

West Tipperary Senior Hurling Final

Match Programme

1991

Cumann Luth Chleas Gael
TIOBRAID ÁRANN THJAR



SINSEAR:

CEAPACH NA bhFAOITEACH

Vs.

CAISEAL RÍ CHORMAIC

TOSNÚ: 3.15

Reiteoir: SEÁN Ó CINNÉIDE

IOMAINT MIONÚIR:

Caiseal Rí Chormaic vs. Cumann Clocalm

Tosnú: 1.45

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PEIL MIONÚR:

Eatharlach vs. Fánalthe Gleann Árann

Tosnú: 12.30

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After a summer of great success for Tipperary on the Inter-County front, the time has now arrived to bring the West Divisional Championships to a conclusion. This year's championship has again been a major success with large crowds in attendance at all games. I thank the clubs and particularly the players for their effort and dedication throughout the year and for providing us with such excellent entertainment. Thanks also to our patrons who have again turned out in large numbers in 1991.

The keen rivalry between Cappawhite and Cashel in the last decade should make today's renewal of the pairing a fascinating contest. These two teams have dominated West Tipperary's Hurling Championship honours in recent years and have represented the Division with distinction in the County series. We wish them well in 1991.

The Minor game sees Cashel and Kickhams, last year's finalists, again renew rivalry and what a match is in store here. The curtain-raiser between the footballers of Arravale Rovers and Aherlow should also be an intriguing match.

Finally, I thank all who have contributed to make this final day a great occasion. Ar aghaidh leis na cluichi.

Seamus Ó Riain, Cathaoirleach, Tiobraid Árann Thiar.



CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

Cuirim fáilte Uí Cheallaigh roimh gach duine anseo go Cluain Ultaigh inniú, go háirithe na foirne atá páirteach sna cluichi ceannais. Tá súil agam go mbainfidh gach éinne taitneamh as an ócáid.

It is my pleasure to extend a warm welcome to the six participating teams and their supporters here to Clonoulty today. I hope that everyone will enjoy the occasion and that the matches will be sporting and entertaining. Your co-operation with the stewards would be greatly appreciated.

Mile buíochas to all club members for their help and co-operation in the arrangements for today's games. Thanks also to our advertisers for their generous sponsorship and to the West Board for giving Clonoulty-Rossmore the honour of hosting these finals.

Seosamh ÓhAimearslaigh, Cathaoirleach.

