

Co. Tipperary Senior Hurling Final
Match Programme
1982



1882–1982
Charles Kickham
Centenary



Cluichí
Cheannais
Iomána
Thiobraid
Árann

Stáid Semple
Dúrlas Éile
Meán Fómhair 26
1982

*Tomás Ó Cearúil
Riúnar.*

Clár Oifigiúil
Luach 50p

Clár an Lao

Cluichí Cheannais Iomána Thiobraid Arann

Mionúir 2.00 i.n.

MAINISTIR NA CROISE—BEALACH ACHAILLE

v

EALAI CHARRAIG NA SIUIRE

Réiteoir—Gearóid de Longa (Knockshegowna)

Sinsir 3.15 i.n.

ROSCRE

v

MA CHOIRCE EILE—BUIRIOS LEITH

Réiteoir—Seoirse O Riain (Laitean)



CAMÁN

*Fashioned from ash,
Root-toughened in the hungry earth
For lasting bas,
And supple-stemmed for handle spring,
The measured shape is spoke-shaved
By a craft of ancient lineage
For balanced swing.
The root is bedded in the Red Branch of Setanta,
And heart strings stretch in pride
When wedded to the wrists of Roche and Keher
The strokes of grace excite
to consciousness of heritage.*

Seamus O Riain

Music for today's game is provided by the
Sean Treacy Pipe Band—Moycarkey Borris.



Fáilte agus Focal



Mar Cathaoirleach ar an gcondae stairiúil seo cuirim fáilte rómhaibh go léir do na Cluichí Ceannais Iománaíochta.

Gabhaim buíochas leis na foirní a ghlac páirt sna comórtaisí go dtí seo agus leis na daoine a chabhraigh leo.

Sibhshe atá bailithe anseo inniu, ag súil le cluichí iontacha sportúla, earraim oraibh calhrú i ngach bealach is féidir libh le leathnú agus forbairt iománaíochta ar fud an chondae.

County Hurling final day is here again—A day which brings down the curtain on our hurling activities at minor and senior level within our county for another year.

We recall in particular that victory of a few Sundays ago when our County Minor Hurling team won for us our fifteenth All-Ireland hurling title.

Under the leadership of either Carrick Swans or Holycross, who contest today's minor final, we look forward in anticipation first of all to a memorable final and secondly to a real and genuine effort in order that we may retain that All-Ireland title in 1983.

Along with our minor participants, we extend to Moycarkey-Borris and Roscrea a very warm welcome on this county final day. Looking back on the achievements of both in the recent and not too recent past, we await another memorable contest which will be in keeping with this great occasion. Remembering the great tradition attached to both clubs, their meeting should shed further lustre on our oldest and most distinctive national game of all.

Our hurling pride has been badly dented in recent years. Let us hope that our new hurling champions in shouldering some of the responsibility which will be theirs, will by deed, word and example hasten the return of our county to its former place in the sun.

Each one of us likewise can make a valuable contribution towards that effort. In the interests of Tipperary and in the interests of hurling, I earnestly appeal to you to do so.

Michael O'Shea

Cathaoirleach



Buíochas

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Finally a word of thanks to the members of the Communications Committee: John Lanigan, Timmy Grace, Conor O'Dwyer, Jimmy Duggan, Bro. Keane, Eugene Sheehan and Tomás O Baroid.

Beir Bua,

Liam O'Donoghue

Programme Editor

Amhrán na bhFiann

Sinne Fianna Fáil,
Atá faoi gheall ag Eirinn,
Buíonn dár slua
Thar tionn do ráinig chugainn,
Faoi mhóid bheith saor,
Seantír ár sinsear feasta,
Ní fhágfar faoin tiorán ná faoin tráil
Anoch a théam sa bhearna bhaoil,
Le gean ar Ghaeil chun báis no saoil,
Le gunna-scréach faoi lámhach na bpiléar
Seo libh, canaig Amhrán na bhFiann.

Again I appeal for material for further programmes — old photographs, newspaper cuttings or any such like, that would help in the completion of future programmes. I thank sincerely those who have already contributed such material.

AN CUIMHIN LEAT?

James
Duggan



Twenty years ago all the magic that was Tipperary in the sixties was conjured up to hold Limerick to a replay; defeat them by 5-13 to 7-4 and hammer Waterford before appearing in the All Ireland final against Wexford in a match that had hurling scribes reaching for new epithets. 'Glorious, dynamic blood tingling' abound in the headlines of the day. Two lightning goals by Tom Moloughney and Sean McLoughlin set Croke Park alight but at the end of the day a marvellous 'Mackey' McKenna run and a blistering goal by Tom Ryan of Killenaule set the seal on "one of the hardest hours hurling ever seen in Croke Park". Not to be outdone the home scene provided

the best county final for years. Moycarkey people have reason to remember the tremendous display of Tony Wall and the saves of 'Blackie' Keane as they lost in a thrill a minute contest by the narrowest of margins.

By 1972 the wave surged less strongly and yet Tipperary faced Cork as All Ireland champions in Limerick in the Munster semi-final. This time the age old rivalry produced a replay with Tipperary giving second best in a scoreline of 3-10 to 2-7 at the same venue. Roscrea recaptured the title they had surrendered to Moyne the previous year. In a facile win of 5-8 to 3-6 Jackie Hannon became the first recipient of the new Dan Breen Cup.



Surrounded by a happy group of exiles, members of the Tipp team complete with the Garryowen Cup pose after their thrilling victory over Limerick in the Wembley Tournament in May 1972.

Back row, left to right: Gerry Doyle, Jim Fogarty, Francis Loughnane, Noel Lane, Seamus Hogan, Paul Byrne, John Kelly. Front, left to right: John Flanagan, Tadgh O'Connor, Liam King, Martin Esmonde (capt.), John Gleeson, Peter O'Sullivan, Dinny Ryan, Michael Coen. Absent when the photo was taken were Mick Roche, Michael Keating, John O'Donoghue, Noel O'Dwyer, and Roger Ryan.



TIOBRAID ARANN— ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONS 1962

Back row:— T. Ryan, M. O'Gara, R. Slevin, J. Doyle, T. Moloughney, M. Maher, K. Carey, T. Ryan, L. Connolly, M. Hassett, M. Murphy.
Front row:— M. Burns, L. Devaney, D. O'Brien, J. McKenna, T. English, D. Nealon, J. Doyle, capt., S. McLoughlin, R. Mounsey, C. Hartigan, T. Wall.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

20 years ago— TIPPERARY COUNTY FINAL, 14 October, 1962.

Thurles Sarsfields 1-9; Moycarkey-Borris 1-8.



The Thurles Sarsfields team which won the 1962 Tipperary county final.

Kneeling (from left): M. Byrne, Kevin Houlihan, P. Dorney, P. Doyle, M. ('Musha') Maher, M. McElgunn (capt.), M. ('Blackie') Keane, R. Mockler. Standing (from left): J. Connors (official), Noel Murphy, L. Keane, S. McLoughlin, T. Walsh, T. Wall, B. Maher, M. Murphy, G. Doyle (official).



Pictured above the last Moycarkey-Borris team to contest a county final in 1962.

Front row (left to right):- Joe Coman, Tommy Lonergan, Paddy Coman (Vice capt.), Pat Ryan (capt.), Donal Ryan, John O'Grady, Dick Fitzgerald. Back row (left to right):- T. K. Dwyer (Hon. Sec.), Billy Shanahan, Tom Wright, Liam Hennessy, Gus Ryan, Michael Lonergan, Paddy Bourke, Gerald Ryan, Tom Burke, Martin P. Corcoran. Subs were Billy Ryan, John Ryan, Liam Ryan, John Coman, Tom Kelly, Michael Shanahan, Matty Fanning, Billy Nolan.

Selectors that year were:- Tommy Kelly, John Bergin, Martin Corcoran, Johnny Ryan and John Flanagan.

TIOBRAID ÁRANN THÍAR



Sean Treacy's—West Champions 1982

Final team:—P. McMahon, J. Quigley, G. O'Toole, J. Hickey, M. Hickey, B. Ryan, D. Ryan, J. J. Ryan, L. Ryan, P. Quigley, P. Ryan, P. J. Caplis, John Carey, D. Browne, D. Carey.

Sub: M. Carey for P. Ryan.

Photo—Nenagh Guardian



Photo:—Nenagh Guardian

Knockavilla-Donaskeigh—Crosco Cup Champions 1982

Final team: J. Farrell, P. Slattery, G. Morrissey, D. Morrissey, J. Slattery, D. Kennedy, E. Brown, M. McGrath, P. Hayes, M. Hennessy, G. Coulihan, B. Hayes, J. Hennessy, D. Hayes, M. Butler.

WEST TIPPERARY CHAMPIONSHIP 1982

Our league system

Cashel 2-5 v Cappawhite/Eire Og 2-3—21/3/82

Cashel 0-5 v Lattin/Emly 3-7— 20/5/82

Cashel 1-9 v Clonoulty 0-8— 26/4/82

Clonoulty 4-3 v Lattin/Emly 2-5— 10/4/82

Clonoulty 7-5 v Cappawhite/Eire Og 2-6—22/5/82

Lattin/Emly 2-12 v Cappawhite/Eire Og 0-4—
24/4/82

Three top teams from this group plus Kickhams winners of weak group— for semi finals.

Semi-finals

Clonoulty 4-3 v Kickhams 2-7 — 19/7/82

Lattin/Emly v Cashel— 19/7/82

Final

Lattin/Emly 3-6 v Clonoulty 3-7— 25/7/82

OIFIGH— BOARD OFFICERS 1982

Cathaoirleach— Michael Ryan (Arravale Rovers)

Rúnaí— Jerry Ring (Arravale Rovers)

P.R.O.— J. J. Kennedy (Kickhams West)

Cisteoir—Michael Marnell (Clonoulty-Rossmore)

TORTHAÍ— RESULTS

Senior Hurling Championship

9/5/82—Sean Treacy Park— Sean Treacy's 1-12
Cappawhite 1-11

20/6/82— Clonoulty— Sean Treacy's 0-12,
Cashel 1-8

27/6/82—Sean Treacy Park—Eire Og 1-8;
Kickhams West 1-5.

Final

25/7/82—Emly—Sean Treacy's 1-15;
Eire Og 1-12.

Crosco Cup— Senior Hurling League

18/4/82—Clonoulty—Kickhams West 0-11
Sean Treacy's 0-10

7/6/82—Bansha —Kickhams West 4-19;
Lattin Sologhead 1-3

13/6/82—Golden—Kickhams West 1-16;
Clonoulty 2-6

Final

4/7/82—Golden—Kickhams West 0-13;
Cappawhite 0-5



Play Hurling No. 1

The recently-launched publication "Play Hurling No. 1" is a very welcome help to the promotion of hurling among our youth. The booklet which is sponsored by Irish Life Assurance Co. Ltd, is published by An Foras Oiliúna— Croke Park. It is intended as a handbook of basic instruction for players in the primary school and early post-primary age group. Guidelines are given on all basic skills, including the grip, the swing, lifting, catching, stopping, frees etc, and it is expertly and colourfully illustrated. Copies costing 50p can be ordered from Liam O Donnchu,

Tipperary Youth Officer,
Baile Beag,
Durlas Eile,
Co. Thiobraid Arann.

