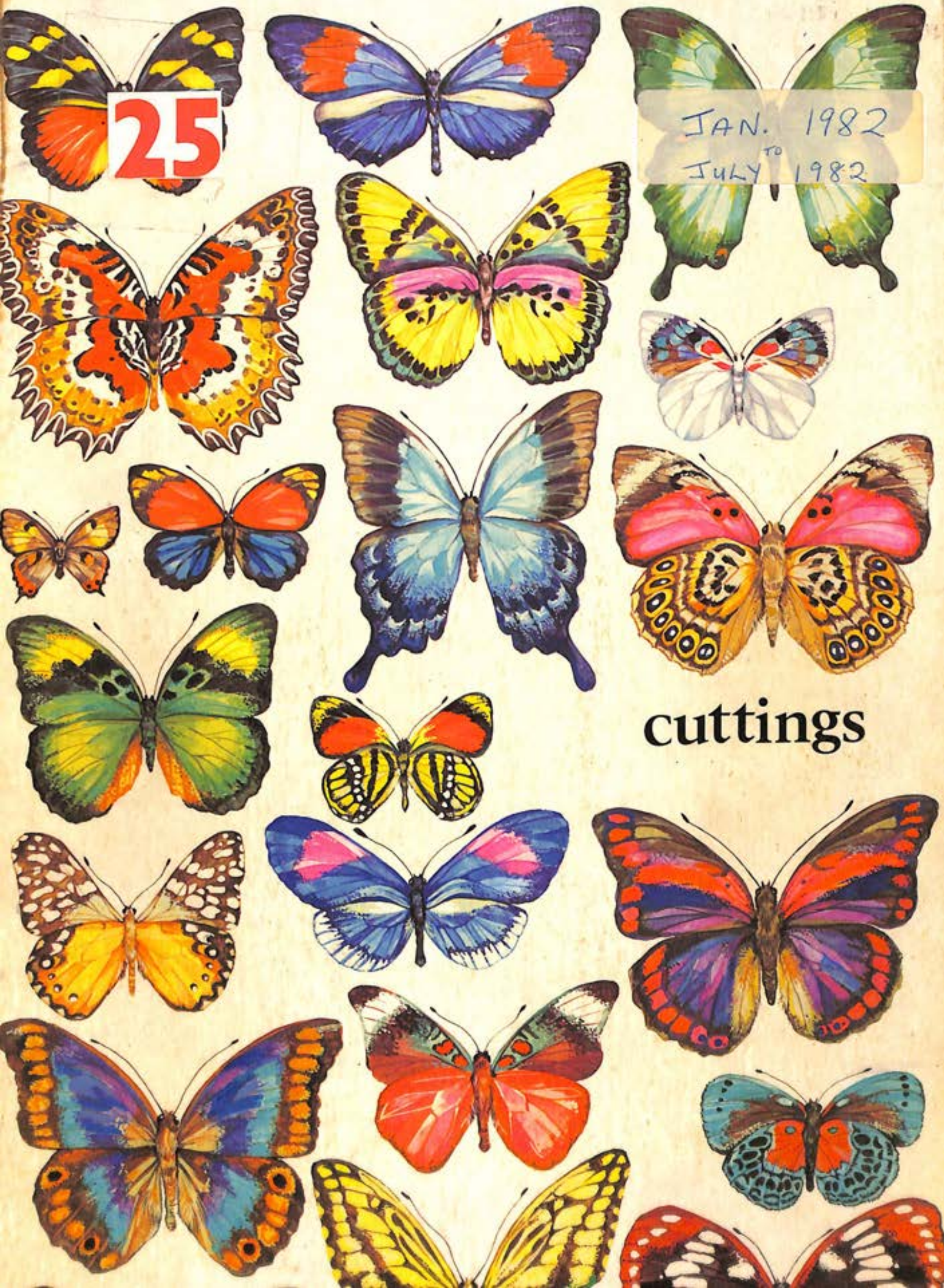


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Kilkenny — All-Ireland Senior Camogie Champions 1981, who defeated Cork in Croke Park. In front (from left): Anne Holden, Cathy Dalton, Bridie McGarry, Anna Whelan, Liz Neary (captain), Teresa O'Neill, Anne Brennan, Deirdre Malone. Behind: Margaret Brennan, Anne Downey, Angela Downey, Peggy Muldowney, Helena McCormack, Biddy O'Sullivan, Jo Dunne, Margaret Farrell, Geraldine Sutton.



# While the going is good!

A PROBLEM that has existed in camogie for many years is the very slow turnover of players on the senior county team. This meant that there was no room at the top for many up and coming young players.

But one place that will definitely be vacant next year is that of **Helena O'Neill**. For after considering retiring for some years, Helena has decided to take the plunge after this year's successful campaign.

"I wanted to retire last year but I was persuaded to come back for another year. And naturally I'm delighted that I did as it's



joined in and played in goal.

Like many Presentation players, Helena joined St. Paul's camogie club when she was sixteen. Her teammates included such other stars as Liz Neary, Bridie Martin, Carmel Doyle and of course little sister, Teresa.

She was recruited almost immediately to join the county team. "I was really thrilled when I was selected to play for Kilkenny. I could not believe that I was playing on the same team as all the other players that I really admired. It made me feel that I was one of the best".

And during her 11 years playing for Kilkenny, she has justified her place on the team by helping them to win four all-Irelands, two National Leagues, and four Leinster championships. Her only injury through all these years was a facial injury which merited three stitches.

Her most memorable games were when she won the all-Ireland colleges final with the Presentation in '68 and her first all Ireland senior medal in '74. And the funniest incident that ever happened to her was when she was suspended for a month for saying on the field, when she was denied a score, "well feck it anyway".

Helena, a native of Sheestown and married to John McCormack, a member of this year's successful Village team, will not be giving up the game entirely. She will continue to play with her local Bennettsbridge club, but at the humbler junior level.

great to go out on a winning note," she said.

"It's the ideal time now for me to bow out. I'd hate to hang on and make a show of myself next year".

Helena has had a very impressive career. She began playing camogie when she started her secondary level education at the Presentation Convent, Kilkenny where a tradition of playing the game was slowly being built up, beginning with such students as Mary Fennelly.

Her first game was a humble school seven-a-side which was played in the Fair Green. Here she got her first bitter taste of defeat.

But she was not really such a raw recruit. For from early childhood, she pucked around in a nearby field with her brother Jim, sisters Marita and Una, and neighbours children including Brian Cody. Helena's father, a native of Paulstown also

## FACTS AND FIGURES

### ALL-IRELAND CAMPAIGN Quarter-final, July 26

Kilkenny ..... 5-8  
Tipperary ..... 1-6  
Scorers: Angela Downey (3-4), Jo Dunne (1-2), H. O'Neill (1-0), Margaret Farrell and Anna Whelan (0-1) each.

### Semi-final, August 16

Kilkenny ..... 4-13  
Down ..... 1-3  
Scorers: Angela Downey (3-3), Anna Whelan (1-1), Jo Dunne (0-2), P. Muldowney (0-2), H. O'Neill, Margaret Farrell and Bridie Martin (0-1 each).

### Final, September 13

Kilkenny ..... 3-9  
Cork ..... 3-9  
Scorers: Angela Downey (1-6), Liz Neary (2-0), Bridie Martin, Helena O'Neill and Margaret Farrell (0-1 each).

### Replay of Final October 4

Kilkenny ..... 1-9  
Cork ..... 0-7

Scorers: Angela Downey (1-6), Helena O'Neill, Geraldine Sutton and Margaret Farrell (0-1 each).

Total Kilkenny score 13-39. Players share of total - Angela Downey (8-19), Jo Dunne (1-6), Liz Neary (2-0), Helena O'Neill (1-3), Anna Whelan (1-2), Margaret Farrell (0-4), Bridie Martin and Peggy Muldowney (0-2 each), Geraldine Sutton (0-1).

Team: Teresa O'Neill, Liz Neary, Ann Downey, Bridie Martin, Geraldine Sutton, P. Muldowney, M. Farrell, Helena O'Neill, Angela Downey, Anna Whelan, Jo Dunne. Subs.: Ann Holden, Ann Marie Brennan, Deirdre Malone, Margaret Brennan and Cathy Dalton.

BELOW: Anna Whelan attempts to block a shot from a Cork player.





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# PEGGY PACKS IT IN



THE OLDEST member of the senior camogie team, Peggy Muldowney had firmly decided at the start of this year's campaign to make it her last.

And although she played extremely well and earned her fourth all Ireland medal, she is sticking to her decision to quit.

"It's better to go out at the top than on the way back down. I'm playing long enough now and there's plenty of young ones to take my place. After fifteen years playing, it's almost a case of going before I'm told to go".

"I don't want to hang on to a position because of my former fitness and skill. Selectors might feel that they would have to include me on the panel and I'd hate to get my place on the team through sympathy".

Like many camogie players, Peggy's interest in the game sprung from hurling with the lads in her native Gowran when she was a young girl. She was also strongly influenced by her uncle Paddy Phelan, who was a good hurler himself.

When she went to secondary school in Goresbridge, she began playing the game proper and her first match was against Tullow in 1963,

which she won. But her delight at this victory was quickly dispelled when three days later, her father died.

Goresbridge had built up a good tradition of playing camogie but this petered out in Peggy's first years there. So she joined Young Irelands, a camogie club in Gowran which was just starting up. And it was here that Peggy got most satisfaction and enjoyment out of the game, much more than playing for the county, she says.

The club thrived and won many leagues and championships. One of her most memorable games was in '71 when Gowran won the junior championship. Another memorable game was in '74 when Kilkenny won its first all-Ireland. Yet another was '68 when Kilkenny ended Dublin's unbroken reign in the Leinster championship.

Peggy has survived the pace with very few physical or indeed psychological scars. "The most I ever got was a few stitches. I never had any broken bones. And I've always been a very easy-going player and very even tempered. Camogie never caused me to lose control or to develop a

bad temper. In fact it's been good for me and it has taught me to cope well under pressure".

Unlike Helena O'Neill, Peggy won't have the chance to continue playing with her local club. For the Gowran club can now only boast of an

under-age team but she will continue to have a great interest in the game.

And now relieved from the burden of training, she can devote more time to her husband Eamonn and their family home in Danesfort.

## Purcell format may be altered

THE third level colleges and the post primary schools who had hoped to get back to the playing fields this weekend, are hardest hit by the weather.

St. Pats, Drumecondra, who are hosting the Purcell Cup on January 23 and 24, do not know how they stand. The quarter finals arranged for this Saturday have had to be cancelled so the only course open to the committee now is to try to make the competition a three-day event.

For the first thirty years of the Ashbourne Cup the Competition was played on a league system which meant a three-day series so if it can be arranged it will not be a new feature. St. Mary's, unfortunately, drew Regional Tech., Cork, who very kindly agreed to play the Belfast College at a Dublin venue but the weathermen spoil that arrangement also. The other quarter-final pairings are: Carysfort v Thomond/N.I.H.E., and Polytech. v Mary Immaculate. St. Pat's, a bye, make the fourth.

The Leinster Post Primary Schools Council are also upset by the inclement weather. At the meeting arranged for Saturday next the draws for the concluding games were to be made. The home winners are all decided except one so the Secretary, Miss Mary Murphy has been asked to arrange the games by telephone in order to get the winners decided for the All-Ireland semi-finals in March.

### INDOOR ACTIVITY

Dublin, however, are lucky that their activity arranged for Sunday, is indoors. The finals of C.C.D. are scheduled for Glenalbyn House, Kilmacud (20).

Since last Monday's meeting had to be called off, the con-

testants are asked to be there in good time.

Leinster Convention is fixed for Sunday, January 24. The venue is also Glenalbyn.

Mrs. Marie Mangan, has informed the Council that she does not wish to seek re-election as the Provincial Secretary. Mrs. M. Fulham (Westmeath) has been nominated by her own county and as she is the only nominee, Mrs. Fulham, will be Leinster's new secretary.

The Midland County has made remarkable progress since it was reorganised a few years ago and in times when it is difficult to get officers I congratulate Mrs. Fulham and Westmeath.

### KILKENNY WAIT

The Kilkenny Camogie Convention arranged for Sunday also put back and cannot now be held until February 7.

The main talking point should arise from the Secretary's Report, which dwells length on why the juniors and minors are not successful Provincial level. While seniors are winners of senior championship title for the fourth time since 1974, juniors have yet to win a junior title while the minors have not been provincials champions for five years.

While most counties would be very happy to be seen as camogie champions, it is the seeing of Miss Fennelly to be concerned at the failure of the lower grades to reach the top. Many of the present All-Ireland team have been in the grade for ten years and adequate replacements bound to be needed in the year or two.

### 50 YEARS AGO

U.C.C. won the Ashbourne Cup (Inter-Universities camogie championship) when they defeated U.C.D. by 2-1 to 1-1 in the final at Galway. The U.C.C. selection was — R. A. Aherne, U. Cronin, M. McSweeney, N. Hayes, S. O'Donoghue, K. O'Driscoll, L. Foley (capt), M. O'Leary, Dorothy Murphy, P. O'Kelly, Nuala Murphy, K. Lehane.

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## Liz is B+I "Camogie Player of the Year"



B+I "Camogie Player of the Year" Liz Neary pictured with her trophy at the B+I reception. Also in the picture are Mary Moran, president of the Camogie Association; Mrs. Mary Neary; and Mr. Billy Malone, chairman Kilkenny Co. Camogie Board.

## LEINSTER POSITION IS VERY HEALTHY

THE Leinster Counties will gather at Glenalbyn House, Stillorgan (2.0) next Saturday to review the year's work at the Annual Camogie Convention. Mrs. Marie Woods, who took over as Secretary last July when the elected Secretary Mrs. Marie Mangan had to retire due to ill health, gives a comprehensive account in her report.

Mrs. Woods, who is also the Council's Treasurer and a well known inter-county referee, reports that 11 of the 12 counties in the Province are affiliated and most are in a healthy position. With three of the top honours, at National level, won by Leinster counties, the standard speaks for itself. Kilkenny are the All-Ireland Senior Champions. Dublin Senior National League winners, and Buffers Athery (Wexford) Club Champions.

In addition Leinster regained the Gael-Linn Cup for inter-provincial honours. St. John of God Convent, Kilmore (Dublin) won the All-Ireland Junior Schools Cup, and Marino (Dublin) are the Feile na nGael champions.

So much for the winners. Louth lost the Junior National League in a replay with Cavan and Kildare lost the All-Ireland Junior semi-final by one point to the champions Clare.

### WESTMATH PROGRESS

The county which has made the greatest progress inside the Province is Westmeath. Only re-organised a few years ago, they won the junior 'B' League and reached the Final of the Leinster minor and under 14 competitions.

The new Leinster Club Competition got off to a great start with 32 clubs from eight counties participating.

Most of the first round has been completed but the wintry conditions have held up the fixtures since Christmas.

Since Mrs. Mangan is not letting her name go forward for secretary, four people are nominated for the position but I understand that Mrs. Woods, Helen Kavanagh and Dorothy Walsh have withdrawn so only

Mrs. Maureen Fulham (Westmeath) stands.

### C.C.D. FINALS

The finals of the Leinster C.C.D., the talent competition, will be held at a Westmeath venue on Sunday, January 31. The results of Dublin's Competition held last Sunday are — Question Time, Naomh Aoife; Celli Dancing, Slabh Bloom; Recitation, C. N. Choncradh (Kilmacud Crokes); Solo Instrumental, Niamh Killeen; Set Dancing, Cumann Setanta; Novelty Act, Cumann Setanta; Solo Singing, Caitriona N. Choncradh (Kilmacud Crokes); Ballad Group, U.C.D.

The Ulster Finals of the Competition are arranged for Carrickmacross on Sunday next starting (2.30)

## UCC advance

U.C.C. 5-6; U.C.G. 2-1

UCC SCORED an impressive win over UCG at the Mardyke on Saturday. Fitter and faster to the ball, Cork made the most of the opportunities that came their way and led by 3-5 to 1-0 at half-time. Although Galway had much possession in the second half they lacked co-ordination and failed to make any impact on the Cork defence.

SCORERS — CORK — N. O'Driscoll (1-2), A. Higgins (1-2), A. Landers (1-1), A. Delaney (0-1). Galway — L. Condon (1-0), E. Mulholland (1-0), M. Coyle (0-1).

U.C.D. 8-8; N.U.U. 0-0

UCC HAD as expected a runaway victory over NUU at Belfield on Saturday. Although slow to settle down, UCD soon opened up the play and dominated the game throughout. Some good team work led to well taken scores from play including a point by corner back Liz Gantley. UCD now meet Maynooth in the semi-final.

SCORERS — UCD — J. Gormley (4-0), G. Noonan (2-0), J. Shiels (1-0), M. Bergin (1-3), E. Murphy (0-4), L. Gantley (0-1).

Leinster Senior Colleges — Maryfield College 10-3 Kilcock 0-0.

## STUDENTS FACE BUSY WEEKEND

THE second and third level camogie councils have a busy weekend ahead of them. The quarter-finals of the Ashbourne Cup, the quarter-finals of the Ulster Senior Schools Cup, the semi-finals of the Munster Junior Cup and senior and junior quarter-finals in Leinster, top the list.

University College, Dublin, winners of the Ashbourne Cup in the last two years, are at home to the New University of Ulster, Coleraine, at Belfield (11.0) tomorrow, and Galway travel to the Mardyke to play Cork.

UCD are expected to advance to the semi-final against Maynooth, but the second quarter-final may be a very close game.

### FRESHERS' GAME

When Cork and Galway met in the Freshers' final last November, it was a very close tie, and the standard was high. With the seasoned players now strengthening the respective teams, a first-class game is expected.

Cork, who have won the title 24 times, had a great run from 1972 to 1977, and will be keen to get back on the winning trail.

They have outstanding players in Noelle O'Driscoll, Anne Delaney, Margaret Murphy and Anne Marie Landers. Galway's stars are Elnor O'Leary (Wexford), Liz Condon (Clare) and Paula Carr (Galway).

### GOT WALK-OVER

The winners of this game will play Queen's University, who got a walk-over from Dublin University in the second semi-final at Maynooth on February 14.

In the post-primary sector, the Munster semi-finals of the junior championship are down for decision. North Presentation and St. Patrick's, senior champions in '80 and '81, respectively, meet in one semi-

final at Nash's Field (12.0) and St. Joseph's, Tuilla, travel to Presentation, Cashel for the second fixture.

The Ulster senior quarter-finals are also scheduled as follows: Keady or Newry Tech. v Cavan or Monaghan; St. Louis, Killeel v Sacred Heart, Newry; Letterkenny Loreto A v Clady; Maghera or Magherafelt v Carndonagh.

Three quarter-finals in senior and one on junior are Leinster's fixtures for Saturday, as follows: Senior — Maryfield College v Kilcock; Presentation, Kilkenny v Mercy, Callan; Wicklow Voc. v F.C.J., Bundocloy. Junior — Wicklow Voc. v New Ross.

Leinster Convention elected a new secretary in Dublin last week. She is Mrs. Maureen Fulham and she is the first person from Westmeath to serve on the Provincial Council.

The other officers elected were: Chairman, Mrs. K. Timmins (outgoing), Dublin; Vice-chairman, Mrs. A. Farrell (outgoing), Meath; Treasurer, Mrs. M. Woods (outgoing), Kildare; Registrar, Miss S. Brack (outgoing) Dublin; Delegate to Ard Choiste, Miss P. Breslin (outgoing) Dublin; P.R.O., Mrs. A. Purcell (outgoing) Dublin.

Mrs. Fulham got a quick assignment after her election, as the Ceol, Caint agus Damhsa Talent Competition Finals are arranged for Killuycan (2.30) on Sunday next. Only two counties (Dublin and Westmeath) entered this year, so the adjudicators' task will be light.



# Playing Begins Again In Earnest

THE Christmas break is over in earnest on the camogie front as this weekend there is a full list of fixtures as well as Munster Council Convention in Cork.

In the fixtures list for Sunday the 1981/82 senior club tournament takes pride of place with all the senior clubs in opposition. 'Match of the Day' should be in Killeagh where the home club, and the holders of the Dunne Shield, take on Glen Rovers.

Killeagh without Betty Joyce, still out through injury, will not find the Glen easy to beat, especially with Cork stars Clare and Ger McCarthy lining out with their new club.

Eire Og and Na Piarasigh is a repeat of last year's championship game when the Owens' girls had a good win. However, the heavy pitch could suit Na Piarasigh and a surprise might be in store.

Old Aloysians versus UCC could well end in a draw. Many of the UCC girls are in training for the 'Ashbourne' but their 'Big Guns' will be lining out with their own clubs in this competition.

And in the fourth match in this tournament, Watergrasshill should prove too strong for a young Sarsfields side at Glenville.

The semi-finals of the 1981 Junior 'B' championship will also be played this weekend. Killeagh's second string would appear too strong for Ballincollig, especially on home ground, and St. Fannahans, led by mother and daughter combination, Mary and Una Twomey, look slight favourites to beat Bride Rovers at Mitchelstown.

In the final game on Sunday, Nemo Rangers meet

Brian Dillons at Nemo in the Under-16 League.

On tomorrow, Saturday, UCC take the first step towards Ashbourne Cup honours when they take on UCG in a preliminary round at the Mardyke. The Cork girls have a very strong team on paper but have not combined well in recent friendly games. So it remains to be seen if they can overcome the Western challenge and qualify for the tournament proper in Maynooth in a fortnight's time. UCC panel: I. Murphy, E. Noonan, J. Riordan, M. Murphy, I. Cronin, M. Murphy, A. M. Landers, E. Courtney (Capt.), N. Delaney, A. Higgins, A. Delaney, N. O'Driscoll, G. O'Connell, J. Healy, M. Fitzpatrick, M. Flaherty, N. Barrett.

Two semi-finals of the Munster Junior Colleges championship will also be played on tomorrow, with Cork Colleges, North Presentation and St. Patrick's in action at Nash's Field, and Scoil Mhuire, Cashel, and St. Joseph's Tulla, meeting at Cashel.

The clash of the local rivals should be a hectic one, as both have had impressive victories in the competition so far.

North Pres. who have one Munster title to their credit, defeated South Presentation and Loreto, Youghal, while the current Munster champions, St. Patrick's, have this year defeated Sacred Heart, and Bishopstown Community School in their journey to the decider.

In the second semi-final, Scoil Mhuire, a major force in Colleges in the early 1970s, hope to make a comeback to the big time this year and a win over St. Joseph's Tulla, would be a step in the right

direction for them. Off the playing fields, the big business this weekend will be carried out at the Imperial Hotel, Cork, where Munster Convention will be held. Cork might well have the Munster chairperson for the coming season as Rose O'Leary, the present Cork and Munster vice-chairperson, is a strong contender for the top post. And this in spite of being up against outgoing chairperson Cary Clancy of Limerick.

**FIXTURES Saturday:**  
At UCC Grounds, Mardyke: Ashbourne Cup Preliminary Round — UCC v UCG at 2 p.m. (Ref. M. Higgins).

Munster Junior Colleges semi-finals:  
At Cashel: Scoil Mhuire v St. Joseph's, Tulla at 2.30 p.m.

At Nash's Field: North Presentation v St. Patrick's, 12 noon.

**Sunday:**  
At Imperial Hotel: Munster Council Convention, 3 p.m.

1981/82 Senior club tournament: At Ovens, 12 noon — Eire Og v Na Piarasigh (Ref. Ballinora).

At Glenville, 12 noon — Watergrasshill v Sarsfields (Ref. Fr. O'Neill's).

At Old Aloysians, 3 p.m. — Old Aloysians v UCC (Ref. St. Finbarrs).

At Killeagh, 3.15 p.m. — Killeagh v Glen Rovers (Ref. Youghal).

1981 Junior 'B' Championship: At Killeagh, 2 p.m. — Killeagh v Ballincollig (Ref. M. Maher).

At Mitchelstown, 3 p.m. — Bride Rovers v St. Fannahans (Ref. Castlemagner).

Under-16L: Nemo Rangers v Brian Dillons at Nemo, 3 p.m. (Ref. Douglas).

## Cork Woman Could Be Chairperson

MUNSTER Camogie Council might well have a Cork chairperson for 1982. For when Convention takes place at the Imperial Hotel, Cork, on Sunday week, Cork and Munster vice-chairperson, Rose O'Leary, will be standing for the top post, and this highly dedicated official must be very much in the running, in spite of the fact that she will be up against outgoing chairperson, Cary Clancy of Limerick, another excellent official.

But if Rose is elected it will leave delegates with a dilemma as Rose is unopposed for the position of vice-chairperson, as well as being nominated for the big one, so that Convention will have the job of filling the 'vice' post on the day, never an easy task.

Cork already have an officer on the Council in Treasurer, Mary Casey and she is once again unopposed while Eithne Neville (Limerick) has no competition for the Secretary's job. There are two nominees for the registrar's position, but as these two — Marie Davoren and Carmel Moloney (outgoing), are both from Clare, it is hardly likely that they will oppose one another so one is almost certain to withdraw before Convention.

Cork delegates to the Munster meeting will be Cork County Chairperson, Mary O'Callaghan, and new

P.R.O., Miriam Higgins, and with a long list of motions Convention promises to be a busy affair.

The Munster C.C.D. finals will be held in Castlemagner on February 7 next. Already most of the Cork winners are known and it only remains for the Question Time to be decided.

And this will be settled at what should be a very entertaining evening at St. Finbarr's Club, when the semi-finals and final will be decided on Thursday, January 28.

There are four teams in each semi-final with Douglas, Eire Og, St. Finbarr's and Inniscarra in one and Blackrock, Glen Rovers, Na Piarasigh and Castlemagner in the other. Castlemagner represented Cork last year.

## U.C.C. through to Ashbourne semi-finals

U.C.C. 5-6, U.C.G. 2-1

U.C.C. are through to the Ashbourne Cup semi-finals by virtue of their good win over U.C.G. in their preliminary round game at the Mardyke on Saturday.

U.C.C. had sharpshooter Noelle O'Driscoll in excellent form scoring 3-2, while Angela Higgins, and Ann Marie Landers were also impressive. For Galway Mairead Coyle, and Maria Gibbons were best.

Scorers: U.C.C. — N. O'Driscoll 3-2, A. Higgins 1-3, A. Delaney, A. M. Landers 1-0, and A. Delaney 0-1. U.C.G. — L. Condron and A. Mulholland 1-0 each; M. Coyle 0-1.

In the other preliminary round game U.C.D. defeated N.U.U. by 8-8 to nil.



The officers who presided over the Munster Camogie Council annual convention held at the Imperial Hotel yesterday. (From left) Carmel Moroney (Clare), registrar; Mary Casey (Cork), treasurer; Eithne Neville (Limerick), secretary; Carrie Clancy (Limerick), chairperson, and Rose O'Leary (Cork), vice-chairperson.



# Seniors owe something to the game

BY MARK WOODS

SENIOR Camogie players should be prepared to put something back into the game by means of coaching or managing, the Munster Council Annual Convention was told in Cork yesterday.

Outgoing Chairman Miss Carrie Clancy (Limerick) said it was not good enough for these players just to play at inter county level without offering their services after retiring.

During the course of her address she referred to the situation in Kerry, where there are many enthusiastic young players wishing to play the game but cannot do so on account of the lack of people at an organisational level.

National President Mary Moran also spoke on this topic during her address to convention. She added that there should not be too much emphasis on inter county

competitions, as this might lead to a neglect of the lesser players and a fall off in playing numbers.

The problem relating to shortages of referees in all counties was mentioned during Miss Eithne Neville's report. Acting as Secretary she said that some counties were experiencing great difficulty, particularly in Cork.

She paid tribute to Clare's All-Ireland Junior success, after being so long in the wilderness. "The fact that 10 of that successful side are members of school teams shows how important it is for counties to nurture the game in schools", added Miss Neville.

It was decided to hold a coaching session for referees in Emly, Co. Tipperary on Sunday, February 28 at 11.30 a.m. Counties are to submit at least six names for this course.

The Champion draws are: Senior — Cork v Limerick, Clare v Tipperary; Junior (A), Clare v Waterford, (B) Limerick v Cork; Round Two, Kerry v winners of B, Tipperary v winners of A.

Minor (A) Tipperary v Kerry, (B) Cork v Limerick; Round Two, Clare v Waterford, B v A. Under 18 (A), Limerick v Kerry, (B) Clare v Cork, Round Two, Tipperary v winners of A, winners of B v Waterford. Club Championship (A) Limerick v Kerry, (B) Cork v Clare, Round Two, winners of B v Waterford, winners of A v Tipperary.

The following officers were elected for the year: Chairman, Miss Rose O'Leary (Cork); Vice do, Miss Brid Stokes (Limerick); Sec. Miss Eithne Neville (Limerick); Treas. Mrs. Mary Casey (Cork); Reg. Mrs. Maureen Davoren (Clare); Delegate to Central Council, Miss Eithne Neville; Delegates to Fixture Committee, Miss Rose O'Leary, Miss Eithne Neville and Mrs. Maureen Davoren.

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## Camogie Matches

ALL eight Cork senior clubs were in action yesterday in the first round of the Club Tournament and at the end of the day Killeagh, eire Og and Old Aloysians were through to the semi-finals, but Watergrasshill and Sarsfields have to meet again, following their dramatic draw.

Killeagu ..... 1-8  
Glen Rovers ..... 1-0

The ever improving Glen Rovers gave Killeagh a tough game in their meeting at Killeagh and in fact the County champions only led by a single point — 0-1 to nil at the interval. However, Killeagh, although playing against the wind in the second half made sure of their victory by scoring 1-7 in the second half.

Scorers: Killeagh: A. Leahy, 1-2; P. Moloney 0-4; B. Costine and M. Sweeney 0-12 each. Glen Rovers: A. O'Donoghue 1-0.

Eire Og ..... 3-2  
Na Piarasigh ..... 1-0

Eire Og proved too good for the youthful Na Piarasigh in this tie played at Ovens. Feature of the clash was the performance of both goalies, Marian McCarthy of Eire Og and young Deirdre O'Shea of Na Piarasigh who brought off some excellent saves. Eire Og were ahead at half time by 2-2 to 1-0 and added another goal after the interval to seal the victory.

Watergrasshill ..... 3-2  
Sarsfields ..... 2-5

A last minute point for Sarsfields gave them a second chance in this excellent clash at Glenville. At half time Watergrasshill were ahead by 2-2 to 1-4 and after an exciting second half the sides were all square.

Scorers: Watergrasshill: M. O'Leary 1-1; C. Higgins, 1-1; M. Maher, 1-0. Sarsfields: M. Brady and P. O'Mahony, 1-0 each; V. Brett and A. O'Mahony, 0-1 each; L. Zinkant, 0-3.

Old Aloysians ..... 2-1  
U.C.C. ..... 0-3

Both sides were depleted for this clash but a very promising performance from Old Aloysians won for them a place in the semi-finals.

At half time Old AIs, who had excellent performances from Ann O'Connor, Eleanor Hackett and Nuala Jennings, were ahead by 0-1 to nil.

In the Junior B Championship quarter final Ballincollig defeated Killeagh by 4-1 to 2-1 while in the Munster Junior Colleges Championship semi-final St. Patrick's won all-Cork clash with North Presentation by 7-3 to nil.



Some of the attendance at the Munster Camogie Council Annual Convention held at the Imperial Hotel, Cork. ("Echo")



## MAINLY FOR WOMEN

### NANCY O'DRISCOLL

**NANCY O'DRISCOLL** is a quiet, hardworking solicitor in Cork. She is modest about her outstanding achievements in sport and many of her clients are probably unaware that she has three All-Ireland medals to her credit. When I went to interview her for 'The African Missionary' she recalled selling our magazine when she was at National School.

**A.M. Do you come from a sporting family?**  
Nancy. The whole family were interested in all kinds of sport. My three brothers play hurling and football. We are six girls in the family, all camogie players. Three of us - Noelle, Eileen and myself have played for Cork. Mary, who worked with the SMA Fathers in Northern Nigeria, played for U.C.C.

**When did you start playing?**  
I come from Kilcrea and when I was about fourteen the Éire Óg camogie was formed in the parish. I began playing with the club. I attended school at The Ursuline Convent where I played hockey and tennis as they had no camogie, but they have started it since then.

**Tell us about your career on the county team.**  
I got on to Cork Juniors in 1972. I was captain of the team when we won the All-Ireland Junior Final in 1973. After that I moved to the Seniors and was captain when we won in 1978. We also won in 1980. So I have three All-Ireland medals, one junior and two senior.

**What position do you play?**  
I started with the forwards. Now I play mostly centre field but I am growing out of centre field and am retreating to the back line.

**Does your club have a strenuous training programme?**

We do. We have a very dedicated trainer, Con Malone. With him we have won under-age, junior, intermediate and senior championships. We were the first country club to win the senior championship.

**How can the game be promoted among young people?**

The youth themselves should have a love for the game. You don't have to have great facilities. I don't think the emphasis should be on facilities. All that is needed is a bit of green grass, a few hurleys and a ball.

**What do you think of the coverage given to the game by the media?**

It does not get coverage compared to football

and hurling. It deserves more coverage and a lot of people want to see it on T.V. The excuse given by the media is that there is not sufficient interest. I think that is wrong. Since I started, the game has greatly improved at playing and administration level.

**You play hockey as well. Would you prefer camogie as a game?**

No, I wouldn't put one above the other. I play the two and I love them both.

**Does a camogie player have the same social life as a girl involved in another sport?**

Definitely. Most teams have a panel of fifteen or sixteen. Every time you play you meet at least thirty people. It is played at all levels - club, county and provincial. As a result of camogie I could have friends in Limerick, Antrim, Dublin and Kilkenny, meeting them on a regular basis. And you get to know people from every part of your own county.

**What do you think of the growth of Gaelic football leagues for women?**

If players give the time to any sport it will improve. A lot of girls are interested in it and each year they will bring up their own standard.

**Is camogie a dangerous game?**

No. It is not any more dangerous than hockey.



All-Ireland Senior Final 1978. Nancy on the shoulders of Patricia O'Riordan (Ballinlough) and Marian McCarthy (Eire Og)



Moment of glory for Nancy, Captain of 1973 Junior All-Ireland winners, shouldered by Marian McCarthy (Eire Og) and Cally O'Riordan (Youghal)



This year insurance has been introduced to cover any medical or dental fees from injuries. Is a serious effort being made to promote camogie in new areas?

At present there is no one person dedicated to this. If there was it might help. If a new club writes to the County Board an officer will visit them. She will arrange friendly matches if they don't want to enter leagues from the beginning. But the interest must come from the people themselves.

What is the most memorable match in your career?

The year we won the Junior County Championship with the Éire Óg club in 1974. We had lost a number of finals before that. The All-Irelands were great but there was nothing to cap that match.

Who is your favourite sports star?

I don't follow football or hurling but in camogie Marian McCarthy, the Cork goalie, and Marie O'Donovan are very good. At a national level Angela Downey of Kilkenny has great skills and is an extremely fast forward.

Have you any ideas for the place of camogie in the forthcoming Centenary Celebrations of the G.A.A.?

In relation to their handling of camogie the G.A.A. are fairly generous with their facilities but they seem to be given as a concession rather than a right. We are not part of the G.A.A. but we play the same game so if they are interested in promoting hurling they should also promote camogie. Coming up to their Centenary they could make a serious effort to promote camogie.

Who started the game?

A Mayoman called Seán O'Duffy started it in Dublin in the early nineteen hundreds. He died last year. Angela Higgins, who plays for Cork, has written a book on camogie.

Have you other pastimes?

I play hockey with Old Ursulines. I also play a little soccer and bit of road-bowling. I read a lot.

Would you encourage readers to take up the game?

Definitely! Many girls get bored and I cannot understand why they don't take up some sport. Some are afraid they will be no good but it does not matter because the game is graded into senior, junior, junior 'B', etc., so you will find your own standard.

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## Plenty To Whet The Appetite

IT will be all go again this weekend on the camogie scene with important activities on the field and off. The replay of the Senior Club first round game between Watergrasshill and Sarsfields is the big game for Sunday while on tomorrow, the Munster Senior Colleges Final will be held.

And off the field the Munster Finals of the Ceol Caint agus Damhsa competitions will be held at Castlemagner, on Sunday.

The drawn game between Watergrasshill and Sarsfields was an exciting affair played on Sunday last in which Sars snatched a last minute point to earn a second chance. The home venue - Riverstown - will be an advantage to the Glanmire girls but last weekend's match should sharpen up the Watergrasshill attack.

In this game Cork senior Angela Higgins may well be moved from her customary centrefield position into the forwards after her successful display for U.C.C. in last week's Ashbourne Cup preliminary round win over Galway.

The 1981 Under 16 Championship game between Éire Óg and Aghabullogue has been postponed. However Glen Rovers play St. Fanahans away. The Glen who have been doing well in underage competition of late can field a very strong team which includes Mary Ring (a daughter of the late Christy), Margaret O'Sullivan (younger sister of Cork star Joanie) and Regina Scutts, who was a member of last year's successful St. Patrick's school team.

In the under 16 League

Blackrock can call on the services of Cork minors Frances Deasy and Una O'Connor and may be too experienced for Brian Dillons, even at the Tank Field.

This season the Munster Senior Colleges Final will be contested between St. Patrick's Shannon and Presentation de la Salle, Hospital. Presentation have never won the senior title, they took the Junior trophy in 1980 and will have most of that team on duty tomorrow. This means that they can field such prominent players as Jenny English, Ann Marie Meaney, Cara Moloney, Cora O'Brien, Monica Hickey, and Martina Ryan and will be very difficult to beat, in what

three Killeagh players suspended from the panel for the latter part of last season are included in the list.

The panel is: Marian McCarthy, Eileen Dineen, Miriam Higgins, Mary Geaney, Clare Kelleher (all Éire Óg), Ger McCarthy, Joan O'Sullivan, Val Fitzpatrick, Ann Delaney, Clare McCarthy (all Glen Rovers), Marian Sweeney, Catherine Landers, Patricia Linehan (Killeagh); Patricia O'Riordan, Angela Higgins, Mary O'Leary (Watergrasshill), Martha Kearney (Na Piarasigh), Liz Lynch (Douglas), Clare Cronin (Old Aloysians).

Incidentally Nancy O'Driscoll of Éire Óg, who

By JOAN MORLEY

should be a thrilling final

The ceol, caint agus Damhsa competitions keep going from strength to strength. The standard of the Cork Finals was very high indeed and no doubt this will be even higher at the Munster Finals, to be held at Castlemagner on Sunday next. So good luck to the Cork representatives, who are Marie Henchion, Castlemagner (Instrumental Music); Douglas (Figure Dancing); Gobnet Crowley, Ballincollig (Solo Singing); Marguerite Coad, Na Piarasigh (Recitation); Douglas (Comedy Act); Castlemagner (Set Dancing); Éire Óg (Question Time).

Finally the Cork Senior selectors have named a panel of nineteen for the forthcoming season and it is interesting to note that the

came out of inter-county retirement for last years All-Ireland campaign was not considered for the panel this time at her own request.

A special meeting of players, selectors, and trainer has been arranged for Thursday 11th Feb., next at 8 p.m. in Pairc Uí Chaoimh and all players are asked to attend.

### FIXTURES

Saturday at Emly M.S. Colleges Final: St. Patrick's Shannon v Presentation de la Salle, Hospital 3 p.m.  
Sunday: At Castlemagner, Munster Finals C.C.D. 2.30 p.m. At St. Fanahans 1981 U-16 St. Fanahans v Glen Rovers 3 p.m. Ref. Old Als. At Tank Field: U-16 league: Brian Dillons v Blackrock 3.30 p.m. (Ref. Na Piarasigh). At Riverstown: 1981 S.C.T. Replay Sarsfields v Watergrasshill 3.30 p.m. (Ref. Mary Whelton).

## Shannon strike on full-time

By JOAN MORLEY

St. Patrick's, Shannon 3-3  
Presentation de la Salle, Hospital 2-3

A DRAMATIC goal on the stroke of full time gave St. Patrick's, Shannon the Munster Senior Colleges camogie title at Emly on Saturday, where they defeated Presentation de la Salle after a most exciting final.

The Shannon girls, playing against the wind in the first half, were most impressive and looked well on the way to victory with a half-time lead of 1-2 to 0-1.

However, just after half-time Jenny English of Presentation scored a marvellous goal, and made another, to put a completely different complexion on the game with the odds now stacked in Hospital's favour.

But the game was far from over as Shannon came back to level the score at 2-3 each with nine minutes to go. From then on it was anybody's game and both

sides missed opportunities before St. Patrick's snatched that golden goal and the Munster Crown.

Best for the winners were Rosemary O'Shaughnessy, Pat Austin, Lourda Fox and Teresa Naughton, while Presentation were best served by Jenny English, Cora Moloney, Martina Ryan and Monica Hickey.

