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**SENIOR****CORCAIGH***Dathanna: Dearg agus Bán*

1. **CAITLÍN NIC OSTIN**  
Kathleen Costine  
Killeagh.
2. **BRÍD NIC CIONAOITH**  
Breda Kenny  
Sarsfields.
3. **PÓILÍN GHÓGÁN**  
Paula Goggins  
Na Píarsaigh.
4. **TREASA NÍ CHEALLACHÁIN**  
Therese O'Callaghan  
Glen Rovers.
5. **EILÍS TOWLER**  
Liz Towler  
Bishopstown.
6. **SANDIE NIC GIOBÚIN**  
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Glen Rovers.
7. **DENISE NÍ CHRÓINÍN**  
Denise Cronin  
Glen Rovers.
8. **LINDA NÍ MHAOILGHEIRIC**  
Linda Mellerick Captaen.  
Glen Rovers.
9. **IRENE NÍ LAOIRE**  
Irene O'Leary  
Na Píarsaigh.
10. **LYNN NÍ DHOINNLE**  
Lynn Dunlea  
Glen Rovers.
11. **COLETTE NÍ MHATHÚNA**  
Colette O'Mahony  
St. Finbarr's.
12. **FIONA NÍ DHRISCEOIL**  
Fiona O'Driscoll  
Fr. O'Neill's.

**IONADAITHE:**

13. **RÓIS NÍ DHEASÚNAIGH** Rose Desmond, Bishopstown.
14. **IRENE NÍ CHAOIMH** Irene O'Keeffe, Inniscara.
15. **EILÍS NÍ NÉILL** Liz O'Neill, Bishopstown.
16. **MAIRÉAD NÍ FHINN** Mags Finn, Fr. O'Neill's.

**AN GHAILLIMH***Dathanna: Marín agus Bán*

1. **TRACEY NÍ LAITHÍN**  
Tracey Laheen  
Pearses.
2. **SÍLE NÍ CHADHAIN**  
Sheila Coen  
Mullagh.
3. **CAIRMÉAL NIC AILIN**  
Carmel Allen  
Craughwell.
4. **BRÍD STRATFORD**  
Sarsfield.
5. **PAMELA NIC CNÁIMHIN**  
Pamela Nevin  
Mullagh.
6. **IMELDA NÍ MHEACHAIR**  
Imelda Maher  
Davitts.
7. **SHARON NIC FHLOINN**  
Sharon Glynn  
Pearses.
8. **DYMPNA NÍ MHEACHAIR**  
Dympna Maher  
Davitts.
9. **ÁINE NÍ RIAIN**  
Anne Ryan  
Pearses.
10. **DEIRDRE NIC COISTEALA**  
Deirdre Costello Captaen.  
Sarsfields.
11. **IMELDA NIC OIBICÍN**  
Imelda Hobbins  
Mullagh.
12. **CLÁR NÍ LOINGSIGH**  
Claire Lynch  
Davitts.

**IONADAITHE:**

13. **ÁINE NÍ BHRUADAIR** Anne Broderick, Davitts.
14. **OILBHE NÍ BHRUADAIR** Olivia Broderick, Davitts.
15. **BRÍD NÍ FHATHAIGH** Brigid Fahy, Mullagh.
16. **EIMEAR NÍ ARGADÁIN** Emer Hardiman, Mullagh.

*Gabhtar buíochas le Cumann Lúthchleas Gael a chuir Páirc an Chrócaigh ar fáil dúinn*



## FOIREANN NA GAILLIMHE

**TRACEY LAHEEN** (*Na Piarraigh*). Cé gur scoláire i Tracey is mo atá curtha di aici ó thaobh na camógáiochta di. One of the two seventeen-year-old members of the team, Tracey holds a County Senior Championship medal and has won a Féile na nGael title with her club.

**SHEILA COEN** (*Mullagh*). Is sár-imreoir i Síle a bhfuil a lán buaise cheana féin aici. Síle is proud of her All-Ireland Club Championship medal won in 1991. She also won two Féile na nGael medals with her club, and an All-Ireland Junior Championship medal with her county in 1988. She also holds an under-14 County Hurling Championship medal.

**CARMEL ALLEN** (*Creachmhaoil*). Imreoir óg eile a bhfuil foireann na sinsear bainte amach i mbliana aici. Although only nineteen, Carmel is a leading player with her club and played a major part in winning the County Junior Championship title.

**BRÍD STRATFORD** (*Na Sairsealaigh*). Iarscoláire eile de chuid Naomh Rafael i lenar bhuaidh si sé bhonn ar fad, ceithre cinn ag leibhéal na sinsear agus dhá cheann leis na sóisir. Also holds 1 Pan Celtic, 1 All-Ireland Club Seven-a-side, and 1 All-Ireland Club Championship medal.

**IMELDA MAHER** (*Duibhfid*). Coláiste Naomh Rafael may also be proud of Imelda who helped her school to win 3 Senior and 1 Junior All-Ireland titles. Bhuaidh si Craobh na hÉireann le foireann na Mionúir. Is ábhar bhanaltra faoi láthair i.

**SHARON GLYNN** (*Na Piarraigh*). Is scoláire i Naomh Coan, Gallach, i lenar bhuaidh si Craobh Chonnacht leis na sinsear agus na sóisear. Sharon also holds a Féile na nGael medal and an All-Ireland Indoor Soccer medal.

**DYMPNA MAHER** (*Duibhfid*). Is deirfiúir le hImelda i, agus cosúil lena deirfiúir, tá ceithre bhonn Uile-Éireann le Coláiste Rafael aici. Dympna, still a student, and the second seventeen-year-old player on the team, also holds an All-Ireland Seven-a-side medal with her school.

**ANNE RYAN** (*Na Piarraigh*). An-imreoir go deo i Áine a bhuaidh Comórtas na Scileanna i bhFéile na nGael. Also holds All-Ireland Minor and Junior Championship medals with her county. Like Sheila Coen, she won an under-14 County Hurling Championship medal.

**DEIRDRE COSTELLO** (*Na Sairsealaigh*). Captain. Imreoir álainn i Deirdre a bhfuil a lán buaise cheana féin aici. Another of the twelve past-pupils of Coláiste Naomh Rafael on today's panel. Holder of 1 Senior and 4 Junior All-Ireland medals with her school, 2 Féile na nGael and Community Games medals, and 2 All-Ireland Junior Championship medals. Her sister, Olive, plays with the Junior team today.

**IMELDA HOBBS** (*Mullagh*). Iar-imreoir eile de chuid Naomh Rafael i lenar bhuaidh si cúig bhonn Uile-Éireann leis na sinsear agus dhá cheann leis na sóisear. Also holds an All-Ireland medal at Minor, Junior and Club level. Imelda and her sister, Madge Kennedy of the Junior team, would like to make it a family double today.

**CLAIRE LYNCH** (*Duibhfid*). Is scoláire i Clár na Ghairmscoil i mBaile Locha Riach. She holds the unusual distinction of having won 4 Senior and 2 Junior All-Ireland medals with Coláiste Naomh Rafael, followed by an All-Ireland Vocational Schools medal with her present school. Won a Galway Sports Star Award.

**ANNE BRODERICK** (*Duibhfid*). Tá áit faoi leith ag Áine in imeachtaí an lae inniu ós rud é go bhfuil baint aici leis an dá fhoireann. Anne is the goalkeeper on the Junior team and the sub-goalkeeper on the Senior team. She holds 4 Senior and 2 Junior All-Ireland medals with Naomh Rafael, and 1 Pan Celtic medal.

**OLIVIA BRODERICK** (*Duibhfid*). Sisters, Anne and Olivia, would also like to make it a family double today. Is scoláire i Olivia chomh maith agus tá an lion céanna bonn is atá ag deirfiúir aici. She holds 4 Senior and 2 Junior All-Ireland medals with Naomh Rafael, and 1 Pan Celtic medal.

**BRIGID FAHY** (*Mullagh*). Yet more family connections, with Geraldine, sister of Bríd, on the Junior team. Tá stór mór de bhonn carnaithe ag Bríd. Holds 3 Senior and 2 Junior All-Ireland medals with Naomh Rafael, 1 Féile na nGael, 1 All-Ireland Minor and 1 All-Ireland Club Championship medal.

**EIMEAR HARDIMAN** (*Mullagh*). Cosúil le hÁine Ni Bhruadar, tá áit faoi leith ag Emer sna Cluichí Ceannais agus i ag imirt leis na Sóisir inniu. She, too, adds to the family connections as she is joined by her sister, Deirdre, on the Junior team. She, like Claire Lynch, holds All-Ireland Post-Primary and Vocational Schools medals, 4 Senior and 1 Junior with Naomh Rafael, and 1 with Gairmscoil Bhaile Loch Riach.

## FOIREANN CHORCAÍ

**KATHLEEN COSTINE** (*Killeagh*). A member of a family of famous camogie players, she holds All-Ireland Senior, Junior and Minor, and National League medals.

**BREDA KENNY** (*Sarsfields*). d'Imir si i dtri Chúige, leis An nGaillimh, Áth Cliath agus Corcaigh. Ashbourne medals with U.C.D., Junior and Senior Gael Linn and Senior Championship and National League medals.

**PAULA GOGGINS** (*Na Piarraigh*). An ceathrú bliain leis na sinsir di. All-Ireland Colleges medal with North Presentation, 1980. All-Ireland Senior, Junior and Minor. Senior Gael Linn and National League.

**THERESE O'CALLAGHAN** (*Glen Rovers*). Captaen na foirne i 1991 nuair a bhuaidh Corcaigh Sraithechomórtas na hÉireann. Ina captaen ar a Club, Fanaíthe an Ghleanna, a bhuaidh craobh Idir-Chlub na hÉireann in 1990. All-Ireland Club, Senior Championship, National League and Gael Linn medals.

**LIZ TOWLER** (*Bishopstown*). Buaidh si Craobh na hÉireann le Mionúir Chorcaí i 1983 agus Sinsear i 1992. Féile na nGael, Intermediate Club and Senior National League medals.

**SANDIE FITZGIBBON** (*Glen Rovers*). Ina captaen ar Chorcaigh i 1992 nuair a bhuaidh Corcaigh Craobhchomórtas na hÉireann. National Irish Bank recipient in 1992 and holder of All-Ireland Senior, Minor, Colleges, Club, Senior Championship, National League and Gael Linn medals.

**DENISE CRONIN** (*Glen Rovers*). An dara bhliain di ar fhoireann na Sinsear, cé gur imir si leis na Sóisir agus na Mionúir. All-Ireland Club, Senior Championship, National League and Gael Linn medals.

**LINDA MELLERICK** (*Glen Rovers*). Captaen. Holder of numerous medals with her Club and County. All-Ireland Senior, Junior, Minor, Club, Senior Gael Linn and National League medals. Represented the Rest of Ireland team against Áth Cliath in 1988.

**IRENE O'LEARY** (*Na Piarraigh*). Ina captaen ar fhoireann na Sóisear a bhuaidh Craobh na hÉireann i 1984, bliain inar bhain a coláiste, North Presentation, Cluiche Ceannais na gColáistí amach. Holds Gael Linn, All-Ireland Senior Championship and National League medals.

**LYNN DUNLEA** (*Glen Rovers*). Scored the winning goal in the last 30 seconds of this year's All-Ireland semi-final against Cill Chainnigh. Daughter of Nuala Humphries, who also played with Glen Rovers. Lynn is holder of Club medals at Senior, Intermediate, under-age championship levels.

**COLETTE O'MAHONY** (*St. Finbarr's*). Represented Corcaigh in Féile na nGael Skills competition in 1981. Ina captaen an fhoireann na Mionúir a bhuaidh Craobhchomórtas na hÉireann i 1983. This is her fifth Senior Final. All-Ireland Senior, Minor, Senior National League and Gael Linn medals.

**FIONA O'DRISCOLL** (*Fr. O'Neill's*). An chéad bhliain ar fhoireann na Sinsear di. d'Imir si leis na Mionúir agus na Sóisir. Holder of All-Ireland Senior Championship, C.C.I.A. Purcell Cup and Senior National League medals.

**ROSE DESMOND** (*Bishopstown*). Iar-Rúnai de chuid Choiste Contae Chorcaí i. d'Imir si le Mionúir agus Sóisir Chorcaí. Ashbourne Cup medals with U.C.C., Gael Linn, Senior National League and Club medals.

**IRENE O'KEEFE** (*Iniscarra*). Ar fhoireann na Sinsear anuraidh, agus ar fhoireann na Mionúir and na Sóisear roimhe sin. All-Ireland Senior Championship, Junior Gael Linn and Senior National League medals. Iar-imreoir le Naomh Aloysius i.

**LIZ O'NEILL** (*Bishopstown*). Boinn na Mumhan faoi 18 agus ag leighéil na Sinsear agus na Sóisear aici, Craobhchomórtas agus Sraithechomórtas na Sinsear agus Gael Linn. This is her sixth year with the Senior team.

**MAGS FINN** (*Fr. O'Neill's*). Sar imreoir lena club i. Captured Senior National League medals in 1991 and 1992 and Junior and Intermediate medals.

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# Cork make experience count and retain title

THE great old man was looking slightly embarrassed yesterday. As Cork powered smoothly to their second successive All-Ireland senior camogie title, Croke Park wore a sheepish look as if embarrassed about the good portion of its Cusack Stand that has already been ripped out. In its reincarnation as a building site, it has lost some of its dignity.

Not that this detracted from everyone's day out. Camogie crowds are the Irish version of those crowds of screeching schoolgirls you used to see at English hockey internationals on Saturday afternoon television and are a refreshing change from the normal "seen it all before" GAA crowds. The 8,000 or so in the Hogan Stand yesterday were suitably boisterous.

As for the game itself, Cork were fairly comfortable winners in the end, but the final 10 point margin tells only half the story.

The real difference between the sides was Cork's deep well of experience. When the game hovered invitingly for both teams in the first five minutes of the second half, they were the side that were able to grasp it.

In the early stages of the game Galway matched Cork comfortably. After only three minutes, however, the challenge

Phoenix saw off the challenge through by two points. Snowcream, Wexford, getting cats were run even tighter by spare on Drinnagh while Wild Sutton having only five points to much closer contests with Mid However, the semi-finals were teen points 44-25. Phoenix emerging best by nine also a very one sided affair with

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Desmond Fahy

on an impressive display at centre back by Sharon Glynn. Her performance was illuminated by two great first half points — one a marvellous sideline cut from far out on the right hand side; and the other a free from deep in her own half.

But the same strength was absent from the forward division where the lack of real penetration was their ultimate undoing.

Cork, by contrast, had three excellent forwards in Dunlea, O'Mahony and O'Driscoll and they helped their side to a two point half-time lead, 1-7 to 1-5.

A Lynch free brought Galway to within a point just after the restart but then the wheels came off. Running from the wing back line, Sandie Fitzgibbon was at the heart of everything and, in a 10 minute spell, Cork scored 1-4 with only a point conceded in reply. Game, set and match and goodbye Galway.

To their credit, Glynn and those around her kept plugging away, but the longer the game wore on the more their inexperience told. Most of the Cork team had been down this road before and it



Diocesan indicated that despite their lack of Irish players, they may still cause upsets this year. High School provided the highest scoring game of the weekend with Clontarf, just edging their recently promoted opponents to a 3-2 victory while Avoca and Hermes failed to net any. Avoca lost their sweeper, however, the semi-finals were teen points 44-25. Phoenix emerging best by nine also a very one sided affair with





IT'S OURS: Cork skipper Linda Mellerick lifts the cup Pic. MARTIN MAHER



GLORY DAY: 3-year-old Lisa Towler (right) from Cork at the final yesterday, Lynn Dunlea (above), who scored two goals and a point for Cork, shows her delight during the presentation and (below) Cork captain, Linda Mellerick holds the camogie Senior Trophy aloft after her side beat Galway in Croke Park yesterday.

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# 'REBEL' HELL!

Galway run 'em  
oh so very close

THE disappointment on the Galway faces at the end of this match told its own story.

Though it was only their first senior final in 31 years it could have produced a fairytale ending.

Cork had started well with points from Sandie Fitzgibbon and Colette O'Mahony before Claire Lynch put Galway ahead in the third minute with a sensational goal.

Unfortunately, their lead was brief — seconds later Cork were ahead again after Lynn Dunlea deflected a superb Colette O'Mahony pass into the back of the net for Cork.

Still, at half-time the score was just 1-7 to 1-5 in Cork's favour. Galway came out fighting in the second-half. Claire Lynch opened the scoring with a valuable point.

But luck wasn't with the Connaught women. Cork keeper Kathleen Costelloe sensationally saved a

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point blank shot by Claire Lynch which could have turned the match around.

Only minutes later the Galway stopper, Tracey Laheen, saved a lethal Linda Mellerick shot at goal, only to have her block deflected by Lynn Dunlea into the net for a

crucial Cork goal.

A further goal from Irene O'Keeffe put the game's final results beyond doubt.

Cork captain Linda Mellerick was mightily relieved at the result. "The scoreline in no way reflects the quality of the match".

CORK: K. Costelloe, B. Kenny, P. Goggin, T. O'Callaghan, L. Towler (0-1), S. Fitzgibbon (0-2), D. Cronin

(0-1), L. Mellerick (Capt.), I. O'Leary (0-1), L. Dunlea (2-1), C. O'Mahony (0-5), F. O'Driscoll (0-4). Subs: I. O'Keeffe (1-0) for O'Leary.

GALWAY: T. Laheen, S. Coen, C. Allen, B. Stratford, P. Nevin, I. Maher, S. Glynn (0-2), D. Maher (0-1), A. Ryan (0-1), D. Costelloe (Capt.), I. Hobbs (0-1), C. Lynch (1-2). Subs: O'Broderick (0-1) for Costelloe, B. Fahy (1-0) for Maher.

● SCOTLAND beat Ireland for the first time since 1924 in the Hurling-Shinty International at Inverness, by a score of 4-2.

In the Under-21s game the Irish won 6-4.

## LAST GASP GALWAY

A CARMEL Hannon goal in the final second of play gave Galway a last gasp reprieve in the All-Ireland Junior Camogie final at Croke Park.

This was a game of missed chances for the Connaught side. At half-time they led by two goals and the final result looked beyond doubt.

But a couple of points from captain Ursula McGivern followed by a Patricia McEvoy goal put Armagh back in the hunt after the restart.

As the sides traded points and the tension mounted, McEvoy struck

**ARMAGH.....3-9  
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again in the final minute to put the Ulster side a goal ahead. But then came that dramatic equaliser which means the sides now must play each other again.

GALWAY: A. Broderick, O. Hardiman, O. Costelloe, C. Finnegan, Y. Larkin, C. Hannon (1-0), G. McGrath, T. Fallon, D. Gilgan (1-0), E. Hardiman, U. Hannon (Capt.), M. Harkin (1-0). Subs: F. Ryan for Gilgan, C. Curley for Larkin.

