

CLÚICHÍ CEANNAIS CORN A&B CLG IDIRMHEÁNACH 2023

De Domhnaigh 15ú Deireadh Fómhair – Pairc Uí Dhomhnall



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Cluiche Ceannais Idirmheánach A – 4:00i.n.

NA DÚNAIBH v MALAINN



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Cluiche Ceannais Idirmheánach B – 2:00i.n.

NAOMH COLUMBA v AN TEARMAINN

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COUNTY CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

A Chairde Gael,

Mar chathaoirleach ar CLG Dhún na nGall ba mhaith liom fáilte a chur romhaibh go léir anseo inniú go Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill chuig na cluichí ceannais peile sa chraobh Ildirmheanach A agus B. Fáilte ar leith roimh na himreoirí, na foirne bainistíochta, na hoifigigh agus lucht tacaíochta ó na clubanna go léir atá páirteach sna cluichí anseo inniú. Ba mhaith liom fáilte a chuir roimh na meáin chomh maith. Tá sé tábhachtach go gcinnteoidimid go bhfuil ár gcluichí clúdaithe go maith sna nuachtáin, na meáin shóisialta agus ar an raidió.

On behalf of CLG Dhún na nGall, I would like to welcome everyone here today to O'Donnell Park to the finals of the Intermediate A and B football championships which are sponsored by Michael Murphy Sports and Leisure. A big céad míle fáilte to the players, management teams, officials and supporters of all the clubs taking part in the two finals here today. In the Intermediate B Football final, an Tearmann will lock horns with Naomh Columba while the right to lift the Cathal McLaughlin Cup will be a mouth watering contest between Malainn and na Dúnaibh.

The first match today sees an Tearmann taking on Naomh Columba. Both these teams had narrow victories in their semi finals with both teams recording two point wins over Burt and Buncrana respectively. Today's meeting will again be an evenly contested game.

In the Intermediate A decider na Dúnaibh take on Malainn. Na Dúnaibh had a one point victory over an Tearmann while Malainn had seven points to spare against Gaeil Fhánada in their semi final. Downings have been crowned Intermediate champions on three occasions in the past



(1981, 1988 and 1993) while Malin have yet to win an intermediate championship having last appeared in the final in 2001 and prior to that they also contested the final in 1999 and won a junior championship title

1998. There's an old Irish saying "Is maith an t-anlann an t-ocras" and both teams will be hungry for success today in what is sure to be an evenly contested and exciting match. Go mbeidh an bua ag an foireann is fearr.

On behalf of CLG Dhún na nGall I wish to sincerely thank our many sponsors whose ongoing financial support we greatly appreciate and it is important that our sponsors know how much we value this help.

Míle buíochas to CLG Naomh Adhamhnáin for all their assistance in hosting today's two Intermediate football finals. Great credit is due to all involved in ensuring that the playing surface and all the other facilities within the ground are maintained to the highest standard. This ensures that players and supporters alike have a pleasant experience and míle buíochas to everyone who plays a part in this.

Sincere thanks to our stewards and everyone who is helping out in any way here today. The work of our volunteers is greatly appreciated and should never be underestimated.

I wish the teams taking part in both finals today the best of luck. I trust that each and every one of you here in Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill will enjoy the two matches today.

Faoi scáth a chéile a mhaireann na daoine agus ní neart go cur le chéile. Tá súil agam go mbainfidh sibh sult agus taitneamh as na cluichí agus bígí cúramach ar bhur mbealach abhaile.

**Is mise le meas
Fergus MacAoidh
Cathaoirleach CLG Dhún na nGall**

Is í Margaret Ní Fhrighil a chanfaidh Amhrán na bhFiann roimh chluiche ceannais an lae inniu. Is múinteoir bunscoile í atá ag obair i Scoil Mhuire Caiseal i nGaeltacht Fhánada. Is ball gníomhach de chumann Ghaeil Fhánada í. Imríonn sí ar fhoireann peil na mban agus is cóitseálaí í le foirne Faoi 12 agus Faoi 13 na gcailíní sa chlub. Tá suim ar leith aici i gcúrsaí cultúir, agus ghlac sí páirt i Scór na nÓg mar dhéagóir agus Scór Sinsir le blianta beaga anuas. Bhain sí an comórtas 'Amhránaíocht Aonair' ag Scór Dhún na nGall an mhí seo caite agus tá áit bainte amach aici i mBabhta Ceannais Scór Uladh, a bheas ar siúl an deireadh seachtaine seo chugainn ar an Ómaigh.



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Seo libh canaigí Amhrán na bhFiann.

CLÁR AN LAE – Dé Domhnaigh 15ú Deireadh Fómhair 2023

- 12:45** Gates Open
- 13:30** Both Club Secretaries or Nominated Person to present Team Lists in Referees Room
- 13:40** An Tearmann amach ar an bpáirc
- 13:42** Naomh Columba amach ar an bpáirc
- 13:45** Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
- 13:55** Toss
- 14:00** Tús an chluiche
- 14:35** Leath-am
An Tearmann to leave the field immediately on half time whistle
Naomh Columba to leave the field once An Tearmann have cleared the tunnel
- 14:50** Tús an dara leath
- 15:25** Críoch an chluiche
- 15:30** Presentation of Intermediate B Cup by Fergus MacAoidh, Cathaoirleach Bhord an Condae.
- 15:30** Both Club Secretaries or Nominated Person to present Team Lists in Referees Room
- 15:40** Malainn amach ar an bpáirc
- 15:42** Na Dunaibh amach ar an bpáirc
- 15:45** Oifigigh an Chluiche amach ar an bpáirc
- 15:52** Toss
- 15:56** One minute warning before Amhrán na bhFiann
- 15:57** Amhrán na bhFiann. Players should stand to attention respectfully facing the flag
At least 30 seconds will be provided to teams after the anthem, this is to allow for any team huddles or warmups before they are required to get into position for the start of the game.
- 16:00** Tús an chluiche
- 16:35** Leath-am
Malainn to leave the field immediately on half time whistle
Na Dunaibh to leave the field once Malainn have cleared the tunnel
- 16:50** Tús an dara leath
- 17:25** Críoch an chluiche
- 17:30** Presentation of the MAN OF THE MATCH award sponsored by Mailey Trophies & Awards
- 17:35** Presentation of Cathal McLaughlin Cup by Fergus MacAoidh, Cathaoirleach Bhord an Condae.

KEVIN MC GINLEY – REFEREE INTERMEDIATE A

Kevin is a long-standing member of the CLG Naomh Columba club. He is married to Louise and they have 4 children, Laura, Odhrán, Cain and Emily. He has been refereeing for over 10 years, including Junior A final, a Junior B final, U21's A & B finals, Minor League Final and an All Ireland Gaeltacht Semi-Final earlier this year.

