

1973 Old Christians

Under 16 H League Semi Final
Old Christians 10-3 Cloughan 1-1
Pat Fogarty, Pat Hanrahan

Robert Browne played one of his best games for the club and was ably assisted by his centrefield partner, Declan Brougham.

Matt Kelly continued to enhance his reputation as a centre-back and he must now be ranked as one of the best backs in the game. John Kavanagh also played well in his new position at full-back, as did Declan Tangney, P. Reale, K. Canty, J. Byrnes and M. Sullivan in their respective positions.

Others who played well were J. Keane, J. Lillis, B. Skelly and M. Costello.

Scorers for Old Christians were: P. Fogarty (5-0), K. Reale (2-0), D. Tangney and K. Canty 1-0 each.

Old Christians line-out: J. Lillis, J. Keane, J. Kavanagh, M. Manning, M. Sullivan, M. Kelly, J. Byrnes, D. Brougham, P. Browne, B. Skelly, P. Hanrahan, K. Canty, K. Reale, P. Fogarty, M. Costello.

Substitutes: D. Tangney, D. O'Connor, A. Mullins.

Under 16 H. League Final.

Patrickswell and Old Christians again renew rivalry as they met in last year's U/16 league and championship finals and Old Christians emerged successful on both occasions. Their meeting in this year's final will be perhaps more interesting as the Well defeated Old Christians in the first round of U/16 league.

Under 14 F. League
Old Chris. 1-2 vs Piersaigh 1-2

Ray Benson, Francis Brosnahan and Michael Foley played best for Old Christians.

Scorers for Old Christians: M. Foley, 1-0; R. Benson and D. O'Neill, 0-1 each.

Old Christians line-out: P. Shinnars, P. O'Shea, R. Fitzgerald, G. Keane, M. Foley, F. Brosnahan, T. Bowen, R. Collins, R. Benson, J. Lynch, D. O'Neill, D. Fitzgerald, A. Rainbow, D. McNamara, D. O'Neill.

Substitutes: C. Reddan, J. Canty, P. Daly.

Old Ch. 4-6 Ballybroom 1-0

R. Benson, G. Griffin, F. Brosnahan and F. Sergeant played exceptionally well for Old Christians throughout the game. Others who played well were: A. Rainbow, A. McNamara and R. Fitzgerald. R. Collins dealt capably with everything that came his way in goal. His clearances were also very effective.

Scorers for Old Christians were: A. Rainbow (2-1), D. McNamara (2-0), R. Benson (0-2).

E. Murphy, H. O'Neill and G. Griffin (0-1 each).

Old Christians line-out — R. Collins, R. Fitzgerald, N. Donovan, M. Foley, S. Lynch, F. Brosnahan, T. Bowen, R. Benson, F. Sargent, H. O'Neill, G. Griffin, D. Fitzgerald, A. Rainbow, D. McNamara, C. Red-

Under 16 F. League
Fealty Sars 3-6 Old Ch. 0-1

B. Skelly played extremely well for Old Christians. Others who played well were K. Reale, J. Lillis, A. Mullins, P. O'Callaghan and P. Hanrahan. K. Reale scored for Old Christians.

Old Christians line-out: G. MacMahon, D. O'Connor, B. Storan, J. Kavanagh, A. Mullins, J. Lillis, P. Hanrahan, B. Skelly, M. Quinlivan, G. Byrnes, P. O'Callaghan, M. Manning, K. Reale, D. Tangney.

M.H. Comp. —
Old Christians 8-5 St. Petrus 0-2

Scorers for Old Christians were: D. Brougham 2-2, M. Callanan 2-0, P. Fogarty, P. O'Reilly, G. Collins, G. Foley 1-0 each, F. Brougham 0-2, P. Hanrahan 0-1.

Old Christians — J. Lillis, G. Craughan, M. Corbett, K. Comerford, M. Quinlivan, G. Brosnahan, P. Quinlan, F. Brougham, S. O'Grady, G. Foley, P. Hanrahan, P. O'Reilly, M. Callanan, P. Fogarty, G. Collins. Substitutes — D. Brougham, B. Naughton, B. Skelly, K. Canty, M. Kelly.

Under 15 H. League
Old Christ. 10-5 Fealty Sars nil

Kieran Canty, the captain of the side, was in sparkling form, as he struck the sliotar in the air and on the ground with absolute skill. He was their top scorer with a personal tally of 2-4. Not far behind him in excellence were R. Browne (well-known in athletic circles), P. Fogarty, B. Storan, M. Costello, T. Kennedy and D. O'Connor.

R. Fitzgerald dealt capably with everything that came his way in goal. Others who played well were J. Kavanagh, F. Brosnahan and M. Sullivan. Paul O'Brien also played well when he came on as a sub. at half-time.

Scorers for Old Christians were: K. Canty, 2-4; M. Costello, 2-0; D. O'Connor, 2-0; B. Storan, 1-1; T. Kennedy, H. O'Neill and P. O'Brien, 1-0 each.

Old Christians line-out: R. Fitzgerald, S. Hayes, B. Storan, M. Manning, F. Brosnahan, J. Kavanagh, M. Sullivan, K. Canty, R. Browne, D. O'Connor, M. Costello, T. Kennedy, H. O'Neill, P. Fogarty, G. Hartigan. Substitute: P. O'Brien.

Under 13 League.
Old Christ 2-3 Cloughan 2-0

D. Fitzgerald, T. Madden, P. Sheridan and M. Kelly (until injured) played best for Old Christians.

Scorers for Old Christians were: D. Fitzgerald (1-1), P. Daly and J. Davern (0-1) each.

Old Christians line-out: P. O'Doherty, L. Corry, P. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, E. MacMullen, M. Kelly, P. O'Shea, J. Ryan, P. Sheridan, D. O'Neill, D. Fitzgerald, J. Davern, B. O'Brien, P. Howard, P. Daly. Subs.: T. Sheehan, C. Beecher, J. Kavanagh, T. Madden, K. O'Callaghan, J. Foley, K. O'Callaghan, T. Costello, N. Andrews, M. Power, M. Ryan, C. Cosgrave.

S.H

Matt Ruth (2-2) vs St. Petrus.
Christy Campbell
Donal Manning
Gay Jones.
Bernie Hartigan
Pat Murphy
Nick Hendessy
Christy Mullaly

Under 16 H. League Final

Old Christ. 4-4 P. Well 3-2
Brendan Shelly Capt; Pat Hanrahan, K. Canty
John Kavanagh.

Scorers for Old Christians were: K. Canty, 3-1; K. Reale, 1-2; P. Hanrahan and P. Fogarty, 0-1 each.

Old Christians line-out: J. Lillis, J. Kavanagh, B. Storan, M. Manning, G. Byrnes, M. Quinlivan, M. Sullivan, M. Kelly, R. Browne, K. Canty, P. Hanrahan, B. Skelly, M. Costello, P. Fogarty, K. Reale. Substitutes: D. Tangney, P. O'Callaghan, J. Keane, A. Mullins, D. O'Connor.

16.6.73
Under 14 H. Ch.
Old Christ. 8-7 Ballybroom 2-2

Basically it was a personal triumph for their captain, F. Brosnahan, who played more than a captain's part. That particular display was the highlight of his career with the club so far.

Scorers for Old Christians were: F. Brosnahan, 4-3; E. O'Doherty, 2-2; H. O'Neill, 1-2; M. Foley, 1-1; E. Murphy, 0-1.

Old Christians' line-out: J. Canty, M. Kelly, F. Sergeant, by F. Sergeant, P. Shinnars, M. Boland, T. Bowen, F. Brosnahan, R. Benson, R. Fitzgerald, G. Griffin, E. Murphy, H. O'Neill, E. O'Doherty, M. Foley. Substitutes: J. Lynch, A. Rainbow, P. Daly, T. Madden, R. Cusack, J. Foley.

Under 14 F. League
Old Christ 1-6 vs Sars 2-0

Scorers for Old Christians were: H. O'Neill 1-2; F. Brosnahan 0-3; M. Foley 0-1.

Old Christians line-out: R. Cusack, P. Shinnars, R. Fitzgerald, P. O'Shea; J. Lynch, N. Donovan, E. O'Doherty; F. Brosnahan, H. O'Neill; M. Foley, D. Fitzgerald, E. Murphy; A. Rainbow, D. McNamara, C. Red-

Old Christians 1973

1972 Successes -

Old Christians held their juvenile A.G.M. on Wednesday last. The following captains were elected for 1973:
 U/13 H. captain: Paddy Daly.
 U/13 H. vice-captain: Danny Fitzgerald.
 U/13 F. captain: Gerard Keane.
 U/13 F. vice-captain: James Davern.
 U/15 H. captain: Kieran Canty.
 U/15 H. vice-captain: Christy Flynn.
 U/15 F. captain: Pat Fogarty.

U/15 F. vice-captain: John Lillis.
 U/16 H. captain: Brendan Skelly.
 U/16 H. vice-captain: Pat Hanrahan.
 U/16 F. captain: Pat O'Callaghan.
 U/16 F. vice-captain: Declan Tangney.
 The under 14 captains will be elected at next week's meeting.
 A full report of Old Christians juvenile A.G.M. will appear in next week's "Saturday's Chronicle."

Senior officers for 1973 - Pres. Rev. Bro. M.D.

Murray; vice-presidents, Rev. Bro. J. F. Cahill, Edward Whelan, Edward Liston, Jim Heelan, Steve Keogh.
 Chairman, Matthew Hennessy; secretary, David Greaney; treasurer, Rev. Bro. P. P. Guthrie; asst. sec., Denis Sexton; registrar, Christy Campbell.
 U-21 trainer/selectors: Aidan Murphy, Gay Jones.
 Minor selectors: Anthony Wallace, Noel Purcell.
 Trainer: Rev. Bro. Roote.

Senior hurling trainer/selectors: John Power, Pat Sheahan.
 Physical instructor: Steve Keogh.
 Football team official: Pat Doyle.
 Juvenile officials: Chairman, Willie Hickey; secretary, Sean O'Grady; assistant sec., Ger Brosnahan; treasurer, Pat Fitzgerald; trainers, Steve Keogh, Brothers Cahill and Keane.
 P.R.O.: Sean Murphy.

The success at juvenile level continued once again, and without doubt, this year was perhaps the most noteworthy in the history of our club. The under 13 section won both the hurling and football competitions. The football success was the first in seven years. The under 15 hurlers have reached the league final, and the footballers have done likewise. The under 15 hurlers are still involved in the Christy Ring Cup Championship. The under 16 football team reached the City Final and were defeated by Treaty Sarsfields. They were also defeated in the City League semi-final, by St. Patrick's.

There were two outstanding successes achieved by this section of the club. The under 16 hurlers won the City and County Championships defeating Patrickswell and Doon, respectively, and as a result, were the guests of Messrs. Player/Willis at this year's All-Ireland Hurling Final.

Undoubtedly, the highlight of juvenile activity was the winning of the All-Ireland Championship, at Feile na nGael, by our under 14 hurling team, in Thurles, on 23rd July. It is not humanly possible to define the effort and dedication of our officials who managed this team, and the whole juvenile section last year, and for many years past. They have made this the most successful juvenile club in Ireland, and we in the other sections of the club, should be indebted to them for their unyielding dedication.

There are many waiting patiently for the successes of this club to come to an abrupt ending. But as long as we have men in our ranks of the quality of those who masterminded the various successes, there is no need to fear for the future of this club.

Many of our players and officials were honoured outside of the club. The following received awards under the auspices of Bord na nOg: Finbar Brosnahan, u-13 hurling; Kieran Canty, u-14 hurling; Gerard Brosnahan, u-16 hurling. The u-14 hurling team received the "Team of the Year" award. Our chairman, Rev. Bro. P. P. Guthrie, received the "Board Official of the Year" award, and Rev. Brother F. J. Cahill received the "Club Official of the Year" trophy. Bernie Hartigan, Donal Manning and Christy Campbell represented Limerick in hurling; Pat Murphy also represented the county in football and won a Railway Cup football medal with Munster. Kieran Canty and Willie Hurley were honoured at club level. Kieran received an award as the best all-round clubman of the year and Willie got an award in appreciation of his 6 years service to the juvenile section. We offer all these our congratulations.

