourt, is a midfielder cum forward and is on the panel since 1981.

**KATHRYN CLARKE**: Cootehill. Age 22. Occupation: Secretary. Won 1 National League, 2 Ulster junior, also county league and championships in all grades. Kathryn is a midfielder and joined the panel in 1979.

**ITA FARRELLY**: Crosserlough. Age 17. Occupation: Student. Won 1 Ulster junior, 1 Ulster minor, also county Intermediate league medals. Ita is a defender and this is her first year on the panel.

**ELIZABETH FITZPATRICK**: Killygarry. Age 22. Occupation: Shop Assistant. Won 1 Ulster junior also county league medals

with Killygarry and with Castletara. Elizabeth is a defender and joined the panel this year.

**MARGARET HASTINGS**: Templeport. Age 20. Occupation: Machinist. Won 1 National League, 2 Ulster junior, 2 All-Ireland minor silvers, 2 Ulster minor, 1 All-Ireland Colleges, 2 Ulster Colleges, also county league and championship medals in all grades. Margaret plays at full-back and joined the panel in 1979.

**NOELEEN KIERNAN**: Crosserlough. Age 27. Occupation: Secretary. Won 1 National League, 1 Gael-Linn Interprovincial, 2 Ulster junior, also county league and championship medals with Crosserlough and previously with Ballymachugh. Noeleen, who plays at midfield, is also the team trainer and has been on the panel since 1975.

**TERESA LYNCH**: Killygarry. Age 21. Occupation: Secretary. Won Ulster junior and minor medals, also medals with Killygarry and Castletara. Teresa is a full-back and joined the panel last year.

**GERALDINE MARTIN**: Gowna. Age 17. Occupation: Student. Won Ulster junior and minor medals. Lives in Cornafean. Geraldine is a forward and joined the panel this year.

**MARY MARTIN** (sister of Geraldine): Gowna. Age 23. Occupation: Social Welfare Officer. Won 2 Ulster junior also county medals with the now defunct Cornafean club. Mary is a midfielder cum forward and joined the panel in 1978.

**BRIGID McDERMOTT**: Cootehill. Age 18. Occupation: Student. Won 1 Ulster junior, 1 All-Ireland minor silver, 1 Ulster minor, 1 Ulster Colleges, also county league championship. Brigid is a defender and joined the panel this year.

**NOELLE McGOVERN**: Tem-

pleport. Age 18. Occupation: Student. Won 1 Ulster junior, 1 Ulster minor, 1 Ulster Colleges, also county medals at all levels with her club. Noelle is a goalkeeper who can also play outfield and joined the panel this year.

**MARY McMULLEN**: Cootehill. Age 20. Occupation: Student. Won 1 National League, 1 Ulster junior, 2 All-Ireland minor silver and 2 Ulster minor, 1 Ulster Colleges, also county league and championship medals at all grades. Mary is a midfielder who has also played in defence and attack and joined the panel in 1981.

**PAT McPHILLIPS**: Castletara. Age 21. Occupation: Receptionist. Won 1 National League, 1 Ulster junior, 1 All-Ireland minor silver and Ulster minor, also county league medals. Pat, who is from Butlersbridge, is a midfielder cum forward and is a panel member since 1981.

**BERNIE O'CALLAGHAN**: Castletara. Age 20. Occupation: Student Nurse. Won 1 National League, 2 Ulster junior, 1 Gael-Linn Interprovincial, 2 All-Ireland minor silver, 2 Ulster minor also county league medals. Bernie, who works in Dublin, can play in any position on the field and has been a regular on the panel since 1978.

**LORRAINE O'NEILL**: Castletara. Age 21. Occupation: Secretary. Won National League, Ulster junior, All-Ireland minor silver and Ulster minor, also county league medals with Castletara and previously with Cavan Gaels. Lorraine, who lives in Cavan town and is joint Co. Secretary, is a defender and joined the panel in 1981.

**DYMPNA RUDDEN**: Redhills. Age 22. Occupation: Secretary. Won 1 Ulster junior also county novice league medal with her club.

Dympna, who works in Kells, is a midfielder and joined the panel this year.

**OLIVE SCORR**: Cootehill. Age 20. Occupation: Factory Worker. Won 1 Ulster junior, 2 All-Ireland minor silver, 2 Ulster minor also county league and championship medals with her club. Olive is a forward and joined the panel in 1982.

**CATHERINE SMITH**: Killygarry. Age 23. Occupation: Cashier. Won 1 National League, 2 Ulster junior, also county league and championship medals with Killygarry and previously with Castletara. Catherine is a goalkeeper or defender and joined the panel in 1979. She has also refereed a number of inter-county games.

