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I would like to welcome all our patrons to the Glanbia South Senior Hurling final and the Sureprint Minor Football A final that take place in Fethard Sportsfield today. The Senior final is a local derby and its brings together players from neighbouring Parishes. Players many of whom have gone to school together and

have played on school teams together but then have played against each other at all grades in their respective Clubs up to this important game today. Local rivalry has down the decades played a huge part in generating greater enthusiasm for the games of the Gael. The rivalry today will be intense and it is my wish that it will be harnessed to bring out all that is best in our games thus ensuring a spectacle of style speed and skill from two teams who have the capacity to put on a show of classic proportions. I wish all the players the very best of luck as they strive to put their Club name on the Ryan Cup for 2005

The Sureprint Minor Football A Final is also a local derby and brings together two Clubs who have made an outstanding contribution to football in the Division. This championship has been an excellent one to date with twenty seven games played. Moyle Rovers reached the final after a hard earned victory over Carrick Swan while Commercials took two games to defeat Ardfinnan in the other semi final. These are the footballers of the future in our Division and deserve all our support.

The referees for today's games are two of the best in the County and I wish them and their Officials the very best of luck.

I sincerely thank the sponsors Glanbia Senior Hurling and Sureprint Minor Football for their continued support and I encourage our patrons to acknowledge that support in every way possible.

A special word of thanks to the Fethard Club for their preparations for hosting today's finals they have left no stone unturned in their efforts to ensure that today's programme will run smoothly and will be enjoyed in comfort by our loyal patrons.

Barra Ó Briain, Cathaoirleach

CLÁR AN LAE

2.00 pm Sureprint Minor Football A Final

Commercials v Moyle Rovers Referee Seamus Roche (Kilsheelan Kilcash)

3.30 pm Glanbia Senior Hurling Final Ballingarry v Killenaule Referee Johnny Ryan (Boherlahan)

The mini games will take place at the interval in the Senior Final.

Ceoltoiri an Lae: Diarmuid O Hurley Pipe Band



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Johnny Ryan of the Boherlahan Club referees his second South Senior Hurling final today. Johnny has been refereeing for the last eight years and had the honour of refereeing last years encounter between Mullinahone and Killenaule, which was played



Johnny Ryan

in Kilsheelan. He has also taken charge of the North Senior Hurling final in 2002 and is recognised at Inter County level as having the potential to referee at the very highest level. We wish him and his officials the very best of luck in today's final



Seamus Roche

Seamus Roche from the Kilsheelan Kilcash Club takes charge of the Minor Football A final. Seamus needs no introduction in South Tipperary as he has been on the refereeing circuit in the Division for a considerable number of years. A referee of the highest standard he has progressed to the highest level in refereeing in recent years at Inter County level. He won widespread acclaim for his handling of the Cork v

Waterford Senior Hurling clash this year and also had the honour of officiating at the Leinster final. We wish him and his officials every success in today's game.



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FACT FILE

Killenaule have won 15 South titles. winning their first in 1916 and their last in 1991.

In Ballingarry's last title win in 2001 they beat Mullinahone on a scoreline of Ballingarry 0-11 Mullinahone 2-4.

Ballingarry beat Killenaule in the senior final of 1987, the game was played in Fethard with Joe Keane as Referee. The final score was Ballingarry 2-11 Killenaule 2-3. The game was played on the 23rd of August and attracted gate receipts of £3709.25

Ballingarry have lifted the cup on eight occasions, the first in 1949 and the last in 2001

History was made in 1996 with the staging of the first senior hurling final in Moyle Park the splendid new home of the Moyle Rovers Club. On what was one of the hottest day's of the year Ballingarry gave an impressive performance to defeat Killenaule. The scoreline read Ballingarry 2-17 Killenaule 1-10, Tommy Lonergan from Kilsheelan was the referee and the gate receipts were a record at £5509.

In a ten year period from 1953 to 1963 Killenaule won 5 senior titles

Killenaule's Donie O Connell won two Nationalist Hurler of the Year Awards the first in 1984 and the next in 1987.

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Senior Hurling Final Preview

Today's Senior Hurling final brings together the neighbouring Clubs Ballingarry and Killenaule both Clubs from the northern side of the South Division. Local rivalry

is intense around this area with family and school connections that entwine many of today's players from their juvenile days upwards.