Kevin played for his Naomh Columba club at all levels, also for Donegal. He holds a number of under-age divisional and county



titles along with the first Ted Webb title ever won by a Donegal Team. He also played for the Donegal Vocational Schools team for 4 years.

"I am delighted and honoured to be chosen for Sunday's Final. I would like to thank my local club, my fellow referees and, of course, my family and friends for supporting me in this role over the years.

Ádo Mór don dhá fhoireann sa Cluiche Ceannais Dé Domhnaigh."

ANTHONY FINN – REFEREE INTERMEDIATE B

Anthony Finn is from the Naomh Colmcille club.

He has been refereeing a couple years. He decided to get involved in refereeing as a progression from his time coaching and being aware of the shortage of referees in the county. Instead of complaining about it, he thought he would do something to help.

Anthony refereed the Division 1B League final this year along with underage league &



county finals this year and last.

Anthony's umpires are Darragh McGrath, Denis Kennedy, Paul Quinn and William Devenney, all Naomh Colmcille clubmen.

Anthony works as an Area sales manager for Sysco Ireland in East Donegal.

He wishes the finalist good luck in today's final and feels honoured to be chosen to referee the Intermediate Reserve final.



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12. The Ground Management reserve the right for it's servants or agents to remove from the ground any person who does not comply with the Ground Regulations or whose presence In the ground could reasonably be construed as constituting a source of danger, nuisance or annoyance to other spectators.
13. All persons in the grounds are reminded of their obligation under Section 18(3) of the Fire Services Act 1981 to ensure that their behaviour does not present a danger from fire to anyone using the grounds.



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INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP – PATH TO THE FINAL

Downings opened their Intermediate championship campaign with a home win against Realt na Mara at Páirc Na Dunaibh hitting the new three times for a 3-6 to 0-10 win but were well beaten a week later at the Burn Road by a rampant Termon side 2-8 to 1-3.

Since that chastening they never looked back winning at home to Fanad Gaels in Round 3 and completing their league campaign with an impressive 3-10 to 2-12 win against Naomh Columba at Páirc na nGael.

Team	Pld	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Agst	Diff	Avg	Points
Buncrana	4	3	1	0	72	31	41	2.32	7
Malin	4	3	1	0	48	40	8	1.20	7
Termon	4	3	0	1	62	43	19	1.44	6
Downings	4	3	0	1	56	55	1	1.02	6
Red Hughs	4	2	1	1	47	46	1	1.02	5
Naomh Columba	4	2	0	2	73	61	12	1.20	4
Bundoran	4	2	0	2	53	46	7	1.15	4
Fanad Gaels	4	2	0	2	50	48	2	1.04	4
Letterkenny Gaels	4	1	1	2	43	66	-23	0.65	3
Naomh Mhuire Lower Rosses	4	1	0	3	46	60	-14	0.77	2
Burt	4	0	0	4	44	57	-13	0.77	0
Naomh Bríd	4	0	0	4	44	85	-41	0.52	0

Malin are unbeaten. Despite this, their run to the quarterfinals was no cake-walk. A two point win in Killygordon accounted for Red Hughs in Round 1 before a 2-11 to 2-8 victory against Naomh Mhuire in Round 2. A draw in Buncrana was their only dropped point before wrapping up the league section in style with an eight point win over Letterkenny Gaels.

The quarterfinals seen comfortable five point wins for both Downings and Malin. First half goals seen Malin comfortably contain Realt na Mara to win 2-9 to 0-10 while Na Dunaibh were 2-10 to 0-11 winners against Red Hughs, The semi-final pitted Downings against Termon once again but a late goal for Na Dunaibh reversed the outcome on a 2-5 to 1-7 scoreline. It was more comfortable for Malin in the other semi-final as they recorded a 1-14 to 1-7 win against Fanad Gaels.



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MICHAEL JACK'S PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

With the club football championships nearing an end, amateur photographers are reminded that the inaugural GAA photography competition in memory of the late Michael 'Jack' O'Donnell is open and inviting entries.

Photographers are invited to submit a photograph on a Donegal GAA theme, or of a Donegal landscape, by 23 October, the day after the county senior football final.

The winning image, to be selected by a panel of judges, will receive the inaugural Michael Jack 'Pandy' Memorial award.

The award was launched in February at the Naomh Conaill GAA club dinner dance by Donegal GAA assistant secretary Ed Byrne who had approached the O'Donnell family, and his beloved partner Bernie, about establishing the award to commemorate Michael and his rich contribution to the Association.

Michael spent more than 40 years on the sidelines capturing countless thousands of images from Gaelic games across the county and the country.

A passionate Naomh Conaill man, Michael was never prouder than when his club won the Dr Maguire Cup, or 'Pandy' as he called it, for the first time in 2005, and was privileged to photograph their victories again in 2010, 2015



and 2019.

Sadly, Michael passed away in May 2021, a few months before Naomh Conaill won the covid-delayed 2020 final. He was aged just 67.

"His body of work, in photographing everything from our biggest days in

Croke Park to the club sports day, captured the essence of our Association and his love for our games.

"We hope this award will inspire photographers to capture an image that encapsulates what the GAA means to them."

COMPETITION RULES

Amateur photographers can submit a maximum of 5 [FIVE] photographs, on a GAA or Donegal theme, to michaelfackpandy@gmail.com by 5pm on Monday 23 October.

Images must be entered by e-mail as attachments in the digital jpeg format, and must be no more than 20mb in size. Hard copies cannot be accepted.

Entries must be accompanied by: the photographer's name, email address, a caption describing the photograph and the location at which it was taken, otherwise your entry will not be considered.

Photographs must have been taken during 2023 and should not have been previously published.



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UNFAMILIAR TERRITORY FOR BOTH TEAMS

The 2023 Intermediate Championship Final isn't an experience any of the players taking to the field will be too familiar with.

For Downings, 1993 was their most recent venture to the final of this competition, in which they came out victorious with a 1-13 to 0-9 win over Na Rossa.

Despite their absence from the decider, they boast an impressive record in it, winning their last three finals and a win on Sunday would be a record fourth Intermediate title, with six teams currently having won the championship three times.

Downings captain Ben McNutt who, at the age of 29 is one of the more senior players in the side, wasn't born the last time they reached this far.

McNutt however did captain them to Junior A success in 2020 so they have experience in this sort of game.

That win in 1993 was coincidentally the last time they even reached the semi-final until this year, so long standing records have already been broken by the Kevin 'Cookie' Gallagher managed side this year.

While this Malin side may be used to big championship games, they haven't featured in a championship decider in a long time.

Their last Intermediate final came in 2001, losing to Glenfin by 1-13 to 0-7.

They did however gain a senior championship spot two years later due to their league form and it wasn't until 2019 and 16 years at the top tier that they were relegated.

Michael Byrne's side have impressed along the way this year and while they have senior championship experience, their last championship final experience



was that loss 22 years ago.

Their last championship success came in 1998 against Naomh Colmcille in the Junior Championship and impressively made the Intermediate final the year after.