TIOBRAID ÁRANN MEAN

Torthaí— Results— Torthaí— Results

Mid Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship 1982

Knock out competition, losers group to decide second team for county quarter final.

First Round: Sarsfields 1-7; Clonmore-Killea 2-2
Moycarkey-Borris 5-11; Drom-Inch 3-5.
Upperchurch-Drombane 3-10;
Hollycross-Ballycahill 2-6
Loughmore-Castleiney 0-17;
Boherlahan-Dualla 3-6

Semi-finals: Moycarkey-Borris 3-10;
Sarsfields 4-6
Loughmore-Castleiney 1-8;
Upperchurch-Drombane 0-8.

Final: Moycarkey-Borris 4-10;
Loughmore-Castleiney 2-9.

Losers Group: Drom-Inch 1-9;
Clonmore-Killea 1-6.
Hollycross-Ballycahill 2-12;
Boherlahan-Dualla 1-7.
Sarsfields 3-12; Upperchurch-Drombane 3-7.
Drom-Inch 2-16; Hollycross-Ballycahill 206.

Semi-final: Drom-Inch 5-8; Sarsfields 1-9.

Final: Drom-Inch 5-9;
Loughmore-Castleiney 2-11.

MID TIPPERARY MINOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP 1982

Played on league system, two groups, Group "A" (strong), Group "B" (weak). Top three teams in Group "A" and winners Group "B" qualify for semi-finals.

GROUP "A"

Moyne-Templetuohy 4-5; Moycarkey-Borris 2-5
Hollycross-Ballycahill 4-13; Sarsfields 3-7
Clonmore-Killea 3-14; Sarsfields 2-1.
Hollycross-Ballycahill 0-6;
Moyne-Templetuohy 0-5
Clonmore-Killea 2-7; Moycarkey-Borris 1-1.
Moyne-Templetuohy 4-3; Sarsfields 1-3.
Moycarkey-Borris 1-3; Hollycross-Ballycahill 0-4
Clonmore-Killea 4-9; Moyne-Templetuohy 2-3
Hollycross-Ballycahill 306; Clonmore-Killea 2-5
Moycarkey-Borris 5-11; Sarsfields 1-6.
Play off for semi final spot
Moycarkey-Borris 6-11; Moyne 0-4
Hollycross, Clonmore & Moycarkey qualify for semi finals.

GROUP "B"

Loughmore-Castleiney 8-4; Fennellys 1-1
Boherlahan-Dualla 3-4; Drom-Inch 2-3
Loughmore-Castleiney 1-10; Upperchurch 1-5
Drom-Inch 7-8; Fennellys 1-2
Boherlahan-Dualla 0-6; Upperchurch 0-5
Loughmore-Castleiney 2-6; Drom-Inch 3-1
Boherlahan-Dualla 5-11; Fennellys 0-2

"B" final: Loughmore-Castleiney 1-5;
Boherlahan-Dualla 1-3.

Semi-finals: Clonmore-Killea 4-11;
Loughmore-Castleiney 3-3.
Hollycross-Ballycahill 3-10; Moycarkey 3-4.

Final: Hollycross-Ballycahill 2-7; Clonmore 1-2.

SEMI-FINAL ACTION

Knockavilla backs have this situation well under control as they foil the best efforts of Moycarkey corner-forward Jack Caesar in the semi-final.



MID TIPPERARY CHAMPIONSHIP 1982



Moycarkey-Borris captain, Jack Bergin, receives the trophy from the Mid GAA Chairman, Michael Lowry, after his side's victory on Sunday. On right is Mid Secretary, Tom O'Hara



Loughmore-Castleiney, defeated finalists. Front (left to right): Dinny Kiely, Pat Treacy, John Cormack, Tom McGrath, Tom Kiely, Liam Cormack, Michl McGrath. Back: Richard Stapleton, Martin Meagher, Peter Brennan, Sean Kiely, Jim Maher, Michael Sheehan, Pat McGrath, Jim Geehan.

FRANCIS LOUGHNANE— ROSCREA'S SCORING MACHINE

Francis Loughnane of Roscrea led Tipperary to the u-21 hurling title in 1964. The Tipp captain lined out at left half forward. The final was played at Nowlan Park Kilkenny. Tipp had 23 pts to spare over Wexford 8-9 to 3-1. This victory added another page to Tipperary's hurling history, as this was the inaugural year of the u-21 championship.

The champions on that day also included Peter O'Sullivan, Len Gaynor, Mick Roche, "Babs" Keating and Roscrea club mates O. Killoran and J. Dillon.

Loughnane made his senior inter Co. debut in 1967 v Kilkenny in the N.H.L. This game signalled the start of an illustrious career in the "blue and gold". Standing at 5 ft 8 ins Francis was totally committed to the game he loved. Over the years he thrilled thousands with his lethal finishing.

In 1968 this former county minor helped Roscrea to their first County Senior title. The continued success of his club was in no small way due to his efforts. The year 1971 was a very significant one for Francis. He won three All Ireland medals, Senior hurling, club championship and inter firms with Roscrea Bacon.

During the 1972/73 League competition he scored 76 pts (7.55) to emerge as top scorer in nine games. Over the next three seasons Loughnane was Tipps leading scorer. His record is remarkable.

1972	16-65	113 pts
1973	11-73	106 pts
1974	13-75	114 pts
1975	9-52	79 pts



Pictured at a B & I Line G.A.A. Personality of the Month presentation are (left to right): Mr Frank Scully (Asst Chief Exec., B + I), Francis Loughnane, Mrs Rena Loughnane and Mr Sean O'Siochain, former Director General, G.A.A.

When Tipperary won the 1979 League title Francis was once again the county's leading scorer with a total of 7-61 (79 pts). Three times he finished as runner up to Eddie Keher 72, 74, 75 in the National scoring tables.

Francis Loughnane had style, craft and skill combined with a lethal finish. Three Carrolls All Stars were his in 1971, 72, 73.

His scoring feat of 2-10 in the 1973 Munster final is a personal best.

In March 1979 he became the first Tipperary hurler to win the B + I Award. He wore the Blue of Munster on many occasions and etched his name in the Railway Cup Winners List in 1976.

Sean O'Driscoll



An action shot of Roscrea's ace marksman Francis Loughnane bending low to collect a bouncing ball against Kilruane.

ROSCREA HURLING CLUB— A SHORT HISTORY

Roscrea hurling club was formed in 1895 and its first Chairman was Mr Ned Maher, father of J. J. Maher. Christy Fletcher was its first Secretary, taking up duty in 1927 and continuing on to 1974.

Roscrea contested their first county senior final in 1902 against De Wetts. They won but objection followed and Roscrea were beaten in the Board Room. They had to wait until 1936 to contest their next County final and lost to Thurles Sarsfields. 1945 saw them again in the County final and drew with Sarsfields in Nenagh. The replay was in Thurles where they were narrowly defeated.

Defeat was their lot again in 1954 against Holycross-Ballycahill as it was in 1963 against Sarsfields and in 1967 against Carrick Davins.

In 1968 they won their first County Title when they defeated Sarsfields and they held the title for the following two years. 1972 saw them regain the Dan Breen Cup after losing the previous years final to Moyne-Templeuohy. In 1973 they defeated Kilruane MacDonagh in the final. In 1980 they again captured the coveted title following a thrilling final with the then reigning champions Kilruane MacDonagh. So today Roscrea are bidding for their seventh title.

The period 1968 to 1973 has been Roscrea's greatest when they contested seven Senior County finals in a row.

Roscrea has also won the North Senior Hurling Championship on 15 occasions.

We should not forget their memorable victory in the All-Ireland Club Championship of 1971.

Sunday 1st June 1980 was another milestone in the history of the G.A.A. in Roscrea because on that day the President of the GAA Pdraig Mac Floinn opened the new social centre at St Cronan's Park. This complex—costing almost £90,000 is one of the best of its kind in the country.

OIFIGH 1982

Uachtaran— Jack Moloney.

Leas-Uachtaran— John Joe Maher

Cathaoirleach— Ned Treacy

Leas-Cathaoirleach— Kevin O'Connor

Runai— Willie O'Reilly

Cisteoir— Jack Pyne

Oifigeach Caidrimh Poibli— Ciaran Mac Nicholas.

Committee— Bertie Fitzpatrick, Tadgh

O'Connor, Patsy Roland, MI Nolan, Murt

Deane, John Stone, Ger O'Connor, MI

Minogue, Paddy Scully.



Willie O'Reilly, Rúnaí Roscrea.



Action from this years North final—
Roscrea under pressure from Eire Og.



Photo— Nenagh Guardian

The Roscrea team that defeated Sean Treacy's in the Semi-final.

*Back row:— E. Hogan, Joe Roland, K. Brady, R. Power, L. Spooner, Kevin O'Connor, Jody Spooner, P. Loughnane.
Front row:— Kevin Brady, G. O'Connor, P. O'Connor, J. Butler, P. Quealy (captain), T. O'Connor, F. Loughnane.*

ROS CRÉ

Eolas ar na h-Iománaithe

JOE ROLAND, 30 son of "Fanny" one of the greatest hurlers Roscrea produced. Played under age for Roscrea, then changed his allegiance to Borris-in-Ossory for a number of years where he appeared in county finals and also starred in goal for Laois. Won North & County medals in 1980. Also played in goal for Shinrone. Jeweller.

KEVIN BRADY, age 26. Played all grades of hurling for club, also represented Tipp in minor and under 21 grade. Kevin was 1980 victorious captain. One North and County medal. Building contractor.

EDDIE HOGAN, 19. Won All-Ireland and Munster championships with Tipp Minors in 1980. Son of former Roscrea great Mick. Appearing in first final. Lab. Technician.

BRENDAN MAHER, age 33. Won minor, under-21 and senior medals with Roscrea. Represented Tipp in all three grades also holder of 7 county championships— senior, 3 Munster Club and one All-Ireland club medals. Haulage contractor.

JODIE SPOONER, age 30. Won u-16 minor under-21 and senior medals with Roscrea also won Fitzgibbon with U.C.G. Represented combined universities during Railway Cup. Also played minor with Tipp. Holder of 6 county senior championships, 3 Munster club and 1 All-Ireland club championship. Teacher.

KEVIN O'CONNOR, age 26. Played all grades for club and was wing back on Tipp team that won league in 1979. Won North & County medals in 1980. Also played in goal for Tipp senior football. Carpenter.

