

North Tipperary Senior Hurling Final
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This year the Hibernian Inn North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship was very competitive with many sporting games culminating in today's final between Kildangan and Silvermines. Both sides having achieved remarkable success in recent times it should lead to a cracking game of hurling. I wish both teams the very best of luck.

I would like to wish the best of luck to referee Philip Kelly and his officials as he takes charge of today's game. We are especially grateful to our championship sponsors Martin and Jane Morris of the Hibernian Inn for their continued support over the past few years. We wish the sponsors of all our championships the best and ask our patrons to support them.

We thank the Nenagh Éire Óg club and the Thomas MacDonagh Park Committee for the use of their pitch and facilities. As usual they have everything in prime order. Also a word of thanks to those who help in the running of our games, to Secretary, Eugene Ryan, Treasurer, Willie Lennox and his loyal band of gate checkers, programme sellers and anyone else who helps in any way.

Thanks to our PRO Liam Hogan for coming up with another fine programme and finally a word of thanks to the Order of Malta for their continued attendance at our games.

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Seán McCrath, Cathaoirleach

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Kildangan - 2013 North SHC Finalists



The Kildangan squad that defeated Toomevara to reach the 2013 North final.

Back row l-r: Willie Connors, Donnacha Mulcahy, Tommy Connors, Tadhg Gallagher, Eoin Gleeson, Ruairi Gleeson, Darragh Egan, Eoin Kelly, Paraic Kelly, Stephen James Gleeson, Darren Moran, Joe Gallagher, Paddy Lynch, Shane Seymour, Johnny Horan, Eanna Gleeson, Gary Byrne. Front row l-r: Eoin Meagher, Cathal Hanrahan, Brian Kelly, Gerry Slattery, Paddy Coen, Martin Minehan, Fergal Hayes, David Sweeney, Hughie Flannery, Dan Hackett, Paddy Gallagher, Tom McLoughlin, Jack Loughmane

Jason Forde profile

By Shane Brophy (Nenagh Guardian)

Jason Forde is a young man comfortable in his own skin.

When many good players are weighed down by the expectancy of being the major contributor of scores, the Silvermines forward thrives on it.

2011 was the year he came to public prominence for many hurling followers, when awarded the captaincy of the county minor team. Oh how that management team will regret their decision to play him at centre back, not that he wasn't good there, but as we saw in glimpses during that campaign when moved further forward, he offered so much more.

North Intermediate final glory with Silvermines was followed by bitter disappointment in the autumn of 2011 when they came up just short in their quest to get back to the senior ranks, and compete in big games like this evening.

Little did he know that, that autumn was the start of an outstanding run of form, coupled with leadership which has seen him become one of the brightest hurling prospects in the country.

From his schools coach at Nenagh CBS Donach O'Donnell to his current captain with Silvermines Orrie Quirke, there is nothing but praise for the way he carries himself and you get that sense anyway by

the way he plays.

Despite being a leading player for Nenagh CBS, Tipperary under 21's and Silvermines, you never get the sense he is the focal point. He doesn't take on too much of the burden himself. You see similar players in his situation who think they have to do more to get his team to win.

Go back to Nenagh CBS' run to the 2012 All Ireland Colleges title, when the score was on, he took it, if it wasn't he rarely took a hopeful shot. Arguably his greatest individual performance was in the semi-final against St Kieran's College on St Patrick's Day, scoring 14 of his sides 17 points as little Nenagh took down the aristocrats of the Kilkenny City school. Few believed it could be done, but Forde did.

In an interview with the *Irish Independent* last month following the Munster under 21 quarter final win over Limerick, he commented that "the club is where it all starts really". Schools and inter-county success only comes about after the club puts in the initial groundwork.

Whatever Forde goes on to achieve in his hurling career, there's the likelihood that this evening could be the biggest thrill of his career because the club means more than anything and it is why North Final days are so special.



Silvermines - 2013 SHC Finalists



The Silvermines squad that defeated Portroe to reach the 2013 North final.

Back row l-r: Kevin Cunneen, Micheal Hogan, Byran Seymour, Jack Corcoran, Cathal Sherlock, Donal Keogh, Ronan Sherlock, Brendan Timmons, Sean Quirke, Maurice Leamy, Gavin Steed, David Bolland, Orrie Quirke, Peter Kennedy.

Front row l-r: Eddie Ryan, Daniel Keogh, Noel Quirke, Jason Forde, David Keogh, Cathal Gleeson, Padraig Fogarty, Andrew Hayden, Damien Bolland, Eamon Corcoran, David Shanahan, William Keogh.

Philip Kelly, Ballinahinch today's referee

Philip took up refereeing in 2009 after a long playing career with Ballinahinch having played his first intermediate game in 1985. He won an All Ireland junior hurling medal with Tipperary in 1991 and two Munster medals in 1990 and 1991. He has refereed county finals in Junior A and U21 A. At senior level, he refereed the county quarter final between Drom Inch and Clonoulty and was standby referee for the north and county finals of last year. Also in 2012, he refereed the North Intermediate final between Silvermines and Ballina as well the U21 A final between Toomevara and Kilruane. He refereed the All Ireland U16 final of 2012 between Limerick and Galway. GAA and refereeing are very strong in his family and he is following in the footsteps of his brother PJ who was previously a prominent referee in North Tipperary. Philip's uncle Michael Carey also refereed the 1964 North Senior Hurling final between Nenagh Eire Og and Roscrea. This year, Philip was added to the Munster provincial panel of referees. Married to Beverley, they have three boys Jamie (24yrs), Joey and Karl (11yrs).



Umpires for today are: Paddy Kelly, Thomas Kennedy, Shane Fitzgerald and John Ryan B.
Standby referee/linesman Pat Gibson, (Kilruane MacDonaghs);
linesman Kieran Delaney(Toomevara)
 and **fourth official** Michael Murphy (Toomevara).



Tipperary Junior team in 1991- All-Ireland champions. Joe Harrington, Silvermines and Eamon Kelly, Kildangan were members of the team.

Silvermines Club Officers



Silvermines senior club officers: Matt Ryan, chairman; Tina Shanahan, secretary and John Sherlock, treasurer.



Silvermines Juvenile officers: Majella Forde (secretary), Jimmy Murphy (chairman) and Orla Ryan (treasurer).

A cracking final in prospect

By James Hayden

THIS year's North Tipperary senior hurling championship has provided hurling aficionados with upsets aplenty but few will argue that both sides battling it out for the coveted Frank McGrath cup are not here on merit.

Today the Silvermines will grace a north senior final for the first time since 1975 and will undoubtedly be gunning to cap off what has been a memorable couple of seasons for the men in blue and white. On that day the 'Mines, as reigning champions, faced Moneygall in Cloughjordan but lost out narrowly on a 2-10 to 1-11 scoreline.

Since those halcyon days of the mid-'70s the 'Mines faithful have often dreamed of returning once more to the pinnacle of hurling in North Tipp and following what has been a thoroughly entertaining and convincing campaign they are back for another tilt as they bid to bridge a 39-year gap since their last triumph.

The reigning north, county and Munster intermediate champions are fully capable of capping off what would be a fairytale victory with a side that boast a dearth of experience and a wealth of talent. However, standing in their path are a Kildangan outfit who are no stranger to success themselves, having particularly impressed on the senior scene over recent years with their nadir coming in 2008 when the famously hauled back a seemingly insurmountable deficit to overcome Burgess by 1-17 to 2-12.

Kildangan also earned another tilt at the title two years ago but Toomevara proved that little bit too strong on the day and emerged victorious on a 1-18 to 0-13 scoreline. Many of that team survive to take the field today but over the past two years a noticeable infusion of youth has added balance and poise to a well-drilled Kildangan side.

Their performances to date in the north championship have impressed but undoubtedly their victory over Toomevara in the semi-final displayed the true depth of character in this

Kildangan side. For that reason the bookmakers have installed Kildangan as favourites to lift the cup today.

They ably negotiated the group stages and at this juncture the management team of Seamus Gleeson, Johnny Kelly, Eddie Fogarty and Martin Nolan have settled on quite a potent combination of youth and experience.

In defence, the lynchpins are the evergreen Gerry Slattery and Martin Minehan while Tommy Connors has excelled at midfield. In attack, Kildangan possess a wealth of talent with all six forwards capable of picking off their own scores. Brothers, Tadgh and Joe Gallagher along with the jet-heeled Willie Connors have often provided the catalyst for previous victories while the free-taking exploits of Ruairi Gleeson is another string to Kildangan's bow. Furthermore, the feats of Darragh Egan between the sticks this year have been a joy to behold and together with his long-range freetaking abilities he adds yet another dimension to a well-balanced Kildangan side.

However, the 'Mines have been making a habit of 'bookie bashing' over the past two years and possess the strength of character to bring the Frank McGrath Cup back to Bun Ciamalta.

In defence, Brendan Timmons and Ronan Sherlock have commanded their respective lines well throughout the past two seasons. Together with Maurice Leamy, Damien Boland, Noel Quirke and Donal Keogh they for a defensive sextet that has proved extremely difficult to break down. At midfield, Cathal Gleeson and Orrie Quirke have also excelled while David Boland at centre-forward is the fulcrum around which a dangerous 'Mines attack revolves. Undoubtedly, Jason Forde is their marquee forward, but brothers, Willie, Daniel and David Keogh are well able to chip in with decisive scores while Sean Quirke and Paudie Fogarty have also displayed their prowess in front of goal.

So a cracking final in prospect. Hang on to your seats, hats and everything else because today's clash promises to be one that many will remember for years to come!

Silvermines' only North SHC win

September 8th 1974:

Silvermines 4-7 Roscrea 1-10 at Nenagh

Silvermines won the North Senior hurling final to become the latest team to join the list of winners when accounting for Roscrea in an exciting contest at Nenagh.

Not since 1947, when Borris-Ileigh first hit the headlines in the North, had new champions been crowned. Mines, only two years after their Intermediate success, became the top team in the division with a victory that was greeted throughout the whole county.

Roscrea were pre-match favourites but Silvermines wasted no time in leading the charge. Three first half goals by John Forde (close in free) after 11 minutes and two more by Maurice Daffey and John Kennedy, close to half time, helped create a heartening 3-5 to 0-3 lead at the break.

As expected, Roscrea, now playing with the breeze,

reduced the margin to five (3-6 to 0-7) but a 46th minute goal by Pat Quinlan and a John Forde free a minute later put Mines on the road to a memorable victory.

SCORERS: Silvermines- J Forde 1-3 (frees); J Kennedy 1-1; M Daffey and P Quinlan 1-0 each; E Dillon, Jack Dunlea, M Fitzgibbon (free) 0-1 each

Roscrea: F Loughnane 0-7 (frees); J Maher 1-1; M Shanahan 0-2.