Under 15 H Semi Final 1972.
 Old Christians 4-8 vs Rathfriland 0-0

Old Christians line-out: J. McInerney, M. Quinlivan, M. Costello, M. Sullivan, C. Flynn, F. Brosnahan, D. Brougham, P. Hanrahan, M. Kelly, K. Canty, D. Tangney, P. O'Callaghan, P. Fogarty, J. Lillis.
 Substitute, D. Ryan.



P. Nolan (Old Christians), who played exceptionally well against St. Patrick's in the under 16 football league semi-final on Sunday last in Rathbane. He played at centre-field.



Sean Daly, who was on Old Christians' under 14 All-Ireland club winning panel in 1972. He will line-out with the under 15 team during the coming season.

Old Christians in winning City Under 15 F. League final completed their 1973 programme - won seven titles during year

Feile na nGael 1973

Old Christians once again emerged as the best dressed team in Feile na nGael, 1973. They also emerged as the best dressed team in last year's Feile held in Thurles.

The jerseys for Sunday's parade were supplied by Mr. P. Moran Ltd. Mr. B. Hurley (juvenile chairman) and Mr. P. Moran selected the jerseys. A special Feile crest, which also incorporated the club crest, was on each jersey. The club banner was designed by Br. J. F. Cahill, who also designed the Feile medals. Credit for the banner is also due to Mrs. Canty for her very original and valuable suggestions as regards the design.

Old Christians led the colourful parade to the Gaelic Grounds, as they won the premier award (All-Ireland under 14 hurling, division 1) in the 1972 Feile, which took place in Thurles. Old Christians team were led by the team's mascot, Catriona O'Neill, Mr. E. Whelan and Mr. P. Fitzgerald, both of whom were dressed in club colours, were the standard bearers. Kieran Canty, captain of Old Christians winning team last year, was their chief marshal. He was also dressed in club colours.



Old Christians u/14 F. team that defeated Monaleen in the u/14 F. championship in St. Patrick's field on Friday evening last. Back row (left to right): M. Foley, T. Bowen, A. Rainbow, G. Keane, F. Brosnahan, R. Benson, D. McNamara, R. Fitzgerald. Middle row (left to right): J. Lynch, H. O'Neill, P. Shinnors, R. Collins, D. Fitzgerald, P. O'Shea, D. O'Neill, J. Canty. Front row (left to right): C. Reddan, P. Daly, J. Foley.

Old Ch. 4:2 Waterford 3:1

Danny Fitzgerald played exceptionally well. As a matter of fact he emerged as their star performer right throughout their Feile campaign.

Others who played well were: F. Brosnahan, E. Murphy, H. O'Neill, F. Sargent, R. Fitzgerald, J. Canty and R. Benson. Scorers for Old Christians were: D. Fitzgerald, 2-0; F. Sargent, 1-1; H. O'Neill, 1-0; E. Murphy, 0-1.

Old Christians 7-2
Galway 3-1

F. Brosnahan, D. Fitzgerald, R. Fitzgerald, F. Sargent, R. Benson and M. Boland played best. Others who played well were: T. Bowen, D. McNamara, J. Canty, G. Griffin and H. O'Neill.

Scorers for Old Christians were: E. O'Doherty and F. Sargent (2-0 each), E. Murphy, R. Benson and D. Fitzgerald (1-0 each), F. Brosnan (0-2).

Wexford 7-3
Old Christians 3-1

Scorers for Old Christians were R. Benson, F. Brosnahan and E. O'Doherty, 1-0 each; D. Fitzgerald, 0-1.

Old Christians' line-out: J. Canty, M. Kelly, M. Boland, D. McNamara, T. Bowen, R. Fitzgerald, P. Ryan, F. Brosnahan, G. Griffin, H. O'Neill, F. Benson, E. Murphy, D. Fitzgerald, F. Sargent, E. O'Doherty.

Subs.: A. Rainbow, P. Shinnors, P. Daly, R. Cusack, R. Collins, M. Foley, J. Lynch.

SH Ch. B'brown 2-9 Old Ch. 1-8

Old Christians: L. Jones, N. Fitzgerald, D. Manning, B. Jones, A. Murphy, C. Campbell, G. Jones, B. Hartigan, M. Hennessy, C. Mulhally, D. Sexton, M. Ruth, P. Doherty, P. Reale, P. Murphy. Subs.: O. Naughton for P. Murphy, C. Carmody for P. Doherty, M. Minogue for P. Reale.



B. Storan, Old Christians, played at full-back against Na Piarsaigh in the u/16f. semi-final in St. Patrick's Field recently. Old Christians won.

*S.H.Ch. Old Ch. 3:13 Monaleen 1:1
Bt Reel, Matt Ruth, Ely Naughton, Kristy Campbell, Bender & Gary Jones, Mick Hennessy, Christy Millally.*

Old Christians — L. Jones, N. Fitzgerald, D. Manning, B. Jones, D. Grealy, C. Campbell, G. Jones, B. Hartigan, M. Hennessy, C. Mullally, M. Ruth, P. Doherty, P. Reale, D. Sexton, O. Naughton.

City Under 15 F. League Final.

Old Christians 4-3
Treaty-Sarsfields 0-1

Old Christians were certainly in a winning mood when they decisively defeated Treaty in the u/15F. league final in Claughaun field on Saturday evening last. In doing so they won their seventh title during the present season.

The following played exceptionally well for Old Christians: P. Fogarty, J. Kavanagh, T. Kennedy, F. Brosnahan, K. Canty, M. O'Sullivan and B. Storan. Others who played well were: C. Flynn, D. O'Connor, G. Hartigan, R. Browne and J. Lillis.

Scorers for Old Christians were: P. Fogarty, 2-0; B. Storan, and K. Canty, 1-1 each; M. O'Sullivan, 0-1.

Old Christians line-out: D. O'Connor, F. Sargent, J. Kavanagh, M. O'Sullivan, F. Brosnahan, S. Hayes, M. Costello, K. Canty, R. Browne, C. Flynn, B. Storan, J. Lillis, T. Kennedy, P. Fogarty, M. Manning.

Substitutes: G. Hartigan, D. Fitzgerald, S. Daly, M. Foley, E. O'Doherty, R. Fitzgerald.

Pat Fogarty, Captain

Old Christians (1973)

Under 13 H. League Semi Final
 Old Ch. 4-2 St. Brendans 1-1

Scorers for Old Christians were: T. Madden, 1-1; J. Davern, C. Reddan and G. Beecher 1-0 each; J. Ryan, R. Fitzgerald and D. Fitzgerald 0-1 each.
 Old Christians line out: K. O'Callaghan, D. O'Neill, M. Kelly, B. Toomey, G. Keane, R. Fitzgerald, T. Sheehan, P. Sheridan, D. Fitzgerald, T. Madden, G. Kavanagh, B. Hassett, J. Ryan, J. Davern, C. Reddan.
 Substitutes: G. Beecher, P. O'Doherty, J. Foley, P. Daly.

Under 14 F. League Semi Final

Scorers for Old Christians— E. O'Doherty, 1-3; M. Foley, 0-2; C. Reddan, 0-1.
 Old Christians line out: R. Collins, R. Fitzgerald, D. McNamara, P. O'Shea, T. Bowen, N. Donovan, P. Shinnors, F. Brosnahan, G. Griffin, H. O'Neill, F. Sargent, D. Fitzgerald, E. O'Doherty, M. Foley, C. Reddan.

Old Ch. 1-6 St. Brendans 1-2

Under 15 F. League
 Ch. 1-6 Old Ch. 1-3

Scorers for Old Christians were: K. Canty, 1-0; P. Fogarty, M. Costello and R. Browne, 0-1 each.
 Old Christians line out: D. Fitzgerald, B. Storan, M. Manning, N. O'Donovan, J. Lillis, F. Brosnahan, R. Browne, K. Canty, P. Shinnors, P. Fogarty, M. Foley, H. O'Neill, M. Costello, C. Reddan. Subs.: D. O'Neill, P. O'Shea.

Juvenile F.
Mungret Festival Incent Final

Old Ch. 6-7 Mungret 2-4

Declan Tangney was the brightest star in Old Christians forward line. He played very intelligently throughout and he emerged as their top scorer with a personal tally of 2-2.
 Others who played well were P. Hanrahan, K. Reale, M. Quinlivan, M. Manning, P. O'Callaghan, J. Lillis and M. Costello.
 Scorers for Old Christians were: D. Tangney, 2-2; K. Reale, 2-0; K. Canty 1-3; D. Brougham, P. Fogarty and B. Storan, 1-0 each; P. Hanrahan, 0-3.
 Old Christians line out: J. Lillis, P. O'Callaghan, M. Quinlivan, M. Manning, B. Storan, M. Kelly, F. Brosnahan, D. Brougham, K. Canty, M. Costello, P. Hanrahan, D. Tangney, K. Reale, P. Fogarty, B. Skelly.
 Substitutes: D. Fitzgerald, H. O'Neill, R. Fitzgerald, S. Lynch.

Under 13 H. Final 29/9/73.
 Mr. Bourke Memorial Cup

Old Ch. 3-0 P'well 2-0
 (4th successive win in this competition)

Scorers for Old Christians were: J. Davern, N. O'Donovan and P. Daly, 1-0 each.
 Old Christians line-out:— B. O'Brien, G. Keane, M. Kelly, B. Toomey, D. O'Neill, R. Fitzgerald, P. O'Shea, D. Fitzgerald, P. Sheridan, J. Ryan, T. Sheehan, J. Davern, T. Madden, N. O'Donovan, P. Daly.
 Substitutes: E. MacMullen, C. Reddan, G. Beecher, B. Hassett, K. O'Callaghan, P. Howard, M. Ryan, P. O'Doherty.

James Davern, Niall O'Donovan, Paddy Daly, Denny Fitzgerald
 (His brother Richard Fitzgerald was capt. of 1972 winning side)
 Bernard O'Brien, Jimmy Keenan, Paddy O'Shea

Under 15 F. League
 Old Ch. 3-6 St. Riths 2-0

Scorers for Old Christians: B. Storan, 2-4; K. Canty, 2-3; R. Brown, 1-0; J. Lillis, 0-2; J. Kavanagh and F. Sargent, 0-1 each.
 Old Christians line out: F. Sargent, H. O'Neill, P. Fogarty, P. O'Brien, M. Manning, J. Kavanagh, F. Brosnahan, R. Browne, K. Canty, A. Mullins, J. Lillis, G. Griffin, S. Daly, B. Storan, M. Costello.
 Substitute: M. Foley.

Under 16 F. League Semi Final
 Old Ch. 2-3 The Piersaigh 0-1

Scorers for Old Christians were: J. Lillis and K. Canty, 1-1 each; D. Brougham, 0-2.
 Old Christians line-out: P. Fogarty, P. O'Callaghan, J. Kavanagh, M. Costello, H. O'Neill, M. Kelly, G. Byrnes, K. Canty, D. Brougham, A. Mullins, P. Hanrahan, J. Lillis, B. Storan, B. Skelly, D. O'Neill.
 Substitutes: R. Fitzgerald, D. Fitzgerald, M. Foley, R. Browne.

Under 14 F. G. H. Final 6.10.73
 Old Ch. 0-9 Droimcollogher 0-1 at Kilmallock.
 (First year of competition)
 Hugh O'Neill, Capt. Gerald Griffin, Ray Benson, Denny Fitzgerald

Scorers for Old Christians: R. Benson 0-6; D. Fitzgerald 0-2; G. Griffin 0-1.
 Old Christians line-out: R. Collins; M. Boland, N. Eggleston, R. Fitzgerald; P. Shinnors, N. O'Donovan, D. McNamara; F. Brosnahan, R. Benson; H. O'Neill, G. Griffin, C. Reddan; E. O'Doherty, M. Foley, D. Fitzgerald.
 Substitutes: F. Sargent, P. O'Shea, J. Lynch, T. Bowen, D. O'Neill, M. Kelly.

