

Co. Tipperary Senior Football Final  
Match Programme  
1991

**CUMANN LÚTHCHLEAS GAEL**  
**COISTE CHONTAE THIOBRAD ARANN**



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**DOMHNACH 6/10/91**



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*Cuirim fáilte roimh gach duine anseo go Cill tSíoláin inniú ar an ócáid seo.*

*I welcome everyone to Kilsheelan to-day for the County Senior Football Final between Fethard and Clonmel Commercials, reigning champions. Both teams are age old rivals and have clashed many times in previous finals and both have won the Championship on several occasions. The final is the culmination of a closely contested Championship and will I hope be the springboard to launch Tipperary's attempt on the Munster Championship in 1992.*

*Rosegreen, West Champions and Newcastle, South Champions clash in the County Semi-Final of the "B" Minor Football Championship which is the curtain raiser.*

*I thank the players from all clubs for their efforts and dedication, and the excellent entertainment which they provided throughout the year and which we anticipate to-day. I thank also the patrons for their continued support, and the Kilsheelan Club for their splendid arrangements, and everyone who has contributed in any way to this great occasion.*

*Aodh O Cinnéide,  
Cathaoirleach Coiste Peil Tiobraid Arann*

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*Cuirim Céad Míle Fáilte róimh go léir anseo inniu go Cill tSioláin. Tá súil agam go mbeidh sár cluichí againn.*

*I extend a sincere welcome to all our patrons on the occasion of the County Senior Football Championship Final of 1991. Today's clash of the holders Clonmel Commercials and Fethard promises a game in the traditions of the county and whilst wishing both teams the best of luck I hope that at the end of the day Tipperary Football will be the real winner.*

*Good luck also the the minor footballers of Newcastle and Rosegreen who provide todays curtain raiser. Finally I avail of the opportunity to thank club officials, players, referees, checkers, stewards and all our patrons for their help and support.*

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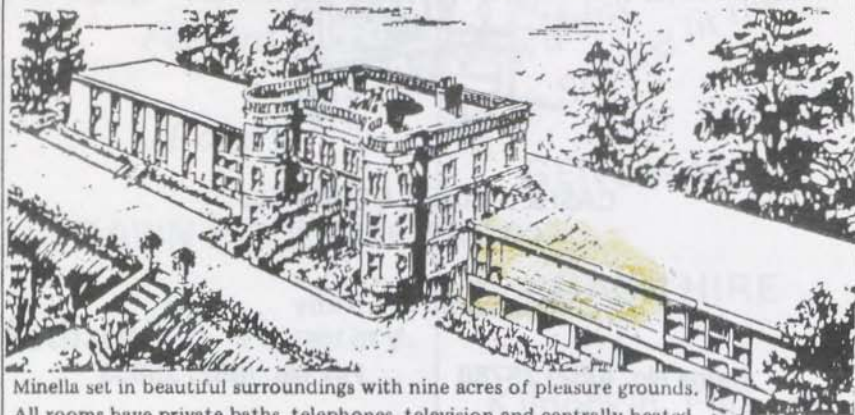
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## FETHARDS PRIDE AND JOY

The Fethard team taking the field to-day must be one of the youngest to represent the club in the county final. The oldest is Captain "Buddy" Fitzgerald at only 27. The average age is just 23 years and as one would expect from a young team only three players are married. Most members of the panel have won county honours at either minor, under twenty one or senior grade, and ten of the present team have won a county medal in 1988. Twelve of these young players have had the honour of wearing the county jersey at some stage. — Yes young they may be but their experience is vast.

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## CLONMEL COMMERCIALS – A FOOTBALL LEGEND

The Clonmel Commercial have always been to the fore in the history of football in County Tipperary. The club's skill and dedication to the game is borne out to-day as the wearers of the Green and Gold contest their sixth successive county final. This Clonmel side are enthusiastic at the prospect of meeting Fethard in the final, both sides having met five times in the last decade, Commercial taking home the cup in 1982, 1986 and 1989 which Fethard won in 1984 and 1988.

To-day as thoughts drift back to the sixties to the great Commercial side that won the county three times in a row 1965, 1966 and 1967 – now a football legend in the town. The present players many of whom have been with the club through their young tender years, having won in 1989 and last year beating Loughmore – Castleiney hope to equal those gallant men of the sixties and take the county title to Clonmel for the third year in a row.

**CLUB OFFICERS:** Chairman : Jim O'Callaghan, 18 Ard-na-Greine. Vice-Chairman Rurai Walsh, Baron Park. Secretary & P.R.O., John McNamara, 38 Shamrock Hill. Treasurer: Mick O'Connell, Glenconner.

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## FETHARD

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Thomas McCarthy

- |                     |                                       |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 2) Dermot Hackett   | 3) Michael "Buddy" Fitzgerald (Capt.) | 4) Michael Ryan     |
| 5) Willie Morrissey | 6) Willie O'Meara                     | 7) Liam Connelly    |
| 8) A.N. Other       | 9) Shay Ryan                          |                     |
| 10) Tommy Sheehan   | 11) Shay Coen                         | 12) Eoin Cummins    |
| 13) Martin Coen     | 14) Michael Riordan                   | 15) Miceal Shillane |

Fir Ionaid: Robairt Broderick, 17) Liam Ryan, 18) Martin Ryan, 19) John Hurley, 20) Philly Blake.