**FRANCES SMITH**: Killygarry. Age 21. Occupation: Shop Assistant. Won 1 National League, 1 Ulster junior, also county medals with Killygarry and previously with Castletara. Frances is a midfielder and freetaker and joined the panel in 1981.

**PAULINE SMITH** (twin of Frances, both sisters of Catherine): Killygarry. Age 21. Occupation: Machinist. Won 1 National League, 1 Ulster junior, also county medals with Killygarry and previously with Castletara. Pauline is a forward and joined the panel in 1981.

**MARGARET TULLY**: Castletara. Age 24. Occupation: National Teacher. Won 1 Ulster junior also county medals with her club. Margaret, who is a goalkeeper, works in Ardee. She played for the county in the mid-seventies and rejoined the panel this year.

**NORA TULLY** (sister of Margaret): Castletara. Age 22. Computer Programmer. Won 1 Ulster junior also county medals with her club. Nora, Dublin, is a midfielder and joined the panel this year.

# County in search of All-Ireland title

prestigious and it would be a great occasion to see team captain Ann McKiernan from Templeport accepting the cup at the final whistle. When one looks at the sport in Cavan at the present time it is gratifying to witness the tremendous strides being made over the years since the Co. Board was reformed in 1967. Also when one considers that the number of people involved is so very small it is even more satisfying to see the progress which has been made.

● Ger Ryan and Margaret Madden of Tipperary.

my Championship — 1. Golden  
rook P. Byrne; 2. Sooty (S.  
Lester); 3. Wendy Woo (S.  
O'Brien); 4. Burrellated II.  
Cavanagh; 5. Penfold (C. Cavenry).  
Fisher (D. McCormack)  
P.A.B.C. 3 at 238 AM 3 — 1. J.  
Lockley's Flashdance (S.  
Lockley); 2. N. Eakin's Kipikee  
and Geoffrey Faking; 3. P.  
Harris' Muschland Girl (Clive  
Harris); 4. M. Connolly's Rainbow  
Jelly; 5. P. Byrne's  
Lapwing Flash (Philip Byrne).  
P.A.B.C. 4 at 238 AM 3 — 1.  
Mr. Deery, P. Smith; 2. G. Mc-  
Donkey's Kaihaeren (A. Mc-  
Donkey); 3. Minkew (S. Connolly).  
Training Event. Registered and  
Registered Ponies 146 cm and  
under. Rider under 16 years.  
Races for double clear round —  
Presented by Mrs. R. Johnston —  
1. 2. Partridge's Silver Moscheaf  
(Smith); 2. H. Fitzpatrick's Silver  
Box (A. Fitzpatrick); 3. Misty  
M Lynch; 4. Little Equus (O.  
Boylan).  
Vance Memorial Shield  
Qualifier for Grade C & D Horses  
— 1. Tinker (S. Trean); 2. J. G.  
Wyness's Second Nature (L.  
Wyness); 3. R. Truesdale's Joker  
Jones (M. Truesdale); 4. Dante  
(K. Allen); 5. Lady Be Good (R.  
Smith).  
Grade 2 — 1. Kinnesbridge (T.  
McCormack); 2. Phlanon (J. Clancy);  
3. Chuanmaddy (J. Deary); 4.  
Barney's Silvered (J. Kernan); 5.  
Roly Duke (Tom Vance).  
Derby Class — Old Time Drive  
— 1. L. C. McMahon (sen.) Sonny  
By; 2. J. McGuinness.  
Derby Class — Exercise Carls.  
Kilbrenn and Road Carls — 1. C.  
Kilbrenn (sen.) Sonny Boy (J.  
McGuinness).  
Grade A, B & C Horses — 1.  
Sean Bingham's Mahogany  
Wood Courtney; 2. Flying  
Woodford (J. Noonson); 3.  
Wilson (J. Clancy); 4. P. Egan's  
(P. Kennealy).

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● FLYING HIGH . . . that's how Aer Lingus' employee and Dublin star Barbara Redmond will hope to be after today's camogie final.

By MAOL MUIRE TYNAN  
IF psychological taboos carried any weight, Tipperary's camogie team would be frozen with terror at the prospect of meeting Dublin in this afternoon's senior final. In all but one of their half dozen forays into All-Ireland finals at this level they have been deprived of fortune by the Capital.

But, delapidated statistics will get scant respect from these young teams during Croke Park's first All-Ireland of 1984.

Dublin have fed often in the land of plenty with no less than 25 All-Ireland titles to boast about. But they endured narrow defeat in the last two Championship finals and the climax of the National League and those memories are vividly omnipresent.

Tipperary's past is not bedecked with medals but they retain half the team that reached the All-Ireland final of 1979 which ended in a tantalisingly close downfall to Antrim. They offer genuine meaning to the tired sporting cliché—"a mixture of youth and experience."

