



# The BODEN News

BALLYBODEN ST. ENDA'S G.A.A., CAMOGIE & LADIES FOOTBALL CLUB  
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IRISLEABHAR BAILE BUADÁIN NAOMH ÉANNA

## Senior Camogie team - Historic Double

Parnell Park held its breath as Irene Kirwan stepped up to take a 23m free. The clock was against her and before her stood a solid line of Vincent's shirts. The defending champions held a two point lead and the 'Boden fans feared a second championship final defeat in a row.

John Kirwan, Chairman and freetaker, offered her a drink of advice as Jean McNamara forcibly positioned herself in the midst of the St. Vincent's defence.

The set piece was in place. As Irene lifted and struck, Jean got out of the way. A Vincent's hurley got a touch but the shot had too much power and pace and it eluded the Marino side's goalkeeper to nestle in the corner of the net.

The final seconds seemed like hours but the killer blow had been struck and our first senior camogie championship success had been claimed in what was our third final appearance.

For the second time in the decade, a Ballyboden St. Endas player climbed the steps of the stand at Parnell Park to receive a county senior championship cup.

It was another tremendous game against our great Northside rivals, St. Vincents. Prior to this season, we had never beaten the Marino club at senior level in camogie. That sequence changed on 20 April 1999 when we triumphed by two points in the League at Pairc Uí Mhurchú.

By the end of the season, out of four contests we won three, including our final meeting when we clinched the League title in Scoil Uí Conaill's grounds to bring home the double and lost on just one occasion by a single point.

It was a just reward for a great year's effort. The tremendous experience of the Leinster Club semi-final at a resplendent Pairc Uí Mhurchú against St. Lachtain's of Kilkenny, in the first 15 a-side Leinster Club Championship, powered by several of the Cats All-Ireland runners up team was one of the great occasions in the club's history. One that we seek to repeat -



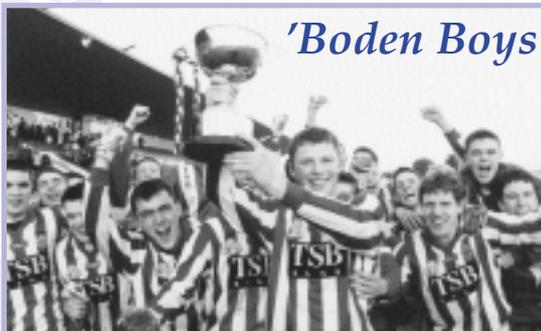
**'Boden Captain gets Ireland Call-up**

*Irene Kirwan - the victorious Senior Camogie Captain has that winning smile. In recognition of her great intercounty and club year, Irene was selected on the Rest of Ireland team that played All-Ireland Champions Tipperary in Nenagh in November. Irene was one of two Dublin players chosen, the other was Germaine Noonan of St. Vincent's. This is the first time a Rest of Ireland team has been selected.*

this time with a better result.

Congratulations to the dynamic management team of Tomás and Mairín Uí Reachtabhra and Anne McNamara, captain Irene Kirwan and the entire panel, and to Donal Regan and the Camogie Committee. Sincere appreciation to Iris Kirwan for first-aid assistance, Cathal Regan for his help and to all members and families who supported the team.

The breakthrough has been made. The efforts of so many down through the years has finally borne fruit. The contribution of Kathleen O'Sullivan in particular who pioneered the way forward for camogie over a long number of years is remembered. The efforts of Margaret Francois and Maeve O'Sullivan were also vital in establishing the roots of camogie in the club over 20 or more years ago.

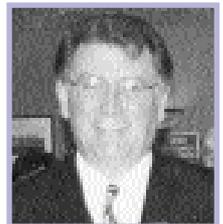


**'Boden Boys**

*Gareth O'Reilly is a proud captain of the 1998 Minor Football Champions (Courtesy of The Star). See story on page 3.*

## President of the GAA to be guest of honour at 30th Anniversary Celebration

Joe McDonagh, Úachtarán, Cumann Lúthchleas Gael will be the Guest of Honour at a function to celebrate thirty years of Ballyboden St. Endas on Saturday, 20 November 1999.



The Presidency of Joe McDonagh will draw to a close next Easter when he will be succeeded by Sean McCague of Monaghan.

The Galway man won an All-Ireland Under 21 hurling medal in 1972, a National League medal in 1975 the same year that he played in the All-Ireland Final against the eventual winners Kilkenny. Joe won an All-Ireland Senior honour in 1980 when Galway beat Limerick to claim the Liam McCarthy Cup.

The club is honoured that an tÚachtarán is attending this sell-out event which promises to be a gala occasion.

## Ballyboden goes into Cyberspace

Two members of the victorious Under 16 hurling championship winning team, David Noonan and Stephen Fee have been commissioned to design and construct a website for Ballyboden St. Endas.

The site will feature a variety of information items - club history, fixtures, team profiles, results etc. covering all sports as well as details of the many other social and development activities. Those who have access to the internet will also be able to access within minutes of the draw, the results of the weekly Millennium LOTTO.

The facility will also mean the club will be able to conduct some of its business via e-mail.

David and Stephen are students at Coláiste Éanna in Ballyroan.

It is planned to have the site on-line before Christmas and full details of website and e-mail addresses will be given in due course.

**CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
The AGM of the Club has been fixed for  
Friday, 10 December 1999  
- Sponsored by Mellon -

# A Word from the Chairman

## JOHN KIRWAN

Three decades have passed since the merger of Ballyboden Wanderers and Rathfarnham St. Endas. A period of enormous change for our country and indeed the world in general.

We in Ballyboden St. Endas have played our part in shaping the future in this part of Dublin where now thrives the largest gaelic games club in the country (world). Thousands of people, young and not so young, have passed through the famous blue gates and all have been in one way or another enriched by the experience.

If you need proof of that just walk through the estates in our catchment area any day of the week and count the number of Ballyboden St. Endas track-suits and T-Shirts that you will see, totally outnumbering those of any other sport.

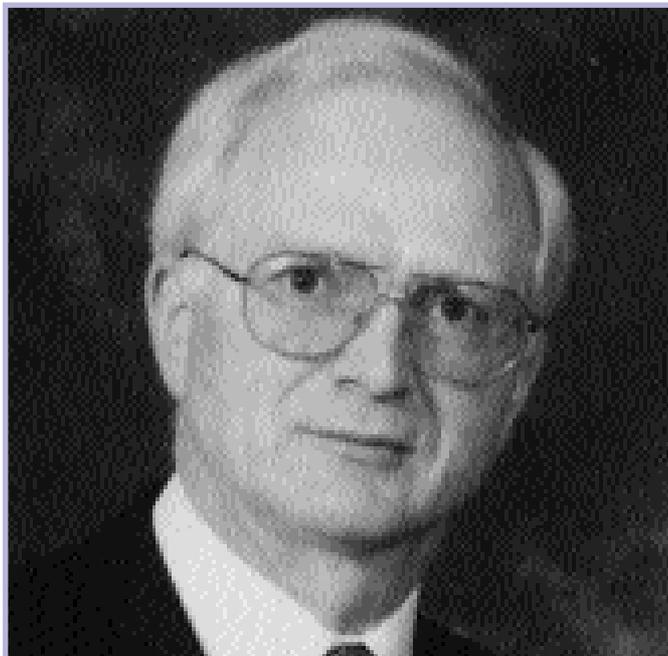
The nineties have been extraordinary years for gaelic games. The advent of team sponsorship, the development of Croke Park, live televised games, unprecedented public interest, the rise of new teams, the growth in the All-Ireland club championships, the massive expansion of media coverage - particularly local radio - these are just some of the positive changes.

Likewise in Ballyboden St. Endas, the 1990s have been the glory years featuring our first senior championship and league successes - Hurling league (1993), Football treble (1995), Camogie double (1999) and Ladies Football (Championship and League Runners Up 1999). Our list of honours at other grades particularly at underage would be difficult if not impossible to match. All-Ireland Féile titles in all four sports must surely be unique. I congratulate all who have made this possible and urge them to continue the good work.

It would be remiss of me not to

note in this issue of The 'Boden News, the achievements of our first senior championship and league winning camogie team and their mentors - Tomás and Mairín Úi Reachtabhra and Anne McNamara and the Under 14 camogie team and mentors Jim Cremin, Mona O'Sullivan and Anne Scallan who won our first All-Ireland Féile na nGael title in Wexford. On-field success is hugely important in promoting this club and maintaining our position at the top of the tree.

In addition I wish to congratulate



championship winning teams at minor football (1998), the hurling teams at Under 15 and Under 16; and the Under 12 and 14 camogie teams.

But as the century draws to a close, it is arguable that the move to acquire the Sancta Maria site is the most important step taken in preparation for the new Millennium. Countless hours have been invested in reaching this stage and not for the first time I commend the Sisters of Mercy for their support and vision in putting people before profit.