However, that was their first of two appearances in this decider where they also suffered defeat (1-13 to 1-11 vs Na Rossa), so they will be aiming to ensure it's not third time unlucky.

For whichever side comes out on top on Sunday, it'll be a long awaited victory, for the other, their wait goes on.

Dáire Bonnar
Donegal News



HARD TO PICK A WINNER

Every year at the beginning of our club championships it seems that the toughest one to call is, who will win the Intermediate title. 2023 was no different with a number of clubs in the mix depending on who you were talking to. The Group sections didn't really help to produce a clearer picture with only three points separating the top eight teams who made it into the quarter-finals.

No-one managed to win all four games of their games but Buncrana and Malin remained unbeaten with three wins and a draw. Termon and Downings were next with three wins and one defeat, but despite being outside the top four no-one was writing off the likes of Naomh Columba, Bundoran, Red Hughs or indeed Fanad Gaels who just made it into the last eight.

Malin had finished second in the table, behind Buncrana on score difference by some distance. In fact of the top eight only Red Hughs scored less than Malin and only by a point 47 v 48. Malin scored 48 and conceded 40 while Sunday's opponents Downings have scored more, 56 points but have also conceded more, 55 points, another clear indication of how close things were for both teams in the group stages.

In their quarter-finals things were a little more comfortably as both won by five points, Malin beating Bundoran by 2-09 to 0-10 and Downings defeating Red Hughs by 2-10 to 0-11. That sent them through to meet Gáeil Fhanada and Termon in the last four.

No one was too surprised when both those games went to extra-time and both of their opponents will feel that they left the opportunity of a place in the



final behind them.

However Kevin 'Gooch' Doherty's late winning goal gave Downings a dramatic victory over Termon, and after getting two late points to force extra-time Malin produced an excellent performance to win by seven points, Conor O'Neill's super solo goal clinching a spot in the final.

So many similarities in their campaigns in this championship so far and given how close games between these two teams have been in the last couple of years picking a winner for Sunday is a difficult task, so let's just hope for a cracking final to end what has been another outstanding Intermediate championship.

Charlie Collins
Donegal Daily / Donegal Sport Hub



MALIN'S TIME TO SHINE

It's ten years ago now. The time has flown by since Malin's most storied day: the 2013 win over St Eunan's in the senior championship quarter final.

They were a Division 1 team back then too, but the magnitude of Malin's win against the reigning county champions, and the style in which they did it, couldn't be overstated. It proved to be that team's highwater point.

The semi-final against Killybegs ended in disappointing defeat, and while there were quarter-finals in the years after, and a narrow semi-final defeat to Glenswilly in 2016, no performance since ever shone as brightly. None was ever so complete, and that they didn't back it up and reach the final must still gnaw at them. Like an itch that can't be scratched.

In 2019, they slipped out of the senior championship through the play-off trapdoor. A decade and a half at the top table ended, just like that.

A team in transition found themselves in unfamiliar surrounds, their struggle to chart a path through the intermediate championship hampered by covid.

The appointment of Michael Byrne as manager for 2022 came from left field. Still fit and good enough to offer plenty as a player, instead he turned to management and made an even bigger contribution to his team.

In last year's re-organised league he guided his team to promotion from Division 2, but injuries to key players and the death of the club's long-time treasurer John Byrne in July



knocked them back on their heels.

Today's opponents Downings hit a last-minute goal in the Division 2 league final to steal a win and send Malin further on the downward spiral into the championship where four defeats left them dicing with relegation but they survived the play-offs and regrouped.

The picture couldn't be more different twelve months on. League Division 1 status was comfortably maintained, with the squad growing stronger for the experience of playing in the top tier and the gradual return of their injured men.

Unbeaten in the group, Bundoran and Gaeil Fhánada have been accounted for in the knockout stages to set up Malin's first Intermediate final appearance since 2001 and their biggest match since putting Eunan's to the sword on that September Saturday at the Scarvey.

The lessons have been absorbed by Byrne and his team. When an opportunity presents itself it must be seized because there are no guarantees it will come around again. Carpe diem, Malin.

Damian Dowds



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NA DÚNAIBH HISTORY

Cuireadh CLG Na nDúnaibh ar bun in leithinis Ros Goill sa bhliain 1938. Cuireadh foireann sóisir 'na páirce ag an am agus bhain siad chraobh sóisir na contae sa bhliain 1948 agus 1957. Ón bhliain 1965 go dtí 1977 bhí CLG Na nDúnaibh cónasctha le leithinis Fhánada faoin ainm Gaeil na Maoile Ruaidhe ar dtús agus ansin Ruairí Mac Easmann. Cha raibh de thoradh ar an chónascadh seo ach craobh sóisir contae sa bhliain 1968.

Chuaigh CLG Na nDúnaibh a mbealach féin arís sa bhliain 1977 agus d'éirigh leo an chraobh sóisir i nDún na nGall a bhaint arís. Bhuaigh siad craobh idirmheánach na contae agus Comórtas Náisiúnta Peile na Gaeltachta, i ngrád na sóisir, sa bhliain 1981 agus d'éirigh leo an Comórtas Náisiúnta a bhaint arís sa bhliain 1982. Ba sa bhliain 1983 a bhí a mbuaicphointe nuair a d'éirigh leo le Comórtas Peile na Gaeltachta i ngrád na sinsir a bhaint, ag fáil an bhuaidh ar Ard a'Rátha i gcluiche ceannais Chomórtas Peile na Gaeltachta sa chontae ar dtús agus ansin ag fáil an bhuaidh ar Béal an Mhuirthéad sa chluiche ceannais Náisiúnta i nGaoth Dobhair.

Shroich Na Dúnaibh an cluiche ceannais de'n Chomórtas Náisiúnta Sóisearach sa bhliain 2004 i gCill Chartha, áit a bhfuair Béal an Mhuirthéad an bhuaidh orthu. Bhain siad an Comórtas Náisiúnta Sóisearach i mBaile Bhúirne sa bhliain 2016 in aghaidh Rinn Mhaoile.

Mar óstaigh ar Chomórtas Peile na Gaeltachta 2018, bhuaigh na Dúnaibh ar a gcomharsana, Gael Fhanada, chun Craobh Sóisear na hÉireann de Chomórtas Peile na Gaeltachta a bhua.

In 2021, bhuaigh Na Dúnaibh Craobh Sóisear an Chontae agus chuaigh siad ar aghaidh go dtí cluiche ceannais Chraobh Shóisear Cúige Uladh.

Anuraidh cuireadh chun cinn iad go Roinn 1, tar éis dóibh an lámh in uachtar a fháil ar Malin i gcluiche ceannais Roinn 2.

Foireann Bainistíochta: Caoimhín Ó Gallachóir, Antóin Ó Baoill, Seán Pól Bairéid, Daithi O'Ladlaó, Tanya Ní Roibéard, Michéal Mac Giolla Chomhaill, Prionsias Mac Aodha, Conall Mac Pháidín (Fisi) Aodh MacLaifeartaigh (Rúnaí).



