

WICKLOW GAA COUNTY FINALS 2020

SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER



V



Minor Football Championship Final
BLESSINGTON V ST. NICHOLAS
Aughrim 2.00pm



V



Fitzgerald Kitchens
Junior A Football Championship Final
ASHFORD V VALLEYMOUNT
Aughrim 5.00pm

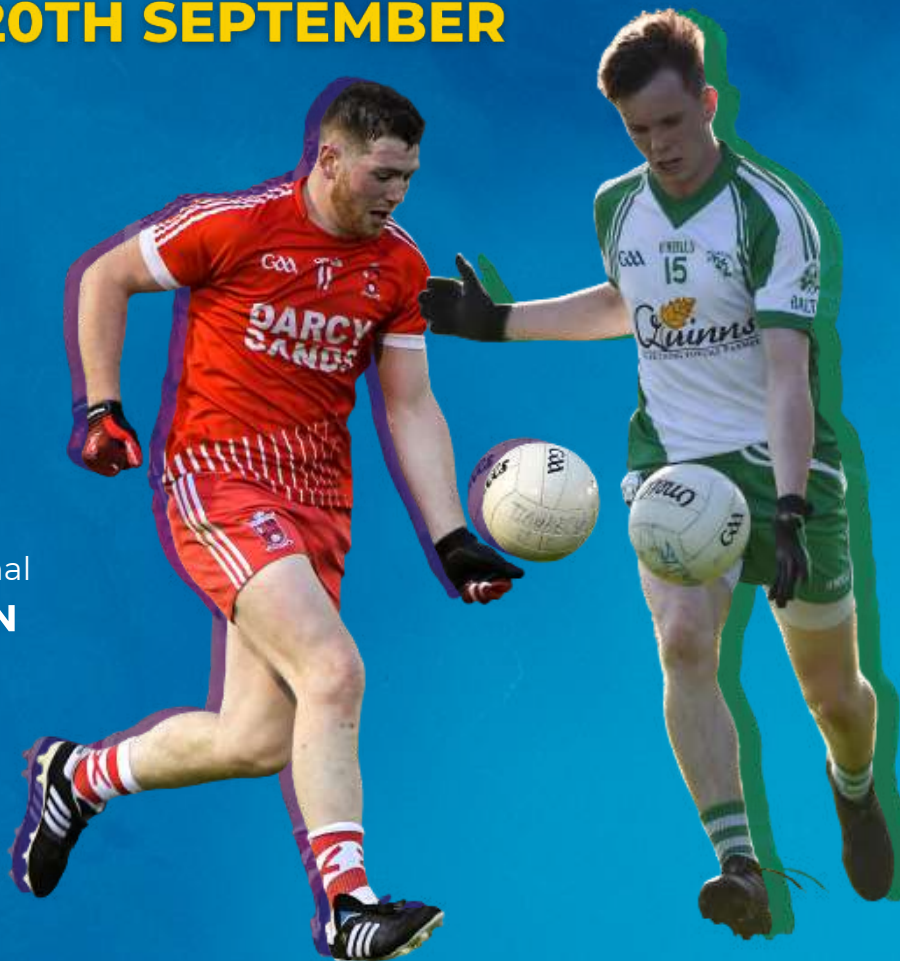
SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER



V



Darcy Sand
Intermediate Football Championship Final
COOLKENNO V DONARD-THE GLEN
Aughrim 1.00pm



GAA

WHERE WE
ALL BELONG



Boom & Platform Hire
Senior Football Championship Final
BALTINGLASS V TINAHELY
Aughrim 4.00pm

CLÁR AN LAE

AUGHRIM SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Minor A Football Championship Final 14:00 Baile Coimín v Naomh Nicoláis

13.00	Gates Open
13.45 – 13.50	Both Secretaries give team list to Referee on pitch
13.35	Baile Coimín amach ar an bpáirc
13.37	Naomh Nicoláis amach ar an bpáirc
13.45	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
13.50	Toss
13.53	Assemble for Parade
13.55	Parade & Amhrán na bhFiann
14.00	Tús an chluiche

Fitzgerald Kitchens Junior A Football Championship Final 17:00 Áth na Fuinseoige v Moin an Bhealaigh

16.00	Gates Open
16.45 – 16.50	Both Secretaries give team list to Referee on pitch
16.35	Áth na Fuinseoige amach ar an bpáirc
16.37	Moin an Bhealaigh amach ar an bpáirc
16.45	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
16.50	Toss
16.53	Assemble for Parade
16.55	Parade & Amhrán na bhFiann
17.00	Tús an chluiche

AUGHRIM SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Darcy Sand Intermediate Football Championship Final 13.00 Cúil Ui Chionaoith v Dún Ard An Gleann

12.00	Gates Open
12.45 – 12.50	Both Secretaries give team list to Referee on pitch
12.35	Cúil Ui Chionaoith amach ar an bpáirc
12.37	Dún Ard An Gleann amach ar an bpáirc
12.45	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
12.50	Toss
12.53	Assemble for Parade
12.55	Parade & Amhrán na bhFiann
13.00	Tús an chluiche

Boom & Platform Hire Senior Football Championship Final 16.00 Bealach Conglais v Tig na hÉille

15.00	Gates Open
15.45 – 15.50	Both Secretaries give team list to Referee on pitch
15.35	Bealach Conglais amach ar an bpáirc
15.37	Tig na hÉille amach ar an bpáirc
15.45	Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
15.50	Toss
15.53	Assemble for Parade
15.55	Parade & Amhrán na bhFiann
16.00	Tús an chluiche

****Following all games, the cup presentation will take place in the middle of the pitch while adhering to social distancing. No supporters will be allowed on to pitch due to HSE restrictions/guidelines.**

RÉAMHFHOCAL ÓN CATHAOIRLEACH



Is mór an pribhléid dom fáilte a chur romhaibh go léir go Páirc an Chontae, Eachdruim Uí Bhróin inniú le haghaidh Chluichí Ceannais Peile. Ba mhaith liom fáilte ar leith a chur roimh na foirne - Baile Coimín, Naomh Nicoláis, Áth na Fuinnseoige, Moin an Bhealaigh, Cúil Ui Caoinaoith, DúnArd/An Gleann, Bealach Conglais agus Tigh na hÉille. Tá an ócáid seo i measc na bpríomhócáidí spóirt sa hontae seo gach bliain agus tá mé cinnte go dtabharfar taispeántais dúinn inniú.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome all eight clubs to our County Grounds this weekend for our Minor, Junior A, Intermediate and Senior Football Finals. On behalf of Wicklow County Board, I wish all the clubs the best in a weekend of football finals. Great credit is due to everyone involved with Wicklow that made it possible to play our finals, especially given that earlier this summer the idea of playing our games seemed far from a reality. We didn't give up hope and we have seen played out one of our best football championships in recent times.

Blessington and St. Nicholas are in this years Minor A final. Blessington are looking for their fourth victory at this level, with their last win in 2007. St. Nicholas, an amalgamation of Donard and Dunlavin, have seven titles already under their belt, with their last victory in 2012.

Ashford and Valkeymount will contest the Junior A Final. Ashford last won this title in 2017 and are hoping they will be returning to Intermediate football next year. Valkeymount have been knocking on the door for the last few years and lost out narrowly in the 2018 final.

Coolkenno and Donard/Glen will contest the Intermediate Final. Both teams have been very competitive in the intermediate grade over the last few years and they are both keen to return to the senior grade for 2021.

Tinahely aim to bridge a 36-year gap today when they contest the Senior Final against old rivals Baltinglass. Both teams have produced some great games on their way to the final and I've no doubt, but today's game will be another one.

I wish to acknowledge the many people and committees that have made this weekend happen. Our CCC, Hearings Coiste na nÓg and PR committees, match officials, gate persons, match Stewards, Gardaí, Groundsmen, Sponsors, staff and management committee who have all pulled together for the common good.

We are very fortunate to have very supportive sponsors and I would like to thank them for their continued help and support of Wicklow GAA. I hope you all enjoy a great weekend of football. Best of luck to the eight teams and all of our officials taking part. Bainigí taitneamh as cluichí an lae inniú agus gach rath orthu siúd uilig a bheidh ag glacadh páirte iontu.

Máirtín Mac Gearailt
Cathaoirleach

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D'ARCY SANDS
THE SAND PEOPLE



JOHNNY PRICE MINOR MAN OF THE MATCH SPONSORED BY MRS PRICE

INTERMEDIATE MAN OF THE MATCH SPONSORED BY RAY MENTON, ARKLOW

SENIOR MAN OF THE MATCH SPONSORED BY BRENDAN HUGHES, VALLEYMOUNT

JUNIOR A MAN OF THE MATCH SPONSORED BY CUDDIHY CENTRA

TODAY'S OFFICIALS

BOOM & PLATFORM HIRE SENIOR FOOTBALL FINAL

Referee: Garrett Whelan
Club: Kiltegan
Career Length: 13 Years
Occupation: IT Management
Previous Finals: 18',19' U2 Finals, 3 Minor A, 1 Jnr B

Pros of Refereeing: The friendships you build through refereeing inside and outside the county and days like today make it all worthwhile.

Cons of Refereeing: The verbal abuse and ignorance of people not knowing the rules but still feel it's acceptable to roar and shout at referees.

Stand-by Referee: Pat Dunne
Linesman: Ciarán Manley
4th Official: Eddie Leonard
Umpires: Jimmy Lawlor, David Case, Patrick Maguire & David Hickey



DARCY SAND INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL FINAL

Referee: Stephen Fagan
Club: Baltinglass
Career Length: 5 Years
Occupation: Hairdresser
Previous Finals: First Adult Final.
Pros of Refereeing: Always enjoy positive feedback.
Cons of Refereeing: The 'people sitting on the fence' that criticise not knowing the rules.

