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The year 2020 will certainly remain in our memories as the year of transformation, and we continue to implement the many prevention measures required to keep this virus at bay. I encourage you all to continue the great work that we have all had a part to play in, and I thank you for the many hours of voluntary assistance you have contributed in your Club areas in assisting the HSE and others, in bringing safe and healthy practice to vulnerable and lonely members of our communities. On behalf of the GAA in Donegal I thank the frontline workers who have given so much to helping our society, in facing the challenge of the coronavirus. There was a period this year where we all thought that we wouldn’t get playing our games, but many difficulties were overcome to reach these hurling championship quarterfinals this weekend. We have not agreed with all the instructions and regulations, but we respect the decision makers for their fight against this unprecedented virus while still getting our games played.

The County Competition Control Committee (CCCC) have used new regulations, competition formats, and workmanlike decision making to reach this stage of championship, and we are all delighted to see the championship finalised in these difficulty times. I congratulate all Clubs who have continued to contribute to giving us the opportunity to see Gaelic games played in changed and difficult times. The streaming of our games is a new phase and challenge that we have been thrown into, and we have tech-knowledgeable members getting to grips with this new way of bringing our club games into our homes. I wish the four competing teams, and the match Officials, the best of luck.

Hurling Board Chairperson - Manus O’Domhnaill

On behalf of An Choiste Iomána, I would like to congratulate all of the clubs still in contention for the Junior Championship Title, namely Aodh Ruadh (defending Champions), Carndonagh, Dungloe, Four Masters, Saint Eunan’s and Setanta. Commiserations to Letterkenny Gaels who failed to make the Knock-out stages, but I am sure they will continue their great work in promoting and developing the game of hurling.

It is vital for hurling in the County that we have more adult teams and this year we give a special ‘Céad Míle Fáilte’, to the adult hurlers from An Clochán Liath who are competing in our adult competitions for the first time and it is testament to the great work of Cormac Hartnett and all his fellow hurlers in the capital of ‘The Rosses’. It is also great to see Four Masters reappearing, after an absence of a number of years and we in the Hurling Community wish them well and continued success.

Our two Quarter Finals on Sunday Aodh Ruadh versus Saint Eunan’s and Setanta versus Four Masters promise to be two keenly contested games, with Carndonagh and Dungloe awaiting the winners in the Semi-Finals. Good luck to all the players and management teams on Sunday.

Ádh Mór, Manus O’Domhnaill.
Michael Connolly – Referee, Aodh Ruadh v Naomh Adhamhnáin

Michael has been playing hurling with Western Gaels for the last 18 years winning a Sligo Senior Hurling championship with them in 2010. He has also played with Garda Clubs, Perth Shamrocks and Kilglass Enniscrone winning the Western Australia Championship with Perth Shamrocks in 2013. As well as hurling with Western Gaels since 2002 he has been playing football with Kilglass-Enniscrone since 1995. He continues to star with both clubs. Michael also played with the Sligo Senior Hurling team between 2010 and 2013.

Still just 33 years of age he has been a referee since the age of 20 and has been on the National Support Panel for 3 years. Highlight of his refereeing career to date was the 2018 Sligo Senior Hurling Championship final. CLG DíÚn na nGáll thank him for coming to Fr Tierney Park today to referee the Junior quarterfinal between Aodh Ruadh and Naomh Adhamhnáin.

Manus O’Domhnaill – Referee, Setanta v Na Ceithre Maístír

The referee for Sunday’s Quarter-Final in Killygordon for the Setanta v Four Masters game is Manus O’Domhnaill. He is a member of the Burt Club in Inis Eoghain. A retired National School Teacher and former Deputy Principal of Scoil Naomh Mura, Tooban. Manus has a long association with the game of Hurling in the County, as a referee, administrator, a coach and a former player.

Manus has been a referee for over 38 years. He referees all of the codes and has also refereed in Handball. He has been the ‘man in the middle’ for four County Intermediate Championship Finals and two Junior Hurling Championship Finals and numerous Underage Finals. He also has refereed a number of Senior and Intermediate Camogie Championship Finals and Underage Camogie Finals. He had the honour of refereeing the National Féile na nGáel Division 4 Camogie Final in 2015.