PAST WEST S.H. FINALS

YEAR	WINNERS	RUNNERS-UP	VENUE	REFEREE
1930	Clonoulty 4-1	Solohead 1-1	Golden	Mick Dargan, Cashel
1931	Clonoulty 5-3	Newport 3-4	Cashel	John Hennessy, Emly
1932	Clonoulty 6-2	Donohill/Cappawhite 3-2	Ballydine	Willie O'Dwyer, Knockavilla
1933	Clonoulty 3-4	Donohill/Cappawhite 2-2	Tipperary	J. J. Woods, Tipperary
1934	Cashel K.C. 2-5	Cusacks (Clonoulty) 0-1	Knockavilla	James Ryan, Holyford
1935	Kickhams 7-4	Donohill 4-1	Donaskeigh	John Hennessy, Emly
1936	Cashel K.C. 6-2	Golden 4-1	Clonoulty	John Hennessy, Emly
1937	Cashel K.C. 2-4	Clonoulty 1-1	Golden	Willie O'Dwyer, Donaskeigh
1938	Kickhams 3-3	Eire Og 1-1	Cashel	Mick Burke, Cashel
1939	Cashel 4-3	Solohead 3-1	Golden	J. J. Woods, Tipperary
1940	Cashel 5-1	Clonoulty 3-3	Dundrum	Willie O'Donnell, Golden
1941	Eire Og 4-4	Golden 3-6	Tipperary	John Hennessy, Emly
1942	Eire Og 8-3	Galtee Rovers 3-0	Tipperary	J. J. Woods, Tipperary
1943	Eire Og 8-1	Cappawhite 3-2	Dundrum	J. J. Woods, Tipperary
1944	Eire Og 7-5	Cashel 3-1	Dundrum	Timmy Hammersley, Clonoulty
1945	Cashel K.C. 4-5	Eire Og 1-3	Cashel	Timmy Hammersley, Clonoulty
1946	Kickhams 5-3	Eire Og 4-2	Golden	Timmy Hammersley, Clonoulty
1947	Kickhams 5-3	Eire Og 2-3	Golden	Christy O'Brien, Tipperary
1948	Cashel 3-6	Kickhams 3-4	Golden	Willie O'Donnell, Golden
1949	Kickhams 5-9	Golden 4-2	Clonoulty	Timmy Hammersley, Clonoulty
1950	Kickhams 2-5	Cashel 2-0	Tipperary	Larry Quinn, Bansha
1951	Clonoulty 3-2	Kickhams 0-3	Cashel	Willie O'Donnell, Golden
1952	Kickhams 4-7	Clonoulty 3-4	Clonoulty	Tom Semple, Thurles
1953	Kickhams 2-7	Clonoulty 0-4	Cashel	Tom Semple, Thurles
1954	Kickhams 2-8	Clonoulty 0-2	Cashel	Mick Coady, Cashel
1955	Kickhams 7-3	Cashel 5-7	Golden	John Currihan, Golden
1956	Kickhams 6-5	Golden 2-3	Cashel	Timmy Hammersley, Clonoulty
1957	St. Nicholas (C'pa/G'gar/Sol. 5-8)	Cashel K.C. 3-6	Dundrum	Paddy Fraser, Tipperary
1958	Kickhams 8-8	Golden 2-2	Cashel	Jim Stapleton, Solohead
1959	Kickhams 3-5	Rossmore 2-7	Cashel	Jim Devitt, Cashel
1960	Kickhams 2-8	Solohead 1-6	Golden	Thomas Foran, Carrick
1961	St. Vincents (Eire Og/Cappa) 4-7	Solohead 1-7	Cashel	Tommy Landers, Golden

PAST WEST FINALS continued

1962	Cappawhite 1-4	Kickhams 1-4	Golden	Jim Stapleton, Solohead
Replay	Cappawhite 5-8	Kickhams 2-1	Golden	Philip Ryan, Boherlahan
1963	St. Patrick's (Lattin/Solo) 5-3	Suir Rvs. (Golden Galtee Rvs) 1-7	Golden	Jim Devitt, Cashel
1964	Eire Og 2-7	Cappawhite 1-8	Anacarty	John Moloney, Bansha
1965	Cashel 2-19	Eire Og 5-3	Golden	John Moloney, Bansha
1966	Arravale Rovers 2-4	Golden 0-8	Dundrum	John Moloney, Bansha
1967	Eire Og 5-4	Arravale Rovers 2-7	Clonoulty	John Moloney, Bansha
1968	Sean Treacy's 5-6	Eire Og 5-4	Dundrum	Willie Sweeney, Moyne
1969	Golden 1-13	Arravale Rovers 2-7	Tipperary	Sean O'Meara, Lorrha
1970	Arravale Rovers 1-13	Golden 1-6	Golden	MI. Ryan, Mitchelstown
1971	Cashel K.C. 5-9	Lattin/Cullen 1-5	Golden	Liam Walsh, Golden
1972	Golden 5-8	Cashel K. C. 2-6	Dundrum	Paddy Verdon, Solohead
1973	Sean Treacy's 1-8	Eire Og 0-8	Cashel	Billy Hayes, Pallasgreen
1974	Sean Treacy's 4-10	Golden 0-6	Dundrum	Jimmy Collins, Clonmel
1975	Cashel K. C. 0-18	Sean Treacy's 0-13	Clonoulty	John Moloney, Bansha
1976	Cashel 2-9	Cappawhite 2-5	Emly	George Ryan, Lattin/Cullen
1977	Sean Treacy's 4-14	Kickhams 0-9	Golden	George Ryan, Lattin/Cullen
1978	Sean Treacy's 3-13	Cappawhite 3-3	Tipperary	Billy Carroll, Clonmel
1979	Sean Treacy's 3-16	Cappawhite 2-9	Bansha	John Moloney, Bansha
1980	Cashel K. C. 0-15	Sean Treacy's 0-15	Dundrum	Willie Morrissey, Kickhams
Replay	Cashel K. C. 2-13	Sean Treacy's 2-11 (extra time)	Dundrum	Willie Morrissey, Kickhams
1981	Eire Og 0-14	Cappawhite 0-7	Clonoulty	Sammy Ryan, Golden
1982	Sean Treacy's 1-15	Eire Og 1-12	Emly	Paddy Lonergan, Bansha
1983	Cappawhite 4-10	Cashel K. C. 1-6	Golden	Liam O'Dwyer, Eire Og
1984	Cappawhite 2-18	Kickhams 3-7	Tipperary	George Ryan, Lattin/Cullen
1985	Cappawhite 1-10	Cashel 0-9	Bansha	Paddy Lonergan, Bansha
1986	Eire Og 2-9	Golden 1-10	Dundrum	George Ryan, Lattin/Cullen
1987	Cappawhite 4-15	Clonoulty 3-10	Cashel	Angus Ryan, Cashel
1988	Cashel 1-12	Kickhams 1-4	Cappawhite	Paddy Russell, Emly
1989	Clonoulty 3-20	Cappawhite 4-6	Emly	John Moloney, Bansha
1990	Cashel 2-11	Clonoulty 0-15	Golden	Paddy Russell, Emly

