

Co. Tipperary Senior Football Final
Match Programme
1980



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CLUICHÍ CHEANNAIS

SINNSEAR

Fánaithé na Galtai

(Galtee Rovers)

V

Luach Magh/

Caisleán Aoibhne

(Loughmore/Castleiney)

RÉITEOIR: SEOSAMH Ó CATHÁIN (Kickhams)

Na Mionúir

AN tATHAIR SITHIGH/BÉAL ÁTHA LUIBE

(Fr. Sheehy's/Ballylooby)

V

FANAITHE GLEANN ARA

(Arravale Rovers)

Réiteoir: Pádraig Ó Lonargáin (Galtee Rovers)

Fethard G.A.A. Park

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Reamhra

Our Football Finals are played today at Fethard, a parish rich in the history and traditions of Gaelic Games. It was refreshing to come amongst them to observe the enthusiasm with which they were making preparations for today's games. I hope you are pleased with their efforts. I thank them on behalf of County Board for their hard work and hope that the playing of these Finals in Fethard will help to sustain and strengthen the playing of Gaelic games in the parish.

This year Tipperary Minor Footballers played an outstanding game against Kerry in the Championship. Truly they were unlucky losers. I am looking forward today to a final in this grade which will indicate a continuing hope for our inter-county football in the immediate future.

Galtee Rovers and Loughmore — Castleiney are again our finalists in the Senior Grade. Their best contribution to Gaelic Football in Tipp must be a sporting, manly adventurous game with a firm resolve by both teams to make a real worthwhile effort towards success at Inter-County level.

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As we look back over the years we recall games and players of former years. Do you remember the following:—

The first visit of a Boherlahan football team whose unorthodox but effective style was a revelation to local purists.

The late Mick Sullivan at fifty years of age plus, playing sound games in goal for Mullinahone.

Tim Tierney with dog and stick doing his stewarding work on big match days.

The epic carnival day Hurling matches between Carrick Swan and Killenaule when the Carrick team brought up to 1,000 supporters to the Barrack Field.

Killenaule stalwart Chris Cooke, complete with bandaged head, winning a mile race immediately after one such game.

The always one hundred per cent effort provided by all Ballingarry teams —

and many, many more.

The famous "Charge of the Light Brigade" goal scored by Galtee Rovers in the 1952 County Senior football semi-final.

So cead mile failte, fellow Gaels and may your endeavours add to the memories.

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LOUGHMORE—CASTLEINEY G.A.A. CLUB

To contest the County Senior Football Final has always been the honour closest to the heart of the Loughmore—Castleiney Club. The Club is contesting the Final for the fifth time in the seventies. In 1973 the opposition was Ardfinnan; in 1975 it was Kilruane; in 1977 and 1979 it was Galtee Rovers. Again this year the Club are looking forward to a great match when the same two Clubs contest the Final. Loughmore were winners of the title in 1973, 1977 and 1979.

The 70's have been good years for the Club. They have won County titles in every grade of football under 12 in 1973; under 14 in 1974, '75 and '76; under 16 in 1977; minor in '76 and '77; under 21 in '70, '74 and '76; junior in 1978; Senior in '73, '77 and '79. During the same years the Club also won five County titles in under-age hurling.

Great footballers have always been part and parcel of Loughmore—Castleiney teams. Many have worn the County jersey at all grades. Sean Kearney and Eddie Webster are proud holders of Railway Cup medals. They will again be using their vast experience to help the Club in its efforts for another title.

In 1978 the Club took a big step when it bought a new playing field. At the moment great efforts are being made, through the promotion of Ciste Gael, to raise money to pay for that field and provide excellent prizes for all who participate in the Draw. The prizes each month have been excellent and much more support would be welcome — especially extra promoters.

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S. McCarthy
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(10)

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(11)

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(12)

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(13)

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(14)

D. Hickey
(15)

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(20) T.O'Dwyer, (21) H. Kennedy, (22) D. Moloney,
(23) M. McCarthy, (24) N. Fleming, (25) M. Byron.