Stand-by Referee: Kieron Kenny
Linesman: Ciarán Fleming
4th Official: Hugh Murphy
Umpires: Paddy Taigh, Tom Kelly, Barry Doyle & Francis Whelan



TODAY'S OFFICIALS

FITZGERALD KITCHENS JUNIOR A FOOTBALL FINAL

Referee: Liam Keenan Jnr
Club: Aughrim
Career Length: 4 Years
Occupation: Pharmaceutical Supervisor
Previous Finals: 2017 Jnr B
Pros of Refereeing: Great to keep involved.
Cons of Refereeing: The Hurler on the ditch.
Stand-by Referee: Darragh Byrne
Linesman: Jason Smyth
Umpires: Liam Keenan Snr
Chris Canavan
Chris Kavangah
Dónal O'Keeffe



MINOR FOOTBALL FINAL

Referee: Ciaran Fleming
Club: Baltinglass
Career Length: 14 Years
Occupation: Distribution Business
Previous Finals: Hurling - 17' & 19" Senior, 1 Inter, 1 Minor, 1 Jnr, Football - 2 Inter, 1 Jnr, 1 Minor.
Pros of Refereeing: Getting paid to exercise and the jovial banter with players and mentors most of the time.
Cons of Refereeing: Adult players and mentors not knowing the rule - very frustrating at times.
Stand-by Referee: Jason Smyth
Linesman: Kieron Kenny
Umpires: Donal O' Keeffe, John Sleator, Darragh Byrne & Tommy Kelly



NATIONAL ANTHEM

Sung By: Jessica Murphy (Tinahely)

PIPE BAND

Thank you to Michael Dwyers Pipe Band, Aughrim, who will lead the parade



**BOOM & PLATFORM HIRE
SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL**



BALTINGLASS

GREEN & WHITE

1

MARK JACKSON

MARCAS MAC SIACAIS

2

DAVID GETHINGS

DAITHI GETHINGS

3

KEVIN MURPHY (C)

CAOIMHIN O MURCHU

4

CIAN LEE

CIAN AN LIA

5

PATRICK BURKE

PADRAIG DE BURCA

6

BILLY CULLEN

LIAM O CUILIN

7

TOM BURKE

TOMAS DE BURCA

8

MICHAEL ENGLISH

MICHEAL INGLIS

9

SEAN DOODY

SEAN DOODA

10

STEPHEN HEASLIP

STIOFAN HEASLIP

11

JOHNNY KEOGH

SEAN MAC EOCHAIDH

12

JASON KENNEDY

DEASAN O CINNEIDE

13

DANIEL KELLY

DONALL O CEALLAIGH

14

ADAM MC HUGH

ADAM MAC AODHA

15

JOHN MC GRATH

SEAN MAG CRAITH

- 16 WILLIAM ROGERS**
- 17 CHRISTOPHER HEASLIP**
- 18 PATRICK WHELAN**
- 19 JOHN MURRAY**
- 20 JORDAN DEANS**
- 21 PATRICK KIRWAN**
- 22 KARL FURLONG**
- 23 PEADAR BURKE**
- 24 TADHG O TOOLE**
- 25 SEAN O'BRIEN**
- 26 JASON STEED**
- 27 AARON BARRETT**
- 28 LIAM FISHER**
- 29 JACK TIMMINS**

- LIAM MAC RUAIR
- CROSTIFIR HEASLIP
- PADRAIG O FAOLAIN
- SEAN O MUIRI
- SIORADAIN O DEAGHAIN
- PADRAIG O CIARUBHUIN
- KARL MACFURLON
- PEADAR DE BURCA
- TADHG O TUATHAIL
- SEAN O'BRIAIN
- DEASIN MAC EACHAIDH
- AARON BAIRED
- LIAM MC FISHER
- SEAN Ó TOIMÍN

MANAGEMENT TEAM

BRIAN HEASLIP
RORY NOLAN
NOEL KEOGH
JOHN KENNY



**BOOM & PLATFORM HIRE
SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL**



TINAHELY

RED & WHITE

1

ALAN NOLAN

AILÉIN Ó NUALLÁIN

2

CONOR HATTON

CONCHUBHAR MAC GIOLLA
CHATÁIN

3

MICHAEL BYRNE

MÍCHEÁL Ó BROIN

4

FIONN FURLONG

FIONN FURLONG

5

KEVIN MULHALL

CAOIMHÍN Ó MAOLCHATHAIL

6

SHANE HOGAN

SEÁN Ó HÓGÁIN

7

BRADLEY HICKEY

BRADLEY Ó HÍCÍ

8

EOGHAN BYRNE

EOGHAN Ó BROIN

9

BRIAN WALSH

BRIAN BREATHNACH

10

RORY STOKES

RUAIRÍ STÓC

11

JASON CUSH

DEASÚN MAC COISE

12

CILLIAN MC DONALD

CILLIAN MAC DÓNAILL

13

MATTHEW GING

MAITIÚ MAG FHINN

14

ALAN DILLON

AILÉIN DIOLÚN

15

PADDY O ROURKE

PÁDRAIG Ó RUAIRC

- 16 ALAN LILLIS**
- 17 WILLIE QUAILE**
- 18 JAMES TYRELL**
- 19 JAMES HEDDERMAN**
- 20 EOIN DARCY**
- 21 TONY DARCY**
- 22 CURTIS KEATING**
- 23 WILLIAM DILLON**
- 24 NOEL MULHALL**
- 25 ADAM HADDEN**
- 26 JOHN BLAKE**
- 27 NIALL GORMAN**
- 28 DANIEL HEDDERMAN**

- AILÉIN LAIGHLÉIS
- LIAM QUAILE
- SÉAMUS TIRIAL
- SÉAMUS Ó HÉADROMÁIN
- EOIN Ó DORCHAÍ
- ANTAINÉ Ó DORCHAÍ
- CURTIS CÉITINN
- LIAM DIOLÚN
- NOLLAIG Ó MAOLCHATHAIL
- ÁDAM Ó HAIDÍN
- SEÁN DE BLÁCA
- NIALL MAC GORMÁIN
- DÓNALL Ó HEADROMÁIN

MANAGEMENT TEAM

ALAN COSTELLO
SHANE KENNY
STEPHEN PERRY
DAVID BLAKE



DARCY SAND
INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL



COOLKENNO

RED & BLACK

1

DAMIEN GERATHY
DAMIEN MAG OIIREACHTAIGH

2

ADAM O'NEILL
ADAM O'NEILL

3

ROBERT KEOGH
RIOBEARD MAC EOCHADH

4

WILLIE DOYLE
LIAM O DUGHAILL

5

JAMES GREGAN
SEAMUS O GREACHAIN

6

JIM CUSHE (JC)
SEAMUS MAC COISE

7

DONAL DOYLE
DONALL O DUGHAILL

8

CONOR DOYLE
CONCHUBHAR O DUGHAILL

9

NIALL BAILEY
NIALL BAILLE

10

PATRICK DALTON
PADRAIG DALTUIN

11

EOGHAN DOLAN (JC)
EOGHAN O DULAIN

12

JOHN GREGAN
SEAN O GREACHAIN

13

PAURIC COLEMAN
PADRAIG O COLMAIN

14

EAMONN ROSSITER
EAMONN ROSAITEAR

15

JACK MAXWELL
SEAN O MEISCILL

16 CATHAL ROSSITER
17 NIALL BYRNE
18 PAUL KEHOE
19 PHILIP TIMMINS
20 CONOR WALKER
21 CORMAC BYRNE
22 BEN JACKMAN
23 DAN O NEILL
24 COLIN MURPHY
25 DON JACKMAN
26 RUAIRI TOMPKINS

CATHAL ROSAITEAR
BIALL O BROIN
POL MAC EOCHADH
PILIP O TIOMAIN
CONCHUBHAR MAC SIULAI
CORMAC O BROIN
BEIRCHEART SEAC
DONALL O NEILL
COILIN O MURCHU
DONN SEAC
RUAIRI O TOIMCIN

MANAGEMENT TEAM

STEVIE CUSHE
JOHN KEOGH
DON JACKMAN
PATSY CUSHE





DONARD THE GLEN

GREEN & WHITE

1

BRIAN KEOGH

BRIAIN MAC EOCHAIDH

2

CLIFFORD GRACE

CLIFFORD DE GRÁS

3

EOIN KELLY

EOIN Ó CEALLAIGH

4

JACK GRACE

SEAC DE GRÁS

5

KEVIN OSBORNE

CAOIMHÍN OSBORNE

6

COLIN OSBORNE

COILÍN OSBORNE

7

CONOR HEALY

CONCHUBHAR Ó HÉILÍ

8

SEAN BRANAGAN

SEÁN Ó BRÁNAGAIN

9

JOHN HANBIDGE

SEÁN HANBIDGE

10

SHANE DALY

SEADHNA O'DÁLAIGH

11

KEVIN KEALY

CAOIMHÍN Ó CAOLLAÍ

12

LIAM MONAGHAN

LIAM Ó MUINEACHÁN

13

ALAN DALY

AILÉIN Ó DÁLAIGH

14

RAY HALLORAN

RÉAMANN Ó HALLÚRÁIN

15

LIAM MULLIN

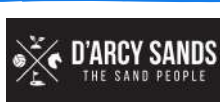
LIAM O'MAOLAIN

16 COLM TOOMEY
17 DERMOT DALY
18 LAWRENCE DALY
19 BRIAN LENNON
20 HARRY MANGAN
21 ALAN TUTTY
22 AARON MOODY
23 MIKEY BYRNE
24 GERRY DALY
25 EOIN HALLISSEY
26 DANIEL FURLONG

COLM O'TUAMA
DIARMUID O'DÁLAIGH
LABHRAS Ó 'DÁLAIGH
BRIAIN Ó LEANNÁIN
ANRAÍ Ó MONGÁIN
AILÉIN Ó TUTAIGH
ARON Ó MUADAIGH
MICHEAL O'BROIN
GEAROID O'DÁLAIGH
EOIN Ó HÁILEASA
DÓNALL FURLONG

MANAGEMENT TEAM

MICHAEL DALY
SHANE CORRIGAN
BRENDAN DALY





**FITZGERALD KITCHENS
JUNIOR A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL**



ASHFORD

BLACK & YELLOW

1

LEE FITZPATRICK

2

RIAN DWYER

3

MICHAEL DICKINSON

4

IARLA O'DONNELL

5

ROBBIE KEENAN

6

DAVID DOWLING

7

MIKEY TREANOR (VC)

8

DANNY KAVANAGH

9

JOEY DOYLE

10

ROB CLARKSON (C)

11

BRIAN COEN

12

ROSS QUINN

13

CORMAC DOYLE

14

GAVIN WEIR

15

BRENDAN MANNING

- 16 COLM DOYLE**
- 17 DEAN MOONEY**
- 18 DAVID NOLAN**
- 19 BRIAN EGAN**
- 20 BRIAN SHANNON**
- 21 EOGHAN DOYLE**
- 22 RUADHAN FALLON VERBRUGGEN**
- 23 DANIEL ROONEY**
- 24 CONOR DIAMOND**
- 25 KAEEL SCOTT**
- 26 BILLY CLARKSON**
- 27 PAUL CONYARD**
- 28 ADAM CREANE**