MINOR HURLING 1930 - 1990

1930	No Championship	1961	Cashel K.C.
1931	Cashel K.C.	1962	Cappawhite
1932	Glengar-Hollyford	1963	Solohead-Lattin
1933	Arravale Rvs.	1964	Cashel K.C.
1934	Cappawhite	1965	Cappawhite
1935	Cappawhite	1966	Cappawhite
1936	Golden Fontenoy's	1967	Golden-K.
1937	Brian Boru's	1968	Golden-K.
1938	Brian Boru's	1969	Clonoulty-R.
1939	Brian Boru's	1970	Clonoulty-R.
1940	Cashel K.C.	1971	Cashel K.C.
1941	Invincibles	1972	Cashel K.C.
1942	Sean Treacy's	1973	Cashel K.C.
1943	Kickhams	1974	Cashel K.C.
1944	Kickhams	1975	Cashel K.C.
1945	Kickhams	1976	Cashel K.C.
1946	Kickhams	1977	Cappa-Eire Og
1947	Kickhams	1978	Cappa-Eire Og
1948	Golden Fontenoy's	1979	Kickhams
1949	Cashel K.C.	1980	Cashel K.C.
1950	Solohead	1981	Clonoulty-R.
1951	Kickhams	1982	Clonoulty-R.
1952	Cashel K.C.	1983	Emly-Lattin
1953	Solohead	1984	Kickhams
1954	Lattin-Emly	1985	Clonoulty-R.
1955	Kickhams	1986	Clonoulty-R.
1956	Cashel K.C.	1987	Cashel K.C.
1957	Cappawhite	1988	Cashel K.C.
1958	Arravale Rvs.	1989	Cashel K.C.
1959	Cashel	1990	Kickhams
1960	Cashel K.C.		

MINOR "B" HURLING

1984	Arravale Rovers
1985	Galtee Rovers
1986	Golden-Kilfeacle
1987	Golden-Kilfeacle
1988	Eire Og
1989	Clon.-Solohead
1990	Aherlow.

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NA RÉITEOIRÍ

JOHN KENNEDY (Senior game)

Referee for today's Senior game is John Kennedy of the host club, Clonoulty/Rossmore. John may be described as a "late vocation" to refereeing and it is a tribute to his ability that he has been appointed to this major fixture in his third year as a referee.

John has unselfishly devoted his time and energies to all aspects of G.A.A. activity over the years. He played at all levels with his club, winning a Crosco Cup medal with Clonoulty/Rossmore in 1969. He also played at corner-back on the Tipperary Minor Hurling team of 1960 defeated in the All-Ireland by Dublin. While working in Dublin he won a County Championship medal in Senior Hurling with the Young Irelands club in 1965. The following year he won a Mid Championship medal with Holycross.



John has been actively involved in club administration also over the years, serving terms as club Chairman and Treasurer as well as training teams at all levels from Juvenile to Senior.

