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ÉIRE ÓG SENIOR TEAM CROWNED DR FOGARTY CUP CHAMPIONS AUGUST 7TH 2015



THE NENAGH ÉIRE ÓG PANEL WHICH WON THE DR FOGARTY CUP AT TEMPLETOUHY



**NENAGH ÉIRE ÓG
CAPTAIN PADDY
MURPHY
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ACCEPTING THE
DR FOGARTY CUP
AT TEMPLETOUHY
FOLLOWING THE
BLUES' 4-33 TO 2-
14 WIN IN THE
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CLEAN IRELAND RECYCLING COUNTY SENIOR HURLING CHALLENGE CUP DR FOGARTY CUP FINAL NENAGH ÉIRE ÓG 4-33 MULLINAHONE 2-14



PADDY MURPHY COLLECTED THE DR FOGARTY CUP (DIVISION TWO) AT TEMPLETUOHY ON FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 7TH FOLLOWING THE BLUES 25-POINT WIN OVER MULLINAHONE.

Mullinahone traded points with Éire Óg during the opening three minutes before Philip Hickey set up Donnacha Quinn for a goal in the sixth minute. Andrew Coffey then added to the Blues' tally before Killian Gleeson was denied a goal in the seventh minute when the Mullinahone 'keeper conjured a terrific save. Tommy Heffernan, however, was on hand to bat in the rebound. Points from Paddy Murphy and Michael Heffernan helped Éire Óg into a 2-5 to 0-2 advantage after nine minutes of play.

Mullinahone fought back to score a goal of their own in the tenth minute, but Éire Óg responded with a Michael Heffernan point before Donnacha Quinn struck for his second goal in the 11th minute (3-6

to 1-2). During the ensuing six minutes Mullinahone out-scored Éire Óg by three points to two – the Blues led 3-7 to 1-5 with seventeen minutes played.

Unanswered points from Paddy Murphy, Tommy Heffernan, Donnacha Quinn and Andrew Coffey opened a 12-point gap between the sides before a second Mullinahone goal in the 23rd minute ate into the Blues' lead.

Two Donnacha Quinn points and an effort from Hugh Maloney closed out the half from an Éire Óg point of view. At the break Éire Óg led 3-14 to 2-6. Points from Killian Gleeson and Donnacha Quinn forced Éire Óg thirteen points clear, but Mullinahone responded well to the challenge and out-scored the Blues by five points to two with only Tommy Heffernan and Kevin Tucker managing responses for Éire Óg. With twenty-one minutes to play Éire Óg led 3-18 to 2-11.

Éire Óg settled down to their work once more with points from Michael Heffernan, Andrew Coffey, Donnacha Quinn (three) and Paddy Murphy forcing the Blues into a 3-24 to 2-12 lead. A Mullinahone free in the 46th minute left fourteen between the sides, but efforts from Donnacha Quinn, James Mackey, Paddy Murphy and a Andrew Coffey goal set-up by James Mackey helped Éire Óg toward a 4-28 to 2-13 advantage. In the 51st minute goalkeeper Michael McNamara pulled off a terrific save to deny Paul Kelly a goal. Mullinahone added a converted free to their tally soon



after. The Blues closed out the game with points from James Mackey (two), Paul Ryan (two) and Shane Maher bringing this contest to a conclusion. Nenagh Éire Óg would like to wish Mullinahone all the very best in their up-coming south senior hurling championship final against Killenaule on Sunday, August 23rd. Liam Heffernan's Blues will not return to championship action until the respective divisional championships reach a conclusion – Éire Óg have already qualified for the last sixteen of the Clean Ireland Recycling County Senior Hurling Championship.

Nenagh Éire Óg: Michael McNamara, Mark Flannery, John Brennan, Conor Ryan, Dáire Quinn, Hugh Maloney (0-1), Adam Grattan, Kevin Tucker (0-1), Michael Heffernan (0-4), Tommy Heffernan (1-3), Andrew Coffey (1-3), Killian Gleeson (0-1), Donnacha Quinn (2-10, 0-8 frees), Paddy Murphy (0-4), Philip Hickey. Subs: (27th) Billy Heffernan for Adam Grattan, (39th) James Mackey (0-3, 0-3 frees) for Philip Hickey, (46th) Shane Hennessy for Kevin Tucker, (49th) Paul Ryan (0-2) for Donnacha Quinn, (51st) Shane Maher (0-1) for Andrew Coffey.