MANAGEMENT TEAM

**JAMES DOYLE
AIDAN EGAN
DARREN DOYLE
PAT MCDERMOTT**





VALLEYMOUNT

RED & BLACK

1

PAUL MILEY

P. OMAOIL AODHA

2

SHANE BROWNE

S. DE BRIÚIN

3

STEVEN CAHILL

S. CATHÁIL

4

ROBBIE BEHAN

R. O'BEACHAIN

5

WILLIAM KAVANAGH

L. CAOMHÁNACH

6

TADGH MILEY

T. OMAOIL AODHA

7

JAMIE MILEY

S. OMAOIL AODHA

8

DECLAN CAHILL

D. CATHÁIL

9

JACK SLATTERY

S. O'SLATARA

10

JACK MILEY

S. OMAOIL AODHA

11

JAMES FITZPATRICK

S. MACGIOLLA PHÁDRAIG

12

ROBBIE MILEY

R. OMAOIL AODHA

13

BRIAN MILEY

B. OMAOIL AODHA

14

STEVEN BYRNE

S. O'BROIN

15

MICK RICHARDSON

M. MAC RISTEIRD

16 **RYAN WILLOUGHBY**

R. WILLOUGHBY

17 **ADAM CONDON**

A. CONDÚN

18 **SEAN HIGGINS**

S. O'H UIGÍN

19 **SEAN GEOGHEGAN**

S. MACEOCHAGÁIN

20 **BRIAN FLYNN**

B. O'FLOINN

21 **LIAM MILEY**

L. OMAOIL AODHA

22 **CONOR REID**

C. O'MAOILDERG

23 **DAVID RICHARDSON**

D. MAC RISTEIRD

24 **AIDAN MILEY**

A. OMAOIL AODHA

25 **SHANE HUGHES**

S. O'H AODHA

26 **SHAY GEOGHEGAN**

S. MACEOCHAGÁIN

27 **PADRAIG KEOGH**

P. MAC EOCHADH

MANAGEMENT TEAM

JASON DUNNE

SEAMUS MILEY

BILLY KAVANAGH





BLESSINGTON

BLUE & WHITE

1

JACK SARGENT

2

CLLIAN BAILEY

3

LUKE O'BRIEN

4

LIAM PHIBBS

5

KILLIAN O'CONNELL

6

AUSTIN BRENNAN

7

JAMES DOOLEY

8

DAN COONEY

9

TOMAS FISHER

10

ROBBIE RICHARDSON

11

SAM GOUGH

12

LUKAS SARKAUSKAS

13

MICHAEL O 'TOOLE

14

DANIEL SILK FETHERSTON

15

CONOR RICHARDSON

16

17 RORY CULLEN

18 PATRICK DOHERTY

19 ETHAN MCNALLY

20 ADAM WILLIAMSON

21 ADAM SMITH

22 DYLAN FRIEL

23 DANIEL KEOGH

24 NIAL O'GALLCHOBHAIR

MANAGEMENT TEAM

EOIN PHIBBS
KEVIN DOOLEY
JACK GILLIGAN
JACK COTTER
RONAN CARROLL
TOM O'DONOGHUE
JONATHAN DANIELS





ST. NICHOLAS

GREEN & YELLOW

1

MICKY O'ROURKE



2

JACK REID

3

WILLIE EAGER

4

JOE MILLS

5

CIAN FOX

6

CIAN DEERING

7

RONAN KELLY

8

TADGH MCCARTHY

9

MARK MURTAGH

10

MEITHÉAL CLEARY

11

ANDREW THOMPSON

12

RORY MARTIN

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ADAM BYRNE

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SEAN DOYLE

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SEAN O SULLIVAN

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- 20 JACK KEOGH
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- 22 BEN LAWLESS
- 23 CONOR MANIFOLD
- 24 LIAM METCALFE
- 25 RIAIN WATERS
- 26 EOIN SHERIDAN
- 27 JAMES WALSH
- 28 ÓISÍN O FRIEL

MANAGEMENT TEAM

EDDIE EAGER
MICK MURTAGH
RONAN BYRNE
JAMES GEOGHEGAN
PAUL METCALFE
KEVIN MILEY
THOMAS HARNEY



AN TOCHAR 1995 CHAMPIONS A JUBILEE

Path To The Final

It was a year in which who ever won between Baltinglass and An Tochar a new chapter in the history of the Wicklow Senior Football Championship would be written. Baltinglass were attempting to win their ninth consecutive title and their 21st in all. An Tochar were endeavouring to inscribe their name on the Miley Cup for the first time. While Roundwood won the championship in 1933 it would be a first for An Tochar Club.

Early in the year the sides had met in the Herbie Hill League and the game ended in a draw. An Tochar went on to win the league and capture the Dunne Cup. Both sides had also contested the senior final of '92 with Baltinglass winning on the score of 1-7 to 0-6. Both sides had prepared well for the '95 final. An Tochar defeated Ballymanus in the first round 0-13 to 1-5 in the next round they disposed of East District 0-12 to 0-9 and in the county semi-final Dunlavin fell to the team from the hills on the score 0 -10 to 0-8. Baltinglass on their path to the final, and who had the experience of contesting the past nine finals, defeated Blessington 1-12 to 0-5, in the second round beat Carnew Emmets 3-12 to 0-7 after a reply, in the semi-final Rathnew fell victim to the men from the West on the score line of 1-8 to 0-5.

The Final

An Tochar, playing against the wind in the first half, were playing with fierce determination and driven by one objective to bring the Miley Cup back to Roundwood. The game was only seven minutes old when Brendan Brady floated in a shot from the right wing. Ken Quirke in the Baltinglass goal who had denied the Roundwood men earlier with two great saves let the ball trickle through his legs into the net. It was a blow Baltinglass never recovered from. At the half way stage Baltinglass trailed by 1-3 to 0-4.

After the restart An Tochar increased their lead to 1-7 to 0-4 and Baltinglass failed to score for 18 minutes. Paul Kenny and Robert McHugh reduced the lead and with 6 minutes left McHugh was awarded a penalty which he duly sent to the back of the An Tochar net. However, Philip McGillicuddy and Fergal Mulligan replied by sending over two vital points and while McHugh did score two further points for the Slaney men it was too little too late and An Tochar went on to record a historic victory.

An Tochar 1-09 1-07 Baltinglass

The Teams

An Tochar

Liam Cullen; Nicholas Nolan, Sean Nolan, Alan Jenkinson; Pat Murphy, Philip McGillicuddy (0-1), Joe Price; Murt Davis, Seamus Nolan; Ken Power, Donal McGillicuddy (0-3), Brendan Brady (1-0), Seamus Cullen (0-3), Fergal Mulligan (0-1), Enda McGillicuddy (0-1).

SUBS: Paul Brady for Seamus Nolan.

Baltinglass

Ken Quirke; Declan Humphries, Hugh Kenny, George Bradley; Damien McMahon (0-1), Billy Kenny, Brian Fitzpatrick; Raymond Dann, David Whelan; Liam Horgan (0-1), Paul Kenny (0-2), John O'Keeffe; Andy Owens, Kevin O'Brien, Robert McHugh (1-3).

SUBS: Tommy Murphy for J. O'Keeffe, Thomas Furlong for J. Bradley.



****An Tochar went on to contest the Leinster Club Championship Final and after a drawn game with Eire Óg Carlow, in what was described as one of the greatest exhibition of Gaelic Football in Leinster for many years, they were defeated in the replay**

FOOTBALL HAPPENINGS 25 YEARS AGO

1995

June:

St Patrick's Wicklow defeated St Earnan's Rathnew to win the North East U 12 championship. St Patricks Team: Mark Redmond; Stephen Dunne, Brian Duffy, Patricks Wadden; Finn Christiansen, David Smullen (1-1), Roy Watt; Brian Shannon (2-2), Patrick McWalter (0-2); Alan Smullen, Gary Duffy (2-4), Tony Doyle; Graham Carton, Frances Byrne (0-1), Paul Earls (1-2). Sub David Byrne (0-1).

January:

David Foran County Senior Manager and Peter O' Neill U21 Manager held a challenge game seniors v U21 team. They failed to learn much about the talent on view as the senior won 7-18 to 1-9. In the O' Byrne cup Laois defeated Wicklow 2-14 to 0-6. Tinahely had lots to spare (3-9 to 0-7) in their win over St Patricks Wicklow

February:

Meath defeated Wicklow 3-8 to 0-10 in a challenge game in Aughrim; Conan Daye scored 8 of Wicklow's ten points. In the Murphy Cup Wicklow turned the tables on Laois when they won on the score 1-9 to 1-8. Damien McMahon was the Wicklow star scoring 1-4 of his side's total. Tinahely qualified for the DIV 1 final of the Laser Line league when they defeated Aughrim 2-9 to 3-3.

March:

The County U21 team had a good win over Waterford 2-7 to 0-9. Ashford became the first major winner of a trophy when they defeated Kilmacanogue to win the Div. 2 of the Laser Line League. In the NFL Wicklow had a big 3-16 to 0-4 win over Kilkenny. Wicklow went down to Monaghan in the NFL 1-9 to 1-7. Conan Dayes scored the entire score of 1-7 for Wicklow. Luck ran out for our U21 footballers when they went down to Louth 2-7 to 1-8 in the Leinster Championship.

April:

Dunlavin lifted the Murphy Cup in Ballymore. In the Tournament final first round they beat Eadstown 0-10 to 1-5. In the final they defeated Kilcullen 3-15 to 3-2. One of the few survivors of the All-Ireland Junior winning team of 1936 Jack Walsh from Donard died. On the playing fields Jack was known as Dick the "Gunner".

May:

In the first round of the Leinster Minor Football championship Wicklow were outclassed 0-15 to 0-8 by a very skilful Westmeath team. Wicklow recorded a good win 0-9 to 0-3 over Westmeath in the Leinster Senior Championship.

August:

In the Ovington Cup Final Dunlavin staged a great last quarter rally to come from behind to capture the trophy. Dave Foran was reappointed as manager of the county Senior Football Team for one more year. Blessington defeated Bray Emmets in the MFC 2-13 to 0-10. Mark Richardson was the Blessington marksman supreme scoring 2-6. A Tochar had two points to spare, 0-10 to 0-8, in their county SFC Semi-Final game with Dunlavin.

September:

Ashford qualified for their first final in 21 years when they had a convincing win over An Tochar in the Junior "A" Football Championship. St Bridget's defeated Michael Dwyer's 2-15 to 1-9 in the CMFC Final. A Tochar defeated Baltinglass in the County SFC Final.

October:

Donard/The Glen made their return to senior football after an absence of four decades when they accomplished victory over Shillelagh 1-7 to 0-8 in the Intermediate final. Stratford had five points to spare 2-8 to 1-6 over Hollywood in the Timmins Cup Final. Wicklow defeated London 3-13 to 0-8 in the NFL. Ashford's barren years came to a thrilling end when they over-came Kilbride 1-9 to 1-7 in the Junior "A" football Championship Final. The Cup was presented to Ashford Captain Timmy Linehan by County Chairman Pat Lawless.

November:

Wicklow made the long trip to Tipperary and collected two valuable league points when they defeated the home side 1-13 to 1-8. County Chairman Pat Lawless launched the 1995/6 Laser line leagues at a reception in the Arklow Bay Hotel

December:

Wicklow County Tourism and the Wicklow County GAA Board joined forces to launch a new supporters Club. In the replay of the Leinster Club Senior Football final An Tochar went down to Eire Og 0-15 to 1-8.

ADAPTING TO THE NEW NORMAL

Adversity breeds Innovation, and this is definitely the case when it comes to the birth of Wicklow GAA TV. With restricted numbers allowed attend our Championship games for this season, Wicklow GAA brought forward plans to introduce a dedicated streaming service for our games.

We had a large number of interested vendors, and at the end of a thorough selection process it was decided to partner with 247.TV as our Streaming provider and with the team at Garden County Sport for the match-day production – a three-way partnership to deliver the best quality experience for viewers. Not everything went perfect, we experienced some issues along the way – it was a steep learning curve for everyone involved!

Wicklow GAA TV will stream over thirty live Championship games over a seven-week period, an intensive schedule that has involved serious investment of time, finances and energy. The feedback has been superb and with the main aim being to provide an outlet for our Clubs supporters to view their matches, this initiative has been a real success, albeit in very difficult circumstances.

All at Wicklow GAA wish to thank everyone who has registered with Wicklow GAA TV this year, the support has been incredible and we are looking forward to two successful County Final weekends.



BALTINGLASS U20 CLAIM 2018 TITLE

Baltinglass 1-09

1-07 Arklow Geraldines Ballymoney

Baltinglass's last adult final was the 2018 Under 20 final when they produced a brilliant second half performance to defeat AGB 2-13 to 1-7 for the inaugural Peter Keogh Memorial Cup, a very prestigious trophy in memory of the great man, who gave so much to GAA in Wicklow. In their first game they had an emphatic win over Michael Dwyers, they followed that up with an equally impressive win over St. Pats. Next up, a place in the semi-final against Blessington, which they also won comfortably.

