

BALLYLANDERS

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O'SULLIVAN CUP

A MODERATE attendance saw Galbally win the O'Sullivan Cup, when they defeated Knocklong at Ballylanders on Sunday last, by 2 goals 3 points to 3 points. In presenting the cup, Mr. Michael O'Sullivan, of Hospital, the donor, said it was a pleasure for him to be in Ballylanders, to present the cup to the sporting winners. He congratulated them and said great merit was due to the Knocklong team for their gallant display.

Rev. Fr. Dunne, P.P., Ballylanders, endorsed Mr. O'Sullivan's remarks and said here in South Limerick was the timbre and quality of first-class football, bearing in mind that Ballylanders, a small village, represented Limerick in an All-Ireland at one time.

Rev. Fr. Ryan spoke and congratulated the winners and the capable way in which the referee, Mr. Mullins, handled the game.

Paddy Cussen, captain of the Galbally team, returned thanks in a suitable manner.

GOOD NEWS

Dan Kelly, one of Ballylanders' best players, who had a serious eye injury in a recent game, is now out of danger, and all his fellow-players and many friends will be glad to hear of his safe recovery.

JUNIOR GAME H 10.7.47

After five minutes Knocklong opened the scoring with a goal which Hanley sent in for O'Connell and Casey to finish to the net. Knocklong were two goals ahead when L. Hanley, from a free, drove all the way to the net. Taking up the offensive, Ardpatrick reduced the lead with a point, scored by S. McGrath and near the interval Ardpatrick crashed to the net per O'Connell to leave the interval score—Knocklong, 2-0; Ardpatrick, 1-1.

Shortly after the resumption, Ardpatrick took the lead and looked set for further scores when S. McGrath drove well in and in a melee around the goalmouth, the ball was lodged in the net, but Knocklong came back and levelled when J. Carroll drove over the bar. Ardpatrick, however, went ahead when S. McGrath from a free put them ahead with a point. Meade (Knocklong) levelled with a nice point and then when L. Hanley (Knocklong) from a free sent over the bar, Knocklong never looked back and had the better of matters in the closing stages. Hanley sent into O'Connell, who drove over the bar and again O'Connell, who received from J. Carroll, sent over the bar to give Knocklong a three-point lead. In the last minutes, O'Connell (Knocklong) put the issue beyond doubt with a fine goal.

Best for Knocklong were: L. Hanley, E. Cleary, Bourke, O'Connell, and Car-

good wishes of all whom he came in contact with. *Woman 9/2/46*
I.R.A. MAN, GAEL AND SPORTSMAN DIES

Regret was occasioned by the death which happened rather suddenly at his home in Knocklong on Wednesday, January 30, of Cornelius Harty. The late Mr. Harty came of a very highly esteemed and patriotic family in East Limerick, and was widely known as a staunch Gael and popular sportsman in his early and youthful days, and later on in life he was one of the most active members of the East Limerick Brigade I.R.A. As an athlete he was well known, and distinguished himself by winning the 440 yards championship of Munster in the days of the Creeds and Leahys. Con was also a sprinter of repute and on several occasions won the 100 and 220 yards. Of an upright and sociable disposition, he was widely known in racing circles, and owned some very useful horses and popular winners, including Good News and Irish Republic. The interment took place in the family burial ground at Knockaney and was representative of every class and creed in the district G.A.A.

Ballylanders Football Club intend holding their annual dance on Sunday night next, February 10. The music will be supplied by the La Serina Dance Band. The finances of the club have become depleted, due to the heavy expense incurred in 1945 when they were unluckily beaten in the final of the Junior Football Championship.

Knocklong held their annual convention on Sunday last and it was passed unanimously that the club field a junior hurling and junior football team. The financial report was satisfactory. The officers for the coming year are: Chairman, Mr. Joe O'Connor; Hon. Sec., James Hastings; Treasurer, James Moroney; Captain Football Team, J. Noonan; Captain Hurling Team, L. Hanley.

roll, while Ardpatrick were best served by the McGrath brothers, Healy and O'Connell.

The teams were:—

Knocklong—J. O'Sullivan, T. Hennessy, J. Hastings, E. Clery, P. Burke, L. Barry, C. Hanley, M. Diggane, J. Burke, J. Casey, S. Moroney, P. Sampson, T. Hanley, J. Wallace, L. Meade, J. O'Connell, J. Carroll, L. Hanly.

Ardpatrick—P. McGrath, L. O'Rourke, E. McGrath, C. Keay, L. Healy, E. McCarthy, D. Barrett, J. Barry, M. Ryan, L. McCarthy, S. McGrath, T. O'Connell, S. McCarthy, J. Barrett, M. Hayes, and J. Dwyer.
Mr. J. Ryan, Kilmallock, refereed.

Knocklong's Surprise Win In S. Limerick J.H. Championship

17.7.48

KNOCKLONG created a surprise at Elton on Sunday when they defeated a fancied Bruff team in the South Limerick junior hurling championship by 4 goals to 2 goals 2 points.

At the same venue, the replay of the Bruree and Kilmallock junior hurling tie did not come up to expectations and Bruree had a rather easy win on the score of 4-3 to 1-4 for Kilmallock.

In the first game, Bruff, playing with the breeze, had the better of the exchanges and at the interval led by 2-3 to 1-0 for Knocklong. On resuming, however, Knocklong attacked strongly, and for fully fifteen minutes the Bruff defence held them at bay; then Knocklong smashed through two goals to take the lead by a point and in the last minutes Knocklong added their fourth goal, without reply from Bruff.

There were exciting moments in the closing stages as Knocklong went into the lead and as their defence held well against dangerous thrusts by the Bruff forwards.

The Kilmallock and Bruree replay, while not living up to the great things expected following the drawn game a fortnight ago, was a keenly fought struggle, featuring good hurling. Bruree, playing with the breeze, had the better of matters in the first half and at the interval led by 2-3 to 0-1 for Kilmallock. Great things were expected from Kilmallock on the resumption and when, with a goal and a point they came within striking distance of their opponents, a great finish was anticipated. However, Bruree proved the craftier hurlers and, in the last quarter, were all over Kilmallock who failed to stay the pace.

THE PLAY

Bruff opened the attack, with the breeze behind them but a number of wides resulted before Bourke crashed through a goal for knocklong at the other end. Bruff rallied and sent to the net to level and went ahead with a point per O. Ryan. Bulfin shot another point and from a melee Bruff sent to the net to give them an interval lead of 1-2.

Fifteen minutes passed in which Knocklong pressed hard, but the Bruff defence covered itself with glory. Then O'Donnell shot from a 30 yards free to the net, and when J. Connell (Knocklong) again sent to the net excitement ran high. With a point in the lead, Knocklong tried hard and Donovan sent to J. Carroll who crashed to the net to give Knocklong a deserving win.

Mr. M. Russell, Knockaney, refereed.

16.9.50

An objection by Galbally against Galtee Rovers being awarded the South Limerick minor football final, played at Hospital recently, was upheld, as Galtee Rovers failed to produce the birth certificate of the player objected to by Galbally. A counter-objection by Galtee Rovers was ruled out of order. The match was accordingly awarded to Galbally.

GALBALLY G.A.A. CLUBS DISCUSS MERGER QUESTION

Jan. 1954

THE annual meeting of the Galbally Hurling and Football Clubs was held in the school, Galbally, on Monday night, 21st inst.

In his address, Mr. P. J. Cussen, chairman, said that in looking back over 1951 they had won no championship. In junior football they defeated Anglesboro in the first round and then had a runaway victory over their old rivals, Ballylanders, in the 2nd round. They were, however, defeated by a two goals margin by a well-trained Knockane side at Kilmallock.

IMPORTANCE OF TRAINING

If their juniors had trained as well as the minors they could have beaten this Knockane side, as they had previously defeated much better Knockane teams.

"Our minors," said the chairman, "were most unlucky in the minor championship as they were narrowly defeated by Kilfinane when short two of their leading players. It is, however, good to see Kilfinane, a hurling district, coming to the fore in football."

Concluding, the chairman impressed on all the necessity of training for the forthcoming championships and asked all players to be satisfied not with the southern crown but also the county championship.

MERGER QUESTION

A merger with Ballylanders was discussed at the meeting, and W. Sampson and J. Morrissey were appointed to acquaint the Ballylanders Club of the conditions, a further meeting to be held in Galbally on Monday night next, Jan. 28th.

It was decided to rent the Sportsfield from Muintir na Tire for the coming year and to do everything possible to get championship matches played there this year.

The treasurer's report was unavoidably held over owing to the treasurer's indisposition. It is, however, satisfactory to note that there is a slight credit balance.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following are the officers elected for the coming year:—Chairman, Mr. Patrick J. Cussen; Secretary, Mr. Michael Cummins; Treasurer, Mr. J. Richardson; Assistant Secretary, Mr. J. J. Kiely, B. Agr. Sc.

GALBALLY NOW FOR FINAL

Aug. 1950

By 1 goal 5 points to nil, Galbally beat Elton in the second semi-final of the South Limerick Football Championship at Hospital last Sunday. The winners now meet the Kilfrush-Hospital fifteen in the final.

Sunday's match was poor. Elton could never break through Galbally's strong defence. From the very beginning the game was one-sided, and most of the spectators had left before the final whistle.

Mr. W. Leahy, Hospital, refereed.

JUVENILE FINAL

The juvenile football final proved to be an interesting game, with all the players giving of their best.

Kilmallock were first away when Coll pointed from a free. Galbally levelled the scoring when Fitzgerald sent over the bar. Coming strongly up the field, Kilmallock were sent into the attack by Hanley, and Kelly shot a fine goal. Near the interval, Davern sent to the net for Galbally, to level the scoring, the score being 1-1 each at half time.

Galbally took the lead shortly after the resumption, when Fitzgerald drove over the bar. Wallace had another Galbally point, before Kilmallock made a determined raid, but the ball struck the upright. Galbally took play into the other end, and Wallace again pointed, and near the end Loneragan pointed for Galbally.

Best for Galbally were: Wallace, Loneragan, Fitzgerald, Daly brothers, and Hyland, while Coll, Cusack, McGrath, Kelly, Geanes and Kenny tried hard for Kilmallock.

Mr. P. T. Ryan, P.C., Chairman of South Board, refereed.

Jubilant Scenes At Galbally

22/8/53

Jubilant scenes were witnessed in Galbally on Sunday evening last when the local minor footballers brought the Mullin's Cup to Galbally after a lapse of four years (writes our Galbally correspondent). The youth of the village and surrounding districts prepared a big bonfire in the square and there was loud cheering when the cup was displayed in the secretary's premises.

Galbally had an easier victory on Sunday than they anticipated when they played Hospital in Hospital for the trophy.

Exchanges were keenly contested in the opening ten minutes, but when Jimmie Loneragan shot a nice ball to the net it was the beginning of the end, as the same player had two more points, while John Davern, John Walsh a point each and a like score from "Johnnie Corbett," who came on as a sub., with a goal by Denis Wallace, made Galbally's total 3-4 while Hospital could register only one point.

Immediately after the football game some of the victorious Galbally team helped Garryspillane to win the South Limerick minor hurling championship, as some of the Garryspillane lads had played with Galbally in football.

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1954

Galbally G.A.A. Club Annual Meeting

Mr. P. J. Cussen, Chairman, presiding at the annual general meeting of the Galbally (Co. Limerick) Football Club, held in the School, Galbally, in his address to the delegates, said that the club had won no trophies during the year. Having drawn with Kiltelly in the first round of the South Limerick Junior Football Championship, they won the replay, but went down badly to Galtee Rovers in the second round.

Their defeat, he said, could be attributed entirely to the failure of the great majority of the players in not attending the practice games in the sportsfield. "When we appeared in six successive South Limerick finals," he said, "every player turned out in the evenings for practice, and if we are to again capture the southern title every player must train earnestly."

The Treasurer's report showed that the club was in a sound financial position due in no small way to the team's early exit from the championship last year. The report was unanimously adopted.

It was decided to re-elect the same officials for 1955.

A football tournament for a set of medals is to be started shortly and it has been decided to ask the local teams to participate.

The Chairman then presented medals to the following Galbally players who helped Ballylanders to win the South Limerick Minor Football championship last year: Roger O'Donnell, Roundhill, Galbally; James Loneragan, Ardnamoher; P. Hyland, Galbally; John Scully, Duntryleague, Galbally; Daniel O'Meara, Lissard; John Corbett, Garnalyra; Peadar Kiely, Galbally and Edmond Sampson, Ballinatona, Galbally.

It was decided to affiliate Junior, Minor and Juvenile football teams in the South Limerick championships.

GARRYSPELLANE FOR SOUTH HURLING FINAL

Garryspillane, 6-8; Glenree, 2-1.
GARRYSPELLANE continued to uphold their reputation as the shock team in the championship at Hospital on Sunday, when they defeated Glenree in the South Limerick hurling semi-final by 6 goals and 8 points to 2 goals and 1 point for Glenree, and thus qualified to meet Kilmallock (holders) in the final at Hospital on 16th October.

Though they won well, Garryspillane did not display the high form which they showed in defeating Bruff a week ago, and they will need to return to that form if they are to match the craft of Kilmallock in the final.

RATHER TAME GAME.

For the most part, the semi-final was a rather tame game, and seldom rose to expectations. Only at one period—early in the first half—did Glenree look like making a match of it, when they came within two points of the winners, but Garryspillane pulled away again and led at the interval by 3 goals and 2 points to 1 goal and 1 point.

In the second period, Garryspillane continued in winning vein and had matters much their own way, adding 3 goals and 6 points to their interval total, Garryspillane's only reply being a goal scored in the closing stages.

Garryspillane opened in fine style and T. Gainey sent to the net, before H. Doyle added a like score. Glenree had a point, per J. McSweeney, and D. McGrath sent to the net to leave only two points between the teams. Garryspillane, however, went on top again and added a goal, per H. Doyle; a point, per E. Sampson, and a like score, per T. Gainey, before the interval.

SECOND HALF

J. Creed, one of the marksmen of Garryspillane team, and who had 1 goal and 6 points of the winners' total, opened the scoring on the resumption with two neat points.

Crawford followed with a goal and again Creed sent over the bar twice. R. Crawford again found the net for the winners and again Creed added 2 points, before J. McSweeney sent to the net for Glenree. Creed closed the scoring with a good Garryspillane goal.

Mr. W. Hannan, Kilmallock, refereed.

THE TEAMS.

The teams were:
Garryspillane—P. Fitzgerald, S. Carroll, J. Carroll, M. Hayes, T. Dwyer, J. Creed, M. Casey, M. Davern, E. Sampson, T. Gainey, E. Crawford, R. Crawford, T. Kelly, J. Doyle and J. Crawford.
Glenree—J. O'Connell, D. O'Brien, W. O'Keeffe, E. Clery, T. Howard, J. Flynn, M. Downey, B. Hayes, M. Howard, P. Sheehan, J. McSweeney, L. Murphy, L. O'Rourke, D. McGrath and M. Carroll.

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GALBALLY MAN'S DEATH IN U.S.A. 26.3.55

The death took place recently in St. Francis Hospital, Waterloo, Iowa, U.S.A., of Mr. John Fitzgerald, a native of Galbally. The late Mr. Fitzgerald (writes our Galbally correspondent) emigrated over 40 years to America, where he established his own shoe factory. He took an active interest in the concern all his life and it is today one of the most thriving industries in the town of Waterloo. Prior to his departure to America the late "Sean Fitz." as he was popularly known by his "pals," was a prominent member of the Galbally Galteemore football team, with whom he won numerous trophies. He was brother of the late Patrick Fitzgerald, Galbally, and of Mrs. Patrick Hoare, Ardahan. He is survived by his wife, formerly Mollie O'Carroll, Galbally, and two daughters, Mrs. Bernice Emeric and Mrs. Betty Edwards.

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JAGALBALLY CLUB 1954

Mr. P. J. Cussen, Chairman, presided at the annual general meeting of the Galbally Hurling and Football Club.

Other officials in attendance were:—Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc., Treasurer, and Mr. Michael Cummins, Hon. Secretary.

In his address to the meeting, Mr. Cummins said he was glad to relate that the games had advanced during the year.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

In a detailed report of the Club's financial position the Treasurer said that financially the Club was in a sound position. He also appealed for greater co-operation between the clubs and the business people, who after all, gained most by having matches played in the local Sportsfield.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Chairman, Mr. P. J. Cussen; Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc., and Secretary, Mr. M. Cummins.

SOUTH LIMERICK HURLING FINAL: GREAT RALLY BY GARRYSPELLANE

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Garryspillane thus brought to a surprising climax the fact that they have been the shock team of the championship, and Kilmallock, favourites on form, can have no excuse for their defeat, because during the course of the hour they had many opportunities of retaining their title, but their forwards, who never seemed to move with their usual smoothness, frittered away many chances. This, however, does not take from a sound Garryspillane defence, in which Crawford, Casey and Hayes starred, and these players gave the Kilmallock full line of forwards little chance to get going. In contrast, the full line of the Garryspillane attack made every use of their opportunities in the vital closing stages and this more than anything else was the deciding factor.

THE PLAY.

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Apart from those mentioned, others to shine for Garryspillane were Creed, Sampson, B. Crawford and J. Carroll. Kilmallock were best served by Doherty, McGrath, Flynn, Murphy and Galvin.

Scorers for Garryspillane were—J. Carroll, J. Creed, H. Doyle, K. Sampson and B. Crawford; scorers for Kilmallock were—J. Gilbert, M. Galvin, M. Flynn, V. Cusack, J. Millea, D. McCarthy.

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Galbally

Football Club

Revived 1955

The Galbally Football Club was revived after a year's lapse at a large and representative meeting in the school, Galbally, on Monday night last (writes our Galbally correspondent).

The Chairman, Mr. P. J. Cussen, in a short but forceful address, reminded those present of the events which led up to the suspension of their club and expressed the hope that in future the club would have no recourse to such tactics, otherwise he would have nothing to do with it. He was loudly applauded for his forthrightness and sincerity when he concluded his address.

Mr. P. J. Ryan, Chairman, South Limerick Board, and member of the Limerick County Board, attended the meeting and drew the attention of the Chairman and those present that on no account would players from the County Tipperary part of Galbally Parish be allowed to compete in the Limerick championships, reminding the meeting that Rule 39, Official Guide, governed the matter and clearly states: "A parish for the purpose of this rule (Parish Rule) shall be, subject to County Boundary, the district under the jurisdiction of a Parish Priest."

It was decided to affiliate juvenile, minor, and junior football teams in the South Limerick championships for 1957.

The following officers were elected: President, Very Rev. Father R. Quinn, P.P., V.F., Galbally; Vice-President, Rev. Father D. Keogh, C.C., do.; Chairman, Mr. P. J. Cussen; Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc.; Joint Secretaries, Messrs. H. Dennehy and M. Hoare.

The officials of the club were appointed as delegates to the first meeting of the South Limerick Board, to be held shortly.

It was decided to approach the local Guild of Muintir na Tire with a view to obtaining the Muintir na Tire Sportsfield for the year.

Three Drawn

Sept 1955
Games In

Co. Competitions

Drawn games were a feature of the Gaelic activities in the county, yesterday.

At Kilmallock, Dromin-Athlaccá and Ballylanders ended even in the South Limerick semi-final, the full time score being, Dromin-Athlaccá, 1-1; Ballylanders, 0-4.

THE PLAY.

Dromin - Athlaccá particularly frittered away many chances of scoring in the first quarter when they had much the better of the play. Ballylanders then took up the running and had two points and they led by this margin at the interval. Shortly after the resumption, Dromin shot into the lead when Potter had a good goal, but Ballylanders levelled when John Davern, who played a great game for them, shot over the bar. Dromin again took the lead with a point and almost on time Ballylanders levelled.

AN EXCITING GAME.