I urge the members of the club to endorse this move at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the club on 10 December.

The scale of the investment envis-

aged is huge and will impose a considerable financial burden on the club but this is a once in a lifetime opportunity and I have no doubt that the members and friends of Ballyboden St. Endas will rise to the challenge. Aiden Nevin and our Development Committee deserve tremendous credit for their painstaking and professional approach to the task.

Sancta Maria is a key part to the Club's Development Strategy. It does not replace our ambition to relocate to Cherryfield. That target remains and discussions are ongoing with South Dublin County Council with a view to realising that aim.

The third strand to our expansion plans - the Ballycullen Development is also making progress and goalposts have now been erected on one pitch. We acknowledge the support of South Dublin County Council officials and elected representatives in this regard.

The momentous decision of the Dublin clubs at the Special Convention on 3 November 1999 to restructure the various Boards in the county will have far reaching implications.

Effects that will hopefully lead to more progress and improvements in the financing and development of gaelic games activities in the Capital.

Finally, the success of the International Rules series offers an exciting dimension to our Association. Judging by the 110,000 people who attended the games in Melbourne and Adelaide and a television audience of millions, the Australian people have responded too. Not bad for a game that is still developing. I wish to congratulate Brian Stynes and his brother Jim for their part in making the event such a spectacular success.

*John Kirwan  
Chairman*

# Shields' Stars Shine



Another Kilmacud Crokes attack is repelled by the 'Boden's David Ryan (Courtesy of The Star)

effort found the net. When Mark O'Sullivan coolly slotted home Boden's second in the 25th minute, the so called underdogs were rampant. Crokes were clearly rattled by the half-time score of 2.5 to 0.3.

The second half inevitably saw the Kilmacud lads lift

their game considerably. However the 'Boden backline absorbed the endless pressure with strong tackling and spectacular blocking, to time after time frustrate the favourites. Points from O'Sullivan (after a surging 50 m run), Colin Moran and Conal Keaney secured victory on a finishing scoreline of 2.9 to 1.7.

Scenes of great jubilation greeted referee Noel Cocoman's final whistle at the Donnycarney venue and the presentation of the cup to team captain Gareth O'Reilly. Even more promising for the club is the role many of these minor stars have played in the famous blue and

white stripes this Summer on junior, intermediate and senior teams.

For Tony Shields, Dan O'Sullivan and Brian Carty it was a proud moment. But on the occasion, Tony was anxious that others would not be forgotten like Tony and Shay Lennon for their great work with the club's football nursery; the assistance of

"An ounce of breeding is worth a ton of feeding" said a jubilant Tony Shields, manager of the victorious 1998 minor football championship team at a reception in the club to welcome back the team that had defied all the pre-match predictions.

For one reason or another the 1998 championship did not reach the final stage until April 18 of this year. But when it came, the winning of the title was one of the sweetest victories of the four football titles the club has captured at this grade. Twenty months of preparation had come to a successful end.

An excellent Kilmacud Croke side who had trounced the team in the league stood in our way. But it was that league defeat that was to prove the turning point. In a dejected dressing room team mentor, Dan O'Sullivan voiced the prophetic words "the train is on the move and no one knows a word about it."

The team had never enjoyed success of any kind at underage level and in fact had to endure the disappointment of finishing bottom of the league at under 16 level. As Colin Moran put it "it is said that to truly appreciate success one must first have tasted failure. If that's the case it's no wonder Tony Shields, Brian Carty and Dan O'Sullivan are still celebrating". Brighter days lay ahead.

The campaign began with three games against St. Judes (one game was abandoned due to an injury to a St. Judes player, happily fully recovered now), followed by wins over St. Mary's (Saggart), St. Vincent's - all three by one point winning margins and hard earned victories over St. Annes and O'Tooles.

"From these nerve wrecking, tight finishes, an indestructible team bond and never-say-die attitude (a la the Clare hurlers) was fostered among the players. This insatiable appetite for success proved to be 'Boden's secret weapon in the final against the much fancied Crokes side" says Colin Moran.

So to Parnell Park. Boden began brilliantly and raced into an early lead. Championship debutant and under 16 star, Andrew Kearns gave us a dream start when his fisted



Proud Parents Nuala O'Sullivan (on left) and Mary Keaney celebrate

**FACTS AND FIGURES**  
by Seán ÓCanainn

Date: 18 April 1999  
Score: 2.9 to 1.7  
Scorers: 2.6 from play (Kilmacud Crokes 1.2)  
M. O'Sullivan (1.3), A. Kearns (1.0), C. Keaney (0.3), T. Donohue (0.2), C. Moran (0.1)  
Wides: 3 (Kilmacud Crokes 17)  
Longest period without a score: 17 mins of the second half  
Longest period opposition held scoreless: 22 mins of the second half.

Joe Ryan, Mick O'Regan, Donie Kerins, and P.J. Donohue; the contribution of all the mothers especially Barbara Reilly, Anne Ryan, Nuala O'Sullivan and Anne O'Regan; Iris Kirwan for first aid assistance. His wife Mairead and children Paul, Catherine and Ciaran.

The support down through the years of Peter Daly, Felix McKenna, Paddy Bates, Paddy Brady and Nicky Power was acknowledged.

A special word of appreciation to team sponsor TSB Rathfarnham and its Manager Tom Daly and Assistant Manager Pat Hurley.

Tony Shields is prone to quoting Winston Churchill from time to time. He paraphrased a Churchillian quote thus "Never give up, Never Never give up; Never Never Never Give Up". It works.

Well done to Tony, Dan, Brian and the entire panel of players.



The Three Wise Men - Dan O'Sullivan, Tony Shields and Brian Carty



Dublin Minor Football Champions 1998

Back row (l-r): Conal Keaney, Eoin McKiernan, Paul Shields, Roman Carty, Joe Murnane, Sean Manley, Shane Ryan, Chris Cremin, Andrew Kearns, Gareth Heraty, Gerry Byrne, Brian Hendricks, Colin Moran  
Front row (l-r): Robbie Fitzgerald, Frank Mitchell, Derek Doyle, Alan Ryan, Mark O'Sullivan, Gareth O'Reilly (captain), David Ryan, Brian O'Regan, Trevor Donohue, Conor Dolan and Paul Dolan (Courtesy of The Star).

# Summer Camps top 1,000 mark

REPORTER: PADDY WALSH

The 1999 Summer Camps, the first run entirely under the jurisdiction of the club were an outstanding success. Over the course of six weeks during the Summer, 1,086 boys and girls between the ages of six and twelve enjoyed three camps each in hurling and football.

With the appointment of P.J. Donohue as Coach/Groundsman, the Executive Committee decided to build on the success of the Summer Camps that had been run under the auspices of the Dublin County Board and the Leinster Council. Although an independent project, the contribution of the Dublin County Board was tremendous particularly from coach Paraic McDonald and Leinster Council Coaching Co-ordinator Cyril Duggan.

Planning for the Summer Camps began in January 1999 under the stewardship of P.J. Donohue as Co-ordinator and Ronan Walsh as Assistant Co-ordinator. A team of 39 coaches all drawn from club members was assembled and were employed for a total of 61 person-weeks. A number of them also worked with the Dublin County Board on weeks that they were not needed by our own club.

The feedback from participants and coaches has been very positive and plans for the 2000 Summer Camps are already being made.

The following were the coaches who took part: Paula Maguire, Conal Keaney, Gary Maguire, David Kirwan, Chris Cremin, Paul Manley, Sorcha Timmins, Andrew Lennon, Ciaran Griffin, Aisling Farrelly, Brian O'Regan, Conor Cahill, Emma Murphy, Sarah Denvir, Aoife Keane, Fiona Hughes, Simon Daly, Gráinne McNeela, Joanne O'Sullivan, David Hughes, Paul Grier, Brendan Sheehan, Donncha Ó Mordha, Daithí de Faoite, Carmel Condrón, Jane Hogan, Dearbhla Reilly, Paul Dolan, Conor Dolan, Aindriú de Faoite, Brian Cummins, Julie Sheehan, Anne Hogan, Julie Monaghan, Darragh Murphy, Matthew Corrigan, Karl Seery, Sinéad McNeela and Jenny Keane. Well done to all concerned.