That team was backboned by current senior players, Mark Jackson, Dan Kelly, Adam Mc Hugh, who scored 1-6 on that day, and Cian Lee. Also on the team that day were Seán Doody and Johnny Keogh plus current senior panellists Jordan Deans, Aaron Barrett, Jason Steed, Paddy Kirwan, Karl Furlong, Tadhg O' Toole, Liam Fisher and Jack Timmins.

The manager of that team was Billy Cullen who lines out at centre back on the senior team. They went into that final game as hot favourites but struggled in the early stages and only led by 1-4 to 1-3 at half time. However whatever Billy said to the lads at half time had the desired effect and they produced a brilliant second half performance to outscore their opponents. Captain Mark Jackson lifted the trophy on Sunday 25th November in Aughrim to the delight of the Balto supporters.



TINAHELY GAA - KEEPING THE FLAME ALIVE

1984 - Present

The Tinahely Senior Team that defeated Valkeymount to win the Miley Cup in our associations centenary year was a golden generation emanating out of many years of hard work at juvenile, minor and under 21 grades. This squad of players became the first Wicklow Club to reach a Leinster Final and was defeated in that final by Dublin's St Vincent's.

The economic recession of the early 1980's decimated the talent available and many of that team were forced to emigrate and our small rural village did not have the depth to replace them.

However, like every GAA Club community, a combination of volunteers and players kept the flame alive nurturing juvenile squads at all grades to transfer the skills and joy of the game to the next generation.

The history and cultural contribution of our club towards the foundation of our association and our independence movement was also marked in 2001 with the Commemoration of the Centenary (1901-2001) of Luke O'Tooles election as first full time Secretary of the GAA.

In the new millennium came a new determination to nurture our juvenile talent and keep them playing football in Tinahely through to adult grades. This focus began to pay dividends in 2003 with Tinahely reaching the Wicklow County Junior C Finals.

Tinahely made it back to the Senior grade when in 2005 they defeated Ballymanus on the 13th November by 2-7 to 1-7 to win the Intermediate Football Championship.

Our juvenile setup was also expanded and deepened and 2007 is a good example of the hard work of many paying off with Luke O'Tooles winning the Wicklow Minor Shield. Luke O'Tooles defeated Ballinacor on the 17th November 2007 in Wicklow. The score line was O'Tooles 2-11, Ballinacor 0-6. The same year Tinahely also achieved honours with Luke O'Tooles winning Wicklow Under 16A Shield, Tinahely Under 14C Champions, and Tinahely Under 12B Championship.

Tinahely GAA now had the depth and co-ordination of all squads and grades thanks to the hard work of a large number of volunteers, parents and supporters. Tinahely Ladies club founded in 2007 began a journey that was to lead to winning 9 Senior Championships. Their extraordinary example has inspired all our teams to achieve their full potential.

Our Senior Men won the Keating Cup in 2007 defeating Hollywood by 1.12 to 0.10. The following year saw the development and opening of our new clubhouse with dressing rooms, a gym, and meeting areas. The President of the Association Nicky Brennan opened the facility in June of 2008 to much fanfare and ceremony. Another recession and once again we lost some of our young talented footballers to emigration, but the Club kept going, modernising and training of coaches and mentors and nurturing the players at all levels and grades.

The work on and off the pitch paid off and in 2018 Tinahely Men won the Intermediate Championship and regained the target of Senior status.

Our Junior C team also won the Championship in 2018. The team of 2018 became the core of the current squad and have been added to substantially with the inclusion of players who only last year won the Under 20 Championship for the first time since the early 1980's.

Our Club at all levels had targets and ambitions for the 2020 season but nobody predicted the Covid crisis and the resulting lockdown which forced the cessation of all GAA activities. Credit to our players who stayed the course and maintained their own fitness plans throughout the lockdown and were only too delighted to see the return of championship football as were the wider GAA family in Tinahely.

The squad, the trainers and the management team have brought much joy to our village during a very difficult time and on behalf of the Club we wish them all the best today

Tinahely Abú



DO YOU REMEMBER THE FIRST

TIME?

Intermediate Football Championship Final, November 3rd 2002

Coolkenno 0-11 0-7 St Patrick's

Sunday, November 3rd 2002 was to be a red letter day in the history of Coolkenno GAA – the day 'the Carlow border club', as we are often called, came of age.

Under the expert tutelage of 1992 All Ireland Champion Brian Murray, a side brimming with youthful exuberance took on an almost equally youthful St Patrick's. Despite the presence of intercounty players such as Don Jackman, Stevie Cushe and Paddy Dalton, Coolkenno were considered to be massive underdogs going into the final. When the opposition is one of the traditional aristocrats of Wicklow GAA and you are among the youngest clubs in the county, experiencing the high of a first ever final at the grade, it was always going to be thus.

As often happens with finals played late in the year, the conditions were far from ideal for football, with a strong wind blowing into the town end goal. It appeared the proverbial game of two halves awaited. We would have wind advantage in the first half.

In the event, we were to make good use of it. Although then-county minor Paul Earls opened the scoring for Pat's that was the only time in the game the hot favourites were ahead. A 22 year-old Don Jackman equalised with the first of the seven points he would hit on the day. Niall Butler put us in front before full-forward Brian Rossiter made it 0-3 to 0-1 after just seven minutes. The so-called underdogs were showing that they weren't fazed by their status, very much taking the game to the pre-match favourites.

The first half continued in a similar vein with Earls leading the Pat's fight only for Jackman et al to respond in kind. Jackman was proving imperious with the boot, from play and placed balls, hitting three more big scores before half time. Brian Rossiter also chipped in to make it 0-7 to 0-3 at the short whistle. Neutrals in the crowd opined that the four-point lead wouldn't be enough, given the conditions. They didn't, however, take into account the tenacity of the of the Coolkenno defence.

Jackman made it a five-point game with an early point before the Pat's onslaught began. However, try as they might, Pat's never really looked like getting back into the game. Mark Timmins, Niall Keogh and Stevie Cushe were all heroic at the back. When they did get through, John Slattery found Paddy Wilson in unbeatable form, tipping his piledriver over in the dying seconds. Referee Jimmy O'Shaughnessy's final whistle sounded moments later, heralding joyous celebrations among the Coolkenno faithful, many of whom had been present on that fateful night almost 22 years before when the club was founded.

The Team

Paddy Wilson, Barry Doyle, Mark Timmins, Cathal Rossiter, Niall Keogh, Stevie Cushe, Paul Keogh, Frank Bailey, Paddy Dalton, Niall Butler (0-1), Don Jackman (0-7), Colin Murphy (0-1), Eamonn Rossiter, Brian Rossiter (0-2), Mark Farrell.

Fir Ionaí: Paul Murphy and Ger Nolan



Líne Chúil: Paul Murphy, Jim Cushe, Ger Nolan, Mark Farrell, Don Jackman, Niall Butler, Don Jackman, Paddy Wilson, Barry Doyle, Colin Murphy, Paul Keogh, Frank Bailey, Anthony Keogh, Stevie Donoghue

Líne Thosaigh: Aidan Tierney, Robert Keogh, Eamonn Rossiter, Stevie Cushe, Mark Timmins, Niall Keogh, Paddy Dalton, Brian Rossiter, Keith Butler, Cathal Rossiter, Peter Sutton

DONARD-THE GLEN ARE BACK AGAIN ON

20 YEARS

Donard-Glen are back in an Intermediate County Final, a full-score years since they last graced a big-match day in Aughrim. Even though there have been many changes in personnel in the intervening years, two hardened warriors still remain from that famous victory against Dunlavin in 2000 – Brian Lennon and Laurence Daly. Both these “lads” have made a very big contribution to the team’s reaching of the 2020 decider, and both are absolutely determined to book-end their careers with Intermediate Championship success.

At the other end of the scale are newbies, Jack Grace and Shane Daly, both final-years at St Kevin’s Community School, along with keeper, Brian Keogh, who have been showing maturity beyond their years with high-quality performances throughout their first year at this level.

With this combination of youth and experience, Donard-Glen hope to emulate the exploits of the “Team of the Millennium”, and bring the cup back to their faithful and patient supporters who, reared on a glorious footballing pedigree, are hungry to welcome back a new generation of heroes.



THE DONARD/GLEN TEAM THAT WON THE COUNTY INTERMEDIATE FINAL -2000
Back Row (L to R): Kevin Twomey, Liam Twomey, Brian Lennon, Enda Walshe, Shane O'Neill, Michael Daly,
Dan O'Neill, Séan Doyle. Front Row (L to R): Declan O'Neill, Colm Toomey, Thomas Byrne, Laurence Daly,
Brendan Daly Ollie O'Neill.

The date was Sunday, September 29th in 1974, a day that will long be remembered around the firesides from Kilmartin to Milltown and from Killiskey to Killoughter.

The sun shone but a little breeze made it comfortable as we made our way by car and buses from all parts of the Ashford parish. We hoped for success, but we wondered would the dream come true.

How many times we had hoped before and lost? But this had been a different year. Captain Mick Farrell had been with us right from the start and the boys were as fit as fiddles. He brought down army teams to get us into shape. We trained three nights a week and as the big day approached we began to feel the kind of confidence that is necessary when it comes to a final.

Cars went through Glenealy by the dozens the support was tremendous. There were some last minute scares. John Manning had gone to Tralee to see the roses and wasn't back. But no rose could keep John and he was back in good time. Farrell gave his last pep talk in the dressing room. Justin Carthy the nephew of captain Brian was the mascot, the tension was frightening but now the waiting was over and the big game was on.

We must have kicked every ball with the lads through the first half and we must have scored a few because we were two points ahead at half time. However we had not had a good first half and Farrell told them so at half time. He was making changes. Brian Carthy moved to centre back and Philip Behan was gone inside to full back.

However a horrendous opening ten minutes see us drop four behind. It's the old story once again. No, it's not Farrell's switch is paying off and Noel Carthy is on his way to goal when he is tumbled. Pat Connor sticks the penalty in the corner of the net and the Ashford crowd is in great voice again. Three minutes later Aughrim explodes as young John Manning shakes the net again and the 90 year old dream may be coming through. But there is still five minutes left and anything can happen, but it's for us it happens. Big Pat Lawless hits the final goal and it's all over. Im in another world and Ashford are champions. There is utter bedlam as we head for the cup.

The long wait is over and the club that was once the cradle of the GAA are the champions. All the way home the flags are flying. As we come down Ballinalea we see the bonfire in Synnott's car park. The celebrations go on for a fortnight. It's nice being the Secretary of the club when we won our first senior title. It really was worth the wait.



1974

ASHFORD'S MAIDEN VICTORY

By Tom McHugh

Ashford 4-04

Carnew 1-08

VALLEYMOUNT HOPING TO RELIVE THAT 1998 FEELING

Last County Final:

After losing 3 Finals in the 90's our last Junior A County Final win was in 1998 in Aughrim against Coolkenno. We defeated Coolkenno 1-07 to 0-05 on the day. The County Chairman, at the time, Mick Hagan presented the cup to our Captain Pat Reid.

Our Junior A team qualified for the Boom Platform Hire Wicklow Junior A Football Championship County Final in 2018 but lost out by one point to Kilcoole. It was a long awaited 14 years since the Junior A's qualified for the County Final, and 20 years since their last win.



