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Carrigaline, winners of the Cork county under 16 league final.

The Northern lights can shine for Cork

THE National Senior League semi-final which will see Cork and Armagh in opposition on Sunday next at Derrynoose, Co. Armagh at 1pm will dominate the Camogie fixture list this weekend.

Cork, will be hoping to go a step nearer to retaining the National League title and on recent form it is difficult to see them being halted on this occasion.

They have come through the campaign with a clean sheet defeating Clare, Tipperary and Wexford comprehensively while on Sunday last they defeated arch rivals Kilkenny.

Fancied

While Cork will be fancied to advance, Northern teams, particularly on home ground are never easily defeated.

As a result Cork will be facing the game with great caution and will be naming a full strength side for the game.

The team has not yet been named but it is expected to be similar to the side which defeated Kilkenny and should include all the regulars Kathleen Costine, Paula Goggins, Eithne Duggan, Mags Finn, Denise Cronin, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Therese O'Callaghan, Fiona O'Driscoll, Miriam Deasy, Irene O'Keefe and Lyn Dunlea.

Carrigaline won their first camogie trophy on Wednesday night last when after a hard and close fought game they overcame Eire Og to take the 95



Lyn Dunlea on the medal trail again

Under 16 "B" League title.

Just like the drawn game the replay was a highly competitive one and victory could have gone to either side with Carrigaline just holding out to win by two points.

Camp

There was great excitement in the Carrigaline camp after the final whistle as this was their first title since their formation three years ago.

At the end of the game Sheila Golden Chairperson of the Cork Camogie Board presented the trophy to Melanie Fitzgerald captain of the Carrigaline team. She praised both teams for a wonderful game of camogie.

On the night, Carrigaline had excellent players in Emma Greene, Donna Jones and Melanie Fitzgerald while Eire Og's best performers were Deirdre Healy and Deirdre O'Sullivan.

Feile Na nGael.

The Feile na nGael competition is now reaching its concluding stages and over the coming weekend the final will be decided. At the time of writing the semi finals have not been played but the participating teams are Barryroe v Courcey Rovers and Watergrasshill v Bishopstown.

Skills

The Final which is scheduled tomorrow will be followed by the Skills competition. The venue for this game is not yet known.

Coachford College 3-0, Blarney 1-1.

In the quarter final of the first year B Camogie championship, the Muskerry side displayed a marvellous tenacity and will to win in their victory over Blarney's first team.

The Coachford A panel had won the County Blitz on Wednesday but the B panel were not to be outdone and on Thursday at Coachford defeated a fancied Blarney team.

Noreen O'Connor in goal made some vital saves for the home side with impressive corner back Paula Kelleher in control, made life extremely awkward for Nicola Kelly and Christine McGrath of Blarney.

Deirdre O'Leary was the star performer for Coachford, who were without the injured captain Lisa O'Sullivan, and along with Chris Dineen, Cathy Allen and Irene Kelleher played consistently well for the duration.

Armagh seek revenge

ARMAGH will be out to gain revenge when they face champions Cork in the National League semi-final on their home pitch in Armagh next Sunday.

Cork hammered the Orchard County when the sides met in last year's final and the northerners will be keen to make life tough for Tom Notts' charges. However, The Rebel County have stormed through this year's campaign and are unlikely to fall at the penultimate hurdle.

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By PJ FULHAM

In the other semi-final, Kilkenny host Galway in what should be a close battle.

The Cats had five points to spare in last year's championship meeting but Galway are a much improved side and, in the absence of the retired Angela Downey, Kilkenny don't quite pack the same punch.

Meanwhile, Eamon Cregan's All-Ireland junior champions Limerick take on Derry at home in the National Junior League semi-final on Sunday. Both counties completed their preliminary league run on maximum points.

Galway and Cork final

GALWAY.....6-13 KILKENNY.....5-12

GALWAY got the edge over Kilkenny in this National Senior Camogie league semi-final played at Ballyragget yesterday. By half-time Galway led 2-9 to 1-5. But by the end of the third quarter the sides were level. However Galway edged their nose in front and they held on for a four point victory.

SCORERS — Galway: D Gilligan 3-0, S Glynn 0-8, V Curtis 2-0, M Harkin 1-1, C Hannon, I Hobbs 0-2 each. Kilkenny: S Milne 1-0, G Dillon 2-0, C Carey 1-2, A Downey 1-1, M Downey, C Dunne and B Murphy 0-1 each.

CORK.....6-15 ARMAGH.....2-3

NATIONAL Senior Camogie League title holders Cork stroled into the final with a great second half performance against Armagh at Derrynoose yesterday. Cork led 0-7 to 0-2 at the break but The Rebel county stepped up the pace in the second half and although Armagh fought hard there was little they could do to stop Cork's scoring spree.

SCORERS — Cork: L Dunlea 3-8, F O'Driscoll 1-3, I O'Keefe 1-2, V Harris 1-0, H Connelly and M Deasy 0-1 each. Armagh: M Black and D McCusker 1-0 each, C Byrne, E Donnelly, C Conway 0-1 each.

LIMERICK.....3-12 DERRY.....2-6

ALL IRELAND Junior Camogie champions Limerick are through to the National Junior League final after brushing aside Derry in this semi-final at Mary I College yesterday.

SCORERS — Limerick: V Sheehan 1-5, B O'Brien 1-3, K Bourke 1-2, P McCarthy 0-2. Derry: C Mulholland 2-0, M Mulholland 0-4, N Rankin, M O'Kane 0-1 each. Leinster Minor Championship Final: Wexford 2-7 Dublin 1-5.

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Under 12 Cork League: Aghabullogue 3-0, Cloghduv 0-0; Cloghduv 8-5, Bishopstown 0-0; Erins Own 0-0, Delaney's 3-0; Youghal 1-0, Carrigrohilly 0-0; St. Finbarr's 1-2, Mayfield 1-0; Delaney's 3-0, Glen Rovers B 0-1; Erins Own 3-0, Glen Rovers B 0-0. Under 14 A League: Eire Og 4-0, Aghabullogue 0-1; St. Finbarr's 8-2, Mayfield 0-0; Inniscarra 3-0, Kilbrittan 1-0; St. Vincent's 7-4, Mayfield 0-0; Cloduv 2-2, Eire Og 1-2; Mayfield 1-1, Brian Dillon 0-0; Glen Rovers 5-2, St. Vincent's 1-0. Senior National League Semi Final Cork 6-15, Armagh 2-3; Galway 6-13, Kilkenny 5-12. Feile na nGael Final: Courcey Rovers 5-2, Bishopstown 1-1.

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CAMOGIE COMMENT ★★★★★ BY MARY MORAN

St. Mary's of Magherafelt end Ulster's Twenty Five Year Famine

Sacred Heart, Newry, won the All-Ireland Colleges Senior Championship in 1971 to take Corn Scailg to Ulster for the first and only time. The schools of the northern province plugged away in the intervening years without any success. Loreto, Coleraine missed out by a single point in 1978. St. Louis, Kilkeel, St. Patrick's, Maghera, St. Patrick's, Keady and St. Mary's, Magherafelt contested colleges finals. But hard as they tried, they saw the championship titles go to other provinces.

Ulster camogie folk are resilient people and they soldiered on. Twenty five years is a long time to wait for a change of luck. At Birr recently the tide finally turned and how the Ulster contingent present celebrated.

A well prepared team representing St. Mary's, Magherafelt controlled the final of the All-Ireland Junior Colleges Championship from start to finish against F.C.J. Buncloody. In the semi-final against St. Patrick's, Cork and again in the final the Magherafelt defence was superb. They closed down the opposition with clinical efficiency.

Further afield, St. Mary's had other match winners. Captain, Simone Forbes caught the eye each time she gained possession and finished with five points. Denise McCann, Bernadine Quinn, Claire Gormley and Amanda Kennedy all

contributed handsomely.

It was a proud moment for coach Rita Moran. An All-Ireland senior medal holder with her native Antrim, Rita has brought St. Mary's from among the also rans to be the top camogie school in Ulster in the nineties. In the past five years Magherafelt won four Ulster senior and five Ulster junior titles. But this All-Ireland title was the icing on the cake.

There was great jubilation at the finish of the All-Ireland Colleges Senior final also. Success at junior level or in the seven a-side version of the game is nothing new to St. Mary's, Charleville. But the colleges senior title eluded them. They came home disappointed from three previous outings when they were forced to give second best to Loughrea, Callan and Kilkenny.

In a much more exciting game than the junior final, St. Raphael's, Loughrea put it up to Charleville with two early goals from Colette Nevin. St. Mary's were equal to the task. They played excellent camogie in a display which each member of the team played her part.

However, if one player is to be singled out it must be thirteen year old Eileen O'Brien. Eileen scored two late goals in the semi-final in Magherafelt to pull the game out of the fire. She displayed accuracy and composure far beyond her years in the final. Surrounded by players several years her senior, she struck

ten golden points. Much will be heard of her in the years to come.

In excess of six hundred people turned up on 23rd March in Kilkenny to pay tribute to the greatest camogie player of our time. A surprise "This is Your Life" party was planned with Michael O Mhuirheartaigh presenting the familiar book. Players past and present travelled from the four provinces to be present at this special night for Angela Downey.

Guest after guest affirmed her magical qualities. Some livened proceedings with stories and incidents. Taken completely by surprise by the organisers of the night, she settled back to enjoy the proceedings. Angela was a once off. For camogie's sake let us hope that some other player will scale similar heights in the not too distant future.

Sophie Brack, one of the all time greats of camogie, recently passed to her eternal reward. Sophie captained Dublin to six All-Ireland titles and won eight All-Ireland Senior medals in all.

She was a pioneer of full-forwards. She opened the play for others to score and was always moving into space with great intelligence. Sophie hugged the square where she used her great aptitude for distribution. She won many Dublin championships with C.I.E. and Austin Stacks and continued her great interest in camogie throughout her life.

TREMENDOUS TRIBUTE TO KILKENNY'S ANGELA DOWNEY

TIPP GO DOWN FIGHTING

The Tipperary Intermediate team gave a good performance against Cork in this national league tie played at Golden. Tipperary were out of the running in the league having been beaten by Wexford, Kilkenny and Cork but accounted very well for themselves.

Cork opened their account after one minute with a point from play, and added another after four minutes. Tipperary shot two wides before Triona Bonner got their first score from a free after five minutes. Cork scored another great point in the seventh minute. Tipperary had another Triona Bonner point from a free to leave the score Cork 0-3 Tipperary 0-2.

Cork then had their most productive period scoring 2-2 without further reply with twenty minutes gone. Tipperary struck back with a Noelle Kennedy goal and a Triona Bonner point to one more Cork point to leave the half time score:

Cork 2-6 Tipperary 1-3

The second half saw Tipperary score 1-3 without a reply to draw level after ten minutes. Cork added another point, Tipperary then went ahead for the first time with three great points, one from Triona Bonner and two from Deirdre Hughes. This left the score Cork 2-7 Tipperary 2-9 with only ten minutes remaining. However Cork had an easy goal in the 21st minute, and added another in the 25th minute. Try as they might Tipperary did not score again as Cork notched two further points. Final score Cork 4-9 Tipperary 2-9.

Although beaten, Tipperary can be pleased with their performance and were by no means outclassed by a very strong Cork outfit.

Tipperary were best served by Triona Bonner 0-7 (0-6 frees) and Deirdre Hughes 1-2 up front, also Paula Bulfin and Claire Madden in defence. Other scorer was Noelle Kennedy 1-0.

Armagh got through to the semi-final of the National senior league when they fought off a strong challenge from Down in this encounter played at Druminess. It was a keenly contested affair all through. Goals by Colette Byrne and Colette Conway gave Armagh a 2-4 to 0-3 lead at the break. Down produced lots of fire power in the final half

and in the end just four points separated the sides. Armagh 3-9 Down 2-8.

Scorers: Armagh: Colette Byrne 1-3, Mary Donnelly and Colette Conway 1-1 each. Ellen Donnelly, Mary Black, Bernie McBride and Donna McCusker 0-1 each.

Down: Mairin McAleenan 0-4, Bonnie McGreevy and Ciara McGovern 1-0 each, Edel Mason 0-2 Valerie Hynds and Coleen Hynds 0-1 each.

In another National senior league tie played at Wexford Park, Wexford fielded a depleted squad and lost out 6-14 to 0-3 to a dominant Kilkenny side.

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In the junior league Down got the better of Antrim to secure a place in the semi-finals in an excellent tussle played at Dunloy. The "Mourne" girls were favourites to advance, but were made fight all the way by an anxious first half goals gave her side a 2-5 to 1-5 lead at the interval. Majella McMullan put the sides level when she sent a bullet to the net on the resumption, but minutes later Bonnie McGreevey had Down back in front with a similar score and they went into a seven point lead. Two goals by Antrim's Oonagh Elliott left one point separating the sides. Then came a goal by Coleen Hynds in the closing seconds to leave the final score Down

4-12 Antrim 4-8.

Scorers: Down: Mairin McAleenan 2-5, Bonnie McGreevy 1-2, Coleen Hynds 1-1, Jennifer Branniff 0-3, Cathy Mulholland 0-1.

Antrim: Oonagh Elliott 2-0, Denise O'Boyle 0-6, Grace McMullan 1-1, Majella McMullan 1-0, Elaine Dowds 0-1.

Referee: Fiona McKenna, Armagh

Derry proved too strong for Kildare in their quarter-final tie played at Sarsfields. The first half was evenly enough contested. Derry led 1-2 to 0-2 at the break. A hat-trick of goals for the "oakleaf" county gave them a 3-4 to 0-5 victory.

Scorers: Derry: Claire Mulholland 2-2, Michelle Kealy 1-0, Martina Mulholland 0-2. Kildare: Miriam Malone 0-3, Michelle Aspel and Liz Doran 0-1 each.

Offaly gave a brilliant display against All-Ireland junior championship beaten finalists, Roscommon to gain a place in the quarter finals at Shinrone. Two brilliant first half goals by Maggie Lynch gave the "faithful" county a 2-7 to 1-3 lead at the break. Most of the work was done in the first half. Offaly notched four more points in the second half to give them a 2-11 to 1-4 victory.

Scorers: Offaly: Maggie Lynch 2-1, Michelle Davis 0-7, Amanda Glennon 0-3.

Roscommon: Hilary Hussey 1-0, Liz Hanley 0-3, Cait Kenny 0-1.

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Good camogie run by Bishopstown girls in local Féile na Gael competitions

THE Bishopstown under 14 camogie team had a very successful run in the recent Cork Féile na Gael competition.

A total of 28 teams from all over Cork entered this prestigious competition.

Bishopstown defeated Inniscarra and Fr. O'Neill's to win their section.

A gallant Mayfield team were defeated in the quarter-final whilst in a closely interested semi-final, Bishopstown defeated Watergrasshill.

The Great Bishopstown run came to an end in the final, where Courcy Rovers were victorious.

The Bishopstown girls, whilst disappointed can hold their heads high however as they brought prestige and glory to their club by reaching the last two in the competition.

The Bishopstown team coached by Pat Murray, included Melissa Parkes (captain), Ciara Healy, Orla Ryng, Audrey Heffernan, Sinead O'Kelly, Emma Murphy, Sinead O'Donoghue, Jean O'Sullivan, Anne Hayes, Maeve Lynch, Catherine Kearney, Carol Constant, Silie Griffin, Bethan Thomas, Ciara Barry and Orla Kelly.

Club President, Irene Higgins and Jim Ryng also assisted with the team proving to be very capable mentors.

The Bishopstown team enjoyed further success when their star player Ciara Healy came second in the Cork Féile na Gael individual skills competition from a large entry.

Finally, great credit is due to the primary schools in the area, namely Scoil an Spioraí Naoimh, Gaelscoil Uí Riada, St. Catherine's and Scoil Therese who are proving to be great nurseries in recent years for the Bishopstown Camogie Club.

Also, the many parents and family members who supported the team in their many matches and the club officers Neil White (Chairperson), Mary O'Hea (Vice-

Chairperson), Mary Falvey (secretary), Breda Heffernan (Treasurer), Evelyn Mahon (registrar), Nicola Falvey (Club Captain) and Sheila McCarthy (PRO).

All were of great help to the team throughout the entire Féile and helped the girls greatly in their successful run.

With such young stars coming through the ranks, a bright future is predicted for

Road opening will be momentous

THE completion and opening of the final stretch of the Southern Ring Road on June 17 will have a huge effect on transport patterns in areas like Togher, Wilton, Glasheen and Bishopstown according to Ald. John Dennehy.

The alderman chaired the transportation and safety committee which steered through the multi-million pound project first day.

Ald. Dennehy this week predicted that the southern link road will be the most momentous occurrence, from a planning context, ever to happen

south of Cork city.

He said that it will be an excellent facility for thousands of motorists who need to traverse the south side of the city and it will remove traffic from existing routes, many of which are totally incapable of catering for the pressure being put on to them on a daily basis.

Ald. Dennehy said he was glad a start was being made on the construction of cycle-ways and he congratulated the engineering staff on the provision of a purpose-built cycle and pedestrian way and over-bridge from

Ardroastig to Wilton is one of the most welcome initiatives of recent times.

Ald. Dennehy admitted there will be aspects of the project that will need to be addressed and solutions found fairly speedily.

Chief amongst these will be the over-load effect which will be transferred from Tramore Road, Togher Road, Clashduv Estate, Wilton Road and Glasheen Road onto new routes.

The Alderman said he will be calling for a proper refurbishment job on Tramore Road after the opening of the Ring Road.

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Camogie World

by P.J. Fulham

National senior league title holders Cork overcame old rivals Kilkenny in a league tie played at Danesfort.

The first half produced good fare with little separating the sides at any time. Cork led by a single point at the interval 2-3 to 1-5. The Champions showed their mettle in the second half. Kilkenny tried hard but could do nothing about the dominance of the winners. Final Score: Cork: 4-9 Kilkenny 2-6. Scorers: Cork: Fiona O'Driscoll 2-4, Lynn Dunlea 1-4, Irene O'Keefe 1-0, Linda Mellerick 0-1.

Kilkenny: Brigid Mullally 1-1, Marina Downey 0-3, Ann Downey 1-0, Sinead Millea and Esther Kennedy 0-1 each. Referee: Marie Pollard Waterford.

All-Ireland Junior champions Limerick are through to the semi-final of the National Junior League. They ousted Offaly in this quarter final tie played at Shinrone. There was plenty of fire power produced by both sides in the opening half. Two great goals by Maggie Lynch and Audry Hennesy gave Offaly a 2-3 to 1-4 lead at the break.

Limerick shot into the lead in the early stages of the second half with a goal by Celia McNamara and from then on there was little Offaly could do. Final Score: Limerick 3-10 Offaly 2-5.

Scorers: Limerick: Celia McNamara 2-1, Vera Sheehan 1-3, Ann Lenihan and Mary Burke 0-2 each, Kay Burke and Jean Cullinane 0-1 each. Offaly: Michelle Davis 0-5, Audry Hennesy and Maggie Lynch 1-0 each. Referee: John Morrissey, Tipperary.

Cork made it a double when their juniors coasted to a 3-11 to 1-6 victory over Kilkenny in this National Junior League encounter, which puts Cork into the quarter-finals. The first half was an edge-of-the-seat-affair: although it was low scoring there was plenty of action. The winners led 0-4 to 0-3 at the break. A brace of goals by Linda O'Sullivan and some long range points by Mary Kennific put paid to any chance Kilkenny had of victory.

Scorers: Cork: Mary Kennific 0-10, Linda O'Sullivan 2-0, Patricia Murphy 1-0, Sinead Cahalane 0-1. Kilkenny: Margaret Commerford 1-2, Olivia Hennesy 0-4. Referee: Marie Woods, Kildare.

In the Leinster Junior Championship Dublin breezed to a 5-15 to 0-3 win over a young Wicklow side at Bohernabreena.

Dublin Scorers: Siobhan Treacy 3-4, Irene Kirwan 1-2, Una Ward 1-0, Mary Nevin 0-3, Louise O'Hara, Aisling Duignan and Liz Roache 0-2 each. Wicklow: Catherine Burke 0-3.

Referee: Paddy Brady, Meath

Westmeath are through to the second round of the junior championship, having strolled to victory over Louth at St

Lomans Park.

The first half was evenly contested. The winners led 1-1 to 0-1 at the break. Final score: Westmeath 2-6 Louth 0-1.

Scorers: Westmeath: Annete Heffernan 1-2, Olive Weir 1-0, Mary Henry 0-2, Andre Martin and Yvette Cully 0-1 each. Louth: Caroline Lynch 0-1. Referee: Patricia Rafferty, Dublin.

RESULT LEINSTER UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIP: Westmeath 10-2, Louth 1-0.

Antrim booked their ticket to the Ulster Minor Championship final when they got the edge over Fermanagh in an excellent semi-final tussle played at Loughgiel. Fermanagh looked the more promising side in the first half. An error by their goalie gave Antrim the chance to put the sides level at the break. Antrim 2-1 Fermanagh 1-4.

Antrim were gradually beginning to set the pace and taking their scoring chances well they ran out winners on a score of 3-10 to 3-7.

Scorers: Antrim: Kerri O'Neill 0-6, Colette Downey and Caitriona Boylan 1-1 each, Marie McNaughton 1-0, Martina McCarry and Aislin Magill 0-1 each. Fermanagh: Ursula Maguire 2-5, Noreen Maguire 1-0, Arlene Maguire and Nuala Green 0-1. Referee: Eithne Hanson, Derry.

In the other semi-final Down and Armagh ended all square after a hectic game which finished 3-8 each. Scorers: Down: Caitriona McClelland 2-0, Deirdre Quinn 0-6, Michelle Goss 1-0, Rachel Hynds and Donna Cunningham 0-1 each. Armagh: Kelly-Anne Hughes 1-5, Laura Gribbon 1-2, Sinead McCrory 1-1.

DOWN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS:

Leitrim Fontenoys 2-5 Portaferry 1-3

Ben Dearg 3-16 An Ríocht 0-0

ULSTER UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIP:

Down 8-7 Cavan 0-3.

On Sunday next the National League final takes place. Galway face a torrid test when they cross swords with title holders, Cork at a Cork venue.

Both sides came out tops in their respective divisions and in the semi-finals on Sunday last Galway had a great tussle with Kilkenny at Ballyragget. The sides were level at the end of the third quarter but the determination of Galway saw them through on a score of 6-13 to 5-12.

Cork strolled over Armagh with a great second half performance, ending up with a tally of 6-15 to 2-3. Both counties are very strong in defence, in fact they are well matched teams.

Galway have dangerous forwards in Sharon Glynn, Denise Gilligan, Veronica Curtin and Martina Harkin.

Cork have a dashing forward in Lynn Dunlea. Fiona O'Driscoll, Irene O'Keefe and Vivienne Harris are sure to be around poaching scores.

Galway will be hoping to secure their second title. They won their in 1994. They are a strong outfit and are sure to stretch their opponents.

Cork carry the tag of favourites and their experience may tell in the finish.

Cork Outscore Old Rivals Kilkenny

Marvellous contest from start to finish

THE annual Cork Sciath na Scol hurling finals got under way at Paire Uí Chaoimh yesterday.

ROINN D
Holy Cross (Mahon) 3-3
St. Anthony's (Ballinlough) 0-0

THE Mahon lads laid the foundations for their comfortable victory in the first half when playing against the strong wind. Brian McKee got them off to a great start with a goal after just 30 seconds play and with Mark Collins excelling at centre back, they went on to lead 2-2 to nil at the break.

St. Anthony made a determined effort on the change-over but could find no way through a rock solid Mahon defence in which full back Michael Cronin and corner back Kevin Healy were unbeatable and when David O'Leary goaled a third time for Blackrock, there was no way back for the saints.

Scorers - Mahon: D. O'Sullivan 1-1; N. McKee, D. O'Leary 1-0 each; M. Collins, H. Keating 0-1 each.
HOLY CROSS: A. Long, K. Hickey, M. Cronin, J. McCarthy, P. Foy, M. Collins, W. Delaney, H. Keating, J. Cummins, D. O'Connor, R. Allen, B. McKee, D. O'Leary, D. Swaine, D. O'Sullivan.
ST. ANTHONY'S: P. Menton, S. O'Keefe, A. Aherne, N. O'Sullivan, F. O'Sullivan, M. Black, Fionan O'Sullivan, C. O'Grady, P. Morgan, J. Barry, J. Cragh, C. Barry, D. O'Connor, R. Geoghegan, K. Mulcahy.

ROINN H
Clonpriest 1-5
Glenville 2-1

THIS game was a marvellous contest from start to finish. Clonpriest led through a Barry Ring point after five minutes and with his brother Brendan adding two more, they led three points to two at the interval.

The second half developed into a ding dong affair after Ger Cahill crashed home a Glenville goal just after the restart. Amid great excitement Brian Ring equalised midway through the half before Glenville struck again for another goal through John Sweeney.

It looked a winner until Clonpriest won a penalty and up stepped Barry

Ring to blast home a goal to put the seal on a marvellous victory.

Scorers - Barry Ring 1-3; Brendan Ring 0-2. Glenville: G. Cahill 1-1; J. Sweeney 1-0.
CLONPRIEST: K. Walsh, B. O'Leary, R. Cronin, B. Barry, Alan Loughlin, Barry Ring, Brendan Ring, P. Motherway, E. Loughlin.
GLENVILLE: M. Linehan, D. Hickey, G. O'Driscoll, D. O'Driscoll, J. Forde, D. Quirke, G. Cahill, J. Sweeney, M. O'Donovan.

ROINN L
Ballinspittle 1-7
Aghabullogue 0-1

THE greater physical strength of the Ballinspittle side was the deciding factor in this contest. With Michael O'Donovan lording it at midfield, they swept into a 1-4 to nil lead by half-time, their goal coming from Terence Collins.

Aghabullogue battled on gamely in the second half with their goalkeeper Donal Twomey bringing off a number of superb saves, but there was no denying the Ballinspittle side who finished with points from Michael O'Donovan, Mary Buckley and David Murphy to record a convincing win.

Scorers - Ballinspittle: M. O'Donovan 0-5; T. Collins 1-0; S. McCarthy, D. Murphy 0-1. Aghabullogue: M. Buckley 0-1.
BALLINSPITTLE: R. O'Day, B. Downing, K. O'Day, K. Deely, K. Coughlan, S. McCarthy, M. O'Donovan, D. Murphy, S. Nyhan, T. Collins, K. Moloney.
AGHABULLOGUE: D. Twomey, W. Perrott, J. Twomey, J. Ronan, D. O'Leary, M. Healy, M. Buckley, M. Twomey, M. Twomey, D. Hinchion.