SILVERMINES: Tom Kennedy; Jim O'Brien (Capt), Jim Keogh, Michael Maher; Pat Dunlea; Michael Fitzgibbon, Jack Dunlea; John Sherlock, Michael Hanley; John Forde, Eamon Dillon, John Kennedy; Maurice Daffey, Pa Quinlan, Jim Ryan.

ROSCREA: Joe Fitzgerald; Tom Tynan, Brendan Maher, Kevin Brady; Jimmy Crampton, Tadgh O'Connor, Donie Moloney; Liam Spooner, Michael Minogue; Francis Loughnane, Roger Ryan, Joe Tynan; Michael Shanahan, Liam Stapleton, James Maher.

Referee: Sean O'Meara, Lorrha.

Last North Final win for Kildangan

by Brian McDonnell

Kildangan presented us with yet another parable, a story of stout resistance in 2008 when facing Burgess in the North Tipperary senior hurling final - a wonderful sense of occasion surrounded that decider.

From the start Burgess set about squeezing the life out of Kildangan, one breath at a time. Burgess led 1-10 to 0-7 at the break and with 15 minutes to play the Tony Considine-coached side had extended their lead to eight (2-12 to 0-10) following a Patrick Tucker goal.

But then something happened which felt like a full stop at the end of a sentence: Kildangan had been unlucky with a couple of goal-scoring chances, but following a mix-up in the Burgess full-back line Seáníe Kelly pounced for a vital goal.

Four points followed in quick succession thanks to Eoin Kelly, Ruairí Gleeson, Seáníe Kelly and a monster from Gerry Slattery before centre-back Dan Hackett grabbed a Shane Maher clearance on the hour mark and drove it over the Burgess bar from 100 yards plus - the sides were now level: 1-15 to 2-12.

Michael Cahill allowed for two minutes of injury

time and Kildangan took full advantage with Eoin Gleeson and Darragh Egan plundering points which ended Kildangan's 65-year search for the Frank McGrath Cup. It finished 1-17 to 2-12. Michael Cusack once wrote a glorious description of hurling on the eve of the first inter-county championship in 1887. His words could hardly be bettered: "a hurling match is like a city on fire where the crackling of burning timber and the hissing of the flames swell into the roar of conflagration. We never heard sweeter music than that of the hurling field".

The 2008 decider was a wonderful occasion and if we are treated to anything like it on Sunday hurling fans in north Tipperary won't have much to be complaining about.

The Kildangan team that day read: Dermot Hogan, Michael Ryan (joint-captain), Liam Kelly, Brian Lawlor, John Slattery, Dan Hackett (0-1), Gerry Slattery (0-1), Brian Kelly (joint-captain), Joe Gallagher (0-1), Paddy Lynch, Eoin Kelly (0-2), Liam Karol Flannery, Seán Gleeson, Darragh Egan (0-8, 0-5 frees), Ruairí Gleeson (0-2). Subs: Martin Minehan for Seán Gleeson, Seáníe Kelly (1-1) for Joe Gallagher, Rory Whelan for Paddy Lynch, Eoin Gleeson (0-1) for Liam Karol Flannery.

Maurice Davin statue unveiled in Carrick-on-Suir by President Liam O'Neill

by Liz Howard

For many years, Tipperary man Maurice Devin, co-founder of the GAA was almost forgotten while Clare people proclaimed loudly and often that Michael Cusack was the founder of the GAA. The Cusack Centre in Carron was much publicised and a huge statue was unveiled outside the Cusack Stand in recent years. Seamus Ó Riain, the author of *Maurice Davin 1842-1927*, helped bring Davin back into the public consciousness. More recently a committee chaired by Bobby Fitzgerald and guided by Sean Nugent set about honoured the world class athlete, farmer, businessman and first President of the GAA.

Saturday June 1st was a wonderful day in Carrick-on-Suir when a statue sculpted in Kilkenny limestone was unveiled outside Davin Park. The tasteful work was done by young Clare sculptor, Barry Wrafter. The day began in Churchtown graveyard where Davin rests, beside the banks of the gently flowing Suir with Slievenamon keeping watch on a sunny morning. A beautiful and peaceful setting, his grave was blessed and a wreath laid. The first person we met on arrival was Ralph Callaghan, former Tipperary and New York hurler. Those present included members of the Davin family including his grand nephew Pat Walsh, GAA people led by President Liam O'Neill and County

Chairman Sean Nugent.

It was then back to Carrick for the unveiling of the statue by Liam O'Neill. The three clubs, Davins, Swan and St. Molleran's were involved in organising the event. Former Presidents, Joe McDonagh, Sean McCague and Sean Kelly were present. The band played, the local people turned out in numbers, a fitting tribute to the occasion. Ned Quinn Chairman Kilkenny arrived, as did Robert Frost and Martin McAviney, Ulster Chairman, made the long journey south. Liam O'Neill made a terrific speech, unscripted as previous speakers had stolen most of his lines! A festive atmosphere prevailed.

Later an exhibition of items belonging to Maurice and Pat Davin was on view; they were loaned by South Tipperary county Museum. Refreshments were taken in convivial company. Congratulations to all involved in making it a success. Take a trip to Carrick to see the statue outside Davin Park.

Later my sister Pat and I stopped at Deerpark, where we were born, just across the field from the Davin homestead. As we headed home on a golden evening, Slievenamon was bathed in light. It was if our iconic mountain approved Maurice Davin being honoured. We took the long road home through our lovely county, magnificent Tipperary.



Pat Walsh, grand nephew of Maurice Davin; Liam O'Neill, President of the GAA and Sean Nugent, Chairman Tipperary GAA Board at Churchtown graveyard where Maurice Davin rests.

Outside managers' influence

Brian McDonnell matches today's team managers, two men that have come up through the ranks having served their respective clubs very well.

An interesting aspect to this year's Hibernian Inn-sponsored North Tipperary senior hurling final is the fact that both Kildangan and Silvermines are heavily influenced by outsiders.

Johnny Kelly, who works alongside selector Eddie Fogarty and Martin Nolan plus manager Séamus Gleeson with Kildangan, hardly requires an introduction.

As a player Johnny Kelly endured hardship with his native Portumna at the intermediate grade. Portumna, however, finally made the breakthrough to senior in 2003 and went on to contest seven successive county finals.

Kelly operated as a selector with several of those sides before becoming manager in 2008.

Johnny, working alongside selectors Vincent Treacy, Timmy Walsh and trainer Dinny Cahill, guided his beloved Portumna to county titles in 2008 and 2009. More significantly Kelly was also instrumental in Portumna winning All-Ireland club titles in both 2008 and 2009 - in 2008 Portumna saw off Birr in the decider and a year later defeated De La Salle of Waterford.

In 2010 Portumna, who had not suffered a defeat in twenty-nine competitive matches (2006-2010), found themselves chasing three All-Ireland club titles in-a-row, lost to Kilkenny's Ballyhale Shamrocks.

Kelly stuck with the Portumna seniors until 2011 before challenging for the Galway senior hurling manager's role in 2011. Tony Keady and Dinny Cahill joined Kelly on the ticket, but the County Board opted for Anthony Cunningham.

Following that disappointment Kelly was appointed coach to the Kildangan senior hurlers in 2012. And, while Kildangan got off to a slow start Kelly's influence as a coach soon started to tell. Kildangan were slow starters again this term, but found their feet in no uncertain terms.

Indeed, the campaign of Séamus Gleeson's men has marked by superb victories over Templederry and, especially, Toomevara. Better still the quality of Kildangan's slick stick-passing has really caught the eye.

Thurles' Paddy Moore, as manager, guides the fortunes of the 'Mines. He had Declan Corcoran and Anthony McGrath on his management team with assistance from Paddy McCormack and Liam Flannery

Moore, a talented forward who played for Thurles Fennellys, won a county title with Thurles Sarsfields in 1974. Moore has also dedicated a significant part of his coaching career toward the development of players at the much-vaunted Durlas Óg.

In 2012 Moore, with Thurles' Paddy McCormack installed as coach, was appointed manager of Silvermines. And, the scale of the transformation that Moore inspired in the 'Mines has been extraordinary.

Since relegation from the senior grade in 2003 the 'Mines had struggled to find their feet, but once Moore caught a hold of them there was no turning back. Moore worked to transform the mentality of Silvermines and the 'Mines exploded into life and ultimately won their first county intermediate title since 1999 when defeating Ballina in the 2012 county intermediate hurling final at Semple Stadium, Thurles.

However, having achieved their goal Paddy Moore challenged his players to go further, much further. And, following a dramatic provincial campaign the 'Mines were crowned Munster champions following a narrow final win over Kerry's Ballyduff.

The bottle of the Silvermines players had once been challenged, but no longer. Indeed, the 'Mines were very unfortunate to miss out on an All-Ireland title when losing to a hugely-talented Clara (Kilkenny) team at the semi-final stage.

The manner in which the 'Mines have approached the north championship this year has also warmed the heart of Silvermines supporters. Despite being drawn in a difficult group Silvermines got the better of Toomevara and Burgess before seeing off defending champions Portroe en route to today's final.

Those results were impressive in themselves, but the style of them even more so. The 'Mines go for it from start to finish. Paddy Moore's men hurl up a storm and they are a credit to everyone associated with the club.

Meet the managers



Kildangan management team for 2013: Left to right: Eddie Fogarty (selector), Johnny Kelly (coach), Seamus Gleeson (manager), Martin Nolan (selector), Jim Ryan (logistics)



Silvermines management team for 2013. From left to right: Declan Corcoran selector; Paddy Moore manager; Liam Flannery team assistant and Anthony McGrath selector.

Hurling is my life . . .

Michael Fitzgibbon, Silvermines and Tipperary

Michael Fitzgibbon was a star hurler with Silvermines back in the seventies and eighties. He was an outstanding centre half back. At times he would operate at midfield. He won North and county intermediate medals in 1972. The team joined senior ranks in 1973 and reached the North semi-final losing to Borris-Ileagh before going on to win the North final the following year when defeating a star studded Roscrea side.

In 1972, Michael won a Munster and All-Ireland medal with Tipperary Intermediates. Tipp defeated Galway in Birr. Michael played wing back in place of the injured Willie Moloney. The team and panel included many players from both Kildangan and Silvermines as Tipp created history in becoming the first county to successfully defend their title.

His first played juvenile hurling in 1963 and won medals in many grades thereafter.

Club Honours North Senior Hurling 1974; North and County intermediate hurling in 1972; Four North senior football in 1973, '74, '75 and '80; North Under -21 football 1969; North Junior Football in 1971,

Inter County Munster/All Ireland Intermediate hurling in 1972. Tipp defeated Kerry and Galway.

