

West Tipperary Senior Hurling Final  
Match Programme  
2003

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**West Senior Hurling Championship Final**

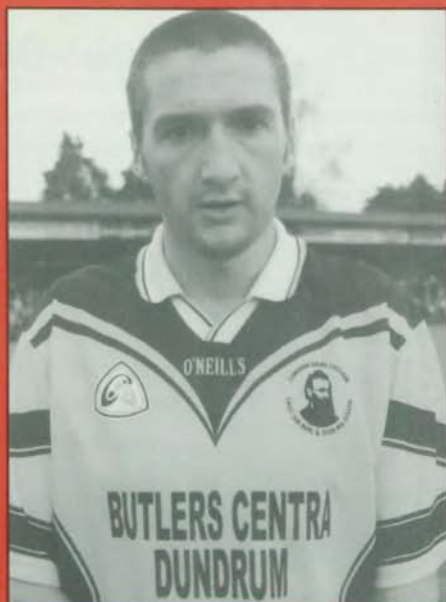
**GALTEE ROVERS v. KICKHAMS**

in SEAN TREACY PARK, TIPPERARY TOWN

on SUNDAY, 7th SEPTEMBER at 3.00 p.m. Ref.: Willie Clohessy



**Galtee Rovers Captain  
Willie Tarrant**



**Kickhams Captain  
Aidan Heney**

**Preceded by  
West Tipperary I.F.C. Semi-Final**

**LATTIN / CULLEN  
v. CASHEL K.C.**

at 1.30 p.m. Ref.: Eamon Browne



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It's my privilege to extend a welcome to all on this historic occasion. West final days are special and today's pairing is unique. It's the first time for Kickhams and Galtee Rovers to meet in a final. Indeed, since the foundation of the Board it is only Galtee Rovers second appearance in a West S.H.C. final.

I wish to thank the Clubs and players who make this day possible. We thank Arravale Rovers for the excellent arrangements. We welcome the Intermediate Footballers of Lattin/Cullen and Cashel who provide the curtain raiser.

I wish to give a special thnaks to Tipperary co-Op Super Valu for their valued support and generous sponsorship of our Senior Hurling Championship.

I wish the teams and officials well on this memorable occasion and finally thank you, all our patrons, for your loyal support.

**SEAMUS Ó DOMHNAILL,**  
Cathaoirleach CLG, Coiste Thiobraid Árann Thiar.



## *fáilte* - ón gCathaoirleach Fanaithe Gleann Arann

A cead mile fáilte to the four competing teams, selectors, trainers and supporters to Sean Treacy Park the home of Arravale Rovers.

It is a great honour for our club to host such an event, for this we thank the West Board most sincerely. Many thanks to our advertisers and all those who worked so hard to make this day a success.

I hope you will all have a good day and enjoy the games. **Seosamh De Paor, Cathaoirleach**



### **The Morissey Brothers**

On left, Pa in centre Colin, who captained the Tipperary I.H. team to Munster Honours last year; seen here with Mark Peters on right.



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# A Novel Final in the West

by J.J. Kennedy

Given the limitations of divisional hurling, novelty can be rare. Yet that's precisely what today's Tipperary Co-op Super Valu West senior hurling final at Sean Treacy Park has to offer. It's a clash of the familiar and the new. Kickhams are in their fifth consecutive final (their 6th in seven years), facing new boys on the block, Galtee Rvs. Only once in the past, 1942, has Galtee Rvs. contested a senior hurling final and they've never won the title. By contrast Kickhams seek their 17th divisional crown, ranking second only to Cashel K.C. in the roll of honour.

The uniqueness of the pairing results from the emergence of Galtee Rvs. as a hurling force in latter years. Football has always been the traditional passion in Bansha but the present generation has adopted the hurling code with equal proficiency. The development of this team can be traced to 1997 when they won a rare enough West junior title and only lost the county final narrowly to Toomevara, 1-4 to 1-3. Two years later they were back as West champions and this time went all the way in the county championship, beating Skeheenarinka by 1-10 to 0-8 in the decider.