St. Patrick's: T. Naughton, J. Quinn, C. O'Meara, P. Austin, M. O'Connell, A. Browne, R. O'Shaughnessy, G. Morey, L. Fox, M. Beagan, P. Collins, K. Naughton.

Presentation de la Salle: M. Hickey, C. O'Brien, T. O'Brien, N. Looby, C. Moloney, M. Ryan, P. Guerin, A. M. Meaney, E. Murphy, J. English, M. Cunningham, K. Murphy.

St. Patrick's now go on to meet the Leinster champions in the All-Ireland semi-final on March 6.

## FENNELLY

### NOMINATED

COME THE centenary year of the G.A.A. in 1984, Kilkenny could have two presidents in the Association. Silverman man Paddy Buggy will be the overall president while Miss Mary Fennelly (St. Pauls) could be the president of the Camogie Association.

At the Kilkenny Camogie Board Convention yesterday, Miss Fennelly was unanimously nominated to contest the elections in March when Mary Moran (Cork) will complete her term of office.

Miss Fennelly has been secretary of the Kilkenny Board since 1976. She won three All Ireland senior camogie medals with Kilkenny and only brought the curtain down on a distinguished career in 1980.

It was announced that the Kilkenny representative in the All Ireland camogie superstar competition will be Liz Neary (St. Pauls) who captained the county to their fourth senior All Ireland victory last October.

Officers elected - Chair.: Bill Malone (Ballycallan); vice-chair.: Liz Neary (St. Pauls); Sec.: Mary Fennelly (St. Pauls); Registrar: Angela Downey (St. Pauls); Treas.: John Murphy (Ballycallan); PRO: Phil Cashin (Ballycallan); Delegates to Leinster Convention and Congress: M. Fennelly, Ann Downey.

### CAMOGIE

Leinster Colleges' Senior Semi-finals - St. John of God's, Kilmore, 7-1; Mercy Convent, Athy, 0-0. Maryfield College, 1-2; S.C.I., Buncolody, 1-0. Leinster Colleges' Junior Semi-finals - Wicklow V.S., 2-1; Pres., Kilkenny, 2-0. Maryfield College, 7-3; Oldcastle C.S., 0-0. Leinster Colleges' Senior "B" - Pres., Tereure, 1-0; Assumption, Walkinstown, 2-0.

## TALENT FINALS

The Munster finals of the Ceol, Caint agus Damhsa competitions were held recently and Cork were successful in three events, with Limerick four titles and Clare one.

Solo Instrumental: Colette Moloney, Ballyagran, Co. Limerick.

Figure Dancing: Wolfe Tones, Shannon, Co. Clare.

Solo Singing: Gobnait Ni Chruaol, Ballincollig, Co. Cork.

Recitation: Ann Griffin, Ballyahill, Co. Limerick.

Novelty Act: Douglas, Cork.

Question Time: Éire Óg, Cork.

Set Dancing: Bruff, Co. Limerick.

Ballad Group: Ballyahill, Co. Limerick.

The Munster winners will now go forward to the All-Ireland Finals which will be held in Dublin on March 20.



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# Progressive Bishopstown Club

**BISHOPSTOWN Camogie Club, founded in the mid-seventies, is one of the most progressive clubs in the city, having enjoyed considerable success in its short history.**

In 1979, club coach Pat Murray began training an under-12 squad with the aim of winning the U-14 All-Ireland Feile na nGael title by 1981. Though it seemed a very ambitious goal initially, the young girls progressed steadily through regular coaching sessions and numerous challenge matches,

throughout Cork, Kerry, Clare and Dublin.

In 1980, they were victorious in the Cork Community Games, progressing to the Munster final, where they were narrowly beaten by the Clare champions.

The following year they went a good way to realising their dream of taking the All-Ireland Feile na nGael title, when they won the Cork section of this competition, defeating Watergrasshill in the final. This paved the way for their assault on the All-Ireland title in Galway.

Despite being without their coach, the girls accounted for Castlegar (Galway), St. Ibar's (Wexford) and Bennetsbridge (Kilkenny) in the lead up to the final, only to be narrowly beaten for the title by Marino (Dublin).

However, they took some consolation from their victories in the Cork Community Games, for the second time, to which they added the Munster title for the first time.

The club regularly arranges weekend visits away to clubs outside Cork. Two teams make the trip to Dublin annually for the All-Ireland Senior final, where they are hosted by the Kilmore Club, managed by ex-St. Finbarr's hurler, Tim Cronin, to whom they express their gratitude. The Kilkenny Pan-Celtic tournament is also part of their annual itinerary, and

this year they are hopeful of coming away with the honours.

The club has expressed its gratitude to the local banks, shops and firms, and to the local people, for their support in the various fund-raising ventures over the past few years.

They offer a special word of thanks to the Bishopstown G.A.A. ladies' committee, under the chairperson of Mrs. Maud O'Brien, for their work in organising victory functions on many occasions.

The present club committee is: Mrs. Lily Carey, Chairperson; Mrs. Aedin McCarthy, Vice-Chairperson; Miss Virginia Murphy, Secretary; Mrs. Phil Duggan, Treasurer, and Club Captain; Virginia Murphy, P.R.O.

The Bishopstown girls are also strong in other sports as is evidenced by their victory in the 1981 Cork Community Games girls Gaelic competition.

The club runs internal leagues and coaching sessions for its young players, including a special session for primary school girls each Monday afternoon at 4 p.m. in the Bishopstown G.A.A. Grounds.

There can be little doubt but that the future of the club will be bright. Hopes include fielding a team in the senior ranks as well as supplying a number of talented players to the various Cork teams.



Bishopstown U-12 camogie team



Coach Pat Murray with the U-14 side

Twins on the Bishopstown camogie team (l. to r.): Caroline and Adrienne O'Sullivan; Claire and Helen de Groot; Catherine and Marie Pollock.





# CAMOGIE IN DOWN

By MAIRÍN NIC ÁRTAIN

1981 has been a fairly successful year for Camogie in Down. Like the county footballers, the senior camogie team reached the All-Ireland semi-final with an easy win over Derry and a narrow 2.6 to 1.8 victory over Wexford in the quarter-final. Kilkenny, however, proved much too strong in the semi-final and they, in turn, beat Cork in a final replay to lift the All-Ireland crown. The Down teams are very much indebted to a number of people whose interest and dedication contributed to the success enjoyed in the past year — manager — Gerry Mullan, selector, Mickey Brown, acting County Board chairperson, Mrs. Rosaleen McCartan, P.R.O., Fr. Davies, county registrar, Helen Lambe and Maura Quinn, Clonduff.

Fr. Davies presents the Down Senior Camogie Championship Cup to Cathy O'Hare, captain of the winning Kilkeel team



The Down junior team was beaten in the Ulster Championship by Cavan on a score of 3.2 to 1.4 and the minor team made their exit at the hands of Derry, losing by five points, 1.6 to 2.5.

## WON MAGUIRE CUP AND ULSTER CHAMPIONSHIP

The senior team may not have reached the All-Ireland Final but they did win the Maguire Cup for the second consecutive year, beating Cavan by 4.6 to 2.2 in the final. This competition is open to all the counties in Ulster. This Maguire Cup success was matched by a 4.3 to 2.1 victory over the same opposition, to annex the Ulster Senior Camogie championship for the second time in two years. The Ulster Championship is played after the All-Ireland series which is now on an Open Draw basis.

On the club front, there was renewed interest and enthusiasm with the formation of eight new clubs being of particular note. The new clubs are Ben Dearg, Magheradroll, Tullylish, Darragh Cross, Annaclone, Ballyholland, Drumgath and Killeavy (U-14 only).

Kilkeel won the county senior championship for the second successive year, beating Leitrim by a goal, 2.4 to 1.4, after a hard fought final. They then went on to retain their Ulster club title. In the first round and in the semi-final, they defeated the Monaghan and Cavan champions respectively and in the final, played at St. Louis Convent, Kilkeel, they beat Eglis from Tyrone with a solitary point to spare, 3.4 to 2.6. However, they were forced to bow to a very strong Cork team in the All-Ireland semi-final.



## KILKEEL — DOWN AND ULSTER SENIOR CAMOGIE CHAMPIONS 1981

Back Row: (L. to R.)—T. Allen, V. McGreevy, Carmel O'Hare, M. Artherton, C. Rooney, Cathy O'Hare (Capt.)  
Front Row: (L. to R.)—M. Cleland, C. Morgan, M. Morgan, D. Morgan, T. McVeigh, C. Artherton, M. Cunningham



Gerry Mullan, holds the attention of member of the Down Senior Camogie panel at a coaching session in Leitrim in preparation for this year's All-Ireland semi-final against Kilkenny.



### CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

The full list of winners and runners-up in this year's Down Camogie Championship Finals is as follows:—

Senior:	Kilkeel 2.4	Leitrim 1.4
Intermediate:	Kilcoo 1.0	Clonduff 0.0
Junior:	Attical 5.3	Kilcoo 3.0
Minor:	Clonduff 3.0	Leitrim 1.0
U-14:	Leitrim 6.0	Lower Mourne 1.0
U-12:	Clonduff 2.0	Newry 0.0

### LEAGUES

At the time of going to press, there are a few outstanding matches in the County Leagues, the majority of these matches being vital to the destination of league honours.

Ballycran are top of the Senior League but Leitrim can still force a play-off. In the Intermediate League, Kilcoo have emerged as the winners while Dundrum have won the Junior League for the first time. Ballycran, Kilkeel and Leitrim are joint leaders in the Minor League and in the U-14 League, Clonduff and Leitrim are sharing top spot. Clonduff have completed the double at U-12 level by adding the league trophy to their championship award.

### HONOUR FOR DOWN CAMOGIE

Camogie in Down was honoured by the fact that one of its most experienced referees, Mrs. Belle O'Loughlin, was selected to referee the All-Ireland Junior Final.

Down had no less than nine players on the Ulster team which lost by 3.10 to 2.5 in the Gael-Linn Final (Inter-Provincial Competition). The nine were: Stephanie Kelly (Portaferry), Sheila McCartan, Maureen McCartan, Fionnuala McGrady (Leitrim), Veronica McGreevy, Teresa Allen, Cathy O'Hare, Captain (Kilkeel), Eileen Hamill (Clonduff) and Kathleen Rice (Killyleagh).

Camogie appears to be flourishing in Down but it would be encouraging to see even more people taking an interest in the game by coming along to support club and county teams. After all Camogie is the sister game to Gaelic football and Hurling.



Down made history in 1968 by winning their first Junior All-Ireland camogie title. They beat Cork in the final by 2.3 to 1.1 at Páirc an Chrócaigh.

Martina Beegan, about to gain possession in the Clare-Antrim All-Ireland Junior Camogie Final.



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by Jane Beatty

# CAMOGIE

While there were many fine moments during 1981 for me the highlights were Féile and the All-Ireland Minor Final.

The first big event of the year was the C.C.D. All-Ireland final. It was nice to see Mervue win their first All-Ireland title. Meanwhile on the play fields Pearses and Davitts were having their own personal duel. Three times these two teams had to meet before Davitts finally won the day when they won the Under-16 League final. In June our attention was focussed on the Féile finals. Galway clubs hosted a record 17 visiting teams. An Spidéal won the best banner award with a truly beautiful banner while Anne Ryan (Pearses) won the National Skills award. Féile can have only helped the spread of camogie within Galway. This fact was indeed borne out when one saw the number of former Féile players on the Galway Under-16 team and Junior team.

When the Galway Senior team defeated Clare in the first round of the championship one had visions of that first elusive All-Ireland Senior title, especially when rumours abounded that all was not well in the Cork camp. By

all accounts Galway could have won but lack of fitness was to prove costly on the day. The Galway Junior team after defeating Roscommon in the Connacht Final faced Antrim in the All-Ireland semi-final. This very young Galway team put up a fine performance and one hopes that if this team can stay together an All-Ireland title can be won in the not too distant future.

The last Galway team, to enter the fray, was the Under-16 team—the dark horses of camogie. Because of their poor performance in 1980 one was hoping for a better showing in 1981. But, when this team handed Roscommon a comprehensive defeat, the future looked bright indeed. Drawn, in the All-Ireland semi-final, against a Dublin team who came with a huge reputation. After about ten minutes it became clear that while Dublin might have the reputation Galway had the talent and by half time it was over as a contest and Galway ran out comprehensive winners.

## Antrim

The All-Ireland Final against Antrim was played at Tynagh. Because of our semi-final success we were favourites

and everything seemed in favour—the pitch, the day and a large partisan crowd. At half time everything looked good and we were very much in command. As the second half wore on we pressed home our advantage. But with seven minutes of normal time to go two bad mistakes by the defence and Antrim were back in contention and suddenly Galway saw a seven point lead disappear. Twice, Breda Kenny, the Galway captain had the opportunity to score the match winner but each time she missed. Then with the second last puck of the match as we all had visions of the long trek to Antrim for the replay, Breda, from a difficult angle scored the winning point and the All-Ireland title was ours.

On the home scene Oranmore retained the Senior title. Davitts brought off the double when they won both the Junior and Minor titles while Ballygar won the Under-14 Championship. All-in-all the future looks rosy when one considers the fine talent available at under age level and one can look forward to a bright future at All-Ireland level.

## ANNE RYAN Camogie Skillstar



Anne Ryan (Pearses) All-Ireland Camogie Skills award winner being presented with her trophy by Mary Moran President of the Camogie Association. Anne is a sister of John and Pascal of hurling fame.

## ALL-IRELAND MINOR CHAMPIONS



Front row (left to right): Barbara Glynn, Maureen Robinson, Margaret O'Reilly, Breda Kenny (captain), Anne Ryan, Anne Kennedy. Back row (left to right): Claire Dillon, Attracta Egan, Ann Briscoe, Martina O'Dowd, Lorna Hennessey, Dolores Hobbins, Criona Duffy



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## 1981 CAMOGIE TEAMS



### CONNACHT

*Junior Camogie team who defeated Munster. Front row (left to right): Isbeal McGee, Mary Ryan, Breda Kenny, Ann Gallagher (captain), Martina Collins, Collette Arnold, Mary Feeley. Back row (left to right): Fiona Robinson, Jackie Rodgers, Pauline O'Connor, Margaret O'Reilly, Carmel Briscoe, Mairead Coyle, Angela Manning, Barbara Glynn. Missing from photograph: Deirdre Dillon*

### SAINT BRIDGETS LOUGHREA

#### CONNACHT VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS JUNIOR CAMOGIE CHAMPIONS

*Front row (left to right): Noreen Daly, Margaret Shelly, Deirdre Lawless (captain), Elizabeth Keane, Rita Connor, Mary Kenny. Back row (left to right): Sharon Tierney, Patricia Ford, Caren McCormack, Carmel Hickey, Kathleen Broderick, Pearl Stewart, Margaret Connaughton*



### DAVITTS

*Davitts Junior Camogie Team, who won County Final in Ballymacward, beating Ballinasloe 5-2 to 1-0. This club was formed only two years ago.*

*Front row (left to right): Mary Farrell, Bernie Lawless, Geraldine Robinson, Maura Robinson, Annette Ryan, Annette Walshe, Linda Moran. Back row (left to right): Claire Fahy, Kathleen Moran, Olivia Killeen, Deirdre Lawless, Carmel Briscoe, Geraldine Dolan, Ann Briscoe, Marie Hickey. Two team members missing from photograph are Dolores Hobbins and Margaret O'Reilly*





# Camogie is thriving in Donegal Schools

by a SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

ANNE CARROLL



The last decade has seen an explosion in the number of women participating in sport. Almost all recreation activities and games report increased female membership not to mention the now common sight of women joggers and marathon runners. This marvellous interest in sport is strongly reflected in the schools where female students now take part in an exceptionally wide range of recreation activities.

In Donegal the girls have taken a really big interest in camogie. Only ten years ago there was no inter-schools camogie in the county; now nine schools compete against each other and during those ten years Donegal schools have reached ten Ulster Finals and four Ulster Championship Trophies have come to the county.

To find out where this upsurge in interest had its roots one must go to Inishowen and to Scoil Mhuire, Buncrana. They were the first Donegal school ever to affiliate to the Ulster Colleges Council and they had a great start in competition losing the Ulster 1st Year Final narrowly in their first year in competition.

Buncrana's success encouraged other schools to affiliate and the Loreto Schools, Milford and Letterkenny, joined with Buncrana and the Derry school Thornhill college to contest for the Ulster qualifying places the following year. Since then the Seniors and Juniors from Milford have only qualified once for the Ulster play-offs but because of very promising performances during the last two years Milford must be in a challenging position for an Ulster Title soon.

## LORETO LETTERKENNY

However it is Milford's sister school Letterkenny that has really hit the camogie headlines both locally and nationally. It is worthwhile looking at their record since 1973:

1973/74 Ulster 1st Years Champions.  
1975/76 Ulster Junior Champions.  
1976/77 Ulster 1st Years Runners-up.  
1977/78 Ulster Junior Runners-up.  
Ulster 1st Years Runners-up.  
1978/79 Ulster U-14 Champions.  
1979/80 Ulster Junior Runners-up.  
1980/81 Ulster Junior Champions.

By any standards it has been an impressive performance but significantly so far there has been no breakthrough at Senior level. Twice, 1978 and 1981, goals conceded on the final whistle have prevented a Letterkenny appearance in an Ulster Senior Final; maybe 1982 will see that bogey laid to rest.

The late '1970s' saw Carndonagh Community School enter Colleges camogie competition. In their short time competing they have produced some very fine teams and reached the Ulster Senior 'B' final in 1978 where they lost to Kilkeel. They have very good under-age teams at present and since they will not meet Loreto Letterkenny in the qualifying matches they must have a good chance of getting to the Ulster Final this year. What a day for Donegal if two Donegal schools were to meet in an Ulster Final

## VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS

The last five years have also seen the development of camogie in the Vocational Schools. Raphoe led the way and had the reward for years of endeavour when they qualified for the Ulster Senior quarter-final last February. Stranorlar were Junior qualifiers in 1979. Letterkenny participated for two years but now await their new playing pitch and will probably be back in action next year. Buncrana made a very impressive debut this year starting with a 9-0 to 0-0 win over Loreto Letterkenny 1st Year 'B's. The performance of their Juniors in this year's championship is eagerly

Much of the credit for Loreto Letterkenny's success must go to one of the teachers in the school, Anne Carroll. London born Anne began her playing career with Cuffesgrange in Kilkenny. She then moved to St. Patrick's, Tipperary and then to St. Paul's Kilkenny with whom she spent most of her Camogie career. Her list of honours underlines the fact that she was one of Ireland's greatest camogie players - two All Ireland medals with Kilkenny (1974, 1976); five All Ireland club medals (1965, 1966, 1968, 1969, 1975); five Gael Linn championships (captaining Leinster in 1971); four Ashbourne Cup medals with U.C.D.; Munster and Leinster Club Championship medals; Leinster Colleges' medals and so on.

awaited. Also eagerly awaited is the entry of Donegal Town Vocational School Juniors. They have played well in friendlies towards the end of last season and have the ability to do very well.

## ALL-IRELAND?

These are indeed exciting camogie times for the schools but one must ask the question will a Donegal school ever bring an All-Ireland title to the County or in other words are Donegal good in Ulster but weak in All-Ireland terms? Letterkenny Juniors have twice been in All Irelands semi-finals. On both occasions they lost to the eventual All Ireland Champions; in 1976 the deficit was 0-0 to 4-0 to Athenry of Galway and last February it was 1-1 to 2-5 to Kilmore of Dublin. In both cases the score reflected the play but the experience gained was immeasurable. Loreto have also been gathering valuable experience playing against the outstanding teams in the country in tournaments like Feile na nGael and Pan Celtic Games as well as travelling all round Ireland for friendlies. During recent years it has become apparent that the Donegal girls are as good as most but lack confidence and belief in themselves against the really strong teams. It only requires this barrier to be broken for a Donegal team to get to Croke Park.

However camogie is not all about getting to Croke Park - its about twenty four girls really enjoying themselves for fifty minutes on a Saturday afternoon. These school games are always played in a splendid spirit, thanks to the marvellous work of the teachers, and long may this continue.



Donegal Town camogie team in Glenties 1960.

Top left: St. Teresa's Camogie Team, Crossroads, 1940s. Front: Charlotte (Wilson) Coyle, Maud (Browne) Harkin, Mary Wilson, Annie (Bradley) McConnell, Ita McGlinchey (R.I.P.). Back: Anne McKinney, Isa Anderson, Kathleen Carlin, Maureen (McHugh) Bonnar, Brigid (Wilson) Cullen, Margaret (Lafferty) Woods, Daisy (Browne) Sweeney.

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# CAMOGIE REVIEW

by MARIA WALSH

## PROSPEROUS

PROSPEROUS are the senior champions once again having defeated Clane in the final. This brings the total senior championships to six since the club reformed in 1972, having won it in 1974, 1975/6/7 and '80. They have also won the senior league five times since 1972. In the Leinster Club championship this year they did not do so well, they were beaten by Myshall (Co. Carlow) in the first round.

The junior team are not doing as good, they have only one point from five games. The under 14 team are in the final against Ballyna.

There are eight from the senior team on the county team this year: Nuala O'Connell, captain; Mary Malone, Caroline O'Connell, Gemma Kane, Liz Dempsey, Marianne Johnson, Eileen O'Brien and Geraldine O'Dwyer. The remainder of the Prosperous team are Bernadette, Mary and Bridget Johnson, Gaye Smullen, Mary Ryan, Phil and Mairead McCormack, Theresa Kane, Alicia Flynn.

On the County's Under-14 team are Ann Marie Doyle, Edel Swords, Monica Cross, Barbara Johnson and Kathleen Lawlor; on the Minor team Catherine Johnson represents Prosperous.

Prosperous has six Philips Awards for Camogie Player of the Year to date:— Eileen Reilly in 1973, Theresa Lynch in 1974, Nuala O'Connell in 1975, Marianne Johnson in 1978, Gemma Kane in 1979 and Liz Dempsey in 1980.

Prosperous are very lucky to have the use of Caragh G.A.A. field for their matches at all levels.

## BROADFORD

BROADFORD is now in its fourteenth camogie year and still going strong — let's hope the next fourteen will be even better — the year we lost the championship tie to eventual winners Prosperous and are runners up in the senior league.

There are four players from the club on the county team that won the Leinster Junior Championship. Miriam Malone, Anna Miggin, Phyllis Banbury, Marian Graven.

## CAPPAGH

CAPPAGH Camogie Club first came into being on the 5th March, 1972 and with a camogie pitch to call our own, and a football club to back us, we got off to a good start.

The uniforms consist of a grey

divided skirt and red and white check blouses and white knee socks.

In 1975 came the club's first real victory in winning both the junior league and championship. In 1976 we fielded both a junior and senior team with the junior team finishing runners up in the league and doing so again in 1977. 1978 was undoubtedly Cappagh's year when we brought home both the junior and senior championship trophies, this being the first ever double in Kildare. Both teams were runners up in the League.

In 1979 Patricia Nealon did the club proud in representing Kildare in the under 14 skills competition hosted in Kilkenny.

1979 and 80 did not bring the club many victories but still Cappagh remained active in hosting the under 14 blitz and also supplying the pitch for Kildare's home venue for inter county matches, the greatest honour being hosting the All Ireland league final between Kildare and Armagh.

## KILDARE

REFORMED again this year, Kildare town camogie club showed a superb promise in the few outings to date — an August start meant they were only in time to compete in the junior championship this year. Their attractive uniforms of navy and light blue have caught the eye. We all know Danny Rankins has a good eye for the cailini!! and what's more he intends proving it further by bringing camogie championships to Kildare for 1982, no — not playing — but as their Coach and Trainer.

## CLANE

CLANE entered the season of 1981 as seniors for the first time, having won the 1980 Championship (Junior); Competing against such well established teams as Prosperous, Broadford, and Cappagh proved too much for Clane but hopefully we gained a lot experience wise. While Clane will not be sporting any trophies we have the distinction of providing the county team with goalie Rose Merriman and panel members Marie Cusack, Mary Byrne and Antoinette Merriman.

On Saturday, 12th September Clane participated in the annual Stillorgan 7-a-side tournament which caters for senior clubs throughout the country. With the additional strength of Miriam Malone we won two out of our three matches. A great day's camogie was had by all especially as the semi-finals and the final proved to be such thrillers.

## ST. LAURENCES' CAMOGIE CLUB

ST. Laurences Camogie Club was founded in February 1980 in the Ballymore / Kilmead area by Mrs. Margaret Timmons and Mrs. Celia White, and under the watchful eye of the committee of the St. Laurence's G.F.C. Miss Maria Walshe attended the second committee meeting of the Club on behalf of the County Board and saw to it that we were progressing along the straight and narrow. Colours chosen and registered were the St. Laurence's red and gold.

In the 1980 season we fielded two teams in the Junior grade, one of which finished the league in the runners up spot. One of this team brought further glory to the club, Lily Lynam, who played on the under 16 County team.

The 1981 season saw our team win the Junior league with an unbeaten record and also capture the junior championship, showing what can be achieved with the full co-operation of all concerned with the club.

This year also Patricia Keatley was chosen for the county panel and played well when called on in the Leinster Championship; she is now the proud holder of a Leinster trophy after only two seasons of play. Those of us who have given our time to the club are justifiably proud of even greater success — there is a tremendous team spirit of healthy competition and friendly co-operation. This we hope will be the foundation for many seasons of enjoyment and success in our games.

## ARDCLOUGH

IN 1962 due to lack of facilities locally for girls a group of people got together and formed a camogie club. This club is still going strong to-day even though successes are few to date. The first chairman was Margaret Christian — secretary Ann Johnson — treasurer Breda Johnson. These girls, with others, got a team together and can still boast of fielding a team each year. In 1968 they won the senior championship and have been runners up on a number of times since. Quite a few Ardclough girls have played with the County team down through the years and some of them have Leinster medals. In 1980 three girls, Nora Dunne, Olive Reddy and Patricia McGarr were on the panel and in 1981 Nora Dunne and Mary Bermingham represented the club.

One of the functions each year is a party for the senior citizens of the area.

## 30 YEARS AGO

IN a very low scoring game, Old Aloysians defeated Old Vocationalists by 1-0 to 0-1 in the final of the Oireachtas na Mumhan camogie tournament at Church Road, Blackrock, where Angela Lane scored for the winners, after Nora Murphy had scored the opening point for the losers. The teams were: Old Als — B. Walsh, J.

O'Sullivan, M. O'Connell, L. Keating, L. O'Grady, A. Lane, D. Lane, L. Coughlan, P. Joyce, D. Langford, A. O'Leary, A. Buckley. Old Vocationalists — E. Dineen, N. Murphy, M. O'Brien, P. McHenry, S. Harrington, M. Buckley, A. O'Brien, E. Earley, E. Lyons, A. Scanlon, P. Joyce, N. Murphy.



# ASHBOURNE CUP HIGHLIGHTS

## CAMOGIE

**BY TAOBH-LINE**  
THE Ashbourne Cup, the Inter-Varsity camogie series, is the main attraction this week-end. The semi-finals will be played at Maynooth College on Saturday and the final will be decided on Sunday.

The magnificent Silver Cup was presented by Lord Ashbourne in 1915 for an Inter-carsity Camogie competition.

The most impressive base bears the names of the winning teams, inscribed on silver plates, which record the names of many famous players.

The host college, Maynooth, as is customary got a bye to the final and they play holders University, Dublin, in the pitch behind the college (1.30).

Dublin defeated New University of Ulster decisively in the quarter final two weeks ago.

In the second semi-final, University College, Cork, who qualified at the expense of University College, Galway, oppose Queen's University, Belfast, who got a bye from Trinity.

This game is scheduled for the new playing fields (3.0).

Since 1972 all seven Colleges have been affiliated to the Higher Institutes Council (C.C.I.A.).

In the first semi-final University College, Dublin, who have eleven of last year's victorious team are strong contenders to reach the final.

They have gained quite a lot of experience playing together since this time last year and

had a very successful season.

## WON LEAGUE

To add to their Ashbourne Cup victory they also won the C.C.I.A. League and the Club also won the Dublin Senior Championship and League.

They have outstanding players in Edel Murphy, Joan Gormley, Mairead Bergin, Germaine Noonan, Sheelagh Morrissey, Gaye Moran, Grainne Burke, Hilena Broderick and newcomer Joan Shiels.

For Maynooth, Marie Shore, Kathleen Elliott, Claver Ryan, Olive Carey.

In the second game University College, Cork, who contested last year's final so closely with Dublin look to have an even stronger side this year.

Now on their team are Angela Higgins, the Cork Senior midfielder, Anne Marie Landers, Joan Riordan and newcomer Norma Delaney as well as their seasoned players Noelle O'Driscoll, Imelda Cronin, Irene Murphy and Ann Delaney.

The best on the Queen's side are Margaret Connolly, Paula Turley, Ena Swail, Pat McAlister and Colette Lambe.

Although it is never easy to pick out winners of Ashbourne Cup games it looks like an Cork-Dublin final once again.

These two Colleges are never missing from the honours lists for very long.

The Dublin girls have won the coveted Trophy twenty-nine times as against twenty-four for Cork, and twelve for Galway.

**Shannon** Comprehensive School have taken the Munster Senior Schools Cup for the second time. They defeated Presentation de La Salle, Hospital, last Saturday in a very keen, close and well-contested final which concluded amid wild excitement.

Scores were level for most of the fourth quarter and the winning goal was scored in the concluding minutes.

The stage is set for the finals in the other three Provinces.

In Connacht, Mercy Roscommon who have been prominent for the past few seasons have new opponents this year in St. Raphaels Loughrea who are also in the Junior final against Glenamaddy.

## SCHOOLS TITLE

Two Dublin Schools contest the Leinster Senior title. They were the junior All-Ireland champions in the past two seasons.

St. John of God, Kilmore ('81) and Maryfield College ('82) should provide an exciting decider. In the Junior, Wicklow Vocational will face Maryfield who are handicapped by the fact that they have dual players.

The Ulster pairings are Clady versus Bawnboy in the senior and Letterbenny versus St. Aidan's, Cootehill in the junior.

## UCC girls seek Ashbourne glory

THE Ashbourne Cup, the premier inter-varsity camogie competition, takes place at Maynooth this weekend. UCC, as in recent years, are being trained by Fr. Michael O'Brien, whose expertise as a coach is widely sought after, and are hopeful of doing well. Last year, they were runners-up in the final to UCD and were last successful in 1977.

A member of the winning team that year, Mary Murphy, from the Ballinora club, is included in the present panel, which is captained by Eithne Courtney.

She is a 4th year Commerce student from Castlegregory in Co. Kerry. Three other Kerry girls are on the panel: Joan Healy, also from Castlegregory; Margaret Fitzgerald (Tralee) and Noreen Barrett (Listowel).

Comments Fr. O'Brien: "In the league we beat a good Galway side 5-6 to 2-1 and we have the assistance of a number of new players who possess great skill. The challenge on the day will be to blend this skill with the experience of the older players."

Three of them were on the Cork senior team last year, Ann Delaney, Angela Higgins and Noelle O'Driscoll, and two more, Ann Marie Landers and Joan O'Riordan played on the Cork Under-18 team.

The panel is: Irene Murphy (goal-keeper), Eileen Noonan, Joan O'Riordan, Mary Murphy, Imelda Cronin, Margaret Murphy, Ann Marie Landers, Angela Higgins, Geraldine O'Connell, Noelle O'Driscoll, Ann Delaney, Norma Delaney, Eithne Courtney, Joan Healy, Margaret Flaherty, Marcella Fitzpatrick, Noreen Barrett, Ann Duggan, Kathleen Lane.

★ In tomorrow's semi-finals, UCC play Queens, and Maynooth oppose UCD.

The weekend fixture list also includes the senior club tournament semi-final between holders, Killeagh and Old Aloysians.

Killeagh, although they will be without Ann Marie Landers, who will be with UCC, must be fancied to account for Old Aloysians, in spite of that club's improved form and the efforts of Nuala Jennings, Anne Ryan and Geraldine Ring.

In the Under-16 championship there should be a keen contest between Ballincollig and Sarsfields, while there should be plenty of excitement in the other under-age games listed for Sunday.

## FIXTURES

Saturday: Ashbourne Cup semi-finals at Maynooth, 2.00, UCD v. Maynooth (A); 3.00, UCC v. QUB.

Sunday, at Maynooth: 2.00, Duthraught final (losers competition), 3.00, Ashbourne Cup final; at Killeagh: S.T. semi-final, Killeagh v. Old Aloysians, 3.30; at Ballincollig: U-16 C, Ballincollig v. Sarsfields, 3 p.m.; at St. Finbarr's Under-16L, St. Finbarr's v. Glen Rovers, 11.15 a.m.; at Killeagh: U-16L, Youghal v. St. Fanahans, 2.15 p.m.; at Inniscarra: U-16L, Inniscarra v. Aghabullogue, 3.30 p.m.; at Douglas: U-14L, Douglas v. Brian Dillon's, 3.30 p.m.; at Bishopstown: U-14 L, Bishopstown v. Na Piarasigh, 3.30 p.m.



**NUALA O'CONNELL** is the Camogie Player for '81. Wife of Club Footballer Jack, she won the award for outstanding displays with Prosperous during the season. She has also played for Kildare.



# U.C.D. MAKE IT THREE-IN-ROW

U.C.D. ....3-1;

U.C.C. ....0-3.

U.C.D. yesterday captured the Ashbourne Cup for the third successive year when they overcame a fancied U.C.C. side. In a close-marking game it was the dominance of the U.C.D. backline, combined with the determination of their forwards that saw them achieve this remarkable feat.

But U.C.C. can have few regrets, their defence almost equalled that of the Dublin girls so close was their marking, but it was Dublin's Joan Gormley who broke through on three occasions to score her side's tally of goals.

U.C.C. opened the scoring when Angela Higgins pointed in fine style, but within five minutes U.C.D. had replied. Helena Broderick sent a long range free to captain Edel Murphy, who flicked the ball to Joan Gormley to give U.C.D. their first goal.

Undaunted, Cork swept into attack and, but for the great defensive work of Helan Broderick, Grainne Bufke and Gerry Murphy for U.C.D., Cork's Anne Delaney and Norma Delaney would surely have been rewarded for their efforts.

## ANOTHER GOAL

But it was Joan Gormley, who scored again for U.C.D., that left her side with a half-time scoreline of 2-0 to Cork's 0-3. Noelle O'Driscoll and Eithne Courtney were Cork's scorers.

U.C.C. attacked the Dublin goalmouth on the restart, but they were soon to find themselves on the defensive again.

Mary Murphy, Cork's full back, coped well, as did Anne-Marie Landers on the wing, but U.C.D. continued to pressurise their defence and, with ten minutes remaining, Joan Gormley scored again to add to an earlier point by Edel Murphy.

This put U.C.D. comfortably ahead with a margin of seven points, but Cork were not yet finished.

Margaret Murphy and Joan Riordan drove the ball forward on numerous occasions, assisted by captain Eithne Courtney, but the U.C.D. backline held firm.

Scorers — U.C.D.: Joan Gormley (3-0), Edel Murphy (0-1). U.C.C.: Angela Higgins, Noelle O'Driscoll, Eithne Courtney (0-1 each).

Duichraich Final — U.C.G.: 8-3; N.U.U.: 1-1. Scores — U.C.G.: Mairead Coyne (6-1), Paula Carr, Rosemary Higgins (1-0 each). N.U.U.: Gloria Murdoch (1-0), Geraldine Cogar (0-1).

Ashbourne Cup Semi-finals — U.C.D.: 2-16; Maynooth: 0-2. U.C.C.: 1-6; Queen's, Belfast: 1-3.

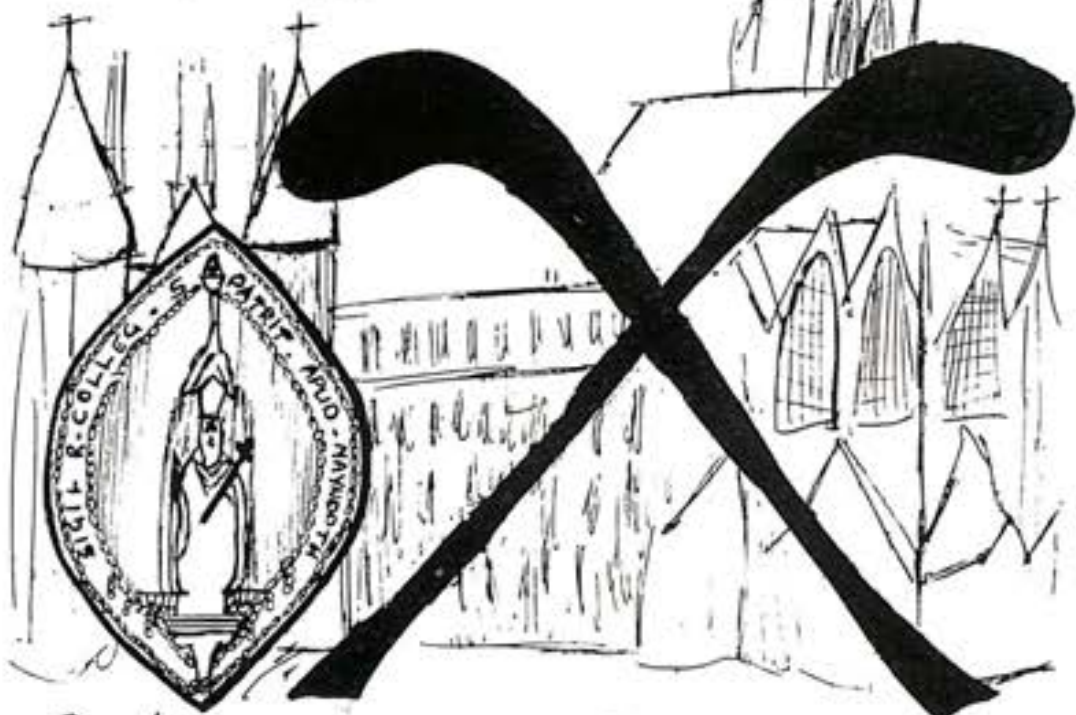
Leinster Colleges Sen. B — Pres.: Cian, 10-3; So. Iosagain: 0-0. Pres.: Terence, 4-2; Ballyhale V.S.: 1-2.

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The UCC team in training at the Farm, Curraheen, Cork, for next weekend's Ashbourne Cup

## Galway seniors, Antrim juniors should triumph

THERE is an early resumption to inter-county competition this year. The senior and junior leagues get underway on Sunday next. These games involve teams from the same county for the first time, as up to now counties were graded either senior or junior.

Antrim host Galway's senior and junior teams at Randalstown 2 and 3.15. If both counties field the same teams in both grades as last season, the Galway senior should take their first set of points and since Antrim defeated Galway in the All-Ireland junior semi-final last season they should be the winners here.

### EITHER WAY?

Kilkenny send both teams to Hilltown to play Down and may well be on the winning side. These games are timed for 2.00 and 3.00.

Tipperary are at home to Limerick (2.00 and 3.00). The senior game could go either way but Limerick should collect the junior points.

At Church pitch, Shannon (3.0) Clare entertains Cork. The latter should be favourites here.

### PURCELL CUP

The semi-finals and final of the Purcell Cup, the inter-College Championship for non-University Third Level Colleges, are arranged for St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra, on Saturday and Sunday and Provincial Post Primary finals are scheduled for the four provinces also.

The Purcell Cup first arranged for January 23-24 had to be postponed until after the Ashbourne Cup because of the

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snow and the wet pitches following the bad weather.

The semi-final (3.0) between St. Mary's Belfast and Thomond N.I.H.E. (the holders) should be a very close tie. St. Mary's played very well in the quarter-final against Regional Tech., Cork.

Thomond I.N.I.H.E. qualified at the expense of Carysfort.

In the other semi-final, also at (3.0), the home side oppose Mary Immaculate, Limerick. St. Pats, the hosts, as is customary, got a bye to the semi-finals while Mary I. had to make the long journey to Belfast to play Ulster Polytech.

That was a very keen and well contested game which the Limerick girls only won by a point.

The finalists in the Leinster Senior Cup should be evenly matched and a very skilful game is expected between the junior All-Ireland champions of past two years at Croke Park, 1.45.

Maryfield College (1980), who are bidding for the Junior Cup also, have outstanding players in goalie Roisin Brady, Sinead Power, Patricia Clinton and Carmel O'Byrne.

Their opponents St. John of God Convent, Kilmore, (1981) powered by the strong Woodville Club players, are a very experienced side. All-Ireland Felle na nGael Champions in 1979

and '80 Pan Celtic Champions in 1981, they will take some beating.

Their prominent players are goalie Michelle Slater, Lorraine Ormond, Suzanne Doyle, Antoinette Kelly and Anne Cooper.

The Junior decider between Maryfield and Vocational School Wicklow, should also be a well-contested game. Both teams have players of intercounty experience Maryfield will perhaps be hampered by the fact that five of their team will earlier have played on their senior team.