The marked dissimilarities between the styles and techniques of these two teams should make this an extremely colourful final. Though Dublin have drifted slightly from ground play in recent years, they retain the county's traditional style with speed and detailed co-ordination playing a major role.

Tipperary, on the other hand, tend to carry the ball much more; one suspects that the game has been influenced by the county's hurlers in this respect. Their manner of play is as fluent as Dublin's is smooth.

Tipperary's appetite for success was truly whetted when they drew against Louth in the first round of the Championship. Poor Louth put up a desperate attempt to salvage their honour but were hopelessly overcome. Their luck held out when they received a bye in the second round and were finally tested by Wexford in the semi-final.

A last-minute goal by Tipperary's extremely talented Jenny English forced a draw in the first game and Wexford lost the replay by six points. The Munster girls had come through two different games with rejuvenated confidence.

Dublin's path was thorny from the beginning. They met the team everybody fears—Kilkenny—in the initial round and incredibly stole a march. They then disposed of Limerick and eventually met old rivals Cork.

Cork had beaten them in the last two All-Ireland finals and were well

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capable of doing so again. Dublin seemed fused with a wild desire to avoid a repetition. They reached the final with one point to spare. They justifiably feel they have come through a tough testing period.

There are few changes on this Dublin side from last year. Ann Colgan, their captain, represents one of them. A Celtic player, her history is interesting in that she won two senior All-Ireland medals with her native Cork in 1972 and '73. Now married to a Dubliner she plays at centre-forward with her adopted county and will pose quite a danger to Tipperary.

Tail Marie Connell is the other new face. A very strong girl she followed up an impressive stint with the junior team by moving to senior full-forward. She seems blessed with an irrepressible ability to round her opponent.

Apart from these novelties, the city's side remains basically intact apart from a few positional changes. Yvonne Redmond, who plays centre-field with her club, Crumlin, has had a good season in the county's goal. She is backed up by Marian Conroy at fullback and together they form an experienced and steadfast defence.

Edel Murphy, at left-forward, underwent surgery after their encounter with Kilkenny but it is in top condition again for today's game. Her determination is remarkable, but then this is a team noted for commitment.

They can afford to be confident this afternoon with defenders like Germaine Noonan — a notoriously sticky marker — and Catherine Ledwidge. Their midfielders Una Crowley and Mary Mernagh are not only stylish but particularly fast; they work well with forwards Joan Gormley, Ann Colgan and Edel Murphy.

Dublin's strength is significantly highlighted by the fact that they have decided to reserve Carmel O'Byrne as

a substitute after her trip to America from which she returned last Monday. Carmel played well in the semi-final and her absence from the first 12 demonstrates the amount of talent on this panel.

Tipperary, however, unquestionably possess a similar degree of skill—and ambition. After watching the enormous scoring potential they displayed in their semi-final against Wexford, one would fear for Dublin; but they cannot afford to reserve their efforts until the last 15 minutes today — as they did in the last game. There will be few second chances.

Their young goalkeeper Breda Kennedy is capable of keeping the opposing defence under continual pressure with her extraordinarily lengthy puck outs and clearances. The backline in general seem impervious at times; Mary Sheedy, at fullback, Maura Hackett and Siobhan McDonnell all played together in their last All-Ireland final and from an experienced and well co-ordinated defence.

Geraldine Ryan, at midfield and the Bonner sisters, Triona and Eithne, are more recent comers to this team. They will feed wing forward Jenny English well — and the latter is one of the best players in the country at the moment; she can take points from practically any angle, and bears much credit for bringing Tipperary to Croke Park.

Ann Gleeson, on the other wing, has had a fine season; she is accurate and has fitted in well to the new Tipperary side. Deirdre Lane, captain and clubmate to Dublin's Ann Colgan, has mountains of experience behind her. She is very strong and her recovery from a broken foot earlier in the season meant that Tipperary would have a substantial injection of vigour facing the championship.

Mary Griffin another veteran, can work cleverly at full-forward. She and Marian Conroy will prove an interesting mix.

Both Tipperary and Dublin have worked hard for this final. It should be one to remember. It would be folly to wager on either side but Tipperary might just make the breakthrough at last.

**DUBLIN:** U Redmond, M Conroy, C Ledwidge, B Toner, G Noonan, B Redmond, M Mernagh, U Crowley, J Gormley, A Colgan (capt.), E Murphy, M Connell. Subs.: T O'Byrne, A Thorpe, C O'Byrne, N Fleming.

**TIPPERARY:** B Kennedy, M Sheedy, M Hackett, S McDonnell, M Madden, R Ryan, G Ryan, A Gleeson, J English, D Lane (capt), T Bonner, M Griffin. Subs.: A Keeshan, S Hickey, G Freehan, K McCluckey.