TADHG O'CONNOR, age 33. Won minor, under 21 and senior medals with Roscrea. Won North & County medals in 1980. Represented Tipp at all levels. Carrolls and Bank of Ireland All Star. Captained Tipperary to their last senior All-Ireland in 1971. Assistant accountant.

LIAM SPOONER, age 32. Came on as a sub when Roscrea won their first title in 1968. Regular on team ever since winning 7 county titles. Has also played representative rugby for Leinster and represented Ireland in International athletics in Spain. Holder of 3 Munster club and one All Ireland club medal. Won North and County medals in 1980. Garage owner.

GER O'CONNOR, agw 24. Has won All-Ireland medals at minor and under 21 level for Tipp. Won North & County medals in 1980. Played all grades of hurling for club, is appearing in 3rd county final. Carpenter.

JOHN STONE, age 24. Has represented Tipp

at minor and under 21 level. Won All Irelands in both grades. Won North & County medals in 1980. Has played all grades of hurling and football with club. E.S.B. employee.

JOE TYNAN, age 32. One of the greatest forwards ever to play for Roscrea. Has won club honours from juvenile to All-Ireland club level. Has also represented Tipp at minor, under 21 and senior level. Joe also played football for county. Winner of 3 Munster club and 1 All-Ireland club championship. Painter.

FRANCIS LOUGHNANE, age 36. Francis has been the top forward in Tipp whether for club or county since the early 70s. Winner of every honour in the game including three All-Star awards and B & I award. Painting contractor.

JOE BUTLER, age 21. Third year on senior team. Joe is appearing in his second senior final. Has played county minor for Tipp. and has represented his club in all grades. Trainer Manager.

PADRAIG "PURDY" LOUGHNANE, age 24. Has represented Tipp at minor and under 21 level winning All-Irelands in both grades. Has been outstanding juvenile player and has played all grades with club. Factory employee.

RICHE DUNNE: 27. Won Leinster Minor championship with his native Kilkenny. Appearing in his 2nd senior final. Garda.

PAUL O'CONNOR: 21. Sub on Tipp under-21 team this year. Played all grades with club. Sub on 1980 team. Machinist.

FRANCIS FLETCHER: 23. Played all grades with club. One of the many young players with a bright future. P. & T. technician.

JOE BERGIN: 22. Won All-Ireland Vocational medals with North Tipp and has represented Roscrea in all grades. A player with a future in the game. Farmer.

DONAL KEALY: 17. Centre back on victorious minor team this year also eligible next year. Won All-Ireland vocational medal as goalkeeper. Player with great potential. Bord na Mona apprentice.

A. SHANAHAN: 20. Played all grades with club. Very versatile player, can play in defence mid-field or as a forward. Postman.

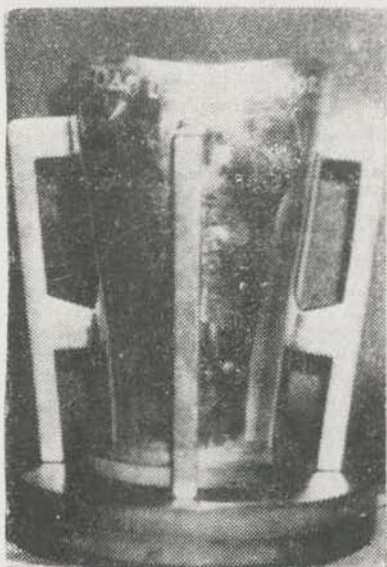
ML SCULLY: 18. Played on winning Tipp minor team this year. Even at this age has played all grades with club. Student.

JIMMY BRADY: 30. On both junior and senior teams, a player who could have made the grade but for an early retirement before making a comeback. Garage owner.

DAN BREEN CUP

The Dan Breen Cup was first presented to the County Senior Hurling Championships in 1931. The wear and tear of victory celebrations over the years, however, damaged the Cup to such an extent that by 1972 a new trophy was needed. It was fitting that a new Dan Breen Cup was provided by the Dan Breen Memorial Committee. The new Cup has the design of an ancient Irish drinking vessel—the Mether—and is similar to, though slightly smaller than, the Liam McCarthy Cup for the All-Ireland Championship.

It is of solid silver with a unique base in that the conventional type base is abandoned and in its place is a two-tiered mahogany plinth manufactured specially by a Moneygall craftsman.



The new Dan Breen Cup

A photograph of the original Dan Breen Cup can be seen on page 36.



Tipperary Senior Hurling Champions

1887—Thurles	1915—Boherlahan	1942—Thurles Sarsfields	1968—Roscrea
1888—Clonoulty	1916—Boherlahan	1943—Eire Og, Annacarty	1969—Roscrea
1889—Moycarkey	1917—Boherlahan	1944—Thurles Sarsfields	1970—Roscrea
1890—Toomevara	1918—Boherlahan	1945—Thurles Sarsfields	1971—Moyne-Templetuohy
1891—93—	1919—Toomevara	1946—Thurles Sarsfields	1972—Roscrea
1894—Drombane	1920—21 —	1947—Carrick Swan	1973—Roscrea
1895—Tubberadora	1922—Boherlahan	1948—Holycross	1974—Thurles Sarsfields
1896—Tubberadora	1923—Toomevara	1949—Borrisoleigh	1975—Moneygall
1897—Suir View	1924—Boherlahan	1950—Borrisoleigh	1976—Moneygall
1898—Tubberadora	1925—Boherlahan	1951—Holycross	1977—Kilruane MacDonagh
1899—Horse & Jockey	1926—Moycarkey	1952—Thurles Sarsfields	1978—Kilruane MacDonagh
1900—Two-Mile-Borris	1927—Boherlahan	1953—Borrisoleigh	1979—Kilruane MacDonagh
1901—Ballytarsna	1928—Boherlahan	1954—Holycross	1980—Roscrea
1902—Nenagh De Wets	1929—Thurles	1955—Thurles Sarsfields	1981—Borrisoleigh
1903—Two-Mile-Borris	1930—Toomevara	1956—Thurles Sarsfields	1982—?
1904—Thurles	1931—Toomevara	1957—Thurles Sarsfields	
1905—Two-Mile-Borris	1932—Moycarkey-Borris	1958—Thurles Sarsfields	
1906—Thurles	1933—Moycarkey-Borris	1959—Thurles Sarsfields	
1907—Thurles	1934—Moycarkey-Borris	1960—Toomevara	
1908—Thurles	1935—Thurles Sarsfields	1961—Thurles Sarsfields	
1909—Thurles	1936—Thurles Sarsfields	1962—Thurles Sarsfields	
1910—Toomevara	1937—Moycarkey-Borris	1963—Thurles Sarsfields	
1911—Thurles	1938—Thurles Sarsfields	1964—Thurles Sarsfields	
1912—Toomevara	1939—Thurles Sarsfields	1965—Thurles Sarsfields	
1913—Toomevara	1940—Moycarkey-Borris	1966—Carrick Davins	
1914—Toomevara	1941—Boherlahan	1967—Carrick Davins	

MOYCARKEY-BORRIS

A Brief History

The G.A.A. has always been strong in Moycarkey-Borris since the first club was formed in 1885. Even before that there are records of hurling flourishing in the area. There is an old tale told of the famous match at Fenor Hill in 1825 when Tipperary represented by Moycarkey and Two-Mile-Borris took on Kilkenny, drawing forces from Urlingford and Johnstown, the first such encounter ever recorded between those great rivals in after years. The story goes that Mathias Purcell captained the victorious Tipperary team before the combat ended in a fight at the foot of Fenor Hill.

In the early years of the Association the parish played a prominent part in all gaelic activities. Prominent workers of the period were Tom Hayes and Ned Hackett in Two-Mile-Borris, John Manning, John Molumby and William Fogarty in Moycarkey. Of the eleven county finals won by the parish to date the first triumph came in 1889 when Moycarkey defeated Toomevara by 1-3 to 1-0 through the great leadership of Tom O'Grady. In 1899 Horse & Jockey and Two-Mile-Borris played an epic game at Turtulla which saw the 'Jockey' emerge victorious but on an objection from the losers the game was refixed for Cashel but the 'Jockey' led by Tim Condon won by 3-8 to 2-4. 1900 saw the Two-Mile-Borris outfit under Ned Hayes sweep the decks to win the third county crown, their selection afterwards sped on to take the All Ireland title. Ballytarsna, including a number of players from the parish won in 1901. There was then a barren period of 21 years before Moycarkey were again to appear on the county senior honours list.

In 1926 the honour fell to John Joe Hayes of Ballyerk and his men to regain the crown by defeating Boherlahan by 6-4 to 4-2. The winning side was John Joe Hayes (capt.), Bill Ryan, Tom Shanahan, Phil Purcell, Lar Molloy, Tim Scott, Pake Spillane, Bill O'Brien, Joe Maher, Jack Murphy, James and Pierce Maher, Ned Moloney, James Heeney, Matty Ryan. Subs Tom Hayes, Mick Molloy and Jack Mouloughney. Then it was on to the 1930s and the golden era for Moycarkey-Borris. Mid titles were won in 1930, '31, '32, '33, '34 and '37. The county honours came to the famous three-in-a-row side of 1932-'34, teams that included such great stalwarts as Phil Purcell, John Joe Hayes, Bill O'Brien, Tom Hayes, Joe Mockler, Jack Grant, James Heaney, Tom Kelly, Pat Ryan, Tom Dunne etc. In 1937 the senior title was once more regained. In Tipp's triple crown side All Ireland champions 1930 the club supplied Phil Purcell and James Heaney (senior), Joe Maher and Tom Hayes (junior) and Paddy Ryan and Tom Kennedy (minor).



Liam Hennessy, Chairman of Moycarkey/Borris Club unveiling a memorial plaque to Father Harkins in the Club's Centre.

1940 brought the last county senior c'ship to the club when Cashel had to give best to the mighty men of Moycarkey with the following winning side:- Tommy Kelly, Jimmy Maher, Tommy Hayes, Paddy Maher, Mick Dempsey, Johnny Ryan, Tom Tobin, Willie Ryan, Martin Healy, Paddy Ryan, Tom Kennedy (capt.), Mutt Ryan, Dick Buckley, Jim Duggan and Tom Hayes, who was to win his sixth county medal at senior ranks. Since then fate decreed that no county senior final was to come Moycarkey-Borris's way. The club reached two county finals since in 1943 when most of the 1940 side plus Jim and Thomas O'Keefe and Matty Ryan, Tom Purcell, Paddy Purcell, Frank Commings and Tony Molloy played on the side beaten by Eire Og Anacarty.

The 1960s saw a resurgence of hurling strength in the parish and in 1962 the club reached the final once more but had to bow gallantly to the star studded Thurles Sarsfields side - see page 5 of this programme.

