

Co. Tipperary Senior Hurling Final
Match Programme
1984



Cluichí Cheannais Iomána Thiobraid Árann

STÁID SEMPLE, DÚRLAS ÉILE
DEIRE FÓMHAIR 14, 1984

*Tomás Ó Baoid,
Rúnaí.*

**Clár Oifigiúil
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Team and Official PASS

Tomás Ó Cearoid,
Rúnaí

Clár an Lae

Ceannais Iomána
Tíobraid Arann

1.45 i.n.

Na Ciocamaigh

v

Roscré

Réiteoir: Martin O'Grady,
Moyne-Templetuohy

Sinsear 3.00 i.n.

Lothra-Doire

v

Má Choirce-Buiríos Léith

Réiteoir: John Moloney,
Galtee Rovers



Amhrán na bhFiann
Sinn-ne Fianna Fáil
Atá fé gheall ag Eirinn,
Buíonn dár slua
Thar tuinn do ráinig chugainn
Fé mhóid bheith saor,
Sean-tír ár sinsear feasta
Ní fágfar fé'n tiorán ná fé'n tráil.
Anocht a théim sa bhearna baoil
Le gean ar Ghaedhil chun báis nó saoil
Le guna scréach fé lámhach na bpiléar,
Seo libh canaidh Amhrán na bhFiann.



Music for today's game is being provided by the Sean Treacy Pipe Band,
Moycarkey Borris.

Teachtaireacht ón gCathaoirleach



I mbliain comóradh an chéid tá sé de phribhléid agam ar son Coiste Condae, fáilte a chur rómhaibh go léir do na Cluichí Ceannais Iománaíochta.

Gabhaim buíochas leis na foirní a ghlac páirt sna comórtaisí go dtí seo agus leis na daoine a chabhraigh leo.

Tá súil agam go mbeidh cluichí breá sportúil againn agus go mbainfidh gach éinne idir óg is aosta taitneamh as an lá is cuma cé hiad na buathóirí.

Despite its long and proud record in staging Gaelic games and in particular hurling games, the year nineteen eighty four must surely stand out as the most important milestone, so far, in the history of Semple Stadium. Following the official opening by His Grace, Most Rev. Dr Thomas Morris, in May of this the Centenary Year of the Gaelic Athletic Association, we are left with some fond and lasting memories that can never be effaced.

Just six short weeks after this ceremony, Thurles played host as it has often done in the past, for yet another Munster Hurling Final. While Cork's experience sent us to our respective homesteads regretting that our cherished dreams for this special year had come to an end, yet who in that crowd of fifty thousand plus will ever forget those gallant heroes who gladdened our hearts on that sweltering July day. Surely a final to compare with those great epics of the past.

Ever since Semple Stadium was chosen as the venue for this year's All-Ireland Hurling Finals, a wave of enthusiasm that was both infectious and ever-increasing was everywhere to be found. The pre-match interest that was aroused not alone in our own country but in many foreign and distant lands was unbelievable. Thurles was the place where everybody wanted to be on that first Sunday in September. The undoubted success of the event and everything connected with it is now happily enshrined in history's pages.

In more appreciative terms than our mere words might appear to convey we say to one and all, a simple but sincere thank you.

Today as we approach the hundredth birthday in a few short weeks of this great Association of ours, let us mark this great occasion with a county final that will be true in every sense of Tipperary's great name. When we look at the respective records of the participating teams at both minor and senior level, such a hope is based on



Micheal O Fearghaile

what I consider to be a very solid foundation.

At minor level Knockavilla Kickhams will be hoping to record their first victory in this grade over many time champions Roscrea. Likewise at senior level the blue and white clad hurlers from Lorrha and Dorrha will have as their aim a resting place for the Dan Breen Cup beside the Shannon's bank. What better incentive could the boys from Moy-carkey-Borris find, than that the achievements of 1934 would be once more repeated in this historic year. Rath Dé ar na h-imreoirí.

Micheal O Fearghaile,

Micheál O Fearghaile, Cathaoirleach

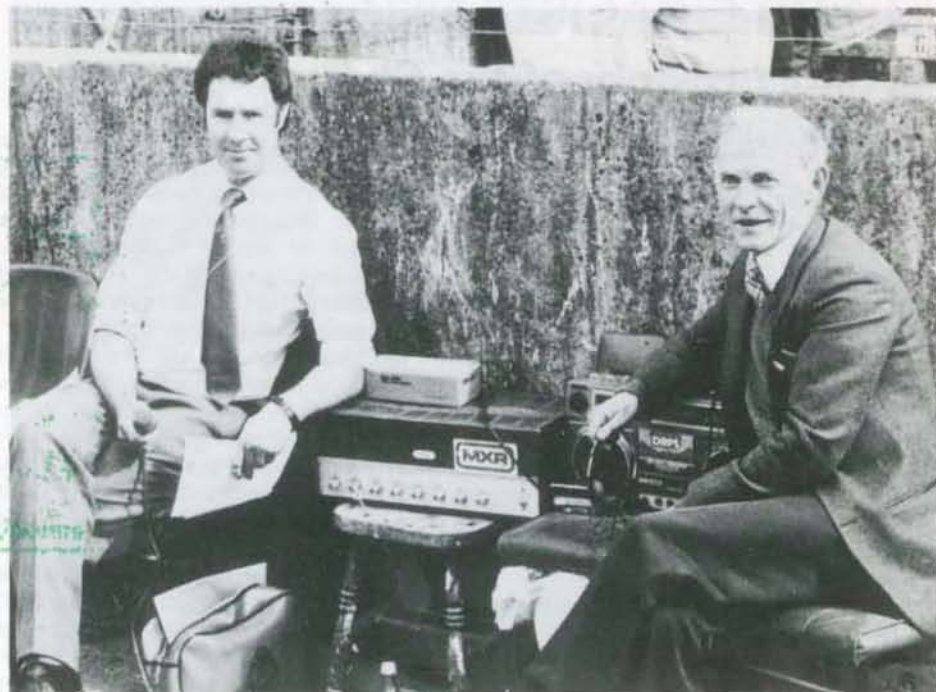
Buíochas ón Eagarthóir

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Beir Bua,

Liam O Donnchú

Liam O Donnchú, Programme Editor



Programme Editor Liam O Donnchú pictured here with Paddy Prior at the 1984 Munster Senior Hurling semi-final.

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Kickhams Minor Hurling West champions 1984

*Back (l. to r.): Andrew O'Dwyer, Jamesie Hogan, Frank Alley, Seamus Furlong, Pat Farrell, Tom Butler, Dan Ryan, Francis Buckley, Joe Cahill, Seamus O'Dwyer, Robert Hanly.
Front (l. to r.): Michael Browne, Sean Alley, Johnny Butler, D. J. Butler, Johnny Doherty (capt.), Dermot Keating, Walter Carroll, Pierce Butler, Joe Farrell, Paddy Fitzgerald.*

Knockavilla~Donaskeigh Kickhams Club

MINOR FINALISTS 1984

A Short History of the Club

1886, according to Canon Fogarty, was the year in which clubs were first formed separately in both Knockavilla and Donaskeigh. Activity in the parish in early G.A.A. times centred mainly on football and significantly the first major title to come to the parish was in 1926 when a Dundrum selection won the Mid junior football championship.

It was in Dundrum that the West division Board was founded in 1930 and the parish supplied its first chairman and treasurer in the persons of Knockavilla's Willie O'Dwyer (S) and Donaskeigh's Willie O'Dwyer, N.T. Since then the parish has had an involvement with the Board unmatched by any other, at times supplying all three of the main officers.

In the early thirties the Knockavilla end of the parish split briefly with the

formation of a Dundrum club once again. However this was quickly resolved and in 1935 the twin parishes of Knockavilla and Donaskeigh united, adopted the name of the 19th century writer and patriot Charles Kickham and with the exception of a brief period in the forties have been together since.

On the playing field the Kickham club has an unequalled record in the division. Minor hurling successes in the Mid forties led to the start of the club's most memorable years when in the fifteen year period from 1946 to 1960 Kickhams captured an incredible twelve West Tipp senior hurling titles.

Since then the club has had to depend on other grades for success. In 1967 the Kickham club took its first ever county crown when the u-21 hurlers defeated Toomevara. In more recent

years the juveniles have been the main source of success. They are at present the dominant force in the West division and made a major breakthrough last year when the u-12 hurlers brought the first juvenile county crown to the parish after a memorable three match struggle with Toomevara. As if to stress that football was the original game favoured in the parish the juniors of the club brought a county title to the West with a great victory over Burgess in 1981 and just a few weeks past the u-14 side captured the 1984 county rural football crown with a fine win over Moyne/Templetoouhy.

The club has supplied many notable players to Tipperary teams in different grades and two club men possess All Ireland senior hurling medals; Paddy Furlong who was a substitute in the '49 triumph and Donal O'Brien who was custodian in '61 and '62.

Today the Kickham club seeks its first ever county minor title.

Kickhams Club Officers 1984

Chairman:	Eamonn Brown
Vice Chairman:	John Keane, Tommy Kelly.
Secretary:	Paudie Slattery
Football Secretary:	Tommy Landers
Treasurer:	Gerry Cahill
P.R.O.:	Eamonn Brown

Meet the Minor Hurlers

The present Kickham minor squad first came to prominence in the u-12 championship of 1978 when they annexed the West title for the first time in the club's history. A unique achievement was to follow in 1979 for most of the panel when they captured the Christian Brothers' primary schools County title for Knockavilla N.T. having entered the competition for the first time. As a result four of the side were chosen on the Co. Tipperary primary schools team that year. These successes were followed by similar successes in the u-14 and u-16 grades, being narrowly defeated in the latter county final by Eire Og Nenagh after a hectic clash in 1982.

The squad has maintained its form by winning the West title in the minor grade in this the Centenary year of the association, and today contests the club's first county minor final since they were defeated by Loughmore/Castleiney in 1979. There are many links between the team of 1979 and the present panel, mainly through family representation. However the most notable link is the fact that today's captain, Johnny Doherty, is a brother of the then captain, Liam.

Most of the panel have won honours with the local Post-Primary schools—Cashel C.B.S., Cashel Voc. School, Abbey C.B.S. Tipperary, Cappawhite Voc. School, and Doon C.B.S. Ten of the panel formed the nucleus of the Cashel C.B.S. Harty Cup team which was narrowly defeated in the semi-final of that competition by the eventual winners, Farranferris. Subsequently Walter Carroll represented Munster in its successful interprovincial Colleges campaign. Walter was also on the Tipperary minor team this year.

Seamus O'Dwyer, another panel member, has already achieved notable success at County and National level in Athletics, culminating in a trip to Portugal recently to represent Ireland in an International meeting. Significantly Seamus is a grant-nephew of the first West treasurer, Willie O'Dwyer, N.T., in whose honour the trophy for the division's minor hurling championship is named.

The club looks to this team today to bring the county minor title to the parish for the first time.

The team's selectors are: Roger Kennedy, Donal Kennedy and Daniel Morrissey.



Kickhams M. H. captain, Johnny Doherty received the O'Dwyer Cup from West Board Chairman, Brendan Ryan, after the West final victory over Golden/Kilfeacle.

V.A.T.

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Roscrea — North and County Finalists in Minor Hurling 1983

Back row, l. to r.: Murt Deane (selector), Joe Mullally, Seamus McLoughlin, Brendan Carey, Michael Nolan, Sean Gleeson, Mick Hogan (selector), Liam Carson, Paul Delaney, Brian England, Paul Dolan, John Pyne, Barry Barrett (Manager).

Front row, l. to r.: Eamon England, David Cummins, Brendan Connolly, Fergus Kearns, Tommy Grimes, Mark Fletcher (captain), Tony Hoctor, Dan O'Donnell, Johnny Wright, Donnacha Ryan, Aidan Minogue. "Tipperary Star" photo 5/11/'83

Roscrea Hurling Club

MINOR FINALISTS 1984

A Centenary Victory?

Following Roscrea's impressive performances last year at under 16 and minor level, it is no surprise that the club qualified for this year's County Minor Final. There is a proud tradition of Minor Hurling in Roscrea stretching back to the club's first North Tipperary title win in 1928. In the intervening years the divisional title has been won on a record 26 more occasions. This long list of championships includes a six in a row, 1958-1963, several fours in a row, and a three in a row.

By winning this year's Centenary North final, the club of course retained the title they had won in 1983. Hurling followers will recall two splendid contests in last years drawn and replayed Co. Final with Moycarkey Borris, which produced some excellent displays in the best county deciders at this level for many years. Defeat however meant that Roscrea had then played in three losing Co. Minor Finals (1968, 1975, 1983) since winning their last Co. title

in 1967, when Golden Kilfeacle were beaten in a 4-7 to 0-3 scoreline. In all Roscrea have won a total of 8 County Minor Hurling titles, including a six in a row 1958-1963 and a two in a row 1966-1967. Roscrea's record in county finals has been exceptional over the last 25 years. Since 1958 only 1964, 1965, 1974, 1977, 1979 have seen Roscrea absent from both the Minor and Senior county finals.

Regarding today's game Roscrea are probably as yet untested. An easy run through the North culminated in a 16 point win over Erins Hope in the divisional final. Rivalry with Knockavilla Kickhams is comparatively new at under age level and last years Co. Final meeting in the under 16 grade was the first between the teams in recent years. Roscrea's easy victory then, will have little significance however today. Back-boned by Paul Delaney, John Pyne and Michael Nolan of the Tipp Minor team with Declan Fitzpatrick, Mark Landy



*Seamus O'Doherty
Roscrea Juvenile Secretary*

and Seamus Feehan of the North Tipp under 16 winning team, Roscrea are well endowed. Most of the other players are either survivors from last years beaten Minor team or graduates from the under 16 Co. Final winning team of 1983. On paper then its an experienced team and one from which much is expected. Kickhams will however be treated with caution—their ability is well known and their desire to succeed is great. Naturally we hope for a Roscrea victory and the leadership of the County Minor team for 1985.

