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I would like to welcome all our patrons to our South Senior Hurling and Football finals. In our football final we have Fethard and Commercials two Clubs with a long and proud football record. Commercials must win if they are to remain in contention for County honours but I am sure that Fethard will be anxious to add another South title to the Clubs roll of honour. With some of the finest footballers in the County taking part I am sure we are guaranteed a very entertaining game.

Our Senior Hurling final brings together Mullinahone and Killenaule. Mullinahone as reigning South champions will be anxious to hold onto their title and advance to challenge for County honours. Killenaule having had a huge amount of success at underage level over the last number of years will be hoping to make a breakthrough at

senior level and must win today if they are to remain in contention for County honours. With players on both teams who have worn the Blue and gold with pride we can expect a thrilling encounter.

During the interval we will have the mini games in both football and hurling organised by our Youth Officer Brian Dignam. This helps to promote the games and will give us an opportunity to view 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 championships. Our Referees for today's games are Paddy Russell from Emly and John Ryan from Boherlahan. I wish them and their officials every success in today's games. Finally I would like to thank Kilsheelan Kilcash Club for providing facilities for today's games and to thank you the patrons for your continued support and hope that you enjoy today's finals. Best wishes to all the participants.

Barra O Briain, Cathaoirleach

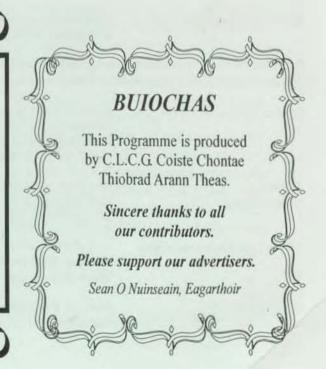
CLÁR AN LAE 5.15pm Clonmel Oil S.F.C. Final

Fiodh Árd v Na Tráchtálaí Reiteoir Padraig O Russeil

6.45pm Glanbia S.H.C.. Final

Muileann na hUamhan v Cill Náille Reiteoir Seán Ó Riain

The Mini games of 10 minutes duration will Be played at the interval of both Finals.



Preview of Today's Finals

This evening's double bill of South Tipperary Senior Championship Finals brings together four Clubs who have made magnificent contributions to the Division down the years. Their list of achievements are highly impressive and they continue to produce the top players who are the lifeblood of the Association and whose deeds inspire others to follow their example.

The South Division is proud that this evening alone in Kilsheelan's tidy village players of the level in both codes will display their skills in search of another championship success where it really matters at the grass roots. In the hurling decider Mullinahone followers will expect to thrill to the performances of household names such as Eoin and Paul Kelly, John Leahy, Brian O Meara, Denis Byrne, Paul and Niall Curran and a host of others whilst Killenaule starved of success in the premier grade since 1991 will look to young men like Michael Farrell, Joe Caesar, Declan Fanning, Tony Doyle and Kieran Bergin who have helped the Club to two County Under 21 titles back to back as well as a host of Divisional underage championships

Tipperary football has not enjoyed a good year but traditional rivals Commercials and Fethard have the opportunity to rekindle the flame and they are well capable of producing a titanic tussle. Fethard stalwarts- the evergreen Willie Morrissey, Michael Ahearne, Aidan and Paul Fitzgerald, Damien Byrne, Michael Spillane and John Paul Looby need no introduction whilst Commercials after a slow start are looking good inspired by the impressive displays of Paul O Mahoney, Eamon Hanrahan, Fergus O Callaghan, Benny Walsh, Johnny Harney and Donncha Fahey.

The experience and expertise of two of the top referees in the County Paddy Russell of Emly and John Ryan of Boherlahan can only add to the occasion in Kilsheelan this evening and lets wish all those set to grace the green sward the very best of luck in today's games.