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(Loughmore/Castleiney)

Red & Green



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	J. Kiely (1)	
S. Fogarty (2)	E. Webster (3)	M. Kiely (4)
T. Ryan (5)	P. McGrath (6)	E. Brennan (7)
	P. Treacy (8)	M. Meagher (9)
T. McGrath (10)	J. Treacy (11)	T. Kiely (12)
M. McGrath (13)	G. Stapleton (14)	T. Walsh (15)
Subs: (16) R. Stapleton, (17) D. Egan, (18) J. Meagher (19) S. Kearney, (20) P. Brennan, (21) P. Lynch, (22) M. Walsh, (23) J. Hackett.		

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In Minor Football, Arravale have a proud record and their last win was against Fethard in 1972.

Fr. Sheehy's/Ballylooby

Two proud parishes which have fruitfully joined forces in Minor grade.

Under the tutelage of Frank O'Brien, Mick Pyne, Davie Lonergan and Timmy Beary they contested last year's South. Arthur Browne, Michael Beston and Eamonn English have represented their County.

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The Committee of the Fethard Club is grateful to all who helped in compiling this programme.

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- 5 M. LOWRY
- 6 D. HONAN
- 7 D. KEANE
- 8 P. LANDERS
- 9 T. J. HAYES
- 10 M. DUFFY
- 11 B. FOGARTY
- 12 T. WALSH
- 13 D. McGUIRE
- 14 V. McCORMACK
- 15 P. RICHARDSON

Subs:

- | | |
|------------|----|
| T. Maher | 16 |
| J. Kinane | 17 |
| J. Kissane | 18 |
| S. Maher | 19 |
| M. O'Dwyer | 20 |
| J. Crowe | 21 |
| G. Connery | 22 |

AN tATHAIR SITHIGH/BEAL ATHA LUIBE

(Fr. Sheehy's / Ballylooby)

- 1 PAT O'BRIEN
- 2 DENIS MAHER
- 3 SHEAMUS MURPHY
- 4 JOHN QUIRKE
- 5 PAUL O'GORMAN
- 6 ART BROWNE
- 7 MICHAEL ENGLISH
- 8 EAMON ENGLISH
- 9 MICHAEL BESTON
- 10 MATT LONERGAN
- 11 LIAM HICKEY
- 12 P.J. MALONEY
- 13 MICHAEL KEATING
- 14 RODY DOYLE
- 15 PAT O'BRIEN

Subs:

- | | |
|----------------|----|
| Paddy Murphy | 16 |
| Pat Fox | 17 |
| John O'Donnell | 18 |
| John Pyke | 19 |
| Seamus Flynn | 20 |
| Dickie Maher | 21 |
| Jim Conway | 22 |

LAST COUNTY FINAL IN FETHARD

The 1951 County Senior Football final was played in Fethard on March 23rd 1952 between the reigning champions, Galtee Rovers and the South titleholders, Ballingarry.

The game was marred to some extent by a second half downpour but it was still an exciting affair between two evenly matched teams with the two defences dominating matters.

The sides were level at 0-3 each at the interval and it was anybody's game until mid-way through the second half when D. McGrath scored the goal which won the title for Ballingarry for the first time. From then to the end Galtee Rovers attacked but the close marking Ballingarry backs kept them at bay.

The scorers that day were — Ballingarry D.O'Connor 0-5, D. McGrath 1-0. Galtee Rovers D. Walsh 0-3, S. Byrnes and P.J. O'Brien 0-1 each.

Ballingarry — D. Dunne; D. Fitzgerald, T. Lynch, P. Grace, D. Butler, D. Roche, P. O'Brien, M. Quirke, B. Doheney. D. McGrath, J. Lanigan, L. Barrett, J. Grace, D. O'Connor, M. Dunne.

Referee — Sean Ryan.

After the game the championship cup was presented to the winning captain by Sean O'Dwyer, Chairman of the West Board and Vice-Chairman of the Co. Board.

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JOE KEANE

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He also holds the post of Chairman of the South Tipp Inter Firm Board.



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



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GALTEE ROVERS THROUGH THE AGES

(By Paudie McCarthy)

The Galtee Rovers Club have a long and illustrious past, dating from the pioneering days of 1885, when it first affiliated to the Co. Board. As with most clubs, the history of the early days is somewhat sketchy. However, there is evidence to suggest that football was the predominant game in Bansha from the beginning. This tradition has been nurtured and successfully carried on in the present century.