When and where did you first play hurling with your club? North Juvenile in 1963. Silvermines reached the losers group final in under-15 that time two years in a row. We defeated Shannon Rovers both years and I was playing the second year. It was the only age group for juvenile hurling at the time.

Your first mentor? Three men stand out. Dan Keogh, uncle of Jim and grand uncle to the Keoghs on today's team. Jim hurled with the Mines and won two intermediate medals in 1945 and '48. Martin Minehan was creamery manager in Silvermines at the time. He also won two intermediate medals. Fr Michael Gilmartin was also involved. We trained in Dolla where the present pitch is.

Who was your biggest influence on career? My club mates. The players I grew up with. I used cycle four miles from Ballinaclough to Dolla to train alongside the Lynchs and John Kennedy -also on



Michael Fitzgibbon

successful Tipp Intermediate Team in 1972.

What was the most you scored in any one game? I played corner forward and scored 1-2 against Moneygall in an under -21 championship game. The game was a replay played in MacDonagh Park. We lost to Moneygall who were strong contenders at the time

What was your most memorable score?

Can't remember any. I usually played midfield or half back so opportunities were rare. Remember the ball was much heavier those days.

What players do you admire and what do you admire about them? Eoin Kelly, Mullinahone. He fulfilled the promise he showed from a very early age. I saw him play under 14 scoring against Nenagh in a county final a number of years ago. He destroyed Nenagh who had a promising team that time. Francis Loughnane, Roscrea was another player I had great admiration for both as a player and an opponent. His sheer strength and ability was a test to any opponent.

A rule you would like to see changed in hurling? Not so much as rule but I would like to a ban on the short puck out. It can be a disaster. Most goalkeepers can reach their opponents forty five and beyond so I don't see the need to shorten

a puck out. The short puckout only puts pressure on his team mate and so much can go wrong if the receiver drops the ball.

A recent rule change that is in your view was wrong for hurling? Again not a rule but the present structure of county v club needs to be rectified in some way so that our club finals will not be played in the depths of winter.

Who is your favourite GAA writer or pundit? Des Cahill from radio and the Sunday game.

Favourite sport other than hurling? All sports. I like tennis, golf but I would prefer horse racing with golf a close second.

Best book read? Not any particular book. I am not an avid reader but I like reading GAA books on statistics and accounts of past games. The newly published Dan Breen book by Jim Fogarty is brilliant. It goes back to 1931 when the Dan Breen was first presented. I attended many finals and it is nice to look back on the players some of whom were boyhood heroes. I have a similar book on Kilkenny county finals which is a nice record to have.

Best film seen? The General.

Best concert or gig you've attended? Christy Moore concerts. I have attended several of his concerts mostly in the Point or in the 02 they call it now.

Hurling person you would most like to meet? Jackie Tyrell, Kilkenny and find out how he operates. I think he is one of the strongest players around today. I saw him play in a recent Kilkenny county final. James Stephens drew with Ballyhale Shamrocks and he was up against Henry Shefflin.

Best hurling memory outside of club? The 1987 Munster hurling Final in Killarney. The fact that Tipperary were down for so long. It was sixteen years since they won.

What was your greatest moment in sport? Winning the 1974 North Senior hurling Final against Roscrea. The lead up to the day was very exciting. We were involved in very exciting games coming up to the final. The late John Doyle, Holycross was the team trainer. We toggled out in the old dressing rooms. I played centre back and was marking the late Roger Ryan. Jack and Pat Dunlea were the wing backs. It was bedlam after the game.



Michael Fitzgibbon, Silvermines and Willie Moloney (Kildangan) were part of the Tipperary Intermediate team that defeated Galway in the All-Ireland final at Birr in 1972. The side included eight Kildangan and three Silvermines players. Back: Sean Cahalan (Shannon Rovers), Math Ruth (Clonmel), Jim Keogh (Silvermines), P Connors (Thurles Fennellys), Sean Fitzpatrick (Carrick Swans) Terry Moloney (Kildangan) Willie Moloney (do), Nickey Flannery (do), Ollie Killeen (do), John Darcy (do), Jim Egan RIP (do), John Costigan (Clonakenny). Front: Jim Kehoe (Kilsheelan), Seamus Mackey (Holycross-Ballycahill), Mick Morris (Borrisokane), John Kennedy (Silvermines), Jack Seymour (Portroe), Noel Seymour (Kildangan), Billy Ferncombe (Boherlahan), John Keane (do), Michael Fitzgibbon (Silvermines), Paddy Kelly (Kildangan), Pat Coffey (Aherlow).

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Best of luck to Kildangan in today's final

Ruairi Gleeson, Kildangan

It's been a busy year for the Kildangan corner forward, Ruairi Gleeson. The Kildangan top scorer will play in his third North senior final today ten days after collecting a Munster Intermediate winners medal last Friday week sharing honours with fellow club men, Darragh Egan and Martin Minehan. He scored 0-2 in one of his best performances this year.

He made his senior club championship debut against Moneygall in 2008 and featured in every game leading up to a North final success against Burgess. In 2011 he was on the losing side when appearing in his second North final this time beaten by Toomevara but later collected an all-Ireland medal in the Kilmacud sevens.

This year he has varied his play operating at right corner forward and moving out on the wing. As leading marksman he has reached second place in the scoring championship charts with 0-41 (0-30 from frees and 0-4 from 65s), five clear goals behind Jason Forde. He has struggled with hamstring injuries but he made the Tipperary intermediate side that claimed Munster honours against Cork last week.

Earlier at underage he won North under-14 A



Ruairi Gleeson in action against Toomevara

hurling final in 2005. Kildangan defeated Lorrha and added another North under -16 medal in 2007 when Kildangan defeated Nenagh Eire Og in the decider. Kildangan were runners up in the 2009 North Minor A final but collected two North under-21 B medals 2008 and 2010 leading to county memento in 2010.

At divisional and inter county level he won a Tipperary Supporters Under-16 All-Ireland in 2008. He finished runners up in two munster minor finals but collecting a munster intermediate medal last week made up for it somewhat. The odds of another All-Ireland medal in late august? We will have to wait and see.



North Tipperary Board 2013. Front: Willie Lennox (treasurer), Ann Hickey (CCC member), Dan Kennedy (vice-chairman), Marian Minahan (Bord na nOg rep), Eugene Ryan (secretary). Back: Liam Hogan (PRO), Noel Carey (CCC member), Martin Healy (referee's rep) and John Gleeson (CCC member). Inset: John McGrath (chairman).

My hurling life . . .

Willie Moloney, Kildangan and Tipperary

School Honours: 1966 played with North Tipp Vocational school when we won the All Ireland Hurling final. The one and only time I played in Croke Park

Club Honours: Played Juvenile, Minor, Intermediate and Senior with Kildangan.

1966 won Intermediate North Final

1971 won Intermediate North and

County final

1970 and 1971 Under 21s Naomh Padraig won North & County medals.

Inter County Honours: 1968 - played Minor with Tipperary - on the panel

1970 - Under 21 played on the team

1971 - Played Tipp Intermediate Hurling

1972 - Played Tipp Intermediate Hurling - missed All Ireland final due to broken collar bone.

When and where did you first play hurling for your club? Played Juvenile at under-15 level for three years commencing in 1963. We trained in Puckane. A bunch of us would travel down to Puckane with Jimmy Killeen. I played in the 1965 North final and lost to Borris-lleigh. I missed the 1966 win along with Martin Healy, John Connors and Donie Ryan.

Your first mentor(s): Fr Ml O'Donoghue RIP. Jim Killeen RIP. Michael McGowan RIP and Paddy Hogan N.T four very loyal mentors and very enthusiastic about hurling.

Who was your biggest influence on career?

Paddy Kelly, Billy Flannery, & Brian McDonnell. The trio played in the 1966 North final defeating Shannon Rovers after a replay. To me they were hurling giants at the time and I - a sixteen year old - was asked to play in goal in place of Eddie McLoughney. Paddy Kelly had been a very good centre back and Billy Flannery played midfield. Brian McDonnell was always good for a score up in attack.

What was the most you scored in any one game? In the 1970 Under 21 North final against Roscrea I scored 0-9 with Naomh Padraig (Kildangan/Burgess). While playing first at wing forward before moving to midfield.



Willie Moloney

What was your most memorable score? In 1970, Naomh Padraig against Sean Treacys in the county final. Just after half time we were awarded a 21 yard free. Donal Nealon immediately shouted instructions take my point while he was running towards the goal pointing to the ground and a badly struck ball hit the back of the net. Nealon was one of the best to give a pre-match talk in a dressing room.

What players did you admire and what did you admire about them? John Mackey McKenna, Borrisokane, Jimmy Doyle, Thurles Sarsfields and Frances Loughnane, Roscrea. They all had their own unique style.

McKenna was fearless. Doyle was a genius and Loughnane was a genius as well.

A rule you would like to see changed in hurling. Eliminate the handpass from hurling. Hurling maybe faster now with the handpass

but the skill looks more like a throw. In older times, the forward would hurl their way out of difficult positions.

A recent rule change that is in your view wrong for hurling? Not so much to change a rule but the recent rule change in making it compulsory to wear of helmets which I welcome from a player safety point of view but it make it difficult to recognise players during a game. Still safety is number one.

Who is your favourite GAA writer/pundit?

Shane Brophy.

Favourite sport other than hurling?

Munster Rugby. I have attended a few games in Thomond Park the atmosphere at the games and Munster had a good run. I liked Ronan O'Gara and John Hayes. Hayes was a very under rated player.

Best book read and film watched? *Michael Collins*. It was a good story. It rekindled an interest in history.

Hurling Person you would most like meet?

Tony Reddan Lorrha former Tipp goalkeeper. I saw the last game he played in Nenagh. I heard so many stories about him. A great goalkeeper by all accounts. Still rated as the best of all time.

Best hurling memory outside of playing?

Kildangan Intermediate team winning the All Ireland club final against Carrickshock at Semple Stadium in 2005. The finish was great. Kildangan looked a beaten team especially when Dan Hackett went down injured. After a small delay Kildangan took over with the late goals.

Also. The 1991 Munster final win against Cork at Semple Stadium when Aidan Ryan scored a great goal towards the end. A great game.

What was your greatest moment in sport?

1984: Winning a rowing race from Garrykennedy to Dromineer and being presented with a plaque by Bob Tisdell the former Olympic champion.



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Gallagher brothers. Left to right: Paddy, Joe and Tadhg.



Gleeson brothers: left to right: Ruairi, Eanna and Eoin



Flynn brothers: Left to right: Alan and Paul



Connors brothers: Left to right: Willie and Tommy

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There will also be a Family Fun Day running simultaneously on the day with Bouncy Castles, Face painting, trampolines etc so it promises to be a great day for all the family.