Under 14 City F. League Final
 Old Ch. 3-2 The Piersaigh 1-6
 Francis Sargent, Eugene O'Doherty
 (whose last second goal won the game)

Scorers for Old Christians were: F. Sargent, 1-1; G. Griffin and E. O'Doherty, 1-0 each; R. Benson, 0-1.
 Old Christians line-out: R. Collins, M. Boland, N. Eggleston, R. Fitzgerald, P. Shinnors, N. O'Donovan, D. McNamara, F. Brosnahan, R. Benson, H. O'Neill, G. Griffin, F. Sargent, E. O'Doherty, M. Foley, D. Fitzgerald. Subs.: C. Reddan, P. O'Shea, J. Lynch, T. Bowen, D. O'Neill, M. Kelly

Under 15 F. League
 Old Ch. 2-3 The Piersaigh 1-1

Scorers for Old Christians were: T. Kennedy and F. Sargent (1-0 each), G. Griffin, R. Benson and K. Canty (0-1 each).
 Old Christians line-out:— D. O'Connor, F. Sargent, J. Kavanagh, R. Fitzgerald, F. Brosnahan, S. Hayes, M. Costello, R. Browne, K. Canty, J. Lillis, R. Benson, G. Griffin, T. Kennedy, P. Fogarty, E. O'Neill. Subs.: P. O'Brien, D. Fitzgerald, M. Foley.

Under 16 F
 Old Ch. 2-3 The Piersaigh 2-1

Old Christians' line-out: M. Foley, D. O'Connor, B. Storan, P. O'Callaghan, M. Sullivan, C. Flynn, F. Brosnahan, P. Hanrahan, R. Browne, J. Lillis, K. Reale, K. Canty, R. Fitzgerald, P. Fogarty, D. Fitzgerald.
 Subs.: P. Shinnors, H. O'Neill, J. Canty, K. O'Callaghan.

players received juvenile awards organised by Bord na nOg and they are as follows: Ray Benson, u/14F Sports Star, and Kieran Canty, u/15H Sports Star. He has now received his third successive sports star award.

U13H. LEAGUE

Old Christians u/13 hurlers set the ball rolling by winning the Br. Bourke Memorial Cup for the fourth successive year. They defeated Patrickswell in the final on the scoreline of: Old Christians, 3-0; Patrickswell 2-0.

It was a very close and exciting match and victory could have gone either way right up to the final whistle. J. Davern opened Old Christians' scoring account with a great goal after five minutes of play. Patrickswell replied with two well taken goals. Just before half-time N. O'Donovan put both teams on level terms by scoring a great goal for Old Christians.

Patrickswell went on the attack as the second half commenced but they failed to score. As a matter of fact, both sides were determined "not to give an inch." Finally, Old Christians broke the deadlock and Paddy Daly scored a great goal to give Old Christians the lead, a lead they never lost.

It was a tremendous game of ground hurling at its best. The following played best for Old Christians: P. Daly (1-0), B. Toomey, J. Davern (1-0), T. Sheehan, N. O'Donovan (1-0), and B. O'Brien.

Old Christians line out: B. O'Brien, G. Keane, M. Kelly, B. Toomey, D. O'Neill, R. Fitzgerald, P. O'Shea, D. Fitzgerald, P. Shanahan, J. Ryan, T. Sheehan, J. Davern, T. Madden, N. O'Donovan, P. Daly.

Substitutes: E. MacMullen, C. Reddan, G. Beecher, B. Hassett, K. O'Callaghan, P. Howard, M. Ryan, P. O'Doherty.

U-14 F. LEAGUE

Old Christians u-14 footballers were perhaps the most successful outfit in the juvenile section. They won three titles, a tournament and the best dressed team award in Feile na nGael. They defeated Na Piarasaigh in the u-14 F. league final in the Gaelic Grounds. It turned out to be their closest call of the season.

Na Piarasaigh did all the attacking in the first half and they were ahead at half-time on the scoreline of: Na Piarasaigh 1-3; Old Christians, nil. I cannot recall offhand any occasion in which Old Christians returned to their dressingroom at half-time scoreless—well it happened in this game! It was obvious that Old Christians had lost momentarily at any rate their scoring power, combination and the wonderful passing movements they displayed earlier in the season.

Old Christians improved as the second half progressed and G. Griffin scored a great goal for Old Christians. R. Benson put Old Christians ahead seconds later with a well taken point. Na Piarasaigh came back and drew level once again.

With literally seconds left, E. O'Doherty kicked the ball first time on the ground and he sent it into the roof of the net—an absolute classic beyond description. Old Christians won, but only just by the skin of their teeth!

It was sheer courage and determination and their unwillingness to throw in the towel, even when everything seemed to be going against them, that finally led to their ultimate triumph. The final score was: Old Christians, 3-2; Na Piarasaigh, 1-6.

The following played best for Old Christians: R. Benson (0-1), F. Sargent (1-1), E. O'Doherty (1-0), G. Griffin (1-0) and H. O'Neill.



S. Hayes played at right-half back on Old Christians' successful U/15 Hurling and Football team during the past season. He was also a member of Old Christians' Féile na nGael winning team in 1972.

Old Christians line-out—R. Collins, M. Boland, N. Egleston, R. Fitzgerald, P. Shinnors, N. O'Donovan, D. McNamara, F. Brosnahan, R. Benson, H. O'Neill, G. Griffin, F. Sargent, E. O'Doherty, M. Foley, D. Fitzgerald.

Substitutes: C. Reddan, P. O'Shea, J. Lynch, T. Bowen, D. O'Neill, M. Kelly.

CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS (Under 14 Football)

Old Christians defeated Treaty Sarsfields in the under 14 Football City Championship final rather convincingly. Old Christians won the toss and they showed early on that they meant business. D. Fitzgerald opened the scoring with a great goal after two minutes of play, and seconds later he scored a point. Treaty failed to score in the first half.

C. Reddan raised another green flag for Old Christians early in the second half. Halfway through the second half D. Fitzgerald put Old Christians victory beyond doubt with another good goal.

R. Collins (goalkeeper), D. Fitzgerald (2-1), C. Reddan (1-1), E. O'Doherty (1-1), F. Brosnahan, F. Sargent (0-1) played best for Old Christians.

Old Christians line out: R. Collins, M. Boland, N. Egleston, R. Fitzgerald, D. McNamara, N. O'Donovan, F. Sargent, F. Brosnahan, G. Griffin, P. Shinnors, H. O'Neill, D. Fitzgerald, M. Foley, F. O'Doherty, C. Reddan.

For the record the final score was: Old Christians, 4-4; Treaty Sarsfields, nil.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS (U-14F.)

Old Christians rounded off their championship campaign by defeating Dromcollogher in the county final in Kilmallock. Old Christians approached this game with caution as Dromcollogher defeated Cappamore in the semi-final rather easily. They also won the National Community games final in Butlin's earlier in the season, a very creditable record by any standards.

Old Christians went on the attack from the start and G. Griffin opened their scoring account after a minute of play with a well-taken point. The Dromcollogher backline conceded a number of close-in frees during the second quarter of the first half. R. Benson, who emerged as Old

Christians' star, scored direct from each attempt. He played superb football. Old Christians were ahead at half time by 0-8 to 0-1. The second

half of the game. They certainly looked the more experienced side and they possessed an amazing ability to get the ball away from the danger area with the minimum amount of fuss.

They never allowed themselves to be rattled by the roving tactics of the Dromcollogher forwards.

R. Benson's display at centre-forward was the best I have experienced. He scored 0-6. Not far behind him in excellence were: H. O'Neill, G. Griffin (0-1), F. Brosnahan, D. Fitzgerald (0-2), D. McNamara, and M. Foley. The final score was: Old Christians, 0-9; Dromcollogher, 0-1.

Old Christians line out: R. Collins, M. Boland, N. Egleston, R. Fitzgerald, P. Shinnors, N. O'Donovan, D. McNamara, F. Brosnahan, R. Benson, H. O'Neill, G. Griffin, C. Reddan, E. O'Doherty, M. Foley, D. Fitzgerald.

Subs. F. Sargent, P. O'Shea, J. Lynch, T. Bowen, D. O'Neill, M. Kelly.

Under 15 H. League:

Old Christians under-15 hurlers collected the club's fifth juvenile trophy by defeating Patrickswell in the under-15 hurling league final, in St. Patrick's field.

T. Kennedy (1-0), K. Canty (2-1), G. Hartigan (2-0), P. Fogarty (1-0), J. Lillis (0-2) and B. Browne (0-1).

Old Christians line out: J. Canty, M. Manning, A. Mullins, S. Hayes, C. Flynn, F. Brosnahan, K. Canty, R. Browne, D. O'Connor, M. Costelloe, J. Lillis, G. Hartigan, P. Fogarty, T. Kennedy. Subs.: H. O'Neill, S. Daly, D. Fitzgerald, R. Fitzgerald.

Under-15 League:

Old Christians under-15 panel completed the double by defeating Treaty Sarsfield in Cloughaun field.

The following played best for Old Christians: P. Fogarty (2-0), J. Kavanagh, T. Kennedy (0-1), B. Storan (1-1), K. Canty (1-1).

Old Christians line out: D. O'Connor, F. Sargent, J. Kavanagh, M. O'Sullivan, F. Brosnahan, S. Hayes, M. Costello, K. Canty, R. Browne, C. Flynn, B. Storan, J. Lillis, T. Kennedy, P. Fogarty, M. Manning.

Subs.: G. Hartigan, D. Fitzgerald, S. Daly, M. Foley, E. O'Doherty, R. Fitzgerald.

U/16 H. League:

Old Christians u/16 h. panel brought to seven the number of trophies won by the juvenile section in 1973.

They defeated Patrickswell in the u/16 h. league final in the Gaelic Grounds in a very close and exciting contest.

Best for Old Christians were: J. Kavanagh, K. Canty (3-1), R. Browne, K. Reale (1-2), B. Skelly, P. Fogarty (0-1), P. Hanrahan (0-1), and B. Storan. Old Christians line out: J. Lillis, J. Kavanagh, B. Storan, M. Manning, G. Byrnes, M. Quinlivan, M. Sullivan, M. Kelly, R. Browne, K. Canty, P. Hanrahan, B.

Skelly, M. Costello, P. Fogarty, K. Reale.

Subs.: D. Tangney, P. O'Callaghan, J. Keane, A. Mullins, D. O'Connor.

Mungret Tournament U/14 h.

Old Christians under-14 hurlers won the Mungret Festival Tournament by defeating Ballybrown in the final in Mungret.

Old Christians line out: D. Fitzgerald, T. Bowen, R. Fitzgerald, M. Kelly, P. O'Shea, F. Sargent, M. Foley, F. Brosnahan, P. Ryan, J. Canty, M. Boland, E. Murphy, H. O'Neill, P. Shinnors, J. Lynch. Subs.: E. O'Doherty, P. O'Doherty, E. MacMullen, R. Collins, P. Daly, A. Rainbow, D. McNamara, J. Foley.



E. O'Doherty, Old Christians, played at right corner-forward against Galway in the Feile na nGael quarter-final recently. He scored 2-0.



F. Sargent, Old Christians, who played extremely well at full-back against Ballybrown in the under 14 hurling championship in the Gaelic Grounds recently.



Michael Sullivan (Old Christians), played exceptionally well against Claughaun at centre back on Monday evening last in Rathbane in the second round of the U/15 H. League.



D. O'Neill, Old Christians, who played exceptionally well against Treaty Sarsfield in the under 13 hurling league in Rathbane recently. Old Christian's won.



P. Sheridan, Old Christians, played extremely well against Claughaun at centre-field in the first round of the under 13 hurling league.



Brian Toomey, Old Christians, who played extremely well at right corner back against Treaty Sarsfields in the under 13 football semi-final in St. Patrick's Field recently.



Brian Power, Sexton St., who is a very versatile player.



T. Sheehan is a member of Old Christians under 13 hurling panel. He also plays with Scoil Iosagain's junior hurling team.

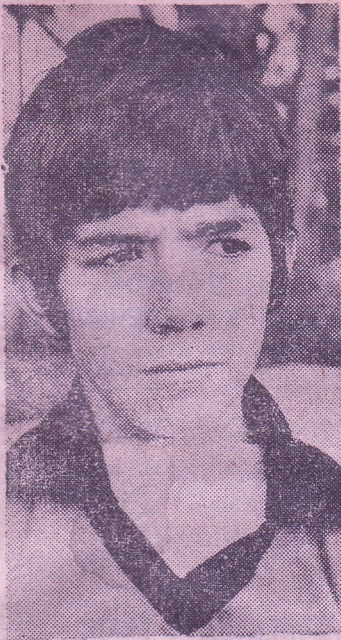


Kieran Tracey, Old Christians, who played extremely well at right half-back against Treaty Sarsfields in the under 13 football semi-final recently in St. Patrick's Field.