SENIOR

INTERMEDIATE

ROUND 1

Tinahely 2-18 V Kiltegan 3-16
Dunlavin 0-10 V Baltinglass 0-13
Newtown 2-10 V Éire Óg Greystones 0-12
Rathnew 0-12 V Bray Emmets Gaa Club 4-13

ROUND 2

Blessington 0-9 V Baltinglass 1-10
Avondale 4-14 V Kiltegan 1-11
St Patrick's Wicklow 1-18 V Newtown 0-11
AGB 2-7 V Bray Emmets Gaa Club 0-9

ROUND 3

Rathnew 2-20 V Blessington 2-19
Éire Óg Greystones 0-22 V Kiltegan 2-17
Dunlavin 3-11 V Newtown 0-10
Tinahely 1-15 V Bray Emmets Gaa Club 1-12

QUARTER FINALS

AGB 0-10 V Rathnew 0-7
St Patrick's Wicklow 0-18 V Tinahely 3-11
Baltinglass 3-12 V Kiltegan 1-11
Avondale 6-13 V Dunlavin 0-13

SEMI FINALS

Avondale 2-13 V Tinahely 2-13 (Winner After Penalties)
AGB 2-7 V Baltinglass 1-13

ROUND 1

Annacurra 1-9 V Donard-The Glen 1-14
Laragh 1-18 V Stratford-Grangecon 1-15
Ballinacor 1-13 V An Tóchar 1-14
Ballymanus 1-9 V Coolkenno 1-10

ROUND 2

St Patrick's Kilcoole 1-12 V Laragh 1-11
Carnew 1-11 V Coolkenno 2-9
Kilmacanogue 2-10 V Donard-The Glen 1-10
Hollywood 0-7 V An Tóchar 2-5

ROUND 3

Annacurra 2-13 V Hollywood 1-12
Stratford-Grangecon 0-10 V Carnew 1-9
Ballinacor 1-6 V Laragh 1-11
Ballymanus 2-6 V Donard-The Glen 0-13

QUARTER FINALS

St Patrick's Kilcoole 0-15 V Annacurra 0-8
(Winner After Penalties) Kilmacanogue 1-14 V Carnew 1-14
An Tóchar 1-6 V Donard-The Glen 2-9
(Winner After Penalties) Coolkenno 1-12 V Laragh 0-15

SEMI FINALS

Carnew 1-9 V Donard-The Glen 1-10
Coolkenno 1-13 V St Patrick's Kilcoole 2-9

THE PATH TO THIS YEARS

FINALS

BALTINGLASS

A HISTORY

Since the foundation of the Gaelic Athletic Association in 1884, football has been played in Baltinglass. The club originally played under the name Maurice Davins but experienced little success until 1913. In 1913, known as Baltinglass Shamrocks, the club won their first Junior title. This was the delayed 1912 Junior final which was played in Croke Park. The next achievement for the club came in 1927, where Baltinglass won the Wicklow Senior Hurling title. The town experienced a lack of following for football in the early thirties. In order to re-establish the earlier interest in football, a club meeting was held in 1934, which saw the foundation of the thriving club we have today.

In the coming years the club worked hard to restore the previous enthusiasm and standard of football. The club's efforts were rewarded in 1940, winning a minor title. Following this team's success, Baltinglass secured the 1943 Junior title and gained promotion to the Intermediate ranks. Efforts were put into the club's Juvenile section in the early fifties. As a result of this hard work, the minor team flourished, winning four titles in a row from 1952-1955. Fundraising efforts for a playing pitch bore fruit in 1957. The present playing pitch was bought at this time.

With the abolishment of the Intermediate grade in 1954, Wicklow County Board promoted Baltinglass to the Senior grade. The club reached their first Senior final just two years later. Despite coming out on the wrong end of the result in this match, a new era was beginning.

A huge milestone was achieved in 1958 when Baltinglass won their first Wicklow Senior title. The club experienced much success throughout the following four decades, with the Miley cup regularly coming to Baltinglass in this time. Four county titles-including three in a row- were achieved in the sixties, four titles were captured in the seventies, six in the eighties and five in the nineties. Baltinglass footballers' most impressive run saw eight Senior titles in a row earned from 1987 to 1994. Baltinglass were victorious in the Leinster club championship in 1989. The club's greatest achievement followed on St. Patrick's Day in 1990 when Baltinglass won the much sought-after Andy Merigan cup and were crowned All-Ireland club champions.

Every honour available in Wicklow football has been achieved by the club including the cherished Intermediate title in 1993 and numerous leagues and tournaments. Baltinglass won the Senior title again in 2007 and most recently in 2016. In 2018, we won the inaugural Wicklow U20 Football Championship. Today Baltinglass GAA's facilities for players, members and supporters are second to none. In the past decade, the Ladies section of our club has gone from strength to strength. Beginning with success in 2009, which saw Baltinglass girls win the U12, U14 and U16 championships. After winning the Junior County Final in 2010, Baltinglass Ladies became a Senior team. Further efforts came to fruition in 2014 when Baltinglass won their first Senior ladies title. Today, the Ladies section of the club have a Senior and a Junior team, as well as juvenile teams from U8 to minor. The improvement in the number of young girls playing is thanks to a successful Gaelic4Girls initiative which introduced girls to the game in a fun and safe way. Baltinglass Ladies won both the Senior B and Junior A Championship in 2019.

In the men's part of the club, we currently have one Senior team and two Junior teams. We also have underage boys' teams from U7 to minor and an U6 academy squad for boys and girls aged four and over. We are very fortunate to have very dedicated, qualified and hard-working coaches involved with every team in our club. Baltinglass GAA maintains strong links with the local primary and secondary schools to promote our club and GAA within the local community, which along with activities such as club fun days ensures participation and enjoyment levels among our young members is kept at a high standard.

BALTINGLASS



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MEET THE PLAYERS 2020

BALTINGLASS

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
Kevin Murphy	28	Teacher

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

Leighton Glynn, because I could never lay a hand on him.

Team you most like to beat?

Always like to beat Blessington so I can show my face in school.

Proudest day?

2016 Co. Final

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

2013 Co. Final

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

Chris Conway who coached me at schools level.

Who is the joker on the panel?

Tadhg O'Toole - loves a laugh

Who is the best dressed?

Jason Kennedy has a bit of style to him

Who is the worst dressed?

Jason Steed - has a few dodgy shirts

What player from another sport do you admire?

Virgil Van Dijk

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Jurgen Klopp

THE PLAYERS



Peadar Burke
Quantity Surveyor, 31
1 Senior Championship



Adam McHugh
Student, 22
Senior, Junior B, U20 championship



Paddy Kirwan
Student, 21
1 U20 Championship



Pat Burke
Electrician, 23
1 Senior Championship



Mickey English
Electrician, 32
2 minor, Junior A Championship,
Junior C Championship, Leinster
minor championship



Tom Burke
Site Engineer, 23
1 Senior Championship



Jason Steed
Student, 19
Minor, U20 championship



David Gethings
Accountant, 24
1 Senior Championship



Dan Kelly
Quantity Surveyor, 22
Senior, U20 Championship



Jason Kennedy
Social Care Worker, 30
1 Senior Championship



Sean O'Brien
Product Technician, 33
2 Senior Championships



Mark Jackson
Sales Executive, 22
Senior, U20, Junior B championship



Chris Heaslip
Metal Fabricator, 22
Senior, Junior B Championship



Liam Fisher
Student, 20
Minor, U 20 Championship



Aaron Barrett
Electrician, 22
U20, Junior B Championship



Tadhg O'Toole
Student, 20
Minor, U20 Championship



Karl Furlong
Student, 19
Minor, U20 championship



John Murray
Farmer, 32
1 Senior Championship



William Rogers
Student, 20
Minor, U20 Championship



Billy Cullen
Fireman, 35
2 Senior, 1 Minor Championship



Cian Lee

Student, 21
U20 Championship



Seán Doody

Student
Minor, U20 Championship



Jordan Deans

Student, 20
Minor, U20 Championship



Jack Timmins

Student, 22
U20, Junior B championship



Stephen Heaslip

Marketing Executive, 26
Senior, Junior A Championship



Johnny Keogh

Student, 19
Minor, U20 Championship



Patrick Whelan

Student, 19
Minor, U20 Championship



John McGrath

Procurement Manager, 33
2 Senior, 2 Minor, Leinster Minor
Junior A Championship

THE MANAGEMENT



TINAHELY A HISTORY

1886: Earliest archival material recording a GAA presence in Tinahely in 1886 with James Kavanagh of Ballinamanogue as Tinahely GAA Secretary

1886: Tinahely was represented by M Healy and J O'Toole.

1887: Tinahely played their first ever game of football on the 18th September

1887: When the beat Aughavannagh in a friendly in a field near the old An Oige Hostel in Aughavannagh. The game aroused such interest and excitement that it encouraged the formation of a number of clubs in West Wicklow including Rathangan, Baltinglass, Barraderry, Kyle, Imaal, Hollywood, Ballyknockan and Kilbride.

1901: Luke O'Toole (From Ballycumber Tinahely) elected Ard Runai of the GAA, becomes first full time Secretary of Association in 1913, negotiates the purchase of Croke Park and was present on Bloody Sunday November 1920. Died in 1929 and is buried in Killaveney cemetery Tinahely.

1911: The Tinahely GAA Club was revived as St. Patricks at a meeting on the 11th January 1911, with new officers, WJ Doyle, John Cowman, J Needham and Tom Hanley. New management would play an instrumental role in victories by the end of the decade.

1917: Tinahely won the Senior Football Championship in 1917 when they beat Blessington in Baltinglass on the 14th April 1918.

1918: Tinahely beat Annacurra in the Wicklow Co. Football final, but following an objection, both teams were disqualified, and the championship was deemed null and void.

1919: Tinahely reach the County Football Final of 1919 and defeated Baltinglass at Hacketstown in the 14th March

1920: The score was Tinahely 1-3, Baltinglass 1-0.

1924: Tinahely GAA Club lapsed around 1924.

1957: The Tinahely GAA Juvenile Section was established in 1957. Founder members were Des Morris, Jim Whelan, Jim Robinson, Martin Morris and Michael Hassett. Meetings were initially held in Morris' Shop, Lugduff and then the Billiard Hall, Tinahely.

1958: The Ballinglen Football Team of 1958 played Avoca in the first round of the Football Championship. Most of these players would then join the re-established Tinahely GAA Club in 1961

1959: Within two years the Tinahely U14 team were in the Wicklow County Football Final but were beaten by a strong Ashford team in Aughrim on 6th September 1959.

1961: On the 8th December 1961 at an historic meeting in the Billiard Hall, Tinahely GAA Club was officially re-established after a lapse of almost 40 years. Its first elected officers were Gerry McGrath, Des Morris and Frank Murphy. Most of the early membership included Tinahely and Ballinglen players who had played for Ballinglen in the early 1950's. When the Ballinglen Club ceased to exist in 1959, players had transferred to neighbouring GAA clubs including Knockananna, Ballymanus, Annacura and Coolboy. With the formation of the club in 1961, these players have been transferred again to the re-established Tinahely GAA Club

1969: Tinahely: Wicklow County Junior Football Champions 1969. Tinahely defeated Laragh 3-3 to 0-6 on the 3rd November 1969.

1972: Tinahely defeated St Kevin's, Bray 0-3 to 0-2 on the 3rd September 1972 earning them the title of Wicklow County Under 12 Football Champions 1972. Following the Under 12 inspiring victory in 1972, the 'Sports Field' was officially handed over to Tinahely GAA Club by Fr. William Stafford PP and the Parish Trustees on behalf of Killaveney Parish. Development of the grounds began in 1973 and cost £7000.