Where will the honours rest? In betting parlance Mullinahone are entitled to be warm favourites to take a third title in a row but any team that can put two County Unnder 21 titles back to back deserve the highest respect and Killenaule look set to make it a final to remember. Mullinahone have memories of a series of defeats at the hands of their great rivals in the 90's at under 21 level and will not be complacent. They may, however have to battle to the limit of their potential to retain their crown.

The football decider should go to the proverbial wire. Fethard may be marginal favourites but there was a lot to like about the recent performances of Commercials and the Clonmel side may well be good enough to gain the success they need not alone to take the South crown but to keep their County Championship hopes alive.

Paths to the Finals

| Senior Hurling Semi Finals | Mullinahone 4-13 Ballingarry 1-15 | Clonmel | 1" Aug |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|--------|
| | Killenaule 2-13 Carrick Swan 0-8 | ** | ** |

Mullinahone have qualified for the Co quarter final through the Co league section of the championship and will go through to the Co semi final if they win the South Final.

| Senior Football 1st round | Fethard 2-23 Carrick Swan 1-4 Commercials 1-5 Ardfinnan 1-5 Grangemockler 2-9 Moyle Rovers 0-11 Cahir 5-17 Mullinahone 0-4 | Clonmel Kilsheelan "Fethard | 19/6 20/6 " |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | |
| Replay | Commercials 2-10 Ardfinnan 0-8 | Kilsheelan | 11/7 |
| Losers Group | Mullinahone 2-12 Carrick Swan 1-9 | ** | *** |
| | Moyle Rovers 2-8 Ardfinnan 0-10 | Clonmel | 18/7 |
| 2 byes 2 games to semi finals, | | | |
| | Fethard 3-18 Mullinahone 0-4 | Kilsheelan | 23/7 |
| | Moyle Rovers 3-6 Grangemockler 1-9 | .99 | 25/7 |
| Semi Finals | Fethard 0-9 Cahir 0-8 | Ardfinnan | 8/8 |
| ** | Commercials 1-13 Moyle Rover 1-4 | ,, | *** |





Paddy Russell from the Emly Club in West Tipp referees today's football final. Paddy is of the most experienced referees in the game. He is having a very busy season this year, his games include the Bank of Ireland Leinster Senior Championship game between Westmeath and Offaly and the All Ireland Qualifier between Derry and Wicklow. His most recent game at top level was the Quarter final game between Mayo and Tyrone in Croke Park. We welcome him to Kilsheelan and wish him well in today's final.

John Ryan from the Boherlahan Club referees his first South Senior Hurling final today. John has been refereeing for the past seven years and is one of the County's most experienced officials. He has taken charge of the North senior hurling final in 2002 and has refereed the Munster Minor Hurling Championship game between Cork and Waterford this year. John is no stranger to South Tipp and has refereed senior hurling championship games in the Division in 2003 and 2004. We wish him well in today's final.



Fethard's 28th Title

Fethard are going for their 28th South Title (1st in 1914) this Sunday having last won in 2002 in defeating Moyle Rovers on a score line Fethard 0-13 Moyle Rovers 0-8. With ten of that first fifteen available and a lot of young talent coming through the number game on Sunday should be okay, but not having played Commercials in a final since the Munster League Final of 1999 (Commercials Winning) they are an unknown quantity and will be very much respected for reaching this final with very impressive displays. We will have to call on all our experience to be able to beat Commercials as Fethard has always brought the best out of Clonmel Commercials, the incentive being a Semi Final Spot in the County. Fethards path to the final was in the first round, Fethard 2-23 Carrick Swans 1-4, in the quarter final Fethard, 3-19 Mullinahone 0-4, in the Semi Final we made hard work in advancing on a score line, Fethard 0-9 Cahir 0-8, to reach the final for the first time since 2002. Lets hope our young boys will bring back the O Shea Cup to the Friary Town on Sunday evening and in so doing make it two Titles in 2000,s to add to the three in the nineties, the four in the eighties and the three in the Seventies.

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.