# The Cork girl who loves the Dubs!

LAST September, Ann Colgan sat among the Dublin substitutes for all but five minutes of the action as Cork captured the All-Ireland camogie title at Croke Park.

Next Sunday, Ann captains the Dubs team who are bidding to win the crown for the first time since 1966 after being runners-up for the past two seasons to Cork. On this occasion, Tipperary provide the opposition.

As the players gathered for a pep-talk on the pitch before the league match with Down, it was announced that she was to skipper this year's mission.

## STUNNED

"For a few minutes I was stunned," she admitted over a mug of tea at her work-base, Allen Engineering in Mount Street Crescent. "But after a while I just accepted it."

Colgan, 27 and who lives in Mulhuddart, came to Dublin five years ago because of marriage and work. From Mallow, she collected two senior All-Ireland medals with Cork, but didn't play at all on first arriving in the capital.

Then one Sunday morning, she took a stroll in the Phoenix Park in search of a club and joined Presentation of Terenure. Initially, Presentation didn't realise the quality of their capture. Eventually, though, their seniors folded and



Ann Colgan, the Dublin captain, and the rest of the All-Ireland Final squad.

Ann joined Celtic, where amazingly, Deirdere Lane, Tipperary's current captain, also plays.

Now this friendly Cork-woman plots the downfall of Tipp., who overcame Wexford in a semi-final replay. And the Dubs are favourites after their marvellous semi-final victory over Cork amid memorable scenes at Parnell Park.

A priceless goal from Joan Gormley near the close secured their win and Ann says: "I played with five or six of that Cork team

but I didn't think about that. Every time I go out it's just another match. It was guts and determination that saw us beat Cork after they had snatched the last two All-Irelands and had beaten us in the league final this year.

"And even though we have come to the final following a tough draw (Kilkenny, Limerick and Cork), Tipperary will be no cake-walk. Remember, it's an All Ireland final in Croke Park."

The girls will be shown live on

television for the first time and the 50 minute joust will also be featured on the "Sunday Game".

## TV COVERAGE

"The television coverage is a big step in the right direction for camogie, but it won't have any bearing within the team," maintains Ann.

A likely spectator at Croke Park will be Ann's husband, Anthony, also from Cork, and who plays for Huntstown United in the Amateur League. They have no children.

"When I am training with Dublin — and they are always tough sessions under Christy Hayes in Long Meadows — he has to get his own meals. He's very understanding about that. I suppose I better say that about him," says Anne.

She also enjoys the soccer and she plays for Celtic United in the Civil Service League. Soccer and camogie are a proper mix among the Dublin girls.

Her versatility in camogie is a big asset to Dublin. Ann finds berths either in defence or attack.

"I love sport," she says and she has a slim figure that confirms it, and hands that are strong enough to lift the O'Duffy Cup?

If so, the Dubs will owe gratitude to Ann's elder sister, Helen, who never struck a sliothar, but who was responsible for getting the Dublin captain involved in the game as a fourteen-year-old in Cork.

# Tipperary could spring final shock

By A Special Correspondent

MAKING a breakthrough is one of the most difficult things in sport. A team can be every bit as good as its successful opponents, but falter for want of a little extra. Fear of losing can inhibit players in this situation and prevent them from giving of their best.

In Sunday's All-Ireland Senior Final, a breakthrough will be made. Will it be Dublin who have contested four finals since 1976 and have come as close to lifting the cup as it is possible to do? Or will Tipperary who have come to Croke Park on six occasions in their history and left empty-handed. On Sunday night, the players of one side will shake the hand of President, Mary Fennelly and accept the gold symbol of camogie supremacy.

Dublin and Tipperary have arrived at this stage by very different paths. The draw mapped out a rocky road for Dublin. Kilkenny, Limerick and Cork stood in their way but they were more than equal to the challenge. A bye in the opening round and matches against Louth and Wexford may be regarded as a much easier passage for Tipperary.

Yvonne Redmond, an alert and agile goalkeeper, has blossomed into one of the top members of the Dublin side. The Tipperary keeper, Breda Kennedy from Portroe, will be playing in her first final. Marking one another will be Marion Conroy and Siobhan McDonnell. Both are experienced and versatile players who would be equally at home at the far end of the pitch.

## POLICING MARY

Dublin's centre-back Bernie Toner will have her hands full with the Tipperary captain, Deirdre Lane.



FINAL FOURSOME—Rosie Ryan, the Tipperary right wing; Noleen Kiernan, the Cavan centre field; Bernice Toner, the Dublin centre back, and Mary Currid, the Cork left wing.

They are accustomed to each other's style of play from Dublin club competitions. U.C.D. Ashbourne Cup captain, Germaine Noonan is allocated the job of policing Mary Griffin who snatched a late goal in the Wexford game.