John's motto as a referee is to be fair to everyone and to accept the fact that mistakes are inevitable. He refereed last year's West Minor Hurling "B" final and the West Junior Hurling final in 1989.

Go n-éirí leat inniú, a Sheáin.

TOM MEEHAN (Minor Football)

Tom will be the "man in black" for today's Minor Football West Final in this his sixteenth year as a West Board Referee.

Tom represented his club, Cashel King Cormacs, as a player in Junior, Intermediate and Senior Football, the highlight of his career being in 1976 when he won West and County Championship medals in Intermediate Football.

On the administration level, Tom has served as club secretary and P.R.O. as well as being involved with juveniles. Tom has succeeded John Moloney as Chairman of West Tipperary Referee's Committee this year.

Also this year Tom officiated at his first Inter-County fixture, the Minor Football match between Kerry and Waterford. He is also due to referee the County Senior Football Semi-Final this evening.

RICHARD BARRY (Minor Hurling)

Cappawhite's Richard Barry takes charge of today's Minor Hurling final in his third year as a referee.

Like John Kennedy, Richard became involved in refereeing through a course for new referees conducted by John Moloney three years ago under the auspices of the West Board.

Richard played hurling and football for his club from Juvenile to Under 21 level. He became actively involved in the administration of his club in 1977 when becoming a committee member of the Cappawhite club and he is currently Vice-Chairman of the club. He has, over the years, been a selector on Juvenile and Minor teams. He is also Chairman of West Tipperary Bord na nÓg and Vice Chairman of County Bord na nÓg.

Richard refereed this year's Under 21 "B" Hurling final and officiated at last year's County finals in Under 12 Hurling and Football.

"I referee it as I see it and try to be fair to both sides", is Richard's motto as a referee.



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6. KIERAN RYAN
7. GARY QUINLAN
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The West Divisional Gaelic Athletic Association Board was founded on January 26th, 1930. George Furlong represented Cappawhite at the inaugural meeting as did Mike Kelly of Donohill.

At this time there was no parish rule and Cappawhite/Donohill was the local team for a number of years. The first games to be played in the new West Division was football and up to one thousand people attended at Graffin/Annacarty to witness the home side lose to the much heftier Cappawhite/Donohill combination.

In 1931, Cappawhite/Donohill entered the Senior Hurling Championship arena for the first time and lost to Newport, a stronger team, on July 13th at Newport on the score of 6-4 to 2-3-

Mike Kelly was appointed temporary secretary of the West Board in 1932. Cappawhite/Donohill reached its first Senior Hurling West Final this year. The side lost to the all conquering Clonoulty team who won its third West title at Ballydine on the score of 6-2 to 3-2. This was a well contested game, although the second half was marred by some rough play and uncalled for incidents. Pat Furlong scored 3-1 out of his sides total of 3-2.

Cappawhite/Donohill: M. Kelly (capt.), P. Furlong, J. O'Dwyer, J. McGrath, J. O'Shea, R. Ryan (Coyle), W. Barry, P. Butler, R. Barry, C. Quinlan, M. Allen (Cappawhite), A. Doherty, M.D. Heffernan, J. Heffernan, P. Hanly, W. Mulqueen, C. Breen (Donohill), J. Ryan, T. Hanly.

In 1933, Cappawhite secured a fairly suitable playing field from the Land Commission in the division of the Greenfield Estate. Again the combination was defeated in its second Senior Hurling final by Clonoulty in Tipperary despite having trained very hard for it. The grand alliance between Cappawhite and Donohill broke up in 1934 and Cappawhite did not field a Senior team again until 1943.

In 1942, Cappawhite won its first County Hurling title, a Junior one, and had to go Senior in 1943. Cappawhite matched Eire Og, Annacarty, for three quarters of an hour in the West Senior Hurling Final, losing by the score of 8-1 to 3-2. Eire Og went on to win its first County Senior Hurling title.

In 1957 Cappawhite joined with Solohead and Glengar to form Saint Nicholas whose training ground was at Monard.