CAMOGIE: Roinn 7
Glenville 3-1
Berrings 1-0

THE scoring exploits of Eileen Cahill was the chief reason Glenville won this section of the camogie competition. Operating at midfield Eileen scored 1-1 of her side's total and had a hand in a second goal.

It might have been all so different had Berrings converted a huge amount of possession into scores in the opening half, but a Catherine Murphy goal gave Glenville a half-time lead.



Eileen Cahill, Glenville, Co. Cork, National School, who won a medal at Sciath na Scol, being cheered from the field by the beaten boys finalists from her school. Picture: Des Barry

A Berrings goal from Rosemary Cogan early in the second half threatened to make a game of it, but in stepped Eileen Cahill with a goal and a point and a third goal came from Brid Fenton when she flicked home Cahill's 30.

Scorers - Glenville: E. Cahill 1-1; B. Fenton, C. Murphy 1-0 each. Berrings: R. Cogan 1-0.
GLENVILLE: D. Cooney, M. Collins, S. McCarthy, M. Murphy, N. O'Mahony, C. Coakley, E. Cahill, C. Murphy, B. Fenton.
BERRINGS: M. O'Leary, S. Holland, K. Ryan, D. Murphy, C. Diamond, R. Buckley, M. Ryan, C. O'Sullivan, R. Cogan.

CAMOGIE: Roinn 6
Barryroe 6-8
Ballinspittle 1-0

PLAYING a brand of camogie more fitting for a higher grade, Barryroe easily disposed of the challenge of the Ballinspittle girls in this one-sided final.

Totally on top at midfield where Sarah Nicholson and Mary Keohane were superb, they led 4-5 to nil at half-time, the impressive Sarah Nicholson grabbing a couple of goals.

It was more or less the same story in the second half, but credit the Ballinspittle girls, and in particular their goalkeeper Lisa-Marie Walsh, for keeping the scoreline down.

Scorers - Barryroe: S. Nicholson 2-2; M. Moloney 2-0; J. O'Leary 1-4; K. McCarthy 1-1; M. Sheehy 0-1. Ballinspittle: M. Kiely 1-0.
BARRYROE: F. Keohane, E. McCarthy, E. Carroll, E. Sexton, M. Sheehy, M. Keohane, S. Nicholson, M. Moloney, K. McCarthy, J. O'Leary.

BALLINSPITTLE: L. M. Walsh, T. O'Driscoll, C. Murphy, C. Daly, N. Collins, S. Quinn, L. Fitzgerald, M. O'Donovan, M. Kiely, C. Hegarty.

May 1996

South East clash thrills the crowd

by Brendan Larkin

RESULTS from day two of the *Evening Echo* sponsored Sciath na Scol.

ROINN G

Scoil Eoin (Innishannon) 4-4
Goggins Hill (Ballinhassig) 1-5

THIS all South East clash was a thriller. A goal in front at the break, the Innishannon lads produced a great last five minutes.

Scorers - Scoil Eoin: B. McSweeney 2-0; N. O'Sullivan 1-2; R. McCarthy 1-1; R. Butler 0-1. Goggins Hill: D. O'Sullivan 0-4; S. Sherratt 1-0; G. Galvin 0-1.

SCOLL EGIN: S. Manning; R. O'Sullivan, M. O'Brien, S. O'Donovan, C. Callinan, F. Coleman, N. O'Sullivan, D. Kearns, R. Butler, K. O'Regan, T. Fitzgerald, R. McCarthy, B. McSweeney.

GOGGINS HILL: E. O. Cointeas; S. O. Meera, S. De Roiste, S. MacPhinn, M. Pléimann, B. O. Ceocháin, D. O. Cathaseigh, G. O. Gealgháin, D. O. Súilleabháin, S. MacRuaráin, F. O. Condaín, S. O. Coláin, S. Sherratt.

ROINN E

Millstreet 6-4
Greenmount 1-1

THE Millstreet hurling revival continues. They produced a power-packed display to beat the once mighty Greenmount.

Scorers - Millstreet: J. Moylan 2-4; S. Mannix 2-0; B. Dennehy, L. Healy 1-0 each. Greenmount: G. Leahy 1-1.

MILLSTREET: K. Hickey; S. Kelly, D. O'Riordan, J. Lehane, G. Sheehan, J. Murphy, J. O'Sullivan, S. Barrett, J. Moylan, S. Lawlor, P. Randies, S. Vaughan, B. Dennehy, S. Mannix, D. Cleary.

GREENMOUNT: A. Dennehy; R. McCarthy, M. Murphy, R. Kennedy, J. Hayes, C. McKown, T. O. Guithin, B. Forde, S. O'Sullivan, J. Griffin, J. Cotter, D. O'Regan, G. Leahy, W. O'Donovan, A. O'Mahony.

ROINN C

Carrigrohilly 0-5
Watergrasshill 0-5

(after extra time)
THERE won't be a better game of hurling played at Páirc Uí Chaoimh this season than this all East Cork clash.

The replay this day week should not be missed.

Scorers - Carrig: S. Kidney 0-2; S. Dineen, L. Healy, D. Cashman 0-1 each.

THE HILL: P. O'Brien 0-2; N. O'Riordan, B. Healy, M. Curtin 0-1.

CARRIGTWOHILL: C. Horgan; R. Power, D. Collins, S. Flannery, S. McCarthy, E. O'Brien, N. O'Connor, M. O'Riordan, L. Healy, F. Meade, S. Kidney, S. Dineen, B. Lordan, D. Cashman, D. Keane.

WATERGRASSHILL: D. O'Connell; M. O'Donovan, C. Foley, E. Mulholland, T. Murphy, P. O'Leary, N. O'Riordan, S. O'Callaghan, A. Barry, P. O'Brien, B. Healy, T. O'Donovan, M. Curtin, J. O'Farrell.

CAMOGIE: ROINN 3

Riverstown 2-0

Mayfield 1-2

A GOAL two minutes from time from a Jean Luttrell free which went all the way to the net, gave Riverstown victory over an unlucky Mayfield.

Scorers - Riverstown: G. Ní Donnacha, J. Luttrell 1-0 each. Mayfield: Y. Kelleher 1-0; S. Hannon 0-2.

RIVERSTOWN: C. Ní Bhraonáin; C. Ní Argáin, C. Ní Shíocháin, A. Ní Chochláin, D. Ní Bhraon, J. Ní Dhuinneacha, H. Ní Sheirichín, N. Bukeridge, M. Ní Dhálaigh, E. Ní Mhaoldomhnaigh, S. Ní Gobharnth, J. Luttrell.

MAYFIELD: M. Kelleher; P. Cowhey, S. Hannon, N. Foley, M. Butler, C. Chambers, D. Butler, M. Coughlan, E. Walsh, Y. Kelleher, L. Hornibrook, R. O'Donovan.

ROINN 2

Togher 3-1

Cloghroe 2-1

Two cracking goals by Deirdre Walsh in the opening minutes looked to have put Cloghroe well in control, but Togher staged a magnificent second half recovery.

And Lisa Morley became the toast of her school when she scored two late goals to snatch the title from their opponents.

TOGHER: C. Ní Loinsigh; L. Brown, C. Sargent, L. McGrath, N. Barry, C. McCarthy, P. O'Mahony, E. Doyle, T. Fitzpatrick, L. Morley, K. Newman, C. Lane.

CLOGHROE: F. Annett, L. O'Connor, N. Healy, S. Casey, E. O'Mahony, E. Forbes, L. Kelleher, C. McSweeney, G. O'Mahony, E. Hayes, L. Hannon, D. Walsh.

MAY 1996

Sciath na Scol '96

with Michael English

The Sciath na Scol Festival of Hurling and Camogie took place at Páirc Uí Chaoimh last week and once again the stars of the future served up some exciting fare.

Carrigtwohill and fellow East Corkonians, Watergrasshill played a thriller in the Roinn 'C' Final which went into extra time. These extra ten minutes failed to separate them so they were scheduled to replay on Wednesday last.

Criost Rí made it three Roinn 'A' titles in a row when they accounted for Scoil Oilibhéir, Dublin Hill by 3-3 to 1-3.

The Roinn 'B' Final was an all Blackrock affair with Scoil na Croise Naofa, Mahon holding St. Anthony's, Ballinlough scoreless. Mark Collins the winning captain, who is son of City Division Treasurer, Derry, was the proud recipient of the cup from Liam McGrath President. Sciath na Scol.

On the Camogie front Best Games were the Togher v Cloghroe game which saw the city school come from behind to snatch a last gasp victory.

Riverstown held on for a one point victory over Mayfield's Scoil Mhuire Bainríon.

This represented a double for the Riverstown School as their hurlers proved too strong for Sunday's Well in their final.



■ Togher N.S. captain Kelly Newman displays the Roinn 2 Camogie Trophy after their victory over Cloghroe.

Camogie

Roinn 7:
Glennville 3-1
Berrings 1-0
Roinn 6:
Barryroe 8-8
Ballinspittle 1-0
Roinn 3:
Riverstown 2-0
Scoil Mhuire, Banríon,
Mayfield 1-2
Roinn 1:
Scoil Oilibhéir 2-1
Scoil N. Columba,
Douglas 1-0
Roinn 4:
Ballygarvan 6-2
Aghabullogue 0-0
Roinn 5:
Ballyhoda 4-1
Dripsey 0-0



■ Togher N.S. girls celebrate their Roinn 2 victory in the Sciath na Scol Camogie Finals at Páirc Uí Chaoimh.

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■ Scoil Oilibhéir Section 1 winner of the Camogie Sciath na Scol finals at Páirc Uí Chaoimh.



■ St. Columba's Douglas who lost to Scoil Oilibhéir 2-1 to 1-0 in the final of Roinn 1 Sciath na Scol Camogie.



■ Scoil Mhuire Balaíon Camogie Team, Mayfield, who lost to Riverstown in the Roinn 3 Final of Sciath na Scol.

Cork confident of retaining their senior camogie title

by Tom Higgins

CORK will face Galway in a confident mood at Páirc Uí Rinn tomorrow as they endeavour to retain their National Senior League camogie title.

Twelve months ago they defeated Armagh by a big score in the final at Toghher but tomorrow's game will be a much tougher affair as the West-erners always provide stiff opposition for the wearers of the Red and White.

The last time the sides met in the final of a major competition was in 1993 when Cork beat

the girls from the City of the Tribes in the All-Ireland final. There has always been great rivalry between the sides and tomorrow's game should be no exception.

Cork have won all their games en route to the final, accounting for Wexford, Tipperary, Clare, Kilkenny and Armagh and with home advantage, and being reigning All-Ireland champions, will start favourites to win once more.

They had a big win over Armagh away last Sunday in the semi-final while Galway travelled to Ballyragget where they surprised a fancied Kil-

kenny side. They led at half time by 2-9 to 1-5 but when The Cats drew level at the three-quarter stage they looked in trouble. But they finished the stronger to win by four points, 6-13 to 5-12.

Cork will be without captain Therese O'Callaghan for the game as she is suffering from a heel injury. Also on their injured list is Denise Cronin, who although not 100% fit, will turn out.

Cork seemed to have a very settled side and I expect little change from the team that beat Armagh and with the likes of Sandie Fitzgibbon, Mary O'Connor of Killeagh and young Vivienne

Harris to rely on, they could prove a tough nut to crack. Add to this the scoring power of the likes of Linda Mellerick, Lynn Dunlea, who now takes over as captain, and Fiona O'Driscoll and they seem to be strong all round.

Galway will be relying on the likes of Imelda Hobbins, free-taker Sharon Glynn, Eimear Hardiman, Martina Harkins and Clare Hannon to see them through, but in what should prove a terrific struggle Cork are given the vote to retain their crown.

The match begins at 3 p.m.

Home advantage to suit Cork's chances

CORK hosts the National League Final for the second year running against Galway at Páirc Uí Rinn, Sunday, throw-in at 3pm.

On their way to the final, Cork had easy victories over Wexford, Clare, Tipperary and in the semi-final on Sunday last travelled to Armagh where they comprehensively defeated the home side.

Galway's path to the final saw them gain victories over Down, Armagh and Dublin before winning an action packed semi-final on Sunday last against Kilkenny.

Cork last met Galway in the All-Ireland final in 1993 when Cork were victors after an exciting hour's camogie. The Galway side will include Imelda Hobbins, Sharon Glynn and Eimear Hardiman, all vastly experienced players.

At the time of writing, the Cork side has not been named, but doubt must surround the availability of last year's captain Denise Cronin who suffered a hand injury in the Tipperary game and who missed the semi-final.

The team will show changes

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from the All-Ireland winning side as Stephanie Dunlea will be absent from the side as she suffered a ligament injury which will necessitate surgery and will miss the season with both club and county.

On the plus side, Cork have introduced new faces to their panel through the League campaign and players of the calibre of Mary O'Connor (Killeagh), Miriam Deasy (Kilbrittain) and Mary Kennefick (Fr. O'Neills) will all be pushing for inclusion on the starting 12.

Stronger

Cork, captained by Therese O'Callaghan, will include regulars like Eithne Duggan (Bishopstown), Sandie Fitzgibbon (Glen Rovers), who is the National Irish Bank Player of the Year, and Mags Finn (Fr. O'Neills).

On paper Cork look the stronger side however Galway will be

FIXTURES

SUNDAY, JUNE 2

Senior National League Final:
Cork v Galway at Páirc Uí Rinn
at 3 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 3

Junior National League quarter-
final: Cork v Galway at Galway
at 3 p.m.

travelling to Cork with only victory in their minds. With the championship only six weeks away what better boost than to have a National League title safely tucked away, it promises to be an enthralling contest.

On Monday, the Cork juniors will travel to Galway to take on the home side in the junior National League quarter-final.

Galway declined to travel to Cork to make it a double header tomorrow.

The junior side have been going well over the last few outings and a win will see them through to the



Sandie Fitzgibbon: Cork will look to her on Sunday.

Picture: Echo

semi-final against Down. Courcsey Rovers qualified to represent Cork in the All-Ireland Felle na nGael when they had a 5-6 to 1-1 victory over a gallant Bishopstown side on Saturday last.

Rachel Maloney and Sarah Hayes, both members of the Cork minor team, were the dominant forces for Courcsey Rovers, who led 1-4 to 1-1 at half-time.

They gave a powerful second-half display to win the title but credit to Bishopstown and in particular Ciara Healy and Catherine Kearney who tried to the end.

In the Skills Competition,

Amanda O'Regan (Douglas) turned in a top class display to take the Cork title.

Display

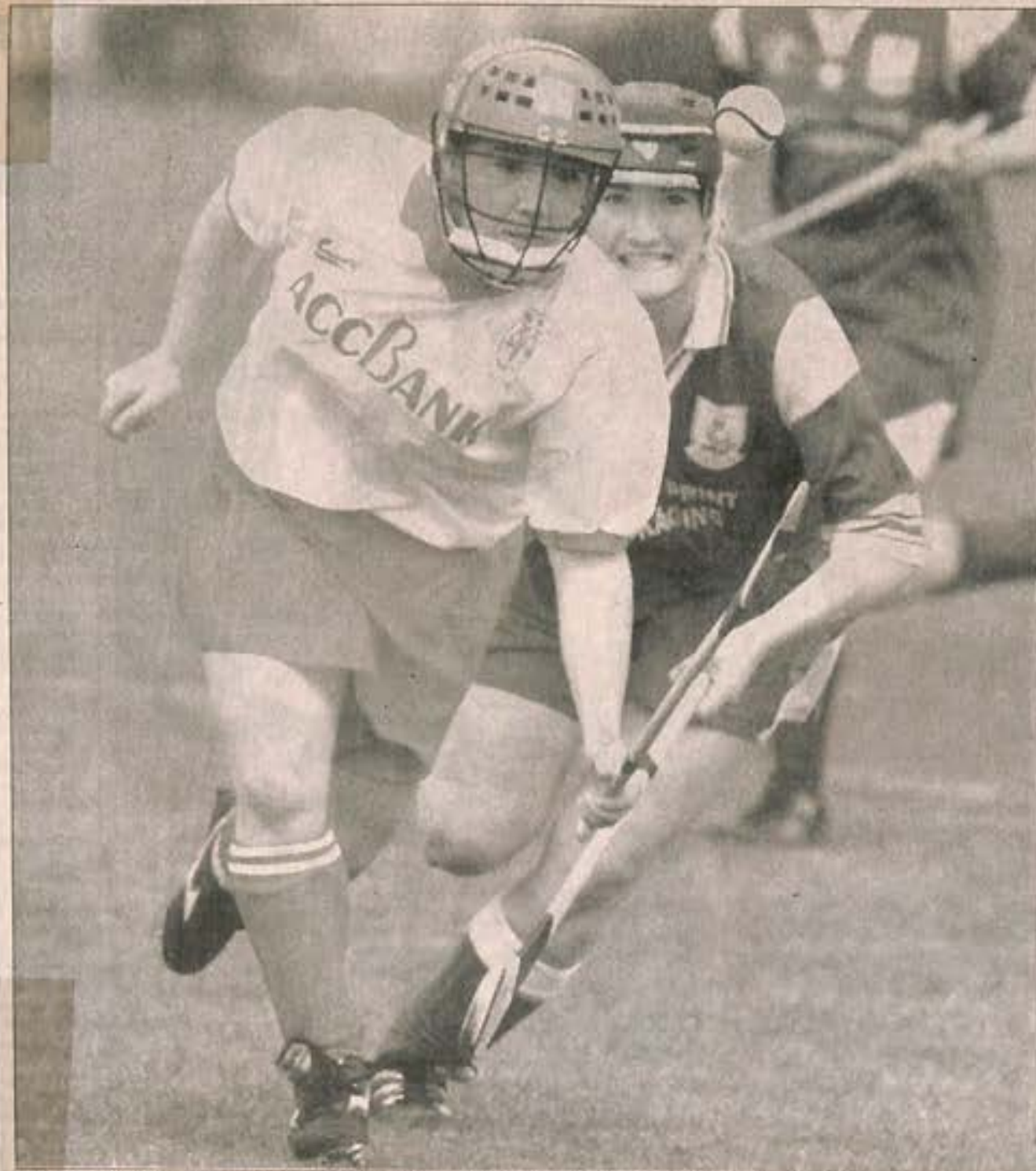
That Amanda gave such a display will come as no surprise to camogie and GAA followers in Cork, her father Mick O'Regan was a footballer and hurler with the Douglas Club and has given tremendous service to them.

Her mother Christine (nee Pinfield) won an All-Ireland junior medal with Cork in 1984 and is a former secretary of the County Board.

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Cork girls retain their All Ireland senior camogie league title in the style of true champions

Dunlea star of big win over Galway



Cork's Fiona O'Driscoll solos towards goal challenged by Galway's Olive Costelloe, during the National Senior Camogie Final at Pairc ui Chaoimh yesterday.

Picture: Maurice O'Mahony.

Cork
Galway

3-16
1-7

CORK retained their All-Ireland camogie senior league title in splendid fashion at Pairc Ui Rinn yesterday and in doing so achieved the first half of their goal - the second being the retention of the All-Ireland Championship which begins in six weeks time.

In a match played in perfect conditions before a small crowd, Cork were always too strong and too experienced for a young and game Galway side, a side which contained only four members of their victorious 1994 team. It was this big match experience which stood to Cork in the end.

Galway started the better and led 0-2 to 0-0 after three minutes with points from Sharon Glynn and Veronica Curtin. Cork opened their account in the fourth minute when Glen Rovers player Linda Mellerick knocked over two points in succession.

Lynn Dunlea added her first point from a free to make it 0-3 to 0-2 in Cork's favour after eight minutes and the opening goal came in the 10th minute when Irene O'Keeffe goaled after a great pass from colleague Linda Mellerick. Sharon Glynn for Galway and Linda Mellerick for Cork exchanged further points to leave Cork leading 1-4 to 0-3 after 12 minutes.

Galway were brought right back into the match in the 15th minute when Cork keeper, Kathleen Costine, left a high dropping ball from a free from Sharon Glynn fall into the back of her net. This made it 1-4 to 1-3 in Cork's favour and it looked as if we were going to have a match on our hands.

Cork rolled up their sleeves at this stage and in the remaining 15 minutes scored 1-7 to Galway's one point, Cork's scores coming from the highly-

talented Lynn Dunlea, who ended the half with 1-6 to her credit and Cork's other point came from Denise Cronin.

This left Cork leaders at half-time 2-11 to 1-4.

Galway again started the second-half the brighter and knocked over two points in the 6th and 8th minutes, one each from Sharon Glynn and Veronica Curtin, Galway's only scorers in this match. But whatever hope we had of Galway making a dramatic recovery in this game was dashed when Lynn Dunlea scored her second and the team's third goal in the 9th minute of the half.

This left Cork leading by 11 points on a scoreline of 3-11 to 1-6. The teams exchanged a point apiece before free taker Lynn Dunlea knocked over two more points in the 17th and 19th minutes to give Cork a 13 points lead.

In the 20th minute of the half Cork brought on team captain, Therese O'Callaghan, who had been doubtful all week due to injury, for forward Fiona O'Driscoll and they finished the game the stronger and star forward Lynn Dunlea capped off a marvellous individual display with two more points in the 26th and 30th minutes to bring her total to 2-9.

On this display Cork, who now have won six league titles in all, will start as strong favourites to retain their All-Ireland title.

Scorers Cork - L. Dunlea 2-9, L. Mellerick 0-4, I. O'Keeffe 1-0, D. Cronin 0-1.

Galway - S. Glynn 1-5, V. Curtin 0-2.

CORK: K. Costine, E. Duggan, P. Goggins, S. Fitzgibbon, M. Finn, D. Cronin, V. Harris, M. O'Connor, I. O'Keeffe, L. Mellerick, L. Dunlea (Capt.), F. O'Driscoll. Subs: T. O'Callaghan for F. O'Driscoll (50 mins.), M. Deasy for M. O'Connor (55 mins.).

GALWAY: L. Curry, O. Costello, C. Finnegan, R. Coen, B. Kilgallon, C. Curley, S. Glynn, C. Hannon, M. Harkin, I. Hobbins, D. Gilligan, V. Curtin. Sub: A. Roderick for C. Curley (20 mins.).

Referee - Miriam O'Callaghan (Offaly).

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Six up for Cork girls as Galway are sunk

THE Cork senior camogie team collected their sixth national league title on Sunday last at Pairc Ui Rinn when they had a comprehensive victory over Galway.

It was a hard fought but entertaining game. This was a welcome boost for the Cork girls as they will shortly be setting out in defence of their All-Ireland Championship title when they are scheduled to play Armagh in Armagh in a first round game on July 14.

The last time these two sides met in a final was in the All-Ireland championship final of 1993.

At that time Galway were only beginning to make their mark at senior level but on this occasion Cork were prepared for much stiffer opposition.

Psychologically this was certainly a great result for Cork as there is a strong possibility that both these sides could meet in the final of this season's All-Ireland Championship.

However, there is a long road ahead and first Cork must make

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the long journey to Armagh on Sunday, July 14, where they will play the home county in a first round game.

Should they succeed here (and any other result would be a major surprise) they will play old rivals Kilkenny in the semi-final in Cork. The other side of the draw will see Galway play Down with the winners meeting the winners of the Wexford/Clare game.

Speaking to selector Miriam Murphy earlier this week she was loud in her praise of her side's victory on Sunday last and is confident that with the same commitment Cork can go on to retain their All-Ireland crown.

She had particular mention for the younger members of the team, Vivienne Harris from Bishopstown



Cork's Linda Mellerick is hooked by Galway's Sharon Glynn.

Picture: Maurice O'Mahony

who was outstanding on Sunday last and Mary O'Connor (Killeagh) and Miriam Deasy (Kilbrittain) who will certainly be pushing for their places on the championship side. Another very pleasing factor is the superb play of full-back Eithne Duggan. Eithne, who came on to the side for the first time last season, is certainly playing her best camogie ever at the pres-

ent time and her confident play is certainly having a great influence on the back line.

Exams

However, coach Tom Nott and his selectors are certainly under no illusions as to the task confronting them in the weeks ahead. Because of the Cork Senior Club Championship commencing the

coming week they have presently taken time out from training but will resume on June 18.

At local level because of the exams there is just one game down for decision this weekend and this will see St. Finbarrs and Barryroe in opposition on Sunday morning at 12 noon at St. Finbarrs in an outstanding Junior A League game of 95.

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The Cork camogie team who captured the National league title yesterday at the expense of Galway

Red hot Rebels

CORK have been installed as clear favourites to retain the Bord na nGaeilge All-Ireland senior camogie championship.

That's the only conclusion to be drawn from the Rebels' scintillating display on Sunday when they captured their second consecutive National Senior League title at Galway's expense.

Now Cork are aiming for the league and championship double, but to reach the decider, they must first overcome Armagh and then Kilkenny, who have received a bye into the semi-finals.

Galway will be disappointed with last Sunday's result, as they were quietly confident of doing much better. Nevertheless, they should have learned a lot from this encounter.

If this Galway side is to meet Cork in the championship, it will be in the final.

Cork girls retain senior league title

CORK..... 3-16 GALWAY..... 1-7
CLASSY Cork retained their National Senior Camogie League title in style with a convincing win over Galway in this league final played at Pairc Ui Rinn yesterday.

Cork's Lynn Dunlea destroyed Galway with a personal tally of 2-9.

Cork led 2-11 to 1-4 at the break and although Galway played with great determination they could not break down the Rebels defence.

SCORERS — Cork: L. Dunlea 2-9, I. O'Keefe 1-0, L. Melnick 0-3, F. O'Driscoll 0-2, D. Cronin, V. Harris 0-1 each. Galway: S. Glynn 1-5, V. Curran 0-1.

CORK — K. Costello, E. Duggan, P. Groggin, S. Fitzgibbon, M. Finn, D. Cronin, V. Harris, M. O'Connor, I. O'Keefe, L. Melnick, L. Dunlea, F. O'Driscoll. Subs: T. O'Callaghan for F. O'Driscoll, M. Deasy for M. O'Connor.

GALWAY — L. Curry, D. Costello, C. Finnegan, R. Coen, B. Kilgallen, C. Curley, S. Glynn, C. Hannon, M. Harkin, I. Hobbs, D. Cronin, V. Curran. Subs: A. Lynskey for C. Curley.