Meet the Roscrea Hurlers

MARK LANDY— scored 3 goals in last years u-16 County Final and won a Munster Under 16 Hurling medal with North Tipp this year. Captained Roscrea u-16s to victory in this years North final.

JOE MULLALLY— Survivor from last years Co. Final Minor team. Has won two North Tipp Minor Hurling medals and played with Roscrea C.B.S. in this years Dr Harty Cup.

BRIAN ENGLAND— captained Roscrea Under 16s to the North and County double in 1983, played in last years Co. Minor Final, has won two North Minor medals and is currently a Roscrea under 16 selector.

JOHN LARKIN— full back on this years Under 16 Hurling team, has won many honours with Roscrea C.B.S. Hurlers. This is his first year with the Minor team.

SEAMUS FEEHAN— has represented Tipp in U-14 Hurling, won a Munster U-16 medal with North Tipp this year. At 15 years of age he is the youngest player on the Roscrea Minor team.

TONY HOCTOR— won County U-16 medal last year as a centre forward, a utility player has played in defence and attack and played for Roscrea C.B.S. in this years Harty Cup.

DECLAN FITZPATRICK— Captain of the North Tipp team which won the Munster u-16 title this year, now North and County u-16 medals last year, played Harty Cup with Roscrea C.B.S. this year. An excellent long range striker.

PAUL DELANEY— wing back on this years Co. Minor team, has won Munster Voc. Schools medal with North Tipp. Played Senior Championship Hurling with Roscrea this year. Roscrea Hurler of the Year 1983.

JOHN PYNE— Another Tipp Minor of 1984, also won a Voc. Schools medal with North Tipp 1983. Scored the equalising point in last years final with Moycarkey. Won North and County u-21 medals 1983.

AIDAN MINOGUE — scored Roscrea C.B.S. first ever Harty Cup goal this year. Played in last years championship, playing this year at midfield. A member of this years Roscrea u-21 squad.

MICHAEL NOLAN— International athlete, captained Roscrea C.B.S. Harty Cup team 1984, North Tipp u-16 captain 1983, won North and County u-16 medals last year, played in Minor final 1983. Currently on Roscrea u-21 team.

EAMON ENGLAND— brother of Brian, captained Roscrea u-16 team of 1982. Played with Roscrea C.B.S. in this years Harty Cup. Played in 3 North Minor finals and has won 2 medals. An example of Perpetual motion.

MICHAEL MOLONEY— another of the victorious under 16 crew of 1983. Has played in defence and attack for Roscrea. Scored a goal in this years North final. Playing very well at present.

LIAM CARSON— corner forward in last years team, won Munster Colleges medals while at Roscrea C.B.S. also a useful footballer. Has played in goal and outfield for Roscrea.

BRENDAN CAREY— converted from corner back to full forward for last years u-16 campaign, he scored many vital goals. Has played with North Tipp Voc. Schools. Scored Roscreas goal in 1983 Minor replay.

PAUL HOGAN— the leading scorer on the team, he notched 4-1 against Kick-hams in last years u-16 final. Played in Munster championship with North Tipp under 16s and a member of Roscrea C.B.S. Harty Cup team 1984.

BERNARD SANDS— corner back on last years u-16 team, he is currently the Club Juvenile P.R.O. Won Munster medals with Roscrea C.B.S. in Colleges hurling, also represented North Tipp u-16s.

PAUL DOLAN— wing forward on last years u-16 team also a member of last years Minor team. Played for two years with North Tipp under 16s. Favourite position is wing back.

PETER GLEESON — Vice captain of the under 16 hurlers 1983 and captain of the u-16 footballers, Peter is a swashbuckling type of player who has played at midfield and in attack. Roscrea V.S. student.

SEAMUS Mc LOUGHLIN — also a member of last years Minor squad. Has played in defence and attack. Has also been successful in Schools Hurling with Roscrea C.B.S.

TOMMY GRIMES — one of the most dedicated players in the panel Tommy has recovered from a serious leg injury to earn his place in the squad for the second year in a row.

GERARD DOOLEY — corner back on last years u-16 winning team he has played in goal and outfield for Roscrea,

has made great progress in recent years especially in Colleges' Hurling with Roscrea C.B.S.



*Tadhg O'Connor,
team trainer*

Path to the Final 1984 — North Tipp Championship

at Moneygall 4.4.1984—

Roscrea 2-12, Toomevara 3-6

at Cloughjordan 26.4.1984 —

Roscrea 4-8, Eire Og 1-3

at Roscrea 2.7.1984 —

Roscrea 5-16, Kilruane 3-7

at Moneygall 26.7.1984 —

Roscrea 4-7, Erins Hope 1-2.

at Cloughjordan 14.8.1984 —

Roscrea 4-10, Eire Og 1-8,

North semi-final

at Nenagh 19.8.1984 —

Roscrea 5-16, Erins Hope 0-7, Nth final

at Boherlahan 7.10.1984 —

Roscrea 3-15, Carrick Davins 1-4.

Co. semi-final.

The team has scored a total of 27-76 in its 7 matches to date while conceding 10-37.

Roscrea captain: Paul Delaney;

Vice captain: John Pyne.

Roscrea selectors: Barry Barrett, Murt

Deane, Tadhg O'Connor.

Trainer: Tadhg O'Connor.

Roscrea Club Officers 1984, Adult club

President: Jack Moloney; Vice President:

J. J. Maher; Chairman: Ned Treacy;

Vice Chairman: Fr MI Collins, C.C.;

Secretary: William O'Reilly; P.R.O.:

Ciaran Mac Nioclais.

Juvenile & Minor Committee

President: Christy Maher; Chairman: T.

F. Barrett; Secretary: Seamus O'Doherty;

Treasurer: Dan Kennedy; P.R.O. Bernard

Sands.



Na Ciocamaigh

Dubh is buí
Black and yellow

Knockavilla-Donaskeigh

1	D. de Buitléir	D. J. Butler
2	D. O Riain	Dan Ryan
3	P. O Buachalla	Francis Buckley
4	A. O Duibhir	Andrew O'Dwyer
5	T. de Buitléir	Tom Butler
6	Seán Alley	Sean Alley
7	S. de Buitléir	Johnny Butler
8	S. O Dochartaigh	Johnny Doherty (capt.)
9	S. Furlong	Seamus Furlong
10	D. Céitinn	Dermot Keating
11	S. O Duibhir	Seamus O'Dwyer
12	S. O Duibhir	John O'Dwyer
13	P. O Riain	Frank Ryan
14	S. O Fearghaile	Joe Farrell
15	U. O Cearúil	Walter Carroll

Roscré

Dearg is bán
Red and white

Roscrea

1	M. Landy	Mark Landy
2	S. O Maolalaidh	Joe Mullally
3	B. Anglann	Brian England
4	S. O Lorcáin	John Larkin
5	P. O Dubhshláine	Paul Delaney (capt.)
6	D. Mac Giolla Phádraig	Declan Fitzpatrick
7	S. O Fíocháin	Seamus Feehan
8	S. Pyne	John Pyne
9	A. O Muineóg	Aidan Minogue
10	M. O Nualláin	Michael Nolan
11	E. Anglann	Eamonn England
12	M. O Maoldomhnaigh	Michael Moloney
13	A. Hoctor	Tony Hoctor
14	B. O Ciardha	Brendan Carey
15	P. O h-Ogáin	Paul Hogan

Fir Ionaid

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 16. Robert Hanly | 21. Pat Farrell |
| 17. Paddy Fitzgerald | 22. Pierce Butler |
| 18. James Hogan | 23. Joe Cahill |
| 19. Frank Alley | 24. Frank Hayes |
| 20. Michael Brown | |

Fir Ionaid

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 16. Liam Carson | 20. Seamus McLoughlin |
| 17. Peter Gleeson | 21. Tommy Grimes |
| 18. Brendan Sands | 22. Paul Dolan |
| 19. Gerard Dooley | |



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Na Réiteoirí



Sinsir-John Moloney

John Moloney of Bansa is not only one of the most experienced referees in the country, but is at 6ft 2ins also one of the tallest. He has been refereeing since 1966, and his assignments have taken him not only to many parts of the country, but to New York and San Francisco. A farmer, he is equally at home at football and hurling, and he has had charge of All-Ireland senior finals in both codes. He was "the man in the middle" in four summits for the Sam Maguire Cup (1967, 1969, 1973, 1975 and 1977), and refereed the All-Ireland senior decider in hurling in 1974. A former member of the Referees Advisory Committee, he has refereed Railway Cup and National League finals in hurling and football as well as that impressive record in Championship play. He is President of the Galtee Rovers Club, and he played a major part in the erection of their magnificent Centre. John has been in charge of several Tipperary Co Finals and we wish him well in today's Centenary Final.



Mionúir-Martin O'Grady

The popular Moyne official is one of the best known G.A.A. personalities in the County. He has won many honours in both hurling and football. With his brothers Bill, Michael and Tom he played with Moyne-Templetuohy in their historic and only senior county success in 1971. Martin has also collected junior hurling medals in 1961 and 1966 and an all Ireland Intermediate medal also in '66. He is the holder of four Mid senior medals, 1970, '72, '76 and '77. In football he helped his club to win two Mid junior titles. He has been refereeing games at all levels since 1974. He was in charge of his first Senior County Final in 1980. He has served both Mid and County Board well, as an efficient and well respected referee.

National Hurling League 1984 - '85

7th Oct 1984

Tipperary v Galway -
Ballinasloe

21st Oct 1984

Tipperary v Kilkenny -
Semple Stadium

28th Oct 1984

Tipperary v Cork -
(Away)

4th Nov 1984

Tipperary v Offaly -
Semple Stadium

18th Nov 1984

Tipperary v Limerick -
(Away)

3rd Feb 1985

Tipperary v Laois -
Roscrea

10th Feb 1985

Tipperary v Wexford -
Carrick-on-Suir



Pictured during the tense moments prior to the Munster final against Cork are Tipperary selectors; John Kelly, Liam Hennessy, Fr Ray Reedy, Pat Stakelum and Donie Nealon.

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**Congress
in Thurles**

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Occasion**



"The G.A.A. has saved the soul of Ireland; its immortal founders invoked the national spirit from the four winds of the country, and the past lives again. Success to the jubilee celebrations for seldom is success so well deserved" — Cardinal McRory's message to Congress.

"The G.A.A. stands like a mountain fortress to guard the manhood of Ireland, and keep it true to its destiny"—

Extract from the Report of the Secretary, Mr P. O'Keeffe.

Thurles lived true to tradition in providing a rallying centre for Gaeldom. Proud of the honour conferred upon them, the townspeople spared neither expense nor effort to have everything in keeping with the historic event. Houses were decorated, and the streets ornamented with bunting, flags and streamers, with appropriate mottoes. To commemorate the occasion, the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs issued a special stamp. Congress delegates— numbering two hundred, and representing every county in Ireland attended High Mass in the Cathedral, at which His Grace, Most Rev. Dr Harty, presided. The celebrant of the Mass was Rev. P. Fogarty

C.C., Thurles; Rev. P. F. McGowran, O.M.I., Raheny, Dublin, deacon, Rev. M. Hamilton, St Flannan's College, Ennis, sub deacon, Rev. J. O'Dea, C.C., Galway, and Rev. M. Holloway, St Patrick's College, Thurles, were Masters of Ceremonies. Others present were: Rev. J. Quinlan, P.P., Borrisoleigh, Rev. N. Cooke, President, St Patrick's College, Thurles, Rev. J. J. Ryan, Adm., Thurles, Rev. J. J. Meagher, C.C., Thurles, Rev. T. J. O'Connor, C.C., Thurles, Rev. M. J. Lee, Diocesan Inspector, and Rev. P. Canning, P.S.M., Thurles.

After the Mass, the veteran and youthful members of the Association marched in an impressive procession through Liberty Square, circling the Croke Memorial and forming up in front of Hayes' Hotel where the Archbishop unveiled a plaque to commemorate the work of Davin and Cusack in November 1884. Local Bodies represented in the procession were: Thurles Urban Council— by Lot Scully, and J. M. Kennedy, Nenagh Urban Council— by Michael Kelly and Sean T. O'Neill; North Tipp. County Council— by Tom Duggan, Tom Maher, John P. Flynn,

Wm Callanan and Wm Perkins; Clonmel Corporation— by Dick Stapleton and Tom Condon.

Prior to the unveiling ceremony, His Grace having welcomed the delegates to Thurles and paid tribute to the founders of the organisation— continued: "The G.A.A. is now beginning a new cycle of years. In the full vigour of its strength and manhood it tranquilly faces the future. I believe that the triumph of the coming years will surpass its past glories. Genuinely Irish, and standing for a united Ireland with glorious traditions and cherished customs, it must grow from year to year in the affection of our people. May God grant the fulfilment of this, our dearest prayer."

Sean McCarthy, Cork, who presided, thanked His Grace appropriately. The inscription on the plaque is as follows:—

G.A.A.
1934

'San árus so iseadh
do bhunuigheadh
Cumann Lúith-chleas Gaedheal
Lá Samhna 1884

Jubilee — 50 Years Ago — 1934

The President's Address

Speaking to the delegates assembled in the Confraternity Hall, Sean McCarthy said: "Here we meet to review the storied past and to unfurl our banner anew on the old inauguration ground. In 1882, Michael Cusack went out to an elm tree in the Phoenix Park, where he sat and thought out a new organisation for the revival of native pastimes. With foes strong, wise, and wary, in opposition, he saw that he wanted prominent assistance; he travelled to the West, called on the Bishop of Clonfert— Dr Duggan—and invited him to become a patron of the organisation. 'Go to Thurles', said Dr Duggan, 'and there you will find a virile, fearless patron to champion your cause' ". . . .

Extracts from addresses presented to Congress.