The combination defeated Knockavilla/Kickhams in the Semi-Final, who were seeking their sixth title in a row and were then favourites against Cashel King Cormacs in the final. The newly formed Cappawhite Pipers Band paraded both teams on August 18th, at Dundrum. The combination won by the score 5-8 to 3-6. Man of the Match was the captain J. "Yank" Crowe and the superiority of mid-fielders Dan Greene and Wm. (Harry) Bradshaw contributed mostly to their success.

St. Nicholas:- T. Gorman (Chucky) (S), John Carey (C), D.J. Treacy (G), Wm. Ryan (Gough) (G), S. Hayes (C), P. Quinlan (S), P. Verdun (S), D. Greene (G), Wm. Bradshaw (Harry) (G), T.J. McGrath (C), J. Crowe (Yank) (Capt.) (S), D. Nolan (S), Ger Ryan (Smith) (C), John Ryan (Hanna) (C), Michael White (C).

In 1961, Cappawhite joined with Eire Og Annacarty and Glengar to form St. Vincents. This combination defeated Solohead in the final at Cashel on August 12th by the score of 4-7 to 1-7.

St. Vincents:- P. McCarthy (Capt.) (C), T. Tuohy (Eire Og), P. Hennessy (do), M. Ryan G (G), T. J. Ryan (Eire Og), L. Kelly (C), Liam O'Neill (Eire Og), Wm. Bradshaw (G), J. Hogan (C), T. J. McGrath (C), S. Ryan (Eire Og), J. McGrath (C), P. Corbett (Eire Og), Ml. Gleeson (Do), J. Buckley (G).

The following year in 1962, Cappawhite had entered a Senior team of its own and assisted by the Glengar trio, Wm. (Harry) Bradshaw, Wm. Ryan (Gough), and Jim Buckley, defeated the famed Knockavilla Kickhams in the West Final by the score of 5-8 to 2-1. Captain Bradshaw was "Man of the Match" and hurled like a man inspired.

Cappawhite: P. McCarthy, P. Connors, J. Carew, Wm. Ryan (G), T. Ryan (S), L. Kelly, C. Ryan (S), Wm. Bradshaw (Capt.), J. Hogan, Jim Buckley, T. J. McGrath, J. McGrath, J.J. White, Tom Breen, Ed. Hayes, Sub. G. Furlong.

Cappawhite lost the next four finals it played in:- Cashel 1976, Sean Treacys 1978, 1979, Eire Og/Annacarty 1981.

In 1983, Cappawhite officially opened its new hurling field with a Tipperary versus Limerick Senior Hurling match. The club was again in a final and were hoping to put aside all their frustrations and disappointments of latter years. The final against Cashel King Cormacs was played at Golden on August 21st. With skill, fitness and determination, Cappawhite outplayed Cashel from the very beginning, leading by nine points at the interval and went on to win by thirteen points at the sound of the final whistle.

Cappawhite:- D. O'Neill, S. Ryan, M. Buckley, J. O'Neill (Fox), N. Buckley, B. Hennessy, A. O'Neill, M. McDermott, E. Ryan (B), A. Buckley, C. Ryan (H) (Capt.), G. Ryan (B), J. Ryan (P), G. O'Neill, P. O'Neill.

Conor Ryan (H) led his team successfully to two more West titles in 1984 and 1985 at the expense of Knockavilla/Kickhams and Cashel King Cormacs respectively. Mr. G. Ring, secretary of the West Board, in his report to Convention in January, 1987, bemoaned the fact that no West Tipperary team contested any County Final in hurling in 1986. Cappawhite played Clonoulty/Rossmore in an amazing and exciting West Final on September 13th at Cashel. Clonoulty led Cappawhite by nine points at half-time. Because of changes made in the line-out for the second half and with the "pride of the little village" at stake, Cappawhite reduced a nine point lead and won by an astonishing eight point margin.

The team defeated Roscrea in a County Quarter Final and Thurles Sarsfields in the Semi-Final. The County Centenary Senior Hurling Final took place at Thurles on November 1st against Mid Champions, Loughmore/Castleiney. In the final minutes of the game, Cappawhite shot the winning point to win by 1-17 to 2-13.

