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# Kilmallock Club's successful year

*1/3/80*

**THE year, 1979, was a very successful one for the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club.**

This was reported by Mr. Patrick Leahy, chairman of the club, when he welcomed the guests to the annual dinner of the club at the Old Oak Room, Kilmallock on Friday night last.

Mr. Leahy said that the club had won three South Limerick titles: senior hurling, minor hurling and juvenile. He congratulated Paddy Kelly on maintaining his place on the Limerick Senior Hurling Team. He thanked the members of the Kilmallock Club committee for the work they had done and especially the Festival Committee who had arranged a most successful festival. He congratulated the Fields Committee for the wonderful work they had done in the field, spearheaded by Michael Fitzgerald and they looked forward to the re-opening of the field on the 18th May.

Continuing, Mr. Leahy said that they had set up a Development Committee within the club to go about the work of building a club house in the field. He thanked the trainer, William O'Brien for the work he had done during the year and great credit was due to him for the success of the teams under his care.

After welcoming the life President, Mr. William Hannon and his wife, he said that they were sorry to lose Conal Kelly, who was going to Stakers and John Fitzgerald who was going to Kerry.

## SENATOR KIELY

The Chairman of the County Board, Senator Rory Kiely, said he was delighted to be present to renew old acquaintances with players against whom he had played in his hurling days. He congratulated the club on the wonderful achievements in 1979. He considered that Kilmallock would again be a force on the playing fields in the 1980s.

He congratulated the club on the wonderful development work they are doing. On the 18th May, he said, the field would be re-opened and it would be named the Fitzgerald Stadium, in memory of the late John Fitzgerald. That, he said, was only right and fitting having regard to the great work done in the field by the late John Fitzgerald.

wished them every success in all their work and especially in their development programme.

Very Rev. T. Greene, P.P., vice chairman of South Limerick G.A.A. Board, said he would like to add his congratulations to the club and all the members of the club. He was particularly pleased at the good work being done by the ladies.

He was delighted that the field was being named after John Fitzgerald and this would be a lasting memorial to one that had done so much work for the field. He also paid tribute to Mr. Fitzgerald, his son, who had taken over as secretary of the Field Committee for the work he was doing, and also the members of the Fields Committee for their work. It would be a wonderful thing to put up one's own club house.

## YOUTH

Continuing, Rev. Fr. Greene said that there was no youth organisation in the country that had as high a number of youths in their organisation as the G.A.A. and that was a great credit to the G.A.A.

Mr. James Lloyd, secretary of the club, thanked William Dunne, proprietor of the Old Oak, for the wonderful meal he had given. He thanked Bernie Savage and Tony Moloney for the work they had done for the youth. He was sorry that they had very few parents following the teams. It would be nice if parents came along to see their children playing. It was sad to see young lads on the field and nobody cheering them on.

He announced that training for youths would commence in March under Paddy Kelly, to whom he was grateful for what he was doing. There was no reason, he said, why Kilmallock should not remain in the forefront of South Limerick and County hurling for many years.

## PRESENTATIONS

Senator Kiely then presented the trophies for the South Limerick Senior and Minor Hurling championships to the members of the teams and presentations were

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## Lady Secretary at Kilmallock

The Kilmallock GAA Club has its first ever Lady Secretary.

She is Miss Catherine Leahy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Leahy, Sarsfield Street, Kilmallock, who was elected to the position at the annual Convention of the Kilmallock GAA club, held this week. *20-12-80*

Her father, Mr. M. Leahy was elected vice-chairman.

## Kilmallock

To mark the re-opening of the Kilmallock Sportsfield, after major improvements, Mr. Noel O'Sullivan, licensed vintner, Kilmallock, is presenting a large perpetual cup to the local Sportsfield Committee. The presentation will be made at the social following the opening of the field, which takes place later this month. *MAY 80*



## Kilmallock 19 Schools 7 80

D. Hanley's Team - 7-1  
C. Maguire's Team - 5-3

This final of the annual Kilmallock Primary Schools Hurling League, played at the Sportsfield, Kilmallock, was a very keenly contested game and there was little between the teams all through. In fact the losers side, who were ahead by 2-2 to 2-1 at half-time, looked set for victory midway through the second half, but D. Hanley's side fought back and got the scores that gave them a deserved victory.

The cup, donated by the Kilmallockmen's Association, was presented to D. Hanley by Mr. T. Moloney, Chairman of Kilmallock Sportsfield Committee.

Ballyhea 11/2/80  
come back

Ballyhea.....4-9  
Charleville.....3-8

After an absence of two years, Ballyhea returned to Kilmallock to take part in the annual Festival Intermediate Hurling Tournament and were rewarded by a win in the final over neighbours, Charleville, after a very closely contested game.

Charleville might very well have been in an impregnable position at half-time, if they had availed of all their first-half opportunities. Playing with the wind in this half, they had the better of the play, but there was very poor finishing by their forwards. At half-time the teams were level at 1-3 each.

Early in the second half, Charleville showed up in good light and at the three-quarter stage they were ahead by 6 points. Ballyhea, however, finished strongly and deserved their four point win.

Scorers for Ballyhea were W. Shanahan, K. McSweeney, J. Roche and H. Greensmith.

Charleville's scores were obtained by J. Lyons, J. O'Dwyer, F. Dennehy, T. Butler and K. O'Shea.

Mr. John O'Grady, Limerick, refereed.

After the game, Mr. T. Moloney, Chairman of the Kilmallock Sportsfield, presented the cup and trophies to Mr. J. Russell, Captain of the Ballyhea team.

McLaughlin, Pat Martin.



OLD CHRISTIANS 1980. THE JANESBORO-RATHBANE BOYS WON BOTH THE CITY AND COUNTY UNDER-14 FOOTBALL TITLES.

BACK ROW: Left to Right — John Power (Chairman), William McNamara, Robert McCarthy, Thomas Shinnors, Michael O'Brien, David Mulligan, Bro. G. O'Connell, Thomas Phayer, Dermot Healy, David Crowe, Anthony McMahon, Nicholas O'Gorman.

FRONT ROW: Left to Right — Gerald Lyons, Gerard Moore, John Fitzgerald, Edward O'Donovan, Anthony Byrnes, Mark Kiely, Frank Donev, Geard O'Brien. Tim Sheehan (Official). FRONT ROW: Left to Right: Anthony Kelleher, Peter Lyons, Declan

## Kilmallock 5 Festival G.A.A. 7 80

Teams from Cork and Limerick will take part in the Kilmallock G.A.A. Festival which gets under way on next Sunday, with Bruree and Dromin-Athlaca in action at 8 p.m.

There will be seven games in all during the course of the week and it will be a particularly busy time for referee, Mr. John O'Grady, who has been engaged to officiate at all matches.

Some thrilling fare is expected. Trophies, which are of the highest standard, are being sponsored by Dave Corbett's Menshop, Charleville, and H.G.F. Engineering, Kilmallock.

Limerick jeweller, J. J. Kennally, has sponsored a trophy for the Player of the Tournament.

Mr. Michael Fitzgerald, one of

the organisers, said that this annual tournament was one of the highlights of the G.A.A. calendar in East Limerick and they were thankful to all the clubs who had accepted invitations to participate.

The full programme is:

Sunday, July 6: Senior Hurling-Bruree v. Dromin-Athlaca.

Monday, July 7: Intermediate Hurling-Rathluirc v. Castletown-Ballyagran.

Tuesday, July 8: Intermediate Hurling: Ballyhea v. Fedamore.

Wednesday, July 10: Senior Hurling-Ballingarry v. Newtown Shandrum.

Friday, July 11: Intermediate Final.

Sunday, July 13: Senior Final.



# Annual Convention of Kilmallock GAA Club 27/12/80

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A number of members were then enrolled.

## OFFICERS

The following Officers and Committee were elected: Chairman, Mr. Dl. Connolly; Vice Chairman, Mr. Ml. Leahy; Secretary, Miss Catherine Leahy; Assistant Secretary, Mr. J. Lloyd; Treasurer, Mr. T. Neliigan; Assistant Treasurer, Mr. Tom Moloney;

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Mr. Jimmy Milled, a native of Kilmallock, was the driver of the C.I.E. train that took the Limerick team to Dublin for the All-Ireland Senior Hurling final. Jimmy, who is now domiciled in Limerick, was himself a well-known hurler having won County honours with his native Kilmallock.

There has been a great response

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 1980

# TES

## K/mallock

Sunday, August 10, was a red letter day in the history of the Kilmallock Sportsfield. The field was re-opened, following extensive development work, and re-named Páirc Sean MacGearailt by Munster Council chairman, Mr. Donal O'Sullivan, who said that Kilmallock was an area that was associated with the G.A.A. all down through the years and it was on record that a Kilmallock man, J. K. Bracken, was present in Thurles when the Association was reformed nearly a hundred years ago. Another well-known G.A.A. man who played with the Kilmallock club was P. D. Meighan, known as "Carberry" and he was the first person to broadcast an All Ireland final. Mr. O'Sullivan said that the 1970's had seen great development in the G.A.A. and more fields were provided in Munster in the last 10 years than in the previous decades. He paid tribute to the work done by the local club, which has, he said, a proud heritage.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. P. J. Ryan, Central Council representative and seconded by Mr. J. O'Connell, president of the Limerick County Board, both of whom paid high tribute to the late Sean Fitzgerald, who was a founder member of the Kilmallock Sportsfield Committee.

The field was blessed by Very Rev. J. Culhane, P.P., Bruff, another founder member of the Kilmallock Committee.

Others in attendance included: Sen. R. Kiely, chairman, Limerick County Board; Mr. J. Whelan, vice-chairman, do.; Mr. T. Moloney, chairman of the Sportsfield Committee; M. Fitzgerald, sec., do.; J. O'Keeffe, treasurer, do.; D. Nealon, secretary, Munster Council; T. Boland, sec., Limerick County Board; R. Haslam, County Manager; M. O'Callaghan, sec., South Limerick G.A.A.; S. O'Ceallaigh, Limerick; Very Rev. T. Greene, P.P., Ardpatrick, vice-chairman, Kilmallock Sportsfield Committee; Very Rev. M. Canon Minihan, P.P., Kilmallock; Very Rev. E. Houlihan, P.P., Effin; J. Sheehan, treasurer, South Limerick G.A.A. Board.



TURDAY, SEPTEMBER

SOUTH LIMERICK GAA

## Onesided win

Kilmallock ..... 6-9  
Knockainey ..... 0-1

Kilmallock strolled to an easy win over Knockainey in the minor football final at Bruff. Knockainey played well in the opening half and were a little unlucky to trail 2-5 to 0-1 at the break.

After the resumption it was all Kilmallock, with early goals killing any hope of a comeback by the losers.

Maurice Nelligan, Tom Mulcahy, Eddie Wiley, J. J. Riordan, John O'Sullivan and John Leahy were best for Kilmallock. Malachy Hayes, Ollie Hartigan, Willie Lynch, Chris Cooke, Donnihada Cleary and Michael O'Connell tried hard for Knockainey.

**Kilmallock:** J. Murphy, L. Tobin, J. J. Riordan, B. Salter, J. Riordan, J. O'Sullivan, M. Donegan, E. Wiley, J. J. Donegan, J. Leagy, T. Mulcahy, M. Nelligan, N. Hanly, J. Cleary, G. B. McCarthy.

**Knockainey:** N. Lynch, M. Crowe, M. O'Connell, J. Heelan, J. Ryan, M. Hayes, C. Cooke, D. Cleary, O. Hartigan, I. Lonergan, L. Skeehan, F. Byrnes, E. Russell, D. Hayes.

Referee: F. Costello (Banogoe).

At Knocklong on Sunday next, the replay of the under 21 F.C. is down for decision. In the drawn game, Kilmallock came from behind and will be better prepared for Galbally on this occasion.

Another replay will be staged at Kilmallock and this game brings Croom and na Fianna together in the S.F.C. semi-final.

At the time of writing there is a doubt about the quarter finals of the county senior hurling championship. If they do go ahead, Ballylanders and Garryspillane will meet in the J.F.C. at Kilmallock. If the senior hurling goes back to the 28th, Ballylanders will instead play Bruree in the J.F.C., at Knocklong, and Garryspillane will meet Bruree in the same competition at Kilmallock.

On this Saturday, at Bruff (3.00) the majority of the na Fianna and Garryspillane footballers will be engaged in the under 21 hurling semi-final, between Knockainey and Garryspillane.

South Limerick GAA

# Kilmallock hold out

Kilmallock 3-6, Kilfinane 2-5

Kilmallock scored a deserved but hard earned win over Kilfinane in the South minor hurling final at Bruff. This was not a great game although the second half was exciting as Kilfinane strove manfully to overhaul the leaders.

After a timid first half which was dominated by Kilmallock, the losers with able leadership supplied by Donal O'Sullivan and Eamonn O'Keeffe, came back into the game and came very near squaring the game.

Maurice Nelligan, Eddie Wiley, J. J. Riordan, Gerry Riordan, Tom Mulcahy and John McCarthy were in great form for Kilmallock. Pat McCarthy, Dona O'Sullivan, Eamonn O'Keeffe, Pat McGrath, Tony Davern, Michael Ryan starred for Kilfinane.

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**Kilfinane:** P. McCarthy, M. Farrell, M. O'Neill, J. Croker, M. Hennessy, P. McGrath, D. Hosford, M. Ryan, E. O'Keeffe, J. O'Brien, K. Fitzgerald, D. O'Sullivan, T. Davern, J. Fitzgerald, M. Hennessy. Sub., D. Quilty, J. McCarthy.

Kilmallock scorers—J. McCarthy 2-0, J. Leahy 1-0, M. Nelligan 0-4, E. Wiley 0-2.

Kilfinane scorers—D. O'Sullivan 2-2, E. O'Keeffe T. Davern K. Fitzgerald 0-1 each

The championship cup was presented to Eddie Wiley, the Kilmallock captain, by Pat Murnane, Chairman of the South Board.

Referee, L. Hogan (Camogue Rovers).

**Bruff 6-10,**

**Castletown-Ballyagran 1-1.**

Bruff and Castletown-Ballyagran served up some skilful hurling in the under 12 final at Bruree. Bruff won with something to spare, but the losers deserved more than their final tally of 1-1.

**Bruff:** D. Moran, J. Kenny, M.

Carroll, J. Purcell, M. Browne, J. Riordan, B. Meaney, B. O'Donnell, G. Donovan, J. O'Riordan, J. Kirby, S. Mcinerney, C. Garvey, D. O'Connell, T. Griffin.

**Castletown-Ballyagran:** P. Kelleher, A. Regan, B. O'Carroll, J. Cagney, T. Kelly, T. McMahon, D. Lynch, M. Brosnahan, J. Regan, S. O'Connell, L. Fitzgerald, L. Bennis, J. Mullane, B. O'Gorman, R. Connolly.

Referee, M. Gammell (Kilmallock).

**Croom 4-3, B'landers 0-1**

Croom scored a convincing win over Ballylanders in the final of the under 16 football secondary competition at Kilmallock. Kevin Kiely, Anthony Howard, Frank Moloney, Michael Murray, Liam Cregan and John Kenny were always prominent for Croom. Best for Ballylanders were Pat Sullivan, Michael Davern, Pat Hickey, Ger Fitzgerald, Liam O'Dwyer and Michael O'Brien.

**Bruree 3-7, Bruff 0-8**

Bruree led Bruff 1-6 to 0-2 at half time in the JHC at Kilmallock. After the turnover the deficit was reduced to 0-3, but a Pat O'Shea goal at the threequarter stage swung the game back in favour of Bruree.

Bruree scorers—P. O'Shea 2-0, M. Mullane 1-0, G. Mullane 0-4, F. Lynch, D. Deady, P. Potter 0-1 each.

Bruff scorers—G. Hayes 0-3, D. Kiely 0-3, J. Bulfin 0-2

**Kilfinane 3-11, Glenroe 1-7**

Hurling took a step into the dark ages at Kilmallock on Sunday, where Kilfinane defeated Glenroe, 3-11 to 1-7 in the semi-final of the junior hurling championships. Adjectives could not describe the happenings during and after the game. Referee Kevin Walshe, sidelined two Glenroe players in the second half and at one stage threatened to abandon the proceedings. On the eve of Limerick's bid for the highest honour in hurling, this was a sad afternoon for hurling in South Limerick.

## Kilmallock G.A.A. Club

Mr. Patrick Leahy, chairman, presiding at the annual convention of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club, said that the year 1979 had been a very good year. They had won three south championships. The senior hurlers had a good run and were unlucky not to reach the County Final.

The other South titles won were the Under 12 hurling and the Minor hurling. He referred to the first ever festival held by the club during the year and he thanked the festival committee for the way they had organised it, making special reference to Tony Moloney and Denis Moore. The highlight of the festival was the Tops of the Parish. It was a great success and something that should be maintained.

During the year, he said, they had set up a Development Committee for the erection of a Clubhouse. The Social Club had also had a very successful year.

He thanked Willie O'Brien for the great work he had done during the year in the training of the teams. He regretted that some of the players did not turn up for training, particularly the under 21s and the minors. It was, he said, a pity because they had the talent but they did not appear to have the interest.

He congratulated Michael Fitzgerald and the Fields Committee on the good work they were doing in the field under the guidance of Larry Tobin and his assistants.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary, Mr. Jas. Lloyd, in his report, said that they had played some 100 competitive games. In view of the number of games played and the number of players involved in all grades, it was a very good year. The under age players, once again, did the club proud. The under 12s won the South championship and these footballers were only beaten in the semi-final. The under 14 hurling and football teams were defeated in the semi-finals.

Continuing, he said, that in February they started a training programme for the under 12s and the under 14s. This was under the guidance of Tony Moloney and Bernie Savage, with able assistance, when required, from D. O'Riordan. On these occasions they had 50 to 70 boys taking part. The success of



# Death<sup>28</sup> of Mr.<sup>2</sup> 81 William Hannan

BY A SPECIAL  
CORRESPONDENT

THE death occurred suddenly at his residence of Mr. William Hannan, Sheares Street, Kilmallock, who was for almost 60 years parish clerk of Kilmallock and who was awarded the Pope's long service medal-Bene Merenti-in 1974.

He was actively concerned with the G.A.A. for more than 50 years. During the thirties, he won several South Limerick junior hurling medals, a County Limerick junior hurling medal, two South Limerick junior football medals and several other championship and tournament trophies.

He was a member of the Limerick junior hurling team that won the All Ireland title in 1935 and also played with the county senior hurling team in the thirties. He was also a very active administrator and served on the Limerick County Board G.A.A. the county appeals committee, was a senior and junior hurling selector and a member of the South board.

He was also a handballer of note, winning many competitions all over the county. Towards the end of his playing career, he became a prominent referee, taking charge of several county finals and also refereeing some inter-county matches. He served as club secretary for almost 20 years and was also chairman of the Kilmallock club for a period. He was appointed life president of the club, and he was a founder member of the Kilmallock Gaelic Grounds Committee.

He was a member of the Kilmallock group that featured on the "Going Strong", programme on T.V. with Bunny Carr.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. N. Hannan; by his son, John; his daughter-in-law, sisters, grandchildren and brother-in-law.

High tribute was paid to him at the concelebrated requiem Mass at St. Peter and Paul's Church, Kilmallock, by Very Rev. M. Canon Minihan, P.P., Kilmallock, who was the principal celebrant at the Mass. Other concelebrants were: Very Rev. E. Houlihan, P.P., Effin, and Very Rev. T. Greene, P.P., Ardpatrick (two former curates at Kilmallock), Rev. S. McCarthy, C.C., Kilmallock, and Rev. P. Bowen, C.C., do.

The funeral took place to the church grounds, and the very large attendance included many people whom he had seen baptised, confirmed and married during his long period of service to the Catholic community spanning almost 60 years.

It was a tribute to the great work he had done for the parish generally both as parish clerk and as an active member of the community.



On business at the time, he is also survived by his brothers, sisters, nephews and nieces.

Mr. Michael Clery of Wolfe Tone Street, Kilmallock, who has died at an advanced age, was prominently identified with the Irish War of Independence and his coffin was draped with the Tricolour. He was well-known in farming circles, and in his younger days, was a prominent hurler. He is survived by his sons, daughters, one of whom is Mrs. Nancy Wheeler, M.C.C., and other relatives.

10-1-81

## SENIOR HURLING:

# Kilmallock sail into final

10/10/81

BY SEAN MURPHY

KILMALLOCK .....5-8  
FEDAMORE .....1-9

**VERY HEAVY RAIN**, which fell at intervals during this county senior hurling championship semi-final at Bruff on Sunday last, did very little for the quality of the hurling, but the greater ability of Kilmallock to make use of their goal-scoring chances earned them a victory that was richly deserved on the day.

The standard of hurling never rose above the level of mediocrity, with much messy and hit-or-miss play throughout.

However, to be fair to the players on both sides, they tried hard to raise their game, but a slippery sod and a greasy ball gave very few opportunities for creative endeavour.

But the real story of this was all about the manner in which the speedy Kilmallock forwards managed time and again to slip their markers and get into good scoring positions and then apply the finishing touch with lethal precision, while at the other end of the pitch a largely ineffective Fedamore full-forward line got little change from their markers.

This was graphically illustrated in a first half that started with a distinct promise of fire

and brimstone, but gradually the tempo dropped astonishingly to almost zero.

Fedamore completely dominated the early exchanges as the drive and determination which illuminated Kilmallock's play against Cloughaun had totally disappeared.

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*18-4-81*  
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Two County Cork teams took the two valuable sets of trophies when they won the Kilmallock Festival Senior and Intermediate hurling tournaments.

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Newtown's win in the senior final came as a result of the better finishing power of their forwards. They led at half time by 2-2 to 0-4. Kilfinane showed up better in the early part of the second half, but Newtown's experience was more than they could handle.

In the intermediate final, matters were pretty evenly distributed in the first half, at the end of which Castletown-Ballyagran were ahead by 2-4 to 1-5. Five minutes into the second half, Charleville had taken the lead and then took complete control, confining Castletown to only one point in this half.

Referee of both games, Mr. J. O'Grady, Limerick.

The trophies for both tournaments, which were sponsored by HGF Engineering, were presented to the winners by Mr. T. Moloney, Chairman of the Kilmallock Gaelic Grounds Committee. The Captain of the Newtown team was John Buckley and the captain of the Charleville team was Paul O'Shea.



Ray Maloney and team, who officiated at the South J.F. final at Knocklong. *17-10-81*



Miss Catherine Leahy, secretary of the Kilmallock GAA Club, making a presentation to Supt. Kerins of the Garda Síochána for £500 which was the proceeds of a dance run by the Kilmallock club to raise money for the Seamus Quaid Benevolent Fund. The Kilmallock club has been nominated for the A.I.B. Club of the Year award scheme. *18/4/81*

*8/4/81*  
SHANAHAN—At Nunraw Abbey, Haddington, East Lothian, Scotland, Fr. John, O.C.R. (born Ballyvrita, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick. in 1900, entered Roscrea Abbey in 1919), founding member and many years Guest Master, died Wednesday, 8th April, 1981, after a long illness. Requiem Mass at 11 a.m. on Friday, 10th April, in the Abbey Church, Nunraw, followed by funeral in the Abbey Cemetery to which all friends are welcome. R.I.P.

*one of the most sincere Gais  
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# Kilmallock sail into final

10.10.81

BY SEAN MURPHY

KILMALLOCK.....5-8  
FEDAMORE.....1-9

**VERY HEAVY RAIN, which fell at intervals during this county senior hurling championship semi-final at Bruff on Sunday last, did very little for the quality of the hurling, but the greater ability of Kilmallock to make use of their goal-scoring chances earned them a victory that was richly deserved on the day.**

The standard of hurling never rose above the level of mediocrity, with much messy and hit-or-miss play throughout.

However, to be fair to the players on both sides, they tried hard to raise their game, but a slippery sod and a greasy ball gave very few opportunities for creative endeavour.

But the real story of this was all about the manner in which the speedy Kilmallock forwards managed time and again to slip their markers and get into good scoring positions and then apply the finishing touch with lethal precision, while at the other end of the pitch a largely ineffective Fedamore full-forward line got little change from their markers.

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The Kilmallock team who scored a surprise win over Cloughaun in the senior hurling championship. 19-9-81

LIMERICK LEADER. SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1981



Kilmallock, who were defeated by Bruff in the South Feile na nGael final.





Members of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club and Community Council, committee at the festival conference at Bulgaden Castle lounge recently, (from left, front row) Tom Nelligan, John Cronin, Bob Mulqueen, Edward Mulcahy, Dave Riordan, and Mossie Dowling, (back row, from left) Mick Leahy, Tim Donovan, Sean Burchell, Paddy Randall, John Brazil, Ned Fitzgerald, Tim Bohan, and Sean Moloney.

