

Limerick Leader



NEW PLAN FOR CLUB

FOLLOWING THE shock resignations of director Noel Murphy and programme editor Pat Cronin at the weekend, Limerick City chairman Pat Grace this Monday issued a five point plan for the club.

The plan is: (1) Limerick City is to be restructured; (2) the financing and physical effect of trying to run a successful club has been very taxing and a new approach is needed; (3) it is the club's intention to explore every avenue to keep senior soccer alive in Rathbane; (4) an audit of accounts of the club to date will be published to coincide with the launch of the new plans and Limerick City will welcome all levels of investment as laid down by legal advisers; (5) the club is to renew its efforts to strengthen their panel of players.

Involved

Mr. Grace told the *Limerick Leader* that it was their wish to have many more people to become involved and shareholders would be invited.

He reiterated that he was anxious to keep League of Ireland football alive at Rathbane.

Limerick City, he said, had a future and he was in no doubt that the public would welcome this new initiative.

Manager Billy Hamilton has been advised that money is available to strengthen the panel and, according to Mr. Grace, the club's first target is Joe Hanrahan, recently re-

leased by Manchester United.

Mr. Noel Murphy resigned last week because he felt he served no function and he expressed unhappiness that funds from the weekly lottery were being directed towards the running of the team.

Shortly afterwards he was followed by Pat Cronin, who said his resignation was prompted by an alleged statement from Mr. Grace that he would build houses at Rathbane.

Dead dog mystery solved

THE 579 dogs put down by the Limerick Dog Control Unit have been buried at the tiphead at Longpavement the *Limerick Leader* learned this week.

The carcasses of the dead dogs are placed in heavy-duty plastic bags and ferried to the dump where they are buried upon arrival.

Cllr. Paddy Madden, F.F., at a recent meeting of the Cultural and Environmental Committee of Limerick City Council, demanded to be told where the remains of the dogs were being disposed of.

At that meeting he was not told where the dogs were being put after they were put down, but a spokesman for Limerick

Record figure at Limerick port

TRADE through Limerick port for the year ended September 30 last achieved a record level of 4.78 million tonnes.

Addressing the annual general meeting of Limerick Harbour Commissioners today, Mr. Ted Russell, chairman, who was re-elected for the twenty second successive year, said that present indications for the port, that barring some major setback, will continue to expand and prosper in the years ahead.

"The forecast for 1988 suggests that traffic will achieve a volume of over 5 million tonnes, and thereby move Limerick and the Shannon Estuary much closer to the top bracket of the Irish port industry", said Mr. Russell. Renewing the commissioners' call on the government to set up a single estuarial ports authority, Mr. Russell said that recent statements by the new Minister for the Marine, Brendan Daly, T.D., have been most encouraging.

And he said it was obvious that the Minister appreciated the urgency of the situation and means to do something about it.

"He can be assured of the commissioners full support in his efforts to establish an authority which will give fair representation to all the interests involved while, at the same time, being an effective instrument in the control and

development of the great natural resources of the estuary," he added.

Aussie team raring to go

WHILE the physical aspect of the game will be present, the predominant feature will be controlled aggression, according to the Australian coach, Nial Kerley, when he arrived in Shannon Airport from New York, this morning, along with the team.

There were 36 members in the Australian party — 26 players, all of whom were looking super-fit as they left for Killarney, where they will tog out for a training session, later this afternoon.

The game in Killarney against Ireland, next Wednesday will just be a warm-up for the international test series under compromise rules, which will begin in Croke Park next Sunday.

Not worried about the round ball, which will be played in all games, the Aussie's plan is to — run, run, run.

Mr. Kerley said that the Australians would not tolerate any unsporting behaviour.

"We will react to it," he said, also ruling out high-arm tackling. "We are over here to play good hard aggressive football, and we hope for good clean games."

He said that they had a much faster side this time — "Not so much height and

Factories entered

Detectives at Roxboro Road Station are investigating a series of break-ins to factor-

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