Referee: Kevin Jordan (Thurles Gaels).



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JUNIOR A TEAM SUFFER ONE-POINT DEFEAT TO KILRUANE

August 01, 2015

Despite losing out to Kilruane in an entertaining clash played at Puckane, Éire Óg remain in a good position to make the knock-out stages of the 2015 Watch Centre North Tipperary Junior A Hurling Championship.

**Watch Centre North Tipperary
Junior A Hurling Championship
Nenagh Éire Óg 3-16
Kilruane MacDonagh's 2-20**

Éire Óg started this encounter in encouraging fashion and raced into a four-point lead. An Anthony Walsh free edged the Blues in front before Willie Bolger picked out Aidan Healy in the fourth minute and the corner-forward finished well off his right.

Kilruane got off the mark in the fifth minute, but the Blues added points from Aidan Healy and Cliff Moloney to take a 1-3 to 0-1 lead by the eighth minute. Kilruane rallied well with two points in response, but Éire Óg struck for a second goal in the 13th minute. On this occasion David Cleary controlled an Anthony Walsh delivery brilliantly before finishing off his left – 2-3 to 0-3.

Kilruane hit back with a converted free, but points from Seáníe Geaney and Gary Howard left seven between the sides (2-5 to 0-4). The MacDonagh's hit two consecutive points before points from Gary Hoard, Willie Bolger and Aidan Healy forced the Blues into a 2-8 to 0-6 advantage by the 21st minute.

Three Kilruane points, with only Seáníe Geaney managing a response for Éire Óg, closed the gap to six approaching the break. An Anthony Walsh point then forced the Blues seven clear, but Kilruane enjoyed the final say in the half and



the sides retired with six between them (2-10 to 0-10).

Two minutes into the second half Gary Howard won a terrific turnover ball before setting up Cliff Moloney for a point. Kilruane hit back with a point of their own, but when Anthony Walsh added a point from play in the 34th minute Éire Óg led 2-12 to 0-11.

Kilruane were very much a factor in this contest and hit four consecutive points to cut the Blues' lead to three with twenty minutes to play.

An Anthony Walsh '65 brought ten scoreless minutes to a close for Éire Óg in the 42nd minute. Walsh then added a converted free before Éire Óg struck for a third goal in the 44th. Corner-forward Cliff Moloney



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In the 56th minute there were sighs of relief all around when Éire Óg 'keeper Brian Darcy made a terrific save to deny Kilruane a goal. Then, right on the hour mark, a Seáníe Geaney point left three in it (3-16 to 1-19).

Kilruane struck for a second goal in the 61st minute and although Éire Óg tried to respond another point in the 62nd presented the MacDonagh's with a narrow win.

Nenagh Éire Óg have completed the group stage of this year's north Tipperary junior A hurling championship. As it stands Éire Óg lead group one and are in a good position to make the knock-out stage of this year's championship. Kildangan, Burgess, Kilruane and Silvermines all hold games in hand over the defending champions.

The Blues' fate will be determined over the coming weeks. This year the junior A team is managed by Greg Browne (manager), Con Morris, Michael Ryan and Conor Ryan.

Nenagh Éire Óg: Brian Darcy, Donnacha Heffernan, Alan Kelly, Michael Collins, Niall Madden, Adam Gratton, Eoin Fitzgibbon, Seáníe Geaney (0-3), Anthony Walsh (0-6, 0-3 frees, 0-1 '65), Thomas O'Brien, Gary Howard (0-2), Willie Bolger (0-1), Cliff Moloney (0-2), David Cleary (2-0), Aidan Healy (1-2). Subs: (43rd) Gavin O'Connor for Willie Bolger, (53rd) Brian Flynn for Aidan Healy, (58th) Shane Hennessy for Thomas O'Brien.

Referee: Mike Murphy (Toomevara).