Manus is married to Kathleen and they have four children Caitríona, Fionnuala, Manus and Eimear.
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| 18     | Cian Duffy (Cian Ó Dufaigh) | Cian Duffy | 24 Pauric Keenaghan (Pauric Keenaghan)
| 19     | Ciaran Rami (Ciarán Rami) | Ciaran Rami | 25 Patrick Haran (Padraig Ó'hEáráin)
| 20     | Brian Patton (Brian Ó'Peatáin) | Brian Patton | 26 Gary Loughlin (Gearóid Ó'Lochlainn)
| 21     | Gary O'Brien (Gearóid Ó'Briain) | Gary O'Brien | 27 Senan Rooney (Seánan ÓRuanaidh)

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The Knock-Out Stages and Streaming

The Government’s decision to play all Gaelic Games behind closed doors until September 13th is disappointing for all club members and other supporters. Ironically, CLG Dhún na nGall scheduled knock-out games for September because the original government roadmap designated the start of that month for the return of up to 5,000 supporters at our games.

The GAA is a widespread grassroots organisation and it is important in these difficult times that CLG Dhún na nGall do their utmost to look after the interests of the members and supporters who make clubs throughout the County the excellent community organisations they are. As such, the County Board is striving to broadcast most of the 33 knockout games in the Michael Murphy Sports & Leisure Senior, Intermediate and Junior championships – football and hurling. The current timetable for the next five weeks is:

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<td>12 football games, Senior and Intermediate QFs, Senior and Intermediate Relegation SFs - All PPV, Streamed by Donegal GAA</td>
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<td>10 games, Senior and Intermediate Football SFs, Senior and Intermediate Football Relegation Finals, Junior Football SFs</td>
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<td>4 games, Senior and Junior Hurling SFs, Junior Football SF’s</td>
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<td>2 games, Senior and Junior Hurling Finals - Both PPV</td>
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The latter end of this proposed schedule may be subject to change, moving forward or backwards, depending on future circumstances. Donegal GAA streamed six games in 2019, peak viewership reaching around 2,000 for the 2nd replay of the senior County final. Post-Covid, with social distancing and crowd restrictions, it has reached a new level with every county streaming their championship games. While many clubs have been happily streaming over the last six weeks, last Sunday Donegal GAA streamed its first game of 2020 - the Round 4 football game between St Eunans and St Michaels. The live stream attracted peak-viewing of over 1,000 and by mid-week had been viewed over 15,000 times on the Official Donegal Facebook page.

The knock-out games streamed by the County Board will be on a PPV basis. The quarterfinals will cost €3 and other games €5 except for the Senior football final which will be €8. The PRO will produce a series of “virtual programmes” - such as this one - that can be can be consulted on-line or down loaded/printed. Programmes will be included in the PPV price or free where there is no PPV as is the case with these Junior Hurling quarterfinals and with this Virtual Programme.

While the County Board will endeavour to stream all knockout games where this is not possible it is hoped other games can be streamed with the help of clubs. This weekend Aodh Ruadh and Setanta HC have stepped in to stream their quarterfinal with Naomh Adhamhánáin. At this point, it is appropriate to express my gratitude to the many clubs that have streamed games (for free) and looked after the interests of their supporters locally, elsewhere in Ireland and overseas over recent weeks. The County Board will forego revenue on games where clubs are providing the voluntary help and will stream these games for free. For all streamed games, and the “free” ones in particular, it is worth noting that streaming in the County is still in its infancy, there may be occasional issues with consistent coverage in some venues and it is being provided by local, unpaid volunteers - people should manage their expectation around this.
16 Eunan O’Donnell (Adhamhnáin Ó Domhnaill)
17 Eugene Organ (Aodh Ó hOrgain)
19 Eoin Scanlon (Eoin Ó Scanlain)
20 Jake Fallon (Sean Ó Faoláin)
Carndomnaigh and An Clochán Liath both already qualified for semi-finals

There were three League rounds in the Junior Hurling Championships and the results were:

**Junior Hurling Championship - League Rounds**

**Round 1**

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Clubs were divided into two Groups, Section A and Section B and the final league tables seen Carndonagh and Dungloe top their respective groups to advance directly to the semi-finals. Second place teams in each group played third from the other Section in the quarterfinals with the former having home advantage.