If that didn't wet your appetite enough then there will also be a Full Moon Beach After party in McGrath's Bar Puckane that night.

So if your interested in competing then why not check out www.muckoff.ie. It promises to be a great day full of craic!!



Snippets

Silvermines and Kildangan share All-Ireland Junior success in 1991

Three players from Silvermines and Kildangan played a major part in Tipperary's All-Ireland Junior Hurling final win over Kilkenny played on July 27th 1991 at the Gaelic Grounds, Limerick.

Joe Harrington (Silvermines) and Eamon Kelly (Kildangan) played on the inside forward line as Tipp went on to win by 2-13 to 0-10. Martin Grace (Kildangan) was a substitute.

It did not end there. Former Silvermines winning captain from 1974, Jim O'Brien was a selector along with Billy Sweeney (Moyné Templeuohy), Jackie Cooke (Thurles Sarsfields), Vinnie Ryan (Eire Og Annacarty) and Jackie Murphy (Carrick Davins).

The Tipperary team that lined out that evening was: John Leamy; Michael Ryan (Fethard), Michael Stapleton, Damien Quinlan; Pat Maguire, Gerry O'Brien (Portroe and captain), Shane MacManus; Owen Cummins, Chris Bryon; Liam Stokes, Liam Sheedy, Eamon Maher (Skeheenarinky); Joe Harrington, Eamon Kelly, Sean Nealon. Subs used John Ryan, Paudie O'Keeffe and David Fogarty.

Top scorer on North Final day

Pat Dunlea was Silvermines top scorer with 2-3 when Silvermines defeated Kildangan in the North Intermediate championship by 7-7 to 2-5 on North senior hurling final day August 17th. Silvermines were into the North final against Burgess. Roscrea defeated Lorrha in the senior final.

Teams and scorers: Silvermines: John Lyons; Jim O'Brien, Jim Keogh, Michael Maher; Michael Fitzgibbon, Pat Quinlan, Sean Maher; Pat Sheehan, Michael Hanley; John Kennedy (2-0), Jack Dunlea (10), Michael Sullivan (1-3); Pat Dunlea (2-3), Martin Clifford, Eamon Doherty. Sub Michael O'Brien for Sheehan.

Kildangan: Jimmy O'Meara; John Kelly, Christy Hayes, Jimmy Seymour; Ger Flynn, Paddy Kelly, Jimmy Foley; Willie Moloney, Seamus Hogan (101); Martin healy, Noel Seymour, Michael Kenhedy; Roddy O'Meara, Jimmy Flannery, Ted Ryan. Sub Seamus Hayes.

Last Meeting

Nenagh Guardian North Tipp IHC 04: Kildangan 4-19 Silvermines 1-13

A supreme effort by Kildangan, earned them a place in the quarter finals of the Nenagh Guardian North Tipperary Intermediate Hurling championship after an emphatic victory over Silvermines at MacDonagh Park. The result put both teams in the quarter finals.

SCORERS: Kildangan D Egan 3-8 (1-4 f), Colm McGrath 0-5 (1f and 1=65), L K Flannery 1-0, P Lynch 0-4, C Hayes 0-2. Silvermines W Keogh 0-10, O Quirke 1-1, D Corcoran and S O'Brien 0-1 each.

KILDANGAN: Dermot Hogan; Michael Ryan, Brian Lawlor, James Flannery; Karl Hogan, Dan Hackett, Ger Slattery; Colm McGrath, Sean Maher; Hughie Flannery, James Minehan, Pat Lynch; Conor Hayes, Liam Karl Flannery, Darragh Egan. Subs: Willie Seymour for Hackett inj, Eddie Fogarty for Egan.

SILVERMINES: Donal O'Brien, Tom Cunneen, Alan Cunneen, Kevin Cunneen; David Boland, Donal Keogh, Declan Mulqueen; Sean O'Brien, Cathal Gleeson; Niall Kelly, Declan Corcoran, Brendan Timmons; Orrie Quirke, Tony Kelly, Willie Keogh. Subs- Ronan Sherlock, Ger Gleeson and Anthony McGrath.

Referee: John McDonnell, Roscrea.

League Final 1991

Silvermines defeated Kildangan in the 1991 Intermediate Hurling League final at Toomevara. Silvermines won by 1-7 to 0-8 and Michael Lenihan, Ballinahinch was the match referee. Joe Harrington's second half goal was the match winner.

SCORERS: Silvermines- J Harrington 1-0; E Ryan 0-2; G Ryan, D Corcoran, N Sheehy, J Sherlock and G Gleeson 0-1 each. Kildangan- M Fogarty 0-4; S Kelly 0-3, E Fahy 0-1.

SILVERMINES: John Kennedy; Joe Quinlan, Donal Forde, Ger Ryan; Jimmy Murphy, Ger Ryan, Liam Keogh; Michael Cunneen, Ger Gleeson; John Sherlock, Noel Sheehy, Michael O'Brien; Eoin Ryan, Joe Harrington, Declan Corcoran.

KILDANGAN: Martin Grace; Ger O'Meara, Paddy Hayes, Martin Kelly; Christy Hayes, Micilin Delaney, Eamon Kelly; Brian Flannery, Matthew Fogarty; Eddie Darcy, Donal Flannery, Joe Teefey; Eamon Fahy, Eddie Loughnane, Sean Kelly. Subs: Kieran Ryan for Darcy; Liam Flannery for M Kelly; Michael Nolan for Teefey.



Kildangan Club senior committee: Back l-r: Michael Quinn (joint secretary) Michael Quigley (joint secretary) Martin Gerard Gleeson (Lotto co-ordinator). Front l-r: Mike 'Scart' Ryan (vice chairman), Brid Coffey (treasurer), Niall McGrath (McGraths Puckane, main sponsor), Jim Gallagher (chairman) and Gerry Slattery (PRO).

Snippets

It Happened on Sunday July 28th

Sunday 28th July, 1991, Kildangan defeated Burgess by 4-13 to 1-11 in the North Intermediate championship. Kildangan: Cathal Egan; Gerard O'Meara, Paddy Hayes, Martin Kelly; Christy Hayes, Micilin Delaney, Donal Flannery (0-4); Matthew Fogarty 1-2, Brian Flannery; Martin Grace 0-2, Eamon Kelly, Sean Kelly; Paul Gavin 1-2, Colm Egan 2-0, Eamon Fahy. Sub: Michael Nolan.

Sunday 28th July 1996, Moneygall defeated Nenagh Éire Og by 1-13 to 1-12 in the Losers' Group final of the North Tipperary senior hurling championship at Toomevara. Johnny McDonnell was the match referee.

On the same day, MacDonagh Park housed a North Intermediate hurling round 3 championship double bill when Borrisokane defeated Burgess 3-16 to 3-10 and Templederry overcome Knockshegowna 2-14 to 1-14.

Sixty seconds with . . .

Ger Slattery, Kildangan and David Boland, Silvermines will be direct opponents in today's final. Both players took sixty seconds out to reflect on the impact hurling has on them.

Ger Slattery, Kildangan



Gerald Slattery, who lines out at number six today, first lined out with Kildangan has been hurling seven years on the Kildangan senior team. It has been a fantastic journey for him and Kildangan. On two occasions he had the honour of been captain - Kildangan won North and County Minor titles in 1998 before leading his side to North, County, Munster and All Ireland Intermediate titles in 2004/05.

Indeed he points out that 1998 has been a pivotal moment in both his and Kildangan's progress - in particular the trilogy of matches against today's opponents Silvermines in the 1998 north semi final. He believes this led to a great investment in the youth system of the club with many players progressing to make the senior team. The biggest influence on his career have been his parents and Seamus Hayes (RIP). Ger was named North Tipperary Hurler of the year in 2003, won a Fitzgibbon cup medal in 2002 with UL and All Ireland 7s title with Kildangan in 2011. These titles added to county minor, three north intermediate medals, a county u-21 medal, north senior hurling medal as well as various football medals with the club. He has represented Tipperary with distinction in both hurling and football.

He highlights the 'all for one' attitude within the club and the importance of everybody in the club, of which the panel of players is a part of - these ethos instilled within the club have led to their great success over the past few years. He believes the right attitude and high workrate are key ingredients if any team is to be successful. Indeed the importance of 'giving something back' is very important within the club, with many of senior panel coaching juvenile teams. Indeed he himself is the current PRO of the club and has won county U21 titles with the club as team manager and coach.

David Boland Silvermines



A couple of years ago two players from the Silvermines walked into MacDonagh Park for the 2007 North Senior Hurling Final, one said to the other "Will we ever get to play in a game like this" to which the other fellow laughed and said "I don't think so. How wrong he was!"

Over the past few years this team suffered many crushing defeats. These defeats looking back, maybe made the players stronger and tired of losing. The attitude of the players changed and they became more determined to win something for themselves and for their supporters. The support from the club officers was also a huge factor in our success. They supported everything the players and different management teams wanted during the past few years.

They deserve great credit as sometimes the work these people are doing behind the scenes goes unnoticed.

It wasn't anything in particular but everything in general that has got us to where we are today. Enjoy the match.



Silvermines panel which won the North Tipperary Senior Hurling Championship in 1974.

Back row: John Grace, Seamus Forde, Tom Kennedy, Sean Hogan (at rear), John Quirke, Michael Corkery, Pat Quinlan, Vinny O'Rourke, Eddie Kennedy, Johnny Forde, Ger Delaney, John Sherlock, Michael Hanly, Jack Dunlea, Jim Keogh, Danny Grace, Paddy Quinlan (selector), Paddy Collins (selector). Front: Denis Quirke, Michael O'Brien, Maurice Daffy, Michael Fitzgibbon, John Kennedy, Jim O'Brien, Pat Dunlea, Michael Maher, Eamonn Dillon, Matt Hanly.



Cousins Donal Keogh, Sean Quirke, Orris Quirke, Noel Quirke, Daniel Keogh, David and Willie Keogh.