Best fr Wicklow should be Janet Johnson, Anna Byrne, Nuala Manley and Pauline Doyle.

### FIRST TITLE?

In Ulster Clady, from the famous Porglenone region, are bidding for their first Ulster title at Ballymacnab. They will play Baunboy, who have one junior title to their credit and are also well-known in Feile na nGael and Community Games.

In the Junior clash Loreto Letterkenny and St. Aidan's Cootehill should provide a lively game at Ballymacnab.

In Connacht Loughrea, St. Raphaels, have reached the final in both grades for the first time. They have strong senior opponents in Mercy Convent Roscommon, who have been junior Connacht Champions for the past four years and All-Ireland junior winners in 1979.

Glenamaddy are in the junior final and should give Loughrea a lively game.

### Honours even at Tulla

ST. JOSEPH'S (TULLA) 2-0  
ST. PATRICK'S (CORK) 2-0

A draw was a fair result when St. Joseph's, Tulla and St. Patrick's, Cork, clashed in the Munster Colleges junior camogie championship final at Tulla on Saturday.

The Cork girls had first assistance of the very strong breeze and led at the interval by 2-0 to 0-0 with Regina Scouts getting the scores. Tulla had the upper hand in the second half and goals from Ann Murnane and Caroline Carmody gave them a deserved draw.

ST. JOSEPH'S: P. Torpey, N. Quinn, S. Marsh, M. O'Halloran, C. McGrath, C. Cooney, S. O'Halloran, M. Markham, P. Torpey, A. Murnane, C. McMahon, C. Carmody.  
ST. PATRICK'S: F. McCarthy, D. Deen, E. Kingston, M. Deen, C. O'Keefe, M. Currid, P. Lane, E. O'Sullivan, B. O'Sullivan, R. Scouts, L. Mellerick, H. Barry.

### CAMOGIE

St. Pats Training College, Dublin and St. Marys Training College, Belfast, qualified for the final of the Purcell Cup, the Higher Colleges Camogie championship at St. Pats, Drumcondra, yesterday.

St. Pats, Dublin ..... 1-4  
Mary Immaculate, Limerick 1-4  
St. Pats, backed by the wind in the first half led 2-0 to 0-0 at half time. Limerick tried hard to get on terms after the interval but the home side held out.

Scorers—St. Pats.—R. O'Connor D. McGuirk, U. McTiernan (1-2) each. Limerick—D. Byrne (1-1), C. Daly, A. Gleeson, M. Power (0-1) each.

St. Marys, Belfast ..... 2-4  
Thomond-N.I.H.E. .... 1-4  
St. Marys and Thomond N.I.H.E. were very closely matched in this semi-final as the half time score of 1-0 each indicates.

St. Marys backed by the wind in the second half just managed to get ahead in the closing minutes.  
Scorers—St. Marys—F. O'Connor (1-2); P. Quinn (1-1), C. McAteer (0-1). Thomond-N.I.H.E.—K. Hoey (1-3), N. Maguire (0-1).

The final will be played at St. Patrick's College today (3.0).



# Cork Should Be Too Experienced For Clare

CORK make their debut in the National Senior League on Sunday next when they field a "new look" side against Clare at Shannon.

And on the same day on the local front there will be a number of interesting fixtures, while tomorrow (Saturday) St. Patrick's, Cork, defend their Munster Junior Colleges title against St. Joseph's, Tulla at the latter's venue.

For Sunday's National League game against Clare there are four personnel and numerous positional changes from the Cork team that contested the All-Ireland final replay against Kilkenny last October.

Gone from the side are Nancy O'Driscoll and Patricia O'Riordan, who have retired, and the midfield duo of Clare Cronin and Liz Lynch who have been named among the substitutes.

Marian McCarthy continues to mind the net and her Eire Og clubmate Eileen Dineen holds on to the difficult full back berth.

There is a completely new half back line. Miriam Higgins moves from corner to the more demanding centre back position, while Ann Delaney and Val Fitzpatrick both of Glen Rovers come into the side at right and left half back respectively. Patricia Moloney of Killeagh will captain the side

for the coming season and she partners Catherine Landers and Ger McCarthy in the centrefield.

The forward line also has a new look about it. Mary Geaney and Mary O'Leary hold on to their places but Angela Higgins moves from centrefield to left corner forward and Martha Kearney takes over the vital centre forward position in a major positional switch from the centre of the defence.

Clare, at home will be very difficult to beat. They have a very good mix of youth and experience. Maureen Davoran and Clare Harrington will lend stability to the team which also includes Clare Jones, Lourda Fox and many other members of last year's All-Ireland winning side. A home game will do a lot for their confidence but Cork's all-round experience and the knowledge that to drop a point at this stage would seriously damage their chances of contesting the final stages of the league should ensure their victory.

Cork team: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, A. Delaney, M. Higgins, V. Fitzpatrick, P. Moloney (capt.), C. Landers, G. McCarthy, M. O'Leary, M. Kearney, A. Higgins, M. Geaney. Subs.: C. Cronin, C. Kelleher, M. Sweeney, J. O'Sullivan, C. McCarthy, L. Lynch.

St. Patrick's, Cork, had a

marvellous Munster Colleges double last season. This year however, their seniors were knocked out early on but their juniors once again carry the school colours to the Munster final in which they meet St. Joseph's Tulla, at Tulla tomorrow.

In St. Joseph's St. Patrick's face a stiff task as they are an excellent side who have accounted for St. Patrick's Shannon, Nenagh, and Scoil Mhuire Cashel on their way to the final.

They have excellent players in Carmel McGrath, Sharon Marsh, Monica O'Halloran, Ann Murnane and Noeleen Quinn and with a home venue they will be difficult to hold.

However, if St. Patrick's who defeated Sacred Heart, Bishopstown Community School and North Presentation on their way to the decider and have excellent players in Mary Currid, Regina Scutts, Breda O'Sullivan, Diana Deane, Pamela Lane, and Eileen Kingstown, strike the kind of form which saw them reach the All-Ireland final last season then they must be there with an excellent chance of retaining their crown.

There is an attractive double bill at Ballincollig on Sunday with the semi-final of the Junior B Championship listed. The home side play St. Finbarr's at 12.00 with a team which includes

Mairead O'Sullivan, Teresa Ring and June Hennigan, and they could have the edge over the city girls who will be fielding their second string.

In the other semi stars Margaret and Mary Murphy will be a big asset to Ballinora in their encounter with St. Fanahans.

In the Under-16 Championship Douglas even with Yvonne O'Neill and Liz Walsh will have a difficult task travelling to and beating the home side at Killeagh while in the same campaign Eire Og and Aghabullogue clash at Ovens. Eire Og will have Margaret Thompson, Catherine O'Regan and the Crean sisters on duty but the very stylish Anna Buckley and Siobhan Barrett of Aghabullogue would appear too experienced for the relatively young Eire Og side.

In the Under-18 little is known of the form of St. Fanahans or Bishopstown but their Feile na nGael experience should just shade it for Bishopstown.

One of the best under age games of the year is likely at Nash's field with the meeting of Na Piarasigh and Blackrock. Boht clubs have produced very strong under age teams in recent years and a draw is on the cards, but with Paula Goggin, Tina and Irene O'Sullivan playing so well of late, Na Piarasigh may just have the edge.

Fixtures — Saturday: At Tulla: M.J.C.C. Final: St. Patrick's (Cork) v. St. Joseph's, Tulla, 3 p.m.

Sunday — N.L. at Shannon: Clare v. Cork, 2.30 p.m. (Ref. C. Clancy); J.B.C. Semi-finals at Ballincollig: 12.00: Ballincollig v. St. Finbarr's (Ref. Inniscarra); 3.30 p.m. St. Fanahans v. Ballinora (Ref. Ballincollig). U-16 at Ovens: Eire Og v. Aghabullogue 12.00 (Ref. Inniscarra). U-18 at Fr. O'Neill's: Fr. O'Neill's v. Bishopstown 3.30 (Ref. Youghal). U-18 at Na Piarasigh: Na Piarasigh v. Blackrock 12.00 (Ref. Brian Dillon). U-16 at Killeagh: Killeagh v. Douglas, 12.00 (Ref. Youghal).

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## St. Mary's take Purcell Cup

ST. MARY'S ..... 5-2  
ST. PAT'S ..... 0-3

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE, Belfast, captured the Purcell Cup for the first time when they defeated St. Pat's T.C., Drumcondra, at Drumcondra.

However, St. Pat's did not give in without putting up a strong challenge for this title that has eluded them so far.

It was St. Pat's who opened the scoring with a point by Rosemary O'Connor, but St. Mary's quickly took the initiative and goals from Teresa McKeesh and Fionnuala O'Connor for Belfast left the Pat's girls fighting to gain control. Rosemary O'Connor worked hard at midfield for Pat's, but it was St. Mary's who led by 4-2 to 0-1 at half time.

St. Pat's fought hard in the post-match minutes of the second half and pressed forward but were thwarted by the strength of Maura Ruddy at centre-back for Belfast. The Belfast forwards combined well and with Jackie McPhillips effective at midfield, Patsy Quinn and Fionnuala O'Connor were well supplied with opportunities in the forward line. Captain Fionnuala Power and goalie Anna Purton did well for St. Pat's.

SCORERS—St. Mary's: T. McKeesh (2-0); F. O'Connor (2-0); L. O'Kane (1-0); C. M-Arter (0-2). St. Pat's: R. O'Connor (0-2); C. McNulty (0-1).  
Purcell Cup Semi-Finals—St. Pat's 1-4 (R. O'Connor, D. McGuire, U. Nic Thirneam 1-0 each); Mary L. Limerick, 1-4 (M. Byrne 1-1, C.

### CAMOGIE

Declv 0-1, A. Gleeson 0-1, M. Power (0-1). St. Mary's, Belfast, 2-4 (F. O'Connor 1-2, P. Quinn 1-1, C. McAteer 0-1); Thomond/N.L.H.E. 1-4 (K. Hov 1-3, N. Mairne 0-1).

Duthacht Cup Final—Polytech 3-2 (A. Higgins 1-2, S. Quinn 1-0, M. Wilkie 1-0); Careyfort 1-1 (Teresa Lohan 1-0, Breda Holmes 0-1).

ST. JOH NOF GOD ..... 2-1  
CROSS AND PASSION ..... 1-2

A close and exciting Leinster Colleges Senior final produced worthy winners when the Kilmore girls gave a magnificent second-half display to capture the Stuart Cup for the first time.

Anne Beirne at centre-back and Carmel O'Byrne were well in control during this half for Maryfield by the scoreline did not justify their efforts considering that they had wind advantage.

Kilmore took the initiative from the re-start and looked a far more confident side after their rather shaky start. Their buildfleders, Suzanne Doyle and Elizabeth Delaney, took control and kept the forwards well supplied with some fine passes. Patricia Clintem tried hard to regain Maryfield's first-half dominance but goals from Adele Campbell and Anne Corer for Kilmore, capped by a

point from Antoinette Kelly sealed the issue.

SCORERS: Kilmore: Anne Cooper (1-0), Adele Campbell (1-0), Antoinette Kelly (0-1). Maryfield: Gerry Mallen (1-0), Carmel O'Byrne (0-2).

CROSS AND PASSION ..... 2-2  
WICKLOW V.S. .... 0-0

MARYFIELD COLLEGE got some compensation for their senior defeat when they had a comfortable win in the Leinster Junior final over a hard-working Wicklow side. Maryfield led by 6-2 to 0-0 at half time.

Cheryl Whittaker, Denise O'Leary and Carmel O'Byrne were outstanding for Maryfield but it was goalie Audrey Kinsella who was the star of the Wicklow side, bringing off some fine saves.

SCORERS—Maryfield Coll.: Carmel O'Byrne (3-2); Denise O'Leary (1-0); Maria Jackson (1-0); Edel Murray (1-0).

### COMBINED THIRD LEVEL COLL. TEAM—

Anne Purton (St. Pat's), Deirdre Dillon (Careyfort), M. Wilkie (Poly.), M. Ruddy (St. Mary's), C. Mulholland (Poly.), S. Byrne (Mary L.), C. McAteer (St. Mary's), S. McCone (Poly.), J. McPhillips (St. Mary's), B. Holmes (Careyfort), F. O'Connor (St. Mary's), P. Quinn (St. Mary's).

Subs.—C. Maloney (Mary L.), F. Power (Pat's), E. Costella (St. Pat's), A. Higgins (Poly.).

## EASY FOR CORK

CORK 4-6  
CLARE 1-3

Cork had a clear-cut victory over Clare in the first round of the senior camogie National League at Shannon Town yesterday. There was never any doubt about the supremacy of the Cork girls who were crisper on the pull and had a far more positive approach than the home side.

At half-time Cork led 2-2 to 1-2 and Clare's only score on resumption was a point by Clare Jones.

Only for the vigilance of Clare goalkeeper, Mary Carey, holder of nine county championships, Cork's

victory would have been far greater.

Cork were well served by Pat Maloney, Martha Kearney, Angela Higgins and Maureen Sweeney.

Best for Clare were Maureen Davern, Carmel Moroney, and Anne Maria Russell.

Scorers for Cork: A. Higgins 2-1, M. Kearney 2-2, P. Maloney 0-1, G. McCarthy 0-1, M. Geaney 0-1. Clare: A. M. Russell 1-1, L. Fox 0-1, C. Jones 0-1.

CORK: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, V. Fitzpatrick, M. Higgins, M. Kearney, K. Landers, P. Moloney, M. O'Leary, A. Delaney, A. Higgins, G. McCarthy, M. Geaney.

CLARE: M. Carey, M. Lynch, P. Moloney, M. Davern, C. Moroney, M. Howard, C. Jones, C. Wall, L. Fox, M. Deegan, M. O'Toole, A. M. Russell.

Referee: C. Clancy, (Limerick).



St. Patrick's Comprehensive School, Shannon, who won the All Ireland schools camogie semi-final. Back (left to right) J Morey, T O'Connell, M Beegan, P Coughlan, A Browne, C O'Meara, P Austin, F Austin. Front (left to right) S Quinn, T Naughton, L Fox, R O'Shaughnessy and K Naughton.



# Sars In A Confident Mood

FOUR senior teams will be in action on Sunday next with the big game being the senior Club Tournament semi-final between Eire Og and Sarsfields at Riverstown.

On Saturday last St. Patrick's, Cork and St. Joseph's, Tulla drew in the Munster Junior Championship Final at Tulla and now the sides meet in the replay tomorrow, this time at the Tank Field.

Sarsfields had one of their best wins of the season in the Senior Club Tournament where after an initial draw they overcame the challenge of the more fancied Watergrasshill side. They now take on Eire Og at home on Sunday in the semi-final of this tournament with the prize a tilt against County Champions Killeagh in the final.

A good game is in store. Eire Og have a generous sprinkling of the Cork senior team in their side but Sars are oozing with confidence at the moment and might spring a surprise.

St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's dished up a most exciting final at Tulla last Saturday although the game was spoiled somewhat by a galeforce wind. This turned it into a contest of two separate halves and perhaps at the end of the day a draw was a fair result.

In any event the replay promises to be a thriller with St. Patrick's pinning their hopes on winning performances from Regina Scoutts, who scored her sides two goals last time, Fiona McCarthy, Eileen Kingston and Mary Currid, while St. Josephs will be hoping for top class performances from Ann Murnane, Sheila O'Halloran and C. Cooney.

In the Senior League on Sunday Glen Rovers, even without Marie Ryan and Clare Hackett, would appear too strong for Watergrasshill who are struggling to find their form of late.

There are three important games listed in the Under-18 championship. Blackrock with Joan Hyde and Frances Deasy, should advance at the expense of Ballincollig, as should Aghabullogue against St. Fanahans. The game at St. Finbarr's, however, could well end in a draw. Gertrude Murphy and Mary Hourihan will lead the Ballinora challenge here while the Barrs are likely to have a number of St. Aloysius and Sacred Heart schoolgirls on view.

In the Under-18 League Killeagh will probably have the edge over Fr. O'Neills.

One of the most important decisions to be taken in recent years will face all camogie clubs at next Monday night's meeting of the County Board.

At Convention in December G.P.C. were entrusted with the job of regrading all clubs and consequently all players within the county in an effort to even standards and rejuvenate some of the weaker grades.

The G.P.C. proposals have now been issued and at Monday's meeting they will look for ratification of their plan which is as follows: Senior: Killeagh, Eire Og, Glen Rovers, Watergrasshill, Na Piaras, U.C.C., Aghabullogue, Sarsfields.

Intermediate: Old Aloysians, Eire Og, Inniscarra, Youghal, St. Finbarr's, Blackrock.

Junior "A": Douglas, Ballincollig, Ballinora, Killeagh, Nemo Rangers, Brian Dillons, St. Finbarr's, Sarsfields.

Junior "B" Section 1: Fr. O'Neills, Bride Rovers, St. Fanahans, Castlemagner, Bishopstown, Churchtown, St. Catherine's.

Junior "B" Section 2: Na Piaras, Eire Og, Aghabullogue, Inniscarra, Watergrasshill, Glen Rovers, Douglas, Blackrock.

All clubs are asked to attend the meeting as if the plan is passed it will remain in force for a minimum of twelve months.

The officers of the Board have stressed that while a number of clubs may not, for individual reasons, agree with the revision that they would look at the plan in the overall context of the smooth running and betterment of camogie within the county.

## FIXTURES

Saturday at Tank Field:  
M. J. C. Final Replay: St. Patrick's (Cork) (Holders) v. St. Joseph's, Tulla at 3 p.m.

# JUNIOR LEAGUE ACTION RESUMES

THE three sections of the National Junior League, which played two rounds of the competition before Christmas, get back into action on Sunday next.

The three unbeaten counties are in action and two of them, Tyrone and Cavan, are in opposition at Eglis (2.30), Louth, also unbeaten should be too strong for Meath at Dromiskin (2.30).

Westmeath, who lost one game and won their second game before Christmas face Donegal who have no points from two games yet they were only narrowly defeated by Cavan and Derry and may give the Midlanders a close run.

## KILDARE FANCIED

Kildare are out against Monaghan, and if they field, at strength, are fancied for victory.

Derry are travelling to Roscommon and since they have been regraded, should be too experienced for the home side.

Wicklow are travelling to Castletown (2.0) to play Laois and are expected to win the points.

The stage is almost set for the All-Ireland College semi-finals. St. John of God, Kilmore, last year's Junior All-Ireland winners won the Leinster title and the Stuart Cup last Saturday.

## MARYFIELD'S CUP

The defeated finalists, Maryfield, took the Purcell Cup and the Junior title at the expense of Wicklow Vocational.

They play the Munster winners, Shannon Comprehensive, are the hosts to John of God, on March 20 and Maryfield have the venue for the Junior game.

They have to wait until next Saturday to know their opponents as the Munster Junior decide ended in a draw at Tulla where St. Joseph's, the local school, drew with the holders, St. Patrick's, Cork.

St. Raphaels, Loughrea, have won out the Junior Connacht title for the first time but another draw, in the Ulster Junior decide, keeps the Westerners on their toes.

Loreto Letterkenny and St. Aidan's, Cootehill, are down to meet again on March 6 and the winners travel to the West on March 13.

Bawnboy, who were Ulster Junior champions, in 1978 are

the new Senior winners. They await the result of the Connacht final this week.

Loughrea, St. Raphael's, face the experienced Mercy Convent, Roscommon, in this tie. Roscommon have won the Connacht Junior title for the past four years and were All-Ireland Champions in 1979.

The Senior semi-finals are fixed for March 20.

In the Senior National League which got underway last Sunday, the all-Ireland champions Kilkenny, defeated Down. Tipperary just pipped Limerick and Cork defeated Clare convincingly.

In the Leinster Club Championship, all-Ireland Club Champions, Belfry's, travel to Belfield (2.30) to play University College on Sunday.

This should be a very close and keen game. They were opponents in the Leinster final last August when the Western girls won by a narrow margin. The College girls are very fit after their recent All-Ireland Cup victory and they will meet the champions.

Two Dublin clubs contest another Leinster Club Championship game, which should also be a close tie. Celtic travel to Sallynoggin to play the side Cuala Naomh Mair (2.30).

## ST. PATRICK'S HOLD ON TO TITLE

By JOAN MORLEY

St. Patrick's 1-2  
St. Joseph's 0-1

St. Patrick's, Cork, made sure of retaining their Munster Junior Colleges Camogie Championship crown with a most valuable second-half goal and a point which clinched their final replay against St. Joseph's, Tulla after another closely contested encounter at the Tank Field on Saturday.

Only two points were scored in the first-half with Carmel McGrath scoring minor for St. Joseph's and Mary Currid doing likewise for the winners. Then for almost 20 minutes of the second half these evenly matched sides remained deadlocked, before Regina Scoutts, with a marvellous point, and Linda Mellen, with a lovely opportunity goal, put St. Patrick's ahead and put the trophy beyond the reach of the Tulla girls.

St. Joseph's: Carmel McGrath 0-1.

St. Patrick's: F. McCarthy, E. Kingston, M. Deane, O'Keeffe, D. Deane, E. O'Livan, M. Currid, H. Barry, O'Sullivan, P. Lane, Scoutts, L. Mellenick.

St. Joseph's: C. McGrath, Nash, N. Quinn, M. O'Halloran, M. Markham, Cooney, S. O'Halloran, Patricia Torpey, P. Torpey, A. Murnane, Carmody, C. McMahon.



Rose O'Leary, chairperson, Munster Council, presenting the cup to Mary Currid, the delighted captain of St. Patrick's, Cork after they defeated St. Joseph's of Tulla in the Munster Colleges junior camogie final at Tank Field, Cork.  
—(Denis Minihane)



# Dublin should make a winning League start

THE NATIONAL Senior and Junior Leagues continue this Sunday, while tomorrow the Third and Second level councils will feature with the semi-finals of the C.C.I.A. league at Dublin and Belfast and the Senior Schools' series fixed for Shannon and Bawnbay, Cavan.

Kilkenny, Antrim, Galway and Limerick made their 1982 debut two weeks ago with mixed luck, while the holders, Dublin, and Wexford are making their first appearance on Sunday.

The All-Ireland Champions Kilkenny took the points from Down in the Senior grade, while the Mourne girls reversed that result in the Junior Grade in the first round.

Antrim were also successful in their Senior Grade tie against Galway, while the Westerners took the points in the Junior game.

The clash of Antrim and Kilkenny in both grades at Nowlan Park on Sunday is all the more interesting now since both sides have two points each. Yet it is expected that the champions will be successful on home ground.

Both junior teams lost first time out so each will be keen to chalk up the points.

## MAJORITY

Dublin, travel to Oranmore to play Galway in both grades. The Seniors, who won the title last season, have still the majority of the winning side available and should be strong enough to take the points.

In the junior game, Galway have had the advantage of an outing together, and a victory, and with a home venue, may prove too strong for the visitors.

Limerick, who lost in both

grades to Tipperary in the first round will be very keen to prove to the home fans at Adare that they are still a force in the League.

Their opponents, Wexford, were disappointing last season, but they have plenty of talent so they can be expected to put up a better performance this season.

University College, Dublin, travel to Belfast to defend their C.C.I.A. League title against St. Mary's Belfast, on Saturday.

In the second semi, University College, Cork, and Queens University, Belfast, play at St. Pats, Drumcondra, also on Saturday.

## CLOSE ENCOUNTER

The Dublin St. Mary's game brings the University Champions and the Colleges Champions into opposition so a close encounter is anticipated. The Cork-Queens game is a repeat of the Ashbourne Cup semi-final which Cork won, somewhat against the run of the play, in the last few minutes.

In the Post-Primary Schools games St. Patricks, Shannon, entertain St. John of God, Kilkenny at Shannon (2.0). Both Schools have had impressive victories in their respective Provincial Competitions so a close game is expected.

In the second semi-final at Bawboy, the home school entertain St. Raphaels, Loughrea (2.30).

Letterkenny meet St. Aidans,

Cootehill at Ballymacnab tomorrow.

The Connacht Champions are a very skilled team and, although champions for the first time in both grades, are very highly rated and are tipped to reach the final at least.

## Limerick double

Limerick had a double over Wexford in the National Camogie League at Adare yesterday. In the senior game, thanks to a splendid performance by Pauline McCarthy, Limerick came from behind to score a narrow 0-6 to 1-2 win and in the junior game Limerick were always clearly on top and won 3-5 to nil.

Scorers — Senior: Limerick: P. McCarthy 0-4; G. O'Brien 0-2. Wexford: G. O'Leary 1-0; E. Walsh 0-2.

Junior — Limerick: R. Fitzgerald 1-3; L. Clancy and A. Sheehy 1-0 each; M. Kavanagh 0-2.

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## Shannon through to final

St. Patricks 1-3  
St. John of God 1-0

In a game in which both sides relentlessly pursued entry to the All-Ireland Colleges Camogie final, St. Patricks Comprehensive School, Shannon, defeated St. John of God, Artane at the Wolfe Tone Park, Shannon Airport on Saturday.

Although Shannon missed several scores in the first half in which they were favoured by a strong breeze, they eventually had a two point lead to nil at half time.

On the resumption, St. John of God again put on the pressure and after sterling work by Susan Doyle, Veronica O'Connor and Anne Cooper, Edel Campbell raised the green flag for the visitors in the 16th minute. Shannon appeared to be tiring but found new energy when Lourde Fox, star of the match, scored the equalling points. Minutes later Miss Fox was again soaring through the St. John of God Defence to register the final goal. Apart from the fine display right throughout the match Miss Fox had the distinction of recording all the Shannon scores.

St. Patricks: T. Naughton, S. Quinn, P. Austin, C. O'Meara, D. O'Connell, R. O'Shaughnessy, G. Morey, A. Brown, P. Coughlan, L. Fox, M. Beegan, K. Naughton.

St. John of God: M. Slater, C. Doyle, L. Ormond, M. Waters, D. Byrne, S. Doyle, D. Delaney, A. Kelly, A. Cooper, L. Quinn, V. O'Gorman, E. Campbell.  
Ref. A. O'Donovan, Cork.

# U.C.C. Determined To Make Amends

IT WILL be yet another busy weekend on the camogie front with three under 16 championship ties, the Munster Colleges senior semi-finals, a semi-final of the Higher Education League and three league games listed.

U.C.C. were very disappointed with their shbourne defeat and will be determined to make amends with a good showing in the Higher Education League. And on tomorrow they should win their place in the final when they meet Queens University Belfast in Dublin. For they have already defeated Queens this season in the Ashbourne semi-final and they should be able to repeat this win without too much difficulty. This is especially so when one considers the strength of the Cork side which includes Cork seniors Ann Delaney and Angela Higgins, Cork juniors Imelda Cronin and Noelle O'Driscoll, and other excellent players in captain Eithne Courtney, Mary and Margaret Murphy and Marcella Fitzpatrick.

St. Patrick's Comprehensive, Shannon, Munster's representatives in the All-Ireland semi-finals play their tie at Shannon on tomorrow against St. John of God, Kilmore, and they can expect a tough game, as Kilmore won the Junior All-Ireland title last season and will have most of that side on duty this time.

They only won the Leinster senior title for the first time this season but reports are that they have an excellent side.

However, Shannon, who won the Munster crown in 1978, but failed in the semi-final to Athenry, will have the advantage of a home venue and with marvellous

players in Lourda Fox, Pat Austin, Caroline O'Meara and Rosemary O'Shaughnessy, they could reach their first All-Ireland final but it will not be easy.

There are three games listed in the under-16 championship and all the pairings should be interesting affairs.

Bishopstown play host to Glen Rovers in their tie and here Glen Rovers, with Ann Currid and Mary Ring could have too much strength for Bishopstown in spite of the efforts of Ann Duggan and Sandra Dineen.

Brian Dillons, with Linda Mellerick, who scored the winning goal for St. Patrick's in their Munster Junior Colleges win on Saturday last, may be too good for Ballincollig, while Killeagh with senior Patsy Keniry, and Bernie Landers in goal, could have the edge over St. Finbarr's, although it could be very close here.

In the intermediate league there should be a keen tie between Inniscarra, who can call on Nora O'Brien, Eileen Ring and Noreen Morrissey and Eire Og, who have such stalwarts as Ann O'Leary and Teresa Kelleher. In the Junior A League Blackrock with Mary Whelton and Joan Hyde might be favoured over Douglas, who can call on

Cork senior star Liz Lynch and junior Mary Maher, but again it should be close.

However in the under 16 league game between Sarsfields and St. Fanahans it is difficult to say how things will go.

## FIXTURES

Saturday:  
Munster Senior Colleges semi-finals: at Shannon, St. Patricks, Shannon, v St. John of God, Kilmore, 2 p.m. (Ref. Annette O'Donovan); at Bawnboy, Co. Cavan, Bawnboy Vocational School v St. Raphaels, Loughrea, 2.30 p.m. (Ref. Rosina McManus).

At Belfield, Dublin: H.E.L. semi-final, U.C.C. v Q.U.B., 3 p.m.

Sunday:  
U 16 C, at Bishopstown, Glen Rovers v Bishopstown, 3.30 p.m. (Ref. St. Finbarrs); at Tank Field, Brian Dillons v Ballincollig, 4 p.m. (Ref. Na Piarasigh); at St. Finbarr's, Killeagh v St. Finbarr's, 3.30 p.m. (Ref. O. L. Aloysians). U 16 L, at Mitchelstown, Sarsfields v St. Fanahans, 3.30 p.m. (Ref. Watergrasshill).

1981 I.L. at Inniscarra, Inniscarra v Eire Og, 3.30 p.m. (Ref. Aghabulloghe).

J.A.L., at Blackrock, Blackrock v Douglas, 3.30 p.m. (Ref. Nemo Rangers).

# UCC MAKE IT AN EASY PASSAGE TO FINAL

U.C. Cork ..... 5-8,  
Q.U.B. .... 0-3.

UNIVERSITY College, Cork, qualified for the C.C.I.A. (Higher Institutes) final when they beat Queens in a one-sided game at Drumcondra. U.C.C. were by far the superior side with Margaret Murphy and Mary Murphy particularly impressive in the first half for Cork. Cork had a half-time lead of 4-2 to 0-1.

Queen's fought hard to regain control in the second half, but Cork's forward line combined well and passed to an unmarked team mate time and time again. This resulted in some fine points by Angela Higgins and Anne Delaney. Noelle O'Driscoll's accurate free taking accounted for many of her side's scores.

Teresa Allen and goalie Colette Lambe did well for Queen's but

## CAMOGIE

Cork's all-round strength proved decisive.

Scorers — U.C.C.: Angela Higgins (2-2), Noelle O'Driscoll (1-5), Joan Riordan (1-0), Norma Delaney (1-0), Anne Delaney (0-1), Q.U.B.: Teresa Allen (0-3).

Second Semi-Final — U. C. Dublin 8-6; St. Mary's, Belfast, 0-1. Scorers: U.C.D. — S. Foley (3-0), J. Gormley (3-0), M. Bergin (1-2), E. Murphy (1-3), G. Noonan (0-1), St. Mary's: J. Phillips (0-1).

NATIONAL CAMOGIE LEAGUE  
Senior — Dublin 1-3; Galway 1-5.  
Junior — Dublin 3-6; Galway 1-2.  
All-Ireland Colleges Semi-final — St. Patricks, Shannon 1-3; St. John of God, Kilmore Road 1-0.



# LOUTH TO KEEP UNBEATEN RECORD AT MONAGHAN

THE SENIOR and Junior National Camogie Leagues are progressing very quickly. Six more junior games are on the list for next Sunday. Louth who travel to Monaghan-Inniskeen, 3.30, are now the only county with full points to date.

Their neighbours Cavan and Tyrone played a draw last time out so they are each one point down. Monaghan have not been impressive in their earlier games so Louth should collect the points.

Donegal entertain Tyrone at Carrigans (2.30) and the visitors are likely to succeed in this tie.

Cavan are at home to Roscommon at Virginia (2.30) and are the favourites to take the points. The visit of Kildare to Lurgan, Clann Eireann (3.0) should result in a very keen game between these two counties who contested the first Junior National League final.

Carlow play Waterford at Mysball (3.0) and Offaly travel

to Annacurra (3.0) to play Wicklow. Wicklow could have the edge on Offaly while Waterford may upset Carlow.

Tipperary play Clare in Senior and Junior grade at Ruan on Sunday. In the senior tie (3.30) Tipperary, encouraged by their victory over Limerick, may be too good for Clare in the senior grade.

Clare should have a good panel of players to choose from, considering that they were junior champions last season and all those players are now looking for places on the senior team.

Tipperary should be better at junior level as they won the Munster minor grade last season.

The CCIA league final at the Mardyke (3.0) next Saturday is a repeat of the Ashbourne Cup Final between the winners, University College, Dublin, and runners-up University College, Cork.

## CAMOGIE BY TAQBH LINE

They qualified for the final last Saturday when Dublin defeated St. Marys, Belfast, and Cork eliminated Queens University, Belfast.

Although Dublin won the Intervarsity Championship with seven points to spare, Cork's Angela Higgins who was very much below her form due to a pulled muscle, in that game is fully fit this time and could make a difference to the Cork side.

Added to that is the fact that Cork will be playing on home ground on Saturday.

Last Saturday also decided the finalists for the Post Primary Senior Championship. St. Raphaels Loughrea who are in line for the double defeated the Ulster champions Bawnboy, Cavan in one semi-final and St.

Patrick's, Shannon, knocked out St. John of God, Artane, Dublin, in the second semi-final.

The Junior semi-finals are ranged for next Saturday. Loreto, Letterkenny, won the replay of the Ulster title by defeating St. Aidans, Cootehill, and they travel to Loughrea to play St. Raphaels.

In the other semi-final Maryfield College, Dublin, All-Ireland Junior Champions in 1980, play last year's runners-up St. Patrick's, Cork, in the Phoenix Park (2.0).

THE winners of the Ceol, Caint agus Damhsa Provincial competitions meet to decide the All-Ireland winners at An Halla, Colaiste Mhuire, Baile Atha Cliath, on Saturday next (7.0). Twentyfour clubs from twelve counties will be represented in the eight competitions as follows:

**SOLO INSTRUMENTAL:** Munster — C. Moloney, Ballyvaughan, Limerick; Leinster — Niamh Killeen, Kilmacud-Crokes, Dublin; Connacht — J.

Mullen, Roscommon; Connaught — P. Farrell, Monaghan; Donegal — N. Cruaioil, Belleek, Londonderry; Ulster — C. Cribben, Westmeath; Connacht — Dominick, Roscommon; Clare — Rooney (Cremartin, Monaghan).

**RECITATION:** — Munster — Griffin (Ballyvaughan, Limerick); Leinster — I. Doherty (Maryfield, Dublin); Connacht — (Pearces, Galway); Ulster — McEneaney (Monaghan).

**CEILÍ DANCING:** — Munster — Wolfe Tones (Shannon); Leinster — Crookwood (Dublin); Connacht — (Down); Ulster — (Down).

**NOVELTY ACT:** — Douglas (Cork); Leinster — (Dublin); Connacht — (Roscommon); Ulster — (Down).

**SET DANCING:** — Munster (Limerick); Leinster (Westmeath); Connacht (Galway); Ulster — (Down).

**BALLAD GROUP:** — Ballyvaughan (Limerick); Ratharney (Westmeath); Pearces (Galway); Ulster — (Down).

**QUESTION TIME:** — Elze Og (Cork); Leinster — (Westmeath); Connacht — (Down); Ulster — (Down).

## UCC Hoping For Consolation

It is all go again this weekend on the camogie scene with the CCD finals, the final of the CCIA league and two junior All-Ireland Colleges semi-finals on Saturday, and on Sunday there is the junior 'B' championship final, an under-14 section play-off and a number of other club fixtures. And this in addition to two National League ties at Shannon.

UCC will be hoping for consolation for their Ashbourne Cup defeat when they meet old rivals UCD in the final of the CCIA League at the Mardyke on Saturday. This was the pairing of the Ashbourne final, when UCD's Edel Murphy, Gormley and Mairead Bergin made the going the very difficult for UCC and eventually put paid to the Cork girls' hopes of Ashbourne honours.

However, the Cork colleges girls are determined to make amends for that defeat and with a home venue and if Cork seniors Ann Delaney, Angela Higgins and inter-county juniors Ann Marie Landers, Imelda Cronin, Joan O'Riordan and Noelle O'Driscoll can strike top form then UCC might well turn the table this time. But they will not find it easy.

St. Patrick's School, Cork, who won an incredible senior and junior All-Ireland Colleges double last season, are out of the senior this season but their juniors are hoping to be in Croke Park at the end of April to represent their school once again in the All-Ireland.

But before that they have to beat Maryfield College, at the Phoenix Park on tomorrow afternoon, and it will take all the talent, and determination of Regina Scouting, Mary Currid, Pamela Lane, Diane Deane and company to achieve this, as the Dublin side have an excellent team who will take a great deal of beating.

On tomorrow evening at Colaiste Mhuire Parnell Square, Dublin, the All-Ireland finals of the Ceol, Caint agus Damhsa competitions will be held and Cork will be represented in three events. Maxine Walsh and Catherine M. Sweeney will take part in the comedy act on behalf of Douglas; Miriam Higgins, Noelle O'Driscoll and Con Molone will represent Eire Og in the Question Time and Gobnait

Ni Chruaillai will keep the Ballincollig flag flying in the solo singing.

In the remaining events Munster's representatives will be: solo instrumental, Ballyvaughan, Limerick; figure dancing, Wolfe Tones, Clare; ballad group and recitation, Ballyvaughan, Limerick; and set dancing, Bruff, Limerick.

Big event on Sunday will be the junior 'B' championship final between Ballincollig and Ballinora. Extraordinary interest is being displayed in this game, as not alone are both teams from the Mid-Cork division, but both teams are even from the same parish.

Supporters of Ballincollig feel that they have a very good chance of becoming champions, having had the harder passage to the final with wins over Watergrass-hill, Nemo Rangers, Killeagh (after a replay) and St. Finbarrs. They have fine players in Teresa Ring, Finola Murphy, Myra Coughlan, and Mary Hennigan-West and will be difficult to beat.

But what of Ballinora? They were most unlucky to lose by a single point to Douglas in last year's decider. They had possibly the easiest passage to the final with wins over Bishopstown, Fr. O'Neills, and St. Fanahans, but they have been training hard and feel they have a good chance of taking the title.

The experience of Ballinora's Mary and Margaret Murphy, who also play with UCC could be a telling factor in deciding which end of the parish the trophy goes. They will be well supported by three other Murphys, Gertrude, Bernie and Ann, and whatever the result of this game, a most exciting final is on the cards.

In the Senior League Glen Rovers would appear too strong for Sarsfields especially with Deirdre Sutton, Mary Ring and Joan O'Sullivan playing so well at the moment, in spite of Lillian Zinkant's influence, while in the under-14 section decider Brian Dillons and St. Finbarr's will be expected to dish up another thrilling encounter. These sides played a marvellous 2-1 draw last time out and if they are level at the end of another 50 minutes on Sunday extra time will be played.

Because of the crowded fixture problem the Co.

Board have arranged that the Senior Club Tournament Final between Eire Og and Killeagh will be played on St. Patrick's day at Riverstown.

### FIXTURES

Tomorrow (Saturday): All-Ireland Junior Colleges semi-finals, at Phoenix Park, Dublin — St. Patrick's Cork v Maryfield College, Dublin, 3 p.m.; At Loughrea: St. Raphaels v Loreto, Letterkenny, 2 p.m.; At Mardyke: Final CCIA League — UCC v UCD, 2.30 p.m.; At Colaiste Mhuire, Parnell Square, Dublin — All-Ireland finals CCD's, 7 p.m.

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At Coachford: U-16 C —

Aghabullogue v Blackrock, 2.30 p.m., (referee T. Kelleher); JBC final: Ballincollig v Ballinora, (referee M. Twomey); At St. Finbarrs: U-14 L section play-off — St. Finbarrs v Brian Dillons, 12.00, (referee Brian Dillons); At Mon Field: S.L. — Glen Rovers v Sarsfields, 3.30 p.m., (referee Na Piarasigh); At Killeagh: JBL — Killeagh v St. Fanahans, 3.30 p.m., (referee Youghal); At Mon Field: S.L. — Glen Rovers v Sarsfields, 3.30 p.m., (referee Na Piarasigh); At Castlemagner: Castlemagner v Fr. O'Neills, 3.30 p.m., (referee St. Catherine's); At Huan, Co. Clare: N.L.S. — Clare v Tipp, 3.30 p.m.; J. — Clare v Tipp, 2 p.m.

St. Patrick's Day: Senior Club Tournament Final: Killeagh v Eire Og, at Riverstown, 3.30 p.m., (referee Sheila Golden).



Joan Doran of Andersonstown, Belfast Office is the first Lady Sports Personality of 1982. In Camogie she has represented Ulster at Junior level and has also represented her County of Down at Senior level, winning Maguire Cup and Ulster Championship. She is a regular member of the AIB Camogie Team who this year were IBOA All-Ireland Champions for the 2nd year running. She was this year's Belfast Region Ladies Superstars Champion coming fourth in the All-Ireland Superstars competition in Dublin. In contrast she has won numerous trophies for her Irish Dancing and is in contention for a third successive All-Ireland Title.