REF — Miriam O'Callaghan (Offaly).

Galway hang on by skin of teeth

GALWAY exacted some small measure of revenge for their defeat in the senior league final on Sunday when they defeated Cork by a point — 2-10 to 2-9 in the semi-final of the National Junior Camogie League at Loughrea yesterday.

But they had to hang on by the skin of their teeth in the face of a late Cork rally to ensure their place in the decider.

Galway had led by 1-8 to 1-4 at half time and with five minutes to go had stretched their lead to six points before Sinéad O'Callaghan put Cork right back in contention with a goal.

There was more drama to come when the referee blew for full-time with about three minutes to play, but then restarted the game and it was with some relief that the Galway girls greeted the final whistle when it did come as Cork had narrowed the gap to a single point and desperately striving to snatch an equaliser.

Scorers for Galway: Collette Nevin (1-6), Teresa Maher (1-4), Ita Lynskey, Martina Haverly and Miriam Lynch (0-1 each).
Cork: Sinéad Cahalane (1-3), Sinéad O'Callaghan (1-2) and Mary Cummins (0-4).

CAMOGIE

Cork: Under 12 league: Clonakilty 2-0 Kilbrittain 0-0; Slieveau 4-2 Tracton 1-0; Clonakilty 4-0, Ballinascahy 2-0; Ballygarven 10-7, Tracton 0-0; Douglas 5-2, Sarsfield 0-0; Glen Rovers A 3-0, Watergrasshill 0-1; Kildorrery 5-1 Killeadh 0-0; Glen Rovers A 2-1, Delaneys 0-0; Watergrasshill 3-0, St Vincents 1-0; Youghal 1-0, Carrigrohilly 0-0; Carrigrohilly 9-0, Castlelyons 0-0; Glen Rovers A 2-1, St Vincents 0-2; Clonakilty 6-0, Newcestown 1-1; Newcestown 1-1, Inniskeane 0-0, U 14 A; Cloughduv 9-0, Newcestown 0-3, Elre Og 5-2, Newcestown 0-2; Glen Rovers 12-0, Brian Dillon 0-0; St Finbarrs 4-0, Glen Rovers 2-1, U 14 D League, Na Piarasigh 2-1; Ballyphehane 0-0, Delaneys 1-5, Na Piarasigh 3-1; Barryroe 10-5, Valley Rovers 3-2; Tracton 2-2, Barryroe 2-1; Carrigrohilly 13-1, Croyne 0-0; Bandon 3-2, Clonakilty 0-0; Youghal 10-0, Castlelyons 0-1; Tracton 4-3, Inniskeane 1-0; Kildorrery 5-1, Sarsfield 1-0; Carrigrohilly 7-2, Youghal 0-0; Carrigrohilly 9-4, Castlelyons 0-0.

CAMOGIE

Leinster JC Quarter-finals: Westford 3-0, Kilkenny 1-3, Offaly 3-14, Westmoath 2-4; Carlow 3-10, Meath 3-7, Kildare 1-15; Dublin 1-5, Ulster MC Semi-final replay: Down 3-0, Armagh 4-1.

SCIATH NA SCOL...SCIATH NA SCOL...SCIATH NA SCOL...SCIATH NA SCOL...



Togher NS winners of the Roinn 2 Camogie title.



Cloghroe NS beaten in the Roinn 2 Camogie final.



Riverstown NS who won the Roinn 3 Camogie title.



Mayfield NS who lost the Roinn 3 Camogie final.

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Barryroe NS who won the Roinn 6 Camogie title



Ballinspittle NS who lost the Roinn 6 Camogie final.



Ballygarvan NS winners of the Roinn 4 Camogie title.



Aghabullogue NS who were defeated in the Roinn 4 Camogie final.

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SCIATH NA SCOL...SCIATH NA SCOL...SCIATH NA SCOL...SCIATH NA SCOL...



Glenville NS who won the Roinn 7 Camogie title.



Berrings NS who were beaten in the Roinn 7 Camogie final.

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Galway primed to book a final place

HOLDERS Galway make the long journey to Down for Sunday's national junior league semi-final. The winners will earn a place in the decider against Limerick.

The westerners were very impressive in their narrow victory over Cork in the quarter-final.

CAMOGIE

By PJ FULHAM

However, Down go into this match with maximum points and have won all their games convincingly except for the quarter final when they had just four points to spare over Antrim.

They have an experienced squad which include Maireen McAleenan, Bonnie McCreavy, Jennifer Braniff, Cathy Mulholland and Colleen Hynes.

Meanwhile, the Coca Cola National Feile na nGael takes place this weekend in Waterford.

FIXTURES — *Sunday* — National A: Sand Fiac: Done v Galway at 12.30 pm.

Limerick Through To Final

All-Ireland junior champions Limerick, are through to the National junior league final having brushed aside a challenge from Derry in the semi-final played at Mary I College. A goal by Vera Sheehan put the winners in control in the first half and they led by 1-7 to 0-2 at the break.

In the final half the Ulster county came more into the game but the experienced Limerick side finished the stronger.

Final score: Limerick 3-12 Derry 2-6

Scorers: Limerick: Vera Sheehan 1-5, Bernie O'Brien 1-3, Kay Burke 1-2, Pauleen McCarthy 0-2.

Derry: Claire Mulholland 2-0 Martina Mulholland 0-4, Nuala Rankin and Mary O'Kane 0-1 each. Referee: Biddy Phillips, Tipperary.

Wexford retained the Leinster Minor Championship title when they fought off a strong challenge from Dublin in this final played at Ballyboden. After a good first half tussle the winners led 2-1 to 1-2 at the interval. Wexford got the better of the exchanges in the second half to run out winners on a score of 2-7 to 1-5.

Scorers: Wexford: Elaine Houlahan 2-2, Rosemary Breen and Tina Bergin 0-2 each, Kate Kelly 0-1. Dublin: Paula Malcolmson 1-5. Referee: Paddy Brady, Meath.

Wexford also gained victory over Dublin in a low scoring Leinster under 14 tie played as the curtain raiser to the minor contest.

Wexford 1-3 Dublin 1-1

Wexford Scorers: Diane Reid 1-0, Aoife Duane 0-3. Dublin: Ciara Duff 1-0, Vera Costelloe 0-1, Referee: Paddy Brady, Meath.

Wicklow got the edge over Carlow in this under 14 tie played at Kildavin. After an



Barbara Manning of Arnotts presenting a set of jerseys for the Dublin Senior team to Maire Brady, Chairperson of Dublin County Board and Finian Christie, Senior team manager

exciting first half Carlow led by 2-2 to 2-1. A goal by Mary Lynott in the closing stages put the Garden county on their way to victory. Final Score: Wicklow 4-4 Carlow 2-3. Scorers: Wicklow: Michelle Kinsella 2-0, Mary Melia and Mary Lynott 1-0 each, Nicki Keddy 0-3, Orla Carey 0-1.

Carlow: Joanne Byrne 1-3, Sinead Nolan 1-0. Referee: Jack O'Brien, Wexford.

Kildare went on a scoring spree at Kilmessan. Kildare 11-8 Meath 0-0.

Scorers: Nora Keane 5-1, Aoife Wynn 3-1, Majella Kenny 1-4, Emer Shannon 1-1.

Pamela Donavan 1-0, Regina Gorman 0-1. Referee: Olive Weir, Raherney

Under 14 result Offaly 1-9 Laois 3-2

Ben Dearg has reached the semi final of the Down senior championship with a good win over Ballyholland. A brace of goals in the first half by Orla Magee put them on to path to victory and they led 2-6 to 1-0 at half time, with Bridgeen Sands getting Ballyholland's goal. In the second half the winners kept up the pressure with the Hynds sisters putting over some well taken points. Goals from Bridgeen Sands and Deirdre Quinn only put a more respectable look on their teams tally. Final Score: Ben Dearg 4-12 Ballyholland 3-2.

Scorers: Ben Dearg: Orla Magee and Teresa McGowan 2-0 each. Coleen Hynds 0-7, Valerie Hynds 0-5. Ballyholland: Bridgeen Sands 2-1, Deirdre Quinn 1-1.

Down Senior Championship quarter final results:

Leitrim Fontenoy's (the holders) 3-9 Attical 1-7
Ballycran 3-6 Aghaderg 2-4
Druminess 4-4 Clonduff 4-1

Dublin County Board hit it lucky this year by finding sponsors for all their county teams, senior, junior, minor and under 14. They are most grateful to all the sponsors.

Dublin have 40 clubs with a large number of juvenile teams. They hold the largest number of All-Ireland senior championship titles (26 in all), and have produced numerous skillful players down the years.

The executive members of Dublin are to be commended for their dedication promotion of camogie.



John Foley of Accelerated Drains Cleaning Ltd (sponsors of the Dublin Minor team) presenting a cheque to Maire Brady. Also in photo is John's wife Marie and daughter Orla

REBELS ARE STILL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS



Barbara Manning, Arnotts, handing over a set of jerseys for Dublin Junior team to Maire Brady, Chairperson Dublin County Board. Also in the picture: Jude Roache, left, Mary Mathews and Noel Shine.

Duggan, Paula Goggins, Sandie Fitzgibbon, Margaret Finn, Denise Cronin, Vivienne Harris, Mary O'Connor, Irene O'Keefe, Linda Mellenick, Lynn Dunlea destroyed Galway with a personal tally of 2-9. Galway were two points up before the champions took over with three points from Linda Mellenick and a goal by Irene O'Keefe.

Sharon Glynn got a goal and a point on the 11th and 12th minute to leave just one point separating the sides. Cork 1-4 Galway 1-3.

Cork then stepped up the pace and led 2-11 to 1-4 at the break.

In the final half Galway played with great determination, but could not break down the Rebels defence. There was little they could do as Cork coasted to victory, running out winners on a score of 3-16 to 1-7. Apart from holding on to their title, Cork gave notice of their intentions in the Championship with this display.

Scorers: Cork - Lynn Dunlea 2-9, Irene O'Keefe 1-0, Linda Mellenick 0-3, Fiona O'Driscoll 0-2, Denise Cronin and Vivienne Harris 0-1 each.

Galway - Sharon Glynn 1-5, Veronica Curtin 0-2.

Teams: Cork - Kathleen Costine, Eithne O'Connor, Irene O'Keefe, Linda Mellenick, Lynn Dunlea, Fiona O'Driscoll. Subs - Therese O'Callaghan for F O'Driscoll, Miriam Deasy for M O'Connor.

Galway - Louise Curry, Olive Costello, Caitriona Finnegan, Rita Coen, Brid Kilgannon, Cora Curley, Sharon Glynn, Carmel Hannon, Martina Harkin, Imelda Hobbins, Denise Gilligan, Veronica Curtin.

Subs - Aoife Lynskey for C Curley. Referee - Miriam O'Callaghan, Offaly.

Wexford retained the Leinster Minor title when they fought off a strong challenge from Dublin in this final played at Ballyboden. After a good first half tussle the winners led 2-1 to 1-2 at the interval. Wexford got the better of the exchanges in the second half and ran out winners on a score of 2-7 to 1-5.

Scorers: Wexford - Elaine Houlahan 2-2, Rosemary Breen and Tina Bergin 0-2 each, Kate Kelly 0-1.

Dublin - Paula Malcolmson 1-5. Referee - Paddy Brady, Meath.

NJL Quarter-Final: Galway 2-10 Cork 2-9

In the Derry Senior Championship Slaughtneil caused a shock when they ended all square with 1993 champions Bellaghy.

Slaughtneil 2-6 Bellaghy 3-3

Scorers: Slaughtneil - Siobhan Cassidy 2-0, Claire Doherty and Eileen O'Kane 0-3 each. Bellaghy - Mary McGuigan 2-0, Monica Duffin 1-0, Patricia Spiers, Barbara Birt and Sinead O'Kane 0-1 each.

In the same competition, Swatragh defeated Banagher on a scoreline of 4-7 to 1-6. Swatragh's scorers were Sarah McNicholl (4-6) and Claire McNicholl (0-1) while Mary O'Kane (1-3), Denise Shields (0-2) and Michelle McWilliams (0-1) got on the scoreboard for the losers.

On Sunday next the Gael Linn interprovincial competition takes place. This is the second year in succession that this event has been staged on one day in June. In senior Munster, the holders, versus Leinster. This semi-final should turn out to be a cracker if Leinster can field full strength. While we cannot mention any players as there are no panels to hand yet, Munster are sure to be backed by All-Ireland and League champions Cork, while Leinster should have a good representation from Kilkenny. Staying with senior, in the other semi-final Connacht and Ulster should provide good fare. Connacht are most likely to be an all Galway outfit. Ulster have had quite a number of capable senior players.

In Junior the same pairings apply. Connacht the holders will be represented by Roscommon and Galway. However, Ulster should have a good squad with Derry, Down and Antrim performing well in the National League. Munster will be a strong force against Leinster with performers from All-Ireland junior champions Limerick, Cork and Tipperary.

Leinster will draw from many counties and should provide good opposition.

Fixtures: Gael Linn Sunday June 16th at Naomh Brid GAA Grounds, Blanchardstown.

Junior Semi-Finals: Munster v Leinster 11 am Connacht v Ulster 11.30am

Senior Semi-Finals: Munster v Leinster 12.15 Connacht v Ulster 12.45

Junior Final: 2.30pm Senior Final: 3.30pm

National Coaching Course
On Saturday June 15th day 2 of level 1 National Coaching Course takes place at two venues - Truagh GAA Club, Monaghan, Sarsfields GAA Club, Thurles.



Pauleen Heuston, right, of Sam Hire Ltd, sponsors of generator which provides flood lighting (during winter training) for the Dublin senior and junior camogie teams, pictured with Maire Brady, Chairperson of Dublin Board and Maire Scully, Dublin Camogie PRO (on left).



Frank Malcolmson (Maxol Lubricants, sponsors of the Dublin Under 14 team) with Maire Brady (Chairperson Dublin Camogie Board)

THE Senior 'A' Championship gets off to a start tonight with a game between Glen Rovers and Fr O Neills.

This game is at Carrigrohilly at 7.45pm and this game undoubtedly has all the ingredients of a thriller.

Glen are the reigning champions and will be chasing their 22nd county senior title.

In direct contrast the Ballymacoda based side won the Senior 'B' championship last season and have yet to taste success in the 'A' Championship.

However, they make no secret of the fact that success at this level is their goal and they will be leaving no stone unturned to achieve this.

They must be considered a little unlucky in this their first year in the 'A' Championship to be drawn against such formidable opposition as the Glen.

The Blackpool side have been the dominant force in senior camogie in Cork for the past decade and hold a record that will probably never be equalled.

On this occasion they will be fancied to advance again.

While they will be forced to field without three of last years winning side, goalkeeper Mairead O Leary, Deirdre McCarthy and Ger McCarthy all of whom are not playing this season, they still have a wealth of talent to choose from.

Therese O Callaghan, who is presently nursing an injury, is also a doubtful; starter and she would certainly be a huge loss.

However, their team will include regulars like Linda Mellerick who captains the side, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Lyn Dunlea, Claire McCarthy, Denise Cronin and Mary Burke.

Newcomers to the side will include Orla Murphy, who is expected to be named in goal in place of Mairead O Leary and Karen Riordan a member of this year's Cork Minor team.

Other player fighting for places will be Emma Harte daughter of former Glen Rovers stalwart Patsy Harte and Hilda Dunlea sister of Lyn and Stephanie.

Camogie focus

Fr O Neills could be forced to field without the services of Cork Senior player Fiona O Driscoll.

Fiona sustained a back injury in the National League finals against Galway and is in a race against time to be fit for tonight's

clash.

Her absence would be a devastating blow to Fr O Neills. However, Fiona is a tremendous club player and it will take a lot to keep her out of the action.

With the exception of Fiona, O Neills team will include regular

keeper Ann Marie Brennan, Frances Hennessy, Sharon Meade, Sharon McCarthy, Nora Aherne, Mags Finn and Mary Kennefick.

THE Under 12 League is now reaching its concluding stages and 12 clubs have now qualified for the play offs.

Four clubs Courcey Rovers, Ballinhassig,

Sandy Fitzgibbon (left) and Mary Kennefick: in opposition tonight.

Erins Own and Aghabullogue have received byes into the quarter final while the following will play off

Tomorrow: St Finbarrs v Clonakilty, at Clonakilty, 6.30pm.

Sunday: Inniscarra v Douglas, at Inniscarra, 12 noon; Glen Rovers v

Klieg, at Killeagh, 7.30pm.

On this coming Sunday the Gael Linn Interprovincial Championships will be played at St Brides Grounds, Blanchardstown, Co Dublin.

Munster will play Leinster in both the

Senior and Junior game with the junior game fixed for 11 o'clock and the senior at 12.15.

The winners of these games will play the winner of the Ulster/Connacht games later in the day.



New-look Glen Rovers side begin defence of senior title against promising Fr O'Neill's

TOMORROW night county champions Glen Rovers put their title on the line when they take on East Cork side Fr O'Neill's in the opening game of this year's Cork Senior Camogie Championship.

Fr O'Neill's, having won the 'B' title in great style last season, are going all out for victory and have an all round well balanced side. Top players on their side include inter county stars Fiona O'Driscoll, Mags Finn and Cork junior Mary Kennefick.

The East Cork side is trained by Middleton GAA selector Tony McCarthy and they have fine young players in Sharon Meade, Nora Aherne and the experi-

enced former Kilkenny player, goalie Anne-Marie Brennan.

The Glen Rovers team will be a somewhat new look side with four players missing from the winning county championship side of last season. However, they have excellent players in captain Linda Mellerick, Denise Cronin and Sandy Fitzgibbon and if they perform to their potential they will be an enormous help to their younger players making their championship debut for the Glen. Doubts surround Cork senior captain Therese O'Callaghan's availability for the Glen. She is suffering from a leg injury which kept her out of Cork's National League winning team

last week, and her loss to them would be enormous.

On the Interprovincial scene the Gael-Linn competition takes place in Dublin over the weekend with Munster vs Leinster and Ulster vs Connacht in the senior and junior games on Saturday, with the finals fixed for Sunday.

The U12 Leagues are reaching their playoff stages with four games down for decision in the coming week.

Fixtures: Friday: Senior County Championship, Glen Rovers vs Fr O'Neill's at Carrigrohilly at 7.45 p.m. ref. Collette O'Mahony. Saturday: Gael-Linn competition, Munster vs Leinster and Ulster vs Connacht, both games 11 am at St. Bridget's GAA Club, Blanchardstown. Sunday: Gael-Linn final: St. Bridget's, 12 noon.



Nora Aherne, one of the young stars on the Fr O'Neill's side.



Linda Mellerick, captains Glen Rovers against Fr O'Neill's tomorrow.

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Glen's vital touch secures win

Glen Rovers 3-15
Fr. O'Neill 1-10

by Tom Higgins

ALTHOUGH the holders, Glen Rovers, won this Cork County Senior camogie first round tie by a big margin at Carrigtwohill last night the scoreline does not do a gallant Fr. O'Neill's side justice.

They matched their more illustrious opponent in skill and determination until the 41st minute when two goals in the space of a minute put paid to their ambitions.

In a very closely contested opening half Glen led by 0-8

to 1-3 at the break and they brought on their injured county player, Therese O'Callaghan, at half-time to keep them in the game. With only nine minutes to go the score was 0-13 to 1-8 in favour of the champions and shortly afterwards Glen captain Linda Mellerick set up Lynn Dunlea for a goal. The excitement had hardly died down when a long clearance by Patricia Murphy was caught brilliantly by Emma Harte who gave Ann Marie Brennan in the Fr. O'Neill's goal no chance from close range.

It was only after these scores that the Glen began

to play the camogie they are renowned for and in the third minute of injury time Ann Marie Brennan let a lob from Therese O'Callaghan slip out of her hand and into the net for the winners third goal.

Both defences were on top for most of the game and it was only in the closing stages that Fr. O'Neill's cracked.

Scorers: Glen Rovers: L. Dunlea 1-8 (0-2 frees, 0-1 "30"), E. Harte 1-2, T. O'Callaghan 1-0, L. Mellerick 0-2, Y. McCarthy 0-1, D. Cronin 0-1, S. Fitzgibbon 0-1. Fr. O'Neill's: M. Kenefick 0-9 (0-3 frees, 0-2 "30's), F. O'Driscoll 1-0, S. Meade 0-1.

GLEN ROVERS: O. Murphy; C. McCarthy; M. Burke, S. Fitzgibbon, S. Dunlea; D. Cronin, Y. McCarthy, T. Murphy; E. Harte,



Linda Mellerick: set up one of the Glen goals.

L. Mellerick, K. Riordan; L. Dunlea, Sub: T. O'Callaghan for Y. McCarthy (half-time).

FR. O'NEILL'S: A. M. Brennan; F. Hennessy; E. Hennessy, M. Finn, M. Ahern; S. McCarthy, S. Meade, N. Ahern; K. Shanahan, M. Kenefick; L. Sweetman; F. O'Driscoll. Subs: M. Slattery for K. Shanahan (41st minute); C. Pheland for L. Sweetman.

Glen Rovers qualify for semi-final

Glen Rovers ... 3-15 Fr. O'Neill's ... 1-10

GLEN Rovers qualified for the semi final of the Cork County Camogie Championship when they defeated East Cork side Fr. O'Neill's in an entertaining game at Carrigtwohill on Friday last.

Fielding without Cork captain Therese O'Callaghan the Glen were leading 0-8 to 1-4 at the break, however, when introduced for the second half she proceeded to put her stamp on the game and gave the Glen a decisive advantage at centre-field. Mary Kenefick at centre-forward for Fr. O'Neill's had an excellent game

and gave Sandie Fitzgibbon a tough job. Ten minutes into the second half Fr. O'Neill's went into the lead 1-9 to 0-11, however sensing danger the County Champions raised their game with three unanswered points from Lynn Dunlea, (2) and Emma Harte, then two goals within Dunlea and the second a cracker

from championship debutante Emma Harte assured them their passage to the semi-final. Victory was complete with Therese O'Callaghan's goal a minute from full time.

Fr. O'Neill's to their credit never gave up, with Cork senior Fiona O'Driscoll, Ann Marie Brennan and Sharon McCarthy and the excellent Mary Kenefick all performing admirably.

For the Glen a pleasing aspect was the performance of their four

players making their championship debut, goalie Orla Murphy, Emma Harte, Yvonne McCarthy and 16 year old Karen Riordan.

Scorers Glen Rovers: L. Dunlea 1-8, E. Harte 1-2, T. O'Callaghan 1-1, L. Mellerick 0-1, D. Cronin 0-1, Yvonne McCarthy 0-1.

Scorers Fr. O'Neill's: M. Kenefick 0-9, F. O'Driscoll 1-0, S. Meade 0-1.

In the Senior County Championship Seandún meet Carbery tonight, Friday and here the city side who contested the '94 County Final will be hoping to advance. They can call on Cork Seniors Paula Goggins from Na Piarraig Club, Colette O'Mahony, St. Finbarr's, they will also be expected to include St. Vincent's Sandra Ricken and Donna O'Leary.

Carbery can call on Cork Senior Miriam Deasy, Newcestown's Hilda Kenneally and Barryroe's Cora Keohane.

The winners will play either Muskerry or Imokilly who were due

to meet last evening at Delany's.

In the Féile na nGael Coursey Rovers represent Cork this weekend when they play their hosts Rover-Innistague in the opening game, Amanda O'Regan Douglas will represent Cork in the skills competition.

Senior Championship Friday June 21st Seandún V Carbery in Ballygarvan at 7.30pm.

Last weekend Munster scored a double when they took the Senior and Junior Gael Linn titles. Played at St. Brigid's GAA grounds Dublin the junior defeated Leinster in the semi-finals and went on to comprehensively defeat Ulster in the final.

The seniors were also victorious over Leinster in the semi-final, however the final was a different matter with the game going to extra time. In the extra time Munster ran out winners on the scoreline 4-18 to 6-10.

Munster Seniors were captained by Cork and Glen Rovers, player Denise Cronin, whilst Limerick supplied the captain for the Junior side.

CAMOGIE

Munster 4-18
Ulster 6-10
(After extra time)

Munster required extra time to overcome the formidable challenge of Ulster and so secured their 11th Gael Linn Senior Inter Provincial Camogie title at Russell Park, Dublin yesterday. Munster were well behind at the interval, 5-4 to 1-8 as a very impressive Ulster side looked well capable of recording quite a shock.

Yet led by the superb scoring of Fiona O'Driscoll, Munster recovered splendidly on the resumption with Irene O'Keefe also in fine scoring form.

At the end of normal time the teams were level on 4-13 to 5-10 with Ulster's Colette Byrne scoring the point that brought the tie to extra time.

In the extra time Munster had crucial scores from O'Driscoll, O'Keefe and Lynn Dunlea.

Munster Scorers: Fiona O'Driscoll 1-10, Irene O'Keefe 3-1, Lynn Dunlea 0-3, Catherine O'Loughlin 0-2, Trina Bonnar & Denise Cronin 0-1 each.

Ulster Scorers: Marie McAleenan 3-4, Colette Byrne 2-2, Grace McMullen 1-1, Mary Black, Bernice McBride & Deirdre Savage 0-1 each.

Munster Team: C. Costine, E. Duggan, M. Deasy, M. Finn, T. Bonnar, V. Harris, C. O'Loughlin, D. Cronin, L. Dunlea, F. O'Driscoll, D. Hughes, I. O'Keefe. Subs: T. O'Callaghan for Bonnar.

Ulster Team: M. McKee, M. Mulholland, G. Haughey, E. Mason, D. Greeran, D. Savage, M. Black, L. Fay, B. McBride, M. McAleenan, G. McMullen, C. Byrne. Sub: L. Fay for Greeran, B. McBride for Fay.

Referee: Aine Derham - Dublin.

MUNSTER ALSO CLAIMS JUNIOR TITLE

JUNIOR FINAL: Munster 3-17, Ulster 1-7 Munster collected their tenth Gael Linn Inter Provincial Junior Camogie crown in a one sided contest at Russell Park, Blanchardstown yesterday, leading 2-10 to 0-4 at half time.

Munster Scorers: Vera Sheehan 2-2, Pauline McCarthy 1-4, Noel Kennedy 0-4, Hilda Kenneally 0-3, Mary O'Connor & Helen Kiely 0-2 each.

Ulster Scorers: Elaine Dowds 1-2, Eilish O'Neill, Michelle Curry, Mary Rod, McGrady, Denis O'Boyle and Mary O'Kane 0-1 each.