ARMAGH: M. McGee, M. Moriarty, S. McCone, C. McGeary, O. Murphy, J. Greene, M. Black, A. Lennon (0-1), B. McBride (0-1), U. McGivern (Capt.) (0-6), M. Donnelly, P. McEvoy (2-0). Subs: C. Byrne for Greene, T. McNally (1-0) for Donnelly.

Cork beat Galway in All-Ireland Camogie final





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## HIGH DRAMA

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Further upset occurred when the Cork goalkeeper Kathleen Costello sensationally saved a point blank shot by Claire Lynch. By the time the ball was deflected, Lynch was rolling in agony on the ground to loud boos from the Galway fans who clearly felt

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who has worked miracles with the Galway camogie squad, bringing them to minor, junior and senior All Ireland finals.

Linda Mellerick also predicted a great future for the Galway women.

"The scoreline in no way reflects the quality of the match," she said. "Especially in the first half, they pushed us very hard. In the second half, we spread it out and then got a couple of goals. But there really wasn't much in it."

Cork manager Joe McGrath was a very happy man. "I'm so proud of the girls. They had it really tough until we made a couple of switches and got the forwards clicking into place.

**SCORERS** — Cork: L Dunlea 2-1; C O'Mahony 0-5; F O'Driscoll 0-4; I O'Keeffe 1-0; S Fitzgibbon 0-2; E Towler, D Cronin, I O'Leary, 0-1 each. Galway: C Lynch 1-2; B Fahy 1-0; S Glynn 0-2; I Hobbins, A Ryan, D Maher, O Broderick, 0-1 each.

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## Hannon squares it for Galway

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A DRAMATIC goal, snatched by Carmel Hannon in the final seconds of play, gave Galway a last minute reprieve in the All-Ireland Junior final at Croke Park.

This was a game of missed chances for the Connacht women. At half time, they were ahead by two goals with the scoreline at 2-6 to 6 points and the pundits were predicting a rout.

But Armagh came out fighting after the restart and a couple of

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points from captain Ursula McGivern followed by a Patricia McEvoy goal put them right back in the hunt.

The sides then swapped points before McEvoy struck again in the final minute, putting the Ulster side into what seemed like an unassailable one goal lead.

But then came that dramatic equaliser, which means the sides must now meet again.

"We face a tough game in the

replay, but we're hoping we'll bring home one title this season," said manager Cyril Farrell.

**SCORERS** — Galway: M Harkin 1-9; D Gilligan 1-0; C Hannon 1-0. Armagh: P McEvoy 2-0; U McGivern 0-6; T McNally 1-0; B McBride; C Byrne, A Lennon, 0-1 each.

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ARMAGH'S Ursula McGivern

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"The best team won on the day, but we're a young side and we'll be back next year," said Galway manager Cyril Farrell,

who has worked miracles with the Galway camogie squad, bringing them to minor, junior and senior All Ireland finals.

Linda Mellerick also predicted a great future for the Galway women.

"The scoreline in no way reflects the quality of the match," she said. "Especially in the first half, they pushed us very hard. In the second half, we spread it out and then got a couple of goals. But there really wasn't much in it."

Cork manager Joe McGrath was a very happy man. "I'm so proud of the girls. They had it really tough until we made a couple of switches and got the forwards clicking into place."

**SCORERS** — Cork: L. Dunlea 2-1; C. O'Mahoney 0-5; F. O'Driscoll 0-4; I. O'Keefe 1-0; S. Fitzgibbon 0-2; E. Towler, D. Cronin, I. O'Leary, 0-1 each. Galway: C. Lynch 1-2; B. Fahy 1-0; S. Glynn 0-2; I. Hobbins, A. Ryan, D. Maher, O. Broderick, 0-1 each.

**CORK** — K. Costello, B. Kenny, P. Goggins, T. O'Callaghan, L. Towler, S. Fitzgibbon, D. Cronin, L. Mellerick (capt), I. O'Leary, L. Dunlea, C. O'Mahony, F. O'Driscoll. Subs: I. O'Keefe for O'Leary.

**GALWAY** — T. Laheen, S. Coen, C. Allen, B. Stratford, P. Nevin, I. Maher, S. Glynn, D. Maher, A. Ryan, D. Costello (capt), I. Hobbins, C. Lynch. Subs: O. Broderick for Costello; B. Fahy for Maher.

## Hannon squares it for Galway

**ARMAGH..3-9 GALWAY..3-9**  
A DRAMATIC goal, snatched by Carmel Hannon in the final seconds of play, gave Galway a last minute reprieve in the All-Ireland Junior final at Croke Park.

This was a game of missed chances for the Connacht women. At half time, they were ahead by two goals with the scoreline at 2-6 to 6 points and the pundits were predicting a rout.

But Armagh came out fighting after the restart and a couple of

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points from captain Ursula McGivern followed by a Patricia McEvoy goal put them right back in the hunt.

The sides then swapped points before McEvoy struck again in the final minute, putting the Ulster side into what seemed like an unassailable one goal lead.

But then came that dramatic equaliser, which means the sides must now meet again.

"We face a tough game in the

replay, but we're hoping we'll bring home one title this season," said manager Cyril Farrell.

**SCORERS** — Galway: M. Harkin 1-9; D. Gilligan 1-0; C. Hannon 1-0. Armagh: P. McEvoy 2-0; U. McGivern 0-6; T. McNulty 1-0; B. McBride, C. Byrne, A. Lennon, 0-1 each.

**GALWAY** — A. Broderick, D. Hardiman, O. Costello, C. Finnegan, Y. Larkin, C. Hannon, G. McGrath, T. Fallon, D. Gilligan, E. Hardiman, U. Hannon (capt), M. Harkin. Subs: F. Ryan for Gilligan; C. Curley for Larkin.

**ARMAGH** — M. McKee, M. Moriarty, S. McDune, C. McGeary, D. Murphy, J. Greene, M. Black, A. Lennon, B. McBride, U. McGivern (capt), M. Donnelly, P. McEvoy. Subs: C. Byrne for Greene; T. McNulty for Donnelly.



**ARMAGH'S** Ursula McGivern

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## A joy to watch



**Under control:** Galway forward Fiona O'Driscoll balances the sliotar on her stick while being chased by Cork's Breda Kelly during yesterday's All-Ireland Senior Camogie Final at Croke Park.

Picture by Cyril Byrne, Evening Press.

### Camogie finals a credit to GAA

Yesterday's camogie finals were a credit to the game, and indeed all gaelic games. It is just a pity that only 10,000 people were in Croke Park to see them live.

While Cork turned on the class to beat Galway in the senior match, the junior final was arguably one of the most exciting matches seen this year; in any code.

Aramagh and Galway lived the 'it ain't over till it's over' motto as literally as they could and Galway performed a life saving act in the form of an injury-time goal to beat any that Kilkenny hurlers have pulled off in the last year.

Once again the Ulster supporters showed everyone else how it is done as it was the orange and white Aramagh contingent who swelled the expected crowd of around 6,000 to that of around 10,000.

The fact that all supporters were concentrated in the Hogan Stand meant that atmospherics and noise were at a premium which made for a tremendous occasion.

It seems a pity that the junior replay can not be held as a curtain raiser to the Under 21 Hurling replay but these two great teams must be given a fortnight to recover from yesterday's action.

The venue for their rematch has not yet been decided, but I would say to anyone living near the venue on Sunday week: Go and see a treat of sport, you will not regret it.





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# Full-size pitch now a must for Camogie



**Celebration:** Cork's Irene O'Keefe celebrates a goal against Galway in yesterday's All-Ireland Senior Camogie Final at Croke Park.

Cyril Farrell's success with Galway Colleges camogie has not yet translated itself to the standard of the senior game, as was demonstrated in yesterday's All-Ireland senior camogie final.

Cork, the reigning All-Ireland champions despite only being two points ahead at the half time break, put in a most impressive second half performance to run out eventual winners by ten points.

"I'm disappointed for the girls and their hard work," said Farrell after the match. "But they are so young, they will be back," he added.

The Galway team are indeed young, as is exemplified by the fact that Anne Ryan at 25 is one of the oldest on the team. With an average age of 21 there are still a good few more All-Ireland finals awaiting this Galway panel.

One of the stars of the Connacht champion's performance was goalkeeper Tracey Laheen who at 18 years of age was only playing her second ever inter county match.

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**Yvonne Judge**

The fact that she let in three goals belies her strong performance and the huge length of her puck-outs was astonishing, as some even travelled over the other end line.

It was this factor that struck me as showing up the limitations of camogie when it is played on a shortened pitch. The drawn Junior match was full of excitement and fluid play but it seemed that the strength of the seniors was wasted on the reduced pitch as 60 metre pucks were common in yesterday's game.

This year's league season operated with an experimental 15-aside format played on the full pitch, and apparently it worked very well.

After yesterday's senior match players from both Cork and Galway had the utmost of praise for the experimental format but had reservations as to how it would be administered.

I would urge the camogie congress to look at extending the trial format to the championship when playing rules come up for voting again in 1996.

In the meantime, Croke Park played host to two excellent games of camogie yesterday and the Junior replay between Armagh and Galway should prove to be worth travelling to. The replay takes place on Sunday October 10 and the venue has yet to be decided, although Croke Park has been ruled out.



● **IN FLIGHT . . .** Ursula McGivern makes a forward move for Armagh during the All Ireland Junior Camogie Final at Croke Park yesterday.





*OUR FINAL: Colette O'Mahony of the Cork Camogie team with supporters from her club St. Finbarr's after the final whistle.*



*The Cork team who defeated Galway in the All-Ireland Camogie Final at Croke Park, yesterday.*



# Cork's craft conquers gallant Galway's graft

CORK..... 3-15  
GALWAY..... 2-08

FOLLOWING after the last-minute scoring frenzy in the All-Ireland junior final, the senior decider was always destined to be outshone, but the healthy 10,000 attendance at Croke Park were nevertheless treated to a fine exhibition of camogie.

Running out as eventual winners and indeed retainers of the O'Duffy Cup by ten points, Cork overcame the youth and enthusiasm of Galway with a very impressive team performance, featuring particularly strong contributions from Lyn Dunlea, Colette O'Mahony and industrious captain and mid-fielder Lynda Mellerick.

Dunlea claimed two of Cork's goals and gallantly offered the credit for the third to Irene O'Leary, despite having played a major part in its execution, while sharpshooter O'Mahony weighed in with six points.

Galway had a cracking start against the favourites when Claire Lynch got in behind the Cork defence to hammer home a goal.

That, however, was to be about the only decent scoring opportunity Lynch got as the Cork defence kept the Galway forwards firmly under lock and key for the rest of the game.

Cork's two-point lead at half-time had some of their supporters a little worried, but to this observer.

Dunlea's first goal for Cork, from fifteen yards, followed by three points from O'Mahony, and one apiece from Dunlea and O'Driscoll, kept the threat of Galway at bay for the first half hour.

Galway were now seven points down and despite an Imelda Hobbins point,

## Leeside women retain 'O'Duffy'

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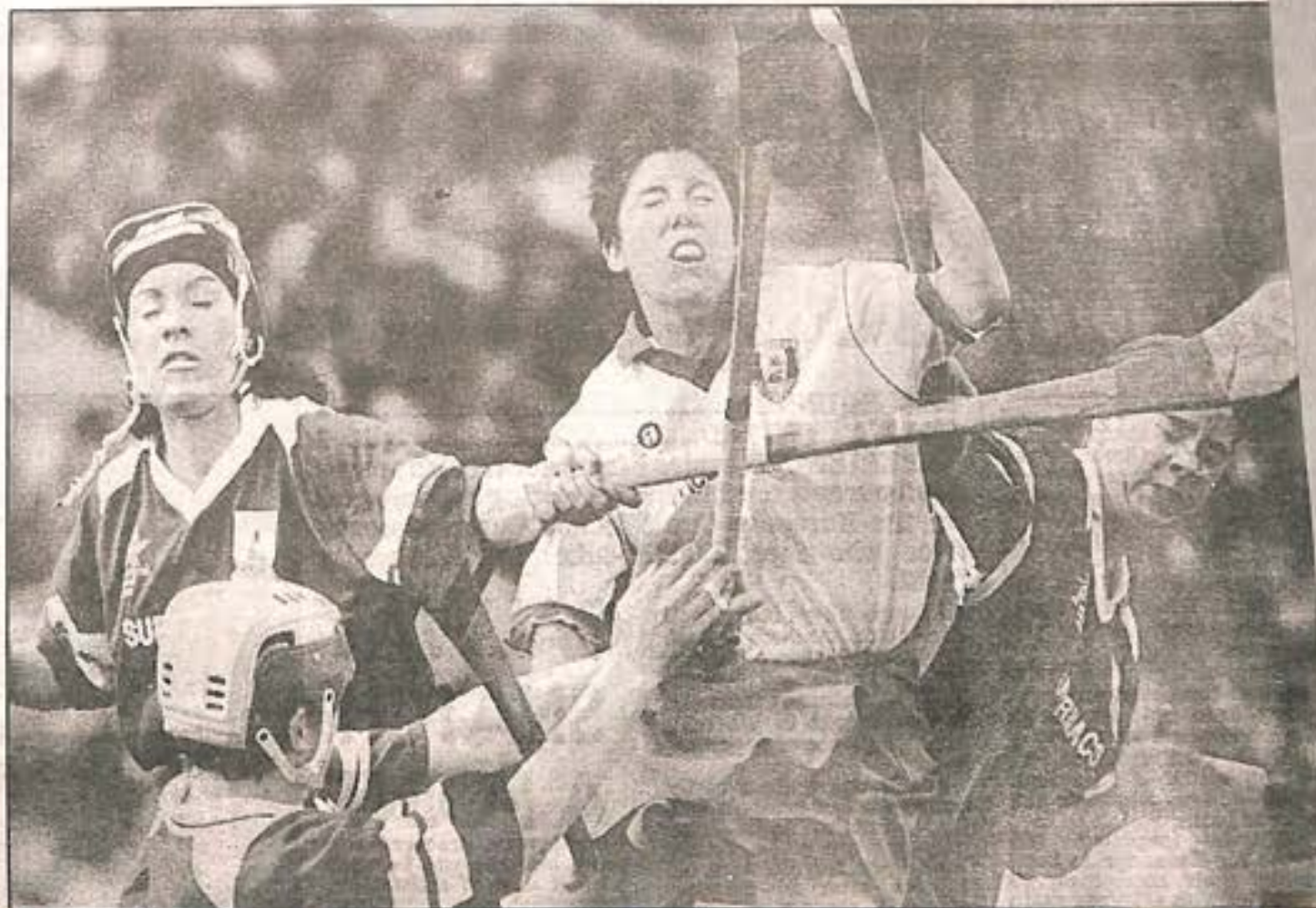


O'Mahony and O'Driscoll were followed by a third and crucial goal.

Following a melee in the parallelogram, it seemed that Dunlea had got her hat-trick of goals, but she afterwards credited the score to O'Leary.

Cork were now in top gear and further points from Fitzgibbon and Cronin meant that Brigid Fahy's last minute goal for Galway was academic.

CORK: K Costine, B Kenny, P Goggins, T O'Callaghan, E Towler (6-1), S Fitzgibbon (6-2), D Cronin (6-1), I Mellerick, I O'Leary (6-1), L Dunlea (2-4), C O'Mahony (6-6), P O'Driscoll (6-1), Saha — I O'Keefe (1-0) for O'Leary, R Desmond, E O'Neill, M Finn.  
GALWAY: T Laheon, S Conn, C Allen, B Stratford, P Nevin, I Maher, C O'Brien (6-2), B Maher (6-1), A Ryan (6-1), D O'Connell, I Walsham (6-1), C Lynch (1-1), Saha — O'Driscoll (6-1), B O'Connell, B Fahy (1-0) for I Maher, A Hobbins, E Hobbins.



● SANDIE HEIGHTS . . . Cork's Sandie Fitzgibbon rises above the Galway challengers in the senior camogie final at Croke Park yesterday.  
Pictures: CYRIL BYRNE.

## Hannon goal gives Galway reprieve

ARMAGH..... 3-9  
GALWAY..... 3-9

ARMAGH and Galway will have to live to fight it out another day to decide who wins the All Ireland Junior Camogie Championship. In a pulsating match, Armagh seemed to have

snatched the All Ireland title from the Westerners in the last minute when Patricia McEvoy scored a goal to give Armagh a 3-9 to 2-9 lead.

But the final few seconds were to prove crucial to Galway as their captain Ursula Hannon went for

broke and cracked the ball into the Armagh net in injury time to gain a draw.

The two teams will now meet in a replay in a fortnight's time although the venue is yet to be decided but it is unlikely to be held at Croke Park.

ARMAGH: M McKee, M McCarthy, B McCabe, C McGee, O Murphy, J Greene, M Blay, A Hannon (4-1), P McEvoy (6-1), C O'Brien (6-2), M Doherty, P Hannon (2-0), Saha — E Hannon (1-0).  
GALWAY: A Hannon, B Hannon, C Hannon, D Hannon, E Hannon, F Hannon, G Hannon, H Hannon, I Hannon, J Hannon, K Hannon, L Hannon, M Hannon, N Hannon, O Hannon, P Hannon, Q Hannon, R Hannon, S Hannon, T Hannon, U Hannon, V Hannon, W Hannon, X Hannon, Y Hannon, Z Hannon.

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Cork's Breda Kenny and Galway's Claire Lynch reach for the ball during the hectic All-Ireland camogie final.



Left: Kelly Newman from Togher, supporting the Cork Camogie team. Right: Galway coach Cyril Farrell congratulates Cork coach Joe McGrath on the win.



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# It's fine girls ye ar

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## Class act by Cork team

CORK are All-Ireland Senior camogie champions for the second year in succession beating Galway at Croke Park yesterday by 3-15 to 2-8, writes Tom Higgins.

Before an attendance of 8,432, the girls from Leaside captured their 16th title in emphatic style to move into second behind Dublin in the senior role of honour and in the process deprived Galway of their first title in this grade.

'It was really great and has not really sunk in yet - perhaps tomorrow morning. We will have a great night, a great week' said Cork captain Linda Mellerick following the Rebels county's success. 'I was bit worried at half time. They are no bad side but once we got going in the last ten minutes we really showed that we are champions'.

●The team returns home this evening on the 5.30 train out of Dublin arriving in Cork shortly after 8.00 and they are sure to receive a tremendous welcome when they arrive. Once again, for the second year in succession, the girls are the only ones to bring a senior title back to the Banks of Lee.



SKIRTING THROUGH THE DEFENCE: Cork's Lyn Dunlea sweeping aside Galway's goalkeeper, Tracey Laheen, and Brid Stratford, to palm the ball to the net, during the All-Ireland Final.