"Come weal come woe, let us guard the Association for above it shines the glory of the gael . . . Fifty years hence, may it be as strong, vigorous and Irish as it is today; as unchanged and unchangeable as its first Patron. Céad Mile Fáilte to Thurles, where close to Dr Croke's relics, you will recall the burning enthusiasm alone and unaided of his magnificent plea to rouse the old spirit and to open men's eyes to a true conception of things national. He spoke the message of Ireland unconquered, and he saw hosts uplift again in pride, and strength and beauty, the culture of this historic Irish nation." — Thurles G.A.A. Club. Signed: Tom Semple, James Maher, Denis Max.

While there are men with national ideals to mould its policy the Association will prosper; in truth, its future is secure, because Ireland in her darkest hour never lacked such men." — Thurles Urban Council. Signed: L. Scully, J. M. Kennedy.

Surviving members of the 1934 Moycarkey Borris team (photo taken February 1984)
Back row: Tom Dunne, Ned Cahill, Johnny Ryan, Bill Kennedy, Tommy Hayes.

Front row: John Mullins, Denis Healy, Fr Thomas O'Keefe, Paddy Ryan (sweeper)
Unavoidably absent from photo: Paddy Dunne and Fr Phil Purcell.



The late Most Rev. Dr. Harty, Archbishop of Cashel and Emly, Patron of the G.A.A., and Ald. Sean McCarthy, Cork, Pres. of the G.A.A., at the unveiling, in 1934, of a plaque at Hayes' Hotel, Thurles, where the G.A.A. was founded in 1884.

1934 Senior Hurling County Championship

Moycarkey Borris emerged victorious for their third successive title defeating Kilbarron-Killadangan (North champions) who fielded the veteran full forward Martin Kennedy.

Moycarkey Borris 3-6

Kilbarron Kildangan 2-3.

Moycarkey: Phil Purcell (captain), Tom Kelly (goal), Wm Kennedy, Tom Kennedy,

Denis Healy, J. J. Hayes, Tom Hayes, Martin Maher, Jack Grant, Paddy Ryan, Johnny Ryan, Tom Dunne, Pat Dunne, Joe Maher, Bill O'Brien.

Kilbarron: John Hctor (captain), John Kelly, Dan and Rody Gleeson, Martin Kennedy, Martin Moran, Denis Costello, John Mackey, Jim Killeen, Pat Cahalan, Mick Hogan, Wm Hayes, M. Hanrahan, M. Quirke, P. Horgan. Subs: J. Grady, J. Cleary, M. Corboy.





My first All-Ireland

In Semple Stadium, Thurles, I attended my first All-Ireland! For a man who has been going to Croke Park for All-Ireland Day for more years than most of my readers have been on this earth, and who was in Killarney back in 1937, when the Final was last staged outside Croke Park, that statement must call for a little clarification, and explanation.

Of course, I have been ever inspired by the All-Ireland occasion in Croke Park, and have long regarded the annual visit as something of a pilgrimage. And, God willing, it will be so again. But there was something special, something

unique, something quite incomparable about All-Ireland '84, about Semple Stadium, and not least about Thurles last Sunday.

The All-Ireland itself was disappointing as Cork swept to a twenty-fifth victory and Offaly failed to produce the form that had made them Leinster champions, and it seemed to many—your scribe excepted—favourites for the Centenary crown. But, such was the sense of occasion, such the atmosphere, such the sense of history pervading the scene, and the fervour of the crowd, that the hurling did not matter. It was the occasion that counted. Here was the living GAA, the evidence that the spirit of Croke and Cusack and Davin prevailed, and the certainty that in 1984 the people were proud of what they are, and determined to profess and preserve it. In the streets of Thurles one felt the Irishness of it all. One believed that one shared in and was part of a significant National occasion. Dare I say it now: All-Ireland 1984 could not have celebrated the Centenary more properly,

more suitably than in the place where it all began back in 1884. On Sunday last, and in the days preceding the great event, Thurles and Tipperary stood vindicated. Semple Stadium was the place, the only place in All-Ireland in which to stage our hurling All-Ireland of 1984.

The arrangements everywhere were just perfect. The setting was just right and the crowd, a hurling crowd on a hurling pitch made their contribution to the great occasion. I met with people who had never been to Thurles before, and they were thrilled, excited and inspired. They were from the North, and the West as well as from the hurling East and the South. And, like me, they felt they were attending their very first All-Ireland. Certainly there will never be another quite like it. And, why should there be: this was the Centenary Final. It needed to be different. It had to be different. And it was different. Finally, a word on the organisation of the occasion from start to finish. There is only one word—perfection!

REMEMBER

All-Ireland Final Day

SEMPLE STADIUM,
THURLES
1984



Cúlfhéachaint ar Bhliain an Chéid

Táimid ag druidim le deireadh na bliana anois — deireadh Bliain Comóradh an Chéid, agus nach deas dúinn anseo i dTiobraid Arann gur féidir linn smaoineadh siar le bród agus le sástacht ar an mbliain stairiúil seo.

Le blianta beaga anuas bhí Gaeil an Chontae ar bís ag tnúth le bliain seo an chéid, go h-áirithe ós rud é gur bunaíodh an gluaiseacht sa chontae agus ina theannta sin go raibh cluichí cheannais na h-Eireann le h-imirt i nDúrlas Eile. Bhí mórchuid oibre le déanamh, mórchuid airgid le cruinniú, ach a bhuí le Dia, sheas muintir an chontae an fód go calma, d'fháiltigh siad roimh an dúshlán agus chuaigh siad go díograiseach i mbun oibre.

Beartaíodh ar scéim in eistíochta a chur ós comhair an phobail agus rinne na clubanna éacht chun a dhéanamh cinnte de, go mbeadh rath ar an scéim.

Fuaireamar cúnadh ó Ghaeil leasmuigh de Thiobraid Arann freisin ach is cóir a rá gur as Tiobraid Arann a tháinig tromlach an airgid. Bhí an t-Athair Piaras O Dúgáin go groíúid gnóthach i gcónaí agus diaidh ar ndiaidh bhí crot úr nua ag teacht ar Stáid Semple. I lár an tSamhraidh bhí cluichí ceannais na Mumhan sa Stáid agus d'éirigh go geal le eagrú an lae úd. Thug sé seo an-mhuimín dúinn, chruthaigh sé go rabhamar ar an chonair cheart.

Ar deireadh tháinig an lá mór agus

d'irnigh an lá agus ag breathnú siar anois nach íontach álainn an lá a bhí againn. Lá inar mhair an iomáint-Stáid Semple agus Tiobraid Arann i gcroíthe Gael i gcéin is i gcóngar.

Rinneamar bliain seo an chéid a chomóradh go cruinn ceart — le cluiche iomána — i láthair slua iomána — ar fhaiche iomána. — Rómhainn amach atá an dúshlán — an iomáint chéanna a chaomhnú a neartú agus a scaipeadh.

Iomáint

Ar pháirc an chatha, is beag nach bhfuil ráite,
Ar éachtanna móra agus dortadh folla,
Ach focal a chara ar ghníomhartha is gaisce
I dtaobh fhir na gcamán ag bualadh báire.

Is bródúil an radharc é, an sliotar a fheiceáil

Mar shaighead as bodha, nó eas ar sileadh,
Ar fágáil bás, nó ag árdú chun spéire,
Ar ghort na hiomána, an slua i rabharta.

Tá an taoide ag casadh le neart na beirbe,
Na madaí ag luascadh le fuinneamh an leoin,
An leathar ag seoladh ó chúl go chéile,
Na súile go beacht, an toradh sa mheá.

Is aosta an spórt í, ó Setanta aniar,
Bascadh í faoi Rí ach d'éirigh in áirde,
Seachtar le brí, a árdaigh an bratach,
In Ostán Uí Aodha i nDúrlas Eile.

Captains honoured

What a happy thought it was to use the All-Ireland occasion to parade again the surviving captains of All-Ireland winning fifteens over the years. And, how the crowd paid tribute to the captains and, through them, to every man who ever played in an All-Ireland since the dawn of the GAA. The line stretched back to Eudie Coughlan who led Cork in 1931 but the ghosts of those no longer with us were also there. Old hurlers never die. Neither do All-Ireland captains. They are immortal.

THE LORRHA & DORRHA (Davin) CLUB

A Brief History

Not many people know that the Lorrha and Dorrha (Davin) Club is the full title of what is more generally known as the Lorrha G.A.A. Club. Lorrha is included in a list of thirty-four clubs founded in County Tipperary in 1885. There is no record of the foundation meeting of the people who founded it. Within a short time there were a number of teams in the parish and during 1886, a meeting was held to decide which team should represent the parish. There was a chance of a split and Frank Maloney and J. K. Bracken visited the parish on two occasions to sort matters out. It was decided to amalgamate the clubs and to call the parish club, the Lorrha and Dorrha (Davin) Club. Mr G. O'Brien and Rev. R. Kennedy of the parish are recorded as having attended the meeting.

There were two Lorrha players, Messrs P. Meara, Senr and P. Meara Jnr, on the North Tipperary team that played South Galway, for nothing less than the "Championship of Ireland", in Dublin, on February 9th. Lorrha played in the county championship for the first time in 1889 and defeated Hollyford in a most exciting contest at Wakefield, Temple-derry. On the victorious team were Paddy "The Champion" O'Meara, Tom Carroll of Newtown, Dan Carroll and Dan Donoghue. During the nineties, football was organised and there are reports of games in which Carrigahorig figured prominently. In 1889, there was a big dispute in the correspondence columns of the "Nenagh News" as to whether the Lorrha or the Toomevara clubs produced the better hurlers.

When the North Board was formed in 1900, Lorrha were one of seven senior hurling teams to affiliate for the first championship in 1901 and they made their first breakthrough when they won the North championship in 1905. There is a record from these years, which was kept by the club treasurer, Tommy O'Meara, and shows the total income of the club in 1902 as £6. 8s. 2d. There were about seventy paid-up members, at one shilling each, and they included one woman, Miss M. Nevin. The hire of brakes for team transport was one of the biggest items of expenditure.

Lorrha's next championship victory came in 1914 and the team included Tom Duffy, who is still alive and touching ninety years of age. The first Lorrha man to win an All-Ireland was Felix Cronin, who played with the victorious county junior hurling team in that year. The club won another championship in 1924 when they defeated an under-strength Nenagh team by 7-3 to 0-3. Jim "The Private" O'Meara played with Nenagh that day and his brother Bill, played for Lorrha. Two other players on the team were Tom Duffy and Mick Cronin. Both were to win All-Ireland senior hurling medals with the county and travel to the U.S. on the American tours of 1926 and 1931. Another All-Ireland medal winner from that period was Hugh Burke, who won with Dublin in 1917.

There's a long break to the next senior championship win in 1948, when the great hero of the hour was Tony Reddin. During the thirties there was little success recorded. The period saw the growth of junior teams like Redwood, and the re-grading of Lorrha to intermediate status. The greatest hurler of the period was Christy Forde, who played in goals for Dublin in three All-Ireland and three National League finals. He won one All-Ireland and one League medal. The period culminated in Lorrha's first county championship victory, when they defeated Moycarkey in the 1946 final by 4-4 to 3-3. The match was played at Gaile, on November 22nd, 1947. Admission was one shilling and the sideline was sixpence extra. This team was the basis of the victorious 1948 team.

The fifties saw another senior championship victory, in 1956, but the high-point of the decade must surely be the success of the juveniles, who won three divisional and two county championships between 1956 and 1958. These players formed the core of the teams of the sixties and saw the club win four divisional championships in 1966, in senior, junior and u/21 hurling and in junior football. The junior hurlers also won a championship in 1961 and the footballers were to go one better in 1971 and win the county final. The u/21 team

which won the divisional championship in 1965, went on to win county honours the following year. Noel Lane and Michael O'Meara figured prominently on the county u/21 team that won the inaugural All-Ireland in that grade in 1964. There was a great lot of hurling talent in the parish during this period and it may not have got the success it deserved.

The seventies saw two Lorrha men, Liam King and Noel Lane, contribute to the county's last senior hurling championship win. The seventies were marked by many near misses. A number of players achieved county status and won All-Ireland honours: Seamus Kennedy in minor in 1976, Brian Mannion in u/21 in 1979, Joe Kennedy in 1980, John McIntyre in 1981 and Ken Hogan in minor 1981. At present this talent is coming into its own in the shape of a senior team that is attempting to prove today that it is the best in the division.

One of the present team, Michael Brophy, whose father before him gave sterling service to the parish, won a National League medal with the county in 1979. Another Lorrha man, Mick Cronin, was on the team that won the first National League for Tipperary in 1927. In between Tony Reddin won six finals, 1949, 1950, 1952, 1954, 1955 and 1957. Sharing that success with him in 1950 was his clubmate Billy Hogan and another Lorrha man, Sean O'Meara, was on the successful 1957 team.

Finally, a short account of the history of Lorrha club would be incomplete without a mention of Hubie Hogan, who was North chairman for seven years and never missed a meeting and went on to guide the affairs of the county from 1976 to 1979. He was associated with G.A.A. affairs in the parish for over forty years.

**PLAY THE GAME
BUY IRISH**

BACKGROUND ON LORRHA PLAYERS

Most of the members of the present Lorrha panel come from distinguished hurling families in the parish. Ken and Hubert Hogan are the third generation of a family that has worn the club colours with distinction. Grandfather Jim was on the 1914 divisional winning team. The most distinguished member of the family was Hubie. He played with the club for about twenty years, was an eminent referee with the 1953 All-Ireland semi-final under his whistle, and was chairman of the north and county boards over a period of ten years. Another well-known member is Billy, whose many honours include a National League medal with Tipperary in 1949.

Martin Young's father, Bob, was a well-known character, both as a player and a selector. On his mother's side the Slevins, particularly Paul and P. J., gave sterling service to the club for many decades.