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## CAMOGIE CLARE OUT OF LUCK

CLARE 2-1,  
TIPPERARY 0-3  
(abandoned)

A HAILSTORM 13 minutes from the end of this National Senior Camogie League tie at Ruan, left Cork referee Miriam Higgins with no option but to abandon the game with Clare leading by four points. Up to this stage Clare, who suffered a heavy defeat at the hands of Cork in the opening round had shown a tremendous improvement and looked set for victory.

TIPPERARY 3-3,  
CLARE 3-2

A POINT with the last puck

of the game by Jenny English gave Tipperary a one point win over Clare in a thrilling National Junior tie. On the day a draw would have been a fairer result as both sides were evenly matched throughout.

Scorers: Tipperary: J. English 2-3, A. Queesham 1-0. Clare: C. McNamara 3-0, R. O'Shaughnessy and M. A. McInerney 0-1 each.

Maryfield Colleg, Dublin 6-3,  
St. Patrick's, Cork 1-2

THE girls from St. Patrick's College, Cork, gave a disappointing display against the high-powered Maryfield College side and were out-classed by 6-3 to 1-2 in

Dublin's Phoenix Park in the All-Ireland Junior Colleges camogie semi-final.

Most of the damage was done in the first half in which Maryfield dominated and led by 4-1 to 0-2.

The Cork girls improved a little in the second half, Helena Barry, who had scored a point in the first half, goaling but Maryfield's Denise O'Leary had two goals which wrapped up the game.

Helena Scouts had Cork's other score, while Maryfield's scorers were D. O'Leary 3-0, J. Byrne 2-0, E. Murray 1-0, C. O'Byrne 0-2, S. Mulhern 0-1.

### 50 Years Ago

Duhallow and Fermoy played a one goal each draw when they met in the Cork County Camogie championship at Mallow. The teams were: Duhallow — D. Guiney (capt.), E. Taylor, M. Cronin, M. McAuliffe, M. Cronin, M. Lehan, S. Lehan, L. Lehan, H. Dennehy, A. Smyth, N. O'Keefe, J. O'Keefe. Fermoy — K. Mannix (capt.), J. O'Brien, M. Hyde, K. Slattery, M. O'Keefe, M. Mansfield, L. Jones, M. Lysaght, H. Hurley, E. Sheehan, E. Murphy, A. Power.

LEE HOSIERY scored a 5-0 to 0-2 win over Lee Boot, when they met in a camogie challenge at O'Dwyer's Sportsgrounds, Cork. The teams were:

Lee Hosiery: Misses McCarthy, Hennessy, Holland, Hegarty, L. Desmond, D. O'Driscoll, B. O'Driscoll, Burke, Smith, McDonnell, B. Desmond, Flaherty.

Lee Boot: Misses Griffin, Deady, Buckley, Lane, O'Keefe, Dalton, Lucas, McNamara, McCarthy, Barry, Walsh, Tandy.

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## U.C.C. MAKE AMENDS

U.C.C. 1-7; U.C.D. 1-6

U.C.C. are the new Higher Education League champions. At the Mardyke on Saturday they defeated arch rivals U.C.D. in a most exciting tussle. The Cork girls lost to U.C.D. in the Ashbourne Cup final some weeks ago and were determined to gain consolation.

And they began in great form with a number of early points and a great goal from Ann Delaney. But then just before half-time they conceded an easy goal to Dublin's Joan Gormley which left the half-time score at 1-4 to 1-1 in the winners' favour.

Again in the second half the Cork girls made a good start, but then came a marvellous U.C.D. resurgence in which they produced the kind of form which has kept them at the top of the Higher Education pile for a number of years. They slowly but surely whittled down the Cork lead to a single point and but for some dour defensive work, might well have snatched a last-minute win.

For the winners, Ann Delaney, Noelle O'Driscoll, Margaret Murphy and Angela Higgins were best, while for U.C.D., Joan Gormley, Edel Murphy, Gay Moran and Helen Broderick impressed most.

Scorers: U.C.C. — N. O'Driscoll 0-5, A. Delaney 1-0, A. Higgins 0-2. U.C.D. — J. Gormley 1-1, E. Murphy 0-4, J. Shields 0-1.

U.C.C. — I. Murphy, E. Noonan, Mary Murphy, I. Cronin, Mgt. Murphy, J. Riordan, E. Courtney, A. M. Landers, A. Delaney, N. O'Driscoll, A. Higgins, N. Delaney.

U.C.D. — G. Moran, J. Murphy, L. Gantley, H. Broderick, G. Burke, G. Noonan, M. Bergin, S. Moroney, J. Shields, M. O'Sullivan, E. Murphy, J. Gormley.

Subs. — S. Foley for G. Noonan; M. Mulholland for M. O'Sullivan.



Ann Delaney, UCC's centre forward gets in a shot at goal while under pressure from UCD defender.

—(Picture: Eddie O'Hare)



League Champions — The UCC team who defeated UCD by 1-7 to 1-6 in the Higher Education camogie league final at the Mardyke.







# CORK VERY MUCH UNDERSTRENGTH

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CORK will be very much understrength for their second round National League tie against Limerick to be played at Inniscarra on Sunday as in addition to the recent retirements of Nancy O'Driscoll and Patricia Rordan, Mary Geaney, Marian Sweeney and Catherine Landers are all unavailable for Sunday because of holiday commitments.

As a result the selectors have been forced to make many changes.

One defeat in the National League can mean exclusion from the run-in so it is vital that Cork continue their winning sequence on Sunday.

But against Limerick, who had a recent fine win over Wexford this will not be easy, even with a full strength team.

For Sunday the Cork selectors have added Eire Og sharpshooter Noelle O'Driscoll and Killeagh's stylish Ann Marie Landers to the panel and they have juggled the remaining talent around.

Marian McCarthy and Eileen Dineen retain their positions as goalkeeper and full-back respectively while Martha Kearney is preferred at centre-back instead of at centre-forward and she will be flanked by Miriam Higgins and Ann Delaney.

The centrefield shows only one positional change from the Clare win with Angela Higgins returning to her old spot on the left wing.

The forward line is most affected by the enforced changes. There are three personnel and one positional switches from the previous outing. Clare Cronin appears to have recovered from her leg injury and is listed at centre-forward. Claire Kelleher is being given a chance to establish a regular place on the side at right corner forward while Val Fitzpatrick has been moved from the backline to left corner forward. Cork's recently announced "Super Star" Mary O'Leary completes the line-up at full-forward.

Cork took a long time to settle down when playing Clare at Shannon and cannot afford to be so complacent this time out. Limerick have not been the same force since the demise of senior camogie at Ballyagran yet their challenge cannot be taken lightly especially in view of the win over Wexford.

Centre-forward Pauline McCarthy was in devastating form against Wexford and left-wing Helen Mulcare is generally regarded as one of the best centrefield players in the country.

So Cork can expect a tough one on Sunday, but in the past they have often produced their best form when up against it and with players still fighting to establish themselves as regulars on

the side, the selectors will be expecting the full one hundred per cent endeavour from each player and this could be the winning factor on Sunday.

In other National League games in both senior and junior, Clare meet Wexford at Ferns; Antrim take on Down at Loughgeil and Dublin meet Kilkenny at Russell Park.

Because of Cork's game there are only a couple of ties listed on the domestic scene.

skilful under-age players at the moment, while St. Finbarr's junior A's appear too strong for Churchtown.

Cork team: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, M. Higgins, A. Delaney, M. Kearney, P. Moloney (captain), G. McCarthy, A. Higgins, C. Cronin, C. Kelleher, M. O'Leary, V. Fitzpatrick.

Subs: L. Lynch, J. O'Sullivan, A. M. Landers, N. O'Driscoll.

## CORK IN COMMAND

By JOAN MORLEY

CORK 2-7, LIMERICK 0-1

CORK still have full National League points. At Inniscarra yesterday they gained a most valuable brace as, with an understrength side, they had quite an easy win over Limerick by 2-7 to 0-1 in their second League tie.

In spite of playing without Catherine Landers, Marian Sweeney, and Mary Geaney, all on holidays, Cork were never really troubled.

Limerick played their best camogie in the first half when they had wind advantage, but once Cork found their scoring touch after the interval the visitors were never really there with a chance. At half-time Cork were ahead by 1-1 to 0-1.

This game was very much start of the season fare, scrappy and lacking in sharpness, determination and excitement, but even so at the end of the day Cork came away with the points, and with that they must be happy.

Once again sharpshooter Mary O'Leary picked off a number of excellent scores, while Val Fitzpatrick, Angela Higgins, Ger McCarthy, Ann Delaney and Eileen Dineen were others to play well for Cork. For Limerick Pauline McCarthy, Helen Collins, Vera Mackey and Geraldine O'Brien were best.

Cork: M. O'Leary 1-4; V. Fitzpatrick 1-1. G. McCarthy and P. Moloney 0-1 each. Limerick: P. McCarthy 0-1.

CORK: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, A. Delaney, M. Kearney, M. Higgins, G. McCarthy, P. Moloney, A. Higgins, V. Fitzpatrick, M. O'Leary, C. Kelleher, C. Cronin. Sub: A. M. Landers for C. Cronin.

LIMERICK: H. Moynihan, J. O'Shea, B. O'Dea, B. O'Brien, G. O'Brien, H. Clifford, H. Collins, V. Mackey, A. Sheehy, B. Stokes, B. Conway, P. McCarthy. Subs: B. Darcy for B. Conway; M. Cunningham for A. Sheehy. Referee: Kathleen Quinn (Galway).

WEXFORD 6-6, CLARE 4-2

A first half scoring blitz by Wexford demoralised the Clare girls in the National League encounter at Ferns yesterday. Backed by the strong breeze, Wexford led by 6-5 to 2-1 at half-time.

The second half saw a good deal of pressure on the home defence but goalkeeper Kathleen Tonks and defenders Dorothy Walsh and Bernie Higgins were more than equal to the task.

Clare had outstanding players in Patricia Moroney, Carmel Wall, Clare Jones and Margaret O'Toole, but their scoring rewards came too late.

Scorers Wexford: E. Walsh 2-4, C. Higgins 3-1. G. O'Leary 1-1. Clare: M. O'Toole 1-1, A. M. Russell 1-1, L. Fox 1-0, C. Keating 1-0.

CLARE 2-3, WEXFORD 0-2

A dreary first half promised little in the junior game. At the interval Wexford led by 0-2 to 0-1. But when Anne O'Connor flashed home a Clare goal in the 8th minute of the second half the game burst into life. However, try as the Wexford forwards might they could not penetrate a rugged Clare defence.

Scorers Clare: A. O'Connor 1-0, R. O'Shaughnessy 1-0, P. Austin 0-3. Wexford: A. Hearne and M. Farrell 0-1 each.



Cork forward Mary O'Leary lobbs the ball towards the Limerick goal during the National League game at Ballyanley yesterday



# Wexford hosts congress for first time

By TAOBH LINE

WHITES HOTEL, Wexford, is the venue for the Camogie Congress on Saturday and Sunday next. The delegates from the four provinces of Ireland are convening in Co. Wexford for the first time for the Annual Congress and arrangements are being made to make the weekend an outstanding success.

The Congress will be saddened by the passing of Camogie's life long friend, adviser and ardent worker Sean O'Duffy. His association with An Cumann Camogaiochta began just two years after the founding and continued right up to his death last October, a span of 75 years.

The Association must elect a new President this year as Miss Mary Moran (Cork) has completed her term of office—and what a dedicated and hard-working President she has proved to be. During her term of office, she travelled the length and breadth of Ireland to be present at all functions, meetings and coaching courses.

During her successful term, the Association took its bravest step forward so far, in the appointment of the first full-time Officer, Seosaimhin

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Nie Uaidrich, who in her comprehensive report sums up the strengths and weaknesses—of the Association.

The most popular competitions appear to be the Championships. All Senior, Junior and Minor affiliated counties participated in their respective competitions.

The Senior and Junior leagues keep the interest alive for a far longer period than heretofore and the counties have to be more active in the administration sphere to organise and finance the increased activity.

Miss Golden has summed up her reports in a list of 15 aims for the advancement of the Association in the coming years.

Stronger County Boards in every province, increased affiliations at schools and colleges levels, referees' seminars, coaching courses at regional level, increased publicity, promotional material and camogie films, improved skills and sportsmanship and a renewal in relation to all the aims and

ideals of An Cumann Camogaiochta are some of Miss Golden's hopes for the Association.

There are three nominations for the incoming President. Miss Mary Fennelly (Kilkenny), Mrs. Mary Lynch (Monaghan) and Mrs. Bel O'Loughlin (Down). All three candidates have been committed officers inside their own counties while Mrs. Lynch served as chairman of Ulster Council and has been a member of Ard Choiste for many years.

She has refereed up to All-Ireland level and is chairman of the Fixtures Committee. Mary Lynch is very interested in Irish culture and the promotion of the game at underage level.

Mary Fennelly, an All-Ireland medal holder with her native county, has been very successful at promoting the game in Kilkenny where she has seen affiliations and competitions grow beyond her expectations.

She and her committee organised the Camogie competitions in Felle na

nGael when it was started in 1978 and 1979 and was of all concerned for that.

Mrs. Bel O'Loughlin is the Chairman of Ulster Council, a well-known referee and junior All-Ireland referee member. She is a B coach and of the Fixtures Committee.

The most interesting of the proposals before Congress are the proposals that all junior and senior championship semi-finals be played at neutral venues and that the referee be appointed from outside the competing teams. The League, which at present meets in October, does not start in 1982.

The cost of sticks is a problem and Wicklow and Wexford are proposing that the handling of sticks be allowed. The Camogie Association has, in my memory, always been against the use of sticks with substance but are investigating means of prolonging the life of camog.

# It's Congress Time

MARY MORAN, the Cork President of the Camogie Association, completes her highly successful three-year term of office this weekend when she steps down at the annual Congress to be held in Whites Hotel, Wexford, on Saturday and Sunday.

On the local playing front there are two senior league, an under-18 championship and an under-14 league semi-final listed for Sunday.

Cork will be represented at Congress by Cork Chairperson, Mary O'Callaghan of Inniscarra, and Munster Chairperson, Rose O'Leary of Eire Og, but will, unfortunately, be without its third delegate, Co. P.R.O. Miriam Higgins, who was originally appointed but had to withdraw. There were repeated efforts at Co. Board meetings to find a replacement for Miriam but they failed to do so.

There are three candidates

for the Presidency of the Camogie Association, Mary Lynch (Monaghan), Bel O'Loughlin (Down) and Mary Fennelly (Wexford), and competition is likely to be very keen for the post so brilliantly filled by Mary Moran for the last three years.

Secretary Jo Golden continues in her position on the Council as does the Treasurer, Mrs. Agnes Purcell. But there will be one important change, Sean O'Duffy who previously held the position of Director of the Organisation, died during the year and Ardchomhairle have decided to disband this post in view of the full-time position now held by the secretary. A motion to this effect will be put before Congress.

There are very few contentious motions for discussion. Dublin seek to have the position of National P.R.O.

an elected office rather than a Central Council appointment; Down want referees for All-Ireland finals appointed from outside the Province of the two competing counties; Antrim will try again to have the club affiliation fee reduced from £12 to £5 and to change the ruling whereby the subsidiary bodies such as colleges and higher institutes of education have representation at Congress; Kilkenny wish to have the insurance scheme made compulsory while Wexford seek permission to play with splicing on their sticks if covered by adhesive tape.

So it would appear that delegates who do travel to Wexford are in for a busy weekend.

Big games on the playing list for Sunday must be the two senior league ties. Match of the day is likely to be the tie between Eire Og and Glen Rovers at Kilbarry. Very lit-

tle separates these sides. Both clubs know that to drop two points at this stage would virtually leave the door open for Co. Champions, Killeagh, who are unbeaten, to take the title.

Two of the best goalies in the county, if not the country, Glen's Deirdre Sutton and Eire Og's Marian McCarthy will be in opposition here, while three Cork defenders, Miriam Higgins and Eileen Dineen of Eire Og and Ann Delaney of Glen will also be in action.

Both sides also have Cork forwards playing with Mary Geaney and Clare Kelleher lining out for Eire Og and Val Fitzpatrick in action for Glen Rovers.

These sides played an exciting draw in the 1981 Championship with Eire Og winning by a goal in the replay. A similar result is on the cards on Sunday, especially if the experienced Nancy O'Driscoll and Mary Geaney can motivate Eire Og.

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## A girl with the golden touch

FROM HER office in Croke Park, Kilkenny woman Jo Golden keeps the wheels of the Camogie Association turning.

Her work is defined in her position of general-secretary and development officer.

For, while she must do a mountain of routine work, she also promotes the game and has to travel around the country encouraging people in each county.

Finance is a big headache. All funds are swallowed up in travelling, hosting teams, providing sticks and uniforms. But Jo smiles through it all and emphasises that it's a very cheap game for the individual player.

The Association is aided considerably by the G.A.A., who have given the office facilities at Croke Park, and also at club level where hurlers share their pitches with the camogie players.

Miss Golden is anxious to glamourise the Association and is

especially keen to increase television coverage of the game. She is the main driving force behind two promotional projects this year — a Camogie Superstars competition and a national Camogie Day which will be on October 10.

### 60,000 players

Another of her ambitions is to get younger players into the Association, which now boasts 60,000 players.

Jo, a native of Dominic street, Kilkenny, had a long playing career before she ventured into administration. She first played with Coláiste Mhuire (Ennis), then St. Paul's (Kilkenny) and

also U.C.D. where she completed a B.A. and H.Dip. in Irish and Maths.

She began teaching at Scoil Cathriona in Dublin, and combined this with playing for Kilkenny. She retired from the inter-county scene in 1972, just two years before Kilkenny gained their first All-Ireland title.

A university delegate to the Central Council, she was appointed P.R.O. of the Association in 1974. When the secretaryship became vacant the following year, she was offered the position. And she had no hesitation about accepting the post which was held by her predecessor, Sheila McAnulty of Down for 23 years.

Jo's mother, Mrs. Mary Golden, still lives in Dominic street. Her father died some years ago. Her two brothers and two sisters are living away from home.

## Mary New President

By AGNES HOURIGAN

Mary Fennelly (Kilkenny) succeeded Mary Moran (Cork) as President of the Camogie Association at the annual congress held at White's Hotel, Wexford, yesterday.

Miss Fennelly, who is the holder of three All-Ireland senior championship medals, with her native county, captained the victorious side in 1976 and has represented Leinster in Gael Linn competitions.



# SLÁN LEAT, MARY!

BY  
AGNES HOURIGAN

● Mary Moran (left) pictured on the occasion of the presentation of the B + I camogie player of the year award to Liz Neary (Kilkenny).



**T**HE Annual Congress, at the end of March, will elect a new President, Miss Mary Moran, Cork, will have completed a very fruitful term of office in which she travelled the length and breadth of the country to games, coaching courses and meetings.

Mary saw the Association open new ground in the appointment of Seosaimhin Nic Uaidrich, as the first full-time officer, a step forward in the right direction.

Miss Moran can also feel satisfied with the progress that the Junior National League has made and with the motivation, confidence and improved skills that are evident in each one of the counties.

There are three nominations for new President. Miss Mary Fennelly (Kilkenny), Mrs. Mary Lynch (Monaghan) and Mrs. Bel O'Loughlin (Down). All three have vast experience in their own provinces and Provincial Councils. Mrs. Lynch has been a member of Ard Coiste for some years.

The new season's fixture list is already available and the senior and junior leagues are now well underway.

The biggest change in dates is the moving of the All-Ireland Final

from the second Sunday of September to the fourth Sunday. Many feel this new date is more suitable and may help to attract a bigger attendance. We seemed to be losing out by being sandwiched in between the Hurling and Football Finals.

The Junior and Senior League Finals are arranged for May 30. It will be interesting to see how the new set-up for the Junior League works out. Heretofore the Junior League was confined to junior counties but a motion passed at Congress '81 opened it up to all county junior teams.

Many feel if the new entrants dominate the closing stages of the competition that the Congress decision is open to question.

As usual the minor final is arranged for August but it is brought forward to mid-August.

The Senior Championship (Open Draw) starts on June 20 with the Féile na nGael the following weekend at Dublin.

At time of writing the Ashbourne Cup has been retained for the third year by University College, Dublin and St. Mary's, Belfast have won the College's Championship, Purcell Cup.

Four teams remain in the League. St. Mary's, Belfast are at home to University College, Dublin, both Champions in their respective groups.

The other semi-final is a repeat of the Ashbourne semi-final — between Queens, Belfast and University College, Cork. The Cork girls won that tie with a goal in the closing minutes so it is anyone's victory this time.

New faces have appeared in the semi-finals of the Post Primary Schools. St. Raphael's, Loughrea rocketed to the limelight in Connacht by winning the Senior and Junior titles for the first time.

Shannon Comprehensive are Munster champions and St. John of God, Kilmore, are Leinster winners. the latter won the Junior All-Ireland title last season when they took over from another Dublin School, Maryfield College, who have won the Leinster Junior title and will play last years finalists, St. Patrick's, Cork, in the semi-final.

Bawnboy, Cavan, are Ulster senior champions for the first time, so their clash with Loughrea will produce a new All-Ireland finalist.

Loreto, Letterkenny, qualified for the second semi-final when they defeated St. Aidan's Cootehill.



Wexford was well represented at the All-Ireland Camogie Association's annual congress in White's Hotel last week-end. Our picture shows Wexford Co. Camogie Board chairman, John Furlong, making a presentation to outgoing National President, Mary Moran from Cork, as an appreciation of the work she has done for camogie over the three years term of office. Also in the picture are, from left, Jim Shells, Co. Board vice-chairman; Dorothy Walsh, Co. Secretary, and Kathleen Tonks, P.R.O. Miss Moran was succeeded as National President by Mary Fennelly from Kilkenny.



# Camogie, a slow start, but now it's all systems go

**LONG BEFORE** camogie became an organised sport, many girls tipped a hurling ball around the fields with their hurling brothers and neighbours.

But 1904 was the year when the national Association was formed and the first step was taken to put the game on a sound footing and make it a recognised sport.

The history of the game in Kilkenny is one of stages of intense activity, followed by decades when the game almost died out entirely.

Its first mention in the county

is newspaper reports on parish games in 1909. The first inter-county game in the South was between Carlow and Kilkenny in 1913 when the Noreiders were defeated.

A lull then followed when the only activity were some games played in feiscanna in Kilkenny in the mid-'20s.

The big breakthrough for camogie came in 1932 when the

All-Ireland championship was established at a national convention at which Kilkenny were represented. This led to the formation of County Boards around the country and city man Danny O'Connell chaired Kilkenny's first Co. Board meeting in 1932.

He was succeeded the following year by Jacky Jackman of John Street, Kilkenny.

The first senior county title was won by O'Nowlan's, a city club, while the Blacks and Whites took the first junior title.

While the game got off to a good start inside the county, Kilkenny never found its feet at inter-county level with Dublin dominating Leinster from 1932 right up to 1968.

Any chance of Kilkenny getting a strong county team going was dashed in 1934 when a bitter dispute over a senior county final — the case of the grey stockings — killed off camogie for over 10 years. (See special story).

In 1947 the game was revitalised. Billy Keogh of St. John's club re-organised the Co. Board and Kilkenny entered a team in the Leinster championship where they were beaten by Kildare. A bad beating by Dublin the following year in the same competition dented Kilkenny's ego so much that they again dropped out of the provincial competition for a number of years.

Although Thomastown beat Castlecomer in the 1952 county final, it was not until '58 that the organisation re-acquired some degree of health. Esther Walsh of Mooncoin chaired the Co. Board in that year and ran a very high-standard county championship.

## First success

The following year Kilkenny had their first inter-county success when they beat Laois to take the Leinster junior title. They repeated this in 1960 when the venue for the clash with Laois in the final was Ashgrove, Mooncoin.

National honours came their way through good individual players like Lucy Tobin and Esther Walsh, who played with Leinster, the Gael Linn Cup winning teams in the early '60s.

The year 1960 marked a watershed for Kilkenny camogie. The Leinster camogie colleges' championship was inaugurated that year and this established the games in schools in Kilkenny, which constituted a reservoir later on of top-class inter-county players.

The first school to hit the headlines was the Mercy Convent, Callan, who won three Leinster senior schools' titles in '62, '63 and '65.

Kilkenny's Presentation convent soon made its presence felt. The school won Leinster junior titles in '67, '69 and '73 and senior titles in '69 and '70. The Presentation also earned national distinction in '69 when it clinched the first All-Ireland colleges' title and repeated this performance in 1970.

## Remarkable twins

These winning teams included such great names as Ann Carwood Ltd., formerly Avonree buildings. She is assuming her new post on April 1 — April Fools day!



MARY FENNELLY

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The current President of the Association is Mary Moran (Cork). Miss Fennelly is the first Kilkenny woman to seek the presidency, which runs for three years and can only be held once.

Where those camogie titles went:			
Dublin	Cork	Antrim	Kilkenny
25	12	6	4

# Mary might get there before Paddy!

By BRED A WALL

**THE WEEK-END** will be a proud one for followers and, indeed, officials of Gaelic games in Kilkenny.

The big happening will be on Sunday when Paddy Buggy will assume the presidency of the G.A.A. But on Saturday, a lady from the country could get there before him.

Great-hearted St. Paul's and Kilkenny camogie player for some years, Mary Fennelly is expected to become President of the National Camogie Association at their convention in Wexford on Saturday.



Committee. In her early forties, she trains Down and is an inter-county referee, as is Mary Lynch. Mrs. O'Loughlin was proposed by the PostPrimary Schools Council and by Down.

Mary Fennelly is the youngest, and the only single candidate. A former Kilkenny captain, she is secretary of the Leinster Council and a member of the fixtures, administrative, and players' awards committees. She was nominated by the Leinster Council and by counties Meath, Wexford, Limerick, Cork, Westmeath, Dublin and Kilkenny. She is in her early thirties.

The number of nominations give little indication of how the voting will go on the day. Some counties may not be able to attend the convention fixed for White's hotel, Wexford, while others who have the right to vote are the members of the Central Council, Provincial Councils and

schools and colleges committee.

With such a large electoral college, the outcome is unpredictable, though on paper the Kilkenny woman seems to have the edge.

## Ambitious

The ambitious Miss Fennelly is anxious to become President and has ear-marked some priority areas if she is successful. A tried and tested administrator, she hopes to attract players into the organisation as she thinks that the feelings at the grass roots are not being represented at the top. She instances her own position. In 1976 she was captain of the All-Ireland winning team, and also had to serve as secretary of Kilkenny Co. Board.

She is concerned about the falling age of inter-county players and reckons that since the game is losing players at a younger age, the Association will have to get players at a younger age in primary schools.

Mary will also be trying to glamourise the Association, and promote its image. And this should be no problem to the naturally elegant Stoneyford-born woman!

She does not expect a great change of life-style if she is elected president, but her extra work will include chairing Central Council meetings and attending inter-county games and many, many functions.

A hectic year for the new President will be 1984 when the Camogie Association will be represented at numerous functions marking the centenary of the G.A.A.

A certain change of lifestyle is destined next month for Miss

## Mary the youngest

Mother-of-four, Bel O'Loughlin is the present chairwoman of the Ulster Council, and secretary of the Fixtures

O'Neill and...

who formed the... Kilkenny's All-Ireland... championship winners...

Another school... some powerful... county was... Presentation convent... aided by the... Downey twins... honours as Leinster... leges' level in '74.

But all the skills... the girls in school... gone to school... school if good... available to future... talents. A milestone... socete was the... Paul's in 1965.

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Vitality at school... level was almost... reflected on the... 1968 Kilkenny... in the Leinster... and made history... first defeat for Dublin... for 32 years.

Kilkenny really... the doldrums in the... Their first bite at... senior title came in 1970... they were beaten by... final. It was the... '72, but the... in '74 when they... tables on the... tasted sweet success.

And they repeated... formula in '76, '77 and '78... ing it was no... Kilkenny twice... National League... which started in 1971.

The last decade in the... very successful... and the number of... increased from... There were 11... in the primary school... last year and the... boasts six inter-county...

On an individual level, Kilkenny players were nominated Player of the Year more than any other county. Stars were Eileen O'Neill (76), Bridie Martin (70), Anne Downey (77) and Liz...

So, although it may... taken a long time to... the last decade has been... glorious one for camogie in Kilkenny. And with the... more ambitious than ever to... establish it in every primary school and parish in the county... wider pool of talent... available to play for the... in the future. (Continued on page 2)



MARCH 1982

## Mary succeeds in bid for presidency



PRESIDENTS on the double is the situation in Kilkenny after the week-end when Paddy Buggy was installed as president of the G.A.A. and Mary Fennelly edged her way to the presidency of the Camogie Association with a 23-18 victory over fellow candidate Mrs. Mary Lynch of Monaghan.

The other candidate for the camogie presidency, Mrs. Bel O'Loughlin withdrew before the election which took place on Saturday during the annual Association Congress in White's hotel, Wexford.

After her election, Mary took over the chairing of the meeting from former president Ms. Mary Moran, Cork. The Congress continued all day Saturday but there were few controversial issues raised.

Two Kilkenny motions were defeated. One was to change the dates of the Camogie Congress to avoid clashing with the G.A.A. Congress, but the feeling of most delegates was to stick to the original and traditional dates regardless of other fixtures.

Kilkenny also proposed that the new insurance scheme should

be made compulsory but this was heavily defeated.

A Central Council motion to have neutral line umpires at All-Ireland minor, junior and senior finals was carried.

Other motions lost included two from Northern counties to reduce club affiliation fees from the standard £12 to £5 and to exclude representatives of schools and colleges councils from Congress as they were already represented through other delegates.

As her first official duty, Mary found 'hairing the meeting' "quite an ordeal" as she was not sure of the presidency and was not fully prepared to take over the demanding Congress timetable.

But, philosophically, she says this was the first taste of the hard work ahead which is part of the job and which she is optimistic about performing well with the help of all the good people around her.

Her immediate reaction on being elected? "I was thrilled and absolutely delighted especially after such a good fight", she said.

Cumann Camógaíochta na nGael

## Comhadhail Bliantiúl 1982

Ostán "Whites"  
Loch Garman

Márta, 27 - 28



# Vital One For Cork

A VITAL National Senior League tie for Cork, a preliminary round Cork Senior County Championship tie and an under-14 league semi-final head the fixture list this weekend. And next week will see the beginning of the evening games with the Co. Board anxious to use the longer evenings to help with the cluttered fixture list.

The Cork senior team travels to Templemore, Co. Tipperary, on Sunday in search of two further points in the National Senior League. Cork already have two victories to their credit over Limerick and Clare while Tipperary are also unbeaten. They defeated Limerick and their game with Clare was abandoned ten minutes from the end due to adverse weather conditions. Section "B" table at the moment stands as follows:

	P	W	L	D	Pts.
Cork	2	2	0	0	4
Tipperary	1	1	0	0	2
Wexford	2	1	1	0	2
Limerick	3	1	2	0	2
Clare	2	0	2	0	0

Both teams will be striving for a morale boosting win as the sides are due to meet again in the first round of the All-Ireland Senior Championship on July 11. The Cork selectors continue their policy of giving as many of the panel as possible at least one game in the current league and so Joan O'Sullivan comes into the side at right corner back to the exclusion of her Glen Rovers Clubmate Ann Delaney.

Catherine Landers returns to centreback and Martha Kearney moves out to centre half. Mary Geaney returns to her usual position

at full forward. Val Fitzpatrick moves to centre forward and Clare Kelleher and Clare Cronin return to the substitutes. This game will be Cork's toughest to date. Tipperary have some very experienced players including Munster stars Deirdre Lane and Maura Hackett while Ann Gleeson, Mary O'Brien and Agnes Brophy have improved very much in recent years and will give strength to the home side in every sector. Cork on the other hand always seem to raise their game against Tipperary. They have the nucleus of a very good side and have a reasonably strong substitutes panel. They should take the points but Tipperary are always good in front of their home supporters.

This present Cork team seems to take a long time to settle down and will need to take the game to Tipperary from the throw-in if they are to consolidate their position at the top of their section in the League.

**Cork team:** Marian McCarthy, Eileen Dineen, Joan O'Sullivan, Catherine Landers, Miriam Higgins, Ger McCarthy, Martha Kearney, Angela Higgins, Mary O'Leary, Val Fitzpatrick, Pat Moloney (captain), Mary Geaney.

**Subs:** Ann Delaney, Noelle O'Driscoll, Liz Lynch, Ann Marie Landers, Clare Kelleher, Clare Cronin and Marian Sweeney.

Sarsfields will be fancied to win their preliminary round championship tie against U.C.C. as the College girls will be without many of their Ashbourne players

including Cork stars Angela Higgins, Ann Delaney and Noelle O'Driscoll, who are not eligible to play with the County University in the County Championship. Sars, for their part can field a full side, and with Ann O'Mahony, Eithne Barry and Lilian Zinkant all playing well at the moment they must be expected to advance.

The under 14 league semi-final between Aghabullogue and Bishopstown should be an exciting affair with Bishopstown, who have done so well in under-age competitions in recent years, maybe having a slight advantage. But it must be close.

In other games on Sunday, St. Finbarrs meet Nemo Rangers in the under-18 league, Glen Rovers take on Na Piaras in the under 16 championship and Killeagh meet Fr. O'Neills in the under 16 league.

In the first of this season's mid-week games Glen Rovers take on new seniors Aghabullogue in another preliminary round game in the Senior Co. Championship while Inniscarra meet Blackrock in the under 16 championship and Douglas meet St. Finbarr's in the under 16 league. All these games will be played on Wednesday evening.

## FIXTURES

(All on Sunday)

At Templemore: N.S.L., Cork v Tipperary, 3 p.m. (Ref. Elsie Walsh, Wexford).

At Limerick: N.S.L., Limerick v Clare, 2 p.m. (Ref. Annette O'Donovan, Cork).

N.J.L., Limerick v Clare, 3.15 p.m. (Ref. Mary Maher, Cork).

## KILLEAGH HOLD OFF EIRE OG RALLY

Killeagh 3-6,  
Eire Og 2-4

KILLEAGH captured the senior club tournament for 1981 at Riverstown yesterday but had to withstand a tremendous Eire Og Rally in the second half to retain the trophy. It was a game that produced some brilliant and exciting camogie but it was a sporting contest throughout.

The county champions (Killeagh) opened in fine style and following some tremendous pressure Pat Linehan had a point from a 30. They went further ahead

when Bernie Costine split the Eire Og defence and Ann Leahy gave Marian McCarthy no chance in goal.

Eire Og fought back strongly but found a rock-like defence where Marie O'Donovan, Catherine Landers and Breda Landers dealt with the fast looking Eire Og attack. Pat Linehan had another point for Killeagh entering the final 10 minutes of this half and when Marian Sweeney pointed from the sideline it looked as if Eire Og were in for a hiding.

With the spirit of years of experience behind them Mary Geaney, Eileen Dineen and Noelle O'Driscoll spearheaded a fight back and when a blunder by the Killeagh defence occurred the vigilant Mary Geaney was on hand to tap home a goal. Killeagh hit back quickly when two of their inter-county players, Pat Linehan and Marian Sweeney combined to leave the latter crash home a great goal.

Leading at the break by 2-3 to 1-0, Killeagh were forced to battle away against a team that really clicked and looked dangerous at all points. Noelle O'Driscoll

reduced the leeway with two points from frees. One of the many long puckouts by Marian McCarthy for Eire Og resulted in Noelle O'Driscoll picking off another point all inside the opening eight minutes of the second half. Entering the last 12 minutes, Eire Og were within striking distance of the East Cork side but Pat Linehan had two quick points from 30s to stretch their lead to five points.

Noelle O'Driscoll added to her tally with another point from a free and when Mary Geaney tackled the Killeagh full back Maria O'Donovan, the loose ball resulted in Eileen Dineen scoring a goal. At this stage it looked as if they were in with a chance but Killeagh, however, had another goal from Bernie Costine and a point from Pat Linehan to leave them deserved winners.

**Killeagh:** K. Costine, M. Spillane, M. O'Donovan, B. Landers, C. Landers, B. Kirby, P. Keniry, Ann Maria Landers, M. Sweeney, P. Linehan, A. Leahy, B. Costine.

**Eire Og:** M. McCarthy, J. Shannon, C. Kelleher, M. Twomey, M. Higgins, A. O'Keefe, P. O'Reilly, M. O'Donovan, M. Geaney, E. Dineen, N. O'Driscoll, N. O'Driscoll.

**Referee:** Sheila Golden (Inniscarra)

## Killeagh And Aghabullogue Try Again

EASTER Sunday will be a quiet one on the camogie fields with just one fixture, but there will be plenty of activity during the coming weeks with minor and junior trials.

Killeagh and Aghabullogue will try once again to play their under 18 championship tie on Sunday. The fixture seems to be dogged by bad weather and is being re-fixed for the third time. The visitors to Coachford would appear to have a better balanced team. Many of their senior players including Patsy Keniry are still eligible while Aghabullogue tend to rely to a large extent on the individual skills of Anna Buckley.

In the only other fixture listed for the coming week Blackrock take on Na Piaras also in the under 18 championship on Wednesday. Both these sides have good under age players, but Blackrock's run in the championship has been more impressive, and Ursula Lyons, Colette Murphy and Aileen Furlong have been blending well with their more experienced colleagues. However, Na Piaras should not be underestimated as they could quite possibly spring a surprise.

With the minor and junior Munster championships just around the corner the Cork selectors have been busy. Last week the minor players had their first trial games and they continue on Tuesday and Thursday next at the Mon Field.

The Junior Trials also begin this week, on Monday and Wednesday, and the following players are asked to attend:

Monday at St. Finbarrs: Imelda Cronin, Tina O'Sullivan, Shelly Spillane, Patsy Keniry, Ann Marie Landers, Ann Leahy (Killeagh); Eithne Barry, Liz Dunphy,

Eileen Noonan, Lillian Twomey, Geraldine Crowley, Jack O'Regan, Lilian Zinkant (Sarsfields); Frances Deane, Una O'Connor, Joan Hyatt, Pat Darcey, Colette Murphy, Judy Deasy (Blackrock); Mary Maher, Ann Doyle, Carmel, Carroll, Shirley Morris, Christine Lynch (Douglas), C. O'Connell, M. O'Sullivan, Finola Broderick, Marie Christie, Mary Hourigan, Christine Hourigan, Christine Hourigan, Stephanie Curtin (St. Finbarr's).

Wednesday at Ballinacorney: Mary Murphy, Gerta Murphy, Margaret Murphy (Ballinacorney), Colette O'Neill, Ann Barry-Murphy (Cloughduv), Joan Shanahan, Margo Twomey, Kathleen Conway, Patsy O'Regan, Mary O'Donovan, Ann Leahy (Eire Og); Clare Hill (Watergrasshill); Pat Mackey, Annette O'Donovan (Glen Rovers); Carmel chion, Mary Murphy, Hannigan, Marie G. (Castlemagner); Eileen rett, Sheila Barrett, Eileen Barry-Murphy, Buckley, Joan O'Regan, Norma Delaney (Aghabullogue); Carmel, Sarah Murphy, Ma Forde, Geraldine Dineen (Inniscarra); Mary Hourigan, Moira Hourigan, Mairead O'Sullivan (collig).

## FIXTURES

Sunday:

At Coachford: Under 18 Aghabullogue v Killeagh, 12.00 (Ref. Inniscarra).

Wednesday, 14th:

At Blackrock, under 18 Blackrock v Na Piaras, 6.45 p.m. (Ref. O'Sullivan).

Cork trials: Minor day 13 and Thursday Mon. Field, 6.30 p.m. Junior: Monday 12, 6.30 p.m. Wednesday at Ballinacorney, 6.45 p.m.

## GOOD WIN FOR LIMERICK

LIMERICK 4-4  
CLARE 3-5

LIMERICK scored a good win in the National League camogie game over Clare at Adare yesterday. The sides were even enough in the first half, but in the second half Limerick picked up the vital scores with N. Sheehy scoring 2-1. Pauline McCarthy was also in good scoring form and she scored 1-3 and Bridget Darcy had a point.

For Clare, Lourda Foran had four points and their goal came from Anne Marie Russell, Margaret O'Toole and C. Beegan and Clare Jones had a point.

Limerick 3-4, Clare 0-3. Limerick juniors prevented Clare from scoring from play in their national league game. The Limerick scorers were: S. Murphy 2-0, M. Cunningham 1-1, R. Fitzgerald 0-3. Pat Austin scored all Clare's points from frees.



## Camogie Club Re-Union



Pictured recently are past members of the Blackrock Camogie Club at a re-union dinner at the Muskerry Arms Inn, Blarney, Co. Cork.  
(Ted O'Brien Studios)

APRIL 1982

## BYGONE DAYS



Delegates who attended Camogie Convention in February, 1953, at the Courthouse, Cork.