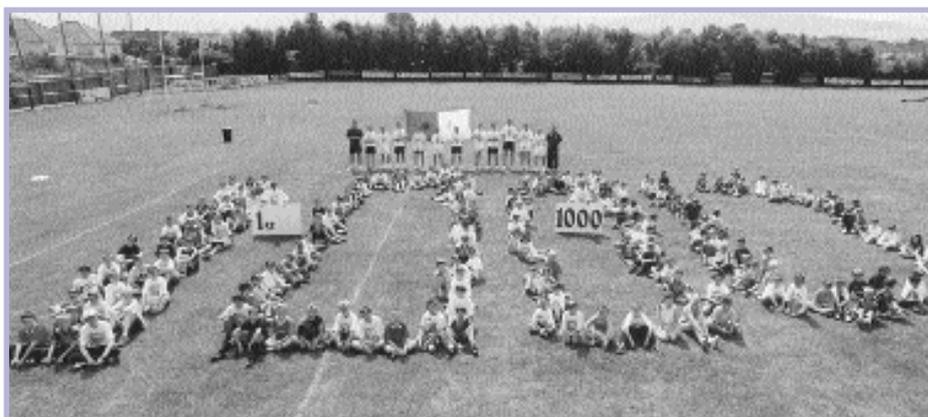
Some of the 39 Coaches who worked on the six weeks programme. Standing (l-r): P. J. Donohue, Paul Manley, Ciaran Griffin, Brian O'Regan, Brendan Sheehan, Ronan Walsh. Middle row (l-r): Daithí de Faoite, Paul Grier, Donncha ÓMuircheartaigh, Andy Lennon. Seated (l-r): Sorcha Timmins, Joanne O'Sullivan and Fiona Hughes.



Martin O'Sullivan was the first to enrol on the Summer Camps. Seen here receiving his award from Summer Camp Assistant Co-ordinator, Ronan Walsh in the presence of P.J. Donohue



Rachel Maunsell receives her prize from Summer Camp Co-ordinator P.J. Donohue for being the 1000th Summer Camp Participant, assisted by Ronan Walsh.



Some of the 1000+ boys and girls who enjoyed themselves at the Summer Camps

**Under-11 hurlers make excellent starts to their playing careers**



**Under 11B Hurling team Runners-up in Division 3 of Camant Competition.**  
 Standing (l-r): Barry O'Brien, Shane McCarthy, Neal Farrell, Kevin Brennan, Andrew Kiernan, Peter Buckeridge, Gerry O'Sullivan (manager).  
 Kneeling (l-r): Andrew Buckeridge, Paul Young, Mark Lambert, Aidan Horgan, Shane Lucey, Daire O'Sullivan.



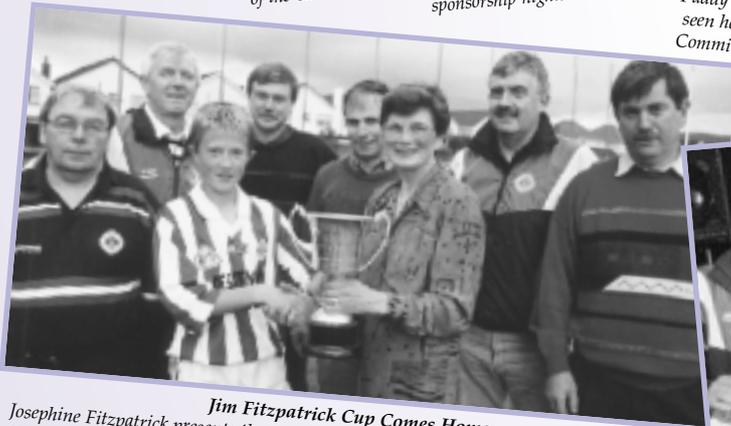
**Under 11A Hurling team win League Division 1 and Camant Titles**  
 Back row (l-r): Vinny Bradley (manager), Andrew Breen, John Burke, Alan Carter, Andrew McCutcheon, Barry McGuinness, Declan Carey, Martin O'Sullivan, Charlie O'Connell (mentor)  
 Front row (l-r): Liam McCarthy, Matthew Weldon, Niall Bradley, Paul Ryan (captain), Simon O'Donnell, Finn McGarry, David O'Connor, Cormac O'Connell, Ronan Breen.



Geraldine Browne is presented with a bouquet of flowers by Ian Ryan of the Under 13A football team at the Noel Browne sponsorship night.



**Féile Peil na nÓg 2000**  
 Paddy Walsh (on left) Chairman of the Dublin Organising Committee for Féile Peil na nÓg 2000 is seen here receiving the Féile flag from J.J. Crowe, Chairman of the Clare Organising Committee 1999 in the presence of Joe McDonagh, Uachtarán CLG.



**Jim Fitzpatrick Cup Comes Home**  
 Josephine Fitzpatrick presents the cup that commemorates her late husband Jim to Robert Gannon, captain of the Under-13 football that won the League. This was the first occasion the cup has been won by the club. Also pictured (from left): Paul Carroll (mentor), Matt Gannon (mentor), Noel Whelan (mentor), Eugene Kenny (team manager), John Mulligan and Des Kenny (team sponsor).



**Noel Browne Office Furniture (01 494 7881) Decks out Under 13A Footballers**  
 Back row (l-r): Robert Lambert (mentor), Noel Browne (Sponsor), Pat O'Sullivan (mentor), Liam Monaghan (mentor) Front row (l-r): Alan Lambert, Matthew O'Sullivan and Barry Monaghan



**Dublin Under 13 League Winners 1999**  
 Back row (l-r.): Stephen Breen, Francis O'Reilly, Michael D. McAuley, Brian Gartland, Graham Coffey, Scott Kinevane, Robert Gannon, Kevin O'Reilly, Damien Kenny, Declan Keating, Shane McGuinness, Cian Hiney, Paul Galvin. Front row (l-r.): Philip Byrne, Niall Brosnan, Mark Ryan, Kevin Spillane, Liam Mulligan, Stephen Brady, Stephen Whelan, Ronan Shorten and Eoin Casey.

# Second David Maycock Memorial Cup - another great success

Nearly 100 boys under the age of 11 turned out in the second David Maycock Memorial Cup competition.

Once again the sun shone and the large crowd of players, parents and coaches enjoyed a wonderful day which marks the culmination of the annual hurling coaching season. The day was superbly organised by Richard Condon, Marius Martin and coaching co-ordinator Seamus O'Neill.



Colm Sharkey's team



David Curtin's winning team



Paddy Maycock (on left) presents the David Maycock Cup to the winning captain Sean Keane assisted by Dublin and Ballyboden St. Endas Senior hurler Darragh Spain.



Conal Keaney's team



Alan Ryan's team



Peter O'Connor and Cathal Regan's team



Paul Dolan's team



Eoghan Farrelly's team



Martina Ring's team

# SIDELINE CUTTINGS

*Did you know that...*

- The 1998 minor football mentor and current under 21 hurling selector, Dan O'Sullivan played in the 1971 All-Ireland Minor Football final for runners-up Cork against Mayo. On the Connacht side that day was Johnny Culkin at left-half-back and at corner back was current Galway manager, John O'Mahony. The final score was Mayo 2.15 Cork 2.7. Another club member who played in that final is under 15 hurling and football mentor Gerry Aherne who had better luck the following year when Cork beat Tyrone by 3.11 to 2.11. Cork's full-forward in 1972 was Jimmy Barry Murphy and the team also included the late Tom Creedon.

- Emmet Carroll, Paul Bealin and Dermot Daly all won Evening Herald Player of the Month awards this year. Well done lads.

- Gary Maguire emulated his brother Dermot when he captained this year's under 16 hurling championship winning team. Dermot was captain in 1993 and featured in the first edition of The 'Boden News. Coincidentally they both played in goal.

- The club took part in an exhibition of GAA clubs in this area in Ballyroan Library and in the Firhouse parish exhibition..

- Jimmy Galavan started the first hurling team at Waterford Institute of Technology in 1974 (then Waterford RTC). The side wore a borrowed set of jerseys from the Rower-Inistioge.

- The medal presented to the best Irish player in the International Rules series in Australia is the Jim Stynes Memorial medal.

- Sabrina Lennon, daughter of John and Maureen, is now a full-time staff member of the Dublin County Board.

- Bill Daly was one of the umpires for the All-Ireland Senior Ladies Football Final between Mayo and Waterford.

# In Focus



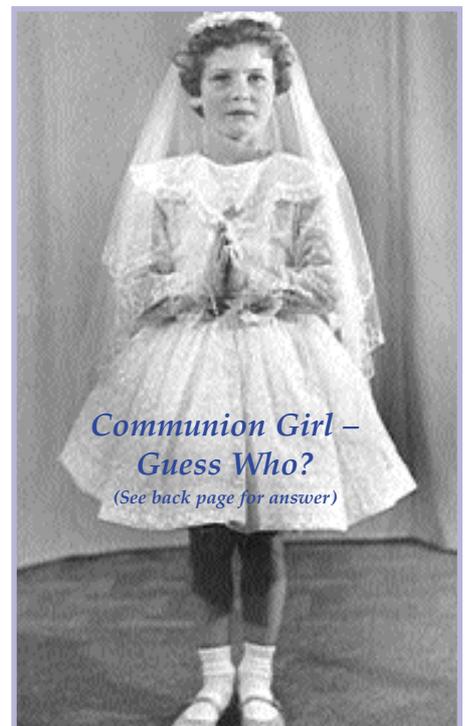
**Under 13A Camogie Team Join Forces with Noel Browne Furniture (01 494 7881)**  
Back row (l-r): Danny Griffin (Club Sponsorship Manager), Noel Browne (Sponsor). Front row (l-r): Ann and Lucy Maher, Trish and Emma Seery, Siobhan and Aisling Hayes.