BEN MC NUTT – NA DÚNAIBH CAPTAIN

I am privileged once again to lead this NaDúnaibh team out in a County final. Helping take our club to it's first Intermediate final in 30years is an honour. This is a journey the team and club won't forget. I would also like to thank our supporters who have travelled to Letterkenny today in numbers. Without them all season we wouldn't be where we are today, and I hope we can put on a performance they are proud of. A massive mention to our sponsors who generously keep our club going throughout the year. Finals always bring a great atmosphere and excitement around the parish, this is extra special with the chance of bringing the club



back to Senior level after so many years.

Malin are a very strong side, they have shown that so far this campaign. They show passion in each game they play and a fighting spirit that got them over the line in the semifinals. We'll expect the same from them today. This season has been challenging for all clubs including ourselves so I'd like to thank the players for all their effort, sacrifices and time given from the start of the season and to the managers for all their hard work and dedication.

Thank you to the club also for their continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh. Ní neart go cur le chéile!

KEVIN GALLAGHER – NA DÚNAIBH MANAGER

On behalf of myself and Anthony, we are delighted to lead the players and the Club into our first Intermediate Championship Final since 1993.

Firstly we'd like to thank the board for all their help this year, anything we have asked for it's never been a problem. We'd also like to thank the Downings Bay Hotel for sponsoring the team again this year. Thanks to everyone in the Parish for supporting the lads all year, home and away. We have had great support throughout the year. Hopefully days like the final will help bring more kids and adults from around the Parish into the club.



A special thanks to all the players, everything we asked all year you have done and more. From driving home from college midweek, to standing in a baltic tide, nothing was ever an issue so a massive thanks to every one of you and your families. Come Sunday at 4

o'clock we are well aware that Malin are going to come at us with everything they have. So we know we're going to have to meet them with hunger in every department on the field.

Thanks again to everyone for their support. Go and enjoy the day, get home safe and witness one hell of an Intermediate Final.

Ní neart go cur le chéile

EOIN BYRNE – NA DÚNAIBH CHAIRMAN

A Chairde,

Mar Chathaoirleach, ba mhaith liom comhghairdeas a dhéanamh le Seaghán, Seán agus an fhoireann bainistíochta ar fad agus na himreoirí as áit a bhaint amach san chluiche ceannais.

Bhí an bhliain seo iontach deacair d'achan duine de thairbh an víreas corónach ach chuir na himreoirí isteach iarracht mhór nuair a tugadh cead daofa a dhul i mbun traenála arís agus cluichí a imirt agus tréasláim leo uilig. Bhí an bhua againn san Chraobh Sóisear sna blianta 2012 agus 2016 agus is cinnte go mbeidh an cluiche ceannais seo an-difriúil



ar fad agus gan aon lucht féachana i láthair. Tá mé cinnte go mbeidh go leor daoine ag féachaint ar an chluiche ón bhaile agus ag tacú leis an fhoireann.

Buíochas mór do choiste an chumainn agus d'achan duine a bhí ag obair go crua i rith na bliana seo, agus na

dúshláin ar fad a bhí le sárú againn mar chumann agus mar eagraíocht. Buíochas mór do lucht gnó an cheantair a thug urraíocht dúinn i mbliana. Míle buíochas libh ar fad. Ar deireadh, cailleadh Uachtarán an Chumainn, Antoin Mac Eiteagáin níos luaithe i mbliana, agus tá mé cinnte go mbeidh an fhoireann ar fad ag smaoineamh air agus iad ag dul na páirce.

1 MINUTE WITH TIARNAN MC BRIDE

Club: Downings

Favourite pitch: Clones

Favourite hobby: Doing anything with the boy

Childhood hero: George Best

Best player you have played with: Aodh Mc Bride

Best player you have played against: Thomas Edward Donohoe (TED)

Best game you have been involved in: Buncrana cup against Tyrone came back from 5 points down

Which team mate is the worst dresser: Ross Cullen

Favourite song: DNA by Billy Gillies

Favourite film: The Dark Knight

Favourite holiday destination: Magaluf

Favourite meal: Pasta Carbonara



Biggest influence on career: Luke Barrett

Club volunteer of note: Hugo McClatchy

Biggest strength in your game: Tackling

Area of your game you would like to improve: Going forward

Sporting hero you most admire: Cristiano Ronaldo

Advice for young players: Keep the head down

Best thing about the GAA: Winning

Twitter / Facebook: Facebook

Instagram / Snapchat: Snapchat

Up early / Lie in: Lie in

Chinese / Pizza: Chinese

Playstation / Xbox: PlayStation

Superman / Batman: Batman

Sock / No Socks: Socks



NA DÚNAIBH – PLAYER PEN PICS

Name	Age	Height	Position	Occupation
Callum Cullen	18	6'2	Forward	Greenkeeper
Conor Boyce	22	5'10	Forward	Student
Shane Boyce	31	6'3	Midfield	Shopkeeper
Patrick McElwee	18	6'	Forward	Student
Allen Pasoma	25	5'11	Defender	Electrician
Aodh McBride	22	6'	Goalkeeper	Electrician
Tiarnan McBride	20	6'	Defender	Student
Ben McBride	25	6'	Forward	Quantity Surveyor Max
Davis	32	5'11	Defender	Business Analyst
Kevin Gooch Doherty	27	5'10	Defender	Insulator
Lorcan Connor	27	6'2	Forward	Accountant
Johnny Mc Groddy	21	5'10	Forward	Horse Trainer
Oisin Boyce	33	5'11	Midfield	Shopkeeper
Dean McBride	21	5'10	Defender	Student
Ronan Gallagher	22	6'1	Defender	Student
Keelan McGroddy	23	5'10	Defender	Carpenter
Padraig MacGinty	22	6'	Defender	Accountant
Hugo Davis	29	6'	Defender	Plumber
Aaron McClafferty	32	5'10	Goalkeeper	Fire Safety Engineer
Eric Roberts	33	5'10	Forward	Climate Activist
Fiachra McClafferty	18	5'10	Defender	Fisherman
Ross Cullen	22	6'	Defender	Plasterer
Gary Ban Mc Clafferty	34	5'9	Forward	Fisherman
Danny McBride	36	5'10	Defender	Plasterer
Paul McGroddy	21	6'2	Midfield	Student
Stephen Shevlin	18	6'2	Forward	Student
Luke McBride	29	6'3	Forward	International Sales Director
Ethan Cullen	21	6'3	Forward	Quantity Surveyor
James Lee Mc Bride	27	6'1	Forward	Supervisor
Ultan McGroddy	22	6'1	Forward	Student
Mark McBride	21	6'	Forward	Barman
Ben Mc Nutt	29	6'	Defender	Businessman
Ronan Pasoma	18	6'	Defender	Bar Manager