In the Co. minor football final at Pallaskenry, Cloughaun and St. Senan's (Foynes) also played a drawn game the final score being Cloughaun 1-5, St. Senan's (Foynes) 1-5.

This was an exciting encounter. Cloughaun, playing with a wind advantage, led at half-time by 1-3 to 1-2. In the second half they increased their lead by two points; but a late rally by St. Senan's enabled them to wipe out the arrears and share the points.

JUNIOR GAME.

The City junior football final between Copewood College and Commercial also ended in a draw. This match was very interesting and exciting throughout.

GALBALLY FOOTBALL CLUBS 1957

The Galbally Football Clubs, revived recently, have now affiliated to the South Limerick Board G.A.A. the following teams who are to take part in the 1957 Limerick championships: junior football, minor football, and juvenile football. The draws for the South Limerick championships will take place at the People's Hall, Kilmallock, on Monday night, March 18th.

Former Galbally Footballer Dies In U.S.A.

Deep regret has been caused by the death of John (Jackie) McCarthy, which took place in Connecticut, U.S.A., on Friday, April 11th (writes our Galbally correspondent). Deceased was captain of the Galbally junior football team which reached the Limerick County junior football final in 1930, being beaten by Castlemahon by the odd point in five after one of the best games ever witnessed at the Croom Sportsfield. Deceased was a native of Coole, Kiltelly, but resided at Galbally and was employed at Kilross Co-Operative Dairy Society Ltd. An outstanding Gael, his home in Galbally served as a meeting place for all the local lads and it was as a result of a discussion which took place there that the "Magpies" were once again registered with the South Limerick and Limerick County Boards. While in Galbally he settled down to married life and has one son, also Jackie, who serves with the Defence Forces in Clonmel and resides at Baron Park. His greatest blow struck him in the early part of 1932 when he lost his devoted wife and shortly afterwards he left Galbally for good en route to the United States, where his death has taken place at an early age. Of kind and genial disposition, he was a good leader on the field of play and a fearless advocate of good sportsmanship. He was equally active in the Council Chamber and the interest of his adopted club came before everything else. His many friends, both young and old, were shocked to hear of his demise. He was brother of Mr. Philip McCarthy, Sarsfield Co-Operative Dairy Society Ltd. To his bereaved and brother and to his bereaved family sincere sympathy is tendered.

Galbally

Galbally will play Ballylanders at the John O'Mahony Park, Kiltbehenny, on this Friday, in the South Limerick Senior Football Championship. The game was postponed on Sunday week last, due to bad weather conditions. The game is timed for 8 p.m.

Galbally GAA have organised two football tournaments. One will be for senior teams, and the second for junior teams. The following games will be played on Saturday, May 25th:— Junior, Ballylanders v. Garryspillane. Sunday, May 26th:— Senior, Mitchelstown v. Lattin. Tuesday, May 28th:— Senior Football, Galbally v. Arravale Rovers. All games at 8 p.m.

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Galbally For South Limerick Football Final

Galbally qualified for the South Limerick football final at Knocklong on Sunday, when they defeated Knocklong in the semi-final by 1 goal and 7 points to 3 points.

Galbally led at the interval by 1 goal and 3 points to 1 point.

Galbally meet Galtee Rovers at Knocklong on Sunday next in the final. It should be a close struggle, as both teams had to fight hard on the road to the final. In the other semi-final, Galtee Rovers defeated a fancied Croom side.

This game on Sunday next will complete the South Limerick championships for this season.

Garryspillane Hurling Club: The Annual Meeting

Garryspillane Hurling Club held their most successful ever annual general meeting at Garryspillane on Tuesday night, January 8th. The number of members enrolled was a record.

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. J. P. Ryan, Mitchelstown, was unanimously elected to the chair. Addressing the meeting he said it was a most successful year for the Club in every way. Their minor hurling team were victorious in the South Limerick Championship and their junior team were unlucky to come up against such a first-class team as Bruree in the South Final at Kilmallock. Played before a record attendance, he said it was one of the greatest finals ever played. He congratulated Bruree on their victory and hoped that this year the Bouncers would go one better.

The Treasurer, Mr. James Crawford, then presented his report and after a few items were discussed the report was adopted on the proposition of Mr. M. Sheehan, seconded by Mr. Thomas Howard.

It was decided to hold a victory dance in Knocklong on Friday, January 31st, to present medals to the minor hurling team.

The meeting unanimously condemned the actions of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Assistant Sec. in not attending the meeting of the Club.

It was decided to affiliate a junior hurling team for the coming year. The affiliation of a minor hurling team was deferred until the next meeting of the Club.

Officers elected for 1958 are:—

President, Very Rev. Fr. Lee, P.P.; Chairman, Mr. J. P. Ryan; Vice-Chairman, Mr. John Ryan (Buddy); Hon. Sec., Mr. John Joe Creed; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. James Crawford. Captain Junior Hurling Team, Mr. John Joe Creed, Elton; Vice-do., Mr. Robert Crawford, Garryspillane.

The meeting then adjourned.

SOUTH LIMERICK MINOR FOOTBALL FINAL

The South Limerick minor football final, due to be played at Bruff, between Galbally and Croom, on Sunday, July 27, at 2.45 p.m. (O.T.), has been altered to 7.30 p.m. (O.T.), on the same evening. This alteration was necessary to avoid clashing with the Muintir na Tire Field Day in Galbally on that day.

Death Of A Former Noted Athlete

It is with deep regret (writes our Galbally correspondent) that I announce the death of James (Jim) Fahey, which took place in Chicago, U.S.A., on October 6th, after a fairly long illness. A native of Corderry, Galbally, deceased's name was a world and household one in top class athletics fifty years ago. Although his athletic career commenced in Ireland, where he had many successes, it was in America that he really put the Irish flag on top by some splendid performances in the three standing jumps, an event in which he made a world record which was never broken.

Though tall and slight of stature, his avoirdupois was deceptive, he invariably turning the scales at in or around the thirteen and a half stone mark, which was considered much too heavy for competition in top class athletics. The Glen Aherlow born boy, however, proved this theory all wrong when at Chicago, Boston and New York, he gave weight and a beating to the best athletes the world could produce.

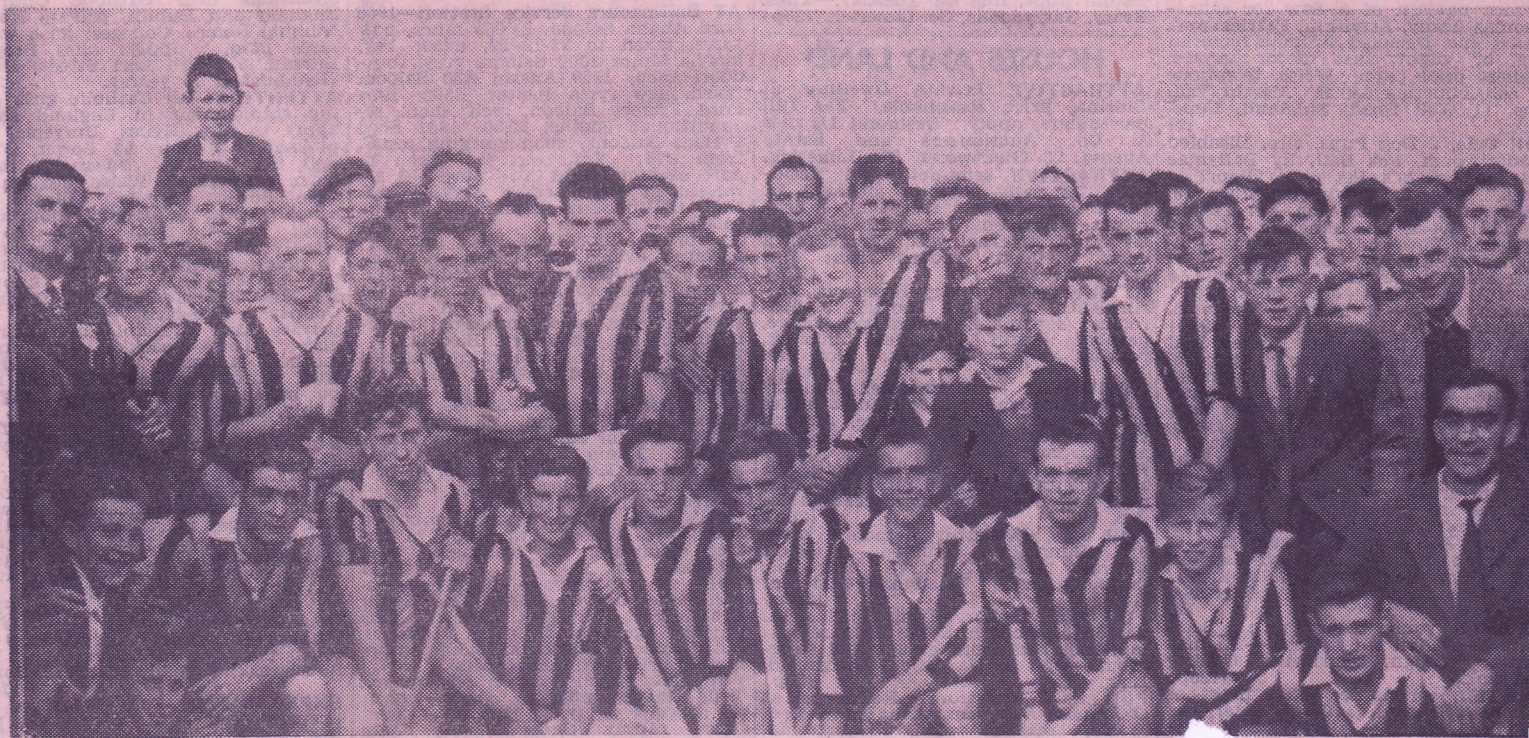
After retiring from the athletic arena he took up an executive position with a prominent business firm in Chicago, and which he held until his retirement some years ago. He had one son, who is now Father Fahey, and here at home he is survived by his brother Patrick, who still resides in the old homestead.

Deceased was of quite and unassuming disposition and was highly popular with all sections of the community and his demise is deeply regretted.

To his bereaved son, Reverend Father Fahey, and brother, sincere sympathy is tendered.

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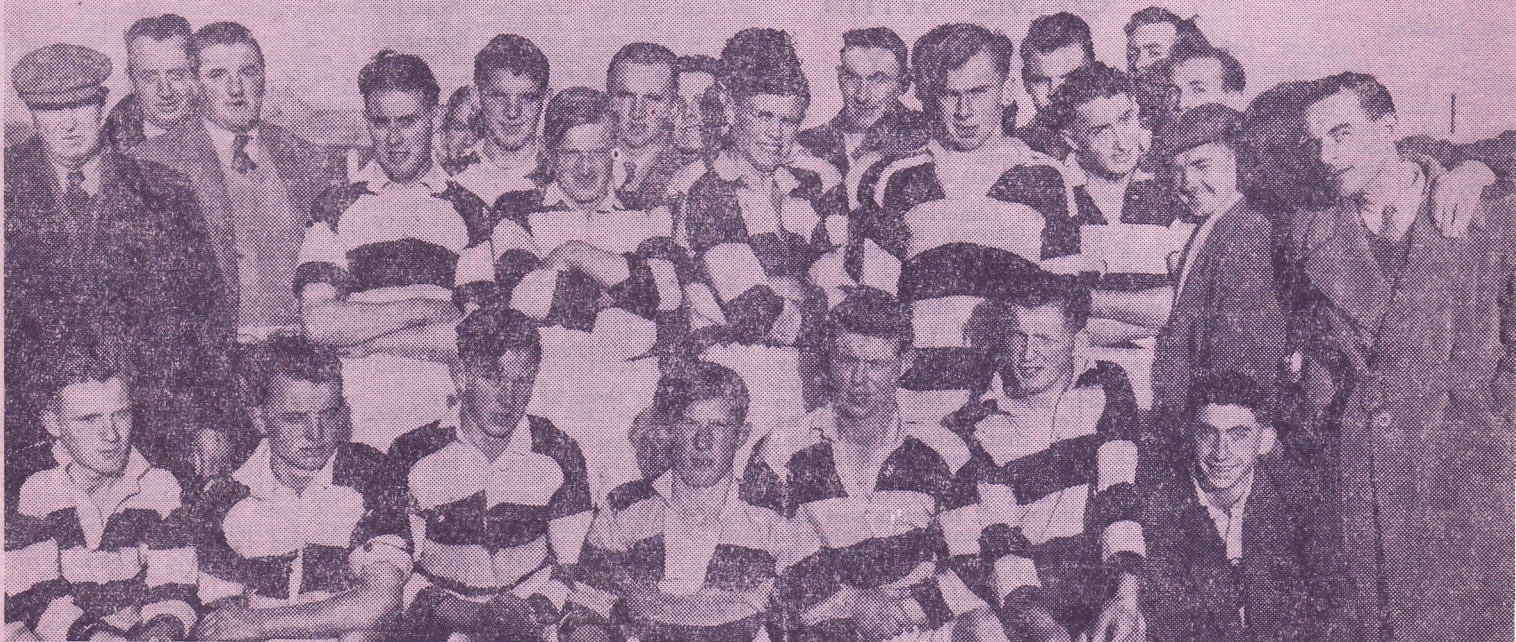
JUBILANT AFTER WINNING FINAL



Our picture shows Garryspillane Junior Hurling team in jubilant form. Reason, they had just beaten Limerick Championship.

THE TEAMS THAT CONTESTED THE COUNTY MINOR FOOTBALL FINAL

5-11-1955



Top photograph shows the Abbeyfeale football team that defeated Galbally at Limerick Gaelic Grounds on Sunday last in the Co. Limerick Minor Football Championship. The team received a great ovation on returning home to Abbeyfeale, as is mentioned in another column. The second photograph shows the gallant runners-up, the Galbally team.

Great Limerick Athletes

(No. 8)—John Blackburne of Galbally

(By SEAMUS O CEALLAIGH)

THE historic village of Galbally, nestling at the foot of the Galtees, has taken no small part in keeping Limerick and Ireland's name to the forefront of the Athletic world. It has produced men whose feats will long be remembered and who could claim equality with the cream of the athletes of the different nations.

Sons of "Hoary Galteemore" whose names have become synonymous with athletic prowess, include the subject of my article this week—John Blackburne, one of the best all-round athletes of his day and champion pole jumper of Ireland; Jim Fahey, holder of the world's record for the "three jumps," and who was also a top notcher at the hop, step and jump, and the long jump, being consistent at 49 feet at the former; and Jim Ryan, another well known performer who specialised in the high jump, and was one of the best known stylists of his time.

John Blackburne saw light of day in that valley famed in song and story, the Glen of Aherlow, a region that has produced some amazing athletes, any of whose performances we cannot find recorded but were "handed" down by "word of mouth."

It is rather a remarkable thing that most of our best jumpers have come from the "Golden Vein" district. And this applies also to our foremost pole vaulters. But it is sad to relate that, with the decline of those fine old characteristic events here, they have practically disappeared from our native arenas.

MASTERY IN THE POLE JUMP.

It was as a pole jumper that John Blackburne sought the competitive arena, and it was not long before his proficiency and mastery were recognised. The popularity of this event had begun to decline, even in Munster. Year by year, the programmes on which it appeared became fewer and fewer, and it was soon eliminated even from the championship schedule. What a real pity that this grand event was allowed fall into remorseless oblivion.

In this regard it is consoling to note a later revival and the continued connection through Bobbie Nolan, T. P. Murphy and P. A. O'Farrell, of Limerick, and P. Anglim, of Clonmel, with the trail blazed in the early years by men of the type of our present subject.

The last occasion I met John Blackburne was on the eve of the 1940 All-Ireland hurling final, in which Limerick triumphed over Kilkenny, the last Blue Riband to come to Shannonside.

Wearing a huge green and white rosette, John, who was then 74, spent some time with me, during which we discussed all the great athletes of his day, most of whom John knew intimately. I found it difficult to get him talking on his own deeds in the arena, but when I explained that I was trying to record the doings of all the prominent Limerick athletes, in the hope of interesting another gener-

ation in the grand cult of athletics, he readily agreed and promised every support to any effort to keep the lamp of Gaelic culture and athletics at an incandescent heat.

HIS OWN STORY.

And here is John's story: "In my juvenile days I always had a tendency towards athletics, and I suppose environment had not a little to do with this, because in close proximity to my home in the Glen of Aherlow, there existed a little group of athletes that could vie with the best performers in any other area in Ireland at that period.

"My first appearance in public happened to be at a place called Cappunine, near Cahir. Not far distant, indeed, but still it necessitated the securing of a suitable conveyance to reach it. Means of transport were rather limited in those days; bicycles were even a novelty then. However, the good old horse, for which our country was always noted, fetched me there in good time.

"This was my first essay at the pole jump, and amongst my opponents I found Alec Noonan and Owen O'Neill, both of Glen fame, and noted performers, but, nevertheless, the raw youth prevailed and scaled the lath at 9 ft. 3 ins.

"As was the custom in those good old days, the budding athlete had always a treat in store for him, and I remember enjoying myself to my heart's content at a dance party, which was given by some friends near Bansha on that evening.

SECOND OUTING.

"My second outing was at Golden, Co. Tipperary, and were it not for the generosity of a local athletic enthusiast placing the services of his faithful mule at my disposal, the probability is that I would not have reached the sports field in time. I might remark here in connection with the mule, that the animal required the most gentle handling, as when offered the slightest insult he could use his hind legs with the very best of his kind.

"I took two events at this venue—the pole and long jumps. I won the former at 10 ft. 4 ins. and the latter at 21 feet.

"These achievements no doubt encouraged me to train more seriously—if I could call it training really in those days, for when I went to the U.S.A. in later years, I found our methods of developing top notch athletes was indeed, to say the most of it, rather primitive as far as the dear old isle was concerned.

"From this forward I appeared at nearly all the sports meetings of

the South, and scarcely ever returned empty handed.

MET BEST MEN OF HIS DAY.

"I met and competed against the best men of my day, and I do not wish to boast, but I could always hold my own and the honour of the Glen against all comers at most events in an ordinary sports meeting.

"Possibly my stature militated against my making of records, as my height was never greater than 5 ft. 5½ ins., and I was at one time persuaded by my admirers to offer a challenge to any opponent of the same height and weight, to an all-round contest in any part of the world.

"As time rolled on, and great men had come and gone, the call of contest and conquest always appealed to me in the realms of decent, honest sport, and I longed to be in the fray, but I must admit there was one occasion in my career when I felt happier than ever before, and that was when I was placed second to the great J. M. Ryan on the day he made the world's record breaking high jump, at Tipperary in 1896. On that day also I won the pole jump at 11 feet.

WENT TO AMERICA.

"Subsequently I went to America and although engaged on strenuous work at the docks, mainly on grain boats, I never relinquished my interest in athletics, and I appeared on many occasions at the old famed New York Celtic Park and Buffalo, where I won many prizes.

"My final ambition was to return to my native country, settle down and spend my retirement in the rural surroundings which I always so dearly longed for.

"In this God was kind to me. I worked for half a dozen years in America. I brought a bit of money there and added to it, and shortly after my return I was wedded to Elizabeth Fahey, sister of James J. Fahey, of Chicago, world's record holder for the three standing broad jumps. We were blessed with one son and many daughters, two of whom are nuns, and a few nursing.

"I am now 74 years, and as Providence bestowed on me good health, I was not afraid of hard work, and I may venture to say if the present day youth were not so 'pandy' fed and coddled as they are now, Ireland would be nearer to regain its fair name in the athletic arenas of the world."

That is all John Blackburne told me. In his modesty there is much that he omitted, so let us have a quick run through his career, with mention only of those performances not already noted.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS.

His outstanding achievements were the securing of three All-Ireland championship titles, all in pole vault, 1892, tying with J. Cahill, Muckalee A.C., Kilkenny 10 ft. 5 ins., winning in 1893 at 7 ins., and again tying in 1897, time with M. Ryan at 10 ft. 2 ins.