Tipperary have switched Jenny English to right-forward. This talented left-handed player scored 10 points in the semi-final and will give Catherine Ledwidge a busy hour. At midfield, the speedy Una Crowley will be matched with Anne Gleeson, who has represented the Combined Colleges. Playing in her fifth final, Mary Mernagh will have the tall Ger Ryan to contend with. Ger is hoping to add a camogie medal to her All-Ireland ladies football award.

The hard working Barbara Redmond will pit her skills against the lively Rosie Ryan. Former Scoll Mhuire, Cashel player Triona Bonnar fills the pivotal position in the Tipperary defence and is entrusted with the task of coping with the Dublin captain Anne Colgan. The tight-marking Maura Hackett will direct her attention

to Joan Gormley. A daughter of Rose Fletcher who won All-Ireland medals with Dublin, Maura hopes to make history by becoming the first mother and daughter combination to win senior medals.

## RIGHT FORWARD

Dublin place usual mid-fielder Edel Murphy in the right forward position. Her powerful play could present problems for Margaret Maher. Former goalkeeper, Mary Sheehy is earmarked to curb the threat of Marie Connell. The Dublin reserves of Toni O'Byrne, Noreen Fleming, Carmel O'Byrne and Anne Thorpe offer more alternatives than their opposite numbers should any of the selected twelve not play up to standard.

Their record over the past few years, their performances of the current season, the experience of their players and their determination to succeed entitles Dublin to the mantle of favourites. However, their players are under great pressure to win.

Their supporters would not take kindly to a third

successive defeat. Tipperary, on the other hand, are unexpected finalists. They have nothing to lose. Should they take the field in the right frame of mind and acquit themselves to the best of their ability, a surprise result could be on the cards.

## JUNIOR FINAL

The junior final provides an intriguing pairing. Cork a county with great tradition and well used to the big occasion, presents a new set of recruits to the inter-county arena. Their opponents, Cavan step on to Croke Park for the first time with many of the girls who brought three minor and two junior Ulster titles to the county in the past five years.

A resurgence of Cavan camogie took place in 1967 when the County Board was revived. The most successful step in the re-organisation of the game in the county was at primary school level. Now 40 teams participate and the number of clubs has grown to sixteen.

Naturally Cavan are permitted to select their first choice. The majority of the girls have played inter-

county minor. Cavan are very strong down the middle of the field. Anne McKiernan in goal, Margaret Hastings, Ita Brady, Noleen Kiernan, Rosita Brady and Olive Scorr are very capable players. In addition, the Smith twins on the right wing, Catherine Clarke, Lorraine O'Neill and Geraldine Martin add power on the flanks.

Such is the depth of talent of Cork camogie that the county has been able to string together a new side capable of reaching the final. The side is a very young one containing past and present colleges players and former minors.

Lead by Kathleen Costine who has already captained a successful All-Ireland minor team, the side includes promising talent in Paula Goggins, Mary Spillane, Linda Mellerick, Irene O'Leary, Mary Currid and Regina Scouts.

Cavan defeated Derry, Donegal, Armagh and Galway en route to the final. Cork overcame Waterford, Tipperary, Clare and Dublin. It is difficult to anticipate how the tension of the occasion will effect these newcomers. If both teams play to their capabilities, a great game will be witnessed.

**Dublin** — Y. Redmond, M. Conroy, G. Noonan, B. Toner, C. Ledwidge, U. Crowley, M. Mernagh, B. Redmond, E. Murphy, A. Colgan (Capt.), J. Gormley, M. Connell, Subs. T. O'Byrne, N. Fleming, C. O'Byrne, A. Thorpe.

**Tipperary** — B. Kennedy, M. Sheehy, M. Hackett, T. Bonnar, M. Madden, R. Ryan, G. Ryan, A. Gleeson, J. English, D. Lane (Capt.), M. Griffin, S. McDonnell, Subs. A. Gannon, S. Hickey, K. McConkey, G. Feehan.

**Cavan** — A. McKiernan, M. Hastings, L. O'Neill, I. Brady, L. Fitzpatrick, C. Clarke, N. Kiernan, F. Smith, G. Martin, R. Brady, P. Smith, O. Scorr.

**Cork** — K. Costine, L. Maher, M. Spillane, P. Goggins, U. O'Connor, L. O'Leary, L. Mellerick, M. Currid, B. Scouts, I. Rumley, D. Corcoran, P. Fitzgibbon.



Cork junior stars Irene O'Leary (left) the captain and free-scoring forward Linda Mellerick.

## Cork girls now on glory trail

CORK embark on another All-Ireland assignment on Sunday when the junior camogie team go to Croke Park for their final clash with Cavan. The game is timed for 2 o'clock followed by the senior final between Dublin and Tipperary at 3.30 p.m.