Kilkenny side take under -14 Féile title

James Stephens 4-3
Kilmallock 2-2

THE 1996 Féile Na nGael All-Ireland U-14 Hurling Champions are James Stephens of Kilkenny who beat Limerick representatives Kilmallock in the final at Walsh Park Waterford.

Scorers for J. Stephens: R. Hayes 2-0; M. Harkin, E. McCormack 1-0 each; C. O'Grady 0-2; C. Burke 0-1, Kilmallock: A. O'Shaughnessy, K. Kenneally 1-0 each; D. O'Mahony, D. Noonan 0-1 each.

JAMES STEPHENS: D. Brennan, D. Buckley, J. Tyrrell, B. Doyle, K. Grogan, P. O'Neill, J. McEnagh, D. Quinn, M. Harkin N. Bergin, C. O'Grady, C. Burke, R. Hayes, E. Spain, E. McCormack.

KILMALLOCK: M. Culhane, R. Lyons, B. Byrne, N. Dooly, P. O'Dwyer, S. Burchill, J. Meade, I. McGuire, E. Collins, E. McGuire, B. O'Sullivan, D. O'Mahony A. O'Shaughnessy, K. Kenneally, E. Noonan.

The division two title was won by Coolderry of Offaly who had 4 points to spare over Antrim's O'Donovan Rossa in Saturday evening's final.

Division 3 title went to Ballinascreen of Derry while Cavan champions Kilshandra captured division 4.

Tipp champions Templemore proved too strong for Cork side Coursey Rovers in the Division 1 camogie final, the winners having 10 points to spare. Limerick side Granagh Ballygarry captured the Division 2 title when they beat Waterford representatives Butlerstown by 2-6 to 1-2.

FÉILE NA nGAEL

U14 Hurling Finals — Div 1: James Stephens Kilkenny 4-3; Kilmallock Limerick 2-2. Div 2: Coolderry Offaly 3-1; O'Donovan Rossa Antrim 1-3. Div 3: Myshall Carlow 1-3; Ballinascreen Derry 2-6. Div 4: Killeshandra Cavan 2-1; Flashers Galis Longford 1-0. Div 5: London 3-5; Warwickshire 1-1. Camogie Finals — Div 1: Templemore Tipperary 2-10; Coursey Rovers Cork 1-3. Div 2: Granagh/Ballygarry Limerick 2-6; Butlerstown Waterford 1-2. Div 3: Clonsilla Shille Chelms Down 4-1; Clonsilla Kildare 2-0. Div 4: Drumcullen Offaly 4-4; Castleblaney Monaghan 0-3.

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Medals for camogie's star girls

THREE members of Bishopstown senior camogie team were presented with interprovincial medals in Dublin recently.

Vivienne Harris, Eithne Duggan and Rose Desmond were voted camogie champs at a recent ceremony organised to honour the year's camogie stars.

It was young 17-year old Vivienne's third time winning a senior interprovincial medal. Eithne's second medal and Rose was winning her fifth.

The girls are currently training diligently along with the rest of the Bishopstown senior team under team coach Neil White in preparation for the Cork County Senior semi-final against the holders Glen Rovers.

For the summer, underage training takes place every Wednesday night at 7.30pm sharp at the Bishopstown G.A.A. grounds with underage Cork trainer, Pat Murray being in charge.



The O'Regan twins Maire (left) And Aine, members of the Coursey Rovers U-14 camogie team who play in the Feile na NGael finals in Waterford at the weekend.

Picture: Denis Minihane

CAMOGIE
Leinster Junior Championship semi-finals: Carlow 2-11; Offaly 2-10; Kildare 3-10; Wexford 2-8.

TEAM GETS ALL BRONZE-D IN FINAL



Above are the Togher U-14 camogie team bronze medal winners in the county finals, with Barry Hill CMP Dairy and team manager, Deirdre Clarke.

Carlow came from behind to snatch victory in the Leinster junior championship quarter-final played at Carlow Hurling Ground. Meath dictated matters in the opening half. A brace of goals by Yvonne Quinn and one by Stephaine Heavney gave the Royal County a lead of 3-3 to 0-3 at the break. Ten minutes into the second half Meath looked as if they were heading for the semi-final with a twelve point lead. However, Carlow whittled away with some well taken points by Valerie Crean and Marie Sheehan, and with ten minutes to go, Nuala Quirke forced her way through the Meath defence to raise a green flag, cutting the lee-way to five points. This was the turning point of the game as Olivia Maye and Lisa Brennan both goalied. Three more points by Valerie Crean gave them a three point victory over a shocked Meath side. Final Score: Carlow 3-10 Meath 3-7

Scorers - Carlow - Valerie Crean (0-6), Nuala Quirke 1-1, Olivia Maye and Liz Brennan 1-0 each, Marie Sheehan 0-3.

Meath - Yvonne Quinn 2-4, Stephaine Heavney 1-1, Margaret Burke and Christine O'Brien 0-1 each. Referee - John Pender, Kildare.

Wexford had it easy against Kilkenny in this quarter-final played at Wexford Park. A goal by Bernie Higgins who was in great scoring form and a similar score by Kate Kelly helped the Slaneysiders to a 2-3 to 1-3 lead at the break. The winners notched some well taken scores in the second half while they held their opponents scoreless, and coasted to a 3-9 to 1-3 victory.

Scorers - Wexford - Bernie Higgins 1-6, Tina Bergin and Kate Kelly 1-1 each, Michelle O'Leary 0-1. Kilkenny - Fiona Connery 1-0, Imelda Kennedy 0-3. Referee - Martina Kelly, Wicklow.

Offaly coasted into the junior championship semi-final with a 3-14 to 2-4 win over Westmeath at St Loman's Park, Mullingar. The first half was evenly contested. Offaly led 0-8 to 1-3 at the break. However, their experience paid off in the final half. Scorers - Offaly - Honor Kinsella 1-2, Michelle Davis 0-5, Audrey Hennessy 1-1, Fiona McLeish 1-0, Maureen Dooley 0-3, Eileen Kinsella 0-2, Maggie Lynch 0-1. Westmeath - Annette Heffernan 1-3, Emma Martin 1-0, Mary Henry 0-1. Referee - Aine Derham, Dublin.

Kildare proved too strong for Dublin in the other quarter final tie played at Rathcoffey. After an entertaining first half the sides were level at the break, Kildare 0-7 Dublin 1-4.

The Leinster champions stepped up the pace in the second half and coasted to a 1-15 to 1-6 victory.

Scorers - Kildare - Miriam Malone 0-7, Eileen Murray 1-1, Liz Doran and Elaine Miley 0-3 each, Sharon Browne 0-1.

Referee - Mary Connor, Louth.

Leinster Under 14:
Laois 7-05, Carlow 0-1

Brave Carlow Fight Back

Wexford 2-4, Kilkenny 1-3

Down have made it to the Ulster minor final against Antrim having got the better of Armagh in the semi-final replay at Ballymacnab. Catherine McCrillard opened Down's account with a goal after eight minutes. Soon Armagh were on the attack and Kelly Ann Hughes levelled from a free. Armagh went in front when Geraldine McComish sent to the net. However, points from Michelle Goss (2) and Deirdre Quinn left it all square at the break, Armagh 2-0, Down 1-3. The pattern of play continued in the second half. An early Catherine McCrillard goal was cancelled out by Sinead Gray. The sides exchanged scores and with seven minutes to go, a sideline cut by Deirdre Quinn sailed to the Armagh net. Points by Deirdre Quinn and Catherine McCrillard gave Down a 3-8 to 4-1 victory.

Scorers - Down - Catherine McCrillard 2-1, Deirdre Quinn 1-4, Michelle Goss 0-3.

Armagh - Geraldine McComish 2-0, Kelly Anne Hughes and Sinead Gray 1-0 each, Laura Gribbon 0-1.

Referee - Eithne Hampson, Derry.

On Sunday next the long awaited National Junior League semi-final takes place between Galway and Down, venue to be arranged.

This should be a good tussle. Galway are the holders and had a four point victory over Cork 2-10 to 1-9 in the quarter-final. Down are Ulster's only hope left of a league title and are a formidable force. They had a comprehensive win over Carlow in the quarter-final (5-15 to 2-10) and are going into this encounter with full points and could surprise the champions.

The Leinster Championship semi-finals also take place on Sunday. The holders Kildare travel to take on Wexford while Offaly host Carlow at Rath at 1.30pm.



The Kildare Junior team which defeated Dublin and now faces Wexford in the Leinster semi-final. Front, left to right: Miriam Malone, Niamh Leahy, Bernie McSweeney, Eileen Murray, Deirdre Feeney, Elaine Miley, Sharon Browne, Louise Conlon. Back, left to right: Aine McCormack, Patricia Lennon, Roisin Walsh, Therese Farrelly, Kate Treacy, Liz Doran, Ruth Treacy, Naomi Treacy, Nuala Kerrigan



Anne-Marie Cross, assistant manager Actons Hotel, Kinsale, presents the Carrigdhoun GAA/Actons Hotel Personality of the Month Award for May to Melanie Fitzgerald, Carrigaline. Also included is Mary Bugler, chairperson Carrigdhoun Camogie Association and John Twomey, chairman South East GAA Board.

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GAEL LINN NA BUAITEOIRÍ

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| Connachta | 1 | 2 |
| Laighin | 24 | 4 |
| Mumha | 10 | 10 |
| Ulaídh | 1 | 5 |

NA RÉITEOIRÍ

SINSEAR

Máire Uí Pholáird
(Portláirge)
Caitríona Mhic
Alastair
(Aontroim)

SÓISEAR

Seán Piondair
(Cill Dara)
Fiona Nic Cionaoith
Ardmhacha

Gabhtar buíochas le GAEL LINN a bhronn na coirn orainn.

Tá Ardchomhairle go mór faoi chomaoín ag
Cumann Naomh Bríd agus ag Coiste Átha Cliath
i leith na socraithe a deineadh dosna cluichí seo.

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na nGAEL



CLUICHÍ

CEANNAIS

GHAEL LINN

Na Cluichí Leathcheannais

NA SÓISIR

11.00 R.N.
MUMHA v LAIGHIN

11.30 R.N.
CONNACHTA v ULÁIDH

NA SINISIR

12.15 I.N.
MUMHA v LAIGHIN

12.45 I.N.
CONNACHTA v ULÁIDH

NA CLUICHÍ CEANNAIS

2.30 i.n. SÓISEAR
3.30 i.n. SINSEAR

Naomh Bríd, Baile Bhlainséir, Áth Cliath, 16 Meitheamh, 1996

LUACH: 50p

Síle de Bhailís
ARDRÚNAÍ

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NA SINSIR

CONNACHTA

MARÚN agus BÁN

1. Laoise Ní Chonchraí (*Louise Curry*) An Ghaillimh
2. Oilbhe Ní Coisteala (*Olive Costello*) An Ghaillimh
3. Áine Ní Bhruadair (*Ann Broderick*) An Ghaillimh
4. Sharon Ní Phloinn (*Sharon Glynn*) An Ghaillimh
5. Pamela Ní Cnámhín (*Pamela Nevin*) An Ghaillimh
6. Damhnait Ní Mheachair (*Dympna Maher*) Gaillimh
7. Oilbhe Ní Bhruadair (*Olivia Broderick*) An Ghaillimh
8. Fiona Ní Riain (*Fiona Ryan*) An Ghaillimh
9. Cairmeál Ní Annáin (*Carmel Hannon*) An Ghaillimh
10. Imelda Ní Oibicín (*Imelda Hobbins*) An Ghaillimh

Captaen

11. Martina Ní Eareáin (*Martina Harkins*) An Ghaillimh
12. Veronica Ní Curtáin (*Veronica Curtin*) An Ghaillimh
13. Oilbhe Ní Chadhain (*Olivia Coen*) An Ghaillimh
14. Bríd Ní Giolla Ghannáin (*Bridget Kilgannon*) Gaillimh
15. Eibhlín Ní Riain (*Helen Ryan*) An Ghaillimh
16. Céa Ní Thioresaigh (*Cora Curley*) An Ghaillimh
17. Denise Ní Ghiollagáin (*Denise Gilligan*) An Ghaillimh
18. Greta Ní Mheachair (*Gretta Maher*) An Ghaillimh
19. Caitríona Ní Fhionnagáin (*Cath. Finnegan*) Gaillimh
20. Ailís Ní Múrchú (*Alice Murphy*) An Ghaillimh

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LAIGHIN

GLAS agus BÁN

1. Michelle Ní Fhionnalaigh (*M. Fennelly*) Cill Chainnigh
2. Réaltán Shionóid (*Stella Synott*) Loch Garman
3. Gillian Dhiobáin (*Gillian Dillon*) Cill Chainnigh
4. Sinéad Ní Choisteala (*Sinéad Costello*) Cill Chainnigh
5. Fiona Ní Dhuinn (*Fiona Dunne*) Loch Garman
6. Marina Ní Dhúnaigh (*Marina Downey*) Cill Chainnigh

Captaen

7. Sandra Ní Ghliassáin (*Sandra Gleeson*) Cill Chainnigh
8. Bríd Ní Mhaolalaí (*Brigid Mullally*) Cill Chainnigh
9. Miriam Ní Chárthaigh (*Miriam Carty*) Áth Cliath
10. Paula Ní Raing (*Paula Rankin*) Loch Garman
11. Sinéad Ní Mhaolalaí (*Sinéad Millea*) Cill Chainnigh
12. Gearóidín Ní Óda (*Geraldine O'da*) Loch Garman
13. Miriam Ní Aoláin (*Miriam Holland*) Cill Chainnigh
14. Eistir Ní Chinnéide (*Esther Kennedy*) Cill Chainnigh
15. Caitríona Ní Dhuinn (*Catherine Dunne*) C. Chainnigh
16. Tracey Ní Mhaolalaí (*Tracey Millea*) Cill Chainnigh
17. Áine Ní Dhúnaigh (*Ann Downey*) Cill Chainnigh
18. Martina Ní Mheachair (*Martina Maher*) C. Chainnigh
19. Caitríona Ní Chiara (*Caitríona Carey*) Cill Chainnigh
20. Máire Ní Óda (*Máire O'da*) Loch Garman

MUMHA

GORM agus BÁN

1. Caitlín Ní Oistín (*Kathleen Costine*) Corcaigh
2. Eithne Ní Dhuagáin (*Eithne Duggan*) Corcaigh
3. Miriam Dhéisiach (*Miriam Deasey*) Corcaigh
4. Sandy Ní Giobáin (*Sandy Fitzgibbon*) Corcaigh
5. Mairéad Ní Fhinn (*Mags Finn*) Corcaigh
6. Sílbhe Ní Bhriain (*Sylvie O'Brien*) An Clár
7. Béibhinn Ní Eardai (*Vivienne Harris*) Corcaigh
8. Denise Ní Chroínín (*Denise Cronin*) Corcaigh

Captaen

9. Fiona Ní Dhriscóil (*Fiona O'Driscoll*) Corcaigh
10. Linda Ní Mhaolghéiric (*Linda Mellerick*) Corcaigh
11. Lynn Ní Dhoimlé (*Lynn Dunlea*) Corcaigh
12. Deirdre Ní Aodha (*Deirdre Hughes*) Tiobraid Árann
13. Treasa Ní Cheallacháin (*Theresa O'Callaghan*) Corcaigh
14. Caitríona Ní Lochlainn (*Catherine O'Loughlin*) An Clár
15. Caitríona Ní Chnámhín (*Triona Bonner*) Tiobraid Árann
16. Róis Ní Dheasúnaigh (*Rose Desmond*) Corcaigh
17. Orlaith Ní Shlataire (*Orla Slattery*) An Clár
18. Sinéad Ní Cheallacháin (*Sinéad O'Callaghan*) Corcaigh
19. Irene Ní Chaoimh (*Irene O'Keefe*) Corcaigh
20. Máire Chinnéide (*Mary Kenefick*) Corcaigh

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ULAIDH

DUBH agus CRÓC

1. Mairéad Ní Aoidh (*Mairéad Mc Kee*) Ardnhacha
2. Edel Mhásún (*Edel Mason*) An Dún
3. Gearóidín Ní Eachaidh (*Geraldine Haughey*) Ardnhacha
4. Nuala Nig Aoidh (*Nuala McGee*) An Dún
5. Colette Ní Bhroin (*Colette Byrne*) Ardnhacha
6. Orlaith Ní Múrchú (*Orlagh Murphy*) Ardnhacha
7. Máire Ní Dhuibh (*Mary Black*) Ardnhacha

Captaen

8. Brínnín Ní Giolla Bhride (*Bernie McBride*) Ardnhacha
9. Deirdre Shabhaois (*Deirdre Savage*) An Dún
10. Máirín Ní Giolla Fhinnéin (*Máirín McAleenan*) An Dún
11. Gráinne Ní Mhaoláin (*Grace McMillan*) Aontroim
12. Brenda de Búrca (*Brenda Burke*) Tír Eoghain
13. Leona Ní Fhéich (*Leona Fay*) Tír Eoghain
14. Donna Ní Grioghaireáin (*Donna Greeran*) An Dún
15. Eimhear Ní Bhraonáin (*Eimhear Brennan*) An Cabhán
16. Íde Ní Bhréidigh (*Ída Brady*) An Cabhán
17. Mairéad Ní Chearbhaill (*Margaret Carroll*) An Cabhán
18. Máire Róis Nig Riada (*M.R. McGready*) Tír Eoghain
19. Mary Ní Mhaoláin (*Mary McMillan*) Aontroim
20. Imelda Ní Ghiolláin (*Imelda Gillen*) Aontroim

NA SÓISIR

CONNACHTA

GORM agus ÓRGA

MUMHA

GLAS agus BÁN

1. Ursula Ní Eosa (*Ursula Hussey*) Roscomáin
2. Cearúilín Ní Chonnachtáin (*C. Connaughton*) Roscomáin
3. Colette Ní Cnámhín (*Colette Nevin*) An Ghaillimh
4. Máire Ní Ohreacháin (*Mary Grehan*) Roscomáin
5. Rita Ní Bhruadair (*Rita Broderick*) An Ghaillimh
6. Miriam Ní Loinsigh (*Miriam Lynch*) An Ghaillimh
7. Ealáir Ní Eosa (*Hilary Hussey*) Roscomáin
8. Karina Mhic Sheoin (*Karina Jones*) Roscomáin

Captaen

9. Aoife Ní Loinsigh (*Aoife Lynskey*) An Ghaillimh
10. Rita Ní Chadhain (*Rita Coen*) An Ghaillimh
11. Sandra Ní Thanaidheáin (*S. Tannian*) An Ghaillimh
12. Máire Ní Fhionnáin (*Mary Gannon*) Roscomáin
13. Erin Ní Dóiláin (*Erin Dolan*) An Ghaillimh
14. Gearóidín Ní Cheara (*Geraldine Carr*) Roscomáin
15. Majella Ní Bhroin (*Majella Byrne*) Roscomáin
16. Fiona Ní Phiarais (*Fiona Pearse*) An Ghaillimh
17. Sorcha de Róiste (*Sarah Roche*) An Ghaillimh
18. Orlaith Ní Uait (*Orla Watson*) An Ghaillimh
19. Máire Ní Éalaithe (*Maire Healy*) Roscomáin
20. Eistir Ní Mháirtín (*Esther Martin*) An Ghaillimh

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LAIGHIN

GLAS agus BÁN

1. Sila Ní Chearúil (*Sheila Carroll*) Iarmhíche
2. Eibhlín Chinséalach (*Eileen Kinsella*) Uíbh Fháighle
3. Damhnait de Faoite (*Dympna Whyte*) Uíbh Fháighle
4. Nuala Ní Ciaragáin (*Nuala Kerrigan*) Cill Dara
5. Dearbháil Ní Chearúil (*Dervilla O'Carroll*) An Mhíche
6. Caitríona Ní Chiardha (*Caitríona Carey*) C. Chainnigh
7. Valerian Ní Chroideáin (*Valerie Crean*) Ceatharlach
8. Áine Máire Dhuineach (*A. M. Denny*) An Mhíche
9. Miriam Uí Mhaoláin (*Miriam Malone*) Cill Dara
10. Cristín Ní Bhriain (*Christine O'Brien*) An Mhíche
11. Áine Ní Ifeomáin (*Annette Heffernan*) Iarmhíche
12. Nuala Uí Chuire (*Nuala Quirke*) Ceatharlach

Captaen

13. Michelle Dháibhis (*Michelle Davis*) Uíbh Fháighle
14. Deirdre Ní Fhianáin (*Deirdre Feeney*) Cill Dara
15. Mairéad Ní Cumascaigh (*M. Comerford*) C. Chainnigh
16. Imelda Ní Chinnéide (*Imelda Kenned*) C. Chainnigh
17. Treasa de Báth (*Theresa Bates*) An Lú
18. Irene Ní Chiarubáin (*Irene Kirwan*) Áth Cliath
19. Sinéad Ní Uileagóid (*Sinéad Elliott*) Áth Cliath
20. Sharon Rálaigh (*Sharon Raleigh*) An Mhíche

ULAIDH

DUBH agus CRÓC

1. Donna Speers Doire
2. Sinéad Ní Mhaoláin (*S.Mc Mullon*) Aontroim
3. Sinéad Ní Bhraonáin (*Jennifer Braniff*) An Dún
4. Valerie Ní Eidiáin (*Valerie Hynds*) An Dún
5. Monica Ní Aoidh (*Monica McGee*) An Dún
6. Sinéad Ní Shamhráin (*Sinéad McGovern*) An Dún
7. Clár Ní Shamhráin (*Claire McGovern*) An Dún
8. Una Ní Uileagóid (*Una Elliott*) Aontroim
9. Léan Ní Dúda (*Elaine Dowds*) Aontroim

Captaen

10. Bronagh Britt Doire
11. Siobhán Ní Connmaigh (*S. Convey*) Doire
12. Martina Ní Mhaolchalláin (*M. Mulholland*) Doire
13. Póilín Ní Uiginn (*Pauline McGuigan*) Doire
14. Glenda Ní Giolla Fhádraig (*G. Fitzpatrick*) Fearn
15. Michelle Ní Gorthaigh (*M. Curry*) Fearmanach
16. Fiona Ní Dhálaigh (*Fiona Daly*) Tír Eoghain
17. Póilín Ní Dhálaigh (*Pauline Daly*) Fearmanach
18. Máire Ní Chatháin (*Mary O'Kane*) Doire
19. Eilís Ní Néill (*Eilís O'Neill*) Doire
20. Nuala Ní Raing (*Nuala Rankin*) Doire

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Camogie World

by P.J. Fulham

MUNSTER COMPLETE GAEL LINN DOUBLE

Gael Linn Inter-Provincial semi-finals and final in both senior and junior were played off on the one day at St Brigid's GAA Grounds, Blanchardstown. Munster showed their strength by securing the double.

In the senior semi-finals, Ulster put up a great performance by defeating Connacht 4-8 to 4-7.

Scorers - Ulster - Mairin McAleenan 2-7, Grace McMullan 2-0, Colette Byrne 0-1.

Connacht - Denise Gilligan 2-6, Louise Curry and Ann Broderick 1-0 each, Imelda Hobbs 0-1. Referee - Marie Pollard, Waterford.

Munster reached the final by disposing of a depleted Leinster side 3-16 to 0-6. Scorers - Munster - Lynn Dunlea 2-4, Fiona O'Driscoll 1-3, Sylvia O'Brien 0-3, Deirdre Hughes, Vivienne Harris and Denise Cronin 0-2 each.

Leinster - Geraldine Codd and Sinead Milica 0-2 each, Ann Downey and Miriam Carty 0-1 each. Referee - Catherine McAllister, Antrim.

Munster 4-18 Ulster 6-10

In the final Munster collected their 11th Gael Linn senior title when they were stretched all the way by a determined Ulster squad that pushed the game into extra time. Ulster had a cushion of eight points at the break 5-4 to 1-8. Munster whittled away at the leeway. Goals by Irene O'Keefe and Fiona O'Driscoll soon cut the deficit. It became an end to end battle and with one minute left, Ulster led by the minimum. Munster's Fiona O'Driscoll put the sides level on a score of Munster 4-13 Ulster 5-10. Munster came out better in the extra time.

Munster - Kathleen Costine, Eithne Duggan, Miriam Deacey, Mags Finn (Cork), Triona Bonner (Tipperary), Catherine O'Loughlin (Clare) 0-2, Vivienne Harris, Denise Cronin, Capt 0-1, Lynn Dunlea 0-4, Fiona O'Driscoll 2-10, Irene O'Keefe 1-1, (Cork), Deirdre Hughes (Tipperary).

Subs - Mary Kenniff 1-0, Cork for T Bonner, Therese O'Callaghan, Cork for I O'Keefe.

Ulster - Margaret McKee (Armagh), Martina Mulholland (Derry), Edel Mason, Pauline Greene, Deirdre Savage 0-1 (Down), Geraldine Haughey, Mary Black, capt, 0-1 (Armagh), Leona Fay, (Tyrone), Bernie McBride 0-1, (Armagh), Mairin McAleenan 3-4 (Down), Grace McMullan 1-1 (Antrim), Colette Byrne 2-2 (Armagh).

Subs - Donna Greeran (Down) for B McBride. Referee - Aine Derham, Dublin.

In the junior semi-finals Ulster had it easy over Connacht. They led 2-5 to 1-3 at the break and coasted on to book their place in the final on a score of 3-12 to 1-3.

Scorers - Ulster - Michelle Corry 2-2, Mary O'Kane 1-4, Sinead McGovern and Denise O'Boyle

0-2 each, Claire McGovern and Eimear Brennan 0-1 each.

Connacht - Aoife Lynskey 0-4, Colette Nevin 1-1, Majella Byrne 1-0, Mary Gannon and Hillary Hussey 0-1 each. Referee - John Pender, Kildare.

Munster proved too strong for Leinster in the other semi-final. After a closely contested first half, the winners led 1-5 to 0-5. Munster showed their mettle in the second half and came through 4-13 to 2-7.

Scorers - Munster - Deirdre Hughes 3-4, Vera Sheehan 1-2, Sinead O'Callaghan 0-4, Claire Madden, Meabh Stokes and Tiona Hennessy 0-1 each.

Leinster - Annette Heffernan 2-0, Nuala Quirke and Annmarie Denny 0-2 each, Michelle Davis, Miriam Malone and Christine O'Brien 0-1 each.