Some of his outstanding achievements include a jump of over 47 feet in the pole event at Fermoy in 1894. At Cobh on August 1, 1893, he won his favourite event 10 ft. 8 ins., beat Denis Carey Kilfinane in the running hop, and jump at 46 ft. 1 in., and tied with Barry O'Connor in the high jump at 5 ft. 9 ins. The following day, at Mallow, he won the pole jump at 10 ft. 5 ins., tied for high jump, from scratch, with T. E. Woods of Enniskean, who won the All-Round Championship of Ireland in 1895 at 5 ft. 10 ins., was second to Dan Shanahan in the running hop, step and jump at 45 feet, the Kilfinane man covered 47 feet that day.

"INVASION" OF LONDON.

John Blackburne was a member of the "Invasion" Team to London in May, 1896, and won the pole jump there at 10 ft. 7 ins., tied in the high and long jumps (trig board) with Tom Woods, former at 5 ft. 10 ins., and the latter at 21 ft. 1 in. Blackburne's best performance in the long jump (off trig board) was 22 ft. 1½ in. at Bansha in August, 1896. On the occasion Michael Ryan of Roswell, famous in international football; J. J. Flanagan of Kilbree Kilmallock, prominent as a sprinter, long jumper, and all-round before specialising in the 16 lb hammer, where he made his worldwide fame, and another great jumper in J. J. Chandler, were among the competitors.

In 1898 the Galbally man, competing at Celtic Park, New York, in a special competition between the Pastimes Club, New York, which he was a member, and the Star Athletic Club, Brooklyn, won the pole jump at 10 ft. 5 ins.

On his return to Ireland in 1901 John was seen in action at Mardyke, Cork, where he tied 10 feet with J. Murphy, of Mallow and D. Barry, of Cork, for the 1 Jump Championship of Munster.

At the end of his active athletic career, John Blackburne retired to spend many memory-packed years in the happy, healthy rural life of his native district, behind the storied hills and valleys still redolent of great men's deeds in Ireland's athletic history. No. 9—Bob Coll of Dromin.

Jan GALBALLY 1960 FOOTBALL CLUB

Mr. John Sampson, Chairman, presided at the annual general meeting of the Galbally Football Club, held in the Coursing Club Hall, Galbally. Other officials in attendance were: Mr. P. J. Cussen, President; Mr. John J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc., Treasurer; and Mr. James Morrissey, Secretary.

The Treasurer's report showed the club to be in a satisfactory financial position and the report, together with that of the Secretary, were unanimously adopted.

It was decided to enter three teams in the South Limerick Championships for the coming year, viz., junior football, minor football and juvenile football.

The following officers were elected for 1960: President, Mr. P. J. Cussen; Chairman, Mr. James Clancy; Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Kiely; Secretary, Mr. James Morrissey.

Galbally Football Club A.G.M. 27-1-62

The annual general meeting of the Galbally Gaelic Football Club was held recently in the Coursing Club Hall, Galbally, at which there was a very large attendance.

The following officers were elected to guide the destiny of the Club during the coming year:—President, Mr. Michael (Louis) Maher; Vice-President, Mr. Robert Hyland; Chairman, Mr. James Clancy; Vice-Chairman, Mr. Patrick Danaher, P.C.; Treasurer, Mr. John J. Kiley, B.Agr. Sc.; Secretary, Mr. James Morrissey.

South Hurling Title For Garryspillane not left

Garryspillane won the South Limerick hurling title for the second year in a row when they withstood a strong Banogue rally to win by 5-5 to 5-1 at Kilmallock. The holders, playing with a gale force wind at their backs in the opening half, built up a lead of 5-2 to 1-0 at the interval and Banogue were up against a mammoth task.

However, they fought back with great courage and were nearly rewarded, losing by only 4 points. The fight back came too early, however, and 'Spillane were worthy winners at the close.

Scorers for the winners: J. J. Creed, E. Sampson, W. Lee, D. Barry, R. Crawford and T. Kelly, and for Banogue, J. Sheehan, S. Dunworth, M. Lynch and J. Mulcahy.

The cup was presented to T. O'Dwyer, captain of the Garryspillane team by Mr. P. Ryan, Chairman of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board.

At Kilmallock yesterday, Ardpatrick advanced in the South Limerick J.H. "B" competition by defeating Bruff, 4-4 to 1-3.

GREAT MILER

1963

Now gone well past his 85th year is hale and hearty Michael Hynan, of Garryspillane. Over 60 years ago he was Ireland's best miler, and competed and won against some of the best European runners. It is spoken that if Mick Hynan had the training and diet afforded to present day athletes he would be the first Irishman to break the four minute barrier. The writer will give Mick's life in the "Leader" columns shortly, and his account of how he was taken from scouring a drain on a Saturday evening, and winning the invitation mile at Belfast on the following Sunday, will no doubt give readers an interesting column.

Galbally 1963

In the Sportsfield, Bruree, on Sunday last, Galbally were well beaten by St. Patricks, the city champions, in the county minor football final, on the score:—St. Patrick's, 5-11; Galbally, 2-3. St. Patricks played a type of ground football which had the local lads at sixes and sevens, and they could never really adapt themselves to the fast ground football of the city boys. Although St. Patricks won easily on the score, the game was much better than the score suggests, and Galbally kept trying hard to the final whistle without the verdict ever been in doubt. The local lads, however, are bound to have learned a lot from this heavy reverse, and instead of being depondent over this defeat they should take heart and profit from their heavy defeat on Sunday. St. Pat's have always been one of the most sporting of the city clubs, and have at times given players of outstanding ability to the Limerick county teams, and it is hoped that their victory on Sunday will give a much needed impetus to our county, which is badly needed at the moment. We congratulate them on their victory, and knowing most of their officials and members we are happy that when we could not beat them we can at least join them, and as in 1940, when Limerick had never reached the second round of the Munster championship a fusion of St. Patricks, Galbally and Abbeyfeale brought us to our first ever Munster minor football final. It is hoped that a similar fusion in 1964 will also have a similar effect and perhaps we may go a little further.

Galbally F.C.: Tragic Death Of Great Gael

Mr. P. J. Cussen, Chairman, presided at a meeting of the Galbally Football Club, held in the School, Galbally, on Monday night last, February 7th. Mr. Michael Cummins, Secretary, was also in attendance.

The Chairman said that it was with deep regret that they had all learned of the tragic death of Gunner William O'Donnell (24), of the First F.A. Regiment stationed at Ballincollig, Co. Cork, as a result of a collision with a motor car while cycling near his home.

Sympathy was extended to his young wife (he had been married only six months) and relatives and it was decided that the following members of the Galbally Football Club would travel to Cork to represent the Club at the funeral: Messrs. P. J. Cussen, Chairman; Sean Fitzgerald and P. J. Ryan. It was also decided to have Mass celebrated for the repose of his soul. The meeting then adjourned as a mark of respect.

The deceased was a prominent member of the Galbally Football Club for a number of years and helped the local team to win South Limerick minor and junior football championships as well as numerous other trophies. Of kind and genial disposition. "Billie Da," as he was affectionately known by all his team mates, was a great favourite with all with whom he had come in contact. The news of his tragic death at such an early age cast a gloom over the parish where he had been reared and with the lads he had grown up amongst. He was ever ready to help a neighbour in trouble and was most obliging. His tongue knew no guile and he was an example of uprightness and honesty.

Garryspillane Retain South Limerick Hurling Title

Garryspillane, 5-5; Banogue, 5-1. Although Banogue put in a storming finish, Garryspillane (holders) retained the South Limerick hurling title at Kilmallock on Sunday, defeating Banogue by 5-5 to 5-1, after a keen contest, before a large attendance.

The game was won and lost in the first half, when Garryspillane, playing with the breeze, availed fully of their opportunity and had at least two rather easy goals. This set the seal on their victory, and they were in a comfortable position at half-time, leading by 5-2 to 1-0.

On the resumption, however, Banogue fought well, and after the teams had exchanged points, Banogue had their second goal in the 10th minute. There was some very keen play thereafter and then came Banogue's rally in the last 10 minutes which brought three goals, amid much excitement. The rally came too late, however, and Garryspillane held on tenaciously to deserve their four points win.

It was one of the most evenly contested finals in the history of the South Limerick Board. One had a feeling, however, that, although there was not much between the teams, Garryspillane had that little extra that marked them as champions, who now enter Limerick senior hurling ranks.

The winners had sound defenders in J. Meade (goal), P. J. Mulqueen and M. Gleeson and M. Ryan in the full line, and W. Burke and E. Crawford in the half-line. T. Kelly and C. Conway had a good game at centre-field and all six forwards — B. Crawford, J. J. Crawford, W. Lee, E. Sampson, D. Barry and J. J. Creed — played with fine combination.

For the losers, P. Healy had an unhappy start in goal; L. Connors, one of the veterans, J. Sheehan, J. Lordan, W. Lynch, M. Maume, S. Donworth and M. Lynch all played well.

THE PLAY

J. J. Creed opened the scoring with a goal after two minutes and Garryspillane were two up when E. Sampson connected to drive to the net. S. Donworth had Banogue's first goal in the 7th minute, but a minute later, W. Lee scored Garryspillane's third from well out. J. J. Creed added a point for the winners in the 9th minute, before D. Barry had their fourth goal in the 13th minute. Four minutes later, J. J. Creed had another point and in the 25th minute, R. Crawford had Garryspillane's fifth goal.

Banogue's position at the interval looked bad but they came out fighting in the second period, and J. Sheehan had a point in the 3rd minute. Garryspillane replied with a point per T. Kelly in the fifth minute. In the 10th minute, Banogue had a goal per M. Lynch, but Garryspillane came back and J. J. Creed had a brace of points in the 11th and 17th minutes. Then came Banogue's final rally. In the 23rd minute S. Donworth shot to the net; two minutes later J. Mulcahy sent in another, and three minutes after that S. Donworth had the closing goal.

Presenting the cup to the captain of the winning team (Mr. T. O'Dwyer), Mr. P. Ryan, Chairman of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board, paid tribute to both sides for a fine display, and wished Garryspillane success in senior ranks.

Mr. G. Fitzgerald, Rathkeale, refereed.

TEAMS

Garryspillane — J. Meade, P. J. Mulqueen, M. Gleeson, M. Ryan, W. Bourke, T. O'Dwyer, E. Crawford, T. Kelly, C. Conway, R. Crawford, J. J. Crawford, W. Lee, E. Sampson, D. Barry and J. J. Creed.

Banogue — P. Healy, L. Connors, J. Sheehan, E. Barry, J. Lordan, M. Maume, W. Lynch, D. Sheehan, John Sheehan, S. Donworth, J. Noonan, M. Healy, J. Mulcahy, M. Lynch and J. Cahill.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL.

Galbally, 2-7; Banogue, 2-1.

Galbally advanced in the South Limerick Junior Football Championship at Kilmallock on Sunday at the expense of Banogue, whom they defeated by 2 goals and 7 points to two goals and 1 point in a rather listless display.

At no stage in the game were Galbally, who led by 1 goal and 3 points to 1 goal at half-time, really threatened, though Banogue did give them a fright in the last quarter, when they came within two points of them, but Galbally then drew away, and with a point, followed by a goal, were good winners.

THE PLAY.

Galbally opened the scoring with a point, per J. O'Neill, followed by 1 point, per J. Cullen. J. Cullen then had a point and a goal for Galbally, before J. O'Keeffe sent to the net for Banogue near the interval.

Cullen put Galbally further ahead on the resumption with a point. D. Wallace next pointed for Galbally and then P. J. Cussen ad a point. S. Donworth pointed for Banogue, and then P. J. Cussen had a point. player, which left only two points between the teams. This, however, only inspired Galbally to greater effort and D. Wallace drove over the bar and J. Cussen finished the scoring with a good goal.

Mr. L. Brady, Kilmallock, refereed.

TREATY'S DECISIVE SEVEN POINT WIN

Well on their way to County title

by DAN MULCAHY

Treaty-Sarsfields ... 2-6
Athea ... 1-2
Scoring a decisive seven-point win over Athea in the county minor football semi-final at Askeaton on Sunday, Treaty-Sarsfields are well on the way to another county title. Their next vital test will be against Oola in the final on Sunday week and, judging by their impressive performance against the Western champions on Sunday, they must be rated favourites for the 1964 minor crown.

BIG CROWD

Quite a big crowd turned up for the semi-final, which, despite the big final disparity in the scores, was keenly contested up to the last minute. In a spectacular start the City lads piled up a six-point lead in as many minutes and it looked at this early stage as if the issue was already decided. However, the

Athea boys soon recovered from these opening shocks and, fighting back gamely, they were only a single point in arrears at the interval.

There was little enough between the teams in the opening quarter of the second moiety and it looked as if something in the nature of a photo-finish was in the offing. Entering the last quarter, however, the winners pressed home their territorial advantage and a brace of goals in quick succession dispelled Athea's hope of a recovery some ten minutes from the final whistle. It was a disappointing finish to a game that otherwise provided plenty of good-class football, although it was fairly obvious from the throw-in that the winners had the edge of their rivals from the west.

FLYING START

Treaty-Sarsfields got away to a flying start and in the opening minutes Pat Dinneen and John Ryan sent over two points before an Athea attack went wide. When the winners promptly returned to the offensive from the delivery, Pat Dinneen netted a goal, to which John Ryan added a point almost immediately after, giving the winners a six-point lead little more than five minutes from the throw-in. After missing some good scoring chances, Athea eventually got into their stride and Kevin Denihan finished off a determined drive with a goal. The same player and Paddy Geohagan added two Athea points before the interval, when the position was: Treaty-Sarsfields 1-3; Athea, 1-2.

Shortly after the resumption Mick McDonnell put the winners a point ahead and some time later sent over another point from a 21-yards free. Athea tried hard but were unable to make any effective impression on the city defence before John Ryan added another point for the winners. Some ten minutes from the end, Pat Dinneen clinched the issue with a goal for Treaty-Sarsfields.

Pat Cahalane (St. Mary's) refereed.

Treaty-Sarsfields — Pat Heslison, Sean Fitzgerald, M. Irwin, Paddy Daly, Sean Tobin, Tom Grant, Tom McCarthy, Ollie McLoughlin, Tom Gleeson, Mick O'Donnell, Dony Purtill, John Ryan, Fergus O'Dwyer, Pat Dinneen, Donal Jackson.

Athea — John Barry; Con Mulane, Tom Browne, Mick Dood, M. Liston, J. White, M. Haye, Tom Moran, Sean McAuliffe, I. Geohagan, T. Foley, T. Mullan, K. Denihan, K. Dillon, P. Fitzgerald.

LATE JIM BARRY, CLOHAST: AN APPRECIATION

A GLOOM passed over East Limerick on Friday, August 17th, when the people heard of the sudden death at 46 years of age of Jim Barry. The deceased was tackling up his horse to go to the creamery when he had a seizure and died within minutes in his wife's arms. The remains were examined by Dr. O'Donnell, Kilfinane, and an inquest was not deemed necessary. The remains were taken to Glenbrohane Church the same evening amidst poignant scenes of regret. After Office and High Mass on Saturday, the interment took place in the family burial ground, Knocklong. A Guard of Honour comprising members and committee of the Garry Bouncers Hurling Club escorted the remains. The coffin was draped in the Tricolour and his L.D.F. uniform, and a bugler sounded the Last Post. A huge cortege, representative of all walks of life, attended.

The following clergy officiated: Rev. Fr. O'Byrne, Rev. Fr. Hickey, Rev. Fr. Lee, Rev. Fr. Shanahan and Rev. Fr. Lee, P.P. The chief mourners were: Eily (wife), Mary Barry (mother), Mary and Michael (children). Numerous Mass cards, telegrams and letters of sympathy were received.

AN APPRECIATION.

The most beloved figure ever to grace historical and patriotic Glenbrohane has been called in his prime to the land above by the Creator. He was as gentle as the soft winds that blow from the Slíav Riogh hills; he was a staunch as the rugged rocks of Clohast; and he was as kind as the murmuring streams of Glenlara. It was to Jim Barry's house that Dan Breen sought refuge after the rescue at Knocklong, and it was to Jim Barry's house that the tired, hungry Flying Column sought food and rest. During the emergency he was Group Leader in the L.D.F. He also donned the Shine jersey in the hurling days of the Glen, and to his death he was the guiding star of the Bouncers' Hurling Club. Even to-day people cannot realise that such an exemplary Irishman has passed away; and a void is left in the neighbourhood that will be impossible to fill. When the last notes of the Last Post had re-echoed from the lush hills many an eye was moist and many a fervent prayer was said for the repose of the soul of one who held aloft the banner of "Excelsior."

The Slíav Riogh hills are lonely to-night,
The mists sweep down from above,
The curlew cries from the lowlands low,
And we sigh for one we love.

Minor title ¹⁴/₈ for Galbally ⁶⁵/₆₅

Galbally, 1-8; Croom, 0-3.

Galbally had a convincing win over Croom in the South Limerick minor football final at Hospital, winning by 1 goal and 8 points to 3 points.

Throughout, Galbally displayed the better football craft, and were not flattered to lead at half-time by 3 points to 2 points. In the second half, Galbally took command and ran out good winners.

Outstanding player for Galbally was John Sheehan, who was also their principal scorer. Other scorers for Galbally were Condon and the English brothers.

Scorers for Croom were J. J. O'Regan, S. Cregan and F. Roche.

The referee was T. Murphy, Hospital.

Mr. P. J. Ryan, P.C., Chairman of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board, presented the cup for the championship to J. O'Donnell, captain of the winning Galbally

A.G.M. of ¹²/₂ Galbally ⁶⁶/₆₆ G.A.A. Club

Mr. James Clancy, Chairman, presided at the annual meeting of the Galbally Football Club, which took place in the Courting Club Hall, Galbally. Other officials in attendance were Mr. P. J. Cussen, vice-chairman and trainer, and Mr. James O'Donnell, Secretary. Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc., Treasurer, was unavoidably absent. There was a large attendance of members and both the Chairman and Secretary had occasion to refer to the success of their under-age teams last year and congratulated all the players as well as those who assisted them from an adjoining parish. The failure of the junior team to survive the first round of the South Limerick Championship gave rise to an animated discussion, several members expressing the view that it was lack of match practice, of which they had none, and a complacency to the ability of the opposition that left them in this unhappy position. It was decided to rectify this matter during the coming year and to leave no stone unturned in order to put a fit and eager junior team on the field.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Chairman, Mr. James Clancy; vice-chairman, Mr. P. J. Cussen; joint treasurers, Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc., and Mr. J. P. Fitzgerald; secretary, Mr. James O'Donnell.

It was decided to enter juvenile, minor and junior football teams in the coming year's championships and the club unanimously agreed to support Mr. T. O'Shea, N.T., Principal of the local Primary Schools, in furthering the under-14 hurling and football sides which he will enter in the South Limerick Schools' Championships. A special vote of thanks was passed to Mr. O'Shea for his continued interest in the young boys and to his success in the past year in

GALBALLY ¹⁰/₆ FOOTBALL ⁶⁷/₆₇ FINAL

The final of the Galbally Gaelic Football Tournament takes place at the Muintir na Tire Sportsfield, Galbally, on Tuesday evening next, June 13, at 7.30 (S.T.) sharp. The contesting teams are Hospital and Galbally and the final is expected to be a thriller between two very well balanced combinations. In the semi-finals, Hospital had to meet Aherlow twice and on Sunday night last could be considered a trifle lucky to have beaten Aherlow by four points, as an Aherlow defender deflected a ball that ended up in the net away from his keeper, who appeared to have the shot well covered. Added to this set back was the fact that at least on two occasions Aherlow should have scored two points from placed balls instead of looking for major scores in a packed goal area. This is a very good Aherlow side, who are mostly made up of players of minor age and they could very well make their presence felt in the present West Tipperary championships.