"So near and yet so far" can sum up the efforts of Moycarkey-Borris in the past two decades to reach a county senior final. Mid championships were won in 1965, '67, '71, '81 and '82 while the bulwark of today's panel have been together for four or five years and all parish supporters will hope that Jack Bergin and his '82 crew will rectify and bridge that 42 years gap this afternoon.

While the playing of our national games of hurling and football have always been utmost in the minds of the various club administrators over the years our grounds at Littleton has been redeveloped with the addition of dressingrooms and amenities for players and meetings. This year the club won a Co. Tipperary section AIB Club of the Year award and received a certificate of merit in the same competition last season. The return of the Dan Breen Cup to the villages of Moycarkey, Littleton, the 'Jockey and 'Borris tonight would mark another landmark in the history of one of Tipperary's most famous clubs.

Jimmy Fogarty



The Moycarkey-Borris team which retained the Mid senior hurling championship.
Front (left to right): Jack Caesar, Liam Bergin, Dick Quigley, Jack Bergin, John Flanagan, Eamon Darmody, Tommy Quigley. Back: Willie Ryan, Jimmy Leahy, Tom Mullins, Robert Hayes, John Cormack, John Hackett, Dave Fogarty, Tom Doran.

Má Choire-Buiríos

Eolas ar na h-Iománaithe

TOM DORAN: Age 25. One of the outstanding goalkeepers playing in the county at the moment. Won Munster Minor and u-14 medals with Tipperary. Also represented the county at u-21 level. Winner of divisional medals in minor, senior hurling and junior football. Lorry Driver.

EDDIE CLANCY: Age 33. Played minor football with Tipperary. The only member of today's team to hold a county senior hurling medal which he won with Sarsfields in 1974. Holder of three Mid senior hurling medals also won divisional honours in junior and intermediate football and one county intermediate football trophy. Electrical Contractor.

JOHN HACKETT: Age 30. Former club secretary. Holder of two Mid senior and one Mid minor hurling medals. Creamery Manager.

WILLIE RYAN: Age 31. One of the club's great hearted defenders of modern times. Played with Tipperary senior team in Oireachtas and league competitions. Holds three Mid senior, three u-21 and two minor hurling medals and one county minor hurling award. Like most of his team mates holds numerous under age honours also winner of three divisional junior football trophies. C.S.E. Teo employee

ROBERT HAYES: Age 23. Captained Pallas-kerry to win All Ireland Agricultural Colleges championship. Holder of Leinster Colleges "B" medal. Winner of Mid senior hurling medals in 1982 and 1981, junior hurling in 1978 and junior football. Farmer.

EAMONN DARMODY: Age 28. Member of Tipperary N.H. panel this year. Played minor hurling with Tipperary in 1972. Holder of Mid and county under age c'ships. Also winner of two Mid S.H. trophies and Mid and County football medals. Bord na Mona employee.

JIMMY LEAHY: Age 19. Substitute on winning Tipperary All Ireland minor hurling team of 1980. One of the club's most promising young hurlers. A leading member of the club's winning under age teams in hurling and football in recent years. Student.

JACK BERGIN. Age 27. Captain of today's Moycarkey-Borris side. A great motivator of his team on and off the field. Captain of the Tipperary u-21 team in 1975 and hurled with his county in the 1975 league campaign. Winner of two Mid senior hurling medals and one county minor championship. Farmer.

TOM MULLINS. Age 23. Holds two Mid senior hurling medals and one Munster u-21 medal. Clerk with C.S.E. Teo.

BILL GOONEY. Age 30. Holds two Mid senior hurling trophies and one county minor hurling award. Played with London county team in provincial and All Ireland championships. Plasterer.

MATTY BOURKE; Age 31. Winner of Mid Tipp medals in senior, u-21, u-17 and minor hurling, junior and intermediate football. Also holds u-17 and county minor hurling and intermediate football trophies. Lorry driver.

LIAM BERGIN' Age 19. Brother of the sides captain. Holds two Mid senior hurling medals and Rice Cup won with Thurles C.B.S. C.I.E. employee.

TOMMY QUIGLEY: Age 24. Winner of under age medals at both county and Mid level, also Mid minor hurling winner '76. Mid and Co. Intermediate football medal holder 1980, and Mid S.H. medals 1981 and 1982. Bord na Mona employee.

JOHN McCORMACK. Age 29. Played senior hurling with the Kildare county team. Won senior and junior football league medals while there. Winner of Mid u-17 and senior hurling trophies. Car sales Manager.

DAVID FOGARTY. Age 19. Another fine product from under age competitions in which he won Mid and county honours. Also holds two Mid senior hurling and one intermediate football awards, and All Ireland minor hurling medal with Tipperary in 1980. Played colleges hurling with Thurles C.B.S. winning Rice and Fitzgerald Cup medals. Student.

JACK CAESAR. Age 26. Was honoured by the Combined Universities in 1979, 1980 and 1981 and also played with Maynooth College. Holds two Mid Tipp senior and one u-21 hurling medals. Secondary teacher.

DICK QUIGLEY. Age 28. Winner of Mid senior hurling medals in 1981 and 1982, and Mid and County minor hurling medals in 1972. Played with Thurles C.B.S. winning Rice Cup medal in 1967. Assurance Representative.

A WORD FOR THE VETERANS

John O'Grady (Cúlbaire)

"Mol an Oige" is all very well—the young must be encouraged to keep coming. But could not the old saying be rephrased for the proper and literal "seniors": "mol na sean-imreoiri agus fanfaidh siad"? The eyes of today's spectators, I'd bet, will look first for the old favourites among the men emerging from the tunnel. And when play gets going, a great deal of attention will be on the familiar faces, the well-known figures and the crafty manoeuvres of the veteran hurlers. The partisans draw comfort from their steady presence, and the neutrals have a soft spot for them, too: Francis and Tadhg, multiple county winners for Roscrea; John and Willie, playing for Moycarkey-Borris' first since well before they saw the light of Galbertstown or Galboola. From such as these we will expect knowledgeable moves—if not all the mobility of past seasons.

Sentiment surrounds them. We know they won't be around forever; that soon enough they'll be on the outside looking in with the rest of us on stand or terrace; so we are inclined to appreciate them while they still hold the stage. Older players have over the years established definite personality, colour, character; the younger have possibility, these have achievement. Here in Tipperary the survivors of our last All-Ireland have gained in retrospective credit—their gold medals have gained in value both monetary and prestigious.

We like their loyalty. They could have yielded to the youth, taken it easy. Only a deep-seated love of the game keeps an older hurler willing to endure the training grind, the strain on nerves—not easier with the passing years—and maybe the odd gentle hunt from the patient wife. But they're right to persist—an ex-hurler of recent vintage is as thoroughly "ex" as somebody of long ago; the thrill of a save, a score, a clearance, even the flattery of being asked— "how's the form? — these are things to be held onto. After hurling, any other sport is only a second-best; a private and almost selfish business, much less satisfying. It would



Willie Ryan
(Moycarkey)

take a lot of Waterford glass prizes to match a Celtic Cross. As a hurler you belong to the community; the rest are limited and individual.

So let's keep a sharp eye on them today. Willie Ryan will be trying to do that for Francis Loughnane; and who knows but John Flanagan and Tadhg O'Connor will cross paths, too. There's a school of tactical theory in Moycarkey-Borris that would start Flanagan on the "forty" for team-steadying purposes, rather than risk having him lost in a corner. Fiery competitors, and quite liable to stir the crowd. Personal trademarks of style belong to all the veterans: Loughnane's flair for the catch, for the off-putting feint before striking; O'Connor's promptness off the mark, his body swerve and timing; Flanagan's two-sided grand strokes, his strength in the ruck; Ryan's solidity under the dropping ball, his sure hitting off right or left. Any of them could be as large a factor as their contemporary, Noel O'Dwyer, was for Borrisoleigh only last year.

John O'Grady, author of the above article, is also one of the more famous products of the Moycarkey-Borris club. As a county minor for three years he was regarded as one of the greatest prospects ever produced in the county. He played senior with Moycarkey when only sixteen and on going to Cork he starred with U.C.C. and later Blackrock. On his return to Thurles to take up a teaching appointment, he threw in his lot with his native Moycarkey and his hurling promise of earlier minor days materialised in excellent displays with club and county culminating in the All-Ireland victory of 1958.

John is better known nowadays for his weekly column in the Tipperary Star under the pen-name "Cúlbaire". This column, while sometimes controversial, is always interesting.



John O'Grady with the "Irish Press" Cup. He was captain of Tipperary All-Ireland Minors 1949. Was also on the '47 team which won All-Ireland honours

Na Réiteoirí



AN CLUICHE MIONUIR

Gerry Long, from the Knockshewowna Club in North Tipperary, is in charge of today's Minor game.

Gerry has been refereeing for about four years and has been in control of many Tipperary County Board games at all levels. He has also gained much experience from the numerous Interfirm and Colleges games he has refereed. Earlier this year he took charge of the under 16 Munster final.

Gerry, still a playing member, has held many official positions with his club and this year he is their P.R.O. He has also been a member of Tipperary County Board for some time. Gerry, who is married with one child, is wished every success today.

Linesmen: Sean Carroll, Jim Noonan.
Umpires:— Pat Cleary, Paddy Hodgins,
Ned Fogarty, Michael Hodgins.

Today's Referee— George Ryan from the Latin-Cullen Club is a man who has served the G.A.A. well as a player, administrator and referee.

A farmer, married with one son, George started refereeing in 1973 and since then has refereed in all grades of hurling and football at Munster Council level.

His impressive refereeing record includes the following:—

- 1979—All-Ireland Senior Hurling final.
- 1979—All-Ireland Senior Hurling (B) final.
- 1979 & 1981—Munster Senior Hurling finals.
- 1982—National Hurling League final.
- 1982—All-Ireland Senior Club final (hurling)
- 1978—Railway Cup final (hurling)
- 1978—All-Ireland Minor Hurling Senior final.
- 1978—Oireachtas Hurling final.
- 2 County Senior Hurling finals (3rd final today)
- 4 County Senior Football finals.
- 1 County Under 21 Hurling final.
- 1 County Minor Hurling final.
- 2 County Junior Hurling finals.
- 1980 All-Ireland Vocational Schools Hurling final
- 3 Dr Harty Cup finals (Munster Colleges' Senior Hurling)

George, who is a very active County Board member, is a former Chairman of the West Tipperary G.A.A. Board.

Umpires for senior game— John Slattery, Eamonn Buckley, Con Lorigan, Michael Collins.