**Over the Bar**  
Tom Kirwan, Sylvie Keaney, Martin Donohue, Paul Donohue, Emmet Pullan, Tomás Ó Riordáin and P.J. Donohue erect new goalposts at Pairc Uí Mhurchú.



**Scottish Shinty Visitors**  
David Pluck Captain of the Minor Hurling team presents the Glenmorangie Shield to the winning Scottish Under 17 Development Squad Captain Iain MacPherson who made their fourth trip in a row to the club in 1999.



**Communion Girl – Guess Who?**  
(See back page for answer)

# Senior Ladies Football team reach Championship Decider

The decade closes with the Senior Ladies Football team completing the sequence of seeing all senior teams in the club reach a senior championship decider.

In a thrilling final in Pairc de Búrca, the team managed by Bill Daly, Mark Magahran and Carmel Dempsey went down narrowly to champions Portobello. They did achieve a measure of revenge when they inflicted the first League defeat on the same opposition before the season finished and the side retained the Sabrina Conway Cup 9-a-side competition run in Westmanstown.



Standing (from left): Michael Stokes (representing team sponsors, Nuzum Tarmac), Sharon Molloy, Liz O'Mahony, Suzanne Dolan, Niamh Smith, Louise Kiely, Paula Murray, Martina Farrell, Bill Daly (mentor), Tanya Condron, Diane Spillane. Kneeling (from left): Suzanne Hughes, Deirdre McBride, Aoife O'Gorman, Julie Monaghan, Lorraine Sludds, Orla Smith, Sorcha Farrelly and Sinéad McNeela.

## Richmond Recruitment (01 679 6266)



Richard Molton, Managing Director of Richmond Recruitment (third from left) makes the presentation in the presence of (from left) Leanne Cullen, Michael Hunt, Conor Doolan (Club Secretary), Ciara Lucey and Gerry Keane.

Richmond Recruitment have been generous supporters of Ladies Football in the club for a number of years and continued their superb interest by sponsoring the Under 14 team.

## Ladies Football Committee 1999 / 2000

- Chairman: .....BILL DALY  
 Vice-Chairman: .....JOE MCAULIFFE  
 Secretary: .....CARMEL DEMPSEY  
 Senior Board Delegate: .....PAULA MURRAY / MARTINA FARRELL  
 Minor Board Delegate: .....TANYA CONDRON / LIZ O'MAHONY  
 Senior Team Mentors: .....BILL DALY, CARMEL DEMPSEY, MARK MAGAHRAN  
 Minor Team Mentors: .....JOE MCAULIFFE, BILL DALY,  
 LIAM MONAGHAN, INA BUTTERLY  
 Under 14 Team Mentors: .....GERRY KEANE, MICHAEL HUNT, MARY NEVIN  
 Under 12 Team Mentors: .....COLIN POPE, LEBBY GALVIN, ELEANOR RUDDY

# “Quote .....Unquote”

“If you’re half a yard off the pace at the start, you’ll be half a yard off the pace all through. Then the tendency is to go into your shell and try to fire yourself up, and you start playing a little bit as individuals. You don’t have the cohesion in the team.”

**Andrew Mehrtens,  
New Zealand Rugby Player,  
The Examiner, 6 October 1999**

“You take a young fellow,” he explains, “and first you see whether he’s in the right frame of mind. I mean you could ask fifteen young lads on the street whether they want to win an All Ireland, they will all say yes. Then you tell them there’s four or five nights a week that they must sacrifice everything for it; that nothing else comes into their lives, only one thing.

You tell them they are going for an All Ireland it might take one year, or five. Are you willing to do it? Initially they’ll all say yes, but as they go on you soon see whether they are prepared to live with it; I have no time for guys coming up to me with excuses about work; that’s stuff you organise yourself. It’s a hard road, it’s not easy to win an All Ireland. Grand, there are those out there who can’t give that, that’s fair enough.

If we are wearing red shirts on the day going up to the game and some player turns up in blue, I look at him and say Jesus, is that guy really tuned in, was he listening to me? It may have been an honest mistake, but concentration and discipline is important. We won’t win an All Ireland in twenty minutes, and our lads will need to be focused in the 71st minute as

much as the first. The most important thing you look for is the small motivational things. You can talk till the cows come home about play the ball this way or that, the lads are all good footballers but you want to get in here (gesticulates to head); try and get that bit extra out of them, find out why they are there on the eve of an All Ireland final, why they want to win so much.”

**Larry Tompkins,  
Cork Football Manager,  
The Examiner 25 September 1999**

## Back to Hurling School

THE FOLLOWING ARE CURRENTLY ON A LEVEL 1 HURLING COACHING COURSE

<b>Senior A</b>	Jim Galavan Ollie Hickey
<b>Senior B</b>	Martin Donohue
<b>Minor</b>	Francis Sharkey John Connolly
<b>Junior A</b>	Tomás Ó Riordáin
<b>Under-16</b>	Mick Keville
<b>Under-15</b>	Frank O’Connor Gerry Aherne
<b>Under-14</b>	John Ryan
<b>Under-16 Camogie</b>	Brian Reilly
<b>Camogie</b>	Tony Sweeney

## Guess Who?



**What’s a nice girl like this  
doing with a hairy fellow  
like that?**

**Find out on the back page**

## HURLING COMMITTEE 1999/2000

<b>Chairman:</b>	Matt Dempsey
<b>Vice-Chairman:</b>	Declan Fitzpatrick
<b>Secretary:</b>	Noel Sheridan
<b>Senior A team manager:</b>	Jimmy Galavan
<b>Senior B team manager:</b>	Colm O’Malley
<b>Junior A team manager:</b>	Ultan Mac Mathúna
<b>Under 21 team manager:</b>	P.J. Donohue
<b>Minor A team manager:</b>	John Connolly
<b>Minor B team manager:</b>	Aiden Nevin
<b>Under 16A team manager:</b>	P.J. Breen
<b>Senior Board Delegate:</b>	John Hayes
<b>Junior Board Delegate:</b>	John Maher
<b>Minor Board Delegate:</b>	Eddie Finn



**Senior B Hurlers get  
the message from  
O’CONNOR COURIERS  
(Tel. 087 2519202)**

*Dave O’Connor of  
O’Connor Couriers  
has generously sponsored  
the Senior B Hurlers.*

*At the presentation were (back row, from left): Dave O’Connor, Pádraig Corcoran, Michael Zelman, Philip Larkin, Colm O’Malley (team manager), John Kirwan (Club Chairman). Front row, from left: Colin Durkin, Fergal O’Neill, Seán Ó Feinmeadha and Peter Maguire.*

# Féile na nGael Camogie win completes the National Set

Wexford was the venue for the last Féile na nGael of the Millennium and true to form, the 'Boden closed the century in style with a victory in the first All-Ireland Camogie final with a thrilling win over The Harps (Durrow).

St. Martin's of Piercestown were our hosts and rose to the challenge with a most hospitable welcome ably co-ordinated by Orna Darcy wife of Wexford hurler Tom Dempsey.

The Sunny South-East lived up to its name with a week-end of beautiful weather and the superb pitches and facilities of the Wexford clubs plus a wonderfully efficient organising committee all contributed to making it an occasion never to be forgotten.

The 'Boden faithful turned in force many basing themselves in the Whitford House Hotel. St. Martin's provided the first hurdle and after a nervous start the girls eased home by 2.1 to no score.

The girls of Kinnity managed by the Offaly Rover himself, Pat Delaney, were next in line beneath the shadow of Vinegar Hill in Enniscorthy. But a five goal blitz guaranteed the team a place in the semi-final. Wexford club Duffry Rovers were our opponents in the semi-final played at the Shelmeliers grounds.

It turned out to be a thrilling contest with 'the Boden girls put to the pin of their



All-Ireland Féile na nGael Division II Camogie Champions 1999

Back row (l-r): Jim Cremin (mentor), Carmel Cremin, Ciara Lucey, Róisín Barrett, Aisling Hayes, Avril Brady, Aoife Scallan, Ciara McDermott, Eilis Smith, Grace Fee, Julie Hogan, Joanne Cummins, Siobhan Moriarty, Mona O'Sullivan (mentor), Anne Scallan (mentor). Front row (l-r): Sinead Treacy, Kathryn Corrigan, Sarah Pope, Fiona O'Sullivan, Mary Hyland, Jennifer Sinnott, Aoife Tobin, Zoe Feenan, Ciara Dolan, Emma Seery, Sinead Clarke, Jill Seery

colours to triumph on a 1.4 to 1.0 scoreline.