Galbally had a good win over 'Anglesboro' in the second semi-final and although their team is not as fit as one might like to see them they nevertheless will make a strong bid to keep the P. J. Cussen Cup and trophies at home.

MR. PATRICK HEFFERNAN, BALLYCRANA.

The death occurred at his residence, Ballycrana, Kilross, Tipperary, of Mr. Patrick Heffernan at an advanced age. The deceased was a highly respected and very popular member of the farming community.

In his early life he was a noted Gaelic footballer, having started his football career with the local Galbally Galteemores team; he later played with the Limerick Commercial with his team-mate, the late Paddy Hyland. After a few years he joined the famed Bohercrowes in Tipperary town and it was with this club he came under the notice of the then County Tipperary selectors. He had many great games for Tipperary in what was then considered the leading competition in Munster football: the Croke Cup. He was selected to go on an American tour with a Tipperary football team. When his playing days were over he continued to take an active interest in the sport.

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His remains were removed to Galbally Parish Church (the coffin being draped with the Arravale Rovers, Tipperary, colours, which are the successors to the Bohercrowes), and following Office and Requiem Mass were interred in the New Cemetery, Tipperary. The remains were borne by members of the Arravale Rovers and Tipperary County Board from the hearse to the graveside.

GALBALLY

Football Club

Mr. P. J. Cussen presided at the annual general meeting of the Galbally Gaelic Football Club, held in the Coursing Club Hall, Galbally. Other officials in attendance were Mr. Louis Maher, President; Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc., Treasurer, and Mr. James O'Donnell, Secretary.

In the course of his address to the members, Mr. Cussen said that the under-21 football team would, with proper attention to training, make a bold bid to capture the South Limerick and county titles. Mr. Cussen also spoke of the great display put up by the juvenile team in the South Limerick final, going under after a grand exhibition by the minimum margin.

The report of the Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc., and the Secretary, Mr. James O'Donnell, were both unanimously adopted.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mr. Louis Maher; Vice-President, Mr. James Clancy; Chairman, Mr. William J. Kiely; Treasurer, Mr. J. J. Kiely, B.Agr.Sc.; Secretary, Mr. James O'Donnell.

It was decided to enter junior, under-21, minor and juvenile football teams in the 1967 South Limerick football championships.

The Munster Council will meet this Saturday to elect a chairman in succession to Mr. Jim Ryan, recently elected President of the Association.

One of the candidates is the Chairman of the South Limerick Board, Paddy Ryan, of Galbally, and in all fairness a Limerickman should be elected to the post. Not since the late William P. Clifford occupied the position nearly two score years ago has Limerick held this high honour, whilst all the other Munster counties have had their turn, some of them on a few occasions.

Paddy Ryan first attracted notice as a top-class handballer during his schooldays at Rockwell College and later he helped the college side reach the Munster Colleges senior football final, in which they lost to Colaiste Iosagain, then in their football heyday.

With Galbally he reached the county minor football final of 1937 and although beaten very narrowly by Treaty his display on that occasion as centre half-back was widely acclaimed.

He later helped Galbally win their first Southern junior football title and afterwards he was a member of the Ballylanders side beaten by Galtee

Rovers in the County senior football semi-final.

An unfortunate knee injury that proved serious put him out of football at 21, but he later figured as a very successful referee, handling many local games as well as Munster junior and senior championship ties. In the South he was the guiding light for several seasons behind the St. Malo's senior football team.

He has figured on Limerick Selection Committees for over quarter of a century and chaired the senior football selectors many times. Two years ago he had the unique honour of being elected to both senior hurling and senior football selection committees in the same season.

Seventeen years Chairman of the South Limerick Board he served his apprenticeship as Vice-Chairman in a hard school under the late Johnny Guerin, whom he succeeded in the southern chair.

SUCCESSFUL ADMINISTRATOR

He has proved one of our most successful administrators and the Board over which he presides is a model of organisation and decorum, progressing from strength to strength with

all parishes pulling their weight and several exceptionally well equipped playing fields. He is firm in his decisions at all times, which are based on an exceptionally good knowledge of the rules, which he helped to frame, for he has represented Limerick at successive Munster Conventions and All-Ireland Congresses for very many years.

A fluent speaker in both Irish and English his addresses to successive South Limerick Conventions have always stressed the national outlook of the G.A.A. and the necessity of upholding the aims and traditions set by the men who who worked so hard to put the Association in the position of power and influence it occupies to-day.

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WIN FOR GALBALLY

Galbally, 3-5; Aherlow, 0-4

At the Sportsfield, Aherlow, on Sunday last, Galbally scored a surprisingly easy win over Aherlow in the final of the Aherlow Football Tournament for the O'Gorman Cup and medals. Winning the toss, Galbally intelligently took the strong wind advantage and with Billie Noonan in great form at full-forward, where he made full use of the service provided by the Galbally centre-field and half-back line the issue was practically decided at half-time when Galbally had a two ogals lead. Aherlow tried all they knew in the second half but the superior team work of the Limerick lads allied to the fact that Aherlow had played against the strong wind in the opening half gave them little chance to make up the leeway and with Ned Sampson playing a storming game at full-back for Galbally, the best efforts of the Aherlow lads proved fruitless and they had to be content with finishing the game without a major score.

Immediately after the game the cup and medals were presented to the victorious Galbally team.

GALBALLY SCORE GREAT WIN

Galbally, 3-5; Bruff, 1-2

Galbally scored a highly meritorious win over Bruff in the final of the South Limerick Under-21 Football Final (1966) at the Sportsfield, Hospital. Playing with the breeze in the opening half it took the boys from the Galtee slopes some time to settle down and when they were only ahead three points to nil after the first quarter their prospects of success looked anything but rosy. At this stage, Bruff were holding their own in most sectors but a great goal by Billie Noonan largely contributed to by a well-placed ball from John Wallace stirred the Galbally boys to a greater effort and although Bruff kept fighting back there was no denying the combined team work of their opponents, who kept up a continual pressure in the Bruff goal area which yielded a few important scores. Bruff did better on the change over and with two points from play and a goal from a penalty they made things interesting for a time but two further goals from play left Galbally deserving winners.

GALBALLY SCORE GOOD WIN

Galbally, 1-9; Hospital, 0-6.

In the final of the Galbally Football Tournament, played at the Muintir na Tire Sportsfield, Galbally, the local team had a convincing win over Hospital to capture the P. J. Cussen Cup and medals. A large attendance witnessed a really exciting game and although Galbally were in front from start to finish, the Hospital boys were always in touch until the final ten minutes, when Billie Noonan's goal from a pass by Mick Hennebery really clinched the matter for the home side. The standard of football throughout the game was interesting and at times reached a high standard due in large measure to the enthusiasm of players on both sides and to the strictness and impartiality of referee Twomey from Mitchelstown.

The local lads have seldom played better as a team and while Pat Fitzgerald, Ned Sampson, Mick Hennebery, Connie Bourke, Bill McEniry and Roger O'Donnell, not forgetting Denis Wallace, all starred in this great win, the other members of the team were not far behind, and with attention to training they should be a force in this year's Limerick Championship. Hospital were best served by Phil Carroll, Roger Fenton, Garrett Barry, Noel Ryan, Brother Gabriel, Aidan O'Sullivan and Michael Fox; goalkeepers Tom Bourke for Hospital and Bobbie Fitzgerald for Galbally were excellent.

Immediately after the game Mr. William Kiely, Chairman of the Galbally Club, presented the cup to the winning captain and congratulated Galbally on winning and Hospital for proving to be such worthy and sporting opponents in the final.

Council Chairman in New ^{12/7/69} York

MR. P. J. RYAN, GALBALLY, PAID GLOWING TRIBUTES

At a very impressive and largely attended reception at the Woodside Steakhouse in the Queens District of New York organised by the Limerickmen's Association and Limerick Hurling Club in New York, Mr. Paddy Ryan, Galbally, Chairman of the Munster Council G.A.A., who was representing the President, Mr. Seamus O Riain, during the Kerry team's visit to New York, was guest of honour. Accompanying Mr. Ryan were Mr. Sean O Siachain, General Secretary, G.A.A., and Mr. Paul Kelly, who refereed both games in the National League Final.

Mr. Ryan and those who accompanied him were accorded a wonderful reception by all those present, most of whom came from Limerick City and County. The visiting party were entertained to an excellent dinner with suitable refreshments.

PROUD

Mr. Sean Guilteneane acted as Chairman of the Reception Committee and having welcomed the various guests on behalf of both the Limerickmen's Association and the Limerick Hurling Club in New York, he spoke of his association with Mr. Pat Ryan prior to his (Mr. Guilteneane's) leaving his native Rathkeale and Limerick and of the wonderful work Mr. Ryan had performed for the Association at home. Mr. Sean O Siachain, General Secretary, also spoke of Mr. Ryan's "business acumen" and of his worth while contributions to the various aspects of the Association's work at Executive level. "Limerick people everywhere

could be proud of Paddy Ryan's work for the Association," he said. Other speakers included Mr. John P. Collins, Chairman of the Emigration Commission for New York; Mr. Donal Collins, a native of Killarney, Chairman of the Emigration Commission for the State of Illinois and who lives in Chicago; Mr. Dave Hennessy, Woodside, and a native of Spittal, Ballylanders, and Limerick's representative on the New York Board, G.A.A., and Rev. Fr. Tom Ryan, Woodside, a native of Ballinlina, Kilfinane.

At the conclusion of the evening's entertainment Mr. Ryan was made a beautiful presentation on behalf of the Limerickmen's Association and Limerick Hurling Club. The presentation was made by Mr. Dave Hennessy, who was introduced by Father Tom Ryan.

Returning thanks for the wonderful reception accorded to himself and the other members of the Irish party, and for the excellent meal and entertainment, Mr. Ryan spoke of the wonderful work both Limerick Associations were doing for Limerick emigrants and for the native pastime of hurling in New York.

Mr. Ryan gave a very interesting resume of Gaelic activity in Limerick city and county and expressed sincere thanks to all those who contributed socially and otherwise to making the occasion such a joyous one and which he would remember all his life.

Mr. Ryan also expressed the hope that the day was not far off when a Limerick hurling

team would travel to New York as either National League or All-Ireland champions and he could envisage the wonderful reception that would be accorded to a Limerick team on such an occasion. Continuing, Mr. Ryan said he would especially thank Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hennessy, Mr. Sean Guilteneane, Mr. John P. Collins, Mr. Barth Rynne for the hospitality accorded them during their stay in New York. With the aforementioned, Mr. Ryan associated the names of Nurses Jo Fitzgerald, Kilballyowen, Bruff, Co. Limerick; Mary Crean, Skerries, Co. Dublin, and Aileen McManus, Buninadden, Co. Sligo, for the manner in which they treated referee Paul Kelly's heel injury and for the manner in which they attended to the needs of the Irish Party during their stay in New York.

Among those who contributed vocal items during the night's entertainment were Mr. Sean O Siachain, General Secretary, G.A.A.; Mrs. Dave Hennessy, Michael Hickey, Sean Giltenane and Pete Kelleher.

The following are the names of some of those who attended the dinner and presentation: Mr. Sean Giltenane, Rathkeale; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hennessy, Spittal, Ballylanders; Rev. Fr. Tom Ryan, Kilfinane; Mr. John P. Collins, New York, parents, natives of Ardagh; Mr. Pat Conway, Killeedy; Mr. Barth Rynne, Athea; Mrs. Ellen Nash, do.; Joan Talbot, Tournafulla, Co. Limerick; John J. Downey, Askatoon; Mary Downey, Leitrim; Peter and Brendan Kelleher, Murroe; Tommie Reidy, Broadford, Catherine Reidy, Kilfinny; John J. O'Shaughnessy, Glin; Donal Collins, Killarney; Billie Murphy, Carey's Rd., Limerick City; Mr. Miko Keane, Galway; Mr. Michael Byrnes, Clarina, Co. Limerick; Mrs. Michael Byrnes, Swinford, Co. Mayo; Mr. Pat Harnett, Ballingarry, Co. Limerick; Pat Barry, Newcastle West; Mr. Pat Joe Neville, Limerick City.

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Galbally

Talent contest

The nation-wide talent competition sponsored by the Central Council of the G.A.A. is due to commence shortly. The first competitions will be held at club level and the winners will then proceed to divisional, county, provincial and finally All-Ireland championship. It is hoped that the local G.A.A. clubs will take part in those competitions which will consist of question time, motion speaking, ballad groups, musical groups, individual singers and individual musicians. Galbally and surrounding districts have been known in the past for their abundance of such talent and we are looking forward to some very interesting entrants in this G.A.A. sponsored competition from the locality.

MOVING WITH TIMES

The local G.A.A. clubs are preparing to install showers and toilets in the old school at Galbally which adjoins the Muin-tir Na Tire sportsfield. Practically all the work is being carried out on a voluntary basis by the club members.



Galbally, beaten County football finalists.

25-10-69



The Galbally senior football team which lost to Claughtaun in the County final. It was Galbally's first-ever appearance in a senior final.

6-12-69

Week-End G.A.A. Review :

GARRYSPELLANE QUALIFY FOR CO. J.H. FINAL

(By "S.M.")

Garryspillane, who last held the title in 1960, qualified for the final of the County Junior Hurling Championship when they overwhelmed city standard bearers, Monaleen, 10-8 to 1-2, in a one-sided semi-final, before a fine crowd at Croom.

On the strength of this performance, they must be installed firm favourites to annex ultimate honours. Monaleen started promisingly, but showed obvious lack of fitness, and after 15 minutes were struggling against a superb and crafty combination. Ex Harty Cup player, Sean Bourke, was a real thorn in Monaleen's side. Operating at left full forward, he tore the Monaleen defence to shreds, and finished with a personal tally of 5-5. Garryspillane led 3-5 to 0-1 at the interval, and with only token resistance in the second half, finished facile winners.

OUTSTANDING

Best for Garryspillane were Mike Ryan, Dave Bourke, James Carroll, John Meade, Kevin Walshe, Jimmy Meade and Sean Bourke, while on a disappointing side only Eddie Franklin, Denis Foley, Sean Scanlon, Noel Moynihan and Donal Coffey showed anything like their true form.

Scorers: S. Bourke (5-5), J. Meade (3-0), T. O'Dwyer (2-0), K. Walshe (0-3).

Monaleen: D. Duffy (1-0), S. Scanlon (0-2).

Referee, J. Quaide, Feoghanagh.

City Under 21 Finals

Football: Treaty Sarsfields 0-9, Old Christians 1-1. Treaty Sarsfields won their third city football title of the season when their under 21 squad beat Old Christians, 0-9 to 1-1, in a dull and scrappy final at the Gaelic Grounds.

Treaty's big asset was the ability of their forwards to pick off points from every angle. They also held the advantage in fitness and over-all were the more polished football combination. Old Christians were a determined bunch but their forwards lacked the initiative and drive to penetrate a firm Treaty defence. Treaty led 0-5 to 0-1 at the interval and despite a great come-back bid by the ex-C.B.S.

lads finished comfortable and deserving winners.

Scorers: Treaty Sarsfields—P. Ryan, 0-3; B. Ryan, M. Buckley, 0-2 each; S. Cowhey, G. Kiely, 0-1 each.

Old Christians: T. Kiernan, 1 goal; G. Cantwell, 0-1.

Referee, Tom Halpin.

Hurling. Patrickswell 6-10, Ballybrown 2-2. The strength of Patrickswells' reserve hurling talent was fully displayed at the Gaelic Grounds yesterday when a highly skilful under 21 side won the city under 21 title for the third successive year, defeating a gallant Ballybrown side 6-10 to 2-2. Ballybrown were a great-hearted team but they lacked the skill and all-round balance to match this "Well" fifteen that seem destined to reach the pinnacle of the hurling world.

They had a powerful leader in Sean Foley, who gave a superlative performance at midfield, but he got excellent support from three-goal hero, young Joe Lynch. Liam Foley, the Nolan brothers, Willie Fenton, Oliver Mann and Ritchie Kelliher. It was no fault of Michael McNamara in the Ballybrown goal that his side met a heavy defeat, as he had several brilliant saves to his credit. Others to try hard were Noel Fitzgerald, Noel Lyons, Frankie Coughlan, Tony Byrne, Anthony Cusack and Gay Sheahan.

SCORERS

Patrickswell: J. Lynch (3-1), M. O'Connell, F. Nolan, B. Nolan (1-0 each), S. Foley (0-4), L. Foley (0-3), Tony Foley (0-2).

Ballybrown: T. Byrne, F. Coughlan (1-0 each), N. Lyons (0-2).

Referee: Sean O'Connor (Claughaun).

YOUR WEEK-END G.A.A. SCOREBOARD

County J.H.C. semi-final — Garryspillane, 10-8; Monaleen, 1-2.

City Under 21 F.C. final — Treaty Sarsfields, 0-9; Old Christians, 1-1.

Under 21 H. final—Patrickswell, 6-10; Ballybrown, 2-2.

East J.H.C. final—Boher, 2-7; Killeely (holders), 1-2.

J.F.C.—Oola beat Caherline.

Galbally too
11-4-70
good for

St. Patrick's

Galbally, 4-7; St. Patrick's, 1-4

St. Patrick's made the journey to Hospital minus the services of 5 regulars, and consequently proved no match for Galbally in the County S.F. Cup competition.

With wind advantage in the first half "Saints" led 1-4 to 1 goal at the interval, but on the resumption it was one-way traffic, with Galbally completely on top and readily adding to their total. They were well served by Sean Burke, John Hedigan, Michael English, John Sheahan and Davy Burke, while Sean Quinlivan, who scored 3 points, Ritchie O'Connor, Vivian Cobbe, Noel Phelan, Brendan Crosse and Vincent Phelan tried hard for St. Patrick's.

Garryspillane Regain Title in Thrilling Game

"Bouncers" Finish Too Much for Boher. 12.12.70

by "S.M."

Garryspillane 3-10
Boher 1-5

The County junior hurling championship has earned a reputation of producing hurling of a high order and this rating was duly maintained at the Gaelic Grounds on Sunday last when Garryspillane and Boher met to decide the destiny of the 1969 crown. In a thrilling game Garryspillane, who last won the title in 1961, came with a great finishing rally to oust a gallant Boher side, 3-10 to 1-5. While few will quibble that it was a deserved success, nevertheless the Bouncers were slightly flattered by their eleven point winning margin. Indeed, it was a switch of fortune which sealed the issue in their favour. They led 1-5 to 0-2 at the interval, but Boher had their innings on resuming and veteran, Owen O'Neill imbued new spirit into the side when introduced as a substitute in the 10th minute. He lashed home a great goal in the 12th minute to leave his side trailing by only two points, 1-7 to 1-5. Then came the turning of the game in the 16th minute—Owen O'Neill was bursting his way through but passed the ball to the unmarked Noel Foley on the edge of the square.

A goal seemed imminent but unbelievably he shot wide of the posts. Straight from the puck-out Garryspillane stormed to the attack and Patsy Ryan put his side on the road to victory with a well-taken —. It was the beginning of the end for Boher, for although they battled on gamely to the final whistle the all-round strength and craft of Garryspillane proved too much for them in the final quarter.

Full marks must go to both sides for serving up such heart-warming hurling in desperate underfoot conditions, while their great sportsmanship earned new lustre in this respect. Garryspillane possessed a nice blend of youth and experience, having nine under 21 players and four of the side who won the 1961 title, namely, J. J. Crawford, Tommy O'Dwyer, Jimmy Meade and Ned Sampson, on their side. They were in excellent physical trim thanks to J. P. Ryan and "Snowey" Heffernan, their mentors, who were overjoyed at their latest success. "It is great to see a rural club such as ours holding their own at the top in many grades," J. P. commented to me after the game. "It

proves," he said, "that our recently painted tag of top rural club in Ireland is quite correct."