# Shannon debutantes in search of All-Ireland glory

## —Colleges final on Saturday

For the second time in seven months Clare camogie holds the All-Ireland spotlight when on Saturday (3 p.m.), Croke Park the scene of the junior national victory last September is again the focus of attention this time with St. Patrick's Comprehensive school, Shannon bidding in their first final to take the All-Ireland senior colleges title.

By Gerry Slevin

Opposing them will be St. Raphael's, Loughrea and with three of that Clare junior side in action again, the scene is set for what all Clare fans hope will be a second successful onslaught on a national competition.

To reach the final, Shannon—ten of whose side are members of the local Wolfe Tones club—had to put aside some very stiff opposition, including last year's champions, St. Patrick's, Cork in the first round. Victory here spurred them greatly and they went on to defeat North Presentation before lowering the colours of a fancied Hospital (Limerick) side in the Munster final. This they did by a narrow margin in what was adjudged to have been one of the finest provincial finals in years.

Next to bite the dust were the Leinster champions, St. John of God's College, Dublin, when on a greasy pitch, Shannon came from behind to make it to their first ever final.

The link with the successful Clare victory last September is in the persons of Caroline O'Meara, Martina Beegan and Lourda Fox. They with seven of their colleagues are members of the Wolfe Tones club, the 'outsiders' being Tina O'Connell (Kilkishen) and Geraldine Morey (Sixmilebridge). The team has built up a fine understanding and this was especially evident and indeed required in the game against the Leinster champions when in the closing stages it took sheer determination to oust the Dubs, who were favourites to reach the final.

Shannon have a very competent 'keeper' in Teresa Naughton who is very cool under pressure. She can expect good cover from the experienced Susan Quinn at full back. Captaining the team from the half back line will be Caroline O'Meara who will team up with Pat Austin and Tina O'Connell but it is to the attack that Shannon will look with keenest eyes for victory and the hoped for scores from Lourda Fox, Martina Beegan and Peg Coughlan.

final, the Loughrea girls have the favourites tag on them. However the memory of that great All-Ireland vic-

tory last September is still very fresh in the minds of the Shannon lassies and with three of that winning side again in action, the leadership required in such a nerve wracking occasion should be efficiently supplied by the O'Meara, Beegan and Fox contribution. Added to this is the fact that the teamwork built up through membership of the Wolfe Tones club should prove a major boost to the side. If Shannon play as they are indeed well capable of so doing, another red letter day for Clare camogie can be created.

The task facing them is indeed a mammoth one but

the preparations undertaken have been such as to instil these eager girls with a great sense of urgency and commitment and Croke Park on Saturday evening can indeed be the scene of yet another great Clare camogie victory.

Shannon will line out as follows: Teresa Naughton, Susan Quinn, Caroline O'Meara (capt.), Pat Austin, Tina O'Connell, Rose O'Shaughnessy, Geraldine Morey, Angela Browne, Lourda Fox, Martina Beegan, Peg Coughlan, Kathleen Naughton.

Subs: Jackie Garry, Marie O'Connell, Marie Phillips, Kathleen Diviney, Maura Chapman.

To accommodate the 400 supporters travelling from Clare for the game, special coaches will leave Shannon at 9 a.m. and those interested in travelling should contact Fintan Quinn—Tel. 065-24343.

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1.30 SOISEAR

Colaiste Paire Mhuire  
Ath Cliath

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Colaiste Naomh Reafail  
Baile Locha Riach

Reiteoir: ROSINA McMANUS  
Aine Ní Dhonnabhain  
Corcaigh ANTRIM

3.00 SINSEAR

Scoil Chuimsitheach Naomh Padraig  
Sionna, Co. an Clar.

Colaiste Naomh Reafail  
Baile Locha Riach

Reiteoir: Rita de Faoite  
Ath Cliath.

LUACH 10p

# 'Raphs' set for double

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In the senior game (3.0) the Connacht champions oppose St. Patrick's, Shannon and Mallowfield College, Dublin, meet the junior final (1.30).

This has been a bumper year for St. Raphaels who are Connacht champions in both grades for the first time.

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But Loughrea are also well represented by intercounty players. The Briscoe sisters Anette Ryan and the Grady sisters won Minor All-Ireland medals with Galway August.

With so much talent on field, a first class game is anticipated. Will the fact that four of the Loughrea team are two of the subs. will be played in the junior final put to advantage to Shannon?

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FERMOY defeated challenge camogie. The teams were — M. Mannix, M. Paye, M. Mannix, F. Sheehan, K. Slatery, St. Finbarrs: Misses J. M. Crowley, M. Dowling, Sheehan, P. Crowley, M.



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LOURDA FOX (Shannon)

Maryfield, if they play as well as they did in the semi-final will take beating in this decider.

Dublin are listed to play Antrim in the Senior and Junior National Leagues at Russell Park on Sunday next (2.0 and 3.0). Dublin are two points behind leaders Kilkenny and Antrim are four points down in the senior grade.

In the junior game Dublin have full points and Antrim lost to Galway first time out this season. Also in this Zone, Down travel to play Galway at a Galway venue. Galway lost to Dublin, beat Antrim but have yet to play leaders Kilkenny.

Down, who are playing their last game in the section have two points to date. They defeated Antrim and lost to Kilkenny, and Dublin. In the junior tie Galway are up two points from Antrim and down two points from Dublin.

Tipperary won their zone in the junior National League last Sunday even though they were held to a draw by Wexford. They will now play the winners of Zone B in which Dublin are leaders, to gain a place in the semi-final.

Wexford seniors defeated Tipperary by one point in the senior league which makes the Slaneysiders clash with the leaders, Cork, very interesting on Sunday, May 2.

Teams for the all-Ireland Post Primary Schools Finals—

## SENIOR

St. Raphaels, Loughrea — S. Coats, D. Hobbins, B. Lawless, M. Flynn, C. Briscoe, A. Briscoe, M. Griffin, M. Griffin, A. Ryan, A. Staunton, G. Madden, C. Robinson.

St. Patrick's, Shannon — T. Naughton, S. Quinn, C. O'Meara, P. Austin, T. O'Connell, R. O'Shaughnessy, G. Morey, A. Brown, L. Fox, M. Beegan, P. Coughlin, K. Naughton.

## JUNIOR

Maryfield College, Dublin — R. Brady, P. Strutt, D. Mulgrew, S. Mullen, E. Courtney, C. Whitaker, M. Regan, P. Clinton, E. Murray, G. O'Byrne, D. O'Leary, J. Byrne.

St. Raphael's Loughrea — A. Coats, P. Egan, M. Fahy, C. Linnane, J. Staunton, A. Briscoe, M. Griffin, A. Kelly, A. Fahy, A. Staunton, G. Madden, B. Stradford.

# COLLEGES' DAY AT CROKE PARK

TWO of the three colleges involved in All-Ireland Colleges' Day will be playing in the finals at Croke Park for the first time, and one of these, St. Raphael's, Loughrea, will be chasing a double.

On the club front there are two Under-18 Championship ties, the Under-14 League final and two Junior 'B' League games listed for the coming week.

Munster's only representative in the All-Ireland Colleges final, St. Patrick's Comprehensive School, Shannon, will meet St. Raphaels in the senior final. The Shannon girls won in Munster in 1978 but lost their All-Ireland semi-final.

For Loughrea it has been a marvellous year as they have come out of Leinster for the first time in both senior and junior grades.

However, they have five dual players tomorrow and this could favour Shannon as five members of any side having to play a junior final before fielding for the top tie cannot be easy.

However, the St. Raphael girls have been most impressive all season and have marvellous players in Carmel and Anne Briscoe, and Annette Ryan, all of whom won All-Ireland minor medals with Galway last season.

But Shannon have also been playing well this year, and with excellent players in Teresa Naughton in goal, Caroline O'Meara, Pat Austin, Rosie O'Shaughnessy, Martina Beegan and Lourda Fox on their side, they might have a slight edge. But they will have to fight all the way for their first title.

St. Raphaels will not find it easy in the junior final either as they will be up against the 1980 champions, Maryfield College. However, for this game the Loughrea girls will have their full side — including five seniors — so must be there with an excellent chance.

St. Finbarrs and Bishopstown have had a number of most exciting encounters in the last two seasons in Feile Na nGael, and there has been very little between the sides. Now they meet again, this time in the Under-14 League final on Tuesday evening next, and again it should be a thrilling affair with victory in doubt to the final whistle.

There are two Under-18 Championship ties listed for the coming week-end. On Saturday Sarsfields meet Glen Rovers and here the Glen should have the edge. They have strong players in Ann Hourigan, Denise Cotter and Mary Francis Hurley and might just be too strong. However, Sarsfields have been doing very well in this competition and have fine players in Ann O'Mahony, Liz Dunphy and Eileen Noonan and they could upset the odds.

In the second under-18 tie on Sunday Fr. O'Neills will be depending mainly on their schoolgirls from Loretto Convent, Youghal, to oust the Barrs from the championship. They have very good players in Mary Kenefick, Norma O'Driscoll and Josephine Rumley and may surprise the city girls.

In the Junior 'B' League Nemo Rangers, led by Mary and Margaret O'Shea, should be just about good enough for Brian Dillons who are new to this competition.

In the same competition Killeagh have Mary Murphy and Vera Motherway but would not seem strong enough for the Henchion-led Castlemagner side.

## Tomorrow

At Croke Park: All-Ireland Colleges Finals — Junior, St. Raphael's, Loughrea, v. Maryfield College, Dublin, 1.30 p.m.

Senior: St. Patrick's Comprehensive, Shannon, v. St. Raphael's, Loughrea, 3 p.m.

At Glen Field: Under-18 Championship, Sarsfields v. Glen Rovers, 6.45 p.m. (St. Finbarrs).

## Sunday

At Fr. O'Neills: Under-18

Championship, Fr. O'Neills v. St. Finbarrs, 3.30 p.m. (Killeagh).

At Nemo Rangers: J.B.L. Nemo Rangers v. Brian Dillons, 3.30 p.m. (Douglas).

At Castlemagner: J.B.L. Killeagh v. Castlemagner, 3.30 p.m. (St. Fanahans).

## Tuesday

At St. Finbarrs: Under-14 League final, St. Finbarrs v. Bishopstown, 7.15 p.m. (Carmel Carroll, Douglas).

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## This Week . . . 50 YEARS AGO

FERMOY defeated St. Finbarrs by 3-2 to no score in a challenge camogie game at St. Patrick's Grounds, Fermoy. The teams were — Fermoy: Misses J. O'Brien (Goal), K. Mannix, M. Paye, M. Mansfield, M. Cuffe, M. Hyde, A. Power, F. Sheehan, K. Slattery, M. O'Keefe, H. Hurley, E. Murphy. St. Finbarrs: Misses J. O'Brien (goal), J. Barrett, N. Murphy, M. Crowley, M. Dowling, R. Sheehan, N. Sheehan, A. Sheehan, P. Crowley, M. Walsh, E. Harris, M. Crowley.



# Shannon Girls Historic All-Ireland Victory

## Teamwork Key To Success

ST. PATRICK'S, SHANNON .....	1-7
ST. RAPHAEL'S, LOUGHREA .....	1-4

**St. Patrick's Comprehensive School, Shannon, carved a special niche in the annals of Clare G.A.A. history when on their first appearance in a national decider they captured the All-Ireland senior colleges camogie title with a great victory over St. Raphael's College, Loughrea, at Croke Park on Saturday last.**

The win not alone brought the first ever colleges camogie All-Ireland championship to the county, but it also kept intact the tremendous record of winning appearances by Clare camogie teams at Croke Park. In 1974 the Clare junior side made it a winning debut in the All-Ireland final and just seven months ago the juniors again clinched victory in the decider when they had four points to spare over Antrim.

*By Austin Hobbs*

It is also significant that the Shannon captain, Caroline O'Meara and Martina Beegan and Lourda Fox were members of the Clare junior team last September and it is quite a remarkable achievement to collect two

All-Ireland camogie medals in such a short space of time.

For Shannon itself the All-Ireland title means a great deal. It will be of tremendous value in boosting interest in camogie and Gaelic games generally and it

is fitting that such a sporting milestone should be achieved on the 21st anniversary of the founding of the Town.

Victory on Saturday did not come before many anxious moments. St. Raphael's were certainly very worthy opponents and Shannon had to pull out all the stops in the closing stages to repel a strong challenge. The Shannon girls displayed real grit and determination in their play and this combined with an abundance of skill gave them the winning edge.

Such was the closeness of the sides that every player had to be on her toes at all times and not one girl on the Clare team could be faulted for any serious mistake.

St. Patrick's opted for the advantage of a strong breeze in the opening half and in the first sixteen minutes had nine wides, six from play, at the canal end.

In spite of St. Patrick's dominance, the best scoring chances fell to the Loughrea girls. A high delivery fell in behind the back line and full forward Caroline Robinson was in very fast but shot wide as Teresa Naughton came off her goal line to narrow the angle.

After seventeen minutes Lourda Fox opened the Shannon scoring from a 25 metre free, after she took over free taking responsibilities from Pat Austin, who had three misses. The Clare side went two points ahead minutes later when Lourda showed fine skill and speed in scoring from the right wing. She ran to meet a clearance, picked the ball and shook her marker with a great solo run and then pointed.

Loughrea replied from a "30" on 22 minutes through Carmel Briscoe but Shannon retired at half time two points ahead after a great score from play from Marina Begovic.

Loughrea siege which saw a couple of hectic goalmouth scrambles and misses from frees. They retaliated with some good movements in the attack between Lourda Fox, Martina Beegan and Cathleen Naughton but Loughrea

Half a minute later Peg Coughlan connected well with a ground ball and cut it over the bar to give Shannon a safe three point winning margin.

The entire Shannon team gave a first class performance, but particular credit must be given to the goalie and defenders. The greater the pressure the better they seemed to play, as a unit, chasing every ball and cover-



● It's all eyes on the ball . . . second half action in the Colleges Senior C

defenders Dolores Hobbins and Carmel Briscoe led a very determined rearguard and kept things in control.

When Carmel Briscoe pointed a free to give the Galway side the lead many a heart fluttered on the Shannon side, but they had plenty to cheer about when Martina Beegan replied immediately with a brilliant point from play to set the scene for a grandstand finish.

In the 12th minute, Shannon goalie Teresa Naughton again showed tremendous alertness when she advanced from the goal to tidy up a very dangerous situation.

St. Patrick's pressed strongly and Pat Austin pointed twice from frees, shooting into the breeze. The scores gave new confidence to Shannon and the 500 supporters really got behind them as the minutes ticked slowly away.

The tension was electrifying when St. Raphael's were awarded a 14 metre free in

ing for each other.

At midfield, R. O'Shaughnessy, G. Morey and A. Browne ensured that there was a constant supply of ball into the attack. In this sector Martina Beegan and Lourda Fox displayed tremendous individual skill while the tenacity of Cathleen Naugh-

St. Raphael's  
Hobbs, B. J.  
Flynn, C. Brose  
C. Donoghue, M.  
Fahy, A. Ryan C.  
G. Madden, C. B.

Referee: Pat  
Dublin.

## After Match Comments:

Team trainer, Fr. Michael McNamara, who is also the county trainer, said the win would be a great boost for camogie in Clare, following so closely on the success of the county junior team last September. He also saw it as being important for Shannon as it would foster a sense of identity and community spirit.

Fr. McNamara was delighted with the huge following and felt the 500 supporters helped give the team a great lift at vital stages in the game.

On the match itself he felt they took a bit long to settle and was happier with their second half display. He was never worried, however, as he felt they always had the edge and finished far stronger.

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Captain Caroline  
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prepared to keep  
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field. She said

Caroline's attempt to return to Grease. Clare senior cannot make it three appearances in a row.

Jim Cooney, owner at Shannock Casino, never thought there'd be any real controversy for St. described it as a

...and he was chairman of the committee which, starting from nothing, raised funds, purchased the land and got the entire project moving. Despite bad health

Chairman, J. Hayes, Hon.  
Capt. St. Michael's, Michael



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The handicap, however, of having to play both finals on the one afternoon — especially when a number of their players had to play on both teams, proved to be beyond their capabilities. The St. Raphael's cailini, however, can find some solace in the fact that all the members of the Senior team and several of the Juniors will be available to play in the Championship again next year and their prospects of ultimate success must accordingly be great.

Maryfield College, Dublin .....	3-9
Raphael's, Loughrea .....	4-0

Some splendid teamwork allied to superb individual performance by Maryfield's Carmel O'Byrne, provided the winning recipe for the Dublin school's second All-Ireland title in Junior grade.

Having lost the toss, St. Raphael's had to face a strong wind in the opening half and were under heavy pressure to keep the opposition in check. Trojan worked for St. Raphael's by Stephanie Owen, in goals, together with great defensive play by Carmel Linnane and Patricia Egan at full back, saved the Loughrea school on several occasions.

Tremendous outfield play by Ann  
riscoe and Margaret Griffin, kept  
Raphael's in close touch but  
could not prevent Maryfield's  
harmel O'Byrne, Denise O'Leary  
and Edel Murphy from setting up a  
total of 2-5 to Loughrea's 1-0 at half  
time.

St. Raphael's mounted a strong series of attacks from the restart and after Deirdre Costello and Anne Leahy had near misses for goals, Maryfield with Sharon Mullen starring in defence, broke away in a sudden counter-attack and a fine goal by Patricia Clinton put the game beyond St. Raphael's reach.

Nothing daunted, however, the Oughrea girls struck back with great spirit and with goals by Ann Staunton, Avril Kelly and Deirdre Costello. The leeway cut to six points before the final whistle sounded.

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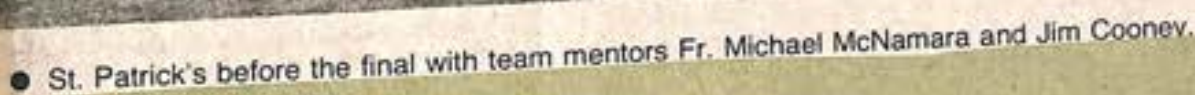
St. Patrick's, Shannon won their first All-Ireland Senior Colleges title by narrowly defeating St. Rzaheaf's, Loughrea. The latter had Stephanie Coen as goal for their second game in succession and Jane Briscoe in the backs also (tyed in the second final).

Facing a strong wind and grins were much bigger and seemed to be older, the St. Raphael's side looked as if they were going to be completely over-ruled by the more powerful position.

settling in well after weathering  
: initial onslaught, St. Raphael's  
owed great speed and skill. In one  
lliant move Lourda Fox set up a  
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: right where Sharon Shaw  
owed rare skill and speed, only to  
: her shot for goal go inches wide.  
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Breman showed that he has it.  
His goal in brilliant style. Bart  
Sunday, but Stephen Joyce too

St. Raphael's Anne Briscoe matched the Shannon star for skill and looked to have Loughrea on the high road to victory when she goaled from a 30m free with only seven minutes left in the game.

Scorers for Shannon were, Cathleen Naughton 1-1, Lourda Fox, Martina Beekan, Pat Austin 0-2 each. St. Raphael's, Anne Briscoe 1-2, Annette Ryan, Carmel Briscoe 0-1 each.



St. Patrick's, Shannon, 1-7;  
St. Raphael's, Loughrea, 1-4

ST. PATRICK'S, Shannon, captured their first All-Ireland Senior Colleges' title with a narrow victory over St. Raphael's, Loughrea, at Croke Park at the weekend.

With wind advantage in the opening half Shannon attacked the Loughrea goal but despite good team effort their chances were wasted as they shot numerous wides.

Martina Beeken and Lourda Fox each took points from play but it was Anne Briscoe who persevered for the Loughrea girls swinging defence into attack on numerous occasions. Shannon led by 0-3 to 0-1 at half time.

Loughrea swung into attack on the restart and Annette Ryan pointed from play. Close marking was again a feature of this half but Shannon's Lourda

Fox and Cathleen Naughton threatened the Loughrea defence repeatedly.

However, Stephanie Coan in the Loughrea goal brought off some fine saves. Shannon were rewarded by a goal from Cathleen Naughton. Carmel Briscoe-Annette Ryan, Markaret Griffin and Anne Briscoe battled on for Loughrea. Anne Briscoe goaled from a 30m. free with just seven minutes remaining, leaving her side just three points behind.

She was not so lucky with two further scoring chances, however, and Shannon's Pat Austin continued to dominate in defence, having scored two points from long range frees. Angela Browne and Caroline O'Meara, also did well for Shannon and contributed to their schools first success by this 3 point margin.

Scorers 2 'Shannon — Cath

leen Naughton (1-1), Lourda Fox, Martin Beegan, Pat Austin (0-2 each). Doughrea 2 Anne BViscoe (1-2), An nette Ryan, Carmel Briscoe (0-1 each.

Maryfield College, 3-9;  
St. Raphael's, Loughrea, 4-0

Some fine teamwork and a superb individual performance by Maryfield's Carmel O'Byrne was the recipe for Maryfield College's second All-Ireland Junior title.

They defeated a Loughrea side who came from behind to unsettle the Maryfield girls but were just not strong enough to earn the title. It was Maryfield who dominated the opening half with a good display by forwards Carmel O'Byrne, Edel Murray and Denise O'Leary leaving them ahead by 2-5 to 1-0 at half time.

St. Raphael's attacked from the restart and Deirdre Costello and Anne Fahy in attack were

very dangerous. Sharon Mullen did well for Maryfield but her defence was under considerable pressure.

However, a fine goal from Patricia Clinton, from a Jackie Byrne pass, put the Dublin side on firm ground.

For St. Raphael's goalkeeper, Stephanie Coan — a senior player also — intercepted many Maryfield attacks helped by full back Patricia Egan but Maryfield's win was both decisive and well earned.

and well earned.  
 Scores: Maryfield—Carmel O'Byrne (0-8), Ediel Murray (1-1), Patricia Clinton, Denise O'Leary 8-0 each; Loughrea — Deirdre Costello (2-0), Avril Kille (2-0).

**OTHER RESULTS**  
**National Junior League**—Dublin 3-7  
 (E. O'Hare 2-0, M. Bercin 1-0, J. Finn  
 Colgan 0-3, A. Coffey 0-2, A. Thorpe  
 0-3); Antrim 0-1 (A. McGarry 0-1).  
**National Senior League**—Dublin 4-6  
 (M. Conroy 2-4, M. Mernagh 1-1, L.  
 Gormley 1-0, E. Murray 0-1); Antrim  
 1-3 (A. McAtamney 1-0, A. McAllister  
 0-3).  
**Leinster Junior** — Wicklow 4-6;  
 Kilkenny 0-5.



# JUBILANT SCENES AS CHAMPIONS ARRIVE HOME

Unprecedented scenes of jubilation marked the triumphant homecoming of Shannon's All-Ireland Colleges Senior Camogie Champions on Saturday night last. Bonfires blazed and huge crowds cheered on the team as they toured the town.

The victory of St. Patrick's Comprehensive School in a thrilling final against St. Raphaels, Loughrea, is being hailed as the greatest ever sporting success for Shannon and in addition it will have immeasurable social benefits. In a town so relatively new such an achievement must be regarded as a milestone and it helps knit the community and give Shannon people a real sense of identity, according to their trainer Fr. Michael McNamara.

The celebrations for the heroines started at Ballycasey Cross where a cavalcade of cars awaited the team coach and the procession wound its way through the streets of Shannon. The townspeople came out in strength to show their tremendous pride and joy in the girls' fantastic achievement.

Hundreds of parents, students and well-wishers also arrived outside St. Patrick's Comprehensive school to hear the victory speeches. School Principal, Diarmaid O'Donovan formally welcomed the girls home and thanked the townspeople for their tremendous support and enthusiastic reception for the team.

There was tumultuous cheering as Fr. Michael McNamara, the team trainer, introduced each player to the crowd. He stressed that the victory was not just a Shannon one, but was shared also with Newmarket, Kilkishen and Sixmilebridge whose representatives gave sterling service to the team.

Fr. McNamara thanked those who supported the team and particularly their sponsors. He also praised the dedication of the teachers including Jim Cooney and Deirdre Feeley.



Caroline O'Meara holds aloft the All-Ireland trophy after the presentation by Lil O'Neill, President of the Colleges Camogie Assoc.

Comprehensive School games master Jim Cooney stated that the win was of great significance to the local community. It placed Shannon well and truly on the map as a thriving town rather than just an airport.

Fintan Quinn, who was responsible for organising transport for the 500 supporters who travelled to Croke Park, expressed delight at the level of support and said the occasion highlighted the spirit among the community. He hoped that it was just the beginning of many All-Irelands for Shannon and its neighbouring parishes.

Back in 1978 St. Patrick's achieved their first

breakthrough in winning the Munster championship but failed to make it to the All-Ireland final. Further appearances in Munster finals were achieved but it was not until this year that they again struck the right note. With ten of the team also members of the Wolfe Tone club side - Tina O'Connell and Geraldine Morey the odd ones out - they built up tremendous teamwork and guided by such an experienced trainer as Fr. McNamara their abundant talents were channelled to provide the right formula for All-Ireland success.

Shannon Town Commissioners are planning to honour the All-Ireland champions at a later stage.

## GALWAY AND DOWN SHARE HONOURS

CAMOGIE caillini from Down and Galway met at Duggan Park, Ballinasloe, at senior and junior levels in the National Camogie Leagues last Sunday afternoon. At the end of the double-header, honours were even with victory going to the Galway junior side in the first game and the Northerners putting up a better showing in the senior game to take the points.

Conditions were summerlike but much of the camogie, particularly in the junior game, was early-season stuff. By comparison with their opponents, the Galway girls were poorly turned out, with no attempt at logical numbering on a set of jerseys that included two marked with the number 8. It is understood that a new set of jerseys is on the way - and the quicker the better - if the morale of the players is to be raised or even sustained for the campaigns ahead.

GALWAY JUNIORS ..... 3-5

DOWN JUNIORS ..... 2-6

This game was every bit as close as the scoreline might suggest and it could have gone either way. Galway's outfield created enough chances for a comfortable victory but, close to the Down posts, their forward finishing was poor with one or two too fond of trying to go it alone.

Galway had a nice breeze behind them and put the Down defence under very early pressure. They forced a "30" in the fourth minute and Mary Ryan, their most prolific scorer, opened the county's account with a point.

Shortly after, Galway had the ball in the Down net but the score was rightly disallowed. In the eighth minute, nice work by the Ryan sisters, Mary and Annette, was finished for a point by Mary. Down's first score came in the tenth minute, when their centre forward, Ann Trainor, pointed for a "30". A good Galway move was finished for a goal by Annette Ryan. Another Down raid won another "30" and Ann Trainor was again on target.

Shortly before half-time, a good goal scored by their full-forward, Hilary Brien, put Down on level terms. Close to the half-time whistle, Annette Ryan's point put Galway ahead and, at the break, the score stood 1-3 to 1-2 in favour of the home team.

Galway started the second half with Teresa Naughton substituting for Marie Hickey in the centre of the field and, after four minutes of play, they went further ahead when Mary Ryan pointed from a close free. Ann Trainor pointed another Down "30" but, shortly after, Teresa Geraghty's point restored Galway's two-point advantage. Another Galway attack went very close. Soon after, a Betty Johnston point kept Down in touch.

After ten minutes of play, disaster struck for Down when a sorely-pressed defence conceded a free very close in. Mary Ryan shot low and hard and sent the ball to the net. Undaunted, Down fought back and they followed up Betty Johnston's point with a goal scored by midfielder Mary Curran and the sides were level.

Down lost their full-back, Julia Madden, through injury and her absence was a further strain on a stretched Northern defence. Galway attacked in force, but poor finishing and a touch of selfishness cost them some good chances. Good work by Down defenders Joan Doran and Grainne O'Hehir also helped Down's cause.

Six minutes from time Down went into the lead when Anne Trainor pointed.

In defence, both players on the field notably around the middle of the

DOWN SENIORS  
GALWAY SENIORS

This was the better of the two games and play was certainly much closer than the scoreline might suggest. A little more organisation and determination would certainly have stood to Galway's attack, where there was little co-ordination or real will to win the ball in some of the forwards, or back in defence where "thirties" and frees were too easily given away at times.

Down certainly prided themselves on these defensive lapses. Their highest scorer and, incidentally, their best player - and they are not always the same person, so matter what the sport - was their centrefielder, Marion McGarvey.

Her contribution to the Down scoreline was one goal and four points. All her scores came from thirties or frees, except one point which she scored from play. Her contribution to the general success was greater than that. She controlled things very well in the centre of the field distributing and moving most intelligently in the play, supporting an attack and shoring up a faltering defence in turn.

Both sides saw their early attack ending wide. Down were on board in the fifth minute, when Marion McGarvey pointed from a free. Three minutes later she had another from play. Galway attacked and forced a "30" but shot went wide. They tried again but the Down defence under heavy pressure. Down conceded three "30s" in quick succession on the third try Midge Hobbins pointed. In the twelfth minute teams were level at two points each. Midge Hobbins pointed and Galway "30".

Just after the first quarter a free brought another point to Galway. Now it was apparent that Galway's approach work was reasonably good, the finishing poor. A couple of minutes before half-time wing half-forward McGarvey poached a very close goal and at the break Galway trailed by 0-2 to Down's 1-3.

Down opened the second half with a charge on the Galway that won them a "30" but, for Marion McGarvey dove to the wide.

Galway got a likely attack going but Nona McElroy off target. They tried again for a "30". Midge Hobbins pointed the same one minute later. Down attacked in a desperate fashion and it took good work by the Galway goalkeeper to keep them out. But, relentlessly kept coming forward and "thirties" brought two more points. Four minutes from time came a heartbreaker for Down when they were awarded a free half way and close to the touchline. Marion McGarvey well behind the ball and dipping towards the goal beat the entire defence and scored the point.

Staging a last rally Galway upfield with great determination but the Down centre back to raise the siege and colleagues attacked. McGarvey and he was back in the field. McGarvey O'Flaherty ended in a fine goal. The Roscommon forward, Niall O'Gorman, who got a good determined over a point and possibly the outstanding player in the game.



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## KILKENNY ON RECORD TRAIL

KILKENNY, who are keen to set up a record by adding the Senior National League title to their All-Ireland victory, play their last match in their zone on Sunday next, when they entertain Galway at the Village Grounds, Kilkenny (2.30).

The Junior National League tie between the same counties is also down for decision (1.30).

The all-Ireland champions, with full points to date, look pretty sure to qualify for the decider on May 23, as Galway suffered a major set-back by their decisive defeat by Down at Ballinasloe last Sunday.

So Dublin, the holders, who lost by a point to the Noreiders, can have very little hope of getting back for another chance.

If Kilkenny win on Sunday they should know their opponents on Sunday week, when Cork, the unbeaten leaders of their zone, play their last game, against Wexford.

The latter lost their first game to Limerick but have taken the points from Clare and Tipperary, so they could stop the leaders, which would result in a play-off between them as all the other participants of the zone are more than two points down.

### AT BELFIELD

The final competition on the C.C.A.A. Calendar, Corn Uí Maolagáin, will be played at Belfield (2.30) on Saturday next between the Combined Universities and the Combined Colleges.

This is the fifth annual game and the Universities have been the winners in each year up to the present.

The games were very close in the first three years but last year at Maynooth the Universities were the stronger side.

By coincidence the winners of the Ashbourne Cup, University College, Dublin, met St. Marys, Belfast, the Purcell Cup champions in the League semi-final and were convincing winners.

Likewise, University College, Cork, proved too good for Polytechnic, Belfast.

There are, however, many more players involved than those from the above mentioned teams, nevertheless, the Universities are fancied to retain the Cup.

### The chosen selections are:

**Combined Colleges** — A. Purton (St. Pats); D. Dillon (Carysfort); M. Wilkie (Poly); M. Ruddy (St. Marys); C. Mulholland (Poly); M. Byrne (M.I.); C. McAteer (St. Marys); S. McCone (Poly); J. Phillips (St. Marys) Capt.; B. Holmes (Carysfort); F. O'Connor (St. Marys); P. Quinn (St. Marys).

**Combined Universities** — M. Redmond (Maynooth); I. Croolin (U.C.C.); J. Murphy (O.U.B.); H. Broderick (U.C.D.); M. Murphy (U.C.C.); E. O'Leary (U.C.C.); T. Allen (O.U.B.); M. Bergin (U.C.D.); M. O'Sullivan (U.C.D.); P. Carr (U.C.G.); E. Murphy (U.C.D.); Capt. M. Coyle (U.C.G.).

The Provincial Championships in Junior and Willwood Tailteann Minor got under way last Sunday. In Leinster, Wicklow scored a decisive victory over Kilkenny in the Junior game and the Noreiders advanced in the minors.

Since all Junior counties in Leinster have been competing in the National League, the players are fit so a very keen competition is anticipated.

Holdings, Kildare make their first move in defence of their title when they meet Westmeath at Turin.

### IMPRESSIVE

The Junior game is timed for (3.0), and the minor tie is at (2.0). Kildare have been very impressive in their section of the National League, of which they are in the top position, so they should advance at the expense of Westmeath.

Westmeath have been improving steadily since camogie was reorganised a few years ago and they surprised Kildare in the minor championship last season — a feat they are capable of repeating.

Dublin travel to Clonroche to play Wexford in both grades also on Sunday.

The Metropolitans have had a great run in the Junior National League.

They have qualified for a play-off against Tipperary, winners of their zone, for the fourth place in the semi-finals.

Wexford lost to Limerick, drew with Tipperary and defeated Clare in their zone so a good game is expected between these junior sides.



● Cathleen Naughton crashes home the vital goal for Shannon in spite of the close attentions of Dolores Robbins. Also in support is Geraldine Morey and Loughrea's Bernadette Lawless.



Declan Ronalson of the Bank of Ireland, Headford (sponsors) presenting the Peg Morris-Rafty Cup to Bridget Broderick, Secretary of Cumann Camogalochta na Gaillimhe. The cup will be presented to the winners of the County Minor Camogie Championship. Included in the picture is Doctor Eithne Mhic Aoidh, Public Relations Officer.



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## FÁILTE ROIMH 'GRADAM FÁILTE'

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The scoring is on a points system and the overall winner will receive the Queen Failte Trophy recreated by Mr. James Power and sponsored by O'Neills International Sports.

The last game in Section A of the National Senior League between leaders Cork, who have full points to date, and Wexford, who lost one game to Limerick, is arranged for Sunday next at Paire Ui Chaoimh (3.0).

A victory for Cork gives the Leesiders a ticket for the final against Kilkenny, who are the winners of Section B. If Cork take the points the final would be a repeat of the All-Ireland Final which ended in a draw, and which Kilkenny won in the replay.

However, if Wexford were

successful in halting the Leesiders, it would mean a play-off between them as the other counties are all more than two points down. The Cork venue and the fact that the County Senior Championship is in full swing should give the Cork-onians the advantage.

The play-off for the fourth place in the semi-finals of the Junior National League is fixed for Sunday next at Russell Park (3.30) and the contestants are Dublin and Tipperary.

Dublin won out their zone with full points after defeating Antrim, Down, Galway and Kilkenny while Tipperary dropped one point in their drawn game with Wexford, but took the two points from Clare and Limerick. Cork did not field a junior team.

Dublin have been very impressive in their campaign and scored another decisive victory last Sunday when they defeated Wexford in the Leinster Junior Championship. The fact that Wexford and Tipperary played a draw may point to a Dublin victory.

Whoever wins goes forward to the semi-finals on May 16 and will oppose the winners of Section D which is likely to be Kildare, who are leaders with one game to play against Meath on Sunday at Navan (3.0). The second semi-final is between Tyrone and Wicklow or Carlow. The latter game is fixed for May 9, and could be very close.

## Cork Bid For Final Spot

CORK could reach the final of the National League on Sunday next when they meet Wexford at Paire Ui Chaoimh. Having already accounted for Clare, Tipperary and Limerick, a win would give them the final spot. There are no club games on Sunday because of the Wexford game, but there are games during the coming week.

Three players selected for the Cork team have a difficult decision ahead of them over the next few days. Mary O'Leary, Angela Higgins and Val Fitzpatrick are all members of the successful Watergrasshill gaelic football team who are through to the All-Ireland Final, also to be played on Sunday next at the same time.

The Cork camogie selectors, who had been experimenting during earlier National League games are taking Sunday's game very seriously, and have selected what they consider to be their best side. Cork have never won the National League, and they are anxious to fill this void in their history of successes.

For Sunday Wexford will no doubt travel at full strength, as they have to win to stay in the running, having already dropped two points to Limerick. And no doubt they will include such fine players as Elsie and Dorothy Walsh, goalie Kathleen Tonks and Deirdre Cussins.

So Cork will have to be on their toes to win. The Cork selectors have made only one change for this tie, with Ann Delaney of Glen Rovers being preferred to clubmate Joan O'Sullivan at corner-back.

Ger McCarthy, Martha Kearney and Angela Higgins are the mid-field trio, while Mary O'Leary, Val Fitzpatrick, Pat Moloney and Mary Geaney are the four forwards.

On paper this is a very good Cork side, who, with a home advantage, should do well against Wexford. However, if the three players involved do not turn out, then Cork will certainly find it more difficult.

Watergrasshill gaelic side also need the three players as they face Galway in their All-Ireland Final, so they too will expect the three girls to play.

Angela, Mary and Val have yet to make their decision, which must be the most difficult in their playing careers.

Co. champions Killeagh and Glen Rovers played a most exciting draw in the first round of the county championship last weekend. Ahead with five minutes to go by four points, Glen Rovers looked set for a dramatic win, but Killeagh had other ideas and came back to snatch a goal and a point and equality at 3-6 each.

Now the replay is fixed for Thursday night next at Ballinlough, and this must be a game well worth seeing, if the first tie is anything to go by.

On Wednesday next St. Finbarr's meet Fr. O'Neills in the Under-18 championship at St. Finbarr's, and on this evening (Friday) Blackrock meet St. Finbarr's at Ballinlough in the Under-16 championship.

### FIXTURES

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The Cork camogie team which defeated Wexford in the league game at Paire Ui Chaoimh on Sunday. (Examiner)



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It is a move that should help to win greater publicity nationally for the camogie final. The fact that the game has been played in recent years immediately after the hurling final, and just

final is not proving a greater drawing card because the game rarely fails to prove one of the highlights of the Gaelic Games calendar. Certainly, the final has provided much better entertainment and value-for-money over recent years than a number of the national senior football deciders.

It is to be hoped that the return to the more traditional date will help to generate the type of publicity that will help to ensure the "gate" at the 1982 final will prove the biggest in years.

This year marks a span of 50 years

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# CAMOGIE'S NEW PRESIDENT



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It is difficult to understand why the

Limerick will be home to Galway, and Wexford entertain Down in preliminary ties on June 20. The winners of the Limerick-Galway tie meet Antrim on July 4.

Cork and Tipperary will meet on July 11, and two weeks later, Kilkenny start their defence of the O'Duffy Cup with a visit from Clare.

Dublin, who were once virtually unbeatable in the senior championship, hold 25 titles, but have surprisingly enough not won the title since 1966, will start their quest for lost glory with a match against Wexford or Down on July 25.

## PAN CELTIC CAMOGIE

All-Ireland Camogie U-16 Senior Section winners Woodville, Dublin, runners-up Black and White, Kilkenny.

Junior section: winners Blackrock, Cork, runners-up Ballyhaunis, Galway. Forty teams competed.



# Senior Championship Gets Into Its Stride

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THE Cork Senior County Championship gets off the ground in earnest this weekend with no less than eight teams in action.

On Saturday evening Glen Rovers take on County champions Killeagh in what should be a most exciting match. Glen are playing well at the moment. They had a good win over Aghabullogue in the preliminary round and in spite of having to field without six of their Club Championship team of 1981 are still a force to be reckoned with. Deirdre Sutton, Ann Delaney, Val Fitzpatrick, Ger McCarthy, and Sandy Fitzgibbon to mention a few, all have experience with Cork, but will have to be at their best to defeat Killeagh who are going for their three in-a-row.

The champions have strength in every sector from Marie O'Donovan at full back to Pat Linehan at full forward. The strength of their panel appears to be the hallmark of their success. A number of their less-established players such as Ann Leahy and Shelly Spillane have won themselves places in the Cork junior panel and the return of Cloyne sisters Bernie and Kathleen Costine further helps their cause. However the Glen have always played with spirit in

the championship and although they must start as underdogs they will not admit defeat easily.

It's a pity followers of camogie will have to miss one of Saturday's championship fixtures. For while the Glen and Killeagh battle it out at Ballincollig, Watergrasshill and Sarsfields will be in opposition at Caherlagh.