Cork are the champions, having defeated Dublin in last year's decider by 2-5 to 2-3, but all of that squad have now moved up to the senior ranks.

"It's a totally new team for Sunday but we have every confidence in them," said Mary O'Callaghan, one of the selectors and the chairperson of the Cork County Board.

Just one of the players, Irene O'Leary, was in last year's panel but because of illness she played no part in game campaign.

She captains the team this year and is one of the players the selectors will be hoping can swing the game in Cork's favour. Others with that responsibility include goalkeeper Kathleen Costine of Killeagh and Mary Spillane, also of Killeagh.

Paula Goggins at centre-back had a star game in the semi-final win over Dublin and the Na Piarsaigh star will be hoping for a repeat of that form. Linda Mellerick, too, at full forward will be hoping to pick off the scores and the Brian Dillons player can be relied upon to do so against Cavan, who will be playing in their first All-Ireland final at this level.

THE Cork selectors have made two changes from the semi-final game with Sarah Murphy and Brid Flaherty dropping down to the subs bench.

Cork: K. Costine, L. Maher, M. Spillane, P. Goggins, A. O'Connor, L. O'Leary (capt.), M. Currid, L. Mellerick, J. Rumbley, D. Cotter, R. Scutts, P. FitzGibbons. Subs., D. O'Shea, S. Murphy, L. Cosgrave, B. Flaherty, C. O'Regan, P. Morgan.

The team trainer is Aiden Swaine.

Cavan crushed Galway in their semi-final by 8-4 to 3-5 and have superb players in Roisin Brady and Ger Martin, who scored 6-1 between them in the semi-final.

# It appears folly to oppose Dublin

WILL Tipperary win their first All-Ireland title or will Dublin return to the winners' rostrum for the first time since 1966? This is one of the questions to be answered in Croke Park on Sunday when the All-Ireland senior and junior finals will be decided.

Tipperary will be playing in the senior decider, while Cork will be very much involved in the junior when they meet Cavan, appearing for the first time in Croke Park on finals day.

Tipperary suddenly gained respect this season after a number of years in the doldrums when they accounted for a fancied Wexford side in the All-Ireland semi-final replay, and must now be expected to give hotshots Dublin a real run for that elusive crown.

Tipperary have appeared in six senior finals in all — the last in 1979 — but on each occasion they have had to be content with runners-up and this year they are quietly confident they can go one better.

They have excellent players in captain Deirdre Lane, the highly-talented Jenny English, Siobhan McDonnell, Triona Bonner and Ann Colgan, and if they can reproduce the spirit that saw them

account for Wexford at the second attempt they must be there with a chance.

But Dublin, who won 19 out of 20 titles prior to 1966, are just as determined that this is their



Rosie Ryan (Tipperary)

season. They are playing in their third successive final — they lost in the last two to Cork — and having accounted for the Rebel County in the semi-final are full of confidence that nobody can stop them now.

And if Barbara and Yvonne Redmond, Una Crowley, Edel Murphy and Joan Gormley strike top form then they must be expected to lead the Dublin girls to victory.

Cork had to field a completely new side this season, and after an unsung beginning to the year brilliant wins over Clare in the Munster final and "hot" favourites Dublin in the semi-final put them very much in the running for honours.

They have star performers in Irene O'Leary,

Linda Mellerick, Kathleen Costine, Mary Currid, Paula Goggins, and if the girls can rise to the occasion they could well bring home the junior title for the second successive year.

However, Cavan, although appearing for the first time ever in Croke Park, had an impressive journey to the final, with fine wins over Derry, Donegal, Armagh and Galway, and with marvellous players in Anne McKiernan, Margaret Hastings, Frances Smith and Margaret Carroll who will take a lot of beating.

So the scene is set for Camogie Day in Croke Park and with the senior final due to be televised live, interest is at a peak in what should be two closely contested finals, full of all the excitement one expects of this special day.

Fixtures — All-Ireland finals at Croke Park: Junior, Cork v. Cavan, p.m.; senior, Dublin v. Tipperary, 3.30 p.m.



Paula Goggins (Cork)



Kathleen Costine (Cork)

## BUA NA mBAN

### ÁINE NÍ SHÍTHIGH

Ardstíúrthóir Cumann Camógaíochta na nGael

BHÍ foirne camógaíochta Átha Cliath dosháraithe ar feadh i bhfad roimh 1966. Ré órga a bhí ann idir 1948 agus 1966 nuair a sciob siad Corn Ua Dhubhthaigh leo ocht n-uairé deag. Cailíní Aontroma a chuir críoch leis an ré úd i 1967 agus níor fhill an Corn ar an Life ó shin i leith.