Davy Bourke, at centre back, was the outstanding player for Garryspillane, and was ably supported by fellow half backs Pat Higgins and James Carroll, Denis Ryan at mid-field, and forwards Patsy Ryan, Kevin Walshe and ex-Harty Cup player Sean Bourke, who notched some great scores.

Boher matched their opponents in most sectors of the field but their top forwards were very weak. Patsy Laffan, Tom Ryan, Paddy O'Connor, Matty Foley, John Brouder, Brendan Quirke and Tony Hickey tried their hearts out to stem the tide, and certainly enhanced their reputations in this encounter.

THE PLAY

Garryspillane dominated the first half and scores from Denis Ryan (0-1), Seamus Ryan (0-1), Kevin Walshe (0-3) and a great goal from Sean Burke, to which Tony Hickey replied with two points, left the scoreboard reading Garryspillane 1-5, Boher 0-2 at the interval.

Matty Foley shot an early point for Boher on resuming, to which Tony Hickey added two white flags from frees, one from the 40 yards mark. Tommy O'Dwyer scored a point for Garryspillane and Kevin Walshe did likewise for the Black and Amber brigade before Owen O'Neill signalled his arrival on the scene with a spectacular goal. The issue was now in the melting pot and then came that missed open goal for Boher and that immediate reply of a green flag for Garryspillane by Patsy Ryan. The Bouncers now sensed victory, and with scores from Sean Bourke (1-1), Jimmy Meade and Patsy Ryan (0-1 each) finished worthy champions.

The teams lined out:

Garryspillane: Tom Ryan, J. J. Crawford, Matt Ryan, Ned Sampson, Pat Higgins, Davey Bourke, James Carroll, Denis Ryan, John Meade, Seanie Ryan, Patsy Ryan, Kevin Walshe, Jimmy Meade, Tommy O'Dwyer, Sean Bourke.

Boher: Donal Leahy, P. J. O'Shea, John Walshe, P. J. Fitzgibbon, Pat Walshe, Tom Ryan, Paddy O'Connor, Patsy Laffan, Matty Foley, John Brouder, Tony Hickey, Brendan Quirke, Noel Foley, Denis Bartley, Pat O'Connor. Sub.: Owen O'Neill for Pat O'Connor.

Referee: Sean O'Connor (Cloughaun).

Garryspillane's

good win ¹⁶/₁₀ ⁷/₁

Garryspillane 2-8
Fedamore 0-9

At half time in this quarter final of the County Limerick at Bruff, very few, if anybody, would have given Garryspillane a chance of winning, because they were level with Fedamore (6 points each) after having played with the advantage of a good breeze.

But in the second half, they really came to life, and hurling with rare fire and vigour, they took control, and fully deserved their 2-8 to 0-9 win.

REFEREE LEFT

It was a pity that mid-way through the first half, a difference between players resulted in spectators becoming involved in a melee, and play was held up for more than ten minutes. In fact, the referee left the field because it looked as if order could not be restored. However, order was restored, the referee returned, and thereafter, the game was contested in a rather orderly manner. When order was restored, each team had only fourteen men, a man from each side having been ordered off.

Garryspillane were in front early on, but Fedamore fought back and nearing the interval, levelled the scoring (0-6 each). Garryspillane had a point early on the turnover, and then T. Ryan in the Garryspillane goal saved a point blank shot that might have turned the tide of the game against his team, had a goal been scored. From the resulting '70', Fedamore levelled the scoring. Five minutes after the re-start, T. Burke shot the first of the Garryspillane goals, and at the three-quarter stage Garryspillane led by this goal, (1-7 to 0-7). Early in the last quarter, Garryspillane had their second goal, when the Fedamore goal-keeper mis-judged a shot which he appeared to have covered. Fedamore replied with a point and followed with another, but Garryspillane replied with a point, and they finished strongly, holding off many attacks that were mounted by the Fedamore attack.

Scorers: Garryspillane — K. Walsh (1-3), T. Burke (1-2), S. Burke, D. Burke and P. Ryan (0-1 each).

Fedamore — J. Condon (0-5), M. Gorey (0-3), and E. Prenderville (0-1).

TEAMS

Garryspillane — T. Ryan; J. Burke, M. Ryan, J. J. Crawford; P. Higgins, D. Burke, J. Carroll; D. Ryan and J. Meade; S. Ryan, P. Ryan, K. Walsh; P. Tobin, T. Bourke, and S. Burke.

Fedamore — A. O'Sullivan; E. Prenderville, M. Keogh, D. Conway; P. Hurley, T. Clohesy, P. Kelliher; W. O'Mahoney, G. Gleeson; J. Condon, J. Leonard, M. Gorey; R. Burton, T. Gleeson and G. Keogh.

Garryspillane

G.A.A. 6/2/71

At the annual general meeting of the Garryspillane G.A.A. Club a proposal to delete the "ban" Rules, 26, 27, 28, 29, was carried by 21 votes to 19. Last year was the most successful one ever in the club's history. They won the County junior hurling championship and four South Limerick hurling titles.

Officers elected for 1971 are: President, Liam Hanley; chairman, J. P. Ryan; vice-chairman, John O'Donnell; secretary, Nelius O'Connell; treasurer, John Joe O'Reilly.

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NELIUS O'CONNELL,
Secretary.

Galbally

Teach in

1971

The South Limerick G.A.A. Board, are to hold a Teach-In for young referees at the Golden Spur Inn, Kilmallock, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights of next week, March 29, 30 and 31. John Moloney, the well known Tipperary referee, will give a talk to aspirants on Tuesday night, March 30. All lectures will start at 8 p.m.

SCOR SEACHTO JUVENILE COMPETITIONS

The South Limerick G.A.A. Board are at present inviting entries through clubs affiliated to the Board for juveniles to participate in the South Limerick finals, which will be held shortly. The competitions will be as follows—(1), Rinncé Aonair or Individual Dancing Reel Jig or Hornpipe; (2), Aithriseoir-eacht (Recitation); (3), Baileid Aonair (Solo ballad singing) Ballads to be of Irish character; (4), Rinncé Foirne (Set Dancing); (5), Ceol Uirlise (Instrumental Music Solo); (6), Traith na gCeist (Question Time), for teams of three competitors; (7), Run do Mholadh (Motion Speaking); (8), Grupai Baileid (Ballad Groups). The competitions are confined strictly to juveniles, boys' and girls' who were under 16 years of age on, or before January 1, 1970. All entries should be sent to the secretary of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board, Seamus Uasail O hIci, Banogue, Croom, so as to arrive not later than March 29. It is hoped that the local G.A.A. club will enter the very talented juveniles that previously took part in the adult competitions.

Galbally

Minor footballers

1971

After a most exciting and game at the Sportsfield, Kilmallock, in the South Limerick minor Football semi-final, the local boys eventually succeeded in gaining victory by the minimum margin over a Hospital side that were rated Southern champions before ever a ball was kicked in the competition. The local boys fully deserved their one point winning margin over a gallant Hospital side. While all the local lads played their part in the win, special mention has to be made of Michael Barry, Pa Joe Casey and the irrepressible, "Del" Sheehan.

Galbally now play Bruff at St. John's Park, Hospital, on August 10, in the South Limerick final during the Hospital Festival Week. Mr. Seamus Sexton will referee the game.

SENIOR FINAL

Garryspillane gave a power packed display when beating Croom 7-11 to 4-7 at the Sportsfield, Kilmallock, on Sunday last in the South Limerick senior hurling semi-final and they will now meet Kilmallock in the final at Bruff.

THUNDER and LIGHTNING

COUNTY JUNIOR FOOTBALL FINAL:

Garryspillane take their first title

20
12
70

GARRYSPELLANE	1-9
MOUNTCOLLINS	0-5

AT KILMALLOCK on Sunday, Garryspillane won the County Junior Football Championship by scoring a deserved win over the Western representatives, Mountcollins. It was a hard-fought game with the winners always showing that little extra in their finish.

Garryspillane led all the way, but it was well into the second half before they gained complete control. Playing with boundless enthusiasm, they never allowed the opposition the settle down and, despite the latter's courage, they shaped like winners for the greater part of the game. They had some worrying moments in the early stages of the second half, when Mountcollins pulled back an interval deficit of four points to two.

Mountcollins fought to the bitter end and if some of their first half scoring efforts had been successful the issue would surely have been closer. It was exuberance and flair of the "Bouncers" that killed their championship hopes and their brave

efforts were not good enough against the stronger South Limerick men.

The winners got off to a great start when Brendan Bourke flashed the ball to the net in the fifth minute. This lead was soon whittled down to one point, but at the end of the second quarter, Garryspillane began to assert their superiority and at the break were nicely placed with a 1-4 to 0-3 lead.

The early part of the second half belonged to Mountcollins, and a possible reverse in the trend of the game seemed possible. The "Bouncers" weathered the storm, however, and with fifteen minutes remaining were a goal ahead. Points from Brian Carroll and Sean Bourke put the issue beyond doubt in the final ten minutes.

This was Garryspillane's first time in a county football final and they deserve heartiest congratulations on this their initial success. Their outstanding players were right half-back Pa O'Grady and midfielder Mossy Carroll. Others to star in the black and amber colours were Sean Bourke, Kevin Walshe, Pat Heffernan, Pat Tobin, Brendan Bourke, Pat O'Donnell and Mick Meade.

Mountcollins, who have yet to win the current championship in their own division, had prominent players in Ger Cahill, Con Brouder, Sean Sullivan, Fr. Tommy Carroll, Con Bresnihan and Donal O'Donnell.

The winning scores came from S. Bourke (0-6), M. Carroll (0-3) and B. Bourke (1-0). The replies came per S. O'Sullivan (0-3), D. O'Donnell and J. O'Connell (0-1 each).

Garryspillane — M. Meade, J. Bourke, P. O'Donnell, J. O'Brien, P. O'Grady, P. Heffernan, T. O'Donnell, M. Carroll, K. Walshe, P. Maunsell, B. Bourke, B. Carroll, J. Kelly, P. Tobin, S. Bourke.

Mountcollins — D. Lenihan, F. O'Connell, M. O'Donnell, T. Brosnahan, S. Gleeson, S. O'Connell, T. Carroll, D. O'Donnell, G. Cahill, J. O'Connell, C. Brosnihan, L. Lyons, L. Hartnett, C. Brouder, S. Sullivan.

Referee, S. O'Grady (Mungret).

Galbally

Minor footballers

1971

Galbally minor football team had a facile win in the south Limerick football championship, at the Sportsfield, Hospital, on Sunday last, and at the end of a good game, they were well ahead, 5-6 to 2-8. While all the local lads played well, the displays of Pa Joe Casey and Michael Barry were particularly noticeable.

FESTIVAL FESTIVAL

The committee in charge of the Community Centre in Galbally intend holding a weekend festival in June. The dates and arrangements will be announced later in this paper.

SCOR '70 JUVENILE WINNER

Congratulations to Miss Judy Bugler, of Galtee Villa, Galbally, on winning the Aithriseoireacht Competition at the South Limerick G.A.A. Talent Competitions, which were held at the Canon Hayes Memorial Hall, Effin, on Thursday night last.

TALENT SEMI-FINAL

The talent semi-final at the local Starlight Lounge will take place on Friday night, April 30th. This will be the second semi-final, and the date for the final will be announced later.

County J.H.C.:

Garryspillane are decisive winners

Garryspillane 3-10
Castletown/Ballyagran 1-6

Garryspillane won their third county junior hurling championship at Kilmallock on Sunday, when they scored their expected win over Castletown/Ballyagran in a game which never reached great heights. Both sides contested the south divisional final in early October—Garryspillane were again convincing winners on that occasion, but had to fight much harder for the county title.

At no stage of the game did Castletown/Ballyagran look like causing an upset, but to their credit they forgot their divisional final form and with plenty of courage and determination they forced the opposition to battle all the way. Outsmarted in too many vital sectors, they were powerless to avoid the inevitable defeat, but if a goal had come their way at the end of the third quarter anything could have happened in the subsequent fifteen minutes.

The winners led all the way, but it was late in the day before they consolidated their position and the fact that the losers were always there with a chance of a comeback, was the one factor which helped to maintain interest in the proceedings.

The hurling for the most part was poor and one could hardly believe that a county championship was at stake, so timid was the fare for long stages of the game. Courage alone was not enough for Castletown/Ballyagran and their lack of hurling power, principally in attack, was too much of a handicap. Garryspillane too, although better balanced all round, had little to enthuse about and were it not for the exceptional performances of Mike Quish and Sean Bourke, they well could have tasted the pill of defeat.

Mike Quish, better known for his football ability, lorded in the middle of the park and maintained his supremacy for the entire sixty minutes. His no nonsense direct ground hurling paid rich dividends and his consistency made it impossible for Castletown/Ballyagran to make any serious inroads into developments at the centre of the field. It must be noted, however, that Ned Farrell for the latter strove bravely to change the trend in this sector and make some fine runs in the second half.

Sean Bourke, at top of the left, had another fine outing, finishing the game as top scorer. He picked off his scores well and was a constant worry to the opposing defence.

It was Bourke who opened the scoring in the fifth minute with a superb goal. The losers first blood

came in the 12th minute from a Jimmy Cullinane free. At the turn it was 2-5 to 0-3, with Castletown/Ballyagran still there with a chance, as they played against a stiff breeze in the opening half.

After the resumption, Jimmy Cullinane and Pat Tobin exchanged points and when Henry Dore blasted home a goal in the 9th minute, the possibility of a grandstand finish began to arise. Another goal for the losers would certainly have put the cat among the pigeons, but Garryspillane conceded nothing. Six minutes from time, Pat Tobin sealed the issue, he gathered the ball outside the 21 yard line, raced through and with referee Sean O'Connor, giving the advantage, and rightly so, Pat sent it to the roof of the net.

Quish and Bourke, as stated, were outstanding for the winners, while Mossy and Brian Carroll, John Bourke, Willie Bourke and Willie Hayes gave solid backing. Pat O'Leary was forced to retire for a period in the first half, but returned to perform well in the Castletown/Ballyagran defence. Others to catch the eye for the losers were P. J. Lake, Willie Dolan, Ned Farrell, Jimmy Cullinane, Willie Donegan and Henry Dore.

SCORERS

Garryspillane—S. Bourke 1-5, P. Tobin 1-1, D. Ryan 1-2, J. Lynch 0-1, M. Quish 0-1.

Castletown/Ballyagran—H. Dore 1-0, J. Cullinane 0-4, W. Donegan 0-1, N. Farrell 0-1.

TEAMS

Garryspillane — W. Hayes, T. O'Donnell, B. Bourke, J. Bourke, W. Bourke, P. O'Grady, M. O'Carroll, B. Carroll, M. Quish, M. Gubbins, J. Bourke, D. Ryan, J. Lynch, P. Tobin, S. Bourke.

Castletown/Ballyagran — P. J. Lake, J. Gorman, P. O'Leary, M. Donegan, T. Donegan, W. White, W. Dolan, J. Cullinane, N. Farrell, E. Cagney, W. Donegan, D. J. Hourigan, J. Murphy, C. Farrell, W. Dore, Subs., L. Murphy for O'Leary, O'Leary for Cagney.

Referee, S. O'Connor (Claughaun).

After the game the winning trophy was presented to Mossy Carroll by the vice chairman of the county board, Mr. John Whelan.

Mossy Carroll back in action

Mossy Carroll, who was injured while assisting Limerick against Galway in the N.H.L. at Thurles last April, made his come-back to competitive fare when he lined out at centre half back for Garryspillane in the junior hurling championship at Kilmallock on Sunday.

Garryspillane scored a facile win over the reigning champions, Effin, in the semi-final at Kilmallock on Sunday next at 1.30. The winners played Castletown-Ballyagran in the final on the first Sunday in October. The junior football final between Bruff and Galtee Gaels will be played on the same date.

Congratulations to Kilmallock, who won the county under 21 hurling and under 16 football titles on Sunday last. A word of congratulations to Bruff who put up a great display against Claughaun in the county under 12 hurling senior final before going down by a single point.

Mike Gammell (Kilmallock) and Tony Hayes (Bruff) will be in charge of the county under 12 finals to be played at Bruff on this Saturday.

Bord na nOg clubs are again reminded of the Scor na nOg semi-finals. These will be held during the last two week-ends in October.

Galbally

The death has taken place at a very early age of Mr. William (Bill) Kiely (38), Postmaster at Galbally, at his residence recently after a fairly long illness. In the late sixties the deceased took a very active part in the local G.A.A. club and it was during his term as chairman that Galbally won the Limerick Co. Junior Championship in football in 1968. In his earlier years while employed in Shan non he was a member of Treaty Sarsfields G.A.A. club in Limerick.

His remains were removed to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally, and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in the family burial ground in the local cemetery. A guard of honour from the local G.A.A. club was provided at the funeral and the coffin was draped in the club colours.

To his bereaved wife, sister, relatives and friends we extend our sincere sympathy.

Winners of Scor 77 finals

THE Connacht finals of Scor 77 were held in the Dr. Hyde Centre, Roscommon, on Saturday night, before a capacity audience. The standard was exceptionally high and an interesting aspect of the results was the fact that two sisters won two competitions, but for different counties. Carmel Gunning from the Coolera Club, Sligo, won the instrumental music, while her sister, Mrs. Maura Doherty, from Cootehall, Roscommon, won the recitation competition.

RESULTS

Figure Dancing — Mayo (Breaffy): Michael O. Cuinneagain, G. Mac Doncha, G. and R. Mac Fuirtain, M. O. Maile, P. Ni Maile, B. Uí Chomchur and F. O. Cuinneagain. Instrumental Music—Carmel Gunning, Sligo. Solo Singing—Gerard Kelly, Ballygar, Co. Galway. Novelty Act—Mayo (Shrule): P. J. Dooley, J. Davin, M. Nalty and Patricia Gibbon.

Question Time — Sligo (Coolera): Eamon Mullen, Sean McGloin and Michael Harte. Recitation — Mrs. Maura Doherty, St. Michael's, Roscommon.

Set Dancing—Mayo (Ballinrobe): P. Moran, T. Treacy, P. Fleming, M. McGrath, G. Mulrooney, M. Madden, B. Conroy and M. Curran. Group Singing—Galway (An Spideal): Maire Ni Choinlaín, Maire Ni Neachtain, Mairead N. Oistin, Pádraig O hAoláin, Peadar O Treafaigh.



The Granagh-Ballingarry team, West under 14 hurling champions, who failed narrowly to Old Christians in the County Final. 1978



**GARRYSPELLANE
WINNERS OF THE
SOUTH MINOR
HURLING
CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Front Row L. to R.: P. Sheehy, E. Ryan, O. Stapleton, R. Sampson, G. Tierney, T. Murphy, J. Murnane, L. Walsh, D. Murnane, B. Healy.
Back Row L. to R.: T. Cooke, T. Grace, T. Aherne, P.J. O'Sullivan, G. Flynn, B. Stapleton, T. Ryan, P. Ryan, E. Sheehy, D. Barry, N. Walsh.**



SOUTH MINOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

1978

GALBALLY MAN MAKES HISTORY

WHEN Michael Quish of the Galbally Club donned the number nine jersey in the Blue of Munster in the replay of the 1978 Railway Cup Final at Croke Park on Easter Monday versus Ulster few of those present could have known that this six foot four Limerick youth was about to make football history, history as far as his native county of Limerick was concerned as he was the first member of a Limerick Football side to have started on a winning Munster Railway Cup side. His subsequent display may not have been up to the standard that won him his place but for the record it must be said that he had played an outstanding game for Limerick against Waterford in the Munster Under 21 team a few days before as well as commitment to his club and inter firm. Very few players of his age are able to stand up to the demands made on them, nevertheless the writer of those lines is confident that we will hear more of him in the years to come.