Although the men in scarlet entered the County Championship for the first time in 1899 and made a South Final appearance in 1904, their efforts were not attended by success until 1912, when from an entry of 12 teams they won the South Senior Football Championship, led by Jack Kennedy. They repeated the performance in 1915 and were finalists again in 1916, '17 and '19, after which the team began to disintegrate as a major championship contender.

While football honours eluded the team through the thirties, the post war era more than compensated when the club won the football championships with clockwork regularity, beginning the excellent run in 1946 by winning the County Junior Championship. This victory sprung the team to senior status in 1947, when after some good wins they went under to Drangan-Cloneen by three points in the County Final. The dizzy heights were reached on 16th April, 1950, when the Galtees, captained by Larry Maher, won the 1949 County Senior title by defeating Templetuohy in Clonmel. The performance was repeated the following season in Thurles after a hard fought game against the same opposition. Jim O'Connor brought home the cup that day. Ballingarry came good in 1951 and surprised the Rovers by three points in the decider. The 1952 final was a non-event. Old Bridge were awarded the title when the Bansha boys withdrew.

From 1947 to 1954 this great team won the West Tipp. senior title on seven occasions, including six in a row from the inaugural year of the Hennessy Cup in 1949.

After this fine combination faded from the scene a valley period inevitably occurred until the 1960's, when in '62 and '63 the West title once again returned to the Village. From this time onwards juvenile competition flourished. Galtee Rovers, under the guidance of the enthusiasm of John Moloney, won the County Juvenile Championship in 1965. This young team was to form the nucleus of the senior champion team of 1976.

The senior team have appeared in seven successive West Finals since 1973, winning on three occasions, the 1976 title being the club's 12th since the war, putting it way ahead in the honours list. That year also saw the return of the County Senior Championship when Jimmy Ferris accepted the trophy amid scenes of great jubilation. Hopes have risen and fallen since and our hope now is that the proud name of Galtee Rovers will be inscribed on the 1980 Cup.

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94	Arravale Rovers	39	Ardfinnan
95	Arravale Rovers	40	Castleiney-Loughmore
96	Arravale Rovers	41	Arravale Rovers
97	Clonmel Shamrocks	42	Fethard
98	Clonmel Shamrocks	43	10th Battalion
99	Arravale Rovers	44	Clonmel Commercials
1900	Clonmel Shamrocks	45	10th Battalion
01	Clonmel Shamrocks	46	Loughmore-Castleiney
02	Tipperary Town	47	St. Patricks
03	Grangemockler	48	Clonmel Commercials
04	Grangemockler	49	Galtee Rovers
05	Grangemockler	50	Galtee Rovers
06	Grangemockler	51	Ballingarry
07	Grangemockler	52	Old Bridge
08	Cloneen	53	St. Patricks
09	Grangemockler	54	Fethard
10	Tipperary O'Learys	55	Loughmore
11	Nenagh	56	Clonmel Commercials
12	Mullinahone	57	Fethard
13	Mullinahone	58	North Selection
14	Castleiney	59	North Selection
15	Nenagh	60	Thurles Crokes
16	...	61	St. Flannan's North
17	Fethard	62	Ardfinnan
18	Fethard	63	Ardfinnan
19	Fethard	64	Ardfinnan
20	Fethard	65	Commercials
21	...	66	Commercials
22	Fethard	67	Commercials
23	Fethard	68	Kilsheelan
24	Fethard	69	Commercials
25	Templemore	70	Ardfinnan
26	Mullinahone	71	Commercials
27	Fethard	72	Kilsheelan
28	Fethard	73	Loughmore-Castleiney
29	Mullinahone	74	Ardfinnan
30	Kilsheelan	75	Kilruane McDonagh
31	Grangemockler	76	Galtee Rovers
32	Clonmel Shamrocks	77	Loughmore-Castleiney
33	Kilsheelan	78	Fethard
		79	Loughmore-Castleiney

Umpires for to-days game; M. Keane, T. Kearney, J. Keane, L. O'Meara
Linesmen: P. Harrington, M. Cuddihy.