Tiobraid Árann a sheasfaidh an fód in aghaidh Átha Cliath i bPáirc an Chrócaigh ar an Domhnach seo chugainn. Tá an cluiche Ceannais bainte amach ag Tiobraid Árann sé huairé cheana féin agus iad in iomálocht le hÁth Cliath i gcónaí, ach uair amháin. Níor éirigh le muintir an deiscirt an chraobh a bhuachan riamh, agus nach mbeadh blas ar ar mbua i mbliana!

De réir cosúlachta, áfach, is é Áth Cliath a bheidh chun tosaigh i ndeireadh báire. Rug siad sraith-chomórtas na hÉireann leo i 1963 agus shroich siad Craobh na hÉireann, leis, i 1962 agus 1963. Bhuaill siad Cill Chainnigh, Luimneach agus Corcaigh i mbliana.

Tá sárimeoirí ag Áth Cliath. Ina measc siúd tá cúl báire den chéad scoth, Aoiheann Nic Réamoinn, a threoraíonn cosantóirí críochnaithe, leithéidí Mhuireann Nic an Rí, Bhriainín Uí Thaomhnair, Ghearmaine Ní Nuanáin agus Chaitríona Léadús.

Is iad Una Ní Chrua-laíoch, Máire Mheirtreagh agus Bairbre Nic Réamoinn, tríú a bhí thar barr in aghaidh Chorcaí, atá i lár na páirce.

Beirt de na tosaithe ná Edel Ní Mhurchú agus Siobhán Ní Ghormaille a bhuailh Corn Mhic Giolla Bhride le foireann na hOllscoile i mbliana.

An bheirt eile ná Máire Ní Chonaill a bhí ar an bhfoireann shóisearach anuraidh, agus Áine Uí Cholgáin, captaen na foirne, an-cheannaire go deo.

Brid Ní Chinnéide a sheasann sa bhearna do Thiobraid Árann agus cos á leagan den chéad uair riamh ar Fhaiche Pháirc an Chrócaigh aici. Is í an lánchúl ná Máire Uí Shíthigh, fear céile Shéain, cúl báire na foirne iománaíochta. Ag tabhairt tacaí-

ochta di tá Triona Ní Chnámhsá, Máiread Ní Mhadáin agus Máire Ní hAicéid, inion le Róisín Ní Fhleactair a bhuailh boinn le foireann Átha Cliath.

I lár na páirce tá Gearóidín Ní Rlain, agus ar na cliatháin taobh léi tá Róisín Ní Rlain agus Áine Ní Ghlasáin.

### AN CAPTAEN

Imreoir seanchleasaithe a bhfuil na scileanna ar a toil aici is ea Deirdre Ní Liatháin, an captaen. Ba mhór aici bonn dá cuid féin a chur in aice leis an mbonn iománaíochta a bhuailh a deartháir, Nollaig, i 1971. In éineacht le Deirdre sna tosaithe tá Sinéad Inglis a ghnóthaigh deich gcúilín sa chluiche leathcheannais. Is colcheathrar í le Nioclás, an sáríománaí.

Máire Nic Grifín agus Siobhán Mhic Dhómhnaill na tosaithe eile. D'imir Siobhán sa Chluiche Ceannais i 1979 taobh lena deirfiúr Maoimhuire Ní Theimhreach.

Is leis an gClub céanna, Celtic, Átha Cliath, a bhaineann an bheirt chaptaen Áine Uí Cholgáin agus Deirdre Ní Liatháin.

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**CAMOGIE**

# Cork Seeking A Notable Double

CORK may be out of the Senior All-Ireland Final on Sunday but the red and white flag will still be very much in evidence as our second string will be playing in the junior final against Cavan and will be hoping to add that title to the one already won by the minors, to make it two out of three All-Ireland trophies for the season.

Two of the counties involved in this season's All-Ireland finals at Croke Park on Sunday, have never won an All-Ireland title at any level. Cavan the junior finalists, who meet Cork, have never had a team at Croke Park, while Tipperary, although they did contest six finals, the most recent in 1979, have never had national success. And Dublin, the fourth team involved have not won the senior crown since 1966, an extraordinary spell, considering their phenomenal success in a 20 year period up to that year, when they won the senior title on no less than nineteen occasions.

Dublin, after accounting for Cork in a very exciting semi-final, will certainly start as favourites to make it in this their third successive final — they lost to Cork in 1982 and 1983 — and will be determined that its "third-time-luck" for them.

The Dublin record in recent years in the League is also impressive as they won the title in 83 and only lost to Cork in this season's decider. They also had the toughest campaign to the final, as they had to overcome very good Kilkenny and Limerick sides.

This Dublin team is strong in all sectors and now that they have over come their "bogey" side, Cork, they are on a crest of a wave and will be very hard to beat. They have a first class goalie in Yvonne Redmond and excellent defenders in Marion Conroy, Bernie Toner, Germaine Noonan and Catherine Ledwidge.