## Kilmallock field to open

The long-awaited re-opening of Paire Sheain Mhic Gearailt, Kilmallock, will take place within the next two weeks.

A very successful programme of improvements have been carried out, the major one being the complete stripping of the pitch's surface and laying of intensive drainage scheme, planned by Mr. Joseph Walsh, engineer, and also the perfect levelling and re-surfacing of the pitch.

This work was done last August and September by Mr. Seamus Fitzgerald, drainage contractor, Bruree.

Last March the pitch was sub-soiled, cultivated and re-seeded and has now produced a beautiful lush green sod which should soon be as good as the old sod.

The grounds committee has also almost completed the installation of hot showers in the dressing rooms. A final tidy up job will be carried out during the next week and all systems will be go then for the rest of the season.

Spectators coming to matches in future will also find an additional major improvement in parking facilities with the opening shortly of the link road around the grounds.

The major improvements within the grounds have put a heavy burden on the coffers of the Grounds Committee with the cost coming to something near the £10,000 mark.

The annual festival tournament sponsored by E. & J. Cronin Construction, Kilmallock, will take place as usual this year, starting on July 16.

## Kilmallock tops

Kilmallock	1-5
Knockaney	0-3

Kilmallock won the South Limerick Junior Football title at Bruff when they defeated Knockaney in the final in a very keenly contested game at the end of which Knockaney hardly deserved to be five points behind.

Kilmallock, with wind advantage, got off to a very good start with an early goal followed by a point. Knockaney replied with two points and the game was more than 20 minutes old before Kilmallock scored again. They then had two points and led at half time by 1-3 to 0-2. For some time in the second half Knockaney bombarded the Kilmallock goalmouth, but the Kilmallock defence held well and Knockaney could only show one point for their efforts. In the closing quarter, Kilmallock came back into the game and had two points. Knockaney were still fighting valiantly but this Kilmallock team were determined to take the title and they held on grimly to the end.

### SCORERS

Kilmallock—M. Nelligan (1-1), S. O'Grady (0-2), T. J. Moloney and G. O'Brien (0-1 each).

Knockaney—G. Barron (0-2), and J. Quinlan (0-1).

Referee: Mr. Sean Burke, Garrysillane.

### TEAMS

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Knockaney—L. Cooke, C. Cooke, G. Whelan, D. O'Mahoney, D. Cleary, M. Walsh, P. O'Grady, J. O'Grady, O. Hartigan, M. Cahill, J. Quinlan, G. Barron, L. Sheahan, D. O'Meara, J. Burns, Subs.: E. Russell (for L. Sheahan) and L. Sheahan for J. Burns.

At the conclusion of the game, Mr. P. Murnane, chairman of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board, presented the cup to T. J. Moloney, captain of the Kilmallock team.

A Press conference, sponsored by Murphy's Brewery, was held last week at Bulgaden Castle Lounge, to announce details of the forthcoming GAA festival.

The function was presided over by Mr. M. Leahy, chairman of the Kilmallock GAA Club who welcomed the candidates for the mayoral election; the queen candidates, the outgoing mayor, Wm. Mulcahy; Vincent Giltenan, regional manager of Murphy's Brewery. He said that this is the fourth festival and he thanked the people who had co-operated with them in regard to the festival. He also thanked the sponsors for their support. He thanked the festival committee and the secretary, Teresa Moloney. He then thanked Sean Brasil and his team for their work in regard to the pub quiz. He thanked the people from the Press, Martin Ryan, Dermot Lynch and Jim Moloney. He thanked Murphys for coming up with their sponsorship and their local representative John Donegan and said that they would do their best to support them. He thanked Conal Kelly and his wife for the use of their lounge for the reception.

The following are the candidates for the mayoral election: Jim Cleary, Edmond Fitzgerald, Seamus Moloney, Ned Mulcahy, Wm. Mulcahy (outgoing) and Peter O'Donoghue.

The candidates selected for the queen of the festival competition so far are: Helen Mooney, Coach Inn, Kilcormán; Patricia McGrath, Golden Thatch; Siobhan Sheedy, Old Oak, Kilmallock; Eileen Lynch, Ashford Tavern; Eileen Fitzgerald, Sportsman's Arms, Ballyhea; Bernadette Duhig, Horse Shoe Inn, Knocklong; Aine Bourke, Bulgaden Castle; Mary O'Keeffe, Kilmallock Vintners; Anne Bluett, Kilmallock Vintners.

The following auctioneers in the Kilmallock district were granted renewal of Auctioneers licences at Kilmallock Court on Friday last: James Barry, Ballytigue; Gabriel T. Clery, Kilmallock; Denis Brennan, Kilmallock; Golden Vale Co-Operative Mart, Kilmallock, and Henry Williams, Kilmallock.

The death has occurred of Mr. Joseph Sheedy, Abbeyfarm, Kilmallock, at the age of 80 years. He was a well-known and popular figure in the district. He was for many years employed with the Limerick County Council. He is survived by his widow, sons, daughters, brother, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law and grandchildren.



# Reunion celebration at Kilmallock

6/3/82

THE ANNUAL reunion dinner of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club this year was a special occasion in that it honoured the men of the senior hurling team that won Kilmallock's first ever Limerick senior hurling title in 1960.

It was a 21st anniversary celebration and it was held at the Golden Thatch, Emly, on Saturday night, when Very Rev. J. Canon Culhane, P.P., Bruff, a former chairman of the Kilmallock club, presented trophies to the surviving members of the victorious 1961 team. The team was: Tom O'Donnell (capt.), Tom Hanley, John Cotter, Ml. Heffernan, Noel Flynn, Jackie O'Sullivan, Jimmy Millea, Ml. Heelan, Denis McCarthy, Paddy O'Grady, Jimmy O'Grady, Charles O'Grady, Paddy Wall, T. J. Hanley, Joe Naughton, Joe Brazill, John Heelan, Pat O'Sullivan, Vincent Cusack (now deceased), Jimmy Murphy (deceased) and Pat Fitzgerald (deceased).

He also made a presentation to William O'Brien, the trainer of that team.

Canon Culhane himself was made a presentation by Mr. William Mulcahy, Festival "Mayor" of Kilmallock.

In an address to the very large gathering, Canon Culhane said that he was glad to be present on "this very special occasion." It had given him the opportunity of meeting a lot of old friends. Unfortunately, some of the old friends were not there and they should not forget them and should pray for the repose of their souls. He was particularly glad to have the opportunity of meeting the members of the 1960 team. They were, he said, a great team, dedicated to the game and attentive to training and gave of their best. There was a great team spirit amongst those players and he had very happy memories of his association with them.

That championship win, he said, was the beginning of a number of similar victories for the team and for the club and Kilmallock were in hard luck not to win the championship again last year. He was particularly pleased that the club had set up a committee a few years ago to prepare a history of the G.A.A. in Kilmallock. This was very well done and was a record that would become more valuable as time went on.

He also congratulated them on

the further improvements and development that was being carried out in the sportsfield in Kilmallock. This, he said, is a very fine sportsfield and he was very glad to see Michael Fitzgerald continuing the good work begun by his father.

It was a very happy thought to have this function to honour the 1960 team. He knew that the club would continue the good work they are doing for the G.A.A.

## MEDALS

Mr. James Hickey, chairman of the Limerick County Board, presented the members of the 1981 senior hurling team with the runners-up medals, and the members of the team were: T. J. Moloney, Liam Tobin, Sean Burdill, Jimmy O'Keefe, Pat Lynch, Francis Lynch, Ml. Carroll, Donal Barry, Paddy Kelly (capt.), Raymond Breen, Tony Moloney, Mce. Nelligan, Oliver Cussen, Thos. O'Riordan, David O'Riordan, Dan Connolly, Ml. Maguire, Bernie Savage, P. J. Moore, Thos. Moore, P. J. Lake, Eddie Wiley, John Leahy, John Keane, Pat O'Riordan, Mossie Dowling, Denis Crowley and Pako Quirke.

In the course of his address, Mr. Hickey said that on behalf of the County Board he congratulated Kilmallock on another successful year. He thanked them for the great work they were doing on behalf of the youth. He made particular mention of the fine displays of Kilmallock and South Liberties in the drawn senior hurling final and the replay, and this, he said, was a fitting climax to the year on the playing fields. He wished the club every success in the future.

Mr. Pat Murnane, chairman of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board, said that he endorsed everything that had already been said. He complimented the officers and players who represented Kilmallock in 1981. With the present committee in charge, he said, the G.A.A. in Kilmallock was in a very sound position. He congratulated all the players who represented the club - they were a credit to themselves, to the club and to all in South Limerick. Tonight, he said, "is a memorable occasion in the life of the Kilmallock club."

## WELCOMED

Mr. Michael Leahy, chairman of the club, who presided, welcomed the large gathering. He said that while 1981 was a milestone in the history of the club, they were going back to 1960 when the team

brought the first county senior hurling championship to Kilmallock and they decided to honour the members of that team with suitable mementoes.

Mr. Leahy paid tribute to Mr. Gerard Houlihan, who had provided a field for training last year while the Kilmallock Sportsfield was being levelled and, on behalf of the club, he made presentations to Mr. Houlihan and Mrs. Houlihan.

He also thanked the Mulhall family and staff for the fine meal.

Mr. Leahy went on to say that during the Mayor election last year the counting of votes was done by Mr. Pat O'Dea of Messrs Downey, Accountants, and he would not take any fee. In appreciation of his work, they had decided to make him a presentation.

Miss Marie Blewitt, Festival Queen, then made the presentation to Mr. O'Dea.

After dinner, there was an enjoyable evening dancing, the music for which was supplied by Irish Mist.

Kilmallock, defeated by Bruff in the South Feile na nGael final.

8-5-82





# £60 to run Kilmallock club

The high expenses involved in the running of a G.A.A. Club, particularly a hurling club, were the subjects of much discussion at the annual convention of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club held recently.

The treasurer, Mr. T. Nelligan, in his report, stated that hurleys cost almost £1,200 and sliothars cost £228 and were it not for the contributions they had received from the Festival Committee, from the Mayoral election and the A.I.B. Club award, they would have been in difficulty.

He went on to say it would cost at least £3,000 to function this year and that was a very hefty figure—about £60 a week. It meant that the social arm of the club would have to work harder to provide funds.

The chairman, Mr. M. Leahy, in his address, said that it had not been the most successful year the club had, but it was successful enough in that they took part in all competitions, except one—the senior football championship. The committee was very active during the year and the Festival Committee and made special mention of paid tribute to the Ladies Committee and made special mention of Mr. Gerard Houlihan for the use of his field for training when the sportsfield was not available. He thanked T. Moloney, the Press representative, the Garda Síochána and all who helped in any way during the year. He paid tribute to the senior hurlers who provided great entertainment and enjoyment during the year and who, he said, went down by a very small margin to South Liberties in the replay of the County Final.

In her report, the secretary, Miss Catherine Leahy, who did not seek re-election, gave an account of the competitive side of the club. She also thanked the ladies committee, Edmund Fitzgerald and all who contributed to the collection and sponsorship. She congratulated Paddy Kelly and Davy O'Riordan on getting on the Limerick Senior Hurling team. They had held a dance for the late Seamus Quaid as a result of which they contributed £500 to the fund which was much appreciated. She thanked everybody who helped during the year.

Mr. James Lloyd gave a full report on the activities of the under age teams during the past year. They started on a high note by

winning their way to the final of Feile na nGael in which they were beaten by a goal by Bruff. He paid tribute to the members of the teams for the manner in which they trained. He thanked all who helped during the year, the selectors and those who provided transport for the teams during the year.

## Dangerous

Mr. Sean Naughton referred to the minor hurling evening match at Knocklong in which Kilmallock were involved and said it was disgraceful that the referee allowed this match to be played in failing light. The public lighting in Knocklong was on that night before the match finished and some players were injured.

Mr. Lloyd said that they came off the field at Knocklong at 18 minutes past 10 in total darkness. Three of their players had to receive medical treatment after the match and one of them had a broken knee cap.

Mr. J. Brazil said that it was the referee that was responsible for the late start of the game. Both teams were on the field waiting for him.

## Officers

A large number of members enrolled and the following officers were elected:

Life President, Mr. T. O'Connor; president, Mr. Thos. Moloney; chairman, Mr. M. Leahy; vice chairman, Mr. John Brazill; secretary, Mr. Edmund Fitzgerald; assistant secretaries, Messrs. Jas. Lloyd and David O'Riordan; treasurer, Mr. T. Nelligan.

Committee: Messrs. P. Leahy, B. Mulqueen, S. Burchill, John Cronin, Tony Moloney and Moss Dowling.

The committee were given power to co-opt four members.

It was stated that anybody who did not turn up to three consecutive meetings of the committee, without valid excuse, should be removed from the committee.

## Affiliations

It was decided to affiliate teams in the following: Hurling, senior, junior, minor, under 21, juvenile, under 14 and under 12.

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## Kilmallock parish league

Team A ..... 2-8  
Team C ..... 1-4

Team A won the under 16 parish hurling league, held in conjunction with Kilmallock festival, defeating Team C in the final by 2-8 to 1-4. Team A led at half time by 1-2 to 0-3 and in the second half got the upper hand.

Mr. T. Moloney, president of the Kilmallock GAA Club, presented the T. Neligan Cup to Con Maguire, captain of Team A.

Referee was Ray Moloney and his son, Raymond Junior, was one of his linesmen.

## TEAM

Team A – C. Maguire, D. Hanley, T. Hennessy, P. Tobin, J. Moloney, J. Savage, D. Clarke, J. Connery, W. Moloney, G. Houlihan, J. Doherty, M. Cronin, T. O'Keefe, M. Houlihan and S. Costello.

Team C – R. O'Riordan, M. Moloney, S. Gammell, B. Hanley, D. Wiley, M. Gammell, G. Ryan, A. Gammell, M. Gubbins, P. J. Mulcahy, J. Mulcahy, P. Hefferman, T. Nelligan, P. Barrett and T. J. Carroll.

Raymond Moloney, Kilmallock, who will be in charge of the Munster senior football final at Killarney on Sunday next.





28.11.82

Three Limerick players are included in the Top Ten of leading Inter County Hurling scorers with Paddy Kelly leading the list twenty three points in front of his nearest rival, another Shannonsider is Ollie O'Connor. The third Limerickman, Donal Murray is top goal scorer of the period. The table reads:

	G	P	G	Pts
1. P. Kelly, Limerick	3	44	7	53
2. O. O'Connor, Limerick	5	15	7	30
3. T. Nolan, Kerry	4	16	7	28
4. T. Casey, Waterford	1	22	5	25
5. P.J. Molloy, Galway	2	18	5	24
6. S. Kinsella, Wexford	2	17	4	23
7. G. McNerney, Clare	2	17	6	23
8. B. Fitzpatrick, Kilkenny	2	16	4	22
9. D. Murray, Limerick	6	4	7	22
10. J. Greene, Waterford	5	5	5	20

In the final of Kilmallock senior hurling tournament held in Kilmallock last Sunday night, Bruree were very lucky to hold on for a point win over Kilmallock.

7.8.82

## South Limerick G.A.A.

# Kilmallock out to reverse cup final result

18/9/82

One month ago Ardpark swamped Effin in the South Junior Hurling Cup final and on Sunday next, both sides make a return journey to Kilmallock (1.30) and do battle for the championship crown.

If the form of the cup final is the yardstick to judge and forecast next Sunday's decider, then the championship is already resting in Ardpark. The teams need only go through the formalities and trimmings before the bonfires are lit on the hills around Kilfinane.

Like a day in politics, a month in hurling can be a long time. As far as Effin are concerned, it has given them breathing space to reflect on their terrible performance in the cup final. They can have no doubts about the task confronting them and must be fully aware of the effort needed to restore prestige.

Kilfinane are the holders of the championship and by local consent the club in 1982 is affiliated as Ardpark. In other words, it's the same set of players and mentors who are defending the title - only the name of the club has been changed.

Ardpark will line out as favourites to win. Hurling can be as unpredictable as our weather and Mick Fox and his charges have learned this lesson in the past. They will not make the mistake of taking Effin for granted.

In the semi-finals both sides had narrow wins.

Effin, after a slow start, gained the verdict over Hospital-Herbertstown. The latter squandered at least four opportunities of scores in the closing stages and should at least have drawn.

In the end, Effin survived and they deserve credit for lifting their game following the cup final debacle seven days previously.

Ardpark were firm favourites to overcome Glenroe in the second semi. This they did in a thrilling encounter, but how they had to fight to gain a final spot. Glenroe led at the threequarter stage, backed by a strong wind. Ardpark mustered up all their experience and skill to pip gallant Glenroe in a game that will be spoken of for many a day.

The Kilmallock supremo, Bernie Savage, is the current trainer of Effin, therefore we can expect Effin to be fit and ready. They are dour championship campaigners and in recent years they have yet to be beaten by a reasonably big margin.

Mick Fox is the man behind Ardpark. He has demonstrated his ability to prepare a team and with the talent at his disposal, he has knitted together a junior team of exceptional merit.

As well as providing a game worth seeing, the clash of some individual stars makes this decider even more appealing.

The end results of the battle of the stars could well decide the destination of the championship. The centre backs and centre forwards are glaring examples of the importance of these key positions to both sides.

Jack McCarthy will man the number six berth for Ardpark. His opposite number will be Liam Ryan.

Liam McCarthy is the big name in the Effin defence and he faces a formidable opponent in John McCarthy. The afore mentioned as well as manning key positions, can turn a game about with one stroke of a ball. Supremacy in these departments is vital.

Eddie McGrath, Donal Sullivan, Liam Walsh (Ardpark) and Matt

Rea, Jack Rea, Jim Moloney (Effin) are among others whom both sides will be looking to for support and leadership.

## UNDER 21

Bruff and Kilmallock meet in the Under 21 hurling final replay at Bruff on Sunday evening. This game is scheduled for 6 p.m. and promises to be another great game.

The drawn game was an absolute thriller and if a repeat could be guaranteed, a record crowd would surely turn up for an under 21 decider.

## 4.7.82 MEET THE REF

KILMALLOCK butcher Ray Moloney will have his biggest moment when he takes charge of today's Munster final. Though he has been in charge of the whistle for a dozen year, this will be his first major assignment other than provincial minor and under-21 finals. In fact, Ray has taken charge of only one Limerick county final - and that was in the minor grade. The Munster Council seem to have high regard for Limerick referees as this is the sixth appointment to have gone the county's way in the last eight years.

Kilmallock <sup>2</sup>/<sub>10</sub> 82  
tops

Kilmallock ..... 1-5  
Knockaney ..... 0-3

Kilmallock won the South Limerick Junior Football title at Bruff when they defeated Knockaney in the final in a very keenly contested game at the end of which Knockaney hardly deserved to be five points behind.

Kilmallock, with wind advantage, got off to a very good start with an early goal followed by a point. Knockaney replied with two points and the game was more than 20 minutes old before Kilmallock scored again. They then had two points and led at half time by 1-3 to 0-2. For some time in the second half Knockaney bombarded the Kilmallock goalmouth, but the Kilmallock defence held well and Knockaney could only show one point for their efforts. In the closing quarter, Kilmallock came back into the game and had two points. Knockaney were still fighting valiantly but this Kilmallock team were determined to take the title and they held on grimly to the end.

## SCORERS

Kilmallock-M. Nelligan (1-1), S. O'Grady (0-2), T. J. Moloney and G. O'Brien (0-1 each).

Knockaney-G. Barron (0-2), and J. Quinlan (0-1).

Referee: Mr. Sean Burke, Gar-rispyllane.

## TEAMS

Kilmallock-J. J. Murphy, P. Moloney, M. Brazil, M. Leahy, S. Burchill, S. O'Grady, L. Tobin, E. Wiley and P. Kelly, D. Barry, T. Moore, M. Nelligan, G. O'Brien, T. J. Moloney, G. Moloney, Subs.: D. O'Riordan (for G. Moloney) and D. Hayes (for P. Kelly).

Knockaney-L. Cooke, C. Cooke, G. Whelan, D. O'Mahoney, D. Cleary, M. Walsh, P. O'Grady, J. O'Grady, O. Hartigan, M. Cahill, J. Quinlan, G. Barron, L. Sheahan, D. O'Meara, J. Burns, Subs.: E. Russell (for L. Sheahan) and L. Sheahan for J. Burns.

At the conclusion of the game, Mr. P. Murnane, chairman of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board, presented the cup to T. J. Moloney, captain of the Kilmal-



Raymond Moloney, Kilmallock, who will be in charge of the Munster senior football final at Killarney on Sunday next.

31-7-82



## Narrow win

Rathluirc 1-0, 23/10/82  
Kilmallock 0-1.

Rathluirc had a close win over Kilmallock last Wednesday in the South Limerick primary schools league. In the early stages of the first half Kilmallock scored a point.

Rathluirc opened the second half in fine style and within fifteen minutes Paul Moffatt scored a goal. The backs cleared every ball that came to them. The Kilmallock's goalie was outstanding so the forwards had a tough time scoring their only goal. Rathluirc's defence was superbly led by Aidan Healy, capt., at centre back. Rathluirc was best served by David Keating, Aidan Healy, capt., Paul Moffatt and Ray O'Connor.

Team: T. O'Grady, S. Kennedy, P. O'Connell, D. Sheridan, N. Healy, D. Fenton, D. Keating, M. Walsh, R. Dinneen, P. O'Leary, T. O'Halloran, J. Hartigan, R. O'Connor, P. Moffatt.

## Kilmallock 31 parish league 2

Team A ..... 2-8  
Team C ..... 1-4

Team A won the under 16 parish hurling league, held in conjunction with Kilmallock festival, defeating Team C in the final by 2-8 to 1-4.

Team A led at half time by 1-2 to 0-3 and in the second half got the upper hand.

Mr. T. Moloney, president of the Kilmallock GAA Club, presented the T. Neligan Cup to Con Maguire, captain of Team A.

Referee was Ray Moloney and his son, Raymond Junior, was one of his linesmen.

### TEAM

Team A - C. Maguire, D. Hanley, T. Hennessy, P. Tobin, J. Moloney, J. Savage, D. Clarke, J. Connery, W. Moloney, G. Houlihan, J. Doherty, M. Cronin, T. O'Keeffe, M. Houlihan and S. Costello.

Team C - R. O'Riordan, M. Moloney, S. Gammell, B. Hanley, D. Wiley, M. Gammell, G. Ryan, A. Gammell, M. Gubbins, P. J. Mulcahy, J. Mulcahy, P. Hefferman, T. Neligan, P. Barrett and T. J. Carroll.



# THE LATE EDMOND FITZGERALD

11-10-83  
Kilmallock  
THE UNEXPECTED DEATH OF NED FITZGERALD SHEARES ST. WHICH OCCURRED LAST WEEK-END CAUSED WIDESPREAD REGRET IN THE PARISH AND SURROUNDING AREAS. HE WAS EMPLOYED BY ACOT IN KILMALLOCK AS SENIOR AGRICULTURAL ADVISOR FOR LIMERICK COUNTY. A MOST POPULAR AND WILLING FIGURE, HE WAS A NATIVE OF CASTLEBAR.



Ned's love for Gaelic Games was evident at an early age when he represented Mayo Minor Team as a player that reached the All-Ireland Final in the mid-thirties. Being transferred to Kilmallock in 1952 he got immediately involved in the local G.A.A. scene and was for a number of years secretary of Kilmallock Club. He was also registry of the South Board for a term and was a selector for the County Senior Hurling team for a period. Ned was a member of Kilmallock Community Council up to the time of his death and proved to be a most reliable and efficient member and carried out any duties

placed upon him in an admirable manner. Indeed, anything we would write about Ned Fitzgerald would not do sufficient justice to this man, who has served more than his share to the community in a most obliging and unselfish fashion. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Helena Fitzgerald, Sheares st. his daughter Mrs Kathleen Walshe and son John Fitzgerald, Lerrig, Co. Kerry. Also his mother who is in America, and three brothers and five sisters. Our deepest sympathy to all his relatives. Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.

## New look Pairc Mhic Gearailt

Pairc Sheain Mhic Gearailt, Kilmallock, is making a further effort to become one of the top county grounds in the country. Over the past three years the grounds committee have carried out an almost total re-vamping of the grounds. The work completed includes new terracing, side line seating, complete new fencing of pitch, enlarging of pitch area, erection of new covered scoreboard, new toilets and hot showers.

Last year the pitch had a complete new drainage scheme laid, and it was also resurfaced completely level.