**Junior Hurling Championship - Section A**

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If this year’s JHC county final is half as heart stopping and entertaining as last year’s decider between Aodh Ruadh and Carndonagh, then hurling fans are in for a real treat.

The Ballyshannon boys edged that thriller, but Carn have started this season like a rocket, determined to set the record straight. This weekend John Rooney and Barry O’Neill’s county champions take on St Eunan’s in Ballyshannon.

At full tilt, Aodh Ruadh would be expected to advance but injuries to key players like Paul Sheridan, Oisin Rooney and Senan Rooney among others, means they could have a real fight on their hands.

“We have up to eight starting players who are doubtful, so it is not ideal preparation.

“St Eunan’s have up to 50 adult hurlers in their club and have added a new dimension to hurling in the county so their second string could be quite capable as well.

“We will be doing well to come out with a result, said John Rooney.

But like other clubs Aodh Ruadh have quality dual players like Colm Kelly, Eamon McGrath, Shane McGrath and Eddie Lynch who are only playing football and it is a real pity that they are not with the hurlers as well.

In the other quarter final new boys Four Masters make the long trip to the Cross to take on the Setanta second string. Setanta have a big panel of players and some very promising young talent who are pushing for senior slots.

There is a great tradition in the area since Danny Cullen Snr revived the game in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

They will start as favourites against new boys Four Masters who are back in adult action after so many years off the scene.

Club stalwart Fergal McAllister has put together a big young panel who competed quite well with Aodh Ruadh for the first half.

The Patton’s and Cathal Feeney, whose father Michael Feeney was a key figure for Masters in the 1990s are among their prominent performers.

They will travel with some degree of confidence, but home advantage could be crucial.

In the other section Carn look to be the side and there is another new club from Dungloe/Gaith Dobhair as hurling continues to grow in the county.
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17. Cormac McMenamin (Cormac Mac Meanman)  
18. Cathal Anderson (Cathal Mac Andréis)  
19. Ciarán O’Neill (Ciarán O’Niall)  
20. Noel Ewing (Nollaig Mac Eoghan)  
21. Tiarnán McConnell (Tiarnán Mac Dhonaill)  
22. Travis Lafferty (Trasnáil O’Laifeartaigh)  
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- 4 Senior Quarterfinals - seven teams already through Gaoth Dobhair, Glenfin, Kilcar, Naomh Conaill, Sean MacCumhails, St Michaels and St Eunans;
- 4 Intermediate Quarterfinals - these will feature Buncrana v Fanad Gaels, Cloich Cheann Fhaola v Red Hughes, Naomh Columba v Malin and Aodh Ruadh v Naomh Muire;
- 4 Relegation Semifinals - Naomh Brid v Naomh Ultan and Naomh Colmcille v Burt in Intermediate while there are still 8 senior teams competing to stay out of these games;
- Junior Programme - which will feature two Junior football quarterfinals and two Junior hurling semi-finals which feature Aodh Ruadh, Four Masters, Setanta and St Eunans.

All programmes will list eight squads, give views from each of the eight camps, have four other articles, four pages for Donegal GAA sponsors and four pages available for other advertisements. There will also be advertising and sponsorship opportunities associated with the streaming of our games. The Round 4 Stream of St Eunans v St Michaels - on Donegal GAA Facebook - demonstrates what is available. Sponsorship of that game was by WinYourHouseinDublin and include a Half-time video advert, their logo visible throughout match coverage and a banner advert visible on four other occasions during coverage. Video adverts are also available - two examples, for CCP and the Mount Errigal Hotel are shown during the half-time interval in the St Eunans v St Michaels game.