Torthaí— Results— Torthaí—

SENIOR HURLING

Quarter finals— 8th August 1982

Roscrea 5-17;	Drom-Inch 1-8
Sean Treacy's 1-3;	St Mary's 1-7
Kickhams West 1-10;	St Augustines 1-4
Moycarkey Borris 1-8;	
Eire Og Nenagh 0-7 (replay)	

15th August 1982—

Moycarkey Borris 0-11; Eire Og Nenagh 0-7 (replay)

Semi-finals:

Moycarkey Borris 3-8;	Kickhams West 0-5
Roscrea 1-14;	Sean Treacy's 1-10

MINOR HURLING

Semi finals

Holycross-Ballycahill 1-10;	Toomevara 2-6
Carrick Swans	Clonoulty Rossmore

Ros Cré

Dearg is Bán
Red and white

(1) Seosamh O Róilán
Joe Roland

(2) C. O Brádaigh
Kevin Brady

(3) B. O Meachair
Brendan Maher

(4) E. O h-Ogáin
Eddie Hogan

(5) C. O Conchubhair
Kevin O'Connor

(6) T. O Conchubhar
Tadhg O'Connor

(7) S. O Spuainear
Jody Spooner

(8) R. O Duinn
Richard Dunne

(9) P. O Leachtnáin
Purdy Loughnane

(10) G. O Conchubhair
Ger O'Connor

(11) P. O Caola (capt.)
Peadar Quealy

(12) L. O Spuainéar
Liam Spooner

(13) Pól O Conchubhair
Paul O'Connor

(14) P. O Leachtnáin
Francis Loughnane

(15) S. de Buitléar
Joe Butler

Fir Ionaid: 16. Michael Scully; 17. Francis Fletcher; 18. Joe Bergin; 19. John Stone; 20. Joe Tynan; 21. Donal Kealy; 22. Aidan Shanahan; 23. Jimmy Brady.

Roghnoirí (Selectors)—Patsy Roland, Bertie Fitzpatrick, Tadhg O'Connor.

Oiliunóir (coach)—Patsy Roland. Masseur—Danny Moloney.

Ros Cré	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachaf	65 m	Saor-Pucanna
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Willie Ryan

(4) R. O h-Aodha
Robert Hayes

(5) E. O Diarmada
Eamonn Darmody

(6) S. O Beirgín
Jack Bergin (capt.)

(7) T. O Maoláin
Tom Mullins

(8) L. O Beirgín
Liam Bergin

(9) L. O Guanaigh
Bill Gooney

(10) T. O Coigligh
Tommy Quigley

(11) S. Mac Cormaic
John McCormack

(12) D. O Fógartaigh
David Fogarty

(13) S. Caesar
Jack Caesar

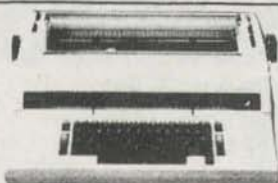
(14) R. O Coigligh
Dick Quigley

(15) S. O Flanagan
John Flanagan

Fir Ionaí: 16. John Hackett; 17. Jimmy Leahy; 18. Jim Flanagan; 19. Matty Bourke; 20. Michael Clohessy; 21. Nicholas Bergin; 22. Liam Dempsey; 23. Liam Hackett; 24. Matty Ryan; 25. Pat Flanagan; 26. Michael Dempsey; 27. Greg Cullagh; 28. Pádraig Maher. 29. Joe Kirwan; 30. Tom Kirwan; 31. John Ryan.

Roghnoirí (Selectors)— Sean Barry, Paddy Coman, Jimmy Fogarty, Gus Ryan, Larry Ryan.
Trainer & Coach: Len Gaynor (Kilruane McDonagh); **Assistant trainer & coach:** Eddie Ryan.

Má Chóirce- Buiríos	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachaf	65 m	Saor-Pucanna
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John Ryan

(3) M. O h-Ogáin
Michael Hogan

(4) D. O h-Aitheasaigh
Declan Hahessy

(5) S. O h-Ogáin
Jimmy Hogan

(6) P. Breathnach
Paul Walsh

(7) C. O Tuairisc
Kevin Waters

(8) R. O Lonargáin (capt.)
Bobby Lonergan

(9) P. Mac Cormaic
Pascal McCormack

(10) C. O Sé
Kevin O'Shea

(11) P. O Catháin
Pierce Keane

(12) A. O Néill
Tony O'Neill

(13) S. O Tuairisc
John Gerard Waters

(14) T. O Duinn
Tomás O Duinn

(15) S. de Grás
Johnny Grace

Fir Ionaíd:— 16. Pascal O'Brien; 17. Stephen Torpy; 18. Paul Woods; 19. Sean Keyes; 20. Seamus Lonergan; 21. Nickey Daniels.

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Jody Ryan

(3) S. de Buitléir
Jim Butler

(4) S. O Brian
John O'Brien

(5) P. O Duibhir
Phil Dwyer

(6) S. O Riain
Jim Ryan

(7) C. de Cróc
Cristór Croke

(8) P. O Lanagáin
P. J. Lanigan

(9) P. Fléamonn
Paul Flemming

(10) Deaglán Carr
Declan Carr

(11) P. O Riain
P. J. Ryan (capt)

(12) M. Fléamonn
Michael Fleming

(13) Stíofán Dwan
Stephen Dwan

(14) Mícheál Dwan
Michael Dwan

(15) G. O Fionnghusa
Gerry Fennessy

FIR IONAIÐ : (16) Pake Ryan, (17) Anthony McGrath, (18) P. J. Brown, (19) Tom Dwyer, (20) Tony Lanigan, (21) Pat Tierney, (22) Pat Dwyer, (23) Phil Hayes.

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CARRICK SWANS — SOUTH CHAMPIONS

Back row (l. to r.): (Players only): Bobby Lonergan, capt., Michael Hogan, Stephen Torpey, John Ryan, John Waters, Paul Walsh, Nick Daniels, Sean Keys, Declan Hassey, Paul O'Brien.

Front row (l. to r.): Pierce Keane, Kevin O'Shea, Kevin Waters (Vice Capt.), John Grace, Tony O'Neill, Michael Barrett, Paul Woods, Pascal McCormack, Tommy Dunne. Missing from photo: Jimmy Fleming

DID YOU KNOW:

That there has been a strong hurling tradition in Carrick-on-Suir down through the years when, despite a population of only five thousand the G.A.A. follower in the town can watch any of three senior hurling teams—Swan and Davins in Tipperary and St Mollerans in Waterford. Last year Swan won their tenth South Minor hurling title and were beaten by Toomevara in the county semi-final. This year the minors have completed the two in a row with much of last year's team still available and have made club history by being their first minor team ever to reach the county final, having beaten Clonoulty/Rossmore, the current champions by 3-6 to 3-5 in the semi-final a month ago. Paul Walsh, Bobby Lonergan and Tommy Dunne have also won South u-21 hurling medals this year, a week before their minor triumph, and next Sunday (3rd October) must face Clonoulty-Rossmore again in the u-21 County semi-final.

Officers of Club 1982

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Minor Hurling Selection Committee

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Swan Trainer: Bernard O'Neill & Dan O'Mara

Coach: Kieran Purcell

Keane and Noel Russell won County u-21 (h) medals in 1972.

Bobby Lonergan's father won an all Ireland Intermediate (h) medal with Tipp.

Swan won a County S.H. title in 1947 and u-21 (h) in 1972.

Paul Walsh won the Waterford player of the Year Award 1981 with St Mollerans.



Photo: O'Shea, Thurles

The Holycross Minors which defeated Toomevara in the County semi-final.

Back row, l. to r.: Cristoir Croke, Michael Dwan, Jim Butler, John O'Brien, Phil Dwyer, Declan Carr, Jim Ryan, P. J. Ryan (capt.)

Front row, l. to r.: Jody Ryan, Anthony McGrath, Stephen Dwan, P. J. Lanigan, Paul Fleming, Enda Dwyer, Michael Fleming.

HOLYCROSS BALLYCAHILL—THEIR FIRST MINOR TITLE?

For a club that has been so prominent in Tipperary G.A.A. affairs Holycross-Ballycahill has had very few county championship victories. Today we hope to win our tenth title and that total would include wins in both adult and juvenile grades.

The roll of honour is as follows:

Senior hurling (3)—1948, 1951, 1954

Junior hurling (2)—1941, 1974

u-21 hurling (1)—1978

u-16 hurling (1)—1973

u-15 hurling (1)—1949

under 14 football (1)—1982

We have produced many great minors for the county from Willie Long who played in the early days of the competition, and Dinny O'Gorman, captain of the 1932 All-Ireland winning team to J. P. Stakelum, a member of the 1980 winning panel but never before have we produced a team with the spirit and determination of the present panel. They had many hard games this year before they brought the first Mid-Minor title to the club.

In the County semi-final they won against all the odds. Four points down at half time, against Toomevara after playing with a strong breeze they played great first time hurling and triumphed by one point. That win was regarded by many of us as the greatest win since 1951, when in the senior mid-final against our old and honoured rivals, Thurles Sarsfields, Pat Stakelum scored a point and then a goal in the dying minutes of the game to force a draw and Holycross-Ballycahill won well in extra time.

It is natural to be excited by our minors and hope that they will provide the base, on which we can build a senior team that will restore us to our rightful place in Tipperary hurling.

Attention to youngsters is vital if a club wishes to progress. This team has been together since 1976 when they won the Mid under-12 title. They had their failures but the Committee persevered and hard work by trainers and officers and dedication and co-operation from the players ensured success.

Win, lose or draw today, we are proud of our youngsters. They have given us many hours of joy and pleasure. The memories of their performances have gladdened the hearts of oldtimers and have revived memories of our great days when as Pádraig Puirseál said, "all the world was young."

Good luck to you lads today, for we know that you will strive with might and main "for the credit of the little village."

Bob Stakelum

OIFIGH—OFFICERS 1982

Uachtarán— Very Rev. Canon Lynch PP.

Cathaoirleach— John Doyle

Rúnaí— Tommy Lanigan

Cisteoir— Francis Maher

P.R.O.— Tim Stakelum.

Selectors for todays game are

Jimmy Bourke (trainer); Liam Dwan,

Matt Quinlan, Christy Croke, Bob Coughlan.



*John Doyle,
Holycross Chairman*

TIOBRAID ÁRANN THUaidh



NORTH TIPPERARY MINOR CHAMPIONS

Final team— J. Greene, J. Ryan, N. Young, B. Spillane, N. McDonald, J. Delaney, P. King, P. Kelly, M. Murphy, P. Kennedy, M. Kennedy, J. Ryan, J. Connolly, B. Delaney, L. Nolan.

Photo— Ned O'Shea Thurles



Photo— Nenagh Guardian

The Eire Og, Nenagh team which drew with Roscrea in this year's North final.

Final team:— S. Kennedy, J. Flannery, J. Tucker, M. Ryan, L. Heffernan, B. Heffernan, C. Tucker, P. Kennedy (capt.), R. Coffey, J. O'Sullivan, G. O'Donovan, M. Kennedy, P. Hennessy, M. Griffin, J. Heffernan.

