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Today for only the second time we are playing our Senior Football & Hurling Finals as a Double Bill at Clonmel Sportsfield. Coincidentally the same four clubs are involved. In the Senior Football we have Moyle Rovers who must win in order to stay involved in the County Championship, against Cahir who will be anxious to repeat their success of two years ago when these teams last met at this stage. Both teams have a good mixture of experienced and younger players and with some of Tipperary's best footballers involved, we should be in for an exciting afternoon of Gaelic Football.

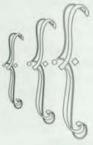
Our senior Hurling final brings together Mullinahone and Ballingarry in what promises to be an exceptionally high quality final. Mullinahone reigning South & County Champions will be keen to remain as divisional champions on their way to defending their County title. Ballingarry will feel that they could have won when these two teams met at semi-final stage last year and will put everything into changing the result today. With the talent available to both clubs we can look forward to a memorable South Senior Hurling Final.

During the interval we will have the Mini Games in both Football and Hurling organised by our youth officer Nicholas Moroney. This helps in the promotion of our games and will give us all an opportunity to view some of our future stars.

I want to offer my sincere thanks and appreciation to Glanbia, Sponsors of our Senior Hurling and Clonmel Oil Sponsors of our Senior Football. Our Referees for today Ger O'Riordan from Solohead and Johnny McDonald from Roscrea and their officials deserve all our support and thanks.

Finally I would like to thank Clonmel Sportsfield Committee for providing today's facilities and to thank you the patrons for your continued support and hope you enjoy today's finals.

Barra O Briain, Cathaoirleach



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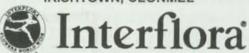
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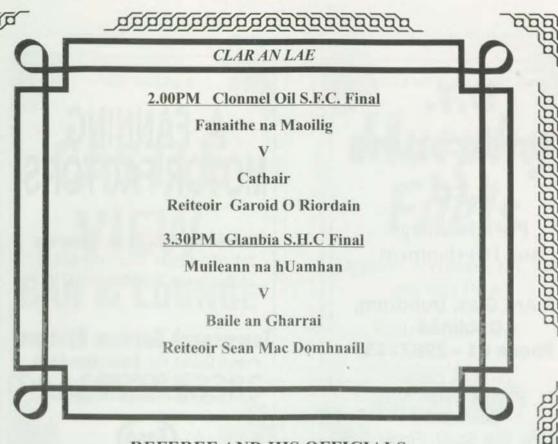
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Ger Riordan - Solchead has been refereeing for six years and has officiated at all levels in Football in West Tipperary and in the County. He is always accompanied by his dedicated group of umpires and linesmen, mostly a family affair.



L to R: Sean Riordan - Linesman, Niko Riordan - Umpire, Martin Ryan - Linesman, Ger Riordan - Referee, Tom McGrath - Umpire, Noel Redican - Umpire, Mut Crowe - Umpire. Seen here at the West Tipperary Senior Football Final 2001.



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Johnny Mc Donnell from Roscrea referees the Senior Hurling final. Johnny is one of the most experienced referees in the County. He has taken charge of games at Provincial Senior Final level in Munster and Leinster and has also been in action in the All Senior Hurling championship. He also has an outstanding record of service to refereeing within the Co having been the man in the middle at Co finals at all levels up to Senior and has refereed Colleges All Irelands at various levels. We welcome him to South Tipperary today and wish him well in today's final

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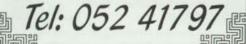


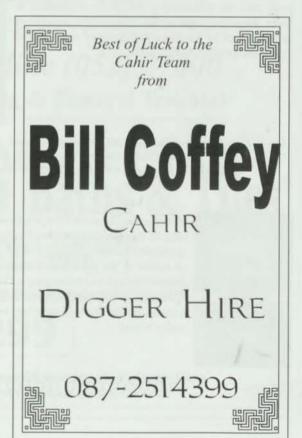
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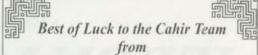
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BALLINGARRY GAA

"A lot done, more to do" is providing an apt motto for more than one organisation these days and epitomises the development and activities of Ballingarry GAA during this the most dynamic period in the lifetime of the club.