Michael Brophy's father, Mick, was accepted as one of the most difficult opponents encountered by Jimmy Finn at club level. Mick won divisional medals with Lorrha in 1948 and 1956.

Phil McIntyre, the father of John, Aidan and Cathal, was a regular player on club teams for over two decades. His big frame was a regular sight around the centrefield area.

Donal Donohue's father, Danny, and his uncle, Mick, wore the club colours with distinction. Danny Donohue played on the successful 1924 championship team. He was a big strong man who played at centrefield and later at full-back.

One of the greatest hurlers to come from the parish was Mick Cronin, the father of Felix. Mick was on the Triple Crown team in 1930 and toured the States in 1931. An uncle, also Felix, was on the successful county junior hurling team in 1915.

Willie Fogarty, the cornerforward and free-taker of the team, is a first cousin of Eugene and Dan O'Meara, who played with such distinction during the forties and fifties. Eugene was one of the best forwards ever to come out of the parish.

The name O'Sullivan is synonymous with the parish ever since O'Sullivan Beare and his train crossed the Shannon at White's Ford, on their way from Kerry to Leitrim. The name crops up on Lorrha teams again and again and the proud bearer of that name today is Johnny, whose grandfather, Tim, played on the successful 1914 team.

The Kennedys, Padraig and Joe, belong to a family of distinguished sons. Michael played at full-forward for years and Eugene was also a player of note. There is another family connection on the team in that today's captain, Ciaran Hough, is a first cousin. Ciaran was tried for the county team a few years ago.

Another player from the successful 1914 team was Bill Harding. His son, John, is on today's panel and John's father also played for the club. Brian and Seamus Mannion are two other players who have made their mark and Brian is the holder of an All-Ireland under-21 medal from 1979.

So, when Lorrha take the field in Thurles today they will carry on their shoulders a proud tradition. It may not be as spectacular as that of their opponents but it will, nonetheless, be a tradition that every player will be proud of. Many of the players will be standing in the footsteps of their fathers or their grandfathers and will be determined to do their



LORRHA - SENIOR HURLING FINALISTS 1984

Back row, l. to r.: Michael Brophy, Joe Kennedy, Martin Young, Ken Hogan, Pat Kelly, John McIntyre, Aidan McIntyre.
 Front row, l. to r.: Padraig Kennedy, Eamonn Sherlock, John Harding, Donal O'Donoghue, Kieran Hough, Willie Fogarty, Brian Mannion, John Sullivan.

ancestry proud. And the greatest tribute they could pay to these men of other years and to the club and the parish would be to write the name of Lorrha and Dorrha on the Dan Breen Cup for the first time.

MEET THE LORRHA PLAYERS

KEN HOGAN, 21, 6'1", 14-0. Single. A Guard. Goalkeeper. His achievements include 5 Leinster Colleges medals, 1 minor All-Ireland, 2 Munster under-21 medals, 1 north S.H. medal, Guardian Player of the Year, 1980.

MARTIN YOUNG: right cornerback, 22, 5'11", 12-0. Single. E.S.B. worker. Won a north senior hurling medal this year.

MICHAEL BROPHY: fullback, 6-1, 29, 13½ stone. Single, I.F.A. staff. Won a National League medal in 1979. 2 Fitzgibbon medals with U.C.D. 2 All-Ireland Colleges 'B' medals.

PADRAIG KENNEDY, left cornerback, 34, 5'11", 12-7, Married. Sales Rep. 3 divisional senior football medals, 1 county football medal 1 divisional senior hurling medal.

EAMON MAHER, right half-back, 32, 5'7", 11-7, Married, E.S.B. worker. North u-21 football, 2 north senior football, 2 north intermediate football, 1 north senior hurling medal.

JOHN MCINTYRE, centreback, 23, 6'1", 13-0, Single, Journalist. All-Ireland u-21 hurling medal, 2 intermediate football medals, 2 senior football medals, 1 divisional senior hurling medal.

EAMON SHERLOCK, left half-back, 24, 5'7", 10-7, Single. P & T. employee. North under 16 hurling championship, 2 intermediate and 2 senior football medals, 1 senior hurling medal.

DONAL DONOHUE, centrefield, 26, 5'8", 11-3, Single, Farmer. 1 Leinster Vocational

Schools medal, 2 North senior football, 2 North intermediate football, 1 North senior hurling.

BRIAN MANNION, centrefield, 25, 5'10", 11-0, Single, Farmer. All-Ireland u-21 hurling, Leinster u-15 schools medal, 2 intermediate football, 2 senior football, 1 senior hurling.

JOE KENNEDY, right wing-forward, 24, 6'0", 13-0, Single, Sales Rep. All-Ireland u-21 1980, Leinster u-15 medal, 2 North intermediate football medals, 2 North senior football medals, 1 North senior hurling medal.

JOHNNY O'SULLIVAN, centreforward, 25, 5'11", 11-7, Single, Carpenter. Offaly Vocational Schools championship, Galway Vocational Schools championship, Connacht Vocational Schools championship, R.T.C. All-Ireland with Galway R.T.C. in 1980, R.T.C. All-Ireland with Athlone R.T.C. in 1981, 1 North senior hurling medal.

CIARAN HOUGH, Captain, left wing-forward, 32, 5'10", 12-7, Single, Farmer. 2 intermediate football, 2 senior football, 1 senior hurling.

AIDAN MCINTYRE, right corner-forward, 22, 6'0", 12-0, Single, Farmer. Connacht Colleges medal, 1 intermediate football medal, 1 senior football medal, 1 senior hurling medal.

JOHN SHELLY, full-forward, 33, 6'0", 13-7, Married, E.S.B. 1 intermediate football, 1 senior football, 1 senior hurling.

WILLIE FOGARTY, left corner-forward, 32, 5'6", 11-0, Single, Farmer. 2 intermediate football medals, 1 senior hurling medal.

Club Officers 1984

President: Very Rev. Canon Martin Ryan; Chairman: Paddy O'Meara; Vice-Chairman: Pat Reddan; Secretary: John McIntyre; Assistant Secretary: Brian Mannion; Treasurer: Liam King.



MOYCARKEY-BORRIS

Front row—John McCormack, Liam Bergin, Jimmy Leahy, Jack Bergin, Dick Quigley, Eamonn Darmody, John Flanagan, Timmy Cullagh.
Back row—Willie Ryan, Tom Mullen, Ned Slattery, Tom Doran, John Hackett, Dave Fogarty and Matty Burke.

MOYCARKEY-BORRIS

COUNTY SENIOR HURLING FINALISTS 1984

Irrespective of the results of today's century county senior hurling final Moycarkey-Borris have proved themselves to be the top team of the early 1980s. Since 1981 the club has contested four semi-finals and will be bidding this afternoon to take the Dan Breen Cup for the second time in that period. In 1982 the long wait for the supreme honours in Tipperary hurling was at last over and since then the hunger for success has never really lapsed.

A New Chairman

With the great tradition in the club it was often a mystery to outsiders why success was not achieved. There were Mid titles won in 1943, 1965, 1967, 1971, 1981 and 1982 to whet the appetite of players and supporters but before 1982 one had to go back forty two years to see the club's name on the county roll of honour. What then one may ask has made the club so successful in the last four years?

There are a combination of factors to provide the answer. With the election of former player Liam Hennessy as chairman in 1979 and his dedicated back-up team at the helm of affairs a new sense of purpose and unity was slowly integrated in this sprawling and large parish. Chairman Hennessy had modest aspirations firstly to imbue a will to win in the club and regain the Mid divisional title and take every game as it came since then. All those aims have been achieved - outsider trainers Len Gaynor (Kilruane) and Paddy Doyle (Sarsfields) were brought in to bolster up morale

and a crop of young players was grafted into the side to complement the more experienced men. The grafting worked and the players responded with great dedication. Success came slowly and Moycarkey-Borris are again greatly respected in hurling quarters.

The Backs

For the successful run in 1982 nineteen players were used in the eight games played to win the county and divisional double. Sixteen of that now famous crew are in today's panel. Missing are Eddie Clancy, Bill Gooney and Jack Caesar (now on missionary work in Chile).

Grallagh farmer Jack Bergin once more captains the side. Jack has regained all of his consistent form and was corner back on the illfated Tipperary team in this year's Munster final. Bergin gives the leadership required by word and example. His defence colleagues are by now a tried and true lot. Willie Ryan at fullback is hurling better than ever in his long career that has brought him so much honours in the game he loves so well. In the corners John Hackett having regained his place for the county championship and the ever improving Tom Mullins are tenacious members of the inside line. Eamonn Darmody, one of the sweetest stickmen in the game has a new lease of hurling prowess on the wing after playing both in attack and at midfield. Jimmy Leahy, one of the younger players, after spells outfield has found his best position on the left wing. The solid rearguard is completed by the big goalie Tom Doran who on occasions can make

uncanny saves and thwart the ambitions of opposing forwards.

Mid-field

Midfield was a troublesome spot for the Moycarkey side throughout the year but Tipperary captain of 1983, Liam Bergin has once again discovered his true form and the solid partnership of promoted Liam Dempsey played as a solid unit last Sunday in the replay against Cappawhite. McDonagh Park, Nenagh has certainly proved a happy hunting ground for Dempsey, for an eleventh hour call brought him into the Munster final there against Patrickswell two years ago and he played his part in that historic first provincial win for the club.

Forwards

The best known face in the Moycarkey-Borris attack is unquestionably the flamboyant John Flanagan the only man on the Semple Stadium pitch in this final to hold a senior celtic cross won with Tipperary thirteen years ago. Flanagan on his day can instill terror in opposing defences. Now the established free taker, John still has the eye to grab a goal or two in any game. He showed this in no uncertain manner this year against Moyne (in Cahill Cup) and Loughmore, Carrick Swan and Cappawhite in the championships. There is a certain thought that if Flanagan plays well so will Moycarkey. The medal bedecked John still has a big contribution to make to his team's progress. Today just as over the years there will be a buzz of excitement when the



sliothar hops around his area. Such is still the ability of the Galbertstown supremo even after almost two decades in hurling.

The absence of the opportunist Jack Caesar has been counteracted in the forward line by the addition of two "newcomers" Timmy Cullagh (the former Sarsfields player) and the big man Ned Slattery from Gortnahoe-Glengool. Cullagh's great fitness and stamina keeps his immediate opponent on his toes throughout. Slattery's power and height adds a new dimension to the attack and once he grabs that ball and careers goalwards the panic signals are on. David Fogarty, who like Jimmy Leahy was a Tipperary minor and under 21 player has played a big part in many a Moycarkey-Borris triumph. A hurler who likes to run with the ball Fogarty has many more great hours to savour. Then there is that great bundle of energy and hurling skills, Dickie Quigley. The Turtulla insurance official got the "man of the match" award in the 1982 county final and is seldom off the score sheet. Certainly a case of great goods in small parcels! The sextet is completed by another man of big stature John McCormack, who since he came onto the team in 1982 has proved a thorn in several defences. John previously had senior experience with the Kildare county team.

Nine other players have enjoyed senior service in the 1984 championships— Robert Hayes, Matty Bourke, Tommy Quigley, and Jim Flanagan of the triple crown side of two years ago. With the success of under age parish teams in recent years the mentors were sure to "blood" some young players from those teams and Michael McKenna a Tipperary minor last year, Jimmy Bergin, Michael Fanning, Tom Noonan and Eamonn Darmody (N) all played at some stage or other. The back up talent is undoubtedly there to keep the red and yellow colours prominent at least for the remainder of the 1980s.

"Squeeze 'em up"

This final is a special one for Moycarkey-Borris as fifty years ago the late Phil Purcell captained the club side to win the jubilee county final. Today Jack Bergin will not lack any support from his fellow players in their quest to win the centenary crown. Next year is the centenary of the foundation of the first G.A.A. club in the parish— another landmark to be reached and no doubt another story of great endeavour. But for the present the hurling followers will be happy to light the bonfires throughout the parish to-night and toast their heroes. A victory will culminate one hundred years of impressive performances in Tipperary hurling, and no doubt the traditional wacry "Squeeze 'em up Moycarkey" will vibrate throughout vast Semple Stadium this afternoon to remind the hurlers of '84 of the task that confronts them against newcomers to county final day — Lorrha. The team followers are a loyal bunch and are proud of their representatives.

Jimmy Fogarty, P.R.O.



*Left : Willie Ryan, Full Back.
Top Right : Gus Ryan, Mid Tipp. Treasurer from the Moycarkey Borris Club.
Lower Right : Timmy Cullagh, a newcomer to the Club.*

Moycarkey-Borris: Club Officers over the Years

Chairman: Fr Phil Fogarty, Fr Richard Fitzgerald, Fr Christy Moynihan, Fr Michael O'Dwyer, Fr Denis O'Meara, Fr Bobby Harkin, Mr William Callanan, Mr Martin O'Grady, Mr Paddy Ryan, Mr Timmy Maher, Mr Gus Ryan, Mr John O'Grady, Mr Liam Hennessy.

Treasurers: Mr Matt Purcell, Mr Patsy Maher, Mr Phil Leahy, Mr Thomas Ryan, Mr Joseph Coman, Mr Martin Ryan, Mr Jim Leahy.

Secretaries: Mr Tom Purcell (Knockroe), Mr James O'Brien, Mr Bill Kennedy, Mr Ned Guilfoyle, Mr Matty Purcell, Mr Tom Darmody, Mr Tom Purcell, Mr Jim O'Grady, Mr Tom Hayes, Mr Jim Leahy, Mr John Coman, Mr John Flanagan, Mr Paddy Maher, Mr Tim K. Dwyer, Mr Larry Looby, Mr Joseph Coman, Mr Sean Barry, Mr Denis Bannon, Mr Harry Ryan, Mr Willie Ryan, Mr John Hackett, Mr Conor Kennedy.

