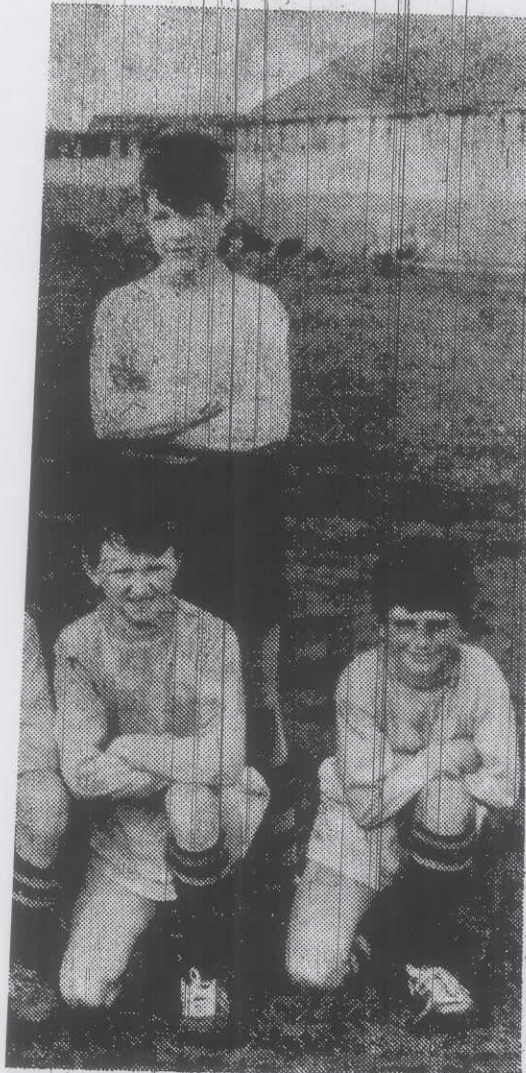


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caught the happy frame of their great win last week. —Bert Cosidan, Toomey, at Rockett, Ger O'Grady, Moran, Pat O'Grady, James Kearney and

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departments. Keeper Pat Rockett, whose father is a well-known referee, is playing his part in the club's great run. The fulls are Aidan Toomey and Sean O'Grady, and with Ger Collins, James Ryan and Ger Kearney in front of them, opposing forwards will find goals difficult to accumulate.

The goals "for" column speaks volumes for Dominic Savio's work rate up front. Leading scorer is centre-forward Tony Kennedy, and in Pat Reidy and Mick McDonnell he has two clever wingers to support him. They are also well served in the inside-forward positions, where Ger Moran and Ger O'Grady operate most efficiently. Incidentally, O'Grady is the fifth member of his family to play for Dominic Savio. Eddie, who is at present studying law at U.C.D., gave many years' service to the club, as did John. Two other brothers play with the under-12 team.

Also giving a hand in the training of Savio teams are Paddy Brennan, Harry Hannon and Derek Casey, the well-known C.B.S. athlete. Paddy Brennan informed me last week that they will definitely enter junior ranks next season. This will indeed be a big breakthrough for Dominic Savio, who have already sampled minor football with great success.

Dominic Savio are certainly planning along the right lines, and we wish them every luck in their efforts.



Liam O'Donoghue (Mungret).

The name O'Donoghue has been synonymous with Mungret hurling and our player this week is of a trio of brothers of that name who are carrying on the tradition. He is 17-year-old Liam O'Donoghue, whose father, Joseph, was a member of the great Mungret teams of the '40's and won several trophies including a coveted Leader Cup award.

Liam, a student at Sexton St. C.B.S., plays hurling and football with his school and club, but it is as a hurler that he has really made his mark.

He is a real "will o' the wisp" forward, always on the watch for the loose ball, and deadly accurate when in possession. The feats of Jimmy Smith (Clare) scoring 6-4 in a Munster championship game or Nicky Rackard (Wexford) notching 7-7 in an All-Ireland semi-final are often recalled and are in fact records in their own right. But Liam O'Donoghue's tally of 6-5 against St. Mary's in the 1968 County Juvenile Hurling Championship semi-final is comparable to both and is a Limerick Championship record for the under-age grades.

Liam has won many trophies including a 1964 schools hurling medal, minor football league (1965), Munster Colleges under 15's H. in 1966, City Juvenile hurling championship (1968) and a City minor hurling league (1969).

His two brothers, Ger and Josie, are also prominent in Gaelic games. Ger is at present a student at U.C.D. and plays hurling with the college side. He figured at centre-forward on the Sexton St. C.B.S. side which won the Harty Cup in 1966 and went on to win the All-Ireland Colleges Hurling Championship.

Josie won a Munster Colleges under 15's medal in 1965 and a Dean Ryan Cup J.H. award in 1967 plus a City Minor Football League 1965 and several junior tournament prizes during 1967-'68. He is now a regular member of the Mungret junior hurling and football teams.

Liam thinks that the present Mungret minor hurling team composed of last year's juvenile string will make a bold bid for this year's city championship.

Liam is son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O'Donoghue, Mungret village.