Killenaule are the side with the greater tradition, they have been winning titles in South Tipperary since 1916 and have amassed fifteen titles in all.

Ballingarry came to the fore in the late forties winning their first title in 1949 and thereafter adding seven more with much of this success coming in recent times winning four titles in the nineties. These statistics will mean little to the teams togging out today and both player's team management and supporters will be looking to more recent form to assess their team's chances. Killenaule have put a string of minor and U 21titles together in recent years and have dominated this area in the Division in recent years, they have captured the County crown in the U 21 grade putting titles back to back in 2003 2004.

It is important to point out that they have defeated today's rivals in these grades during this period. Ballingarry may not have had great success in under age grades in recent years but they did put back to back County minor titles under the Ballingarry Gaels banner in 1994 1995 and a number of these players are still to the fore in the maroon and white jersey. Ballingarry can also point to their Munster league final victory in early spring when they defeated the cream of Cork hurling to capture this prestigious title. This victory gave Ballingarry huge confidence and this was noticeable in their ending of Mullinahone's three-year reign as champions of the Division in the semi final.

The big question to be answered today is which side has the greater maturity to capture the Ryan Cup for 2005. That question should be answered today at Fethard's well-appointed venue or is a draw out of the question?

Minor Football A Final Preview

The Minor A football final which is the curtain raiser today promises to be a lively opener to the days entertainment. This championship has provided some

excellent fare since it commenced in late March. Eight teams took the field at the start of the championship and twenty seven games have been played to date. The semi final provided some outstanding fare with Moyle Rovers coming through after a hard battle with Carrick Swan. Commercials had to endure a second outing when ending level with Ardfinnan but were convincing winners at the second attempt.

This is a game that is hard to call. There is great rivalry between the sides and Moyle Rovers are current champions. This emerging Commercials side have been impressive in the early rounds and came from behind in spectacular fashion to level with Ardfinnan in their semi final. It's a game that should go down to the wire and provide excellent entertainment to all those who come early to today's games



KILLENAULE

(Red and Yellow)

1.

Gerry Kennedy

Jonathan O'Dwyer

4. Ian Murphy

Kenneth Cleary Keith Kennedy

2.

Damien Gleeson

Peter Kennedy

8.

Johnny Grace

Richie Maher 10.

Declan Fanning

12. Tony Doyle (capt.)

Joe Ceaser 13. Michael Farrell

14. Kieran Bergin

15. Jonathan Gleeson

Subs: 16. Conor O'Donnell 17. Kenneth Browne 18. Vinnie Hannigan

19. Declan Ryan 20. Tony Shelley 21. Michael Doyle 22. Thomas Fitzgerald

23. Michael Fitzgerald 24. Paul Shelley 25. Niall Berry 26. Matthew O'Donnell

27. Mark Murphy



PEIL MIONUIR (A) AN

MOYLE ROVERS

(Sky Blue)

1.

Patrick Burke

Stephen Melbourne

Richard Power

David Foley 5. Barry Malloy

6. **Eoin Grace**

7. Darren Nolan

8.

Sean Keating

Darragh Boland 11.

12.

10. Sean Carey

Paul Walsh 14.

Sean Lonergan 15.

13. Diarmuid Foley

Stephen Kennedy

Daniel Lyons

Subs: 16. Brian Melbourne 17. Brendan Boland 18. John Lyne

- 19. Daniel Lyne 20. David Lorrigan 21. Robert Dower
- 22. Liam Redmond 23. Ian McCormack 24. David Harte

25. Kieran Kenrick 26. David Burke.

Team Manager: James Williams, Selectors: Tony Smith, Seamus Delahunty & Jimmy Dunne

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BALLINGARRY

(Maroon and White)

Shane Ivors

Dickie Norton 6.

Eamon Cahill

4.

William Maher **Brian Cooney**

Gary Ivors

Philip Ivors

Patrick (Blondie) Ivors

10. Trevor Ivors

Morgan Ivors (capt.)

11. Liam Croke

Liam Cahill 15.