Moycarkey-Borris Roll of Honour

Hurling

- Tipperary senior: Moycarkey 1889; Horse & Jockey 1899; Two-Mile-Borris 1900, 1903, 1905; Moycarkey-Borris 1926, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1937, 1940, 1982.
- Tipperary junior: Moycarkey-Borris 1954; Tipperary Minor: Moycarkey-Borris 1968, 1972, 1983.
- Mid senior: Two-Mile-Borris 1910; Moycarkey-Thurles 1920; Moycarkey-Borris 1922, 1923, 1924, 1926, 1930, 1931, 1940, 1943, 1965, 1967, 1971, 1981, 1982.
- Mid No. 1 junior: Horse & Jockey/Two-Mile-Borris 1910, Horse & Jockey 1912, Moycarkey 1918, Moycarkey-Borris 1943, 1945, 1946, 1952, 1954, 1960.
- Mid No. 2 junior: Two-Mile-Borris 1936, 1940, 1957; Graigue 1939; Littleton 1941; Horse & Jockey 1942; Moycarkey 1943, 1951; Moycarkey-Borris 1978, 1982.
- Mid u-21: Moycarkey-Borris 1962, 1967, 1971, 1972.
- Mid Minor: Moycarkey-Borris 1968, 1969, 1972, 1976, 1981, 1983.

Football

- Tipperary Intermediate: Moycarkey-Borris 1980.
- Mid Intermediate: Moycarkey-Borris 1979, 1980.
- Mid Junior: Moycarkey-Borris 1963, 1969, 1970, 1981.

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Moycarkey-Borris Medal Record Holders

Phil Purcell holds the record for the parish having won six county and ten Mid medals. Tom Hayes of Ballyerk won six county and nine Mid awards. Paddy Ryan (Sweeper) has amassed eight Mid and five county medals with Tom Kennedy and Tommy Kelly each winning five county and seven divisional golds.

Moycarkey-Borris Club Officers 1984

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- Trainer: Paddy Doyle (Sarsfields).

County Senior Hurling Quarter Finals

- Cappawhite 5-6
- Lorrha 3-11
- Moycarkey Borris 1-15
- Drom Inch 3-10 (Draw)
- Drom Inch 2-12 (Replay)
- Eire Og, Nenagh 1-6
- Eire Og (West) 0-7
- Carrick Swans 3-1
- Eire Og (South) 2-13
- Eire Og (South) 0-11

County Senior Hurling Semi-Finals

- Moycarkey Borris 2-10 (Draw)
- Moycarkey Borris 3-14 (Replay)
- Lorrha 2-7
- Final : Lorrha Moycarkey Borris

County M.H. Semi-Finals

- Cappawhite 1-13
- Cappawhite 2-12
- Drom-Inch 0-6
- Kickhams 1-9
- Holycross 2-4
- Roscrea 3-15
- Carrick Davins 1-4

20/10/1984



Ma Choirce-Buiríos



Dearg is Buí
Red and Yellow

(1) T. O Dóráin
Tom Doran

(2) S. Haicéid
John Hackett

(3) L. O Riain
Willie Ryan

(4) T. O Maoláin
Tom Mullins

(5) E. O Diarmada
Eamonn Darmody

(6) S. O Beirgín
Jack Bergin (capt.)

(7) S. O Loocha
Jimmy Leahy

(8) L. O Beirgín
Liam Bergin

(9) L. O Diomásaigh
Liam Dempsey

(10) T. O Culagh
Timmy Cullagh

(11) S. Mac Cormaic
John McCormack

(12) D. O Fógartaigh
David Fogarty

(13) D. O Coighligh
Dick Quigley

(14) N. O Slattara
Ned Slattery

(15) S. O Flanagáin
John Flanagan

Fir Ionaid: Mícheál Clohesy (sub goalie); 16. T. Quigley, 17. R. Hayes, 18. Matty Bourke, 19. J. Flanagan, 20. T. Noonan, 21. Ml McKenna, 22. J. Bergin, 23. M. Fanning, 24. E. Darmody, 25. L. Hackett, 26. D. Kirwan, 27. B. Fogarty.



Ma Choirce Buiríos	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachaí	65 m	Saor-Pucanna
1ú Leath	0	4			
2ú Leath	2	4			
Iomlán	2	8			



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Martin Young

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Michael Brophy

(4) P. O Cinnéide
Padraig Kennedy

(5) E. O Meachair
Eamonn Maher

(6) S. Mac an t-Saoir
John McIntyre

(7) E. Scerlóg
Eamonn Sherlock

(8) D. O Donnchú (9) B. O Mainnín
Donal O'Donoghue Brian Mannion

(10) S. O Cinnéide
Joe Kennedy

(11) S. O Súilleabháin
John O'Sullivan

(12) C. O h-Eochach
Kieran Hough (capt.)

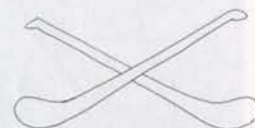
(13) A. Mac An t-Saoir
Aidan McIntyre

(14) S. O Sealaigh
John Shelly

(15) L. O Fógartaigh
Willie Fogarty

Fir Ionaid: 16. S. Mannion; 17. J. Harding; 18. F. Cronin; 19. C. McIntyre; 20. J. O'Meara; 21. P. Moran; 22. H. Hogan; 23. D. O'Meara; 24. J. Guinan; 25. P. Kelly.

Lothra agus Doire	Cúil	Cúilíní	Seachái	65m	Saor-Pucanna
1ú Leath	0	6			
2ú Leath	0	3			
Iomlán	0	9			



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Drom-Inch — Mid Tipperary Senior Hurling Champions 1984

Front row: Seamus Hassett, John Kennedy, John Hassett, Pat Harkin, Martin Fahey, Johnny Harkin, Pat Looby, Joe Harkin, Joe Cahill, Francis Costelloe, Din Looby.
Back row: Sean Hayes, Eamon Long, Phil Halloran, Jerome O'Rourke, Joe Ryan, Lar Doherty, Paudie Butler, Seamus Hassett, Martin Butler, Tommy Butler, Pat Halloran, Michael Jordan, Martin Everard.



Holycross/Ballycahill — Mid Tipperary Minor Champions 1984

Back row: P.J. Brown, Alan Quintan, Michael Fleming, Pat Slattery, Frankie Doyle, P.J. Bannon, Tom Dwyer, Eugene Fleming, Anthony McGrath.
Front row: Donncha Cullagh, John Ryan, Eamon Ryan, Tom Cullagh, Pat Dwyer, John O'Brien, Jody Ryan, Enda O'Dwyer, Billy Shehan.
Missing: Billy Dwan, Tom Long, Jerry Fennessy, Charlie Fennessy, Phil Hayes.



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**Senior Hurling Knock Out —
Losers Group**

Moycarkey 0-14	Boherlahan 0-9
Moycarkey 2-12	Moyne 0-5
Sarsfields 2-11	Drom 1-7

Losers Group

Drom 2-21	J.K. Brackens 4-5
Drom 3-9	Boherlahan 1-9

Semi-Finals

Drom 3-13	Holycross 0-9
Moycarkey 3-13	Loughmore 3-6

Final

Drom 0-13	Moycarkey 2-7
Drom 1-9 (Replay)	Moycarkey 1-8

**Minor Hurling Played On League
System, Top Two Meet In Final.**

Holycross 2-9	Boherlahan 2-5
Sarsfields 4-8	Moycarkey 3-4
Holycross 3-11	Clonmore 3-4
Sarsfields 6-10	Clonmore 0-2
Moycarkey 0-11	Holycross 0-7
Sarsfields 4-7	Boherlahan 2-3
Boherlahan 1-8	Moycarkey 1-7
Sarsfields 3-6	Holycross 2-6

Playoff for Second Finalist

Holycross 6-9	Boherlahan 2-3
Holycross 4-4	Moycarkey 0-9

Final

Holycross 3-5	Sarsfields 1-6
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Tiobraid Árann Láir

MID TIPPERARY CHAMPIONSHIPS 1984

MID BOARD OFFICERS — 1984

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Eire Og Nenagh — North Tipperary Senior Hurling Finalists 1984.

Back row: Mattie Ryan, Liam Heffernan, John Flannery, John Grogan, Michael Kennedy, Conor Donovan, Brian Heffernan, Nially Corbett, John Tucker.

Front row: Denis Finnerty, John Darcy, Phillip Kennedy (Capt), Seamus Kennedy, P.J. Maxwell, Paul Kennedy, John Heffernan.



Paul Delaney — Roscrea Minor Captain, being presented with the Hamilton Cup, by Denis Floyd — North Board Chairman, following Roscrea's victory in the North Minor Championship.

NORTH TIPPERARY CHAMPIONSHIP 1984

Centenary Year North Tipperary Minor Hurling Championships

In 1974 the North Tipperary Board decided to organise a special Minor Hurling Championship to cater for the smaller clubs which couldn't realistically be expected to make a serious bid for championship honours.

Burgess were the first winners of this new competition and appropriately the prize for the winners "The Nealon Trophy" presented by the previous Newtown family went home in its first year.

In subsequent years it was decided to allow the winners of this special competition into the championship proper at the knockout stage and this continued until the end of the 1983 championship. This special competition has certainly played its part in promoting hurling and some of the Nealon Trophy finals have been first class. While no winners of the 'special' title have gone on to win the 'A' title several qualifiers have given first class accounts of themselves. In all eight clubs have won the competition since its inception. At this years County Convention it was decided to institute for a two year trial period a 'B' County Minor Hurling Championship. The North Division then decided to separate both Minor competitions into singular campaigns removing the 'A' qualification from the special winners.

From a field of eleven teams Shannon Rovers (Kilbarron, Terryglass etc.) emerged winners of this years 'Nealon Trophy' and qualified to play in the Co. Semi-final of the Championship. On their way to victory they had good wins over Sean Treacy's, Portroe, Silvermines, after losing to Moneygall and Kildangan early on. They then had to win a play off against Moneygall prior to beating Newport in the semi-final before beating Burgess in the divisional decider by 2-9 to 3-5 after a thrilling game after a most exciting contest. Their win was remarkable when you consider that almost the entire team is underage again next year. It's a tribute to the hard work of John Tierney (Co. Bord na nOg Secretary), Frank Moran, Liam Hogan and many others that this team — which has been together from under 12 days — is now but two steps away from county honours. Who knows whether it will be Martin Hogan, Sean O'Meara, Tony Boyle, Ger Leenane, Brian Leenane or Raymond Costello who will follow in the footsteps of club man Pat McLoughney in winning All Star Honours?

As a result of the 'special' competition this year only five clubs remained to contest the North Tipp 'A' championship. The clubs were Roscrea (holders),

Toomevara, Kilruane Mac Donaghs, Eire Og and Erins Hope the Borrisokane/Knockshegowna combination. It was decided to play the competition on a League system with the top four teams qualifying for the semi-finals. The best game among the preliminaries was probably the Eire Og/Kilruane confrontation.

The points table then showed Roscrea at the top followed by Kilruane and Eire Og joint second with Toomevara and Erins Hope also level at the bottom. A play off victory clinched Erins Hope's semi-final spot, with Toomevara who had played in the last 5 North Minor finals, departing from the scene.

The semi final draw paired Erins Hope with Kilruane and Roscrea with Eire Og and both games were played on the same night 14th August. Erins Hope qualified for their first Minor final since Borrisokane's one and only win in 1957 by virtue of a late winning goal against Kilruane. The other semi final was the hardest fought game of the entire championship as Roscrea struggled early on as Eire Og took the initiative. Roscrea led at half time by 4 points and despite a great Eire Og bid the defending champions qualified for the final by a flattering 11 point margin.

The unusual final pairing appealed the the public but sadly the Centenary Minor final was a major disappointment. Roscrea led all the way and long before the final whistle it was obvious that Paul Delaney would be accepting the Msgr Hamilton Cup on behalf of Roscrea.

It wasn't a great Minor Championship to be candid. There were too few teams in it to enliven the proceedings while the obvious gulf in ability between the stronger and weaker teams added an air of inevitability to it all.

Nevertheless Roscrea are worthy champions and no doubt are very keen now to annex county honours again after such a long absence.

Seamus O'Doherty

NORTH TIPPERARY BOARD 1984

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Path To The North Tipperary Final

Eire Og beat Borrisokane	2-10 to 2-9
Eire Og beat Borrisoleigh	3-7 to 2-9
Lorrha beat Borrisoleigh	4-6 to 1-11
Lorrha beat Borrisokane	2-11 to 1-12

Semi-Finals

Eire Og beat Moneygall	3-12 to 1-11
Lorrha beat Borrisokane	2-8 to 0-12

Final

Lorrha beat Eire Og	4-11 to 3-9
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10 Years Ago 1974



COUNTY CHAMPIONS

Thurles Sarsfields 3-6
Silvermines 1-0

Back row: Jim Ryan, Jimmy Duggan, Paul Byrne, Johnny Burke, Jimmy Doyle, Tossy Hayes, Pat McCormack
Front row: Paddy Doyle, Johnny Dwyer, Jimmy Doyle, Pat Leane, Francis Murphy, Sean McLoughlin, Tom Barry, Eddie Clancy.

20 Years Ago 1964



Thurles Sarsfields 5-13 Holycross/Ballycahill 1-4

Front row: Patsy Dorney, Benny Maher, Matty Dowd, M. McElgunn, M. (Blakie) Keane, Jimmy Doyle (Captain), Paddy Doyle, Mickey Byrne, Patsy Butler.

Back row: P. Maher (selector), Jerry Doyle (trainer), Thos Semple (selector), Noel Murphy, Sean McLoughlin, Tim Walshe, Ger Hogan, M (Barton) Dorney, Tony Wall, Con Keane and Joss Connors.

THROUGH THE DECADES

Holycross/Ballycahill 6-5
Roscrea 2-3

1948 saw Holycross/Ballycahill win their first County Senior Hurling Title. This side repeated the feat in 1950 and '54. Francis Maher, a nephew of the Legendary Mickey Maher of Tubberadora had the distinction of receiving the original Dan Breen Cup on all three occasions.