Advertising Costs - Programmes

Senior and Intermediate Club Programmes
Full page Advert €100 (Cafe Boulevard, next page), Half Page €50 (Yes Chef, previous page) and Quarter Page €30 (LYIT, previous page)

Junior Programme
Full page Advert €75, Half Page €40 and Quarter Page €20

Advertising Costs - Streaming

Senior and Intermediate Games Streamed by Donegal County Board
Sponsorship of the Game - €250, 15-30 second advert €100, 30-60 second advert €150 - examples of these adverts can be seen during the Half-time break in the St Eunans v St Michaels game

Senior (Relegation), Intermediate and Junior Games Streamed by Clubs
Sponsorship of the Game - €150, 15-30 second advert €80, 30-60 second advert €100

Games streamed by the County Board will be PPV for €3, games streamed by the clubs will be free. Advertising and sponsorship will be available for all games streamed by the County Board but only for some of the games being streamed by clubs. The costs quoted only apply to the Knockout games of the weekend September 4th to 6th.
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16. Shaun Campbell (Sean Mac Cathmhaoií)  
17. Luke Sweeney (Lúic Mac Suibhne)  
18. Daniel Gallagher (Donal Ó’Gallachóir)  
19. Ruari O’Connor (Ruari O’Conchúr)  
20. Evan Towey (Éimhín Ó’Toghdha)  
21. Cahir McBrearty (Cahir Mac Briartaigh)  
22. Shaun Conway (Sean Mac Conmidhe)  
23. Martin Gillespie (Mairtín Mac Giolla Easpuig)
Covid-19 Adjustments to Match Regulations

Restrictions due to Covid-19 required a number of adjustments to Match Regulations for Gaelic Games during 2020. These include:

1.3 A maximum of 20 players (starting 15 and 5 panel members) shall be allowed within the pitch enclosure during the playing of the game. Any additional panel members should be outside the pitch enclosure.

1.4 A maximum of 4 (football) & 5 (hurling) Team Officials shall be allowed within the pitch Enclosure during the playing of our games – one Bainisteoir, one Maor Foirne, one Medic, One Club Official and One Maor Camán (Hurling only).

1.5 Each team will be allocated an area of the pitch (the Team Officials & Players Zone) between the 20 m and 45m lines in advance of the game by the Committee-in-Charge. Their team officials and panel of players, as per regulations 1.3 & 1.4, shall be positioned during the game. The Zones shall have ten seats positioned to ensure compliance with Government social distancing guidelines (currently 2 metres). Dugouts may be used provided the government guidelines around social distancing are observed.

1.7 Ball boys are not permitted.

1.8 Accredited photographers with media passes will be permitted pitch-side. They are restricted to the opposite side of the pitch to the Team Officials and they are not allowed behind either set of goalposts.

2.8 Water Breaks – One water break will take place between the 15th & 20th minute in each half. The referee will signal for the water break only when the ball has gone out of play following a score, wide or during a stoppage called by the Referee. The breaks should last no longer than a minute, with players coming to the area in front of their team zone and drinking from their own clearly marked bottle. The time taken for the break will be added to the end of each half as part of the additional time. If a venue has a match clock, it should continue during this time. Players are permitted to position their clearly marked water bottle around the outside of the pitch. Maor Uisce are not permitted in either Football or Hurling.

2.10 Substitutes - Substitutes are not allowed a kick/puck around at half-time. A maximum of three substitutes wearing designated distinctive tops may warm up on sidelines at any one time. A maximum number of 5 substitutes are allowed within the pitch enclosure at any one time. As per rule, there is no limit on the size of a club match day panel.

5.1 The following guidelines are issued to Players & Team Officials to reduce risk and maximise personal safety: no handshakes before or after games; no spitting or nose-clearing; team huddles should only take place where social distancing is observed; use hand-sanitisers before and after every match; players should use their own clearly marked water bottles; interaction with opponents & match officials should be kept to a minimum after the match.