1973: Visit of the SAM MAGUIRE TO TINAHELY – Willie Bryan, All Ireland Senior Football Winner (Offaly 1972) brought the Sam Maguire to Tinahely in February 1973 and presented medals to the successful Under 12 Tinahely Champions of 1972.

1974: Tinahely become the Under 14 Wicklow County Football Champions 1974 when they defeated St. Kevin's, Bray 2-7 to 1-4. The Cup was presented afterwards to Seamus Morris, as Captain by Chairman of the Juvenile Board, Mr Ned Coughlan.

1978: Opening of the New Tinahely Grounds St Kevin's Park May 1978. Tinahely beat Baltinglass 2-8 to 2-2 on Sunday 17th September 1978 at Aughrim to become the Wicklow County Minor Champions 1978. Tinahely: Senior Football Team are the Kavanagh Cup Winners 1978

1980: Tinahely: Wicklow County Under 21 Champions of 1980 beating Blessington in the final 2-11 to 2-1 on the 5th October 1980 in Aughrim.

1981: Tinahely won the Junior B Championship in 1981 defeating Bray 3-09 to 2-11

1982: Tinahely defeated St. Kevin's 2-7 to 1-4 to become the Wicklow Under 21 Football Champions 1982

1984: Tinahely GAA Centenary Year Wicklow Senior Football Champions Tinahely defeated Valkeymount 1-15 to 2-2 on Sunday 16th September. This was the first Senior Victory since 1919. Tinahely GAA become first Wicklow Club to reach Leinster Final losing to St Vincent's (Dublin) 1-3, 1-13

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MEET THE PLAYERS 2020

TINAHELY

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
Michael Byrne	33	Painter/Decorator

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

Seanie Furlong, he has it all

Team you most like to beat?

Carnew or Coolkenno, any local derby

Proudest day?

Being Captain for today's final

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

Relegation in 2017

Who is the worst dressed?

James Hedderman

What player from another sport do you admire?

Katie Taylor

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Brian Cody

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

Stephen (Choco) Hickey

Who is the joker on the panel?

James Tyrell

Who is the best dressed?

Conor Hatton

THE PLAYERS



Adam Hadden

Student, 18
U20 Championship



Alan Lillis

Security Guard, 20
u16, U20 Championship



Alan Dillon

Electrician, 23
Intermediate Championship



Alan Nolan

Warehouse Operative, 37
2 Intermediate Championships



Bradley Hickey
Student, 18
U16, U20 Championship



Eoghan Byrne
Student, 19
U16, U20 Championship



Brian Walsh
Electrical Chargehand, 29
Intermediate Championship



Eoin Darcy
Student, 19
U16, U20 Championship, All Ireland
Minor All Star 18'



Cillian McDonald
Student, 18
U20 Championship



Fionn Furlong
Student, 20
U20, Intermediate Championship



Conor Hatton
Farmer, 26
Intermediate Championship



James Hedderman
Student, 20
U16, U20, Intermediate
Championship



Curtis Keating
Quantity Surveyor, 21
U16, U20, Intermediate
Championship



James Tyrell
Student, 19
U16, U20, Intermediate
Championship



Daniel Hedderman
Student, 18
U16, U20 Championship



Jason Cush
Factory Worker, 27
Intermediate Championship



John Blake
Teacher, 34
2 Intermediate Championships



Paddy O'Rourke
Truck Driver, 27
Carpenter Cup Queensland
Australia. Intermediate
Championship



Kevin Mulhall
Student, 20
U16, U20, Intermediate
Championships



Rory Stokes
Electrician, 21
U16, U20, Intermediate
Championships



Matthew Ging
Student, 18
U16, U20 Championship



Shane Hogan
Construction Worker, 27
Carpenter Cup Queensland
Australia



Michael Byrne
Painter/Decorator, 33
2 Intermediate Championships



Tony Darcy
Managing Director, 38
2 Intermediate Championships



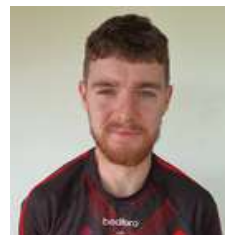
Niall Gorman
Accountant, 23
Intermediate Championship



William Dillon
Physical Therapist, 33
2 Intermediate Championships



Noel Mulhall
Army Private, 22
Intermediate Championship



Willie Quaile
Machine Operator, 25
Intermediate Championships

THE MANAGEMENT



Alan Costelloe (Manager), Tommy McDonald, Stephen Hickey, Shane Kenny, Stephen Perry

COOLKENNO

A HISTORY

Coolkenno GAA was created in November 1980 when John Byrne (The Crablane), Jim Walker, Myles Keogh, Liam O'Rourke, Jack Bowes and Viv Sandes came together and recruited players across the wider Coolkenno area to help form a team that would compete in Junior level. Apart from the founders, stalwarts such as Noel Murphy, Cathal Friel, Mick Carty, Percy Fitzharris, Ned Rossiter, the Bowes, the Farrells, the Doyleys and Wilson families would dedicate their time to preserve the club. Their first years saw fantastic enthusiasm and commitment from the entire local community in help and support.

Throughout the 1980s, Coolkenno succeeded in many of the Junior and multi-grade tournaments with the O'Reilly Cup being their first cup win (1983) before reaching their first championship final in September 1988 against Éire Óg. Unfortunately, they would lose this final but a strong juvenile element, under Patsy Cushe, Dominic Nolan and Pat Sutton, saw fresh and disciplined players continuously rising up throughout the 1990s. They would reach a final in 1994 against Carnew Emmets which saw an epic replay. Again, they would lose this. Their first championship success was in December 1997 against Hollywood. Between 1997 and 2003, the Club would see rapid successes with promotion to Junior A and later to the Intermediate ranks. Players, Steven Cushe, Don Jackman and Paddy Dalton would represent the Club at county level for many years.

In 2002, Coolkenno were promoted to Senior ranks for the first time having beaten St Patrick's. Coolkenno's second team would succeed in the 2003 Junior C Championship. Coolkenno would maintain their status in the Senior ranks until 2010 when they were relegated. An amalgamation was formed with Shillelagh GFC into creating St Mary's. This project saw Wicklow Senior success in its first year in 2011. This entity would end in 2013 when Coolkenno, under Steven Cushe, succeeded in getting promoted to Senior ranks once again.

COOLKENNO



Líne Chúil: Ben Jackman, Paul Keogh, Colin Murphy, Adam O'Neill, Eoghan Dolan, John: Gregan, Cathal Rossiter, Pauric Coleman-Murray, Niall Bailey, Conor Doyle, James Gregan

Líne Thosaigh: Damien Geraghty, Niall Byrne, William Doyle, Cormac Byrne, Conor Walker, Daniel O'Neill, Eamonn Rossiter, Donal Doyle, Jack Maxwell, Jim Cushe, Robert Keogh, Paddy Dalton

MEET THE TEAMS 2020

COOLKENNO

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
Eoghan Dolan	22	Apprentice Electrician

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

I'd have to say Mark Kenny from Ballymanus, the man doesn't stop running!

Team you most like to beat?

Carnew, doesn't happen too often but felt good this year, especially after playing with most of them for a few years!

Proudest day?

Winning the U16 double A championships with Carnew, winning the league with Coolkenno last year was also one of the better days!

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

Getting relegated with Coolkenno 3 years ago

Who is the worst dressed?

Eamonn Rossiter, I may book him into a fashion stylist when all this is over

What player from another sport do you admire?

Only the best Stevie Gerrard

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Jürgen Klopp, the man would have anyone believing, even make Don Jackman believe he could kick a score!

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

My father and Jim Bob Doyle from Carnew.

Who is the joker on the panel?

Don Jackman is a man for the jokes

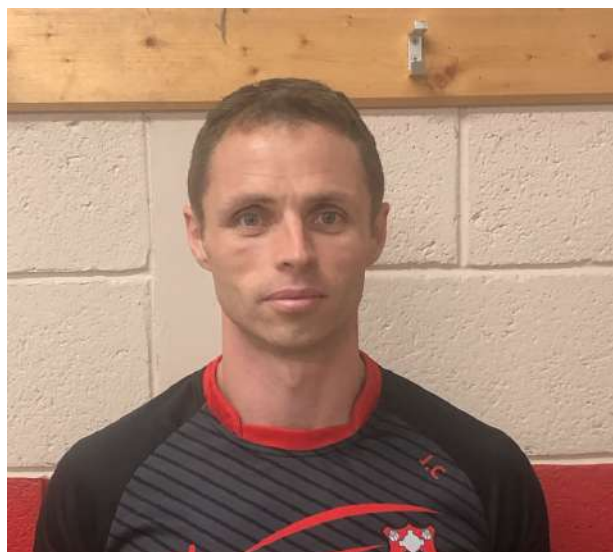
Who is the best dressed?

Cormac Byrne but Paddy Dalton likes to think he has some sort of fashion sense too!

MEET THE TEAMS 2020

COOLKENNO

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
Jim Cushe	35	Garda

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

Too many to mention

Team you most like to beat?

Definitely too many to mention 🙄

Proudest day?

2013 intermediate final win/2011 senior final win

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

2010 senior relegation final defeat

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

Family

Who is the joker on the panel?

Few candidates, Eoghan Dolan

Who is the best dressed?

Willie Doyle

Who is the worst dressed?

Donie Doyle

What player from another sport do you admire?

Rafael Nadal

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Brian Cody

THE MANAGEMENT



Patsy Cushe (Maor Foirne), John Keogh (Roghnóir), Stevie Cushe (Bainisteoir), Don Jackman (roghnóir)

**Jack Maxwell****Student, 24**

2019 Division 2 FL

**Niall Bailey****Student, 20**

2019 Division 2 FL

**John Gregan****Farmer, 23**

2019 Division 2 FL

**Niall Byrne****Student, 17**2019 Wicklow Scór na nÓg
Tráth na gCeist**Paddy Dalton****Financial Advisor, 38**

1994 U-14 , 2 Intermediate (2002, 2013), 2 Division 2 Leagues (2013, 2019), Division 1A League (2014), 2011 Senior (St Mary's), 2007 Tommy Murphy Cup, 2012 Division 4 NFL, 2002 Leinster U-21 Final (Wicklow), 1997 Leinster Vocational Schools A FC (Tullow CS)

**Adam O'Neill****Builder, 27**

2005 Carlow Cumann na mBunscol (Ballyconnell NS), 2010 Minor C

**Ben Jackman****Farmer, 30**

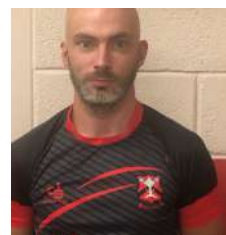
2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2013 Intermediate FC, 2014 Division 1A FL

**Colin Murphy****Factory Manager, 41**

Junior B (1997), 2 Intermediate (2002, 2013), 2 Division 2 Leagues (2013, 2019), Division 1A FL (2014), 2011 Senior (St Mary's), 2003 Leinster & All Ireland Junior FC (Wicklow) 5 Leinster Interfirms (Burnside)

**Conor Doyle****Business Development, 33**

1998 SE U12 FC, 2000 U14 SE League and Championship, 2001 U16 SE League, 2003 Junior C FC, 2003 Leinster Vocational Schools A FC (Tullow CS)