## K'mallock

Two of Limerick's oldest inhabitants have passed away in the persons of Mr. Thomas O'Connor, Sheares Street, Kilmallock and Mr. John Hayes of Emmett Street, both of whom were over 90 years of age. The late Mr. O'Connor was for many years a member of the Kilmallock Post Office staff. He was a lifelong supporter of the G.A.A. and was president of the Kilmallock Club. In his younger days he was a notable footballer and captained the Kilmallock team that won Kilmallock's thir county senior football title. He was the last surviving member of that team. He was also a well-known angler and prominently identified with the Kilmallock and District Angling Association. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and relatives.

## Successful year for Kilmallock

31/12/83  
winning combination for the centenary year. He congratulated Paddy Kelly on his great achievement on being the top scorer in the 82/83 National Hurling League. He paid tribute to Ned Fitzgerald, Tommy O'Connor, Tom O'Donnell and Mrs. Mary McNamara. The treasurer's report was given by Mr. B. Savage, who said that it was costing £4,000 per year to run the club.

### ELECTED

Chairman, Mr. C. O'Donnell; vice-chairman, Mr. P. Leahy; secretary, Mr. Tony Moloney; assistant secretary, Mrs. Teresa Moloney; treasurer, Mr. B. Savage; assistant treasurer, Mr. T. Hennessy; president, Mr. Tom Moloney; life president, Mr. John Moore.

Committee: Messrs. J. Lloyd, M. Moloney, T. Kennedy, M. Keane and M. Barrett.

Selectors: S.H., and under 21 hurling, M. Leahy, Tom Hanley and Dominic Hayes. Novice hurling: B. Savage, M. Flaherty and S. Burchill. Junior and under 21 football: T. Kennedy, B. Savage and D. Conway.

ADDRESSING the annual convention of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club, the chairman, Mr. Cal O'Donnell, said that the past year was a successful one. The senior hurlers had bowed out of the championship at the quarter-final stage, when they were defeated by Patrickswell, the eventual county winners.

He thanked all those who had helped in the successful running of the club, the sponsors, fellow officers, club committee, selectors and those who made cars available. During the year they had played 96 games in all grades. He paid tribute to two members who had died during the year - Ned Fitzgerald and Thomas O'Connor.

The secretary, Mr. Tony Moloney, gave a very comprehensive report on the activities on and off the field during the year. The senior hurling team, unlucky to be beaten in the quarter-final, had won three important tournaments - Brurea, Charleville and Ballyragan. With a little more effort and commitment, he said, there was the making of a



The death occurred suddenly last week at his residence of Mr. Edward Fitzgerald, B.Agr. Sc., Sheares Street, Kilmallock. Mr. Fitzgerald, who was in his early sixties, was a well-known agricultural adviser. He was a native of County Mayo.

He came to Kilmallock more than 30 years ago and took a keen interest in local affairs, and was a member of the Kilmallock Community Council. He was a life-long supporter of the G.A.A. and held many official positions in the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club. He was registrar of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board and a prominent member of the Limerick County Board of the G.A.A.

When his remains were removed to St. Peter and Paul's Church, Kilmallock, members of the local G.A.A. club and the community council formed a guard of honour and members of the Kilmallock G.A.A. club acted as pall bearers. In the church, Very Rev. D. Canon Wall, P.P., who received the remains, paid tribute to the late Mr. Fitzgerald and to his great work in the local community.

He is survived by his widow, his son, John, who is also well-known in G.A.A. circles; his daughter, Kathleen; his mother, son-in-law, daughter-in-law and grand children.

The Kilmallock under 14 hurlers won the South Limerick final during the week and thus added the hurling title to the under 14 football title which they had already won. County hurler, Paddy Kelly, was actively involved in the training of these successful youngsters.

The death occurred last week of Mr. James Cronin, Millmount, Kilmallock. The late Mr. Cronin, who was in his seventies, was a lifelong supporter of the G.A.A. and played football in his younger days. He also served in the army during the Emergency of the Second World War. He is survived by his widow, sons and daughters. The deceased was interested in sport generally and was president of the Kilmallock Soccer Club. Members of the club formed a guard of honour at his funeral.

## Paddy Kelly five points from century

ALTHOUGH he finished on the losing side in last Sunday's national Hurling League final at Thurles, Limerickman Paddy Kelly has moved to within five white flags of becoming the first marksman to reach the century mark this season, his return of 0-6 at Semple Stadium bringing his tally for the current campaign to 5 goals and 80 points.

The number two position, however, has changed hands, and its new occupant is Kildare veteran Johnny Walsh, who moves up from fifth place as a result of his haul of 2-9 in the course of his side's 5-22 to 3-10 'B' championship victory over Armagh at Newbridge last Saturday.

Paul Devlin claimed 1-6 for the Northerners in that tie to climb six notches to number eleven and his brother, Paddy, recorder 1-1 to return to the chart in joint twentieth place, while others to improve their rankings were the Kilkenny duo of Billy Fitzpatrick and Christy Heffernan, Down's Kevin O'Neill, and Mayo's Johnny Cunnane.

### LEADING SCORERS

	Gls	Pts	Games	Avg.
P Kelly (Limerick)	5	80	15	6.33
J Walsh (Kildare)	7	43	8	8.00
F McCann (Meath)	7	36	9	6.33
O O'Connor (Limerick)	8	32	15	3.73
G McInerney (Clare)	6	35	12	4.42
B Fitzpatrick (Kilkenny)	4	39	12	4.25
P J Molloy (Galway)	3	39	10	4.80
C Heffernan (Kilkenny)	11	15	12	4.00
S Kinsella (Wexford)	4	34	12	3.84
T Casey (Waterford)	4	30	9	4.66
Paul Devlin (Armagh)	4	27	9	4.33
T Nolan (Kerry)	5	24	10	3.90
J O'Regan (Kerry)	2	28	8	4.25
K O'Neill (Down)	10	2	8	4.00
P Carton (Dublin)	3	22	10	3.10
M Walsh (Waterford)	3	22	10	3.10
P Carroll (Offaly)	2	25	13	2.38
P Horan (Offaly)	2	24	8	3.75
J Greene (Waterford)	6	12	12	2.50
J Cunnane (Mayo)	0	29	6	4.84
P Devlin (Armagh)	4	17	8	3.63

South Limerick GAA

# SECOND REPLAY AT BRUFF

THE third meeting of Kilmallock and Bruree in the South senior hurling final is scheduled for Bruff on Sunday. The drawn games provided thrilling fare and fans will be looking forward to another rousing clash between two evenly matched teams.

Bruree were lacking in match practice before the final, but after two tough hours cannot complain at this juncture. Their chances of taking the title have improved considerably and with Kilmallock anxious to show results for their team building efforts, another game of quality standard is assured.

The delayed junior football final is down for decision at Knocklong, Hospital/Herbertstown and Ballylanders are the contestants, with the first named fancied to win.

Ballylanders failed badly to Glin in the county championship. They will have to forget their poor performance against the Westerners if they are to win this one. On some occasions they promise much and if they strike their best form they could upset the opposition.

Both finals are timed for 2.00 p.m.

The under 21 football and the 1982 minor football league finals are still to be decided. Hospital/Herbertstown are involved in both and it may well be well into December before these deciders are played.

### BORD NA nOG

The final date for accepting nominations and motions for the Bord na nOg convention is Monday next. A meeting of the GPC will be held in Bruff on Monday and these will be accepted by the secretary before or after the meeting. The outgoing chairman, Denis Barrett; treasurer, Colm Regan, and registrar, Seamus Sexton, are not seeking re-election.

Throughout the year, Bord na nOg in South Limerick has come in for criticism have now the opportunity to make any changes they deem necessary. Judging from the reaction of clubs during the year a flood of nominations and motions are expected before Monday.

Kilmallock defeated Croom 1-9 to 1-3 in the South Feile na nGael final on Saturday last.

### SCOR NA nOG

At Knocklong on this Friday, Kilmallock, Garryspillane, Galtee Gaels, Ardpatrick, Glenroe.

1983  
Kilmallock Compete in  
under 14 F. at Caven.  
Feile na nOg B Section  
Guests of Beltonbet Club



THURSDAY, JULY 23, 1983

Senior Hurling Championship

Played 15.7.83

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Kilmallock, runners up to Na Piersaigh in the Feile na nGael final in Caherconlish.

18/6/83





**Kilmallock, South U. 14 F.C. Winners**

**1983**

**Back Row (L-R)** - Tim Kennedy, Pat Barrett, Thomas Allen, James Cronin, Thomas Hennessy, Brendan Hanley, Mick Houlihan, James Connery, P.J. Mulcahy, Sean Kelleher, Leonard Sheehy. **Front Row (L-R)** - Declan Wiley, Thomas Donegan, Michael Sheehy, Jimmy Savage, Kevin O'Connor, David Clarke, James Moloney, Pat Heffernan, Thomas Nelligan, Padraig Tobin, Gerard Houlihan.

**Shannon**

**21.5.83**

## VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

KILMALLOCK'S Sportsfield Committee have passed a vote of total confidence in their officer board by returning them en bloc. Mr. T. Moloney stays on as Chairman helped by Vice Chair V. Rev. T. Greene. Mr. M. Fitzgerald is retained as Secretary while Mr. J. Moloney still holds the purse strings as Treasurer. The executive supervised a major improvement and drainage scheme and the field is open again.





Kilmallock

## Plans for Clubhouse Unveiled

1983

For Kilmallock G.A.A. Club 1983 was a very significant year. We had not as much success on the playing field as usual, but, we still challenged strongly for some of the championships. Our Senior Hurling team which is at present going through a transitional period gave a great account of themselves in both the County and South championships. We would claim to

have given champions, Patrickswell their hardest game in the championship leading them for three quarters of an hour. In the South Senior Hurling Championship we played seven games culminating with three great games in the final against Bruree before going under by a few points. We succeeded in winning Charleville, Bruree and Castletown/Ballyagran Senior Tournaments.



**Kilmallock U. 14 Hurlers - South Champions**

**Back Row** - Thomas Allen, Pat Barrett, Kevin O'Connor, Michael Gamell, Mike Houlihan, Leonard Sheehy, James Connery, Pat Heffernan, Thomas Hennessy, Tim Kennedy, Padraig Tobin, Maurice Browne, Brendan Hanley. **Front Row** - Noel Maguire, Gerard Houlihan, John McCarthey, Jimmy Savage, James Mulcahy, William McCarthy, James Moloney, Thomas Nelligan, Michael Sheedy, David Clarke, William McCarthy, Declan Wiley.

An under strength Junior Football team were beaten in the championship in the second round. We had great hopes for our U.21 teams in both codes and we were beaten in replays in both. Our minors and U.16s were not up to the standard required to win championships.

Our Bord na nOg section had a very successful year, the U.14 hurlers won the South and Feile na nGael championships and the U.14 footballers also won the South Championship. The hurlers put up a great display losing the Co. Final to a fine Na Piarasigh team. The football team represented Limerick in the Feile na nOg into county competition in Cavan, losing in the Semi-Final. Tom Hennessy won the All-Ireland Long Kick Competition in U.14

The club ran the annual Festival in the parish which once again was a huge success. This year it was run in partnership with the local Community Council. There was further improvements carried out at Pairc Sheain Mhic Gearalt, we now have covered spectator accommodation on both sides of the grounds with a fine Press Box also included.

The grounds had the honour of hosting the Final of the Munster Club Hurling championship between Midleton and Borrisoleigh in which the replay drew a crowd of not far off 10,000.

As we enter the Centenary Year plans are now in progress to fulfil our great ambition, the erection of our own club premises which we hope to have in progress shortly.

We must not forget the club mentors, who have gone to their reward during the year, Ned Fitzgerald, Tom O'Donnell (Shop) and Tommy O'Connor all were great officers and also Mrs Mary McNamara a life long supporter. □



# Disappointing 1983 year for Kilmallock

In his address to the annual convention of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club, Mr. Michael Leahy, outgoing chairman, said that the year 1982 was a very disappointing one for the club in many ways and would be remembered by most of them as the year of few trophies and many problems. He said that their teams, with exception of a few, did not play to the very high standard of which Kilmallock teams are capable. The senior hurling team, reaching the county final in 1982, had to play without some of its established players, due to injury, and he felt that this had an affecting effect on the team.

## PROBLEMS

Mr. Leahy said that the club's problems, said the chairman, began with objections to giving permission for the proposed club house, as a result of which we had some committee members resigning, which left our committee under strength. We had the objection to the licence for the festival marquee, and as a result had to site same at the mount end of the G.A.A. field. This change involved expense and much more hard

work. The chairman thanked those who helped in the running of the club and also the members of the Community Council for their co-operation and assistance. He mentioned the under 21 hurlers and junior footballers on winning the Youth Championship. He congratulated Ray Moloney, the first Limerick man to referee a senior football final. He paid tribute to Paddy Kelly, who is the scorer in the current National League, and he congratulated Grainne Barry and Jacqui Connery on winning the Bord na nOg instrumental title. He complimented the Committee on the excellent work carried out at Páirc Seán Kearraill, which is now one of the best pitches in Munster.

Mr. Leahy thanked everybody who helped the club during 1982, in particular parents and others who provided transport for under age players, the local Gardaí for their co-operation, the teachers in the National and Vocational schools for promoting Gaelic football, the Press and he concluded by saying that 1983 would be a successful year.

## RECORD

The secretary (Mr. E. Fitzgerald), who did not seek re-election, in his report, said that there was no outstanding record of success to record, they had a number of achievements on the playing fields which could be regarded as highly satisfactory. The senior footballers gave an excellent account of themselves in winning consistent displays of fine Gaelic football. They won the Divisional title and there was a delay before meeting Feohanna Castlemaheon in the County Quarter final. This delay, he felt, cost them a County Championship. Indeed, he said, the people responsible would do well to re-think the treatment being meted out to

clubs in what is regarded as the less exalted society of the game. It is those very clubs who always have and still do form the backbone of the Gaelic Athletic Association.

Continuing, the secretary said he had much progress to report at under-21 level. The under 21 footballers, in very keen competition, came out as winners of Divisional honours. However, after an excellent display they had to give way to a very good Askeaton team. The under-21 hurlers were beaten by Bruff in a replay of the divisional final. In the county quarter final, they were defeated by Adare who subsequently contested the county final.

The secretary went on to say that while no major trophies were won at minor or juvenile grades, it was in this division of the club where most activity took place and much credit is due to the few of the club who saw fit to give so much of their time in looking after the youth.

Dealing with the improvements to the Gaelic Grounds, he thought those involved should be very proud of now having a playing field second to none in the county. He expressed deep gratitude to P. S. O Riain, delegate to Central Council, who was constantly helpful in insuring that the Gaelic Grounds committee got maximum grants for improvements to the field.

The secretary regretted that he had to refer to the frustrated efforts in making a start with the provision of their own clubhouse. The building was primarily intended for catering for the recreational needs of the youth of the parish with some facilities for the entertainment of visiting teams and a meeting place for all club members. In the present era of much misguided youth activities, he thought that voluntary bodies should not be impeded but be supported in every way by every citizen of the country in furthering the proper guidance of youth.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was presented by Mr. T. Nelligan, who did not seek re-election. The report showed a loss of £1,738.83 on the working of the club, and a great part of this was due to the high cost of hurleys—almost £1,300.

Mr. D. Moore thought that the club should generate some funds for the working expenses of the club. During the past year a sum of £1,738.83 had been subscribed from the development fund to clear the club's expenses.

Mr. Tony Moloney said that the money in the development fund had been collected for a specific purpose and no part of it should have been used for the running of the club.

The treasurer thanked the traders and business people of the town who had subscribed almost £2,300 in sponsorship for the festival, despite the recession.

## ELECTED

Ninety seven members were enrolled and the following were elected: President, Mr. Ned Fitzgerald; chairman, Mr. Cal O'Donnell; vice-chairman, Mr. Tom Moloney; secretary, Mr. Tony Moloney; assistant secretary and P.R.O., Mrs. Teresa Moloney;

treasurer, Mr. Bernie Savage; registrar, Mr. Paddy Kelly; assistant treasurer, Mr. Patrick Leahy. Committee: Messrs. Sean Burchill, Jim Lloyd, Ml. Leahy, Batt Mulqueen, Tom Hanley, Raymond Moloney, Ml. Keane, Wm. Mulcahy, Páko Quirke and Ml. Moloney.

It was agreed to adopt the club constitution and to obtain copies for sale to the members.

It was decided to affiliate senior, junior, under-21, minor and other under age hurling teams; and junior, under-21, minor and other under age football teams.

The following selection committees were appointed:

Senior hurling and junior hurling—Tom Hanley, Paddy Leahy and Cal O'Donnell.

Under 21 and minor football—Dan Conway, Jim Lloyd and Sean Burchill.

Junior football—P. J. Moore, Ned Fitzgerald and Tom Kennedy.

Under-21 and minor football—Dan Conway, Jim Lloyd and Sean Burchill.

The meeting concluded with a prayer for deceased members, led by Rev. T. Greene, P.P.



## K'mallock

Kilmallock Festival continues this week, closing on Monday next, August 6. During last week, a ladies cycle race was won by Janie Barragry; 2, Angela Moloney; 3, Margaret O'Sullivan. Gents Cycle Race: 1, Sean Kelleher; 2, Ml. Griffin; 3, Thos. Donegan. Married Couples Cycle Race: 1, Seamus and Helen Moloney; 2, Ben and Ann O'Sullivan; 3, Tony Moloney and Josie Leahy. Slow Cycle Race: 1, John Phelan; 2, L. Flanagan; 3, J. McCarthy. Girls Egg and Spoon Race: 1, C. O'Donnell; 2, J. Donegan; 3, K. Buck. Boys Over 15: 1, L. Flanagan; 2, M. Costello. Boys Over 15: 1, L. Donegan; 2, P. Begley; 3, G. Allen. 4, T. Quinn. Golf competition: 1, T. O'Dwyer; 2, D. Moore; 3, N. Hayes.

On next Thursday, the pub talent final will take place in Bulgaden. On Saturday, there will be childrens sports (confined) and the final of the Seanchai competition. On Sunday next there will be a baby and doll show, mother and child competitions and the result of the Mayoral election will be announced.

The final of the junior hurling tournament between Stakers and Castletown-Ballyagran will take place on Saturday evening, and the final of the senior tournament on Sunday evening.

La na gClub celebrations in Kilmallock opened with a parade through the town led by the local Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Band, and in which majorettes from Kilmallock and Kilfinane took part as well as members of the public. Subsequently there was an open air concelebrated Mass in the Sportfield for deceased members of the G.A.A. At the commencement of this Mass, Very Rev. D. Canon Wall, P.P., welcomed a large attendance on what he described as this special Mass on the occasion of the Centenary Year of the G.A.A. In this Mass, he said, we remember the men and women who laboured so zealously to promote the ideals of the G.A.A. and to provide fitting facilities for its members including this excellent playing ground as a lasting memorial to their dedication and commitment. Let those who take their place be mindful of their responsibility to work for justice and peace and to remember their dedication and hand on the torch to future generations.

Other concelebrants were: Very Rev. E. Houlihan, P.P., Effin; Very Rev. T. Greene, P.P., Ardpatrick; Rev. R. Costelloe, C.C., Kilmallock; Rev. J. Leonard, C.C., do.; and Ven. Archdeacon Snow, Kilmallock.

The church choir, under Mr. S. Naughton, and with Mrs. Naughton on the accordion, gave an excellent rendering of hymns. Flowers were provided by Mrs. Noonan. Mr. C. O'Donnell, chairman of the Kilmallock club, thanked all concerned in making the day one to remember. Mr. T. Moloney, club president, unveiled a plaque to commemorate 100 years of the G.A.A.

Later a team representing the 1960 Kilmallock hurlers defeated The Rest by 5-8 to 3-3, the scorers being J. Naughton, M. Carroll, D. McCarthy and L. Ryan for the 1960 team, and N. Hayes, E. Dowling, E. Murphy, P. J. Murphy and M. Dowling for The Rest. The referee was Mr. T. O'Donnell, another former hurler.

This was followed by novelty events and in the evening at a Centenary Supper Social presentations were made to the following who won All Ireland medals with Limerick: Jim Ryan (J.H. 1935), Jackie O'Sullivan (J.H. 1954), T. O'Donnell, D. McCarthy, N. Flynn (J.H. 1957), T. Hanley and L. Carty (M.H. 1958), and M.



Tony Bradley, personnel dept., Atari (left), presents an Atari Video Computer game to star hurler, Paddy Kelly, who was chosen as Sports Star of the Month in the Limerick Leader-Atari competition for his outstanding display in the National Hurling League final. In the centre is Limerick trainer, bro. Ml. O'Grady. 2.6.84

## KILMALLOCK FINALS

IN ONE of the most exciting school league hurling finals for many a year, a team captained by Gerard Houlihan, emerged victorious over James O'Doherty's team.

The hurling was fast and some beautiful skills were displayed by both teams. At half-time, G. Houlihan led by 3-1 to 0-0.

The James O'Doherty team was re-arranged at half-time, with D. Clarke going to the full-back position and James Mulcahy to the forward line. The changes made a great difference with constant pressure being applied right up to the final whistle when G. Houlihan saved the day by a scoreline of 3-4 to 3-1.

The match was refereed by Maurice Neligan, who some years ago captained a team in the same competition.

Jim Lloyd, secretary, Fields Committee, presented the medals, and the Kilmallock and District Association Cup to G. Houlihan.

### TEAMS

Winners: S. O'Sullivan, M. McCarthy, L. Naughton, W. Moloney, W. Hannon, D. Tobin, J. McCarthy, G. Houlihan (capt.), P. Enright, D. O'Shaughnessy, P. Dowling, J. O'Brien and D. Cahill. Subs.: S. Mulcahy, J. O'Donnell and S. Keegan.

Losers: F. Leahy, S. McCarthy, A. O'Connor, S. Keegan, A. Gammell, S. Connery, D. Clarke, J. Mulcahy, J. O'Doherty (Capt.), T. O'Keeffe, M. Higgins, M. Ahern, M. Cronin. Subs.: C. Collins, P. Gubbins, T. Freaney, C. Cahill.

### FOOTBALL

The football final was equally exciting and displayed some clever football from both sides. After a closely contested first half, the teams, one captained by D. Cahill and the other by A. O'Connor, were level at 2-1 each. In the second half, A. O'Connor's team showed up in good light early on, but in the closing quarter D. Cahill's team were prominent. However, better finishing by A.

O'Connor's team told in the end and he was the winner by 3-5 to 3-3.

Referee was Mr. William Mulcahy, Ashill. 2.7.84

### TEAMS

Winners: Ml. O'Driscoll, P. Barrett, D. Clarke, A. Gammell, M. Ahern (0-1), D. Tobin, J. Mulcahy (0-1), G. Houlihan (1-0), P. Enright (1-0), A. O'Connor, capt. (1-0), D. O'Shaughnessy, W. O'Reilly (0-3). Subs.: M. Gam-

mell, M. McCarthy, J. O'Brien, S. Mulcahy, L. Donegan.

Losers: F. Leahy, G. O'Connor, P. Carroll (0-1), S. McCarthy, S. Donnelly, W. Moloney, D. Cahill (capt.), E. Murnane (1-1), J. Ferns, L. Naughton, T. O'Keeffe (0-1), J. O'Doherty (2-0), B. Halpin. Subs.: S. Keegan, D. Quish, T. Freaney, D. Ward, D. Herlihy, F. Cahill.

The school leagues were organised by S. O'Connor, N.T., and M. O'Connor, N.T.



8.4-84

WHEN PADDY KELLY received the ball some 30 yards from the Tipperary posts last Sunday it was his intention to take a point which would have broken the deadlock and put Limerick into the lead with only two minutes left for play. But, when he avoided Jack Bergin's tackle, he changed his mind. "I had been conscious of having missed those frees and really wanted to try and redeem myself. So when I brought the ball a little closer to the post I said here goes and the goal certainly was a very major consolation", said Kelly between classes at Tipperary C.B.S. during the week.

"I tried not to allow those misses upset my concentration on the game or to effect my determination to make up for them. When the chance comes your way you must have the conviction to take it and put it away. And a goal at such a vital stage makes it so much more difficult for an opposing team," added Paddy.

However, as Paddy glanced quickly back over his hurling career he could not recall a day when his free-taking was so much below par. "It was one of those days I suppose which all players can experience", said 27-years-old Kelly. "But it could also be due to the fact that Limerick did not have a competitive game for five weeks and I believe we will be sharper for the final against Wexford".

Kelly has always been referred to as either the "speedster Kelly", the "flying Kelly," or the "At-

hletic Kelly" but all three descriptions fit and for a very good reason. He was always a most promising athlete ever since he won the all-Ireland 800 metres Under-12 at Iveagh Grounds back in 1967.

Subsequently Paddy ran the 400m. hurdles in 54.2 secs. when finishing second to John Dillon in the Irish Senior Championships in 1975. That was a most promising time for a 19-year-old runner who then earned his one international against Luxembourg and Wales. "I really liked athletics but it was always a case of trying to fit it in between hurling and football", said Paddy who even won a few under aged Limerick cross-country titles and ran 800m. in 1-56.