Thousands turned out for the Féile Parade in Enniscorthy before President Mary McAleese and then it was back to St. Martin's for one of the highlights of the week-end the DISCO.

Despite their exertions all were present for the Féile Mass in Piercestown and after a rousing send-off in the Whitford House to the strains of Molly Malone we headed for Bellefield in Enniscorthy.

The Harps had won Division 3 last year and were determined to go one better this

year but they found it almost impossible to break through the 'Boden rearguard and by the end of the game – we had captured our fourth All-Ireland Féile title to go with the hurling tile of 1992, the Ladies Football honour of 1996 and the Football crown from 1998. The bonfires blazed on the Firhouse Road to welcome the team home to crown a wonderful decade of Féile participation for the club. Well done to the mentors Jim Cremin, Mona O'Sullivan, Anne Scallan, the parents and the entire panel of players.

## FÉILE WINNING TRAIL

EVENT	DATE	VENUE	OPPOSITION	FOR	AGAINST	SCORERS
Dublin Féile	17 April 1999	Pairc Naomh Uinsionn	St. Vincent's	1.1	1.0	Kathryn Corrigan (1.0), Sarah Pope (0.1)
Semi-Final	"	"	Naomh Fionnbarra	2.4	0.0	Ciara Lucey (0.4), Eilis Smith (1.0), Sarah Pope (1.0)
Final	18 April 1999	Pairc Uí Mhurchú	Naomh Mearnóg	1.2	0.2	Ciara Lucey (1.1), Joanne Cummins (0.1)
All-Ireland Féile	25 June 1999	St. Martin's	St. Martin's	2.1	0.0	Ciara Lucey (1.1), Kathryn Corrigan (1.0)
	"	Enniscorthy	Kinnity (Offaly)	5.0	0.0	Fiona O'Sullivan (2.0), Joanne Cummins (2.0), Jill Seery (1.0)
Semi-Final	26 June 1999	Duffry Rovers	Shelmeliers	1.4	1.0	Kathryn Corrigan (1.0), Ciara Lucey (0.2), Jill Seery (0.1), Sarah Pope (0.1)
Final	27 June 1999	The Harps (Laois)	Enniscorthy	1.3	0.1	Jill Seery (1.0), Ciara Lucey (0.3)



Ciara Lucey holds the All-Ireland Féile na nGael trophy aloft in the presence of Uachtarán Cumann Camógaíocht na nGael, Phyllis Breslin and Jim Whelan, Marketing Manager of Coca-Cola the Féile sponsors in Enniscorthy.



**Brady Catering Equipment of the Longmile Road (01 450 2070) back All-Ireland Champions**

At the launch were (l-r): Sarah Pope, Danny Griffin (Club Sponsorship Manager), Jim Cremin (mentor), Eamonn Brady (Brady Catering), Kay Brady (Brady Catering) and Aoife Scallan.



Sinéad Clarke (on left) and Aoife Tobin (granddaughter of Tomás Ó Riordáin Snr.) lead the Ballyboden St. Endas team during the Féile Parade in Enniscorthy.



**Fee is a Flyer**  
Declan Brooks (team sponsor) presents Grace Fee with her award for being the Player of the Competition during the Dublin Féile na nGael 1999.



President Mary McAleese, a former camogie player, was Guest of Honour at the Parade in Enniscorthy.



We're on our way to the Final after beating Duffry Rovers at the Shelmeliers club.

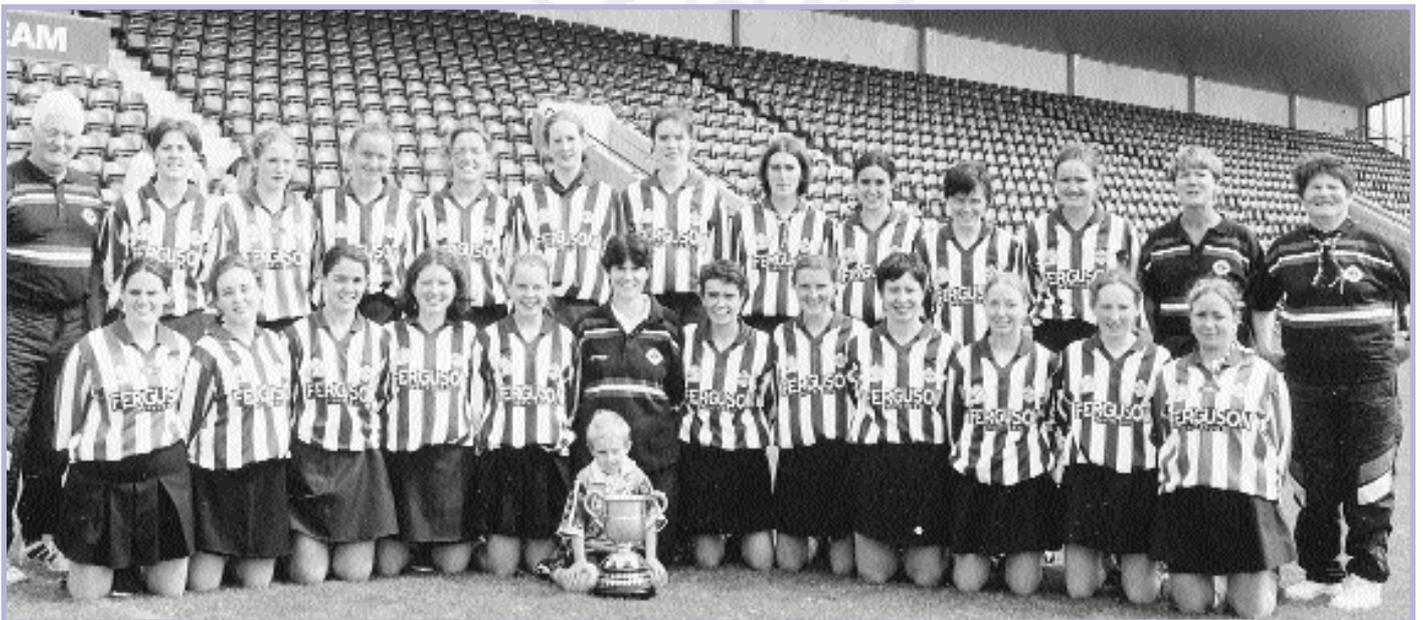
**Declan Brooks Solicitor of Kimmage (01 492 5213) Supports Under 14 Camogie Team**

At the launch were (l-r): Aoife Scallan, Sarah Pope, Mona O'Sullivan (mentor), Carmel Cremin, Declan Brooks (sponsor), Ann Scallan (mentor), Jim Cremin (mentor) and Fiona O'Sullivan.