Referee - Fiona McKenna, Armagh.

Munster 3-17 Ulster 1-7

Munster made it a double when they captured the Junior Gael Linn title. Again Ulster were the victims. At the break Munster led 2-10 to 0-4. Scorers - Munster - Breda O'Brien (Limerick), Niamh Bonner, Paula Bullin, Claire Madden (Tipperary), Ann Lenihan (Limerick), Hilda Kenneally 0-3, Mary O'Connor 0-2 (Cork), Meabh Stokes, Noelle Kennedy 0-4, Helen Kiely 0-2, (Tipperary), Pauline McCarthy 1-4, Vera Sheehan 2-2 (Limerick).

Subs - Mary Harkins (Tipperary) for P Bullin, Sinead O'Callaghan (Cork) for P McCarthy.

Ulster - Fiona Daly (Tyrone), Donna Grenan (Down), Paula Daly (Fermanagh), Cathy Mulholland (Down), Mary Rose McGrady (Tyrone), Eileen O'Neill 0-1 (Derry), Denise O'Boyle 0-1 (Antrim), Ita Brady 0-1 (Cavan), Michelle Corry, Mary O'Kane 1-4 (Derry), Sinead McGovern (Down), Elaine Dowds (Antrim).

Subs - Michelle Kealey (Derry) for S McGovern, Jennifer Branniff (Down) for M Corry, Blathin McIvor (Derry) for P Daly.

Referee - John Pender, Kildare.

LONDON CAMOGIE

Croydon 3-1

Newham 0-1

In the Junior Camogie Championship at Parnell's sports grounds on Sunday, Croydon made amends for the previous weeks lacklustre performance in their drawn game against the

same opposition. Newcomers Sally Treaty, Ann Hughes and Majella Connors pressed constantly for scores and but for the vigilance of the Newham Gael's defence the game as a competition would have fizzled out way before fulltime. All three got on the scoresheet with goals, but Majella Connor's effort was special and right out of the text book, having positioned herself for a long pass from Ann Hughes. Majella pulled first time to drop-puck the ball past a bemused Newham netminder. Majella Lawlor pointed for Croydon to wrap things up with ten minutes remaining. Breda Kelly registered Newham's only score midway through the second half, while Ann Nolan, Margerite Nolan and Breda Kelly tried hard.

Tara 0-9

Erin go Bragh 0-5

Current senior camogie champions Tara signalled their intentions of keeping the trophy in North London for at least another year, with a determined display of first class camogie at Parnell's sports grounds on Sunday in the senior championship, but on several occasions were presented with some anxious moments by their Birmingham based opponents. Maggie Grealley was first to register a score with a point from a 50m free and immediately Helen Buxwell levelled the sides. Maggie Grealley lobbed over three more points for the holders and Helen Buxwell replied with a point to leave here side with a two point deficit at the break. Toni Costello pointed for Erin after the resumption, but the Tara girls held their composure and Maggie Grealley added three more points (two frees) before Erin rose another flag with two points from Helen Buxwell. Maggie Grealley wrapped it up with another brace of points before full time. Julie Watchorn in the Birmingham goal put in a great performance with some very special saves. Others to impress for Erin go Bragh were Vanessa Moroney, Toni Costello and 15 year old Geraldine Buxwell. Erin go Bragh should take heart from this fine performance and feel assured that they will win many a year with a lesser performance than they served up on Sunday. Tara had their usual good display from Maggie Grealley, Marie Gartlan, Francis Broderick and Mary Gilligan.

London Irish 5-6

Islington Irish 3-1

In the other senior championship game at Parnell's, London Irish overwhelmed newly promoted Islington with a silky display of camogie in brilliant sunshine in the first half, keeping their North London rivals scoreless for the entire half whilst London Irish went to the break leading by 2-5. It was the super individual brilliance of corner forward Kira Burn which contributed most to this London Irish victory, scoring a total of 4-3 of her sides total. Islington's trainer Jim Barrett tried different markets on her but judging by this display she will not be too easily shackled. London's other scores coming from Miriam Tate 1-1, Gabrielle Hussey 0-2.

Islington scores coming from Shiela Murphy 1-0, Mary Rowe 1-0, Helen Roberts 1-0, Nora Rahill 0-1.

Imokilly face a tough test

THE Senior County Camogie Championship continues this weekend with two games down for decision.

Imokilly and Muskerry meet at Delaney's tonight, and here a close game is expected.

Muskerry can call on experienced Cork senior Irene O'Keefe from the Inniscarra club as she will be assisted by Sinead Buckley, Aghbullogue; Criona Harte, Inniscarra and Deirdre Healy Eire Og. Imokilly will have Sarsfields, Breda Kenny and Liz Dunphy leading their challenge. Sinead Cahalane, Killeagh, and Ger Leahy, Cobb will make it a hard nights work for the Muskerry side.

In the other senior championship down for decision Seandun and Carberry clash at Ballygarvan and here Carberry with Cork Junior Hilda Kenneally and Cora Keoghane and Cork Senior Miriam Deasy will make the going tough for the city selection who will pick from St. Finbarra, Brian Dillon, St. Vincents, Na Piarasigh, Mayfield and Delaneys.

Seandun having reached the Senior County final in 1994 will be going all out this year with the same target in mind. They can call on Cork Senior players Paula Goggins and Colette O'Mahony while youngsters Sabrina Buckley and Catherine Barrett are sure to be included in that panel.

The first game of the "B" Championship is down for decision when Na Piarasigh take on Kilbrittan in Bandon this evening, and here many of the players will be clashing in a divisional game tomorrow evening when Carberry meet Seandun.

Na Piarasigh with former Kilkenny star Francis Rothwell, Mary Burns and Deirdre McCarthy should be too strong for Kilbrittan who will be calling on Mary Brennan and Cork Senior Miriam Deasy.

Fixtures: Tonight: Senior Championship: Imokilly v Muskerry at Delaney's 7.30; Senior "B" Championship: Na Piarasigh v Kilbrittan at Bandon at 8.00. U-12 League: Enniskeane v Newcestown at Bandon at 7.30. Tomorrow: Senior Championship: Seandun v Carberry at Ballygarvan at 7.30.

Seandun and Carbery battle it out for championship glory

THE Senior "A" Championship continues tonight with another first round game between Seandun and Carbery at Ballygarvan at 7.30.

This weekend Cork representatives Courcey Rovers travel to Waterford to take part in the All Ireland Feile Na nGael Finals. The Carbery and Seandun game promises to be a closely contested affair. Carbery, who will be made up mainly of players from the Kilbrittain, Newcestown and Barryroe clubs, should be a formidable outfit.

They will have players of the calibre of Miriam Deasy from Kilbrittain currently on the brink of the Cork Senior team and Newcestown players Hilda Kenneally and Antoinette O'Connell both members of the Cork Junior team.

Other players expected to be on the side are Colette Cahalane and

Elaine McCarthy from Barryroe, Mary Sexton and AnnMarie O'Regan from Kilbrittain and Newcestown duo Cliona Long and Yvonne O'Callaghan.

Seandun will draw their players mainly from the senior clubs of Na Piarasigh, St Finbarr's and Brian Dillons as well as Junior Clubs St Vincents and Mayfield.

The Seandun team is certain to include St Finbarr's players Colette O'Mahony, Colette Cronin and Claire Kirby, Paula Goggins and Sandra Ricken, St Vincents and Brian Dillons players Alison Dilworth and Louise Fleming.

The All Ireland Feile na Gael competitions in Waterford feature Cork winners Courcey Rovers this weekend.

Cork Minors Sara Hayes and Rachel Moloney form the backbone of Courcey Rovers who de-

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feated Glen Rovers, Na Piarasigh, Carrigtwohill, Barryroe and Bishopstow to qualify as Cork Camogie Ambassadors.

The first game is at De La Salle Waterford. Rachel's Dad, Raymond, trains the team while Sara's Dad JJ is a selector joined by another player Samantha Quinn's Dad, John.

Panel

The panel of players representing Courcey Rovers is Captain Sara Hayes, Claire Murphy, Jennifer Murphy, Marie Murphy, Cathy Collins, Aine O'Regan, Maire O'Regan, Eileen O'Leary, Yvonne Hayes, Rachel Moloney, Ann Marie Duggan, Samantha Quinn, Lydia Fitzgerald, Michelle Kiely, Siobhan Duggan, Cora Nyhan.

Chairman of the Courcey Rovers Camogie Club Hilary Calvert thanked the main sponsors Corcoran Ballinadee, Barryroe Co Op and ACC bank and all who contributed at a recent function in the teams honour.

The Parish of Courceys stretching from the Old Head of Kinsale on the South to the outskirts of Bandon on the North had a Camogie Team back in the 50s.

Camogie was reawakened in 1982 when Courcey Rovers was the only Camogie team within the South West and South East divisions.

The Club started with one Junior B Team in county competition.

Over the years the underage structure has become highly developed with teams at every age from U10 to U18.

This U14 side have already qualified for the County Semi-fi-

nal of the U14A League and the U12 Team has made it to this year's quarter final of the U12 County League.

Best Wishes are also extended this weekend to Amanda O'Regan from Douglas who will be Cork's representative in the Feile Skills competition.

●IMOKILLY advanced to the next round of the Cork Co. Senior Camogie Championship following an 0-11 to 0-9 win over Muskerry at Kilbarry last night.

They now play the winners of tonight's encounter between Seandun and Carbery at Ballygarvan at 7.30.

Meanwhile, Kilbrittain proved too strong for Na Piarasigh in the "B" championship at Bandon, winning 3-10 to 0-5.

Courcey Rovers made a winning start in the Feile na Gael today by defeating Rower Innistigue by 3-4 to 2-1.

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Hard-earned win for Seandun girls

Seandun 2-7
Carbery 1-8

by Tom Higgins

SEANDUN can thank two players, Paula Goggins and Colette O'Mahony, for their hard earned win over Carbery in this Cork Senior 'A' camogie championship quarter-final at Ballygarvan last evening.

Paula had a tremendous game at centre-back while Colette did most of the scoring, mainly from frees.

Scorers for Seandun: C O'Mahony 1-6 (1-2 frees, 0-2

'39's'), M O'Dea 1-0, C Kirby 0-1, Carbery: E O'Regan 1-3 (0-1 free), H Kenneally 0-2, A O'Connell 0-2, M Deasy 0-1.

SEANDUN: S Ricken (St. Vincent's); E Healy (St. Finbarr's), C Martin (Na Piarasigh), P Goggins (Idol), C Cronin (St. Finbarr's); P Kearney (Na Piarasigh), S Barrett (Mayfield), G Fleming (Brian Dillon); A Barry (Idol), C O'Mahony (St. Finbarr's), C Kirby (Idol); M O'Dea (Idol). Subs: J Duffy (St. Finbarr's) for G Fleming (18th minute); C O'Shea (St. Vincent's) for J Duffy (42nd minute).

CARBERY: R Hayes (Kilbrittain); S O'Donovan (Idol); A O'Leary (Idol), Y O'Callaghan (Newcestown), N O'Mahony (Kilbrittain); C Hurley (Idol), M Sexton (Idol), H Kenneally (Newcestown); L Crowley (Idol), M Deasy (Kilbrittain); E O'Regan (Idol); A O'Connell (Newcestown). Sub: M Brennan (Kilbrittain) for A O'Leary (32nd minute).

Referee: O Webb (Tracton).

Camogie

Imokilly 0 - 11
Muskerry 0 - 9

In the exciting game played at Delaney's on Thursday evening last, Imokilly advanced to beat Seandun in the Cork County Camogie Semi final.

Muskerry made the early running in the opening quarter and had excellent scores from Irene O'Keeffe and Catherine O'Leary, however, they missed two goal chances which would have seen them in a more comfortable position at half time. Breda Kenny, Mary O'Connor and Patricia Finnerine were all in excellent form for Imokilly, whilst Muskerry had enough chances to win the game, Imokilly just about shaded it on the night.

Seandun 2 - 7
Carbery 1 - 8

Thanks mainly to the excellence of Cork Inter County players Paula Goggins (Na Piarasigh) and Colette O'Mahony (St. Finbarr's) the city divisional side Seandun claimed their semi final spot. Paula Goggins at centre back was in excellent form driving long balls out of defence, whilst Colette O'Mahony scored 1 - 6 of her side's total. To their credit Carbery with Cork Senior Miriam Deasy, Hilda Kenneally and Antonette O'Connell in top form made the City side fight hard for victory and having been ahead by four points with five minutes remaining must count themselves unlucky not to have held on.

For Seandun, Maire O'Dea and Evelyn Healy had excellent games.

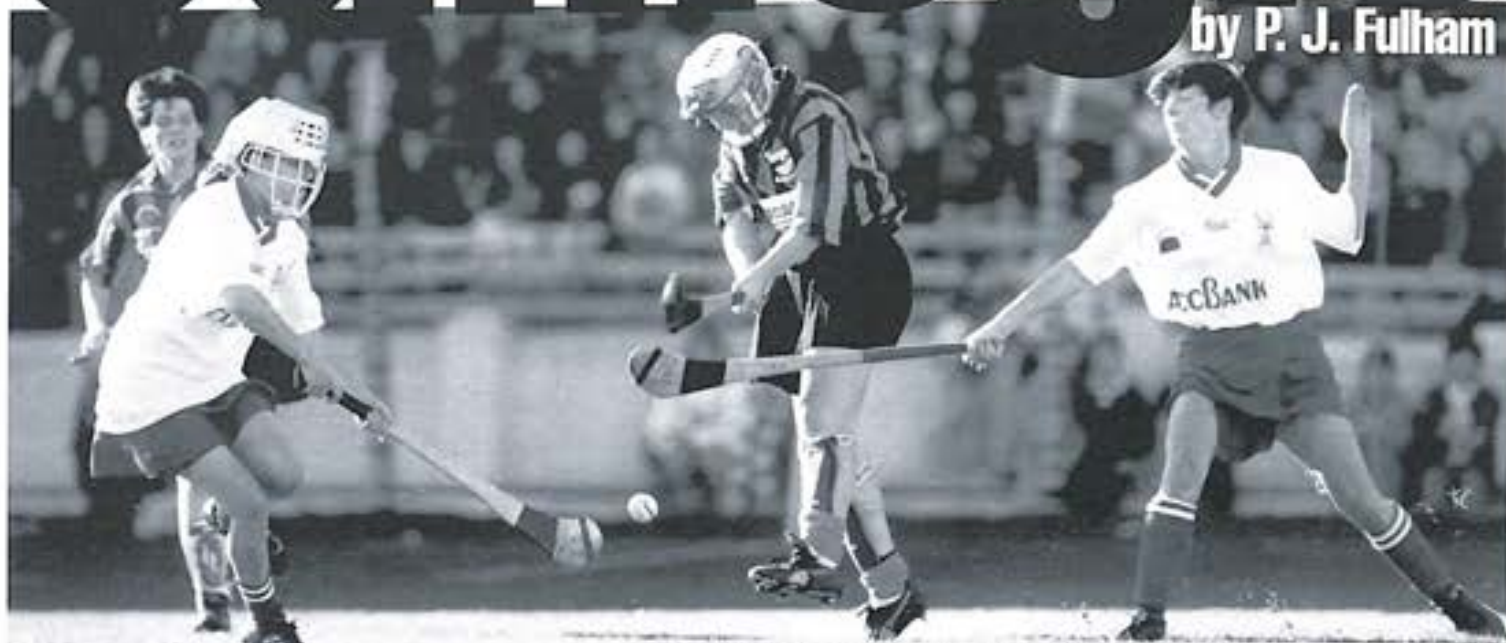
Kilbrittain 3 - 10
Na Piarasigh 0 - 5

In the first game of the senior B Championship Kilbrittain had a comprehensive victory over Na Piarasigh when they met at Bandon on Thursday night. With Collette Hurley, Mary Sexton and Antonette O'Connell in top form, Na Piarasigh had no answer to them. For the city side Catherine Martin, Mary Burns and Paula Goggins gave it their all. This weekend Cork Juniors open their quest for what one hopes will ultimately be an All Ireland title when they take on Waterford in the Munster Championship. Having reached the N. League quarter final the

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Camogie

by P. J. Fulham



Memories of last years Cork/Kilkenny All-Ireland Senior Camogie Final are revived by this photograph

GAEL LINN TESTS AHEAD

The National Leagues are drawing to a close and it is expected that the junior final will be played on June 9th as scheduled. All-Ireland junior champions Limerick are favourites to lift the title, as, for the past five years whichever County won the All-Ireland junior Championship went on to win the League. Other close contenders will be current League Champions, Galway, Down and Derry.

In senior the title holders Cork, Kilkenny, Galway and Armagh are through to the semi-finals. While the competition will be very strong the "Rebel" County should hold on to the title.

Gael Linn Inter-Provincial competition takes place on June 16th. This competition was always held on two Sundays in November. Last year the semi-finals and finals in both senior and junior were played on one Sunday in June in Dublin. Many Provinces had to field short of their top players because of the clash with Exams and Provincial Championships. The same can arise this year. Leinster may be hard hit as the junior championship semi-finals are scheduled for the following Sunday 23rd.

Leinster take on Munster in both senior and junior while Connacht face Ulster. Munster are the senior title holders and will be backboned by Cork and could retain the title.

Connacht are the junior holders. If Ulster get a full turn-out they should be very strong having three prominent Counties in the National league.

National Feile na nGael takes place in Waterford on the weekend of June 23rd. It is

an excellent weekend for under 14s and many future stars are sure to be spotted.

Bord na Gaeilge All-Ireland senior Championship gets underway on July 7th and the race for the "O'Duffy Cup" is on. There is just one fixture for that date. Dublin will host Galway. Dublin are team building. They took part in the National League and failed to collect any points. When the sides met in the League Galway had a 6-13 to 0-9 victory. The Western County seem to be making an all out effort this year. They looked strong in their National League games. They can parade players of the calibre of Sharon Glynn, Martina Harkin, Imelda Hobbs, Olivia Broderick, Emer Hardiman and Colette Nevin. Galway are favourites to advance. They play the winners of Wexford and Clare. In fact they look set for a place in the All-Ireland final.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

July 14th Bord na Gaeilge
All-Ireland senior championship.
Wexford v Clare
Armagh v Cork

July 21st All-Ireland Intermediate
Championship.
Tipperary v Limerick
All-Ireland Minor Championship semi-finals.
Leinster v Connacht
Ulster v Munster

The news of the death of Sophia Brack, Dublin, which occurred at St. Vincent's Hospital caused widespread regret. Sophia was a Camogie legend, having won eight All-Ireland senior Championship medals with Dublin from 1948 to 1955, and was captain on six of those occasions, which is a record. Sophia's last Inter-County match was the 1956

All-Ireland senior Championship semi-final against Antrim which ended Dublin's great run.

A surprise function was held in Sophia's honour last year when many of her friends and former team-mates gathered to celebrate. As Sophia went forward to receive her presentation, she pointed to her blue attire, saying "I'll always be proud to wear the Blue".

In her early years she played with C.I.E., Sliabh Bloom, Austin Stacks and she later joined Kilmacud Crokes. Sophia was one of the most skilful forwards the game of Camogie has produced. At full forward she was genius. Few full backs could curb her ability to pick off scores, left or right.

Sophia always had a keen eye for a good player and spent many years as a Dublin senior selector. She acted in the same capacity for Leinster. She was a tireless worker and over the years had accumulated a priceless collection of records, not only on Camogie but also on many other sports.

Sophia was aged 74 years, the eldest of a family of 13. She was a former employee at E.S.B. Head Office. At the time of her death she was Registrar of Dublin County Board and of Leinster Council, positions she held for the previous 26 years.

She will be missed by her family and Colleagues throughout the Country. The large attendance at her removal to Deansgrange Cemetery was a sign of the high esteem in which she was held.

"Ar Dheis Dhe go raibh a h-Aanam".

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National Irish Bank A CAPITAL PROMOTION

One of the best success stories in Gaelic Games in modern times is the National Irish Bank's G.A.A. Personality of the Month award. Launched early in the present decade this promotion has gone from success to success and the monthly award is now a very highly prized trophy in Gaelic Games.

The sponsorship also scores heavily over others in that it caters for all strands of Gaelic Games - hurling, football, handball, camogie and referees.

While hurlers and footballers dominate the monthly awards (each monthly award winner is chosen by a panel of journalists specialising in Gaelic Games) it is especially pleasing that the other sports are catered for.

An annual award goes to the handballer of the year and a similar trophy to the camogie player of each season. These sports are featured together at a special early in the year presentation lunch in Dublin and the sponsorship with its distinctive trophy gives an added and welcome dimension to the handball and camogie seasons.

Referees invariably come in for criticism in match after match. They just cannot please all the spectators and all the players all the time. Frequently a free kick awarded by the referee is greeted by disapproval by supporters and players of the team penalised by the man in the middle.

However, without referees there would be no games and this is a point many are inclined to overlook, or perhaps ignore.

So, it is particularly welcome that the "knights of the whistle" are not overlooked by the National Irish Bank sponsorship. One referee is honoured in hurling and one in football at a referees' annual presentation at the end of the year. A well deserved tribute this to men who contribute so much to Gaelic Games in probably the most difficult role of all. A role, furthermore, that carries greater pressure than ever in these days when the television cameras can put the man in the middle under the spotlight as never before.

The presentation lunch is held at the National Irish Bank headquarters in Dublin enables players, officials, journalists and followers to mingle informally and make new friends.

The award winners list now reads like a "Who's Who of Gaelic Games". Players from all four provinces have been honoured. They include James McCartan (Down), Pat Fox (Tipperary), Brian Corcoran (Cork), Martin Mulligh (Donegal), Gerry Melnerney (Galway), Anthony Daly (Clare), Jimmy Kerrigan (Cork), Anthony Tobill (Derry), Mickey Quinn (Leitrim) and Larry Giles (Westmeath).

Another interesting feature of the promotion

is that it is not confined exclusively to inter-county games. Connie Murphy (Dr. Crokes, Killarney), Mick Pender (Kilmaeud Crokes, Dublin), Billy O'Shea (Laune Rangers) were honoured after contributions to their clubs All-Ireland championship finals triumphs.

Earlier this year another chapter was added to the story of these awards when National Irish Bank marked the retirement of Angela Downey, the legendary Kilkenny player, after a remarkable career in camogie.

Justly regarded as one of the most stylish and talented players in the history of the game, Angela made her debut for Kilkenny senior team at only 15 and left the game after last year's final defeat by Cork with 12 All-Ireland senior medals. She also won National League, All-Ireland club and interprovincial medals.

Angela and her twin sister Ann have both been honoured as National Irish Bank Camogie Player of the Year.

One of the high points in the season of the presentations is the awards for September, which invariably go to winners of All-Ireland senior medals during that month.

The National Irish Bank awards have come a long way in a comparatively short time and are contributing richly to the advancement of Gaelic Games generally.



Billy O'Shea (Laune Rangers) and Angela Downey (Kilkenny). Two of the many National Irish Bank G.A.A. Personality award winners. Pictured with Noel McCole, National Irish Bank Manager.

"An Seachtar Maorga" in iomaíocht do Chraobh Camógaíochta Bhord

Seacht bhfoireann, an seachtar maorga...Coreaigh, Cill Choinnigh, An Gaillimh, Loch Garman, Ard Mhacha, Átha Cliath agus An Clár a bheidh san iomaíocht do Chraobh Sinsear Camógaíochta na h-Éireann im mblíana craobh Bhord Na Gaeilge.

Is ag Coreaigh atá an chraobh faoi láthair agus tá daoine ag caint go fóill ar an bhfuinneamh a bhí futhu anuraidh, go háirithe sa chluiche ceannais in aghaidh Chill Choinnigh.

AN MBEIDH CRAOBH EILE ACU I MBLIANA?

Deir na geallglacadóirí móra go mbeidh ach ní bhíonn an ceart ag an dream sin de shíor.

An dtuigeann sibh, tá an saol spóirt in a chior tauatail sa tír seo le roinnt blianta agus tá tuairm agam nach fada go mbeidh tionchar aige ar réimse na camógaíochta.

FÉACH MAR TÁ I GCÓDANNA SPÓIRT EILE!

Tá lár-ardáin i gcórsaí lúthchleasa i

sailbh Mhichelle Nic Gabhann agus Sonia Ní Shúilleabháin...tá lucht an traidisiúin san iománaíocht faoi léigear ag forsaí nua - Gaillimh, Uíbh Fháilí, An Clár...Tá ainmneacha úra breactha ar Chorn Mhaíuidhir na peile le déanaí...Dún Na nGall, Doire agus piscíní eile ag bagairt...Tá dubhshlán á chaitheamh amach ag galfairí óga cosúil le Pádraig Ó h-Arrachtáin do ghaiseigh móra an chluiche sin. An fada go bhfeicfead ainm nua ar Chorn Ó Dufaigh na camógaíochta? An dtarlóidh sé i mblíana?

Má tharlaíonn ciocu Gaillimh, Ard



Corcaigh - All-Ireland Senior Champions

Cork juniors off on the trail in Dungarvan

THE Cork Junior team open their Munster Championship campaign on tomorrow Saturday night with a first round game against Waterford at Mayfield at 7.30pm.

With Limerick, Cork's bogey team for the past few years, now promoted to intermediate ranks Cork will be hoping to do well at this level this season.

Hopeful

Cork have not won a Munster Junior Title since 1993 and the selectors are hopeful that they have put together a side capable of bringing honours this year.

They have experimented with a number of new players during the recent league campaign and Saturday's team should include some new faces.

Enda Dineen from Ballinora has been playing exceptionally well at full back and she is expected to retain her place while other new faces should include Claire Kirby,

Camogie Focus

St Finbarrs a member of this seasons successful Ashbourne Cup team, Sinead Cahalane from Killeagh and Sinead O Callaghan from Charleville.

Sinead who played her club camogie in Limerick declared for Cork this season and she is a welcome addition to the panel.

The team which will be captained by Antoinette O Connell from Newcestown will also include regular goalkeeper Lillian Zinkant, Sarsfields, Hilda Kenneally Newcestown, Alison Dilworth Brian Dillons, Mary O Connor Killeagh and Patricia Doyle Bishopstown.

The team is still coached by Ballinhassig Hurling coach John O Sullivan and assisted by Denis Dineen from Ballinora.

The Under 12, Under 14 'A' and under 14 'B' Leagues have now

reached the concluding stages and the following are the draws for the quarter/semi finals.