It was often a case of competing in athletics on a Sunday afternoon and playing a game in the evening. Eventually it became too much and athletics took a back seat. If Paddy can win one All-Ireland senior hurling medal it would satisfy his sporting appetite, just like it did for another very promising athlete in fellow Limerickman, Pat Hartigan.

However, Kelly would be very happy indeed to begin with a League medal this afternoon. "We need to win a National title and it could be just what this team needs to make the breakthrough in the Championship", reckons the man from Kilmallock who earned his first honours on the field with Charleville C.B.S.

He was still a minor when he was drafted into the Limerick panel in 1974 and while he has been a regular for practically the last decade there have been occasions when a loss of form

saw him relegated to the substitutes. In fact, he came in as substitute in the Munster final win over Clare in '74 and was also drafted in for the All-Ireland decider which they lost to Kilkenny.

There was further All-Ireland Championship disappointment for Limerick in '80 and '81 and Limerick's prospects were severely hit last summer when Kelly suffered a broken finger on the eve of their game against Cork. That followed their League final defeat by Kilkenny.

Now they face another challenge. And Kelly is really looking forward to it. "Quietly confident", was how he summed up his approach. "The spirit of this team is as good as it was in '73 and '74 and Bro. O'Grady is a man who seems to be able to get the best out of each individual player. That's very important and we hope to reap the benefits," added Paddy who hopes to get a few more chances to redeem himself still further this afternoon.



# Paddy Kelly the trump card

By SEAN MURPHY

KILMALLOCK ..... 1-11  
OLD CHRISTIANS ..... 1-6

The accuracy and opportunism of Paddy Kelly were the trump cards which finally fashioned a five-point victory for Kilmallock in this gripping County Senior Hurling Championship game with Old Christians at sun-drenched Croom on Sunday last.

Paddy Kelly finished with a personal tally of 0-10, after an hour of first class, exciting hurling.

Old Christians looked the more accomplished side, and their first-time striking and teamwork were a treat to watch. With Pat Howard excelling at centre-back, they won loads of possession, but their finishing was extremely poor.

They fluffed many glorious opportunities, especially in the first half, and at the interval Kilmallock led by 0-6 to 0-4.

When Pat Howard goaled from a penalty to equalise 13 minutes into the second half,

Old Christians looked on target for a surprise victory.

However, Paddy Kelly rescued Kilmallock from the brink with two delightfully struck long distance points from frees, and elusive Maurice Nelligan sounded the deathknell for Old Christians' aspirations twelve minutes from the end when he flashed the rebound from a blocked penalty attempt by Paddy Kelly to the net for the decisive score.

Old Christians, to their credit, never surrendered, but the great defensive play of Donal Barry and Mick Carroll fortified Kilmallock against the mounting city boys rally, and in a pulsating finish, Kilmallock held out for victory.

In addition to Kelly, Mick Carroll, Donal Barry, Maurice Nelligan, Liam Tobin, Johnny Neenan, Eddie Wiley and Davy O'Riordan were others who contributed handsomely to Kilmallock's win.

Pat Howard, Pat Conway, Brian Toomey, Gay Jones, Tony Byrnes, Noel O'Brien and John Hegarty impressed most for an Old Christians

team that certainly revealed potential.

## SCORERS

Kilmallock: P. Kelly 0-10, M. Nelligan 1-0, J. Neenan 0-1.

Old Christians: J. Hegarty 0-4, P. Howard 1-0, T. Sheehan 0-1, N. O'Brien 0-1.

## TEAMS

**Kilmallock:** T. J. Moloney, L. Tobin, J. J. O'Riordan, S. Burchill, D. Barry, M. Carroll, G. O'Riordan, E. Wiley, M. Nelligan, N. Hanley, B. Guiney, P. Kelly, D. O'Riordan, B. Savage, J. Neenan. Subs.: G. O'Brien for B. Guiney, M. Leahy for N. Hanley.

**Old Christians:** A. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, G. Jones, M. Timmons, P. Conway, P. Howard, G. Toomey, C. Carmody, T. Byrnes, M. O'Brien, N. O'Brien, J. Kerins, R. Kiely, J. Hegarty, T. Sheahan. Subs.: T. McCarthy for R. Kiely, G. Hegarty for J. Kerins.

Referee: P. O'Connor (Ahane).

## Kilmallock

It is proposed to commence a parish under 21 and 14 league. Details concerning this will appear later.

The club took part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade, and the participation of the under 14 teams was both encouraging and colourful. This group of lads are an example to all others for their discipline and reliability.

Progress is reported on the proposed clubhouse.

At a committee meeting it was decided to approach the teachers at the Boys National School with a view to commencing training for those attending.

Results of matches: Senior hurling challenge: Kilmallock 1-7, Tournafulla 2-8.

The first outing for the junior footballers will be on Sunday, 25th.

## Kilmallock

Recent matches resulted:

Minor football: Kilmallock 5-7, Efin 0-0.

Junior football: Kilmallock 1-15, Stakers, 1-5.

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## Kilmallock

La na gClub was a most enjoyable occasion for all the members and it began with a parade from the church to the G.A.A. grounds, where all attended open-air Mass. After Mass a plaque to commemorate the occasion was unveiled by Tom Moloney.

The match between the teams of the 'sixties and the rest was most entertaining and the outstanding features of this game was the deft touches of those great players after so many years. The sheer class of Joe Naughton and Noel Flynn was apparent to all. The team of the 'sixties was captained by Larry Ryan, and he scored the winning goal.

## Kilmallock

Results: Senior hurling championship—Kilmallock 1-9; Patrickswell, 0-14. Under-16 football, Kilmallock, 2-2; Galbally, 0-3. Under-21 football, Kilmallock, 2-3; Galbally, 0-6.

The senior hurling game with Patrickswell was the best game played by Kilmallock for quite some time and indeed with a bit of luck we might have won. It once more underlined the fact that with the right approach we can once again be in with the top teams in the county. With the support of all we can look forward to 1985 with confidence. The average age of our team must be the lowest in the county.

As stated in these columns earlier we expected great things from our under-16 players and at Knocklong on Thursday night we were not disappointed when they took the honours from a good Galbally team.

The under-21 footballers won an extremely hard game with Galbally. The team showed character in the manner in which they came back from 6 pts. down to win.

## Kilmallock

Results:—Under 12 hurling—Kilmallock 2-2, Croom 1-1.

Junior football—Kilmallock 1-2, Bruff 11 pts.

Senior hurling—Kilmallock 2-8, Newcastle West 2-8.

In the junior football, despite great individual performances by a few of our players, we were well and truly beaten by a better and much fitter Bruff team.

The senior players will need to improve considerably on this display if they are to entertain any hopes of going any further in the championship, and in this game as in so many others we had to depend on the accuracy of Paddy Kelly to pull us through.

The club was represented at the centenary celebrations in Limerick.

The tickets for the Mayor of Kilmallock have been distributed and on this occasion we would welcome the support of the players in particular to ensure his election.

## Kilmallock

The senior hurlers advanced to the next round by beating Newcastle West in the replay in Limerick. The score was: Kilmallock, 1-15; Newcastle West, 1-10. In this game, for the first time this year, the Kilmallock forward line moved as a unit and the displays of Johnny Neenan and Davie Riordan were outstanding.

In the South senior hurling game with Ardpatrick-Kilfinane, we were beaten decisively. As in many of our previous games, we were too slow to settle and the game was well and truly lost before we got going. The display of the whole team in the second half was a vast improvement, but it should be understood that games are not won in one half only and without full concentration for the full hour there is no possibility of success. It should be emphasised also that we admire and congratulate the opposition on this win and especially Jackie McCarthy, who for so long wore the Kilmallock jersey with distinction.

## Kilmallock

At the annual election of the Kilmallock Community Council, the following were elected: chairman, Mr. William Mulcahy, Ashill; vice-chairman, Mr. M. Donegan, Ashill; secretary, Mr. McKelly, Lord Edward Street; treasurer, Mrs. Nuala O'Grady, Sarsfield Street; P.R.O., Mr. Ben Sullivan, Deebert.

The death occurred suddenly of Mr. James O'Hara, Sheares Street, Kilmallock, at the age of 76 years. A native of Dundalk, he came to Kilmallock in the 1940s as managing clerk in the office of Messrs. William A. Lee & Son (then Messrs. R. Fox & Co.), Kilmallock, a position he held up to the time of his death.

During his term in Kilmallock he took a keen interest in local affairs. He was a member of the Kilmallock Lawn Tennis Club, of the Kilmallock Social Service Council, of the Kilmallock Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, and of the Kilmallock Point to Point Race Committee. He was also a prominent member of the Knights of St. Columbanus. He was last secretary of the old Kilmallock Development Association, which did tremendous work in the bringing of industries to Kilmallock. He is survived by his brother, Francis, his wife, Kathleen, died in 1966.

At the celebrated Requiem Mass in Ballingaddy Church, Very Rev. D. Canon Wall, P.P., Kilmallock, the chief concelebrant, paid high tribute to him and spoke of the great contribution he had made to the advancement of Kilmallock.

Other concelebrants were Very Rev. T. Greene, P.P., Ardpatrick; Rev. R. Costello, C.C., Kilmallock; and Rev. J. Leonard, C.C., Do.

There was a representative attendance at the funeral which took place to Ballingaddy Cemetery.

Kilmallock learned with sincere regret of the death of Mr. Jackie Walsh, Broad Street, Charleville.

A native of Kilmallock and a member of an old family, he went to live in Charleville some years ago to continue his work with I.E. He was a lifelong supporter of the G.A.A. and played prominently with Kilmallock in the forties and fifties. At his funeral at Charleville, members of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club formed a guard of honour.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Peggy Walsh; his daughter, Eileen; his sister, Maureen; grandchildren, son-in-law, brothers-in-law, sons-in-law and cousins.



The death occurred suddenly on last Friday night of Mr. Thomas Hannon, Wolfe Tone Street, Kilmallock, a well-known figure in Kilmallock. Up to his retirement 17 years ago, he carried on an extensive business as general grocer, licensed vintner and funeral undertaker. He took a keen interest in his native town and parish and when the Kilmallock sportsfield project was revived in the late forties or early fifties, he, with the late Messrs. D. Aherne and J. O'Rourke, were the guarantors. He was in his late seventies. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. M. Hannon; by his daughters, Mrs. K. O'Callaghan and Mrs. M. Power; by his sons-in-law, Messrs. P. O'Callaghan and C. Power, and by grandchildren. 13.5.84

## Kilmallock

Our instrumental musicians have reached the county final of scor in which we wish them further success.

As the week-end July 29 has been settled as club week-end it is proposed to have a number of events organised to celebrate the centenary. Any suggestion which member or friends might have should be conveyed to the secretary for consideration.

A total of 22 senior players and selectors attended a very worthwhile meeting in the Agricultural Centre on Saturday 18th.

Maurice Nelligan has been elected captain for the senior hurlers for 1984. Maurice's selection can only meet with approval from all as he has always been a most wholehearted, and loyal player.

Results of recent matches. Senior hurling challenge Kilmallock 1-5 pts. Newtownballyhea 3 pts.

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## Club G.A.A.

## Kilmallock

The presentation of the trophies to the under-14 team took place in the People's Hall. A supper and disco was arranged for the team and was well attended. Mr. Jim Lloyd welcomed all those present and praised the team for their dedication during the year. Rev. Canon Wall said that it was wonderful for young lads to meet on an occasion like this and he urged them to continue playing the Gaelic games, and by staying together he was sure that they would be senior champions in five years time.

Paddy Kelly, inter-county hurler, then presented the trophies, and he remarked on the tremendous turnout for training by the team at all times, and what was most satisfying from his point of view as a trainer was their punctuality.

Progress was reported regarding club house.

It is proposed to purchase a suitable banner for the club, and also to erect a notice board which will display all fixtures and engagements, etc., of interest to players, members and supporters.

The Mick Mackey stand draw took place in the Agricultural Centre on Thursday 12th, and the officers of the County Board present praised the enormous contribution to the success of the draw which had been made by the late Ned Fitzgerald. It should be emphasised that this club totally supports those remarks.

Committee meetings will in future be held on Monday nights in the referee's room, and will commence at 7.30 p.m.

## Kilmallock

At a meeting of the Officers, the Committee, and the Selectors, the probable panel for 1984 was discussed, and it is hoped to have a few extra to add to last year's panel.

The annual dinner dance will be held on Friday, 3rd February. The guests this year will be the 1933 team.

At a meeting of the field's committee which was held in the referee's room further developments to the field were discussed. As the developments referred to are at an early stage it is not possible at this time to give details. Progress on this matter will be reported from time to time.

## Kilmallock

Sunday is Lanna Club in this the centenary year of the G.A.A. and the Kilmallock club plan to celebrate it in style. A full programme of events has been organised and all parishioners and club members are invited to participate.

The proceedings will commence with a parade through the town of players, both past and present. The parade will commence at 1 o'clock from the church and proceed through the town and on to Páirc Mhic Gheairait where Mass will be followed by the unveiling of a plaque to commemorate the centenary of the Gaelic Athletic Association.

Two teams from the 60s and 70s will then play an exhibition game of hurling. This should bring back many memories to us all of the many great teams of those eras and the great enjoyment they gave us.

This game will be followed by various novelty events for all the family. Then there will be the finals of the under-age hurling teams. There will then be a break for tea and following this there will be a senior hurling match between Kilfinane and Newtownshandrum.

To conclude the days celebrations a centenary supper social will be held in the Sarsfield Tavern, with music being provided by Noel Flynn, who won many honours hurling with Kilmallock and Limerick. A special presentation will be made to All-Ireland and National League medal holders from the parish.

Misses Patricia and Mary Carey.

Mr. Denis (Bud) O'Sullivan, of Ballingaddy, Kilmallock, who died in the Regional Hospital, Limerick, last week, was also in his seventies. He was a lifelong supporter of Gaelic games.

He was for almost a quarter of a century a postman attached to Kilmallock Post Office until he retired in 1976. He is survived by his wife, sons, daughters, brothers, sister, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law and grandchildren.

A large number of supporters were somewhat disappointed on Sunday when at Johnson's Field

TURDAY, MAY 5, 1984.

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## Kilmallock

Mr. Peter Kenny, chairman, presided at the monthly meeting of the Kilmallock Credit Union at which it was reported by Mrs. Tobin, assistant treasurer, that membership is now 1,684; that shares amount to £728,893; deposits at £50,041 and investments at £94,887, with loans amounting to £732,203.

Twenty eight more people applied for and were admitted to membership.

During the past month, 84 loans for a total of £85,880 were granted. Mrs. O'Mahoney of the Credit Committee reported.

A report on the recent chapter meeting was given by Mr. D. O'Brien, who also complimented those who organised the float for the St. Patrick's Day parade. The insurance report was given by Mr. P. Tobin.

The Kilmallock GAA Club has made a contribution of £200 towards the Kilmallock Church Roof Repair Fund.

One of the important events of this year's bilingual festival, Feile na Maighe, which took place in Bruree over the weekend was the unveiling of a plaque on the grave of Joseph K. Bracken in Tankardstown churchyard, Kilmallock. Bracken was one of the seven founders of the GAA and was father of Brendan Bracken, Minister for Information in Churchill's war time cabinet in England. The plaque, erected by Limerick County GAA board, was blessed by Very Rev. D. Canon Wall, P.P., Kilmallock, and was unveiled by Mr. Sean O Siachain, former chief executive of the GAA. The attendance included Mr. Jas. Hickey, chairman of Limerick County Board, who thanked Tom Carey, P. Leahy and T. Moloney, Kilmallock, and Ml. Mullane and James Sexton, Bruree, for their help; J. O'Connell, president, Limerick county board; Rev. S. Gardiner, PRO, Munster Council; P. Ryan, central council representative; Rory Kiely, Munster council representative; T. Boland, county secretary; G. Bennis, chairman, city board; Seamus O Riain, past president GAA; Manix Joyce, organiser of Feile na Maighe; John Naughton, chairman, county Bord na nOg; Pat Murnane, chairman, South Board.

The following relatives of the late Joseph K. Bracken were in attendance: Mrs. Hannah Condon (niece), Mr. Justice Donal Barrington, High Court judge; Brendan Bracken, Mrs. Joy Faulkner, Nancy Barrington and Maire Barrington (all grandchildren).

Mr. Brendan Bracken spoke on behalf of the family of the late Joseph K. Bracken.

## Kilmallock

A very busy year was reported at the annual general meeting of the Kilmallock Sportsfield Committee by the secretary, Mr. Michael Fitzgerald, who said that the youth employment scheme had been availed of and much work had been done on the field and the grounds generally including the erection of a new stand at the Brewery side and the installation of a press box.

During the year, they had hosted the semi-final and final of the Munster Club Senior Hurling Championship, which was finally won by Middleton. They had held the usual senior and junior hurling tournaments and these had been successful.

The balance sheet showed the financial position to be healthy.

The following were elected: Chairman, Mr. T. Moloney (outgoing); vice-chairman, Mr. T. J. O'Donovan; treasurer, Mr. J. Moloney.

The position of secretary was not filled. The outgoing secretary, Mr. Michael Fitzgerald, said he was not seeking re-election owing to other commitments. A meeting will be held during the next month to fill the position.



10-8-85  
**Blackrock  
beat  
Kilmallock**

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Mr. Ray Moloney, Kilmallock, refereed.

Munster club hurling . . .

26/10/85  
**Can Kilmallock  
knock the Rock?**

By JOHN  
O'SHAUGHNESSY

**IT IS A SAD fact that since the inter-club championships were introduced in the mid-sixties that no Limerick representative has claimed the title, writes John O'Shaughnessy.**

This Sunday it is the turn of the 1985 county champions Kilmallock to arrest the slide and what a daunting task they have — they cross sticks with mighty Blackrock at Pairc Ui Chaoimh.

It is asking a bit too much of the south Limerickmen to go into Blackrock's own backyard and expect them to dethrone Tom Cashman and Co., who already have had the benefit of an outing against Clare champs., Kilmaley, a game they won with something to spare.

But Kilmallock are not



Maurice Nelligan, Kilmallock.

dan injured an ankle in training and is attending a physiotherapist. Barry, meanwhile, is nursing a hamstring injury. There is a doubt also concerning the fitness of Ger Riordan.

Thankfully Kilmallock have a list of suitable replacements — "but as the same time we would like to have our most seasoned team on duty against such formidable opponents."

The last time Kilmallock won the county title, in 1975, they were drawn against Blackrock in the Munster Club championship. And they still harbour fond memories of that game, being deprived of victory by a last minute goal.

In fact, the Limerickmen led at one stage and were considered most unlucky to have lost out.

### Revenge

No doubt Kilmallock would like revenge but they realise their task is a most difficult one, especially at Pairc Ui Chaoimh, so often the graveyard for Limerick hurling teams.

The home side are powered by such notables as Tom Cashman and his younger brother, Jim, Frank Cummins, Eamon O'Donoghue, Pat Moylan and Pat Kavanagh, players who must know every blade of grass at the venue.

Kilmallock, apart from their injuries, are in good frame of mind at the moment and are conscious of the responsibility which they hold. Limerick clubs have a very bad record in this competition over the past two decades, and it is to be hoped that Paddy Kelly, Mike Carroll, Shane O'Grady, Ger O'Brien, T. J. Moloney, Sean

Burchell, Liam Tobin and Bernie Savage will rise to the occasion this time.

Certainly Kilmallock played some exciting hurling in their win over South Liberties and a repeat performance would make for a really splendid tussle at Pairc Ui Chaoimh, where the throw in is at 2.15. The Limerick champs will be carrying big support with them.



Mike Carroll, Kilmallock captain.



Shane O'Grady, Kilmallock.

overawed by their opponents reputation. In fact, they are very familiar with Blackrock's style of play and already this season have met them twice. Over the years they have been engaged in a series of challenge and tournament matches with the Rockies and, on balance, have come out with respectable results.

Mick Fitzgerald, a member of the Kilmallock club, said this week that they had prepared well for this latest test — "but unfortunately we are troubled by a series of injuries."

Brilliant full back J. J. Riordan is considered a very doubtful starter and so, too, is half back Donal Barry. Riordan



everybody in a comprehensive list of events.

At the annual general meeting of the Kilmallock Sportsfield Committee, the following were elected: Chairman, Mr. Thos. Moloney; vice chairman, Mr. T. J. O'Donovan; secretary, Mr. D. Connolly; treasurer, Mr. J. Moloney.

A discussion took place on the coming out of further improve-

## Kilmallock

Our under fourteen hurlers had a good win in the South Championship on Monday night, beating Hospital/Herbertstown by three points in a very exciting game at Knocklong. They are now well in contention for championship honours.

Next Sunday we are scheduled to play Bruff in under 21 hurling and we will need to be at our very best to advance to the next round. Bruff are hot favourites for this title but we are not without hope of upsetting the predictions.

In spite of very heavy rain last week-end Pairc Mic Gearailt was in excellent condition for the Bruff v. Hospital/Herbertstown game on Saturday evening. The Lord Edward Street gate was opened again for this game after being out of for some time.

## Kilmallock

We had a good representation on the South U. 16 hurling team that defeated the East in the inter divisional final at Caherconlish on Saturday last. Brendan Hanley, James Connery, Mike Houlihan, Pat Barrett, Tom Hennessy and Thomas Neligan all played their part in the 6-12 to 2-9 victory. Tom Hennessy was top scorer with 1-6. The South will now represent Limerick against East Clare in the Munster competition.

Our senior hurlers had a good outing on last Sunday morning in Littleton against Kilkenny club team Galmoy. The game ended in a draw 2-7 to 1-10. Our best players were Noel Hanley, J. J. O'Riordan, Sean Burchill, Ger O'Riordan and Maurice Neligan. We play Dromin-Athlaca on Sunday evening next at 6.45 in last year's tournament final in Athlaca.

On this Saturday in the Feile na nGael competition U. 14 hurling we meet Dromin-Athlaca at Croom at 3 p.m.

On Sunday next we play Bruff in the minor hurling championship. On Wednesday next we play Croom in U. 16 hurling at Bruree at 6.45 p.m.

Training for all teams will commence in the field on Tuesday next at 7.30 p.m. under Willie O'Brien, trainer. Committee meetings from this week on will be at 9 p.m. on Tuesdays.

## Kilmallock

VICTORY for our senior hurlers over Hospital-Herbertstown at Bruff last Friday evening puts us back on the rails for our effort to win the South championship. This was a much improved display by Kilmallock from the first round and we are now looking forward eagerly to our clash with Ardpatrick on this Friday evening in the final of the losers group of this competition.

When the teams met at the same stage on this championship last year Ardpatrick won easily, but Kilmallock will be trying to re-establish superiority over their neighbours on this occasion. The rivalry between them, while keen, has always been friendly and as both teams play clean open hurling a good game is in prospect. Supporters of both teams, and indeed all Limerick followers, will be hoping that county men Paddy Kelly, Pat McCarthy and Donal Barry, will come through without injury.

The final of the novice championship takes place on this Saturday evening between Kilmallock and Bruff. We were surprisingly beaten in the final of this championship last year by Galbally so we will be trying very hard to win this one. With Bruff on the crest of a wave in all grades just now this should be another great game.

The committee in charge of under age players have organised an under fourteen parish league and the first games were played last Saturday. In all, there are seventy-two boys from the parish involved in the league, the final of which will be played during the festival next month.

## KILMALLOCK'S "HIDDEN" PROBLEMS

One of the best kept secrets last week was that Kilmallock goalkeeper T. J. Moloney had a hand operation which resulted in his missing the semi-final clash against Feohanagh, at Bruff on Saturday, writes John O'Shaughnessy.

Moloney entered hospital on Monday week last, and unless he makes a dramatic recovery will not be available for the final. He received his injury in a recent match against Garryspillane.

Kilmallock had to make an urgent call to Noel Hanley to return from London for the match. He returned to England on Sunday evening.

A spokesman for the club said this week that Hanley would be on standby for the final against South Liberties.

There were several other reasons why Kilmallock were reluctant to agree to a Feohanagh request to have the match played on Sunday.

Two of their players had pre-arranged holidays abroad and they left a few hours after Saturday's match. They were Donal Barry and Matt Brazil, while ace marksman Pat Kelly — he hit the winning goal — also went on holiday this week.

"It would have made life difficult for us if we were obliged to put the match back one day," said the spokesman.



**LIMERICK'S Paddy Kelly** has scored a total of 4-23 in his last five outings against Wexford, including a mammoth 0-12 in last season's League Final. **3-2-85**

## Kilmallock

Our under 16 football team continued their good form with a fine 6-7 to 2 pts win over Bruff in the championship. We led by 5pts at half-time after playing against the breeze in the first-half.