COMMERCIALS

FOOTBALL

FETHARD

| 1. | Sean Flynn | Fr. Sheehys | Joseph Brennan | Kilsheelan |
|-----|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 2. | Aidan Mcgrath | Moyle Rovers | Darragh Ivors | Ballingarry |
| 3. | Jamie Long | Swans | Dean Horton | Clonmel Og |
| 4. | Derek Madigan | St. Martins | Daniel Hickey | Fethard |
| 5. | Caoimhe Lyons | Grangeemockler | Sean Corcoran | Davins |
| 6. | Daniel Morgan | Ballylobby | Bobby Morrissey | Mullinahone |
| 7. | Martin O Dwyer | Kilsheelan | Conor Connolly | Moyle Rovers |
| 8. | John Caplice | Fr. Sheehys | James Cahill | Moyle Rovers |
| 9. | A.N other | | Shane Fagan | Clonmel Og |
| 10. | Thomas Norton | Grangemockler | Owen Fitzgerald | Fethard |
| 11. | Billy Hewitt | Clonmel Commercials | Tommy Sheehan | Fethard |
| 12. | Cormac Crowe | Cahir | Roisin Horan | St. Patricks |
| 13. | Sean Kiernan | Fr.Sheehys | Jack O Connell | Killenaule |
| 14. | Emmet Ryan | Clonmel Commercials | Jamie Gahan | Mullinahone |
| 15. | Ben O Reilly | Mullinahone | Alan Laurence | Fethard |
| | | | | |

HURLING KILLENAULE

| | MULLINAHONE | | KILLENAULE | |
|-----|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| 1. | Jonathan Ivors | Ballingarry | Conor Kavanagh | Killenaule |
| 2. | James Barrett | Swan | Kieran O Donnell | Cahir |
| 3. | Thomas Dineen | Ballyneale | Aidan Leahy | Killenaule |
| 4. | Shane Power | Mullinahone | Norman O Shea | Kilsheelan |
| 5. | Ian Fahy | Marlfield | Robert O Brien | Fr.Sheehys |
| 6. | Shane Keating | Mullinahone | Lee Dunne | Moyle Rovers |
| 7. | Michael O Sullivan | Ballybacon Grange | John Crowley | Ballyneale |
| 8. | Michael Dunne | Mullinahone | Joe O Dwyer | Killenaule |
| 9. | Ciaran Maher | St. Patricks | Emmet Ryan | St. Marys |
| 10. | Liam Carey | Movle Rovers | Cathal Quigley | Moyle Rovers |
| 11. | John Cooney | Ballylooby | Mikey O Brien | Clonmel Og |
| 12. | Shane Brett | Mullinahone | Ciaran O Connell | Fethard |
| 13. | Yvonne Maher | Kilsheelan | Jason Hahessey | Clonmel Og |
| 14. | AN Other | | Tomas Nolan | Killenaule |
| 15. | Alan Hackett | Davins | John Caplice | Fr. Sheehys |

Captains.

Benny Walsh (Captain)

Position: Centre Back Age: 26 Occupation: Assistant Fire Officer First Senior Championship Year: 1994

Honours Won: South Senior 1994.
County senior: 1994 and 2002
Won south and county honours at under
16, minor and under 21 levels
Won Munster minor football medal in 1995
Awarded the "South Tipperary young footballer of the year award in 1995.

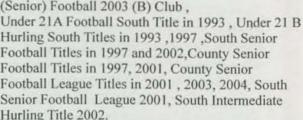
Today's captain is centre back Benny Walsh. A courageous player and since taking over as captain from the injured Fergal O'Callaghan earlier in the year Benny has led by example with some terrific performances in the number 6 shirt. He began playing senior football as a 16 year old in 1994 and was a member of the last Commercials team to win the south title in that year. A virtual ever present in the senior team since Benny has been always dependable and will always give 100% to his team. Benny Walsh is also a hurler of note and is a leading member of the St.Mary's club. Although he has worn the Blue and Gold of Tipperary this lion hearted centre back is a proud Waterford man and is a keen follower of the "Deisce" having been born on the "wrong" side of the river Suir!!!!!!!.