Cappawhite:- D. O'Neill, Myles Coughlan, Ml Buckley, Dan Ryan (P), D. Hennessy, A. O'Neill, G. Ryan (B), E. Ryan (B), Simon Ryan (L), A. Buckley, C. Ryan (H), Pa O'Neill, John O'Neill (Capt.), G. O'Neill, M. McDermott. Subs:-J. Ryan (P), E. Maguire.

Cappawhite made an historic and clean sweep of the Senior Hurling trophies in Tipperary for the year 1987 winning West, County and Crosco Cup. The club also lost the final of the Munster Senior Hurling Championship by a single point to Middleton who won out the club All-Ireland title.

The hurlers lost their West and County title to Clonoulty/Rossmore in the first round of the West Championship 1988.

In 1989, Clonoulty/Rossmore defeated Cappawhite in the West Final by the score of 3-20 to 4-6 at Emly and went on to win the County Senior Hurling title.

The years from 1981 to 1991 could be described as Cappawhite's Golden Decade of Hurling. The club contested six West Finals out of nine, winning four and a County title. Today's final is its seventh in ten years and this panel of players who were trail-blazers extraordinary, elegant stickmen, super sportsmen, will strive to write one more chapter of history for the "lovely little village"

John Kelly.

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Front (l.r.): Dick Quirke, Eugene Maguire, Pa O'Neill, Sean Hennessy, Lar Cleary, Francis Quinn, Ger O'Neil, Anthony O'Neill, John O'Neill, Dan Ryan, Paul Buckley.

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PAST CASHEL STARS

by Seamus J. King



Mickey, 'The Dasher' Murphy

MICKY "THE DASHER" MURPHY

Mickey, "The Dasher" Murphy, has the unique distinction of being the only Cashel man to hold seven West Senior Hurling medals. They were won during the great era of Cashel hurling, 1934 to 1948. The successful years were 1934, 1936, 1937, 1939, 1940, 1945 and 1948. Like many other players from that period, Mickey believes that the teams should have won more and deserved a County Final. Mickey brought his career to a close by winning a County Junior Final. This was the 1953 final which wasn't played until 1954. On the same team, his son, Johnny, who won Minor All-Ireland medals with Tipperary in 1953 and 1955, played. What was it like to play with his son? "I'd probably be on for another three years but I got embarrassed reading in the newspapers about father and son!"

MICHAEL BURKE

MICHAEL BURKE'S hurling career also stretches back to the 1930's. His brilliance began to shine in 1931 when he won a Harty Cup medal with Rockwell. He played the following two years without success but his rising star was recognised when he was picked on the Munster Colleges team that won the Inter-Provincial series in both years. Even greater honours were to come to him in the same years when he won All-Ireland Minor Hurling medals with Tipperary. On the team with him in 1932 was Jimmy Cooney who was probably the reason why Tipperary and Michael Burke didn't win a Senior All-Ireland in 1938. Making his championship debut with the county in 1936 he gave a sparkling performance scoring 1-5. He was to be on and off the team until 1942 but he wasn't on when the team was victorious in 1937. His career with Cashel stretches right up to 1948.



A 1984 picture of Michael Burke



Patsy O'Connor

PATSY O'CONNOR

Of more recent vintage is Patsy O'Connor, one of the O'Connor clan that gave so much service to Cashel hurling during the sixties and the seventies. With his two brothers, Derry and John, they accumulated no less than twelve West Senior Hurling medals. Patsy's were won in 1965, 1971, 1975, 1976 and 1980. He had the distinction of captaining the 1976 team which defeated Cappawhite at Emly. Probably the high point of his career was in 1967 when he won an All-Ireland under 21 medal against Dublin. Another Cashel man on the team that day was Conor Davitt. Patsy's contribution to that victory was impressive: he scored 1-3 of Tipperary's total of 1-8. Although his favourite position was in the half forward line he played corner-forward on that occasion. His performance impressed because he was brought on to the Senior panel and played league games with the county over a period of three years. He has an Oireachtas medal from 1968.



CASHEL KING CORMACS

Back (l.r.): Raymie Ryan, Cormac Bonnar, John Ryan, Pat O'Donoghue, John Grogan, Tommy Grogan, Tony Slatery.

Front (l.r.): Willie Fitzelle, Michael Perdue, Colm Bonnar, Conal Bonnar, Pa Fitzelle, James O'Donoghue, T. J. Connolly, Joe Minogue.