1973



Superb football star, Ray Benson, Old Christians, who played a major role in Old Christians' under 14 football successes during the present season. A centre-field player with outstanding football ability.



J. Canty, Old Christians, played extremely well in goal against Monaleen in the Gaelic Grounds recently. He is a younger brother of Kieran Canty. He will play in goal for Old Christians' Feile na nGael team later this month.



Eugene Murphy, Old Christians, will line-out at right half-forward against Waterford in the first round of the Feile na nGael competition this Saturday in Rathbane.



F. Brosnahan, Old Christians, has played exceptionally well in both hurling and football this season. He is captain of Old Christians' Feile na nGael team. They are due to play Waterford in the first round.



G. Griffin, Old Christians, played at centre-field against Wexford in the Feile na nGael Division 1 semi-final in Murroe on Saturday evening last.



Pat O'Callaghan, Old Christians, played at right corner back against Na Piersaigh in the under 16 football semi-final on Monday evening last. He is also captain of the side.



R. Collins, Old Christians, who played extremely well in goal against Mungret in the under 14 football league in Rathbane recently.



Gabriel Hartigan, who was on Old Christians' under 13 football panel during the present season. He is a brother of Ger Hartigan, who played with Old Christians' Feile na nGael winning team last year.



Niall O'Donovan, Old Christians, who will line-out at centre-back against Na Piersaigh in under 14 football City League final this Saturday in the Gaelic Grounds.

1973

Old Christians Win Seven Trophies

Old Christians juveniles won seven trophies and two tournaments in 1973. They are as follows:

Under 13 hurling league: Old Christians, 3-0; Patrickswell, 2-0.

Under 14 football league: Old Christians, 3-2; Na Piarasigh, 1-6.

Under 14 football, city championship: Old Christians, 4-4; Treaty Sarsfields, nil.

Under 14 football, Co. championship: Old Christians, 0-9; Dromcaollogher, 0-1.

Under 15 hurling league: Old Christians, 6-4; Patrickswell, 0-1.

Under 15 football league: Old Christians, 4-3; Treaty Sarsfields, 0-1.

Under 16 hurling league: Old Christians, 4-4; Patrickswell, 3-2.

Mungret tournament (under 14 hurling): Old Christians, 4-1; Ballybrown, 1-3.

Mungret tournament (under 16 hurling): Old Christians, 6-7; Mungret, 2-4.

K. CANTY ELECTED CAPT. 4th SUCCESSIVE YEAR

Old Christian's juvenile captains for 1974 were elected at the club's A.G.M. on Friday last in the C.B.S. Hall, Sexton St. K. Canty was elected captain of the under 16 hurling team. He

now holds the distinction of being elected captain in every age group at juvenile level.

He was elected under 13 hurling captain in 1971, under 16 hurling captain in 1972, under 15 captain in 1973, under 16 hurling captain in 1974. He has never lost a final in his capacity as captain.

The newly elected captains for 1974 are as follows:

Under 13 hurling, captain, D. Fitzgerald; vice-captain, P. Howard.

Under 13 football, captain, T. Sheehan; vice-captain, B. O'Brien.

Under 14 hurling, captain, J. Davern; vice-captain, R. Fitzgerald.

Under 14 football, captain, C. Reddan; vice-captain, D. O'Neill.

Under 15 hurling, captain, E. Murphy; vice-captain, E. O'Doherty.

Under 15 football, captain, S. Bedford; vice-captain, G. Griffin.

Under 16 hurling captain, K. Canty; vice-captain, J. Lillis.

Under 16 football, captain, P. Fogarty; vice-captain, J. Kavanagh.

A report of Old Christians juvenile A.G.M. will appear in next Saturday's issue of the "Limerick Chronicle."

Old Christians defeat

21/4/73

Ballybrown

—D. BROUGHAM EXCELS

Old Christians, 5-5;

Ballybrown, 0-0.

Old Christians defeated Ballybrown in the third round of the under-16 hurling league in Ballybrown on Friday evening last. Old Christians are certainly blending more as a team now since their shock defeat by the 'Well' in the first round. Can they emulate the feats of last year's under-16 hurling team? That remains to be seen.

Old Christians won the toss and played with the wind. The surprising aspect of this game was the fact that neither Old Christians nor Ballybrown scored in the first twenty minutes of the game. They played a half an hour-a-side.

Old Christians finally broke through the Ballybrown defence and scored a goal, and they added on a further goal and a point to leave the half time score: Old Christians, 2-1; Ballybrown, 0-0.

Second half

Old Christians' scoring machine went into action early in the second half and they began to pick off their scores with greater ease than they did in the first half. It became apparent half way through the second half that Old Christians were certain to win the 'reels as they began to dominate the game more and more. In the end they ran out easy winners.

Ballybrown must be complimented on their final display in the first half, as Old Christians failed to score for a long period of time, even though they had the wind to support them.

Old Christians, on the other hand, even though they won rather easily, could not be happy with their display in the first half and an improvement is absolutely necessary if they are to make an imprint in the championship this season.

D. Brougham, M. Quinlivan and P. Hanrahan played extremely well for Old Christians. Others who played well were M. Sullivan, K. Reale and G. Byrnes.

M. Mann, B. Browne and V. O'Connor played extremely well for Ballybrown.

Old Christians' line-out: J. Lillis, J. Keane, M. Quinlivan, M. Manning, M. Sullivan, M. Kelly, G. Byrnes, K. Canty, D. Brougham, B. Skelly, P. Hanrahan, K. Reale, D. Tangney, P. Fogarty, M. Costello.

Substitutes: J. Kavanagh, B. Storan, D. O'Connor, F. Brosnahan, P. O'Callaghan.

City Senior Hurling Championship:

Old Christians in

1/8/74

quarter-final

BY SEAN MURPHY

OLD CHRISTIANS, 1-11; BALLYBROWN, 0-5

OLD CHRISTIANS qualified for the quarter-finals of the county senior hurling championship when they defeated Ballybrown in the final of the city division losers group at the Gaelic Grounds on Sunday on the scoreline, 1-11 to 0-5.

The game, which featured much indiscriminate pulling and fouling, never rose to any heights, as the ex-C.B.S. boys were always in command.

They sowed the seeds for their success in the first half, when Bernie Hartigan and Matt Ruth dominated the mid-field sector, and ensured a plentiful supply of the ball for their forwards, but the latter failed to make any headway against a hard-hitting Ballybrown defence.

Indeed, it was a great goal by Bernie Hartigan after 20 minutes plus six points notched by Matt Ruth, that enabled Old Christians to lead 1-8 to 0-4 at the interval.

In a dour second half, Ballybrown tried very hard to get on terms but an excellent defence, expertly marshalled by Christy Campbell, and some superb

saves by ice-cool goalkeeper, Liam Jones kept their scoring to a single point in this period. Old Christians finished with a flourish, and points by Matt Ruth and Mick Hennessy left them comfortable winners.

Best for Old Christians were Bernie Hartigan, Matt Ruth, Christy Campbell, who has lost none of his former sparkle, Brendan Jones, Finbar Brougham, Dave Greaney and goalkeeper, Liam Jones; while Paddy Carroll, Pat Lynch, Jimmy Cross, Dessie O'Connor and Martin Hayes, were most in the picture for Ballybrown.

SCORERS

Old Christians — M. Ruth 0-8, B. Hartigan 1-0, M. Hennessy 0-2, S. O'Grady 0-1.

Ballybrown — P. Carroll 0-3, P. Fogarty 0-1, M. Hayes 0-1. Referee — V. Cobbe (St. Patrick's).

STARRED IN THURLES

Several prominent schoolboy soccer players were in action with Old Christians in the Feil na nGael competition in Thurles last weekend.

Rev. Brother Cahill, trainer of the triumphant Old Christians team, paid this tribute to Kieran Canty on Monday: "Without question he was the hero of the entire tournament. Kieran gave a wonderful exhibition of hurling and is destined to reach the top."

Canty is also a member of the successful Tower Rovers under-14 team. Could be that he will be collecting a League Championship medal with them early next month. This versatile sportsman — he plays hurling, Gaelic, soccer and rugby — was a member of the Plassey team that won three trophies in the under-13 grade last term.

Wembley Rovers were represented on the Old Christians team by Francis Brosnahan. The Hyde Road youth contributed his share to the Limerick club's success. One day later he turned out for Wembley against Hyde Rvs. and scored two great goals.

Tony Mullins and Tony McNamara (Tower Celtic) showed plenty of skill and determination in Thurles, while Janesboro's Brendan Storan was also in sparkling form.

Congratulations to Old Christians on winning this valuable trophy.

BERNIE FLIES BACK

Important hurling championship game

AN IMPORTANT game in the Limerick City senior hurling championship will be played at the Ennis Road Grounds on Saturday evening next (7.30 p.m.).

In action will be Old Christians and Claughaun in the losers' group final, and the winners of which will play the losers of the Ballybrown/Patrickswell game for the right to go into the quarter-finals proper of the county senior championship.

side for the last game—Jack Moynihan, Billy O'Gorman and John Hehir.

SPIRIT

Old Christians spirit will be considerably boosted by the sporting decision of their star player Bernie Hartigan, to fly back specially from London where earlier in the day he will throw the hammer in the AAA Championships.

Another inter county player, Matt Ruth, will also be in the side and he invariably contributes many scores in club games even if he cannot manage to be so free-scoring for the county side.

Other prominent players in the Old Christians side include Christy Campbell, the former inter county half back, Liam Jones, Mick Hennessy and Christy Mulhally.

After what should be an exciting contest Claughaun may just manage to advance.

Claughaun showed a return to something like their true form when beating the fancied St. Patrick's by 4-9 to 0-6 in the previous round, and will be favourites on this occasion.

Both sides will be able to field their county players, although it will be the last time they will be allowed play for their clubs before the Munster Final on July 28th.

Claughaun will have Eamonn Cregan in their side although he missed the game against St. Patrick's and they will also have well-known players in former county player Mick Graham—he returned to the

Old Christians 4-0
Monaleen 2-0

Old Christians defeated Monaleen in the fifth round of the u/14 H. league in Rathbane on Saturday last. It was a very close and exciting contest notwithstanding the rather poor weather conditions.

Old Christians played against the wind in the first half but surprisingly enough they were first to score, when T. Sheehan scored a great goal after a few minutes of play. Five minutes later Monaleen equalised. Four minutes before half-time A. Barrett put Old Christians ahead with another goal, the final score of the first half. The half-time score was Old Christians, 2-0; Monaleen, 1-0.

Monaleen dominated the first ten minutes of the second half, but they failed to score. D. Fitzgerald opened Old Christians scoring account with a well-taken goal after twelve minutes. Seconds later Monaleen raised another green flag, thus leaving 1-0 between the sides once more. P. O'Doherty assured Old Christians of victory when he scored their final goal from 11 yards range late in the second half. Old Christians were two goals ahead as the final whistle sounded.

Best for Old Christians were: P. O'Shea, P. Daly (goal), P. Howard, T. Madden, D. Fitzgerald, J. Davern, T. Sheehan, A. Barrett, D. O'Neill and P. O'Doherty.

Scorers for Old Christians were: T. Sheehan, D. Fitzgerald, A. Barrett and P. O'Doherty, 1-0 each.

Old Christians line-out: P. Daly, E. MacMullen, R. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, T. O'Connell, P. O'Shea, P. Howard, P. Sheridan, T. Madden, D. Fitzgerald, G. Lowe, J. Davern, T. Sheehan, J. Ryan, A. Barrett.

Subs.: D. O'Neill, P. O'Doherty, D. O'Rourke.

U/16 HURLING LEAGUE
Old Christians 6-6
Kildimo 2-3

Old Christians defeated Kildimo in the third round of the

u/16 H. league in Kildimo on Friday evening last.

Special praise is due to the Kildimo club for the excellent condition of the field. Both sides produced some good bouts of hurling.