## My own lovely (Dun) lea!

By Eoin Edwards

CRACKERS. That's the only way to describe Lynn Dunlea's two goals and a point yesterday at Croke Park. We've heard of one, two, three (Seanie) O'Leary but what about this girl Dunlea.

She showed all the great qualities of Seanie in rattling home her scores yesterday, which went a long way towards helping to bring the cup home to Cork. First she billowed the net with a powerful dipping effort, then she used her head waiting at the edge of the area for the ball to come back off the keeper before hand-passing it into the net.

THREE OF THE BEST

Lynn, whose mother played in the 1969 All-Ireland seemed invincible as did Colette O'Mahony, who spent her evenings practising free-taking, and it certainly paid off in a match which saw some excellent long-range scores by both sides.

A partly demolished Cusack Stand was the backdrop to the fast and furious game, which was highlighted by some marvellous skill, with Cork refusing to surrender the Sean O'Duffy Cup from their sideboard for the sixteenth time.

The entire team played as a powerful unit yesterday and with the know-how of coach Joe McGrath, he made some good tactical switches in the forward unit and gave the team some great advice at half time. It was homeward bound in style for Cork.





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*Cork's Therese O'Callaghan surrounded by supporters after their win.*



*Cork Camogie selector Miriam Murphy with her mother in great form after the final whistle.*



# CORK POWER PLAY

CORK 3-15 GALWAY 2-8

GALLANT Cork captured their 16th All-Ireland senior camogie title at Croke Park yesterday at Galway's expense. But they had to fight hard until they finally hammered home their advantage in the last ten minutes.

There was never more than a goal between the sides until the 48th minute when a shot from Cork's captain Linda Mellerick was batted down into the hands of Lyn Dunlea and she accepted the present gratefully to palm the ball to the net to leave Cork 2-10 to 1-7 ahead. And when Liz Towler hit over a point seconds later Galway were in dire trouble.

It could have been different story five minutes earlier — when Cork led 1-10 to 1-7 — had Clare Lynch's rasping shot not been brilliantly saved by Kathleen Costine. At that stage the girls from the West were beginning to come grips with the game. But once Cork upped the tempo in the final nine minutes it was all over as a contest and a goal by substitute Brigid Fahy in the final minute only put a better complexion on the scoreboard.

Cork started in determined fashion with points from Sandie Fitzgibbon and Colette O'Mahony (free) in the opening two minutes. But the holders were rocked back on their heels in the 3rd minute when Claire Lynch got inside Breda Kenny to give Kathleen Costine no chance from close range for an excellent Galway goal, which put the girls in maroon in front for the only time.

From the puck out Colette O'Mahony gained possession to slip past her marker and find Lyn Dunlea loose 20 metres out. The Glen player shot high into the net to put the Leesiders back in front once more.

By Tom Higgins

But Galway, who were fighting for every ball and stretching the Cork defence, fought back to draw level in the 13th minute with two points from Ann Ryan and a Claire Lynch "30". But points from Colette O'Mahony "30" and Lyn Dunlea gave the holders a two point cushion after 16 minutes and were unlucky not to increase their advantage when Fiona O'Driscoll's effort came back of the post.

Then came the score of the game from Sharon Glynn in the 20th minute. Galway were awarded a sideline cut 30 meters out and she cut the ball straight over the bar. However, Cork restored their two points advantage when Fiona O'Driscoll had a point four minutes from the break and Irene O'Leary increased the lead a minute later. However, Galway had the last say with a Glynn point in the last minute to leave the half-time score 1-7 to 1-5 in Cork's favour.



Lyn Dunlea bursts past Galway goalkeeper Tracey Laheen and Brid Stratford to score goals for Cork in the All-Ireland Senior Camogie final at Croke Park yesterday. (Picture: Eddie O'Hare)



The opening ten minutes of the second-half was very poor with both sides making mistakes. Although the scores were coming there was no fluency. Cork had three points in this period to two for Galway with Colette O'Mahony accounting for two, one from a free, and Fiona O'Driscoll the other. Claire Lynch had a point from a free for the Westerners and Olivia Broderick one from play to leave the score 1-10 to 1-7 by the 42nd minute.

The turning point was undoubtedly Kathleen Costine's save from Claire Lynch in the 43rd minute which seem to lift the Lesiders and with Paula Goggins, Therese O'Callaghan and Liz Towler beginning to gain control in the half-backline and Sandie Fitzgibbon and Linda Mellerick running at the Galway defence from midfield the Cork forwards began to click.

They picked off some excellent scores in the final nine minutes with Colette O'Mahony, Fiona O'Driscoll and Sandie Fitzgibbon popping over points. Then Irene O'Keeffe had her effort for a goal saved by goalkeeper Tracy Laheen, who failed to clear, and both Lyn Dunlea and O'Keeffe rushed in to tackle with O'Keeffe finally getting the ball into the net. Bridget Fahy had the final say for Galway, but it was too little too late.

For Cork, Kathleen Costine had a fine game in goal while Breda Kenny, despite having her work cut out to mark Claire Lynch, played well at full-back. Centre-back Therese O'Callaghan had a tremendous game, particularly in the second-half, while Sandie Fitzgibbon and Linda Mellerick were solid in midfield. Lynn Dunlea and Colette O'Mahony were the pick of the forwards.

For Galway Sheila Coen played well at full-back, Brid Stafford and Pamela Nevin tried hard in the half-backline, while Sharon Glynn was their best player and got good support from Dymphna Maher in middle of the field. Up front Ann Ryan and Claire Lynch tried hard.

THE reception for the team will be held at the Cork Examiner offices following arrival from Dublin tonight.

Scorers for Cork: L. Dunlea 2-1, C. O'Mahony 0-6 (0-3 frees, 0-1 "30"), I. O'Keeffe 1-0, F. O'Driscoll 0-3, S. Fitzgibbon 0-2, I. O'Leary, L. Towler and D. Cronin 0-1 each.

Galway: C. Lynch 1-2 (0-1 free, 0-1 "30"), B. Fahy 1-0, S. Glynn 0-2, I. Hobbins and O. Broderick 0-1 each.

CORK: K. Costine; B. Kenny; P. Goggins, T. O'Callaghan, L. Towler; S. Fitzgibbon, D. Cronin, L. Mellerick (capt); I. O'Leary, L. Dunlea, C. O'Mahony; F. O'Driscoll. Sub: I. O'Keeffe for I. O'Leary (27th minute).

GALWAY: T. Laheen; S. Coen; C. Allen, B. Stafford, P. Nevin; I. Maher, S. Glynn, D. Maher; A. Ryan, D. Costello (capt), I. Hobbins; C. Lynch. Subs: O. Burke for D. Costello (28th minute), B. Fahy for I. Maher (49th minute).

Referee: M. O'Callaghan (Offaly).



Cork captain Linda Mellerick holds the All-Ireland trophy at Croke Park yesterday.

(Picture: Eddie O'Hare)

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I am really happy for the girls. They showed that they are a very good team and it was their day. Galway are no bad side, but we made a few switches in the second-half and once they got going they won well.

Cork trainer  
Joe McGrath

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## What they said

"It was really fantastic. I don't think it will sink in until tomorrow. I thought we really played well, particularly in the second-half. It's great to win two All-Ireland's back to back. We will have a great night — a great week — a great month," Cork's captain Linda Mellerick.

"I am really delighted. It doesn't matter who beat in an All-Ireland as long as you win," Cork's Galway

born full-back Breda Kenny.

"Disappointed. Up to ten minutes from the end I thought we had a chance but Cork finished thr stronger," Galway's midfielder Sharon Glynn.

"It's a great thrill. It is my first time playing in an All-Ireland Senior final," Cork's top scorer Lyn Dunlea.

Attendance — 8,432.

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## Camogie victors due home tonight

THE victorious Cork camogie team are due home tonight following their magnificent victory over Galway in the All-Ireland final at Croke Park yesterday.

The train carrying the victorious team with the O'Duffy Cup will leave Heuston Station this afternoon at 5.30 pm and is due to arrive in Kent Station at around 7.50 pm.

They will be paraded through the streets of the city in an open-deck bus to Winthrop Street where the team will be introduced to the public.

The team and their officials will then proceed to the Cork Examiner offices where they will be accorded a reception.

The team will later journey to the Glen Rovers Pavilion in Blackpool.

## Rathnure defeat great rivals

Rathnure 2-5 Buffers Alley 0-7

WEXFORD rivals, Rathnure and Buffers Alley fought out a thrilling final of the Kilmacud Crokes All-Ireland Camogie Sevens in Dublin over the weekend with Rathnure winning thanks to two late goals.

With Cork involved in the All-Ireland Final, the clubs from Leaside were not at their strongest and didn't make a major impression on a competition which Glen Rovers have won in the past.

Bodyke of Clare kept Munster's flag flying when they proved much too strong for all opposition in the Shield competition.

Bernie Higgins turned out to be Rathnure's heroine in the Cup final when she struck for two decisive goals.

Buffers Alley appeared to be on the way to victory when Higgins connected with a long range Catherine Murphy free for the first goal to give

her side a one point lead with five minutes remaining. Two minutes later Higgins clinched Rathnure's first ever Sevens title with a stinging ground shot which gave the Alleys excellent goalkeeper, Kathleen O'Brien no chance.

Up until Higgins' goal burst the Alley had looked the more accomplished team with Ann Marie O'Connor looking the best player on view. But inspired by Catherine Murphy and Ann Reddy, Rathnure fought back for a memorable victory.

Scorers for Rathnure: B. Higgins 2-0, G. Codd 0-3, A. Reddy 0-2.

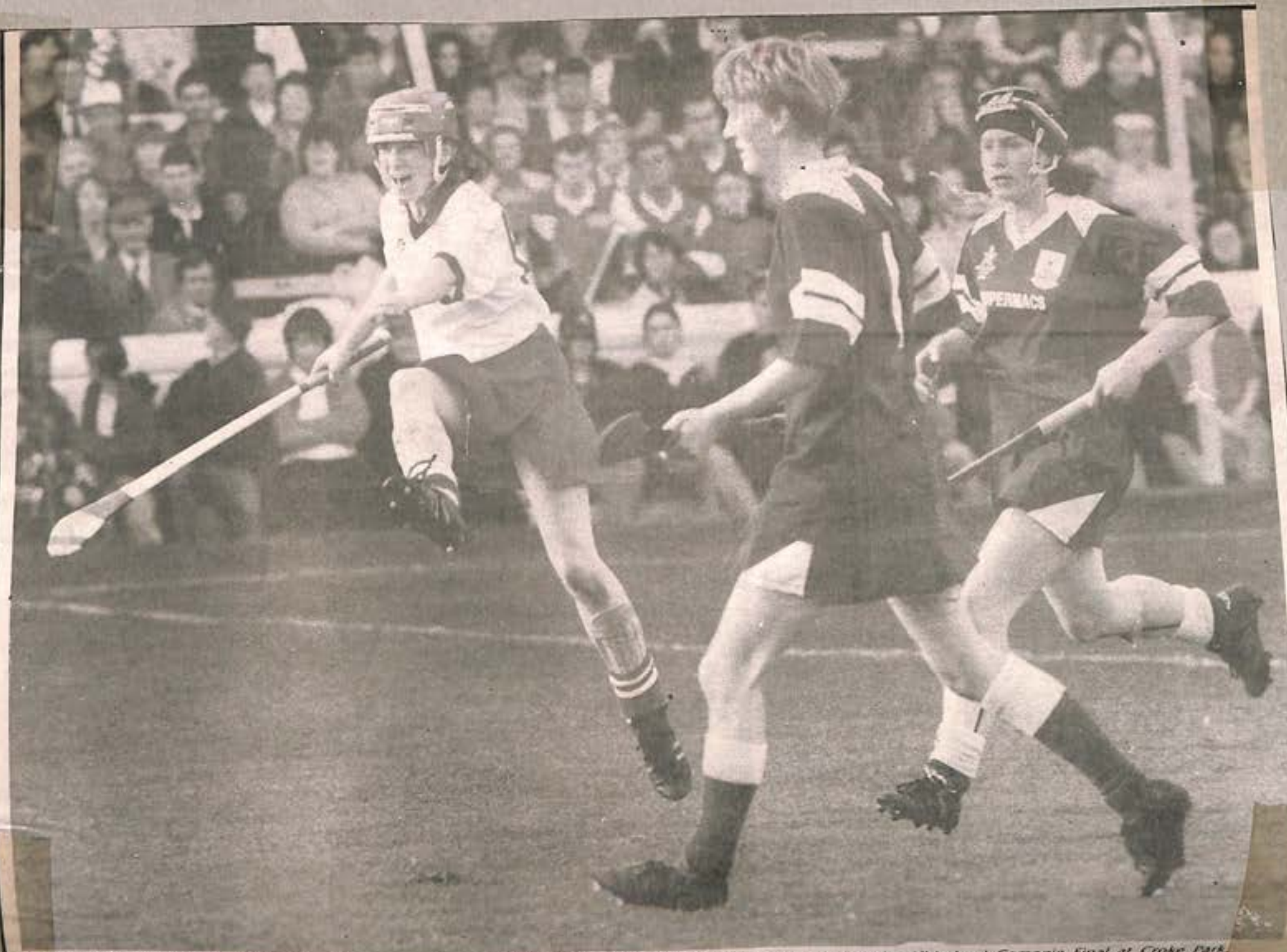
Buffers Alley: A. M. O'Connor 0-6 (0-3 frees), G. O'Leary 0-1.

Other Results: Semi-finals: Rathnure 3-3 Lisdowney (Kilkenny) 1-7; Buffers Alley 2-2 St. Lachtains (Kilkenny) 1-4.

Shield Final: Bodyke (Clare) 6-4 Kilkerry (Louth) 0-3.

Semi-finals: Bodyke 6-2 Castlemagner (Cork) 0-2, Kilkerry 5-2 Drom-Inch (Tipperary) 3-3.





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Cork's Fiona O'Driscoll kicks for goal with Galway players Brid Stratford and Pamela Nevin chasing, during the All-Ireland Camogie Final at Croke Park.



# Mna na hÉireann have their day!

**A** PARTLY demolished Cusack stand was the backdrop to the furious All-Ireland senior and junior GAA camogie finals yesterday.

Croke Park saw two Galway teams power their way past all prediction but eventually collapse under pressure.

Fiery amber Armagh fans may not have taken home any medals but they deserved a cup for lifting the roof off the Hogan Stand with their roars.

Chanting and stamping the county name to the tune of bangers and hooters by young and old alike gave the juniors the kick-start needed to secure a draw with a last-minute goal.

Armagh Captain Ursula McGivern paid tribute to the supporters and assured

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**Pictures: CYRIL BRYNE**

them of a better match come the replay.

Croke Park also became the arena for the war of the fast-food giants. MacDonalds sponsored the Cork team, while Galway and Armagh had the backing of Supermac's and Buck Rogers.

But a fighting first half wasn't enough to catapult the Galway senior team to victory in the second, adding another year to the 31 since the county last held the title.

The young Galway girls, coached by Cyril Farrell, were doubly disappointed by the junior team's draw, in a 3-9-all match which had been led almost entirely by them until the close.

Tears in the seniors' dressing-room were swept away with the promise of champions. 'We'll be back'. The Cork victors joined in assuring the Galway team that their day would come.

All sides joined in the revelling in the Grand Hotel in Malahide last night.

Meanwhile, it was the Mna na hÉireann as Corcaigh hurled their way into the history books, refusing to surrender the Sean O'Duffy cup from the southern sideboard for the sixteenth time.

Cork corner back Breda Kenny's mother may have been mighty proud of her daughter but she was prouder of her heritage and her cheers rang out

for her home county, Galway.

Sandie Fitzgibbon's double role as a professional basketball player didn't cause her any confusion though and the match went ahead without any calls of double dribble.

Lynn Dunlea, whose mother Nuala played in the 1969 All-Ireland final, seemed genetically invincible with her contribution of two goals.

Colette O'Mahony confessed that her evenings were spent purely practising frees, and it paid off in a match which was dominated by long high balls.

Linda Mellerick told of the fright that Galway had given them in the first half when they were just one point behind but added that she didn't think the final score reflected the true dominators of the game.

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## CLASH OF THE ASH...



**CLOSE TUSSE:** Cork's Fiona O'Driscoll is first to the ball against Galway's Carmel Allen at Croke Park yesterday. See Pages 39 and 40  
Pic By Jim O'Kelly

## Congrats to Lynn

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Glen Rovers camogie star, Lynn Dunlea, who scored a whopping two goals and one point for Cork against Galway in the All-Ireland final at Croke Park on Sunday last.

Lynn, who is a past pupil of St. Mary's Secondary School, Macroom, has always been a keen sportsperson and was one of the key players in the school's team. She is now in her final year at the teacher training college in Limerick and also plays with the college team.

This was her very first All-Ireland appearance and was a fantastic debut for the Canovee girl who once played with her home club, Cloughduv, before transferring to Glen Rovers.

Lynn's parents, Johnny and Nuala Dunlea are also keen camogie and football fans. Johnny played with Cork U-21s and the Cork junior side and trained Cloughduv camogie team from '87 to '92. Her mother, Nuala (nee Humphreys), also played with Glen Rovers. She played with the Glen up to '68 and then played with Canovee for five years before hanging up her boots.

A tired, hoarse Lynn returned to Ovens National School on Tuesday morning where she is currently doing teaching practice. Well done to Lynn and wishing her success in All-Ireland's to come, particularly in bringing home the treble in 1994.





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## 10,000 in Croke for Ladies' Day

A truth which I have been promulgating for some time became palpable in Croke Park yesterday: camogie is ready for a great leap forward.

It is high time that this game strode into its kingdom; in its current form it looks like a tabloid version of hurling; of course it isn't — but that's the way it looks.

It is played with teams of twelve; the pitch is considerably shorter than that used for hurling or Gaelic football; when, as happens every year in Croke Park, the regular goal-structures are present, the girls' game is made to look inferior.

Perhaps this reduction in team number and in playing area made sense in the early days — it doesn't now.

The modern ball flies farther than the old sliotar; the girls of today have much more time for training.

The big flaw in yesterday's games was the frequency of scrimmages; you longed for more of a flow.

Otherwise you could hardly find fault; there was fierce commitment and an abundance of skill.

Cyril Farrell has been quoted as saying that the skills in camogie compare well with those in hurling — he is right.

Indeed in one aspect yesterday's Senior final compared more than favourably with the recent Kilkenny-Galway final — the sideline cutting was better.

Anne Downey of Kilkenny is probably the leading mistress of this art; Sharon Glynn of Galway is a strong contender.

Yesterday was a good occasion for the girls' game.

## The North is awake

You could hardly say that there was a great crowd but it was the biggest that I have seen at camogie finals.

It was augmented by the expedition from Armagh; the North is awake.

The great deeds of Down and Donegal and Derry have thrown Ulster into a ferment.

Armagh in the popular mind isn't associated with hurling but yesterday The Orchard County fielded a fine team in the Junior final.