A couple of months ago one would have tipped Watergrasshill to advance easily to the semi-finals, but the 'Hill girls' attention seems to have turned more to Gaelic football of late and they may be surprised by the youthful Sarsfields side that will want for nothing in effort or enthusiasm. However it will be a major upset if the 'Hill don't advance. Angela Higgins has been playing very well for Cork and Mary O'Leary is lethal when she hits top form and this pair could lead Watergrasshill to victory, in spite of the undoubted talents of Lilian Zinkant, Eithne Barry, and Ann O'Mahony for Sars.

On Sunday the two divisional sides, Muskerry and Imokilly play Na Piarasigh and Eire Og respectively, also in the County, as part of a double bill at Ballincollig.

Muskerry will be very much weakened by the entry into the senior ranks of

Aghabullogue and even with the combined resources of Inniscarra, Ballinora and Ballincollig, would not appear strong enough for Na Piarasigh who will have Martha Kearney, Paula Goggin, and Imelda Cronin to the fore.

In the second part of the programme at Ballincollig Imokilly meet Eire Og. The latter will be anxious to make a winning start to the 1982 campaign, but Imokilly have a proud record in the Senior Championship and will be anxious to bring further honours to East Cork.

It is very difficult to know the strength or composition of a Divisional side and at the time of writing the Imokilly team had not been announced, but no doubt Marie Power and Margaret Beausang of Youghal, Josie Knowles (Churchtown), and Joan O'Flynn (Fr. O'Neills), will be in the side.

But Eire Og with Marian McCarthy, Eileen Dineen and Noelle O'Driscoll will be expected to advance.

On Wednesday the Under 16 Championship continues with Glen Rovers and Brian Dillons playing at the Glen, while Killeagh and Sarsfields meet in the Under 18 Championship at Riverstown.

Cork play Limerick in the Munster Junior Championship on May 9 next and after a series of trial games the panel for this game has been announced and is: Mary

Murphy (Ballinora); Joan Shannon, Margo Twomey, Kathleen Conway and Mary O'Donovan (Eire Og); Claire Higgins (Watergrasshill); Eileen Barrett, Anna Buckley, Norma Delaney (Aghabullogue); Shelly Spillane, Patsy Keniry, Ann Marie Landers and Ann Leahy (Killeagh); Elizabeth Dunphy, Lilian Zinkant (Sarsfields); Joan Hyde (Blackrock); Mary Maher (Douglas); Carol-Ann O'Connell, Christine Hickey, Stephanie Curtin (St. Finbarr's).

## FIXTURES

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At Caherlagh, S.C.C.: Watergrasshill v. Sarsfields, 7.15 p.m. (Ref., Mary Maher).

### SUNDAY

At Ballincollig, S.C.C.: Eire Og v. Imokilly, 3.45 p.m. (Ref., Mary Murphy).  
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## Killeagh win a thriller

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CORK County champions Killeagh are again through to the semi-final stage, following their narrow win over Glen Rovers at Ballincollig last evening.

Two weeks ago the sides served up a marvellous game in their first re-match, and those who looked forward to the replay were not disappointed. Again it was a tremendous game with an abundance of top class camogie, a constantly changing

lead, and a thrilling climax.

Clare and Ger McCarthy, Ann Connolly and Joan O'Sullivan were particularly good for the Blackpool girls, who might feel that they threw it away, when after being ahead at half-time, they conceded two rather easy goals which gave the champions the opportunity to get right back.

Killeagh, who played such an excellent team game, had fine individuals in Anne Leahy and Catherine Landers, and now go on to meet old rivals Eire Og in the semi-final on May 15th next.

## Kilkenny chase the double

### CAMOGIE BY TAOBH LINE

THE PAIRING for the Senior National League final is a repeat of the 1981 All-Ireland Senior final. Kilkenny qualified two weeks ago and Cork did likewise on Sunday last.

Both sides have reached the final with their full quota of points. The Noreiders are seeking to gain their third League title, while Cork are looking for their first on May 23.

No county has yet succeeded in bringing off the double. Cork, the 1981 Senior champions, reached the League final last year but lost the decider to Dublin, while Kilkenny, the present champions, will be keen to gain this honour this season.

### JUNIOR LEAGUE

The Junior National League semi-finals are arranged for May 16. Three of the four semi-finalists are decided.

Dublin defeated Tipperary in last Sunday's play-off between the winners of the juniors and the two senior zones. They will meet Kildare, who also reached the semi-final when they scored a decisive victory over Meth.

Kildare would appear to be the most consistent of the

junior counties but Lady Luck has not smiled on them. They reached the first Junior League final in 1979 and lost, in the last minute, to Armagh.

In 1981 they lost to Louth, who reached the final but had to give best to Cavan in a replay. Tyrone await the winners of the fourth zone which is not yet decided. Some of their games were interrupted by the snow.

The position is that Carlow, who are playing Wicklow, have six points from their three matches, so if they win on Sunday at Myshall (3.0), they will play Tyrone on May 16.

However, Wicklow are also unbeaten and have also to play Waterford. Consequently, a Wicklow victory on Sunday would make both counties level but Wicklow would have to play Waterford.

If Wicklow win that game they would represent the zone, but if Waterford won the three

counties involved would be all six points and a play-off would have to be arranged and the final date could not be adhered to.

### BUSY MEETING

The new president, Miss Mary Fennelly, will chair her first Central Council meeting on Saturday and a very busy meeting it will be.

New committees for Finance, coaching, administration, referees, fixtures and the appointment of the trustees are all on the agenda as well as the preparations for Gradam Tailte, a competition between the players of the year from each county.

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Although the Provincial Championship in Junior and Willwood Tailteann Minor are underway in the Provinces the first senior open draw matches will not begin until June 20, so the counties have a chance to improve their sides which were so busy in February, March and April in the Senior League.



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## Footballing Trio Named As Subs

THE three Cork players who choose to field for the successful Watergrasshill Gaelic Football team on Sunday last, instead of lining out with the county in their National League tie against Wexford, are not included in the team for Sunday's Munster Championship tie with Limerick.

So the team that had such an impressive win on Sunday last is retained for the coming tie with the three girls, Mary O'Leary, Angela Higgins, and Val Fitzpatrick named as substitutes.

Cork Juniors will also be in action on Sunday next as part of a Munster Championship double bill at Ballyhea with the Juniors also meeting Limerick.

A number of Cork teams will be travelling to Killarney for the weekend to take part in the Pan Celtic Festival.

It is no great surprise to see Angela Higgins, Val Fitzpatrick and Mary O'Leary out of Cork's side for Sunday. They faced a very tough decision on Sunday last when they decided to play for Watergrasshill in their All Ireland Final bid in Gaelic football, instead of fielding for the County. But they are included in the substitutes, so they could win their places back during the season.

In the meantime the Cork team which played so well against Wexford is retained en bloc for the Limerick game.

Cork have had pretty much the better of things in recent years against Limerick and they will be expected to do well again on Sunday. A few weeks ago they defeated Limerick in the National League, in spite of having a depleted side.

But Limerick might well have improved since then and with excellent players in Pauline McCarthy, Vera Mackey, and Geraldine O'Brien, they might not be as easy to defeat this time.

However, Cork have gone to the final of the National League without defeat and must be strongly fancied to advance in the Munster championship as well.

In the Junior Campaign it is more difficult to suggest likely winners. Limerick have taken part in the Junior National League this season, and although they have not been all that impressive, they will have benefited from the match practice, whereas Cork, will be fielding for the first time this season.

however, the Cork panel is a strong one and they could come out on top.

Bishopstown, St. Finbarr's, Drishane, Nemo Rangers, Blackrock and Douglas will all be sending teams to the Pan Celtic Festival in Killarney over the weekend.

In the A. Section Woodville or Marino of Dublin will be fancied to come out on top but they can expect tough opposition from Bishopstown and St. Finbarr's from Cork.

Blackrock should do well in the B. Section, but they will be up against tough opposition in Co. Limerick's Kileedy.

There are no local fixtures over the weekend but on Thursday next Blackrock meet Brian Dillons in the Under 16 Championship, and

this should be a marvellous game.

Cork Teams: Senior: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, A. Delaney, C. Landers, M. Higgins, G. McCarthy, M. Kearney, C. Cronin, N. O'Driscoll, M. Sweeney, P. Moloney, M. Geaney. Subs.: J. O'Sullivan, C. Kelleher, L. Lynch, A. M. Landers, M. O'Leary, V. Fitzpatrick, A. Higgins. Junior: E. Barrett, M. Maher, J. Shannon, M. Murphy, M. Twomey, A. M. LANDERS, M. O'Donovan, P. Keniry, S. Curtin, A. Buckley, C. Higgins, L. Zinkant. Subs.: K. Conway, N. Delaney.

S. Spillane, A. Leahy, L. Dunphy, J. Hyde, C. A. O'Connell, C. Hickey.

### FIXTURES

Sunday at Ballyhea:  
M.J.C. — Cork v Limerick 2.45 p.m.  
M.S.C. — Cork v Limerick — 4 p.m.  
At Clare venue, M.J.L. Clare v. Tipperary — 2.45 p.m.  
M.S.L. — Clare v Waterford — 4 p.m.  
Thursday 13th: U16 Final at St. Finbarr's — Brian Dillons v Blackrock — 7.15 p.m. (Ref. M. Maher).

## CORK CAMOGIE DOUBLE

Cork 3-10,  
Limerick 0-3.

CORK had a runaway win over Limerick in their Munster Senior Championship tie at Ballyhea, near Charleville yesterday.

Ireland's hockey goalkeeper Mary Geaney was in great form for Cork and her two goals played a big part in the win.

Noelle O'Driscoll was also in excellent form and she scored five points with Pat Moloney getting 1-3.

The Cork goalkeeper, Marian McCarthy, was given very little to do and in front of her Catherine Landers, Ann Delaney and Clare Cronin were in fine form.

The attack were much too good for the Limerick defence in which Vera Mackey and Geraldine O'Brien tried hard.

Scorers: Cork: M. Geaney 2-0, N. O'Driscoll 0-5, P. Moloney 1-3, M. Sweeney 0-2. Limerick: A. Sheehy 0-2, H. Clifford 0-1. Cork: M. McCarthy, M. Higgins, E. Dineen, A. Delaney, C. Landers, C. Cronin, M. Kearney, G. McCarthy, M. Sweeney, P. Moloney, M. Geaney, N. O'Driscoll.

Limerick: H. Moynihan, T. Mann, V. Mackey, V. O'Dea, G. O'Brien, P. McCarthy, H. Collins, V. O'Brien, A. Sheehy, D. Darcy-O'Brien, B. Stokes, H. Clifford.

In the Junior game Cork also triumphed when winning by 3-8 to 1-4.

Cork: E. Barrett, M. Mahon, J. Shannon, M. Twomey, M. Murphy, P. Kearney, A. M. Landers, M. O'Donoghue, S. Curtin, A. Buckley, C. Higgins, L. Zinkant.

LIMERICK: A. Sheehy, B. Murphy, M. Guiry, T. Burns, M. O'Donoghue, R. Fitzgerald, J. Murphy, R. Bracken, M. Cunningham, S. Murphy, L. Cleary, A. Sheehy.

## Clare for camogie final

Clare 2-3 Tipperary 1-3.

Clare qualified for the Munster senior camogie championship final for the first time since 1976 when they had a one goal win over Tipperary at Roslevin, Ennis yesterday.

The game was played in a downpour, but both teams adapted well to the conditions. Clare, playing into the wind and rain in the first half, had the better of the exchanges, due mainly to the strong play of mid-fielders Carmel Wall, Patricia Moroney and Clare Jones. The winners led at the interval on the score of 1-1 to 0-2, with the goal coming from full-forward Anne Marie Russell.

Shortly after the changeover, Deirdre Lane had Tipperary's goal to put her team ahead for the only time in the game. However, in the closing stages Anne Marie Russell gave Clare a deserved win with her second goal.

For the winners, Mary Fitzgibbon, Clare Harrington, Maureen Davern, Martina Beegan, Anne Marie Russell and the mid-field players were best. Tipperary's most prominent players were Agnes Brophy, Esther Houlihan, Siobhan McDonald and Deirdre Lane.

The junior championship tie between Clare and Waterford, fixed for the same venue, did not take place due, it is understood, to a breakdown on the way to the game, of a bus carrying some of the Waterford players.



# Three Major Tussles This Weekend

## KILLEAGH AND THE 'HILL GO THROUGH

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BIG games of the weekend are the two senior championship semi-finals, and the final of the 1981 Junior A League.

In recent years nothing appears to have stilled the emotions of camogie followers in Cork more than a clash between Killeagh and Eire Og. These two arch rivals meet on Saturday in the semi-final of the championship and again a thriller should be in store. The East Cork girls have been dominant in the championship for almost three years and are going for their three in-a-row. Eire Og on the other hand have had to play second best since losing their championship crown in 1980, and in spite of having a very talented team will take the field on Saturday as underdogs.

Killeagh's main asset appears to be the strength of their panel. They play well as a team and have a nice blend of youth and experience. Marie Costine at full back is a tower of strength and will give the opposing forwards little room, while Catherine Landers at centre back is without question one of the strongest players in the county.

Pat Moloney will no doubt play her usual roving game, switching from attack to centrefield while Marian Sweeney will as usual be a thorn in the Eire Og side.

The mid-Cork girls will be hoping for a better result

than last year's county final when they were well beaten. They have plenty of talent in the side which includes many of the Cork senior and junior teams.

Marian McCarthy in goal is a fine player and excels under pressure. Eileen Dineen playing so well at full back for Cork is determined and skilful but is likely to be named at full forward, while Miriam Higgins always raises her game for the championship. The match may be won or lost in the forward line and much will depend on whether Mary Geaney and Noelle O'Driscoll can break through the Killeagh defence.

Eire Og's preparation for the game couldn't have been worse. They got a bye from Imokilly in the first round and so this is their first championship outing. Killeagh on the other hand played Glen Rovers twice and this must have improved their fitness and teamwork. It should be a very close game but don't rule out Eire Og causing a surprise and dethroning the champions.

In the other semi-final Na Piarasigh will be trying to reach their first ever senior final at the expense of Watergrasshill. The city girls have a very young team but what they lack in experience they make up in skill. Martha Kearney is perhaps their most outstanding player and will be well supported by Imelda Cronin and

Paula Goggin. Watergrasshill, on the crest of a wave at the moment, following their recent Gaelic football win will not be easy to beat. Clare and Angela Higgins seem to have found their best form of late while Mary O'Leary is a dangerous forward and very accurate free taker. A draw is a likely result but experience counts for a lot in the championship and this might well give the Hill the edge.

In the Junior A League Final Blackrock and St. Finbarr's meet again. The former even with the help of Judy Deasy, Joan Hyde and Mary Whelton may find the Barrs too strong, as Carol Ann O'Connell, Stephanie Curtin and Marie O'Sullivan are very experienced.

### FIXTURES

Friday 14: U-16 L. At Ballincollig: Aghabullogue v Ballincollig, 7.15 p.m. (Ref. T. Kelleher).

U-16 L at Youghal: Youghal v Sarsfields, 7.15 p.m. (Ref. Fr. O'Neills). U-16 L at Bishopstown: Bishopstown v St. Vincents 7.10. (Ref. Old Als).

Saturday: S.C. at Ballincollig: Eire Og v Killeagh 7.15 p.m. (Ref. S. Golden).

Sunday: S.C. at Ballincollig: Na Piarasigh v Watergrasshill 3.30 p.m. (Ref. M. Higgins).

1981 J.A. L. Final: At Ballincollig: Blackrock v St. Finbarr's 2 p.m. (Ref. Aghabullogue).

KILLEAGH look set to win their third Cork Co. Senior Camogie Championship in a row following a two points win over great rivals Eire Og in a closely fought semi-final tie at Ballincollig on Saturday evening. In the other semi-final Na Piarasigh's youngsters put up a tremendous effort before losing to Watergrasshill in a thrilling encounter at Ballincollig yesterday.

Killeagh 2-7, Eire Og 2-5

The holders' greater experience kept their hopes alive in this very competitive semi-final. Despite a last ditch effort from the Mid-Cork side, Killeagh hung on for victory and on the run of play deserved their passage to the final.

Scorers: Killeagh — P. Landers (1-2), M. Sweeney (1-1), B. Joyce (0-2), P. Keniry and A. Marie Landers (0-1) each. Eire Og — S. O'Brien (1-2), M. O'Donovan (1-2), C. Kelleher (0-1).

Killeagh: K. Costine, M. O'Donovan, B. Landers, M. Spillane, C. Landers, A. Marie Landers, K. B. Costine, P. Keniry, P. Landers, B. Joyce, A. Leahy, M. Sweeney.

Eire Og: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, N. O'Driscoll, N. O'Driscoll, J. Shannon, M. Higgins, M. Twomey, C. Kelleher, M. O'Donovan, M. Geaney, S. O'Brien, K. Conway.

Ref.: S. Golden.

Watergrasshill 3-9  
Na Piarasigh 4-5

Though suffering a galling one point defeat Na Piarasigh can hold their heads aloft after a magnificent and wholehearted effort against more experienced opponents.

Scorers: Watergrasshill — M. O'Leary 1-8, M. Curtin 1-0, C. Higgins 1-1. Na Piarasigh: M. Kearney 3-1, S. O'Sullivan 1-0, E. Scannell 0-2, I. O'Leary 0-1.

Watergrasshill: E. Gardiner, M. O'Leary, C. Lane, N. O'Riordan, A. Higgins, M. Callaghan, M. Curtin, C. Higgins, D. Fenton, M. Farrell, H. Callaghan, M. O'Leary, Subs. F. McCarthy for Fenton and C. Callaghan for Farrell.

Na Piarasigh: D. O'Shea, B. Newman, C. Harris, M. Hegarty, P. Morgan, I. O'Leary, M. Kearney, M. Burns, E. Scannell, S. Twomey, J. Moynihan, S. O'Sullivan. Subs. P. Martin for Moynihan and T. Sullivan for Martin.

Ref. M. Higgins.

## KILDARE AND CARLOW JUNIORS FOR LEAGUE FINAL

CARLOW, who scored a decisive victory over Wicklow at Myshall last Sunday, gained the fourth place in the semi-finals of the Junior National League which are arranged for Sunday next.

Dublin play Kildare at Russell Park (2.30) and Tyrone travel to Myshall (3.0) to oppose Carlow. This competition, which began last October between the junior counties and continued with the junior and the second best of the senior counties in February, involved 25 counties.

It was divided into five zones, three from the junior counties and two from the senior counties. The latter played off for a place in the semi-finals. Dublin defeated Tipperary in the play-off.

Dublin defeated Antrim, Down, Kilkenny, Galway and Kildare took the points from Armagh, Monaghan and Meath and drew with Louth.

The Metropolitans were very impressive in each outing which they won comfortably. Kildare, after playing a draw in their opening game, have not been extended in their other games.

Kildare have been knocking at the door of success in this competition since it was inaugurated three years ago. In the first year they lost the final in the closing minutes to Armagh — 12 months later they went down to Louth who reached the final against Cavan who won in a replay.

Kildare won the Leinster Junior Championship title but

### CAMOGIE BY TAOBH LINE

again they lost the All-Ireland semi-final by one point to the Clare, who went on to win the all-Ireland Cup. A relevant pointer to Sunday's game is that Kildare defeated Dublin in the 1981 Leinster Junior final.

The Leinster champions are fielding practically the same team while the Metropolitans have chosen almost a new side. The outstanding players for Kildare and Mirlam Malone, Nuala O'Connell, midfielders Anna Higgins and Geraldine O'Dwyer and Marie Cusack. Mary Bermingham and newcomer Mary Cullen in attack.

In the Dublin line out are Toni O'Byrne, in goal, Marcella Dunne, Mary Duane, Mairead Bergin outfield, but their forwards captain Noreen Fleming, Anne Coffey, Anne Colgan and Ethna O'Hehir combine well and to good effect.

Carlow, who are represented in the competition, by one club, Myshall, have done extremely well in winning out the zone with full points. They defeated Offaly, Laois, Waterford and Wicklow. Tyrone, the All-Ireland Junior finalists of 1980, defeated Donegal, Westmeath, Roscommon and Derry and drew with Cavan to win out their zone.

Carlow have outstanding players in May Ryan, a former Ashbourne Cup player with

University College, Dublin, and a Kildare County player before she took up her present teaching post in Carlow.

Brid Foley, was selected as full-back on the 1980 Gael Linn Junior team and performed very well. Other players of note are Teresa Nolan, full-forward, Sadie O'Brien, midfield, and Liz Doyle in defence.

Home venue favours Carlow but Tyrone will not give up easily.

They have a sound defence in Shauna Daly, Geraldine Toner and Pauline Vally. Ann Daly, Ann Jordan and Bernie Hughes, the 1981 Player of the Year, make a strong midfield line while Corona McCann, Teresa Kelly and Margt. Daly are clever in attack.



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# BUSY WEEKEND ON CAMOGIE FRONT

THIS weekend will be one of the busiest on the camogie scene. Two Cork teams will

be in action, while the initial stages of Féile na nGael will be run off tomorrow (Saturday).

On Sunday afternoon at St. John's Park, Kilkenny, the Cork senior team take on the locals in the National League final. This will be Cork's third league final and yet again they have been unlucky with an away fixture.

In the senior league Cork have come through section A with wins over Clare, Tipperary, Wexford and Limerick, while section B winners Kilkenny were successful over Galway, Antrim, Down and Dublin.

The Cork team shows a number of changes from their last outing. Marian McCarthy is again in goal, but Martha Kearney switches to full-back in place of Eileen Dineen, who is away on holidays. Eileen will be a big loss to Cork, as she has been a tower of strength in the league campaign.

However, Martha is a seasoned defender and should adapt well to her new position. The half-back line of Miriam Higgins, Catherine Landers and Ann Delaney remains unchanged, while Ger McCarthy, Angela Higgins and Claire Cronin make up the centre-field.

Val Fitzpatrick returns to the side at centre-forward, to the exclusion of Marian Sweeney, while Noelle O'Driscoll, Mary Geaney and Pat Moloney complete the forward line, which is unchanged from the side which defeated Limerick in the Munster championship.

Cork were sensationally held to a draw in last year's All-Ireland final by Kilkenny and eventually defeated in the replay. However, in the 1981 league campaign Cork had two good wins over their traditional rivals and only went down narrowly to Dublin in the final.

The National League is the only major competition which Cork haven't won, and while the championship is undoubtedly Cork's main aim, everybody in the county would like to add Cork's name to the AIB Cup.

Kilkenny are possibly the best team in the country at the moment. They have seasoned campaigners in Angela and Ann Downey, Bridie Martin, Helena and Teresa O'Neill, Liz Neary and Margaret Farrell. It will be Cork's biggest test to date, and while home advantage will undoubtedly be an asset to Kilkenny, Cork will wish to avenge their All-Ireland defeat and lift their first National League crown.

Cork minors will be in action tomorrow evening

(Saturday) when they hope to take their first step towards All-Ireland honours when they take on Limerick at Ballincollig, and here at Cork, who have such a wealth of talent at this level, should be expected to advance.

The Cork team is: L. O'Neill, M. Ring, K. O'Keeffe, P. Morgan, M. Barry (captain), I. O'Leary, M. Murphy, C. O'Mahony, R. Scutts, B. O'Sullivan, L. Mellerick, S. O'Sullivan. Subs: D. O'Shea, L. Walsh, D. Lorrigan, L. O'Sullivan, E. Bermingham, L. Towler.

Féile na nGael 1982 will be held in Dublin this year and tomorrow the very hard-working local committee will hold the preliminary heats to pick Cork's representatives.

There are 12 teams taking part and the competition will be divided into four sections, as follows: (1) Blackrock, Douglas, St. Finbarrs; (2) Brian Dillons, Na Piarasigh, Killeagh; (3) Nemo Rangers, Bishopstown, Watergrasshill; (4) Ballinora, Old Aloysians, Eire Og.

Competition will be on a league basis, with the four

semi-finalists meeting on May 25. The final will be fixed at a later date, but will be before May 31. Play will commence at St. Finbarr's grounds at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow.

## FIXTURES

**This evening (Friday)**  
At Killeagh: U-16 L. Eire Og v Sarsfields, 7.15 (ref. P. O'Neill).  
At Ballincollig: 1st. Ballincollig v Ballinora, 7.15 (ref. P. O'Neill).

**Saturday**  
At Ballincollig: Munster Cork v Limerick, 7.30 (ref. P. O'Neill).

At Tipperary: Tipperary v Kerry, 7.30 (ref. Limerick).  
At St. Finbarr's: 1st. St. Finbarr's v Féile na nGael, 10.30.

**Sunday**  
At St. John's Park: Kilkenny v Cork, 1.30 (ref. P. Breslin, Dublin).  
At Fr. O'Neill's: U-16 L. O'Neill's v St. Finbarr's (ref. Killeagh).  
At Brian Dillons: U-16 L. Brian Dillons v Aghabulbin, 3.30 (ref. Glen Rovers).

**Tuesday**  
U-18 C semi-final, Glen Rovers v Blackrock, 7.15 (ref. P. O'Neill).

## CORK MIDFIELD VITAL FACTOR

THE SENIOR National League final between Cork and Kilkenny is the highlight of Sunday's camogie scene and there should be a big attendance in Kilkenny when proceedings get under way at 3 p.m.

As recently as last season Cork, the champions met Kilkenny in the All-Ireland final. As had happened in 1974, the game ended in a draw and Kilkenny returned to win their fourth All-Ireland title in eight years. Cork won two, Wexford and Antrim were the winners in 1975 and 1979, respectively, while Cork have taken six All-Ireland titles since 1970 they have yet to win the League Cup.

Kilkenny, on the other hand, have also won two League titles — their last one in 1980. Cork reached the League final for the first time last season but lost narrowly to Dublin on that occasion.

After the Leesider's record breaking year, 1980, in which six All-Ireland titles went south, Cork must have plenty of talent. In that season they became the first county to win the senior, junior and minor finals in the one year.

As well as that, fantastic achievement, Killeagh won the Club championship title, a new honour for Cork and earlier in that season they took Corn Scelig to North Presentation School as Senior Schools' champions.

There are five Camogie Players of the Year on duty on Sunday. Three from Kilkenny Bridie (Martin) McGarry, Angela Downey and Liz Neary, while Cork have Pat (Moloney) Linchan, and Marion McCarthy.

Kilkenny show several positional changes on their team for Sunday. Teresa O'Neill in goal. Anne Whelan at right forward and Anne Holden, left-back are the only three in the same positions as they started in the All-Ireland final.

Anne Downey is at full back, where she replaces Liz Neary, who is on the left wing. Bridie McGarry is back in her usual position of centre back. Biddy O'Sullivan goes to right wing.

Angela Downey and Jo Dunne are also back in their accustomed positions of left forward and full forward respectively. There are three of those who were substitutes in their all-Ireland team on duty on Sunday. Anne Marie Brennan is at left back, Deirdre Malone at midfield and Geraldine Sutton at centre-forward. They replace in different positions Helena McCormack and Peggy Muldowney, who have retired and Margaret Farrell who is involved in Exams.

There are five changes on the Cork line-out. Nancy O'Driscoll

has retired. Eileen Dineen, Patricia Riordan and Liz Lynch are not listed while Mary O'Leary appears in the substitutes.

They have been replaced by Noelle O'Driscoll, Val Fitzpatrick, Anne Delaney, with Pat (Moloney) Linchan and Catherine Landus back on the team.

Both goalies, Teresa O'Neill (Kilkenny) and Marion McCarthy (Cork) can be depended upon to play their usual sound game. Anne Donney and Bridie McGarry are strong and effective in the Noreiders' defence, with Martha Kearney and Katherine Landers equally good for Cork. Cork's midfield line of Angela Higgins, Ger McCarthy and Claire Cronin could be a vital sector for Cork against Biddy O'Sullivan, Deirdre Malone and Liz Neary.

Noelle O'Driscoll, Val Fitzpatrick Captain Pat Linchan and Mary Greaney won't get any easy scores from the Kilkenny defence, while Anna Whelan, Geraldine Sutton, Angela Donney and Jo Dunne may be able to find a way in the Cork defence.

To sum up, Cork could hold the upperhand at midfield, but the Kilkenny forwards look better matched for the Cork defence, which could give Kilkenny the advantage.

The final will be preceded by a Leinster Minor Championship tie between Kilkenny and Laois (2.0).

## EASY FOR DUBLIN

### DUBLIN 6-8 KILDARE 3-2

DUBLIN junior camogie team continued their unbeaten run with a comfortable victory over Kildare in this semi-final game at Russell Park, Blanchardstown, yesterday.

Dominant from the outset, Dublin had early goals from Eithne O'Hehir and Mary Duane. Points from Ann Thorpe (3) and Anne Colgan (1) were divied by an Ann Thorpe goal before Marian Johnson goaled for Kildare's only score of the first half. Dublin led 3-5 to 1-0 at the interval.

The second period saw Dublin add 3-3 to their total while Kildare aided by the breeze fought valiantly to score 2-2.

Dublin meet Tyrone in the final.

**Scorers, Dublin, A. Thorpe 1-4, M. Duane 1-0, M. O'Connell 2-0, E. O'Hehir 2-0, A. Colgan 0-2, C. Ledwidge 0-1, M. Borgin 0-1, Kildare, M. Johnson 1-0, M. Malone 1-1, L. Jille 1-0, A. Molloy 0-1.**



# Cork go under to Kilkenny

KILKENNY 2-5 CORK 1-4

CORK were the losers yesterday when Kilkenny made camogie history by becoming the first All-Ireland champions to win the national league in the one season. But the winners had to fight hard for the honours at gale swept St. Johns Park, Kilkenny.

It was only in the final quarter with the wind advantage that Kilkenny went ahead. And Cork will bemoan many squandered chances in the first half when they shot many wides.

With the heavy pitch and strong wind play was scrappy in the first half but Cork deserved to lead by more than 1-2 to 0-1 at half time.

The forwards had a liberal

supply of the ball but they failed to convert the advantage into scores, a strong Kilkenny back line playing no small part in their frustrations.

Kilkenny came on heavy in the second half and after 10 minutes levelled the score at 1-3 each. Cork countered but the real turning point came just after the beginning of the final quarter when

Teresa O'Neill in the Kilkenny goal brought off two spectacular saves in quick succession during a determined Cork offensive. Afterwards Cork never seemed to have the same fight and Jo Dunne's second goal for Kilkenny sealed the issue.

Kilkenny's forwards were more effective than their Cork counterparts with Jo Dunne in particular shining. In defence Teresa O'Neill, Birdie McGarry and Ann Downey were excellent. Geraldine McCarthy and Clare Cronin were very strong for Cork at midfield while Martha Carney was excellent in defence and Marion McCarthy in goal gave a fine display and could not be faulted.

**KILKENNY:** T. O'Neill, Ann Downey, A. Brennan, B. McGarry, A. Holden, B. O'Sullivan, D. Malone, L. Neary, A. Whelan, G. Sutton, A. Downey, J. Dunne.

**CORK:** M. McCarthy, M. Carney, M. Higgins, C. Landers, A. Delaney, G. McCarthy, A. Higgins, C. Cronin, M. O'Leary, N. O'Driscoll, M. Geaney, P. Moloney. Subs. M. Sweeney for P. Moloney, V. Fitzpatrick for A. Higgins, P. Moloney for N. O'Driscoll.

Referee: P. Breslin (Dublin).

## CORK MINORS UNIMPRESSIONING

CORK 3-2;  
LIMERICK 0-1

DESPITE a 10 points winning margin Cork were far from impressive in their Munster minor camogie championship tie with Limerick at Ballincollig on Saturday evening. A late scoring burst which resulted in 2-2 killed off any hopes Limerick had of advancing to

the next round and on the run of play Cork deserved to win.

Both sides failed glaringly in the forward sector with the winners the main culprits. With Irene O'Leary and Collette O'Mahony excelling at midfield the Cork forwards were given a plentiful supply but failed miserably to translate hard won possession into scores.

Limerick, with Cindy Dunden trying gamely at midfield, also wasted many chances and despite a number of combinations at full forward they failed to improve on their scoreline.

Cork had the tonic of an early goal when full forward Linda Mellerick netted and the expectations of the small crowd must have been for more of the same. But a fine performance by goalkeeper Margaret O'Gorman kept her side in the match until the closing stages.

Mellerick added her second with an explosive shot and O'Mahony, who was one of the better Cork players, scored the third. For good measure Breda O'Sullivan and Regina Scutts shot points.

Scorers: Cork — L. Mellerick 2-0, C. O'Mahony 1-0, B. O'Sullivan and R. Scutts 0-1 each. Limerick — E. O'Sullivan 0-1.

**Cork:** E. O'Neill, M. Ring, M. Barry, K. O'Keefe, P. Morgan, L. O'Leary, M. Murphy, C. O'Mahony, R. Scutts, B. O'Sullivan, L. Mellerick, S. O'Sullivan. Sub.: L. Walsh for Murphy.

**Limerick:** M. O'Gorman, L. Long, N. Noonan, M. O'Brien, A. Power, C. Dunden, B. Twomey, E. O'Sullivan, E. Liston, M. Tracey, M. Carroll, A. Moran. Subs.: N. Hartnett for Moran and Moran for Hartnett.

Ref.: Anne Marie Russell (Clare).

### CAMOGIE SEMI-FINALS

After a most entertaining day's camogie at St. Finbarr's Grounds on Saturday the Cork Feile na nGael semi-finals are due to be played at the Barrs on Tuesday evening.

The pairing are Na Piar-saigh v Eire Og 7 p.m., Bishopstown v St. Finbarr's 8 p.m.

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## TITLE GOES TO DUBLIN

DUBLIN 6-9; TYRONE 0-2

DUBLIN captured the Burke Cup, the Junior National League, with a comprehensive victory over Tyrone at Eglishe yesterday. Despite a very good start, Tyrone never threatened the Dublin girls who led at half time by 2-4 to 0-0.

Dublin's teamwork was the key factor in their success. Tyrone, despite having some fine individual players in Maureen Ogley and Anne and Ursula Jordan, never matched this aspect of Dublin's play.

Dublin's forward line in which Noreen Fleming, the captain, was outstanding, ably backed by Anne Coffey, Ethna O'Hehir, and Anne Colgan, contributed to Dublin's total of 4-6 before Tyrone registered a score.

Scorers: Dublin — N. Fleming (2-3), A. Coffey (2-1); A. Ghorie (1-3), E. O'Hehir (1-0), M. O'Connell (0-2). Tyrone — U. Jordan (0-2).

**Leinster Colleges Minor Final —** Maryfield College 3-0 (M. Jackson (1-0), J. Byrne (1-0), S. Mullen (1-0)); F.C. Buncloody 1-2 (B. Doyle (1-1), C. Purcell (0-1)).

## DECISIVE DISPLAY BY DUBLIN

DUBLIN ..... 6-9  
TYRONE ..... 0-2

Dublin won the National Junior League camogie title and Bourke Cup for the first time when they scored a decisive victory over Tyrone at Eglishe yesterday.

The game was not as one-sided as the score suggests. Dublin combined extremely well to set up their goals.

although skilful players, lacked the teamwork of the opposition.

The game was closest through the first 10 minutes before the visitors settled down. They scored 2-4 without a reply before the interval, and added 2-3 after the interval, before Tyrone had their first score, a point from a 30.

The scorer, Ursula Jordan, added another point shortly

dominated the closing stages to win 6-9 to 0-2.

Best for the winners were captain, Noreen Fleming, Ann Colgan, Ethna O'Hehir and Ann Coffey. Best for Tyrone were Maureen Ogley, Ursula Jordan and their captain, Ann Jordan.

Scorers 2 Dublin — N. Fleming (2-3), A. Coffey (2-1); A. Thorpe (1-1); E. O'Hehir (1-0); M. O'Connell (0-2). Tyrone

**DUBLIN —** T. O'Byrne; C. Reney, M. Dunne, M. Duane, D. Byrne, A. Thorpe, M. Bergin, C. Ledwidge, E. O'Hehir, A. Colgan, N. Fleming (capt.), A. Coffey.

**TYRONE —** S. Daly; M. Ogle, P. Vally, A. Jordan (capt.), A. Daly, C. Devlin, C. McCann, S. Burke, N. Kelly, U. Jordan, M. Daly, K. Casey.

Referee — B. Stokes (Limerick).



# TOP STARS GET READY FOR DRUMCONDRA

By AGNES HOURIGAN

Saturday is a big day for the 32 county players of the year. They come together at St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra, (11.00), where they will take part in five events to elect the Camogie Player for 1982.

Many famous and well-known players are included in the competition which is the Camogie Association's first venture at finding an All-Star.

The following is a full list of the competitors and their counties:

Josephine McClements (Antrim), Ursula McGivern (Armagh), Marion Conroy (Dublin), Catherine Cusack (Cavan), Mary Ryan (Carlow), Maire Nic Gearailt (Kerry), Liz Neary (Kilkenny), Miriam Malone (Kildare), Mary Kelly (Wicklow), Claire Jones (Clare), Mary O'Leary (Cork), Sarah Ann Quinn (Derry), Joan Doran (Down), Noreen

McCusker (Donegal), Mary McGeogh (Fermanagh).

Nono McHugh (Galway), Anne Meehan (Westmeath), Mary Scully (Laois), Margaret Cooke (Leitrim), Elsie Walsh (Wexford), Ita Farrelly (Longford), Mary Callan (Louth), Betty Conway (Limerick), Mary Devine (Meath), Anna Fitzsimons (Mayo), Mary Lennon (Monaghan), Mary Alcock (Waterford), Pauline O'Connor (Roscommon), Marcella McCormack (Sligo), Mary O'Brien (Tipperary), Bernie Hughes (Tyrone), Anne O'Brien (Offaly).

Each competitor must take part in three events, Camogie skills, 100m. sprint and an indoor obstacle course, plus two more events from the following 800m. race, outdoor obstacle course, gyn tests and basketball.

The winner will receive the Queen Tailte Trophy, which was presented by O'Neills Irish International Sports.

On Sunday, the third Junior National League final will be played at Eglisk, (2.30), between Tyrone and Dublin.

Neither county has appeared in a final previously, in fact this is the first time that Dublin competed for the Bourke Cup which was presented by Miss Eileen Bourke, to commemorate her sister Joan, who was a great promoter of the game at second and third level, prior to her untimely death.

The Metropolitans defeated Galway, Antrim, Down and Kildare, Tyrone qualified when they took the points from Westmeath, Roscommon, Donegal, Derry and from a draw with holders, Cavan, who lost to Derry also, and they defeated Carlow in the semi-final.

In the previous two years of the competition the cup has gone to the North. Armagh were the inaugural winners and Cavan won from Louth in a replay last year.

Can Tyrone make it three in a row for Ulster or will Dublin succeed at their first attempt? The Metropolitans have been very impressive in all their games to date. They have a very strong midfield line in Anne Thorpe, Mairead Bergin and Catherine Ledwidge. Toni O'Byrne is sound in goal, while Mary Duane is a long striker who gives great relief from her centreback position.

DUBLIN — T. O'Reaney, M. Duane, D. Byrne, A. Thorpe, C. Ledwidge, A. Colgan, N. Flanagan, A. Coffey.

Ethna O'Hehir, Colgan have been very full in attack.

Best for Tyrone — Pauline Valley, Ann Jordan in defence, McCann and Kathleen in midfield, Ursula Jordan, their most experienced and Nuala Kelly in attack.

Dublin have not been under pressure to gain victory of their engagements, they must be favoured to win the Burke Cup.

TYRONE — S. Ogle, P. Valley, A. Daly, C. McCann, G. Devlin, A. McKenna, N. Kelly, K. Casey.

Referee — (Limerick).

## Camogie Superstars To Show Their Skills

BIG event this weekend will be the launching of the "Gradam Tailte" which is to be an annual day of sporting competition involving the Camogie Player of the Year from each of the 32 counties. This "Superstar" competition will be held at Colaiste Phadraig, Drumcondra on tomorrow, (Saturday), starting at 11 a.m. and Cork's representative will be that marvellous senior county player Mary O'Leary.

This will be the first time that Gradam Tailte will be held. It will feature seven events of which three are compulsory: Camogie Skills, Indoor Obstacle Course and 100 metres race. Each player will also compete in her choice of two of the following four, 800 metres, Outdoor Obstacle Course, Gym Tests and Basketball. Scoring will be on a points system and the winners will receive special awards at a reception to be held that evening in the Gresham Hotel. The other competitors will receive commemorative awards.

The selection of each County player was based upon the following criteria: proficiency in the skills of the game, sportsmanship and commitment.

The Camogie Association is the largest organisation in Ireland for Women's sport, with over 60,000 players in schools, clubs and colleges throughout the country. There are several clubs attached to the G.A.A. clubs in England and there is a very active North American Board.

Speaking at a reception held to launch "Gradam Tailte", the President of the Camogie Association, Mary Fennelly, said the Association hoped that the initiation of "Gradam Tailte" would "firstly, give greater recognition to Camogie players and their skills; secondly, provide an opportunity for the best players from every county to compete on an equal footing, and, finally to help promote camogie as the most natural and enjoyable field game for women."