Old Christians were first to settle down and they were 2-3 to nil ahead after eight minutes of play. They continued to dominate the trend of play and they built up a considerable lead by half-time.

Kildimo played much better as a team in the second-half and both sides exchanged an equal number of scores. Kildimo fielded much younger and much more experienced fifteen. Old Christians' overall physical strength and their ability to pick off scores from any angle proved too much for Kildimo.

Best for Old Christians were: M. Sullivan, K. Canty, S. Hayes, R. Browne and B. Storan. M. Moloney, in goal, had one of his easiest debuts to date.

Old Christians line-out: M. Moloney, S. Hayes, J. Kavanagh, M. Manning, M. Costelloo, M. Sullivan, F. Brosnahan, R. Browne, K. Canty, P. Fogarty, B. Storan, J. Lillis, G. Hartigan, A. Mullins, T. Kennedy.

Subs.—S. Daly, P. Howard, E. O'Brien.

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FIXTURES

S.H. Championships: Old Christians Ballybrown, Gaelic Grounds this Sunday, 9th June

OLD CHRISTIANS THROUGH

11/8/74

Old Christians.....1-11
Ballybrown0-5

Old Christians qualified for the quarter finals of the County senior hurling championship at the Gaelic Grounds on Sunday, when they defeated Ballybrown in the City Losers' Group final.

The sparse attendance were treated to a very dull and uninspiring game. The winners led 1-8 to 0-4 at the interval and their winning margin would have been far greater had their forwards been a little steadier.

Matt Ruth was Old Christians scorer in chief and he had a total of 8 points (5 from frees). Their goal came from the stick of Bernie Hartigan and Mike Hennessy (0-2) and John O'Grady (0-1) completed their tally.

Old Christians now meet the winners of the South in the county championship, but

they will have to show marked improvement if they hope to advance further.

Ballybrown never looked like winning on Sunday, and definitely missed the services of the Ryan brothers. Their scores came from P. O'Carroll 0-3, M. Hayes and P. Fogarty 0-1 each.

Old Christians—L. Jones, B. Jones, D. Greaney, P. McGuigan, F. Broughman, C. Campbell, G. Jones, M. Ruth, B. Hartigan, J. O'Grady, P. Reals, D. Broughnan, C. Mulally, M. Hennessy, P. Keogh.

Ballybrown—S. Lyons, P. O'Carroll, J. Byrnes, D. Burke, P. Byrnes, N. Fitzgerald, P. Lynch, J. Cross, P. McCarthy, D. O'Connor, W. O'Brien, M. Fogarty, M. Hayes, P. Fogarty, P. O'Carroll.

Referee, Vivian Cobbe, (St. Patrick's).

Old Christians defeat Garryowen

28/9/74

OLD CHRISTIANS 3-2; GARRYOWEN 0-0

Old Christians defeated Garryowen in the under 13 hurling league semi-final in Claughaun Field on Friday evening last.

It was much closer that the scoreboard suggests, as only five points separated the sides at half time.

Old Christians played with the aid of a strong wind in the first half, but they certainly did not avail of their scoring chances to any considerable extent. Garryowen made a few dangerous raids on the Old Christians' goal during the course of the first half, but they failed to register any score.

Garryowen went on the attack as the second half began, but Old Christians gradually regained control, and they scored a further two goals during the last ten minutes of play that assured them of victory.

Best for Old Christians were: J. Moynihan, T. Sheehan, D. Fitzgerald, T. Ryan and N. O'Brien.

Scorers for Old Christians were: J. Moynihan 1-1, P. O'Doherty and N. O'Brien 1-0 each, D. Fitzgerald 0-1.

Old Christians line-out:— J. Galvin; E. MacMullen, P. Howard, R. Kiely; D. O'Sullivan, B. O'Brien, T. Ryan; A. Barrett, T. Sheehan; P. O'Doherty, D. Fitzgerald, M. Reddan; J. Foley, J. Moynihan, P. Daly.

Subs.: N. O'Brien, J. Donovan, G. Toomey, P. Howard, M. Power.

Under 15 hurling league:
Old Christians 3-4
Claughaun 1-1

Old Christians defeated Claughaun in the under 15 hurling league in Rathbane on Saturday evening last. Players found it rather difficult to acustom themselves to the rather heavy ground conditions after a long period of heavy rain.

Claughaun played against the wind in the first half, and they found themselves only three points in arrears at half time. Old Christians' defence were determined 'not to give an inch' even though they faced a very strong wind in the second half. They were under constant pressure during the first quarter of the second half, but they gradually regained their composure and their forwards were more alert after the introduction of A. Barret and T. Sheehan. Old Christians scored 3-1 during the last quarter of the game.

Eugene Murphy played outstanding hurling for Old Christians at centre-field. He was the best hurler on view. His long clearances in the second



S. O'Grady played at centre-field for Old Christians minor hurling team against Stakers, in the county semi-final in Bruff on Sunday last. Stakers won.

half against the wind, would do justice to a hurler twice his age.

Others who played well were: F. Sargeant, N. Buckley, A. Barrett, T. Sheehan, J. Davern, D. Fitzgerald and R. Fitzgerald.

Scorers for Old Christians were: D. Fitzgerald 2-1, F. Sargeant 1-2, E. Murphy 0-1.

Old Christians' line out was: J. Canty; M. Kelly, R. Fitzgerald, T. Bowen; M. Boland, N. Buckley, P. Shinnors, E. Murphy; F. Sargeant, H. O'Neill; E. O'Doherty, J. Davern; D. Fitzgerald, T. Madden, M. Foley.

Subs.: A. Barrett, T. Sheehan, P. O'Shea, B. O'Brien, A. Rainbow, S. Lynch.

MR. B. HURLEY

The club wishes to congratulate its minor hurling panel on their magnificent display before giving way to Stakers by the narrowest of margins — a point — in the semi-final in Bruff on Sunday last. Special tribute must be paid to Mr. B. Hurley, their energetic and untiring team manager, who steered them to city championship success recently. He is also chairman of the juvenile section. A special word of praise is also due to Mr. J. Flannagan who assisted in training the minor team, and to their mentors and excellent supporters.

Old Christians reach final

21/9/74

final

— N. Buckley stars

Old Christians 4-6

Garryowen 2-4

Old Christians reached the U/14 hurling league final by defeating Garryowen in the semi-final in Rathbane on Monday evening last. Both sides produced some excellent bouts of hurling despite the rather heavy ground conditions.

Old Christians won the toss and they elected to play with the aid of a strong wind in the first half. There was little or nothing between the sides for the first ten minutes of play. T. Madden registered Old Christians' first score when he scored a great goal. T. Sheehan added another a few minutes later. Old Christians built up a comfortable lead by half-time.

Garryowen came more into the picture in the second half but scores were difficult to get. Old Christians' backline, led by R. Fitzgerald, succeeded in containing the Garryowen forwards, while Old Christians' forwards, on the other hand, picked off some valuable scores at the other end of the field.

N. Buckley played one of his best games so far at centre forward in the first half, and at centre-back in the second half. Others who played well were: J. Davern (centre-field), D. Fitzgerald, T. Madden and T. Sheehan.

Scorers for Old Christians were: T. Madden, T. Sheehan and D. Fitzgerald (1-1 each), D. O'Neill (1-0), J. Davern (0-2), A. Browne (0-1).

Old Christians lineout: P. Howard, P. O'Shea, R. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, M. Kelly, A. Barrett, B. O'Brien, J. Davern, B. Daly, D. Fitzgerald, N. Buckley, T. Sheehan, A. Browne, T. Madden, D. O'Neill. Subs.: P. O'Doherty, P. Daly, D. O'Rourke, M. Ryan, T. Ryan.

MINOR

HURLING SEMI-FINAL

The club wishes its minor hurling panel every success when they take on Stakers in the county minor hurling semi-final in Bruff on Sunday. They have already collected city honours by defeating Patrickswell in the Gaelic Grounds recently. They went on to defeat Croom in the county quarter final in Patrickswell.

MR. E. WHELAN

The club wishes to congratulate Mr. E. Whelan on being successful in the August 'Ciste na nGael' draw. Mr. Whelan is secretary of Old Christians' senior club and treasurer of the juvenile section. He is also a prominent member of the City G.A.A. Board.

FIXTURE

M.H. County Semi-Final, Old Christians v. Stakers, in Bruff, on Sunday next, 22nd of August, at 1.30 p.m. Players are requested to meet at the school (C.B.S., Sexton St.) at 12.15 p.m. sharp.

TREATY-SARSFIELD GOSSIP

21/9/74

The senior footballers made it two-in-a-row when they defeated St. Patrick's in the City Championship decider by the comfortable margin of 1-11 to 1-3. This game was played at the Gaelic Grounds on Sunday last before a very small gathering of spectators.

"Saints" won the toss and played with the slight breeze advantage, but the opening score fell to Treaty, when Mick Aherne pointed from a "50." After some lively bouts of play the St. Patrick's forwards were seen to advantage and notched three well-taken points. To this Treaty replied with 4 points, but from a penalty "Saints" scored a goal, and turned over with a lead of one point at the interval.

From the throw-in on the resumption it was the Thomondgate side that dictated the trend of play. Poor marksmanship by both sets of forwards lost many scoring chances. This was a poor second half, as the champions were the masters and added 1-6 to their interval tally to no reply from the opposition.

It was a disappointing contest and there was no doubt that the champions were the masters, especially in the second half.

In the quarter-finals of the county championship the opposition will be provided by the defeated finalists of the Southern decider.

Marksmen were: J. Ryan, 0-5; B. Scully, 1-0; T. Meaney and T. Goodwin, 0-2 each; M. Bromell and M. Aherne, 0-1 each.

The line-out was: G. Looney; D. Purtill, S. O'Shaughnessy, M. O'Shea; D. Fitzgerald, M. Aherne, M. Mooney; M. O'Donnell, M. Bromell; T. Meaney, B. Scully, M. Williams; T. Goodwin, S. Fitzgerald, J. Ryan.

City Board chairman, Christy Murphy, presented the trophy to Treaty Sarsfield captain, Mick Aherne, amidst jubilation.

Referee, J. McCarthy (Claughaun), was an impartial official.

UNDER 15 GAMES

The under 15s had two outings during the past week. On Friday the hurlers opposed Patrickswell, but were defeated by the narrowest of margins. On Sunday morning they were visitors to St. Patrick's in a football league tie and were victorious by 2 points.

The hurlers have an engagement with Claughaun (home) on Monday evening next, at 6.45.

IN BRIEF

The annual club 10 miles walk will take place on Sunday, 20th October.

The club received 4 tickets for distribution for the All-Ireland football final, and so many members were disappointed.

The committee meeting next week is on Tuesday, at 8.30 p.m.

Old Christians surprise Monaleen

Old Christians defeated Monaleen in the city u/14 football championship semi-final in St. Patrick's field on Friday evening last. Both sides met earlier in the season in the u/16F league final and on that occasion only two points separated the teams.

Old Christians were missing a few of the regulars due to holidays and their prospects of advancing to the final seemed anything but certain. Not alone did they surprise Monaleen but they also surprised themselves. They played with courage, determination and a tremendous spirit as they brushed aside Monaleen's challenge.

Monaleen raised the first green flag after sixty seconds of play and they continued to dominate play during the first ten minutes. P. Fogarty opened Old Christians scoring account after thirteen minutes of play with a well taken goal. Seconds later G. Hartigan scored a magnificent goal giving the goal keeper no chance from 14 yards range.

From then on Monaleen's challenge faded out as Old Christians began to dictate the trend of play more and more. Old Christians were ahead at half time and they stretched their lead still further as the second half progressed. Monaleen replied with a goal and a point late in the second half. Those scores did not upset Old Christians who were at this stage playing by far the better brand of football. Old Christians final tally was 4-4 as against 2-1 for Monaleen.

W. O'Shaughnessy played well in goal. The backline led by B. Storan (who played tremendously well at full-back), N. Buckley (who played extremely well at centre-back), T. Larkin, M. Manning and M. O'Sullivan never allowed the Monaleen forwards much space in which to manoeuvre. K. Canty and C. Flynn dominated the exchanges at centrefield. Up front, P. Fogarty was in devastating form scor-



D. O'Connor, Scoil Iosagain (faoi 10) hurling team.

ing 2-1 of their total. Others who played well were: M. Costello, J. Lillis, T. Kennedy and G. Hartigan.