They surprised Galway; their fusion of dash and skill almost brought what would have been a famous victory.

A late goal frustrated them; a draw was a fair enough result.

About a quarter past five you could experience a remarkable sight; a long line of saffron-and-white wended its way from Croke Park to O'Connell Street.

It was made up mostly of young girls and children; the Armagh expedition was on its way to Amiens Street Station.

It reminded you of The Pied Piper — only that this wasn't Hamelin and that magical musician isn't around anymore.

Galway came with high hopes of a double; their Seniors were in their first final since 1962.

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## Galway's Pied Piper

In the meantime the game languished in the county; there were occasions when the maroon-and-white could hardly field a team.

The revival owes much to St. Raphael's Convent in Loughrea; there Cyril Farrell has for some years been a Pied Piper in his own right.

It was no secret that this year's teams, Senior and Junior, had prepared diligently.

Cork, freed from the shadow of Kilkenny, were striving for two in a row.

And they made a flying start; two points in as many minutes boded well; Sandie Fitzgibbon and Colette O'Mahony were the markswomen.

Galway replied with a goal that seemed a harbinger of great things; Claire Lynch got behind the back four, plucked down a long ball — and gave Kathleen Costine little chance with a rising shot.

That was in the fourth minute; Galway held the lead for only ninety seconds; a great pass from Colette O'Mahony found Lynn Dunlea whose rising shot went away to Tracey Laheen's left and just inside the top corner.

Cork never lost this lead; they were in front at the break by 1-7 to 1-5; this just about reflected the texture of the play.

It was a strange game; it resembled a river that at times runs rapidly and at times is sluggish and at times is wild.

The wildness came in the third quarter but was short-lived; a charge that felled Claire Lynch evoked a prolonged storm of booing but it was unjustified.

A few seconds previously it seemed certain that Claire would score a second goal but Kathleen Costine brought off a great save.

## Long-distance points

Galway now looked on the high road to victory; they were only a point down; then for some obscure reason their captain, Deirdre Costello, was replaced.

Galway continued to press but Cork's ability to steal long-distance points kept the red-and-white afloat.

And early in the third quarter a rather lucky goal gave them a six points lead which they never looked like losing.

Linda Mellerick fired in a great shot; Tracey Laheen parried; the ball broke to Lynn Dunlea who palmed it over the line.

Another scrambled goal, attributed to Irene O'Keefe, came when the game was over in all but name.

Brigid Fahy had a last-minute goal for Galway; the final score — 3-15 to 2-8 — didn't tell the real story.

Cork owed much to 'keeper Kathleen Costine; she was always sound — and that great save in the third quarter interrupted what seemed a winning surge.

Their middle line — Sandie Fitzgibbon and Denise Cronin and Linda Mellerick — hurled steadily all through.

Denise was the most stylish player on view; her point, shot from 35 yards while at full speed, was a beauty.

Sharon Glynn, a tall strong lass, was my girl of the game.

She was good in all aspects — and her point from a sideline cut was the best score of the day.

I will allow the last word to a man whose sight isn't the best.

In the Seán O'Casey pub he said: "I didn't see much — but I had a great day."

## Connacht vow to be back!

UNDER the gap-eyed gaze of the devastated Cusack Stand at Croke Park yesterday, the Cork women proved that their victory in last year's All-Ireland Senior final was no fluke.

For several years, they had been bridesmaids to Kilkenny, surely one of the greatest teams ever.

But last year, they broke the jinx. After overcoming Kilkenny in the semi-final, they went on to beat Wexford and lift the O'Duffy Cup for the first time since 1983.

This year, they again faced Kilkenny in a Titanic semi-final, only getting the edge by a solitary point. After that mighty struggle, the final against Galway could have been an anti-climax. But with hurling maestro Cyril Farrell in charge, the Connacht women had a lot to prove.

## CAMOGIE

By LINDIE NAUGHTON

Cork were first to score, but a shoe goal in the third minute by full forward Claire Lynch proved that Galway meant business. At half time, they trailed Cork by just two points and no one was willing to predict the final result.

Midfielder Sharon Glynn was in superb form and scored the best point of the match, a beautifully placed sideline free over the bar. Goalkeeper Tracey Laheen was another outstanding player, and very unlucky to let in a Lynn Dunlea goal after saving the initial shot from Linda Mellerick.

But Cork aren't the champions for nothing. All played brilliantly, Collette O'Mahony and Fiona O'Driscoll adding the points, while midfielders Denise Cronin and Lynn Dunlea chased everything. Dunlea providing substitute Irene O'Keefe with the palmed goal which finally put the game's result beyond doubt.

"The best side won on the day. But our team is very young — they're all under 23 — and we'll be back next year," said Cyril Farrell.

Before that comes the junior final replay with Armagh. "That will be a tough game, but, hopefully, we can still bring home one trophy."

Linda Mellerick was ecstatic at captaining this Cork side to their second win. "In the end our experience told. In the first half, both sides missed a lot of scoring and were doing silly things."

"In the second half, we spread the play out and got a couple of goals. But there wasn't much in it — the scoreline certainly doesn't reflect how good Galway were."





■ Cork captain, Linda Mellerick, holds the All-Ireland camogie trophy aloft as the team were welcomed home last night. Picture: Maurice O'Mahony

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## CHAMPIONS COME HOME

By DECLAN COLLEY

LAST NIGHT'S 'welcome home' celebrations for the two-in-a-row Cork Senior Camogie team might have been less of a "damp squid" if people knew where the various receptions were taking place.

According to the Auxiliary Bishop of Cork, Dr. John Buckley, who was himself in attendance at the celebrations, there was huge confusion over where the official ceremonies were to take place.

"I was under the impression myself that they were supposed to be happening outside The Cork Examiner offices, while others thought it would be outside the Metropole Hotel.

"We later found out that all the speeches were made at Winthrop St. and it was all very confusing.

"There were an awful lot of people who wanted to congratulate the team who have been Cork's only senior success this year, but the confusion meant that did not happen," the Bishop told the *Echo*.

He added that the camogie side's display in winning the All-Ireland had been marvellous and that the girls on the side were an example and an inspiration to the young people of Cork.



● Cork captain Linda Mellerick is shouldered out of Kent Station with the All-Ireland Camogie Trophy after the team's arrival home last night. (Pic: Maurice O'Mahony)



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■ Mr Tom Crosbie, Director, Cork Examiner Publications Ltd (right), making a presentation to Cork camogie team captain, Linda Mellerick, at a reception held in the team's honour at the Cork Examiner offices last night. Included is Mr Billy George, Group Sports News Editor — (Picture: PADDY BARKER)

## Absence of Lord Mayor mars champions' homecoming

By ÁILÍN QUINLAN

THE absence of the Lord Mayor at the triumphant homecoming of Cork's All-Ireland winning camogie team, was criticised last night, while the city's welcome to the team was described as a "damp squib."

Arriving at a reception for the team in the Cork Examiner offices just after 9 p.m., a spokesperson for the Cork Camogie Board asked: "Where is the Lord Mayor? Or his deputy? This is sad and disappointing."

Contacted afterwards,

the Lord Mayor, Cllr John Murray, said he had been attending a meeting of Cork Corporation, and that it would have been "very difficult" to arrange a deputy for the reception.

"I had a deputy at the match on Sunday," he added.

Meanwhile, the chairwoman of the Camogie Board and the captain of the team, both expressed disappointment at the welcome home they received from Cork's citizens.

Team captain, Linda Mellerick, described an

earlier reception in Malin railway station as "unbelievable," but compared the turn-out in Cork to a "damp squib."

"If Cork had won the All-Ireland hurling final, there would be 20,000 people out to meet the players. The media coverage was very good, but the turn-out did not happen. We are very disappointed. I thought it could have been better," she said, adding, however, that she sincerely wished to thank those who had made the effort to welcome the players home to Cork after winning their 16th All-Ireland

title.

Chairwoman of the Camogie Board, Sheila Golden, said that by GAA standards, the turn-out was "poor enough."

"I do not know why this is, it's a wonderful game, but I spoke to some of the players, and they were disappointed. It is the only senior trophy that Cork brought home this year, I felt the welcome might have been warmer."

At a reception in the Cork Examiner offices, attended by a large crowd, including the Auxiliary Bishop of Cork and Ross, Dr John Buck-

ley, chairman of the Cork County Board, Tony O'Mahony and GAA Secretary, Frank Murphy, as well as FF Cllr, Noel O'Flynn, Ms Mellerick was presented with a framed photograph of the team by Mr Tom Crosbie, Director, Cork Examiner Publications Ltd.

The team were also presented with a large red-and-white cake by Irish Rail, to mark their victory. The cake was afterwards donated to a selected charity.

The team later went on to continue their celebrations at Glen Rovers club.



# Cork's

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# lively

# ladies

SEVERAL years ago I was asked to give a coaching course to camogie players in Clare. I dreaded the task and felt it was going to be a wasted weekend.

Much to my surprise I learned a lot and was amazed at their level of skill, their interest and how well they organised the event.

Ask a woman to do a job and you're almost guaranteed to get it done properly. Ask a man and he'll give you a thousand and one excuses and you end up doing it yourself.

Women are so committed and have so much ability that they are so often taken for granted. Take Sunday's camogie final where Cork and Galway went flat out in pursuit of victory. Everyone played as if their lives depended on it. There was no let up, no cribbing with the referee, great passages of play and even though Galway were well beaten in the end they never gave up.

Cork played brilliantly, first touch was excellent, no fumbling or missing, great clashes overhead, moving the ball quickly, some excellent shots on the run without breaking stride, making room to hit and get in their shot. And to cap it all their accuracy was outstanding.

Women usually have better footwork than men. That's obvious in dancing where they are more balanced with neater steps. But on Sunday what was so evident was the way they could change direction and go from one foot to another without getting tangled up.

I have to admit I've seen very few camogie games, mainly because they clash with hurling or training. But I would go along with the idea that camogie should be played before the big games, including the All-Ireland final.

There is no doubt they are the poor relations of the GAA and in fact women don't get much of a look



**HURLING  
with  
JUSTIN  
McCARTHY**

in anyway in GAA circles. All the pity when they have so much to contribute.

I've no doubt that hurlers could learn a thing or two from watching camogie. Their teamwork seems to be better, the more economical use of the ball, total commitment to their task and better discipline. These ladies are not just pretty faces; they can whip hard on the ball and don't hold back when they are clashing. This is because their footwork is better and they can play close to avoid injury.

Well done ladies you did yourselves and your county proud on Sunday. You may not be getting the support you deserve and maybe the crowds did not come to meet you off the train, but you are still All-Ireland champions for a second year running. I hope some day that you will play the curtain raiser to the Senior final at Croke Park.



*It was a special occasion at Ovens N.S. when members of the victorious Cork camogie team visited the school as team member Lyn Dunlea is on the teaching staff. Photo shows Denis Lynch, principal, greeting Lyn with a copy of the 'Examiner Sports' showing Lyn in action during the final.*



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## Camogie by P.J. Fulham



# CORK STILL THE TOPS

Linda Mellerick in happy mood.



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The Leesiders started well with points from Sandy Fitzgibbon and Colette O'Mahoney. The sides traded goals... Claire Lynch putting Galway ahead briefly in the third minute, before Lynn Dunlea deflected a superb Colette O'Mahoney pass to the back of the net for Cork.

Midway through this half the sides were level 1-3 each. From then on Cork's defence kept the Galway forwards firmly under control. The Leesiders added four further points from Colette O'Mahoney, Lynn Dunlea, Fiona O'Driscoll and Irene O'Leary, while Galway's Sharon Glynn notched off two spectacular

Fitzgibbon was the first last year. Linda was also the recipient of the player of the match award.

**Cork Team and scorers:** Kathleen Costine, Breda Kenny, Paula Goggins, Therese O'Callaghan, Liz Towler 0-1, Sandy Fitzgibbon 0-2, Denise Cronin 0-1, Linda Mellerick Capt, Irene O'Leary 0-1, Lynn Dunlea 2-1, Colette O'Mahoney 0-6, Fiona O'Driscoll 0-3, Sub, Irene O'Keefe 1-0 for 1 O'Leary.

**Cork retained their All-Ireland Senior Crown with a ten-point win over Galway 3-15 to 2-8 in the All-Ireland senior championship final played at Croke Park. It may not go down in history as being one of the best finals. Nevertheless, the large attendance was treated to a**

**fine exhibition of Camogie. Cork's experience overcame the youth and enthusiasm of Galway with a great team performance, featuring in particular strong contributions from Lynn Dunlea, Colette O'Mahoney and the industrious captain and mid-fielder Linda Mellerick.**



Cork.

Larkin, Carmel Hannon 1-0, Geraldine McGrath, Teresa Fallon, Denise Gilligan 1-1, Emer Hardiman, Ursula Hannon Capt, Martina Harkin 1-8. Subs: Fiona Ryan for D. Gilligan, Gora Curley for YLarkin.

**Armagh:** Margaret McKee, Margaret Moriarity, Sally McCone, Celine McGeary, Orlagh Murphy, Joan Greene, Mary Black, Aine Lennon 0-1, Bernie McBride 0-1, Ursula McGovern Capt 0-6, Mary Donnelly, Patricia McEvoy 2-0. Subs: Colette Byrne 0-1 for J Greene, Teresa McNally 1-0 for M Donnelly. Referee: Brid Phillips, Tipperary.

The replay of the junior final takes place on Sunday October 10 at Breffni Park, Cavan 3pm. It should be once again an entertaining affair and should attract a large attendance. Both sides will have done a lot of homework since the drawn game, and we are sure to see lots of sparkle.

This is only the second time since the All-Ireland Junior Championship was inaugurated in 1968 that a final ended in a draw. On the other occasion in 1989 Galway were also involved and lost out in the replay to Kildare. Earlier this year they played a draw in the All-Ireland Minor Championship final with Tipperary and also lost the replay. They will be doing their best to break that replay jinx. Armagh will be making a brave bid to take the title for the first time.



Galway Goalkeeper Tracey Laheen is challenged by Linda Mellerick.

points, one from a sideline cut and the other from a free seventy metres out, to leave the score at half-time: Cork 1-7, Galway 1-5.

After the interval, Claire Lynch cut the leeway to a point. At this stage Galway's Captain Deirdre Costello was replaced by Olivia Broderick who pointed almost immediately. It was then that the Champions seemed to find their true form, Sandy Fitzgibbon finding more space at centre field for Cork, and despite a few wides Cork went three points ahead 1-10 to 1-7.

Their keeper, Kathleen Costine sensationally saved two point blank shots at goal by Claire Lynch. Minutes later the Galway goalie Tracy Laheen saved a lethal Linda Mellerick shot, only to have the ball deflected to the net by Lynn Dunlea. Liz Towler consolidated the lead with a point immediately afterwards. The Champions were now seven points in front and their defence became a stonewall. Centre-back Therese O'Callaghan had an outstanding game throughout. Imelda Hobbins pointed for Galway. Further scores from Cork's Colette O'Mahoney and Fiona O'Driscoll were followed by a third goal. Following a melee in the parallelogram it looked as if Lynn Dunlea had completed her hat trick of goals, but it was substitute Irene O'Keefe who kicked to the net.

Cork was coasting to victory and further points by Sandy Fitzgibbon and Denise Cronin meant that the last minute goal by Galway substitute Bridgid Fahy was a consolation.

The O'Duffy Cup was presented to captain Linda Mellerick by An t-Uachtaran Bridin Uí Mhaolagáin. Linda is the second Glen Rovers captain to receive the cup. Sandy

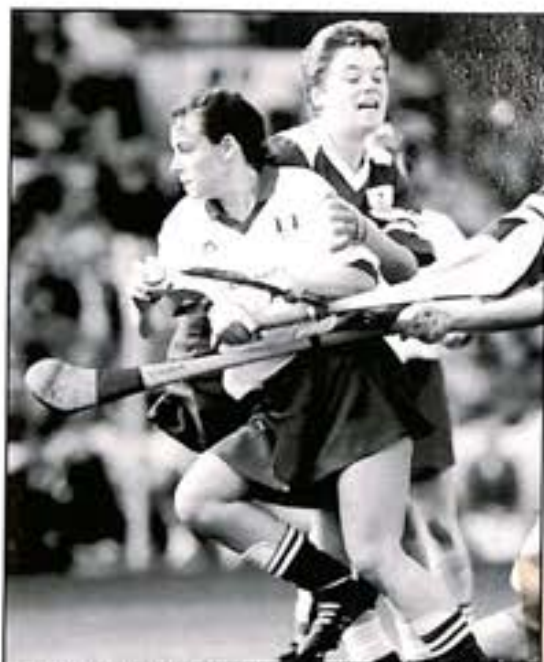
**Galway:** Tracey Laheen, Sheila Coen, Carmel Allen, Brid Stratford, Pamela Nevin, Imelda Maher, Sharon Glynn 0-2, Dymphna Maher 0-1, Anne Ryan 0-1, Deirdre Costello Capt, Imelda Hobbins 0-1, Claire Lynch 1-2. Subs: Olivia Broderick 0-1 for D. Costello, Bridgid Fahy 1-0 for I. Maher. Referee: Miriam O'Callaghan, Offaly.

**In Junior Galway and Armagh must meet again.** Despite a personal tally of 1-8 by Galway's star forward Martina Harkin, it took a last-minute goal by Carmel Hannon to earn Galway a draw against Armagh in this All-Ireland final also played at Croke Park. The score was tied at 3-9 each.

Armagh, the League Champions, were favourites to take the title, but did not produce their National League form. They allowed this young Galway squad, who were hungry for victory to dictate matters in the first half, and it looked as if the Connacht side were going to take the title. At half-time they led by 2 goals with the scoreline of 2-6 to 0-6.

After the re-start, Armagh came out fighting, two points by Captain Ursula McGovern followed by a well-taken goal by Patricia McEvoy put them right back in contention. It was a ding dong struggle as Galway added two further points to give them a three-point lead 2-8 to 1-8. Back came Armagh with a goal by super sub Theresa McNally, to leave them all square. As the tension mounted, the sides traded points. Patricia McEvoy goaled again in the final minute and it looked as if Armagh were about to take their first title, when the dramatic equaliser came by Galway's Carmel Hannon.

**Galway Team & Scorers:** Anne Broderick, Deirdre Hardiman, Olive Costello, Cairiona Finnegan, Yvonne



Lynn Dunlea makes a determined bid to elude Galway's Tracey Laheen.



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## CAMOGIE FINALS REVIEW

# Cork Had The Edge In Experience And Craft

**"As cooler breezes tell of summer fading  
My heart with you into the Heaven's will soar...."**

By Bridin  
Ui-Mhaolagain



On the fourth Sunday in September many hearts did soar in Croke Park - despite the sad sight of the Cusack Stand as the "Old man" cast one last longing lingering look behind. This year's encounter between Galway and Armagh in the Junior Camogie final gave an enthusiastic crowd of almost 9,000 spectators value for money and a golden day to remember.