The next phase of their development was at intermediate level where they took two West titles, 2000 and 2001, adding the county crown in the latter year. Their victims on that occasion were Moyne/Templetuohy, the final score reading 1-8 to 0-10.

In senior ranks then they drew immediate attention in the West with a first round defeat of Cappawhite last year. The final score there was 2-14 to 1-11, a result that served immediate notice that this Galtees' side was a force to be reckoned with. In the semi-final they were desperately unlucky to lose to Kickhams by 2-13 to 1-12. As that game went into 'lost' time Rovers actually led by four points but in the extra minutes they somehow conceded 1-5 to lose sensationally in a game that they seemed to have wrapped up.

In last year's county championship Galtees gave further notice of their arrival as a senior hurling force when defeating Portroe, 2-14 to 2-12, before going under eventually to Killenaule by 3-6 to 2-7. This year they had a disappointing start to the championship when losing to Cashel but rumours of their demise proved premature when they topped Clonoulty in the losers section and then reversed the first round result with Cashel in the semi-final.

By contrast Kickhams are old hands at this stage of the West championship. After 37 years of famine the club finally took West titles in 1997 and 1999 and since then they've been the most consistent club in the West playing in five of the last six West finals. Worryingly, though, they lost the last three deciders, twice to Cappawhite and last year to Clonoulty. The fear of losing four-in-a-row must be a huge incentive as they prepare for Sunday's clash with Rovers.

Kickhams visa to the final was earned through last Sunday's win over Cappawhite. Having lost two finals to the same opposition the value of the win should not be under estimated. Cappawhite had become their bogey team and on Sunday they shed that fear with an impressive display - far more impressive than the end margin of two points would indicate.

This year Kickhams have lost Damien McGrath and Richard Horgan, both emigrated to America, but the return of Fergal Heney after injury to full back has been a boost. He lines up once again in front of goalie Fergal Horgan, renewing a partnership that began with Tipperary's



last All Ireland minor success in 1996. John McCormack had an impressive outing for the club last Sunday at centre back, releasing county panelist Brian Horgan for his best position at wing-back.

The stylish Alan Horgan, Brian's brother, was midfield the last day while former defender, Kevin Farrell, switched to the unfamiliar surroundings of full forward. It was an unsuccessful move against the powerful Shane McDermott but few forwards would have shone on the Cappawhite man on Sunday. Kickhams also introduced two new young players in Paul O'Dwyer and Peter Comerford; Michael Heelan would have been there but for injury.

Like the Kickham team, Galtee Rvs. are strong defensively. After their first round defeat by Cashel they moved Seamus Moloney to full back and he has settled in impressively to steady that line. County panelist, Colin Morrissey, is the anchor on a strong half back line, where Andrew Morrissey and Willie Tarrant operate on the wings. They are also very strong at mid-field with the return of Chris Byron to partner Pa Morrissey. The attack looks less formidable where county minor, David Morrissey, can pose most threat.

With two hurling/football doubles at minor and U21 levels already secured, Rovers on Sunday chase an unprecedented third double. And on past form they have very realistic chances of achieving it. Kickhams will perhaps be very slight favourites after their form against Cappawhite but it will be no surprise if Rovers make history.

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The hurling history is a little less glamorous. When Eire/Og won the county senior championship in 1943 they beat Galtee/Rovers convincingly in the first round and except for a few times in amalgamations Galtees didn't play senior hurling as a single club again until 2002. Hurling was kept alive with the club winning a West junior title in every decade. The 1997 West junior title however was followed up with another one and county honours in 1999. In two years in the intermediate grade they won the two West titles and added the county in 2001. For the past twenty years a serious effort have been made to improve hurling standards in the club. After some success in the "B" grades they finally won their first ever "A" title at under twelve in 1995. since then they have won the "A" championship in every grade: U/12 '95 and '97. U/14 '99. U/16 '99, '01. Minor '01, '03. Under 21 back to back titles in '02 and '03. Last year they played senior hurling as a single club for the first time in fifty nine years. They were beaten in the West semi-final but went on to reach the last twelve in the county. This year they have already reached the last twelve in the county and today they are both playing in and vying for their first ever West senior hurling title.