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CASHEL & CAPPWHITE - Past Final Meetings

by J. J. Kennedy

1985:- Cappawhite 1-10. Cashel K.C. 0-9.

It was Cappa's third title in-a-row. A wet Bansha venue saw the champions steer through a victory with economy against a wasteful Cashel side. Cappa' led by 0-7 to 0-6 at half time and the sides were locked at 0-9 each entering the final ten minutes. Then Ger O'Neill created the opening for a crucial Austin Buckley goal and Pa O'Neill hit the insurance point. Cashel had squandered a bag of chances.

Cappawhite team: Danny O'Neill, Simon Ryan, Mike Buckley, John O'Neill, Noel Buckley, Anthony O'Neill, Brendan Hennessy, Eamon Ryan, Dasun Hennessy, Austin Buckley, Conor Ryan (Capt.), Ger Ryan, Ger O'Neill, Eugene Maguire, Pa O'Neill. Subs.: Lar Cleary for Eamon Ryan, Martin McDermott for Lar Cleary and Dan Ryan for Martin McDermott.

Cashel K.C. team:- Tony Smith, Tony Slattery, Joe Minogue, Gerry Mulligan, Pa Fitzelle, Colm Bonnar, Pat O'Donoghue, Francis Gleeson, Brendan Bonnar (Capt.), Tommy Grogan, Cormac Bonnar, Don Higgins, Sean Slattery, John Crosse, Jimmy Ryan. Subs.: Peter Fitzelle for Jimmy Ryan and Willie Fitzelle for Don Higgins.

1983:- Cappawhite 4-10. Cashel K.C. 1-6.

It was the year of the Cappawhite breakthrough. "Cappa romp to easy win", read one heading, detailing the exhibitionary nature of the success. Ahead by nine points at half time the end margin was a massive thirteen that left Cashel bewildered. Ger O'Neill topped the scoring on 2-2 in a game played at Golden and refereed by Eire Og's Liam O'Dwyer.

Cappawhite team: Danny O'Neill, Simon Ryan, Mike Buckley, John O'Neill, Noel Buckley, Anthony O'Neill, Brendan Hennessy, Martin McDermott, and Eamon Ryan, Austin Buckley, Conor Ryan, Ger Ryan, John Ryan, Ger O'Neill, Pa O'Neill. Subs.: Danny Ryan for Mike Buckley, and Sean Hennessy for John Ryan.

Cashel K.C. team:- Tony Smith, Stephen O'Brien, Ger Slattery, Gerry Mulligan, John Walsh, Colm Bonnar, Pa Fizzle, Brendan Bonnar Francis Gleeson, Tommy Grogan, Cormac Bonnar, Sean Slattery, John Ger Murphy, Patsy O'Connor, Joe Minogue. Subs:- Tommy Fitzgerald for John Walsh, Peter Fitzell for Joe Minogue and Tony Slattery for Tommy Fitzgerald.

1976. Cashel K.C. 2-9. Cappawhite 2-5.

The big time had yet to arrive for Cappawhite. It was wet, wet, wet at Emly. Patsy O'Connor had a pair of goals bagged in the opening quarter and Cashel led by 2-4 to 0-1 at half time. Peter O'Sullivan had to retire with a broken finger and although Cappa came into the game strongly on the turnaround the early lead was too much. Cappa had the assistance of Solohead's T.J. Riordan under a gentleman's agreement. It's the only occasion Cashel beat Cappa in the final.

Cashel K.C.:- Tony Smith, Gerry Mulligan, Peter O'Sullivan, Joe Minogue, Michael John O'Dwyer, John Darmody, Jerome White, Pa Fitzelle, Angus Ryan, John Grogan, Diarmuid O'Connor, Tommy Grogan; Peter Fitzell, Patsy O'Connor, Michael O'Grady. Subs.:- Bernie O'Brien, Brendan Bonnar, Michael Lawrence, Tony Slattery, Des Taylor, Cormac Bonnar, Martin Quirke, Ned Marshall.