The opening game was a nail biting affair which could have gone either way right to the final whistle. Such was the frantic pace with no quarter being asked for or given that Marty Morrissey was heard to say during his commentary "God forgive me but I hope it's a draw"....It was: 3-9, 3-9.

The senior final may have been less spectacular but it was a hard fought, tough encounter between two experienced teams, - Cork always having the edge in both experience and craft. This is not in any way to belittle the contribution of a magnificent young talented Galway side. The Cork girls have tasted success and are reluctant to relinquish the Trophy.

A measure of the talent that abounds in this team can be appreciated when one reflects on the majestic run of Liz Towler from the half-back line up the field to score a magnificent point. This kind of play coming from so many of the Cork players eventually took its toll on their rivals and the "O'Duffy Cup" went back to "the Banks" for a second year in a row. Final score: 3-15, 2-8.

### COMMITMENT

The level of skill, speed, team work and commitment displayed by teams was just reward for coaches, Cyril Farrell and Joe McGrath.

Consider that Theresa O'Callaghan, of Cork broke a leg last March and fought back to be fit and succeeded in giving an excellent account of herself and that Sharon Glynn from Galway had a car accident some time ago and surpassed herself with a magnificent display at centre field: in particular her

side line cuts one of which crossed the bar to the astonishment of the enthralled spectators.

Emer and Deirdre Hardiman of the Mullagh Club are both holders of All-Ireland medals with St. Raphael's College. Indeed the Galway panels boast seven sets of sisters. Captain Deirdre Costello, whose sister Olive was on the Junior team, played more than a captain's role in the administrative preparation for the two county teams.

Denise Gilligan, lone representative of Craughwell Club, at 15 years young confounded some critics who said she was too young, by scoring a goal and a point and creating other chances.

Armagh had their share of extraordinary players. Joan Green married Mr. French on the eve of the final - some honeymoon - above and beyond the call of duty. The stork visited super-sub Olive Loughran six weeks ago and brought a new camogie player. Donna McCusker, listed as No. 15, scored a superb goal in the No. 16 jersey while Patricia McEvoy of Crossmaglen combined skilfully with "Speedy" Bridie McBride to score 2 excellent goals.

Not surprisingly Cork's victorious team received a tumultuous reception at Mallow station. Iarnrod Eireann sup-

plied a red and white cake, and Denise Cronin, one of the centre field stars, rested her blistered toes on an open topped bus - accompanied by super star Sandie Fitzgibbon and sharp shooters Lynn Dunlea, 2-1 and Colette O'Mahony 0-6 and the superb group of players and mentors, well escorted by the Gardai and pipe bands to a welcoming platform where Bishop Buckley, and GAA personalities Frank Murphy, Tony O'Mahony and C.C.G. officials addressed them. Nice touch GAA.

I was very proud to see the level of comradery displayed between the players after the games. One thing that struck me forcibly was the way in which the Galway girls, after being defeated and obviously suffering great disappointment, fought their way through the crowds to congratulate the Cork victors. They formed a guard of honour for the Cork team as they "boarded the south bound train at Heuston Station. Most gracious in defeat they are a credit to themselves, their county, their mentors and to Cumann Camogaiochta na nGael.

### ANOTHER THRILLER

With the replay of the Junior Final set for decision on October 10th in Breffni Park, Cavan, we eagerly await another thrilling encounter between Galway and Armagh. Both counties need an All-Ireland win. Maybe Galway needs it more. Tremendous work has been done in Galway in recent years at every level and one wonders when the pay-off will come. Having contested so many All-Irelands this year, what must they do to win one?

Having said that, Armagh are a good experienced team. They defeated Dublin convincingly in the League final and took Corn De Burca to the Orchard county. They will not be found wanting in their endeavours to bring another All-Ireland cup back to Ulster to join "Sam".

Singular honours were bestowed on Cork Captain Linda Melerick when she was awarded "player of the match" and presented with a gold watch by R.T.E. at the Banquet in the Grand in Malahide.



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# CAMOGIE WORLD

BY P.J. FULHAM

**A**s the Club Championship progresses in Leinster, Marino of Dublin had a convincing win over Meath's Killyon in the semi final at Killyon. The Dublin girls proved more experienced and led 2-4 to 0-4 at the break. Killyon played well but never posed a threat to the Dubliners who ran out easy winners 4-11 to 1-5. Scorers: Marino: Mairead Coyle 2-5, Carmel O'Byrne 1-3, Adrienne McGovern 1-0, Denise O'Leary 0-2, Patricia Clinton 0-1. Killyon: Sharon Ralleigh 0-4, Siobhan Gannon 1-0, Jackie Maher 0-1. Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

## Club Championship Progress In Leinster

The competition was very strong in Antrim this year. It took a replay to separate them from Dunloy. One of their stars, Grace McMullan hold two Ashbourne Cup medals with Ulster University Jordanstown. The winners meet the Connacht champions in the All-Ireland

semi final.

In Munster, the All-Ireland champions Glen Rovers, Cork meet Wolfe Tones, Shannon, Clare. Glen Rovers will be boosted by All-Ireland Senior county stars Sandy Fitzgibbon, Linda Mellerick, Therese O'Callaghan, Denise Cronin, Lyn and Stephanie Dunlea, while Wolfe Tones will feature All-Ireland Intermediate medal holders 1993: Aine McCormack, Debbie McDonagh, Marion Costelloe, Sylvia O'Brien, Frances Phelan and Moire McMahon. It should be a tough tussle with the winner going forward to meet the London champions, Tara in the All-Ireland quarter final.

In the other semi final Lisdowney, Kilkenny got their ticket to the final when they had an impressive win over Oulart, Wexford at Lisdowney. The home side were dominant throughout and clinched the issue on a score of 4-10 to 2-6.

In the Ulster semi finals Loughgiel, Antrim had a one point victory over Castleblayney, Monaghan. The teams were evenly matched on all parts of the field but the experience of Loughgiel's Grace McMullen proved the deciding factor. Final score: Loughgiel 5-5, Castleblayney 3-10. Scorers: Loughgiel: Grace McMullen 3-3, Rosie Butler 1-2, Lynette Connolly 1-0, Marie Conway 0-1. Castleblayney: Lisa O'Halloran 1-7, Pauleen Devlin, Rosemary Merry 1-0 each, Mary McGovern and Michelle McArdle 0-1 each.

Bellaghy, Derry had two points to spare over the Down champions Leitrim Fontenoys in the other semi final. This was a marvellous close sporting encounter throughout. Final score: Bellaghy 5-5, Leitrim Fontenoys 4-6. Scorers: Bellaghy: Angela Lee 2-0, Mary Woulahan, Monica Woulahan and Emer Lee 1-0 each, Brona Birt 0-4, Karen Lee 0-1. Leitrim: Marin O'Higgins 2-0, Mairin McAleenan 1-2, Bernie Kelly 1-0, Isobel Oakes 0-3, Lisa Cunningham 0-1. In Munster semi finals, Glen Rovers, Cork had a convincing win over Grange/Ballingarry, Limerick 4-18 to 3-3 while Wolfe Tones, Shannon, Clare had a similar victory over Lismore, Waterford 6-12 to 0-2.

This weekend sees three provincial Senior Club Championship finals down for decision. In Leinster, Lisdowney, Kilkenny travel to take on Marino, Dublin. This is both clubs second appearance in a Leinster club final. Four Dublin clubs have won both Leinster and the All-Ireland on five occasions. Marino have a very skilful experienced side and with quite a number of Senior County players: Patsy Murphy, Patricia Clinton, Denise O'Leary, Carmel O'Byrne, Adrienne McGovern, they should provide stiff opposition for Lisdowney who benefited from St. Paul's who disbanded two years ago.

St. Pauls had been successful for Kilkenny down the years, winning twelve Leinster and eight All-Ireland titles. The talented Angela Downey/Browne and Anne Downey figured in five of St. Paul's All-Ireland successes and together with Senior county players Marina Downey, Claire Jones and Noelle O'Driscoll they should provide an enthralling contest for the Conway Cup. Lisdowney Panel: Veronica Wall, Caroline Glendon, Brigid Wall, Brigid Barnaville, Olivia Donnelly, Marina Downey, Claire Jones, Anne Marie Hughes, Anne Dunne, Catherine Dunne, Angela Downey/Browne, Anne Downey, Fionola Gray, Sandra Gleeson, Mary Brennan, Noelle O'Driscoll, Lizzie Fogarty, Deirdre Delaney. Marino Panel: Mary Regan, Patricia Murphy, Helan Drumgoole, Roisin Brady, Patricia Clinton, Denise O'Leary, Geraldine Carr, Adrienne McGovern, Mairead Coyle, Carmel O'Byrne, Sinead Power, Patricia Hale, Noreen Boland, Karen Murray, Soyna O'Byrne, Niamh Power, Niamh Hayes.

In Ulster, Bellaghy, Derry meet Loughgiel, Antrim. Bellaghy won the Ulster Senior Championship in 1970. Loughgiel have never been successful in Ulster. With spirits running high after Derry winning the All-Ireland Football, the Cailini of Bellaghy will be making a brave bid for All-Ireland honours. Loughgiel are a strong team.

### WEEKEND FIXTURES

Saturday October 2nd: Munster Club Championship Final at Glen Rovers  
Glen Rovers, Cork v Wolfe Tones, Clare 4 p.m.  
Sunday 3rd: Championship Final at Bellaghy  
Bellaghy, Derry v Loughgiel, Antrim 2 p.m.  
Leinster Club Championship Final at St. Vincent's Park Dublin  
Marino, Dublin v Lisdowney, Kilkenny 2 p.m.  
Referee: John Pender, Kildare  
Leinster B League  
At Portlaoise: Laoise v Meath 2 p.m.  
At Turin: Westmeath v Offaly.



Bridin Uí Mhaolagáin, Uachtarán Cumann Camogaíochta na nGael presents the Antrim Senior Cup to Loughgiel captain Imelda Gillen after the county final replay versus Dunloy



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# CAMOGIE WORLD

**L**isdowney, Kilkenny, took their first Leinster Club Championship title when they warded off a strong challenge from Marino, Dublin in this final played at St. Vincents Park. It was a good exciting tussle despite the atrocious weather conditions. The winners were well in command in the first half and led 4-2 to 0-4 at the break. Marino turning over with a strong wind in their favour, got to grips with the game and with minutes remaining only one point separated the sides, until Angela Downey-Browne conjured up a brilliant goal to clinch the issue for Lisdowney. Final score Lisdowney 6-6, Marino 4-8.

Scorers: Lisdowney: Angela Downey-Browne 3-2, Anne Marie Hughes 2-0, Ann Downey 1-2, Marina Downey 0-2, Marino: Mairead Coyle 1-6, Carmel O'Byrne 2-1, Sinead Carr 1-0, Denise O'Leary 0-1. Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

Loughgiel, Antrim secured their first Ulster Club Championship title with a convincing win over Bellaghy, Derry in this final played at Bellaghy. At half time the winners led 1-5 to 0-2. In the second half, although Bellaghy tried hard Loughgiel were never worried and ran out winners on a score of 5-7 to 1-6. Scorers: Loughgiel: Grace McMullen 2-6, Rosie Butler 1-1, Rosie Watson and Lynette Connolly 1-0 each. Bellaghy: Karen Lee 0-5, Angela Lee 1-0, Mary Woulahan 0-1. Referee: Belle O'Loughlin, Down.

Glen Rovers, Cork, the All-Ireland Club Champions had an impressive win over Wolfe Tones, Clare in the Munster Club Championship final. The champions had their homework done in the first half, leading 5-6 to 0-1.

Full time score: Glen Rovers 5-11, Wolfe Tones 0-3.

Prominent for the winners were Linda Mellerick, Cork Senior County Captain, Lynn Dunlea, Therese O'Callaghan, and Deirdre McCarthy. Best for Wolfe Tones were Debbie Kelly, Debbie McDonagh, Moira McMahon and Frances Phelan.

Offaly, the holders, collected their first brace of points in the Leinster League when they recorded victory over Westmeath in this match played at Turin, Westmeath. After a sparkling first half the winners led 2-6 to 2-3. Westmeath cut the leeway by a point just after the turnover, but this was to be their last score of the game. They missed many chances while Offaly coasted to victory on a score of 2-10 to 2-4. Scorers: Offaly: Michelle Davis 1-3, Geraldine Mahon 0-6, Caroline McCarthy 1-0, Margaret Lynch 0-1. Westmeath: Annette Heffernan 1-3, Yvette Cully 1-0, Aileen Lawlor 0-1. Referee: Breda McKenna, Meath.

On Saturday next, Glen Rovers host London champions Tara in the All-Ireland Club Championship quarter final. After Cork winning the All-Ireland for the second time back to back 'The Glens' spirits are high and the London

## Lisdowney take their first Leinster Club Championship

champions should pose no problem for them.

The winners have the venue against Lisdowney in the semi-final on November 7th. On the same date Loughgiel travel to the Connacht champions, who are not yet known as the Championship was delayed due to Galway's involvement in the All-Ireland.

There is very little activity on the playing field this weekend. In Leinster 'The Milk Cup'

Tournament quarter finals take

place on Sunday. This Tournament involves the County Championship winners and runners-up from Louth, Meath, Kildare and Westmeath.

The Colleges competitions will be commencing shortly. Leinster Post Primary Schools Council Secretary, Brendan Williams, is making an all-out effort to get more schools involved in competition. The Council runs a total of six Competitions. All are run on an integrated basis which means that entry is open to all Secondary, Vocational, Community and Comprehensive Schools, subject to the following age limits. Senior, Senior B and Intermediate Under 20 on July 1st 1993, Junior Under 15 on July 1st 1993, Minor, all first and second year students (except repeat second years), seven-a-side Under 16 on July 1st 1993.

Leinster is divided into eleven zones as follows: Carlow/Laois, Dublin North, Dublin South, Kildare, North Kilkenny, South Kilkenny, Longford/Westmeath, Louth/Meath, Offaly, Wexford and Wicklow. Each school plays in a Senior and/or Junior League within their own zone in October, and a Minor League in their zone in March. Thereafter, the top team in Junior and Minor and the top two in Senior enter the knockout Leinster Championship, the draws for which are made in advance.

In the Senior League, the teams finishing third or lower in their zone can apply to enter either the Senior B or Intermediate Championship. However, it is at the Councils discretion to regrade teams based on the number of teams which participated in the zone, previous records or on the strength of Camogie in the school, these two Championships begin in March. The seven-a-side competition is run on a blitz basis at Easter. The Senior A and Junior Leinster champions as well as both seven-a-side finalists participate in the All-Ireland series.

### Fixtures:

Saturday 16th All-Ireland Club C. quarter-final at Glen Rovers, Cork:

Glen Rovers v Tara, London 3p.m. Referee: Jane Beatty, Galway.

Milk Cup quarter-finals Sunday 17th at 2p.m. First named have venue.

St. Annes, Louth v Kilkerley, Louth. Moorefield, Kildare v Trim, Meath. Sarsfield, Kildare v Killyon, Meath. St. Munnas, Westmeath v Crookedwood.

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## LONDON SENIOR CAMOGIE CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL TARA 2 - 5 LONDON IRISH 9 - 4

Taras captured an incredible five in a row London Camogie titles in Parnell Park on Sunday Sept 5th. London Irish, who had beaten Taras earlier in the season, showed promising signs early on. The low half time scoreline of 0-2 to 0-1 in favour of Irish wasn't a true reflection on the fast skilful tempo set by both sides in the opening period.

An early second half Taras goal turned the game around and the champions never looked back. Stephenson, Kelly, and Freany added further points as the experienced Taras turned the screw. Breda Donoghue lorded at midfield while Margaret Clarke and Kay Kelly kept the Taras solid at the back. London Irish should be proud of their contribution to a competitive game and Deirdre Moroney, Gabrielle Hussey, Terry Finn and Cait O'Dwyer all made a big impact.

A late goal by Majella Martin captured the intermediate title for Pearses. Setanta seemed to have done enough as the game entered its final minutes but the last gasp goal sent Pearses through on a scoreline of 3 - 1 to 1 - 5.

## ALL-IRELAND JUNIOR CAMOGIE FINAL REPLAY

At Breffni Park

ARMAGH ..... 2-10  
GALWAY ..... 0-6

Armagh: M. McKee, M. Moriarty, S. McCone, C. McGeary, O. Murphy, C. Bynes (0-1), M. Black (0-1), A. Lennon (0-1), B. McBride, U. McGivern (0-3), D. McCusker (0-2). Subs: Mary Donnelly (1-0) for U. McGivern, Mairead Donnelly for B. McBride, O. McGeown for C. Bynes.

Galway: A. Broderick, D. Hardiman, O. Costello, C. Finnegan, Y. Larkin, C. Hannon, C. Curley, T. Fallon (0-2), D. Gilligan, E. Hardiman, U. Hannon, M. Harkin (0-4). Subs: M. Kennedy for D. Gilligan, F. Ryan for U. Hannon. Referee: B. McPhillips (Tipperary).

## CAMOGIE

LISDOWNEY ..... 6-6 MARINO ..... 4-8

A LAST minute goal from the peerless Angela Downey clinched a thrilling victory for Kilkenny champions Lisdowney in the Leinster Senior Club final at Pairc Uí Uinsíne yesterday. Ten points adrift at the interval, Marino staged a brave second half rally to trail by only one point, 5-6 to 4-8, with time almost up.

However, the irrepressible Downey then intervened to somehow shrug off the challenges of three defenders and fire home her fourth goal of the game. The Kilkenny star finished with a personal tally of four goals and two points to her credit and, just for good measure, her sisters Ann and Marina also weighed in with 1-2 and 0-2 respectively.

SCORERS — Lisdowney: Angela Downey 4-2, Ann Downey 1-2, A. M. Hughes 1-0, M. Downey 0-2. Marino: L. Lynch 2-1, M. Coyle 1-5, S. Power 1-0, D. O'Leary and G. Carr 0-1 each.

Ulster Senior Club final — Loughglad, Antrim 5-7, Bellaghy, Derry 1-6. Munster Club Senior Championship final — Glen Rovers, Cork 5-11, Wolfe Tones, Clare 0-3. Leinster League — Otaly 2-10, Westmeath 2-4.

## THIS WEEK

50 YEARS AGO

A record attendance for 9,138 spectators paid £340 to see Dublin retain their All-Ireland Senior Camogie Championship title when they had a decisive 8-0 to 1-1 win over Cork in the final at Croke Park, though the scoreline in no way reflects the efforts of the Cork girls during the game. The Cork team was — E. Lyons, M. O'Leary, M. Cashman, N. Hegarty, M. Fitzgerald, K. Buckley, M. Hobbs, K. Coughlan, K. Barry, P. Hegarty, E. Casey, S. Kelleher. Substitute: M. Vallely.