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**Galtee Rvs. Senior Hurling panel versus Cashel in first round**

# GALTEE ROVERS

1. Cathal Moloney

2. Dallan Browne	3. Seamus Moloney	4. Willie Tarrant (capt.)
5. Andrew Morrissey	6. Colin Morrissey	7. Michael Grace
8. Pa Morrissey	9. Chris Byron	
10. David Morrissey	11. Vinny Murphy	12. Pat Marnane
13. Michael Scanlon	14. John Morrissey	15. David Byron

**Subs:** 16. Jimmy Butler; 17. Kieran Bergin; 18. Larry Quinn; 19. Anthony Boles; 20. Mark Peters; 21. Mark O'Brien; 22. Tony O'Brien; 23. Tony Lonergan; 24. Michael White; 25. Denis Peters; 26. Kevin Bergin.

**Manager:** John Quirke. **Selectors:** Pat Bergin, Brian Shiels, Liam Bergin.



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# KICKHAMS

	1. Fergal Horgan	
2. Jimmy Farrell	3. Fergal Heney	4. Aiden Heney (capt.)
5. Derek Breen	6. John McCormack	7. Brian Horgan
	8. Johnny Butler	9. Alan Horgan
10. Ger Butler	11. Vincent Kelly	12. Paul Dwyer
13. Peter Comerford	14. Kevin Farrell	15. Eoin Morrissey

**Subs:** 16. Paddy Ryan; 17. John O'Brien; 18. Aiden Butler; 19. Michael Healan;  
20. Daniel Breen; 21. Aiden Murphy; 22. Ger Farrell; 23. Joe Shanahan;  
24. Conor Ryan; 25. James Shanahan; 26. David Horgan; 28. David Shanahan;  
29. Paul Breen; 30. Fergal Breen.