Thurles Sarsfields 6-3 Kilruane MacDonagh 1-4

Photo shows Sarsfields '46 Championship winning team. Most of the players included had played in 1944.

Back row: Tom Mason, Bill Dwyer, Mick Murphy, J.J. Semple, John McGuire, Michael Maher.
Middle row: Jimmy Hurley, Gerry Doyle, Jack Ryan, Jack Dwyer, Paddy Gorman, John Maher.
Front row: Mick Murphy, Mikey Doyle, Tommy Doyle, Ger Cornally, Micky Byrne, Tommy Ryan, Paddy Maher, Eddie Gleeson.



Carrick Swan – South Tipperary Senior Hurling Champions 1984

*Back row: Anthony Waters, Michael Lonergan, Pat Kirby, Sean Fitzpatrick, Tom Lonergan, Tony Fitzpatrick, Tom Waters.
Front row: William Hahasey, Gerry Walsh, Brendan White, Sean O'Shea, Maurice Walsh, Paul Walsh, M.J. Russell.*



Eire Og – South Tipperary Senior Hurling Runners Up 1984.

Jimmy Butler, Thomas Mullins, Tom Shelley, (Capt), Tony Walsh, Martin Meaney, Joe O'Dwyer, Jackie Bolger, Martin Shanahan, Dave Hearne, John Roche, Donal O'Connell, Micheal Hearne, Kevin Shelley, Ollie Maher, Michael Hassett.



Carrick Davins — Minor Champions

Carrick Davins who captured the South Division Minor Hurling Title for the first time in almost twenty years.

TIOBRAID ÁRANN THEAS

Senior Hurling Championship

All the facts and figures.

The Championship was contested by seven teams on a one group league system with the top four going through to the final.

Details:

April 7	Fethard	Ballingarry 1-13	Cahir/Marlfield 1-4	J. Keane
8	Clonmel	Eire Óg 1-10	Swan 0-11	M. Walsh
22	Clonmel	Davins 4-8	St Augustines 2-7	M. Walsh
22	Kilsheelan	Swan 5-11	Cahir/Marlfield 0-2	W. Robinson
May 6	Fethard	Ballingarry 0-11	St Augustines 0-10	M. Walsh
6	Clonmel	St Mary's 4-16	Cahir/Marlfield 0-1	W. Barrett
20	Clonmel	Ballingarry 2-9	Swan 0-12	B. Barrett
June 3	Carrick	Swan 2-7	Davins 2-7	B. Martin
3	Fethard	Ballingarry 0-15	St Mary's 0-5	J. Keane
3	Kilsheelan	Eire Óg 2-9	St Augustines 1-6	M. Walsh
17	Kilsheelan	St Mary's 3-12	St Augustines 1-8	M. Walsh
23	Clonmel	Davins 2-10	Eire Óg 0-13	M. Walsh
23	Kilsheelan	Swan 3-15	St Mary's 1-10	W. Barrett
30	Clonmel	Davins 2-10	Ballingarry 2-7	B. Carroll
July 20	Kilsheelan	St Mary's 4-10	Davins 2-9	T. Lonergan
21	Fethard	Eire Óg 2-11	Ballingarry 0-11	J. Keane
29	Kilsheelan	Swan 2-9	St Mary's 1-9	W. Barrett
(play off)				
Semi-Finals				
Aug 3	Fethard	Eire Óg 1-12	Ballingarry 1-5	J. Keane
17	Carrick	Swan 3-13	Davins 2-6	B. Martin
Final				
Sept 9	Carrick	Swan 2-8	Eire Óg 0-13	B. Carroll

MINOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Only four teams entered for the M.H.C. proper and they played each other on a league basis with the top two qualifying for the final. The teams were St Marys Swan Davins and Eire Óg. St Marys and Davins qualified for the decider which was played in Kilsheelan on Sept 5th with Joe Keane as referee. After one of the best finals ever seen in the Division, Davins captured the title for the first time since 1966 by defeating St Marys by 2-11 to 1-10.

SOUTH BOARD OFFICERS

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TOM DUFFY OF LORRHA

by
Seamus King

Cheering on Lorrha last Sunday, in the county semi-final at Nenagh, was Tom Duffy. He followed the play and gave the players plenty of support and much advice as Lorrha's fortunes rose and fell. In the end when the northmen had beaten Drom-Inch he was delighted and full of comment. Today, when Lorrha take the field against Moycarkey-Borris in the final, he will be there to cheer them on to victory with as much enthusiasm as any man from the parish.

It's a safe bet that Tom will be the oldest man in Thurles today. He's on the verge of ninety years and, if the flesh has failed and a walking aid has become a must, the spirit remains undimmed. This spirit was seen in his attendance at the launching of the club history at Redwood Castle earlier this year: Tom had to be manhandled up four flights of stairs to the Great Hall but he endured the discomfort to be present.

Record

Lorrha have won seven divisional senior hurling championships to date and Tom has the unique distinction of having attended all of them. When it is realised that the time span covered is from 1905 to 1984 the extent of his longevity becomes apparent! He shouldn't have gone to the 1905 final, played against the famous De Wets at Terryglass on April 8, 1906, because he was too young. But he hid up the road from the house and was smuggled aboard the brake that was carrying the team from Rathcabbin. Later he was present at the priests' house in the village when the photograph of the team was taken.

It's his wife, Emily, who has the better memories of the 1914 championship. Her brother, Bill Harding, was on the team and she remembers the semi-final against Borrisokane, also at Terryglass: 'I travelled in a horse and sidecar with my father. There were a lot of flags and banners and a band played the Borrisokane team on the field. Breege O'Meara—she was Lack's sister—she was with me and as the band passed us, she shouted at them: 'You'll play them in but you won't play them out.' And they didn't. Lorrha won and went on to defeat Templederry in the final and give Tom his first north medal. The team didn't play very well and one report had this to say: 'Lorrha played a much better game against Borrisokane but probably since then the players suffered from swelled heads and failed to attend practices.'



Tom Duffy, New York 1926, ignoring the birds! Tom won an All-Ireland with Tipperary in 1925 and travelled with the team on their ten-week American Tour in 1926.

Tom won his second medal in 1924 when Lorrha defeated Nenagh in the final. Again, the team travelled by brake. Willie Egan in Birr provided it and it carried twenty-four passengers and was pulled by two horses. Tom remembers someone playing a melodeon and they had a good sing-song. They carried their own sandwiches and had a feed after the game. Nenagh weren't much good and Lorrha won by 7-3 to 0-3.

County Finals

Another memory from those times was a tournament in Shinrone. Lorrha had a shortage of hurleys and when Tom had three broken there was none left. He got a lath off a timber rail, paired the handle with a penknife and, in his words, played as good a game as he ever did.

Lorrha never won a county final but Tom won three in his time! This might appear strange but there's a simple enough explanation. Toomevara won the north championship in 1923. On their way to victory they had a very difficult time overcoming Lorrha in the semi-final. It was a game in which Tom had an outstanding performance. Later, when Toomevara picked their selection for the county semi-final Tom was included and won a county medal when the team defeated the south selection.

He won another county medal when

Mountshannon defeated Newmarker-on-Fergus in the Clare championship at O'Callaghan's Mills. He's rather vague about the date and he didn't get a medal. He was invited to play by McNamara, who had a pub in Mountshannon. He travelled by motorcar, driven by Bill Smith of Connaght Street in Birr. Nicky Forde also travelled. After the victory they returned to Mountshannon and 'I was barman in McNamara's until six o'clock in the morning'.

Tom's third medal came from Co. Galway and was won with Tynagh. Ignatius Harney was the contact man. Before the game they were pucking about and Tom was striking very impressively. Harney rushed in and said to him: 'Stop Tom, they'll notice you'. There was an interesting sequel to this game. Tom, alias Joe Hynes, an egg-buyer for the Clanrickarde estate, was picked to play for Galway. He was referred to in despatches as the 'Henman for Clanrickarde' and word was sent back to the selectors that 'the henman is gone away'.

Ah! them were the days! And surely the memories will come flooding back today as Tom looks out on the blue and white. The scene will be changed by the comforts of modern developments. But the spirit and enthusiasm for the game will be the same that took Tom over fence and style, by brake and bicycle to places familiar and unfamiliar down all those years.

Tipperary Minor Hurling Champions 1931-1983

1931	South Selection	5-1	South Selection	1-0
1932	Mid Selection	5-3	West Selection	4-2
1933	Mid Selection	4-3	South Selection	2-2
1934	Mid Selection	2-1	Carrick	0-3
1935	Thurles C.B.S.			
1936	Thurles C.B.S.			
1937	Thurles C.B.S.			
1938	Mid Selection	6-2	West Selection	2-4
1939	North Selection	5-1	Mid Selection	2-2
1940-1945	Not played			
1946	Mid Selection			
1947	Mid Selection			
1948	Mid Selection	8-6	West Selection	2-3
1949-1952	Not played.			
1953	Rahealty	6-7	Eire Og, Nenagh	5-2
1954	Thurles Sarsfields	2-9	St Marys, Clonmel	2-2
1955	Thurles Sarsfields	7-4	Eire Og, Nenagh	2-1
1956	Thurles Sarsfields	8-4	Toomevara	1-6
1957	Thurles Sarsfields	8-9	Borrisokane	3-1
1958	Roscrea	6-8	Thurles Sarsfields	5-3
1959	Roscrea	13-6	Wild Rovers, Chair	2-3
1960	Roscrea	1-5	Ballingarry	1-3
1961	Roscrea	9-9	Na Fianna (Templemore/Clonakenny/Drom)	2-5
1962	Roscrea	3-9	Na Fianna (Templemore/Clonakenny/Drom)	2-1
1963	Roscrea	7-6	Ballingarry	3-3
1964	Moyne Templetothy	4-4	Carrick-on-Suir	2-4
1965	Cappawhite	5-6	Moyne Loughmore	3-3
1966	Roscrea	2-7	Cappawhite	1-7
1967	Roscrea	4-7	Golden/Kilfeacle	0-3
1968	Moycarkey/Borris	3-5	Roscrea	2-3
1969	Eire Og, Nenagh	8-8	Moycarkey/Borris	1-7
1970	Boherlahan	7-6	Clonoulty/Rossmore	3-6
1971	Kilruane McD.	3-12	Boherlahan Dualla	3-3
1972	Moycarkey/Borris	2-5	Kilruane McD.	1-4
1973	Thurles Sarsfields	5-7	Cashel K.C.	2-5
1974	Cashel K.C.	5-7	Loughmore C.	3-4
1975	Cashel K.C.	2-15	Roscrea	0-4
1976	Loughmore Castleiney	3-4	Cashel K.C.	1-5
1977	Eire Og, Nenagh	2-5	Loughmore Castleiney	0-10
1978	Eire Og, Nenagh	2-13	Loughmore C.	3-7
1979	Loughmore Castleiney	1-12	Knockavilla Kick-hams	2-4
1980	Cashel K.C.	2-11	Thurles Sarsfields	0-7
1981	Clonoulty/Rossmore	2-10	Toomevara	2-5
1982	Holycross/Ballycahill	2-9	Carrick Swans	1-5
1983	Moycarkey/Borris	2-5	Roscrea	1-5
1984				

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WEST TIPPERARY CHAMPIONSHIP 1984

Cappawhite— West S.H. Champions 1984:

Back row: Dasun Hennessy,
Martin Hickey, Conor Ryan (Capt)
John O'Neill, Simon Ryan, Danny
O'Neill, Noel Buckley, Anthony
O'Neill, Austin Buckley.
Front row: Ger Ryan (B), Bren-
dan Hennessy, Eugene Maguire,
Pa O'Neill, Michael Buckley,
Martin McDermott, Michael But-
ler, Ger O'Neill, Johnny Ryan (P).



Eire Og— Crosco Cup Champions 1984:

Back row: John Quinn, Matthew
Ryan, Tom Crosse, Bill Burke,
John Ryan, Seamus Hanly, Liam
Dwyer, Liam Quinlan, Aible
Buckley, P.P. O'Dwyer.
Front row: Kevin Fox, Seamus
Fox, Pat Fox, Mike Ryan, Roger
Ryan, Jacko Breen (Capt), Jerry
O'Dwyer, Liam White, Sean Breen,
Tom O'Rourke, Tom Gleeson.



Kickhams— West S.H. Finalists 1984:

Back row: Donal Morrissey, Sean
Alley, Tony Farrell, Paddy Hayes,
Nicky Grene, Jimmy Hayes,
Danny O'Brien, John Slattery,
Bill Hayes, Gerry Morrissey, Jerry
Colohan, Christy Ryan.
Front row: John Keane, Martin
McGrath, Paudie Slattery, Seanie
O'Brien, John Farrell, Dominic
Hayes (Capt), Donal Kennedy,
Eamonn Browne, Michael Breen.