Fixtures

Under 12

Semi Finals: Aghabullogue v Courcey Rovers; St Finbarrs v Winners of Inniscarra/ Newcestown.

Under 14 'A' Semi Finals: Courcey Rovers v Ballinhassig; St Finbarrs v Cloughduv.

Under 14 'B' Quarter Finals: Killeagh/Erins Own v Na Piar-saigh; Douglas v Watergrasshill; Tracton v Barryroe; Carrigtwohill v St Fanahans.

Junior 'A' League 1996 TUESDAY JULY 2

Glen Rovers v Watergrasshill, Glen Rovers, Ref: Delanys; Mayfield v St Finbarrs, Mayfield, Ref: Brian Dillons; St Vincents v Inniscarra, St Vincents, Ref: Glen Rovers; Ballinhassig v Valley

Rovers, Ballinhassig, Ref: Ballinora; Douglas v Courcey Rovers, Douglas, Ref: Black-rock.

Junior 'B' League 1996 THURSDAY JULY 4

Eire Og v Bishopstown, Eire Og, Ref: Aghabullogue; St Finbarrs v St Vincents, St Finbarrs, Ref: Brian Dillons; Delanys v Sarsfields, Delanys, Ref: Glen Rovers; Cobh v Grenagh, Cobh, Ref: Sarsfields; Erins Own v Carrigtwohill, Erins Own, Ref: Watergrasshill; St Fanahans v St Catherines, Fanahans, Ref: Castlemagner; Watergrasshill v Cloynere, Watergrasshill, Ref: Kildorrery; Youghal v Fr O Neills, Youghal, Ref: Killeagh; Ballygarvan v Valley Rovers, Ballygarvan, Ref: Carrigaline; Kilbrittain v Bandon, Kilbrittain, Ref: Barryroe; Newcestown v Enniskeane, Newcestown, Ref: C Rovers.

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Waterford crushed as Cork advance to junior camogie final with ease

Cork 12-23
Waterford 0-0

CORK qualified for the Munster Junior Camogie final by virtue of an overwhelming win over Waterford at Mayfield on Saturday night.

Waterford fielding just 11 players were totally outclassed in all sectors by Cork, with Linda O'Sullivan scoring a goal from the throw-in.

With Sinead O'Callaghan, Linda O'Sullivan, Clare Kirby and Cork captain Antoinette

O'Connell all in top form the Cork defence was seldom troubled and indeed at half-time with the scoreline at 5-17 to no score, the Cork selectors made three substitutions and experimented by moving their defence forward.

However, with Enda Dineen adding three further goals, Mary O'Connor and Clare Kirby add additional scores the game was over as a contest.

To their credit Waterford tried but were unable to match Cork. In the second semi-final Limer-

ick's second team surprisingly defeated Tipperary and will now meet Cork next weekend at a venue to be decided.

Limerick having won last year's All-Ireland Junior Championship are graded intermediate for this years championship, and fielded their second side.

They are strengthened by the inclusion of Ida Quaid, who due to injury did not play in last year's All-Ireland series, and so is eligible to play junior.

Next weekend's game promises to be a tough contest.



Melanie Fitzgerald who captained Carrigaline's Under 16s to victory.



Announcing Bord na Gaelge's sponsorship of the All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship (from left) Sile Debhailis, Gen Sec Camogie Association; Paula Malcolmson, Thomas Davis, Dublin; Michael O Muirchearthaigh, Chairman B na G.



An Cluiche Ceannais
CORN de BÚRCA
Sraithchomórtaí na Sóisear

Cuireadh tús le Sraithchomórtaí na Sóisear i 1980, agus tá an Chraobh buaite ag sé cinn de Chontaetha ó shoin:
Ardmhacha (4), Áth Cliath (4), Cill Dara (3), An Ghaillimh (2),
Luimneach (2), An Cabhán (1).

An Dún is, today, contesting the National Junior League Final for the fourth time, having previously reached this stage in 1988, 1992 and 1995. An Dún met Luimneach in the 1992 Final, the first occasion on which the Counties met in an All-Ireland Final. Ba mhór ar fad ag An Dún é an Chraobh seo a bhuachaint don chéad uair ariamh.

Luimneach, which won the All-Ireland Junior Championship in 1995, reached the League Final in 1991 as well as in 1992. It has the distinction of having won the two Finals which it contested. Beidh fonn ar Luimneach tús maith a chur leis na comórtaí i 1996.

Na Cluichí Leathcheannais, 1996
An Dún 3 - 12 An Ghaillimh 2 - 02
Luimneach 3 - 12 Doire 2 - 06

Tá an Cumann go mór faoi chomáil ag
EIBHÚN de BÚRCA
a bhíonn An Corn arainn
in n-ádh-chuimhne ar a deirfiúr,
SIOBHÁN

Gabhtar buíochas le
COISTE an DÚIN
agus leis
AN RÍOCHT
a dhein na socráithe dúinn

Clár Oifigiúil
Luach: 30p

S. de Bhailís
Ardrúnaí



Cumann Camógaíochta na nGael

AN DÚN
v
LUIMNEACH

CLUICHE CEANNAIS na hÉIREANN
Sraithchomórtaí na Sóisear

An Ríocht

Contae an Dúin
30 Meitheamh, 1996

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AN DÚN

Dearg agus Dubh

1

Cearúil Nic Giolla Mhír
Carol Gilmore
Dromara

2

Donna Nic Griogáin
Donna Greeran
Leitrim

3

Póilín Ní Uaine
Pauline Green
Drumaness

4

Edel Ní Mhásúin
Edel Mason
Portaferry

5

Clár Nic Shamhráin
Clare McGovern
Aghaderg

3

Úna Ní Shíthigh
Agnes Sheehy
Croagh Kilfinny

4

Áine Ní Loingeacháin
Ann Lincan
Croagh Kilfinny

5

Éilís Ní Loinín
Liz Leonard
Bruff

6

Cáit Ní Mhaolchalainn
Cathy Mulholland
Ballyholland

7

Monica Nic Artain
Monica McCartan
Leitrim

8

Deirdre Shabhaois
Deirdre Savage
Portaferry

6

Sharon Ní Cheallaigh
Sharon O'Kelly
Croagh Kilfinny

7

Sinéad Ní Chuileannáin
Jean Cullinane
Granagh Ballingarry

8

Deirdre Ní Shíocháin
Deirdre Sheehan
Granagh Ballingarry

9

Sinéad Ní Bhrannuibh
Jennifer Braniff
Ballycran

10

Máirín Nic Giolla Fhinnéin
Máirín McAleenan
Leitrim
Captaen

11

Cailín Ní Eidhin
Colleen Hynds
Ben Derg

9

Muireann Ní Niadh
Marion Neville
Croagh Kilfinny

10

Sile Nic Conmara
Cecilia McNamara
Ballyagran

11

Vera Ní Shíocháin
Vera Sheehan
Granagh Ballingarry

12

Sinéad Nic Shamhráin
Sinéad McGovern
Aghaderg

12

Póilín Nic Cárthaigh
Pauline McCarthy
Bruff

IONADAITHE

13. Valerie Ní Eidhin (Valerie Hynds)
Ben Derg
14. Cáit Nic Gabhann (Kitty Smith)
Drumaness
15. Majella Ní Mhuirí (Majella Murray)
Leitrim
16. Bonnie Nic Ríabhailgh (Bonnie McGreevy)
Attical

17. Nicky Nic Aoidh (Nicky Magee)
Ben Derg
18. Clara Nic Shamhráin (Clara McGovern)
Aghaderg
19. Cearúilín Nic Póilín (Caroline Poland)
Ballyholland
20. Clár Nic Cruith (Claire McGrath)
Aghaderg

AN RÉITEOIR:

LUIMNEACH

Glas agus Bán

1

Mairéad Ní Ghadhra
Marguerite Gulry
Croagh Kilfinny

2

Eibhlín Ní Chlúmháin Mhic Cárthaigh
Helen Clifford McCarthy
Bruff
Captaen

3

Úna Ní Shíthigh
Agnes Sheehy
Croagh Kilfinny

4

Áine Ní Loingeacháin
Ann Lincan
Croagh Kilfinny

5

Éilís Ní Loinín
Liz Leonard
Bruff

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Sharon Ní Cheallaigh
Sharon O'Kelly
Croagh Kilfinny

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Póilín Nic Cárthaigh
Pauline McCarthy
Bruff

IONADAITHE

13. Bríd Ní Bhriain (Breda O'Brien)
Granagh Ballingarry
14. Eibhlín Ní Bhriain (Eileen O'Brien)
Granagh Ballingarry
15. Michelle Ní Chathasaigh (Michelle Casey)
Killeedy
16. Niamh Ní Chroideagáin (Niamh Cregan)
Croagh Kilfinny

17. Caoimhe Ní Arrachtáin (Caoimhe Harrington)
Newtownshandrum
18. Muireann Ní Arrachtáin (Muireann Harrington)
Newtownshandrum
19. Laura Leaslaoil (Laura Leslie)
Granagh Ballingarry
20. Íde Nic Uaid (Ida Qualde)
Granagh Ballingarry

MÁIRE UÍ CHONCHUBHAIR, AN LÚ

Third crown for Limerick

LIMERICK.....5-10
DOWN.....3-7
TWO second half goals from Vera Sheehan helped Limerick win the national junior camogie league title for the third time at An Ríocht yesterday.

Down led by 2-4 to 2-3 at half-time thanks to the efforts of Jennifer Braniff and Maureen McAleenan who scored 1-2 each, while Pauline McCarthy kept Limerick in the hunt by scoring 2-2 in the first half.

A Bonnie McGreevy goal edged Down ahead after the break, but Sheehan's two goals sent All-Ireland junior champions Limerick on their way to victory.

Limerick: P. McCarthy 2-4, V Sheehan 2-3, E. O'Brien 1-0, D. Sheehan 0-2, S. O'Kelly 0-1. Down: M. McAleenan 1-3, J. Braniff 1-2, B. McGreevy 1-0, D. Savage 0-2.

Ref: M. Connor (Louth).

CAMOGIE NOTES

Cork to face Limerick

THE main game on the Camogie agenda for the coming week is the Munster Junior Final which will see Cork take on Limerick on Saturday evening at Mary Immaculate College grounds in Limerick at 7.30.

Limerick, having won last year's Junior All-Ireland are automatically graded Intermediate this year so it will be a young side which will be

hoping to hold on to their Munster Crown on Saturday evening. They defeated Tipperary last weekend by a 2-6 to 1-6 scoreline, whilst Cork had an

overwhelming 12-23 to nil win over a depleted and understrength Waterford side.

Limerick can call on the services of Ida Quaid for Saturday's clash as she was out injured for last year's Junior All-Ireland series, her experience along with that of Marguerite Guiry is sure to be of enormous

benefit to a young Limerick side.

Cork have been together for the National League and have gained enormously from their participation, included in the team last weekend was Ballinhassig's Linda O'Sullivan, Hilda Kenneally and Claire Kirby. The team is captained by Antoinette O'Connell from the Newcestown club and is coached by Denis Dineen, Ballinora. On

present form one would tip Cork to advance to meet London in the All-Ireland quarter final, however, Limerick are champions and will not relinquish their title easily.

On the club front results from the Junior A league to hand include victories for St. Vincents over Mayfield and Inniscarra, whilst Glen Rovers defeated Inniscarra, only to lose out to Watergrasshill on Sunday night at the Glen field.

Camogie Fixtures

Saturday July 6th

Munster Junior Championship Final
Cork V Limerick in Mary Immaculate Grounds, Limerick at 7.30pm.

Tuesday July 9th

Junior A League

Glen Rovers V St. Finbarrs at Barrs, 7.30pm.

Inniscarra V Mayfield at Inniscarra, 7.30pm.

Watergrasshill V St. Vincents at Watergrasshill, 7.30pm.

Coursey Rovers V Ballinhassig at Courseys, 7.30pm.

Tracton V Douglas at Tracton, 7.30pm.

Thursday July 11th

Junior B League

St. Vincents V Eire Og at St. Vincents,

7.30pm.

Ballinhassig V. St. Finbarrs at Ballinhassig, 7.30pm.

Grenagh V Delaneys at Grenagh, 7.30pm.

Carrigtwohill V Cobh at Carrigtwohill, 7.30pm.

Sarsfields V Erins Own at Caherlag, 7.30pm.

Cloyne V St. Fanahans at Cloyne, 7.30pm.

Fr. O'Neills V Watergrasshill at Fr. O'Neills, 7.30pm.

Also on the Camogie front the clubs in the City Division have come together to organise leagues in the U11, U13 and U15 grade, with games due to begin next weekend. The clubs in the Seandún Division have a busy few months ahead.

Cork juniors all set for Munster showdown

CAMOGIE

THE stage is now set for the final of this season's Munster Camogie Junior Final and on tomorrow night, Saturday, at Mayfield at 7.30, Cork take on reigning champions, Limerick, in what should be a great contest.

Because of their success in last season's All-Ireland Junior Championship, Limerick were promoted to Intermediate ranks and consequently will be fielding their second team on this occasion. As a result Cork must be in with a great chance of winning their first Munster Junior title since 1992 and will be going into Saturday's game hopeful of success. However, they are certainly under no illusions as to the task confronting them and have prepared very well.

Cork's path to the final was a very easy one. Having received a bye in the first round they then went on to defeat a very under-strength and poor Waterford side last Saturday night in the semi-final. On this performance it is very difficult to judge just how strong this present Cork side is, but they have some very experienced players in their panel and if these girls play to their usual form they must be in there with every chance of success.

The Cork selectors have not yet named their side but it is expected to be similar to the side which defeated Waterford and will include Newcestown's Antoinette O'Connell, who captains the side, Hilda Kenneally, Linda O'Sullivan, Sinead O'Callaghan, who plays her

club camogie with Ballyragan, Co. Limerick, Sinead Cahalane, Mary O'Connor, Enda Dineen, while other players hoping for inclusion will be Alison Dilworth, Collette Cronin, Mary Kenneally and Claire Kirby. Limerick's path to the final included a semi-final victory over a fancied Tipperary side and the team will include experienced goalkeeper, Marguerite Guiry, Ida Quaid and Caoimhe Harrington.

Fixtures
(All Games at 7.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, July 9

Junior "A" League

1966 - St. Finbarr's v

Glen Rovers at St. Finbarr's (Ref. Bishops-

town); Inniscarra v

Mayfield at Inniscarra

(Ref. Aghabullogue);

Watergrasshill v St.

Vincents at Water-

grasshill (Ref.

Killeagh); Coursey

Rovers v Ballinhassig at

Coursey Rovers (Ref.

Barryroe); Tracton v

Douglas at Tracton (Ref.

Valley Rovers).

Thursday, July 11

Junior "B" League

1966 - St. Vincent's v

Eire Og at St. Vincent's

(Ref. Na Piarsaigh);

Ballinhassig v St. Fin-

barr's at Ballinhassig

(Ref. Valley Rovers);

Grenagh v Delaneys at

Grenagh (Ref. Innis-

carra); Carrigtwohill v

Cobh at Carrigtwohill

(Ref. Sarsfields); Sars-

fields v Erins Own at

Erins Own (Ref. May-

field); Cloyne v St. Fan-

ahans at Cloyne (Ref.

Killeagh); Fr. O'Neills v

Watergrasshill at Fr.

O'Neills (Ref. St. Cath-

erines); St. Catherine's v

Youghal.

Galway sink Dublin

GALWAY.....1-24 DUBLIN.....3-10

SHARON GLYNN led Galway through to the semi-final of the Bord na Gaeltige All-Ireland Senior camogie championship at O'Toole Park yesterday.

Dublin put it up to their fancied opponents and if it were not for the sharp-shooting of Glynn, who had a personal tally of 0-14, the result could have been different.

After a closely contested first half only two points separated the sides at the break, Galway 0-12 Dublin 2-4 with the goals coming from Geraldine Dunne.

Midway through the second half Galway stamped their authority and a goal by Denise Gilligan killed off any chance Dublin might have had of victory.

SCORERS — Galway: S Glynn 0-14, D Gilligan 1-2, I Hobbins, M Harkin 0-3 each, G Maher 0-2. Dublin: G Dunne 3-4, L Lynch 0-3, D Smith, C O'Byrne, R Brady 0-1 each.

● Other results — Leinster JC final: Kildare 3-9 Carlow 1-10. Munster JC final: Cork 2-16 Limerick 3-10 (not).

Brigid O Donovan (Cork)

One of the last surviving members of the War of Independence, Brigid O Donovan passed away recently in Bantry. A member of a family with a renowned Republican tradition she was also a keen sportswoman and was a leading figure in camogie circles in the Scart area. While serving a term in Kilmainham Jail for her political beliefs she won an All-Ireland Handball championship which was held inside the prison.

Cork regain Munster junior camogie title in extra-time

Cork
Limerick

(after extra time)

2-16
3-10

CORK regained the Munster Junior Camogie title with this three points win over holders Limerick after extra-time at Mayfield on Saturday night.

A Caoimhe Harrington goal had Limerick 1-2 to nil ahead after ten minutes, but Cork showed gradual improvement and, with Mary Kennefick and Mary O'Connor turning it on, drew level at half time, 1-4 to 0-7.

Two points from Mary Kennefick had Cork ahead for the first time

early in the second-half but a Limerick goal in the 12th minute from Sharon O'Kelly put them back in front. It was nip and tuck from there on and when Cecilia McNamara got Limerick's third goal 16 minutes from time it put the holders into a four point lead.

Attar both sides exchanged points Limerick still retained the advantage. Mary Kennefick's pointed free gave Cork some hope and their efforts were rewarded when the same player got the equalising goal on the call of time to take the contest into extra-time. The crucial score came in the third

minute of the second period of extra time when Cork got a goal from Sinead O'Callaghan who scored from close range.

Scores for Cork: M Kenefick 1-11 (6 frees, 3 30s, 2 play); M O'Connor 0-3 (1 free); A O'Connell 0-1, E Buckley 0-1, S O'Callaghan 1-0.
Limerick: E O'Brien 0-7 (6 frees, 1 30s), C Harrington 1-0, S O'Kelly 1-0, C McNamara 1-0, M Harrington 0-2, J Cullinane 0-1.

CORK: L Nolan, A Dilworth, E Dineen, C Hurley, E Buckley, H Kenneally, M O'Connor, S Cahalane, M Kennefick, S O'Callaghan, L O'Sullivan, A O'Connell (capt), Sub: C Kirby for A O'Connell; P Doyle for A Dilworth; P Murphy for S Cahalane.

LIMERICK: M Guirey, M O'Brien, L Leslie, I Quaid, R Collins, S O'Kelly, J Cullinane, M Neville, C Harrington, M Harrington, E O'Brien, C McNamara; Sub: I

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Camogie World

By: P.J. Fulham

BUSY WEEKEND ON ALL FRONTS

Feile na nGael was held in Waterford and once again was an outstanding success. Thirty two camogie teams took part in four divisions.

Great credit is due to Marie Pollard and her Feile Committee, who left no stone unturned to make sure the event was a success.

Results: Division 1 Semi-finals: Courcey Rovers (Cork) 2-4, Davitt's (Galway) 1-4, Templemore (Tipperary) 1-6, Oulart (Wexford) 1-1.

Final: Templemore 2-10, Courcey Rovers 1-3.

Division 2: Semi-finals: Granagh/Ballingarry, (Limerick) 3-3, Clara (Kilkenny) 1-4, Butlerstown, Waterford 2-7 Mullinavat (Kilkenny) 1-1

Final: Granagh/Ballingarry 2-6 Butlerstown 1-2.

Division 3: Cappagh (Kildare) 1-2, Delvin (Westmeath) 0-2, Claireseacha Baile Cholmain (Down) 0-4, Gleneally (Wicklow) 0-0.

Final: Claireseacha Baile Cholmain 4-1 Cappagh 2-0.

Division 4: Semi-finals: Castleblayney (Monaghan) 2-3 Camross (Laois) 1-2, Drumcullen (Offaly) 8-8 tramore (Waterford) 0-0. Final: Drumcullen 4-4 Castleblayney 0-3.

Best Camogie Banners: Tullogher, (Kilkenny) and Drumcullen, (Offaly).

Best Dressed Camogie Team: Courcey Rovers (Cork).

Individual Skills winner: Niamh Harkin (Tipperary).

National Junior League holders Galway proved no match for Down in the semi-final game played at An Riocht. The winners led 3-8 to 1-2 at the break, and coasted into the final on a 3-12 to 2-2 scoreline.

Scorers: Down: Mairin McAleenan 1-6, Monica McCartan and Sinead McGovern 1-0 each, Jennifer Branniff 0-3, Colleen Hynds, Cathy Mulholland and Deirdre Savage 0-1 each. Galway: Rita Coen and Aoife Lynskey 1-0 each, Deirdre Nolan and Therese Maher 0-1 each.

Carlow edged their way into the Leinster Junior Championship final when they had one point to spare over Offaly after extra time in this thrilling semi-final played at Rath. It was an edge of the seat affair all the way through. Offaly led 1-3 to 0-4 at the break. Offaly's scoring ace Michelle Davis stretched the lead early in the second half. Back came Carlow with two points from Valerie Crean.

This was followed by a goal from Mary Coady which proved to be a vital score, as the sides drew level at 1-8 each at the end of normal time. In extra time Carlow came out better by a minimum score.

Final Score: Carlow 2-11 Offaly 2-10

Scorers: Carlow: Valerie Crean 0-6, Mary Coady and Nuala Quirke 1-1 each, Marie Sheehan 0-2, Ann Marie Ryan 0-1.

Offaly: Michelle Davis 1-5, Audrey Hennessy 1-3, Maggie Lynch and Eileen Kinnsella 0-1 each. Referee: Liam Davitt, Westmeath.

Kildare, the holders, booked their ticket to the final when

they got the better of Wexford in an entertaining tie played at Wexford Park.

The champions led 2-4 to 1-5 at the break. Despite great scoring power by Wexford's Bernie Higgins Kildare held on to a five point victory with six of the team scoring. Final

Score: Kildare 3-10 Wexford 2-8.

Scorers: Kildare: Miriam Malone 1-3, Michelle Aspel 0-4, Liz Doran and Elaine Miley 1-0 each, Melanie Treacy 0-2, Aisling Treacy 0-1.

Wexford: Bernie Higgins 1-6, Michelle O'Leary 1-0, Aoife O'Connor and Kate Kelly 0-1 each. Referee: Paddy Brady, Meath

Ulster Junior Championship semi-finals Antrim (holders) 3-6 Derry 1-11. Antrim Scorers: Elaine Dowds 1-1, Grace McMullen and Oonagh Elliott 1-0 each. Denise O'Boyle and Ann McKee 0-2 each, Carla Doherty 0-1.

Derry: Nuala Rankin 0-5, Breege McGilligan 1-0, Martina Mulholland, Mary O'Kane and Pauleen McGuigan 0-2 each.

Down Senior Championship semi-final: Drumaness 3-6 Benn Dearg 3-5.

Drumaness Scorers: Annette Gelson 2-0, Rhona Curran 1-3, Pauleen Green 0-2, Siobhan Walsh 0-1. Benn Dearg: Colleen Hynds 2-3, Nicki Magee 1-0, Valerie Hynds 0-2.

Leitrim/Fontenoy's (holders) 2-9 Ballycran 0-1.

Scorers: Majella Murray 1-3, Bernie Kelly 1-1, Maitin McAleenan 0-4, Caitriona McCrickand 0-1. Ballycran: Fionuala Savage 0-1.

Leitrim are through to their 17th county senior final since 1977; they are bidding for their 13th title and 6th in succession. Drumaness are through to their first ever final.

Armagh Junior championship quarter-finals: Keady 3-5 Derrynoose 0-4 An Port Mor 1-8 Mullaghbawn 2-4, Madden 4-6 Ballymacnab 2-5.

On Sunday next the ball starts rolling in the "Bord Na Gaelige" All-Ireland senior championship open draw and the race for the coveted O'Duffy cup is on. There is just one encounter when Dublin host Galway at O'Toole park (3pm). The home side is in the process of team building. Nevertheless they have experienced players in Geraldine Dunne, Irene Kirwan, Miriam Carty, Valerie Reaney and Germaine Noonan. The Metropolitan side will be making an all out effort to stay in the race, but face a torrid task against Galway who have the experience. They reached the All-Ireland final of 1993 and won the league in '94. They parade players of the calibre of Sharon Glynn, The Broderick sisters Ann and Olivia, Carmel Hannon, and Imelda Hobbins. They should advance to the second round.

Also on Sunday the Leinster Junior championship final is down for decision when Carlow have the holders Kildare at home. This should be an entertaining encounter with little separating the sides at the finish.

Westmeath County Senior final will take place in the new look Cusack Park, Mullingar (1pm) when Raharney challenge St Munna's who are going for their 9th title in a row.

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CORK ON DOUBLE TRAIL AGAIN

By P.J. Fulham.

In the semi-final Cork had a convincing win over Armagh at Derrynoose in a repeat of last year's league final. The opening half was close and low scoring with the winners leading 0-7 to 0-2 at the break. The "Rebel" County stepped up the pace in the final half and although Armagh fought hard there was very little they could do to stop Cork's scoring spree, with their dashing forward Lynn Dunlea having a personal tally of 3-8. Final score, Cork 6-15, Armagh 2-3.

Scorers, Cork: Lynn Dunlea 3-8, Fiona O'Driscoll 1-3, Irene O'Keefe 1-2, Vivienne Harris 1-0, Hilda Kenneally and Miriam Deacey 0-1 each.

Armagh: Mary Black and Donna McCusker 1-0 each, Colette Byrne, Ellen Donnelly and Colette Conway 0-1 each. Referee: Aine Derham, Dublin.

In the other semi-final Galway got the edge over Kilkenny at Ballyragget. The winners showed great determination from the start. Kilkenny's rearguard came under severe pressure and allowed Denise Gilligan and Veronica Curtin through for two goals, while Sharon Glynn picked off some long range points, and by half time the winners had built up a lead of 2-9 to 1-5.

In the second half Kilkenny played more to their usual form with goals coming from Ann Downey and Sinead Millea and by the end of the third quarter the sides were level. Galway edged their nose in front and despite great efforts by Kilkenny they held on to win by four points 6-13 to 5-12. Scorers: Galway: Denise Gilligan 3-0, Sharon Glynn 0-8, Veronica Curtin 2-0, Martina Harkin 1-1, Carmel Hannon and Imelda Hobbs 0-2 each. Kilkenny: Sinead Millea 1-6, Gillian Dillon 2-0, Cathrine Carey 1-2, Ann Downey 1-1, Marina Downey, Catherine Dunne and Brigid Mullally 0-1 each. Referee: Miriam O'Callaghan, Offaly.