**Manager:** Billy Heney. **Trainer:** Jim Williams. **Selector:** Tommy Hayes.



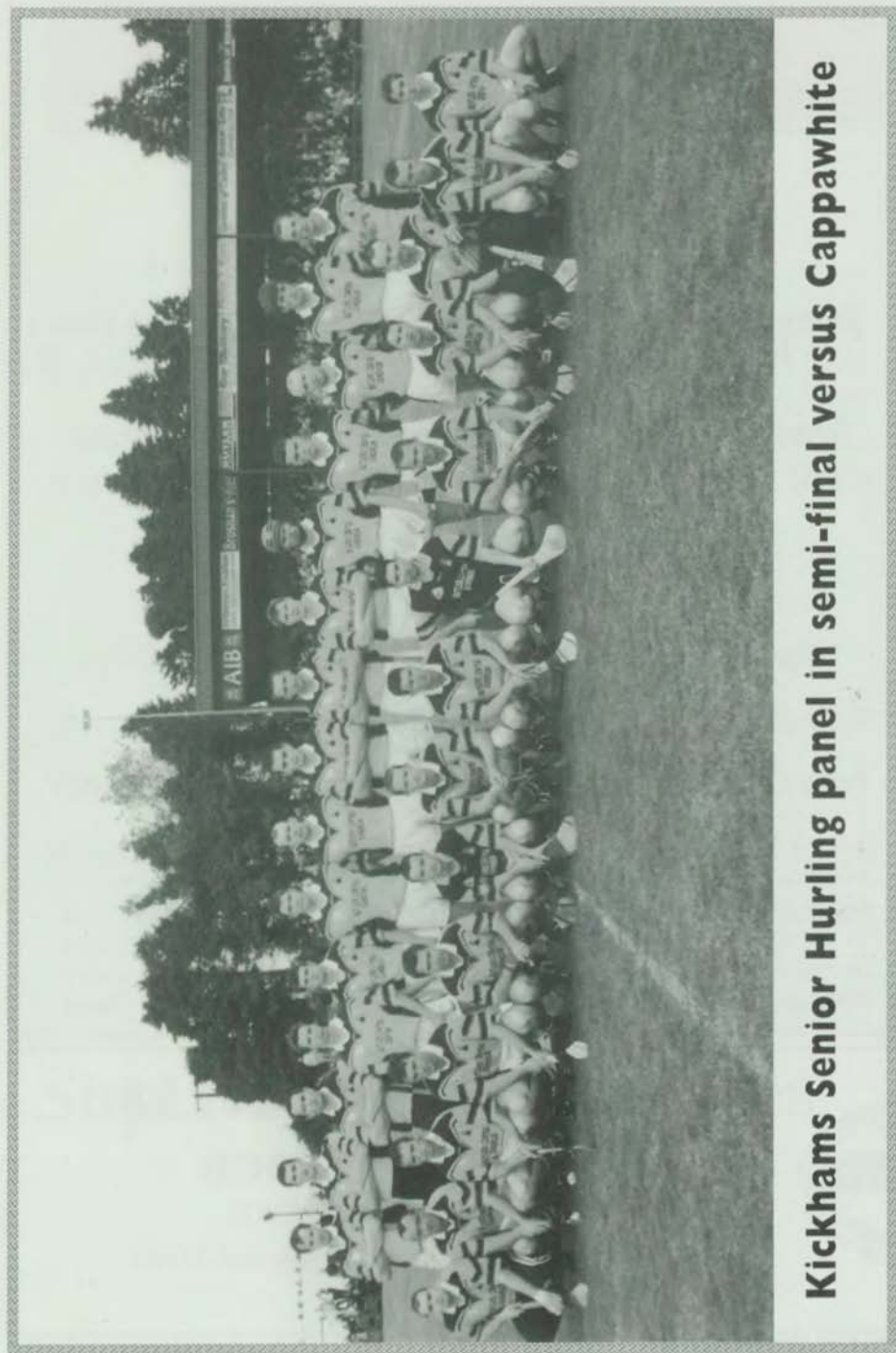
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# Profile of Galtee Rovers Players:

**Michael Grace:** 36, 5'11", Refuse Collector.

9 S.F., U21 B.F., M.H.B., 2 J.H.A., 2 I.H.C., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**Colin Morrissey:** 23, 6', Financial Advisor.

M.F.A., 3 U21 F.A., 5 S.F.C., M.H.B., 2 J.H.A., 2 I.H.C., Co. M.F.A., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**Andrew Morrissey:** 20, 5'9", Trainee Bricklayer.

3 M.F.A., 5 U21 F.A., 4 S.F.C., 2 M.H.B., 2 M.H.A., 2 U21 H.A., 2 U21 H.B., J.H.B., 2 I.H.C., Co. I.H.C.

**Chris Byron:** 33, 6', Technician.

All Ireland Junior Hurling, M.H.A., 2 S.F.C., 2 J.H.A., 2 I.H.C., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**Pa Morrissey:** 22, 5'10", Student.

M.F.A., 4 U21 F.A., J.F.B., 5 S.F.C., M.H.B., U21 H.A., 2 J.H.A., 2 I.H.C., Co. M.F.A., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**Pat Marnane:** 18, 5'10", Student.

2 M.F.A., 4 U21 F.A., 4 S.F.C., 2 M.H.A., 2 U21 H.A., I.H.C., Co. I.H.C.

**Vinny Murphy:** 23, 6'1", Scaffolder.

M.F.A., 3 U21 F.A., 5 S.F.C., M.H.B., 2 J.H.A., 2 I.H.C., Co. M.F.A., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**David Morrissey:** 18, Student.