Born at Duntryleague, Galbally on March 3rd, 1957 he is the second eldest member of a family of three boys and three girls. It was not by chance that Michael became attracted to the G.A.A. games at an early age as his father Pat played for Galbally while his uncle Father Timothy Burke



Mick Quish, the hurler, in action for Garryspillane.

serving on the English Mission field was an outstanding player with his native Emly and Tipperary.

Michael's first introduction to Gaelic Football was when he commenced his Primary Education at Galbally National School where Tom O'Shea, Headmaster and unfortunately no longer with us took an active interest in all things Gaelic; and hence the Galbally youth had a dedicated tutor and excellent coach. Michael himself indeed gives the major credit for his subsequent success to the North Corkman who taught him the rudiments of the game and the following record must be considered a notable achievement by any standard in field games:

Under 14: 3 South Titles with Galbally—Garryspillane.

Under 16: 1 South Title.

Beaten in County Final by Treaty Sarsfields by 2 points.

Under 18: 3 South Titles in Hurling and Football with Garryspillane. Beaten in County Final by Ahane by 2 points.

Under 21: Won a South title with Galbally who were beaten in County Final.

His Schools Record is also impressive playing with De La Salle, Hospital he was on the De La Salle team that won Munster Under 15½ Football Championship beating Malloy in Final.

1972: Won under 17 Colleges Football Final beating St. Clements: Limerick City in final.

1972: Won Munster Colleges B Championship Under 19 beating Castlemartyr in final.

1975: Captained De La Salle team that won the Under 19 Colleges (Smaller Schools) beating Caherciveen in the final by 2 points.

Employed by Mitchelstown Creameries Michael Plays Inter-Firm for Galtee Meats. To date he has won Cork County Inter-Firm Championship and League, won a Munster Championship in which Galtee Meats beat Tipperary Post Office in the Munster Final, beating Pfishers of Galway in the All Ireland Semi-Final but losing by two points in the All Ireland Final to Spollen a firm based in the Eastern and Midland Counties. This game was

played on a Saturday and the following day Michael played with the Cork County Inter-Firm side versus Waterford at Middleton a game which Cork won but for some reason or another the final never materialised. Both of the above games were played in 1976. Galtee Meats again won the Cork County Inter Firm Championship in 1977 but lost on an objection. Michael was naturally disappointed but has already the satisfaction of playing and beating those same opponents in the first round of the 1978 Cork Inter Firm Championship.

Besides his prowess on the football field he has played Juvenile, Minor and Senior Hurling with Garryspillane and has never played in any position other than at Centre Field in both codes.

He considers Joe Cassells, Meath, Gene McGrath, Tipperary, John O'Keeffe Kerry and a Clare Mid-fielder whose name he could not recall as been some of the outstanding players he has played against but his outstanding man is Colm McLarney of Down.

At 21 years of age this unassuming lad has played and won some of the most coveted trophies in the world of Gaelic Games, let us hope that his dedication, his sacrifice will inspire other Limerick youths to do likewise.



The Munster team winners of the 1978 Railway Cup Football crown. Mick Quish is pictured here, third from left, in the back row.

South Convention

Secretary's Report

Nominations, Motions

The annual Convention of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board which was to be held at the Community Centre, Bruff, on Sunday next, after Mass for deceased Gaels, at 2 p.m., has been postponed because of the County J.F. Final Re-play in which Bruff are engaged.

In the course of his report to the Convention, the Secretary, Mr. Matt O'Callaghan, states that during the year 116 games were played within the division, the sportsmanship in most cases being of a very high standard. Regrettably they had a few unsavoury incidents at the end of the season, two of which left the Senior football championship unfinished, and the Junior hurling decided in the board room.

In senior hurling, Kilmallock came back after a lapse of three years to take the title, defeating Garryspillane in the final. Both bowed out to Tournafulla in the County Championship. In junior hurling, Knockaney and Banogue reached the final, which had to be abandoned before half-time due to an incident. But the junior championship will be remembered for the marathon meeting of Knockaney and Effin, who played three times in the semi-final before Knockaney got the verdict by a single point.

In junior football those great rivals, Garryspillane and Bruff, met in the final, and had to play three times before Garryspillane won by a point. The under-21 hurling championship probably produced the shock winners of the year — Glenroe — who beat Castletown-Ballyagran in the final. They subsequently lost in the county championship to Adare. Na Fianna regained the under-21 football championship, defeating holders Kilmallock in a very

He congratulates Scoil Pol, Kilfinane, on reaching the All-Ireland Camogie Final and says it was indeed a very noteworthy achievement.

He concludes by thanking his fellow Board officers and club officials for their co-operation during 1979.

NOMINATIONS

There will be contests for the position of chairman and vice-chairmen (3). The following nominations have been received:

Chairman Vert Rev. T. Greene, P.P. and Mr. Pat Murnane (outgoing); vice-chairmen (3): Rev. Fr. Greene (outgoing), Messrs. M. McDonnell (outgoing), A. Clancy, P. J. Cussen, P. J. O'Donnell (outgoing) and Raymond Moloney; secretary, M. O'Callaghan (outgoing); treasurer, S. Sheehan (outgoing); registrar, E. Fitzgerald (outgoing); two reps on County Appeals Committee, S. Sexton and S. Moran (outgoing); one rep. on County Finance, S. Sheehan (outgoing).

There are fifteen motions

listed for discussion at the convention.

Bruff propose that for the Junior Hurling Championship and Shield competitions clubs who are also taking part in the Senior Championship be allowed to play off against each other in a preliminary round with one team going forward to the remainder of the competition.

Kilmallock propose that the Senior Hurling and Football championships be on an open draw basis, the Divisional Boards to hold their own championships in conjunction with same, bye-law 12 and other bye-laws applicable to same to be repealed.

Glenroe propose a Minor League and Championship, with the minor league starting in March and the championship starting in May and played in a straight knock-out system. They also ask that the first round of the minor championship be played not later than the first Sunday in May to avoid clashing with the examinations.

Glenroe also ask that if the above motion is defeated, the minor teams who fail to field in the first round of the championship should not be allowed into the losers group.

Kilmallock propose that Saturday evenings be availed of to play senior hurling and football championships.

Effin ask that minor clubs be allowed to join forces as they were prior to 1979 at the discretion of the County Board.

Castletown-Ballyagran propose that adequate notice be given to clubs when matches are cancelled, while Glenroe propose that teams not getting 48 hours notice of the postponement of league or championship games should get expenses from the Board.

Effin propose that a team be entered for the Senior Championship picked from the junior clubs in the Division.

Croom ask that each club submit a list of referees to the Board under whom they are willing to play and they also ask that General Rules 140 and 141, pages 109 and 111 T.O. be fully implemented by the Board.

Kilmallock ask that the Board insist that suitable material in the way of referees be made available to the South Board as the main body of referees are attached to the Kilmallock Club.

Effin propose that all trophies presented in the Division be of Irish manufacture.

Kilmallock propose that the Divisional and County Boards subscribe funds to the G.A.A. in England for the promotion of our national games in that country, and, finally, Glenroe propose that a South Senior League be started in February, 1980, to include junior clubs.

Garryspillane A.G.M. Feb 78

At the A.G.M. of the Garryspillane G.A.A. Club held recently the following officers were elected: Chairman J. P. Ryan, Secretary, Mossie Carroll, Asst. Sec. P. Dawson, Vice-Chairmen, J. Tobin and Tom O'Donnell, Treasurer, J. J. O'Reilly, P.R.O. Billy Power. The following were elected to the sub-committee: M. Moore, J. Burke, D. Ryan, T. J. Tobin, W. Heffernan, J. Dooley and J. Maguire.

Captains elected for the coming year were:— Mossie Carroll, Intermediate hurling, Pat Tobin, Intermediate football, Under 21 hurling Brendan Burke, Under 21 football Pat Mansell, Minor hurling Brian Carroll, Under 16 hurling Eamonn O'Donnell, under 16 football, Jim O'Donnell. It was decided to affiliate the following teams:— Intermediate, Junior, Under 21, Minor, Under 16 and Under 14 hurling, and Intermediate, Junior, Under 21, Under 16 and Under 14 Football.

The selection Committee for 1978 are as follows:— W. Heffernan, J. P. Ryan, P. Dawson and M. Moore.

KNOCKLONG SPORTSFIELD:

Historic day for 'Bouncers'

By SEAN MURPHY

NEXT Sunday will be an historic day for the Gaels of Knocklong and Glenbrothane parishes when Garryspillane GAA Club — better known as 'The Bouncers' in co-operation with Knocklong Development Association, officially open their magnificent Knocklong Sportsfield at 7 p.m.

Proceedings will commence with the blessing and opening of the pitch by the Archbishop of Cashel and Emly, Dr. Thomas Morris and this will be followed by the highlight of the evening — a special senior hurling tournament game between Galway and Limerick at 7.30 with George Ryan of Tipperary as referee.

The sportsfield has been provided at a total cost to the parish of £40,000 and this debt has now been paid off in full.

The complex consists of all the modern facilities, including four dressingrooms — complete with showers — referees room, ladies and gents toilet, and seating accommodation for 3,000 spectators.

The playing area itself is surrounded by six foot high chainlink wire so as to allow only players and team officials access into this area.

The idea of a sportsfield was first mooted in 1974 when Messrs. Joe Flynn, William Powell-Harris and Tom Fitzpatrick of Knocklong made a proposal to the then chairman of Knocklong Development Association — Mr. Dan Dooley and committee that the association should provide an all purpose community sportsfield.

The suggestion was unanimously approved and a site immediately sought.

When J. J. McGrath learned of the sports facilities to be provided for the area, he offered a field of approximately 5 acres for a very reasonable figure.

Much voluntary labour was needed and provided. Employment was provided for local young people in association with AnCO Industrial Training Authority, in the associated building projects. Messrs. James Doyle and Maurice O'Connell worked with the scheme from start to finish. The fencing, seating and building work were supervised by Mr. Paddy Harty.

Encouragement and financial aid have been forthcoming from Knocklong people living in London, where brothers John and Denis Higgins lead a vigorous committee who organise an annual re-union social in aid of the Sportsfield Fund.

The present Garryspillane club was founded in 1952 by Jim Crawford, Denis Cleary, Pat Sampson, Jim Tobin, Jim Barry,

Danny Tobin and J. P. Ryan, and had their initial success the following year when they won the South minor hurling championship but failed narrowly to St. Patrick's in the county final.

They won the county junior hurling championship in 1960 and 1970 and the co. junior football title in 1976, while Knocklong's sole championship success was a South JF title achieved away back in 1928.

Garryspillane have supplied many players to Limerick teams including Tommy O'Dwyer, who won an All Ireland junior hurling medal in 1957, Billy Lee, John Joe Creed, Sean Bourke, Dave Bourke, Kevin Walsh, Pat Tobin, Brian Carroll, Jamsey Carroll, Dan Ryan, Mike Quish and of course Mossy Carroll, the current centre-back on the county senior hurling team.

Mossy is hon. secretary of the Garryspillane club and his fellow officers are president, Liam Hanly; chairman, J. Ryan; vice chairman, John Tobin, and treasurer, John J. O'Reilly.

After the game all roads will lead to Emly where a special function has been arranged at the Golden Thatch for both teams and the church, state and civil dignitaries in attendance.

A supper social will follow and a great night's entertainment is assured.

LIMERICK TEAM

The Limerick team chosen for the game is: T. Quaid; D. Murray, P. Hartigan, D. Punch; B. Ryan, M. Carroll, S. Foley; L. Enright, P. Kelly; B. Carroll, J. McKenna, E. Grimes; O. O'Connor, W. Fitzmaurice, E. Cregan. Subs., P. Kennedy, P. Ryan, J. Grimes, D. Mullane, C. Campbell, P. Murphy.

The selectors (who include the well-known J. P. Ryan from Garryspillane) have moved Sean Foley to wing-forward and named Leonard Enright (who had been at corner-back in the League) at midfield with Paddy Kelly. Selected at right half-forward is Mossie Carroll's brother Brian.

FEILE NA nGAEL

Bruff defeated Caherline in the Feile na nGael competition at Caherelly last week-end. On this Saturday evening they take on Claughaun in the semi-final at Caherconlish.

WEEK-END RESULTS

Under 21 hurling championship, Knockainey 2-5, Effin 1-1. Dromin-Athlaca 2-14, Stakers 1-7. Castletown-Ballyagran 7-14, Ardpatrick-Kilfinane 0-0.

Under 21 football championship, Croom 1-5, Bruree 1-5.

Senior football championship, Galbally 2-7, Ballylanders 1-4.

Minor hurling championship, Banogue 1-5, Ardpatrick-Kilfinane 0-3.

J.F.S., Bruff 1-11, Galtee Gaels 1-4.

Under 16 hurling championship, Garryspillane 3-6, Banogue 2-3. Kilmallock 4-3, Na Fianna 1-0; Croom 1-7, Bruree 1-3; Castletown-Ballyagran 3-7, Ardpatrick 0-1.

Under 16 football championship, Galtee Gaels 1-2, Garryspillane 1-1.

FIXTURES

THURSDAY, MAY 10

M.H.C., at Kilmallock, Glenroe v. Knockainey, 7.30.

FRIDAY, MAY 11

Under 14 F.C. replay, at Elton, Galtee Gaels v. Manister, 7.30.

South J.F.C. Final

Garryspillane by a point —after 3 hours

Garryspillane 0-8, Bruff 1-4.

The South Limerick Junior Football final (second replay) at Bruff on Sunday, resulted in a one point win for Garryspillane. A kick of the ball divided themselves and Bruff in a game which was spoiled by strong winds and pouring rain.

Garryspillane were the early pacemakers and swept into a two point lead. By the end of the first quarter, Bruff had settled down and against the breeze were on level terms. With the scores all square at the interval, Bruff now seemed to be better positioned.

They did nose ahead in the third quarter, but also squandered a few good opportunities. The near gale winds and drenching rain of the second half, although partly in favour of Bruff, did not help their scoring efforts.

Against the odds, Garryspillane fought back and a Davy Burke point had them back in contention with eight minutes remaining. Pa O'Grady kicked the winner shortly afterwards and in an exciting finish the "Bouncers" held out for a one point win.

Brenadn Bourke, Brian Carroll, Pa O'Grady, Pa Mansell, James O'Donnell, Willie Burke and Davy Burke were best for Garryspillane. Tom Hehir, Tim McAuliffe, Anthony Gubbins, Ger Hayes, Dom Kiely, Ger Donovan and Mick Hehir were always prominent for Bruff.

Garryspillane scorers: J. O'Donnell 0-5, B. Carroll, D. Hyde and P. O'Grady 0-1 each.

Bruff scorers: G. Donovan 1-0, D. Kiely 0-2, W. Bulfin and B. Brown 0-1 each.

Garryspillane: B. Hayes, J. Burke, R. O'Donnell, D. Ryan, W. Burke, B. Burke, R. Mansell, B. Carroll, P. O'Grady, D. Burke, J. Burke, P. Mansell, J. O'Donnell, P. Ryan, P. Tobin. Subs.: J. Lynch, E. Davern.

Bruff: T. Hehir, D. Carroll, T. O'Sullivan, T. McAuliffe, M. Wrenn, A. Gubbins, J. Brosnahan, G. Hayes, D. Kiely, M. Hehir, G. Donovan, W. Bulfin, G. Connell, B. Brown, S. Bulfin. Referee: M. Gammell (Kilmallock).



12/5/79 Mr. Michael Tracey, Mr. John Ryan, Mr. Tommy Gainey, Mr. Thadh Kehoe, Mrs. Bridie Moore (joint treasurer), Mr. Ger Power, Mr. Tom Keeffe and Mr. J. J. Reilly at Knocklong Sports Field.

MAY 19, 1979

LETTERS

Knocklong sportsmen

ON THIS memorable occasion, with the opening of a sportsfield at Knocklong, we would like to pay tribute to some well-remembered sportsmen of the past from Knocklong.

The late Patrick Ryan, who hurled for the Staker-Wallace team and his brother Bill, who hurled for Limerick, Cork and Waterford. We wish to congratulate their children and grandchildren who carry on the sports tradition. Joan Feldman, daughter of Paddy Ryan, has won many awards for golf in Germany and his grandson, Patrick Minihan, plays soccer for Tooting Park Rangers in London and is attending university, studying gymnastics.

John, Billy and Mary Joe Ryan, children of the late Bill Ryan, and now living in

Youghal, need no introduction in the world of hurling, football and camogie at home.

Josie Ryan, another member of the family, was once captain of the camogie team in Knocklong. Sport is history in this family and has carried on from the once-famous runner, Johnny Ryan, from Knocklong and later New York. Also his brother, Micky, was supposed to have put out the lights in Madison Square Garden during a game of football.

THE RYAN FAMILY,
Central London.

P.S. - We hope that one day sport in Knocklong will attain world renown again and that some boy or girl from the parish will represent their country in the Olympics.

GALBALLY ALL SET FOR THE 80'S

1979

In the early 1930's the Galbally Club had lapsed and things were at a low ebb. In 1935 it was revived and competed in Championships from 1936 onwards. In 1937 a Minor Club was formed by P.J. Cussen, Paddy Danaher, Billy Ryan and Peter Scanlan in a local Bakery and the total membership fee of 2 shillings was lost by the Treasurer on his way home. The South Minor Title was won in 1937 and '38 and the County in 1940. In the forties Galbally dominated in Minor Grade and took 6 titles in a row.

Football is a tradition in Galbally and it is every young boys ambition to play with the Club. Any new arrival to the Parish is immediately investigated with regard to his ability to play the big ball. But for any tradition to survive it is essential that former players become involved in Club activities and help to hand on the message. Many former players have done great work in this way but right up to the present Pa Joe Cussen has provided a link down the years. Through good times and bad he has been always available to provide encouragement and experienced advice.

In the late 1960's the County Junior title was won and the following year 1969 a very good Claughaun team foiled the effort in the Final and a chance of winning the first senior title. After a good spell in the early 1970's honours were not won very often in the following years.

Behind the scenes the return of Paddy Hyland N.T. to the home village was to prove a great blessing for Galbally Football. He really got involved at Under Age level and the seed for future success was sown and well returned.

The club had always a progressive attitude to new



GALBALLY: County and South Limerick Under 16 Football Champions 1979. Back (L to R), Brendan English, Harry Bugler, Martin Kearney, Seamus Morrissey, Ger Carew, Kieran Fleming, Tom Quinlan, Mike Cussen, Patrick Martin, William O'Donovan, Vincent Martine, Eddie Harvey. FRONT: John O'Donoghue, Morgan McGrath, Noel Ryan, John Morrissey, John Cummins, Patrick Cronin, Pat McCarthy, Sean Dawson, Liam Morrissey, Tom Richardson.

ideas to training and coaching. In '77 Paddy and Secretary Mike Hennibry took a number of the youth to a coaching course in Thomond College — such players as Jim Cummings, Donie O'Brien, Ger Martin, Ger Cussen and Mike Hyland. Two coaches were brought on a number of nights to coach the club players. Five of our minors took part in the coaching course for county minors in April—May 1979 and nine of our minors for '80 including 2 juveniles Tom Quinlan and Willie Donovan attended the course in October—November '79.

The South Minor honours were won again in 1978 and an outstanding Monaleen team eventually beat them after a great battle. 1980 will see the club going for 3 in a row in this grade. St. Marys, present day masters in Under Age in the City proved the stumbling block for County Honours in U/14 in 1977 but Paddy said he'd be back. In Cahirconlish, in September 1979 in a fantastic display of Gaelic Football, Galbally were



GALTEE GAELS (Anglesboro-Kilbehenny) 1978 Runners-up South Junior Football Champions

BACK (L. to R.): Willie Casey, Tom Fitzgerald, Liam O'Sullivan, Ger Condon, Michael Moloney, Mossy O'Sullivan, Patrick English, Seamus O'Neill, Eamonn O'Sullivan, Maurice O'Brien, Paudie Moloney, Paddy

Coffey, Jimmy O'Brien.