Scorers for Old Christians were: P. Fogarty 2-1, K. Canty 1-1, G. Hartigan 1-0, M. Costello and J. Lillis 0-1 each.

Old Christians lineout: W. O'Shaughnessy; N. O'Donovan, B. Storan, M. Manning; M. O'Sullivan, N. Buckley, T. Larkin; K. Canty, C. Flynn; T. Kennedy, J. Lillis, M. Costello; H. O'Neill, P. Fogarty, G. Hartigan. Subs., R. Fitzgerald, J. Hayes, D. Fitzgerald.

ATHLETICS: Morgan sets schools record

Limerick A.C. put up great show

But Leevale take National League title

BY "LEADER" REPORTER

LIMERICK A.C. surprised even their most ardent supporters when running fancied Leevale to a single point in the first ever B.L.E. National track and league final at Belfield yesterday.

The overall result depended on the Javelin, and here Leevale's Pat Moore, with a throw of 198 feet 10 inches, ensured victory for his club, by relegating Limerick's hope, Derrick Casey, into third place.

Star of the Limerick contingent was Tim Crowe, a native of Sixmilebridge, and a student at N.C.P.E., whose 21.8 secs. for the 200 metres was the fastest recorded by an Irishman this season. In addition, his 49.1 secs. for the 400 performance, taking the atrocious conditions into account.

Limerick hurler, Bernie Hartigan, won the discus with a throw of 160 ft. 6 inches to relegate the highly rated Phil Conway to second spot.

Bernie's brother, Pat, flew in from the Shinty International in Inverness with a badly bruised left hand but still finished 2nd to Brendan Coughlan of Leevale.

A surprise was the defeat of American based Niall O'Shaughnessy, who led for most of the way in the 800 metres, but had to give best to a powerful late surge by John Dillon of Dublin City Harriers.

DETAILS

Men:

100m.—1, M. Kelly, Achilles, 10.8; 2, S. Reidy, Limerick; 3, T. Phelan, Crusaders.

200m.—1, T. Crowe, Limerick, 21.8 secs.; 2, M. Kelly; 3, J. Walley.

400m.—1, T. Crowe, 49.1; 2, J. Dillon, D.C.H.; 3, B. Mooney, Leevale.

800m.—1, J. Dillon, 1-55.7; 2, N. O'Shaughnessy, Limerick; 3, A. O'Leary, Leevale.

1,500m.—1, K. Humphries, D.C.H., 3-57.0; 2, P. O'Riordan, Leevale; 3, G. Hannon, Achilles.

5,000m.—1, Treacy, D.C.H., 14-28.6; 2, D. Walsh, Leevale; 3, J. Deegan, Waterford.

110 Hurdles—1, S. Power, Leevale, 15.6 secs.; 2, J. Tilsley, D.C.H.; 3, S. Fitzpatrick, Waterford.

400 hurdles—1, D. Stewart, Achilles, 57.4 secs.; 2, P. Kelly, Limerick; 3, J. Hunter, Leevale.

High jump—1, C. Farrell, Crusaders, 6' 2"; 2, B. Cronin, Leevale; 3, C. O'Regan, Waterford.

Long jump—1, C. O'Regan, 4.71m.; 2, S. Reidy; 3, B. Whiston, Crusaders.

Triple jump—1, C. Cronin, Leevale, 48' 10"; 2, T. McLister; 3, J. Magee.

Shot—1, B. Coughlan, Leevale, 14.83m.; 2, P. Hartigan, Limerick; 3, S. Hogan, Crusaders.

Discus—1, B. Hartigan, Limerick, 150' 6"; 2, P. Conway, Crusaders; 3, M. Fulton, Achilles.

Javelin—1, P. Moore, Leevale, 198' 10"; 2, I. Lambe, Crusaders; 3, D. Casey, Limerick.

OLD CHRISTIANS CROWN

Old Christians.....3-5
 Adare1-1

Old Christians regained the county under 14 hurling title at Bruff on Sunday evening when they finished the stronger side and deservedly defeated Adare in a thrilling game.

Adare held an interval lead of one point, but they failed to register a score in the second half.

Pat Howard, Richard Fitzgerald, Pat O'Shea, Michael Daly, Jimmy Davern and Tim Sheehan gave fine performances for the winners.

Ger Mullane, Insin Jordan, Tony Butler, Pat Kinavane, Tony Normoyle and Shane Fitzgerald tried hard for the losers.

Scorers: Old Christians: J. Davern 2-1, T. Sheehan 1-0, D. Fitzgerald 0-3, A. Browne

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0-1.
 Adare: S. Fitzgibbon 1-0, M. Alfred 0-1.

Old Christians—P. Howard, P. Kelly, R. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, B. O'Brien, P. McCoy, P. O'Shea, N. Buckley, M. Daly, J. Davern, T. Madden, D. Fitzgerald, A. Browne, A. Barrett, T. Sheehan. sub: G. Lowe for Barrett.

Adare—T. Glynn, G. Mullane, V. Jordan, T. Butler, S. Ryan, P. Kinavane, N. Fitzgerald, D. Lynch, T. Normoyle, M. Alfred, S. Tierney, M. Benson, S. Fitzgibbon, M. Farrelly, S. Fitzgibbon. sub: J. Kennely for Farrelly. Ref, P. Carmody (Bruff).

OLD CHRISTIANS WIN REPLAY

Old Christians 3-3;
 Patrickswell 2-4.

Old Christians defeated Patrickswell in the replay of the under 14 hurling championship in St. Patrick's Field on Friday evening last. It was a very close and exciting game with very little between the sides at any stage during the match.

T. Sheehan was Old Christians brightest star with a superb display, scoring 2-1 of their total. B. O'Brien had one of his best games to date when changed to the right half back position. He scored 1-1 when playing at full forward in the first half. Others who played well were: P. McCoy, N. Buckley, B. Daly, R. Fitzgerald, D. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey and D. O'Neill.

Scorers for Old Christians were: T. Sheehan 2-1, B. O'Brien 1-1, J. Davern 0-1, B. Daly 0-1.

Old Christians line-out:
 P. Daly, P. O'Shea, R. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, M. Kelly, N. Buckley, D. O'Neill, B. Daly, J. Davern, D. Fitzgerald, P. McCoy, M. Reardon, T. Madden, B.

O'Brien, T. Sheehan. Subs.: P. Sheridan, G. Lowe, J. Ryan, M. Ryan, D. O'Rourke, A. Browne.

Old Christians 4-4;
 St. Mary's 0-1.
 Old Christians qualified to play in the under 14 city championship hurling final on Wednesday evening last. The weather conditions were poor but both sides produced some excellent bouts of hurling.

Best for Old Christians were: D. Fitzgerald, N. Buckley, P. McCoy, B. Daly, T. Madden, T. Sheehan, B. O'Brien, A. Barrett and P. O'Shea.

Scorers for Old Christians—D. Fitzgerald 2-1, J. Davern 1-1, T. Sheehan 1-0, T. Madden and M. Reardon 0-1 each.

Old Christians line out:
 P. Howard, M. Kelly, R. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, P. O'Shea, N. Buckley, B. O'Brien, B. Daly, A. Barrett, M. Reardon, P. McCoy, D. Fitzgerald, T. Madden, J. Davern, T. Sheehan. Subs.: J. Ryan, D. O'Rourke, P. O'Doherty, P. Sheridan.

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Old Christians canter home

19.10.74

Best for Old Christians were: K. Canty (capt.), E. Murphy, T. Kennedy, J. Lillis, P. Fogarty, H. O'Neill.

Scorers for Old Christians were: K. Canty, 1-5; H. O'Neill, 2-0; E. Murphy, 1-2; P. Fogarty, 1-1; T. Kennedy, 0-4; J. Lillis, 1-2; M. Costello, 1-0.

Old Christians line-out—J. Canty, G. Hartigan, B. Storan, M. Manning, M. O'Sullivan, J. Kavanagh, F. Brosnahan, K. Canty, R. Browne, P. Fogarty, M. Costello, E. Murphy, H. O'Neill, J. Lillis, T. Kennedy. Subs.: N. Buckley, R. Fitzgerald, F. Sargent, A. Barrett, J. Davern, D. Fitzgerald.

U-15 H. LEAGUE SEMI-FINAL
 Old Christians 5-4
 Monaleen 2-1

Old Christians qualified to play in the under 15 hurling league final by defeating Monaleen in St. Patrick's Field on Saturday evening last.

Scorers for Old Christians were: F. Brosnahan and F. Sargent, 2-0 each; E. O'Doherty, 1-3; J. Davern, 0-2; M. Foley, 0-1.

LIAM JONES

The club wishes to congratulate Liam Jones on his fine display between the posts for Limerick against Cork on Sunday last. Liam is Old Christians senior hurling goalkeeper, and he also excelled as a goalkeeper with the C.B.S. Harty Cup team in 1969-'70. His brother, Brendan, is an accomplished corner-back on Old Christians senior hurling team also.



E. Murphy, who played outstanding hurling at centrefield for Old Christians against Claughaun in the u-15 H. league recently.

DIARY DATES

Old Christians juvenile social—Savoy, November 21st next.
 Old Christians senior A.G.M.—C.B.S. Hall, November 28th next.
 Old Christians senior dress dance—Glentworth, January 31st, 1975.

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Old Christians senior A.G.M.

Old Christians senior A.G.M. took place in the CBS Hall, Sexton Street, recently. It was preceded by Mass for the deceased members of the club. Rev. Br. Murray, president, addressed the large gathering and paid tribute to the officers and the various sections of the club who helped make it a very satisfactory year for the club.

CANON PUNCH PARK

Mr. J. Power, senior chairman, in his address announced that the club had acquired "Punch Park" on a long term lease with the option of buying it at any time. The news was greeted enthusiastically by all the members present. The Secretary, Mr. E. Whelan, and the treasurer, Br. P. P. Guthrie, presented their reports and then the election of officers took place:

President, Rev. Br. M. D. Murray; vice-president, Br. J. F. Cahill; executive committee, chairman, Mr. J. Power; secretary, Mr. E. Whelan; treasurer, Mr. M. Keogh; registrar, Mr. M. Halpin; asst. registrar, Mr. G. Brosnahan; P.R.O., Br. J. F. Cahill.

Co. Board delegate: Br. P. P. Guthrie; City Board delegates, Mr. D. Greaney, Mr. P. Reale. Senior hurling captain, Mr. C. Campbell; vice-captain, Mr. L. Jones. Junior football captain, Mr. M. Hennessy; vice-captain, Mr. G. Jones. Under-21 hurling captain, Mr. F. Brougham; vice-captain, Mr. P. McGuigan; under-21 football captain, Mr. G. Brosnahan; vice-captain, Mr. S.

ment officer, Mr. B. Hartigan. Grounds committee: Mr. P. McGuigan, Mr. M. Hennessy, Mr. G. Brosnahan. Senior selectors, Mr. J. Flannagan, Mr. P. Sheehan, Mr. C. Campbell, Snr. Transport officer, Mr. S. Murphy.

Juvenile committee: chairman, Mr. B. Hurley; sec., Mr. B. O'Gorman; vice-chairman, Mr. P. Fitzgerald; treasurer, Mr. T. Sheehan.

SCORE '75

Old Christians Club wishes to congratulate its ballad group, "Granuaile" on winning the Limerick county final of the competition in the Parkway on Tuesday night last even though their group leader and lead singer, Orlagh Carey, was unable to attend as she went into hospital on Tuesday. The club wishes her a speedy recovery. The other members of their group are: Sheenagh Carey, Siobhan Cremin, Ceara Carey and Brid Ryan.

Old Christians master Treaty

27.4.74

OLD CHRISTIANS 2-5
TREATY SARSFIELDS 1-2

Old Christians defeated Treaty Sarsfields in the under 16 football league in Rathbane recently. The game in general will not go down in history as a classic game of football! It was, perhaps, more a "comedy of errors" rather than the usual standard of football expected from such an age group. I doubt if Old Christians could play as badly again.

Old Christians won the toss, and they played with a slight wind advantage in the first half. They were four points ahead at half time. Old Christians could have been further ahead but for exceptional faulty shooting and reckless passing efforts by some of the players.