**Conor Walker****Stone Mason, 34**

2001 Minor B FC, 2003 Junior C FC, 2013 Intermediate FC, 2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2014 Division 1A FL, 2011 Senior FC (St Mary's)

**Cathal Rossiter****Asphalt Contractor, 36**

2 Intermediate (2002, 2013), 2 Division 2 Leagues (2013, 2019), Division 1A League (2014), Wicklow Minor B (2001), 2011 Senior Football (St Mary's), All Ireland Interfirms (2018), 2012 Division 4 NFL (Wicklow)

**Cormac Byrne****Owner of Bluezone Fitness, 27**

2010 Minor C FC, 2013 Intermediate FC, 2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2014 Division 1A FL, 2019 Division, 2005 Carlow Cumann na mBunscol (Ballyconnell NS)

**Damien Geraghty****Garda, 32**

Mayo Minor Division 1 League, Mayo Division 3 FL (both Swinford), 2019 Wicklow Division 2 FL



Daniel O'Neill
Apprentice Electrician, 21



Donal Doyle
Fund Administrator, 35
1998 S-E U12 Championsip, 2000 SE U-14 League and Championship, 2011 Intermediate FC, 2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2014 Division 1A FL, 2011 Senior FC (St Mary's)



Eamonn Rossiter
Tarmacadam Contractor, 35
2001 Minor B FC, 2001 U16 SE League, 2 Intermediate FC (2002, 2013), 2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2014 Division 1A FL, 2011 Senior FC (St Mary's), Leinster Schools Hurling, All Ireland Vocational Schools FC (Tullow CS), Intermediate HC (Shillelagh), 2018 All Ireland Interfirms (Roadstone)



Eoghan Dolan
Apprentice Electrician, 22
Ray Daniels Cup, 2019 Division 2 FL, U12, U14, 16, Minor A Hurling, U16 A FC (Carnew Emmets)



James Gregan
Radiography Student, 21
2019 Division 2 FL, 2 Minor Hurling (2015, 2016), 2019 Intermediate HL and HC (Carnew Emmets)



Jim Cushe
Garda, 35
2001 Minor B FC, 2001 U16 SE League, 2003 Junior C FC, 2013 Intermediate FC, 2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2014 Division 1A FL, 2011 Senior FC (St Mary's)



Pauric Coleman-Murray
Builder, 20
2 Ray Daniels Cups, Ray Daniels League, U14 League, 2019 Division 2 FL, Carlow Schools A Championship, Leinster Schools A Shield Presentation Carlow), U16 A League and Championship, Minor B League, Minor A League, 2019 U20 FC (Tinahely/Killaveney)



Philip Timmins
Software Engineer, 31
2003 Junior C FC, 2017 Junior C League (South), 2007 Minor FC (Luke O'Toole's), County Minor 2007, County U21 2008



Robert Keogh
Dairy Farmer, 33
1998 U12 SE FC, 2000 U14 SE League and Championship, 2001 Wicklow Minor B FC, 2001 U16 SE League, 2003 Junior C FC, 2013 Intermediate FC, 2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2014 Division 1A FL, 2003 Leinster Vocational School A (Tullow CS), 2011 Senior FC (St Mary's)



William Doyle
Dairy Farmer
2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2013 Intermediate FC, 2014 Division 1A FL, 2 Minor Leagues, 1 Minor B FC (Luke O'Toole's)



Paul Keogh
Agricultural Advisor, 40
2 Intermediate FC (2002, 2013), 2 Division 2 FL (2013, 2019), 2014 Division 1A FL

DONARD THE GLEN

A HISTORY

The first record of a Donard team was January 1911 when they played a friendly with Merginstown, and they went on to play in the junior championship the same year. The following few years were lean times but they won the Junior championship in 1927 defeating Ballinacor by 2-1 to 1-2. They won the Junior championship again in 1933 followed by the Intermediate championship in 1934 and contested the 1935 Senior championship final to be defeated by Bray.

This was the start of a golden era in Donard football as they contested fourteen senior finals between 1935 and 1957 winning five in total. Their first senior success came in 1937 when they beat Rathnew in a replay. They won again in 1940, 1944, 1947 and their last in 1957. During this period Donard had many players chosen to represent the club on county teams and in 1947 Paddy Lennon was chosen to play for Leinster and was followed in 1952 by club mates Jim Rogers and Gerry O'Reilly, the latter pair for the next few years.

The club went through a barren spell in the 1960's before getting back to winning ways with a Junior Championship victory in 1972. A split developed in the Donard club in 1976 due mainly to the number of players available for selection on the single team in the club, this led to the formation of "The Glen" club. Both clubs carried on separately until 1988 when it was decided to join up as St. Laurence's for a trial period of three years. We fielded Junior A and a Junior B teams that year and the Junior A team went on to win the league and Junior championship and gained promotion to Intermediate status.

The club progressed from there and when the three year trial period was over the club changed its name to Donard/Glen and wore the traditional colours of green and white. The club won an Intermediate championship in 1995 but only lasted at senior level for a year. We were to wait until 2000 to win the Intermediate championship again and this time we held our senior status until 2012. The club also won a Junior C championship in 2004.

ROLL OF HONOUR

SENIOR (5)

INTERMEDIATE (3)

JUNIOR (3)

DONARD THE GLEN



MEET THE TEAMS 2020

DONARD THE GLEN

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
Alan Daly	27	Physiotherapist

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

Cliff Grace. Practically share my shorts with him at training

Team you most like to beat?

Coolkenno

Proudest day?

To be confirmed

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

Mam telling me after a loss at U16 "if they'd taken you off sooner they would've won"

Who is the worst dressed?

Shane Corrigan (wears GK/11 Degrees constantly even though he's 40)

What player from another sport do you admire?

Lance Armstrong

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Sir Alex Ferguson

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

Colm O'Neill (Donard/Glen) - The most beautiful footballer and man I've ever laid eyes on

Who is the joker on the panel?

Jack Grace

Who is the best dressed?

Me

MEET THE TEAMS 2020

DONARD THE GLEN

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
Conor Healy	25	Risk Manager

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

Mark Kenny, can't take your eyes off him he's constantly on the move

Team you most like to beat?

Dunlavin

Proudest day?

Winning the Minor A two years in a row

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

Relegation from senior in 2012

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

Mammy Esther and Ashley O'Sullivan

Who is the joker on the panel?

Jack Grace without a doubt

Who is the best dressed?

Liam Monaghan

Who is the worst dressed?

Alan Daly, taking skinny jeans to a whole new level

What player from another sport do you admire?

Cristiano Ronaldo

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Alex Ferguson

THE MANAGEMENT



Brendan Daly, Mickey Daly [Mgr.], and Shane Corrigan



Dermot Daly
Account Exec, 30
Junior C 2004, Div 2 2019



Kevin Osbourne
Cabinet-maker, 37
Div 2 2019



Mikey Byrne
Student, 17
2016 All-Ireland Feile



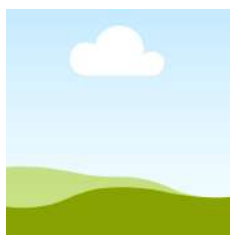
Arron Moody
Student, 20



Alan Daly
Physiotherapist, 27
Minor 2011, Div 2 2019



Liam Monaghan
Army Officer, 28
A-I CIT, Div 2 2019



Daniel Furlong
Student, 18
2016 All-Ireland Feile



Conor Healy
Risk Manager, 25
Minor 2011& 2012, Div 2 2019



Eoin Kelly
IT Sales Manager, 25
Minor 2012, Div 2 2019



Jack Grace
Student, 17
2016 A-I Feile, Minor Hurling 2019



Alan Tutty
Farmer, 31
Div 2 2019



Brian Lennon
Accountant, 38
Intermediate 2000, Div 2 2019



Harry Mangan
Foreman, 32
Junior C 2004, Div 2 2019



John Hanbidge
Farmer, 31
Div 2 2019



Colin Osbourne
Civil Engineer, 33
Junior C 2004, Div 2 2019



Brian Keogh
Apprentice Mechanic, 17
2016 All-Ireland Feile



Clifford Grace
Quantity Surveyor, 28
Minor B 2010, Div 2 2019



Eoin Hallisey
Banking, 29



Kevin Kealy
Sales, 26
Minor 2011&2012, Div 2 2019



Liam Mullan
Foreman, 32
Minor, Intermediate (Co Down)



Sean Branagan
Student, 21
Div 2 2019



Ray Halloran
Plumber, 32
A-I VEC 2005, Div 2 2019



Lawrence Daly
Electrician, 38
Intermediate 2000, Div 2 2019



Shane Daly
Student, 17
2016 All-Ireland Feile



Gerry Daly
Civil Servant, 41
Intermediate 1995 & 2000



Colm Toomey
Construction, 40
Intermediate 2000

ASHFORD

A HISTORY

Ashford is the oldest club in Wicklow and the first to affiliate to the GAA in 1884. We have a proud history of success and providing players to the county teams over the years. Indeed the legendary Dublin footballer Beefy Kennedy of the early 1900s lined out for us in those early years.

Our first county honours were achieved in 1926 when we defeated Avondale in the junior final. We followed this up with a minor title in 1931 defeating Carnew in the final. In 1944 we appeared in our first county senior final just coming up short against the great Donard side of the era. A decade in the doldrums followed before a golden era for the club started in 1954. That was the year we defeated Baltinglass in a junior B final by 1-6 to 2-1. The following year we won the Junior A title when a late Tom Cooney goal defeated Knockananna in a thrilling final. We created history in 1959,60 and 61 becoming the first club to win three minor titles on the trot.

These lads laid the foundation for further success and another junior title was won in 1968 with victory over Stratford by 2-6 to 2-5. The following year we reached our second senior final but once more we came up short by a goal to St.Patricks. Eventually our day arrived in 1974 when we won the big one defeating reigning champions Carnew in a humdinger of a final on a scoreline of 4-4 to 1-8.

We waited 20 long years for our next big day when we defeated Kilbride after a replay to win another junior A title. Two intermediate titles followed in the 2000s with victory over Annacurra and Stratford respectively in the finals. Another decade passed without much fanfare untill we claimed the junior A title in 2017 with a thrilling victory over Kilcoole by two points. Off the playing fields we have purchased our own grounds in recent years and the building of our new clubhouse and filled all in the club with such pride. With the LGFA thriving in the community we continue to go from strength to strength and grow as a club.

ASHFORD



MEET THE TEAMS 2020

ASHFORD

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
Rob Clarkson	24	Site Engineer

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

Last year Shillelagh/Coolboy this year Barndarrig, big boys

Team you most like to beat?

Some of the neighbours

Proudest day?

Winning my first coin toss

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

Relegation a couple of years ago

Who is the worst dressed?

Kango Doyle and Joey Doyle (few questionable fleeces)

What player from another sport do you admire?

Tadhg Furlong

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Arsene Wenger

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

My mam, doesn't miss a beat

Who is the joker on the panel?

Dean Mooney and Rian Dwyer

Who is the best dressed?