As the final phase of the ambitious and long overdue field development project at Ballingarry village nears completion and attention turns to the official opening planned for early 2004 one can scarcely recall the rolling wetland that previously lay where today the proverbial "field of dreams" takes root. The forthcoming baptism of O' Sullivan Park provides a fitting tribute to the foresight and generosity of Monsignor O' Sullivan, whose benevolence provided the impetus for this development in allowing the purchase of this central site. Subsequently the club was fortunate to be successful in securing a considerable grant from the National Lottery which facilitated the commencement of work on the site. With the completion of the facilities now in sight the club has recently undertaken a local initiative aimed at securing the medium term financial security of the club in the recent launch of the very successful Ballingarry GAA Draw, which offered subscribers an all-inclusive package of club membership, a Tipperary Draw ticket, weekly entry to the club and county lottos along with entry to an annual prize draw. It is envisaged that this initiative will be expanded and developed in the comingyears.

In taking this step towards the future of Ballingarry GAA, it provides a fitting inspiration to look

In taking this step towards the future of Ballingarry GAA, it provides a fitting inspiration to look at the players who have learned their trade in the maroon and white and proudly wielded their skills on the intercounty stage. Liam Cahill lines out for Ballingarry today as the most decorated player in the clubs history holding honours throughout the grades, with Senior All Ireland, Munster Final, two National League medals and of course an All Star recipient in 1996. He is joined by Donal Shelly, who has represented Tipperary at both Minor and Under 21 levels, along with recent Minor Munster medal winners Trevor Ivors and Dara Walton. A trawl through the Ballingarry team sheet will also reveal the traditional familial depth of the rural club evident in the number of brothers lining out with no less than five brothers from the one household taking to the pitch between both Senior and Junior teams, sons of Tipperary Minor Selecotr Jamesie Ivors. In keeping with the view towards the future O Sullivan Park recently got its first introduction to the players who will tread its sod for years to come with the staging of the clubs Summer Camp, as 60 children enjoyed a range of hurling and football activities organised over a four day period and which featured a days coaching by Tipperary Senior player Mark O'Leary and was capped with the arrival of the Munster Under 21 cup and captain Eoin Kelly.

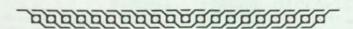
They say that there are three types of sporting organisation; those that wonder what's happening; those that watch what's happening and those that make things happen, then it is fair to say that Ballingarry GAA club falls into the latter and its future must then surely be in safe hands.

yours in sport, Sandra Molloy



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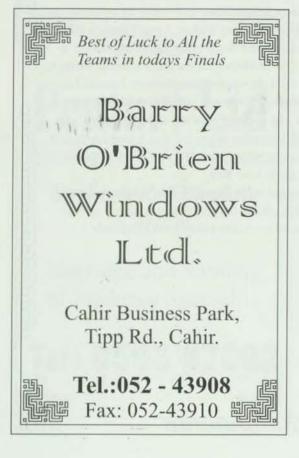


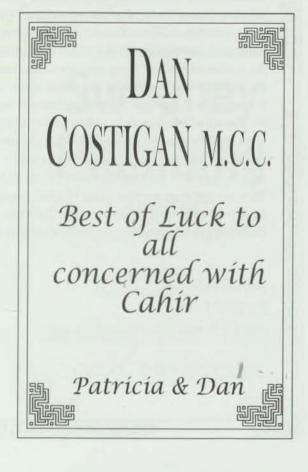


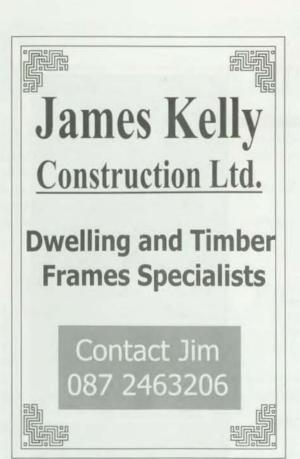
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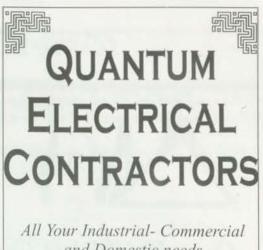












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Or do you stay at home to criticise and knock
Do you take an active part to help the work along
Or are you satisfied to only just belong
Do you work with your committee and get right in and mix
Or leave the work to just a few and talk about the cliques
Think this over member, you know right from wrong
Are you an active member or do you just belong.

THE MINI GAMES

The mini games have in recent years become an important part of the programme for our Senior Hurling and Football finals. The mini games today are organised by our Youth Officer Nicholas Moroney and take place at half time during our Senior Finals. The teams taking part are under 12 years of age and are representative of all the Juvenile Clubs in the Division.