## Glen go on rampage

By Tom Higgins

Glen Rovers (Cork) 5-11  
Wolfe Tones (Shannon) 0-2.

GLEN ROVERS moved a step nearer retaining their All-Ireland Senior Club camogie title with an easy win over Wolfe Tones in the Munster final at the Glen Field, Cork on Saturday.

Despite playing against a strong wind in the opening half the holders turned over leading by 5-7 to 0-1 at the break and in a very lack-lustre second half were always in control, despite taking off three of their All-Ireland winning Cork players.

The home side got off to a great start and were 2-3 to 0-1 up after 12 minutes and never let up to build up a comprehensive lead at the break.

The Clare champions tried hard but nothing went right for them as a hard tackling Glen defence, in which Mary Ring and Sandie Fitzgibbon were superb, closed them down.

The Glen controlled midfield and with Therese O'Callaghan, Denise Cronin and Patricia Murphy setting up some excellent movements for the forwards the Wolfe Tones defence was under constant pressure.

Scorers — Glen Rovers: L. Dunlea 2-5 (0-3 frees, 0-2 '30s'), G. McCarthy 1-2 (0-1 free), L. Mellerick 1-1, C. McCarthy 1-1, T. O'Callaghan 0-2. Wolfe Tones: D. Joyce and M. McMahon 0-1 each.

GLEN ROVERS: M. O'Leary; M. Ring; S. McCarthy, S. Fitzgibbon, D. Deane (capt); D. Cronin, T. O'Callaghan, P. Murphy; L. Mellerick, L. Dunlea, G. McCarthy; C. McCarthy. Subs: M. Currid for S. Fitzgibbon, Y. McCarthy for L. Dunlea, M. Kennedy for D. Cronin.

WOLFE TONES: A. Ni Cormaic; P. Diviney (capt); M. Costello, D. Kelly, D. McDonagh; D. Joyce, F. Phelan, K. Simon; S. O'Brien, C. Lennon, M. McMahon; K. De Claremont. Subs: D. McGittrick for F. Phelan, C. Howard for D. McDonagh, U. McInerney for C. Lennon. Ref: K. McPhillips (Tipperary).



Mrs. Bernarde Powell, wife of Frontier Meats chief Larry Powell also a fine sportsperson having won an All-Ireland camogie medal with Down in the past



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# CAMOGIE WORLD

**A**rmagh secured their first All-Ireland Junior Championship Title when they defeated Galway in the replay at Breffni Park, Cavan. This was a historic occasion as Armagh took the Crown to add to their National League title. The huge crowd witnessed tremendous excitement by Armagh supporters who turned out in style. The Armagh girls gave a star performance, and were much sharper than in the drawn game. Galway tried hard, but came up against a strong Armagh rearguard. Armagh goalie Margaret McKee denied them on numerous occasions. The young Galway side found it difficult to cope with the Ulster Champions who were hungry for victory, and seemed to be at home in Breffni Park.

However, Galway were well in the game in the first half. Armagh were first to score, a goal within 20 seconds of the throw-in. The ball broke loose to Donna McCusker whose shot was blocked down by Galway's goalie, Ann Broderick into the path of the incoming Patricia McEvoy who landed it in the net. Minutes later Galway had their first score when Martina Harkins pointed from a free. Armagh replied with a well taken point from play by Patricia McEvoy. After an end to end struggle the sides exchanged points again. Galway were looking good when Ursula Hannon pointed leaving the score after ten minutes of play Armagh 1-2, Galway 0-4.

After some valuable scoring chances being missed by both sides, Mary Black and Martina Harkins exchanged points, but Martina's point was to be Galway's last in this half after 15 minutes of play, while Armagh notched up a further four points to leave the half time score; Armagh 1-7, Galway 0-5. On the resumption Ursula McGivern and Bernie McBride scored two points. For the next 13 minutes both sides failed to register a score, during this time lady luck seemed to desert the Galway girls. They missed an open goal and failed to convert three close-in frees. They had most of the play during this period. The icing on the cake came for Armagh on the 19th minute when substitute Mary Donnelly collected a pass from Aine Lennon and sent a sizzling ball to the net. Galway's only score in this half came almost immediately a point by Ursula Hannon. Armagh's Aine Lennon had the last say when she raised a white flag to leave the full time score; Armagh 2-10, Galway 0-6.

Armagh team and scorers: Margaret McKee, Margaret Moriarity, Sally McCone, Celine McGreary, Orlagh Murphy, Colette Byrne (0-1), Mary Black (0-1), Aine Lennon (0-1), Bernie McBride (0-2), Ursula McGivern Capt. (0-3), Donna McCusker, Patricia McEvoy (1-2). Subs: Mary Donnelly (1-0) for U. McGivern, Mairead Donnelly for B. McBride, Olive McGeown for C. Byrnes.

Galway: Anne Broderick, Deirdre Hardiman, Olive Costello, Caitriona Finnegan, Yvonne Larkin, Carmel Hannon Capt. (0-2), Martina Harkins (0-

## ARMAGH TAKE FIRST JUNIOR CROWN

4). Subs: Fiona Ryan for U. Hannon, Madge Kennedy for D. Gilligan.

Referee: Biddy Phillips, Tipperary.

Cavan Camogie Board and their Committee are to be complimented on the way they produced all facilities for the final. Cavan ladies take a bow. Kilkenny secured their first brace of points in the National Junior League when they overcame

Clare in an excellent game of Camogie played at Wolfe Tones, Shannon. The first half was very closely contested, great defensive work by both sides limited the scores to 0-2 each at the break. Shortly after the resumption, Kilkenny got through for two quick goals by Mairead Costello and Mary Rose Ryan and 0-1 by Marie Maher put them seven points up. Clare shot back with a goal by Geraldine O'Grady, followed by points by Orla Slattery and Debbie Kelly. It was an end to end struggle before Sinead Costello got the last score of the game 0-1 for Kilkenny, to leave the full-time score; Kilkenny 2-5, Clare 1-5.

Kilkenny Scorers: Sinead Costello 0-4, Mary Rose Ryan and Mairead Costello 1-0 each, Marie Maher 0-1. Clare: Geraldine O'Grady 1-1, Orla Slattery 0-3, Debbie Kelly 0-1. Referee: Patricia Twomey, Limerick.

On Sunday next there are two fixtures down for decision in the National Junior League. Kildare host Monaghan. Monaghan did well in the Ulster Championship this year and were beaten by Armagh in the final. They did not take part in the National League last year. It is a new venture for them

this year playing their first 15 aside. They have some very good performers which include Rosemary Merry, Geraldine Duff and Frances Byrne. Kildare will be boosted by the regrading from Senior of Miriam Malone and Marianne Feeney. They also have prominent players in Nuala Kerrigan, Aisling Tracey, Sharon Browne and Liz Doran. It should be an entertaining tussle with Kildare favourites to take the points on home ground, however Monaghan cannot be underestimated. Tipperary host Cork in what should be an excellent encounter. When the sides met in the Munster Championship, Cork were tops on a score of 3-10 to 1-8. Since then, the Leesiders have lost Lynn Dunlea, Eibhlin Healy, Hilda Kenneally and Anne Golden. Tipperary will be depending on the services of Orla Horgan, Claire Egan, Catherine Burke, Nessa O'Dwyer and Martina Ryan. This one should go all the way to the wire.

There are twenty counties taking part in the National Junior League. The following are the zones: Zone A. Kilkenny, Clare, Galway, Limerick and Offaly. Zone B. Carlow, Cork, Wexford, Waterford and Tipperary. Zone C. Armagh, Dublin, Cavan, Kildare and Monaghan. Zone D. Antrim, Derry, Down, Donegal and Tyrone.

The top two teams from each zone go through to the quarter finals. There will be four quarter finals, two semi finals and a final.

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Biddy Phillips, Tipperary, who refereed the All-Ireland Junior Championship final



# Cork juniors in action

THE Cork junior team will go into action for the first time this coming weekend since their All-Ireland semi-final defeat against Galway when they play Tipperary in the opening round of the National Junior League at Kilcolman grounds tomorrow at 1 p.m.

At local level pick of the games will be the clash of St. Vincents and St. Finbarrs in the final of the Under-14 'A' League while the remainder of the weekend will see two Under-16 Championship games decided as well as a number of Senior and Junior League games.

Because of the Bank Holiday Weekend a number of regular players are unavailable for the Cork junior team for tomorrow's clash against Tipperary. Goalkeeper Lilian Twomey, Ann Brady, Diane Deane, Patricia Murphy and Vera Motherway are all unavailable and it certainly will be no easy task to find replacements for these players.

However the selectors will use this game to try out a number of new players. At the time of writing the team had not been finalised but will include regulars Colette Crocin, Brid Kelleher, Niamh O'Regan and Hilda Kenneally. Other players likely to be included will be St. Finbarr's Deirdre Clarke, goalkeeper Marie Connolly from Cobb and Karen Mellerick from Brian Dillons who is making a welcome return to the inter-county scene.

At club level we should have a cracking contest in store when St. Vincents and St. Finbarrs clash in the final of the Under-14 'A' at Ballincollig on Monday evening. Both teams have come through their respective sections undefeated but on recent form St. Vincents will no doubt go into this game as favourites. They are a strong all-round side and were fancied by many to take this year's Feile Na nGael title.

However they were defeated by a very determined Aghabullogue side in the final and as a result will no doubt be very anxious to make amends for this defeat on Monday. Spearheaded by players like Donna O'Leary, Orla O'Shea, Leanne Dowling, Sandra Ricken and Regina O'Mahony, they will no doubt provide stiff opposition for St. Finbarrs.

The Barrs will have other ideas about this and they will go into this game with every confidence. They have fine players in Barbara Ann Corcoran who captains the side, Laura Kelleher, Aoife Fitzpatrick, Maria McCarthy, April Dawson and Natasha Nash and if these girls produce the goods it could be neck and neck to the final whistle.

In the remaining games of the weekend Inniscarra should have too much in hand for Courcey Rovers when the clash at Ballinspittle tomorrow in the Under-16 'B2' Championship; Tracton should have the edge over Grenagh.

## FIXTURES

### TOMORROW

National Junior League — Cork v Tipperary at Kilcolman Grounds at 1 p.m.

Under-16 'A' Championship — Inniscarra v Courcey Rovers at Courcey Rovers at 2.30 p.m. (referee from Bandon).

Under-16 'B' Championship — Tracton v Grenagh at Tracton at 11.30 a.m. (Ballygarvan).

Intermediate League '93 — Castlemagner v Eire Og at Castlemagner at 3 p.m. (Inniscarra).

Senior League — Aghabullogue v Na Piarasigh v Aghabullogue at 12 noon (Eire Og); Sarsfields v Cloughduv at Cloughduv at 3.30 (Aghabullogue); Kilbrittain v Fr. O'Neills at Fr. O'Neills at 3.30 p.m. (Killeagh).

Junior 'A' League '93 — Glen Rovers v Watergrasshill at Watergrasshill at 3 p.m. (Sarsfields); Newcestown v St. Catherine's at St. Catherine's at 3.30 p.m. (Fernoy); Blackrock v Barryroe at Blackrock at 3.30 p.m. (Delaney's); Douglas v Ballinora at Douglas at 3.30 p.m. (Bishopstons).

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

Under-14 'A' League Final — St. Finbarrs v St. Vincents at Ballincollig at 4 p.m.

# Hogan goals save Tipp

Tipperary 4-3 Cork 3-3

TWO goals in the last 10 minutes gave Tipperary a hard-earned win over Cork in an exciting national junior league tie at Kilcolman yesterday.

Cork enjoyed the slight advantage in the first-half and with a Bernice Cashman goal and a Hilda Kenneally point led 1-1 to 1-0 at the interval, Tipperary's goal coming from Orla Hogan.

Cork got on top in the third quarter and extended their lead with a brace of goals by Patricia Kearney. Tipperary never lost their composure however and in an exciting finish Aine Hogan was their saviour hitting two goals to give them victory.

Scorers — Tipperary: A. Hogan 2 goals. O. Hogan 1-2. P. Bulfin 1-1.

Cork: P. Kearney 2 goals, B. Cashman 1-2, H. Kenneally 0-1.

Tipperary: N Dwane, A Hayes, B Morris, M. Hogan, E. Carroll, P. Loughnane, M Cahalane, P. Bulfin, A. Barry, O. Hogan, N O'Dwyer, C. Egan, L. Carroll, Hogan, D. Tuohy, two subs O. Crampton for Carroll, M Bulfin for Tuohy.

Cork: L. Nolan, A. O'Leary, S. Barrett, F. Calanan, M. Deasy, M. Lucy, J. Duffy, I. Mc Sweeney, C. O'Callaghan, C. Lynch, K. Foley, V. Harris, S. Shields, G. Hannon, S. O'Brien. Referee M. Pollard Waterford.

# Surprise victory for Tracton

Tracton 3-2 Valley Rover 2-2

TRACTON scored a surprise win over Valley Rovers in the Junior "B" camogie final at Ballygarvan yesterday. Rovers should have won this game handily but they came up against a determined Tracton side who never gave up trying.

Valley Rovers started in determined style and had a point from a free from Bernie Shiels after two minutes. However, a lapse in defence left Nollagh Harrington in for a Tracton goal in the fifth minute.

Valley Rovers did continue to dominate but poor shooting cost them dearly. Then, in the 11th minute, after Valley Rovers had shot one of their six wides in the opening half, a long puck out by Criona Desmond was caught by Catherine Coughlan and she gave goalkeeper Sharon Shiels no chance from close range to extend Tracton's lead.

But four minutes from half-time Valley Rovers were rewarded with a goal. A free from forty meters by Bernie Shiels came back off the post and Sinead Hallahan was on hand to finish it to the net to leave the half-

time score 2-0 to 1-1 in favour of Tracton.

Valley Rovers camped in the Tracton half in the opening eight minutes of the second-half but failed to add to their tally. Then in a quick breakaway Tracton went further ahead when Catherine Coughlan kicked home a goal in the 36th minute and they looked safe when Coughlan (43rd) and Nollagh Harrington (49th minute) added points.

But Valley Rovers put in a storming finish and a goal from Michelle Shiels three minutes from time and a point from Sinead Walsh a minute later put them back in the game. However, they could not get the vital goal.

Scorers for Tracton: C Coughlan 2-1 (O-1 free), N Harrington 1-1.

Valley Rovers: S Hallahan 1-0, M Shiels 1-0, B Shiels 0-1 (free), S Walsh 0-1.

TRACTON: S Crowley; C Desmond; C Walsh, C Twomey, M Desmond; O Kingston, M Walsh, J Lyons; R Kingston, N Lynch, N Harrington; C Coughlan.

VALLEY ROVERS: S Shiels; E McCarthy; F Callanan, C O'Mahony, C O'Riordan; M Halpin, S Burke, H Bugler; C Shiels, B Shiels, S Hallahan; M Shiels; Subs. F O'Mahony for S Burke (45th minute), J McCarthy for C Shiels (50th minute).

## 50 YEARS AGO

COVE won the Cork County Intermediate Camogie Championship title as a result of their hard fought 6-0 to 4-1 win over Douglas in the final at the Tivoli Sportsfield in Cork.

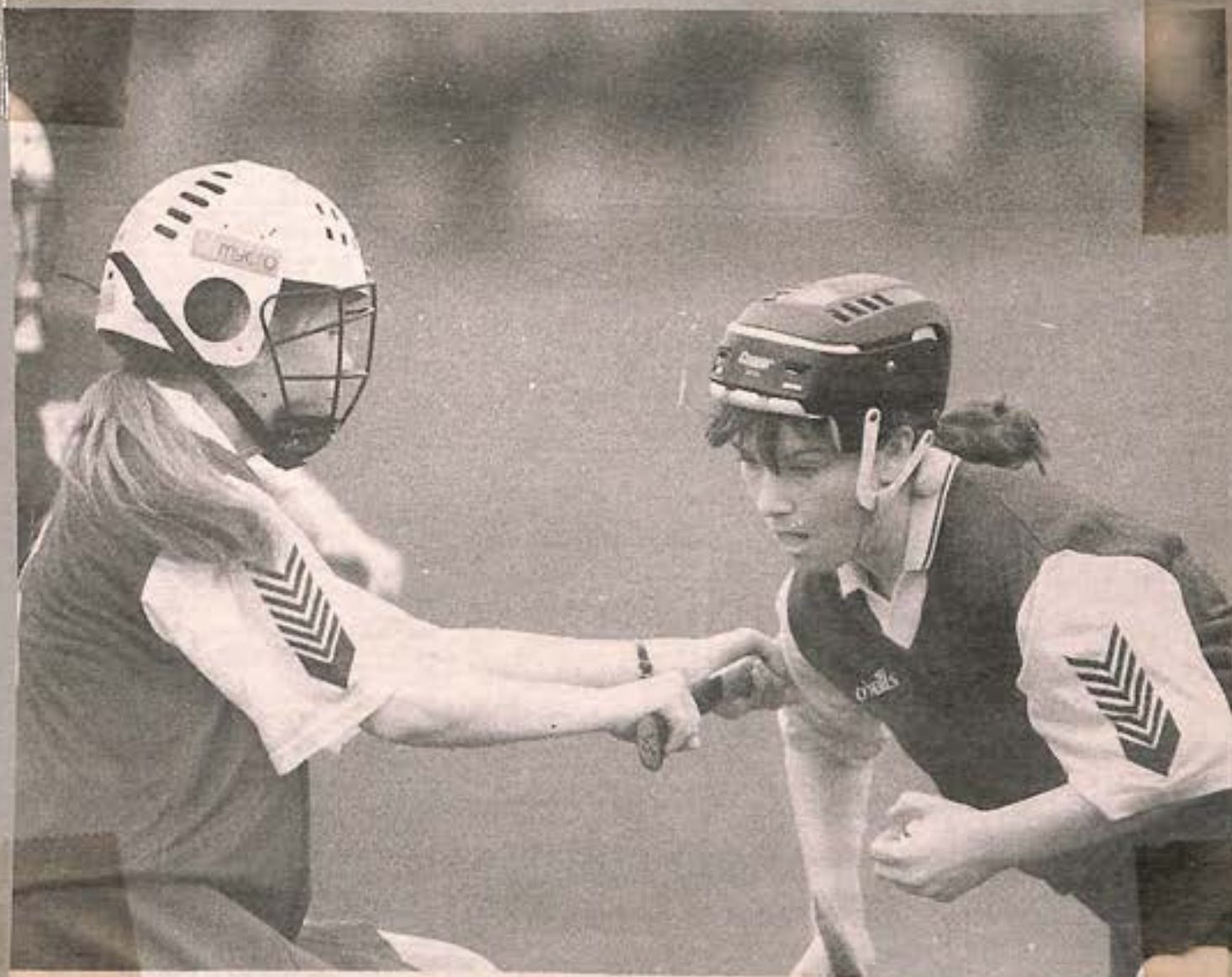
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The Barr's Alice Dawson looking surprised as St. Vincent's Karen Morrison grabs the ball during the Cork Under-14 "A" camogie league final at Ballincollig, yesterday.  
—(Picture: Richard Mills)



The Barr's Natasha Nash being challenged by St. Vincent's Demelza Kent, during the Cork Under-14 'A' League final at Ballincollig.  
—(Picture: Richard Mill)



**W**exford got off to a good start in the national Junior League when they had a win over Waterford in this game played at Oylegate. Into the final minutes it looked as if they would share the spoils, but Brigid Howlin secured them victory when she blasted the ball to the net of her second goal of the game. It was a very close encounter throughout with Waterford leading 2-1 to 1-1 at the break.