In the final at Paire Uí Rinn Cork retained the title in style with a convincing win over Galway. Lynn Dunlea destroyed Galway with a personal tally of 2-9. Galway were up two points before the Champions took over with 0-3 from Linda Mellerick and 1-0 from Irene O'Keefe. Sharon Glynn got 1-1 for Galway to leave just one point separating the sides after twelve minutes of play. Cork then stepped up the pace and led 2-11 to 1-4 at the break.

In the final half Galway played with great determination but could not break down the "Rebels" defence. There was little they could do as Cork coasted to victory on a score of 3-16 to 1-7.

Teams and Scorers:

Cork: Kathleen Costine, Eithne Duggan, Paula Goggins, Sandie Fitzgibbon, Margaret Finn, Denise Cronin 0-1, Vivienne Harris 0-1, Mary O'Connor, Irene O'Keefe 1-0, Linda Mellerick 0-3, Lynn Dunlea, Capt. 2-9, Fiona O'Driscoll 0-2.

Galway: Louise Curry, Olive Costello, Catriona Finnegan, Rita Coen, Brid Kilgallen, Cora Carley, Sharon Glynn 1-5, Carmel Hannon, Martina Harkin, Imelda Hobbs, Capt. Denise Gilligan, Veronica Curtin 0-2.

Referee: Marie Pollard, Waterford.

The Gael Linn Inter-Provincials semi-finals and finals in senior and junior were played off on the one day at St. Brigid's G.A.A. Grounds, Dublin. Munster collected their 11th Gael Linn senior title when they were stretched all the way by a determined Ulster squad that pushed the game into extra-time. Ulster had a cushion of 0-8 at the break 5-4 to 1-8. Munster whittled away at the leeway. Goals by Fiona O'Driscoll and Irene O'Keefe soon cut the deficit. It became an end to end bat-

tle and with one minute left Ulster led by the minimum. Fiona O'Driscoll put the sides level on a score of Munster 4-13 Ulster 5-10. Munster came out the better in the extra time.

Munster team & Scorers: Kathleen Costine, Eithne Duggan, Miriam Deacey, Mags Finn, Vivienne Harris (Cork), Triona Bonner (Tipperary), Catherine O'Loughlin (Clare) 0-2, Denise Cronin 0-1, Lynn Dunlea 0-4, Fiona O'Driscoll 2-10 (Cork), Deirdre Hughes (Tipperary), Irene O'Keefe (Cork) 1-1. Subs: Mary Kennedick (Cork) 1-0 for Irene O'Keefe, Therese O'Callaghan for T. Bonner.

Ulster: Margaret McKee (Armagh), Martina Mulholland (Derry), Geraldine Haughey (Armagh), Edel Mason, Pauleen Greene, Deirdre Savage 0-1 (Down), Mary Black Capt. 0-1 (Armagh), Leona Fay (Tyrone), Bernie McBride 0-1 (Armagh), Marian McAleenan 3-4 (Down), Grace McMullan 1-1 (Antrim), Colette Byrne 2-2 (Armagh). Subs: Donna Greeran (Down) for B. McBride.

Referee: Aine Derham, Dublin.

Junior semi-finals: Munster 4-13 Leinster 2-7; Ulster 3-12 Connacht 1-3.

Final: Munster 3-17 Ulster 1-7.

Scorers: Munster: Vera Sheehan 2-2, Pauleen McCarthy 1-4, Noelle Kennedy 0-4, Hilda Kenneally 0-3, Mary O'Connor and Helen Kiely 0-2 each.

Ulster: Mary O'Kane 1-4, Denise O'Boyle, Ita Brady and Eilis O'Neill 0-1 each.

Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

July 14. Bord na nGaeilge All-Ireland Senior Championship. Loch Garman v Clar, Ardmhacha v Corcaigh.

July 21. All-Ireland Intermediate Championship Tipperary v Limerick.

July 28. All-Ireland I.C. Galway v Down, Dublin v Armagh. All-Ireland J.C. Qr-final Munster v London.

August 11. All-Ireland Minor Championship Final.



"It's mine"... says Brigid Mullally (Kilkenny) despite losing her hurley as Pamela Rankin (Wexford) gives chase.

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GALWAY THROUGH TO SEMI-FINAL

Galway are through to the semi-final of the "Bord na Gaeilge" All-Ireland senior camogie championship having got the better of Dublin in this quarter-final tie played at O'Toole Park. Dublin put it up to their fancied opponents and if it were not for the sharp shooting of Galway's Sharon Glynn, who had a personal tally of 0-14 the result could have been different. After a closely contested first half only two points separated the sides (Galway 0-12 Dublin 2-4) with the goals coming from Geraldine Dunne.

Midway through the second half Galway stamped their authority, and a goal by Denise Gilligan killed off any chance Dublin might have had of victory.

Final Score: Galway 1-24 Dublin 3-10

Scorers: Galway: Sharon Glynn 0-14, Denise Gilligan 1-2, Imelda Hobbs and Martina Harkin 0-3 each, Gretta Maher 0-2.

Dublin - Geraldine Dunne 3-4, Louise Lynch 0-3, Denise Smith, Carmel O'Byrne and Roisin Brady 0-1 each. Referee: Miriam O'Callaghan, Offaly.

Kildare retained their Leinster Junior Championship title when they brushed aside a challenge from Carlow in this final played at St Mullins Park. It turned out to be a game of two halves with Carlow dictating matters in the opening half. A Valerie Crean goal gave them a 1-8 to 0-3 lead at the interval. The Lilywhites became dominant early in the second half with two points by Miriam Malone. Their golden moments came when Michelle Aspel and Elaine Miely registered a goal each on the 8th and 10th minute. Final Score: Kildare 3-9 Carlow 1-10.

Scorers: Kildare: Elaine Miley 2-0, Michelle Aspel 1-3, Miriam Malone 0-4, Melanie Treacy and Aisling Treacy 0-1 each.

Carlow: Valerie Crean 1-5, Mary Coady 0-3, Lisa Grennan and Nuala Quirk 0-1 each. Referee: Liam Davitt, Westmeath.

The Munster Junior Championship final was an outstanding encounter. Cork edged out the champions Limerick in extra time. The game was closely contested all the way and at the end of the first half the sides were locked Limerick 1-4 Cork 0-7. It continued to be an end to end battle and at the end of normal time the sides were again on level terms.

Cork 1-13 Limerick 3-7.

In extra time the pattern of play was much the same and at the change-over the sides were once again level 1-15 to 3-9. However, Cork came out the better in the remaining minutes. Final Score: Cork 2-16 Limerick 3-10. The "Rebel County" now meet London in the All-Ireland quarter-final.

Tyrone caused a shock in the Ulster Junior championship semi-final when they defeated a fancied Down side who fielded short Mairin McAleenan, Pauleen Green and Bonnie McGreevey. Nevertheless they were expected to win. Tyrone led 1-5 to 0-3 at the break and after an edge-of-the-seat second half emerged winners on a score of 3-

10 to 2-10 and now meet Antrim in the final. Scorers: Tyrone: Leona Fay 1-6, Grainne Small and Shiela McKenna 1-1 each, Catherine Finnegan 0-2. Down: Colleen Hynds 0-6, Sinead McGovern 1-1, Deirdre Savage 1-0, Jennifer Branniff, Valerie Hynds and Monica McCartan 0-1 each.

Leitrim/Fontenoy's the holders had it easy over Drumaness in the Down senior championship final. The winners led 2-5 to 0-4 at the break. Final score: Leitrim/Fontenoy's 4-10 Drumaness 1-5. Leitrim scorers: Mairin McAleenan 1-7, Monica McCartan 2-0, Majella Murray 0-2, Bernie Kelly 0-1. Caitriona McCrickard 1-0. Drumaness: Siobhan Walshe 1-1, Rhonda Ferris and Annette Gelson 0-2 each. Monaghan Results: Senior semi-finals Inniskeen 3-7 Truagh 0-3.

Castleblaney 2-6 Naomh Tanna 0-0.

Inter-Semi-final: Clontibrit 4-4 Latton 1-6.

On Saturday next Limerick make their debut in Intermediate ranks when they travel to take on near neighbours Tipperary in the All-Ireland Intermediate championship. Limerick are newly crowned Junior champions and have won all their matches convincingly. They are well capable of stepping up a rank. However, they face strong opposition from Tipperary who were defeated by Clare in the All-Ireland inter. final last year by the minimum score. They can parade players such as Deirdre Hughes, Noelle Kennedy, Helen Kiely, Meabdh Stokes and Kaiffe Moloney. Limerick will be anxious to hold on to their unbeaten record and are sure to be well served by Helan Clifford/McCarthy, Pauleen McCarthy, Ann Lenihan, Jean Cullinane and Vera Sheehan. It should be close at the finish.

On Sunday the "Bord na Gaeilge" senior championship game between Wexford and Clare which was to take place on July 14th is down for decision at Wexford Park and will be preceded by the All-Ireland minor semi-final when Wexford, the reigning champions face Galway in a repeat of last year's final. Wexford have nine of that side; Aine Codd, Rosemary Breen, Michelle O'Leary, Marie Butler, Kate Kelly, Tina Bergin, Eileen Hanrick, Sandra Carr and Claire O'Connor. Galway have a good squad, they had a big win over Roscommon in the Connacht final. Wexford defeated Dublin 2-7 to 1-5 in the Leinster final and should advance to the All-Ireland final.

Tipperary travel to take on Antrim in the other semi-final in what should be an entertaining tussle. Tipperary got the better of Cork in the Munster final while Antrim accounted for Down in the Ulster final after a replay. Antrim will be hard to beat on home ground but Tipperary may shade it.

Fixtures:

Sunday July 21st

Bord na Gaeilge All-Ireland championship:

At Wexford Park: Wexford V Clare 3.30pm

All-Ireland Minor Championship Semi-finals:

At Wexford Park: Wexford V Galway 2pm

At Loughgiel: Antrim V Tipperary 1pm

40 YEARS AGO

●Cork scored a thrilling 4-4 to 3-6 win over Tipperary when they met in the final of the Munster Senior Camogie Championships at the Cork Athletic Grounds.

Cork - A. Stanton, B. Walsh, N. Deane, J. Clancy, N. Murphy, L. McKay, A. Crotty, L. Coughlan (capt), N. Duggan, A. Lane, M. Joyce, M. Hayes.

Tipperary - K. Carroll, B. McGrath, K. Flaherty, F. Ryan, T. Griffin (capt), M. England, P. Hogan, K. Downey, K. Griffin, K. England, I. Halloran, K. Maher.

40 YEARS AGO

Kilbrittain have the experience

THERE are busy times ahead for camogie followers this coming week with two interesting games down for decision.

In the first of these Kilbrittain play Brian Dillons at Innishannon on Wednesday (7.30pm) in the senior 'B' championship, while on Thursday the first of the senior 'A' semi-finals will be decided between Glen Rovers and Bishopstown with a venue to be decided.

Wednesday's encounter at Innishannon should be a close one. Kilbrittain have already played a preliminary round when they comprehensively defeated Na Piarasigh, and on this occasion they will be slightly favoured to advance again.

They are a strong side with fine players in Cork senior player Miriam Deasy, Mary Sexton, Mary Brennan, Eileen O' Neill, Ann Marie O' Regan and Emer O' Sullivan.

If they're on top form, it's difficult to see them being beaten. However they won't underestimate their city opponents. Brian Dillons are a young side but they have lots of talent and they won't be found wanting on the night.

If experienced players like Sabrina Buckley, Jackie O Sullivan,

Too much for a young Brian Dillons team

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and Therese Drummond produce the goods, it could be a close game.

The clash of reigning champions Glen Rovers and Bishopstown in the senior 'A' semi-final promises to be a great contest.

Easy

Both sides met in the final last season when the Glen ran out easy winners. However, this season the Glen don't seem as strong as in recent years and it should be a much closer game.

The Glen have introduced a number of young players this

season, and no doubt these girls are not as experienced as their former players.

However, they performed very well in their first round win over Fr O' Neills and will be fancied to advance again.

The Northside team have experienced players in Sandy Fitzgibbon, Therese O' Callaghan, Denise Cronin, the Dunlea sisters Lyn and Stephanie, Linda Mellerick, Patricia Murphy and together with youngsters Orla Murphy, Emma Harte and Karen Riordan form a strong outfit.

If these girls play to their capabilities they will be fancied to advance to another county final.

However Bishopstown will have

other ideas. They have prepared well for this game and are facing the game with every confidence.

Like their opponents they too can call on senior inter-county players Eithne Duggan and Vivienne Harris. On form these two girls have no equal and their performances could have a big bearing on the eventual outcome.

They have other fine players in goalkeeper Rose Desmond, Liz Towler, Liz O Neill, Claire Jones and Aine Buckley. However it will take a mighty effort from all involved if they are to dethrone the champions.



Brian Dillons Camogie Club on their recent trip to London.

FIXTURES

TUESDAY, JULY 16

Junior 'A' League (all at 7.30pm): St Vincents v Glen Rovers, St Vincents, Ref: Na Piarasigh; Mayfield v Watergrasshill, Mayfield, Ref: Sarsfield; Iniscarra v St Finbarrs, Iniscarra, Ref: Cloughduv; Ballinhassig v Tracton, Ballinhassig, Ref: Douglas; Courcy Rovers v Valley Rovers, Courcy, Ref: Kilbrittain.

THURSDAY, JULY 18

Junior 'B' League (all at 7.30pm): St Vincents v Bishopstown, St Vincents, Ref: Na Piarasigh; Erins Owen v Delaneys, Erins Owen, Ref: Brian Dillons; Cobh v Sarsfield, Cobh, Ref: Carrigrohilly; Carrigrohilly v Grenagh, Carrigrohilly, Ref: Erins Owen; Youghal v St Finbarrs, Youghal, Ref: Killeagh; Watergrasshill v St Catherine's, Watergrasshill, Ref: Fr O Neills; Fr O Neills v Cloyne, Fr O Neills, Ref: St Catherine's; Newcestown v Ballygarven, Newcestown, Ref: Cloughduv; Kilbrittain v Valley Rovers, Kilbrittain, Ref: Barryroe; Enniskeane v Bandon, Enniskeane, Ref: Courcy Rovers.

Kilbrittain are too strong for Dillons

KILBRITTAIN proved much too strong for Brian Dillons on the scoreline 5-7 to 1-5 in the Cork County Senior 'B' Camogie Championship played at Innishannon.

Leading at half time 4-3 to 1-2, thanks to two goals from inter-county player Miriam Deasy, the winners were in total control. On the resumption Brian Dillons moved Liz O Mahony to goal, however, further goals from Deirdre Coughlan, Eimear O Sullivan and Miriam Deasy finished the games as a contest.

Kilbrittain scores: M. Deasy (3-5), E. O'Sullivan (1-0), D. Coughlan (1-0), E. O'Regan (1-1), Mary Sexton (0-1) from a free.

Brian Dillons: L. Fleming (0-3), 0-1 from free, A. Barry (0-2), V. O'Mahony (1-0).

KILBRITTAIN: R. Hayes, N. Mahony, S. O'Donovan, A. O'Leary, M. Brennan, E. O'Sullivan, M. Sexton, C. Hurley, M. Deasy, E. O'Neill, E. O'Regan, D. Coughlan.

BRIAN DILLONS: V. Russell, A. Dwyer, G. Fleming, S. Buckley, V. O'Mahony, A. Barry, J. O'Sullivan, T. Drummond, L. Fleming, L. O'Mahony, A. Cotter, G. O'Connell, Sub: C. O'Mahony for V. Russell, K. Deane for A. Cotter.

Ref: R. Desmond, Bishopstown.

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Amanda O'Regan, the Cork Skills Champion who finished third in the Feile na Gael final recently.

Cork go out in defence of title

ARMAGH will be Corks opponents on Sunday as they set out in defence of their All Ireland Senior title.

The match, which is scheduled for Portmore, Co Armagh, at 1 p.m., promises to be an interesting clash.

As a result, Cork will be treating their opponents with respect and while on past performances Cork will be fancied to advance, they can expect a very tough challenge from this side.

Since their success in the National League, Cork, have stepped up their training considerably and with the prospect of a semi final clash in Cork on August 18th with old rivals Kilkenny, Cork will be no doubt be keen to progress.

Cork will have a full panel to choose from and the team will include regular keeper Kathleen Costine.

Eithne Duggan from Bishopstown will be at full back with Na Piar-saighs Paula Goggins and Mags Finn from Fr O'Neills filling the wing back positions.

Sandy Fitzgibbon will be at centre back

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with Therese O'Callaghan who captains the side, Vivien Harris and Denise Cronin completing the midfield line.

Linda Mellerick is named at centre forward with Irene O'Keefe, Lyn Dunlea and Fiona O'Driscoll completing what is a very experienced forward line.

Having won the Junior and intermediate All Ireland Championships the two preceding years Armagh participated for the first time at senior level last season.

In their first year, they reached the National League Final where they were defeated by Cork.

This season Cork defeated Armagh fairly comprehensively in the semi-final of the National League but championship always brings out the best in every team.

On this occasion Armagh are expected to be much tougher but it is difficult to see the Cork girls being halted.

FIXTURES

TUESDAY, JULY 23

Junior A League - Glen Rovers v Mayfield, Glen Rovers, Ref Na Piar-saigh; Watergrasshill v Iniscarra, Watergrasshill, Ref Killeagh; St. Finbarrs v St. Vincents, St. Finbarrs, Ref Bishopstown; Tracton v Courmay Rovers, Tracton, Ref Carrigrohilly; Valley Rovers v Douglas, Valley Rovers, Ref Ballinacorney.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

Under 16 A League - Ballinacorney v Kibrimin, Ballinacorney, Ref Kibrimin; Tracton v Courmay Rovers, Tracton, Ref Courmay Rovers; Ballinacorney v Agribullogue, Ballinacorney, Ref Agribullogue; St. Vincents v Iniscarra, St. Vincents, Ref Iniscarra; Brian Dillon v Glen Rovers, Brian Dillon, Ref Glen Rovers; Bishopstown v St. Finbarrs, Bishopstown, Ref St. Finbarrs.

Under 16 B League - Glen Rovers v St. Vincents, Glen Rovers, Ref St. Vincents; Watergrasshill v St. Finbarrs, Watergrasshill, Ref St. Finbarrs; Mallow v Kildonery, Mallow, Ref Kildonery; Na Piar-

saigh v Eire Og, Na Piar-saigh, Ref Eire Og; Mayfield v Douglas, Mayfield, Ref Douglas; Blackrock v Delaney's, Blackrock, Ref Delaney's; Fr O'Neills v Eire Og, Fr O'Neills, Ref Eire Og; Cobh v Killeagh, Cobh, Ref Killeagh; Carrigrohilly v Clonane, Carrigrohilly, Ref Clonane; Carrigrohilly v Barryroe, Carrigrohilly, Ref Barryroe; Clonane v Ballynacorney, Clonane, Ref Ballynacorney; Valley Rovers v Bandon, Valley Rovers, Ref Bandon.

THURSDAY, JULY 25

Junior B League - Ballinacorney v St. Vincents, Ballinacorney, Ref St. Vincents; Bishopstown v St. Finbarrs, Bishopstown, Ref St. Finbarrs; Delaney's v Cobh, Delaney's, Ref Cobh; Carrigrohilly v Carrigrohilly, Carrigrohilly, Ref Carrigrohilly; Carrigrohilly v Barryroe, Carrigrohilly, Ref Barryroe; Clonane v Ballynacorney, Clonane, Ref Ballynacorney; Gossillity v Ballynacorney, Gossillity, Ref Ballynacorney; Valley Rovers v Bandon, Valley Rovers, Ref Bandon.

Classy Cork ladies turn on the style

Armagh 0-9
Cork 6-18

AN experimental Armagh side were rather easily dumped out of the Bord na nGaeilge All-Ireland senior camogie championship by the holders Cork in An Port Mor in yesterday's delayed quarter-final.

It is difficult to analyse the strength or weaknesses of Cork who were in a different class.

That was emphasised by a three-pronged scoring machine of Linda Mellerick, Lynn Dunlea and Fiona O'Driscoll who put the Leesiders into an unassailable 5-5 to 0-5 half-time lead with Linda claiming a first half hat-trick.

The trend continued in the second half with the same three players tallying up the points and Linda Mellerick claiming her fourth goal a few minutes from time.

For the home side, Collette Byrnes, with six points, tried the hardest with veteran full back Margaret Moriarty and newcomer Marie Rafferty working overtime to stem the Cork tide.

Score: Armagh: C. Burns 0-6, M. Donnelly 0-2, M. Black 0-1. Cork: L. Mellerick 4-3, L. Dunlea 1-8, F. O'Driscoll 1-6.

Late O'Callaghan goal clinches it for the Glen

Glen Rovers 1-12
Bishopstown 1-6

by Tom Higgins

HOLDERS, Glen Rovers, had to fight very hard to hold onto their Cork senior camogie title in the semi-final of this year's championship at Douglas last evening, as it was only a goal by Therese O'Callaghan three minutes from time that put the seal on their victory.

Bishopstown, who had matched their more vaunted opponents up to then, were caught napping for this score. Glen were awarded a free 50 meters out, but the game was stopped while Therese received attention for a slight cut on her eyelid. When play resumed Denise Cronin took the free to Therese, who was left unmarked, and she hit hard and true from 30 meters into a crowded goalmouth and into the

top of the net to give her side a 1-11 to 1-6 lead.

In a very low scoring first-half the Glen, who played against the wind but into the sun, turned over leading 0-4 to 0-3, with both defences very much on top.

The holders built up a three point lead by the 37th minute, thanks to some excellent long range efforts, including a point from a puck out by Stephanie Dunlea, and looked set for victory. However, Bishopstown got back into it with a goal three minutes later when Aine White connected with a Vivienne Harris free to beat Orla Murphy.

It was still all to play for with the Glen two point ahead with less than four minutes left but then came that crucial goal and Lynn Dunlea added a further point for good measure.

For the winners Claire McCarthy was very solid at full back

and got great support from Mary Burke. Sandie Fitzgibbon had her usual solid game but found Vivienne Harris a tough adversary. Linda Mellerick and Therese O'Callaghan's experience was invaluable in the middle of the field while up front Denise Cronin and Lynn Dunlea played well.

Bishopstown had an excellent full back in Liz Towler, and she was ably assisted by Eithne Duggan at centre back.

Score: Glen Rovers: T. O'Callaghan 1-2, L. Dunlea 0-6 (0-2 free), L. Mellerick 0-1, S. Dunlea 0-1, D. Cronin 0-1. Bishopstown: V. Harris 0-5 (0-2 free, 0-2 "30's"), A. White 1-0, E. Kearney 0-1.

GLEN ROVERS: O. Murphy; C. McCarthy; S. Dunlea, S. Fitzgibbon, M. Burke; L. Mellerick, T. O'Callaghan, P. Murphy; E. Harris, D. Cronin, L. Dunlea; K. O'Flanagan. Sub: H. Dunlea for K. O'Flanagan (41st minute).

BISHOPSTOWN: R. Desmond; L. Towler; C. Murphy, E. Duggan, A. Buckley; L. Walsh, T. Doyle, M. Cahill; A. White, V. Harris, E. Kearney; L. O'Neill. Sub: C. Healy for E. Kearney (45 minute).

Antrim 0-5
Tipperary 5-14

THE intelligent play of Emer McDonnell, the opportunism of full forward and captain Caitriona Hennessy and the strong team display ensured that Tipperary easily qualified for the All Ireland minor final in a one-sided game at Lough Giel yesterday.

Antrim's best spells were during the opening ten minutes of each half, but their forward line failed to make an impact and Tipperary's industry wore them down.

Tipperary led by 2-1 after fifteen minutes but Emer McDonnell, Caitriona Hennessy and Jacinta Fahy claimed goals before the break to leave it 3-7 to 0-4.

McDonnell hit their fourth goal half way through the second half and two late substitutes Sinéad Collins and Denise Manton even managed to register scores.

Score: Tipperary: C. Hennessy 1-4, E. McDonnell 2-0, J. Ryan 1-1, J. Fahy 1-0, S. O'Sullivan 0-3, D. Manton 0-2, S. Collins 0-1. Antrim: K. O'Neill 0-3, M. McCarty 0-1, G. O'Reilly 0-1. Referee: Fiona McKenna, Armagh.

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ALL-IRELAND SENIOR C'SHIP

WEXFORD 3-9 CLARE 2-10

GERALDINE ODD was the scoring star as Wexford qualified for the All Ireland semi-final at Wexford Park yesterday. Codd's goal helped Wexford into a 1-6 to 0-6 half-time lead at the break. And within 10 minutes of the restart Liz Murphy and Paula Rankin added goals to extend the lead to nine points. Goals from Noelle Cummins and Silvia O'Brien brought Clare back into the game.

Wexford: G. Codd 1-6, L. Murphy 1-1, P. Rankin 1-0. Clare: S. O'Brien 0-5, S. O'Brien and N. Cummins 1-2 each, A. Keane 0-1.

CORK 6-18 ARMAGH 0-9

ALL-IRELAND Camogie champions Cork coasted into the championship semi-final with an exhibition at Portmore against Armagh. They led by 5-5 to 0-5 at half-time.

Cork: L. Mellerick 3-4, L. Dunlea 2-8, F. O'Driscoll 1-6. Armagh: C. Burns 0-6, M. Donnelly 0-2, M. Black 0-1.

ALL-IRELAND MINOR C'SHIP

WEXFORD 3-5 GALWAY 2-6

KATE KELLY earned Wexford another bite at the cherry in this All Ireland Minor Camogie Championship semi-final played at Wexford Park yesterday. Galway led 2-3 to 2-2 at the break, but Kelly's free in the dying seconds earned Wexford a replay.

Wexford: K. Kelly and B. Holohan 1-2 each, M. Butler 1-0, T. Bergin 0-1. Galway: C. Nevin 1-7, S. Tannian 1-0, P. McCann 0-1.

TIPPERARY 5-14 ANTRIM 0-5

Tipperary: C. Hennessy 1-6, E. McDonnell 2-0, J. Ryan 1-1, J. Fahy 1-0, S. O'Sullivan 0-3, D. Manton 0-2, S. Ryan and S. Collins 0-1 each. Antrim: K. O'Neill 0-3, M. McCarty and G. O'Reilly 0-1 each.