In the Hurling it is intended to play 5 minutes of ground hurling and 5 minutes of lift and strike with no handling of the ball.

In the Football players will be limited to 1 hop and 1 solo.

CAHIR

1. Aaron Wall Cahir 2. John Ryan St Martins 3. Jack Fennelly Ballingarry 4. Brian O Halloran Mullinahone 5. Gerard Beary Ballylooby Castlegrace Clonmel Og 6. Graham Quinn 7. Matthew Norris Commercials Carrick Swan 8. M.J Walsh Ardfinnan 9. Jonathan Ryan Cahir 10. Shane Murphy Commercials 11. Mark Power 12. John O Callaghan Ballyporeen 13. Daniel Madigan St. Martins Ballyporeen 14. Kevin Crotty

Ardfinnan

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Paddy Platt	Fr Sheehys
Sean Kiernan	Fr Sheehys
Barry Wall	C Davins
Conor Fogarty	Grangemockler
Owen Brennan	Grangemockler
Gavin Fitzgerald	Fethard
Shane Columby	Kilsheelan Kilcash
Shane Foley	Moyle Rovers
Rory Guiry	Newcastle
Tony O Brien	St Patricks
Thomas Hill	Moyle Rovers
Damien McCarthy	Kilsheelan Kilcash
Ben Walsh	Fethard
Conor Prendergast	Killenaule
Ciaran McCarra	Newcastle

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Chris Delaney	Mullinahone
Darragh Dwyer	Moyle Rovers
Aldo Mattassa	St Marys
Colm O Neill	Ballyneale
Eric Smith	Clonmel Og
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Stephan O Reilly	Clonmel Og
Niall Hyland	Newcastle
Stephan Kerwick	C Davins
Eddie Kendrick	Cahir
Sean Curran	Mullinahone
Thomas Grinsell	Ballyneale
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Danny Donovan	C Swans
Danny Barrett	Skeheenarinka
Daniel Fahy	Ballylooby C'grace
James Barrett	C Swan
Damien Barry	St Patricks
Donnacha Corcoran	Kilsheelan Kilcash
Shane Ryan	Fr Sheehys
Neil Gleeson	St Patricks
John O Dwyer	Killenaule
Joe O Dwyer	Killenaule
Adrian Cleere	Ballingarry
Michael Ivors	Ballingarry
Owen Walsh	Ballybacon Grange
Luke Murphy	Ballylooby C'grace
Daniel O Regan	Ballybacon Grange





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BENNY HICKEY

GER LEAHY

- 16. Colm Lonergan, 17. Liam Kiely, 18. Robbie Halley, 19. Daniel Maguire, 20. Diarmuid Tarrant,
- 21. Gerald O'Gorman, 22. Noel O'Gorman, 23. Ciaran O'Flaherty, 24. Mark Costigan,
- 25. Eamon Hally, 26. Sean O'Carroll, 27. Paul Lonergan, 28. Edgar McGrath,
- 29. Tom O'Gorman, 30. Liam O'Gorman, 31. John Devereaux.

Selectors: Pat O'Brien (Manager), Colm O'Flaherty (Coach), Alan O'Connor, Jerry Tarrant.

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LIAM CAHILL

(9) J. P. O'BRIEN

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DONAL SHELLY

PATRICK (Blondie) IVORS Cpt. ADRIAN CLEERE

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- 21. John Mangan, 22. Mark Ivors, 23. Philip Ivors, 24. Sean Cahill, 25. Noel Walsh,
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Football Chairman: Lance Vaughan Football Secretary: Dick Egan

As the Mullinahone fifteen take the field today in Clonmel, for the South Senior Hurling Final they will do so, in the frame of mind that they are contesting the club's eight South Senior Hurling Final, in the last twelve years. In the previous eleven years, since we gained Senior status, in 1992, we have been victorious in five of the seven finals, 93, 95, 97, 99 and 2002. As one can see from those years, we have never managed to put titles back to back. Maybe this will change by this evening? Of the two finals we were beaten in, our conquers on both occasions were todays opponents Ballingarry in 94 and 2001. So the question on Mullinahone hurling folk minds, as they head to Clonmel Sportsfield today will be, can the Mullinahone fifteen create more history and put South Senior titles back to back for the first time, or will Ballingarry achieve a third success over us in south finals. Time will tell us hurling folk the answer!!

