

Stars of 1962

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Sports Staff

Rowing

Well rowed, sir! You can say that again about our 1962 star. Saturday, July 14, Michael Connor, occupying number seven at in the Limerick Boat Club in Cup crews, rowed a very game

[Michael O'Connor]

to finish second to Galway, during annual regatta that, you might say, but read the facts. Michael, rather than let his courage, and particularly his captain, Kevin O'Sullivan, down, went the start with a cracked rib, and rowed the mile-and-a-quarter course under this disability. Throughout the race, he suffered considerable pain, yet he never let No finer example could be for the young men of Limerick, who, this week, were invited a past President of the Irish Rowing Union to take up one of the marbles of all sports. If more our youth can play the game as Michael did, Limerick flags will fly higher than ever before.

Bridge

When well-known solicitor Gordon Holmes played in the World Championships at Cannes, early

[Gordon Holmes]

at year, he became Limerick's first international. But were even bigger things in store for him, for from September to 18 he explained Ireland in a European Championships at Beirut in the Lebanon. Even that

Chess

Ireland's number one in the 15th Chess Olympiad at Golden Sands in August, on September 15th was Sergeant John Reid of Patrickswell, who for a number of years has been the country's leading

[John Reid]

chess player. He is reigning Irish champion, and was introduced to the game as a boy by Very Rev. Father Weymes, P.P., a President of the Irish Chess Union. John has been six times winner of the Munster senior chess championship, and twice Irish correspondent winner. In the past year he annexed



the North Munster title with 100 per cent score against all opposition. John, at present, is Chairman of the Munster Branch of the I.C.U. and has done much in the way of lectures, and simultaneous exhibitions to promote the game in the province.



WHERE THE AWARDS REST

- Athletics—Sean O'Sullivan.
- Badminton—Patsy Ryan.
- Basketball—Noel Aronson.
- Boxing—Jim Fairbrother.
- Bridge—Gordon Holmes.
- Chess—Sergeant John Reid.
- Cycling—Dave McDonagh.
- Gaelic Football—Seamus Cox.
- College G.A.A.—Eamonn Cregan.
- Colt—Harry McCormack.
- Greyhound Racing—Pat Grace.
- Hockey—Noel O'Dwyer.
- Horse Racing—Mrs. Dorothy Hogan.
- Hurling—Kevin Lons.
- Motorcycling—Phil Heelan.
- Senior Rugby—Mick English.
- Colleges—Ewan Fenton.
- Junior Rugby—Gerry O'Garraill.
- Rowing—Michael O'Connor.
- Senior Soccer—Ewan Fenton.
- Junior Soccer—Patsy Doran.
- Swimming—Michael Bourke.
- Table Tennis—Mick Hickey.
- Lawn Tennis—Michael P. Hickey.



Greyhound Racing

[Pat Grace]

Apollo Again, by winning the £1,000 Irish St. Leger at the Market's Field, clinched the issue in favour of Paddy Grace of Fairgreen, a very keen and tremendously popular supporter of the game. Apollo, trained by Malachy McKenna, of Barrisokane, was only beaten once in four rounds of the St. Leger, when he went under unluckily to Peculiar in the second round. He later was a beaten finalist in the top event at Dudalk, after setting up a time record in the preliminaries. A very fine cracker with brilliant early speed, Apollo Again will be remembered for his thrilling display on St. Leger Final night, when he held on by 1 lb. and 2 lbs. to beat Wandering Sailor and Peculiar. Success for Jerry O'Dee's Jarry's Clipper in one of the top events at Shelburne Park, and his subsequent brilliant running at White City, plus Fire Top Mille's coursing win in the Limerick Cup at Rathcaule made it a remarkably successful season for Limerick greyhounds.

PADDY GRACE, having received the St. Leger trophy, from the Mayor of Limerick, Councillor Mrs. Frances Concell.



MICHAEL O'CONNOR . . . Rowed with fractured ribs.



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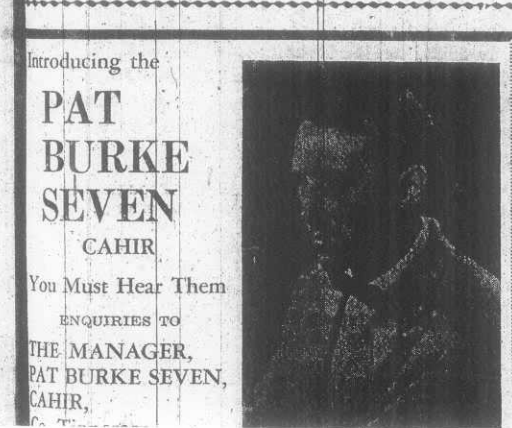
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land did not win, the play of representatives of this country is highly commended. Twenty entries competed and Ireland edged high up on the list. Aged Gordon is a son of Dr. John G. R. Holmes, and graduated a solicitor at U.C.D. His brother R. J. Holmes is captain-elect Limerick Golf Club where Gordon, too, is a keen golfer. He must be one of the youngest ever to represent his country at bridge.

his side. Although since, because of he, he fought last id against England all, London, and is for the Irish senior hampionship to be a. Prior to coming a, train under the of Eamonn Ryan D, and that other Jimmy Curtis, Jim established a big and, where he was a pion of the country, Lancashire. He Youth's Champion.

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Limerick G.B.S. drew son, their Dr. Harty amonn Cregan, had

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successful innings, help- to win the county crown and captain- a the completed the y carrying off the title. Eamonn stood th the competitions, ticularly good in the