For more photographs from this dramatic junior A contest please click [here](#).

won a terrific ball in his own half-back line, Seáníe Geaney drilled a delivery in toward Gary Howard and the centre-forward set up David Cleary for his second three-pointer of the evening. Two minutes later Anthony Walsh added a free and Éire Óg now led 3-15 to 0-15.

To their credit the MacDonagh's rallied well in the final quarter and out-scored Éire Óg 2-5 to 0-1.

A goal in the 47th minute got Kilruane moving in the right direction before the MacDonagh's added four points without reply – with five minutes to play Éire Óg led 3-15 to 1-19.



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STUNNING COMEBACK EARNS ÉIRE ÓG A DRAW IN DOLLA

July 29, 2015

The Blues' minor A hurling team recovered a twelve-point deficit to earn a draw against an impressive Newport Gaels outfit at Dolla. After just eighteen minutes Éire Óg trailed 0-1 to 2-7, but the lads fought back superbly winning the remainder of this contest on a 2-14 to 1-5 scoreline.

Ger Gavin North Tipperary Minor A Hurling Championship Nenagh Éire Óg 2-15 Newport Gaels 3-12

Although Newport Gaels fielded without inter-county star David Gleeson the defending north champions took full advantage of the breeze at their backs during the opening half. An early Newport '65 was cancelled out by an Adam Carey point in the third minute, but the Gaels took over thereafter and hit 2-6 without reply to take a twelve-point lead (2-7 to 0-1) by the 18th minute. A Jake Morris free in the 21st minute got Éire Óg moving in the right direction before a second Adam Carey point in the 23rd reduced the Newport lead to eleven. Newport Gaels added two further points to their tally while Conor McCarthy fired over an Éire Óg effort in the 27th minute. On the half hour mark Adam Healy fired home a goal for the Blues following good work from Adam Carey. Alex Jones then added a point to the Éire Óg tally and the sides retired with seven between them at the break (1-5 to 2-9). The lads fought back

brilliantly in the second half. Newport Gaels added to their tally in the 31st minute, but points from Jake Morris (free) and Craig Himli gave supporters of the Blues something to shout about. Newport Gaels hit back with a converted free which was soon cancelled out by a converted placed ball from Jake Morris.

The Newport Gaels 'keeper conjured the first of a series of terrific saves when denying Conor McCarthy with a superb stop in the 39th minute. Unperturbed Éire Óg poured forward with two Jake Morris strikes (one free, one '65) cutting the deficit to four (1-10 to 2-11).

Newport Gaels fired home a third goal in the 45th minute to force themselves seven clear (3-11 to 1-10). Éire Óg responded once more with a Jake Morris '65 before Conor McCarthy was denied a goal by another stunning save from the Newport 'keeper. With ten minutes to play the Newport Gaels 'keeper saved once more, this time from Jake Morris, before a Craig Himli point left four in it (1-13 to 3-11) with seven minutes remaining. Given the effort made by the lads they were probably due a second goal and that strike materialised in the 56th minute when Conor McCarthy picked out Gavin O'Connor and O'Connor lashed home from close range to leave a point between the sides. Two minutes later Adam Carey was sent off for a second bookable offence and with a minute to play a Newport Gaels free left two in it (2-13 to 3-12). In the first minute of injury time the raiding Adam Healy was hauled down for a free. It is at this point that there appeared to be some confusion about the score. No scoreboard was in operation in Dolla. Anthony Walsh (left) smacked over a



21-yard free and referee Kieran Timmons declared the game a draw.

2015 Minor Championship

The 2015 competition is based on a two-group structure – the respective group winners progress to the semi-finals while the second and third-placed teams qualify for the quarter-finals. The Nenagh Éire Óg minor A hurling team were drawn in group one of the North Tipperary minor A hurling championship alongside Roscrea, Newport Gaels, Borris-Ileigh and Portroe. In previous rounds the Blues beat Borris-Ileigh and Portroe. Newport Gaels lead group one (three games played, plus 15 score difference) on five points. Éire Óg are second (played three, plus 11 score difference) on five points. Roscrea are third (two games played, plus one score difference) on two points. Portroe are fourth (played three, minus 18) on two points and Borris-Ileigh are fifth on zero points with three games played (minus 9). Group two has come to a conclusion. Kildangan have won that group with a 100 per cent record with Toomevara second and Kilruane third. Burgess finished fourth in that group on zero points. Nenagh Éire Óg manager John Manley is joined on the management team by selectors Derek Lillis, Christy McLoughlin and Paudie Gleeson.