3 Munster Minor Hurling, 2 M.F.A., 4 U21 F.A., 4 S.F.C., 2 M.H.A., 2 U21 H.A., I.H.C., Co. I.H.C.

**David Byron:** 20, 6'2", Carpenter.

2 M.F.A., M.H.B., 4 U21 F.A., M.H.A., 2 U21 H.A., J.H.A., I.H.C., 5 S.F.C., Co. M.F.A., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**John Morrissey:** 22, 5'9", Quantity Surveyor.

M.F.A., M.H.B., U21 H.B., 3 U21 F.A., J.F.B., J.H.A., 5 S.F.C., 2 I.H.C., Co. M.F.A., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**Michael Scanlon:** 27, 6'1", Scaffolder. J.H.B., J.H.A., I.H.C., Co. J.H.A., Co. I.H.C.

**Mark O' Brien:** 6'3", Student.

2 M.F.A., 4 U21 F.A., 4 S.F.C., 2 M.H.A., 2 U21 H.A., I.H.C., Co. I.H.C.

**Mark Peters:** 6'2", Student.

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**Kieran Bergin:** 17, 5'9", Student. 2 M.F.A., 2 M.H.A., 2 U21 H.A., 2 U21 F.A., 2 S.F.C., J.F.B.

**Anthony Bowles:** 19, 5'9", Tiler. M.F.A., 2 M.F.A., M.H.B., 2 U21 F.A., J.H.B., 2 S.F.C.

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**Tony O'Brien:** 17, 5'8" Student 2M.F.A, 2M.H.A, U21 FA, 2U21 H.A

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**Cathal Moloney:** 25, 6'1" Stone Mason.

M.F.A, 6 S.F.C, 2 J.H.C.A, 2 I.H.C, Co J.H.A, Co I.H.C

**Dallan Browne:** 27, 5'10", Sales Manager Insurance

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**Seamus Moloney:** 29, 6'3", Factory Operative.

5 S.F.C, 2 J.H.A, 2 I.H.C, Co. J.H.A, Co. I.H.C.

**Willie Tarrant: Captain** 34, 5'10", Quarry Manager.

U21 B F, 9 S.F.C, M.H.B, 2 J.H.A, 2 I.H.C, Co. I.H.C, Co. J.H.A.

**Kevin Bergin:** 20, 5'7", Electrician. M.H.B, 2 M.F.A, 2 U21 FA, 2 U21 H.A, J.H.B.

## David Morrissey

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## Profile of Kickhams Players:

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**JOHNNY BUTLER:** 30, Farmer, 6' 0", 12st. County I.H. & I.F. titles, West S.H. & S.F. titles, West J.A.H. title, 2 Crosco Cups. Represented county at junior football. O'Donoghue Cup.

**DEREK BREEN:** 22, Student, 6' 0", 12st 4 lbs. West Senior Football. O'Donoghue Cup football, Co. Inter Football, West Junior "A", Nenagh Co-Op u/16 hurling, various underage titles.

**VINCENT KELLY:** 31, Factory worker, 5' 9", 12st 7lbs. County I.H. & I.F. titles, County J.F., County U/21 "B" F. West S.H. and West S.F. titles, various underage titles, represented county at Minor hurling, O'Donoghue Cup.

**EOIN MORRISSEY:** 23, Teacher, 5' 9", 11st 7 lbs. West S.H. & West S.F. titles, West M.H. title. Represented county at Minor and u/21 football, member of UCC hurling panel, various underage titles. O'Donoghue Cup.

**AIDAN BUTLER:** 28, Civil Servant, 5' 11", 12st 6lbs. West S.H. title, 2 Crosco Cups, County u/21 H. title, County I.F. title. Represented county at Minor, u/21, Intermediate and Senior football. Various underage West titles.

**JOHN MCCORMACK:** 31, Butcher, 6' 0", 12st 7 lbs. County I.H. & I.F. titles. County J.F. and u/21 "B" football titles, West S.H. & S.F. titles, various underage titles. Represented county at S.H. 2 Crosco Cups, O'Donoghue Cup.