13. Johnny Holohan

14. Don Lyons

Adrian Cleere

Subs: 16. Jason Ivors 17. Nigel Cleere 18. Donal Shelley 19. Kevin O'Connell

20. Alan Cooney 21. Seanie Cahill 22. Richard Butler 23. Paul Clery

24. Thomas Maher 25. James Logue 26. Thomas Donovan 27. J. P. O'Brien

Team Manager Declan Carr, Selectors Patsy Maher, Willie McGrath, Medic, Sandra Molloy

CLUICHI CHEANNAIS

COMMERCIALS

(Green and Gold)

1.

Mark Tobin

3.

Donal Lynch

4. Sean Ward

5. Jamie Power

Caoimhin Daly

Michael Feeney

Liam O'Donoghue

Kevin Harney (capt.)

Connor O'Hara

10. Adam McSharry

11. Jonathan O'Mahoney

12. Derek Moore

13.

Ian Fraher

14. John Tobin

15. Sean O'Donoghue

Subs: 16. Emmett Donnellan 17. Neil O'Brien 18. Jamie Kelly 19. Tony Cahill

- 20. Luke Moore 21. Christopher Sheehan 22. Simon Scully 23. Andrew Mullins
- 24. Brendan Costello 25. Keith Power 26. Brian O'Sullivan 27. Kevin O'Callaghan
- 28. Keith O'Brien 29. Kevin Dahl 30. Zach Guidera.

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FACT FILE

Tony Shelley who manages the Killenaule team today received the Nationalist Young Hurler of the Year Award in 1991.

Killenaule beat Carrick Swan in their last South Final victory in 1991. The game was played in Clonmel on the 28th of July and resulted in a two point victory for Killenaule. Killenaule 0-15 Carrick Swan 1-10. The referee was Tommy Lonergan from the Kilsheelan Club and the gate receipts were £3402. Tony Shelley who was then a County minor was adjudged man of the match.

Don Lyons Ballingarry's long serving full forward was honoured with the Nationalist Hurler of the Year Award on two occasions in 1992 and 1994 Ballingarry took the title in 1992 beating todays rivals Killenaule in Clonmel by five points, Ballingarry 2-12 Killenaule 1-10. Don Lyons was the winner of the John Quirke sponsored Man of the Match Award.

For Ballingarry their most successful decade was the nineties when they won four senior titles.

Killenaule bridged a twenty five year gap when they won the title in 1988, beating St Mary's in the final at the Fethard venue. They put titles back to back the following year when they defeated Carrick Swan.

Player Profile

Don Lyons, Ballingarry

Don Lyons who lines out at full forward today for Ballingarry is making his tenth South final appearance. Now in his nineteenth year of appearing in the senior hurling championship he holds six of the eight South senior hurling medals won by his Club. Other medals and awards won in his long career include,

1 Tony Forrestal

1 South junior hurling 1986

1 Munster minor medal 1987

2 Munster U 21 medals 89/90

1 All Ireland U 21 medal 1989

1 South @ County U21 B 1989

1 South Junior Football 1996

2 Munster leagues 2003/4

2 Nationalist Player of the year Awards 1992/4

1 Club Player of the Year Award 1999

Started playing hurling aged nine and will be 36 this year

Player Profile

Joe Ceaser, Killenaule

Joe Ceaser appears today in his second South senior hurling final. He first appeared on a Killenaule senior hurling side at fifteen when he played in goal. Just 22 years of age he has a lot of hurling played at Club and County level. He was a key figure in his Clubs success at minor and U21 level in hurling winning four successive minor titles in the Division and five U 21 titles including two County titles. He also played in the Cork senior hurling championship with C.I.T. His record of medals and awards reads,

4 South Minor Hurling 1999--2002 5 .. U21 .. 2000--2004

County ,, , 2003--2004

1 South U 21 Football 2003

I " Inter Football 2004

i County,, ,, 2004

1 Munster minor hurling 2001

2 ,, u 21 ,, 2003--2004

1 All Ireland Voc 1999

1 All Ireland Colleges C.I.T

1 Nationalist Young Hurler of the Year Award 2001

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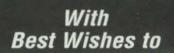
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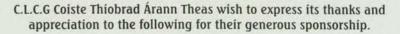
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