Paul Ftizgerald (Captain)

Fethard Senior Football 2004
Age 27
Hannurs Achieved to Date

Honours Achieved to Date
(A) County, Munster Minor
Football 1995, McGrath Cup
(Senior) Football 2003 (B) Club,



Achievements (A) Played County Senior, Under 21, Minor, and Junior (B) Playing for Club since 1994, played in Munster Senior Football Finals in 1997, 2001, also in Munster Club League Final inaugural Year 1999.

Influences on my Playing Career are my Family, Willie O Meara, Brian Burke, Tommy Sheehan, Ml Buddy Fitzgerald (who I have had the privilege in playing with).

Dick Allen (Nov. 1912 - June 2004)

The Prince of Gaelic Football from Fethard wore the Jersey for Club, County and Province with distinction and was last Survivor of the 1935 Tipperary Senior Football Munster Champions. He was laid to rest in his beloved Killusty at the foot of Slievenamon on the 23/06/2004. It was the end of an era for a Player, Gentleman, and a True Gael who achieved so much in his illustrious Career on the playing fields of Ireland. He was on the Munster Football Teams from 1934 to 1940 (except 1939 he missed all the year because of appendicitis). During some of those six years he was the sole player outside of Kerry on the Munster Team but he was unfortunate not to win a medal as Munster were unsuccessful from 1931 to 1941 He played Senior Football with the County from 1934 to 1942 (ex1939) for eight years winning a Munster Title in 1935, with his favourite Team the



"Blues" Fethard he played for 11 Years winning 2 County Senior Titles as Captain 1938,1942, also winning 3 South Titles 1938, 1942 and 1943 and a number of Tipperary Man Cup Medals and Seven A Sides. He emigrated to England in pursuit of employment in 1943 where he continued to play even representing London in an All Ireland Junior Football Final of 1947. On his return from England he settled at the foot off Slievenamon where he loved so well and was interested in the Clubs endeavours right up to the end. He was always very proud to see the Club succeed on the field of play.

Go Ndeanai Dhia Trocaire Orthu.

Clonmel Commercials Seek 21st Title

Clonmel Commercials have a proud record in the South Tipperary Senior Football championship and today seek their 21st title. Having first won the O Shea cup in 1944 just 12 years after the club's formation Commercials have never been too far from the top within the division or indeed the county. That team in 1944 was captained by Seán Cleary whose exploits on the playing fields of South Tipperary are legendry. The club had by this time already won 2 junior and 4 minor divisional crowns and added their 5th South minor title by doubling up in 1944. Bill McMahon, Harry McGrath, and Noel Stapleton were some of the senior team members of this era. By the end of the decade Commercials had won four senior titles. The 1950's brought two more South championships in 1956 and '58. The '56 team was again captained by Seán Cleary while Frank Lafford, Michael Kennedy, Mick Strappe, Theo English and Johnny Ryan were among the stars of these teams.

The club's golden era came in the 60's. The decade began with a South title in 1960 before landing both South and County titles in 1965, 1966 and 1967. The captain in all three years was again an outstanding footballer, Brian (Boc) 'O Callaghan. Brian sadly passed away at a young age but left a lasting impression with all who played with or against him or were lucky enough to see him play. His father and double Olympic Gold medallist Pat O'Callaghan was selector at this time. Names such as John McNamara, Mick Egan, Mick O'Connell, Tom Pollard, Timmy Ryan, Jimmy Hewitt, and Tony Archibald collected medals

in these glory years.