The midfield trio of Una Crowley, Marty Mernagh and Barbara Redmond, a sister of Yvonne, are first class midfielders, while in the attack they have Edel Murphy back in action following a muscle injury and an appendicitis operation, as well as team captain Ann Colgan, Joan Gormley and Marie Connell, who made such an impression against Cork in the semi-final, and this quartet are bound to give the Tipperary defence a tough afternoon.

What of Tipperary? Well they have come through to this stage by virtue of wins over Louth and Wexford

and they had to meet the latter county twice, but that second game against Wexford could have done a great deal for their morale, as that county was very confident of getting to this year's final.

Tipperary won the National League in 1977 and they reached the All-Ireland final in 1979, when they lost to Antrim by a single goal. Since then they have not been too impressive but how that they have got to the decider, they will not give up the chance of that first All-Ireland crown easily.

Tipperary have a number of experienced players in their side but for the most part they are less experienced than their opponents. Breda Kennedy in goal will be playing her first game in Croke Park and she will be fronted by Mary Sheehy, who played in goal in the 1979 final. Triona Bonnar is an excellent centreback, while Maura Hackett, and Margaret Madden complete an uncompromising defence.

In the middle of the field for Tipperary they have Ger Ryan, Rosie Ryan and Anne Gleeson, who will contest every ball, while in the attack they have one of their triumph cares in captain Deirdre Lane, the talented Jenny English, Mary Griffin, Siobhan McDonnell (nee Tynan), all of whom could be match winners on the day.

So although Dublin must start as "hot" favourites to win on Sunday, Tipperary will be fighting all the way and now that they are so close once again to victory they might well cause a major upset.

Cork won the junior title last season and because of this had to field a completely new team this year. Early in the season little was expected of this youthful and inexperienced Cork side but great wins over Clare in the Munster final and a fancied Dublin in the All-Ireland semi-final suddenly made followers sit up and take notice of this side, which is full of running and determination and the kind of Cork spirit which has seen this county win so many All-Ireland titles since the seventies.

One player from last year's panel, Irene O'Leary, is in the side, and she will captain Cork on Sunday, and a great deal of Cork's hopes will be resting on this stylish player. Kathleen Costine is a stylish and efficient goalie and Cork have excellent defenders in Mary Spillane and Paula Goggins and other fine

players in the non-stop Mary Currid, Josephine Rumley, who got that winning last minute goal against Dublin, the stylish Linda Mellerick, who is always capable of picking off vital points, and Denise Cotter.

For their part Cavan got to Croke Park by virtue of very good wins over Derry, Donegal, Armagh and Galway and will be very keen to make this, their first appearance in an All-Ireland final a victorious one. From reports they have a very good side, with strength right through and will be a very difficult team to overcome. They have a grand goalie in Anne McKiernan who captains the side as well as fine players Margaret Hastings, Frances Smith, Noleen Kiernan, Mary McMullen and Bernie Callaghan.

So Cork can expect the toughest game of their campaign so it would be for them to take the title in this their first year playing together as a team.

## TEAMS

DUBLIN: Y. Redmond, M. Conroy, C. Ledwidge, B. Toner, A. Colgan, U. Crowley, E. Murphy, B. Redmond, C. O'Brien, M. Mernagh, J. Gormley, M. Connell.

TIPPERARY: B. Kennedy, M. Sheehy, M. Hackett, R. Ryan, G. Ryan, M. Madden, A. Gleeson, J. English, D. Lane, S. McDonnell, T. Bonnar, M. Griffin.

CORK: K. Costine, L. Maher, M. Spillane, P. Goggins, U. O'Connor, I. O'Leary, M. Currid, L. Mellerick, J. Rumley, D. Cotter, R. Scutts, P. Fitzgibbon. Subs.: D. O'Shea, S. Murphy, L. Cosgrave, B. Flaherty, C. O'Regan, P. Morgan.

CAVAN: (panel) A. McKiernan, M. Hastings, L. O'Neill, T. Brady, E. Fitzpatrick, F. Smith, N. Kiernan, C. Clarke, P. Smith, R. Brady, O. Scorr, I. Farrelly, M. McMullen, M. Carroll, G. Martin, B. Callaghan.

Finally the good wishes of Cork followers will also be Lorraine Kelly of Na Piarsaigh this weekend, as this talented player represents the county in the Community Games Long Puck competition at Mosney, and with her undoubted strength she should have a good chance of bringing that title back to Cork.

## FIXTURES

All-Ireland final at Croke Park:  
Junior: Cork v Cavan, 2 p.m. (Ref. R. White, Dublin).  
Senior: Dublin v Tipperary, 3.30 p.m. (Ref. Kathleen Quinn, Galway).



Deirdre Lane



Mary Currid