Trainer: Dennis Burke. Selectors: Jimmy O'Shea, Danny Keane, Liam Connelly.

## NEWCASTLE

(1)
Gregory Aird

- |                      |                    |                   |
|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| (2) Anthony O'Dwyer  | 3) Denis Hackett   | 4) Kevin Burns    |
| 5) Diarmuid O'Flynn  | Anthony O'Gorman   | 7) Giles Aird     |
| 8) John Fitzpatrick  | 9) Aidan Sweeney   |                   |
| 10) Donal O'Loughlin | 11) Darroll Goonan | 12) John Cullinan |
| 13) Robert Hackett   | 14) Fergal O'Flynn | 15) A.N. Other    |

Fir Ionaid: 16) Liam Cahill, 17) Nicholas Healy, 18) Jimmy Hackett, 19) Noel Hackett, 20) Noel Sweeney, 21) Peter Hackett, 22) Colm Hyland.



## CLONMEL COMMERCIALS

(1)
Philly Ryan

- 2) John Kerins                      3) Rian Forrestal                      4) Padraic Kavanagh
- 5) Ger Deeley                      6) Donal O'Keeffe                      7) Mark O'Connell
- 8) Tony Gleeson                      9) Gene McGrath
- 10) Anthony Wall                      11) Cristoir McGrath                      12) Joe McNamara
- 13) Eddie Hewitt                      14) Franny Kelly                      15) Willie Peters (Capt.)

Fir Ionaid: 16) Sean Duggan, 17) Peter Kilkenny, 18) Dermot O'Shea, 19) Ger O'Mahony, 20) Ben Keane, 21) John Lonergan, 22) Brendan Kearney, 23) Brian Phelan, 24) Pat Burke, 25) Michael O'Mahony.

Selectors: Michael Forrestal, Paul Dillon, Michael O'Connell, John McNamara.

## ROSEGREEN

(1)
James Shelly

- 2) Charlie Graham                      3) David Golden                      4) Damien Fogarty
- 5) Michael Corcoran                      6) Gordan Egan                      7) Padraic Skeffington
- 8) Tom Shelly                      9) John O'Grady
- 10) Sean Og Ryan                      11) Keith Barry                      12) Eddie Tobin
- 13) Alan Golden                      14) Sean Skeffington                      15) Dermot O'Brien

Fir Ionaid: 16) Liam Sherlock, 17) Thomas Manton, 18) Willie McGarry, 19) Shane Harding, 20) Christopher O'Brien, 21) Padraic O'Brien, 22) Justin Phelan, 23) Richard Corcoran.

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Today's 101st Tipperary County Senior Football Final is contested by Clonmel Commercials and Fethard, two sides who have proud records in the competition having won no less than 29 titles between them.

Fethard are seeking their 18th crown and although they'll start outsiders their challenge must be treated with the greatest respect. They'll remember that in 1988 they shocked Commercials in similar circumstances and they showed in defeating St. Patricks/Grangemeockler in last Sunday's Semi-final replay that they still retain much of the flair and ability that made them one of the leading sides of the Eighties.

Fethard will be hoping that players like Willie O'Meara, Michael Fitzgerald, Dermot Hackett, Willie Morrissey, Tommy Sheehan, Eoin Cummins and Michael Ryan can provide the inspiration and the leadership to undermine the challenge of the champions and bring "The Blues" their first title of the nineties.

Commercials have won the title on 12 previous occasions and will be hoping for a lucky 13th. They showed disappointing form early this year but their semi-final display against Moyle Rovers clearly signalled a return to their usual dominant style and they have a favourites chance of doing a three in a row for the second time in the history of the club. Indeed the Clonmel side are today contesting their 6th county final in a row surely a proud record and if such household names as Franny Kelly, Mark O'Connell, Joe McNamara, Donal O'Keeffe, Anthony Wall, Gene & Criostoir McGrath, John Kerin and Eddie Hewitt can perform to the best of their ability the O'Dwyer Cup should be annexed for the 13th time.

Whatever the end result an outstanding final looks in prospect however and may I echo the words of Co. Chairman Michael McGuire in hoping that wherever the honours rest at the end of the day — that Tipperary football will prove the real winner.

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*Back from Left, Tony Gleeson, Criostóir McGrath, Gene McGrath, Anthony Wall, Philly Ryan, Pdraig Kavanagh, Ger Deeley and Donal O'Keeffe. Front from left, Joe McNamara, Peter Kilkenny, John Kerin, Mark O'Connell, Eddie Hewitt, Rian Forristal and Franny Kelly.*



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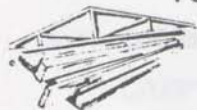
*Back from left, Michael Fitzgerald, John Hurley, Robaírt Broderick, Michael Ryan, Liam Connolly, Thomas McCarthy, Shay Ryan, Shay Coen, Michael O'Riordan, Owen Cummins. Front from left, Liam Ryan, Philly Blake, Micéal Shillane, Willie Morrissey, Willie O'Meara, Tommy Sheehan, Dermot Hackett, Chris Coen, Martin Coen.*



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