The 70's with Pat Sullivan, Jimmy Harney, Pat Sommers, Paddy O'Donaghue, and others yielded 4 divisional crowns with 5 more been won by a marvellous team in the 1980's. Gene McGrath, Paudie O'Neill, Franny Kelly, Joe McNamara, Donal O'Keeffe, Mark O'Connell, John Keirns, Hugh Daly (a selector today) Mark O'Connell, Willie Peters and Ben Keane were some of the outstanding footballers that kept Commercials to the fore in the division during the 80's. The 1990's saw a slump in the club's fortunes in the division. While two county titles were won in the decade and we reached Munster club finals on both occasions our only divisional crown came in 1994. Our captain on that day was Mark O'Connell. Paudie O'Keeffe, Liam Phelan, Fergal O'Callaghan, Philly Ryan and a very young Benny Walsh were on the panel that day and are again ready for battle today. Others on that team included David Hickey, John Hall, Rian Forristal, Christóir McGrath, and David Gerrard.

Today presents a chance for the "new" team to establish themselves among the club's great names and end a drought of 10 years. It again renews our keen rivalry with Fethard who are the most prolific of all South Tipperary clubs. A great game lies in store and the Clonmel Commercials supporters will be hoping to see the first senior divisional title of the 21" century to add to our county title won in 2002. Na Tráchtalaí Abú,

FETHARD 1957

You have heard about the Fethard team of 30 years ago, Their fame throughout the land everyone did know, Their deeds I do boast manfully and I hope I'll be forgiven If I sing the praises of the champs of 1957

The gallant team was organised by a selection committee
That left no stone untourned for the best is to be,
They trained up in the Barrack field prepared to do or die,
For the honour and the glory of the famous Fethard blue.

For they played Kilsheelan in the Sportsfield in Clonmel, The village lads fought bravely but speed it soon did tell, Commercials that years champions they had not got a clue, They were baffled by the combination of our boys in blue

Onto the South Final we thought it mighty quare
The opponents were not Old Bridge but a faster team from Cahir
But whether Cahir or Old Bridge it didn't matter much
Fethard was the form team and proved themselves as such.

In the County final we opposed a North fifteen,
Who were to prove that they were an under rated team,
We were leading by eighteen points we thought that we were there,
But at the final whistle there was only a goal to spare.

Onto the Co final our opponents were once more
The standard bearers of the Mid- the gallant foe's Loughmore,
Beside the City of the Kings as the clock was striking three,
The game was set in motion by Sean Hayes the Referee,

Loughmore now had two Connelly's who thought would see them through

But they forget in Fethard we had players of that name too, With Mick Byrne, Sean Maloney and Cly Mullins to the fore, We won the County Final by ten points to 1-4

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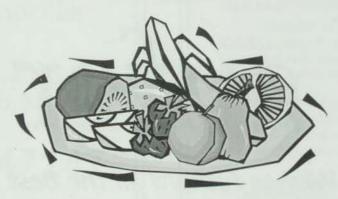


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(5) (6) (7)

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(8) (9) AIDAN FITZGERALD KENNETH BYRNE

(10) (11) (12)
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 STEPHEN O DONNELL, 26. DAMIEN BYRNE, 27. JOHN PLOOBY.

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(2) (3) (4)
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(5) (6) (7)

KEITH KENNEDY DECLAN FANNING Cpt. PETER KENNEDY

(8) (9)

JOE CEASER RICHARD MAHER
(10) (11) (12)

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Contributions which will be acknowledged and returned may be sent to the Board Secretary Seán Ó Nuinseain at Baile Glaisin, Cill Siolain, Cluain Meala or to Miceal Ó Meara 96 Ascal Griofa, Cluain Meala.



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Clonmel Commercials, who lost to Ardfinnan in the South Senior Football Semi Final which was held in Cahir on Sunday 9th Aug. 1998, included are front row: Tommy Power, Michael Brady, Fergal Condon, Rian Forristal, Philly Ryan, Kieran O'Reilly, Lorcan Halpin. Back row: Eamon Hanrahan, Fergal O'Callaghan Capt., Kevin Dempsey, Paul Scully, Tommy Kelly, David Lavin, Anthony Wall.