West Senior Hurling Championship Knock Out

27/5/84	Golden	Rd 1	Cappawhite 1-13	Cashel 0-12	J. Moloney
27/5/84	Cashel	Rd 1	Golden/Kilfeacle 0-11	Eire Og 1-7	W. Morrissey
10/6/84	Cappawhite	Rd 1	Kickhams 3-12	Sean Treacys 3-6	G. Ryan
		Rd 1	Clonoulty/Rossmore (Bye)		
24/6/84	Dundrum	Semi	Cappawhite 5-10	Clonoulty/Rossmore 2-9	J. Moloney
1/7/84	Clonoulty	Semi	Kickhams 1-11	Golden/Kilfeacle 2-8	G. Ryan
28/7/84	Clonoulty	Replay	Kickhams 1-10	Golden/Kilfeacle 0-13	G. Ryan
12/8/84	Cashel	Replay	Kickhams 2-11	Golden/Kilfeacle 2-10	G. Ryan
26/8/84	S.T. Park	Final	Cappawhite 2-18	Kickhams 3-7	G. Ryan

Minor Championships

14/4/84	S.T. Park	Kickhams 2-10	Emly/Lattin 1-4	S. O'Riain
14/4/84	Dundrum	Clonoulty/Rossmore 3-6	Golden/Kilfeacle 1-9	C. O'Sullivan
28/4/84	Bansha	Clonoulty/Rossmore 4-12	Emly/Lattin 3-6	C. O'Sullivan
29/4/84	Clonoulty	Kickhams 4-2	Cashel 0-3	W. Morrissey
12/5/84	Cappawhite	Kickhams 2-7	Clonoulty/Rossmore 1-6	P. Russell
12/5/84	Bansha	Emly/Lattin 7-3	Cashel 3-3	J. Moloney
30/6/84	Dundrum	Clonoulty/Rossmore 5-13	Cashel 0-5	L. O'Dwyer
4/7/84	Dundrum	Golden/Kilfeacle w/o	Cashel Scr.	P. Lonergan
26/7/84	Dundrum	Kickhams 3-12	Golden/Kilfeacle 0-4	C. O'Sullivan
29/7/84	S.T. Park	Golden/Kilfeacle w/o	Emly/Lattin Scr.	N. Lonergan

TOP FOUR TEAMS ON POINTS CONTEST SEMI-FINALS

4/8/84	S.T. Park	Semi	Kickhams 4-8	Emly/Lattin 2-2	C. O'Sullivan
25/8/84	Dundrum	Semi	Golden/Kilfeacle 4-12	Clonoulty/Rossmore 2-11	C. O'Sullivan
9/9/84	Clonoulty	Final	Kickhams 3-12	Golden/Kilfeacle 1-3	J. Moloney

Senior Hurling League

7/4/84	Golden	Group A	Kickhams 3-9	Clonoulty/Rossmore 1-13	S. O'Riain
8/4/84	Dundrum		Cashel 2-5	Golden/Kilfeacle 1-5	W. Morrissey
15/4/84	Dundrum		Cashel 2-10	Clonoulty/Rossmore 2-6	G. Ryan
6/5/84	Cappawhite		Kickhams 1-10	Golden/Kilfeacle 2-6	L. O'Dwyer
23/6/84	Golden		Kickhams 2-6	Cashel 0-7	S. O'Riain

WINNERS KICKHAMS - TOP ON POINTS

8/4/84	Dundrum	Group B	Eire Og 0-10	Cappawhite 1-7	W. Morrissey
6/5/84	Cappawhite		Eire Og 0-13	Sean Treacys 1-4	W. Morrissey
13/5/84	Clonoulty		Cappawhite 3-7	Sean Treacys 1-13	G. Ryan

WINNERS EIRE OG - TOP ON POINTS

22/7/84	Cappawhite	Final	Eire Og 0-11	Kickhams 0-9	P. Lonergan
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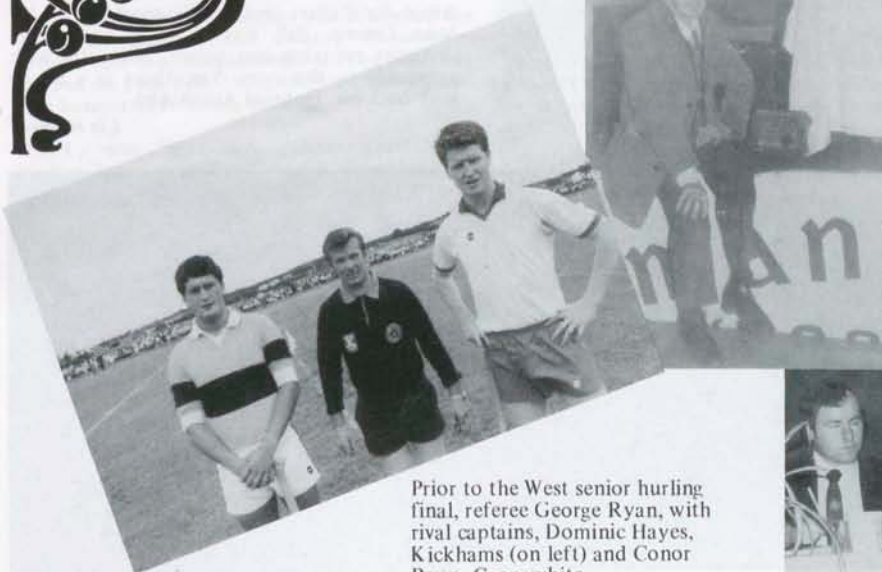
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Chairman: Brendan Ryan
(Clonoulty/Rossmore)
Vice Chair: Michael Maguire
(Lattin/Cullen)
Eamon Byrne
(Kickhams)
Secretary: Jerry Ring
(Arravale Rovers)
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(Kickhams)
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(Kickhams)
P.R.O.: J.J. Kennedy
(Kickhams)
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(Arravale Rovers)
John Curriuan
(Golden/Kilfeacle)

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(Golden/Kilfeacle); Mick Maxwell,
(Clonoulty/Rossmore); David Moloney,
(Galtee Rovers); George Ryan,
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(St Patricks College, Thurles);
Rev T. Kennedy P.P., (Clonoulty/Rossmore);
Rev J. Walsh, P.P. (Lattin/Cullen).

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(Golden/Kilfeacle); Denis Tuohy,
(Eire Og); Dave Carew,
(Clonoulty/Rossmore); Michael Ryan
(Fox), (Clonoulty/Rossmore); Tom Duggan,
(Kickhams); C.F. McCarthy,
(Eire Og); P.F. McGrath, (Arravale Rovers);
Jim O'Donoghue, (Arravale Rovers).



Prior to the West senior hurling final, referee George Ryan, with rival captains, Dominic Hayes, Kickhams (on left) and Conor Ryan, Cappawhite.

Bill Hayes, West Board registrar, who this year celebrated fifty years in the position, pictured at the West convention last January.

West Board Officers at Centenary Convention:
J.J. Kennedy, P.R.O.; Gerry Ring, Secretary; Brendan Ryan, Chairman; Roger Kennedy, Treasurer.





“I LOVE THE BLUES”

While a blue riband on the field of play is the ultimate success for any county, Tipperary has had a memorable year to date. Success eluded us in minor football, camogie and under 21 hurling at the final stage. It would have been satisfying to capture a Centenary All-Ireland. However 1985 will do nicely! Before we hail a New Year, lets look back.

After the opening of Centenary Year in Cusack Park Ennis, Munster hurlers defeated Leinster in the Railway Cup. Bobby Ryan and Nicholas English played brilliantly to fashion victory. Tipperary accounted well for themselves in the League, back in Division 1. A defeat by Laois in a torrid game left supporters both angry yet hopeful. Anger that we were robbed. Next the championship, a last minute goal by Liam Maher saw Tipp through to the Munster final. Our minors were at that stage too.

Who will ever forget Munster final day? Semple Stadium alive with colour and atmosphere; Tipperary supporters in their thousands. Our gallant minors, fell to Limerick. Bobby Ryan led out his men eager, fit and anxious. The result is history now. How did we lose? It was vintage Munster stuff—Cork and Tipp in a terrific game. There was pride in the Blue and Gold—Tipperary won the admiration of all. I will remember for years the inspirational play of Bobby Ryan until forced to retire through injury. The heart and courage of Jack Bergin, the dash of Donie O'Connell, the magnificent hurling produced by John McIntyre, and the running of Philip Kennedy and Ralph O'Callaghan, until they were ready to drop. Tipperary hurlers were really back in the Big Time.

The under 21 hurlers retained their Munster Crown but Kilkenny deprived them of “Crois Caiseal” in Waterford. The success team of the year has to be the minor footballers. Under the guidance of Seamus McCarthy, they were well prepared to meet the challenge that the best put their way. They disposed of Cork and Clare to face Kerry in the Munster final. They showed maturity, grit and skill when defeating the Kingdom on home ground. New York and Roscommon were next to fall. Their second half display against Roscommon showed them at their best, fast fluid football. In the final against Dublin, Tipperary didn't do themselves justice. On the day the Dublin side was better organised. Tipp lost with dignity. They were a fine bunch of lads, a credit to Tipperary, their parents and Seamus McCarthy.

Seamus was honoured as Talbot Manager



Liz Howard, P.R.O. Tipperary Co. Board

of the month in September. A fitting tribute to his work. Earlier in the year Nicholas English received his All-Star award in the Burlington Hotel and the B + I player of the month in the Gresham. Both Nicholas and Seamus are excellent ambassadors for the county. Tony Reddin, John Doyle, Jimmy Finn, Jimmy Doyle, won places on the team of the century.

Lá na nOg in Thurles, saw the National School children of the county celebrate their own special day. A day of fun, hurling, singing, crisps and coke. They sang Slievenamon in Semple Stadium—a day to remember. Toomevara represented the county in Feile na nGael and were narrowly beaten in the final. Eire Og -Nenagh travelled to Cavan for Og Sport Gael. Our youth are our adults of to-morrow, to all those who look after them, every credit.

The hosting of the All-Ireland Hurling Finals in Semple Stadium put Tipperary to the test. A test passed with flying colours. Thurles had a carnival-like atmosphere on the day preceding the finals. Everyone was a guest—the courtesy of Tipperary people made a lasting impression. So too did the efficiency of the stewards and gardai. The All-Ireland Day went like clockwork. We had nothing to do with the match!!

Michael Frawley and his team led by Fr Duggan played a “stormer”. The plans for Semple Stadium had come to fruition—Tom Semple would have been proud. As he would on the evening of the blessing and official opening by His Grace, Archbishop Morris.

The club histories of Lorrha and Moycarkey Borris were published—the two clubs in action today for county honours. Both fought hard to reach the decider—we all look forward to a great game. Nearly every club in Tipperary had a banner designed, incorporating the history of the club and parish. The schools project produced some detailed and lovely work all part of our past and future.

My own special memories—more personal—Bobby Ryan after Tipp defeat giving one of his hurleys to a youthful fan. A favourite small nephew—Garrett, telling me as he watched Tipp “I love the Blues”. The Tipperary minor footballers singing Slievenamon, led by John Owens. Bill Ryan (Laha) and Willie O'Dwyer enjoying our games, both still with a twinkle in the eyes. Yes, there is a lot to look back on. Tiobraid Árann Abú.

Liz Howard



N. English (Tipperary) receives the “Player of the month award from Jim Kennedy, B + I. In the centre is Sean O'Siochain.

BEST WISHES TO MOYCARKEY-BORRIS

from

BANNON'S LOUNGE BAR, TWO-MILE-BORRIS



COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP SNIPPETS



Sean O'Driscoll
Cluain Meala

The Dan Breen Cup was first presented to the County Senior Hurling Championships in 1931. The wear and tear of victory, celebrations over the years, however, damaged the Cup to such an extent that by 1972 a new trophy was needed. It was fitting that a new Dan Breen Cup was provided by the Dan Breen Memorial Committee. The new Cup has the design of an ancient Irish drinking vessel—the Mether—and is similar to, though slightly smaller than, the Liam McCarthy Cup for the All-Ireland Championship.

1887— The first county final was played at Borrisoleigh. Thurles lined out against North Tipperary. There was no score at the interval. Thurles won the day 3 pts and 2 forfeit points to nil. Denis Maher of Thurles was the winning captain.

1891 to 1893— No games were contested due to the Parnell split.

1898— Tubberadora defeated Horse and Jockey 3-7 to 1-4 in the final at Cashel. The victorious team was: Mikey Maher, John Walsh, Denis Walsh, Ned Maher, John Maher, Bill Devane, Jim Flanagan, Thady Flanagan, Phil Scanlan, Ned Brennan, Jack Maher, E. D. Ryan, Watty Dunne, John Ryan, Tommy Ryan, Phil Byrne, Paddy Doherty.

1912— The first fifteen a side final was played in Cashel (early in 1913). Toomevara beat Tipp O'Leary's by 6-4 to 0-1.

1913— Nenagh was the venue for the meeting of Toomevara and Cashel. The North representatives brought their fourth title home on the score 2-3 to nil.

1920/1921— No games were played due to the political situation in the country.

1927— Boherlahan defeated Toomevara by 4-1 to 1-1 at Thurles. John Joe Callanan was the referee. Boherlahan: Johnny, Paddy and Tommy Leahy, Arthur O'Donnell, Pat Dwyer, Martin Flanagan, Mick Ryan, Tom Coffey, Jack Moylan, Lar Brien, Tom Power, Jim Hayes John Maher, Tom Butler, James Ryan.

1931— The Dan Breen Cup was presented for the first time to the County Champions. Toomevara 5-4, Moycarkey 0-2. The final was played on 14th Feb. 1932. Martin Kennedy had the honour of receiving the cup.

1934— was the G.A.A. Jubilee Year. Moycarkey-Borris won the final for the third year in succession defeating Kilbarron-Kildangan 3-6 to 2-3 in a hard fought game. Hurlies were costing 5/6 each; boots 9/6; jersey 3/6; socks 1/6 pair.

1935— Thurles Sarsfields won the title when they defeated Carrick Swan 6-5 to 0-2. Sarsfields winning panel was:— M. Maher, J. Semple P. Bowe, Dick Ryan, Tom Lanigan, T. Butler, P. Maher, T. Semple, P. Maher, T. Semple, T. Max, D. Max, Jim Lanigan (capt.), Rody Curran, John Lanigan, John Maher, Ger Connolly, D. Murphy, Dan Mackey, M. Murphy, P. Bermingham, P. D'arcy Russell.

Michael Murphy Tipperary's All Ireland captain in 1964 won 10 senior, 3 junior and 3 minor medals at County level.

1948— A crowd of 12,000 turned up to see Holycross capture their first ever senior championship. Francis Maher led his team to victory over Lorrha 4-10 to 2-4. Pat Stakelum, current county S. H. selector won the first of his three County S. H. medals. He was successful again in 1951 and 1954.