MULLINAHONE'S RECORD IN COUNTY TIPPERARY

Senior Hurling Championship:

- 1993 Lost Quarter Final to Holy Cross
- 1994 Lost Quarter Final to Cashel K.C.
- 1995 Lost Quarter Final to Nenagh Eire Óg
- 1997 Beat Knockavilla Kickhams in Quarter Final Beat Holy Cross in South Final Lost Final to Clonoulty Rossmore
- 1999 Beat Loughmore in Quarter Final Lost SemiFinal to Nenagh Eire Óg
- 2000 Lost Quarter Final to Cappawhite
- 2002 Beat Roscrea in Quarter Final Drew with Thurles Sarsfield in Final Beat Thurles Sarsfield in Final Replay

Played 13 Won 6

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Victor Direen (P.R.O.

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MULLINAHONE'S SNIPPETS

- Tipperary Captain of this year, Brian O'Meara, played in a County Junior Hurling Final v Lattin Cullen at the age of 16.
- Mullinahone Captain of this year Niall Curran, has played minor and U-21hurling for Tipperary and his brother of County & Mullinahone full back Paul Curran. A third brother Alan is another member of the panel.
- Eoin Kelly came on as substitute in the 1997 County Senior Hurling Final v Clonoulty Rossmore at the age of 15.
- Mullinahone full forward Denis Bryne won Leinster and All-Ireland Colleges Medals in 1991 with Callan C.B.S. Among his team mates were Tony Dalton who played at corner forward. Also on the panel were Alan Foxe and present Club P.R.O. Victor Direen.
- The club at present have six All Star Awards John Leahy has three, Eoin Kelly has two and Paul Kelly has one.

Victor Direen (P.R.O.)

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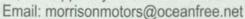
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CAHIR G.A.A.

SUCCESSFUL YEAR AT JUVENILE LEVEL

UNDER 12 FOOTBALL

Cahir played at Under 12 football in two grades in 2003. Our 1". team played in the Under 12 "A" Championship and in the group stages we drew with Ardfinnan, beat Clonmel Og & Fethard and lost to Clonmel Commercials and Moyle Rovers. All these games were very tight and the standard of football was very good.

We qualified for the semi-final and played Moyle Rovers in Ardfinnan. This game we won after extra time by 1 point in what was a titanic struggle.

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We then played Ardfinnan in the South Final in Clonmel. This was a close tough game with Cahir showing great spirit to snatch a draw. The replay was held in Clogheen and with the addition of three girls to our panel we excelled in this match to win by 3 points.

Nenagh provided the opposition in the County semi-final which we won on the score 1-11 to 0-3 which set up a Final versus Arravale Rovers in Semple Stadium.

This promised to be a thriller as we had played Arravale in challenge games twice during the year. The first half was a tense affair with Cahir leading by 3 points to 2 points at half-time. Then everything went right for Cahir and we won our first County Final in Under 12 "A" for many years.

Our under 12 second team played in the "C" Championship and again qualified for the play-off stages having beaten Fr. Sheehys, Ballylooby, Moyle Rovers, Clonmel Og & Newcastle and being beaten by St. Martins & Grangemockler. In the semi-final we played Ballylooby and qualified to play St. Martins in the Final. St. Martins proved too strong and ran out eventual winners.

A very successful period for our Under 12 teams as we provided competitive games for 40 players in that age group.



Back Row L. to R.: Anne Marie O'Gorman, Frieda Casey, Joe McEniry, Eddie Kendrick, Michael Hickey, Shane Tobin, Evan Flynn (R. I. P.), Eoin Farrell, Simon Williams, Leanne Barrett Front Row L. to R.: Niall O'Donnell, John O'Reilly, Aaron Wall, Eric Reise, Roger Peters, Alan Doolan, Eanna O'Gorman, Pat Fitzgerald, Sean O'Connor, Shane Murphy, Michael Byrne

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Evan Flynn 1991-2003

Our clubs success at juvenile level for the current year was put into perspective when we received the news of the tragic death of Evan Flynn.

Evan was a very popular member of our successful U-12A football team of 2003. He joined the team 3 years ago and straight away we recognised a diligent, determined and skilful athlete. Evan was a very sociable, well mannered player who took training as seriously as it should be taken. Evan was always willing to learn new skills and tactics. When instructed from the sideline during matches he carried out those instructions to a tee. This year he wore the number 4 jersey with great distinction playing in all games in the championship and culminating in a county final success in Semple Stadium.