A much younger Treaty fifteen faded out somewhat as Old

Christians began to combine better as a team as the second half progressed. Old Christians' final tally of 2-5 was just a pale reflection of what it should have been. An improvement in their next outing is not alone important—but essential.

Tommy Kennedy was the brightest star of the evening, and he played superb football right through. He scored 2 beautiful points. Hugh O'Neill on the other wing also impressed the selectors with a fine display. Christy Flynn also played well. Scorers for Old Christians: H. O'Neill 1-1, C. Flynn 1-0, T. Kennedy and B. Storan 0-2 each.

Old Christians line-out: D. O'Connor; S. Lynch, P. Fogarty, M. Manning; N. O'Donovan, S.

Hayes, M. O'Sullivan; J. Lillis, R. Browne; H. O'Neill, B. Storan, C. Flynn, S. Daly, P. McGrath, T. Kennedy. Sub.: C. Reddan.

UNDER 21 HURLING SEMI-FINAL — SUNDAY

Old Christians are playing against St. Patrick's in the City under 21 hurling semi-final in the Gaelic Grounds this Sunday (April 28th), at 2.15 p.m. Both sides have been training diligently for some time back, and all the indications would seem to suggest that it will be a close match with very little between the sides at the final whistle. The club wishes its under 21 team every success on Sunday.

LATE NEWS

New Ireland Shield: Old Christians 6-9; Eire Og 0-2.

Under 21 Football: St. Patrick's 2-8; Old Christians 2-6.

S.H. Challenge: Old Christians 4-5; Moneygall 2-4.



12/10/74

Noel Buckley was one of the Christians u/14 hurling team that won the city and county championship recently.

Old Christians juvenile social

30/11/74

— Most successful to date

Old Christians juvenile social in the Savoy Banqueting Hall turned out to be the most successful so far. Over 220, including parents and players, attended. Mr. B. Hurley was most efficient as M.C.

Father J. Ryan (Bruff), chairman, Co. Bord na n-Og, congratulated the various teams, especially the under 14 and under 16 hurlers who won county honours. He also thanked Brother Cahill for designing the county medals.

Br. P. P. Guthrie, chairman, City Bord na n-Og, congratulated the players on the sportsmanship that they displayed whether they won or lost.

Rev. Brother Murray, president of the club, encouraged the players to continue hurling and he expressed the wish that they would win county senior honours in the not too distant future.

Mr. J. Power, senior chairman, congratulated both the players and the juvenile officials for their interest and dedication and he also urged the parents to attend more juvenile matches in 1975.

Brother J. F. Cahill thanked the players for their dedication to training and in particular the under 14 and under 16 players on winning the county medals he himself designed. He thanked Father Ryan for accepting the design on behalf of Bord na n-Og. He also praised very highly Mr. Dick Naughton, "Limerick Chronicle," for his tremendous coverage of the club's activities throughout the year. Finally he congratulated the sports star award winners, D. Fitzgerald, K. Canty and T. Kennedy.

Mr. B. Hurley, chairman, juv-

enile section, thanked the "Leader", the parents and the players for their co-operation throughout the year, especially the following: Mr. P. O'Neill and K. Canty for organising Scor '75; Mr. P. Moran Ltd., Mr. T. Foley, who provided transport for the players, and the following committee members: Mr. E. Whelan, Mr. P. Fitzgerald, Mr. T. Sheehan, Mrs. P. O'Neill (who looked after the spot prizes for the social), Mr. E. Liston, Mr. T. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. P. Fogarty, Miss A. Fogarty, Mr. O'Naughton, Mr. M. Halpin, Gay Jones and the "Concords," who provided the music; Brother Murray for the use of the hall and grounds.

The presentation of the plaques and medals then took place. The evening was most enjoyable and players and parents alike took part in the dancing and singing that followed.

SCOR '75

The club wishes to congratulate their ballad group, "Granuaile," on winning the city final. A special word of praise is due to the other participants who took part in the Scor on behalf of the club.

SPORTS STARS

The club wishes to congratulate the following: D. Fitzgerald, under 13 hurling sports star. He played on Old Christians under 13 hurling team for the past 4 years and captained the winning team twice. K. Canty, under 16 sports star. He now holds the unique distinction of receiving four sports star awards in a row (1971, '72, '73 and '74). T. Kennedy, most promising footballer of the year award. He hit the headlines in both hurling and football during the past year.

15.6.74



Rev. Br. P. P. Guthrie, Chairman, presenting the Tadhg Ceallaigh Cup to P. Howard, capt. of the C.B.S. Sexton St., u/11½ hurling team. They defeated Scoil Eoin in the final.



A. Barrett (Old Christians) played at centrefield against Cloughaun in the city u/14 h. championship final in the Gaelic Grounds recently. He scored the winning goal late in the second half.

3/8/74



Old Christians "Feile na nGael" team that won the city and county under 14 hurling championships recently. They defeated Adare in the final in Bruff by 3-5 to 1-1.

1974 LIMERICK

EXCITING HURLING

Old Christians and St. Patrick's produced an hour of close and interesting hurling which featured some fine individual performances. *SHG 20-5-74*

Old Christians played with wind advantage in the first half but could only manage a 1-4 to 1-2 lead at half time.

Denis Sexton and Pat O'Neill exchanged points on resuming but "Saints" completely dominated the opening 15 minutes of the second half. Noel Kirwan levelled with a goal in the 9th minute and then added two points from play, before Brendan Cross raised another white flag to put "Saints" ahead 2-6 to 1-6 after 14 minutes.

Old Christians rallied strongly and Declan Brougham scored a great goal to equalise and with three points from Matt Ruth (2) and Bernie Hartigan held out for a deserved win.

Best for Old Christians were Brendan Jones, Christy Campbell, Finbarr Brougham, Matt Ruth, Pat Keogh and Christy Mulhally, while Pat O'Neill, Noel Kirwan, Joe Markham, John Frost, Jimmy Walshe and Pat Hogan were most prominent for "Saints."

oldy 2-9 St Pat 2-6
SCORERS
 Old Christians: M. Ruth, 0-6; D. Brougham, C. Mullally, 1-0 each; F. Brougham, D. Sexton, B. Hartigan, 0-1 each.
 St. Patrick's: N. Kirwan, 1-3; B. Cross, 1-1; P. O'Neill, 0-2.
 Referee: J. Butler (Doon).



MIDFIELDER—Bernie Hartigan (Old Christians)

Age	Height	Weight
31	5-11	14-9

LIKE HIS BROTHER, full back Pat, is also a well-known footballer in which code he won a Munster Senior Colleges' medal in 1960. Has represented Limerick in both codes at minor, junior and senior level and has earned the approval of the Munster hurling and football Railway Cup selectors. Played his first full senior game for the Limerick hurlers against Wexford in the League that year. A paternal uncle hurled for Limerick in the 1920's and a maternal uncle was a Tyrone and Ulster footballer. An Irish hammer and discus champion, and has represented the country in both events. An Aer Lingus employe



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P. O'Shea played at right-half-back on Old Christians u/14h. team; that defeated St. Mary's in the semi-final recently. It was his best performance to date.



Old Christians u-14 hurling captains for 1974: J. Davern, D'O'Neill, R. Fitzgerald, C. Reddan.

OLD CHRISTIANS' CAPTAINS

Danny Fitzgerald: He was elected captain of Old Christians under-13 team at the club's AGM recently. He joined the club in 1971 and he is now entering his fourth year in the under-13 grade. He has won numerous trophies in under-13 under-14, and under-15 age groups, including leagues and championships.

He is a very versatile player and he represented the school on senior and junior hurling and football teams. Apart from his numerous club trophies he also holds two Olo Cup medals won with Sexton Street CBS. He is also interested in handball and sport generally. His father, Patrick, is a former Garryspillane hurler.

Pat Howard: He joined the club in 1973 and he was elected vice-captain of Old Christians under 13 hurling team for 1974 recently. He was a member of Old Christians' successful under 13 hurling team in 1973 and he has a bright hurling future. Left half back is his favourite position in hurling and football.

He was also a member of the Sexton St. successful junior hurling team in 1973. He also played on the school's senior hurling team. He captained the "Limerick team" that won the Sexton St. 5-a-side inter-class hurling competition recently. His father, James, is a former Limerick junior hurler. He also plays with Pallasgreen.

Timmy Sheehan: He joined the club in 1973. Dedication is the keynote to his success. He plays both hurling and football. He is equally at home in any position on the field having played in goal, centrefield, half-forward and half-back with the club. He played in goal on Old Christians' successful u. 13 H. team in 1973.

He captained the Sexton St. CBS successful junior hurling team in 1973. He also plays with the CBS, Sexton St., senior hurling and football teams at present. His father, Timothy, is a former Ballybricken hurler.

Bernard O'Brien: He joined the club in 1973. He played at centrefield on Old Christians successful u. 13 H. team in 1973. He also played right-half forward on a number of occasions during the season. His favourite position is full-back.

He played on the CBS, Sexton St., successful under-13 hurling team. He is a very tenacious and courageous hurler with plenty of hurling ability and skill. He is also a footballer of note and he was elected vice-captain of Old Christians u. 13 F. team at the club's AGM recently. He is also interested in handball and athletics. His brother, Liam, is a former Kilmallock minor hurler.

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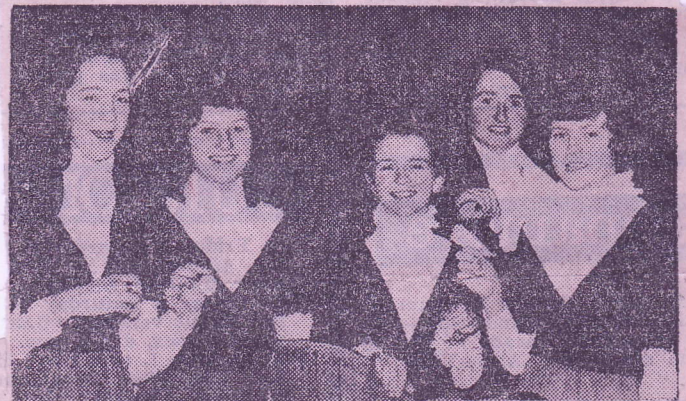
LEFT HALF-FORWARD—Matt Ruth (Old Christians).

Age	Height	Weight
28	6-0	13-7

A CHRISTIAN Brother, who was born in Ballyraggett, he will be endeavouring to deprive his native county of the all-Ireland title. Holds an all-Ireland intermediate championship medal won with Tipperary with which county, and Limerick, he also played senior football. Competed without reward in National School events but did not play at Secondary School level having then been attached to the Brothers. Played his first senior inter-county hurling game this year against Galway. Had he the choice, he would always elect to play at midfield. His mother was a Kilkenny camogie player. Is also keen on soccer, handball and tennis. In his boyhood his county man, Johnny McGovern, was his idol.



P. Howard, Old Christians
29/6/74 u/13, u/14.



The Old Christians ballad group "Granuaile", who gained first place in the city Scor '75 competition in Na Piarasigh Clubhouse recently. They have now qualified for the county final in the Parkway on December 10, 1974. Left to right: Orlagh Carey, Brid Ryan, Ceara Carey, Siobhan Creman, Shenagh Carey.

UNDER 13 HURLING



Timothy Sheehan
(Old Christians)

A talented Old Christians team which contained some brilliant hurlers retained the coveted Bro. Bourke Memorial Cup for the sixth successive year. Captain of the team and a player well above the average for his age was the brilliant 'midfielder', Timmy Sheehan, whose display in the league final against St. Mary's was a revelation.

Timmy joined Old Christians in 1957 and he has played at under 13 level for the past three seasons and now holds the unique distinction of winning three under 13 hurling titles in a row. His other successes with the club include winning the 1974 county under 14 hurling championship, also the 1975 city under 14 hurling championship.

Timmy is a second year secondary student at C.B.S., Sexton Street, and holds the amazing feat of representing Limerick in the inter-primary schools in both hurling and football, for which he is the proud holder of both medals. He also holds one Olo Cup medal won with Sexton Street C.B.S. for hurling.