NORTH TIPP. CHAMPIONSHIP 1982



Action from
this year's drawn
North Final.

Roscrea defence
under attack from
eager Nenagh
Eire Og forwards.



Paths to the North final

Roscrea beat
Moneygall by 2-11
to 1-8 and Kilruane
by 2-14 to 2-11.

Eire Og beat Borris-
ileigh (County and
North Champions)
by 2-12 to 4-4, and
Silvermines by 2-10
to 1-5.

Final Roscrea 3-8,
Eire Og 0-17 (draw)

NORTH BOARD OFFICERS 1982

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Claraítheoir—Mick Nolan (Moneygall).

Fir na nGeataí—Tom Sheppard (Kilruane), Ned Fogarty (Knockshegowna) and Michael Geaney (Eire Og).

Runai agus P.R.O.—Paddy Maher (Moneygall).

Iontaobhai—Sean O'Meara (Lorrha).

Teachtai don Bhord Chontae—Noel Morris (Borrisokane), James O'Leary (Templeberry), Gerry Long (Knockshe) and Jack Kennedy (Eire Og).

MEET THE SENIOR CAPTAINS



JACK BERGIN

Captain of Moycarkey-Borris is 27 year-old Grallagh farmer, Jack Bergin. One of the club's most consistent defenders he had the honour this year of leading his parish to their second Mid Tipperary senior hurling championship in a row, a feat last achieved by the great side of the Mid 30s. In common with most of his team colleagues Jack has collected several medals at divisional and county level in the juvenile ranks. He captained the Tipperary u-21 team in 1975, a year he was also on the county senior team which reached the National League final to be beaten by Galway. His one big ambition is to see his side today win their first county senior final since 1940 and bring the Dan Breen Cup back to this historic club. He has two brothers on today's panel, Liam and Nicholas, while his father, John was a senior selector to the 1962 team beaten county finalists.



PEADAR QUEALY, who this year captains Roscrea is 26 years of age. Peadar is a very talented dual player— having represented Tipperary in both hurling and football at Minor and under 21 level. In the late seventies he was a regular on the Tipperary Senior hurling team and won a National League medal in 1979. While a student at U.C.D. he won a Fitzgibbon Senior hurling championship. Peadar who is a teacher by profession, is also a keen rugby player and he has played representative rugby with Leinster. Like many of his Roscrea colleagues, he is playing in his third county final in a row and it is his wish to bring the Dan Breen Cup to Ros this evening.

AN RAIBH FHIOS AGAT?

RELATIONSHIPS ABOUND

There are five sets of brothers on today's Moycarkey-Borris panel— the Bergins, the Flanagan's, the Quigleys, the Hacketts and the Dempseys. There are also a number of connections with the 1940 team the last side to bring home the county honours. The Quigleys are nephews of Dick Buckley, corner forward on that occasion, the Dempseys are nephews of Mick Dempsey, wing back on that occasion; while Robert Hayes is son of Tommy that sterling full-back of forty two years ago. The late Tom Kennedy, who captained the team those four plus decades ago was father of current club Hon. Secretary, Conor. John Flanagan, selector in 1962 and past club player is father of John and Jim. On the Roscrea side three sets of brothers are featured:— Loughnane's, O'Connors and Spooners.

Moycarkey-Borris History Committee

In common with other clubs Moycarkey-Borris are currently researching for a history of the club which it is hoped will be published by Centenary Year. The sextet with this onerous task is Paddy Ryan (S), T. K. Dwyer, John O'Grady, Johnny Ryan, Martin P. Corcoran and Jimmy Fogarty. This committee would be most pleased to receive any old club photographs, press cuttings, minute books or other details relevant to such a task.

Moycarkey-Borris Medal Record Holders

Tom Hayes, Ballyerk holds the record for the parish having won six county and nine Mid championships.

Paddy Ryan is the possessor of eight Mid medals and five county awards. Tom Kennedy won five county c'ships and seven Mid c'ships. Tommy Kelly was the winner of a similar number of divisional and county awards.

OUR GAMES . . .

GOOD VALUE FOR OUR SUPPORTERS

Liz Howard,
P.R.O. Tipp. Co. Board



"Ah you're one of them now said he when I didn't agree with his criticism of a certain referee. One of whom I queried? With a shake of his head he repeated "One of Them, you know, the brass, the big boys up in Croke Park, in Thurles and in Cork. The crowd who tell us what to do, how to run the G.A.A. while we the supporters keep it all going. We pay the piper but don't always get the value". I was going to argue with him but refrained. Maybe he was right about Them, wrong about me of course!

It's interesting to listen and take heed of what the ordinary supporter has to say. He sees a lot and remember he is a member of the paying public who keep the coffers full. It's his money that will help to complete Semple Stadium. (Management Committee please note, or should I say please action!). Therefore any spectator is entitled to be well treated.

Have you noticed the drop in attendance figures recently. Maybe there are counter attractions but I feel the rise in admission prices is a contributing factor. Many people with families just cannot afford them. A day out at a big match is an expensive outing. Economics alone could dictate the decision not to go to a game. Those who set the admission prices rarely if ever have to pay in. So it's easy to lose touch. Let's not price our games out of reach of the ordinary supporter.

Prices apart what else is the supporter entitled to? Ease of admission through stiles which are in good mechanical order. Entrance stiles are interesting places to get through some of the rusty roundabouts you'd need the strength of an ox. Fast moving queues, stiles operating slickly do much to keep tempers sweet. Clearly marked entrances for children and old age pensioners, facilities for disabled people are other requirements.

O.K. so we are inside the ground, stewards to direct patrons to their seats help; provided the steward knows the area he is in charge of and can answer queries. A good view of the game is what the supporter pays for. 'Tis amazing that tickets are issued for seats which are right behind pillars. I've had the pleasure myself, but the man beside me told me what was happening while I admired doubtful Romanesque architecture of a dull grey colour. On the question of seats— clean seats are

another requirement. How often have you gone home to find the seat of the suit or coat filthy. I'd say the cleaners do great business after matches. Why not have a regular team of youngsters to clean the seats the day prior to a game.

The day of the Mná and fir in the corner of the field is gone. Mind you some people prefer to use the wide open spaces and don't bother to use the toilets provided to the acute embarrassment of others. For those who use them, good toilet facilities are a necessity in any ground. Keeping them clean may require hiring someone to service such facilities. It's well worth it. Another point, it may keep out those men who don't see any difference between fir and Mná. We haven't reached the unisex toilet stage yet. Good taste still rules!

Clear and informative public address announcements are important and not too many of them. Some fellows lose the run of themselves when they get the "mike", Val Joyce and Marty Whelan are left in the shade. They'd almost recite the Rosary they like listening to themselves so much. Many grounds used taped music— a change of tape would help too. Bridie Gallagher is gone out of fashion years ago. A programme with correct teams listed is also a help.

Courtesy or lack of it is a bugbear of mine. Anyone who volunteers to act as a steward should keep a civil tongue and know his business. Firmness is sometimes essential but rudeness is never on. Most stewards are fine but the odd one sees himself as a mini Hitler. A little power can be a dangerous weapon. I've seen stewards treat spectators like sheep on a mountain. Stewarding isn't always easy but spectators deserve to be treated with courtesy.

Today I hope all things will be bright and beautiful for you, the spectators, here in Thurles. We welcome you and value your continued support. We also need your support. The Killinan end has to be completed and without your money our development plan cannot be completed. If you see me in the V.I.P. section, don't class me as one of "Them" I'm merely a steward. I'm only rubbing shoulders with *them*. We'll talk about *them* another day!

TIOBRAID ARANN THEAS— SOUTH



Photo Boland Clonmel

South Senior Hurling Champions— St Augustines.

Final team:— S. McCormick, D. Morrissey, P. Larkin (capt.), M. Cahill, P. O'Neill, S. Nugent, J. Kehoe, M. Harrington, P. Harrington, C. Robinson, J. Kehoe, J. Downes, G. Kehoe, D. Fitzgerald, L. Stokes. Subs: J. Larkin, A. Kennedy, N. Byrne, L. McCarthy, B. McNally, W. Robinson, L. Corcoran, D. Strang, J. McGrath.



Photo— Boland (Clonmel)

South Runners up St Mary's Clonmel.

Final team:— V. Mullins, F. Kelly, J. Ryan, S. Walsh, J. Guidera, M. Carroll capt., M. Kelly, B. Carroll, T. Guidera, T. Walsh, T. Smith, J. Redmond, W. Peters, P. O'Neill, H. O'Neill. Subs:— P. Butler, T. Cronin, S. O'Neill, A. Hill, S. Mullins, O. Synott, W. Hewett, G. Guidera.

TIPPERARY CHAMPIONSHIP 1982

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TORTHAÍ— Results

The 1982 South Tipperary Minor Hurling Championship was run on a two-group League system with the top two teams from each group qualifying for knock-out semi-finals.

Semi-finals

Ballingarry 4-7; St Augustines 1-1 at Fethard
Referee: T. Keating.

Swan 4-6; St Mary's 2-5 at Kilsheelan.
Referee: T. Lonergan.

Final

Swan 4-13; Ballingarry 3-3 at Clonmel.
Referee: T. Lonergan.

Seven teams contested the South Senior Hurling championship. They played each other in a one group league and the top four teams qualified for open draw semi-finals. These resulted

St Augustines 4-13; Ballingarry 3-5.

Referee: W. Barrett.

St Marys 2-12; Swan 2-10; Ref. B. Martin.
Both games played at Kilsheelan on 11th July.

Final played at Carrick on 25th July.

St Augustines 4-12; St Marys 2-7. Ref. B. Martin.
St Augustines a combination of Kilsheelan and Fethard took their first title.

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THE HIGH COURAGE OF CHARLES KICKHAM

1982



Though he was totally deaf and almost completely blind because of an accident in boyhood, he wrote what is probably Ireland's greatest historical novel, composed numerous popular ballads, wrote countless stories and newspaper articles, and was one of our finest, idealistic patriots of all time. This was Charles Kickham, a man of supreme courage, not only against the enemies of his country, but against those incapacitating handicaps, and the illnesses brought on by his imprisonment in English jails.

Charles Kickham was born in Mullinahone, Co. Tipperary, "beside the Anner at the foot of Slievenamon," on 9 May, 1828. His father was a farmer and shopkeeper noted for his charity and intelligence, while his mother was an O'Mahony, related to the great founder of the Fenian Movement. Two of the boy's uncles were priests, and he was almost entirely educated by his father, and a local scholar named Thomas Cleary, who was to die a priest in the U.S.A.