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Captains -

Eddie Carey (Captain)

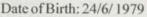
Eddie was born on the 17/6/78. He has played at all levels for the club at hurling and football. He has won numerous underage titles. Made his senior debut for the club at 16 yrs of age and in 2002 played an important



role in bringing the Dan Breen Cup to Mullinahone with some very classy performances. Eddie is no stranger to Captaincies as he had that honour with the Minor team that got to the County Final in 96 and also with Callan CBS who got to a Rice Cup Final. He has also represented CIT in the Fitzgibbon Cup. Eddie has represented Tipp in Football with the Juniors. He played U21 Hurling winning a Munster Medal. Eddie brought the first All-Ireland Minor Hurling Medal to the Village in 1996 along with Paul Kelly. A very distinguish career indeed and still only 26.

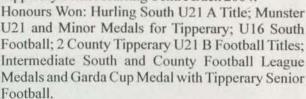
Declan Fanning (Captain)

Captain, Killenaule Senior Hurling Team 2004.



Height: 6'1

Tipperary Senior Football Centre Back 2003. Tipperary Senior Hurling Centre Back 2004.



Best Sporting Moment: Captain of Killenaule U21 A

South Champions

Most Admired Player: Ken McGrath, Waterford

Favourite Past-time: Soccer

Sports Watched: Soccer and Rugby

Favourite Film/TV: Gladiator/The Simpsons

Most Disliked Sport: Cricket

Ambition in Sport: Win a County Senior Hurling

Final with Killenaule



Jhanks Lance...

Lance Vaughan has had a distinguish career with his native Mullinahone. He has played football at all levels for the parish. In 1973 won a county Junior Football Championship. Winning this Championship brought Mullinahone back into the Senior Ranks for the first time since the Mick Cahill era. Playing along side him that day was the Clubs current Chairman Tommy O Sullivan and todays Selector MI Scott. Lance was also noted to be a very capable hurler. Kickhams men were not noted for hurling in those days, he had to make the trip to our neighbours Ballingarry to show his skills. While Lance and a few others made their way there, they competed in a county final and lost narrowly. Lance attended Del a Salle in Waterford where he was a class mate of Liam Griffin of Wexford, Lance has always being an active member of the Club. Being Chairman down through the years and to this day is a very active committee member. It is reported the first time that Mullinahone won the South Senior Hurling title back in 1993 against Carrick Swans that Lance was the last to arrive home from the Celebrations. His son Kyran was Captain on that historical day in Thurles when the little village capture their first County Senior Hurling Title against the famed Thurles Sarsfields in 2002. This was a very proud moment for him and all his Family. The club would like to take this opportunity to thank Lance for all his years or service. "For the credit of the little village"

THE HILLS OF KILLENAULE

Through lonely Allen bog, I heard the lark above,
From Ballinure to Knockavardagh call,
And the thrush and blackbirds thrill,
Ballintogher and Springhill,
It's so lovely round the hills of Killenaule
Alone Slievenamon Rules over all,
And Mullinahone in song I do recall,
It's nice Drangan and Cloneen,
St Johnstown and Farnaleen,
But it's lovely round the hills of Killenaule.

On the lonely Dunguib road, I heard a banjo play
The melody sent magic through my soul,
And I heard a love song rare,
Fill the rich Rathmmoley air,
It's so lovely round the hills of Killenaule,
Alone Slievenamon Rules over all,
Whose valleys Ballingarry enthrall,
It's nice in Fethard and Moyglass
And Coolmore of blue green grass,
But it's lovely round the hills of Killenaule.

On Ballynonty's slopes, I heard the pheasant call,
In Lanepark, the hare bounds best of all,
And through Cooldine's lowly gorse,
Ran the foxhound and the horse,
It's so lovely round the hills of Killenaule
Alone over all rules Slievenamon
From Killusty to Derrynaflan,
It's nice in Graigue, Gornnahoe, Glengoole and Ballysloe.
But it's lovely round the hills of Killenaule

RARE CLONMEL

Oh, sweet Clonmel I must leave thee,

To seek another home,

For years perhaps forever,

Afar from thee to roam,

I grieve to leave each field and wildwood

Tis hard to say farewell,

When far from thee, my home of childhood

I'll think of thee Clonmel.