Early in the second half the home side drew level and it was a ding dong struggle right up to Brigid Howlin's goal one minute from time, to leave the full time score Wexford 3-4, Waterford 3-1.

Scorers: Wexford - Brigid Howlin 2-0, Anne Marie Byrne 1-0, Jenny McLoughlin 0-1 Waterford: Orla Flynn 2-0, June Phelan 1-0, Mary Murphy 0-1. Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

Antrim, who were regraded to Junior this year, collected their first brace of points in the Junior Leagues, when they had an overwhelming victory over Tyrone, with no less than seven of the team picking off scores.

Score: Antrim 9-9, Tyrone 0-0. Antrim Scorers: Elaine Dowds 5-0, Roisin McCauley 2-0, Mairin Barry 1-2, Karen Convery 1-0, Anne McKee 0-3, Brona McCorry and Denise O'Byrne 0-2 each.

In the All-Ireland Club Championship quarter final, Glen Rovers, Cork, the holder, proved too strong for the London champions, Tara, and ran out winners on a score of 4-15 to 1-1.

Glen Rovers team: Mairead O'Leary, Mary Ring, Diane Deane, Sandy Fitzgibbon, Deirdre McCarthy, Mary Currid, Therese O'Callaghan, Denise Cronin, Lynn Dunlea, Geraldine McCarthy, Linda Mellerick, Claire McCarthy. Glen Rovers now meet Lisdowney, Kilkenny in the semi-final.

Sunday next is a busy day on the National Junior League scene with five games down for decision. The newly crowned All-Ireland Junior champions Armagh will commence defence of their title against Dublin in a repeat of the National League final. With the northern side riding the crest of the wave and with home venue, they will prove a formidable force with players such as Sally McCone, Ursula McGivern, Patricia McEvoy and Mary Black, and a number of other star performers and will carry the tag of favourites. When the sides met previously in the League final, Armagh had 10 points to spare - 3-8 to 2-1.

Dublin will be depending on top class performers such as Irene Kirwan, Paula Carroll, Adrienne McGovern and Sabdh Caverley to take the points, but the Orchard County will not be easily defeated.

Carlow, the Leinster champions, host near neighbours Wexford in what should be an entertaining encounter. When the sides met at this stage last year, Wexford had a 3-3 to 1-1 victory. Carlow went to a play off with Cork for a place in the quarter finals. While Wexford will be the better for their win over Waterford, Carlow are fancied to take the points with players such as Nuala Quirke, Mary Smyth, Marie Sheehan and Mary Coady. Wexford will be looking to Brigid Howlin, Jenny McLoughlin, Anne Marie Byrne, Marguirite Doyle and Maura Kehoe to give them victory.

## Good Start For Wexford

Offaly will show their hospitality to Clare. The Banner County won the Intermediate Championship this year, and this was a tremendous boost to the county. When the sides met in the League last season, Clare were tops 3-6 to 0-5, neither reached the quarter final stages. Offaly have a good squad, and home venue will be an advantage. They have prominent players in Michelle Davis, Geraldine Mahon, Brigid Rosney, Eileen Kinsella, Caroline McCarthy. Clare have dropped two points to Kilkenny, and will be depending on Debbie Kelly, Orla Slattery and Geraldine O'Grady to put them back on the winning trail but Offaly look set to take the points.

Up North, Derry travel to take on Donegal in what should be an excellent tussle. In last season's encounter Derry took the points. Their club champions Bellaghy were beaten in the Ulster Club Championship final by Loughgiel. They have excellent players in Brona Birt, Orla Downey, Martina Mulholland, Karen Lee and Mary Woulahan which makes them a staunch outfit.

Donegal have a good squad which includes Susan Malone, Caroline Callaghan, Mary Devine and Elaine McGonigle. This one should go all the way to the wire.

Down have the venue against Antrim, who will be full of zest after their win over Tyrone. Down are an Intermediate team and did not take part in the National Junior League last year. They have good experienced players in Jennifer Blamiff, Claire McGovern, Monica McCartan, while the Antrim girls including Elaine Dowds, Karen Convery, Brona McCorry, Grace McMullen and Caitriona Higgins will fight hard for their second brace of points.

The Leinster Junior League continues. Westmeath, who have dropped two points to Offaly have a home venue against Laois, who have got a walk-over from Meath. It will be their first outing and in fact Laois have not fielded at intercounty for a number of years. They have a promising squad including Paula Cuddy, Sinead Cuddy, Annette Fairbrother, Lenora Lyons and Bernadette Fitzpatrick, but may find Westmeath's Annette Heffernan, Helena Finglas, Jennifer Nooney, Carmel Gill, Allison McCormack, Yvonne Flanagan and Olive Weir too experienced.

Meath travel to neighbours Louth. It is both sides first outing. Meath are the beaten finalists of this competition and must win here to get in contention. They are sure to be well served by Laura Carney, Anne Gannon, Anne Marie Dennihy, Christine O'Brien, Mary Burke and Margaret Burke.

Louth are not going to be a push-over. Kilkenny club went to the final of the All-Ireland Sevens and are sure to be the backbone of the side, and have players of the calibre of Voreen Quigley, Mary McGivern, Geraldine Roche, Anne McDonald and Connie Crehan. It should be close at the finish.





# Mellerick honoured

By Tom Higgins

CAMOGIE star Linda Mellerick was honoured yesterday with the Jury's Hotel, Cork Sports star of the month award for September.

Linda captained the Cork Senior side to retain their All-Ireland title at Croke Park and was named 'Player of the Match'. A very versatile player, she was one of five players from the Glen Rovers Club who were on the winning side.

She started her playing career at St. Patrick's School and played with the Brian Dillons club before moving to Glen Rovers five years ago. Since then she has won every honour in the game.

Next Sunday she and her colleagues will be hoping to move a step nearer collecting their second All-Ireland title of the year when Glen Rovers, the holders, take on Lisdowney of Kilkenny in what promises to be a most exciting All-Ireland Senior Club Championship semi-final.

In her speech Linda paid tribute to all who had helped her to make it a "fantastic year". "I am delighted to accept this award and very honoured. It must be very difficult to pick an individual in a team sport.

She paid tribute to her parents whom she said "put up with her through all the hard training when she was not in the best of humour" as well as her employers, Bourne Electronics, who were very good to her.

"If I had my way I would invite all 500 who work with me here today but I extended two invitations and they are representing their colleagues" concluded Linda.

Nora Newman, President of the Glen Rovers Camogie Club and Sheila Golden, Chairperson of the Cork Camogie Board also paid tributes to Linda and wished her and her colleague well in their All-Ireland semi-final against Lisdowney.

Mrs. Helen Kelly, Sales and Marketing Manager, left, presenting the Jurys Sportstar of the Month award for September to Linda Mellerick, captain of the All-Ireland winning Cork Senior Camogie team.



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CAPTAIN FANTASTIC . . . Linda Mellerick (L) who captained Cork to their second All-Ireland camogie victory over Galway, is the Jurys Hotel Sportstar of the month for September. Linda is a key figure with Glen Rovers, who take on Lisdowney of Kilkenny in the All-Ireland club semi-final tomorrow. Picture shows Linda receiving her award from Helen Kelly, Sales and Marketing Manager, Jurys Hotel Cork



# Linda warning for Glen girls

BY T.P. O'MAHONY

**REVENGE** — that's what the Kilkenny side Lisdowney will be seeking when they confront Glen Rovers on Sunday in the semi-final of the All-Ireland camogie club championship.

"Make no mistake — this side will be out to even the score after this year's inter-county series where Cork beat Kilkenny," says Linda Mellerick, who captained that Cork side.

"Lisdowney have five members of the Kilkenny team in their line-up and we have five of the Cork team, so it's going to be some game," predicts Linda, who was awarded the Jurys Hotel Cork Sportstar Award for September yesterday.

"The only prediction I'll make is that it will be a tough match. Lisdowney are coming to Cork with something to prove, so we'll have to be at our best.

"They are hungry for success, and with the three Downey sisters in the squad — Angela, Marina and Anne — they will make us battle all the way.

"I think our inter-county players will cancel out their inter-county players, so it will really hinge on the performances of the club players.

"It would be fantastic to win, but I won't even attempt to predict the outcome," said one of the game's best forwards.

"Even if we win on Sunday our hold on the All-

Ireland crown isn't gilt-edged. "We must still go and win the final, and that won't be any walkover.

"For one thing, we'll be playing away from home, so we can take nothing for granted," she says.

Her caution about Sunday's game at the Glen Field (with a 2.30pm start) is shared by her colleague Therese O'Callaghan, who has been battling against a "mystery" ailment in recent weeks.

"I've a sore hip, and I've tried everything," says Therese, who made a great comeback earlier this year after breaking her left leg.

"I've even had X-rays, but they didn't show up anything. It's not a problem that's going to keep me out of Sunday's game, but I just want to be rid of it," says the Glen star.

Coach Noel Lynam remains quietly confident. "We have done all the preparations. The girls have trained very hard, and we're ready for whatever Lisdowney can come up with."

The Glen are chasing a "double", having won the All-Ireland Club Championship last year.

And for their five inter-county players — Linda, Therese, Lynn Dunlea, Denise Cronin and Sandie Fitzgibbon — there is the exciting prospect of a "double double" because Cork have already won the All-Ireland this year and last year.

"Wouldn't that be an absolutely fantastic way to end the season?" says Linda.

To which the answer can only be — it sure would!

## CAMOGIE

**National League — Kildare 2-2 (M)**  
Malone 2-1, C. Brennan 0-1; Monaghan 1-2 (E. Neeson 1-0, N. McGovern 0-2).  
**Offaly 3-3 (C. McCarthy 2-2, A. Hennessey 1-0, G. Mahon 0-3, Clare 2-2 (S. Maher and C. Stenson 1-0 each, N. Heelan and G. O'Grady 0-1 each).**

**Junior League — Antrim 3-3 (K)**  
Convery 1-1, C. McGinley, R. McCauley 1-0 each, D. O'Boyle 0-2; **Down 1-3 (B. McCreery 1-1, M. McAleenan and T. Brennan 0-2 each), Armagh 2-2, Dublin 2-1, Carlow 4-10, Wexford 5-2.**

**Leinster League — Westmeath 2-10, Laois 0-9, Louth 2-8, Meath 1-6.**

**Tipperary U-18 final — Dromick 3-5, Toomevara 2-8.**

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## Glen girls on the stage

ON Sunday next at the Glen field Glen Rovers will be hoping to go a step near to retaining their All-Ireland crown when they play the Kilkenny champions Lisdowney in the All-Ireland club semi-final at 2.30. At local level pick of the games will be the clash of Valley Rovers and Tracton in the junior 'B' championship final at Ballygarvan at 12.30.

Glen Rovers will certainly be under no illusions as to the task confronting them when they take on Lisdowney of Kilkenny in the All-Ireland club semi-final on Sunday. Powered by a number of the Kilkenny senior county team Lisdowney will no doubt be the most difficult challenge for Glen Rovers in this season's campaign. In the Leinster final they had a great victory over Marino of Dublin with players like the Downey sisters Angela and Ann, Clare Jones, Marino Downey and Bridget Barnaville playing a major role. If these girls play to their usual form they will no doubt prove very difficult opponents for the Cork side.

However, the Glen are very experienced campaigners and will not relinquish their All-Ireland crown too easily. Favoured with a home venue they must be in their with a real good chance of advancing. They will be spearheaded by no fewer than five of the All-Ireland winning Cork senior team in Linda Mellerick, Therese O'Callaghan, Sandie Fitzgibbon, Denise Cronin and Lynn Dunlea and with other marvellous players in Diane Deane who captains the side, Mary Ring, Patricia Murphy, Deirdre McCarthy and Mairead O'Leary they must be facing this game with every confidence. Whatever the outcome it should be a cracking contest between two excellent sides.

At local level we should have another great game in store when two South East Clubs Tracton and Valley Rovers clash at Ballygarvan on Sunday

to decide the destination of the junior 'B' championship for 1993. Despite their short number of years in existence both these clubs have made great strides and it is certain a great achievement to have reached the final stages of the championship. Both these clubs would have met on numerous occasions in the past in the south east leagues at underage level so no doubt there will be plenty of keen rivalry in Sunday's clash.

Going on the championship games so far Valley Rovers will probably be slightly favoured to take the honours. Their path to the final was a difficult one and they had to endure many agonising moments before defeating St. Vincent's, Delany's, Newcestown and in particular Cobh in the semi-final. However during these games they showed great spirit and determination and if players like Helena Bugler, Fionnuala Calnan and the Shields Sharon, Bernie, Michelle and Catherine produce the goods again on this occasion then the title could be on its way to Innishannon for the first time ever.

However, I am sure Tracton will have other ideas about this and they will be going into this game with every confidence. Their path to the final included victories over St. Fannahans, Castlemagner and Inniscarra and on these performances they will certainly be no push over. They have fine performers in Jackie Lyons, the Kingston sisters Rose and Olive and Mary Walsh and if these girls play to form then it could be neck and neck to the final whistle.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH**  
**ALL-IRELAND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL**  
Glen Rovers (Cork) v Lisdowney (Kilkenny) at Glen Rovers at 2.30 p.m.  
**JUNIOR 'B' CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL**  
Valley Rovers v Tracton at Ballygarvan at 2.30 p.m.  
**INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE '93**  
Brian Dillons v Castlemagner at Castlemagner at 3 p.m. (Ref. T. Sheehan).  
**JUNIOR 'A' LEAGUE '93**  
Douglas v Newcestown at Douglas at 12 noon (Ref. Blackrock).

## Downeys out to stop Glens

THE clash of Glen Rovers from Cork, the holders, and Lisdowney of Kilkenny is the plum tie of the All-Ireland club semi-finals on Sunday.

Both sides field a number of county players. Angela Downey, Ann Downey, Marina Downey, Claire Jones, Noelle O'Driscoll and Brigid Barnville will spearhead the Lisdowney efforts, while the Glens will look to Sandy Fitzgibbon, Linda Mellerick, Terese O'Callaghan, Lynn Dunlea and Denise Cronin.

In the other semi-final Loughgiel from Antrim, who captured their first Ulster title this year, travel to take on the Connacht champions Mullagh.

**LISDOWNEY (panel) —** V Wall, C Glendon, B Barnable, B Wall, O Donnelly, A Downey, M Downey, C Jones, A Hughes, A Downey, C Dunne, A Dunne, N O'Driscoll, M Brennan, D Delaney, F Gray.

**GLEN ROVERS —** M O'Leary, M Ring, D Dean, S Fitzgibbon, D McCarthy, M Currid, T O'Callaghan, D Cronin, L Dunlea, G McCarthy, L Mellerick, C McCarthy.

**SUNDAY — All-Ireland Club Championship Semi-finals:** Glen Rovers, Cork v Lisdowney, Kilkenny, Glen Rovers, 2.30; Mullagh (Galway) v Loughgiel (Antrim), Loughrea, 2.30.



# Sandie star of show as Glen march on

By TOM HIGGINS

Glen Rovers 6-10 Lisdowney 2-3

MANY times in the past Sandie Fitzgibbon has started for Glen Rovers but yesterday at the Glen Field in Cork she had perhaps her best game for the Blackpool side when helping the champions to a big win over Lisdowney of Kilkenny in this All-Ireland Club Camogie Championship semi-final.

Sandie had the task of marking Lisdowney's star player, Angela Downey, and she fared so well that once she had marked the Kilkenny wizard out of the game the Kilkenny girls had little to offer.

The winners laid the foundations for their victory in the opening half when they played with the aid of a strong cross wind, leading 2-8 to 0-3 despite shooting nine wides.

Lisdowney knew that they had to get a few quick scores in the second-half to get back into the game and although they put pressure on the Glen defence, in which Mary Ring, Sandie Fitzgibbon and Denise Cronin were outstanding, they failed to add to their total.

In fact we had to wait until the 11th minute of the half for the first score, a point from Linda Mellerick. But Lisdowney's pressure finally told when, from a poor clearance, Catherine Dunne had a goal to leave it 2-9 to 1-3 midway through the half.

But this score, instead of spurring the Kilkenny girls, instead made the Glen side more determined and three goals between the 49th and 54th minutes ended the game as a contest. Three minutes from time Angela Downey did manage to get free of Sandie Fitzgibbon's shackles to score a goal but it was too little to late for the Kilkenny girls.

For the Glen, in addition to those mentioned, Patricia Murphy and Therese O'Callaghan played well at centrefield while Lynn Dunlea and Linda Mellerick had their moments in the attack.

For Lisdowney Bridget Barnaville was very solid at full-back, Bridget Wall had quite a good game on Linda Mellerick, particularly in the opening half, while Clare Jones was prominent in a hard pressed half back line.

The Downey sisters, Marina and Ann, tried hard at midfield while Angela Downey was always fighting a losing battle against Sandie Fitzgibbon.

Scorers for Glen Rovers: L Dunlea 4-3 (1-1 free, 0-1 "30"), C McCarthy 1-2, G McCarthy 1-1, L Mellerick 0-4. Lisdowney: Angela Downey 1-0, C Dunne 1-0, Ann Downey 0-2 ("30s"), L Fogarty 0-1.

GLEN ROVERS: M O'Leary; M Ring, D McCarthy, S Fitzgibbon, D Cronin; P Murphy, D Deane, T O'Callaghan; G McCarthy, L Dunlea, L Mellerick; C McCarthy.

LISDOWNEY: V Wall; B Barnaville; B Wall, C Jones, C Dunne; O Donnelly, Ann Downey, M Downey; A M Hughes, Angela Downey, A Dunne; L Fogarty. Subs. C Glendon for A Dunne (37th minute), N O'Driscoll for L Fogarty (48th minute).

Referee: M O'Callaghan (Offaly).

## Mullagh girls in final

Mullagh 1-13  
Lough Giel 1-4

IT will be another Cork-Galway All-Ireland final when Mullagh, who will have home advantage, oppose holders Glen Rovers in this year's Club Championship camogie decider on November 21.

The Galway champions got the better of Antrim representatives Lough Giel in yesterday's semi-final in Loughrea to set up a date with the champions but will have to improve on yesterday's performance if they are to take the title.