Nenagh Éire Óg: Shane Hennessy, Gavin O'Connor (1-0), Jason McKenna, Connie O'Reilly, Ethan O'Brien, Anthony Walsh (0-1, 0-1 frees), Conor Bonnar, Jake Morris (0-7, 0-4 frees, 0-3 '65s), Alex Jones (0-1), Craig Himli (0-2), Adam Healy (1-0), Niall McKeogh, Conor McCarthy (0-1), Adam Carey (0-2), Mark O'Farrell. Subs: (43rd) Seán Shanahan for Niall McKeogh.

Referee: Kieran Timmons (Silvermines).



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OUT AND ABOUT WITH ÉIRE ÓG



Best wishes for a speedy recovery from injury go out to our young juvenile footballer, **EOIN MOORE**. His friends got together at training to send him a special message!



The '**FLASK OF TAE**' crew enjoying their picnic at the Dr. Fogarty Cup Final.

GIVE RESPECT- GET RESPECT!



NENAGH ÉIRE ÓG JUVENILE CLUB in conjunction with the **GAA HEALTHY CLUB PROJECT** were delighted to present Kay O' Donoghue and Gerri Cantwell of **THE NORTH TIPPERARY HOSPICE MOVEMENT** with a cheque from the proceeds of The Blues 10K Run. Thank you to all of our sponsors, stewards and all those who took part in the run/walk and supported this very worthy cause. Pictured are (left to right) Michael Geaney Juvenile/HCP Chairman, Kay O' Donoghue and Gerri Cantwell from the North Tipperary Hospice Movement with juvenile committee members, Gerry Robinson, Anne Kennedy and Shane Connolly.



We want to send our congratulations across the Irish Sea to former Éire Óg Camogie player **CAITRÍONA O CONNOR** who won an All Britain Junior Camogie title with Liverpool outfit Wolfe Tones who defeated Tara Camogie Club from London in the final. Well done Caitríona.



OUT AND ABOUT WITH ÉIRE ÓG

UPDATE FROM LOUISE HICKEY IN UGANDA

Agandi!

Finally got some Wi-Fi in Mbarara...serious culture shock! A quick update from Coloma! Yesterday was a big day in Coloma, almost 100 children of different ages were making their First Holy Communion and Confirmation (some children made both). Some of those celebrating were orphans. These orphans have ONE spare change of clothes. Some of the money which you have donated went to buying dresses for the orphans.

This is, for most, the only piece of new clothing that they have received in over a year. Annette, the only guardian who arrived, came to me with tears of joy in her eyes to thank me and the people from home for the beautiful dress. I could tell that it meant more than I could imagine! Something small that we did means something so big to someone else. Thanks again to everyone. Louise.



They know it's done before matches and were determined not to look like they didn't know how to go about their business!! This adorable photo of our **UNDER-6 HURLERS** in a spontaneous huddle before their first blitz match against Shannon Rovers was captured by Sharon Sullivan. Wouldn't you love to know what they were saying?



Some kids are just born with style! Fionn Tucker on the field at half-time during daddy Kevin's match in Templetohy. Many thanks to McGee Photography



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This year, once again, the club ran a superb summer camp that all who attended enjoyed. On the final day we were all treated to a special surprise when Patrick "Bonner" Maher arrived to meet all the boys and girls. Two young ladies however were more than enthusiastic to meet this Tipperary superstar. Upon seeing 'Bonner' they quickly did themselves up before rushing towards him like love struck teenage girls surrounding members of One Direction.

Fluttering their eye lashes they couldn't wait to tell him all about their All-Ireland medals and to show him just how far they could puck a sliothar! They insisted on getting their photograph taken with him while informing him that he was their "favourite" hurler! Bonner certainly found two adoring fans in Grace and Rachel!!