Our minor football side lost the south semi-final to Galbally on Friday evening. We were only one point in arrears at half-time and had a powerful Galbally side worried. Tragedy struck after half-time when we conceded an own goal to our opponents and our bad luck continued when we later missed a penalty.

We were eventually beaten by 6 pts and considering we fielded ten under 16's this was a fine performance.

On Saturday 50 of our under 10's and under 12's travelled to Monaleen and played three games with the home team.

**JOHNNY NEENAN** made quite a few sacrifices this season by travelling thrice weekly for training from Naas to Kilmallock. Well, he was rewarded for his efforts at the Gaelic Grounds last Sunday when the south Limerick club won the County Championship after a lapse of ten years. And 34-year-old Neenan showed the younger players a thing or two about scoring — his contribution for the day was 2-4. He is employed in the construction industry in Naas. **15-9-85**

## Kilfinane

Although failing to score in the second half, Kilfinane's Scoil Pol hurlers had a narrow victory over Kilmallock in the B U-16 division, winning by 2-1 to 1-3 in the county semi-final. Best for the winners were Michael Holland in goal, who made some superb saves through the match, and John McMahon who scored the team total in the first half. Scoil Pol team was: Michael Holland, P. J. Hennessy, Peter O'Sullivan, Tom O'Rourke, Niall O'Donnell, Tommy O'Sullivan, James Connery, Jimmy Quilty, John McMahon, Paul O'Farrell, Pat Hennessy, Thomas Lee, Rory Roche, Patrick Sheehy, Kevin Danaher. Substitutes: Declan Halpin, Gerard O'Sullivan, Donal Hennessy. Team trainers were Mr. Tommy Moore and Mr.

## Kilmallock

Our under-16 hurling team was defeated by Kilfinane-Ardpatrick during the past week. We can still qualify for the final stages of this championship but a big improvement will have to be forthcoming from the players in order to retain our crown. The junior football team lost to Bruree by 2 pts. in the junior football cup after being 5 pts. in arrears at half time.

The senior hurlers travelled to the outskirts of Cork city to play Erin's Own, a Cork senior team in a challenge game. This was a good run out for the players in an effort to reach top form for the knockout stages of the south and county championships in the weeks to come.

There is still a lot of work to be done by the team to reach full

G.A.A. **11.8.85**

## Charleville winners

Charleville 3-13  
Stakers 3-5

Charleville won the Kilmallock Festival junior hurling tournament when they defeated Bruree in the final by an eight point margin.

Playing with the advantage of fresh breeze in the first half, Bruree were very much in contention and certainly deserved to be ahead at half-time. As it was the teams were level (1-5 each).

In the second half Charleville were in control and went on to win well, Stakers' goals in this half coming from penalties.

Scorers for Charleville were K. O'Shea, J. Fitzgerald, P. O'Shea, J. Foley, E. McCarthy, and P. O'Sullivan.

Scorers for Stakers: G. Carroll, T. Tobin, F. Hanley and R. Ryan. Referee was Mr. Kevin Walsh, Knocklong.

The cup for the tournament was presented to J. Foley, captain of Charleville, by Mr. T. Moloney, chairman of Kilmallock Sportsfield Committee, and the trophies were presented to the members of the team by Mr. John Donegan on behalf of Nash's Canada Dry, who sponsored the tournament.

## Kilmallock

Our annual dinner dance, held at the People's Hall on Friday night, Feb. 15th, was most successful and 300 people attended. The guests included county board youth officer, John Naughton; south chairman, Pat Murnane; and south board secretary, Matt O'Callaghan, and Fr. John Leonard, C.C. The chairman, Tom Nelligan, welcomed everybody and outlined his hopes for the club during the coming year before extending a hearty welcome to the members of the 1955 minor hurling team, winners of our first county minor title, and to Paddy Kelly, on his selection on the 1984 Bank of Ireland All-Star hurling team. He also expressed regret that Fr. Paudie Fitzmaurice was unable to attend, owing to the death of a relative.

Highlight of the evening was the presentation of special trophies to the members of the 1955 minor team and to Paddy Kelly. Medals were presented to the members of the under-21 hurling team, winners of the south championship.

The draws for the county senior championship gave us a bye in the first round and we meet Fedamore in the second round.

The draws for the south championships took place recently and we were drawn as follows:

S.H.C. v. Bruff, u-21 H.C. v. Bruff, u-21 F.C. v. Bruff, minor H.C. v. Bruff, minor F.C. v. Croom, J.F.C. v. Bruree, J.F. Cup v. Bruree, novice H.C. v. Stakers, N.H. Cup v. Galbally.

## Blackrock, Bruree victorious

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Referee: Mr. R. Moloney (Kilmallock).

**BRUREE 2-6**  
**NEWTOWN 0-10**

Bruree (Limerick) won the Kilmallock Festival senior hurling tournament cup and trophies when they had a two point winning margin over Newtown (Cork) in the final.

With the favour of wind in the first half, Bruree had the edge but their 1-3 to 0-4 lead at half time did not appear to be enough. This became more evident as Newtown set about their work in earnest in the second half. They quickly levelled the scoring, then went ahead with three points and looked winners.

Then came a Bruree burst which yielded a goal to level the scoring and then in the closing stages, Bruree, having come from the brink of disaster, kept their grip on the game and had the two points that gave them a deserved win.

Scorers for Bruree were: D. Mullane, P. Potter, J. O'Brien, D. Deady and M. Mullane.

Newtown: J. Coughlan, G. Morrissey, D. Herlihy and P. Naughton.

Referee: Mr. K. Walsh (Knocklong).

## K'mallock

Highlight of the annual dinner of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club, held in the local hall, was the presentation of trophies to the members of the Kilmallock team that won the County Limerick minor hurling title in 1955. Medals were also presented to the members of the Kilmallock under 21 hurling team that won the South Limerick title last year. Also highlighting a very enjoyable evening was the presentation of a trophy to Paddy Kelly to mark his selection on the All Stars team.

The presentations were made by Mr. T. Neligan, chairman of the Kilmallock Club, and the members of the 1955 team were: Vincent Cusack, R.I.P. (received by his son, Eamon.); Tom Hanly, Patrick O'Brien, Paddy Hickey (taken by John Hickey), John McGrath (taken by Donal McGrath), Bobby Hanly and Joseph Hanly (taken by Vincent Hanly), John Halpin, M. Halpin, M. Heffernan, Pakie Heffernan (taken by his mother), M. Treacy (taken by his sister), Cal O'Donnell, M. Earls, Pa O'Donnell, Tony Collins (taken by M. Collins), Pat O'Rourke (taken by Richard), P. J. O'Donnell, Larry Donovan (taken by Tony Moloney), Billy Canty, Charlie O'Grady, David Cahill (taken by Joe Cahill), Ned Mulcahy, Peter Kenny, R. Delea and John Carey.

Members of the 1984 under 21 hurling team were: J. J. O'Riordan, capt.; T. Hennessy, G. Hanly, D. Hanly, G. O'Riordan, T. O'Donnell, C. O'Connor, M. Neligan, R. Riordan, L. Tobin, C. Maguire, M. O'Reilly, T. Hanly, T. Donegan, M. Moloney, M. O'Regan, P. Barrett, J. Leahy, N. Hanly, D. Heffernan, M. Houlihan, G. B. McCarthy, J. Murphy, M. Donegan, P. Leahy and N. Daly.

Mr. Neligan welcomed the guests — John Naughton, on behalf of the County Board; Pat Murnane and Matt Callaghan, representing the South Board; Seamus O'Kelly, J. Moloney, J. McGrath, N. Collins, M. Ryan, Sgt. Curran, Fr. J. Leonard, Paddy Kelly, Willie O'Brien, trainer, and Donal Barry, young member of the Limerick team. Mr. Neligan said that his aim for 1985 was that the Kilmallock Club would come to the forefront in Limerick hurling. They had last won the Senior title in 1975 and he felt confident that this was their year again. Nothing would be spared to motivate the team and get the players fit in 1985 and he had no doubt but that Willie O'Brien who led Kilmallock to three in a row would achieve that. He announced the formation of a 500 club to raise funds, which were very important now having regard to the fact that hurleys cost as much as £10 each. He was glad that they had their function at home in Kilmallock and he thanked the Community Council for the use of the hall.

Mr. John Naughton, County Board Youth Officer; Mr. Pat Murnane, chairman of the South Board, and Rev. Fr. John Leonard, C.C., Kilmallock, also spoke. Mr. John Brazill acted as M.C. and Mr. Noel Flynn supplied the music. Mr. W. Mulcahy (chairman) on behalf of the Kilmallock Community Council, made a presentation also to Paddy Kelly, to mark his selection as an All-Star.





Members of the Kilmallock minor championship team of 1955 who attended the GAA social at Kilmallock.

9.3.85

## KILMALLOCK HONOUR GAELS OF '55

THE GAELS of the past from Kilmallock have been remembered with presentations to the local team of '55 who brought the first minor county championship to the club.

Thirty years later Kilmallock GAA club have renewed the celebrations of the successful team of 1955 when many of the members of the team were guests at their annual supper dance at the People's Hall.

The stalwarts of that victorious championship present included Ned Mulcahy, Tom Hanley, Richard Delea, Patrick O'Brien, Michael Hefferman, Michael Earls, Pa O'Donnell, Peter Kennedy, Charlie O'Grady, Cal O'Donnell, John Halpin and Tom Moloney.



All Star Paddy Kelly receiving a presentation from Tom Neilligan, Kilmallock GAA club.

The side were captained by Vincent Cusack and present to receive his memento was his son, Eamonn.

Kilmallock down through

the years has had a famed history in the annals of the GAA and produced many of the players to grace the playing fields of Munster for the county. The tradition of the GAA in the town is deeprooted and the spirit retains all its dynamism to the present day.

### Past

The players from the past and present talked about the games that were won and some of those which they lost, and the large gathering was indicative of the strength of the association in the area.

Officers like Tom Neilligan, John Brazil, Paddy Leahy and his brother Mick, are synonymous with the GAA. They welcomed the officers from the south and county boards, Pat Murnane, John Naughton and veteran GAA writer, Seamus O Ceallaigh.

Local Bank of Ireland All Star Paddy Kelly was among their guests and recipient of presentations from the GAA club and the community council. Tom Neilligan and William Mulcahy doing the honours.

Enjoying the function also was J. J. O'Riordan, who had captained the south under 21 years hurling team last year and received the trophy for the championship.



## Kilmallock 2.3.85

Re-sodding and re-seeding of the goals in Pairc Sheain Mhic Gearailt has been completed and as a result, the pitch will be closed until the end of March.

Arrangements are being made to hold a function in mid-March for the presentation of medals to the members of the under 16 hurling and football teams, winners of the South Championship in both codes.

Our senior hurlers will be in action in the county senior league and we are eagerly looking forward to the draws.

## Kilmallock 20.4.85

Our juvenile hurling team had a good 3 goals and 5 points to 2 points win over Croom in the first round of the championship. After playing against a strong breeze in the first half we led by 1-1 to 2 pts. at half time and ran out easy winners in the end. Line-out: P. Tobin, L. Sheehy, B. Hanley, D. McCarthy, J. Connery, P. Heffernan, M. Sheedy, M. Houlihan, T. Nelligan, P. Barrett, T. Hennessy, J. Moloney, N. Maguire, T. Allen, J. McCarthy. Sub.: K. O'Connor.

On Friday, April 19, we play Galbally in the South Minor Football semi-final at Hospital at 6.45 p.m.

On Sunday next we meet Bruff at Knocklong in the first round of the South Senior Hurling Championship. Nothing less than an all out effort will be good enough to beat last year's county finalists.

On next Wednesday, April 24, we meet Ardpatrick in the second round of the U. 16 hurling championship at Knocklong.

## Kilmallock 16.2.85

The club got off to a great start to 1985 with the news of Paddy Kelly's selection on the 1984 Bank of Ireland All Star hurling team, an honour which Paddy richly deserves, and we congratulate him on this latest addition to his National League medal and B & I trophy.

At the weekly committee meeting the following members were appointed selectors for the under age teams for 1985: minor and under 16 hurling selectors: Tom Hennessy, Mike Moloney and Mike Barrett; minor and under 16 football — Tom Hennessy, Dan Conway and Tony Moloney; under 12 and under 14 hurling — Mick Keane, Tony Shaughnessy and Bernie Savage; under 14 and under 12 football — Tom Kennedy, Paddy Leahy and Bernie Savage.

It is proposed to hold underage leagues down to the under 10 age group in the near future, when weather conditions and underfoot conditions improve.

Members of the 1955 minor hurling team, winners of our first county minor title, will be honoured at our dinner dance, which is being held at the People's Hall on Friday, February 15th.

## Kilmallock 15.6.85

An impressive win over Ardpatrick last Friday evening, in the South Championship, has given our senior hurlers renewed confidence and we are now looking forward to taking on Garryspillane in the semi-final. Before that takes place, however, we have a very important game on Sunday week at Bruff when we play Fedamore at 3.15 in the County Championship. Serious training for this match started last Tuesday evening under the guidance of Willie O'Brien, with a very good muster of panel members.

Our novice hurlers lost the final of the novice cup to Bruff at Knocklong last Saturday evening in a poor game played in miserable conditions. They will be hoping to go one better in the championship. On Sunday evening our senior hurlers travelled to Cooleyroe to play Newcastle West in the Feohanagh tournament without six of the first team, and lost by a single point in a good game.

Mick Leahy will represent the club in the election to find the Mayor of Kilmallock for 1985/86. Mick, who has held almost every executive position in the club at one time or another, is one of the senior hurling selectors and has been one of our most active members for many years. He is also chairman of the Limerick Supporters Club.

Good luck to Limerick on Sunday and a special good wish for our men on the panel, Paddy Kelly and Donal Barry.

## Kilmallock review a

good year 28/12/85

Addressing the annual convention of the Kilmallock G.A.A. Club at the Vocational School, Mr. Thomas Nelligan, chairman, said that when he was elected last year, he set out two goals, to bring back the senior championship title to Kilmallock and to unite Kilmallock parish behind the G.A.A. Both had been achieved, he said. The senior hurlers won the Limerick county title and the support which the club got from the people of the parish had been excellent.

Continuing, he said that the commitment of the senior hurlers culminated in a brilliant win in the county final last September and he congratulated the players on their excellent devotion and dedication during the year. He also congratulated the under age teams particularly the under 16 footballers who were unlucky in the county final.

The future of hurling in Kilmallock is, he said, guaranteed because it was edifying to see members of the senior panel out in the sportsfield on a Saturday morning with 50 or 60 young players and coaching them for about two hours each morning. There was no fear of hurling in Kilmallock while that continued. The winning of the county senior championship has encouraged young people to take up hurling seriously and he thanked the members of the senior panel who were prepared to go on to the field and coach these young players. He thanked and praised the senior selectors and paid special tribute to the trainer Willie O'Brien and he thanked his fellow officers and members of the committee and all who helped the club in any way.

The chairman said that insurance was an important matter and he felt that all players should have insurance. It was likely to be very expensive but it was essential that every player should have insurance. If every player was insured it would probably bring down the premiums. If clubs were going to get the support of parents to back the national games, they would expect their children to be insured. Players should think seriously about insurance and if it is made compulsory, then players will not be allowed to play if they have not got it.

### Highlights

In a very comprehensive report on the year's working, the secretary, Mr. Michael Fitzgerald, said that the highlights of the year were: They played 102 matches in all grades; collected £30,000 in the 500 club draw; won the county senior hurling title and no play was ordered off the field during the year. They took part in the St Patrick's Day parade and also in An Scor, although interest in that was not as good as it should be.

They took part in the under age coaching course and were involved in running the festival with the community council. Good revenue was brought in by Michael Leahy in the Mayoral election and he was nominated by the club on the county selection committee.

He paid tribute to the ladies committee; the fields committee and the groundsman J. Clifford.

He went on to deal with the activities of the various teams and commented on the little consideration shown to the club by the South

Board in regard to a request to postpone a junior football game and also in regard to the postponement of the south senior hurling semi-final against Garryspillane, due to injuries in the county final.

He also paid tribute to the trainer Willie O'Brien, to the committee and selectors.

He said that John Neenan had received the man of the match award at the county final and player of the year award.

Paddy Kelly had gained an All Stars award and National League medal; Mce. Nelligan, Liam Tobin and Donal Barry are on the county selection and Donal Barry also won a National League medal.

He also stressed the importance of the training of under age teams and the importance of insurance. He also hoped that the building of the sports centre would commence during 1986.

The treasurer's report was presented by Mr. Thomas Hennessy and he answered a number of questions in regard to this.

Very Rev. G. Canon Wall, vice-president, congratulating the senior hurling team on winning the county title, said he was proud of Kilmallock that day last September when they won the county senior cup.

This, he said, was a tremendous uplift for Kilmallock, and an inspiration to the youth of the parish. He thanked the club for the work they were doing for the youth of the parish and he paid tribute to Wm. Mulcahy for his video of the match.

He thanked the selectors and everybody connected with the club and he wished the club every success in 1986.

### Officers

The following officers were elected: life presidents, John Moore and James Ryan; president, Tom Moloney; vice-president, Canon Wall, P.P.; chairman, Thos. Nelligan; vice-chairman, Patrick Leahy; secretary, Ml. Fitzgerald; treasurer, Thos. Hennessy; assistant secretary, Ml. Curran; assistant treasurer, Bernard Savage; registrar, Paddy Kelly.

Committee: Pat Barrett, Thos. Nelligan, Ml. Barrett, Ml. Moloney, Tony O'Shaughnessy, Ml. Keane, Ml. Leahy, John Brazil, Dan Conway, Tom Kennedy, Wm. Mulcahy; trainer, William O'Brien.

The committee have the power to co-opt and also to appoint a P.R.O.

The chairman congratulated the Limerick and District Post Office team on winning the All-Ireland inter-firm hurling championship in Dublin.

Included in the team were four Kilmallock people — Shane O'Grady (who was captain of the team), Sean Burchill, Pat Lynch and Thos. Riordan.

The meeting decided to affiliate 13 teams in the various championships ranging from senior hurling down to under 12 hurling and football.

A feature of the balance sheet was the high cost of hurling balls which cost £1,495 and hurleys which cost £1,972. Another heavy item was travelling expenses at £2,551.



14.9.85

# MASTER CRAFTSMAN MOLONEY AIDS CHAMPS

By JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY

Kilmallock's win over South Liberties in the County Senior Hurling final last Sunday was not without its cost—no fewer than five of their players were under treatment this week and the South Board has been requested to postpone their clash with Garryspillane in the semi-final of the South Limerick Championship at Bruff on Sunday.

John Brazil, public relations officer for the club, went to extremes to stress that the county final was anything but an unsporting contest—"it was a clean, hard fought game, and at least three of our members now sidelined were suspect going into the game".

## First

J. J. Riordan, who had a brilliant 60 minutes on Joe McKenna, is believed to be the first player to enter a match with a piece of copper piping protecting a finger. O'Riordan, who injured the small finger on his left hand recently, had the copper pipe specially moulded by goalkeeper Tony Moloney. Said Brazil: "The bone hadn't set properly and without the piece of pipe to stabilise it, he would not have been able to play".

Not surprisingly, the piece of metal was retained as a match souvenir.

It also went unnoticed by the majority of the 6,000 crowd that J. J. O'Riordan was wearing a specially designed faceguard—with Moloney once again the craftsman.

O'Riordan suffered an eye injury some years ago and when a close friend lost an eye in a similar accident shortly afterwards, he decided to seek some form of protection.

An American baseball mask was presented to him but didn't suit for hurling, and Moloney was commissioned to make a special one.

"It was ideal for the occasion", continued Brazil, "and I think that Tony might have come up with something of benefit to the Association."

This week-end, O'Riordan is to enter the Limerick Regional Hospital for an operation on his finger.

Also on the Kilmallock injury list are Mike Carroll, Maurice Nelligan, Ger Riordan and Sean Burchill.

"We just couldn't take on Garryspillane without five of our championship winning team", said the PRO.

The reception given to the new champions on their return home last Sunday evening was described by one onlooker as "unbelievable".

## Town

The crowds gathered outside the town from 6 p.m. onwards, and when the convoy of cars hit the town the

players were shouldered high.

"It was the best reception we ever received", continued Brazil. As their way of saying 'thank you' to their fans, Kilmallock organised a free dance at the local hall, where the music was provided by Noel Flynn, who played with Kilmallock in the 'sixties.

The cup was taken to schools in the area on Monday.

Business people in the town had lent financial support to the club from the outset of the competition and many donations from £10 to £250 were received. In all, a total of £2,000 was raised and the money was spent on totting out the team for the decider.

## Retain

The players were allowed to retain their jerseys, which had the Corporation seal of Kilmallock on the crest. Several individuals also came forward with financial assistance. The excitement continued in Kilmallock all week—and now they are looking forward to the forthcoming Munster Club Championship when they hope to become the first team from the county to capture the trophy.

"We will also be looking for sizeable representation on the county hurling team panel", added Brazil.

Kilmallock will be in search of another prize this Sunday when their under-16 footballers take on Mungret in the county final at Caherconlish.

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Attending the victory dinner of Kilmallock G.A.A. Club last weekend were, left to right: Paddy Kelly, Jim Hickey, County Board chairman; Canon Wall, P.P., Paddy Leahy and Willie O'Brien. Standing, left to right: Fr. J. Leonard, Eamon Cregan, Ann Cregan, Seamus O Ceallaigh, Siobhann Kelly, Tom Hennessy, Fr. T. Madden.





Paddy Kelly, key player with Kilmallock.

## Old score to settle —Fitzgerald

**KILMALLOCK** have an old score to settle with South Liberties and would like to exact revenge for their 1981 county final defeat on Sunday.

Mick Fitzgerald, secretary of the progressive South Limerick club, said this week that they were still angered that they lost in a replay to the Liberties in '81 after a replay—"and quite a few of our team that day will be out to settle the issue this time," shrugged the popular Post Office official.

Kilmallock, said Mick, had kept the flag flying high in South Limerick for several years. He recalled their first success in 1960, followed by others in '67, 1973, 1974 and 1975. Out Kilmallock way they still talk about that three-in-a-row.

Mick described their present panel as a great bunch of players. "We might be having our injury problems at the moment but they will be forgotten when we take the field on Sunday."

He has every respect for South Liberties type of play, and agreed with McKenna that it was very much a 50-50 situation.

"There is little between the teams and I suppose whoever gets the breaks on the day will triumph," added Mick, confident that they will have huge support at the Gaelic Grounds.

It was to their advantage, he stated, that they had a reasonably strong panel of players—"and if there are a couple of defections then we will have suitable replacements ready for action."

He paid tribute to John Neenan; "He has shown the right kind of dedication by making the journey from Naas for training three times per week—that is the kind of spirit running through our club."

**KILMALLOCK**

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# A club steeped in great tradition

**Kilmallock has connections with the G.A.A. dating back to the founding of the Association. Athletics played an important part in the promotion of the infant organisation, and Kilmallock, with its own cinder track, was the meeting place of Ireland's foremost athletes in the late 'eighties.**

One of the men who founded the G.A.A., the late J. K. Bracken, a Tipperaryman, lived in Kilmallock.

The first county championship won by the club was in 1908, when Kilmallock defeated Newcastle West 2-8 to 0-3 in senior football. The first hurling championship was won in September of 1927 at Hospital. This was the final of the 1925 county junior championship and resulted in a 6-3 to 4-1 win over Murroe.

The games flourished in the southern capital down the years, with many successes in both hurling and football. The summit was reached in 1960 when Kilmallock won the county senior hurling title for the first time when scoring a 4-5 to 0-4 win over Cloughaun at the Gaelic Grounds. The team who achieved the honour were: Tommy Hanley, John Cotter, Tom O'Donnell, Mick Heelan, Noel Flynn, Vincent Cusack, Paddy O'Grady, T. J. Hanley, Mick Heffernan, Paddy Fitzgerald, Denny McCarthy, Joe Naughton, Jimmy Millea, Charlie O'Grady, Paddy Wall. Subs used: Jack O'Sullivan and Jim O'Grady.

Western Gaels knocked them off their perch in 1961 at Bruree, and made it another setback in 1962, this time in the final.

Five years later the club booked a place in the senior hurling decider against South Liberties.

This was probably one of the most talked-of finals and received publicity throughout the land. Played in pouring rain, and on a mud-packed Gaelic Grounds, the crowd of over 2,000 were treated to a thrilling draw. Kilmallock scored 3-3 to Liberties 0-12, with a late goal saving the day for the South Limerickmen.