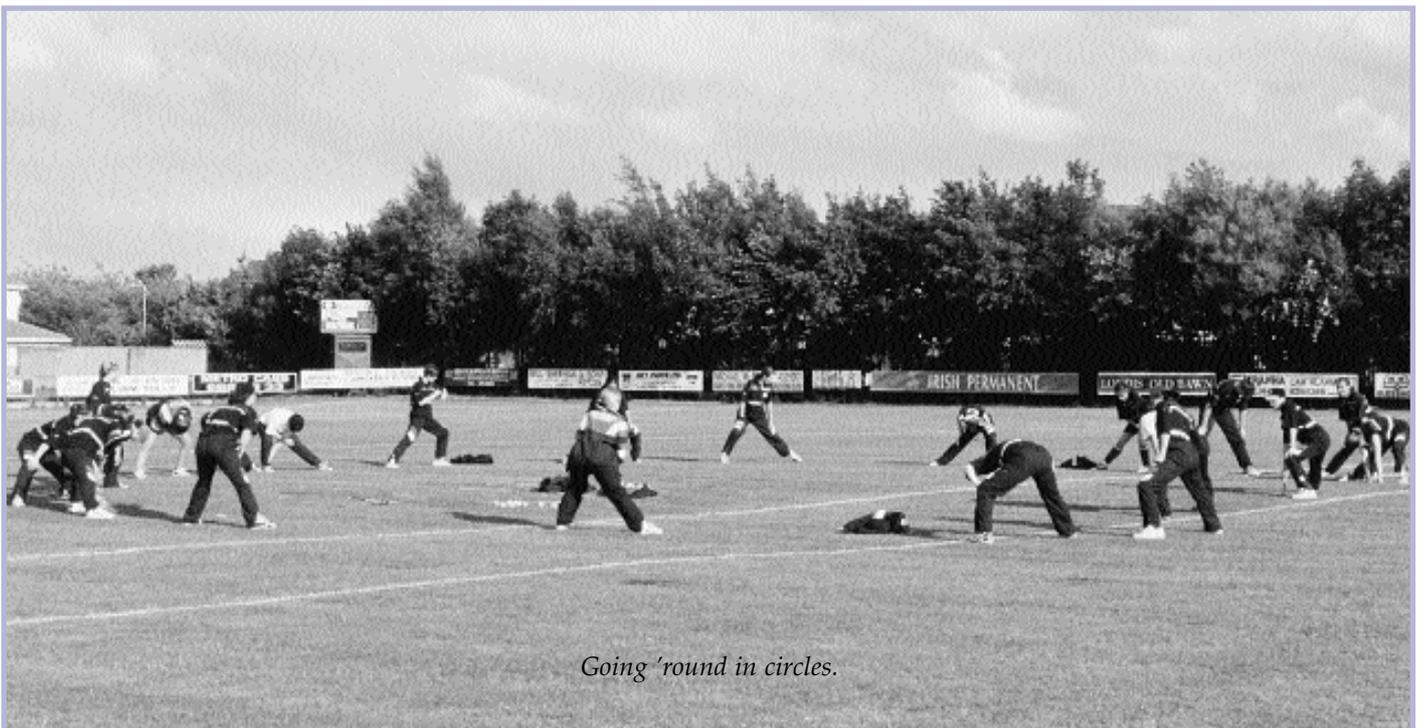


# SENIOR CAMOGIE TEAM LANDS THE DOUBLE

Dublin Senior Championship / League Winners  
1999



Back row (l-r): Tomás Ó Reachtabhra (mentor), Siobhán O'Dwyer, Niamh Smith, Fiona Ní Chorcoráin, Jean McNamara, Darrelle Dolan, Róisín Keaney, Helena Byrne, Ciara Blair, Sorcha Farrelly, Gráinne Ní Chorcoráin, Anne McNamara (mentor), Mairín Uí Reachtabhra (mentor).  
Front row (l-r) Sinéad McNeela, Gemma Browne, Orla Smith, Triona Ní Reachtabhra, Gráinne McNeela, Ciara Conway, Irene Kirwan (Captain), Fiona Hughes, Eimear Ring, Sarah Crosbie, Síle nic Coitir, Valerie Small. Mascot: Andrew Hughes



Going 'round in circles.

# The Squad that made history

## **CIARA CONWAY**

The 23 year old PE teacher at Coláiste Íosagáin was the last line of defence and has been starring between the sticks since her senior A debut in 1994. Ciara also captained Dublin to a Leinster Final success over Kilkenny at Under 14 level. Can be relied upon to belt out the Fields of Athenry at the drop of a hat.

## **CIARA BLAIR**

At 19 years of age, Ciara is soundness personified. A very skillful and dependable player. The Occupational Therapy student at TCD is a past pupil of Loreto High School Beaufort and has been playing with the club since she was under 12. Never shuts up in the dressing room.

## **RÓISÍN KEANEY**

A student nurse at Tallaght Hospital, Róisín is 19 years old and also plays full-back for the Dublin Junior team. Reckons she's a better full-back than her father Sylvie. Her brother Conal is a dual player for club and county.

## **GRÁINNE MCNEELA**

The 21 year old (why wasn't I invited to the party - Editor), is a science student at TCD and a member of the club's first camogie team to win the Dublin Féile in 1991. A corner-back who gives nothing away, a talent she picked up while working in the club bar.

## **SIOBHÁN O'DWYER**

Once erroneously (i.e. I made a mistake) named in The 'Boden News as Sinéad... a fact that is still guaranteed to annoy her. The Tipperary native is a teacher and captained UCD from 1993 until 1995. Siobhan has also played for the Dublin Junior team as well as the Combined Universities side in 1993 and 1994. A statute of limitations has been imposed on her age. Check The 'Boden News July 2025!

## **SORCHA FARRELLY**

A Social Work student at UCD, Sorcha is 21 years of age and plays Ladies Football for the Dublin Senior team. She has also captained the Dublin Minor camogie team in 1993 and 1994 and won a Leinster Championship medal in 1991. Rumour has it that the famous red bandana is the remains of a table cloth her mother is still looking for.

## **ORLA SMITH**

The 19 year old is a Civil Engineering student at DIT and has won championship honours at under 13, 14, 15 and 16 levels. A senior ladies footballer with Dublin, she won National League Division 3 honours in 1998. Once damaged her ankle in mysterious circumstances at the side of a bus.

## **FIONA NÍ CHORCORÁIN**

Aged 20, Fiona spent most of the Summer in the USA where she went through 15 jobs in 10 days or something like that. She eventually decided to buy an alarm clock. A PE student at UL, Fiona is another dual club and county

star and was a Ladies Football Replacement All-Star in 1997. Played in the Féile na nGael All-Ireland Final in 1991

## **FIONA HUGHES**

A student at DIT, the 19 year old is a past pupil at Firhouse Community College. She has represented Dublin at Under 14, 16 and Junior levels. A part-time member of the Club's Bar Staff. Her favourite manager is Ned Slattery.

## **SILE NIC COITIR**

"Socky" is 17 years old and captained Dublin to the Minor Leinster title in 1997 and led the Club's Junior team to the league and championship double in 1998. An intercounty player since the age of 11, Sile is also a dual player with Dublin. Keeps fit chasing fellows around South Dublin.

## **SARAH CROSBIE**

Sarah won the FERGUSON Player of the Match award for her display in the county final. A club player for the past 10 years, Sarah won a Leinster Minor Championship medal with Dublin in 1997. A student at Loreto High School Beaufort, Sarah won a Senior Colleges title in 1999. A Junior League and Championship winner in 1998. Learned all she knows about camogie from P. J. Donohue ... she had five minutes to spare one day!!

## **IRENE KIRWAN**

The 23 year old works for the Revenue Commissioners. She captained the team this season to the historic double. A member of the Combined Universities team in 1994 and a Leinster Interprovincial in 1993 and 1994. A Dublin senior since she was 17, Irene recently had a ring inserted in her right eyebrow ... she says it comes in handy when she wants to hang up her medals.

## **DARRELLE DOLAN**

The 19 year old once captained Loreto NS to victory in a Cumann na mBunscol final in Croke Park and won a football competition the same year in Croke Park. The DIT student has represented Dublin at under 14, 16 and Junior levels. She says the highlight of her year was "winning a Match 3 prize in the club's Millennium LOTTO".

## **EIMEAR RING**

The 22 year old qualified this year as a Physiotherapist from the University of Ulster at Jordanstown, Eimear holds an Ashbourne Cup medal from 1997. A Dublin Senior panelist, Eimear is a distant relation of the great Christy Ring who never played camogie for Cork.

## **JEAN MCNAMARA**

A 20 year old Commerce student at UCD, Jean captained Loreto High School Beaufort to a league and championship double in 1996. A member of the Dublin senior panel. Is presently collecting to buy the rest of her skirt next year.

## **TRÍONA NÍ REACHTABHRA**

A student teacher at St. Patrick's College Drumcondra, the 20 year old has won six championship and seven league medals with the club. A past pupil of Scoil Treasa, Firhouse and Presentation Convent, Terenure, Tríona has represented Dublin at Under 14, 16, and Junior levels.

## **SINÉAD MCNEELA**

A trainee accountant aged 23, Sinéad has been a member of the senior panel since 1994 and featured in the Dublin Under 14 Leinster winning side of 1994. Big into politics as Leader of the All-Night Party.

## **HELENA BYRNE**

The 20 year old is an Information Technology student at the Institute of Technology, Tallaght. A past pupil of Loreto High School Beaufort where she won Senior A league and championship honours in 1997. Has lost count of how many years she's been playing for the club. I know ... the memory is the first thing that goes.

## **GEMMA BROWN**

A grand-daughter of a former Lord Mayor of Dublin, Gemma is a Business Studies student at IT, Tallaght. Gemma is a past pupil of Sancta Maria Convent. A quiet girl who likes nothing better than walking the dog ... funny never saw a two-legged dog before.

## **SARAH DOWLING**

Aged 21, Sarah is a science student in TCD and has played inter-varsity for Trinity. Another long serving member of the club. "Absolutely no scandal attached to Sarah" says a colleague. Definitely the one to watch.

## **MAEVE GAYNOR**

The 19 year old is studying social science at TCD and has won several underage honours with the club. A member of the Senior B team that reached the semi-final. Like Sarah Dowling, has yet to be contaminated by the rest of her colleagues.

## **VALERIE SMALL**

Another 19 year old, Valerie has Dublin league and championship medals from Under 12 to Intermediate levels. A College star with Loreto High School Beaufort. A sound defender, Valerie is taking lessons in devilment from Sarah Crosbie.

## **NIAMH SMITH**

The 17 year old is a student at Loreto High School Beaufort, Niamh also plays minor football for Dublin. Has a fondness for the brothers of her teammates - ask Conal or Eoghan.