Pat McDermott and his Dulux jacket

THE MANAGEMENT



James Doyle, Aidan Egan, Darren Doyle, Pat McDermott



Karl Scott
Fisherman, 20



Cormac Doyle
Student, 20
Getting to share a field with Ross Hamilton



Keevan Doyle
Student, 16
Playing with Pearse Gaels this year



Rian Dwyer
Apprentice Electrician, 21
JCFC



Cian Staunton
Student, 21
2x under-12 championship, JHL, JBHC, IHC, 2x SHC, Celtic challenge cup winner, National hurling league



Robbie Keenan
Teacher, 33.5
Under 14 community games gold medal



Rob Clarkson
Site Engineer, 24
Junior A championship



Michael Dickinson
Marauding full back, 38
JAFC



Brian Shannon
Media Producer, 29
Junior A championship, Junior league



Dean Mooney
Herbalist, 29
Wicklow cup, JAFC



Colly "Mongoose" Doyle
Electrical engineer, 23
Junior A championship, Minor B championship, Minor C championship



Lee Fitzpatrick
Building contractor, 30ish
Too many to mention



Adam Creane
Student, 19



Ross Quinn
Trainee accountant, 22
JFC 2016



Brian Coen
Garda, 38
Minor A, 3x Under-21 championship, Senior Championship, 3x South Divisional champion, Keating Trophy



Eoghan "Kango" Doyle
Student, 18
Getting to play with Brian Coen before he passes on



David Nolan
Accountant
3 SHC, 1 IHC, 1 JHC, 1 JCFC



Danny Kavanagh
Carpenter, 29
Junior A championship 2016



Brendan Manning
Civil engineer, 36
IFC 2001, 2006 JFC 2016



Conor Diamond
Student, 19
Minor B championship



Joey Doyle
Area manager, 28
JFC 2016



Billy Clarkson
Expressive dancer, 29
Auckland senior championship 2016



Sam Bishop
Student, 17



Gavin Weir
GPO, Dublin GAA, 25
5 senior hurling championship, 1 All Ireland under 21 championship



Mikey Treanor
Barman, 23
Product design innovation



David Dowling
Barman, 25
2015 Cuckoo crazy golf European champion



Ruadhain Fallon Verbruggen
Sales Assistant, 19
Junior A championship, Minor B championship, Minor C championship



Evan Dwyer
Student, 17



Brian Egan
Patients Manager, 29
Kerry SFL Division 3 2016, UK JFC
Kilkenny 2015 2x Kerry MHC
05, 06 Kerry U-21 hurling championship 2008



Iarla O'Donnell
Doctor, 26
Junior A championship

VALLEYMOUNT

A HISTORY

Valleymount is a small, picturesque village in west Wicklow. The village is on a land spit created by the flooding of the River Liffey and the Kings River in the late 1930`s and early 1940`s for the Poulaphouca Dam project.

The Gaa club was founded in 1887. The club now has two men`s teams and a ladies team. Our underage boys play with St. Kevins and we have U12, U14 and U16 girl`s teams. We play our home games at "The Tan Bank" just beside the lake in Valleymount

VALLEYMOUNT



MEET THE TEAMS 2020

VALLEYMOUNT

THE CAPTAIN



Name	Age	Occupation
James Fitzpatrick	22	Mechanic

Who has been your toughest opponent and why?

Would have to be Stevie Cahill. He's as tough as nails and has the ability to get his hands around the place like an octopus

Team you most like to beat?

Today Ashford of course! But other than that our nearest rivals Blessington

Proudest day?

Hopefully today

Toughest or most disappointing day in GAA?

county final in 2018 against Kilcoole and losing by one measly point.

Who is the worst dressed?

Liam Miley at the dinner dance in 2019. Going around with the legs bursted out of his suit trousers as a result of trying to dance.

What player from another sport do you admire?

Cristiano Ronaldo, class

What manager from another sport do you admire?

Alex Ferguson

Who has been the biggest influence on your career?

Jason Dunne, our current manager. He is a tough task master but still able to have the craic

Who is the joker on the panel?

Between myself and Liam Miley

Who is the best dressed?

Liamo but that would depend on the occasion

THE MANAGEMENT



Seamus Miley, Jason Dunne & Billy Kavanagh



Paul Miley
Qualified Sports Scientist, 28
Division 3 League 2017 & Minor B
Championship



Steve Cahill
Cabinet Maker, 34
Division 3 League 2017



Sean Geoghegan
An Post Operative, 26
Division 3 League 2017



James Fitzpatrick
Mechanic, 22
Division 3 League 2017



Shane Browne
Lab Technician, 24
Division 3 League 2017



Shay Geoghan
Accountant, 31
Division 3 League 2017



Declan Cahill
Carpenter, 32
Division 3 League 2017



Shane Hughes
Logistics Specialist, 33
Division 3 League 2017



Brian Flynn
Bank Official, 36
Division 3 League 2017



Brian Miley
Warehouse Manager, 24
Division 3 League 2017



Steven Byrne
Engineer, 38
Division 3 League 2017



David Richardson
Student, 21



Jamie Miley
Labourer, 26
Division 3 League 2017



Mick Richardson
Construction Worker, 31
Division 3 League 2017



William Kavanagh
Accountant, 22
Division 3 League 2017



Jack Miley
Farmer, 24
Division 3 League 2017



Robbie Behan
Accountant, 37



Tadhg Miley
Student, 19
Minor B Championship 2018



Conor Reid
Student, 18
Minor B Championship 2018



Adam Condon
Civil Servant, 27
Division 3 League 2017



Aidan Miley
Garda, 31
Division 3 League 2017



Jack Slattery
Sales Manager, 28
Division 3 League 2017



Liam Miley
Carpenter, 21
Division 3 League 2017



Sean Byrne
Team Mascot, 10
Hasn't missed a training since 2010



Robbie Miley
Student, 18
Minor B Championship 2018



Padraig Keogh
Landscaper, 19
Minor B Championship 2018



Ryan Willoughby
Student, 17
Minor B Championship 2018



Sean Higgins
Student, 27

BLESSINGTON

A HISTORY

Blessington GAA was founded in 1909 but played our first games in 1910. Club colours are Blue and White. The club is based at The Demesne, Blessington since 2008 having previously been based in Burgage. Former President of the GAA Jack Boothman was a club President, player and manager in the club. Blessington GAA caters for men and women with teams from U7 to Senior. Our membership consists of 225 youths and 178 adults. The academy caters for boys and girls aged 4-6 years of age. Blessington was the first club west of the hills to win a Senior Championship. The club recently linked in with clubs from West Wicklow to form the Western Gaels hurling club. Blessington GAA, not known for hurling actually won the Senior Football Championship and Junior Hurling Championship in 1983! The club has only won 3 Minor Championships - 1956, 1995 and 2007. 3 members of one family played in each of our 3 wins - Paddy Magee (1956), Patrick Magee (1995) and Brendan McGarr Jnr (2007). We won the Minor B championship in 2011.

MINOR A

In 2007 v Eire Og in Arklow. Score 4-9 to 0-9. The team was managed by Jimmy Callaghan, Brendan McGarr (Snr), Tom Hennessy, Sean Duffy (RIP) and Ciaran Shannon (Scal). The Captain was Brendan McGarr (Jnr). POTM was Curtis Geraghty. Team - Troy Francis, James Nolan (RIP), John McEnroe, Alan Kelly (1-1), Dean Siney (2-2), Anthony McLoughlin (1-0), Curtis Geraghty (0-3), Aaron Eustace, Ronan Doyle, Paul McLoughlin, Sean Nolan, Odhran Kennedy, Niall Keogh, Dean Mulvey, Barry Murphy (0-1), Robert Pender (0-1), Brendan McGarr, Kevin Hanlon, Conor O'Brien, Eddie Boylan (0-1).

In 1995, playing under St Brigids, we had a great win over Michael Dwyers 2-15 to 1-09 in Aughrim on 24 Sep 1995. This win came after a dry spell of 40 years. The Captain was Conor Wilson. Team: Barry Behan, Tomas Pender, Raymond McCarthy, Mark Hamilton, Colin Eustace, Barry O'Donovan, Neil Finnegan, Conor Wilson (0-4), Patrick Magee (1-1), Mark Richardson (1-1), Jonathan Behan (0-4), Mark Daniels (0-1), Alan Ellis (0-3), Mark Walker and Dermot Richardson (0-1). Subs - Gary O'Riordan, Kevin Foster, John Murphy, Ronan Corley, Tony Pender and Eamonn Haughian. This team consisted of 3 sets of brothers and loads of cousins!! In 1956, the final was played in Aughrim as a curtain raiser to the SFC. Blessington had not reached a final since 1936 when they were runners up to Bray Emmets. Blessington beat Ashford 3-8 to 3-4. The Captain was John Brennan. Team - Pat Fleming, Tommy Kavanagh, Paddy Magee, Jim Murphy, Brendan Mahon, John Brennan, Aidan Gilheany, Mick Fleming (1-1), Jimmy Kelly (1-4), Gabriel Murphy, Peter Clarke (1-1), Peter Daly (0-1), Gerry Cullen, John Murphy and Vincent Byrne (0-2). Subs - Sean Duffy, Bernard Lillis and Brendan Byrne. The referee was Eamon Fitz Moules from Annacurra.

MINOR B

In 2011, the Final was held in Baltinglass and the finalists were Blessington v Tinahely. The teams were locked at half time but Blessington ran out winners 3-15 to 1-08. Adam Carroll was the captain. Conor Devlin was MOTM. Management - Alan Siney, Caroline O'Connell, Kevin Hamilton and Will Doyle. Team - Adam Carroll, Dean McGarr, Declan O'Connell, Robert Gilligan, Mark Keogh, Fiachra Byrne, Eoin O'Donovan, Kyle Geraghty, Mark Carroll, Conor Dillon, Tony Kenny, David Boothman, Thomas Donohue, Conor Devlin, Ian Richardson, Johnny Kelly, Mikey O'Connor, Daragh Ryan, Jordan Nolan, Jack Gilligan, Jack Mills, Declan McEnroy, Ciaran McEnroy and Eoghan Keogh.



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Líne Chúil: Eoin Phibbs, James Dooley, Adam Williamson, Luke O'Brien, Cillian Bailey, Samuel (Sam) Gough, Daniel Cooney, Lukas Sarkauskas, Thomas Fisher, Jack Sargent, Austin Brennan, Daniel Keogh, Jack Cotter, Jack Gilligan.

Líne Thosaigh: Kevin Dooley, Conor Richardson, Killian O'Connell, Rory Cullen, Michael (Mikey) O'Toole, Daniel (Dan) Silk Fetherston, Robbie Richardson, Adam Smith, Ethan McNally, Liam Phibbs, Dylan Friel.

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A HISTORY

Having our Saint Nicholas Minor Footballers in the County Final today is a tremendous occasion for all involved. Today's appearance in the final carries on a long association stretching back to our first appearance in this grades county final in 1948. This also forged a great future between our two parish teams of Dunlavin and Donard to provide football for our youth and compete at this grade.

Over the year's success came our way by being outright county champions in

**1965,
1968,
1973,
1974,
1993,
2011,
2012.**

The competing teams at this grade and all juvenile grade came under our present name of Saint Nicholas and changed in the early 1990's. Also, at this time the Saint Nicholas jerseys evolved to include the green and white from Donard and green and yellow from Dunlavin to give us the colours we proudly wear today.

Over this time our minor teams have provided many talented players to play and represent our club and county in our Leinster Minor Football Championship.

While today is a proud day for our players, officers, and supporters we also reflect back and acknowledge the players and mentors from our past and thank them for their input and commitment to bring us to where we are today.

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