Na Dúnaibh



Aaron Mac Laifeartaigh



Aodh Daibhís



Bearnárd Mac Nuadhat



Pádraig Mag Fhinneachta



Caolán Mac Rodaigh



Ronan Ó Gallchaóir



Déan Mac Giolla Bhríde



Oisín Ó Buidhe



Séan Ó Buidhe



Ronan Ó Pasoma



Callum Ó Cúilín



Conchubhar Ó Buidhe



Séan Mac Rodaigh



Lorcán Ó Conchubhair



Pádraig Mac Giolla Bhúi

FIR IONAD

16 Aodh Mac Giolla Bhríde

17 Ailín Ó Pasoma

18 Tiarnáin Mac Giolla Bhríde

19 Bearnárd Mac Giolla Bhríde

20 Mascaill Daibhís

21 Caoimhin Ó Dochartaigh

22 Stiofán Ó Shihbleáin

23 Fiachra Mac Laifertaigh

24 Ross Ó Cúilín

25 Georoid Mac Laifertaigh

26 Domhnail Mac Ghiolla Bhríde

27 Pól Mac Rodaigh

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Brendan McLaughlin



Terence Doherty



Sean O'Neill

FIR IONAD

16 Daniel Mullarkey

17 Conor McGeoghegan

18 Mac McLaughlin

19 Adam McGonagle

20 Shaun Kelly

21 Conor O'Neill

22 Seamus Doherty

23 Joseph Doherty

24 Charlie Byrne

25 Michael Walsh

26 Finn Ward

27 Darragh Douglas

28 Seamus Houghton

29 Ryan McGeoghegan

30 Damien Harkin



Pat McLaughlin PLUMBING & HEATING

*Wishing Malin GAA all
the best in the County Final.*

MALAINN – PLAYER PEN PICS

Name	Age	Height	Position	Occupation
Zach Conlon	18	5ft 11	Goalkeeper	Student
Gary Farren	32	5ft 9	Corner Back	Garda
Ciaran Doherty	23	6ft 2	Full Back	Joiner
Sean Byrne	23	6ft 5	Half Back	Electrician
Taylor Bonner	18	6ft 2	Half Back	Student
Conor Farren	34	6ft	Half Back	Sales
Paul McLaughlin	34	5ft 10	Half Back	Plumber
John Gerard McLaughlin	33	6ft	Midfield	Builder
Daniel Houghton	23	6ft 4	Midfield	Carpenter
Josh Conlon	22	5ft 8	Half Forward	Student
Matthew Byrne	35	6ft	Centre Half Forward	Teacher
Christopher McLaughlin	26	6ft	Half Forward	Insurance
Brendan McLaughlin	29	5ft 7	Corner Forward	Shop Fitter
Terence Doherty	33	5ft 9	Full Forward	Carpenter
Sean O'Neill	22	6ft	Midfield	Student
Daniel Mullarkey	29	6ft 3	Goalkeeper	Chef
Conor McGeoghegan	24	5ft 10	Half Forward	Insurance
Mac McLaughlin	17	5ft 10	Corner Back	Student
Adam McGonagle	21	6ft 2	Half Back	Plumber
Shaun Kelly	39	6ft	Corner Forward	DCC
Conor O'Neill	20	6ft 1	Full Forward	Carpenter
Seamus Doherty	31	5ft 8	Full Forward	Financial Services
Joseph Doherty	24	6ft	Half Forward	Admissions Officer
Charlie Byrne	37	5ft 11	Half Back	Fitness Instructor
Michael Walsh	20	5ft 10	Half Back	Student
Finn Ward	19	6ft 2	Half Back	Student
Darragh Douglas	18	6ft 1	Half Forward	Student
Seamus Houghton	29	6ft 3	Full Forward	Construction
Ryan McGeoghegan	18	6ft 1	Full Forward	Student
Damien Harkin	38	6ft	Full Back	Insurance
Matthew Mullarkey	22	6ft	Corner Forward	Student

1 MINUTE WITH CIARAN DOHERTY

Club: Malin Gaa

Favourite pitch / An pháirc is fearr leat: Connolly Park

Favourite hobby / An caitheamh aimsire is fearr leat: Going to the pub with the lads

Childhood hero / Laoch d'óige: Gary Farren

Best player you have played with / An t-imreoir is fearr a d'imir leat: Sean Byrnes

Best player you have played against / An t-imreoir is fearr d'imir i d'aghaidh: Darragh Canavan

Best game you have been involved in / An cluiche is fearr inar imir tú: Winning Ulster schools senior final with Carndonagh Community School

Which team mate is the worst dresser / Cén ball foirne nach bhfuil faiseanta: Oisín McGonagle

Favourite song / An t-amhrán is fearr leat: Wonderwall

Favourite film / An scannán is fearr leat: The Wolf of Wall Street

Favourite holiday destination / An áit is fearr chun saoire a chaitheamh inti: Albufeira

Favourite meal / An béile is fearr leat: Steak and Chips

Biggest influence on career /



An duine is mó a raibh tionchar acu ort le linn na gairme? Pácko Fildara

Club volunteer of note / Oibrí deonach inmholta an chlub: Kieron White

Biggest strength in your game / Láidreacht do Chluiche: Carrying ball

Area of your game you would like to improve / An bhfuil rud ar bith a ba mhaith leat a fheabhsú insa dóigh a n-imríonn tú: Shooting

Sporting hero you most admire / An Laoch Spóirt is mó meas acu orthu: Sean Kelly

Advice for young players / Comhairle d'imreoirí óga: Listen to your coaches

Best thing about the GAA / An rud is fearr faoin CLG: Training every week

Twitter / Facebook: Facebook

Instagram / Snapchat: Snapchat

Up early / Lie in: Up Early

Chinese / Pizza: Pizza

Playstation / Xbox: Playstation

Superman / Batman: Superman

Sock / No Socks – Stocaí / Gan stocaí: Socks

CHRISTOPHER McLAUGHLIN – MALAINN CAPTAIN

On behalf of all the Malin players I just want to thank everyone from both sides coming out to watch the final today.

There has been a lot of work put in from all the players and managers to get to where we are.



This is a massive day for our club and I hope that you are all proud to have on the club colours today in support of all of us.

I hope it's a good day and a good watch for everyone. Malainn Abú !

MICHAEL BYRNE – MALAINN MANAGER

On behalf of the players and management team of CLG Malainn, I would like to welcome everyone here today on this special occasion in the Donegal GAA calendar.

As a footballer, these are the days that you strive to be a part of and we are extremely proud to represent our community on this special day for the club. On behalf of the players and management team I would like to thank the committee members, sponsors and volunteers in Malainn for their support and backing over the last couple of years.

To the Malainn supporters, both home



and abroad, we want to thank you for your unequivocal support. Do not underestimate your value to our group, the team have felt your presence in every game that we've played, you are with us every time we step on to the pitch and we know that you will be with us today.