FRONT: J.J. Sullivan (trainer's son), Ollie Fleeney, Anthony Moloney, Neddy Sullivan, Ger Sullivan, Maurice Callaghan, Noel Condon, Paudie Mahony, Patrick Callaghan (Capt.), Johnny Callaghan, Vincent Crotty.

THE MINOR FOOTBALL ROLL OF HONOUR

Forty-five finals have been decided to date since the competition was inaugurated in 1935, and twenty-one clubs share the honours, which have been distributed as under.

Treaty Sarsfields (6) 1949; 1951, 1957, 1964, 1971, 1972.

Claughton (5) 1946, 1956, 1961, 1962, 1973.

Treaty (4) 1935, 1937, 1938, 1939.

Sarsfields (4) 1941, 1942, 1944,

1945.

St. Patrick's (4) 1943, 1952, 1953, 1963.

Askeaton (4) 1959, 1960, 1975, 1976.

Abbeyfeale (2) 1955, 1958.

Galbally (2) 1940, 1965.

Monaleen (2) 1977, 1978.

One win each: Seoirse Clancy's 1936, Greenpark 1947, South Liberties 1948, Ballyhahill 1950, St. Senan's 1954, Old Christians 1966, Oola 1967, Newtown Rangers 1968, St. Nicholas, Oola, 1969, Thomond Sarsfields, 1970, Father Casey's 1974, St. Mary's, city, 1979.

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Galbally, who drew with Kilmallock in the South under 21 football final at Knocklong.

Galbally G . A . A . news

1-11-80

Our under 21s emulated the feat of our seniors by reaching the last 4 in the county in atrocious conditions at Meanus on Sunday last. Eastern representatives, Kiltelly-Dromkeen proved tough opposition in the first half. Had they taken a fraction of the chances missed they would have a good lead at the break instead of trailing 0-3 to 1-2. Galbally lost two seasoned backs in Jim Quirke and John Dunne very early in the game, but Ger Martin and Mike McCarthy proved able deputies. Tim Cummins moved to centre-field to partner John Scully late in the first half and from then on Galbally came on top. This midfield pair showed why they were in the county under 21 squad. It was great to see Timmy back to top form again after his prolonged ankle injury. In the second half Galbally adapted to the conditions and played some grand football. Paddy Murphy did trojan work at centre-field for the losers. The experience gained in senior grade eventually swayed things for the Galtee boys. The away based players should now put in an effort and train to really crown a great season for the club.

Galbally: T. Quinlivan, J. Quirke, T. Looby, G. Carew, J. Donovan, J. Dunne, D. O'Brien, J. Scully (1-2), D. Donovan, J. Mor-

Glin 80

Congratulations to the local u-14 G.A.A. team on their great win over Foynes in West final. The final score was Glin 2-5, Foynes 1-2. There were great scenes of delight as the team returned home with the cup. This was a great boost for football in the parish.

The children's sports day which had to be called off during the festival because of bad weather, will now take place on Sunday, August 17, with both confined and open events. The committee would like to thank Joe Hogan for sponsoring the trophies for the sports day. Also the other people who helped in the running of Glin Festival '80.



Galbally, winners of the South under 12 Football Championship. 6-9-80

South Limerick G.A.A.

27/3/80

Galbally overcome Croom

Galbally made light of the water, mud, rain and wind at Kilmallock on Sunday to score a fully deserved 1-5 to 0-5 win over Croom in the senior football championship final. The conditions were not helpful to good football, but nevertheless both sides strove valiantly to overcome the handicaps.

It was a tough uncompromising physical game and full marks to referee, Frank Costello, who kept things under control.

Croom, against the elements, ran into an early two point lead. They had the better of the exchanges in the opening quarter and it took Galbally a long time to settle down. A goal from a penalty by Mich Quisk for Galbally and a facial injury to Peter Kiely, who was forced to retire midway through the first half, turned the game about.

Galbally led 1-2 to 0-3 at half-time.

It was Galbally who set the pace for most of the second half, and with Mick Quish the dominant figure in the centre of the field, the winners held the whip hand in this sector.

Croom made courageous efforts to pull the game out of the fire and it was certainly not the fault of Garrett Howard that the equalising scores did not come.

Others to contribute to the Galbally win were Tom Hennerby, Donie O'Brien, John Morrissey, Mike Fraher and John Dunne. Best for Croom were Donal and Gerry Murray, Sean Breen, Peter Kiely, Garrett Howard and Sean Burke.

Galbally scorers: M. Quish 1-3; J. Fraher 0-2.

Galbally-T. Quinlan; L. Hennerby, T. Hennerby, J. Donovan; D. O'Brien, J. Dunne, T. Casey; M. Quish, J. Scully; J. Morrissey, T. Burke, M. Fraher; M. Casey, J. Fraher, P. Hennerby. Subs.: T. Cummins, J. Cummins.

Croom-P. Glynn; J. Carroll, J. O'Brien, G. Sheehan; D. Murray, S. Breen, P. Culhane; G. Collins, G. Murray; P. Kiely, A. Lalor, P. Collins, G. Howard, C. Shanahan, S. Burke.

Referee: F. Costello (Banogue).

The big attraction this Sunday is the meeting of Knockainey and Effin in the junior hurling championship at Bruff. This replay is expected to be another close affair. In the drawn game, Effin looked the better side for most of the hour.

The clash of Jimmy Bourke and Jimmy Carroll of Knockainey in the centre of the field could have a vital bearing on the outcome. Both sides played 3½ hours

hurling in exemplary fashion last year before a decision was reached. Some of the tactics adopted in the last meeting were anything but sporting and it is earnestly hoped that all concerned will concentrate on hurling this time.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 27

J.F.C., Garryspillane v. Banogue, at Knockainey, 3.00.

M.H.L., Dromin-Athlaccra v. Croom, at Bruree, 3.00.

Under 16 H., Castletown/Ballyagran v. Na Fianna, at Meanus, 6.00.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 28

J.H.C., Knockainey v. Effin, at Bruff, 1.45.

J.F.C., Ballylanders v. Bruree, at Bruff, 3.00.

4.10.80 Galbally

The death occurred unexpectedly recently at his residence, 79 Rathgar Road, Dublin, of Mr. Michael Scanlon, formerly of Annagh, Galbally. The deceased, who had reached his late fifties, was in his early life an outstanding Gaelic footballer having represented his native parish, Galbally, at minor, junior and senior inter-county level with his native county of Limerick. Coming from a family with a strong national background, it was only natural to expect that his allegiance would be with the national games. He was nephew of the late Comdmt. Michael Scanlon, N.T., Kilmallock, who was murdered by Crown Forces in Thomas Street, Limerick, in 1921, and of the late James (Jimmy) Scanlon, who took an active part in the rescue of Sean Hogan at Knocklong, in May, 1919. The deceased is survived by his widow and family, his brother Billie, his sisters, Mrs. Josephine Burke, Glenlara, Garryspillane, Mrs. John Ryan, Monour, Kilross, and Sister Helen, Alabama, U.S.A.

The results of the Monster G.A.A. Raffle held recently by the Galbally G.A.A. Club are as follows: 1st., £100, Majella Ryan; 2., £70, Tim O'Donoghue; 3., £50, John Condon; 4., £20, Pat English; 5., £20, John Bowles; 6., £20, B. Eyres; 7., £20, Mrs. Nora Ryan. The raffle was an outstanding success and the local club expresses its sincere thanks to all who helped by selling or purchasing tickets. The proceeds will help to defray the cost of the new handball court which is an amenity by the G.A.A. club from their own resources and availed of by young and old.

Galbally G.A.A.

The Easter holiday season proved to be very busy for the club. The u-12's had a good win over Aherlow on Saturday. The u-14's will play Cashel on the home grounds on Sunday night. The u-16's after a good victory over Galtee Rovers went out to an excellent Emly team in the Tipperary Garda Cup. On Friday night they were disappointed with the walk over from Bruree after travelling to Knockainey.

Two of our minors Ger Carew and John Morrissey travelled to Askeaton on Saturday for County Minor coaching. At the same venue later in the day Tim Cummins scored some grand points for the County seniors in their game with Austin Stacks.

A very young u-21 side had a great win over Croom in 1st round of the championship. All the hard work, and particularly their dedication is showing signs of a great future.

Jan 80 Galbally

At a well attended meeting of the local GAA club at which Mr. Eddie Ryan, chairman, presided, a review of the work and cost in the erection of the new handball alley at the rear of the community centre was outlined to those present by the chairman. The club have expended over £2,500 from their own resources on the project and this in addition to a subscription of £250 from Miss Kitty Crowe to commemorate the memory of her late father, Edmond, who was principal teacher at Galbally for a long number of years up to his demise in 1928-29 school year and also to the memory of her only brother, Mr. Edward G. Crowe, R.A.M.C., O.B.E., a noted exponent of handball who died at an early age. As a result of this subscription the local club have decided to incorporate a plaque to their memory in the structure of the new court. It was also decided at the meeting to give a subscription of £20 to the memorial fund established by Treaty-Sarsfields for the widow and family of Mick O'Donnell, one of Treaty's former great players who died at a young age recently.

It was revealed at the meeting that there were ten members participating in the Coiste Luimni Development Fund Draw and it was hoped to increase this number.

A decision to run a senior hurling and a senior football tournament during the annual festival as well as a handball tournament with an exhibition game by well known present day exponents of the code at the official opening of the handball court were other matters dealt with, and a local trader, Mr. Michael Barry, has agreed to sponsor the trophies for the local handball tournament.

COMMUNITY CENTRE

14.2.81 Garryspillane G.A.A.

The annual general meeting of Garryspillane G.A.A. club took place recently at the community centre Knocklong. Mr. J. P. Ryan chairman, presided. A large attendance was present.

The following officials and committee were elected for 1981.

President-Liam Hanely; Chairman-J. P. Ryan; Vice-Chairman-John Tobin; Secretary-James Dooley; Asst Secretary-Willie Power; Treasurer-J. J. O'Reilly; P.R.O.-J. J. O'Reilly; Committee:- W. Heffernan, L. Murnane, E. Sullivan, D. P. Bowler, B. Fenton, T. Keefe, J. Maguire, F. Mansell, G. Keefe, M. Carroll, T. Keogh, T. Biggane, S. Burke, S.H. Captain-P. Grady; S.F. Captain-B. Burke; Under 21 H-W. Burke; Under 21 F.-B. Carroll; M.H.-J. Murnane; M.F.-P. J. Sullivan; Trainer-P. Grady.

12/1/81 Galbally G.A.A.

At a very enjoyable function in the Community Centre, before Christmas, the local Under age players were presented with their trophies by Mike Quish. The South Under 12's, and the winners of the Parish Leagues Under 16 and Under 14 were honoured. The Under Age Player of the Year, Tom Quinlan who was our goal keeper in all grades was presented with a beautiful trophy. The A.G.M. was held on 20-12-1980. An overflow attendance reflected the fortunes of the club at present. A very comprehensive report from outgoing secretary showed that the club had emphasis in the proper place, and that was in a record number of games played at all levels. Life President, P. J. Cussen, said he was delighted to be associated with the Club in such successful times, and that 1981 would see all our dreams come through and that we would win some County Championships.

Officers elected:-President, P. J. Cussen; Chairman, Eddie Ryan; Vice-Chairman, Gerard Fitzgerald; Secretary, Tim Ryan; Assistant Secretary, and P.R.O., Mike Hennessy; Treasurer, John Hyland. Senior selectors, Bill Hennessy, Paddy Hyland, Eddie Ryan. Senior captain, Mike Quish. Under 21-Team Manager, Johnny Hyland; Captain, Jim Donovan. Minor-Team Managers, Tim Ryan, and John Sanders. Junior-Team Managers, Joe Martin and Con Bourke. Bord na nOg: Chairman, John Wallace; Secretary, Tommy Sheehan. Committee: Dave Dineen, Jim Cummins, John Scully.

The New Year was seen in well with a tremendously successful Dinner Dance at the Glen Hotel. County chairman, Rory Kiely presented the South Senior and Under 21 trophies and to the Player of the Year, Mike Quish.

Galbally ¹¹⁻⁷⁻⁸¹

A short time back one of Galbally's great Gaelic footballers died unexpectedly at his home in Rathgar, Dublin; he was none other than the late Mick Scanlan who had worn with distinction not only the black and white of the Galbally club but also the green and white of Limerick. When his playing days were over and while residing in Dublin he and a number of other came together and formed a new Gaelic football club known as Rathgar Gaels which was duly affiliated to the Dublin County Board of the G.A.A. Now the Scanlan family in Dublin have presented a very valuable silver cup to be competed for annually in Dublin and in Galbally by both the deceased's home club and the club which he helped to found in Dublin: Rathgar Gaels. On next Sunday at 3.30 p.m., in the local Muin-tir na Tire Sportsfield, Galbally and Rathgar Gaels will line out to decide who will be the first of the two clubs to have their name inscribed on this valuable trophy. It is hoped that as many as possible will attend to show appreciation for and memory of one of Galbally's greatest Gaels.

Galbally G.A.A. ²⁴⁻²⁻⁸¹

The club are to join with Galtee Gaels in having a hurling team this year.

Team manager John Sweeney. Team Captain is Jim Donovan and Galtee Gaels have Vice-Captain Paddy Ryan explained the new insurance scheme and a large number of members enrolled. Anybody else interested please contact Club Secretary before Saturday, February 27th.

The Under 14 Parish League will commence on Sunday, February 28th.

The following minors will represent the South in trials to be held in Bruff on Saturday, February 27th, 12 a.m. Tom Quinlan, William Donovan, Seamus Morrissey, Pat McCarthy.

The Under 21 to attend county trial match at Adare on Saturday, February 27th at 2 p.m. are Donal O'Brien, Tim and John Cummins, Ger Carew. Votes of sympathy were passed to Paddy Ryan at his brothers death. Kitty Crowe's relatives, club chairman on the death of his uncle and aunt, and to the McGrath family.

South Senior Football

Galbally ^{2/10/82} edge out Croom

Galbally1-5
Croom0-7

THE 1981 South senior football final at Bruff on Sunday last was brimful of good football, with Galbally holding out in an exciting final for the narrowest of wins.

The high wind and intermittent rain was not conducive for good football, but both sides overcame

the conditions to serve up enjoyable fare.

Croom were the early leaders and with wind advantage led 0-6 to 0-2 at the interval.

At the end of the third quarter Galbally had reduced the deficit, their task being helped by a soft goal by substitute Dan Cronin. John Scully had the sides level after 45 minutes and the same player put Galbally ahead with 8 minutes of play remaining.

Croom fought back several times in search of the equaliser, but bad shooting at close range cost them the levelling point.

Jim Donovan and John Scully were the Galbally stars and received good support from Mike Quish, Donal O'Brien, Ger Carew, John Cummins, Jim Burke and Dan Cronin.

Goalkeeper Anthony Howard was outstanding for the losers. Others to shine were Mark Reidy, Gerry Murray, Sean Breen, Michael O'Shea and Tony Kiely.

Galbally scorers: D. Cronin 1-0, M. Quish 0-2, J. Scully 0-2, T. Burke 0-1.

Croom scorers: P. Kiely 0-2, J. Kennedy 0-2, S. Breen 0-2, G. Murray 0-1.

Galbally: T. Hennerby, T. Casey, G. Carew, G. Dillon, M. McCarthy, G. Donovan, D. O'Brien, M. Quish, J. Scully, P. Hennerby, T. Burke, M. Fraher, M. Burke, G. Fraher, J. Cummins. Subs., J. Dunne for McCarthy, D. Cronin for P. Hennerby.

Croom: A. Howard, M. O'Shea, M. Reidy, K. Kiely, G. Howard, T. Kiely, P. Culhane, G. Murray, D. Murray, M. Kiely, S. Breen, P. Kiely, G. Moloney, E. Mackessy, J. Kennedy. Sub., D. O'Sullivan for Moloney.

Referee: F. Costello (Banogue).

Galbally

The death occurred at the Regional Hospital, Limerick, after a brief illness, of Mr. John Henebry, Kilsanlon, Galbally. The deceased was a highly respected and very popular member of the farming community in his native district and his death is deeply regretted. In his earlier life the deceased took a keen interest in greyhounds and apart from being a successful breeder, he also raced with success some well known track winners. He also took a keen interest in the local G.A.A. club, with whom his nephews played. As a matter of fact, one of his nephews is Mr. Michael Henebry, joint vice-chairman of the South Limerick Board G.A.A. His remains were removed to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally, and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in the family burial ground at Clonbeg, Glen of Aherlow. The bereaved family were the recipients of numerous messages of sympathy. The death occurred at St.



ST. BRIDGET'S N.S. SINGLAND U/13 FOOTBALL TEAM 1981 WINNERS OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS LEAGUE. THEY ALSO WON THE COMPETITION IN 1980 BUT WERE FOILED THIS YEAR FOR THE THREE IN A ROW BY BALLYBROWN

BACK ROW (L. to R.): Mr. John Walsh N.T. (Trainer/Manager); Edward Byrnes, Billy Monaghan, Patrick Hastings, Brian Grace, Tony Grehan, John Gallagher, Neil Graham (Captain), Mark Flynn, Roy McNamara, Seamus Day, Gerry Power.
FRONT ROW: Martin Ray, Timmy Dawson, John Whyte, Anthony Hickey, Eric Woods, John Noonan, David Noone,

South Limerick GAA: Hurling Final Replay

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All so easy for Galbally

Galbally 1-9
Croom 1-3

Galbally fashioned one of their easiest wins over Croom in a senior football game at Kilmallock on Sunday last and in doing so, captured the divisional title on the scoreline of 1-9 to 1-3.

The winners ruled supreme in the opening moiety. They practically owned the ball, picked off scores with ease, could afford the luxury of missing a penalty and led at the interval 1-8 to 0-2.

Croom played their worst football for at least a decade in this opening thirty minutes. The flair and creativeness which was so much a part of their make-up in recent times was sadly missing.

From the sideline it seemed as if they had accepted that this was not their day and Galbally could win as they pleased.

Croom had a searching look at themselves during the break and this was apparent after the turnover.

Galbally had to absorb much pressure in the second half and while they had a six point advantage at the final whistle, they were relieved when referee Kevin Walsh officially ended proceedings.

A word of praise is due to Kevin Walsh for his strict and impartial handling of the game. It must also be noted that his task was made much easier by the sporting and manly behaviour of both sides.

Ger Carew, John Dunne, Tom Casey, Mike Fraher, Tim Cummins, Pat Hennerby and Tim Burke were outstanding for Galbally. Tony Kiely, Liam Fahy, Pat Culhane, Peter Kiely and Ger Sheehan were best for Croom.

Galbally scorers: John Fraher 1-0, M. Burke, Mike Fraher, John Cummins 0-2 each, Tim Burke, Tim Cummins and Pat Hennerby 0-1 each.

Croom scorers: Peter Kiely 1-1, Garret Howard and Gerry Murray 0-1 each.

Teams

Galbally—T. Quinlan; J. Dillon, G. Carew, J. Davern; T. Casey, J. Dunne, D. O'Brien; M. Fraher, J. Scully; T. Cummins, T. Burke, J. Hennerby, M. Burke, J. Fraher, J. Cummins.

Croom—A. Howard; M. O'Shea, J. O'Brien, K. Kiely; P. Culhane, T. Kiely, M. Kiely; G. Murray, D. Murray; G. Howard, S. Breen, S. Collins; A. Lawlor, S. Sheehan, P. Kiely. Subs.: L. Fahy for Breen; J. Kennedy for O'Shea.

Tom Casey, captain of Galbally, received the senior football cup from the Board chairman, Pat Murnane after the match.

Club G.A.A.