Kickham described the home environment many years later in his personal recollections: "Reading aloud was the custom in my father's house. To this fact I think I was indebted for a rather early acquaintance not only with 'Robinson Crusoe', but with 'Pickwick', 'Martin Chuzzlewit', 'King Lear', 'Macbeth', 'Hamlet', 'The Vicar of Wakefield' and diverse other works in prose and verse, which I cannot now so distinctly recall. The 'Nation', in like manner, was read aloud, not only the speeches in Conciliation Hall and at the Repeal Meetings in the provinces, but also the leading and literary pages, including of course, the 'Poet's Corner'.

This was the eclectic mental pabulum of the highly intelligent and receptive Charles, and it deeply influences his later literary works, until he was fourteen years old. Then one day when he was out shooting on the mountain side he left some gunpowder to dry at the fireside, and it exploded in his face, leaving him stone deaf and near-blind for life.

But strong souls are made stronger by

adversity, and men of genius discover their talents, for as Dostolevaski said: "Adversity is the mainspring of self-realization." He quickly adjusted to his misfortunes by learning the deaf-and-dumb alphabet, and his closest friends and relations did likewise. Then he threw himself into literature and the Fenian Movement which had the common aim of freedom for his country.

Seeing Kickham's pen would be mightier than the sword the Fenian Brotherhood appointed him on the editorial staff of their paper, "The Irish People". Besides this he contributed to many other patriotic magazines throughout his life such as "The Celt", "The Nation", "The Irishman", "The Shamrock", "The Irish Harp", "The Tipperary Examiner", and "Young Ireland."

VISITED AMERICA

He visited America in 1863, to evoke Irish sympathy there and wrote of his experiences in "Leaves From a Journal". Soon after his return "The Irish People" was suppressed by the authorities. Kickham and other Fenians were put on trial in 1866 and sentenced to fourteen years imprisonment. Along with O'Leary and Rossa, Kickham was condemned to Pentonville Jail, London, at first, then, after nine months transferred to Portland where they were forced to do stone-cutting, a task for which the gentle and handicapped Kickham was totally unsuited. His health deteriorated so rapidly that he was then sent to Woking Jail, where he was given lighter labour. Even that proved too arduous and he was released after having served three and a half years imprisonment, broken now in health, and emaciated in body, but more determined than ever to renew the struggle for Irish independence.

Besides his literary work he made patriotic and rousing speeches, often from the slopes of his beloved Slievenamon on which he wrote the song still so popular with us. Other songs and ballads composed by him include "She

Lived Beside the Anner", "The Sean Van Vocht", "Rory of the Hill", "The Nore", "Patrick Sheehan", "Saggart Aroon", and "The Exile". Besides his famous novel "Knocknagow" which has recently been reprinted, he wrote such stories as "Sally Cavanagh", "Tales of Tipperary" and "For the Old Land".

It will be wondered how a man with such physical handicaps could encompass so much, much more than most men with all their faculties alert and in robust health. His two little nieces, Annie and Josie Cleary, daughters of his sister, became, as he said, his eyes and ears. They helped in the creation of "Knocknagow" around the year 1870 on their return from school each evening, assiduous amanuenses performing the same task as Milton's daughters in their time. They went with him on most of his rounds about his beloved Mullinahone, and helped him to get to know the people in an intimate way. He immortalised them so well in his masterpiece that Billy Heffernan, the flute player, Phil Lahy and his gentle invalid daughter Norah, the versatile Matt the Thrasher, Mary Kearney and the hard-pressed Fr Hannigan, are as familiar to Irish readers, in the country districts at least, as Pickwick and other characters of Dickens.

The clergy of Ireland then, as now, had to take a clear if unpopular stand against political violence, firstly on account of the secret Fenian oath, and then because they saw that for the simple people to take on the well-equipped Forces of the Crown was to invite disaster and reprisals on the innocent. There was another factor, stressed by Dr Croke: Their ranks were infiltrated by informers who succeeded ultimately in luring many young men to their death.

It was the same great-hearted Dr Croke who succeeded in reconciling Kickham to the Church, an event which overjoyed the old patriot. Those who knew him, including many priests, testified that Kickham had always been a devout, religious man, a man of high moral principles. The famous T. P. O'Connor said: "I never knew an Irishman, clerical or lay, more sensitively Catholic than Charles Kickham. His love of Ireland was inseparably intertwined with that of his Church. To both he was passionately and intensely devoted. He admitted to me that it agonized him to be denied the Sacraments because of his revolutionary loyalty to his country."

LAST YEARS

The last years of Kickham's life were spent in Blackrock, Dublin, the better to work on "The Irish People", but his heart remained in Mullinahone.

While he lived and worked at Blackrock, Kickham was befriended by the O'Leary family and then by Dr Sigerson, whose famous daughters, Hester and Dora, seem to have caught their literary enthusiasm from him, and who helped fill the void left when his beloved nieces emigrated to America. He lived first at 2, St John's Terrace and then at Montpellier Place. He suffered injury as a result of an accident while crossing the road at the incessantly busy spot, and died sometime later of a stroke on 22 August, 1882. Thousands of Fenians from Ireland, America and elsewhere attended his funeral, which proceeded with all the pomp and circumstance appropriate to a hero as it would its way by various stages to Mullinahone, where the poet-patriot wished to be laid at the foot of Slievenamon.



Double Ill-luck

The last time a Moycarkey hurler captained Tipperary was in 1941. Johnny Ryan was captain. Tipp won the first round against Waterford but the outbreak of "Foot and Mouth" disease ended their participation in the competition and Cork were nominated to represent Munster. Cork went on to win their first of four in a row. When the 1941 Munster final was eventually played Tipp beat Cork decisively.

APPEAL

The programme Editor is anxious to contact people who may have material which could be used in future programmes, e.g. old photographs, scrapbooks, newspaper cuttings, old programmes, etc. etc. All loaned materials will be returned to their owners.

Go raibh maith agaibh.

ROSCREA

St Cronan's Park was officially opened in May 1932 by Mr Frank McGrath, North Board Chairman.

Galway and Dublin entertained a large gathering of gaelis to a senior hurling game. The Park was named after the patron Saint of Roscrea.

Mick Ryan former Tipp star and Roscrea native won Co. Senior Hurling medals in 1947 with Dicksboro Kilkenny and St Finnbar's Cork in 1955.

Roscrea won 25 North Tipp Minor Hurling Championships.

This is their third successive final and their twelfth final in sixteen years.

From 1968 to 1973 the northern club contested seven successive finals.

They were the first winners of the All-Ireland club title in 1971. Roscrea 4-5 St Rynagh's Offaly 2-5.

T. Murphy, M. Hogan, K. Carey, B. Maher, P. Rowland, T. O'Connor, J. Crampton, M. Minogue, F. Loughnane, J. Hannon, J. Cunningham, J. Tynan, N. Nolan, W. Stapleton.



All-Ireland Club Final, 1971, at Birr,
Roscrea v. St. Rynagh's
Seán O Siacháin, Donie Moloney (capt.)

J. Dillon had the honour of leading the 1968 team to the Co. title—the clubs first.

Roscrea were well represented on the 1976 All-Ireland Minor Hurling panel—Purdy Loughnane, Ger O'Connor, John Stone and Joe Hogan Captain.

Co. Senior Hurling titles: 1968, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1980.

Just for the Record



Sean O'Driscoll
Cluain Meala

Tadhg Murphy, Jim Crampton, Tadhg O'Connor, Francis Loughnane and Roger Ryan all played in the 1973 Munster final.

F. Loughnane was honoured as an All Star (Carrolls) in 1971, 1972, 1973.

Tadhg O'Connor was honoured on the first Carrolls All Star selection in 1971 and gained a second award in 1975. He was also selected on the first Bank of Ireland All Star team in 1979. A unique distinction shared only with Galway's John Connolly.

MOYCARKEY BORRIS

Moycarkey-Borris are contesting their first Co. final since 1962 when they fell to Thurles Sarsfields 1-9 to 1-8.

This is the first North v Mid clash since 1979.

John and Paddy Ryan ("Sweeper") won All Ireland Senior Hurling medals at Killarney in 1937.

The club won three Co. Championships in succession in 1932, 1933, 1934.

"Sweeper" Ryan was club captain in 1937 when the Moycarkey men won the title.



Paddy Ryan



Phil Purcell

Moycarkey were the first Mid Tipperary team to win the Dan Breen Cup in 1932. Captain Phil Purcell.

Tom Kennedy was the last captain to bring the trophy to the Mid club in 1940.

1932 Co. semi-finals.

At Roscrea: Moycarkey-Borris 4-9,
Toomevara 1-2.

At Cashel: Killenale 7-1; Clonoulty 1-0.

Co. final at Thurles.

Moycarkey-Borris 7-6; Killenale 5-1.

Jack Gleeson was referee.

In the 1933 Mid Championship Moycarkey-Borris drew with Thurles Sarsfields 2-2 each. It was a hectic game which was usual between these two clubs. The game was played in Thurles with Johnny Leahy as referee.

Moycarkey defeated Sarsfields 2-1 to 1-2 in the replay.

Moycarkey-Borris team: P. Purcell capt., T. Dunne, P. Dunne, J. Maher, M. Maher, T. Hayes, J. Grant, T. Kelly, J. Mullins, W. Kennedy, E. Cahill, J. Fanning, T. Burke, M. Dwyer, P. Ryan.

The county final was played at Thurles Moycarkey-Borris 1-7; Borrisokane 1-0.

For this game Phil Cahill, James Heeney and John Hayes came back in the Moycarkey-Borris team.

In 1934 the club retained the county title for the third year in succession. Moycarkey-Borris 3-6; Kilbarron-Kildangan 2-3.

1937 Moycarkey-Borris 7-6; Cashel 6-2.

1940 Moycarkey-Borris 4-7; Cashel 4-2.

1943 Moycarkey-Borris lost the final to Annacarty Eire Og 4-3 to 2-4.

John Flanagan won a Senior Hurling medal with Tipperary in 1971. He also played in Tipp's last Munster final appearance in 1973.

The year 1945 was a proud one for the Moycarkey-Borris club—Tommy Purcell, "Mutt" and "Sweeper" Ryan won All Ireland Senior Hurling medals with the "Blue and Gold".

Ed. Hayes won a Junior Hurling All Ireland medal in 1953.

SUAITHEANTAS NUA

It gives me much pleasure to announce that a new Crest has been designed and will be available to all lovers of hurling, of Charles J. Kickham, and of Tipperary. The Badge, of cloth, is 94 x 74 cm. and can be sewn on to Blazers, Jerseys, Track-suits or Togs.

Too often have we bemoaned the fact that we have not got badges or stickers to match foreign influences. Now a start has been made and we hope there will be more to follow.

The motto: "For the Credit of the little Village" is taken from Kickham's "Knocknagow". The "County" of Tipperary is depicted in gold and the hurleys and sliotars white, over a blue background, which in my opinion represents the colours of Our Lady and the Universe. "Knocknagow" is another name for "Tiobraid Arann".