Evan will be a great loss to the club to his fellow players and to his parents Marie and Paddy and brother Neville.

On behalf of Cahir Juvenile G. A. A. we extend our sympathy to his family on their great loss. We are privileged to have known him and believe he enjoyed his time playing with our club.

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UNDER 14 FOOTBALL

Cahir Under 14 footballers continued the winning ways of their Under 12 colleagues when they captured the County Under 14 "B" title in Cashel on July 8th.

In the group stages Cahir defeated Carrick Davins, Swans, Ballingarry and Kilsheelan and received a walk over from St. Patricks.

In the South semi-final St. Patricks were comfortably defeated. Ballingarry were our opponents in the South Final and following a scoring spree from Neil Carey & Paul McEvoy Cahir ran out relatively easy winners on a score line of 6-10 to 3-05.

Ballingarry although under pressure for most of the game, battled to the very end.

We faced Northern Champions, Borrisoleigh, in the County semi-final and while Cahir started well notching some fine scores (particularly a superb goal from David Baker), Borrisoleigh battled back and we were lucky to survive in the end by the minimum margin of 0-1. A long range second half point from Alan Power proved decisive in the end.

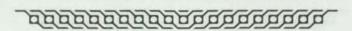
Upperchurch/Drombane provided the opposition in the County Final. Cahir started well with a point from Robbie Cunningham (Captain) followed by a goal from Paul McEvoy and never looked back from there onwards. A long range point from Ger Lonergan and goals from Neil Carey (2), Robbie Cunningham and Craig Maguire wrapped up the game in Cahir's favour on a score line of 5-10 to 0-1. It was a fitting reward for the team themselves, team manager Jim Casey and selectors Jerry Tarrant & Tadgh Howard as many of the group had been involved in the 2002 campaign where Cahir lost the South Final by 1 point to Mullinahone who subsequently went on to win the County Title.

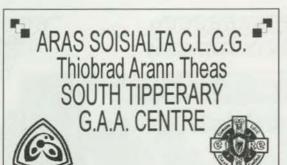
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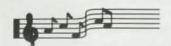
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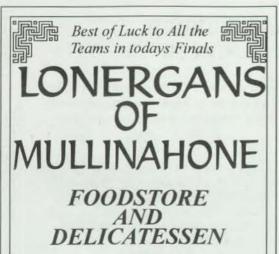
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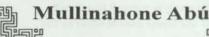
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YOUTH ACTIVITIES IN THE G.A.A

In addition to providing games for our young people we are constantly looking for new ideas to involve our young boys and girls in off the field activities which are G.A.A related.

We hold an annual schools table quiz in each of the four Divisions in Co Tipperary with the winner in each Division taking part in the Co final.

In the spring of this year we organised a project for the clubs on the theme of the G.A.A which was compiled on computer disk by the various competitors all of whom displayed their work at the final in the Tipperary Institute in Thurles. We thank the Tipperary Intitute, Croke Park and the Co Tipperary Board for their help with the running of the competition. All the competitiors were entertained to a meal at the Tipperary Institute and afterwards visited Semple Stadium for the National League game between Tipperary and Galway.

For over a decade the Co Youth Committee have organised an annual 11 a side ground hurling tournament for players under 11 years. This years tournament will be held over the next 3 Saturdays commencing on Saturday next 6th of September and continuing on the 13th and 20th of September. Any Club not entered yet should contact Youth Officer Nicholas Moroney before 8pm on Monday 1th September

The Youth Committee are always looking for new ideas to involve our young people both on and off the field and would welcome your suggestions.

Nicholas Moroney Youth Officer

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MOYLE ROVERS G.A.A. CLUB

The success of Moyle Rovers Senior Football team in winning 5 Co titles in the last eight years and in reaching todays South Final has had an enormous impact on the community and was one of the motivating forces behind the newly completed development in Moyle Park.

This success can be measured in many ways.

- The support that the teams get from the community attending games.
- The numbers attending under age training, over 100 young boys and girls turn up at Moyle Park every Friday evening for training
- 300 to 400 between adults and children avail of the facilities at Moyle Park every week.

The unselfish work of players, former players and others in the community in training all these young players is to be admired.