## Replay

The replay did not produce the same thrilling fare, as Liberties went down 4-7 to 1-7. Pat Heffernan, who played at centreback for Kilmallock in the drawn game, played a soccer match on the following Sunday and was not ~~replayed for the replay~~ *before the big day*

127 was still in existence. Frank Birrane was entrusted with the No. 6 spot.

Kilmallock scored a huge win in the 1970 final. They won 2-14 to 0-2 against Patrickswell.

The famous three in a row in 1973, 1974 and 1975 were without doubt the greatest years in the history of the club.

Tom Hanley, John Fitzgerald, Dom Hayes, Nicholas Hayes, Mike Carroll, Jack McCarthy, Sean O'Donovan, Tony Moloney, Dan Connolly, Paddy Kelly, Tony Smith, Moss Finn, Davy O'Riordan, Mossy Dowling and Bernie Savage lines out for Kilmallock in the 12-12 to 2-4 defeat of Killeedy in the 1973 final.

Kilmallock 2-9, Patrickswell 3-5 was the score in the 1974 decider. The same fifteen retained the title.

It was not quite as close in 1975. Kilmallock again qualified for a tilt with Patrickswell and won 3-14 to 3-7. Jimmy O'Keeffe played at wing-back, replacing Sean O'Donovan. The latter came on as a substitute.

In 1981 it was a final meeting between South Liberties and Kilmallock. This second meeting of the sides in a final was another draw, but on this occasion it was South Liberties who captured the glory in a replay.

## Third

The third meeting on Sunday is expected to be a close affair. What are the odds on a third draw and replay!

Mossy Dowling, one of the stars of the three-in-a-row, won an All-Ireland medal with Limerick in 1973.

Hurling is part of life where the Lubagh river flows. Every generation produced heroes and hurling giants. Kilmallock will have heroes on Sunday next and, win or lose, their supporters will cheer them to a man. When the men from the Balbec town march on to the field on Sunday next, three of the three-in-a-row teams — Mike Carroll, Davy Riordan and Paddy Kelly — will once more figure in a bid for fresh honours.

Visiting Kilmallock last weekend, one felt a sense of confidence prevailing. There certainly is determination and commitment. In this respect, these vital ingredients were vividly portrayed by their right corner forward, Johnny Neenan, who travelled from Naas, Co. Kildare, for all the training sessions in the weeks

**Kilmallock**

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The club had a very busy period over the Easter with six matches being played by our teams. The juvenile football side started the defence of its crown with a fine 2 goals to 5 points to no score victory over Ballylanders.

Line-out: K. O'Connor, J. Cronin, T. Kennedy, T. Allen, J. Connery, P. Heffernan, M. Gammell, P. Barrett, M. Houlihan, L. Sheedy, T. Hennessy, J. Moloney, J. McCarthy, P. J. Mulcahy, N. Maguire.

The minor football team ran out good winners against Croom on a scoreline of 4 goals 6 pts. to 1 goal 2 points. Line-out: K. O'Connor, P. Heffernan, T. J. Carroll, J. Houlihan, J. Connery, C. O'Connor, R. O'Riordan, M. Houlihan, P. Barrett, L. Sheedy, N. Daly, J. Cronin, T. Hennessy, M. Moloney, J. Moloney.

The minor hurling team bowed out to a good Bruff team at rainswept Knocklong. Two points down at half time, we drew level with ten minutes to go but a late Bruff goal and point sealed our fate. This was a performance of spirit and determination considering we had nine U. 16 players on the team.

Line-out: T. Hennessy, B. Hanley, D. Hanley, T. J. Carroll, J. Connery, R. O'Riordan, J. Houlihan, M. Houlihan, C. O'Connor, P. Barrett, N. Daly, L. Sheedy, N. Maguire, M. Moloney, T. Nelligan.

The senior hurling team played some fine hurling when defeating Dromin-Athlaca by 1-14 to 1-5 in the final of the Athlaca tournament. We led by 6 pts. to 2 pts. at half time and all the forwards picked off their points from play in the second half. Maurice Nelligan, captain, received the fine cup from Joe Mulcahy, chairman of Dromin-Athlaca Club.

In the Feile na nGael U. 14 Hurling competition we defeated Dromin-Athlaca in the first round but made our exit to Croom in the second round.

Paddy Kelly had the distinction of playing with the Bank of Ireland All Star Hurling team in the Matt Connor Testimonial match at Tullamore on Easter Monday.

On Wednesday next, April 17, we play Bruff in the U. 16 Football Championship at Bruree at 6.45 p.m. On Friday next, April 19, we play Galbally in the South Minor Football semi-final.



## Kilmallock

Our minor footballers de-throned champions Galbally in a tense and exciting south final played at Knocklong last weekend. The first half was very evenly contested and Galbally edged two points in front just before half-time.

Kilmallock captain, Cathal O'Connor, received a leg injury mid-way through the first half and had to retire shortly after half time. Kilmallock got on top mid-way through the second half but proceeded to miss five scoreable frees. We launched attack after attack on the Galbally defence during the final ten minutes but somehow the Galbally goal remained intact.

With time almost up we launched one final attack and half-back, James Connery moved into a breaking ball inside the 13-metre line and blasted the ball to the net.

The scoreboard now read 1-5 to 0-7 and the final whistle sounded shortly afterwards.

Lineout: D. Wiley, M. Sheedy, T. Kennedy, J. Houlihan, J. Connery, P. J. Mulcahy, T. Hennessy, M. Moloney, T. J. Carroll, P. Tobin. Subs., J. McCarthy, T. Donegan.

## Kilmallock

The club committee members have been very busy for the past week visiting all the houses in the parish with the brochure containing the Sports Centre Development Scheme.

At this stage almost all the parishioners should have seen the brochure. The consensus of opinion from the people who have been visited to date is that it is a very attractive package. Every single person indicated that the facilities being provided in the centre are very badly needed.

### CLUB FIXTURES

County minor hurling semi-final: Kilmallock v. Kilfinane, at Bruff, Saturday, September 20, 3 p.m.

Junior football semi-final: Kilmallock v. Bruff, at Knocklong, Sunday, September 21, 12 noon.

**£25,000 for 4/10/86**  
**GAA club**

Kilmallock G.A.A. Club's new community sports centre is to receive £25,000 from the Department of Education. This, said a club spokesman, ensures that the project will be completed as planned.

Notice of the making of the grant was communicated to Deputy Willie O'Brien by Mr. Enda Kenny, the Minister for State at the Department of Education.

## Kilmallock

The response to the sports centre brochure has been very good from the people visited to date. With only a small percentage of the parish covered there is already approx. £10,000 either pledged or collected. It is expected that the scheme will bring in at least £30,000 and this figure, together with the Government grant of £25,000 recently sanctioned, will ensure that the sports centre will be completed within approx. 9 to 12 months. Tenders for the building of the centre will be advertised shortly and only registered building contractors will be eligible to tender.

It is expected to take between three to four weeks for the committee members to reach every house in the parish.

Our long awaited under 16 football county semi-final is expected to be played within the next week or two. Our opponents are not yet known due to a hold up in the city championship.

## Kilmallock

The annual general meeting of Kilmallock G.A.A. Club takes place at the People's Hall, Kilmallock, on Tuesday next, December 9, at 7.30 p.m. All members and supporters are requested to attend.

The versatility of Paddy Kelly was illustrated once again last week. On this occasion Paddy excelled in the role of coach and trainer to Tipperary C.B.S. in their great victory over Midleton C.B.S. in the final of the Munster Colleges hurling Dean Ryan Cup competition. Incidentally, his assistant was Tipperary All-Star Nicholas English.

### CLUB FIXTURES

South u-13 football semi-final: Kilmallock v. Croom, at Effin, Sunday, December 7, at 12 noon.

## Kilmallock

Our under 13 hurlers and under 15 hurlers were both defeated by Croom last weekend. The U13 team were caught in the last five minutes when Croom scored two late goals. We led by two goals at half time after playing with a fresh breeze, but the more balanced Croom lads gradually got on top to win the final by four points.

Line-out — Sean O'Sullivan, Tom Freney, Alan Coffey, Kevin Creagh, Raymond Kelly, Brendan Halpin, Paul Earls, David O'Shaughnessy, Jason Earls, Liam Neenan, Paul Dowling, Johnny Cronin, Pat Barrett, Fintan Leahy, Cian Collins.

The under 15 hurlers were also defeated by four points, and could possibly have won but for some fine goalkeeping by the Croom keeper. Short a few key players this was a good performance and there is room for more improvement in the team.

The club would like to wish Liam Naughton a speedy recovery from his recent illness, which has necessitated hospital treatment.

The Department of Education have given the go ahead to accept tenders from building contractors for the construction of the sports centre. When the tenders have been ratified by the Department, construction of the sports centre will start immediately. There is still some sections of the parish to be called to yet by the committee members. It is hoped to have reached every house within the next week or so. Reaction to the scheme continues to be very good, and full particulars of membership will be made known when the

## Kilmallock GAA

THE idea of providing top class indoor sporting and recreational facilities in the parish is certain to become a reality very shortly.

The response that the building committee has been receiving around the parish is astonishingly good. The different methods of payment of membership have proved very attractive and there is now a payment office for weekly and monthly cash payments available at the National Insurance Office at Lord Edward Street.

It seems that the target of £30,000 will be reached and possibly passed the next few weeks. Government officials are expected to visit the site shortly to give the official go ahead to the venture.

### HURLING

Our Under-13 hurlers had a thrilling one point win over Bruff in the South Bord na nÓg competition last Saturday. Kilmallock started very sluggishly and trailed 1-0 to 4-2 at the break.

The game changed completely, however, from the resumption, and the Kilmallock team, ably led by David O'Shaughnessy, proceeded to play some great hurling.

We were two points in arrears with time almost up, but a fine goal scored by Cian Collins ensured a thrilling win for us. Throughout the game there were fine performances by A. Coffey, B. Halpin, D. O'Shaughnessy, J. Earls, P. Enright and F. Leahy. The final score was Kilmallock 5-1, Bruff 4-3.

## Kilmallock

THE club had its busiest and most successful week to date this year on the playing fields, taking part in four under age championship games and winning all four. In under 16 football we beat Bruff by 8-9 to 2-0, after leading at half time by 5-5 to 0-0.

In the minor hurling league we defeated Bruff by 3-6 to 2-2 after leading at half time by 1-3 to 0-2. This win makes us level with Kilfinane in the league and a play-off will probably be necessary to decide who goes forward to the semi-final.

In under 16 hurling we again met Bruff and defeated them on a scoreline of 3-6 to 3-0, after leading at half time by 2-3 to 1-0. We now play Hospital-Herbertstown on this Saturday in Knockainey at 3 p.m.

In under 21 hurling we defeated Effin by 3-11 to 2-3. At half time we were 2 pts. in arrears after struggling to come to grips with the game, playing against a strong breeze in the first half. This win put us into the South semi-final but the team will have to show improvement if we are to reach the final.

Work on the sports centre is progressing satisfactorily. The erection of the roof has now been completed and plans are going ahead to start the building of the walls.

## Kilmallock

Our minor football team put up a good performance before going under to a strong and talented Mungret team in the county semi-final last weekend. Though being 8 pts. to 4 in arrears at half-time, we were still in contention to win the game. Shortly after half time we missed two gilt-edged chances of goals, and from that point on Mungret tightened their grip on the game. Great credit is due to our team for continuing to battle right to the final whistle even though it was obvious that Mungret had the game won with a quarter of an hour to go. We would like to wish Mungret the best of luck in the county final. Final score, 1-16 to 1-7.

Lineout: D. Wiley, L. Sheedy, T. Kennedy, J. Houlihan, J. Connery, C. O'Connor, M. Sheedy, M. Houlihan, D. Cronin, T. Nelligan, P. J. Mulcahy, P. Barrett, M. Moloney, P. Tobin, T. J. Carroll. Subs., J. Moloney, T. Donegan.

Our juvenile football team qualified for the county semi-final by virtue of a good win over Pallasgreen last weekend. We were rocked back on our heels in the first four minutes when Pallas scored a goal and a point. We gradually got back into the game and by half-time were leading by two points on a 2-3 to 1-4 scoreline. Early in the second half the side seemed to lose concentration for a while and were slow to chalk up the scores. Entering the final quarter the forwards put some good moves together and scored several good points before the end.

Lineout: D. Wiley, A. O'Connor, M. Sheedy, D. O'Shaughnessy, D. Cahill, J. McCarthy, J. Mulcahy, L. Sheedy, J. Ferns, D. Clarke, J. Connery, J. Moloney, T. Allen, P. Tobin, J. Savage.

The launching of the sports centre brochure at the press conference last week has received a great reception around the parish. The details of the package in the brochure are being accepted as great value by the people who have seen the brochure to date. Every household and business in the parish will be visited with the brochure within the next week or so. Everybody will have a week or two to examine the package and make up their minds on the value of its contents.

Tenders for the erection of the walls of the sports centre have been sought from various people within the parish. It is hoped to see the walls erected in the immediate



SENIOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP:

# MUNGRET GO DOWN TAMELY

Kilmallock ..... 6-14  
Mungret ..... 1-11

County hurling champions, Kilmallock, eased themselves into the second round of the current Senior Championship at Croom on Sunday with a 6-14 to 1-11 win over Mungret, but not before enduring some anxious moments, particularly in the first half.

This was a good lively game played on a near perfect pitch. It was hard to believe the same pitch was declared unplayable a week earlier. The pools of water and mud had made way for a nice sod with a bit of give. A fresh breeze blew into the town goal and Mungret played with its assistance in the first half.

Kilmallock were slow to settle down but not so the city representatives. Mungret, with Liam O'Donoghue at centre back and Mick Barron

at centre forward causing havoc, went into a quick lead and led 0-8 to 0-1 after twenty minutes. O'Donoghue, Barron, Seamus McCarthy, Johnny Bulfin and Denis Keating raised white flags with the lone interruption coming from Ger Carroll the former Stakers starlet.

A shock result was on the cards at this stage. This reality seemed to hit the entire Kilmallock squad and rather than allow Mungret to tighten their grip they decided to strike back. Team captain Johnny Neenan banged home a goal to be followed by a Paddy Kelly point. It was all square when Billy Guiney found the net. Liam O'Donoghue pointed to put Mungret ahead once again, but Paddy Kelly had the final say in the first half with late points to leave Kilmallock ahead 2-4

to 0-9 at half time.

Denis Keating pointed to restore parity just after the turnover. Enda Aherne sent a low shot just inside the upright and Mungret were ahead again. Johnny Neenan who constantly teased and tormented the Mungret defence wiped away the Kilmallock blushes with a cheeky goal and again it was all level. Neenan had Kilmallock ahead with a point but a quick reply from O'Donoghue had the sides level for the third time in seven minutes. This was the final effort from Mungret - they caved in after Neenan had another goal in the eighth minute. Kelly, Declan Hefferman, Gerard O'Brien and Davy Riordan goals had Kilmallock in complete control with ten minutes remaining.

## Weaknesses

Kilmallock who were without full back J. J. Riordan and centre back Mike Carroll cannot be too pleased with this latest display. They had glaring weaknesses in defence, a very mediocre midfield and only Johnny Neenan the big threat in attack. True they finished well, but against tougher opposition could have been in real trouble.

Mungret played great hurling in spurts and starts. Inconsistency was their weakness. However, it was not the fault of Liam O'Donoghue, Ger Malone, Seamus Mulcahy, Mike Barron, Gerry O'Brien and Enda Aherne that they came a cropper in the first round.

Kilmallock: T. J. Hanly, D. Barry, S. O'Grady, S. Burchill, G. Riordan, E. Wiley,

M. Nelligan, S. O'Brien, L. Tobin, P. Kelly, D. Hefferman, S. Carroll, J. Neenan, B. Guiney, D. Riordan. Subs: M. Houlihan for Tobin, P. Lynch for Wiley.

Mungret: J. Kirby, V. O'Donoghue, G. Malone, M. Kirby, S. O'Brien, L. O'Donoghue, M. Fitzgerald, S. McCarthy, J. Keating, J. Bulfin, M. Barron, E. Aherne, P. Tobin, D. Keating, T. Byrnes. Subs: M. Malone for Kirby, M. Kirby for J. Keating.

Referee: M. Reidy (Croom).



## Kilmallock

The December meeting of the Kilmallock I.C.A. Guild, held in the ACOT Centre, was presided over by Mrs. Mary O'Riordan.

Mrs. Phil Power, Askeaton, showed a video on the Marian Shrine of Medjugorje. She also spoke about her impressions of the shrine and answered many questions about the immediate countryside.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. R. Flynn and seconded by Mrs. B. O'Connor.

This month's competition winners were: 1st, K. O'Mahony; 2nd, M. Taberner; 3rd, T. Blewett.

Overall competition winners for the year were:

1st, M. Collins; 2nd, K. O'Mahony; 3rd, M. Fitzpatrick.

Mr. Michael Fitzgerald of Kilmallock was elected secretary of the South Limerick G.A.A. Board at the annual convention held at Kilmallock. He replaces Mr. Matt Callaghan, M.C.C., who was secretary for the past 10 years and who did not seek re-election.

Mr. Fitzgerald is son of the late Mr. John Fitzgerald, who was secretary of this board for 33 years until he retired in 1971.

society.

Planning permission has cleared the commencement of the erection of the new sports centre for Kilmallock G.A.A. Club at the local sportsfield. The centre will include handball alley, squash courts, games and recreation area, dressing rooms, showers, kitchen and meeting rooms. The estimated cost is £80,000. There will be a special general meeting of the club within the next month to launch the project.

## Club G.A.A. Kilmallock

The club has announced Tuesday, March 18th, as the date of the special general meeting to be held to discuss major club development. The meeting will be held at the Vocational School at 8.30 p.m. It is vital that all members and intending members attend this meeting, as it is likely to be one of the most important decision making meetings ever held in the club's history.

Our under 14 hurling team produced a good display in this first game of the season. When they defeated Bruree by 4 goals and 4 points to 3 goals in a challenge game at Bruree last weekend.

## Kilmallock

Our under-13 football team have reached the county final of the Community Games competition, after defeating Caherdavin Na Piarasigh in the semi-final. Kilmallock were 1-0 to 1-5 in arrears at half time after playing against a very strong breeze in the first half. The team really raised its game in the second half and proceeded to play some great football and finished good winners on a 5-3 to 2-6 scoreline. We now meet St. Senan's in the county final.

Our under-12 football team failed to get the better of a strong Hospital-Herbertstown team in the championship recently but are

## Kilmallock

Our under 16, under 18 and under 21 teams will have no further games for about five weeks because of the various examinations that will be starting shortly. We are nicely positioned in all championships at present and the break is more than welcome for the players.

Club fixtures:

Junior football league v. Bruff, Friday, May 23, 7.30 p.m.

Under 12 hurling v. Hospital Herbertstown at Knocklong, Monday, May 26, 7.30 p.m.

Junior Football League, v. Galtee Gaels at Kilmallock, Tuesday, May 27, 7.30.

Under 12 football v. Bruff at Bruree, Wednesday, May 28 at 7.30 p.m.

## Kilmallock

Our under 13 team had an impressive win against Galbally during the past week in the Community Games competition. We led at half time by 1-0 to 0-0 and finished strongly to win by 4-0 to 1-1.

Our under 14 hurling team were held to a draw by Newcastle West in the Community Games on Saturday evening. There was a continuous downpour of rain during the game and in the waterlogged conditions neither team deserved to lose.

In the junior football cup we were defeated by 5 points by Bruree. This was a game that could have been won as we failed to score from two first half penalties. It is likely that junior football team will be playing again next week in the cup competition.

The senior hurling team open the defence of their county championship in two weeks time when they play Mungret on May 11 at 7.00 p.m. in Croom.

## Kilmallock

The weather created havoc with our fixture list during the last week.

Johnny Neenan was recently elected captain of our junior hurling team for 1986. Paddy Kelly will be the vice-captain. Tom Hennessy and Mike Houlihan both gave good performances in the recent Munster minor hurling championship game against Clare.

## Kilmallock

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Sub.s: P. Enright, A. Gammell, . Keegan, A. Coffey, J. O'Brien. Club members please note that ie closing date for nominations nd motions for AGM is Tuesday ext, Nov. 25. Any member who as not yet received a nomination aper should contact the club sec. immediately. Date of AGM is ues., Dec. 9, at 7.30 p.m.

Fixture: South U. 15 Football mi-fona: Kilmallock v. Croom, Bruree, Sunday, Nov. 23, at 12 ion.

## Senior Hurling Championship:

# Champions easy win

Kilmallock ..... 6.14  
Mungret ..... 1-11

County hurling champions, Kilmallock, eased themselves into the second round of the current Senior Championship at Croom on Sunday with a 6-14 to 1-11 win over Mungret, but not before enduring some anxious moments, particularly in the first half.

This was a good lively game played on a near perfect pitch. It was hard to believe the same pitch was declared unplayable a week earlier. The pools of water and mud had made way for a nice sod with a bit of give. A fresh breeze blew into the town goal and Mungret played with its assistance in the first half.

Kilmallock were slow to settle down but not so the city representatives. Mungret, with Liam O'Donoghue at centre back and Mick Barron at centre forward causing havoc, went into a quick lead and led 0-8 to 0-1 after twenty minutes. O'Donoghue, Barron, Seamus McCarthy, Johnny Bulfin and Denis Keating raised white flags with the lone interruption coming from Ger Carroll the former Stakers starlet.

A shock result was on the cards at this stage. This reality seemed to hit the entire Kilmallock squad and rather than allow Mungret to tighten their grip they decided to strike back. Team captain Johnny Neenan banged home a goal to be followed by a Paddy Kelly point. It was all square when Billy Guiney found the net. Liam O'Donoghue pointed to put Mun-

gret ahead once again, but Paddy Kelly had the final say in the first half with late points to leave Kilmallock ahead 2-4 to 0-9 at half time.

Denis Keating pointed to restore parity just after the turnover. Enda Aherne sent a low shot just inside the upright and Mungret were ahead again. Johnny Neenan who constantly teased and tormented the Mungret defence wiped away the Kilmallock blushes with a cheeky goal and again it was all level. Neenan had Kilmallock ahead with a point but a quick reply from O'Donoghue had the sides level for the third time in seven minutes. This was the final effort from Mungret - they caved in after Neenan had another goal in the eighth minute. Kelly, Declan Hefferman, Gerard O'Brien and Davy Riordan goals had Kilmallock in complete control with ten minutes remaining.

## Weaknesses

Kilmallock who were without full back J. J. Riordan and centre back Mike Carroll cannot be too pleased with this latest display. They had glaring weaknesses in defence, a very mediocre midfield and only Johnny Neenan the big threat in attack. True they finished well, but against tougher opposition could have been in real trouble.

Mungret played great hurling in spurts and starts. Inconsistency was their weakness. However, it was not the fault of Liam O'Donoghue, Ger Malone, Seamus Mulcahy, Mike Barron, Gerry O'Brien and Enda Aherne that they came a cropper in the first round.

Kilmallock: T. J. Hanly, D. Barry, S. O'Grady, S. Burchill, G. Riordan, E. Wiley, M. Nelligan, S. O'Brien, L. Tobin, P. Kelly, D. Hefferman, S. Carroll, J. Neenan, B. Guiney, D. Riordan. Subs: M. Houlihan for Tobin, P. Lynch for Wiley.

Mungret: J. Kirby, V. O'Donoghue, G. Malone, M. Kirby, S. O'Brien, L. O'Donoghue, M. Fitzgerald, S. McCarthy, J. Keating, J. Bulfin, M. Barron, E. Aherne, P. Tobin, D. Keating, T. Byrnes. Subs: M. Malone for Kirby, M. Kirby for J. Keating.

Referee: M. Reidy (Croom).



## Kilmallock

**15-2-86**  
FURTHER county minor hurling trials were held last weekend when a Kilmallock-Bruff selection played the rest of the South. There was a poor attendance from many of the clubs in the division, which won't make the South selectors job an easy one when selecting a South team to play the City on Saturday next.

The Kilmallock contingent consisted of Mike Houlihan, Pat Barrett, Cathal O'Connor, James Connery, Brendan Hanley, Kevin O'Connor, Padraig Tobin, Tom Neligan, Mike Moloney and Thomas Hennessy, who incidentally played a fine game in goal for St. Flannan's College, Ennis, in their victory over Colaiste Christ Ri, Cork, in the Dr. Harty Cup.

Work on the Sports Centre is progressing favourably to date. The roof structure contractors arrived on the site within the past week and it is expected that the pillars for the roof should be erected within a few days. The executive committee of the club recently set up a sub committee to research fully all aspects of building and financing of the sports centre. This sub committee expect to be able to report back to the special general meeting within the next two or three weeks.

Several members of the club have taken a very keen interest in the hurling coaching course which was launched in Thomond College this week. Bernie Savage, Johnny Neenan, Mike Moloney, Tom Hennessy and Mike Keane attended the first of six sessions which will be held over the next five weeks. This expertise should prove very helpful to the under-age players in their preparation for the championships.