## **ORLA O'LEARY**

A student based in England. The 20 year old has starred with the Senior B team and has played for the club since her underage days. Her favourite sport is shinty or should that be players.

# The Vital Statistics

## SENIOR CAMOGIE CHAMPIONSHIP 1999

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Score For</u>	<u>Score Against</u>
20 June 1999	Thomas Davis	6.12	1.0
16 July 1999	Erins Isle	2.6	0.8
22 August 1999	St. Vincent's	2.7	1.9
11 September 1999 (Leinster Club Championship)	St. Lachtain's (Freshford)	2.4	2.11

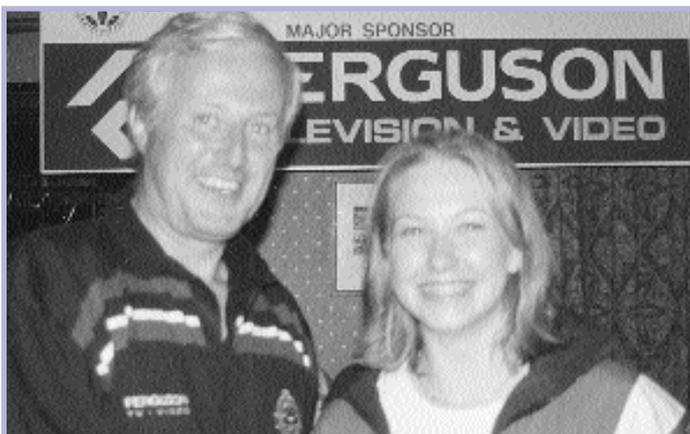
## SENIOR CAMOGIE LEAGUE DIVISION 1 1999

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Score For</u>	<u>Score Against</u>
11 March 1999	Thomas Davis	3.7	0.2
30 March 1999	Na Fianna	2.5	1.3
6 April 1999	Crumlin	2.5	1.4
13 April 1999	Erins Isle	2.1	0.3
20 April 1999	St. Vincent's	1.5	1.3
4 May 1999	Good Counsel	3.2	2.3
11 May 1999	Raheny	1.8	2.1
18 May 1999	Celtic	6.11	0.1
25 May 1999	Thomas Davis	6.6	0.2
5 July 1999	Crumlin	1.8	0.4
26 July 1999	Na Fianna	3.4	0.3
10 August 1999	Erins Isle	1.8	0.3
17 August 1999	Good Counsel	3.9	2.6
31 August 1999	St. Vincent's	2.9	3.7
5 September 1999	Raheny	9.14	1.2
19 September 1999 (League Play-Off)	St. Vincent's	1.12	2.4

Total Score For (Champ/ship and League)	58 goals 143 pts	Wides:	8 (St. Vincent's 6)
Total Score Against (Champ/ship and League)	19 goals 79 pts	Scores from play:	Ballyboden St. Endas 1.4 St. Vincent's 1.3
Average Score For	2.10	Longest period without a score:	14 mins in the first half.
Average Score Against	0.7	Longest period opposition held scoreless:	9 min in the second half.

### SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL V ST. VINCENTS

Date:	22 August 1999	Scorers:	Irene Kirwan (1.3) Eimear Ring (1.0) Jean McNamara (0.1) Sile nic Coitir (0.1) Darrelle Dolan (0.1) Fiona Ní Chorcoráin (0.1)
Venue:	Parnell Park		
First Score:	Ballyboden St. Endas 1 min. St. Vincent's 2 min.		
Final Score:	Ballyboden St. Endas 50 min St. Vincent's 43 min.		



The youngest player in the county final, Sarah Crosbie receiving the Ferguson Player of the Match award from team sponsor Ferguson Reid.



Team mentors Mairín and Tomás Ó Reachtabhra and Anne McNamara.

# The Story

# Unfolds



*The scene that says it all after Irene Kirwan's winning goal.*



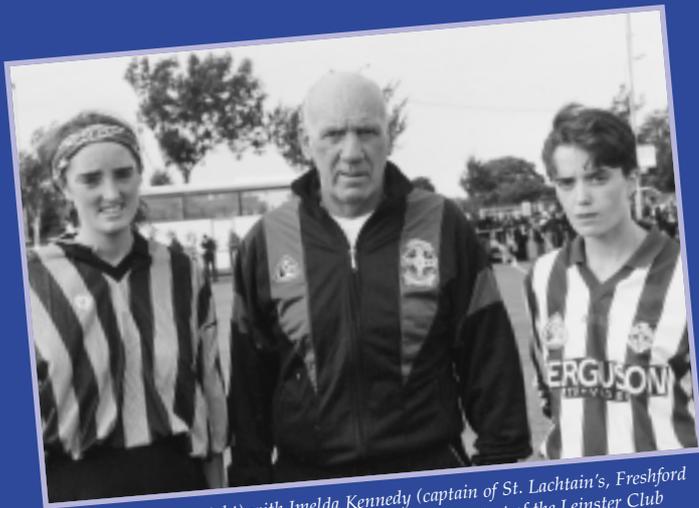
*Fiona Ní Chorcoráin says no way!!*



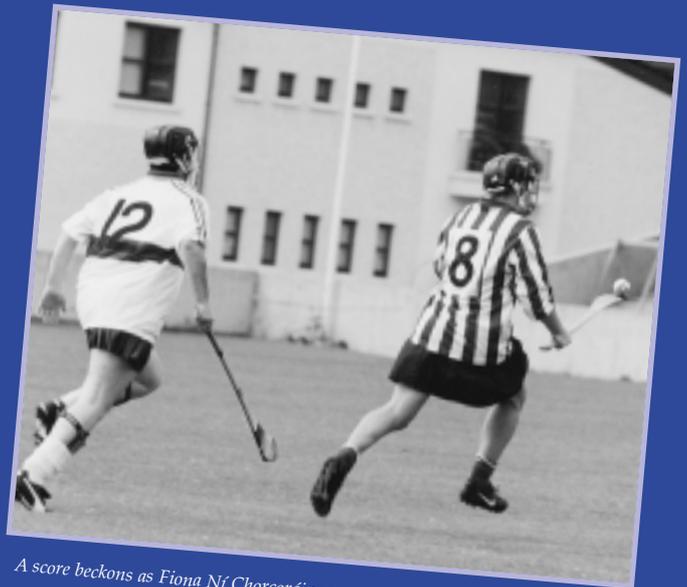
*Sarah Crosby takes a breather.*



*The clash of the ash!*



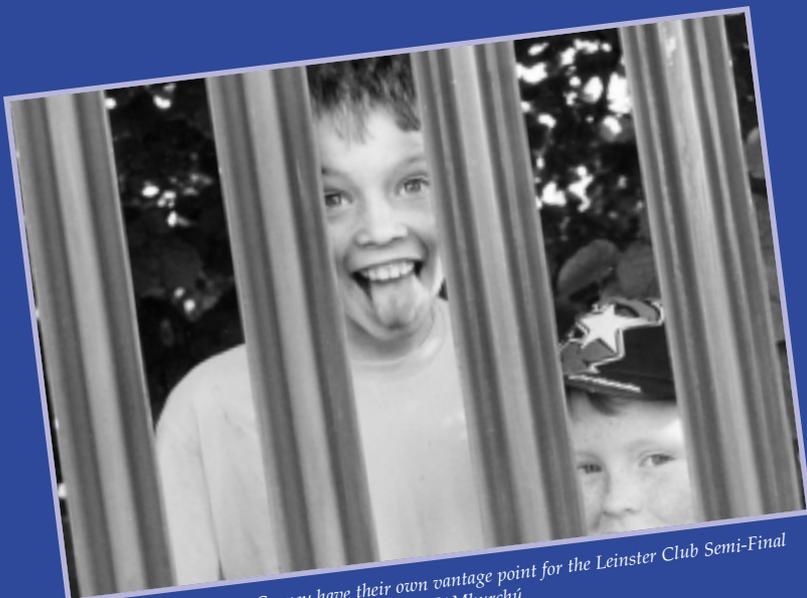
Irene Kirwan (on right) with Imelda Kennedy (captain of St. Lachtain's, Freshford team) and referee Jack O'Brien take the toss at the start of the Leinster Club Semi-Final at Páirc Uí Mhurchu.



A score beckons as Fiona Ní Chorcoráin goes on a solo run in the County Final.



Gone to the dogs... (from left): Orla Smith, Fiona N'Chorcoráin, Anne McNamara (mentor) with Jeff, Jean McNamara and Darrelle Dolan.



Sean Stack and Neil Cooney have their own vantage point for the Leinster Club Semi-Final at Páirc Uí Mhurchu.



Juvenile Camogie Mentors, Orna Lucey (under 12) and Mona O'Sullivan (under 14) enjoying the presentation ceremony.