Cappawhite:- Mickey O'Neill, Mylie Coughlan, John Kelly, John Ryan (P), Tim Crosse, Dick Kelly, Mike O'Shea, Martin McDermott, T. J. Riordan, Dick Browne, Sean Crosse, Eamonn Ryan (B), John 'Fox' O'Neill, Liam Breen, Pat O'Neill. Subs used: Ger Grisewood and John C. Ryan.

1957. St. Nicholas' 5-8. Cashel 3-6.

The junior selection drawn from Cappawhite, Solohead and Glengar, went to the final in Dundrum favourites and duly justified the rating. They led by six at half time and won by

eight in the end, in a final praised as one of the best seen for years.

One of the stars of the day was Cashel's half-back, Johnny Murphy who scored 1-4. It was Cappa's first sampling of Senior success; for Cashel the fifties was to be a barren decade.

St. Nicholas:- "Chucky" Gorman (Solohead), J. Carey (Cappawwhite), D.J. Treacy (Glengar), Wm. Ryan (Mutt Gough) (Glengar), Sean Hayes (Cappawwhite), P. Quinlan (Solohead), P. Verdun (do), Wm. Bradshaw (Glengar), Dan Greene (do), Donie Nolan (Solohead), J. 'Yank' Crowe (do), T. J. McGrath (Cappawwhite), Jer Ryan (S) (Cappawwhite), John Ryan (H) (Cappawwhite), Michael White (Cappawwhite). Subs:- M. Berry and F. J. McGrath.

Cashel K.C.:- Dinny Ivors, J. Eakins, J. Ryan, Jackie Corcoran, P. Fitzgerald, Johnny Murphy, D. Hickey, Richard Ivors, Johnny Moloney, Michael Carrie, J. Gayson, J. Kennedy, J. Leamy, Mickey Ryan, M. Gayson. Subs:- M. Davern, Billy Hickey and J. Ryan.

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50 YEARS AGO - Eire Og Western Champions

by J.J. Kennedy

It was the so-called "foot-and-mouth" year of 1941 that signalled the arrival of Eire Og, Annacarty as a Senior Hurling force. Taking their first West title that year, it was to be the start of four-in-a-row, a period of club glory highlighted by their County title of 1943.

Western victories over Cashel and Clonoulty paved the way for a Divisional Final meeting with Golden Fontenoys. The game, played at Sean Treacy Park, was a thriller. Eire Og led by 3-2 to 1-4 at half time. Golden rallied gamely and were leading a few minutes from the end by two points. Then Eire Og struck for the winner when "Jerry Ryan placed his namesake Jerry Ryan (W) for a goal to give them the lead and the Championship".

In the County semi-Final Eire Og went on to defeat Killenaule but lost the final to Boherlahan on the score 2-2 to 0-6. The Eire Og County Final team was:- J. O'Donnell, M. Dwyer, J. Hanly, J. Dee, W. Barry, P. Ryan, D. Condon, T. Burke, T. Ryan, J. Ryan, G. Ryan, M. Ryan, T. Joy, J. Carroll and J. Ryan.

25 YEARS AGO - Arravale Rvs. West Champions

On the West Tipp roll of honour, Arravale Rovers have just two titles, both won against Golden/Kilfeacle. The last success was twenty one years ago in 1970 but the first was a full quarter of a century past in 1966. Wins over Cashel and Kickhams carried Rovers through to the West Final for the first time in the clubs history. The venue was Dundrum, the referee, John Moloney.

The game was a thriller. The sides were level at half time, Arravale Rovers 1-2, Golden 0-5. The decisive move came in the last quarter. With time running out and the Rovers a point behind they brought John O'Donoghue out of goal replacing him with Terry Moloney. Within seconds of his emergence O'Donoghue secured the ball at midfield, evaded two tackles, soloed thirty yards before parting to P.T. O'Dwyer who netted to give Rovers a two point lead that they subsequently held.

The Rovers were beaten in the County Quarter Final by Toomevara.

Arravale team:- J. O'Donoghue, M. Collins, P. Collins, J. Delaney, C. Dwyer, A. Lacey, G. Moloney, T. O'Donoghue, D. O'Halloran, T. Roche, P. Dwyer, J. Breen, M. Dwyer, T. Moloney, C. Doherty. Sub.: P. Flynn.

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