At last week's executive committee meeting the following people were appointed as selectors for the various under-age teams for 1986:

U. 12 football and u. 14 football: Tom Kennedy, Paddy Leahy, Sgt. Ml. Curran, Ml. Keane.

U. 12 hurling and u. 14 hurling: Bernie Savage, Ml. Keane, Tony O'Shaughnessy, Johnny Neenan.

U. 16 hurling, minor hurling, u. 21 hurling: Ml. Barrett, Ml. Fitzgerald, Mike Moloney, Tom Hennessy, Billy Mulcahy.

U. 16 football, minor football, u. 21 football: Dan Conway, Tom Kennedy, Ml. Fitzgerald, Tom Hennessy, Mike Barrett.

Paddy Kelly was appointed as trainer of the u. 16 hurling, minor hurling and u. 21 hurling teams, the other trainers to be appointed by the respective selectors.

The GAA-Community Festival committee held its AGM recently. It was well attended and there was a unanimous decision to once again organise a festival in 1986. Paddy Leahy was elected chairman and Tom Hennessy was also elected as an officer. The fact that there was over £5,000 pounds profit made in 1985 proves that Kilmallock Festival has held its popularity when practically all other festivals in the county seem to be on the decline. It was agreed that all the organisations in the parish would be asked to participate in the festival this year.

The senior hurling team start the new season on Sunday next when they meet Killeedy in the county league at 2.30 p.m. in Kilmallock.

## Kilmallock GAA

**22/11/86**  
OUR Under 15 footballers played Galbally last weekend in the South Bord na nOg competition and ran out easy winners. Playing some fine open football Kilmallock went into an early lead and at half time were 3-3 to 0-0 in front.

On the turnover they continued to pile on the scores, and David Clarke, James Mulcahy and Co. scored some fine goals. The final score read Kilmallock 9-5 Galbally 1-1. The team are likely to encounter must stiffer opposition next day out.

Line out: F. Leahy, Wm. Moloney, Antony O'Connor, John O'Donoghue, Diarmuid Cahill, David O'Shaughnessy, Ger Houlihan, David Clarke, James Mulcahy, Brendan Halpin, Jason Ferns, Tony O'Keefe, Sean O'Sullivan, James O'Doherty, Cian Collins, Subs: Paddy Enright, Antony Gammell, Stephen Keegan, Alan Coffey, John O'Brien.

### A.G.M.

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## Kilmallock

**8-2-86**  
Our minor players had their first outing of the year last Sunday, when we had ten representatives at the minor hurling and football trials. All acquitted themselves well with the result that a Kilmallock-Bruff selection are scheduled to play the rest of the south in hurling on next Sunday.

Pat Barrett, Mike Houlihan, Cathal O'Connor, Tim Kennedy, Mike Moloney, Leonard Sheedy and Brenday Hanley all contributed to making the trials a success.

The club appointed three representatives to attend the referees course held at the Vocational School, Kilmallock, recently: Ger O'Riordan, Mikey Maguire and Packo Quirke all expressed a willingness to take part. The senior team start the new season on next Sunday week with a county league game against Killeedy at Kilmallock at 2.30 p.m.

## Kilmallock GAA

**5/11/86**  
WITH the playig season practically over the business of the club move indoors during the coming months. The Sports Centre development is moving smoothly, and to date the fund-raising scheme has raised £19,000.

There is still a good portion of the parish to be covered at present a building specification is being prepared for the building contractors, in order that complete tenders may be obtained. The tender when obtained will be forwarded to the Department of Education for examination. The building of the Sports Centre will then proceed without delay.

The Club's Scor team will take part in Scor nOg on this Saturday evening. The people's Hall Kilmallock is the venue, and a great night entertainment is guaranteed.

The Club's Annual General Meeting has been fixed for Tuesday December 9th at 7.30 p.m. Nomination papers will be circulated to all members and these papers must be returned to the Club Secretary not later than four teen days before the AGM.

## Kilmallock

**5.7-86**  
Dr. Kevin Barry, who has qualified as a doctor from University College, Cork, is son of Mr. Michael Barry, M.C.C., and Mrs. Barry, Railway Road, Kilmallock.

Mr. Raymond Moloney of Stakers and Kilmallock has been appointed to referee the Munster Senior Football final at Killarney on Sunday next between Cork and Kerry. He refereed a previous Munster Football final between these counties, which ended in a draw and the replay of which Kerry won.

## Kilmallock

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The club's annual general meeting has been fixed for Tuesday, December 9, at 7.30. Nomination papers will be circulated to all members and these papers must be returned to the club secretary not later than fourteen days before the A.G.M. Club secretary Michael Fitzgerald will not be seeking re-election as he is nominated for the vacant position of secretary of the South Board.

The Couth Board convention will be held in Kilmallock on Monday, December 15.

The Minor hurling and football panels who were successful in this year's South championships will shortly be having a weekend trip to Tullamore. The club are hosting a dance in the Old Oak Inn, Kilmallock, on Friday night, November 21, to fund the trip. Admission is £1.

Club fixtures: Under-15 football, Kilmallock v. Galbally, Sunday, November 9, 12 noon at Knocklong.

## Kilmallock G.A.A.

**4/12/86**  
THE ANNUAL General meeting at Kilmallock G.A.A. Club takes place at Peoples Hall Kilmallock on Tuesday December 9th at 7.30 p.m. all members and supporters are requested to attend.

The versatility of Paddy Kelly was illustrated once again last week. On this occasion Paddy excelled in the role of coach and trainer to Tipperary C.B.S. in their great victory over Middleton C.B.S. in the final of the Munster Colleges Hurling Dean Ryan Cup competition. Incidentally his assistant was Tipperary all star Nicholas English.

### CLUB FIXTURES:

South U.13 Football Semi Final Kilmallock v Croom at Effin Sunday December 7th at 12.00.



# CHAMPIONS SLUGGISH START BUT EASY WIN

9/6/86

By JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY

Kilmallock ..... 5-8  
Doon ..... 0-4

Strange game this — reigning champions Kilmallock had a mere point to nil on the scoreboard after the first quarter, led by an uncomfortable 1-6 to 0-4 well into the third phase, but then went on an amazing scoring spree which yielded three goals in the same number of minutes, to send them on their way to the next round.

Doon, who had high hopes of a good run in this season's senior hurling championship, played well in a first half that failed to excite the reasonably big attendance.

For some reason they lost their way on the changeover when Kilmallock took advantage of their many shortcomings to punish practically every mistake.

Even allowing for the closeness of the first half exchanges this was far from the standard of hurling we expect from the championship. Both sides struggled to find a pattern as evidenced by just 1 pt. scored after 15 minutes — and that came from a Paddy Kelly placed ball. Sure, the scores came more regularly afterwards, but then it developed into a mismatch with Doon clearly out of their depth. Kilmallock, who led 0-5 to 0-1 at the interval, looked ordinary enough at times. Their play was riddled with mis-

takes, the defence was uncertain, and those in front shot an amazing number of wides.

It was left to seasoned campaigners Paddy Kelly, Johnny Neenan and Willie Guiney to chart victory at a time when their supporters had become frustrated.

Let's have a look at how play developed on the change of ends.

In the 37th minute Kilmallock were awarded a close in free and Paddy Kelly, wearing the number 12 jersey, blasted to the net, to leave the score 1-6 to 0-2. Doon hit back for mid-fielder Richard Quigley to reduce arrears by two points, and it was then that the green and whites really let loose.

## Goals

In the 45th minute Guiney made no mistake from close range, and the ball was hardly delivered out when Kilmallock struck again. This time it was 36-year-old Johnny Neenan who caught the Doon defence off balance with a well executed goal, and shortly afterwards he was on his way to recording a similar score when pulled down. Up stepped Paddy Kelly to raise another green flag. Doon were now trailing 4-7 to 0-4, and their confidence drained.

Most of the crowd had left when that man Neenan again palmed the ball to the net one minute from time, though

some felt referee Terence Murray should have disallowed this effort as Neenan dropped his hurley on his path to goal.

It was difficult to believe at the final whistle that Kilmallock had managed to triumph by a massive 19 points. It was tough luck on Doon that they should fail to last the pace in certain positions and the team mentors must have had a few harsh words to say to their forwards at the finish. Ger McGrath was the only one of the six to find the target, the other three points coming from the stick of mid-fielder Richard Quigley.

Had Doon managed to find the net in the first half when they had a lions share of the play it might have been a different contest. They came close on two occasions, more notably when Kilmallock keeper Moloney was caught off his line, but Donal Barry was at hand to clear the danger. Moloney made at least three daring saves over the hour, and if any one of them had been converted it would surely have made for a more interesting encounter.

Paddy Kelly and Johnny Neenan shared the scoring honours with 2-1 apiece, and it was this duo who brought most fear to the Doon rear-guard. Donie Barry had an excellent game, while Maurice Nelligan, Liam Tobin and Dave Riordan also lived up to their reputations.

Doon will want to forget this outing. Their young side

lacked authority when put to the test, and seemed overawed by Kilmallock's reputation. They could hardly have been satisfied with just one point from their first half endeavours, and fared only a little better in a one-sided second half. Quigley was unquestionably their best performer with most of the others coming to life only in spasms. A word of warning to Kilmallock — there must surely be tougher obstacles ahead.

## Scorers

**Kilmallock:** Pat Kelly (2-1), John Neenan (2-1), Willie Guiney (1-1), Dave Riordan (0-2), Ger Carroll (0-1), Mick Houlihan (0-1), Ger O'Brien (0-1).

**Doon:** Richard Quigley (0-3), Ger McGrath (0-1).

**Kilmallock:** T. J. Moloney, Ger Riordan, Shane O'Grady, Donal Barry, Eddie Wiley, Sean Burchill, Maurice Nelligan, Ger O'Brien, Liam Tobin, Ger Carroll, Declan Heffernan, Paddy Kelly, John Neenan, Willie Guiney, Dave Riordan. Sub, Mick Houlihan for Heffernan.

**Doon:** Bill McLaughlin, John Stokes, Roger Ryan, Patsy Ryan, Liam Maher, Mike Keogh, Pat Moloney, Richard Quigley, Frank Ryan, Tony McGrath, Eamon Maher, John Quinlivan, Ger McGrath, John McNamara, Richard Walsh. Sub, Pat McGrath for Frank Ryan.

Referee: Mr. Terence Murray.



# KILLMALLOCK G.A.A.

19/7/86

In the Senior Hurling championship quarter final on Sunday last we relenquished our County Title against Adare. Despite not playing to our full potential we were in contention to win the game right up to final whistle. Having been two points in arrears at half-time we went a point in front twelve minuts into the second half, but Adare scored the vital goal shortly afterwards and this score decided the game. At different stages during the game our forwards had gild edged chances to score two or three goals but when these opportunities were missed our chances of retaining the Co. title disappeared. We now have to concentrate on winning the South Title. We will shortly be playing Hospital Herbertstown in the Semi Final.

Our Junior Hurlers are surely the most disappointed team in the division this week, after giving a heroic display of hurling in the drawn League Final agaisnt Banogue last weekend and a similar performance in the replay this weekend it was cruel fate that saw them defeated by a last minute point scored in extra time, after the teams had again finished level after a marvellous hour's hurling Kilmallock were in total control for the first 20 minutes of the game and were not flattered with a seven point lead at this stage. But Banogue fought their way back into the game and were only 2 points in arrears at half time. The second half was a ding dong struggle and with the scores level both sides were relieved to hessr the final whistle. We went into extra time and again Kilmallock seemed to be get-

ting the upper hand and led by three points coming up to half time. At this stage there was a hold up for several minutes which concluded with a man from each side getting marching orders. The stoppage seemed to upset the rythm of the game, and Kilmallock led by 2 points at half time of extra time.

The final period of extra time was nerve wrecking as both sides strove for supremacy. The sides were level with less than a minute remaining and Kilmallock came forward with one final attack, it looked as if a point was certain but somehow the ball was cleared down the field and a Banogue forward gained possession and duly scored the golden point. Great credit is due to both sides for providing the spectators with such top class fare, and they will be looking forward to the following championship with confidence.

Line out:- T. Hennessy, P. Quirke, Capt. L. McCarty, M. Leahy, S. Gammell, D. Hanley, R. O'Riordan, T. Moloney, P. Barrett, C. Maguire, M. Maguire, M. O'Reilly, B. Dwyer, B. Savage, M. Rasill, Subs: J. Carroll, T. Nelligan.

It was good to hear this week that Thomas O'Riordan a member of the Junior Hurling team as discharged from the Regional Hospital Limerick after a four week stay due to an injury he received while playing a hurling game.

Our U14 Hurlers played their first game in the championship during the week and lost narrowly to Hospital Herbertstown. Despite fielding what we considered to be a fairly weak team we were only a point in arrears at half time and were eventually

defeated by two points on a 3-0 to 1-4 scoreline. Line out:- S. O'Sullivan, K. Creag, L. Naughton, J. O'Donoghue, P. Dowling, D. O'Shaughnessy, B. Halpin, D. Clarke, T. O'keffe, L. Neenan, J. O'Doherty, J. Cronin, T. Leahy, J. Earls, W. Molony.

Our U14 Footballers also open thier campaign during the week end and recorded a big win over Galbally after leading at half time by two goals. Our Minor Footballers brought a second divisional trophy to the club this week when they easily

accounted for Croom in the League Final. Leading by 1-4 to 0-2 at half time we ran up a big score during the second half and ended 3-10 to 0-2 winners. Line our:- D. Wiley, B. Hanley, T. Kennedy, M. Sheedy, J. McCarthy, C. O'Connor capt., J. Connery, L. Sheedy, T.J. Carroll, T. Neligan, P. Barrett, P. Tobin, M. Moloney, P.J. Mulcahy, T. Hennessy.

## Club Fixtures

Minor Hurling Semi Final Kilmallock v Dromin Athlaccs Fri. July 18th. U14 Hurling Kilmallock v Croom at Bruree Sat. July 19th 2.00 p.m. U16 Hurling Kilmallock v Croom at Bruree Sun. July 20th 12.00. U21 Hurling Semi Final Kilmallock v Glenroe at Knocklong Sun. July 20th 2.00 p.m. U14 Kilmallock v Hospital H. at Knocklong Mon. July 21st 7.00 p.m.

## KILMALLOCK G.A.A. NOTES

26-7-86

Our Senior Hurlers had two good wins during the last week. in the Kilmallock Festival Tournament Bruree were defeated on a 2-10 to 1-7 scoreline and in the final Dromin Athlaccs were defeated on a 2-8 to 2-6 scoreline.

Our Under 21 Hurlers were defeated in the Semi-Final of the Championship by Glenroe. This was a game that could have been won as we were only a point in arrears at the three-quarter stage. But the better balanced Glenroe team stayed the pace better and finished deserving winners.

Our Under 14 Footballers, despite being under strength, put up a great display when defeating a fancied Bruff Team by 5 points after being 4 points in arrears at half-time. With the league system in operation it is likely that this win will put into the South Final.

Our Minor Hurlers qualified for the South Final by virtue of a big win

over Dromin Athlaccs in the Semi-Final. Leading by 2-7 to 0-2 at half-time, the team continued to pile up the scores during the second half and the final score was 6-12 to 0-5. There is still room for improvement in the team and Kilfinane will prove very strong opponets in the Final.

Line out: T. Hennessy, B. Hanley, J. Houlihan, M. Sheedy, L. Sheedy, M. Houlihan, T. Carroll, C. O'Connor, J. Connery, P. Tobin, P. Barrett, M. Moloney, T. Netigan, T. Kennedy, M. McGuire.

Our Under 16 Hurlers were defeated by two points by Croom in the Championship recently. This defeat means that we have to defeat Kilfinane in our final game in order to quaify for the South Final.

## CLUB FIXTURES

Minor Football Final: Kilmallock v Galbally at Knocklong, Friday, July 25th at 8.00 p.m. Senior Hurling Semi-Final: Kilmallock v Hospital Herbertstown at Knocklong, Sunday July 27th at 3.15 p.m. Senior Hurling Tour-

nameant: Bruff v Newtown Shandrum, Thursday July 24th at 7.45 p.m. Feohanagh v Milford, Friday July 25th at 7.46 p.m. Final: Sunday July 27th at 7.45 p.m.

*The Club wishes a speedy return to the playing field to Liam McCarthy, Declan Heffernan and David O'Shaughnessy who received fairly serious injuries in recent games.*



## Kilmallock

Our minor hurlers regained the South title after a six year lapse when we defeated Kilfinane last weekend on a 4-14 to 2-6 scoreline. Not since 1964 has the club achieved a minor double in hurling and football.

The game was evenly balanced throughout the first half with Kilmallock in command for the first fifteen minutes. We led by four points at the end of the first quarter and were hurling well, suddenly Kilfinane came to life and picked off some fine scores. At the half time whistle we were a goal in arrears 1-5 to 2-5 and seemed to have problems in some positions. When the team reappeared from the dressing rooms for the second half there was some switches made and suddenly the whole team raised their game. Scores came fast and furious throughout the second half and we added a further 3-9 to Kilfinane's reply of one point.

There was great scenes of jubilation after the game when captain Mike Moloney was presented with the cup. The minor football and hurling county quarter finals are likely to be played at the weekends of August 24 and 31.

Line out: T. Hennessy, P. Heffernan, T. J. Carroll, J. Houlihan, M. Sheedy, C. O'Connor, J. Connery, M. Houlihan, J. Cronin, T. Nelligan, P. Barrett, J. McCarthy, M. Moloney, capt.; B. Hanley, P. Tobin. Sub. L. Sheedy.

Our junior hurlers were pipped in their championship game with Knockainey last weekend. After leading for fifty eight minutes of the game we were caught when Knockainey scored two points in the dying minutes. We led at half time on a scoreline of 1-4 to 0-3, the only goal of the game being scored by Bernie Savage. Tony Moloney picked off some fine points, but over the hour the forwards missed some gilt edged chances of clinching the game. With the commitment shown by the team in both the league and championship this year a major title must surely be won shortly.

Line out: T. Hennessy, M. Brassill, P. Quirke, capt.; J. Carroll, R. O'Riordan, D. Hanley, J. Connery, T. Moloney, C. O'Connor, T. Nelligan, M. Maguire, M. Reilly, M. Leahy, B. Savage, C. Maguire. Sub.: M. Regan.

The club would like to thank most sincerely all those who subscribed so generously at last weekends church gate collection.

Further construction work on our sports centre is going ahead this week. Foundations and floors are being poured and the walls will be erected almost immediately afterwards.

Arrangements are being finalised for the G.A.A. inter-pub 9-a-side hurling tournament. The matches will be played during the coming week, and a fine set of trophies, sponsored by Golden Vale Marts Ltd., will be presented to the winning team. Raymond Moloney will referee all matches.

### Fixtures

Junior football championship, Kilmallock v. Galtee Gaels at Knocklong, Friday, August 15, 7.00 p.m.

Senior hurling semi-final, Kilmallock v. Hospital-Herbertstown at Bruff, Sunday, August 17, 3.15 p.m.

# Kilmallock spend £85,000 on complex

By JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY  
KILMALLOCK, 1985 senior hurling champions, are in the process of building a sports complex which they say will be equal to the best in the country, when completed.

The cost of the project will be around £86,000 and to date they have accumulated upwards of £25,000 through various fund raising activities.

Michael Fitzgerald, spokesman for this progressive club, told me that they expected to have the centre ready later this year.

"We already have a good deal of work done and now that the longer evenings are almost with us again, we expect to be right on schedule," he said.

### Alley

The complex will comprise of a handball alley, completely covered in and with a viewing area, two squash courts, two dressing-rooms with showers, kitchen area, balcony, committee room, snooker room, etc.

The principal feature, however, will be a games hall, measuring 80' x 40'.

Mr. Fitzgerald emphasised that what they had in mind was a community hall, with the amenities available to all in the Kilmallock area.

The complex would be geared towards the youth.

Kilmallock are delighted with the response they have

received to date. They are in the process of launching another major fund raising drive — "and the feedback suggests we should be in a position to pay off our debt in a short time," concluded Mr. Fitzgerald.

Not that they are going to neglect things on the play-

ing front.

Encouraged by their success at the Gaelic Grounds in September, they are now gearing themselves towards retaining their crown.

Kilmallock are also strong at under-age level, so their future would seem assured.

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## KILMALLOCK GAA NOTES

# Kilmallock dominant in M.H. South title

OUR Minor Hurlers regained the South title after a six year lapse when we defeated Kilfinane last weekend on 4-14 to 2-6 scoreline.

Not since 1964 has the club achieved a minor double in hurling and football.

The game was evenly balanced throughout the first half with Kilmallock in command for the first fifteen minutes. We led by four points at the end of the first quarter and were hurling well.

Suddenly Kilfinane came to life and picked off some fine scores. At the half time whistle, we were a goal behind 1-5 to 2-5 and seemed to have problems in some positions.

When the team appeared from the dressing rooms for the second half there was some switches made and suddenly the whole team raised their game. Scores came fast and furiously throughout the second half and we added a

further 3-9 to Kilmallock's reply of one point.

There were great scenes of jubilation after the game when captain Mick Moloney was presented with the Cup. The Minor Football and Hurling County Quarter Finals are likely to be played on the weekends of August 24th and 31st.

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Our Junior Hurlers were pipped in their championship game with Knockainey last weekend. After leading for fifty eight minutes of the game we were caught when Knockainey scored two points in the dying minutes. We led at half time on a scoreline of 1-4 to 0-3 the only goal of the game being scored

by Bernie Savage.

Tony Moloney picked off some fine points, but over the hour the forwards missed some gilt edged chances of clinching the game. With the commitment shown by the team in both the League and the championship this year a major title must surely be won shortly.

Lineout:- T. Hennessy, M. Brassill, P. Quirke, Capt., J. Carroll, R. O'Riordan, D. Hanley, J. Connery, T. Moloney, C. O'Connor, T. Nelligan, M. Maguire, M. Reilly, M. Leahy, B. Savage, C. Maguire, Sub: M. Regan.

The Club would like to thank most sincerely all those who subscribed so generously at last weekend's church gate collection.

Further construction work on our Sports Centre is going ahead this week. Foundations and floors are being poured and the walls will be erected almost immediately afterwards.





The Kilmallock team who lost to Rathluirc in the final of the South Limerick Primary Schools Div. 1 Final.

7.6.86

## Kilmallock

28-6-86

The long awaited senior hurling clash between Kilmallock and Garryspillane took place on Sunday last, and Kilmallock emerged winners by four points on a 2-12 to 2-8 scoreline. This was a game full of good hard hurling, and played a very sporting manner. Kilmallock went seven points clear with 12 minutes left to play, but a goal and two points from frees brought Garryspillane to within 2 pts. of Kilmallock with three minutes left. Points by Mike Houlihan and Paddy Kelly in the final minutes again stretched Kilmallock's lead to four points.

Our under 12 hurling team were defeated by Croom in the championship last weekend. After being four points in arrears at half time we were only one point behind with four minutes left to play, but a late goal and a point for Croom left them worthy winners. The team are still in the semi-final of the championship.

Lineout: M. Earls, T. Freeney, A. Coffey, S. Doody, S. O'Sullivan, M. Cronin, R. Kelly, J. Cronin, J. Earls, L. Neenan, K. Creagh, M. Earls, A. Maguire, D. Quish, C. Collins.

Our under 16 hurling team travelled to Bruree on Saturday last only to discover that there was no opposition there to play them. It now looks as if Kilmallock and Kilfinane will meet in the South final which will be played in about two weeks time.

This weekend looks like being the busiest weekend so far this season with the following vital matches to be played:

On Friday: Minor football championship semi-final, Kilmallock v. Hospital-Herbertstown, at Bruff, 8 p.m.

On Saturday: under 16 football final, Kilmallock v. Croom, at Bruree, 6.45 p.m. Under 12 hurling semi-final, Kilmallock v. Croom at Bruree, 6 p.m.

On Sunday, junior hurling league final, Kilmallock v. Banogue, at Bruff, 2 p.m. South senior hurling, Kilmallock v. Dromin-Athlaca, at Bruff, 3.15 p.m.

On Monday: under 14 hurling, Kilmallock v. Kilfinane, at Effin, 7 p.m.

On Tuesday: minor league semi-final, Kilmallock v. Croom, at Meanus, 8 p.m.