1982 being the Centenary of the death of Charles J. Kickham, "our truest patriot", I thought it fitting that he should be remembered in this way. It was Kickham who described the hurling match in "Knocknagow" and he it was who told of the great feat of "Matt the Thrasher" (a typical Tipperary man) when he threw the sledge "for the credit of the little village".

How often have we heard teams being exhorted before a match to "Go out there and play for the credit of the little village". There are some "who know not Kickham" or his high ideals.

I hope this Badge will help to imbue more

people with "a spirit of hurling", "the spirit of Tipperary" and a love for Knocknagow.

Let only those who seek to acquire or have acquired this spirit get or wear this Badge. Let them take pride in the Blue and Gold and when great deeds are to be done let it be done for God and Mary and—

"For the Credit of the Little Village".

Br. S. Ó Páircín



HOLYCROSS TITBITS

Bob Stakelum

Dinny O'Gorman won All-Ireland medals in Senior, Junior and Minor grades.

The club won three Senior County finals and Francis Maher was captain on each occasion.

The following club members captained Tipperary Minor teams.

D. O'Gorman 1932	Pat Stakelum 1945
John Doyle 1948	Gerry Doyle 1950
Liam Quinn 1954	Johnny Doyle 1975

M. Doyle captained Tipperary when they won the All Ireland under 21 title in 1979

In 1889 Holycross and Toomevara were due to meet in the county semi-final. They could not agree on a Tipperary venue and played the game in Dublin. The Holycross boys must have been dazzled by the bright lights because Toomevara won by 1-1 to 0-2.

Pat Stakelum is the only player from the club to captain an All-Ireland Senior winning team—1949.

Phil Cahill was regarded as the greatest wing forward of his time and in the opinion of many was one of the all-time greats.

Of course you know that John Doyle won 8 All Ireland Senior medals but did you know that he won an All-Ireland Minor medal in 1947

In the 1955 Railway Cup semi-final between Munster and Leinster we had three players on the Munster team—P. Stakelum, G. Doyle and John Hough. The writer refereed the game and with due respect to his club members, his efforts were often more appreciated. By the way Munster won.



An interesting photograph of the ball used in the 1886 hurling game between Holycross and St Finbarr's, Cork. The present day sliotars beside it, give some indication of the difference in size between the sliotars of yesteryear and those of today. The game for which this ball was used was played in Cork in August 1886 and was the first clash between these great rival counties and the Tipperary representatives took the honours.



Francis Maher the Holycross captain accepts the Dan Breen Cup from North Tipperary Chairman Fr Ned Murphy, after his teams victory in the 1948 county final played at Nenagh. Francis is the clubs long serving Treasurer.



A youthful Pat Stakelum— star of many a Holycross and Tipperary victory.

MICKY BYRNE— A RECORD 14 COUNTY SENIOR HURLING MEDALS

Michael Dundon, "Tipperary Star"

In a county which has given many great men to hurling down the years, there is a tendency to overlook the achievements of some of them and so it is appropriate today, county final day, to acknowledge the contribution given to hurling in Tipperary by the man who holds a record number of county senior hurling championships, Mickey Byrne of Thurles Sarsfields.

Mickey's career spanned three decades, the forties, fifties and sixties, years when some of the finest hurling ever played was witnessed, both at club and county level, and during that time, the diminutive Thurles defender collected a total of fourteen senior championship medals.

He won his first medal in 1944 when Sarsfields defeated Kilruane McDonagh in the final, a team that included such accomplished performers as Tommy Doyle, Ger Cornally, John Maher and Eddie Gleeson, and which went on to win three championships in a row at that time.

Mickey was again on the championship winning side in 1952 which defeated Borrisoleigh, and in the great Thurles team which won a total of ten titles in eleven years between 1955 and 1965 he was ever-present in the Thurles backline, encouraging colleagues and living up to his title "the rattler" by putting the fear of God in the hearts of his opponents.

He recalls many of the opponents he came up against in his club hurling with affection, but he has a special regard for such as Phippy Kenny (Borrisoleigh), Philip Maher (Holycross) and Mick Leahy (Boherlahan) with whom he had many exciting tussles.

Asked which of all the county finals he played in he remembers most, he opts for the 1962 decider against near neighbours, Moycarkey-Borris which Sarsfields won by a point in a game in which he says that Tony Wall gave the greatest display ever of centreback hurling, as Moycarkey-Borris failed by one point, 1-8 to 1-7 to the blues.

On three occasions he captained Thurles to county championship successes but his activities were not just confined to his club and from 1945 to 1959 he was a key figure in Tipperary hurling. He did not play in the 1945 final but was part of the squad. By the great three-in-a-row of 1949, 1950 and 1951, Mickey had established himself in the right corner of the defence, forming a great line with Anthony Brennan and John Doyle fronting the one and only Tony Reddan.

He was still in the defence in 1958 when, after a period of Cork dominance, Tipperary began to emerge once more, and led by Tony Wall took the title.



Mickey Byrne pictured here with the late Christy Ring

In addition to his five senior All-Irelands, Mickey has a host of National League and Oireachtas medals and he also won Railway Cup medals with Munster.

Mickey has many happy memories of his days with the Tipperary team, and says that the relationship between the players on the county team in his time was something special, with the friendships established then still there today.

Despite undergoing an operation for a hip replacement recently, Mickey is as sprightly as ever and still very much a "character". He has a great love of hurling and nothing would please him more than to see Tipperary back on top in Ireland, and Sarsfields once more at the helm in Tipperary.

He attributes Tipperary's lack of success at inter-county level in recent years to the fact that we are no longer playing the traditional style of Tipperary hurling, and sees the answer to our problems in a return to the old Tipperary hurling.

There is no doubt in his mind that the greatest of them all was Christy Ring, with whom he waged many a titanic struggle and whose friendship till Christy's untimely passing, he cherished dearly.

And so we conclude this little tribute to a "great small man with a huge heart" by hoping he will be with us for many more county final days to come and that his longing to see Tipperary back at the top will be fulfilled in the not too distant future.



JOHN FLANAGAN— MOYCARKEY'S STAR

This photograph from the 1971 All-Ireland final depicts John Flanagan winning an ariel dual with Kilkenny's Ollie Walsh.

John, who is now 35 years of age, has been one of the club's outstanding forwards of recent years and played in all grades for Tipperary. He is the only member of his team to hold an All Ireland senior hurling Celtic Cross which he won in 1971. He represented Munster for five years in Railway Cup competitions on winning side in 1968.

He was winner of 3 Munster S.H. medals in 1967, 1968 and 1971, three Oireachtas medals, National League in 1968, two Wembley trophies, county and Mid Intermediate football medals in 1980. He is also the holder of a 1967 All-Ireland under 21 medal. He also holds 5 Mid S.H. medals, 1965, '67, '71, '81 and '82. He is employed as a foreman with Erin Foods in Thurles. A very impressive hurling record—from a very impressive hurler.

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A Link with Twenty Years Ago

Three members of the Moycarkey-Borris team beaten in the 1962 County final are associated with today's side.

Liam Hennessy, then full forward is the present club chairman, a position he has held for the past four years.

Vice-captain in 1962, Paddy Coman is a present day senior selector and still plays junior hurling with the club.

Gus Ryan, now Treasurer of the Mid Board, full back in 1962 is also a senior selector.

Moycarkey-Borris Club Officers 1982

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"ITS AN ILL WIND"

Donal O'Gorman

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As far as Moycarkey were concerned it was not an ill wind that blew in September 1932 and again in October 1940 when they recorded their last two County Championship titles. On both occasions a strong wind spoiled what would otherwise have been two great hurling contests.

In September 1932 Moycarkey won their first title since 1926 when they defeated Killenaule in what was described as one of the hardest fought games played on the Thurles field and with it, made amends for disappointing failures of previous years. Killenaule played with wind advantage in the first half but their lead of two goals (4-1 to 2-1) did not seem sufficient. Moycarkey, as results showed, fared better against the wind than their opponents.

Although Killenaule were first to score after the interval it was a fitter Moycarkey who made better use of the chances which fell their way. Fifteen minutes into the second half Moycarkey drew level and from then on there was no doubt who would emerge victorious and ran out worthy winners on the scoreline 7-6 to 5-1. Willie Kennedy was the outstanding player for Moycarkey with Phil Purcell, Phil Cahill, J. J. Hayes and J. Heaney in close support. The Moycarkey team was:— Phil Purcell, T. Kelly, W. Kennedy, J. J. Hayes, T. Hayes, T. Bourke, M. Maher, J. Mullins, J. Maher, J. Grant, T. Dunne, P. Cahill, W. O'Brien, M. Dwyer, J. Heaney.

In the 1940 decider conditions were similar for their clash with Cashel King Cormacks but on this occasion Moycarkey played with the advantage of the wind in the first half and with the Ryan trio "Cusack", "Sweeper" and "Muff" forming the back bone of the team built up a strong lead at half time (3-6 to 1-0) thanks mainly to goals from Tom Hayes (2), J. Duggan and points by "Sweeper" (5) and T. Kennedy.

With a mammoth task facing them in the second half Cashel did not take full advantage of the wind. The Moycarkey defence stood firm and many a promising Cashel forward move was 'nipped' by the hardy agile "Cusack". When Cashel eventually breached the Moycarkey backline, scoring three goals, it was far too late and the closest they came to their rivals was within 4 points. The Moycarkey team was:—

T. Kennedy (capt.), T. Kelly, J. Maher, T. Hayes, D. Grant, P. Dempsey, J. Ryan, P. Maher, M. Healy, P. Ryan, W. Ryan, M. Ryan, T. Hayes, D. Buckley, J. Duggan.



The late J. J. Hayes, Star of 1932 victory



Paddy "Sweeper" Ryan, 1940 victory

1982 ALL-IRELAND MINOR CHAMPIONS



Back row—Michael Kelly, Noel McDonnell, Michael Scully, Kevin Bourke, John Ryan, Noel Sheehy, Michael Cunningham, John Flannery, Sean Slattery, John Bergin, Seamus Collison, Joe Hill, Liam Stokes.

Front Row—Michael Corcoran, John Cormack, Donal Kealy, John Leamy, Brendan Everard, John Kennedy (captain), Bill Hayes, Colm Bonnar, Gerry Ryan, Ger Bradley, Aidan Ryan.



Tipperary captain, John Kennedy from the Clonoulty Rossmore Club is carried shoulder high by team members and supporters. To the left is a happy Tipperary coach—Bro. J. Perkins.



Tipp. full back John Bergin and goalie John Leamy have Galways penalty under control.

Tipperary Minor Team Selectors—
 Bro. J. Perkins (coach)
 Mick Quinn, Loughmore-Castleiney (mid)
 T. J. O'Dwyer, Sean Treacy's (west)
 William Stokes, Kilsheelan (south)
 Donal Shanahan, Toomevara (north)

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