1952— Thurles Sarsfields and Borrisoleigh lined out at Nenagh before a 15,000 attendance. Tommy Doyle had the honour of collecting the cup when his team emerged victorious 5-6 to 1-8. Tommy won seven County medals in his illustrious career. His winning years were 1938, 1939, 1942, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1952.

1954— The Championship decider between Holycross and Roscrea was played in Thurles on 30th Nov. Holycross 6-5, Roscrea 2-5. Tom Semple referee. Three games were played that day. Thurles Sarsfields defeated St Mary's (Clonmel) in the Minor final. Cashel and Gortnahoe contested the 1953 J. H. final. Admission 2/-, Stand 3/-, Sideline 4/-, Programme 3d. Holycross: R. Dwan, J. Stakelum, P. Stack, M. Maher, T. Ryan, J. Doyle, L. Quinn, J. Hough, P. Stakelum, G. Doyle, F. Maher, C. Stakelum, J. Dwyer, P. Maher, J. Byrne, Subs:— R. Stakelum, F. Bannon, E. Ryan, C. Moloney, B. Bannon, L. Dwan.

The Keane's of Sarsfields fame won thirty two senior awards in hurling and football between them. An impressive collection for Connie, Larry, Michael.

1955— The mighty Thurles Sarsfields started a record breaking run over a span of eleven years they won ten titles. They achieved five in-a-row twice, 1955 to 1959 and 1961 to 1965. Toomevara slipped in to take the 1960 title. Sarsfields lead the County Chart with twenty eight victories at senior level.

Michael "Rattler" Byrne holds the Tipperary record for county senior medals. The brilliant Thurles Sarsfields defender won fourteen medals. His winning years were 1944, 1945, 1946, 1952, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965. His was captain on three occasions.

The Trophy awarded to the County Champions is the Dan Breen Cup. Mick Hogan of Roscrea was the last captain to be presented with the old Cup. In 1973 a new cup was presented and Roscrea had the honour of winning it. Jackie Hannon was their captain.

Tom Semple won County Championships in the following years 1904, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1911.

Jimmy Doyle won eleven Senior medals. In 1956 he won M. H., J. H., S.H., medals in the same year with Thurles Sarsfields.

The great Martin Kennedy was included in the winners list on four occasions.

The 1982 Tipp. Co. Final Hurling Programme won the Munster Award for the best county final publication that year.

Sean O Driscoll.



Pictured in the Dome at the reception following the All Ireland Final in Thurles are; Gerry Ring, West Board secretary, Very Rev Dean Lee, Cashel, Tim Maher, Boherlahan and John Doyle, Holycross.

LORRHA AND MOYCARKEY

A Tremendous Hurling Tradition



By Michael Dundon,
Tipperary Star

Today's meeting in the county senior hurling final between Moycarkey-Borris and Lorrha is unique. They have never before played in a final, but they were due to meet once, back in 1905 final, but on that occasion, Lorrha gave a walk-over to Two-Mile-Borris following a dispute over the venue. The county board fixed the match for Thurles, but Lorrha wanted it in Roscrea or Nenagh, and opted out rather than travel south.

On the basis that that game never took place, it is correct to say that this is the first meeting of the clubs in a final. Lorrha will be making their fifth final appearance in all, but they have yet to win the trophy. Apart from the 1905 episode, they lost to Holycross in 1948; to Sarsfields in 1956, and to Carrick Davins in 1966, their last appearance in the final.

Moycarkey's record is better. Teams from the parish dominated the early years of the association, and prior to the eighties the parish's greatest moments were in the thirties when they won five championships between 1932 and 1940. Moycarkey have been to the fore for the past four years, winning the championship in 1982, and being beaten in semi-finals in '81 and '83, a remarkably consistent level of performance which installs them as favourites to win the Centenary championship.

Incidentally, they won the Golden Jubilee championship in 1934 when their opponents were Kilbarron-Kildangan, next door neighbours of today's opponents Lorrha, so perhaps "The Blues" have extra incentive to belatedly make amends.

Both today's finalists have a tremendous hurling tradition behind them, and from earliest days, they were accomplished exponents of the game. Lorrha's finest hours in relatively recent years came from the Tony Reddan inspired combinations which won North titles in '48 and '56 but failed to bring ultimate honours to the parish, sides that included such as Mick Brophy, the O'Mearas, Brendan O'Donoghue, Paddy Sullivan, Dano O'Donoghue, and Tom Lambe in '48; Seamus King, Hubie Hogan, Phil

McIntyre, Mick Brophy, Paddy Guinan, Davy O'Sullivan and Paul Slevin in '56.

Some familiar names are included there, if one examines today's team sheet, but of more immediate memory is the '66 team which lost to Davins after beating Borrisoleigh in the North final, and which was— Gerry Moylan, Michael Liffey, Paddy O'Meara, Seamus O'Meara, Liam King, Sean O'Meara, MI Gleeson, Willsie Morris, Jim Lane, Noel Lane, Jim Ryan, Peter Hogan, Paddy Madden, MI Doyle and MI O'Meara.

It would be difficult to deal with Moycarkey-Borris' record in such a fashion. On twelve occasions the county championship has rested in the parish, but the most memorable achievement has to be 1982, when after beating Roscrea in the county final, they went on to win Munster honours for the first time by defeating Patrickswell, and to this day, many of their supporters feel that an All-Ireland crown should also have come their way, but Antrim's Loughiel ordained otherwise.

Most of that team are in action today, and doubtlessly, hoping to regain the Dan Breen Cup and renew their quest for that elusive All-Ireland crown.

There are other remarkable coincidences about today's pairing. Both clubs this year published extensive histories — Lorrha's by Seamus King of their 1956 team, and Moycarkey through the efforts of Jimmy Fogarty and T. K. O'Dwyer, joint editors.

Down the years, both have given some great players to the county— such as the late Mick Cronin, Hubie Hogan, Michael O'Meara, and Tom Duffy, still hale and hearty from Lorrha; John Joe Hayes, the Ryans, Phil Purcell and Captain Grady of Moycarkey, to mention but a few of the many from each parish.

It is appropriate then that in the historic Centenary Year, two clubs with such a great tradition should meet in the county final. Wouldn't it be really something for Lorrha if they marked this memorable year with their first county senior hurling title! But Moycarkey will have other ideas about that, and

wouldn't it be a fine achievement for them, having won the title in the Golden Jubilee Year, to repeat the performance in Centenary Year.

Taking all things into consideration, it promises to be a most interesting encounter, and whoever emerges victorious, will make worthy champions.

Tiobraid Árann



Vested Grounds - 50
Affiliated Clubs - 115

Craobhacha na Mumhan

SH.	IH.	JH.	2H.	M.H.
30	5	10	9	25
SF.	JF.	2F.	M.F.	
9	6	-	4	

Craobhacha na hÉireann

SH.	IH.	JH.	2H.	M.H.
22	4	7	6	15
SF.	JF.	2F.	M.F.	
4	2	-	1	

Sraitheanna Dáisúinta na hÉireann

Hurling - 15
Football - -

1984

Cathaoirleach:
Micheál O Fearghaile
Rúnaí: Tomás O Baróid

TIPPERARY SENIOR HURLING

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

1887 - 1983

1887	Thurles	0-3	North Tipperary	0-0
1888	Clonoulty	1-1	Boherlahan	0-2
1889	Moycarkey	1-3	Toomevara	1-0
1890	Toomevara	No records available of games played.		
1891-1893	No Championship played due to Parnellite split.			
1894	Drombane	4-4	Thurles	0-0
1895	Tubberadora	3-9	Suir View	2-7
	(After extra time)			
1896	Tubberadora	4-8	Suir View	2-2
1897	Suir View	4-3	Horse & Jockey	2-9
	(Not replayed. Title awarded to Suir View)			
1898	Tubberadora	3-7	Horse & Jockey	1-4
1899	Horse & Jockey	3-8	Two Mile Borris	2-4
	(Replay)			
1900	Two Mile Borris	w/o	Moycarkey	Scr.
1901	Ballytarsna	7-11	Thurles	0-1
1902	Lahorna De Wets	7-10	Carrick	4-2
1903	Two Mile Borris	(Awarded Title from Lahorna De Wets)		
1904	Thurles	5-8	Lahorna De Wets	3-9
1905	Two Mile Borris	w/o	Lorrha	Scr.
1906	Thurles	4-11	De Wets	3-6
1907	Thurles	3-13	De Wets	1-6
1908	Thurles	2-6	Glengoole	4-2
	(Co Convention declared 1908 Championship dropped and void)			
1909	Thurles	10-4	Racecourse/Grange-moculer	5-2
1910	Toomevara	(Won Title on objection to Racecourse after two games)		
1911	Thurles	4-5	Toomevara	1-0
1912	Toomevara	6-4	Tipperary/O'Leary's	0-1
1913	Toomevara	2-3	Cashel	0-0
1914	Toomevara	5-2	Boherlahan	3-1
1915	Boherlahan	4-4	Thurles	1-2
1916	Boherlahan	2-2	Toomevara	0-0
1917	Boherlahan	2-2	Toomevara	1-1
1918	Boherlahan	3-4	Toomevara	6-0
	(Title awarded to Boherlahan on objection)			
1919	(Toomevara)	Mid Selection		1-5
	North Selection	3-0		
1920-1921	Championship not played due to War of Independence.			
1922	(Boherlahan)			
	Mid Selection	5-1	North Selection	2-3
1923	(Toomevara)			
	North Selection	5-4	South(Kilmoyler)	3-3
1924	(Boherlahan)			
	South Selection	8-3	Mid Selection	1-0
1925	Boherlahan	5-4	Toomevara/Moneygall	2-3
1926	Moycarkey	6-4	Boherlahan	4-2
1927	Boherlahan	4-1	Toomevara	1-1
1928	Boherlahan	5-4	Clonoulty	2-2
1929	Thurles	4-3	Toomevara	1-3
1930	Toomevara	4-1	Boherlahan	1-0
	(Replay)			
1931	Toomevara	5-4	Moycarkey/Borris	0-2
1932	Moycarkey/Borris	7-6	Killenaule	5-1
1933	Moycarkey/Borris	1-7	Borrisokane	1-0
1934	Moycarkey/Borris	3-6	Kildangany/Kilbarron	2-3

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Published this year this history of the Lorrha Club contains 428 pages in a hardback edition and costs £10.

Available from Liam King, Treasurer Lorrha and Dorrha G.A.A. Club.

1935	Thurles Sarsfields	6-5	Carrickswans	0-2
1936	Thurles Sarsfields	2-10	Roscrea	0-3
1937	Moycarkey/Borris	7-6	Cashel	6-2
1938	Thurles Sarsfields	7-7	Kiladangan	2-2
1939	Thurles Sarsfields	5-3	Cashel	4-2
1940	Moycarkey/Borris	4-7	Cashel	4-2
1941	Boherlahan	2-2	Eire Og/Anacarty	0-6
1942	Thurles Sarsfields	8-5	Killenaule	0-1
1943	Eire Og/Anacarty	4-3	Moycarkey/Borris	2-4
1944	Thurles Sarsfields	6-3	Kilruane McD.	1-4
1945	Thurles Sarsfields	1-4	Roscrea	1-0
	(Replay)			
1946	Thurles Sarsfields	4-5	Carrick Swans	0-3
1947	Carrick Swans	5-4	Borris Leigh	2-2
1948	Holycross/Ballycahill	4-10	Lorrha	2-4
1949	Borrisleigh	4-6	Knockavillad	2-1
1950	Borrisleigh	2-7	Carrick Swans	2-3
1951	Holycross/Ballycahill	5-15	Clonoulty	1-4
1952	Thurles Sarsfields	5-6	Borrisleigh	1-8
1953	Borrisleigh	4-8	Boherlahan	4-4
1954	Holycross	6-5	Roscrea	2-3
1955	Thurles Sarsfields	4-10	Borrisleigh	0-6
1956	Thurles Sarsfields	3-8	Lorrha	1-4
1957	Thurles Sarsfields	4-15	Na Piarasigh	4-4
1958	Thurles Sarsfields	4-11	Toomevara	3-3
1959	Thurles Sarsfields	3-12	Kilruane McD.	2-6
1960	Toomevara	3-15	Thurles Sarsfields	2-8
1961	Thurles Sarsfields	3-4	Toomevara	0-9
1962	Thurles Sarsfields	1-9	Moycarkey/Borris	1-8
1963	Thurles Sarsfields	4-10	Roscrea	2-10
1964	Thurles Sarsfields	5-13	Holycross	1-4
1965	Thurles Sarsfields	3-11	Carrick Davins	2-7
	(Replay)			
1966	Carrick Davins	2-12	Lorrha	1-3
1967	Carricks Davins	2-10	Roscrea	2-7
1968	Roscrea	2-13	Thurles Sarsfields	3-4
1969	Roscrea	4-13	Carrick Davins	0-5
1970	Roscrea	3-11	Thurles Sarsfields	2-12
1971	Moyne/Templetuohy	2-8	Roscrea	0-6
1972	Roscrea	5-8	Borrisleigh	3-6
1973	Roscrea	3-14	Kilruane McD.	3-8
1974	Thurles Sarsfields	3-6	Silvermines	1-10
1975	Moneygall	3-13	Kilruane McD.	0-5
	(Replay)			
1976	Moneygall	1-9	Roscrea	2-5
1977	Kilruane McD.	1-5	Borrisleigh	0-5
	(Replay)			
1978	Kilruane McD.	2-14	Roscrea	2-13
1979	Kilruane McD.	2-18	Thurles Sarsfields	3-6
1980	Roscrea	3-11	Kilruane McD.	2-13
1981	Borrisleigh	1-14	Roscrea	0-12
1982	Moycarkey/Borris	2-12	Roscrea	0-11
	(Replay)			
1983	Borrisleigh	0-17	Loughmore C.	1-11
1984				

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