27-2-82
Galbally

The local G.A.A. club have welcomed the new Commercial Insurance Scheme, which has been introduced by the Association for the purpose of providing substantial cover for players and officials at a very moderate charge. Many members joined the scheme at a meeting of the club on Saturday night last.

Galbally are affiliating a hurling team in the South Limerick Junior Hurling Championship for 1982. They are likely to have the assistance of some players from the Galtee Gaels Club.

Very Reverend Father John Hennessy P.P., Vice-president, presented trophies won by the senior football team in the Maher and Scanlon Tournament competitions to the players on Saturday night last.

The player of the Year was won by Mr. Tom Henebry, Thomond House.

The Under 14 Football Parish League commences on Sunday next, February 28th. All players to report to Tommie Sheehan, who is one of those in charge of the under age players.

Parents are reminded that their children of 10 years and over can be covered against medical and dental expenses for the sum of £1 per annum. Now is the time to do so.

Galbally

The annual festival organised by the local GAA and Macra Clubs commences this Friday evening and will run until Sunday, May 30. There are varied and numerous attractions included in the programme of events including senior hurling and senior football tournaments. Many inter county stars will participate with some of the competing clubs in both hurling and Gaelic football. Macra intend holding their usual interesting and varied events during Festival week. A new innovation is the election of Mayor of the village and surrounding hinterland. The two candidates are Mr. Patsy Fogarty of Corderry, the county chairman of Macra, and Mr. John Denihan, Carrickaroche.

Congratulations to Ray Sampson, son of Ned and Nell Sampson of Knocklong on adding a Croke All Ireland colleges medal to his Harty Cup and Munster championship hurling medal. Deirtheair sa Gaeilge an rud a bheirtear sa chnamh is doiligh a bhaint as an bhfeoil. Ta se sin fíor maidir le Ray. Ar aghaidh leat a bhuachaill.

Galbally G.A.A.

27-2-82
The club are to join with Galtee Gaels in having a hurling team this year.

Team manager John Sweeney. Team Captain is Jim Donovan and Galtee Gaels have Vice-Captain Paddy Ryan explained the new insurance scheme and a large number of members enrolled. Anybody else interested please contact Club Secretary before Saturday, February 27th.

The Under 14 Parish League will commence on Sunday, February 28th.

The following minors will represent the South in trials to be held in Bruff on Saturday, February 27th, 12 a.m. Tom Quinlan, William Donovan, Seamus Morrissey, Pat McCarthy.

The Under 21 to attend county trial match at Adare on Saturday, February 27th at 2 p.m. are Donal O'Brien, Tim and John Cummins, Ger Carew. Votes of sympathy were passed to Paddy Ryan at his brothers death, Kitty Crowe's relatives, club chairman on the death of his uncle and aunt, and to the McGrath family.

Galbally

20-2-82
A very important club meeting will be held in the Community Centre on Saturday, 20th February, at 8.30 p.m.

The presentation of the 1981 Festival trophies and Meagher Cup will be made. All players please attend. The training programme and arranging of challenges, etc., will be discussed.

Galtee Gaels are anxious to join with us to form a junior hurling team and this must be decided.

The player of the year trophy will be presented. Members and players will be enrolled in the new GAA insurance scheme. The under age parish leagues will be arranged so those in charge of under age teams must attend.

With such important items on the agenda every member and player should attend.

Galbally

4-12-82
The death occurred on Friday last at St. Camillus' Hospital, Limerick of Mr. William (Billie) Bourke of Galbally after a short illness. The deceased was a very popular and respected member of the local community and was former treasurer of the local G.A.A. Club. He was also a successful greyhound breeder. His remains were removed to the Church Of Christ The King, Galbally, on Saturday evening and after Requiem Mass on Sunday last, interment took place in the local cemetery. To his bereaved sons, daughter, sister, son in law, daughters-in-law and a large circle of friends sympathy is extended.

Miss Margaret Wallace daughter of Mr. John and Mrs. Noeleen Wallace, The Square, won the Amhranaoicht Aonair (Solo Singing) competition at the South Scór na nOg Competitions at the Community Hall, Knocklong, on Friday night last. We wish Margaret the best of luck in the County Finals which are scheduled to take place in St. Johns Pavilion, Limerick on Friday night, December 10th.

Galbally

continued recovery
19-12-82
The death occurred recently of Mr. John (Jack) Ryan, Killinane, Galbally. A highly respected member of the local community, he had in his early life played a very active part in the affairs of the local coursing club for whom he had acted as gamekeeper for some years. He also took a deep interest in the local GAA club and he had the pleasure of seeing his son, Jim, win a county minor football title for Galbally and subsequently playing on a Limerick county minor team who were beaten by Kerry in a Munster final.

His remains were removed from St. Vincent's Hospital, Tipperary, to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally, and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in the local cemetery.

The county Score final of 1982

S. Galbally

The death occurred at his residence, Park, Galbally, of Mr. David Dinneen. The deceased had been in failing health for some months. A highly respected and popular member of the local community, the deceased took an active part in the running of the annual local coursing meeting and was also a well-known supporter of the local G.A.A. teams.

His remains were removed to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally, on Saturday evening last and the interment took place in Galbally Cemetery after last Mass on Sunday. There was a very large and representative attendance at the funeral on both days, which paid adequate testimony to the popularity of the deceased.

To his bereaved widow, sons, daughters, brother, sisters, relatives and friends we tender our sincere sympathy.

teachers.

New Pallas pitch was the scene on Monday evening last, May 30th, for an inter-county junior hurling match between Limerick and Tipperary. Brothers, Michael and Martin Hayes, Ballybunion, figured prominently on the victorious Limerick side, who were presented with a fantastic set of trophies sponsored by the local G.A.A. club.

4-6-83
A Patrician meeting, organised by the Legion of Mary, was held in Nicker on Wednesday.

Galbally

The Post Box in the Old Street has been replaced. It was replaced in the week prior to Christmas and the return of this amenity to the area is appreciated by the residents of the area. A special word of thanks to Mr. Lonergan, overseer, Tipperary Post Office, for his prompt attention in the matter.

We would also like to express our thanks to Mrs. Margaret Kiely, Postmistress, and her staff for the excellent and efficient way in which they disposed of both incoming and outgoing mail over the Christmas period. The volume of mail was larger than usual but all was delivered in time for Christmas.

Congratulations to Mr. Michael Henebry, Mooreabbey, on his re-election as vice-chairman of the South Limerick Board, GAA. A new treasurer, Mr. Sean Bourke, Knocklong, has been elected in place of Mr. Kevin Walsh, who did not seek re-election and the new registrar, Mr. Denis Martin from the Stakers club, has Galbally and Ballylanders connections. His father came from Ballylanders, while his mother was a member of the Richardson family from The Square. All officers are wished every success during Centenary Year.

Although the local Ceol Uirlise group who participated in the final of the county Scór na nOg competitions did not achieve outright success they are nevertheless congratulated in securing second place only four marks behind the very talented and experienced O'Connor family, representing Boher.

Galbally

The death occurred at his daughters residence, Mulgrave Street, Limerick, of Mr. John (Jack) Slattery at a fairly advanced age. The deceased was a native of Galbally and resided for some years at Knockaunalyman, Garryspillane, before leaving to take up residence with his daughter in Limerick city. Of kind and gentle disposition, the deceased was a pronounced favourite with all sections of the community and his death is deeply regretted. In his early life the deceased was employed by the late Philip Kiely, postmaster at Galbally. He took an active interest in the Galbally Gaelic Football Club in the late twenties and early thirties. His remains were removed from Cross's Funeral Home, Gerald Griffin Street, to St. Michael's Church and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in Ballylanders cemetery. To his bereaved son, daughters, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends we tender our sincere sympathy.

G'spillane winners

Garryspillane 2-8,
Dromcollogher 0-9.

Garryspillane (South Limerick) qualified for the Limerick junior hurling final at Kilmallock when they defeated Dromcollogher (West Limerick) in the semi-final After a hard fought game.

In the early stages there was very little in it but then three minutes from half time Garryspillane struck for two goals that gave them a half time lead of 2-3 to 0-4. Drom had two early points on the turnover and missed two easy opportunities that would have brought them within a point of the winners. Garryspillane got a point back at the three-quarter stage and there was only three points between them. But in the closing stages Garryspillane consolidated their position and deserved their five point win.

South Limerick GAA

Galbally's two-point win

Galbally 1-8
Croom 1-6

THE SOUTH senior football final at Kilmallock on Sunday last provided exciting passages of play, before Galbally fashioned a 1-8 to 1-6 win over Croom.

Croom made better use of their limited chances in the first half and turned over with a two point advantage.

Early in the second half Galbally went ahead for the second time when substitute John Dunne punched a low shot to the Croom net. They added a quick point per John Cummins, to go three ahead.

Croom pulled back a point and with nine minutes remaining sent the opposition reeling with a gem of a goal by Donal Murray. Minutes later the championship should have been wrapped up, but a Croom forward in possession in the square, with the opposing goalkeeper off his line, kicked wide.

With this unbelievable let off, Galbally, with Tom Byrnes providing much needed pep at midfield, struck back for the equaliser. Playing their best football of the hour, the new champions kicked over the winning points in the last four minutes to deny Croom of a win which they fought so hard for.

Ger Carew, Willie Casey, Jim Donovan, Mike Quish, Tom Byrnes, John Cummins and John Dunne were in great form for Galbally. Ger Manning, Brendan Gallagher, Paul McRory, Anthony Howard, John O'Donnell, Donal Murray and Martin Kiely played extremely well for Croom.

Galbally scorers — J. Dunne 1-1, M. Quish 0-3, J. Cummins 0-2, T. Cummins and M. McGrath, 0-1 each.

Croom scorers — D. Murray 1-2, A. Howard 0-2, M. Moloney and B. Gallagher 0-1 each.

Knocklong

Sympathy is extended to the relatives of Mrs. Maureen O'Donnell (nee Mulvihill), late of Garryspillane, who died recently in Birmingham.

Garryspillane GAA Club held their annual dinner dance at the local Community Centre. An excellent night's entertainment was had by all, with music provided and most enjoyable singing by guest artists Fr. Edmund Gubbins, home on holidays from Scarborough, And Andy Weekes, Kilmallock. Congratulations to Sean Burke on being appointed treasurer of the South Board.

Galbally

The death occurred at St. Camillus' Hospital, Limerick of Mr. Timothy Lonergan, Ardnamoher, Galbally. The deceased had reached a fairly advanced age and his death was not unexpected. A hard working and industrious member of the local community he took an active interest in the Galbally Coursing Club and also in the local GAA Club with whom three of his sons, Thady, Jimmy and Michael were players of outstanding ability.

His remains were removed to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in the local cemetery. There was a large and representative attendance at the funeral obsequies on both days which paid tribute to the deceased and his family to whom we offer our sincere sympathy.

Galbally

The death has occurred at St. Joseph's Hospital, Limerick, at an advanced age, of Mr. John Dawson, Ardahan, Galbally. The deceased was a popular and highly respected member of the local community and his death is deeply regretted. He was father of the late Edmond Dawson and Denis, both of whom played with distinction for the local G.A.A. club, and also played for the Limerick minor and junior football sides before emigrating to Britain, where Edmond died some years back. The remains of the deceased were brought to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally, and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in the local cemetery.

GALBALLY

Galbally, the winners of the 1984 south novice hurling title and the first hurling championship to be won by the club, held their victory celebrations in the Galbally community hall.

Jim Hickey, chairman of the county board, was present and presented the novice medals to the players.

Early last year Galbally, better known for their football deeds, decided to select their team of the century and player of the century.

Former inter county footballer, P. J. Cussen, was picked as player of the century, an honour well deserved by this genial sportsman and great Gael.

The team of the century: Bob Fitzgerald, Bill Noonan, Ned Sampson, Bill Henebry, Dinny Dawson, Pat Fitzgerald, Lar Henebry, P. J. Cussen, Mike Quish, Jack Sheehan, John Cullen, John Hedigan, Tim Cummins, Mick Scanlan, Paddy O'Dwyer.

The club held a successful marathon on January 6th. Liam Fox of Clonmel was the winner. Pat Hyland, Tim Ryan and P. J. Carey are arranging a team talk for their senior footballers at the end of January.

Galbally

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Denis Hennessy of Curragh Kilbrann, Galbally, which occurred at the Hospice, Milford House, Limerick, recently. The deceased, who was in his early sixties, had not been well for some time. A highly respected and popular member of the local farming community, he took an active part in local Gaelic affairs. His remains were removed to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally, and following Requiem Mass, the interment took place in Clonbeg Cemetery, Glen of Aherlow. Congratulations to Miss Maria Hogan of Duntryleague, Galbally, on obtaining her Diploma in the Institution of Bankers Examination. Miss Hogan is employed in the Bank of Ireland branch at the Quay, Waterford.

The heavy snowfall on the Galtee Mountains during the past week has added to the very severe weather conditions with intense cold during the past week.

Galbally

27-4-85

The death occurred at the Regional Hospital, Limerick, of Mrs. Ellen (Nellie) Toomey, Fanningstown, Crecora, Co. Limerick, and formerly of Cappquin, Co. Waterford. The deceased was a member of a most popular and highly respected farming community family, the Blackburn family of Galbally. Her late father, Mr. John Blackburn, held the world pole vaulting championship of the world and her late uncle Jim Fahy was world standing three jumps champion. Her son, Thomas, was a member of the South Liberties senior hurling team, and won the county championship honours with "The Souths". Her remains were removed to Fedamore Church and after Requiem Mass the interment took place in Filfeacle cemetery, Co. Tipperary. To

Galbally

10-1-84

Coiste na nOg held a very enjoyable function in the Community Centre on Monday night, December 29, at which the members of the successful county and south Limerick under-14 hurling were presented with their trophies and in addition were presented with trophies won in the Goatensbridge tournament.

Mr. Sean Whyte was chairman. Medals were presented to the successful players by Very Rev. Canon Hennessy and P. S. O'Riain. A novel attraction for the youths' was the showing of a video of Limerick's senior All-Ireland hurling success in 1973 and some of the successful Munster Championship games. A local ladies committee served an excellent tea, sandwiches and cakes to all those present which was very much appreciated and a special word of thanks to the ladies on their hard night's work. The following players were recipients of trophies, John Hyland, Sean Farrell, Declan Wallace, Liam Hourigan, Dermot Wallace, Thomas Gallagher, Patrick Ryan, John Kiely, Sean Kearney, Eamon Gallagher, John Gerard Ryan, Bart Begley, Kieran Begley, Kieran Ryan, Thomas Henebry, Michael Ryan, Rodney O'Donnell, Paul Henebry, John O'Donnell, Noel Fitzgibbon, Diarmuid Henebry, Doncha Fahey, Patrick Rea, Michael Hennessy, William Casey and John Hourigan.

Galbally

14-4-84

The local under 15 hurling side went down to Effin in the South Limerick final played at Knocklong before a large attendance. It was a great achievement by the local youths who are really only playing hurling for the past 12 months to take on a team from a traditional hurling area like Effin and lose by such a small margin.

The All-County Senior Football League will commence in April and Galbally have Hospital-Herbertstown at home on April 9, at 7 p.m.; they are away to Oola on April 16 and away to Monaleen on April 23.

The two latter games will be played at 7.15 p.m.

Galbally

The death occurred unexpectedly at his residence of Mr. Denis Scully (Daly), Lissard, Galbally. The deceased had been out and about as usual on the day of his death and his unexpected death came as a great shock to his wife and family. A highly respected and popular member of the local community he was a former employee of Limerick County Council prior to his retirement some years ago. In his earlier life he was a prominent Gaelic footballer with the Galbally Gaelic football team. His remains were removed to the Church of Christ the King, Galbally, and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in Galbally cemetery. There was a very large attendance at both the removal of the remains, Requiem Mass and burial which paid tribute to his popularity. To his bereaved wife, sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, relatives and friends we offer our sincere sympathy.

Galbally juvenile athletic sports will be held in the local sportsfield on Sunday next, June 9th. This sports meeting has proved to be a very successful event in the life of the parish in previous years and a gala day for the youth is expected on next Sunday.

The peace climb to Galbally...

Galbally

Our minor football team played a draw with Ballylanders last Sunday in the south M.F.L. It was a very exciting game and all our players played well.

Gerard Fahy was man of the match.

Our minors play Galtee Gaels next Sunday in Galbally at 1.00 p.m. All players report at 12.45 p.m.

Also on Sunday next our S.F. and J.F. and U-21F play a mixed game in Galbally at 3.00 p.m. All players please attend.

We had a very good GAA meeting last Friday night. The meeting went through all the fixtures for the year. John Wallace was appointed manager of the S.F. team. We hope to have a bigger crowd at our next meeting which is fixed for March 20th.

We hope to have an under 21F challenge on St. Patrick's Day.

Galbally

14-4-84

Galbally under 21 footballers received a walkover from Kilmallock, last Friday, in the South championship.

Our SF play Galtee Rovers in the Donoghue cup in Bansha, on Sunday next, April 12, at 7 p.m.

John Scully, James O'Donnell and Mike Quish are back on the Limerick SF panel, after being injured during the season. Tom Cummins makes it four players from Galbally Club on the county panel.

Galbally

31-12-86

The death occurred recently at the Regional Hospital, Limerick after a short illness, of Mrs. Nellie Condon, The Caravanary, Glen of Aherlow. The deceased lady was a member of a highly respected farming family in the Barna district of Galbally. She was a most respected and popular member of the business and farming community in the Glen of Aherlow and her death is deeply regretted. In her early life she was employed by the late T. K. O'Donoghue at Rossadrehid as a shop assistant. She married the late Patrick Condon of Anglesboro and they acquired their own business in the Glen of Aherlow. A jovial personality she made with her late husband a very successful business in the Glen. Her remains were removed to Lisvernane Church and following Requiem Mass the interment took place in Anglesboro Cemetery. To her bereaved son, D.J., her brothers Denis and John Kiely and to her sister Mrs. Alice Ryan, Killeen, Ballylanders; nephews, nieces, relatives and friends we offer our sincere sympathy.

Reverend Father Hogan, C.C., Lisvernane, and Galbally, has been transferred to Littleton in the Parish of Moycarkey, Co. Tipperary. While in this parish Fr. Hogan was highly respected; a man who went about his clerical duties in a friendly and unobtrusive manner and his departure is deeply regretted. He is replaced by Father Ryan who was formerly parish priest of Moycarkey.

The under 14 hurling team that won the Limerick County Championship are to be honoured at a function in the Community Centre, Galbally on Monday night next where they will receive their trophies.

Congratulations to Mr. Michael Henebry on his re-election as one of three vice-chairmen at the South Limerick Board Convention held at the People's Hall, Kilmallock. At the same convention Mr. Matt O'Callaghan, M.C.C., retired as secretary of the Board after a ten year period in which he gave outstanding service to the Board and G.A.A. affairs in South Limerick. His successor is Mr. Michael Fitzgerald of Kilmallock whose late father, John, was secretary of the Board for 32 years.

Galbally

21-2-87

Galbally staged a minor football trial on Sunday last, 15-2-87, South v. East. After a very fine game South came out winners, South 4-5, East 1-10.

Our thanks to all from both South and East who brought players.

Galbally meet Hospital-Herbertstown in the county S.F. championship, a real crowd puller for the County Board.

Galbally did not take part in the South senior Scór last Saturday night in Knocklong, a matter which will have to be looked into for next year, as Galbally has lots of fine talent.

Galbally

Life president, P. J. Cussen; patrons, Rev. Canon J. Hennessy and Father Burns; chairman, Michael Henebry; vice-chairman, E. Ryan and C. Burke; secretary, Gerald Carew; assistant secretary, P. Hyland; treasurer, John Scully; P.R.O., John Wallace.

A special meeting is being held next Saturday night, January 31st, in the community centre at 8.30

All players must attend to