Finally I would like to thank the wives, partners and children of both the players and management team. You have lived this journey with us and have enabled us to commit to the levels that are needed to compete at this level, and without your support, days like today would not be possible.

PAT McLAUGHLIN – MALAINN CHAIRMAN

On behalf of everyone in Malin I want to welcome everyone here today and I am a proud man as chairman to see Michael Byrne and his team here in the county final for the first time in 22 years.

To Michael and his backroom team, I want to say a huge well done for your dedication to the senior team the last two years.

To the players the commitment you and your families have shown has just been great with promotion back to division one last year and a fifth place finish this year in the league a great achievement.

There is great work going on in the club and every single volunteer is valued and appreciated and we are going from strength to strength.



There is great excitement across the whole area from Gleneely to Malin Head, Glengad to Culdaff, Aughaclay and Malin.

It has brought great joy to club members after a few tough years with losing club stalwarts like John Byrne and John McLaughlin Rustard - I'm sure they are looking down today from above proud of their the 'wee club' in Black and Amber club as they used to call it.

I would like to thank all the club sponsors and people who help run the club on a weekly basis. Finally to all our supporters who are here today and those abroad and listening to radios and watching the live stream, I hope you get behind the team today and always, Malainn Abú.

MALINN HISTORY

Malin GAA Club, as it now stands, began in 1960 with representatives of all parts of the parish meeting together to form a club, on the understanding that the entire parish should be represented. During the early 60s, trial games were held throughout the parish and gradually a junior team emerged. The club played their games in Lagg field, beside the chapel, but soon saw the need for a bigger and more central park and so began extensive fund-raising activities to secure the present grounds which, after ten years of hard work, were officially opened on 25th May 1969 by Seamus O'Riain, president of the GAA. With emigration taking its toll and dwindling numbers the club folded in the 70s but was revived in the mid-80s and entered the All County League in 1986.

Whilst competing in Division 4, the club picked up its first piece of silverware in December 1992, when winning the Division 4 Shield.

We collected our first and only Junior A crown in 1998 when defeating N. Colmcille on a scoreline of 0.13 to 0.9 in the final, a win that secured a division 4 league and championship double.

The following season, Malin returned to Mc Cumhaill Park in the Intermediate Championship decider only to be narrowly

defeated by Na Rossa, two years later, the men in Black N Amber fell at the final hurdle of the same competition once again, this time going down to Glenfin.

As we steadily improved on the field of play, they club was also growing off the field at an alarming rate and were the proud recipients of the Ulster Club of the Year award in 2003 and after extensive rebuilding work we held the official opening of our playing grounds, Connolly Park on May 4th, 2008.

Malin were undoubtedly on the rise in and the mid 00s were soon dining at the top table of Donegal football, winning the Division 2 crown on 3 separate occasions. On the 3rd Sunday of September 2012, the club reached new heights when we watched one of our own Declan Walsh, climb the steps of the Hogan Stand to get his hands on the Sam Maguire Cup. Buoyed by this new found confidence, we were soon holding our own in the Donegal Senior Championship and appeared in 2 semi finals (2013 and 2016).

Our fortunes slowly dipped and we found ourselves competing in the 3rd tier of the All County League and the Intermediate championship, but after a short period of rebuilding we returned to Division 1 in 2023.

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NAOMH COLUMBA HISTORY

When a group of men gathered in March 1924 with a view to forming a GAA club, little did they imagine the impact that this would have on the parish of Glencolmcille that resonates to this day. The club they founded continued until the 40's when emigration took its toll on playing numbers and for the next two decades players turned out for Kilcar.

In 1964 with numbers again on the rise, it was decided to reform the club and this proved successful as two U-14 titles were claimed before the decade was out.

In the early years of the 70's progress of the senior team was steady, with trips to the junior finals of 1972 and 1973 before an historic first adult trophy in the 1974 junior championship win against Falcarragh. With this win the club were now promoted to the senior grade, now the question was, would they be able to compete at this level? This was answered by claiming the senior league in 1976, the first of 7 the club have won to date.

The first senior county final was reached and won in 1978, but we had to wait another 12 years for the second Dr Maguire to arrive

across Carrick Bridge. Silverware did come in the shape of underage titles with wins from U-21, minor, U-16 and U-14. 1992 saw a ladies board formed in the club and it did not take long to flourish, at present we have 6 ladies teams at various levels.

Numerous players from the club have had the honour of representing various county teams, from Finian Ward who won an Ulster medal in 1974 to Philip Doherty who is currently on the county senior panel. 20th September 1992 was one of the proudest days for the club when two of our finest, John Joe Doherty and Noel Hegarty, played key roles in bringing the Sam Maguire to the Hills for the first time.

The reserve team returns to the county final today, having been defeated in last year's decider. Hopefully there is a different result and they can return to the parish with a championship that was last won in 2009.

99 years on from that first meeting, Naomh Columba plays such an integral role in the parish of Glencolmcille, especially on it's youth and hopefully we can go from strength to strength for at least another 99 years!

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JAMES MCNERN – NAOMH COLUMBA CAPTAIN

It's great to be back here again this year against a very good side in Termon. As a club last years two final defeats was a bitter pill to swallow after all the buzz, They say adversity builds strength well the proofs in the pudding. We've made it back to division one and our second team is in a county final.

We dusted off and all pulled together with some new and old blood and really gave it a go since January under the guidance of our managers and back-room teams and the help of probably all the club officials at some



stage. Over forty men plotted throughout the country training a few times a week. We've spent a long time dwelling on our rich history in this club and it's time to create some of our own.

It started with our Seniors promotion and hopefully today is the next step. I've played a lot of games for this club . I was lucky I've gotten to play with some of my hero's and then their sons and I'll be the proudest Glen man on the planet today running out onto the field with this young team and our mighty parish behind us.

COLIN MCNELIS – NAOMH COLUMBA MANAGER

County finals are great occasions and for us to be back here again for the second time in 2 years is a brilliant effort from the players. We come up against a tough opponent today in Termon, and we are well aware that a big battle awaits us.

This group of players have worked really hard this year and dedicated themselves to representing the club week in week out. I am very proud of



this group, especially how they've come together again this year to fight for this championship.

I'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the work of my management team and everyone who has helped this group this season. Finally, it's again a privilege to represent our club Naomh Columba on county final day and we hope we can give our supporters a great day out and a performance to be proud of.

MICHAEL BYRNE – NAOMH COLUMBA CHAIRPERSON

Mar Chathaoirleach Club Peile Naomh Columba, Gabhaim buíochas le Colin, na himreoirí agus gach duine a thug cuidiú dóibh, ar feadh na blianta.

It is a fantastic achievement to get back to the County final for a second year in a row, hopefully we can go a step further this year and bring home



some silverwear.

The dedication to bounce back and get this far is a testament to all involved.