OTHER RESULTS - Ulster Junior

Final: Antrim 4-13, Tyrone 1-10. Leitrim Club semi-final: St. Laurence's Kesh 0-14, Myshall Carlow 2-4. Carrara Leas 5-6, St. Munnas Westmeath 2-8.

ROSCOMMON RETAIN CONNACHT JUNIOR CROWN

Roscommon, All-Ireland Junior finalists of last year, gave a brilliant display in the Connacht junior final against Galway at Loughrea. It was a young Galway side, but one that did not lack experience. However Roscommon's performance certainly gave notice of their intentions and they look like a side that could reach the All-Ireland final again this year.

The first half was very closely contested. A goal by Collette Nevin gave Galway a 1-4 to 0-6 lead at the break. The second half was a ding dong battle. Roscommon got their nose in front with a Mary Gannon goal and were never headed. But Galway kept plugging away and three points separated the sides at the final whistle. Roscommon: 2-9 Galway 2-6.

Scorers: Roscommon: Mary Grehan 0-7, Geraldine Carr 1-1, Mary Gannon 1-0, Martin Healy 0-1. Galway: Collette Nevin 1-3, Sandra Kennian 1-0, Esther Martin 0-2, Caroline Murray 0-1. Referee: Liam Davitt, Westmeath.

Leinster Junior Club Championship Quarter Finals:

Myshall, Carlow the holders had a 2-11 to 0-6 win over the Meath champions Killyon. It was a disappointing display by the losers who were short some of their regulars. Myshall led 1-5 to 0-2 at the break and continued to dictate matters in the second half.

Scorers: Myshall: Nuala Quirke 0-7, Margaret Hogan 2-2, Catherine Crookes and Agnes Smithers 0-1 each. Killyon: Stephanie Heavey and Mary Burke 0-2 each, Sharon Ralleigh and Laura Carney 0-1 each. Referee: Aine Derham, Dublin.

St Munnas, Westmeath had a good win over the Wicklow champions Donard. The winners led 2-10 to 1-1 at the interval. Donard did well to get through for four more goals while Annette Heffernan was the thorn in their side with her personal tally of 1-11. Final score: St Munnas 5-17. Donard 5-1. Scorers: St Munnas: Annette Heffernan 1-11, Shirley McLoughlin 2-1, Catherine Glynn 1-1, Mary Powere 1-0, Doreen Egan and Aileen Lawlor 0-2 each. Donard: Mary Byrne 2-0, Aisling Doyle 2-1, Amanda Mills 1-0. Referee: Paddy Brady, Meath.

Camross, Laois booked their place in the semi-final when they got the better of Drumcullen, Offaly. Drumcullen didn't play to their usual form and trailed by 2-4 to 0-3 at the end of the first half. The final half was very competitive as Drumcullen tried to rally back but the sheer determination of Camross gave them a 3-10 to 1-7 victory.

Scorers: Camross: Paula Mortimer 2-2, Paula Cuddy 0-7, Nicki Ryan 1-0, Niamh Dowling 0-1. Drumcullen: Maggie Lynch 0-4, Grainne Gath 1-0, Sinead Lyons 0-3. Referee: Brendan Williams, Kilkenny.

Kildare champions St Laurences had a close call when they gained a one point victory over St Kevin's, Louth. St Kevin's are relative newcomers to the competition, having won their first Louth championship in nineteen years. At the break the sides were locked St Kevin's 1-1 St Laurence's 0-4. St Laurence's just edged through in a low scoring second half. Final Score: St Laurence's 0-7 St Kevin's 1-3.

St Kevin's scorers: Valerie Conaty 1-0, Donna Crehan 0-2, Ann Marie King 0-1. Referee: Pat Rafferty, Dublin.

In the Monaghan senior championship final there was a shock result, when the long time champions Castleblayney fell a cropper to an impressive Inniskeen side. It was the winners second title in four days having collected the Intermediate championship by defeating Clontibret 3-1 to 1-6. Their tails were up going into the senior final and they took on the champions from the start scoring their entire tally in the game, 3-1, inside the opening 15 minutes. However, Castleblayney rallied back into the game with 0-3 before half time. Final Score: Inniskeen 3-1, Castleblayney 0-5. Scorers: Inniskeen: Pauleen Woods 1-1, Michelle Deery and Isobel Kiernan 1-0 each. Castleblayney: Noelle McGovern, Jackie Kennedy, Orla McCarthy, Michael McMahon and Rosmary Merry 0-1 each.

On Sunday the All-Ireland Intermediate Championship continues with two quarter final encounters down for decision. Galway host Down in what should be a cracker. Down were the first team into Intermediate ranks in '92 and have not figured in recent times. They went under to Limerick in the National Junior league final a few weeks ago and will be hoping to do well in this grade. Galway made their debut in Intermediate last year and were defeated by Tipperary in the quarter-final. They had good performers in Therese Fallon, Aine Hillary, Aoife Lynskey, Sandra Farrell and Eileen Earls. They will be quietly confident of over-coming the "Mourne" girls who will be depending on Mairin McAleenan, Jennifer Branniff, Bonnie McGrévy, Pauleen Green and Pauleen Hynds to take them into the semi-final.

Armagh travel to face Dublin in what should be an entertaining tussle. When the sides met in the league Armagh had a convincing win. Dublin are in the process of team building and may find it hard to overcome the "Orchard County" who can parade players such as Bernie McBride, Mary Black, Donna McCusker, Orlagh Murphy and Collette Byrnes.

Meanwhile Cork host London in an All-Ireland junior quarter-final. This encounter should provide a good fare. London put up a good performance against Roscommon last year. Cork will be taking no chances and should advance to the semi-final.

Camogie games in full swing

Cork Juniors are back in action at the weekend when they play host to London in the All Ireland Junior Championship quarter final.

Cork won a tremendous Munster Championship when they had a goal to spare over holders Limerick after extra time, however London will not be an easy hurdle to get over.

They are coached by former Midleton hurler Pat Hartnett and will include many former inter county players who have emigrated. The last team from London who travelled to Cork were the Tara Club who contested

the All Ireland club championship semi-final against Glen Rovers in 1992.

Cork's victory over Limerick has been a tremendous boost for the team, a super display from Hilda Kenneally, Mary O'Connor and Mary Kenefick who ended the game with a personal tally of 1 goal, 11 points helped Cork's cause. Also hoping to be included will be substitutes Claire Kirby and Trisha Murphy

who when introduced at the Munster final played extremely well. Cork are captained by Antoinette O'Connell from Newcestown club and the team are coached by Denis Dineen from Ballinora.

Also included on the Cork panel will be Sinéad O'Callaghan, Eileen Buckley and Leonie Nolan.

Sunday 28th July - Cork v London Mayfield 3 pm.

Kilbrittan 5-7

Brian Dillons 1-4

Miriam Deasy proved to be the match winner for Kilbrittan when they had an easy victory over Brian

Dillons in the Senior 'B' championship played at Innishannon. Her two goals in the opening ten minutes helped Kilbrittan to have a 4-3 to 1-2 lead at half time. Despite the efforts of Aileen Barry and Louise Fleming for Brian Dillons, Kilbrittan continued to dominate the second half and with goals from Eimear O'Sullivan, Deirdre Coughlan and Miriam Deasy they finished the game as a contest. Kilbrittan now meet Sarsfield or Aghabullogue in the semi-final.

Scorers: Kilbrittan -

Miriam Deasy 3-5; Eimear O'Sullivan 1-0; Deirdre Coughlan 1-0; Mary Sexton 0-1; Eileen O'Regan 0-1; Brian Dillons - Louise Fleming 0-3; Aileen Barry 0-2; Val O'Mahony 1-0. Ref: Rose Desmond, Bishopstown.

The clubs in the Seandún division have been busy over the last few weeks with the city Seandún leagues in the U13 and U11 grades.

On the County Board front, leagues in the Junior A, B and U16 grades are also in full swing.

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GALWAY LOOK FOR A DOUBLE VICTORY

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DOWN, who lost to Limerick in the League final a few weeks ago, will be all out to rescue their season when they take on Galway in the All-Ireland camogie intermediate quarter-finals at Loughrea today.

They will find it hard against a Galway team which fell at the same stage of the competition last year. Aine Hilary, Theresa Fallon, Carmel Hannon, Sandra Farrell and Martina Haverty will anchor Galway's effort while Mairin McAleenan, Jennifer Branniff, Bonnie McGreevey, Pauleen Green and Pauleen Hynds will be leading the Down charge.

This will be the first of a double-header at Loughrea. Galway take on Wexford in the All-Ireland minor semi-final at 3.0.

A second intermediate quar-

ter-final will take place at the Erin's Isle grounds in Dublin between Dublin and Armagh. Armagh beat Dublin in the League but with home advantage, Dublin are confident of avenging that defeat.

Cork will host London in the All-Ireland junior quarter-final in Mayfield. London are an improving side but Cork have some fine players, notably Mary Kenniffe, Mary O'Connor, Linda O'Sullivan, Patricia Murphy and Sinéad Cahalane and are fancied to qualify for the semi-final against Kildare.

FIXTURES

All-Ireland intermediate quarter-finals: Galway v Down, Loughrea (1.30); Dublin v Armagh, Erin's Isle Grounds (1.0); All-Ireland Junior Quarter-final: Cork v London, Mayfield (3.0); All-Ireland Minor semi-final (replay): Galway v Wexford, Loughrea (3.0).

Down's chance to shine

DOWN, who have been languishing somewhat since their promotion from the junior ranks in 1992, at last have the chance to grab the limelight when they take on Galway in the All-Ireland Intermediate C'chip quarter-final on Sunday.

The northerners will be underdogs for this tie but they did show reasonable form during their league campaign.

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By PJ FULHAM

However, Galway reached the same stage last year where they fell to Tipperary and that experience may give them a vital edge.

Sunday's other quarter-final sees Dublin host Armagh in what should be an entertaining tussle.

When the sides met in the National League Armagh had a convincing win and the Dubs will need to be in top form if they are to turn the tables.

FIXTURES — Sunday, All-Ireland Intermediate Championship quarter-finals: Dublin v Armagh, Erin's Isle 1.0; Galway v Down 1.30; Loughrea All-Ireland Junior Championship quarter-final: Cork v London, Mayfield 3.0; All-Ireland minor championship semi-final replay: Galway v Wexford, Loughrea 3.0.

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CORK SENIOR 'B' CHAMPIONSHIP. Played at Ballincollig. St Finbarr's 1-8 Newcestown 2-5; at Carrigtwohill, Iniscarra 2-8 Killeagh 1-7.

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ARMAGH 0-10; DUBLIN 0-10
ARMAGH are through to the semi-finals of the All-Ireland Intermediate Championship after beating Dublin in the quarter-final at Riscoll Park yesterday. A new-look Dublin side played with great determination but could not match the experience of their opponents in the closing stages. The winners led 0-8 to 0-4 at the break.

SCORERS — Armagh: E. Donnelly 0-5; M. Black 0-4; B. McBride 0-3; C. Byrne 0-2; D. McDermott & M. Donnelly 0-1 each. Dublin: G. Dunne 0-6; M. Duane 0-2; L. O'Hara & P. Malcomson 0-1 each.

CORK 3-15; LONDON 0-7
Cork cruised to London in the All-Ireland Junior Championship quarter-final at Mayfield yesterday. Cork led 3-9 to 0-5 at the break.

SCORERS — Cork: M. Kenniffe 2-6; A. O'Connor 2-0; S. O'Callaghan 1-3.

M. O'Connor, L. O'Sullivan & H. Keneally 0-2 each. London: M. Grealish 0-3; N. Mulhearn 0-2; M. Gibby & H. Walsh 0-1 each.



Action from Glen Rovers historic victory over St Pauls from Kilkenny in the All Ireland camogie club final

A glorious day for Glen girls

40 YEARS AGO

●CORK qualified to meet Mayo in the semi-final of the All-Ireland Senior Camogie championship as a result of their very decisive 10-9 to 1-4 win over London in the quarter-final at the Cork Athletic Grounds, where the teams lined out as follows - Cork: S. Cahill, B. Walsh, B. Lucey, J. Clancy, N. Murphy, L. Coughlan, A. Crotty, L. McKay, N. Duggan, A. Lane, M. Joyce, M. Hayes. London: M. Gordon, P. McGrath, I. Ward, P. Harte, A. Houlihan, N. Carroll, D. Burke, A. McGrath, A. Keohane, K. Moore, S. Hall, B. Daly.

GLEN ROVERS created history by winning the All-Ireland Club Camogie title for the first time when they defeated St. Paul's of Kilkenny by 4-11 to 5-7 in a memorable final at the Glen Field.

The winning score from the stick of Sandra Fitzgibbon, 90 seconds into of injury time, but the Glen had to endure another eight minutes as the Kilkenny side tried everything to snatch an equaliser.

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Angela Downey was undoubtedly the star player on view. She was top scorer with 4-5, but didn't complete the game.

In the game's major talking point a Glen Rovers defender was sent to the line after an incident which left Downey injured and out of the action.

Val Fitzpatrick was the Glen's main scorer as she accounted for 1-6 with the other goals coming from Therese O'Callaghan, Jane Hamill and Annette Connolly.

Mary Ring was one of the stars of the Glen victory and her performance from the full-back position was a truly captain's display.

The Glen led by 3-3 to 2-4 at half-time, an indication of just how close the game was all through.

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Maria Pepper talks to Tom and Sinead Dempsey

GAA plays pivotal role in Tom and Sinead's life

WEXFORD'S corner-forward, Tom Dempsey, has a perfect excuse for not cutting the grass in the garden of his home in Newlands.

Team mentor and manager, Liam Griffin, has advised him to rest up on Saturdays so household chores are happily out of the question.

'That's his excuse anyway,' Sinead, his wife of two years and his Number Two fan says with an indulgent smile.

Tom's Number One supporter is his father Ger, a Kilmuckridge man with a burning passion for hurling which drives him to Carlow to see a match if there is nothing on in Wexford.

Tom and Sinead got married in 1994 under a mixed guard of honour of hurleys and hockey sticks, the latter provided by Wexford Hockey Club which was saluting a valuable player.

In walking up the aisle with this Killlane girl, Tom Dempsey, who first picked up a hurl when he was six years old, was getting himself mixed up with nothing less than a female sporting dynasty.

A family of powerful women with more All-Ireland camogie medals than you could fit on a large sideboard - and a reputation for not letting even honeymoons get in the way of important matches.

The creator of this Amazonian sporting power was Johanna Kehoe of Clonleigh, an only child who went on to have seventeen children of her own, including eight girls who became legends on the camogie field.

Sinead's mother, Kit Codd, won three All-Ireland medals, two for Dublin during the time she lived there and one for Wexford.

Her aunts, Brigid, Josie, Gretta and Annie all have All-Ireland medals. Gretta captained the last winning team in 1975, appearing in Croke Park the day after she got married!

That same year, Sinead, then five years old, was the team mascot so the roar of the crowd and the clash of the ash are the sounds of her childhood.

In the new generation, there



■ Tom and Sinead Dempsey relaxing at their Newlands home.

is her brother Tomás, a member of the Senior hurling panel, and her sisters, Maura O'Connor and Aine Codd who are both on the Senior camogie panel.

God forbid, Sinead herself has been consorting with what was once considered a 'foreign game' and last year was captain of Wexford Hockey Club.

She also plays camogie with St. Martin's and, on the day before the All-Ireland hurling semi-final, will be lining out with them in the Co. Junior semi-final.

She expects Tom to be there, cheering her on...no matter what Liam Griffin says!

Her sister Maura is married to George O'Connor's brother, Arthur, and her cousin Philip (son of Brigid) makes hurleys for a living.

So, when her husband disap-

pears four nights a week and on Sundays as well, she can accept it.

'The fact that I have my own interests helps. If you were sitting at home at night on your own, it would be terrible.'

Being widows to Wexford's great hurling hope is not an issue among the wives and girlfriends of the county's Senior players and they enjoy their own special camaraderie.

It was probably inevitable that Sinead would meet and marry a hurler. She has always socialised in G.A.A. circles and anyway her aunt Brigid, who has put her camogie days behind her to run La Cuisine in Selskar, was always determined to set her up with Tom Dempsey.

Tom, who is now manager of the First National in En-

niscorthy, worked at the time in the Wexford branch and supped in Brigid's coffee shop at lunchtime.

Sinead worked there during the summer and whenever Tom came in, Brigid insisted that her niece take a break and sit down with him.

Their relationship clicked into place, surprise, surprise, at a post-match party in the Victor Hotel in Dublin where the players used to congregate.

The couple missed out on the massive celebrations flowing from the Leinster win because they had to attend the wedding in Sligo of former county hurler, Liam Turner.

But Sinead is still revelling in the spin-off glory of being on the inside track. Everywhere she goes, people congratulate her on behalf of her husband and she is proud to accept the compliments.

But she also remembers the lean times when the players had to be counselled out of their depression following successive defeats.

The lowest point was in 1993 when they lost the National League Final after two replays and the Leinster Final after one.

On those occasions, many vowed to give it all up, but by Tuesday they were usually back in training again.

Sinead has noticed that the lads are far more focused and confident than they ever were. Under Liam Griffin's tutelage, they have managed to ban all the past doubts from their minds.

Sinead, a sales engineer with ABS Pumps, will be shouting as loud as the rest when the team lines out against Galway on Sunday.

You see, the player's partners have an extra incentive for egging on their men - if they win the All-Ireland, they may all be sent packing on a sun holiday!

A small reward, if it happens, for countless lonely evenings over many years of defeat and disappointment.

'There are so many people so into hurling,' Mrs. Dempsey tries to explain. 'It ends up being part of your life, especially now.'

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■ County senior hurling selectors Seamus Barron (Rathnure) and Rory Kinsella (Bunclogh), quiet men who do invaluable work behind the scenes.

The two quiet men behind the scenes

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SOMETIMES IT'S easy to forget that Liam Griffin has two extremely able deputies on the Wexford Senior hurling backroom team.

The affable manager handles all media requests and as a result earns most of the plaudits after wins - but Seamus Barron and Rory Kinsella wouldn't have it any other way.

The quiet men of Wexford hurling simply prefer to stay in the background and let the players do the talking on the field. However, they play an important role in the preparation of the team, concentrating on skill work at the regular squad sessions.

One man was nowhere to be seen amidst all the hustle and bustle on the steps of the Hogan Stand after Wexford's great victory on July 14.

He had every right to be in the forefront of the celebrations, but instead Seamus Barron viewed the cup presentation from afar, standing on the Croke Park sward behind the thousands of delirious fans intent on saluting their new-found heroes.

It was a moment to savour for the popular Rathnure man who comes from a family steeped in the G.A.A. tradition. Life hasn't been easy for Seamus in recent

times - he took ill suddenly last year and eventually underwent a heart by-pass operation.

The illness knocked him out of his stride for a while, but the esteem in which he is held by the players was summed up when they broke into an impromptu round of applause on his return to the Wexford Park dressing-room before one of their games.

Tasted success

His late brother, Syl, was a selector when Wexford last tasted Leinster championship success in 1976 and '77. And Seamus knows what it takes to be a winner, having figured on Wexford's All-Ireland-winning Minor and Under-21 teams of 1963 and '65.

Married to Anne, he runs a garage in his native Rathnure with his son, Barry (20). The family also includes 17-year-old Shane, a student in Good Counsel College, and Mairead (14) who attends Holy Faith Convent.

Rory Kinsella has a record to be proud of as a club and school mentor. The F.C.J. Convent P.E. teacher was at the helm in 1986 when the school became the first in Wexford to win an All-Ireland Senior football final.

And to date they are also the only Slaneyside

school to have captured a camogie All-Ireland - a fine achievement.

No mean hurler himself, Rory played in the All-Ireland Under-21 final of 1973 and the Leinster Senior decider the following year. He was also on the championship team in '78, and played in the National League decider of 1982 which Wexford lost to Kilkenny.

His medal haul as a player includes two Intermediate championship titles - the first with Naomh Eanna in 1974, and the second with HWH-Bunclogh 19 years later. Indeed, one of Rory's team-mates in the latter victory was none other than Sunday's corner-back, Colm Kehoe.

A brother of Co. Secretary Mick Kinsella, he hung up his playing boots last year but is as active as ever on the hurling scene.

Rory's wife, Gerri, is also a P.E. teacher in F.C.J., with her sporting interests centred mainly on gymnastics, netball and bowling.

Their two sons, Ronan and Conor, are hurling and football crazy. Indeed, Ronan was a Co. Minor footballer for the past two years, while Conor was star goalkeeper on the HWH-Bunclogh team who represented Wexford in the All-Ireland Féile in Mayo recently.

Three big games to whet the appetite

THE Senior B and Intermediate Championships will dominate the Camogie fixture list this coming week with three interesting games down for decision.

On tomorrow Saturday night Aghabullogue and Sarsfields clash in the first round of the Senior B Championship at Ballincollig at 7.30pm while on the same night in Ballyanly the first of the Intermediate Championship semi-finals will be decided between Cloughduv and Castlemagner also at 7.30pm.

On Thursday night at Newcestown the second Intermediate Championship semi-final will be decided and will see Barryroe and Ballinora in opposition at Newcestown at 7.30pm.

The clash of Sarsfields and Aghabullogue in the Senior B Championship at Ballincollig tomorrow night promises to be an interesting tie. Aghabullogue so successful at underage level in the past three years have decided to go with a youth policy this season and as a result will be fielding a very young side.

They have not experienced much success in their recent league games but their younger members will have gained a lot of experience from these games and the mid Cork side are hopeful that they have put together a side capable of advancing.

Their team for Saturday's clash will be spearheaded by the experienced Eileen Buckley a member of Cork Junior team who will be playing Kildare in the All Ireland semi final on August 25th and they have other fine players in Tina Roche, Sinead Buckley, Marie McSweeney, Evelyn Buckley and Margaret Twomey but these girls will certainly have to be at their best if they are to advance as they face formidable opponents in Sarsfields.

The Glanmire based side are a very experience outfit with marvellous performers in Breda Kenny, Lilian Zinkant, Helena Barry, Liz Dunphy, Lilian Twomey and Ann Brady.

They have been showing great form of late and it is difficult to see them being halted on this occasion but they certainly would not want to underestimate their opposition. Whatever the outcome we should have a great contest in store.

In the first of the Intermediate semi-finals Cloughduv and Castlemagner will be in opposition and this could be a close one. Castlemagner opted to play in the Senior League this season and should have gained very valuable experience from the additional games.

They also defeated a fancied Eire Og side in a first round game and because of this will be fancied to advance to the final.

They will look mainly to players like Mary Lucey, Liz Twomey, Catherine Sheehan and Noelle McCarthy to carry them through but no doubt Cloughduv will not go down without a fight.

The Mid Cork Club have put in a lot of work at underage level in recent times and were awarded last season when they were just narrowly defeated in the Under 16 A County Final.

Their team for Saturday's clash should include a number of these younger players and if girls like Marie Corkery, Ann Marie Healy, Sinead Buckley and Ciara Cronin produce the goods it could be neck and neck to the final whistle.

In the second semi-final Barryroe and Ballinora clash at Newcestown on Thursday night and here Barryroe will be fancied to advance.

FIXTURES

Saturday August 10th
Senior B Championship: Sarsfields v Aghabullogue, Ballincollig, 7.30pm.

Intermediate Championship semi-final: Castlemagner v Cloughduv, Ballyanly, 7.30pm.

Aghabullogue to meet Sars again

SARSFIELDS and Aghabullogue must meet again - after drawing 1-3 to 0-6 - to decide who will meet Kilbrittain in the Cork County Camogie senior B Camogie Championship semi-final.

In an entertaining game played at Ballincollig, Sarsfields led by the minimum two points to one after a lack lustre first half. They upped the tempo in the second half and were 6-3 ahead with just 7 minutes remaining. However up popped Marie McSweeney, passed the ball to the Sarsfields net, after Sars goalie Lilian Zinkant, had blocked the free from Aghabullogue.

Castlemagner to replay Cloughduv

CASTLEMAGNER and Cloughduv will have to replay after a very exciting 0-7 to 1-4 draw in the Cork Intermediate championship semi-final played at Ballyanly on Saturday night.

CAMOGIE - Leinster Senior semi-final: Ldowney (Kilkenny) 2-14; Marino (Dublin) 1-8. **Rathnure (Wexford) 9-7; St Laurence (Kildare) 2-2. Ulster quarter-final:** An Port Mor (Antrim) 2-10; Enniskillen (Monaghan) 2-4.

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Bord na Gaeilge - and Chapter Two



Micheál O'Grada, Chief Executive Bord na Gaeilge, Paula Malcolmson (Thomas Davis, Dublin), and Micheál Ó Súilleabháin, Chairman, Bord na Gaeilge, at the Camogie Sponsorship launch.

Bord na Gaeilge are again sponsoring the All-Ireland senior camogie open-draw championship this season. The sponsorship was introduced last year and added a further exciting dimension to a championship that was launched as far back as 1932.

For many years the All-Ireland championship was run off within the provinces first of all, with the winners qualifying for the national series proper. In other words on similar lines to the All-Ireland hurling championships in football and hurling.

However, camogie "stole a march" on those who advocate the open-draw for hurling and football by adopting such a course back in the 'Seventies. This has added a new appeal to the race for the All-Ireland crown.

The first broadcast of an All-Ireland senior final was as far back as 1942 when Dublin beat Cork. The commentator was Richard Braham.

Nowadays, of course, the All-Ireland final is widely covered by radio and television.

Time was when Dublin were the chief power in camogie. They

won the inaugural final in 1932, beating Galway, and in the Centenary Year of the G.A.A. in 1984 beat Tipperary by 5-9 to 2-4 for their last All-Ireland crown. That win boosted Dublin's record to 26. Despite the titles famine in the meantime they still have a commanding lead of nine championships over their closest rivals in the chart, Cork.

Kilkenny have been the dominant power in recent years. They reigned supreme from 1985 to 1991 inclusive and were champions again in 1994.

Cork are holders of the Bord na Gaeilge All-Ireland open-draw title. They beat Kilkenny in last year's final to boost their record to 17 crowns since 1934.

So, the Leesiders wrote a special chapter in history by winning the first Bord na Gaeilge sponsored championship. Can they go on this year to become the first county to make a successful defence of the crown?

Only time will tell, but some keen encounters are in prospect before the title is won and lost in late September.