5.2 Players & team officials are reminded of the following disciplinary rules during the Covid-19 Emergency. Note: All suspensions below are the minimum and can be increased by the relevant committee.
Player

- Spitting at an opponent, team mate or match official is dealt with in Rule 5.20 (Hurling) and Rule 5.18 (Football) – Red Card; Cat III; one-match ban

- Deliberately coughing in the face of an opponent may be considered “behaving in a way which is dangerous to an opponent” (5.17 H; 5.19 F) – Red Card; Cat III; one-match ban

- Challenge the authority of the Referee, Umpire, Linesman or Sideline Official (6.1 H & F) – Yellow Card

- Remonstrate in an aggressive manner with a Match Official (5.13 F) – Black Card (football)

- Threatening or abusive conduct to a Match Official (5.39 H; 5.35 F) – Red Card; Cat V; 12 weeks

Team Official

- Any type of physical interference with an Opposing Player or Team Official – Cat II a; 8 weeks Suspension

- Abusive language to Match Official - Cat I a; 4 weeks Suspension

- Threatening or abusive conduct to Match Official – Cat III a; 12 weeks Suspension

- Assault on Match Official – Cat IV a; 48 weeks Suspension

- The Referee has authority during the game to send any person in breach of Match Regulations to the stand/outside the pitch enclosure and such person cannot be replaced.

5.3 Club Photographers are not permitted inside enclosed pitch area, Club Photographers name must be supplied in advance by participating Club and imagery is for Club use only.

5.4 The County Management Committee may on two occasions only amend regulations during the pandemic

5.5 The County Management Committee may retire a team at any stage of the competition due to the COVID 19 Pandemic ( The County Management may replace a retired team in conjunction with rule 6.21 T.O. 2019

5.6 Home Venues may be reviewed after the group stages
The online site for the Club Donegal House Draw is live at www.winyourhouseindublin.com. The top prize is a four bedroom house, semi-detached, in Dublin in association with Alanna Homes. The house is newly built to the latest energy efficiency standards and is valued at €400,000. There are also four other prizes including a brand new Mazda 2, a week’s holiday, €1,000 cash and a night’s B&B in Carton House with a round of golf for 2.

All proceeds from the draw go towards paying the debt on the newly completed Phase 2 of the Donegal GAA Centre in Convoy and financing the planned Phase 3. The ongoing development of the Centre is a key plank in the future success of GAA games in Donegal - football and hurling, youth and adult, ladies and men. The Donegal Facebook page has a video of county manager Declan Bonner and captain Michael Murphy discussing the centrality of the facilities at Convoy to both the continued success of our county representatives and the nurturing of future stars.

Tickets for the draw can be bought online using devices from mobiles to desktop computers. Tickets are also from contacts within each of the forty clubs in the County. Thanks you to the Abbey Hotel, Donegal; the Allingham Arms, Bundoran; the Mount Errigal, Letterkenny; and the Villa Rose, Ballybofey - tickets had been available from these venues but due to Covid 19 regulations this is no longer the case.

During the half-time break in today’s game you can listen to Donegal native Daniel O’Donnell promoting the draw. During the interval there will also be an excellent bird’s eye view of the recently completed Phase 2 of the Centre compliments of drone footage shot by main contractors McDermott and Trearty. WinYourHouseinDublin Dublin also sponsor today’s Man of the Match.

There is a dedicated mobile phone number, where queries can be answered and purchases can be made - 086-604-7089. Currently you can follow Club Donegal on Facebook at “Win Your House in Dublin”, on Twitter @WinHouseDublin and on Instagram at @winyourhouseinDublin.

Following the Covid Lockdown, promotion of the draw was re-started last month. Currently, there is a Lucky 7 Bonus Draw. Buy your ticket by 7th September to be in with a chance to be one of seven lucky winners who will win seven tickets each.
The Stream Team are vital to efforts in making our games available and consist of Bradas Video Productions, Aidan Spence Web Graphics and Marketing and Joe’s Tech Help. Bradas O’Donnell has vast experience in the live broadcast & streaming of games and has worked for Sky sports, RTE, TG4, Eir sports covering live games as a cameraman & also as covering live streams across the country for Nemeton TV along with Joe’s Tech Help. Joe Brennan controls all the technical end of the live stream & broadband issues which is a difficult job at some venues, with poor reception, but we work to the best of our ability to get the pictures to the viewers. Aidan Spence looks after the PPV (Pay per view) and also has responsibility for the Donegal GAA website - updated regularly, the site is crucial to CLG Dhún na nGall’s public relations, keeping our Gaels up to date with everything happening in the world of Donegal GAA.