Daniel, David and Willie Keogh

Silvermines Brothers



Ryan and Gary Toohey



David and Damien Boland



Sean, Orrie and Noel Quirke



Cathal and Ronan Sherlock



Kildangan



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- (16) Patrick Coen
- (17) Gary Byrne
- (18) Alan Flynn
- (19) Paul Flynn
- (20) Patrick Gallagher
- (21) Eanna Gleeson
- (22) Eoin Gleeson
- (23) Stephen J Gleeson
- (24) Cathal Hanrahan
- (25) Johnny Horan
- (26) Liam Kelly
- (27) Paraic Kelly
- (28) Paddy Lynch
- (29) Tom McLoughlin
- (30) Donnacha Mulcahy
- (31) Jim Minehan
- (32) Darren Moran
- (33) Eoin Meagher
- (34) Shane Seymour

(1)

Darragh Egan

1-01

(2)

David Sweeney

(3)

Martin Minehan

(4)

Fergal Hayes

(5)

Hughie Flannery

(6)

Ger Slattery

(7)

Jack Loughnane

(8)

Brian Kelly

(9)

Tommy Connors

(10)

Ruairi Gleeson

(11)

Joe Gallagher (Capt)

(12)

Eoin Kelly

(13)

Willie Connors

(14)

Dan Hackett

(15)

Tadhg Gallagher

Management: Johnny Kelly, Seamus Gleeson, Eddie Fogarty, Martin Nolan
Fitness Coach: Donnacha Mulcahy. Physio: Marcus O'Connell. Logistics: Jim Ryan

KILDANGAN	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachai	65m	Saor Ciceanna
1 adh leath			<i>11</i>		<i>11111</i>
2 adh leath			<i>11111</i>		<i>111</i>
IOMLÁN					

Silvermines



(1)

Cathal Sherlock

(2)

Maurice Leamy

(3)

Brendan Timmons

(4)

Damien Boland

(5)

Donal Keogh

(6)

Ronan Sherlock

(7)

Noel Quirke

(8)

Cathal Gleeson

(9)

Orris Quirke

(10)

Jason Forde

(11)

David Boland

(12)

Padraig Fogarty

(13)

Daniel Keogh

(14)

Willie Keogh

(15)

David Keogh

Manager: Paddy Moore. Selectors: Declan Corcoran, Anthony McGrath.

Team Assistant: Liam Flannery. Physio: Eddie Hynes. First Aid: John Sherlock.

FIR IONAIÐ

(16) Peter Kennedy

(17) Sean Quirke

(18) Kevin Cunneen

(19) Alan Ryan

(20) Andrew Hayden

(21) Eamon Corcoran

(22) Gary Toohey

(23) Gavin Steed

(24) Paul Sherlock

(25) Bryan Seymour

(26) Ryan Toohey

(27) Matthew Collins

(28) Jack Corcoran

(29) Michael Hogan

SILVERMINES	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachaí	65m	Saor Ciceanna
1 adh leath					
2 adh leath					
IOMLÁN					

Kildangan & Silvermines leading the Bórd

Today is the blue ribbon event of North Tipperary, bringing together two teams and clubs who have put in a huge effort to reach this stage. However for those behind the scenes it's also a huge day. The officers of the Bórd have put in a big effort today and building up to today, it won't stop here either.

Both today's clubs have had people very involved in the Bórd over the last 30 years or so. Between them Kildangan and Silvermines have contributed 39 manpower years in that period as Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. Three Kildangan members have held the position of Treasurer for 26 years prior to present incumbent Willie Lennox. Silvermines club have provided the third most recent Chairman and Secretary.

Catherine Gleeson (Kildangan) Treasurer 2001-2010

Catherine Ryan was born in the Moycarkey/Borris parish and deeply involved with her native club and parish. She competed successfully in Scór.

When she moved to Kildangan she threw herself into her new club, filling many roles including Chairperson and Secretary. She was a very hard working Treasurer and performed many tasks outside the traditional role of Treasurer.

She built up a great trust with the clubs of the division. Catherine developed a great working relationship with the gate-checkers of the division and also oversaw the introduction of turnstiles to the division.

She has 3 sons on today's Kildangan panel. In 2008 as Bórd Treasurer, she had the distinction of presenting the Frank McGrath Cup to Kildangan captains Brian Kelly and Michael Ryan



Seamus Hogan (Kildangan) Treasurer 1988-1990

Seamus has given a life long service to the

Kildangan club. He has served as a player, administrator and selector. As a player, Seamus' highlight came with the annexing of the North IHC in 1980. Seamus also provides great service around the Kildangan club grounds at Puckane.

Seamus served the Bórd as a Treasurer with a meticulous eye for detail and nothing was left to chance. He provided great assistance to other officers and clubs especially at the busy ticket time of the year.

That eye for detail and his other qualities meant that Seamus went on to serve as County Treasurer for 3 years including 1991, when Tipperary landed the Liam McCarthy Cup.



Michael 'Spike' Nolan (Kildangan) RIP Treasurer 1985-1987 & 1991-2000

Spike was born in Moneygall & won 2 county championships with his native club. He also won Munster & All-Ireland Under-21 Hurling medals with Tipp in 1967. He played at all levels for Tipp in both Hurling & Football. He went on to be a top referee in the division.

Spike transferred to Kildangan in the early 1980s and threw himself energetically in to the club's activities serving at numerous levels in the club including as Club Chairman from 1997 to 1999.

In December 2007, Spike was honoured with a Special Merit Award by the Munster Council in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the Gaelic Athletic Association.

During his two terms as Treasurer, Michael brought a lot of self-thought computerisation to the role and set-up many files for tickets and other items. At the time of his death Spike was serving a



second term as County Treasurer. The Minor "A" Hurling Championship trophy is now named after Spike.

Michael O'Brien (Silvermines)

Secretary 1990-1999

Michael O'Brien played a big role within the Silvermines club over his lifetime. He won County Junior Hurling medals with Silvermines, served as chairman & was the founder of Silvermines Juvenile club. He was very involved in the building the handball alley in Dolla.

Michael served as North Bórd na nÓg secretary and represented handball at many different levels. He was also one of the best referees.

Michael was a very organised Secretary and his annual reports were always a very telling, complete and accurate review of the affairs of North Tipperary. Michael went on to be the 16th secretary of the county Bórd and served in that position for 7 years.



John Sherlock (Silvermines)

Chairman 2006-2008

John Sherlock played hurling & football for his club & county. He was a member of the Silvermines Senior Hurling Championship winning side of 1974.

John served as club secretary for many years and is one of a regular band of helpful stewards around Dolla on match days.

John was elected as North Vice-Chairman in 2003 & three years later assumed the mantle of Chairman. Prior to that he has been a regular volunteer with the Order of Malta & provided assistance when necessary to players of all clubs. As well as being a calm chairman, John will be remembered for his leading role in introducing defibrillators to all club grounds in the division.

John will probably be on the sideline today for Silvermines providing medical assistance if necessary. He also has two sons on the Silvermines panel.



Outside The Hibernian Bar and Restaurant, Nenagh, John McGrath, Chairman of the North Tipp Board, Joe Gallagher, Kildangan captain, Orrie Quirke, Silvermines captain and Martin Morris, proprietor The Hibernian and sponsor of the North Tipp Senior Hurling Championship.



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Celebrating British & Irish Lions 41-16 win over the Wallabies at ANZ Stadium Sydney recently (l to r) Declan Mulqueen (Ballinaclough - read the sign), David Sherlock (Nenagh), Shane Tynan (Kilkeary) and Niamh O'Brien (Portroe).



Jeff McDonald, Kildangan and Jim Duignan, Toomevara proudly hold the tricolour while supporting the British & Irish Lions v NSW Waratahs at a packed Allianz Stadium Sydney. Photographs: Bridget Delaney



Silvermines team which won the North and County Tipperary Junior Hurling Championships in 1979. Back row: Dan Ryan, Eddie Loughnane, Michael O'Brien, Maurice Leamy, P. J. Shanahan, Eddie Kennedy, Willie Ryan, Christy Collins, Alan Kinsella. Back: Denis Quirke, Noel Harrington, Ger Ryan, Pat Sheehan, Seamus Gleeson, Matt Hanly, Michael O'Brien.

Kildangan Champions 2008



Kildangan Senior Hurling North Tipp Champions 2008

Kildangan senior hurlers - North Champions. Back row: (from left) - Cian Hayes, Emma Gleeson, Rory Whelan, Ger Slattery, Liam Karol Flannery, James McLoughney, Sean Hackett, Liam Kelly, Dan Hackett, John Maher, Eoin Gleeson, Niall Kelly, James Flannery (M), Karl Hogan, Kieran Madden, Paria Kelly, Ger Quinn, Tom Freeman (selector), Seante Kelly, Michael Quigley, Michael Connors, Paul Murray (Physio), Ger Cunningham (Coach), Kuceling: Michael Ryan (captain), Eamonn Kelly (Manager), Fergal Hayes, Darragh Egan, Eoin Kelly, Brian Kelly, Paddy Lynch, Joe Gallagher, Ruairi Gleeson, Martin Minihan, Sean Gleeson, Martin Slattery, James Flannery (J), Dermot Hogan (with son Cormac), Thomas Hanrahan, Brian Lawlor, John Slattery, Rodge Gleeson (selector), Ger Hegarty (selector). Picture: Bridget Delaney

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Sixty Seconds with . . .

Liam Keogh, Silvermines



Liam Keogh captained Silvermines to win the North Intermediate hurling final in 1987. Silvermines defeated Newport. He went on to collect four more North medals – 1994, 1997, 1998 and 1999 culminating in a county medal success the same year.

His sons Willie, David and Daniel will be playing today along side his nephews, Donal Keogh, Sean Orrie and Noel Quirke.

Hurling has been, and still is, a tremendous part of my life. I played juvenile for Silvermines in the late '60s. Friends made through hurling for your club are friends for life. A wind ball bought by Dad in town on mart day was a treat. Hurley a must (made by the late great Paddy Collins – a tradition carried on today by my nephews – the Quirke Bros). However, boots and togs were optional then. Helmets were only worn by men going underground in Garryard.

I played with and trained under tremendous characters of the game. Twelve rounds of Dolla field (before it became a pitch) and the roar would come just before the uphill run at the far right hand side from Don (not his real name): "Lads we will shake it up a bit – run in the opposite direction for 10 more rounds".

To captain Silvermines to Nealon Trophy Minor B success in 1976 and again to lead 'Mines to Intermediate North success in 1987 were great honours. Finally, to win a first county medal with the 'Mines in 1999 at an age when many of my juvenile contemporaries were in their deck chairs on the bank – Ah, that one was sweet.

North finals are unique occasions. They create great memories for family, friends, comrades, community and club. The dedication of players to their club should be celebrated on such momentous occasions as this.

The very best of luck to the 'Mines today.

Sixty seconds with . . .

Eamon Kelly, Kildangan and Tipperary

a winner of two two Junior and one Under-21 All Ireland medal.



I have had many highlights in my hurling career, most of which came in management rather than on the playing field. My introduction to management started in 1995 with a Kildangan under-6 team, which nine of them are current members of today's senior panel. I was fortunate to be part of a management team that won a minor B county final in 1998. I would say that my parents and fellow selectors on that minor team played huge part in my career in management.

Unfortunately both of them selectors are no longer with us, but never forgotten in particular on days like today. Kildangan GAA owe a huge gratitude to both Spike Nolan and Seamus Hayes.