What of Cork's representative? Well to any camogie follower in any part of the country Mary needs no introduction. She is one of the most skilful players to come out of Cork and her ability to turn a game in her team's favour is well known. She is a marvellous marksman and thoroughly deserves the honour of representing Cork in this new prestigious competition. And all Cork followers will be behind her in her

efforts to become the first Camogie "Superstar". The Cork County Board have decided to curtail activities on the playing fields during exam time and so we have a very quiet weekend ahead.

With the exception of the under 18 Championship semi-final on tomorrow (Saturday), the only matches fixed are the under 14 League games this evening (Friday).

In these Aghabullogue should give a good account of themselves when they meet St. Finbarr's tomorrow evening at Coachford. Aghabullogue have fine players in Geraldine Barry, Murphy, Anna Buckley, Siobhan Barrett, and Joan O'Riordan, and could give the Barrs a run for a place in the final. But Barrs are likely to be inspired by Cork minor star, Collette O'Mahony and will not be easy to halt.

On this evening, (Friday), there are no less than six under 14 League ties listed. Bishopstown are at home to Nemo Rangers; Watergrass-

hill play host to Killeagh, Na Piarasigh and Blackrock meet at the former's grounds, Brian Dillons travel to the Barrs, Eire Og meet Inniscarra at Ovens and Aghabullogue meet Ballincollig at the latter's venue.

### FIXTURES

This evening (Friday) — All under 14L at 7.15 p.m. At Bishopstown: Bishopstown v Nemo Rangers (Ref. Nemo); At Watergrasshill: Watergrasshill v Killeagh (Ref. Killeagh); at Na Piarasigh: Na Piarasigh v Blackrock (Ref. Blackrock); at St. Finbarr's: St. Finbarr's v Brian Dillons (Ref. Brian Dillons); at Ovens: Eire Og v Inniscarra (Ref. Inniscarra); at Ballincollig: Ballincollig v Aghabullogue (Ref. Aghabullogue).

Tomorrow (Saturday) — At Coachford: U18 C. semi-final: Aghabullogue v St. Finbarr's 7.15 p.m. (Ref. Inniscarra). at Colaiste Mhuire, Drumcondra Dublin: "Gradam Tailte" begins 11.00 a.m.



● Mary Fennelly, on left, president of the Camogie Association, who presented the Camogie Superstar of the Year Award to Josephine McClements, Loughgeil, Co. Antrim.

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## Cumann Camógaíochta na nGael

### GRADAM TAILTE



Coláiste Phádraig, Droim Chonrach, 29 Bealtaine, 1982

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# Cork-Kerry Clash In Munster Semi-Final

THE Cork junior team takes a further step towards All-Ireland honours when they play Kerry in the Munster semi-final at Ballyanley on Sunday.

The team shows quite a number of positional and personal changes from that which defeated Limerick three weeks ago. Cork has a big panel and the selectors are anxious to see as many players playing competitively as they can.

Carol Ann O'Connell takes over between the posts from Eileen Barrett. Kathleen Conway replaces her Eire Og clubmate Joan Shannon who is on holidays at corner back, while Liz Dunphy who impressed when coming on as a substitute against Limerick retains the centre-back spot. Sandie Fitzgibbon who has played so well for Glen Rovers during the season replaces Patsy Kinnery at centre field. The forward line shows just one change, Blackrock's Joan Hyde being named centre forward.

Kerry are somewhat of an unknown quantity. Their team was not announced at the time of writing but is certain to include Margaret Fitzgerald of the Spa Mucross Club in Killarney and Honor Fitzgerald of Kenmare. Margaret is Kerry's 1982 superstar and indeed was runner-up in the recent Gradam Tailte held in Dublin ahead of many senior inter-county players from around the country.

A good game is expected but Cork's overall experience at local and inter-county level should tell.

On the domestic front competition is again confined because of examinations and consists of just four under-14 league games.

## FIXTURES

Friday 11th at Ballincollig, 7.30 p.m., under-14 league, Ballincollig v Eire Og. Ref. Eire Og.

Saturday 12th at Aghabullogue, 7.30 p.m., under-14 league, Aghabullogue v Ballinora. Ref. Ballinora.

Sunday 13th, Munster Junior Championship semi-final, Cork v Kerry at Ballyanley 2 p.m.

Tuesday 15th at Nemo, 7.30 p.m., under-14 league, Nemo v Na Piarsaigh. Ref. Na Piarsaigh.

Wednesday 16th at Blackrock, 7.30 p.m., under-14 league, Blackrock v Watergrasshill. Ref. Watergrasshill.

Cork team — Carol Ann O'Connell, Mary Maher, Margo Twomey, Liz Dunphy, Kathleen Conway, Sandie Fitzgibbon, Mary O'Donovan, Ann Marie Landers, Stephanie Curtin (captain), Joan Hyde, Clair Higgins.

Lilian Zinkant. Subs: Eileen Barrett, Norma Delaney, Anna Buckley, Patsy Kinnery, Shelly Spillane, Christine Hickey.

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## No threat to Cork

Cork 8-16, Kerry 0-0

Cork qualified for this season's Munster Junior Championship final by defeating a totally disjointed Kerry outfit at Ballyanley, yesterday.

There was never any doubt about the outcome for as soon as Lilian Zinkant knocked up 1-2 in the first three minutes, Kerry's interest faded rapidly.

Scorers: Cork: L. Zinkant 3-8, S. Curtin 3-1, C. Higgins 1-3, J. Hyde 1-1, A. M. Landers 0-2.

Cork — C. A. O'Connell, M. Maher, M. O'Donovan, L. Dunphy, K. Conway, S. Fitzgibbon, N. Delaney, A. M. Landers, S. Curtin (C), J. Hyde, C. Higgins, L. Zinkant.

Kerry — J. Coffey, M. Moloney, J. Payne, M. Treacy, B. Morgan, C. Morgan, S. Cahill, C. O'Donoghue, M. Morgan, M. Fitzgerald, A. Moynihan, M. O'Sullivan.

Ref. M. Higgins (Cork).

# All-Ireland Championship Gets Underway

CORK's Mary Moran, the former President of the Camogie Association, will be the new P.R.O. of the Association after tomorrow's (Saturday's) Special Congress.

The Senior All-Ireland Championship gets underway this weekend also, while the replay of the Senior Co. Championship semi-final between Watergrasshill and Na Piarsaigh will be the big game on the local front.

Up to now the position of P.R.O. of the Camogie Association was an appointment, but this year it was decided that it should be an elected office. Mary Moran, who finished her three-year term of office as President of the Association earlier this year is proposed for the position, with the outgoing Liz Howard. However, Liz is not going forward for the post so Mary will be the new P.R.O. from tomorrow.

This special meeting of Congress will also decide whether to carry on with the position of Director of the Organisation, or to declare it defunct. This was the position held by the late Mr. Sean O'Duffy, a founder member of the Association, until his death some time ago, and has not been filled since. So Congress will decide tomorrow on its future.

The All-Ireland Senior Championship gets underway on Sunday with Limerick meeting Galway at Adare in what should be a very close tie and Wexford meeting Down in what should be a trouble-free first round for them.

After some confusion it has been decided to replay the Senior Co. Championship tie between Watergrasshill and Na Piarsaigh and all indications are that this will be another thriller second time round.

Killeagh, the holders, are through to the Championship decider and they await with interest the outcome of this replay. It is difficult to predict the result though.

In the original meeting Watergrasshill were not all that convincing and had to depend to a large extent on Mary O'Leary their inter-county star for inspiration and scores. Na Piarsaigh on the other hand played exceptionally well in spite of being without Imelda Cronin and Paula Goggins, but may well

have lost their opportunity. The 'Hill' will surely have improved since the 1. outing and may have come up with some scheme to do Martha Kearney the type possession which she enjoyed in the first match. any event it should be a thrilling affair with victors at all times in the balance.

Competition in the Junior "A" League is underway with Douglas taking on Brian Dillons Nemo Rangers host Ballinora, the visitors being the stronger in this instance.

In the Under 16 League Ballincollig should be good for Inniscarra, while the Eire Og-Aghabullogue clash may well end in a draw.

## FIXTURES

Tomorrow (Saturday) Dublin, Special Congress, 2.30 p.m.

## SUNDAY

At Wexford, All-Ireland Championship — Wexford v Down.

At Adare: All-Ireland Championship: Limerick v Galway, 3 p.m. (Ref. Higgins, Cork).

# Dublin's juniors raise questions

DUBLIN, who won the Junior National Camogie League so convincingly when they defeated Tyrone by 6-9 to 0-2 on Sunday last, must now be considered the form team for the championship in this grade of competition.

The fact that Dublin proved to be too strong for the junior counties may raise doubts about the value of the competition as far as the weaker counties are concerned.

Kilkenny, the new senior champions, met their old and most constant rivals Cork, in the Senior National League Final, and set up a new record by winning the Senior League while they were still champions.

These two counties have dominated the senior championship for over ten years. Since 1970, Cork have won the O'Duffy Cup six times, from 1970 to '73, 1978 and 1980, when they had a record year in winning all three National Championship titles.

## PROBABLE

## SEMI-FINALISTS

Kilkenny have taken the title four times since 1970. Looking at the open draw fixtures, it is possible for these counties to meet in the semi-final this year.

However, Kilkenny must first beat Clare, who will have all their junior championship side of last season from which to select, while Cork must beat Tipperary.

The preliminary rounds,

Limerick v Galway and Wexford v Down, complicate the situation at the other side of the draw. Dublin will come into the reckoning later when they meet the winners of the Wexford-Down game. Dublin were the most consistent team in the League campaign, but it will be a long road in the championship.

## GRADAM TAILTE

The Gradam Tailte competition was run off in gloriously sunny conditions before representatives of the 31 counties which participated. It was hard luck on Claire Jones (Clare's All-Ireland junior star in 1981) who had to cry off because of appendicitis. The Queen Tailte Trophy went to Josephine McClements (Antrim). Josephine won an All-Ireland senior medal with Antrim in 1979 when her county defeated Tipperary.

The enthusiasm shown by the players of the year from each county could make this first venture of the Camogie Association to find an All-Star champion very attractive in the next few years.

I learned on Saturday that many of the competitors had trained very hard.



# Busy Weekend On The Camogie Front



Martha Kearney plays for Na Piarraigh on Wednesday.

THE Munster Minor semi-finals, the Cork Co. Championship final, the Under 18 final, Feile na nGael finals, and three league games make up the very busy camogie programme for the coming week.

Cork make a number of changes from the side which defeated Limerick in their first-round tie. Deirdre O'Shea who was in brilliant form for Na Piarraigh in their Co. Championship semi-final with Watergrasshill on Wednesday evening comes on in goal, while Mary Currid, Dymphna Lorden, and Monica Keniry also come into the side.

Cork are the only team of the four semi-finalists to have had an outing in this competition so far as Tipperary got a bye from Kerry and Waterford and Clare, who also meet on Sunday had byes in the first round.

Cork's earlier game should be a help to them, but they would want to remember that it was Tipperary who knocked this county out of the competition last season and went on to take the Munster title.

As this is an under 16 competition it is difficult to know what team Tipperary will have but going on last season, Cork can expect tough opposition especially on home soil.

Cork will be without one of their stars for this game as Collette O'Mahony, will be helping the Barrs in the Feile Finals. However, on paper at least Cork have an excellent side with plenty of young talent and if they strike it as a team they should give Tipperary a good run for that place in the final.

The team is: Deirdre

O'Shea, Mary Murphy, Kathleen O'Keeffe, Michelle Barry, Mary Ring, Mary Currid, Paula Morgan, Eileen O'Leary, Monica Keniry, Dymphna Lorden, Breda O'Sullivan, Shirley O'Sullivan. Subs: Liz O'Neill, Regina Scutts, Linda Mellick, Aileen Furlong, Mary Lynch, Collette O'Mahony, E. Birmingham.

The bus leaves for this game from the City Library at 11.00 a.m.

St. Finbarr's will be Cork's representatives at Feile na nGael over the coming weekend and Evelyn Healy of Na Piarraigh will be the county's representative in the Skills competition. This is the red riband of camogie at this level and a national win is highly prized. St. Finbarr's had marvellous wins on their way to take the

Cork title and are very worthy representatives of the county.

Co. champions Killeagh will defend their title on Wednesday next when they meet the youthful Na Piarraigh in this season's County Final at Ballinlough. Killeagh will be expected to win here as they have such a marvellous combination and understanding, as well as an abundance of skilled players. However, they will be without Mary Costine, their star full back for the final and this could give Na Piarraigh a chance.

Na Piarraigh are a very talented but somewhat inexperienced side who played marvellously in their semi-final win over Watergrasshill during the week. They have excellent young players in Martha Kearney, Imelda Cronin, Marie Coughlan and Deirdre O'Shea and if their earlier games are anything to go by they will not give up the chance of their first county title without a struggle, but they will certainly be up against it on Wednesday.

The Under 18 Championship Final will be played at Mayfield G.A.A. pitch on Wednesday evening next. In this Glen Rovers meet Aghabullogue in what should be a highly entertaining and exciting final. In the 1982 intermediate league Glen Rovers will also be in action.

In the 1982 Intermediate League Blackrock will be at home to Old Aloysians, and in the Junior B League Fr. O'Neills meet St. Fanahans at Mitchelstown on Sunday and Bishopstown play host to Glen Rovers on Thursday next.

## FIXTURES

Tomorrow and Sunday: Feile na nGael in Dublin (Final at Croke Park on Sunday).

Sunday: Munster Minor Championship semi-finals: At Portroe: Cork v Tipperary 3.00 p.m.

At Clare Venue: Clare v Waterford.

At Mitchelstown: J.B.L. Fr. O'Neills v St. Fanahans 3.30 p.m. (Ref. Bride Rovers).

Tuesday: At Mayfield G.A.A. pitch: U18 Final Glen Rovers v Aghabullogue 7.30 p.m. (Ref. M. Maher).

Wednesday: At Ballinlough: Cork Senior Co. Championship Final, Killeagh v Na Piarraigh 7.30 p.m. (Ref. Mary Moran).

Thursday: At Bishopstown: J.B.L. Bishopstown v Glen

Rovers 7.30 p.m. (Ref. Brian Dillons). At Ballinure: I. L. Blackrock v Old Aloysians 7.30 p.m. (Ref. St. Finbarr's).

## Home venue can tell for Wexford

THE SENIOR Championship, Open Draw, gets underway on Sunday next when Limerick play Galway at Pairc Carmen, Adare (3.0) and Down travel to Pairc Carmen, Wexford, to meet Wexford.

Sunday's pairings were on opposite sides in the Senior National League, which was played during the spring so the relative merits of the participants are not obviously apparent.

Limerick can still call on the majority of the side which won the Junior All-Ireland title in 1977 and went on to challenge Cork in the Senior Final in 1980. In that game they finished level, but lost the replay.

In last year's Championship they went down to Tipperary in their first outing. After a poor start in the League they were more impressive in later matches.

They have skilful players on their side in Geraldine and Bernadette O'Brien, Helen Mulcair, Helen Moynihan in goal, Betty Conway, Ann Sheehy and Brid Stokes, and if they can reproduce the form that gave them such a high reputation in 1980, they should advance.

## ABUNDANCE

However, Galway have an abundance of distinguished players to choose from. They had no joy in their Senior League engagements, but if they could field the top players in their county and if they were fit they could, in my opinion, match the best.

Breda Coady is sound in goal, Noreen Treacy and Nono McHugh are able defenders. Una Jordan and Bridie Cuniffe are brilliant midfielders while Ann Morris and Paula Carr are experienced in attack.

In addition to their seasoned players they could call on some of their junior players like the Briscoe sisters and Breda Kenny, who have been prominent on the schools teams in the west during the year.

In the second game between Wexford and Down there is a repeat of last year's opening round.

## SURPRISED

Wexford travelled to Killeel last year and were surprised by Down. Though Wexford lost two of their four games in their Senior League zone, the margin

of defeat in the case of Limerick was only one point and they ran the finalists, Cork, quite close.

Down's performance was not as consistent. They lost to Antrim, Dublin, Kilkenny and Galway. However, they always put up a good fight. Their outstanding players are Teresa Allen, Marion McGarvey, Stephanie Kelly, Kathleen Rice, Bonny McGreevy and Cathy O'Hare.

Wexford will pin their hopes on Kathleen Tonks in goal, Dorothy Walsh and Geraldine Duggan in defence, Elsie Walsh and Fiona Cousins at midfield, and Stella Sinnott and Orna O'Mahony in attack.

Home venue is an advantage to the Slaneysiders who are expected to have a slight edge on the Mourne girls.

## QUARTER-FINALS

The winners of the Limerick-Galway game advance to the quarter-final against Antrim on July 4 and the Wexford-Down victors will play Dublin on July 25.

The resumed Congress convenes at the Garda Club, Harrington St. (2.00) on Saturday next to elect a Public Relations Officer and an Organiser. There is now only one nomination for the PRO as the outgoing, Miss Liz Howard, is not going forward. Miss Mary Moran, the outgoing President, who is the other nomination will be elected unopposed. There are two nominations for Organiser, Miss Jo Golden, the Development Officer, and Mrs. Mary Lynch, Monaghan.

Feile na nGael which starts in Dublin on Saturday will bring a week-long Festival of Camogie activity for all age groups. On Saturday there is an Under 11 Blitz at Phoenix Park (11.00). On Sunday the Celtic Club are organising an adult seven-a-side at Phoenix Park (11.00). On Monday Under 12 Camogie Blitz at Phoenix Park (5.30).

On Tuesday Under 13 Camogie Blitz at Phoenix Park (5.30). Saturday — Camogie games all day with the final of the senior section on Sunday at Croke Park. Camogie skills at Russell Park (2.30).

## Post match scenes spoil thriller

Na Piarraigh 4-4  
Watergrasshill 3-6

SCENES normally not associated with camogie were evident in Riverstown last night when Na Piarraigh had the narrowest of victories over Watergrasshill in the replayed semi-final of the Cork County Senior Championship — a game that produced an abundance of brilliant camogie.

The trouble started when Miriam Higgins, Eire Og, blew the final whistle. Immediately she was surrounded by a group of angry men telling her the game was a draw. The press were also subject to abuse.

The game itself was a sporting contest and a cliffhanger to the final whistle with Na Piarraigh just about deserving victory. The sides were level on five occasions with Na Piarraigh ahead at the break 2-2 to 1-3.

Scorers for the winners: M. Kearney 3-0, P. Goggins 0-3, E. O'Leary 1-0, M. Burke 0-1. Watergrasshill: F. McCarthy 2-1, M. O'Leary 0-5, H. O'Sullivan 1-0.

Na Piarraigh: D. O'Shea, B. Newman, C. Kearney, M. Coughlan, I. Cronin, P. Goggins, E. O'Leary, G. Twomey, M. Burns, M. Kearney, S. O'Sullivan, M. Burke.

Watergrasshill: E. Gardiner, A. Higgins, M. Maher, M. O'Callaghan, C. Higgins, H. O'Callaghan, C. O'Callaghan, D. Fenton, M. O'Leary, M. O'Farrell, F. McCarthy, D. O'Flaherty.

Referee: M. Higgins (Eire Og).

## LIMERICK SURPRISE GALWAY

Limerick 3-5,  
Galway 1-4

Limerick turned up a very useful performance to surprise Galway in the All-Ireland senior camogie championship at Adare, Co. Limerick yesterday.

In front by 1-3 to 0-2 at half time Limerick continued on top in the second half. Vera Mackey had an outstanding game in defence for Limerick where she was ably supported by Bernadette O'Brien and Geraldine O'Brien. In attack Pauline McCarthy was in fine form and with the support of Breda D'Arcy O'Brien and Liz Hayes they were too much for the overworked Galway defence.

Limerick — H. Moynihan, B. O'Brien, B. O'Dea, V. Mackey, G. O'Brien, H. Collins, A. Sheedy, T. Byrnes, B. D'Arcy, O'Brien, P. McCarthy, L. Hayes, B. Stokes.

Galway — B. Cody, B. Hogan, N. Treacy, B. Holland, C. Sikle, M. Kelly, O. Jordan, M. Hobbs, P. Carr, M. Tierney, N. McHugh, T. Duane, K. Ward.



# Everything ready for Dublin 'feile'

THE FEILE na nGael Competitions hosted by Dublin for the first time, bring under 14 hurling and camogie teams to the capital from the four corners of Ireland this weekend. Twenty Dublin camogie clubs will act as hosts to the Feile winners from twenty counties.

This festival of the National Games has become one of the most enjoyable weekends for young players. The fact that the teams have to play out a competition at home is the most important aspect of the competition and it certainly has improved the skills of the game at a very early age.

Three former Feile champions will take part this weekend. Croagh-Kilfinny, the 1978 champions, took the reigning champions, Marino in the first round and Woodville, who are the only club to have won the title twice play Padraig Pearces (Galway).

Other prominent teams are St. Finbarrs (Cork) and Templeport (Cavan), who won the Community Games some years ago.

## TWO DIVISIONS

The camogie section is divided into two divisions, the stronger teams take part in Division I and the remainder go into Division II.

**Round 1, Division I —** Mobhi Road — Na Fianna v Glenravel (Antrim) 10.0. Bohernabreena — Annes v St. Fiannas (Clare) 10.0. Fairview Park — Marino v Crough-Kilfinny (Limerick) 10.0. Woodville v Padraig Pearces (Galway), 10.0. Assumption Convent, Walkinstown — An Caislean v Castlecomer (Kilkenny) 10.0. Swords — Fingalians v Ferns (Wexford) 10.0. Belcamp — Kilmore v Templeport (Cavan) 10.0. St. Monica's Springdale Road — Cameron Park v St. Finbarr's (Cork) 10.0.

The quarter finals will be played at Fairview Park 11.45 and 12.30 and at Moibi Road at 12.0. Both semi-finals will be at Moibi Road at 3.30 and 4.30 and the final is at Croke Park (4.55) on Sunday.

In Division II the first round brings the following teams into opposition on Saturday.

**ROUND 1 — DIVISION I —** Pearse Park (10.45) — Good Counsel v Oran (Roscommon). Leixlip (10.0) — Leixlip v Craobh Mhuire (Sligo). Griffith Avenue (10.0) — Sliabh Bloom — Killarney (Kerry). Poppintree 10.0 — Setanta v Ballyduff (Waterford). Glenaulin Park (10.0) — St. Patricks v Annacurra (Wicklow). Russell Park (10.0) — St. Brigids v Ratharney (Westmeath). Moyle Park (10.0) — Round Towers v Lismagh (Offaly). Fr. Collins Park (10.0) — Trinity Gals v St. Peters (Armagh). Parnell Park (10.0) — Craobh Chiarain v Donaghmore (Meath). Pearse Park (10.0) — Cuchulainn — Crumlin v St. Eunan's

(Donegal). Arthur Griffith Park (10.0) — Lucan v Parke (Mayo). Kilmacud (10.0) — Kilmacud /Crokes v Ballyna (Kildare)

**ROUND (2) — At Benildus (12.0) 4 games. At Belfield (12.0) — 2 games. ROUND 3 — At Benildus (2.30) 2 games. Semi finals — At Benildus (4.30). Final — Kilmacud (6.30).**

## SPECIAL CONGRESS

At the Special Congress, Miss Mary Moran (Cork) was elected Public Relations Officer and Mrs. Mary Lynch (Monaghan) was elected organiser.

Both ladies are experienced members of Ard Choiste. Mary has just completed her three year term as President and Mrs. Lynch has been an Ulster and Monaghan Chairman over the past years.

Limerick and Wexford advanced to the next round of the Senior Championship when they defeated Galway and Down respectively. Limerick oppose Antrim in the next round July 4, and Wexford play Dublin July 25.

The Munster Minor Semi-finals are down for decision this Sunday. Cork travel to Portroe (3.0) to play Tipperary and Clare are at home to Waterford. Cork have been impressed in their earlier game against Limerick and Clare should have the measure of Waterford.

University College won the new Leinster Club Championship title when they defeated Myshall (Carlow) last week-end. The competition, inaugurated last Autumn, attracted thirty two clubs and some very good games were played. The highlight of the competition was the drawn semi-final and replay between the winners and Celtic.

Unfortunately, the St. Finbarrs camogie girls failed to make it a double for Cork, although they did win a prize for the best banner outside the Dublin area.

The Barrs played against Dublin side Marino, the holders, with great assurance in the first half and led comfortably by 1-3 to 0-0 at the break, their scorers being Niamh O'Sullivan 1-0, Collette O'Mahony 0-2 and Marie O'Sullivan 0-1.

At that point they looked likely winners, but a goal by Marino from Jennifer Hickey within two minutes of the re-start brought about a big change, with the Cork girls seeming to lose their rhythm as the Dubliners, encouraged by that score, played with far greater fire. They equalised through Maria O'Hara and Catherine O'Byrne had the winning goal.

St. Finbarrs — F. O'Sullivan, V. Cotter, E. O'Mahony, A. Morris, C. Cronin, C. O'Mahony, D. Christie, M. O'Sullivan, P. Carey, C. Carey, N. O'Sullivan, P. Rea, A. Goulding

Camogie — Round 1, Div. 1: Clare 3-4, At Annes 2-3; Limerick 1-1, Galway 4-1; Cork 4-2, Cameron Park 2-2. Round 2: Marino 1-1, Galway 0-1; Cork 3-1, Kylemore 1-0; Clare 2-1, Antrim 1-2. Semi-finals: Marino 4-4, Clare 2-0; Cork 3-1, Wexford 1-1. Final: Marino 3-0, St. Finbarrs 1-3.

## Camogie final deferred

THE Cork County camogie championship final between Killeagh and Na Piarsaigh, fixed for Ballinlough tomorrow evening, has been postponed.

The postponement follows an objection by defeated semi-finalists Watergrasshill against their conquerors, Na Piarsaigh, regarding that club's date of affiliation.

The objection will almost certainly be heard by the County Board at their next meeting in two weeks time.

## Cork Feile Na nGael Representatives



The Cork representatives in the camogie section of this year's Feile na nGael will be St. Finbarrs. They gained this right by virtue of victories over Bishopstown in the semi-final and Na Piarsaigh in the final. This year's feile will be held in Dublin from June 24 to 27. St. Finbarr's will be guests of the Cameron Park Club who will also be their opponents in the first round. Barrs panel: Deirdre Christie (capt), Paula Carey (vice-capt), Fiona O'Sullivan, Valerie Cotter, Elaine O'Mahony, Aileen Morris, Colette Cronin, Colette O'Mahony, Patricia Rea, Niamh O'Sullivan, Colette Carey, Maria O'Sullivan, Angela Goulding, Ellen Philpott, Sinéad Quigley, Rosemary Clifford, Colette Finnegan, Christine Corcoran.



# Dublin Camogie Teams

## FINGALLIANS

1. Yvonne Rogers
2. Fiona Ferris
3. Laura Crosbie
4. Dorothy Byrne
5. Lorraine Dignam
6. Emily Monaghan
7. Carol Madden
8. Charlotte Mooney
9. Florence Howard
10. Linda Lyons
11. Emer Brown
12. Evonne Stafford
13. Veronica Walshe
14. Sharon Kerins
15. Antoinette Reilly
16. Catherine O'Rourke

## NA FIANNA

1. Gina Boyle
2. Una Geraghty
3. Angela Egan
4. Pauline Gray
5. Michelle Regan
6. Emer Cashin
7. Liz Burke
8. Ashling Deignan
9. Denise Fox
10. Karen Fox
11. Clare Keogh
12. Fidelma King
13. Yvonne Deignan
14. Martina Flynn
15. Gráinne O'Hara
16. Gillian Hempstall

## MARINO

1. Colette Hanley
2. Nessa Marnell
3. Iris Gregg
4. Maria Jackson
5. Barbara Grennell
6. Nicola O'Brien
7. Maria O'Hara
8. Elizabeth McKinley
9. Mary Ryan
10. Fiona McHugh
11. Adrienne McGovern
12. Sandra O'Hara
13. Audrey Aherne
14. Catherine O'Byrne
15. Jennifer Hickey
16. Cora Hanley

## NAOMH AINE

1. Siobhain Heaslip
2. Nicola McTiernan
3. Josephine Leninston
4. Lorraine Doherty
5. Emer Roche
6. Caroline Haide
7. Carol O'Connor
8. Vivienne McNally
9. Michele Bevins
10. Audrey Doherty
11. Colette Winders
12. Arlene McCabe
13. Grace Moody
14. Julie Callery
15. Noelle O'Brien
16. Brenda Winders

## ST. BRIGID'S

1. Lorraine Jackson
2. Joan Ward
3. Bronagh Kelly
4. Lorraine Egan
5. Laura Lawlor
6. Una Kavanagh
7. Ann Peake
8. Marisa Sansovini
9. Karina O'Connell
10. Caroline Mooney
11. Ciara Molloy
12. Deborah Woods
13. Deborah Gately
14. Sancha Lally
15. Lisa Corcoran
16. Deirdre O'Carroll

## LEIXLIP

1. Antoinette Courtney
2. Jennifer Cullen
3. Clodagh Linnane
4. Antoinette Rafter
5. Kathleen O'Bryan
6. Deirdre O'Dare
7. Paula Heaney
8. Geraldine Byrne
9. Suzanne Mooney
10. Brigid Mooney
11. Rosemary Halligan
12. Catherine O'Donnell
13. Fiona McGuinness
14. Mairead De Burca
15. Deirdre Heffernan

## LUCAN SANSFIELDS

1. Fiona Valentine
2. Helena Kelly
3. Carmel Anderson
4. Julie Egan
5. Elaine Curran
6. Nicole Harris
7. Suzanne Kerrigan
8. Karen Dowling
9. Mary Brosnan
10. Alison Lally
11. Kathleen McCann
12. Deborah O'Byrne
13. P. Margaret Beales
14. Paula Muldowney
15. Claudia Carr
16. Antoinette Buggie

## SETANTA

1. Shirley Kidd
2. Gráinne Nic Ghib
3. Suzanne Ni Choistealla
4. Máire Nic Chárthaigh
5. Niamh Ni Ainle
6. Treasa Ni Mhairseáil
7. Orla Ni Longáin
8. Máiread Ni Mhaolisteighe
9. Deborah Ni Dhúill
10. Suzanne Ni Dhúill
11. Allison Aust
12. Niamh Ni Cheallaigh
13. Máire Ni Bheargáin
14. Róisín Ni Ráin
15. Michelle Céitinn
16. Sile Ni Mhuiri

## NAOMH PÁDRAIG

1. Olive Devanney
2. Ciara Diggins
3. Irene Regan
4. Blathnaid Doyle
5. Blathnaid Russell
6. Camile O'Farrell
7. Fionnuala Walsh
8. Philomena Hynes
9. Susan McGilloway
10. Lynda Dunne
11. Edel Breslin
12. Elizabeth Carey
13. Maeve Devine
14. Paula McCaughey
15. Catherine Quinn
16. Melissa Masterson

## GOOD COUNSEL

1. Sharon Skerritt
2. Rita Buckley
3. Nora McNulty
4. Josephine O'Reilly
5. Jacqueline O'Reilly
6. Miriam Mangan
7. Georgina Lambe
8. Anita O'Halloran
9. Vivian Sullivan
10. Dymphna Flood
11. Orla Connolly
12. Ilse McGrath
13. Deirdre Conway
14. Nora Birmingham
15. Catherine Jones
16. Pamela Nolan
17. Susan Scott
18. Fiona O'Neill

## KILMORE

1. Fiona Ni Chinnéide
2. Carolyn Ni Dhónaill
3. Léan Ni Fhathaigh
4. Colette Furlong
5. Colette Billings
6. Lorraine Ni Leonáird
7. Alma Ni Bholtún
8. Neasa Nic Dhónaill
9. Majella Ni Fhaoláin
10. Sinéad Ni Choffaigh
11. Sheena Puirseál
12. Debbie Ni Charmaide
13. Lorraine Nic Guidhir
14. Yvonne Ni h-Annáin
15. Adrienne Ni Chiarnáin
16. Paula Ni Mheachair

## TRINITY GAELS

1. Ruth Connolly
2. Josephine Whelan
3. Elizabeth Nolan
4. Gillian Ryan
5. Deirdre Boylan
6. Vivienne Mulhall
7. Sandra Kinahan
8. Elaine Fagan
9. Yvonne Elliott
10. Lorinda Doyle
11. Gilda Doyle
12. Cathy McGlynn
13. Laura Murphy
14. Sharon Quirke
15. Susan Hayes
16. Angela Quirke

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## CAMOGIE

### CILL MOCHUDA NA CROCAIGH

Won the Dublin under-13 championship in 1974, the year the club was launched. There are approximately 50 members, and the club promotes the annual All-Ireland seven-a-side club championship at Glendale, Stillorgan, on the eve of the All-Ireland finals.

### CRAOBH CHIARAIN

Camogie section was founded in 1981 with special emphasis on this year's Féile na nGael. There are three camogie teams and these have been very successful.

### FINGALLIAN CAMOGIE CLUB

Started with a group of 14 players in 1970. There are now three teams, under-12, under-14 and Inter-B, and last year Fingallians' Inter-B team, at that time Junior-A, won the Dublin League.

### LEIXLIP

The club was founded in 1975 when a team was entered in the Dublin Inter A League. There are now three teams fielded by the club, junior, senior and 'under-age.'

### MARINO CAMOGIE CLUB

Has 220 registered playing members making up eight teams from senior down to under-11. In the 1980-81 season the club won seven titles, including Féile na nGael in Dublin and the All-Ireland. Founded in 1973.

### NAOMH BRID CAMOGIE CLUB, BLANCHARDSTOWN

Has a membership of 60, and was six years old earlier this year. A start was made at Junior C. and the club has gone from strength to strength, gaining promotion to the higher grade and winning titles up to Senior "A".

### SLIABH BLOOM CAMOGIE CLUB

Commenced playing in Dublin competitions in 1937 at Intermediate. For a number of years two teams were affiliated. In 1968, the Intermediate "A" team won the Championship, League and McCarthy Cup competitions, and so gained promotion to Senior "A". At present the club has two juvenile, one junior and one senior team.

### ST. ANNE'S CAMOGIE CLUB

Has 120 members — an impressive advance on the early years when a start was made with one team. That was in 1962 when the club was formed to promote the game in Bohernabreena. All but one of the founder members are still with the club, and all of them also have children playing with under-age teams.

### WOODVILLE CAMOGIE CLUB

Was the first to win the Féile na nGael title twice — 1979 and 1980. One of the leading juvenile clubs in Dublin, and founded in 1975, Woodville won the Pan Celtic under-16 title in the All-Ireland competition at Killarney in 1981.

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# Visiting Camogie Teams

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## WICKLOW (Annacurra)

1. Regina Byrne
2. Angela Doyle
3. Ann Marie Murphy
4. Catherine Byrne
5. Fiona Doyle
6. Emer Doyle
7. Mary Doyle
8. Mary Lancaster
9. Nuala Doyle
10. Finola Byrne
11. Elizabeth Graham
12. Majella McAllister
13. Margaret Doyle
14. Inez Byrne
15. Ann Marie Byrne
16. Sharon McAllister

## KILKENNY (Castlecomer)

1. Ann Holland
2. Veronica Boland
3. Bernadette Flood
4. Miriam Walsh
5. Catherine Whelan
6. Catherine O'Shea
7. Margaret Buggy
8. Kathleen Holohan
9. Ellis Coogan
10. Carmel Nolan
11. Teresa Phelan
12. Colette Coogan
13. Evelyn Ryan
14. Majella Daly
15. Mary Daly
16. Rosarie Kealy

## ARMAGH (St. Peter's, Lurgan)

1. Donna Creaney
2. Elena Creaney
3. Dona Corry
4. Edel McGeown
5. Tracey Creaney
6. Alison Headley
7. Aine Derby
8. Patricia Coleman
9. Sinéad McKenna
10. Maria McConville
11. Donna McConville
12. Donna Finnegan
13. Janette McGeown
14. Deirdre Murray
15. Angela Green
16. Janeen Withers

## SLIGO (Craobh Mhulre)

1. Michelle Concannon
2. Anne Conheady
3. Louise Dockry
4. Marie Kieley
5. Jennifer Hogg
6. Sile McCann
7. Eithne Martin
8. Karina Mattimee
9. Karen O'Neill
10. Sinéad O'Connor
11. Lara Waldron
12. Ann Sheridan
13. Helen Conboy
14. Joan Cannon
15. Niamh McGettrick
16. Nuala Dockry

## KILDARE (Balyna)

1. Caroline Myles
2. Elizabeth Conway
3. Shelin Flanagan
4. Kay Farrell
5. Monica Holton
6. Paula O'Connor
7. Ita Holton
8. Therese Farrelly
9. Patricia O'Brien
10. Karen O'Toole
11. Elizabeth Doran
12. Josie Farrell
13. Kathleen Conway
14. Carmel Devine
15. Marcella Gorman
16. Bernadette Farrelly

## CORK (St. Finbarr's)

1. Fiona O'Sullivan
2. Valerie Cotter
3. Elaine O'Mahony
4. Aileen Morris
5. Colette Cronin
6. Colette O'Mahony
7. Deirdre Christie
8. Maria O'Sullivan
9. Paula Carey
10. Colette Carey
11. Niamh O'Sullivan
12. Patricia Rea
13. Angela Goulding
14. Christine Corcoran
15. Sinéad Quigley
16. Ellen Philpott

## WEXFORD (Ferns)

1. Geraldine Maguire
2. Catherine Murphy
3. Margaret Tobin
4. Mary Banville
5. Fiona Flanagan
6. Elis Maher
7. Tracy Jackman
8. Majella Neill
9. Geraldine Murphy
10. Ruth Fortune
11. Siobhan Murphy
12. Catherine Guinan
13. Maeve Moynihan
14. Pauline Maguire

## DONEGAL (St. Eunan's)

1. Caitriona Lillis
2. Mary Barron
3. Mary Carr
4. Susan Malone
5. Brona O'Reilly
6. Geraldine Mulhern
7. Rosemary Devine
8. Maire Mailey
9. Olive Hayden
10. Elaine McMonagle
11. Anne Russell
12. Angela Cullen
13. Dairín Hines
14. Eibhlín McLoughlin
15. Brenda Duffy
16. Caroline Callaghan
17. Rosaleen Crossan

## ROSCOMMON (Oran)

1. Susan Crawley
2. Maria Tansey
3. Nuala Connolly
4. Joan Kenny
5. Ann Walsh
6. Caitriona Kelly
7. Pamela Regan
8. Elizabeth Lee
9. Gabriel Hussey
10. Barbara Nally
11. Irene Regan
12. Pauline Fallon
13. Deirdre Nally
14. Bláithín Kelly
15. Hilary Hussey
16. Majella Beirne

## CAVAN (Templeport)

1. Concepta Plunkett
2. Johanna O'Gorman
3. Siobhán Plunkett
4. Ann Marie Maguire
5. Regina McGovern
6. Ann Marie McGovern
7. Mary McGovern
8. Una Plunkett
9. Sheila McHugh
10. Diane Kavanagh
11. Concepta King
12. Geraldine McManus
13. Evelyn McManus
14. Margaret Kellegher
15. Noeleen Donohoe
16. Fiona Feehan

## WATERFORD (Ballyduff)

1. Margaret Laffan
2. Teresa Spillane
3. Eleanor Cullinane
4. Martina O'Brien
5. Jennifer Larkin
6. Jacinta Larkin
7. Karen Casey
8. Laura O'Regan
9. Joan Stephenson
10. Denise Power
11. Edel Power
12. Michelle O'Regan
13. Helen Laffan
14. Louise Cullinane
15. Denise Harris
16. Eileen Barry

## MAYO (Parke)

1. Barbara Barrett
2. Elaine Clarke
3. Monica Hogan
4. Louise Dempsey
5. Josie Jennings
6. Chris Murphy
7. Mary O'Reilly
8. Phil Stenson
9. Bernice Henny
10. Mary O'Reilly
11. Siobhán Clarke
12. Paula Barrett
13. Teresa Geraghty
14. Mary Roache
15. Kay Stenson

## CAMOGIE FIXTURES DIVISION 2

### Round 1. Saturday, June 26

Venue		Time	Referee	Feile Official
(a) Pearse Park	Good Counsel v Roscommon	10.45	K. Dolan	A. O'Brien
(b) Leixlip	Leixlip v Sligo	10.00	A. Condon	A. Carey
(c) Griffith Avenue	Slabh Bloom v Kerry	10.00	R. Ryan	T. O'Byrne
(d) Poppintree	Setanta v Waterford	10.00	M. Dwane	T. Foy
(e) Glenaulin Park	St. Patrick's v Wicklow	10.00	C. Ni Ghiolla Eoin	B. Whistler
(f) Russell Park	St. Brigid's v Westmeath	10.00	C. Docherty	M. Docherty
(g) Moyle Park	Round Towers v Tipperary	10.00	K. Cullen	E. Weir
(h) Fr. Collins Park	Trinity Gaels v Armagh	10.00	B. Harrington	S. Aylward
(i) Parnell Park	Craobh Chiarain v Meath	10.00	P. Breslin	S. Campbell
(j) Pearse Park	Cuchulainn, Crumlin v Donegal	10.00	F. Murphy	Mrs. F. Murphy
(k) Arthur Griffith Park	Lucan v Mayo	10.00	U. Billings	A. Colgan
(l) Kilmacud	Kilmacud Crokes v Kildare	10.00	S. Wallace	S. Brack

### Round 2.

(m) Benildus No. 1	(a) v (b)	12.30	B. Whistler	S.
(n) Benildus No. 2	(c) v (d)	12.00	G. Moran	C
(o) Belfield No. 1	(e) v (f)	12.00	E. Murphy	A
(p) Belfield No. 2	(g) v (h)	12.00	A. Murphy	S
(q) Benildus No. 3	(i) v (j)	12.00	J. Gormley	E
(r) Benildus No. 4	(k) v (l)	12.00	G. Burke	E

### Round 3.

(s) Benildus No. 1	(m) v (n)	2.30	G. Burke	C
(t) Benildus No. 2	(q) v (r)	2.30	A. Murphy	E

### Semi-Finals

(u) Benildus No. 1	(o) v (p)	4.30	J. Gormley	E
(v) Benildus No. 2	(s) v (t)	4.30	E. Murphy	C

### Final.

Kilmacud	(u) v (v)	6.30	F. Murphy	C
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## CAMOGIE FIXTURES DIVISION 1

Venue		Time	Referee	Feile Official
(a) Mobhi Road	Na Fianna v Antrim	10.00	P. Rafferty	P. Tierney
(b) Bohernabreena	St. Anne's v Clare	10.00	M. Kerr	L. Bui
(c) Fairview Park	Marino v Limerick	10.45	E. O'Byrne	R. White
(d) Fairview Park	Woodville v Galway	10.00	M. Kelly	R. White
(e) Assumption Convent (Walkinstown)	An Caislean v Kilkenny	10.00	G. Sutton	N. Mc
(f) Swords	Fingallians v Wexford	10.00	G. Duignan	A. Mc
(g) Belcamp	Kilmore v Cavan	10.00	M. Matthews	M. Tim
(h) St. Monica's (Springdale Road)	Cameron Park v Cork	10.00	K. Bolton	C. H
Round 2				
(j) Fairview Park	(c) v (d)	12.30	P. Breslin	A. Mc
(k) Fairview Park	(g) v (h)	11.45	F. Ni Shiochain	A. Mc
(l) Mobhi Road	(a) v (b)	12.00	R. Ryan	A. Carr
(m) Mobhi Road	(e) v (f)	12.00	P. Rafferty	M. Mat
Semi-finals				
Mobhi Road	(j) v (l)	3.30	G. Sutton	M. Mat
Mobhi Road	(k) v (m)	4.30	C. Docherty	A. Carr
Final				

Páirc An Chrocaigh, Sunday, June 27 at 4.55 Referee: Pat Rafferty.