Here is a video we have unearthed from August 2010. In it Éire Óg are playing Moneygall in a juvenile camogie final in the Camogie Grounds, The Ragg. Entering stoppage time we were behind by three points and required a goal which Alanna Morris duly provided after great work from her team mates. However it is not the goal that is of interest. It is what follows that grabs people's attention. The reaction of Liam McGrath and Denise Morris is something to savour. There's no doubt that had the game been played in Croke Park we would have heard "Plan B Plan B" ring out over the tannoy!



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Since handing his North Tipp GDA role over to the excellent John O' Keefe, **DAVID NEEDHAM** (below, left) has been working in a private capacity to lend a hand to clubs in player and coaching development. David has worked for the GAA for over 12 years as a Games promotion officer and a Games development administrator. He has worked in both Dublin GAA and Tipperary GAA. In Dublin he worked with clubs such as Faughs and St. Oliver Plunkett's/Eoghan Ruadh. At county level, David worked with development squads from under-13 level up to under-17. In 2009 and 2010 he trained the Dublin minor hurling team and also trained the Dublin senior camogie team in 2011. His area of expertise is helping clubs raise the standards of both the players and coaches. David has a huge interest in raising participation levels of parents and schools with great success. Below is what David has to offer.

Long term player development plans. (4-18 years)

Coach education (up skilling coaches)

Development of Coaching Resources.

Game based training.

Club developments plans

Summer camp training for coaches.

Nursery plan development (4-6 years)

Team training (7-12)

Player development plans (13-18 years)

If any club is looking to improve their standards, looking for advice on how to go forward as a club please do not hesitate to contact me by the following means.

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OUT AND ABOUT WITH ÉIRE ÓG – GRADUATION DAY FOR OUR CAMÓGIE PLAYERS AND HURLERS



Past and present Camogie Ladies - Paula Ryan, Mairéad Sheridan, Alanna Morris, Amy Heffernan, Sarah Quigley, Coleen O'Brien, Holly O'Brien and Sarah O'Connor. Nenagh hurlers at the grads Ger O'Gorman, Killian Gleeson, Donnacha Quinn, Mark Grace, James Mackey and Luke Kennedy.

Photographed below clockwise are the Geaney Family with Aodhan and Aoibhe Ryan, Killian Gleeson with Amy Heffernan, The O'Brien Family with Holly, Jack Sheedy and Aidan Healy with their glamorous dates.





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NENAGH CELTIC MEMORIAL CUP



Nenagh Éire Óg took part in the **ANNUAL NENAGH CELTIC MEMORIAL CUP** for the first time as the two clubs came together to remember our departed friends Brian Gubbins, Pearse O'Brien, Alan Kevin and Liam Fogarty.

We battled it out in a soccer tournament with three other teams and made it to the final where unfortunately we lost 4-0 however today was not about winning. It was about remembering these four men in the best possible way we could: having fun through sport.

It was a very well organised event with plenty of activities for all who attended including bouncy castles and a penalty shootout and plenty of burgers on sale!

We wish to thank Nenagh Celtic FC for the invitation and to all our players and supporters who turned up on the day.

We also want to give a special mention to Jack Sheedy who scored the goal of the century from the halfway line and to Brian Flynn who almost scored a spectacular goal himself with an expert effort at a bicycle kick that had all who witnessed it bent over in laughter!!

Check Eire Óg facebook page for a selection of photographs from the day.





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BLAST FROM THE PAST – SIX-IN-A-ROW FOR ÉIRE ÓG!



EIRE ÓG 0-3 SEAN TREACY'S 0-1

EIRE OG WERE GOING FOR A SIX-INA-ROW IN THE U-12 FOOTBALL FINAL ON SUNDAY EVENING LAST IN KILCOLEMAN, BURGESS.

THEY STARTED THIS MONOPOLISED SEQUEL OF VICTORIES IN 1984 AND COMPLETED A SIXTH WIN IN A VERY ENTERTAINING COMPETITIVE MATCH THAT WAS A THRILL TO WATCH AGAINST SEAN TREACY'S IN FRONT OF AN APPRECIATIVE CROWD.