The sporting exploits of star footballer and hurler Declan Browne is a great source of pride to everyone in the Club and he is recognised as one of the finest role models in the Country.

MOYLE ROVERS

Tipperary Senior Football Champions 1995

Moyle Rovers - Tipperary Senior Football Champions 1995 - which defeated Commercials in the County Senior Final.

from back row (I to r): Paul Boland, Kevin O'Connor, Derry Foley, Seamus Delahunty, Ml. McGrath, Jimmy Dunne, James Williams, Donal Foley.

Front: Liam Cronin (Capt.), John Owens, Eamon Power, Declan Browne, Noel Wall, John McGrath, Robbie Boland, Mascot: Denis McGrath.



Tomas Duggan, Captain, Ballingarry, shakes the hand of Liam O'Connor, Captain of Mullinahone prior to the start of the South Senior Hurling Final which was held in Clonmel on Sunday Nov. 16th 1997, included also is referee, Willie Barrett, Ardfinnan.



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1986 J.H. SOUTH FINAL

Jamesy Ivors receives cup from Paddy Browne,
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CAN YOU REMEMBER THE TEAM?



Moyle Rovers Winners of the 1974 Junior Football League. (Jimmy McCarthy R.I.P., 4th back left)



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THE LATE JIMMY MC CARTHY R.IP

The Moyle Rovers Club and the G.A.A in South Tipperary suffered a grievous blow in May of this year with the sudden death of Club Secretary Jimmy Mc Carthy.

From a young age Jimmy had been actively involved in the affairs of the G.A.A and had in a sense dedicated a large part of his life to the promotion of our native games and pastimes. This I suppose was understandable as the Mc Carthy family were strong supporters of our games and culture. Jimmy was no doubt influenced by the older members of his family who were deeply immersed in playing the games and involved in all the activities of their beloved Moyle Rovers. He played Juvenile for the Club in the 60s and won an u16-hurling medal in 1966. As he became older he became interested in refereeing and served his time for this task by acting as linesman for other referees for a number of years. In 1976 he commenced refereeing and for the next 20 years or so he made an outstanding contribution to the Juvenile and Senior Boards in a position that is often hazardous and controversial and where often the only reward is criticism. Jimmy took all this in his stride and his efforts were rewarded in 1983 when he was given the honour of refereeing the South Senior Football Final. His contribution to Juvenile affairs was noted in 1980 when he was elected to the position of Vice Chairman of the Juvenile Board and he succeeded the late Paddy Forristal as Chairman in 1983. The experience gained at administrative level during his term as Chairman was to stand him in good steed when he took over the mantle from his brother Mick as Club Secretary. During the next 10 years Jimmy was the hub on which the whole Club revolved and with the guiding hand of the Clubs father figure Mick beside him he was to oversee one of the greatest transformations seen by any Club in the County. This period of success on the playing fields is now history and has been complimented by development of fields and facilities and the now completed Sports Centre which will be a lasting monument to Jimmy and to Mick and to all those who threw in their lot to bring this outstanding facility to a successful conclusion. When the history of this period is recorded in the Moyle Rovers Club Jimmy Mc Carthys contribution to this golden era will hold an honoured place.

At the Annual Convention of the Board in December last Jimmy was elected to our fixtures committee. I know that he was extremely pleased to be given the honour and was anxious to make a contribution. In the short period of time he was given on this committee he was of immense help to me personally as he had a great knack of knowing what was going around the Division and he had a great grasp of the fixture problems

On the day before his death Jimmy had a great day of enjoyment, he attended the Clubs Golf Classic and after that attended a meeting of the fixtures committee which discussed matters relating to the future development of the games in the Division. He made his contribution there and after that had a great chat with us all before saying goodbye, he then adjourned to the Half Way where he socialized with friends and Club mates before saying his final farewell.

This is the Jimmy that we will all remember, the Jimmy who had a passionate love for Moyle Rovers and the G.A.A and who loved to chat and socialize when the game was over. The Jimmy who was always approachable whether it was in victory or defeat

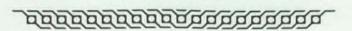
On this the occasion of our Senior Finals the biggest day in the calendar of events in the Division we specially remember Jimmy. We remember the example of voluntary service that he gave, hoping that it will have inspired young men and women in his own Parish and throughout South Tipperary to continue the traditions of our fathers and forefathers that Jimmy so passionately endorsed in everything that he done.

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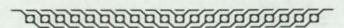
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