# The Story Unfolds



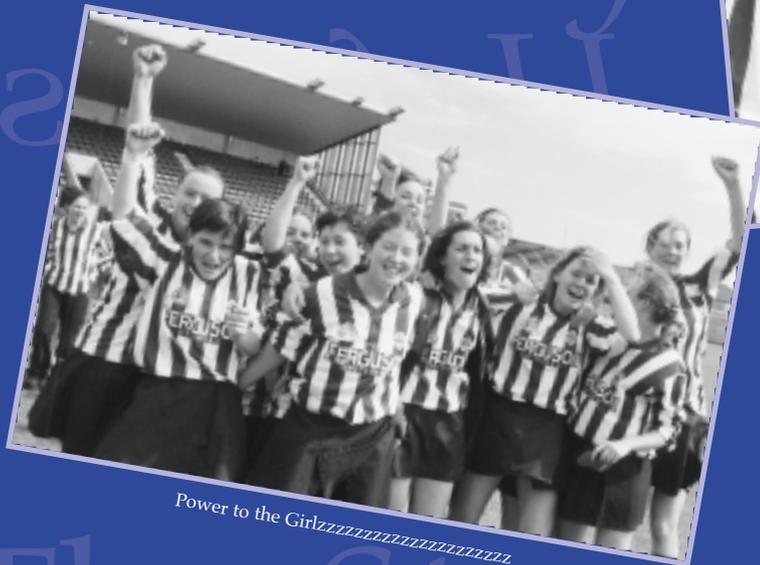
Penny for your thoughts. . . club chairman John Kirvan.



Sinéad McNeela gives team mascot Andrew Hughes a well deserved lift.



Some of the Loreto High School, Beaufort Contingent (from left): Orla Smith, Jean McNamara, Helena Byrne and school coach, Anne McNamara.



Power to the Girlz!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

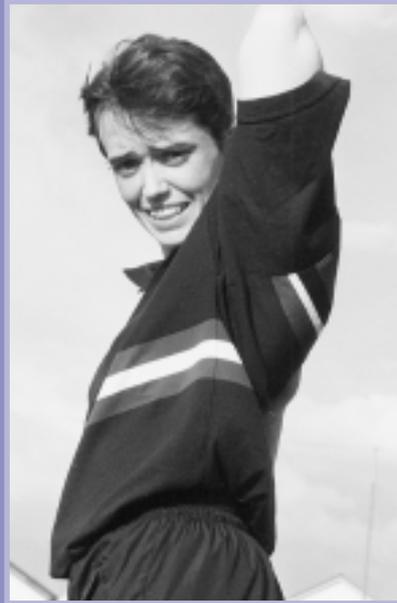


Show us the way to go home!!!!

# The Story Unfolds



*I'm warning you. . . don't come any closer. . . says star defender Ciara Blair.*



*Irene Kirwan seems to have lost something during this stretching exercise.*



*The Championship and League Cups are in the tender care of Irene Kirwan.*



*Knees up . . . Siobhán O'Dwyer (left) and Eimear Ring.*



*Ciara Conway gets down to grass roots level.*

THE LEAGUE CLASH WHERE WE WENT DOWN BY ONE POINT AGAINST ST. VINCENT'S AT PARIC UINSIONN IS REGARDED BY THOSE FORTUNATE TO WITNESS IT AS THE BEST GAME OF THE YEAR FEATURING SUPERB CAMOGIE FROM BOTH SIDES.

# CAMOGIE COMMITTEE

# 1999/ 2000

Chairperson: Donal Regan  
 Vice-chairperson: Dermot Hughes  
 Secretary: Martina Ring  
 Senior Board Delegate: Irene Kirwan  
 Eileen Tully  
 Minor Board Delegate: Orna Lucey  
 Nuala Pope  
 Referee Co-ordinator:  
 Mairín Uí Reachtabhra  
 P.R.O.: Trish Seery  
 Juvenile Camogie  
 Chairperson: Bernie Corrigan  
 Juvenile Camogie  
 Secretary: Mona O'Sullivan  
 Fixtures  
 Co-ordinator: Siobhan Hayes  
 Referee  
 Co-ordinator: Anne Scallan

# Cablelink connect with Under-13 B Camogie team



Tom Flaherty (third from right, back row) of Cablelink is seen here launching the sponsorship of the Under-13B camogie team.

In photo (back row, from left): Mairéad Dunne, Bernadette Tully (mentor), Fiona Prendergast, Marian Moriarty (mentor), Nicky Carew, Saoirse Mac Tiernan, Tom Flaherty (Cablelink), Paula Maguire (mentor), John Maher (mentor).  
 Front row (from left): Muireann Granville, Ciara Kelly, Laura Gallen, Sinéad Moriarty, Lisa Tully and Eimear Flaherty.



# AutoScreens back Intermediate Football team - (01 295 8700)



Stephen O'Driscoll of AutoScreens (fifth from left, back row) and wife Catherine, present a set of jerseys to Pat Walsh, Intermediate Football Team Manager. Also in picture (from left): Conor Hand (mentor), Phelim McCabe, Donagh O'Farrell, Paul Stafford, Jim Goodall (mentor) and Bobby O'Sullivan (mentor).  
 Kneeling: Paddy Bates and Pat Keane.

# JUVENILE COMMITTEE

# 1999/ 2000

Chairman: Paddy Walsh  
 Vice-Chairman: Richard Condron  
 Secretary: Tony Lennon  
 Assistant Secretary: Therese Keville  
 Registrar: Eamonn McKenna  
 School Liaison: Colm O'Donnell  
 Committee members:  
 Liam Carter  
 (South Dublin Football Board Delegate)  
 John Lennon  
 (Dublin Juvenile Football Board Delegate)  
 Rita Curtis  
 (10 - 12 Hurling Board Delegate)  
 Bernard Curtis  
 (13 - 15 Hurling Board Delegate)  
 Vivian Ruddy  
 Paul Carroll  
 Eugene Kenny  
 John Hayes  
 Sheila Clear

# HURLING TREBLE

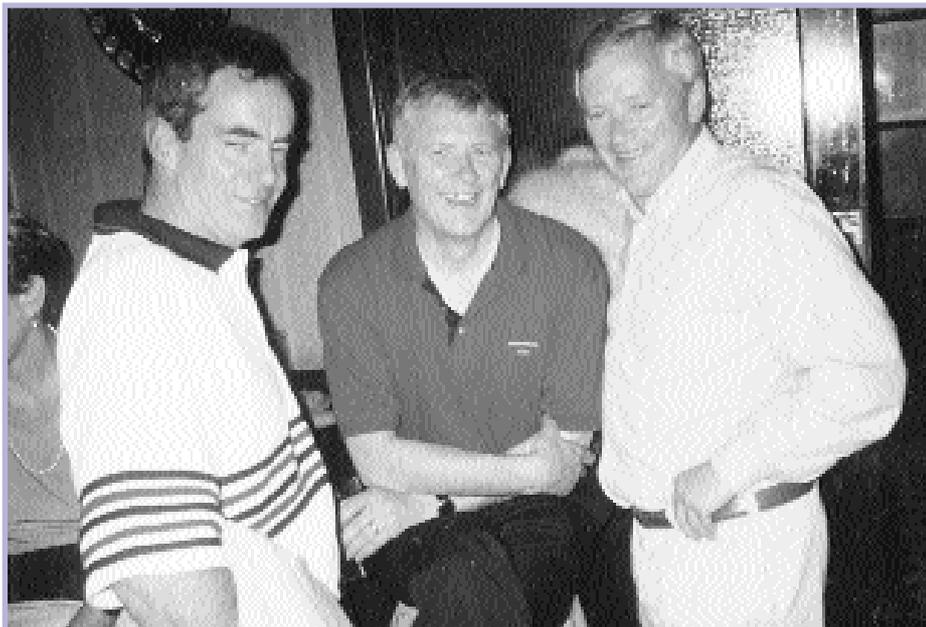
Well done to the Under-21, Under-16 and Under-15 Hurlers who won their respective championships. Full report in the next issue of *The 'Boden News* as well as detailed coverage of Ladies Football.

# MILLENNIUM LOTTO



Some of the men behind the scenes – (l-r): Donal Ryan, Vincent Harrington and Tom Mullen.

# FOOTBALL FACES



Minor Football mentors Sean Dolan (on left) and Donie Kerins (on right) get some advice from Eamonn Dolan

Answer to  
Communion  
Photo –  
Olive Reilly

Answer to  
photo of couple  
– Malachy  
and  
Catherine Daly

• *Eagarthóir*  
GEARÓID Ó SÚILLEABHÁIN

– *The 'BODENews* –  
• *Grianghrafadóirí*  
MARK MAGAHRAN  
GEARÓID Ó SÚILLEABHÁIN  
IRIS KIRWAN  
DANNY GRIFFIN

• *Dáileadh*  
TOMÁS Ó BRIAIN  
TOMMY CLINTON  
PAULA MAGUIRE  
FINTAN WALSH