The wilderness, where young folks stray,

To pass the Sabbath merry,

The gay-dressed boys all care defy

And the fair ones never weary,

That place so dear to all our hearts

I mean St Patricks Well;

Its Church and tree in my dreams I'll see

When afar from rare Clonmel.



Frank (Scout) Butler and Gus McCarthy
Two of Fethard's greatest footballers. Both figured on
the Tipperary Football team on Bloody Sunday and
during their careers gave outstanding service to Club
and County.



The Killenaule team that won the last South Senior Hurling title - defeating Carrick Swan in Clonmel in 1991.



Some of the South Board sponsors pictured at a recent function with Board Officers.

Front row: L-r: P. J. O'Neill, Sureprint, Sean Nugent, Board Secretary, Barry O'Brien, Chairman, Tim O'Connor,
Chadwicks, John Quirke, Quirke Jewellers.

Back row L-r: John Carew, Carew Investments, Mick Campbell and Jim Kavanagh, Europlan, John O Flynn, Glanbia, Dick Cummins, Board President, Tom Cusack, Treasurer.

Inset: Brian Connolly and Liam Stokes, Clonmel Oil.

Paddy Horgan. R.I.P.

Killenaule G.A.A lost a great friend, player and supporter when Paddy Horgan died unexpectedly earlier this year.

Paddy was born in Windgap Co. Kilkenny in 1931. His father was the local creamery manager. Paddy went to primary school in Windgap, and for a brief period in Bruree where his uncle was the local teacher. He went to secondary School in Rockwell where he played hurling and rugby. Later at U.C.C he was a valued player with the college team and won a Fitzgibbon Cup Medal with them.



He came to Killenaule as Assistant Creamery Manager to another stalwart G.A.A. man, the late Oliver O'Neill, in 1953. Almost immediately he became involved with Killenaule G.A.A. where he soon became club secretary. He held this position for a number of years. He was a very efficient and hard-working secretary and the Killenaule club owes him a deep dept of gratitude. He won a Leinster Minor Medal with Kilkenny in 1949, losing the All-Ireland to a Tipperary Team captained by John 'Culbaire' O'Grady, who was a colleague of his at U.C.C.

He won South Senior hurling medals with Killenaule in 1954 and 1955, but then had to retire prematurely due to injury.

Paddy, all through his life, remained a loyal supporter of Kilkenny. He dearly loved the black and amber and loved the banter, especially when Tipperary and Kilkenny were in opposition. His death has cast a gloom over Killenaule where he was deeply loved and respected. Ar Dheís Lámh Dé Go Raibh a Anam Dílis

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THE BALLAD OF JOHN LEAHY

Paddy Power (Drangan)

There's a spot in old Tipperary
And they call it Kickham Town
Where dwells a mighty hurler
Who has brought us great renown
His name it is John Leahy
Though yet of tender age
He has brought home four All Irelands
And has entered history's page.

When John he started hurling
In his native Mullinahone,
'Twas against a wall in Carrick Street,
He was mostly on his own
His brother used to join him
For to throw him back the ball
Then his skills were quickly noticed
In the School in Killenaule

Here's a health to you John Leahy
May more honours come your way
You'r the greatest in all Ireland
That's proved now day by day,
You have speed and skill and toughness
And you fear not any man
You'r a mighty new addition
To the famous Leahy clan.

Now the year at last is over
And the All Ireland crown 'tis won
They are singing and rejoicing
Round the slopes of Slievenamon
To his team mates all we thank you
Sure you all can take a bow
You have brought honour to your County
And the homes of Knocknagow.

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