On Sunday the 18th June 1989 Nenagh Éire Óg's under-12 footballers travelled the short distance to Kilcolman to take on a combination of Ballina and Ballinahinch, under the title Sean Treacy's, in the North Tipperary final. Nenagh were going for their sixth title in a row and completed this feat when defeating their opponents 0-3 to 0-1.

One of the stars of the game was Brian Farrell who would later build on his early promise as a footballer and be a part of the Tipperary minors who won Munster honours in 1995. Unfortunately this team were

defeated by Arravale Rovers in the county semi-final but many members of this panel would go on to add a county under-12 football title to their haul of medals when they defeated Clonmel Commercials in Drombane the following year. Here is the Guardian's match report from that North final. The teams were reasonably well matched but Nenagh were deserving victors due to their overall ability and team work eventually paying off in a close exciting contest.

Sean Treacy's had the first chance of the evening when the diminutive Fran Hogan picked up a loose ball and was narrowly wide with a fine effort. Nenagh, however, had the better of the opening stages with Owen Murtagh and Brian Farrell particularly dominant. Dominance in this grade of competition is very difficult to convert into scores and although Nenagh virtually pressed Treacys all the time they failed to score.

Ironically Treacy's registered the first score. Their nippy corner forward Fran Hogan received a pass and this time made no mistake as he slotted over a fine point.

Three minutes later in the fifteenth minute Nenagh No 9 Brian Farrell

pointed a great kick from out on the right hand side of the field. His overall ability and work rate made him Treacy's greatest problem. Brian Farrell, yet again, went very close with a free that rebounded off the post and was cleared out by full back Mark Riordan for Treacy's.

David Fahey and Mark Sheehy were performing well for Sean Treacy's and were trying very hard to quell the Nenagh opponents. The first half ended in this manner, very tight with no further scores and the football fast and skilful.

Nenagh took the lead two minutes into the second half when Michael Madden passed to Darren Daly who scored a great point. Nenagh were playing far better football than their opponents. They were passing it around keeping it wide whereas Treacy's were delivering it fast and hoping for the best.

Mark Sheehy then had a shot blocked by Nenagh keeper Darragh Quinn. Treacy's then were lucky to survive a goal attempt that rebounded off the post from an effort from Michael Madden. After fifteen minutes of play had elapsed in the second half Nenagh added further to their tally with a point from midfielder Brian Farrell.

Johnny Slattery and Darren Daly were trying very hard for Eire Og and were causing many problems to their opponents.

Sean Treacy's were very unlucky not to have won this match as they had a goal disallowed. Mark Sheehy scored the goal but he was justly blown up for over carrying, much to the disquiet of the Treacy's contingent. A goal would have won the match for them as at this level



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the scoring is constantly low. The final score was 0-3 to 0-1.

Both teams were a credit to their clubs as they gave their all in a fine game. It was unfortunate that there had to be a winner due to the way both teams participated. It augurs well for the future as both teams had fine players and it is a pity that so little emphasis is placed on football as the talent is there.

Nenagh had good performers in Owen Murtagh (capt-), Brian Walsh,

Johnny Slattery, Darren Daly and Michael Madden, Everyone else without exception, performed well.

Treacy's had their best competitors in Mark Riordan, David Fahey, Robert King, Mark Sheehy and Fran Hogan. The future looks bright for the club as they had a fine team on display and were unfortunate that there had to be a loser.

Eire Og, Nenagh: Darragh Quinn, Graham O'Keeffe, Owen O'Connor, Barry Creamer, Hugh Flannery,

Owen Murtagh (Capt)., Garry O'Donovan, Oisín Walsh, Brian Farrell (0-2), David Burke, Darren Daly (0-1). Johnny Slattery, Jody Hynes, Derek Killackey, Michael Madden. Sean Treacy's: Michael Darcy, Michael O'Brien, Mark Riordan, Des Kelly, Eamonn Cawley, David Fahey, Kevin Stritch, Anthony Mills, Robert King, Declan McKeogh, Mark Sheehy (capt), Cathal Burke, Fran Hogan (0-1), Noel O'Shea, Donnacha Ryan

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1993 MUNSTER FINAL PROGRAMME – KEVIN TUCKER

MINOR CAPTAINS

The honour of leading Tipperary minors falls to Éire Óg clubman Kevin Tucker. Kevin is very proud of the honour bestowed on him by his club. A stylish corner forward, Kevin leads by example and is looking forward to the atmosphere of Munster Final Day, here in Limerick.