I believe that the minor victory in 1998 was the start of Kildangan's return to success on the playing field and also that U6 team of 1995 which went on to win a Féile county

final in 2004 which was captained by today's senior captain Joe Gallagher. Between both of the teams mentioned above represents 14 of today's senior panel.

Personal achievements

- 2 All Ireland Junior hurling medals '89, '91
- 3 Munster Junior medals 88, 89, 91
- 1 All Ireland U21 hurling medal 89
- 1 Munster U16 hurling medal 84
- 2 divisional U16 Garda Cup medals 83, 84
- 1 North Tipp Minor hurling medal 1982
- 2 North Tipp Intermediate league medals 89, 93.
- 1 county Junior football medal 1990.

Silvermines Adult Roll of Honour

North Tipp Senior Hurling Champions:
1974

North Tipp Senior Football Champions:
1973, 1974, 1975, 1980

North Tipp Intermediate Hurling Champions:
(11) 1945, 1948, 1972, 1987, 1994, 1997,
1998, 1999, 2006, 2011, 2012
1927, 1928 (Dolla)

Co Tipperary Intermediate Hurling champions
1972, 1999, 2012

North Tipperary Junior A Hurling Champions
1926 (Dolla); 1939 (Ballinacough), 1979,
Junior B
1997

Co Tipperary Junior A Hurling Champions:
1979

North Tipperary Junior A Football Champions
1971, 1997

North Tipperary Junior B Football Champions
1999

North Tipperary U-21 B Hurling Champions
1992, 2006

North Tipperary U-21 A Football Champions
1969, 2006, 2007, 2008

North Tipperary U-21 B Football Champions
1999, 2005

County Tipperary U-21 A Football Champions
2007

North Tipperary Minor A Hurling Champions
1970

North Tipperary Minor B Hurling Champions
1976, 1977, 1980, 1991

Minor C
1988, 2009

Silvermines Scorers 2013

Total	Name	Score
56 pts	Jason Forde	5-41 (5-20f, 0-4 '65, 0-3 s-cut)
13 pts	David Keogh	1-10
8 pts	Willie Keogh	1-5
6pts	David Boland	1-3
5 pts	Orrie Quirke	0-5 (0-1f)

Total	Name	Score
7 pts	Daniel Keogh	2-1
2 pts	Padraig Fogarty	0-2
2 pts	Cathal Gleeson	0-2
1 pt	Ronan Sherlock	0-1 (65)
1 pt	Sean Quirke	0-1

Silvermines and Kildangan share All-Ireland Junior success in 1991

Three players from Silvermines and Kildangan played a major part in Tipperary's All-Ireland Junior Hurling final win over Kilkenny played on July 27th 1991 at the Gaelic Grounds, Limerick.

Joe Harrington (Silvermines) and Eamon Kelly (Kildangan) played on the inside forward line as Tipp went on to win by 2-13 to 0-10. Martin Grace (Kildangan) was a substitute.

It did not end there. Former Silvermines winning captain from 1974, Jim O'Brien was a selector along with Billy Sweeney (Moyné Templetuohy), Jackie Cooke (Thurles Sarsfields), Vinnie Ryan (Eire Og Annacarty) and Jackie Murphy (Carrick Davins).

The Tipperary team that lined out that evening was: John Leamy; Michael Ryan (Fethard), Michael Stapleton, Damien Quinlan; Pat Maguire, Gerry O'Brien (Portroe and captain), Shane MacManus; Owen Cummins, Chris Bryon; Liam Stokes, Liam Sheedy, Eamon Maher (Skeheenarinky); **Joe Harrington, Eamon Kelly, Sean Nealon.** Subs used John Ryan, Paudie O'Keeffe and David Fogarty.

Snippets

Kildangan Man Played in First Inter County Under-14 game

Tony Connors, Kildangan and uncle of Tommy and Willie, lined out at centre back in the first ever under-14 inter county game between Tipperary and Kilkenny. The game was played on August 9th. Kilkenny won by 6-8 to 2-7. Kevin Fennelly was midfield.

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1965 North Tipp final, Under 13, MacDonagh Park, Nenagh. Nenagh v Kildangan. Final score Kildangan 13-7, Nenagh 0-1. Left to right: Willie Condon (N), Johnny Gleeson (K), Brian Corrigan (N), Robert Ashman (N), Ger Flannery (K), Tommy Collins (K), John Darcy (K), Gerry Madden (K), Martin Hogan (N) and Nickey Flannery (K). Two car on bank: Hillman Minx - John O'Grady, Urra FI 8770; Anglia - Garda Mick McGowan, Puckane BZA 600.



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*Would like to wish Silvermines the very best of
luck in the North Senior Hurling Final*

Phone Pat **086/2789544**
or Phillip **087/6898901**

Joe Gallagher, Kildangan captain

Age: 23

Height: 6ft 1 inch

Weight: 13 stone

Biggest influence on career: Members of family, Eamon Kelly and all mentors in club.

Players who were role models in juvenile hurling days: Brian Whelahan (Offaly). Kildangan 2004 panel.

Hurlers you admire most: Ken McGrath

Team mates with best sense of humour: Dan Hackett

What I like about the GAA: The opportunities it creates to meet people and the spirit it builds in a community.

Any changes you would like to see: Better promotion of our games - Railway cup could be a brilliant competition if promoted properly.

Favourite food: Jane's Lasagne!!

Favourite actor: Liam Neeson

Favourite actress: Mila Kunis

Favourite band: Bruce Springsteen & E Street Band

Most consistent people I know: Jim Ryan, Paddy Kelly and Joe Hannigan.

Advice to young players: Practice and train hard. Enjoy it.

What do you do to unwind: Watch telly.

Sports people you admire: Brian O'Driscoll and Zinedine Zidane

Honours won: North SHC Final 2008

All Ireland Sevens 2011

County Senior Football title 2011

Numerous north and county juvenile medals

All-Ireland Minor 2007

All-Ireland U 21 2010

All-Ireland Intermediate 2012

Fitzgibbon Cup 2011



Members of Kildangan juvenile committee and management teams with Tony Donlon, Noreen Cavanagh and Andy Cawley from Tony's Tipp Top Shop and The Thatched Cottage, main sponsors of Kildangan juvenile club.

Orrie Quirke, Silvermines captain

Age: 26
Height: 5ft 11 inch
Weight: 12 stone
Biggest influence on career: Family members, team mates

Players who were role models in juvenile hurling days: Joe Harrington, Noel Sheehy, Liam Keogh

Hurlers you admire most: Tony Browne, Henry Shefflin

Team mates with best sense of humour: Brendan Timmons

What I like about the GAA: The friends you make and that when you're on the pitch you are battling against each other but once the whistle is blown you shake hand and that's it.



Any changes you would like to see: More consistency given to dates of club games being fixed.

Favourite food: Steak and chips

Favourite actor: Denzel Washington

Favourite actress: Eva Mendes

Favourite band: Na Comharsana!!!!

Most consistent people I know: The mother, don't know how she keeps all the gear washed!! Pat O'Brien never misses a match.

Advice to young players: Lots of practice and most importantly enjoy it.

What do you do to unwind: Socialise with friends.

Sports people you admire: Paul O'Connell, Ronan O'Gara

Honours won: Numerous juvenile North and county medals hurling and football
All Ireland Vocational School hurling 2004
U21 hurling North and county 2006
3 North u21 football
3 North 1 county 1 Munster intermediate club hurling titles
Munster and All Ireland intermediate 2012 (Tipperary)



Silvermines captain Joe Harrington accepting the North Tipp Intermediate League Cup from chairman John Joe McKeogh following their win over Shannon Rovers in Cloughjordan in 1994.

Kildangan Roll of Honour

NORTH TITLES

HURLING

Senior (4)	1934 (Kilbarron/Kildangan), 1938, 1943, 2008. Lahorna De Wets (6) 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1906, 1908
Intermediate (8)	1930 (Kildangan/Kilbarron), 1966, 1971, 1977, 1980, 2001, 2002, 2004
Junior A (3)	1913 (Lahorna De Wets), 1941 (Ballycommon), 1944
Junior B (2)	2001, 2006
U21 A (1)	1959, Naomh Padraig (Kildangan/Burgess) (2) 1970, 1971
U21 B (5)	1999, 2004, 2008, 2010, 2012
Minor B (3)	1982, 1998, 2003
Inter. League (3)	1989, 1993, 2003
Junior B League (4)	1999, 2001, 2003, 2005

FOOTBALL

Intermediate (6)	1999, 2000, 2003, 2007, 2008, 2012
Junior A (3)	1990, 1998, 2011
Junior B (1)	1997
U21 A (4)	1999, 2001, 2001, 2011
U21 B (3)	1987, 1988, 1996
Minor A (2)	1996, 2008
Minor B (3)	1987, 1992, 2011

COUNTY TITLES

HURLING

Intermediate (1)	1971, 2004
Junior B (1)	2006
U21 A (2)	Naomh Padraig (Kildangan/Burgess) 1970, 1971
U 21 B (2)	2004, 2010
Minor B (1)	1998

FOOTBALL

Junior A (1)	1990, 2011
Junior B (1)	1997

PROVINCIAL TITLES

HURLING

Intermediate (1)	2004
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ALL IRELAND TITLES

HURLING

Intermediate (1)	2004
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Ger Slattery with his grandfather Ger Cooney after winning the Intermediate All-Ireland in 2005

Kildangan scorers 2013

Total	Name	Score
41 pts	Ruairi Gleeson	0-41 (0-30 f, 0-4'65)
22 pts	Tadhg Gallagher	3-13
13 pts	Joe Gallagher	2-7
11 pts	Willie Connors	1-8 (0-1f)
10pts	Eoin Kelly	1-7
8 pts	Tommy Connors	0-8
6 pts	Dan Hackett	1-3
5 pts	Darragh Egan	0-5 (0-4F 0-1'Pen)
2 pts	Eoin Gleeson	0-2
2 pts	Jack Loughnane	0-2
2 pts	Paraic Kelly	0-2
1 pt	Fergal Hayes	0-1
1 pt	Hugh Flannery	0-1

Brothers

Tommy, Willie Connors
Joe, Paddy, Tadhg Gallagher
Eoin, Eanna, Ruairi Gleeson
Alan, Paul Flynn (twins)

Cousins

Tommy & Willie Connors and Dan Hackett
Martin and Jim Minehan
Eoin and Paraic Kelly

Kildangan Cúl Camp



Kildangan and Silvermines in head-to-head

1936	Kildangan	Silvermines no result to hand
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The next sixteen meetings in Senior and Intermediate result in 11 to 5 in favour of Silvermines