They were in top form in the opening half and turned over leading 1-8 to 0-2. However, the Antrim side were as good as their opponents in the second half and made them fight hard for victory.

Scorers for Mullagh: I Hobbins 0-8, T Kennedy 1-3, E Hardiman 0-2.

Lough Giel: G McMullan 1-3, S McColum 0-1.

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The Glen Rovers camogie team which defeated Lisdowney in the All-Ireland Club Semi-final in Blackpool, Cork.



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## Glen girls on song

BY T.P. O'MAHONY

THE girls of Glen Rovers are on a mighty roll — and who will be so bold as to say now that they will not take the ultimate prize in a fortnight's time?

Only the Galway club champions, Mullagh, now stand between the Glen and the retention of their All-Ireland Club title.

Mullagh beat Loughgiel of Antrim by 1-13 to 1-4 in one semi-final yesterday, to make it another Cork-Galway All Ireland Final on November 21.

But after the manner of the Glen's victory over Kilkenny champions, Lisdowney, at the Glen Field yesterday, the hot money must surely be on the Blackpool girls.

### Bishop

The fact that Bishop John Buckley was among the attendance probably did no harm, but such was the Glen's form that even prayers were unnecessary.

"They're a great team," said the Bishop — and after yesterday's display nobody can argue with that.

This present Glen side — captained by Diane Deane — are a very special outfit indeed.

In wet, windy and very cold conditions, they demolished Lisdowney by 6-10 to 2-3 — winning by a margin that nobody would have predicted beforehand.

Indeed, there was noticeable tension and apprehension in the Glen camp before this encounter.

"I'll be very glad when this hour is over," said selector Anne O'Donovan at the throw-in.

She need not have worried. "We knew it was going to be a case of do or die," said full-forward Claire McCarthy afterwards.

Lisdowney came with good credentials. They have five of the Kilkenny team — and the great Angela Downey spearheaded their attack.

But they ran into a Glen team yesterday which was all fired up for victory.

Angela Downey was blotted out by a superb Sandie Fitzgibbon, and with Denise Cronin and Therese O'Callaghan dominating the exchanges in the middle of the field, and Lynn Dunlea and Linda Mellerick starring up front, the result was never in doubt.

"We'll go all the way now," said a delighted Patricia Murphy at the end. And even Bishop Buckley believes that.

## CAMOGIE WORLD

BY P.J. FULFORD

### Tipp get off to a good start in National Junior League

Tipperary got off to a good start in this National Junior League game against Cork. It was a closely fought and entertaining game, played in ideal conditions at Kilcolman Park. In the opening minutes, Cork got through the Tipperary back line and Bernice Cashman connected on the edge of the square and gave Nora Dwan no chance in the Tipperary goal. The same player got Cork's next score, a well taken point from forty yards out the field. They only score of the first half, for Tipperary, came from Orla Hogan when blasted a free to the back of the Cork net to leave the half time score Cork 1-1, Tipperary 1-0.

The second half saw Cork dominate for the first fifteen minutes and they added a further 1-1 to their tally before Tipperary replied with a pint from a forty five meter free by Orla Hogan. At this stage, Tipperary stepped up a gear and took command all over the field. Claire Egan collected a long delivery from Maura Cahalane and crossed to Aine Hogan, who made no mistake and sent to the back of the Cork net. A beautiful point from a free by Orla Hogan left the sides level for some time. However, Tipperary got a major boost in the form of a splendid Paula Bulfin goal when she was waiting at the edge of the square and took a cross from Aine Hogan. Five minutes later the same two players were involved in Tipperary's next goal, when Paula Bulfin collected from her sister, Michelle, delivered to the waiting Aine Hogan who rattled Cork's net. In the dying minutes, Cork's Patricia Kearney got a late goal to leave the final score Tipperary 4-3, Cork 3-3.

For all the Tipperary squad this was their

first outing in the 15-a-side series, but they adapted well and enjoyed the new style game. Tipperary team and scorers: Nora Dwan, Alice Hayes, Brid Morris, Marie Hogan, Emma Carroll, Paula Loughnane, Maura Cahalane, Paula Bulfin 1-1, Ann Barry, Orla Hogan 2-0, Neassa O'Dwyer, Claire Egan, Lisa Carroll, Aine Hogan 1-2, Deirdre Tuohy.

Subs.: Orla Comptom for A. Hayes, Michelle Bulfin for D. Tuohy.

Cork Scorers: Patricia Kearney 2-2, Bernice Cashman 1-2, Hilda Kineally 0-1.

Also in the National League Down had an overwhelming victory over Derry 10-10 to 1-2.

An enjoyable afternoon was held in Ballycahill recently when the Tipperary Under 18 semi-finals were played. The first game between Drom & Inch and Fethard was closely contested in the first ten minutes, but from then on, Drom & Inch found their footing and had a run-away victory in the end, 10-12 to 1-5. The second game saw Cashel and Toomevara battle it out to the end. Toomevara were that bit stronger and took their scoring chances better. Nevertheless it was closely contested throughout, and Toomevara came out tops on a score of 3-7 to 1-4.

In Leinster, the semi-finals and final of the Milk Cup Tournament were very successful. It was hosted by Moorefield club, Kildare. Mary McMullen, Chairperson of the County Board and a member of Moorefield club along with her committee are to be congratulated on the way they presented the event. In the semi-final, Moorefield, after recording a convincing win over Trim, Meath had to give way to St. Munna, Westmeath 5-9 to 0-4. The final was now set between St. Munna and Kilkenny, and what

a tussle this was. After a ding dong first half, Kilkenny held the edge at the break by two points: 3-4 to 2-5. The second half continued to be an exciting affair with little separating the sides at any time. With less than two minutes to go they were on level terms, until Annette Heffernan, St. Munna scored the winning point, leaving the full time score: St. Munna 4-10, Kilkenny 5-6.

Helena Finglas, St. Munna received the player of the match award.

Scorers: St. Munna: Annette Heffernan 2-6, Yvette Cully and Aileen Lawlor 1-2 each. Kilkenny: Yvonne Quigley 2-0, Voreen Quigley 1-2, Theresa Bates 1-1, Mary Mary 1-0, Lorraine Callan, Anne McDonald and Mairead Mulholland 0-1 each.

Referee: John Pender, Kildare.

On Sunday next, the eagerly awaited All-Ireland Club Championship semi-finals take place. The most interesting is the clash of Glen Rovers, Cork, the holders, on home ground against Lisdowney, Kilkenny. Both sides field a number of their county players. Lisdowney: Angela Downey, Anne Downey, Marina Downey, Claire Jones, Noelle O'Driscoll and Brigid Barnaville. Glen Rovers field five from the All-Ireland champions Cork: Sandy Fitzgibbon, Linda Mellerick, Therese O'Callaghan, Lynn Dunlea and Denise Cronin. With players of such calibre facing each other this match is sure to be a cracker. Lisdowney took their first Leinster title when they defeated Marino, Dublin in the final on a score of 6-6 to 4-8, while Glen Rovers had a run-away victory over Wolfe Tones, Clare in the Munster final 5-11 to 0-3. They had a similar win in the All-Ireland quarter-final over the London champions Tara 4-15 to 1-1. Glen Rovers are fancied to advance,

however they will have to fight hard to overcome what should be a strong challenge from the Leinster champions.

Lisdowney Panel: Veronica Wall, Caroline Glendon, Brigid Barnaville, Brigid Wall, Olivia Donnelly, Anne Downey, Marina Downey, Claire Jones, Anne Marie Hughes, Angela Downey, Catherine Dunne, Aine Dunne, Noelle O'Driscoll, Mary Brennan, Deirdre Delaney, Fionnula Gray.

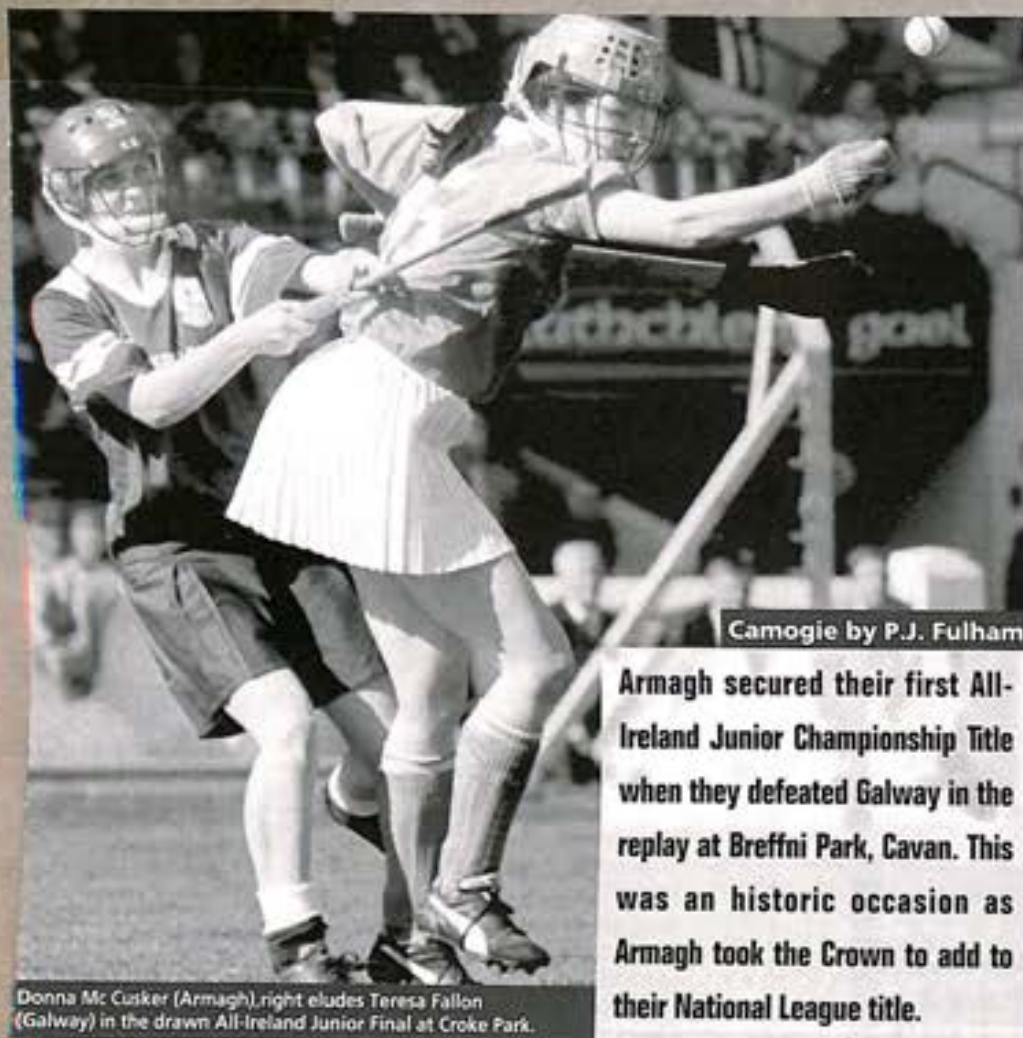
In the other semi-final, Loughgiel, Antrim, who captured their first Ulster title this year travel to take on the Connacht champions not yet known. Loughgiel have quite a good squad including prominent players Grace McMullen, Donna McMullen, Lynnette Connolly, Jenny Coyle and Rosie Butler. No matter who the opposition is they will meet with a formidable force in these young girls from the Glens of Antrim.



Loughgiel, Antrim - Ulster Club Champions - hoping to reach the All-Ireland Club Championship final. Front, left to right: Bernie Drair, Mary Connolly, Rosie Butler, Donna McMullen, Christine McGaughey, Imelda Gillen, Patricia McIntyre, Ciara McGarry, Ursula Cutbertson. Back, left to right: Grace McMullen, Anne Hardy, Rosie Watson, Denise Dobbin, Sinead McCollum, Maura McGoran, Jenny Coyle, Mary Gillen, Lynette Connolly



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Camogie by P.J. Fulham

**Armagh secured their first All-Ireland Junior Championship Title when they defeated Galway in the replay at Breffni Park, Cavan. This was an historic occasion as Armagh took the Crown to add to their National League title.**

Donna McCusker (Armagh), right eludes Teresa Fallon (Galway) in the drawn All-Ireland Junior Final at Croke Park.

The huge crowd witnessed tremendous excitement by Armagh supporters who turned out in style. The Armagh girls gave a star performance, and were much sharper than in the drawn game. Galway tried hard, but came up against a strong Armagh rearguard. Armagh goalie Margaret McKee denied them on numerous occasions. The young Galway side found it difficult to cope with the Ulster Champions who were hungry for victory, and seemed to be at home in Breffni Park.

However, Galway were well in the game in the first half. Armagh were first to score, a goal within twenty seconds of the throw-in. The ball broke loose to Donna McCusker, whose shot was blocked down by Galway's goalie, Ann Broderick, into the path of the incoming Patricia McEvoy, who landed it in the net.

Minutes later, Galway had their first score when Martina Harkins pointed from a free. Armagh replied with a well-taken point from play by Patricia McEvoy. After an end to end struggle, the sides exchanged points again. Galway were looking good when Ursula Hannon pointed, leaving the score after ten minutes of play: Armagh 1-2 Galway 0-4.

After some valuable scoring chances being missed by both sides, Mary Black and Martina Harkins exchanged points, but Martina's point was to be Galway's last in this half after fifteen minutes of play, while Armagh notched off a further four points to leave the half-time score: Armagh 1-7 Galway 0-5.

On the resumption, Ursula McGivern and Bernie McBride scored two points. For the next thirteen minutes both sides failed

to register a score, during this time lady luck seemed to desert the Galway girls. They missed an open goal and failed to convert three close-in frees. They had most of the play during this period. The icing on the cake came for Armagh in the 19th minute when substitute Mary Donnelly collected a pass from Aine Lennon and sent a sizzling ball to the net. Galway's only score in this half came almost immediately - a point by Ursula Hannon. Armagh's Aine Lennon had the last say when she raised a white flag to leave the full-time score: Armagh 2-10 Galway 0-6.

Armagh team and scorers: Margaret McKee, Margaret Moriarity, Sally McCone, Celine McGreary, Orlagh Murphy, Collette Byrne 0-1, Mary Black 0-1, Aine Lennon 0-1, Bernie McBride 0-2, Ursula McGivern, Capt., 0-3, Donna McCusker, Patricia McEvoy 1-2, Subs: Mary Donnelly 1-0 for U. McGivern, Mairead Donnelly for B. McBride, Olive McGeown for C. Byrne.

Galway: Anne Broderick, Deirdre Hardiman, Olive Costello, Caitriona Finnegan, Yvonne Larkin, Carmel Hannon, Cora Curley, Teresa Fallon, Denise Gilligan, Emer Hardiman, Ursula Hannon, Capt., 0-2, Martina Harkins 0-4, Subs: Fiona Ryan for U. Hannon, Madge Kennedy for D. Gilligan.

Referee: Biddy Phillips, Tipperary.

Cavan Camogie Board and their Committee are to be complimented on the way they produced all facilities for the final. Cavan ladies take a bow.

### Club Championship

The All-Ireland Club Championship was inaugurated in 1964 to mark the

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Association's Diamond Jubilee. There always has been a big interest in this competition, and this year is no exception. The most interesting of the semi-finals is the clash of Glen Rovers, Cork, the holders, and Lisdowney, Kilkenny. When St. Paul's club disbanded in Kilkenny, Lisdowney benefitted, gaining members of great calibre. They will field the following players who are members of Kilkenny's senior squad who won the National League: Brigid Barnaville, Ann Downey, Angela Downey, Marina Downey, Claire Jones and Catherine Dunne.

Glen Rovers will field five from the Cork team who won the All-Ireland Championship: Sandy Fitzgibbon, Therese O'Callaghan, Lynn Dunlea, Denise Cronin and Linda Mellerick. It is sure to be an entertaining tussle. 'The Glen' carry the tag of favourites, but little should separate the sides at the final whistle.

In Connacht, the Championship was held up owing to Galway's involvement in the All-Ireland finals. The winner will host newly-crowned Ulster Champions, Loughgiel, Antrim, who took the title for the first time when they defeated Bellaghy, Derry, in the final. They have good performers in Grace McMullen, Donna McMullen, Lynette Connolly, Jenny Coyle, Rosie Butler.

The Inter Provincial (Gael Linn) started in 1954 to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the first public match played in Navan in 1904. A selection from Leinster defeated their Ulster counterparts at the same pitch. In 1975 the series was divided into senior and junior. This year opens yet another chapter in the Camogie history, when, for the first time the series will be played with 15-a-side on a full size GAA pitch.

In the semi-finals, both senior and junior Munster and Leinster cross swords again. In senior, Munster are the holders and are apt to be represented by almost a full Cork squad, while Leinster have representatives from four counties. This should be a tough struggle. Munster will not surrender their title too easily.

Connacht oppose Ulster. While Connacht seniors should be favourites to advance, their juniors will meet with stiff opposition.



# Ballinhassig reign supreme

THE Cork County u-16 B camogie final between Ballinhassig and Tracton attracted a large attendance to the Shanbally venue on Sunday last. At the end of a most exciting contest Ballinhassig captured the title on 3-7 to 2-0 scoreline.

Linda O'Sullivan from Ballinhassig had a huge influence on the game and she pushed her side into an early lead with a goal and a point in the first two minutes. But Tracton, minus the services of star centre back Carole Twomey, fought their way back into contention from this early set back and at half time the score read Ballinhassig 1-5 Tracton 1-0.

For the second half Tracton had the benefit of the strong wind but Ballinhassig were first to score through Deirdre



The Ballinhassig U-16 camogie team which defeated Tracton in the county final at Shanbally.

Keohane followed by a point by O'Sullivan. A Tracton goal from Sheila Ambrose lifted the side but Theresa Finn and Michelle

Fleming were uncompromising in their play and denied the Tracton side any further scores.

Linda O'Sullivan was the real star for the winners scoring 2-5 while Deirdre Keohane, Elaine



The Tracton U-16 camogie team which lost to Ballinhassig in the county final at Shanbally.

Higgins, Theresa Lombard and Marie Curtin were also in good form. Tracton had an

excellent goalkeeper in Sarah Corkery with Eileen Collins at full back their most outstanding player

while others to impress were Nichola Lynch, Olivia O'Leary and team captain Elaine Guinnane.

**Linda  
star of  
the show**

Ballinhassig 3-7  
Tracton 2-0.

A brilliant display by Linda O'Sullivan helped Ballinhassig win the Cork Under-16 'B' camogie title at Shanrock's Grounds yesterday when they defeated Tracton.

Ballinhassig dominated in the opening half, and but for some excellent goalkeeping by Sara Corkery in the Tracton goal, would have been further ahead than 1-5 to 1-0 at the break.

They continue where they left off in the second-half and were never really troubled afterwards.

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