## 11/11 Kilmallock

11/11/86

Our under-16 football team received their south championship medals at a very enjoyable function last weekend. County senior football team manager, Raymond O'Hagan made the presentations to the players and also gave a wonderful talk to the players. He stressed the importance of total commitment to training in order to achieve success, and told the panel that they were a credit to Kilmallock GAA Club. Club chairman, Tom Neligan; vice-president, Very Rev. Canon Wall, P.P., and treasurer, Tom Hennessy, also paid tribute to the team, who were defeated by one three points in the county final. The following players received medals: Pat Barrett, capt.; D. Wiley, B. Hanley, T. Kennedy, P. Tobin, L. Sheedy, P. Heffernan, J. Connery, M. Houlihan, D. Cronin, T. Neligan, J. Mooney, T. Donergan, P. J. Mulcahy, K. O'Connor, T. Allen, M. Sheedy, M. Gammell, J. Mulcahy, N. Maguire, Wm. Lynch, D. Cahill.

The club are very happy to be able to announce that full planning permission has been granted for the erection of a sports centre at Pairc Shean Mhic Gearailt. Work is expected to commence immediately and full details will be published shortly.

# Kilmallock Sports Centre

12-9-86

THE provision of facilities have been high on the priority lists of many G.A.A. units in recent years and some first class amenities can now be seen throughout the country. The Kilmallock G.A.A. club in Limerick are the latest unit to embark on such a project.

They are now in the

process of building a Sports Centre in their club grounds which will cost in the region of £90,000 to complete. Facilities will include a championship handball alley, which can also be used for racquetball, a squash court, an area for basketball and volleyball.

A gymnasium is also

being included, modern dressing-rooms, meeting room, viewing area and kitchens. It is planned that further facilities will be added as required.

A fund has been in operation for 10 years to raise money for the project. Other schemes to raise money include the offer of life membership and ten year membership.

## 5-4-86 Kilmallock

Our Under 21 hurling team travelled to Bruff on Sunday last for a championship tie, only to discover that the opposition could not field a team. It is likely that we will be playing Effin in the second round on next Sunday.

Our U. 14 hurling team put up a fine performance last week-end before going under to a stronger Hospital Herbertstown side. With the majority of the team under age for the next two years there is great scope for improvement for the forthcoming south championship which will be played in May.

The U. 16 hurling team start their championship campaign on this Saturday at Bruree at 3 p.m. when we meet Bruff.

## Kilmallock

5-7-86

Last weekend was a very busy time for the club on the playing fields in all grades.

Our minor footballers travelled to Bruff for a championship game only to discover that the opposition could not muster a team. We are now in the final of the minor championship.

Our under 12 hurlers also qualified for the South final by virtue of a good win over Croom.

The sides were level at half time but we pulled away in the second half for a seven point victory on a 4-1 to 2-0 scoreline. The final against Bruff is down for decision on this Saturday, at 2.00 p.m., in Knocklong.

Our under 16 footballers won the South Cup for the third year in a row with a fine 2-7 to 0-3 victory over Croom. Kilmallock led by four points at half time and second half goals by Thomas Allen and captain Leonard Sheehy clinched the game.

The junior hurling league final against Banogue proved to be a game full of good hurling. Kilmallock seemed to have the edge in their first half and despite having a goal disallowed they led at half time by a goal. The second half was a ding dong struggle all the way, and Eddie Barry put Banogue a point clear with a minute left, but Tony Moloney equalised with a point from a free with the last puck of the game. The replay is likely to be played this weekend.

Kilmallock senior hurling team had a comfortable win over Dromin-Athlaca in the South championship last weekend. The game was a fairly low key affair with Kilmallock two points in front at the break. Throughout the second half we picked off points airily regularly and finished 8 point winners on a scoreline of 0-18 to 0-7.

We have a packed fixture programme again this weekend with vital games in the U12 hurling final, junior hurling league final replay, minor hurling championship and U14 hurling and football championships.



## Kilmallock 7/6/86

Our senior hurling team had a good workout last weekend when we defeated All Ireland club champions Kilruane McDonaghs by two points in the Na Piarasigh tournament. The final against Sixmilecross is likely to be played within the next two weeks. On next Sunday we play Doon in the 2nd round of the county senior championship at the Gaelic Grounds, Limerick, at 3.15.

Last week our under 13 football team put up a great performance in the county final of the Community Games, when we were defeated by 2 pts. by a highly rated St. Senans team. We were four points in arrears at half time after playing against the breeze in the first half. We battled gallantly throughout the 2nd half but failed to overhaul the Foynes lads. A brilliant save by the Foynes goalkeeper five minutes from time sealed victory for the West Limerick team who just about deserved their victory.

Every member of the Kilmallock team played his part, with top class displays coming from Brian O'Brien, Mark Cronin, Paul Dowling, Brendan Halpin, Pat Barrett and Johnny Cronin. The team was given a great reception after the game by the large band of supporters who made the long journey to Kilcornan. The following members of the team were presented with silver medals after the game: J. Earls, A. Coffey, B. O'Brien, R. Kelly, S. O'Sullivan, M. Cronin, P. Dowling, B. Halpin, C. Collins, J. Cronin, J. Donegan, P. Barrett, L. Neenan, D. Quish, P. Higgins. Sub., T. Freeney.

Our under 12 football team fought their way back into contention for championship honours during the week when they defeated Bruff on a scoreline of 1-4 to 0-3. The game was closely contested all through with Bruff one point ahead at the interval, howev-

er, a fine goal by John Cronin midway through the second half sealed the game in Kilmallock's favour.

Lineout: J. Earls, T. Freeney, A. Coffey, S. Doody, M. Dowling, P. Dowling, R. Kelly, D. Quish, C. Collins, L. Neenan, J. Cronin, S. Sullivan, M. Gould, K. Creagh, P. Higgins.

Plans are now finalised for the launching of an elaborate fund raising scheme to raise sufficient revenue to complete the erection of the sports centre. Full details of this attractive scheme will be published in about two weeks time.

### CLUB FIXTURES

Under 21 hurling v. Hospital-Herbertstown, at Knocklong, Saturday, June 7, 12.00.

Junior hurling league v. Knockainey, at Knocklong, Sat., June 7, 8.00 p.m.

Senior hurling championship v. Doon, at Limerick, Sunday, June 8, 3.15 p.m.

U12 hurling v. Bruff, at Bruree, Monday, June 9, 7.30 p.m.

U12 football v. Croom, at Bruff, Wednesday, June 11, 7.30 p.m.

## Kilmallock 9/3/86

A crowd of approximately 4,000 people attended the Munster minor hurling final held in Kilmallock recently. Club members turned out in strength to ensure that the event was run off without a hitch. Holders, Cork, retained their title after a fine game on a scoreline of 2-11 to 1-11 for Tipperary.

The club's annual church gate collection will be taken up at all Masses in the parish on this weekend, August 9-10. The club would appreciate a generous contribution from all its supporters.

### Fixtures:

Minor hurling final — Kilmallock v. Kilfinane, at Bruff, Friday, August 8, at 7.30 p.m.

Junior hurling championship — Kilmallock v. Knockainey at Bruff, Sunday, August 10, at 3.15 p.m.

Senior hurling semi-final — Kilmallock v. Hospital-Herbertstown, at Bruff, Sunday, August 17, at 3.15 p.m.

Our U-16 hurlers went under to Kilfinane in the semi-final of the championship last weekend. Despite being without four players — two out because of injury and two in England — we put up a good performance against a highly rated Kilfinane fifteen. Defensive mistakes early in the first half allowed Kilfinane in for two goals and try as we did we could not overcome these errors. The half-time score was 3-2 to 0-4 and try as we did in the second half we failed to cut back the deficit. The final score read 4-4 to 1-5.

Lineout: L. Naughton, J. O'Doherty, J. Connery, M. Browne, M. Sheedy, L. Sheedy, G. Houlihan, J. McCarthy, J. Mulcahy, D. Clarke, P. Tobin, W. Lynch, J. Savage, T. Allen, T. O'Donoghue. Sub., T. O'Keefe.

## Kilmallock 26/7/86

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Minor Football Final, Kilmallock v. Galbally, at Knocklong, Friday, July 25, 8 p.m.

Senior Hurling semi final—Kilmallock v. Hospital-Herbertstown at Knocklong, Sunday, July 27 at 3.15.

Senior Hurling Tournament: Bruff v. Newtown Shandrum, Thursday, July 24, at 7.45 p.m.

Feohanagh v. Milford, Friday, July 25 at 7.45 p.m.

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## Kilmallock

*19/7/86*  
In the senior hurling championship quarter final on Sunday last we relinquished our county title against Adare. Despite not playing to our full potential we were in contention right up to the final whistle. Having been two points in arrears at half time we went a point in front twelve minutes into the second half, but Adare scored the vital goal shortly afterwards and this score decided the game. At different stages during the game our forwards had gilt edged chances to score two or three goals, but when these opportunities were missed our chances of retaining the county title disappeared. We now have to concentrate on winning the South title. We will shortly be playing Hospital-Herbertstown in the semi-final.

Our junior hurlers are surely the most disappointed team in the division this week after giving a heroic display of hurling in the drawn league final against Banogue last weekend, and a similar performance in the replay this weekend it was cruel fate that saw them defeated by a last minute point, scored in extra time. Great credit is due to both sides for providing the spectators with such top class fare, and they will be looking forward to the forthcoming championship with confidence.

It was a good to hear this week

that Thomas O'Riordan a member of the junior hurling team was discharged from the Regional Hospital, Limerick, after a four-week stay due to an injury he received while playing a hurling game.

Our under 14 hurlers played their first game in the championship during the week, and lost narrowly to Hospital-Herbertstown. Despite fielding what we considered to be a fairly weak team we were only a point in arrears at half time, and were eventually defeated by two points on a 3-0 to 1-4 scoreline.

Lineout: S. O'Sullivan, K. Creagh, L. Naughton, J. O'Donoghue, P. Dowling, D. O'Shaughnessy, B. Halpin, D. Clarke, T. O'Keefe, L. Neenan, J. O'Doherty, J. Cronin, F. Leahy, J. Earls, W. Moloney.

Our under 14 footballers also opened their campaign during the week and recorded a big win over Galbally after leading at half time by two goals.

Our minor footballers brought a second divisional trophy to the club this week when they easily accounted for Croom in the league final. Leading by 1-4 to 0-2 at half time we ran up a big score during the second half, and ended 3-10 to 0-2 winners.

Lineout: D. Wiley, B. Hanley, T. Kennedy, M. Sheedy, J. McCarthy, C. O'Connor, capt., J. Connery, L. Sheedy, T. J. Carroll, T. Nelligan, P. Barrett, P. Robin, M. Moloney, P. J. Mulcahy, T. Hennessy.

Minor hurling semi-final, Kilmallock v. Dromin-Athlaccá, Friday, July 18.

Under 14 hurling, Kilmallock v. Croom, at Bruree, Sunday, July 20, 12.00.

Under 16 hurling, Kilmallock v. Croom, at Bruree, Sunday, July 20, 12.00.

Under 21 hurling semi-final, Kilmallock v. Glenroe, at Knocklong, Sunday, July 20, 2 p.m.

Under 14 football, Kilmallock v. Hospital-Herbertstown, at Knocklong, Monday, July 21, 7 p.m.

## Senior Hurling Championship:

# Champions easy win

*24/5/86*  
Kilmallock ..... 6.14  
Mungret ..... 1-11

County hurling champions, Kilmallock, eased themselves into the second round of the current Senior Championship at Croom on Sunday with a 6-14 to 1-11 win over Mungret, but not before enduring some anxious moments, particularly in the first half.

This was a good lively game played on a near perfect pitch. It was hard to believe the same pitch was declared unplayable a week earlier. The pools of water and mud had made way for a nice sod with a bit of give. A fresh breeze blew into the town goal and Mungret played with its assistance in the first half.

Kilmallock were slow to settle down but not so the city representatives. Mungret, with Liam O'Donoghue at centre back and Mick Barron at centre forward causing havoc, went into a quick lead and led 0-8 to 0-1 after twenty minutes. O'Donoghue, Barron, Seamus McCarthy, Johnny Bulfin and Denis Keating raised white flags with the lone interruption coming from Ger Carroll the former Stakers starlet.

A shock result was on the cards at this stage. This reality seemed to hit the entire Kilmallock squad and rather than allow Mungret to tighten their grip they decided to strike back. Team captain Johnny Neenan banged home a goal to be followed by a Paddy Kelly point. It was all square when Billy Guiney found the net. Liam O'Donoghue pointed to put Mun-

gret ahead once again, but Paddy Kelly had the final say in the first half with late points to leave Kilmallock ahead 2-4 to 0-9 at half time.

Denis Keating pointed to restore parity just after the turnover. Enda Aherne sent a low shot just inside the upright and Mungret were ahead again. Johnny Neenan who constantly teased and tormented the Mungret defence wiped away the Kilmallock blushes with a cheeky goal and again it was all level. Neenan had Kilmallock ahead with a point but a quick reply from O'Donoghue had the sides level for the third time in seven minutes. This was the final effort from Mungret - they caved in after Neenan had another goal in the eighth minute. Kelly, Declan Hefferman, Gerard O'Brien and Davy Riordan goals had Kilmallock in complete control with ten minutes remaining.

## Weaknesses

Kilmallock who were without full back J. J. Riordan and centre back Mike Carroll cannot be too pleased with this latest display. They had glaring weaknesses in defence, a very mediocre midfield and only Johnny Neenan the big threat in attack. True they finished well, but against tougher opposition could have been in real trouble.

Mungret played great hurling in spurts and starts. Inconsistency was their weakness. However, it was not the fault of Liam O'Donoghue, Ger Malone, Seamus Mulcahy, Mike Barron, Gerry O'Brien and Enda Aherne that they came a cropper in the first round.

Kilmallock: T. J. Hanly, D. Barry, S. O'Grady, S. Burchill, G. Riordan, E. Wiley, M. Nelligan, S. O'Brien, L. Tobin, P. Kelly, D. Hefferman, S. Carroll, J. Neenan, B. Guiney, D. Riordan. Subs: M. Houlihan for Tobin, P. Lynch for Wiley.

Mungret: J. Kirby, V. O'Donoghue, G. Malone, M. Kirby, S. O'Brien, L. O'Donoghue, M. Fitzgerald, S. McCarthy, J. Keating, J. Bulfin, M. Barron, E. Aherne, P. Tobin, D. Keating, T. Byrnes. Subs: M. Malone for Kirby, M. Kirby for J. Keating.

Referee: M. Reidy (Croom).



## 30-9-86 KILMALLOCK G.A.A.

OUR JUNIOR hurlers were defeated by Hospital/Herbertstown in the South Championship last weekend. We started slowly and allowed Hospital take an eight point lead midway through the first half.

We played our way back into contention, thanks to Paddy Kelly picking up some fine scores. At half time we were only four points in arrears and looked to be in with a good chance of winning.

Kilmallock continued to play some determined hurling for the second half. With seven minutes remaining, we narrowed the deficit to one point. But a goal and a point from Hospital at this stage put the game in their favour. The final score was 3-11 to 1-11.

Considering that we were short six regulars this was a great performance and some of the minor players showed great promise. Lineout: T.D. Moloney, P. O'Donnell, S. Burchill, S. O'Grady, L. Tobin, M. Carroll, M. Houlihan, J. O'Brien, P. Kelly, T. Nelligan, B. Guiney, M. O'Reilly, J. Neenan, B. Savage, J. O'Riordan.

For the second week in a row, the Junior footballers produced a fine performance to advance to the semi-final of the Championship. Playing against a lively Kilfinane team we led by 1-6 to 0-2 at half time.

Early in the second half, Kilfinane came very much into the game and closed the gap to two points. At this stage Kilmallock raised their play and two good goals by Mossie Regan and some well taken points gave our lads a deserved win.

Lineout: B. O'Dwyer, M. Leahy, S. O'Grady, P. Quirke, R. O'Riordan, S. Burchill, J.J. Murphy, E. Wiley, M. Nelligan, D. Hayes, P.J. Moore, D. Lynch, J. O'Riordan, T. Moore, M. Regan. Subs. J. O'Riordan and L. Tobin.

The Minor hurlers advanced to the County Semi-final by virtue of 4-7 to 2-6 victory over Doon at the Gaelic Grounds last weekend.

Club Fixtures:- Kilmallock v Pallasgreen at Hospital on Saturday 30th at 6.15 in the county Minor Football quarter final.

## Kilmallock GAA 23/8/86

OUR Junior Football team created something of a surprise last weekend when they defeated the holders, Galtee Gaels, in the first round of the Championship.

Ahead by 2-2 to 0-1 at half-time, they put in a fine second half performance to win by 2-3 to 0-5, despite tremendous pressure.

Line out: J. Connelly, M. Leahy, S. O'Grady, D. Quirke, R. O'Riordan, B. Burchill, J. Murphy, M. Nelligan, P. Lynch, J. Heffernan, P.J. Moore, J. Hayes, M. Moloney, T. Moore, J. Carroll. Sub - B. Savage.

In the semi-finals of the Senior championship, the hurlers drew with Hosital-Herbertstown. This was a game that looked to be won at half-time when our team seemed to have a definite edge.

But the second half turned out to be a different story. Once leading by 3-3 to 0-5 at half time, we gradually lost our advantage.

With the time almost up we conceded a free and Andy Garvey pointed from a free to leave the scores at 3-5 to 0-14.

The general consensus after the game was that a draw was the fairest result.

## 6/9/86 Kilmallock GAA

### MINOR FOOTBALL

OUR Minor Footballers qualified for a County Semi Final tilt with Mungret on this coming weekend when we defeated Pallasgreen at Hospital on last Saturday evening by 3-7 to 2-3.

The game started with an avalanche of goals in the first twenty minutes and the score at half time read 3-3 to 2-1 in our favour. Wing forward Michael Moloney scored all three goals in brilliant fashion and was easily the best forward on view.

The second half was fairly low key with both sides exchanging points up to the final whistle. If Kilmallock are to advance to the County Final, a vast improvement will have to be forthcoming from the whole team.

Line out:- D. Wiley, M. Sheedy, T. Kennedy, J. Houlihan, J. McCarthy, L. Sheedy, D. Cronin, C. O'Connor, T. Nelligan, P.J. Mulcahy, M. Houli-

rett, T. J. Carroll, J. Connelly.

### 9 A SIDE FINAL

The nine a side Hurling Tournament final was played recently and it resulted in a 5-3 to 3-5 win for Conways over O'Dwyers team. Conways team led from the throw-in with two fine goals being scored by Eugene Ryan.

At half time Conways were seven points in front and increased their lead early in the second half. A late flurry of scores by O'Dwyers Team just failed to bring them on terms.

After the game club Chairman Tom Neligan presented the victorious team with a beautiful set of medalions.

Line out:- Conways Team - T. Hennessy, S. O'Grady, S. Burchill, G. O'Brien Ml. Leahy, M. Maguire, T. Moloney, J. Murphy, M. O'Reilly, E. Egan, L. Sheedy, J.

Team:- B. O'Dwyer, P. Quirke, T.J. Carroll, M. Neligan, T. Neligan, J. Neenan, R. O'Riordan, S. Gammell, P. O'Donnell, E. O'Riordan, M. Dowling and E. Dowling.



# G.A.A. to raise funds for Kilmallock Sports Centre

THE KILMALLOCK GAA this week launched a scheme to raise £60,000 to complete the Kilmallock Sports Centre.

Individual and family life membership with some unique aspects are being offered in return for financial support.

The Kilmallock GAA PRO, Mr. John Brazil, explained that the unusual benefit of life membership is the chance to attend all matches free, no matter at what level, in Pairc Mhic Gearailt, Kilmallock, for a period of 10 years. Both the GAA County and South Boards, who were represented at the launch of the scheme, approve of this novel aspect of the plan.

The scheme is divided into three categories. The first one offers family membership for life, free entry to Pairc Mhic Gearailt for 10 years and automatic entry to an annual draw, for the first five years of membership, for a prize of £400.

Individuals paying £250 will have similar benefits from their life membership, and the third category offers full family membership for ten years at the same price. Full details will be available to the public from the Kilmallock GAA next week.

Already, £30,000 has been spent on the complex. This money was raised over several years by the Kilmallock GAA's finance committee. It has been used to lay foundations, and put up the roof and frame of the building.

Tenders have been issued for the bricklaying, and the GAA expect the building to be completed in the next 12 months. Membership of the Sports Centre is open to everyone and when completed it will provide a wide range of

facilities for people of all ages.

A grant of £5,000 will be given by the GAA for the provision of a championship handball alley, which can also be used for squash and racketball. A large floor area will be used for games such as basketball and volleyball.

A gymnasium, modern dressing rooms, meeting room and numerous other features will also be included. An application has been made to the Government for a grant to help the building, but as yet there has been no news of it coming through.

The Kilmallock GAA are hopeful their application could be considered next year, but are anxious that funds be raised now so the work can go ahead without delay.

At the launch of the scheme on Monday night were Kilmallock GAA Chairman, Mr. Tom Nelligan, Life Presidents, Mr. Tom Moloney and John Moore, Canon Gerard Wall, Mr. Jim Hickey, Chairman of the County Board, and Mr. Pat Mullane, Chairman of the South Board of the GAA.

Mr. Alan Lillingston, of Mount Coot Stud Farm, was thanked for a substantial donation to the building fund and the GAA are looking forward to a good response to the scheme. They have stressed that those wishing to join can pay their memberships, in any of the categories, on an installment basis.



Alan Livingston (second from left), Mount Coot Stud, presenting a cheque towards the building fund of the sports centre to Tom Nelligan, chairman, Kilmallock G.A.A. Club. Included also are Tom Hennessy treasurer; Mike Fitzgerald, secretary, and John More, life president.

## GAA club caters for all, out of its own reserves

By MARTIN BYRNES

### KILMALLOCK G.A.A.

Club is to provide the town and parish with a fully-equipped sports centre.

Membership will not be confined to G.A.A. members, and facilities will include a handball alley which can be used also for racketball, a purpose-built squash court, a general sports hall for basketball and volleyball, a well-equipped gym, a meeting room, dressing rooms, a kitchen and viewing areas. Unlike most other such ventures, the club has no intention of resorting to begging funds. Work has begun already using the Club's own cash reserves, and Messrs. Oran Precast are now completing the steel skeleton at the G.A.A. grounds. Local labour is being used where possible, and the block-laying is being organised on a mixture of voluntary and direct labour.

"We expect that the cost of the proposals as planned now will be in the region of



At a reception to announce details of Kilmallock sports centre (from left): Michael Curtin, Paddy Leahy, Bernie Savage and Tom Moloney.

£90,000. The G.A.A. will give us £5,000, and we need £60,000," said Mr. John Brazil, club information officer.

To raise the rest of the money, Kilmallock G.A.A. are selling lifetime and shorter-term memberships of the eventual sports facilities, which will also include free admission to all games at the G.A.A. field itself. A family subscription of £400, or an individual payment of

£250 will secure the lifetime benefits. A family payment of £250 will secure ten years enjoyment.

"One can pay in a lump sum, or by instalment by arrangement with the banks or credit union," said Mr. Michael Fitzgerald, club secretary, at the launch of the project in Kilmallock this Monday evening.

Co-ordinating the project are

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## Kilmallock

At a meeting of the Kilmallock Sportsfield Committee, presided over by Mr. Tom Moloney, chairman, it was decided to go ahead with improving the terracing at the northern side of the pitch. It was also decided to give some financial assistance to the parent club in its project for the building of a sports complex.

## Kilmallock G.A.A.

THE Sports Centre sub-committee are happy to report that the erection of the complex will begin within the next few years.

The Government grant of £25,000 has been formerly sanctioned, and all the documentation associated with qualifying for the grant has now been completed.

A department official is visiting the site next weekend, and building will commence almost immediately afterwards. The total cost of the Complex which includes the work already completed, and the builders contract price is in the region of £110,000.

## G.A.A.

### ANNUAL SOCIAL

Kilmallock G.A.A. held their annual Dinner Dance in the

Peoples' Hall on Friday last. An excellent meal was cooked and served by Mr. M. O'Rourke, Southill, Limerick. Presentations of plaques were made to the 1986 Minors who won both the South League and the South Championship in both hurling and football.

The Hall of Fame Award was given to Mr. Tom Moloney, Emmett Street, Kilmallock for his outstanding service to the G.A.A. This Award was sponsored by J.J. Keneally, Jeweller, Limerick. Dancing was to the music of Noel Flynn's One Man Band and the Bar was fully licenced. The large crowd danced the night away into the morning and word is a great night was had by all.

3rd, Mary O'Capaghan and Renee McCarthy.

Assisting St. Flannan's, Ernis, to win their 13th Dr. Harty Cup title was Tom Hennessy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hennessy, Lord Edward Street, Kilmallock. Tom was prominent in the St. Flannan's goal. He is nephew of Tom Hanley, former Kilmallock and Limerick goalkeeper.

In the South Limerick under 21 football championship on Sunday next, Ballylanders meet Bruree at Kilmallock.

The match occurred last week of