Finally, on behalf of the club I would like to offer sincere sympathy to all the families that have lost loved ones over the past years, they are all in our thoughts on this special day.

1 MINUTE WITH LIAM BOYLE

Club: Naomh Columba

Favourite pitch / An pháirc is fearr

leat: Páirc na nGael

Favourite hobby / An caitheamh

aimsire is fearr leat: Fishing

Childhood hero / Laoch d'óige:

Brendan Devenney

Best player you have played with

/ An t-imreoir is fearr a d'imir leat: Noel

Freddie McGinley & Michael McGuire

Best player you have played against / An

t-imreoir is fearr d'imir i d'aghaidh: Colm &

Sean Cavanagh

Best game you have been involved in / An

cluiche is fearr inar imir tú: Winning minor

divisional final

Which team mate is the worst dresser

/ Cén ball foirne nach bhfuil faiseanta:

Jamie McNern

Favourite song / An t-amhrán is fearr leat:

Eminem Lose yourself

Favourite film / An scannán is fearr leat:

Snatch

Favourite holiday destination / An áit is

fearr chun saoire a chaitheamh inti: Spai

Favourite meal / An béile is fearr leat:

Chicken Curry



Biggest influence on career / An duine is mó a raibh tionchar acu ort le linn na gairme? Francis J McGinley

Club volunteer of note / Oibrí deonach inmholta an chlub:

Damien Carr

Biggest strength in your game /

Láidreachtaí do Chluiche: My right

foot

Area of your game you would like to improve / An bhfuil rud ar bith a ba mhaith leat a fheabhsú insa dóigh a n-imríonn tú:

Free kicks

Sporting hero you most admire / An Laoch

Spóirt is mó meas acu orthu: Roy Keane

Advice for young players / Comhairle

d'imreoirí óga: Train hard, take criticism as a positive and you can achieve whatever goal you want

Twitter / Facebook: Facebook

Instagram / Snapchat: Snapchat

Up early / Lie in: Lie in

Chinese / Pizza: Chinese

Playstation / Xbox: PlayStation

Superman / Batman: Batman

Sock / No Socks – Stocaí / Gan stocaí: Socks

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NAOMH COLUMBA – PLAYER PEN PICS

Name	Age	Height	Position	Occupation
Colm Mc Elroy	24	5'11	Goalkeeper	General Operative
Sonny Curran	22	5'8	Corner Back	Fitter
Vincent Doherty	22	5'10	Full Back	Paralegal
Tomás Byrne	20	5'8	Corner Back	Student
Adrian Breslin	18	5'11	Wing Half Back	Student At Letterkenny
Kian Gillespie	20	5'9	Centre Half Back	College Student
Rory Jones	35	5'9	Wing Half Back	Irish Defence Forces
Patrick Carr	26	5'11	Midfield	Accountant
James Heeney	24	6'1	Midfield	Cyber Security Analyst
Antoine Molloy	20	6Ft	Wing Half Forward	Electrical Apprentice
Ronan Gillespie	23	6'2	Centre Half Forward	Recruitment Consultant
Jamie Mcnearn	32	6'1	Half Forward	Master Stonemason
Aiden Con McGinley	23	5'10	Corner Back	Electrician
Liam Boyle	26	6Ft	Forward	Carpenter
Ronan O'hare	24	5'9	Corner Forward	Teacher
Paidí Cunningham	20	6'0	Goalkeeper	Bartender
Conor Carr	25	6'2	Full Back	Fire Safety Engineer
Aaron Byrne	19	5'10	Full Forward	Construction Worker
Conor O'donoghue	19	5'10	Wing Half Forward	Student
Shane Ellis	18	6'5	Midfield	Student
Gary Doherty	18	5'11	Half Forward	Labour Manager 3D Personnel
Mark Cannon	29	6'3	Wing Forward	H&S Manager
Michael Lyons	24	5'11	Wing Back	Construction Estimator
Dermot Callaghan	21	6'2	Forward	Ground Worker
Emmett O Gara	20	165Cm	Corner Back	Student @Atu Donegal
Eoin McIntyre	24	5'11	Forward	Laborer
Colin Doherty	21	6'3	Full Forward	Digger Driver



Naomh Columba



Colm Mc Elroy



Sonny Curran



Vincent Doherty



Tomás Byrne



Adrian Breslin



Kian Gillespie



Rory Jones



Patrick Carr



James Heeney



Antoine Molloy



Ronan Gillespie



Jamie Mcnern



Aiden Con Mcginley



Liam Boyle



Ronan O'Hare

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16. Paidí Cunningham

17. Conor Carr

18. Aaron Byrne

19. Conor O'donoghue

20. Shane Ellis

21. Gary Doherty

22. Mark Cannon

23. Michael Lyons

24. Dermot Callaghan

25. Emmett O Gara

26. Eoin McIntyre

27. Colin Doherty

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Cormac Brady



Gary McGettigan



Mark Gallagher



Eoin Doherty



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18 Gareth Gallagher

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21 JR McDaid

22 Caolan Reid

23 John McCafferty

24 Jack O'Neill

25 Patrick McDaid

27 Conor McFadden



**DONEGAL
COMMERCIAL
VEHICLES**

AN TEARMAINN – PLAYER PEN PICS

Name	Age	Height	Position	Occupation
Emmett Maguire	21	6'3	Goalkeeper	Sales Administrator
Emmett Mcgettigan	18	6Ft	Defender	Student
Bryan Mcgettigan	20	6Ft	Full Back	Student
Caolan Reid	19	6'1	Full Back	Parts Advisor
Conor Mcfadden	22	5'10	Wing Back/Forward	Student
Cormac Brady	18	5'9	Centre Back	Student
Dan Connaghan	34	5'8	Wing Back	Sna
Eoghan Quinn	18	5'7	Everywhere	Student
Eóin Doherty	23	6Ft	Full/Half Forward	Primary Teacher
Evan Keown	18	5'11	Half Back	Ulster University Student
Gary Mc Gettigan	18	6'1	Full/Wing Foward	
Gareth Gallagher	18	5'9	Defender	Student
Jack O' Neill	18	5'11	Wing Back	Retail
Jamie Gallagher	42	6'1	Midfield	Engineer
Kieran Black	23	6Ft	Corner Back	Shop Assistant
Johnny Mccafferty	44	5'10	Full Forward	Company Director
Jr Mcdaid	41	5'9	Full Forward	Engineer
Kevin Mc Daid	37	5'9	Halfback	Company Director
Mark Gallagher	21	5'7	Corner Forward	Student
Michael Trearty	20	5'10	Corner Back	Student
Patrick Mcdaid	18	6Ft	Wing Half Forward	Student
Paul Mallon	28	5'10	Corner Forward	Assistant Water Caretaker
Steve Mcdaid	22	6'1	Midfield	Sales Administration
Thomas Cannon	19	6'2	Goalkeeper	Student
Luke Mgarvey	20	6'1	Wing Forward	
Jimmy Mc Elwaine	39	6'0		Paramedic