# Cork retain Munster senior crown

Cork 4-11; Clare 2-5

Cork retained the Munster senior camogie championship crown when they beat Clare in the final played in ideal conditions at Ballyea on Saturday evening last. While Cork deserved their success they were somewhat flattered by the size of their winning margin as it was in the closing stages that they scored two goals and a brace of points to seal the issue in their favour.

Only four points separated the sides with seven minutes remaining but Cork's greater experience proved vital in the remaining time. Indeed the Clare mentors must have been pleased with the performance of their side in a match which produced some excellent passages of play.

Fielding eight of last year's junior championship winning side, Clare started in whirlwind fashion with a Margaret O'Toole goal but at the break they trailed by three points—1-2 to 1-5. The main difference between the teams was the ability of the Cork forwards to avail of any

chances which came their way while Clare lacked the sharpness needed against sides of the ability of Cork.

Leslie O'Flynn celebrated her selection as goalkeeper with a string of fine saves and she got good support from defenders Mary Ann McInerney, Maureen Davoran and Carmel Moroney. Midfield suffered after Mary Fitzgibbon was forced to retire with a leg injury early in the game and despite the efforts of Claire Jones and Carmel Wall, both of whom were returning after illness and injury respectively, Clare struggled in this area.

The forwards failed to capitalise on the chances which came their way especially in the early stages. If

Clare can improve in this area then their side would be strengthened considerably.

**Clare:** L. O'Flynn; M. A. McInerney, C. O'Meara, M. Davoran (capt.), C. Moroney, M. Fitzgibbon, P. Moroney, C. Wall, L. Fox (0-1), M. O'Toole (1-0), M. Beegan (1-0), A. M. Russell (0-2).

**Subs:** C. Jones (0-2) for M. Fitzgibbon; V. Casey for L. Fox.

## Minor Final

Clare's minor team travel south on this Saturday evening to play Cork in the Provincial final at Blackrock at 7 p.m. The Clare side will be selected from a panel of 22 who have been training very hard over the past three months under Pat Flynn and officials believe that this is one of the strongest sides to represent the county at this grade for some time.

Indeed those close to the team are confident that if Clare can strike anything like their true form, then the Provincial minor trophy could come to the county for the first time.

The Clare panel is: Jackie Malone, Susan Marsh, Noreen Quinn, Marie O'Connell, Martha O'Donoghue, Tina O'Connell, Claire Cooney, Mary Kilkelly, Catherine O'Dea, Ann Murnane, Maura McNicholas, Caroline Carmody, Cora Fahy, Marie Slattery, Sheila O'Halloran, Helen Roughan, Marie Markham, Patricia Torpey, Carmel McMahon,

Marie O'Halloran, Teresa Naughton, Brid Burke, Kathleen Naughton.

## Junior Final

On Sunday Clare travel to Emly to play Tipperary in the semi-final of the Munster junior championship. Clare recorded a comfortable win over Waterford in the first round and on form are capable of advancing to yet another provincial decider.

The team will not be finalised until the week-end but it is expected to be much the same as that which played in the first round. Leslie O'Flynn will be in goals with her sister Mary Ann McInerney in the key full back position. Other valuable members of the side are Caroline McNamara, Patricia Ryan, Ann O'Connor, Pat Austin, Geraldine Morey and Rosemary Fahy.

## Feakle Festival

In conjunction with the Feakle Festival, the local camogie club has arranged an attractive tournament for this Friday evening when teams from Killanena, Clooney, Eire Og and Feakle will take part with the winners getting a valuable set of trophies.

On this Sunday evening at the Fairgreen at 7.30, Feakle and Ballyea will meet in the final of the Junior A league. Feakle include the more experienced players but Ballyea have improved with each outing so all is set for what should be a great final.

## Action Stations

CORK, holders of the Munster Senior Camogie Championship defend their title at Ballyhea on tomorrow evening (Saturday) against a Clare team, who though defeated by Cork in the National League, are highly confident of upsetting the championships in this decider.

Limerick, who defeated Galway in the Preliminary Round of the All-Ireland Championship, will be in action this weekend also, when they meet Antrim in the first round proper of the All Ireland.

Cork have been dominant in Munster camogie circles for a number of years now. And even at national level they have also been very much in the upper sections. Indeed their only defeats at this level in the last two years have been at the hands of Kilkenny—in last season's All Ireland final replay, and this season in the National League decider.

The Munster champions easily disposed of Limerick in the semi final of this season's campaign and they will take Clare on with a quiet confidence, in spite of having serious injury problems a number of key players.

The entire forward line has been changed from that selected for the National League final some weeks ago. Both Mary Geaney of Eire Og and Pat Moloney of Kilkenny are ruled out through injury but they have been named in the substitutes. Noelle O'Driscoll is on holidays and Val Fitzpatrick has been relegated to the reserves.

Mary O'Leary is recalled to her familiar position of right corner forward; Martha Kearney after her excellent display in the Senior County semi-final holds the centre forward berth, while Ger McCarthy moves from left wing to left corner forward, a position she occupied before, and Marian Sweeney completes the quartet.

There is just one change in the centrefield trio with Liz Lynch, Douglas, having her first game since the All-Ireland final replay last year. There are no changes in defence. The solid Marian McCarthy continues to play well in goal, while Eileen Dineen at full back and the half line of Miriam Higgins, Catherine Landers and Ann Delaney are all excellent defenders.

What of Cork's oppo-

nents? Well Clare defeated a highly rated Tipperary team on their way to the final so their challenge should not be taken too lightly. They have excellent players in Clare Harrington, Maureen Davoran, and Lourda Fox and there was little between the sides in their National League tie until the final ten minutes when Cork's superior fitness and skill told.

So it would be a big mistake to underrate Clare on Sunday. However, on paper at least Cork must be fancied to advance.

Limerick, who defeated Galway in the preliminary round of the All-Ireland Championship, play their first round game on Sunday against Antrim at Adare.

Antrim, it will be remembered won the All-Ireland title in 1979 and they have a number of excellent players in goalie Carol Blaney, Camogie "Super Star", Jo McClements, and sisters Siobhan and Jackie McAtamney.

But Antrim can be most inconsistent. They can hit the high spots as they did in '79 but then they can sink to quite bad performances. What will happen on Sunday is anybody's guess, but Limerick would do well to expect one of their top performances then they could have a tough time.

However, with a home advantage, and such experienced players as Brid Stokes, Vera Mackey, Pauline McCarthy, and Bernadette and Geraldine O'Brien, Limerick will take a great deal of beating and will surely start as favourites.

On this evening (Friday) St. Finbarr's meet Brian Dillons in the Junior B league and Eire Og play host to Aghabullogue in the Under 16 league and in the only other local game listed Killeagh meet Brian Dillons in Under 14 campaign on Thursday next.

### FIXTURES

This evening (Friday) — At St. Finbarr's J.B.L. St. Finbarr's v. Brian Dillons, 7.30 p.m. (Ref. Douglas); at Ovens, Under 16 league Eire Og v. Aghabullogue 7.30 p.m.

Tomorrow (Saturday) Munster Senior Championship Final at Ballyhea, Cork v. Clare 7.30 p.m. (Ref. Limerick)

Sunday at Adare All Ireland Championship Limerick v. Antrim 2.30 p.m.

Thursday July 8 at Killeagh Under 14 league Killeagh v. Brian Dillons 7.30 p.m. (Ref. Brian Dillons).

## Antrim tipped to spring a surprise

ANTRIM TAKE the long road to Adare (3.0) to play Limerick in their first game of the All Ireland Senior Camogie Championship (Open draw) on Sunday next.

Limerick, who defeated Galway in the Preliminary Round, have a lot of work to do to reach the peak form that brought them to the All-Ireland final against Cork in 1980.

With practically the same panel it should be possible for the Shannonsiders to improve on their performance against Galway two weeks ago.

Antrim are training very hard for this game. Encouraged by their victory over Down in the Maguire Cup, the spirit and the determination is there to repeat their 1979 feat when as rank outsiders they succeeded in taking back the O'Duffy Cup.

### BRILLIANT BLANEY

Carol Blaney who was the star of that game, has recently won the Dublin Senior League and championship with University College and was brilliant in goal in all their games. She is now eligible to contest the all Ireland club competition with the Dublin side.

More good news for Antrim is the return of Mairead McAtamney. She has been the inspiration of Antrim teams for many years.

Other well known Antrim players are, sisters Anne McGlue and Rita Moran, Gramam Tailte winner, Josie McClements and Jackie McAtamney.

Limerick will rely on the O'Brien sisters, Geraldine and Bernadette, Brid Stokes Helen Mulcair, goalie Helen Moynihan, and Liz Hayes, who played so well in attack against Galway.

Home venue favours Limerick but Antrim could spring a surprise.

Cork and Clare contest the Munster Senior Championship

## Cork outclass Tipperary

Cork 5-4, Tipperary 0-0

Tipperary surrendered their Munster minor crown very easily on Sunday last when they went down to Cork at Portroe.

Cork dominated this game from the beginning, with Irene O'Leary, Paula Morgan and Mary Ring in excellent form, and they were ahead at the interval by 1-2 to 0-0.

The second-half was all one-way traffic and saw Cork increase their lead to 5-4 without reply from the champions.

Cork scorers: S. O'Sullivan and B. O'Sullivan 2-0 each; D. Lorden 1-0, I. O'Leary 0-3 and M. Keniry 0-1.



# Venue and form to favour Cork

THE ALL-IRELAND Senior Camogie Championship continues on Sunday next with Cork acting as hosts to Tipperary at St. Finbarr's Grounds (3.30).

Cork, who won six All-Ireland senior titles since 1970, had hard luck in both Championship and League in the last year.

They lost the All-Ireland in a replay to Kilkenny and were narrowly beaten by Dublin in the League final.

Tipperary's highlight in the last decade was their Senior League triumph in the inaugural year (1975), their hopes of glory in the Senior League final against Kilkenny in 1980 and in their All-Ireland final bid of 1979 when they went down to Antrim.

In their recent league clash Cork took the points so Tipperary will need to improve if they are to match Cork this time.

## HOME ADVANTAGE

Home venue is an advantage to Cork, who have outstanding players in goalie Marion McCarthy, holder of six All-Ireland medals and the B & I All-Ireland star of 1980, Pat Linehan, the captain, who has five All-Ireland medals, is the B & I winner of 1978, and is the holder of six Ashbourne Cup medals with University College, Cork.

Cathy Landers is a sound centre-back with a very good clearance. Mary Geaney full forward, Claire Cronin on the right wing and Angela Higgins at midfield are other prominent players on the Cork line-out.

Tipperary's brightest star is Deirdre Lane, who can play in any position on the field. She has been playing brilliantly for her Dublin club Celtic, in the county championships and League which is just completed.

Goalie Margaret O'Brien, Agnes Brophy, Maol Mhuire Tynan and Mary O'Brien are also prominent players in the Tipperary line-out.

## PROVINCIAL TESTS

The Provincial Championships continue at several venues this week-end. The Leinster Championship Junior semi-finals are scheduled for Sunday next.

Dublin, who recently won the Junior National take on the champions, Kildare at Clane (3.0) on Sunday and Carlow travel to Castlebellingham (3.0) to play Louth.

Dublin beat Kildare convincingly in their league clash and look set to reach the final against either Carlow or Louth which should be a very close game.

Cork, who are through to the Munster Junior Final await their opponents from the

second semi-final between Clare and Tipperary which is arranged for Emly, 3.0, on Sunday next.

In the west Galway play Mayo at a Galway venue (7.0) in the Connacht Junior semi-final. The winners will play Roscommon on July 17.

## LUCKY VICTORY

Limerick qualified for the All-Ireland senior semi-final last Sunday when they scored a lucky victory over Antrim at Adare. The Northern's led all the way and were a point ahead in the closing minute.

Limerick got a side-line puck which Helen Mulcair netted to give her side victory in the second last puck of the game as the whistle blew on the puck-out.

The winners will play Dublin or Wexford in the semi-final.

The National Coaching Course is arranged for Gormanston College this weekend starting on Friday evening 6.00. As usual a large attendance has booked in. Mary Moran, Anne Carroll and Rosina McManus are in charge.

# CORK MASTER CLARE

Cork 1-6  
Clare 1-0

Cork, who defeated the holders, Tipperary, and Limerick in the earlier stages, won the Munster Minor camogie championship final when they scored a confident 1-6 to 1-0 win over Clare at Church Road, Blackrock, Cork on Saturday night. Cork now go through to the All-Ireland

semi-finals and a meeting with the Leinster provincial winners in Dublin on August 1.

Cork were by far the superior team against Clare and they led 1-3 to nil at half time. Linda Mellerick scored a goal after just eight minutes when her speculative shot beat the Clare goalkeeper to give Cork a glorious start to the game.

Paula Morgan, Colette O'Mahony, and Linda Mel-

lerick again added points to give Cork a decisive advantage at the interval. Clare, for their part, obtained a walk-over against Waterford, who were playing competitively for the first time in the final. This was an obvious set-back for them - though they improved considerably in the second half, and when Ann Murnane guided them early in the second period they were back in the game. Colette O'Mahony added another Cork point to make it 1-4 to 1-0 midway through the half and Clare continued to push forward in search of another goal.

This resurgence was squashed however when Colette O'Mahony struck two more superb points, one from a free and another from play to give Cork a place in the All-Ireland semi-finals on a 1-6 to 1-0 scoreline.

The chairperson of the Munster Council, Rose O'Leary, presented the Munster Minor Cup to the winning Cork captain, Michelle Barry at the end of the game.

Scorers for Cork: Linda Mellerick 1-1, Colette O'Mahony 0-4 (0-2 from frees), and Paula Morgan 0-1. Scorers for Clare: Ann Murnane 1-0.

Cork: D. O'Shea, M. Murphy, C. O'Keefe, M. Barry (captain), M. Ring, M. Currid, P. Morgan, L. O'Leary, C. O'Mahony, L. Mellerick, S. O'Sullivan, R. O'Sullivan.

Clare: J. Malone, J. Marsh, C. McGrath, N. Quinn, C. Cooney (captain), M. Kilkenny, T. Naughtan, A. Murnane, C. Fidy, M. McNicholas, C. Carmody, M. O'Connell. Subs: Martha O'Donoghue for Mary Kilkenny (23 minutes), Kathleen Naughtan for Caroline Carmody (second half).

Best for Cork were M. Currid, Mary Ring, L. O'Leary and Colette O'Mahony, while Jackie Malone in goal for Clare, and Theresa Naughtan were best for the visitors.

Referee: Helen Smith (Limerick).

## Easy passage for the Cork girls

Cork 4-12, Tipperary 0-4

CORK, in spite of being short three regular players, had little trouble in disposing of a full-strength Tipperary side in this first round All-Ireland senior championship tie played at St. Finbarr's yesterday.

Playing with wind advantage in the opening half, Tipperary looked quite good in the early stages but in spite of a fair amount of possession they could do little with it in front of goal.

Cork, on the other hand, were lethal in attack and punished almost every Tipperary foul within scor-

ing distance with a point from the resultant free.

Yesterday, Cork had three players, Martha Kearney, Mary O'Leary and Ger McCarthy - taking the close-in frees and it augurs well for the strength of Cork in this area that all three scored many excellent points from the dead ball.

And it was not only from frees that Cork scored as there were spectacular goals from Ger McCarthy, Val Fitzpatrick and Mary O'Leary as well as some lovely frees from play.

Cork were without Angela Higgins, Miriam Higgins and Mary Geaney, all with leg injuries, for this game. But Pat Moloney returned after injury and Joan O'Sullivan and Ger McCarthy, who came on as late replacements, played very well indeed.

There was some marvellous camogie in this game from both sides. Cork always looked as if they would win, but all credit to Tipperary, who never gave up trying, and who might, with a bit more skill in front of goal, have been a lot closer.

Martha Kearney, Clare Cronin, Catherine Landers, Val Fitzpatrick and Joan O'Sullivan were Cork's top players yesterday, while Deirdre Lane, who scored her side's four points, Mary O'Brien, Maura Hackett and Siobhan McDonnell played best for Tipperary.

Scorers for Cork: M. O'Leary (1-5), V. Fitzpatrick (2-0), G. McCarthy (1-1), M. Kearney (0-4), P. Moloney and C. Cronin (0-1 each). For Tipperary: D. Lane (0-4).

Cork: M. McCarthy, E. Dineen, J. O'Sullivan, C. Landers, A. Delaney, M. Kearney, C. Cronin, M. Sweeney, G. McCarthy, M. O'Leary, P. Moloney, V. Fitzpatrick.

Tipperary: B. Kennedy, M. Hackett, A. Brophy, S. McDonnell, M. Conneely, D. Lane, M. Griffin, M. O'Brien, M. O'Connell, M. Quigley, A. Gleeson, A. Ralph.

Referee B. Stokes (Limerick).

## SO EASY FOR CORK

Cork 4-12; Tipperary 0-4  
CORK had a runaway victory over a very disappointing Tipperary side at Cork in the quarter final of the All Ireland Camogie championship yesterday. Right from the throw-in Cork took control and at no stage in the game did Tipperary threaten their supremacy.

Playing without three of their regular side Cork took an early lead and with goals from Val Fitzpatrick and Mary O'Leary led by 2-6 to 0-3 at half time.

Cork now meet the winners of the Kilkenny-Clare tie in the semi-final. It is difficult to judge the strength of the Cork side this season from yesterday's performance as the Tipperary opposition was so weak, so their next game will be awaited with interest to assess their worth.

Scorers—Cork—M. O'Leary (1-4), V. Fitzpatrick (2-0), M. Kearney (0-3), G. McCarthy (1-1), C. Cronin (0-2). Tipperary—D. Lane (0-4).

Kildare 4-1; Dublin 1-11.

KILDARE caused a major upset in the Leinster Junior Championship by defeating Dublin, the League champions, by five points at Clane.

Kildare approached this game in a very positive manner and wiped out all memories of the six goal defeat they suffered at the hands of this same Dublin side only two months ago and now meet Louth in the final. Kildare led by 3-3 to 1-6 at half-time.

The second half was very evenly contested. It is ironic that although Kildare were a physically stronger side outfield it was their tiny goalie, Rose Merriman, who saved them repeatedly.

This young player brought off many magnificent saves and Dublin were unable to score the vital goal they needed to bring them back into the game.

Apart from Kildare's goalie centre field Anne Molloy who formerly played with O'Leary excelled aided by Miriam Malone and Marion Johnson. For Dublin Mairead Bergin, Jo Holden and Anne Colgan.

Scorers—Kildare—A. Molloy (1-4), N. Malone (1-1), M. Cullen (2-0), M. Malone (0-1), M. Cusack (0-1), Dublin—E. O'Hehir (1-0), M. Bergin (0-3), M. Connell (0-2), A. Thorpe (0-2), J. Holden (0-1), A. Colgan (0-1), C. Ledwidge (0-1), M. Duane (0-1).

Leinster Junior Semi-final—Louth 5-7; Carlow 0-5.

Leinster Under 14 Semi-final—Wexford 3-2; Dublin 2-0. Kilkenny 3-4; Westmeath 4-0.

## Minor's Fall

Cork .....  
Clare .....  
Clare's ambitions of capturing their first ever inter minor camogie title dashed on Saturday night last when a fitter and stronger Cork team proved too much in a disappointing final at Blackrock. Cork were much better to the game undertook conditions at the break by 13 to 0. Clare showed improvement after the interval but their forwards were unable to penetrate the Cork like winners defence. Only score, a goal from Murnane, came in the quarter.

Clare: Jackie Malone, Ron Marsh, Colette McDonnell, Noreen Quinn, Claire Connolly (capt.), Mary Kilkenny, Theresa Naughtan, Ann Murnane, Cora Fidy, M. McNicholas, Caroline Carmody, Marie O'Donnell.

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St. Josephs Tulla, winners of Clare schools competition - back row l. to r.: Mary Lenihan, trainer, Deirdre Crowe, Eileen Donnellan, Martha O'Donoghue, Sr. Maureen Carmel McGrath, Marie O'Halloran, Breda Foley, Kathleen Lenihan, coach, Front: Susan Breen, Ann Murnane, Sheila O'Halloran, Maria Markham, Sharon Marsh, Noeleen Quinn, Claire Cooney.



Cork keeper D. O'Shea leaving her line to break up a Clare attack during the Munster Minor Camogie final at Church Road, Blackrock, on Saturday. —(Examiner)



Mr. Patrick Duffy, Ballyroan Heights, Rathfarnham, Dublin, pictured with his bride, Miss Jacinta O'Brien, Suan Arus, Earlwood Estate, Togher Road, Cork, after their marriage at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, The Lough, Cork. —(“Examiner”)



# Sharper Cork Recapture Munster Title

CORK: 1-10

CLARE: 2-2

Clare's ambitions of retaining the Munster junior camogie championship crown for the second year in succession were shattered by a sharper Cork team who finished much stronger to take the title after a lapse of one year. This win gave Cork their third championship success over Clare at Provincial final level in the past three weeks, having already won the senior and minor crowns

## Cork win comfortably

Cork 1-10, Clare 2-2

Few among the small attendance at the Churchfield, Shannon, on Saturday evening, would dispute the supremacy of the Cork girls who captured the Munster Junior Camogie Championship by a five point margin from old rivals Clare.

After a somewhat indifferent start Cork quickly settled down and despite being one point in arrears at half time they excelled in every position.

On resumption they took complete control and quickly built up a lead scoring from all positions while a shattered home side failed to score until the last minute.

At half time Clare led by 2-1 to 1-3. However, despite three wides in the opening minutes of the second half Cork were in complete control particularly at centre-field. Time and time again they stormed the Clare goal and in the fifth minute A. Leahy sent over the equaliser. From then on Lillian Zinkant, Mary O'Donovan and Clare Higgins went on their points scoring spree.

Scorers: Cork: L. Zinkant 1-3, C. Higgins 0-4, A. Leahy 0-1, S. Curtin 0-1, M. O'Donovan 0-1. Clare: T. Naughton 1-1, A. O'Connor 1-0, P. Austin 0-1.

Cork: E. Barrett, M. Maher, M. Twomey, M. Murphy, J. Shannon, P. Keniry, M. O'Donovan, S. Fitzgibbon, C. Higgins, S. Curtin, N. Delaney, L. Zinkant. Subs: L. Dunphy for M. Murphy, A. Leahy, for N. Delaney.

Clare: L. Flynn, M. McInerney, A. Gallery, P. Austin, H. Cusack, R. O'Shaughnessy, P. Ryan, G. Morey, T. Naughton, C. McNamara, P. Coughlan, A. O'Connor. Subs: C. Naughton for C. McNamara.

Referee: B. Stokes (Limerick).

The game produced some very good play with lots of good scores and Clare had the better of the exchanges in the opening period. Cork went into a two point lead, but a well-taken goal from Teresa Naughton put Clare in front and the Shannon girl quickly added a point. An opportunist goal from Ann O'Connor minutes later sent Clare into a five points lead and at this stage it appeared that Clare could win the title.

Cork came storming back to reduce the lead with a point, followed by a goal and this left the score at 2-1 to 1-3 at the break, in favour of Clare. Within five minutes of the resumption, Cork were on level terms and they went on to dominate the remainder of the game.

CLARE: L. O'Flynn; M. A. McInerney (Capt.); A. Gallery, P. Austin, H. Cusack; R. O'Shaughnessy, P. Ryan, G. Morey; C. McNamara, T. Naughton, P. Coughlan; A. O'Connor.

Sub.: K. Naughton for C. McNamara.

## CLARE FACE CHAMPIONS KILKENNY

A confident Clare will take on All-Ireland champions, Kilkenny, in the opening round of the All-Ireland senior camogie championship at Nowlan Park, Kilkenny, on Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

Because of doubts concerning the fitness of three of the Clare squad, the team will not be finalised until later in the week. Mary Ann McInerney, who went into last week's game with a back injury, is still not fully recovered, while Patricia Moroney is still recovering from a leg injury received in a club game. Lourda Fox sprained an ankle in training

Despite this defeat, Clare can take consolation from the fact that this was a new-look team and they did exceptionally well to reach the Munster final. Lack of experience proved to be Clare's undoing, but if this squad continue to show improvement, it should not be long until the junior title is regained. Amongst those to play well were Leslie O'Flynn, Mary Ann McInerney, Ann Gallery, Helen Cusack, Teresa Naughton and Ann O'Connor.

## Junior and Minor finals

THE Junior and Willwood Tailteann Minor Championship Provincial finals take over the Camogie programme this week-end. Two junior and three Minor finals are arranged at different venues.

Kildare, the Leinster holders, qualified for the final against Louth, and the venue is at Clane (3.0). The former surprised even their own supporters when they eliminated Dublin, the 1982 Junior National League champions, who had defeated Kildare by six goals in that competition recently.

In reaching the final, Louth also had an impressive win over Carlow. The finalists are no strangers to each other, and many Kildare people claim that Louth are their bogey team.

Yet, if Kildare can play as well and as confidently as they did last Sunday and with a home venue as a bonus, they should retain the title.

Cork, who defeated Limerick and Kerry, will oppose Clare, who knocked out Tipperary and

Waterford, in the Munster Junior Final.

Cork may be too good for Clare this time, as the Banner County must find a new team after their victory last season.

In the Minor semi-finals, Armagh defeated holders Antrim, while Derry and Cavan played a draw. Cavan won the replay 8-2 to no score. The final will be played at a Cavan venue on Sunday next.

### IN SEMI-FINAL

Antrim are through to the All-Ireland semi-final, as they retained the Ulster title last Sunday, when they defeated Tyrone at Whitehill.

The Leinster Minor final is scheduled for Kilkenny (7.00) on Sunday. Holders Dublin looked very strong in their earlier games, and may be too good for Kilkenny.

In Connacht, the Under 16 Minor final is arranged for Saturday next when Galway, who defeated Mayo play Roscommon at Roscommon (7.00).

The semi-finals of the Will-

wood Tailteann All-Ireland Championship are scheduled for August 1. The Leinster champions will be at home to the Munster champions, and the Ulster winners will entertain the Connacht victors.

In the Junior All-Ireland semi-finals on August 8, Leinster will play the Connacht winners at a Leinster venue, and Ulster travel to a Munster venue.

Limerick and Cork are through to the All-Ireland Senior semi-finals, which are arranged for August 22 and 29. Limerick defeated Galway, in the preliminary round, and Antrim, by a narrow margin in the quarter-final.

Cork scored a runaway victory over Tipperary in their quarter-final last Sunday. The two remaining quarter-finals will be played on July 25, when the All-Ireland champions, Kilkenny, entertain Clare, and Dublin travel to play Wexford.

Limerick will play the winners of the Dublin-Wexford tie, and Cork face the victors of the Kilkenny-Clare game.

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# RUN SHOULD CONTINUE

THE two remaining quarter finals of the Senior Camogie Championship (Open Draw) are down for decision on Sunday next. All-Ireland champions Kilkenny are hosts to Clare at St. John's Park, and Dublin travel to play Wexford at Pairc Carmen, Wexford.

Of the four sides, Wexford alone have had a previous outing. They scored an impressive victory over Down four weeks ago.

Kilkenny had a successful twelve months. They won the 1981 championship and maintained their form during the spring and early summer to become the first county to win the Senior National League, while champions. In fact, the majority of the team have now won four All-Ireland titles and three National League titles since they won their first championship title in 1974.

Liz Neary, Teresa O'Neill, Bridie Martin, Anne Downey in defence are experienced and skilled performers, while Angela Downey, who is rated as the best forward in the country, gets clever support from Jo Dunne, Margaret Farrell and Anna Whelan.

## WIDE SELECTION

Clare, who won the Junior All-Ireland title last September have a wide selection to choose from. Such outstanding players from the junior side, as Claire Jones, Louisa Fox, Martina

## CAMOGIE BY TAOBH LINE

Beagan and goalie Mary Carey are sure to find places on their senior side.

Margaret O'Toole, Claire Harrington, Maureen Davoren and Anne Marie Russell are experienced enough to carry the new seniors successfully yet, it will be a surprise if the Banner County halt the champions, who are expected to meet Cork, who have already qualified, in the semi-final.

In the second quarter final between Dublin and Wexford, the odds should be pretty even. The Metropolitans were runners up to the winners, Kilkenny, in their zone, having defeated

Galway, Down and Antrim impressively in the National League.

## WORRIED CORK

Wexford were also impressive in their League campaign. They defeated Clare and Tipperary, lost by a point to Limerick in their first outing and gave zone winners and All-Ireland finalists, Cork, a good game.

Both sides have skilled and experienced players. Dublin have two sets of three sisters, Frances Murphy, in defence, Mary, at midfield and Edel in attack. Yvonne Redmond, goalie, Ann O'Brien at full back and Barbara Redmond on the right wing make up half the line-out of very good players.

Joan Gormley, Marion Conroy with Edel Murphy are clever ac-

curate and skilled in attack. Una Crowley and Catherine Docherty prominent at midfield and defence.

Elsie Walsh is Wexford's top player, who can play equally well in defence, midfield or attack. Kathleen Tonks is a brilliant goalie and has also proved to be an able forward. Deirdre and Fiona Cousins, Terry and Ann Butler, the O'Leary sisters, Caroline and Gertrude, Dorothy Walsh and Bridie Doran are all very strong players.

This could be a very close game with the verdict likely to go either way.

The Junior semi-finals are due on August 8. Antrim travel to Cork and Louth entertain the Connacht winners.

## Dubs Go Down

KILDARE ..... 4-7  
DUBLIN ..... 1-11

Kildare, the holders qualified for the Leinster Junior camogie final when they scored a decisive victory over the recent Junior National League winners Dublin, who were pre-match favourites and who defeated the Lily Whites by six goals in the National League.

Kildare got into the game right from the start and led 3-3 to 1-6 at half time.

Though Dublin tried hard for those goals, their best efforts were foiled by the brilliant performance of Rosemary Merriman in goal.

She stopped from all angles, but it was not only the goalie's display that defeated the Dubs. Mary Molloy, Miriam Malone, Nuala Malone and Marie Cusack proved too good for their opposite numbers.

Scorers: Kildare—M. Cullen (2-0); A. Molloy (1-4), N. Malone (1-1), M. Higgins and M. Cusack (0-1) each. Dublin—E. O'Hare (1-0); M. Bergin (0-3), A. Thorpe and M. O'Connell (0-2) each, A. Colgan, J. Holden, M. Duane, and C. Ledwidge (0-1) each.

## LOUTH RALLY

Louth 1-10, Kildare 2-4.

Louth surprised Kildare in the Leinster Junior Camogie final at Cappagh yesterday when they came from eight points down at half time to play a brilliant second half and to qualify for the All Ireland semi-final on August 8 by winning 1-10 to 2-4.

Kildare were on top right through eight points (2-4 to 0-2) their margin the first half and although they led by might have been much bigger if they had taken all their chances.

Louth looked a different team from the throw-in after the interval and gradually caught up on Kildare who gave away many frees which Norleen McGuire pointed every time.

Level after 15 minutes of this half, Louth went on to score three more points while Kildare remained scoreless.

Noleen McGuire was outstanding both at centre back and midfield and other prominent Louth players were Eileen Crehan, Kitty Sharkey, and goalie Vivienne Kelly. Mary Malone, Anna Miffin and goalie Rosemary Merriman were best for Kildare.

Scorers: Louth—N. McGuire (0-8), I. Matthews (1-0), K. Sharkey and E. Crehan (0-1) each. Kildare—J. Molloy (1-1), M. Cullen (1-0), M. Johnson (0-2), M. Cusack (0-1).  
Monaghan Senior Championship—Cremartin 2-5, Monaghan 1-6.

## CAMOGIE

CORK 1-10; CLARE 2-2

CORK had a well deserved victory over Clare in the Munster Championship Junior Camogie final at Shannon Airport. Clare led at half time by 2-1 to 1-3 but on resumption the Cork girls, once A. Leahy sent over the equaliser on the fifth minute, dominated play.

In fact, after a confident first half, Clare was completely shattered as Cork forwards stormed their goal. Cork got seven points but missed many other scores.

Scorers: Cork—L. Zinzant (1-3), C. Higgins (0-4), A. Leahy (0-1), S. Curtin (0-1), M. O'Donovan (0-1). Clare—T. Naughton (1-1), A. O'Connor (1-0), P. Austin (0-1).

Dublin ..... 3-2  
Kilkenny ..... 2-3

In a very exciting Leinster final, at Nowlan Park, Kilkenny, yesterday, Dublin, thanks to a last-minute goal from substitute, Denise O'Leary, retained their minor title with a two-point win over Kilkenny.

Scorers: Dublin—D. O'Leary (1-0), C. O. O'Shane (1-0), A. Cooper (1-0), E. Campbell (0-1), P. Clinton (0-1). Kilkenny—C. Hennessy (1-0), M. Aylward (1-0), M. Fitzpatrick (0-3).

## No Problem For Galway

GALWAY ..... 6-11  
ROSCOMMON ..... 0-1

Galway had a decisive win over Roscommon in the Connacht Junior Camogie final at Oranmore. The game was not as one-sided as the score might suggest and Roscommon tried hard all through but were unable to penetrate the top class Galway back line.

Goalkeeper Carmel Briscoe was as usual in top form despite a hand injury received in training. Breda Kenny had a great game at centrefield and with sisters May

Ryan (captain) and Annette Ryan and Angela Manning, Galway had no difficulty in scoring. The substitutes all got a game.

Best for Roscommon were Pauline O'Connor, Martina Collins and Jackie Rodgers.

Galway now play Louth at a Louth venue on Sunday next.



● Mr. Niall Casey, Solr., presenting a cheque to Ms. Theresa Casey, chairperson Ruan camogie club for equipment. Also included are Brenda Daffy, capt. of U-14 and Community Games team and Mary O'Halloran, club official.

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# CORK'S BRAVE BID IN CAMOGIE FINAL

The national women's game has a long and proud record in Munster. Although Cork are the only Southern county to win the All-Ireland senior camogie championship, the other counties have still also been to the fore in the game, and a number have contested national finals in the premier grade.

Cork first brought the All-Ireland senior title to the South in 1934, the year of only the third national championship. They brought their record of All-Ireland titles to 12 in 1980.

Cork have been appearing in major finals in recent campaigns as well. They lost to Dublin in the National League decider of 1981, and then were beaten by Kilkenny after a replay following two grand games in last year's All-Ireland senior championship final.

## SPIRITED

The Leesiders came back firmly from that set-back to book their place in the 1982 National Senior League final, but although they put up a spirited performance against Kilkenny in Kilkenny, they lost by 1-4 to 2-5.

Martha Kearney scored Cork's only goal of that game, while Val Fitzpatrick, Teresa Linehan, Mary O'Leary and Mary Geaney with a point each completed the scoring.

The unsuccessful Cork side was:

M. McCarthy; M. Carney, M. Higgins,

C. Landers, A. Delaney, C. Cronin, A. Higgins, Ger McCarthy, Noelle O'Driscoll, V. Fitzpatrick, T. Linehan, M. Geaney.

Substitutes N. Sweeney for P. Linehan, M. O'Leary for N. O'Driscoll.

## SUCCESSFUL

If Cork have not been having the best of good fortune in major senior finals of late, the county can still point to a remarkable national treble in 1980. That year, as well as winning out at senior after a replay against Limerick, Cork beat Tyrone at junior, and Cavan at minor in All-Ireland finals.

The South is enjoying a successful time at junior, in fact. Last year in a very skillful and enjoyable All-Ireland final, Clare superbly led by Claire Jones in midfield, Lourda Fox, Rosemarie Fahy in attack, and Mary Howard and Caroline O'Meara in defence, beat Antrim by 3-2 to 0-7 to regain the crown after an interval of seven years.

Clare have still to contest an All-Ireland senior final, but Waterford, Tipperary and Limerick have all appeared at that stage of the championship.

Munster teams have also won the interprovincial senior championship for the Gael-Linn Cup.

This year, too, saw an early in the year Famous First for the province — with St. Patrick's, Shannon, recording

their first All-Ireland Colleges' senior championship final win. They beat St. Raphael's, Loughrea, by 1-7 to 1-4 at Croke Park in April.

Martina Beegan and Lourda Fox, as well as Cathleen Naughton, Pat Austin and Angela Browne, were stars for the Munster side that turned on a grand display of top-class and progressive play.

Cathleen Naughton with 1-1, Lourda Fox, Martina Beegan and Pat Austin with two points each, were the scorers in this historic St. Patrick's Shannon success.

## OFFICIAL

At Universities' level, U.C.Cork qualified for the final of the senior championship for the Ashbourne Cup but lost in Dublin to U.C.D.

Back to Cork's unique treble of All-Ireland championships at senior, minor and junior, the only such one in the history of the competitions, and an interesting point is that Claire McCarthy played in goal in the minor and junior final wins, and was also the substitute goalkeeper for the senior final. She did not play in that game, but gained an All-Ireland medal as a member of the official panel.

Not only that, Claire McCarthy won an All-Ireland senior schools medal earlier in 1980 with North Presentation, for a really remarkable record.



A new publication, *The GAA in its Time*, by Pádraig Puirseal, which has just been launched, traces the development of the National games before and since 1884 and is set by the author against the background of the time, thus making the book a social as well as a sportshistory. The original manuscript was being revised by the late Pádraig Puirseal when his untimely death in 1979 left the project unachieved. The unfinished book was completed and edited by his sister, Mary, who is well-known as a biographer. Pádraig Puirseal worked with THE IRISH PRESS from 1953 until his death and his encyclopaedic knowledge of the personalities and players who contributed to the making of the Gaelic Athletic Association is evident in his book. There is a foreword by Sean O Siachain, who was general secretary/director general of the GAA from 1964 to 1979, and the book contains 40 illustrations. At the reception, yesterday, in the headquarters of Allied Irish Banks Ltd., to launch the book were: Above (from left): former Taoiseach, Jack Lynch, Mrs. Agnes Purcell, and J. J. McAuliffe, chief general manager of AIB. On right—Mary Purcell, who edited the book.