1949:	Aug 14 - SHC	Silvermines 7-5	Kildangan 3-3
1951:	Aug 12 - SHC	Kildangan 7-11	Silvermines 4-3
1975:	July 26 - SHC	Silvermines beat	Kildangan
1969:	Aug 17 - IHC	Silvermines 7-7	Kildangan 2-5
1971:	Jun 27 - IHC	Silvermines 4-6	Kildangan 4-5 group stage
1971:	Sep 12- IHC	Kildangan 3-7	Silvermines 0-12 semi final
1987:	Aug 5 - IHC	Silvermines 2-7	Kildangan 0-5
1989:	Aug 19 - IHC	Silvermines 1-9	Kildangan 1-4
1990:	Aug 5 - IHC	Silvermines 2-17	Kildangan 4-5
1991:	Aug 11 - IHC	Kildangan 4-11	Silvermines 1-9
1993:	Aug 28 - IHC	Kildangan 2-14	Silvermines 1-9
1994:	Sep 3 - IHC	Silvermines 1-15	Kildangan 3-5
1995:	Jun 23 - IHC	Silvermines 0-11	Kildangan 0-7
1997:	July 19 - IHC	Silvermines 1-18	Kildangan 1-7
1998:	Aug 3 - IHC	Silvermines 1-11	Kildangan 1-9
2004:	Aug 1 - IHC	Kildangan 4-19	Silvermines 1-12

Kildangan team players' profiles



Darragh Egan

Age: 27

Townland: Puckane

Occupation: Primary School Teacher



David Sweeney

Age: 18

Townland: Knigh

Occupation: Student



Martin Minehan

Age: 23

Townland: Ballyartella

Occupation: Apprentice Electrician



Fergal Hayes

Age: 22

Townland: Monsea

Occupation: Fitness Instructor



Hughie Flannery

Age: 32

Townland: Monsea

Occupation: Marketing Manager



Gerry Slattery

Age: 33

Townland: Hogans Pass

Occupation: Self Employed Financial Broker



Jack Loughnane

Age: 19

Townland: Cushmona

Occupation: Student



Brian Kelly

Age: 33

Townland: Garranfada

Occupation: Blocklayer



Tommy Connors

Age: 33

Townland: Ballyhogan

Occupation: Plumber



Ruairi Gleeson

Age: 21

Townland: Johnstown

Occupation: Apprentice Carpenter



Joe Gallagher (Captain)

Age: 23. Townland:

Boolegealadh. Occupation: Secondary School Teacher (Available for work)



Eoin Kelly

Age: 28

Townland: Puckane

Occupation: Student



Willie Connors

Age: 17

Townland: Ballyhogan

Occupation: Student



Dan Hackett

Age: 33

Townland: Urra

Occupation: Transportation Planner/Project Manager



Tadhg Gallagher

Age: 19

Townland: Boolegealadh

Occupation: Student



Paddy Coen

Age: 26

Townland: Johnstown

Occupation: Carpenter

Kildangan team players' profiles



Gary Byrne
Age: 34
Townland: Ballycommon
Occupation: School
Caretaker



Alan Flynn
Age: 19
Townland: Killard
Occupation: Student



Paul Flynn
Age: 19
Townland: Killard
Occupation: Student



Paddy Gallagher
Age: 21
Townland: Boolegealadh
Occupation: Student



Eanna Gleeson
Age: 23
Townland: Johnstown
Occupation: Factory
Worker



Eoin Gleeson
Age: 25
Townland: Johnstown
Occupation: Electrician



Stephen James Gleeson
Age: 21
Townland: Urna
Occupation: Student



Cathal Hanrahan
Age: 31
Townland: Ballyanny
Occupation: Accountant



Johnny Horan
Age: 19
Townland: Cuan Dearg Puckane
Occupation: Student



Paraic Kelly
Age: 23
Townland: Kildangan
Occupation: Apprentice Electrician



Paddy Lynch
Age: 30
Townland: Shannonvale
Occupation: Plasterer



Tom McLoughlin
Age: 19
Townland: Ballyhogan
Occupation: Student



Donnacha Mulcahy
Age: 26
Townland: Blackfort
Occupation: Strength &
Conditioning Coach



Jim Minehan
Age: 18
Townland: Knight
Occupation: Student



Darren Moran
Age: 17
Townland: Cuan Dearg Puckane
Occupation: Student



Eoin Meagher
Age: 17
Townland: Monsea
Occupation: Student



Shane Seymour
Age: 21
Townland: Carney
Occupation: Student

Silvermines team players' profiles



Cathal Sherlock

Age: 27

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Accountant



Orrie Quirke

Age: 26

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Carpenter



Damien Boland

Age: 26

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Farmer



Cathal Gleeson

Age: 30

Townland: Toreen

Occupation: Quantity

Surveyor



Maurice Leamy

Age: 27

Townland: Capparoe

Occupation:

Landscaper/Ground works



Sean Quirke

Age: 32

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Carpenter



Brendan Timmons

Age: 33

Townland: Tulla Capparoe

Occupation: Primary School

Teacher



Willy Keogh

Age: 30

Townland: Kylebeg

Occupation: Horticulturalist



Donal Keogh

Age: 35

Townland: Shragh,

Ballinaclough

Occupation: Garda



David Boland

Age: 34

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Garda



Noel Quirke

Age: 22

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Client Service

Rep.



Jason Forde

Age: 19

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Student



Ronan Sherlock

Age: 25

Townland: Ballinaclough

Occupation: Bank Official



Padraig Fogarty

Age: 19

Townland: Shragh, Capparoe

Occupation: Student

Silvermines team players' profiles



Daniel Keogh

Age: 25
Townland: Kylebeg
Occupation: Customs Officer



Jack Corcoran

Age: 18
Townland: Kilrifith
Occupation: Student



David Keogh

Age: 25
Townland: Kylebeg
Occupation: Reporting Analyst



Michael Hogan

Age: 17
Townland: Boherbawn
Occupation: Student



Peter Kennedy

Age: 37
Townland: Ballinaclough
Occupation: Garda



Matthew Collins

Age: 23
Townland: Curraghareen
Occupation: PhD Researcher



Kevin Cunneen

Age: 28
Townland: Eirnagh
Occupation: Agricultural Contractor



Bryan Seymour

Age: 17
Townland: Bawn
Occupation: Student



Ryan Toohey

Age: 17
Townland: Capparoe
Occupation: Student



Alan Ryan

Age: 30
Townland: Ballyphilip
Occupation: Building Contractor



Eamon Corcoran

Age: 17
Townland: Curraghareen
Occupation: Student



Paul Sherlock

Age: 32
Townland: Ballygasheen
Occupation: Plumber



Andrew Hayden

Age: 16
Townland: Ballinaclough
Occupation: Student



Kieran Fogarty

Age: 22
Townland: Shragh,
Capparoe
Occupation: Student



Gavin Steed

Age: 27
Townland: Ballygasheen
Occupation: Telecoms Engineer



Gary Toohey

Age: 23
Townland: Capparoe
Occupation: Bar Manager

Top 32 Scorers

Pos	Total	Name	Club	Score	+ G?	Games
1st	56 pts	Jason Forde	(Silvermines)	5-41 (5-20f, 0-4'65, 0-3 s-cut)	5 7	5
2nd	41 pts	Ruairi Gleeson	(Kildangan)	0-41 (0-30f, 0-4'65)	+ 1-6	6
3rd	39 pts	John Sheedy	(Portroe)	2-33 (0-19f, 0-3'65)		5
4th	37 pts	Brendan Maher	(Borris-Ileigh)	3-28 (1-17f, 1-0p, 4'65, 1 s-cut)		4
5th	36 pts	Ken Dunne	(Toomevara)	1-33 (0-23f, 0-3'65)		6
6th	33 pts	Conor Kenny	(Borris-Ileigh)	0-33 (0-18f, 0-1'65)		4
7th	32 pts	Willie Greene	(Moneygall)	1-29 (0-19f, 0-1'65)		4
8th	30 pts	John Kennedy	(Templederry)	0-30 (0-27f, 0-1'65)		4
9th	26 pts	Padraig O'Leary	(Templederry)	4-14		4
10th	24 pts	Kevin Tucker	(Nenagh Eire Og)	1-21 (0-19f)		5
11th	23 pts	Stephen Murray	(Burgess)	1-20 (0-14f, 0-1'65)		3
11th	23 pts	Patrick Maher	(Lorrha)	2-17 (1-16f, 0-1'65)		4
12th	22 pts	Tadgh Gallagher	(Kildangan)	3-13	2 f - 0 = 4 - 13	6
13th	17 pts	John O'Brien	(Toomevara)	2-11		5
14th	16 pts	Tommy Heffernan	(Nenagh Eire Og)	2-10		5
15th	15 pts	Michael Heffernan	(Nenagh Eire Og)	0-15		5
16th	14 pts	Barry Moran	(Lorrha)	0-14 (0-9f)		4
16th	14 pts	Kieran Cahill	(Kilruane MacD)	0-14 (0-9f, 0-1 s-cut)		4
16th	14 pts	Francis Devaney	(Toomevara)	2-8		5
17th	13 pts	Tommy Fitzgerald	(Roscrea)	2-7 (0-1f)		4
17th	13 pts	Brian O'Meara	(Kilruane MacD)	0-13 (0-9f)		4
17th	13 pts	David Keogh	(Silvermines)	1-10		5
17th	13 pts	Killian Gleeson	(Nenagh Eire Og)	3-4		5
17th	13 pts	Joe Gallagher	(Kildangan)	2-7	+ 4 = 2-11	6
18th	12 pts	Eanna Murray	(Templederry)	2-6 (1-0f)		4
18th	12 pts	Benny Dunne	(Toomevara)	0-12 (0-1f)		6
19th	11 pts	Seosamh Cleary	(Borrisokane)	0-11 (0-8f)		3
19th	11 pts	Donnacha Quinn	(Nenagh Eire Og)	0-11 (0-8f)		5
19th	11 pts	Willie Connors	(Kildangan)	1-8 (0-1f)	+ 1-2 = 2-10	6
20th	10 pts	Adrian Ryan	(Templederry)	0-10		4
20th	10 pts	Dinny Hogan	(Portroe)	3-1		5
20th	10 pts	Eoin Kelly	(Kildangan)	1-7		6

Highest score in one game:

Jason Forde (Silvermines) 2-8 v Burgess

Biggest haul from play:

Padraig O'Leary (Templederry) 2-4 v Borrisokane

Biggest goal haul in one game:

Killian Gleeson (Nenagh) 2-0 v Moneygall

Dinny Hogan (Portroe) 2-0 against Kilruane MacDonaghs.