I asked him about his favourite players and teams and other pertinent questions.

Favourite players: Michael Cleary and Pat Fox.

Favourite team, excluding Tipp: The Dublin Football team of the 80s, particularly Brian Mullins, Barney Rock, Kieran Duff.

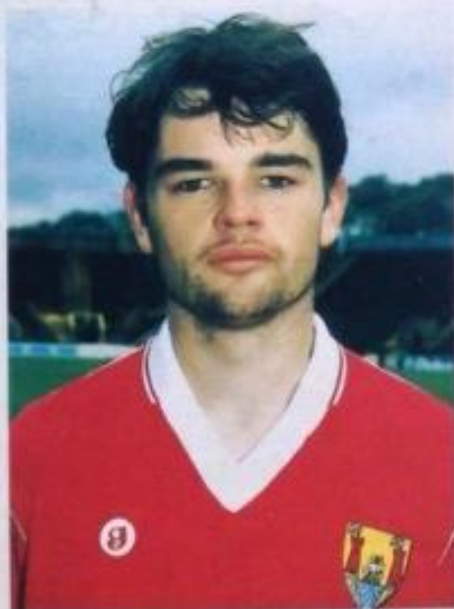
Favourite Players outside of GAA: Ryan Giggs and Mark Hughes. Guess which team he supports!

Biggest influence on his career: His dad, John, who is his keenest fan; fellow clubman Michael Cleary, John Heffernan, Conor O'Donovan, minor coach Fr. Tom.

Honours to date: U-14 North Tipp and Co. Championship (hurling); U-16 North Tipp and Co. Hurling and Football; Minor Co. Championships 1991 and 1992.

Family: "Baby" of five, sister, Paula; brothers, John, David and Eddie, plus dad and man.

Ambition: To win today; to play senior for Tipp; win an All-Ireland and All-Star award.



Cork are captained today by 18-year-old Pascal McSweeney from the St. Finbarrs club. This is his second year on the team, having played at midfield also in last year's semi-final against Tipperary.

Pascal is now a first year student at University College in Cork, with whom he won an All-Ireland Freshers hurling medal this year along with his midfield partner Tim Coffey, and Cork will be hoping these two can give their side a decisive advantage in this vital area this afternoon.

Among other hurling awards Pascal has won are, three county minor championship medals in a row with St. Finbarrs, as well as numerous under-age and college awards with his former school Farranferris.



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CAMÓGIE NEWS



We would like to commiserate with our under-13 (left) and under-15 teams (action shots) who were both defeated in the Summer League finals by Knockavilla Kickhams and Newport-Ballinahinch.



We wish to thank the girls for all their hard work, dedication and good humour throughout the year and to thank their diligent management teams for all their efforts in 2015.



JUVENILE NEWS

Well done to both of our wonderful under-12 teams for your hard work and input into this year's under-12 groups A and D championship. Unfortunately you didn't make the knockout stages but that isn't the measure of success at your young age groups. All in the club are very proud of your huge efforts at training and matches and all have enjoyed watching you improve so much. Thank you to the parents for your constant support. Hurling hasn't stopped for these lads with training continuing at normal times. There will be under-13 plate involvement for the older boys and tournaments begin very soon for the younger boys.





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All will agree that this was one of the best summer camps we've had. Five dry afternoons didn't do us any harm but with co-ordinator David Minogue and this great coaches in charge we knew that we could change direction this year. Following on from the success of the Éire Ógres pre-hurling camp and the big increase in under-6 numbers that followed, we expected an increase in camp numbers and that surely happened!

David Needham was there for the week to advise us on the latest ways to keep kids, coaches and parents motivated with the result being that we could barely keep them in for their lunch break! Thank you to everyone involved but especially to our wonderful little girls and boys and the one and only Bonner Maher who made their day!





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