**GER BUTLER:** 31, Electrical contractor, 5' 7", 12st, County I.H. & I.F. titles, county J.F. title, county u/21 "B" football title. West S.H. & S.F. titles. Represented county at Minor hurling, Junior and Senior football, 2 Crosco Cups, O'Donoghue Cup.

**Conor Ryan:** 19, Rockwell College, West 16 'C' F, U/16 'B' H, MH'B', MH'A'.

**JAMES SHANAHAN:** U/17 Abbey CBS, west U/16 'C' H, U/16 'C' F, MH'B', MH'A'. Colleges: Munster U/15 'B', Corn Phadraig All-Ireland Colleges SH 'B'.

**PAUL O'DWYER:** U/12 'A'H, U/14 'A'H, U/16 'A'H, U/16 'B'H, U/16 'A'H, MH'B', MH'A', 16 'C'F, Colleges: Dean Ryan Cup, Croke Cup, Cusack Cup.

**JOHN O'BRIEN:** 26, Butcher, 5' 10", 12st. County Vocational School, 3 West Minor titles, County I.H. & I.F. titles, County u/21 hurling title, West S.H. & S.F. title, O'Donoghue Cup, various underage titles.

**ALAN HORGAN:** 21, Company employee, 5' 8", 10st. West u/12, u/14, u/16. County title with Cashel Community School. Represented Tipp in u/16 hurling.

**AIDAN HENEY:** 28, Chemist, 6' 1". 14 st., West M.H. & West U/21 & Co. U/21. West Intermediate Football 2002. Crosco Cup.



**FERGAL HORGAN:** 24, Factory operative, 5' 9", 13st. 2lbs. West S.H., 2 Munster Minor, All Ireland Minor, Munster Intermediate Hurling and various underage titles.

**PAUL BREEN:** 20, Student, 6' 0", 14 st. West Minor Hurling, various underage titles.

**PETER COMERFORD:** 20, Student, 6'2", 12st., Various underage titles.

**FERGAL O'BRIEN:** 22, Farm Management, 5'9", 12st., West Int. F. 2002, various underage titles.

**AIDAN MURPHY:** 28, Company Employee, 5'10", 13st., West & Co. U/21, West Minor H., West Junior 'A' H., various underage titles.

## Brian Horgan

Age 27, 6'1", 13st 2lbs. He is the assistant green-keeper at Co. Tipperary Golf and Country club. He went to National School in Knockavilla, where he won a county final under Danny Morrissey. He went to Cashel CBS gaining more titles through winning the Rice Cup in 1990, by coming 3rd in the All-Ireland Long Puck U14. He has also won U14 and U16 West titles, west minor titles, U21 West and County Titles, County Minor Football, intermediate Hurling West and County, 2 West Senior Hurling titles, 1 West Senior Football, 2 West and County Intermediate Football, and 3 Crossco Cups.



He started playing with Tipperary at U14 Tony Forrester Tournament. He went on to play Co. U16 and he played 2 years Minor for Tipp, winning a Munster Medal. He captained the Tipperary Team for their last U21 All-Ireland Title in 1995. He played U21 for the following two years.

He joined the Senior panel in 1996, winning a National League Medal in 1999. Fergal Heney was also a member of that team. He missed out in 2001 through injury. He has trained and played with Tipperary under 4 different managers: Fr. Tom Fogarty, Len Gaynor, Nickie English, Michael Doyle. He is looking forward to victory in the West Senior Hurling Championship this year. He admires greatly team coach, Jim Williams, who has done tremendous work with the team this year.

Brian's brothers Richard and Alan, and sister Joanne, have contributed handsomely at Club and County Level.

Brian is an integral part of the Kickham Team, and if he repeats the display that he contributed to in the West Semi-Final against Cappawhite, Kickhams are assured of great success this season.

Finally, Brian is getting married to Marie in 3 weeks time. Best Wishes for the future to both.

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