1 MINUTE WITH EMMETT McGETTIGAN

Club: Termon

Favourite pitch / An pháirc is fearr leat: The burn road

Favourite hobby / An caitheamh aimsire is fearr leat: Studying

Childhood hero / Laoch d'óige: Rambo mcgettigan(the father)

Best player you have played with / An t-imreoir is fearr a d'imir leat: Cormac brady

Best player you have played against / An t-imreoir is fearr d'imir i d'aghaidh: Anthony grant

Best game you have been involved in / An cluiche is fearr inar imir tú: Ssemi final vs burt

Which team mate is the worst dresser / Cén ball foirne nach bhfuil faiseanta: Jamie gallagher loves the baggy tracksuits

Favourite song / An t-amhrán is fearr leat: Jungle by Fred again

Favourite film / An scannán is fearr leat: The hangover 2

Favourite holiday destination / An áit is fearr chun saoire a chaitheamh inti: Albufera

Favourite meal / An béile is fearr leat: tteak and chips

Biggest influence on career / An duine is mó a raibh tionchar acu ort le linn na gairme? Hugh Harkin



Club volunteer of note / Oibrí deonach inmholta an chlub: Ben harkin would miss his own funeral for the odd bingo

Biggest strength in your game / Láidreacht do Chluiche: Running forward with the ball

Area of your game you would like to improve / An bhfuil rud ar bith a ba mhaith leat a fheabhsú insa dóigh a n-imríonn tú: Shooting from distance

Sporting hero you most admire / An Laoch Spóirt is mó meas acu orthu: Roy Keane and his mentality

Advice for young players / Comhairle d'imreoirí óga: Enjoy playing football with your friends

Best thing about the GAA / An rud is fearr faoin CLG:Connecting with different types of people and the odd social event

Twitter / Facebook: Facebook

Instagram / Snapchat:Snapchat

Up early / Lie in: Up early

Chinese /Pizza: Chinese

Playstation / Xbox: Down with that sort of thing

Superman / Batman: Batman

Sock / No Socks – Stocaí / Gan stocaí: Socks

JAMIE GALLAGHER – AN TEARMAINN CAPTAIN

I am greatly honoured to lead this exceptional group of young men onto the pitch today and I hope for the younger lads, it's the start of a very long and successful playing career at this and higher levels. The players have been very focused and have displayed great skills and composure all year, allowing us to get to this stage and I hope that our performance today is one which we can be proud of.

I would like to thank the management team for their hard work and dedication all year and without whom we would not be



in this position. I'd like to thank our supporters, our sponsors, our parents, wife's, partners, and children for their support, encouragement and commitment over this and many years.

Finally, I hope the game is a great spectacle for all those in attendance and that both teams can demonstrate the great quality and competitiveness that exists in Reserve Football in the county. May the best team win.

HUGH HARKIN – AN TEARMAINN MANAGER

I am delighted to be managing the Termon Reserves into the county final today alongside Mark O'Donnell and John Conaghan.

The team have had a fantastic season having already captured the Division 2 Reserve title. I have been humbled by how the hard group is willing to work every time they pull on a Termon jersey. I am very proud to be associated with a group willing to work as hard as these lads do every time they represent the club.

Today we are up against a very high quality, highly motivated, opposition in Naomh Coumba. We have had 2 real battles with them already this year and expect more of the same today. Hopefully the players on both sides can do themselves justice and



showcase the quality that exists in reserve football.

1998 was the last time Termon won this title and we would love to repeat that success 25 years on. Sadly 2 members of that group are no longer with us. Packie Gallagher, Anthony McGrenra and their families will be very much in our thoughts today.

Finally, I would like to thank the players, their families, club officials and sponsors, especially Letterkenny Skip Hire who sponsored us t-shirts for today, and everyone involved in CLG An Tearmainn for the sacrifices made this and every year to help drive the club forward. An Tearmann abú.

BRIAN TREARTY – AN TEARMAINN CHAIRPERSON

Fáilte mhór roimh imreoirí agus lucht tacaíochta uile chuig Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill.

Warm welcome all players and supporters to O'Donnell Park today. Thank you to continue to support and promote our association.

Wishing the team all the best in the final today and hopefully continue on your success from the league. Thanks for the hard work commitment and dedication you put in



all year.

To Hugh and the management team wishing you a successful outcome today, and the club thanks you all for the hours and hours of planning and preparation that was put into the team this year.

Our sponsors are a vital part in preparation of our teams, we thank you for your continuing support to our club

AN TEARMAINN HISTORY

CLG An Tearmainn began in 1963 after a group of young lads, including Seamus Harkin, Patrick Hilferty and Johnny McCafferty, approached the "Master" in Termon National School, Danny McBride, with a view to getting a Gaelic football team established. The first meeting was held in December 1963 in the old school (Peoples) Kilmacrennan. The first attendees at the meeting included Seamus Harkin, Tony Duffy, Patrick McFadden, Michael McBride, Patrick Coyle, Packie Coyle, Patrick Hilferty, James Trearty, Benny Trearty, Paddy Friel, Stephen Sweeney, Paddy Friel (The Cope), Johnny McCafferty, Charlie Cullen, Danny McBride, Charlie O'Donnell, Danny Kelly.

The first officers elected for the Club were Chairman Danny McBride, Secretary Paddy Friel, Treasurers Danny Kelly and Charlie O'Donnell.

The first team registered in 1963 included the following players: Benny Trearty; Stephen Sweeney; Neil Connaghan; Stephen O'Donnell; Brian Gallagher; Bill Rodden; Johnny McCafferty; Seamus Harkin; James Trearty; Patrick Hilferty; Bernard Brady; Dominic McFadden; Jim Doherty; John McGinty; Denis McGrenra; Tony Murray; Liam Cassidy. The team played a number of challenges and in a Parish league wearing yellow jerseys borrowed from the Letterkenny Technical School.

It was 10 years before the Club succeeded in winning the first Junior Championship in 1973 under the

guidance of Tommy Ryan and Pat Murray beating Glencolmcille. The Club proceeded up through the league rankings in the 1980s and 1990s.

The Club won 3 Intermediate Championships over the years and competed in 2 Senior Championship Finals. The Club failed to deliver the Doctor Hogan however there is every prospect, given the talent pool that has been developed over the course of the last few years, that this will not be far away!

The Club have during their history developed a nationally recognisable ladies football brand and culture with a number of extremely successful teams most noticeably our All-Ireland winning side whose names are etched in the Clubs history and of the County's footballing history given their tremendous success.

The Club has also over the years developed a very robust juvenile football programme now fielding teams from under 6 to under 17/18. Since the formation of the Club there has been many successes at all levels with significant milestones reached.

It can be said that the Club has a very established history and culture which together provide a solid foundation to build and develop from.



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