Largest amount of scorers

Toomevara 14

Moneygall 13

Kildangan 12

A to Z of North final facts and figures

- A** Anyone for the last few tubs of ices. Ripe pears and bananas. Much loved words in bygone days
- B** Brian Kelly was joint captain with Michael Ryan the last time, Kildangan captured the Frank McGrath Cup. They defeated Burgess in the final.
- C** County players for 2013 in today's final include Jason Forde (U-21 and Senior), Orrie Quirke (Silvermines), Darragh Egan (Kildangan) Ruairi Gleeson (Kildangan) and Martin Minehan (Kildangan) at Intermediate; Tadgh Gallagher (Kildangan) at under-21; David Sweeney and Willie Connors (both Kildangan) at Minor
- D** Dual star, Willie Connors with Tipp minor hurling and football 2013.
- E** Early start for Silvermines in 2013. They lost to Clara (Kilkenny) in the all-Ireland Intermediate club semi-final last January.
- F** First time meeting of Kildangan and Silvermines in a North senior hurling final.
- G** Gallagher brothers along with Connors, Flynns, Gleesons, Quirkes, Bolands, Sherlocks, Keoghs and Tuohys.
- H** History making Silvermines... first team to reach back to back intermediate and senior north finals
- I** International rules player in Australia in 2003, now Kildangan and Tipperary intermediate goalkeeper, Darragh Egan, Kildangan.
- J** Johnny Kelly, Kildangan trainer and all-Ireland club winner as a mentor with Portumna. Jim O'Brien captained Silvermines to their sole senior win in 1974
- K** Kelly, Philip, the match referee from the Ballinahinch club.
- L** Lost only one game this year, did Silvermines, against Roscrea in round 3.
- M** Medal winners, Ronan Sherlock, Silvermines and Martin Minehan, Kildangan were Munster and all-Ireland medal winners with Tipperary last year.
- N** Nolan, Martin Nolan, selector with the Kildangan side along with Seamus Gleeson, Eddie Fogarty and Johnny Kelly.
- O** Orrie Quirke, captain of the Silvermines team. Joe Gallagher will lead the Kildangan team
- P** Promotion to senior just this year for Silvermines. Paddy Moore along with Paddy McCormack, Declan Corcoran, Michael Cunneen and Liam Flannery were in charge of Silvermines great run of North, county and Munster success in 2012.
- Q** Quirke brothers, Sean Orrie and Noel.
- R** for Ruairi Gleeson, Kildangan's top scorer and second overall to Jason Forde. Also playing with Tipp Intermediate team this year.
- S** Speed merchant, Tadgh Gallagher, Kildangan and this year's second highest scorer from play in the championship so far with 3-13 to his credit. Can he match or beat Padraig O'Leary, Templederry, who has 4-14.
- T** Top scorer Jason Forde, Silvermines on 5-41 followed by Ruairi Gleeson, Kildangan on 0-41.
- U** Unique to see a player score three sideline cuts in one game. Jason Forde did it in the North semi final win over Borris-Ileigh.
- V** Versatility- that's Darragh Egan former forward now goalkeeper; Sean Quirke and David Boland former defenders and now in attack; Dan Hackett former defender and now full forward.
- W** Willie Keogh played through the pain barrier coming in the North quarter final win over holders Portroe.
- X** ex Holycross man, Gary Byrne is part of the Kildangan panel.
- Z** Zeal. Another word for determination as both sides displayed as under dogs in their semi final wins over Toomevara and Borris-Ileigh.

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GROUP 1: Round 1

Date	Teams and scores				Venue	Referee
Sun 7th Apr	Silvermines	3-18	Burgess	0-15	MacDonagh Park	Kieran Delaney
Sun 7th Apr	Roscrea	0-15	Toomevara	2-8	Mac Donagh Park	Pat Gibson
Round 2						
Sat 13th Apr	Burgess	1-13	Roscrea	0-8	Dolla	Michael Murphy
Sun 14th Apr	Silvermines	3-14	Toomevara	2-10	MacDonagh Park	T.P. Sullivan
Round 3						
Sun 28th Apr	Roscrea	4-11	Silvermines	2-9	Thomas MacD Pk	John Cleary
Sun 28th Apr	Toomevara	2-14	Burgess	0-9	MacDonagh Park	Anthony Sherlock

GROUP 1 Table	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	+/-	Pts
Roscrea	3	2	0	1	4-34	5-30	1	4
Silvermines	3	2	0	1	8-41	6-36	11	4
Toomevara	3	1	0	2	6-32	3-38	3	2
Burgess	3	1	0	2	1-37	5-40	-15	2

GROUP 2: Round 1

Date	Teams and scores				Venue	Referee
Sat 6th Apr	Borris-Ileagh	2-25	Borrisokane	0-9	Thomas MacD Pk	John McDonnell
Sun 7th Apr	Templederry	1-21	Lorrha	0-13	Thomas MacD Pk	Anthony Sherlock
Round 2						
Sat 13th Apr	Templederry	5-28	Borrisokane	0-5	Thomas MacD Pk	Michael Cahill
Sat 13th Apr	Borris-Ileagh	1-19	Lorrha	1-9	Thomas MacD Pk	Tommy Ryan
Round 3						
Sun 28th Apr	Lorrha	0-14	Borrisokane	0-11	Moneygall	Johnny McDonnell
Sun 28th Apr	Templederry	2-15	Borris-Ileagh	1-18	MacDonagh Park	Michael Murphy

GROUP 2 Table	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	+/-	Pts
Templederry	3	2	1	0	8-64	1-36	49	5
Borris-Ileagh	3	2	1	0	4-62	3-30	35	5
Lorrha	3	1	0	2	1-33	2-51	-21	2
Borrisokane	3	0	0	3	0-25	7-67	-63	0

GROUP 3: Round 1

Date	Teams and scores				Venue	Referee
Sat 6th Apr	Kilruane	2-16	Moneygall	1-13	Dolla	Philip Kelly
Sat 6th Apr	Kildangan	1-14	Nenagh EO	0-17	Dolla	John Cleary
Round 2						
Sun 14th Apr	Nenagh EO	5-12	Moneygall	0-9	Thomas MacD Pk	Pat Gibson
Sun 14th Apr	Portroe	3-13	Kildangan	0-17	MacDonagh Park	Ger Fitzpatrick
Round 3						
Sun 28th Apr	Nenagh EO	0-21	Kilruane	0-15	Dolla	Ger Fitzpatrick
Sun 28th Apr	Portroe	1-14	Moneygall	0-17	Dolla	Kieran Delaney

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Group 3: Round 4

Sun 5th May	Kildangan	2-16	Moneygall	1-11	MacDonagh Park	T.P. Sullivan
Mon 6th May	Portroe	2-14	Kilruane	0-18	MacDonagh Pk	Philip Kelly

Round 5

Sun 12th May	Kildangan	1-18	Kilruane	1-13	Toomevara	John Cleary
Sun 12th May	Portroe	0-13	Nenagh EO	1-10	at Dolla	Pat Gibson

GROUP 3 Table	Pl	W	D	L	For	Ag	+/-	Pts
Nenagh Eire Og	4	2	2	0	6-60	1-51	24	6
Portroe	4	2	2	0	6-54	1-62	7	6
Kildangan	4	2	1	1	4-64	5-54	8	5
Kilruane MacD	4	1	0	3	3-62	4-66	-7	2
Moneygall	4	0	1	3	2-50	10-58	-32	1

Play-off

Date	Teams and scores	Venue	Referee
Sun 12th May	Toomevara 2-17 Lorrha	1-11 MacDonagh Park	Ger Fitzpatrick

Quarter finals

Sat 25th May	Kildangan	3-17	Templederry	2-19	Dolla	J. Ryan Boher
Sun 26th May	Silvermines	2-18	Portroe	0-14	MacDonagh Park	Pat Gibson
Sun 26th May	Borris-Ileagh	1-21	Roscrea	1-10	MacDonagh Park	Philip Kelly
Sun 26th May	Toomevara	2-18	Nenagh ÉÓ	1-13	Dolla	John Cleary

Semi Finals

Sun 23rd Jun	Silvermines	0-16	Portroe	0-15	MacDonagh Park	Ger Fitzpatrick
Sun 23rd Jun	Kildangan	2-18	Toomevara	1-16	MacDonagh Park	Johnny McDonnell

Final

Sun 28th July	Kildangan	0-00 ⁵⁻¹⁵	Silvermines	0-00 ⁰⁻⁸	MacDonagh Park	Philip Kelly
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Snippets

High Scoring

Last year's North final scoreline of 3-16 to 1-19 resulted in a total of 39 scores. The highest since North finals began, one better than the 2009 decider, Nenagh 0-24 Portroe 2-12 resulting in 38 scores.

The 39 scores, 4-35 resulted in a grand total of 57 points was also a record with the 1943 decider involving the Kildangan 7-5 v Roscrea 7-4, total 51 points the same as the 1964 encounter between Nenagh Eire Og 5-12 Roscrea 2-8.

North finals in the last fifteen years has seen very little goals but last year's decider produced four matching the total in 1999 decider Toomevara 2-19 Nenagh Eire Og 2-15 as well as the 2000 final when Toomevara defeated Moneygall 3-13 to 1-10. That's one better than the 2003 decider Toomevara 3-12 Nenagh Eire Og 0-16 and the 2008 decider Kildangan 1-17 Burgess 2-12.

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Roscrea (16)	1936, '37, '39, '41, '42, '45, '49, '54, '63, '67, '68, '69, '70, '71, '80, '04
Borris-Ileagh (14)	1947, '50, '51, '52, '53, '55, '72, '73, '76, '81, '83, '88, '05, '07.
Kilruane MacDonagh (11)	1940, '44, '59, '65, '77, '78, '79, '85, '86, '87, '90
Lorrha (8)	1905, '14, '24 1948, '56, '66, '84, '89
Nenagh Éire Óg (7)	1957, '64, '92, '93, '98, '01, '09.
Lahorna De Wets (7)	*1901, '02, '03, '04, '06, '07, '08
Kildangan (3)	1938, '43, '08.
Newport (2)	1935, '96
Portroe (1)	2012
Moneygall (1)	1975
Silvermines (1)	1974
Kilbarron/Kildangan (1)	1934
Borrisokane (1)	1933
Newport (1)	1932
Nenagh (1)	1915
Youghalarra (1)	1909
*1901 to 1908	



2008: Kildangan joint captains Michael Ryan and Brian Kelly hold the Frank McGrath Cup along with Catherine Gleeson (North Board Treasurer and Kildangan GAA Chairperson), Jane Devaney and Martin Morris (The Hibernian Nenagh sponsors) and on the extreme right John Sherlock (North Board Chairman).



2012: Silvermines captain Cathal Gleeson lifts the County Intermediate Cup presented by County Board Vice-Chairman Michael Bourke.



Silvermines: U12 team watching senior training



Silvermines committee. Mattie Ryan Chairman absent from photo due to work commitments

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