A loyal clubman, Timmy has an unblemished record for sportsmanship and has proved to be an inspiration to his team-mates as captain and player on many occasions. Timmy's favourite game is hurling and his idol is ace Kilkenny player, Eddie Keher, whose skill, ball control and accuracy are a treat to watch.

Timmy's father, Timmy, snr., is a former Ballybricken hurler. He is son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Sheehan, 6 Grattan Villas, Mulgrave Street, and has two sisters.

1975 Sports Star

Two Christian Brothers transferred

Aug 1975

ONE OF Limerick's best-known Christian Brothers is being moved from Sexton Street, Brother P. Guthrie has been transferred to Ss. Peter and Paul's School in Clonmel, and he will take up residence there next week.

During his six years in Limerick Bro. Guthrie built-up a well deserved reputation as being one of the most outstanding and popular teachers at Sexton Street. He was principal of the primary school for two years during that time.

But it was as a dynamic worker for everything Gaelic, but particularly for our native games, that Bro. Guthrie became one of the best-known personalities not only in Limerick but throughout the country.

The staging in Limerick of the All-Ireland Feile na nGael tournament in which practically every one of the 32 Counties was represented for two years will always be remembered as a fitting tribute to the tremendous talents of Bro. Guthrie as an organiser and administrator.

In Limerick, Bro. Guthrie was a leading founder member of Bord na nOg of which he was chairman for some years.

At present, Bro. Guthrie is a member of the National Coisde Iomana Committee, one of the most important bodies in the structure of the GAA.

He is also the County Board youth officer.

The news of Bro. Guthrie's transfer will be a bitter disappointment to all those who knew of his outstanding ability as a teacher and GAA administrator.

If he had one fault it was that he worked too hard for the causes he believed to be right. Certainly, Limerick's loss will be Clonmel's gain but there are many in Limerick who contend that Bro. Guthrie will be a future President of the GAA.

Another well-known Brother at Sexton Street in recent years, Bro. J. Cahill, has also been transferred to Clonmel and he, too, will be a major loss to juvenile and schools GAA in the city. He, too, was in Limerick for six years.

John Power elected chairman

1975

The annual general meeting which was held in the CBS Hall, before a very big attendance, elected the following officials for 1976:

President, Bro. M. D. Murray; vice-presidents, S. Keogh, N. Whelan, C. Campbell; chairman, John Power; vice-chairman, Ned Whelan; hon. secretary, M. Doyle; treasurer, M. Keogh; registrar, M. Halpin; asst. treasurer, T. Sheehan; P.R.O., B. Hurley; club chaplain, Fr. J. Cantillon; juvenile chairman, E. Whelan; senior hurling capt., Gay Jones; minor hurling captain, Kieran Canty; Kennedy; intermediate football minor football captain, Tommy capt., Pat Keogh.

Senior hurling selection committee, Bro. Doohan, M. Fahy, P. Sheehan, J. Flanagan, B. Hartigan.

Juvenile section:

The annual general meeting of the juvenile section will be held later this month. Mr. E. Whelan, former hon. secretary, takes over as chairman of the juveniles. We wish him the best of luck in this very demanding position.

Old Christians

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The Old Christians Club held their first juvenile Scór competition last Friday at Pearse Stadium, in Janesboro'. It was most successful.

The winners in the various events were as follows:

Recitation: Pauline Hogan.
Ballad group: Siobhan Crem-in and her group.

Solo singing: Peggy Noonan.
Novelty act: Deirdre Sheehan and her group.

Ceili dancing: Yvonne McMahon and group.

Intermediate music: Ciara Carey.

Next Friday, 29th, we will be holding our senior Scór at

Bernie recalled

Bernie Hartigan is back in the Limerick team to play Tipperary at Bansa, on Sunday. The team also includes Pat Leahy formerly of Dublin, and former Limerick soccer player Tony Meaney and Mick Aherne. Pat Hartigan has again been chosen at full-forward on the team which is :- D. Keegan; P. Ryan, T. Fitzgerald, T. Carroll; M. Chawke, M. Aherne, D. Enright; B. Hartigan, C. Shanahan; M. Williams, P. Leahy, T. Meaney; L. Lalor, P. Hartigan, F. Conolly, Subs. W. Nicholas, T.

OLD CHRISTIANS ^{28/9/75} DEFEAT ST. PATRICK'S

Old Christians 6-8, St. Patrick's 4-7.

In this very entertaining game played on Saturday last in Rathbane, Old Christians by virtue of an all-out effort in the second half, took the laurels. St. Patrick's led by two goals at half-time and seemed assured of victory. However, N. Buckley and B. Daly at mid-field sparked off the Old Christians' rally to enable their side to reduce the arrears and win by the convincing margin of 7 points. Thus, the victors collected two valuable points in this under 15 football League.

The stars of the winning side were N. Buckley and B. Daly. They were able assisted by C. Reddan, R. Fitzgerald and J. Davern.

Team: M. Reddan, B. Twomey, R. Fitzgerald, A. Barrett, D. O'Neill, P. O'Doherty, T. Ryan, N. Buckley, B. Daly, M. Lynch, A. Browne, C. Reddan, D. O'Rourke, D. Fitzgerald.

Subs.: J. McNamara, P. Howard, E. Byrnes, P. O'Shea.

UNDER 16 HURLING LEAGUE

Ballybrown defeated Old Christians by 1 goal in the quarter-final of this competition, played at St. Patrick's Field last Tuesday. Old Christians led by 2 points at half-time but were unable to withstand the winners' strength in the second half.

The outstanding players in this very sporting game were R. Fitzgerald, N. Buckley, J. Davern, J. Canty, M. Kelly, F. Sargent, B. Daly, B. Twomey.

Team — P. Howard, B. Twomey, R. Fitzgerald, A. Bowen, M. Kelly, N. Buckley, P. O'Doherty, F. Brosnahan, E. Murphy, J. Davern, F. Sargent, J. Canty, D. Fitzgerald, G. Hartigan, E. O'Doherty.

SYMPATHY

Deepest sympathy is extended to Brother P. P. Guthrie on the recent death of his father. R.I.P.

NEW COMPETITION

A new under 12 hurling com-

petition has just been initiated. Brother Atkinson has been appointed manager and coach of the Old Christians team. Tom Ryan, who also stars for our under 13 and under 14 hurling teams, will captain the side.

TO-MORROW

Our under 15 hurlers line-out against Monaleen at Rathbane to-morrow (Sunday). The game begins at 12 noon.

MINOR FOOTBALLERS

The panel are training very hard twice a week under the watchful eye of Brendan Jones. There is a great spirit in the camp and these players have clearly set their sights on taking county honours.

A speedy recovery is the wish that goes out to Tommy Kennedy who was recently injured during training. We hope he will be back in action very soon.

Old Christians

The 1976 A.G.M. was held in the C.B.S. Hall after Mass for the deceased members of the club and was offered by Rev. Fr. Cantillon, club chairman.

The secretary in his report paid tribute to all teams who took part in competitions during the year and made special mention to the under 14 hurlers who won the city league and the county Feile na nGael competition.

The chairman, John Power, who did not seek re-election, thanked everybody for their co-operation through the years. He paid special tribute to Janesboro Sporting and Athletic Club who placed their hall at our disposal for the very successful running of Scor competitions and our juvenile social.

Much regret was expressed at John not seeking re-election.

The following officers were elected: president, Rev. Bro. Skehan; vice-presidents, John Power, Stephen Keogh; chairman, Dave Greaney; sec., Gay Jones; treas., Jerry Craughan; registrar, Kevin Comerford.

Juvenile officials: chairman, Paddy Fitzgerald; sec., Kieran Canty; treas., Rev. Bro. McGrath; club photographer, Rev. Bro. McGrath; club P.R.O., John Heffernan.

SNIPPETS

● Two of our juveniles, Thomas Ryan, under 13 hurling, and Timothy Sheehan, under 14 hurling, have won sports star awards for 1976. This is T. Sheehan's second sports star award in succession and we offer him and Thomas our heartiest congratulations.

● Ten-year membership cards are now available. Proceeds going towards our clubhouse and club field.

Old Christians Spotlight

On Sunday last at the C.B.S. our senior hurlers defeated Newcastle West in the third round of the county senior hurling league. This was a very entertaining game, with Old Christians winning by 4-6 to 2-5.

Due to the unavailability of many of our regulars, our selectors must be very pleased with the encouraging display shown by our younger players. Robert Browne, playing his first senior game for the club, and still a minor, gave a star performance. Other players to impress were K. Comerford (in goal), P. McGuigan in the full-back line, Gay Jones and Pat O'Doherty, who had a great game in the half-back line. D. Brougham, P. Hennessy and M. Hennessy were the pick of the forwards.

To-morrow (Sunday) a full get-together of our minors, u/21 and senior players is scheduled for a very important trial at the C.B.S. Grounds at 2.15 p.m. The selectors are hoping for a big response from these particular grades and team captains are requested to ensure that their players are notified.

● Congratulations are extended to our novelty act team — Sean Murphy, Niall Carey, Michael Hennessy and Sean O'Grady — on winning the Limerick county finals of Scór '76 G.A.A. talent finals at the Savoy last week. They will compete in the Munster semi-finals this week.

● Two of our very promising under-age hurlers, Richard Fitzgerald and Timothy Sheehan, were awarded Bord na nOg "Sports Star" awards during the week. Richard received the u/15 hurling award and Timmy the u/13 award. The Bord na nOg "Sports Star" presentation function will be held at Ballybrown Clubhouse on Saturday, March 6th.

● Our under-age section commences training to-morrow morning at 11.30 in the C.B.S. field. The juvenile officials are hoping for a big turnout and any under-age players interested in joining the club are very welcome to attend at this session.

● The registrar, Michael Halpin, reminds all members that the club membership fee is £1 for the season. A special subscription applies to juveniles.

1/5/75 OLD CHRISTIANS NEWS

Old Christians 0-10
Mungret 0-4

Old Christians minor footballers defeated Mungret on Saturday last in Rathbane. It was a much closer match than the scoreboard suggests. Three points separated the sides at half-time. G. McMahon, B. Skelly, N. Buckley (goal) and A. Larkin played best for Old Christians.

Scorers for Old Christians were: G. McMahon, 0-5; B. Skelly and D. Brougham, 0-2 each; P. Hanrahan, 0-1.

Old Christians line-out: N. Buckley, M. Quinlivan, P. Fogarty, K. McNamara, M. O'Sullivan, A. Larkin, F. Brosnahan, T. Kennedy, G. McMahon, D. Brougham, B. Skelly, P. Hanrahan, M. Costelloe, K. Reale, G. Byrnes.

Our minor hurlers paid an unsuccessful visit to Clarina on Monday evening last, when the home side (Ballybrown) won by 3-3 to 2-4. D. Brougham, M. O'Sullivan, M. Kelly played best for Old Christians.

Scorers for Old Christians were: M. Kelly, 1-1; D. Tangney, 1-0; D. Brougham and F. Browne, 0-1.

Old Christians 4-1
Treaty Sarsfields 1-0

Old Christians made an impressive debut in the first round of the Under 13 Football League in Shelbourne Park recently. They were ahead at half-time by 2-1 to nil, Tom Ryan impressed most for Old Christians.

Scorers for Old Christians were T. Ryan, 2-0; M. Lynch and D. Higgins, 1-0 each; D. O'Sullivan, 0-1.

Old Christians line-out: P. Heneghan, E. Byrnes, C. O'Dwyer, G. Toomey, A. O'Byrne, P. Howard, M. Reddan, M. Lynch, J. Hayes, D. O'Sullivan, T. Ryan, T. Sheehan, D. Higgins, B. Hyland, J. Foley. Subs.: D. Hartigan, R. Bourke, N. Aherne, M. Power, P. Fitzgerald, R. Kiely, F. Hyland, D. Malone, P. Howard, W. Nicholas.

FIXTURES

May 18th (This Sunday): S.H. Championship: Old Christians v. Cloughaun, in the Gaelic Grounds, at 3.30 p.m. Players meet at the Gaelic Grounds at 2.30 p.m.

Under 16 Hurling Championship: Old Christians v. Ballybrown, in St. Patrick's Field, at 7 p.m. Players meet at the school at 6 p.m.

Training will take place in Rathbane for our under 13 hurlers and footballers at 11.30 a.m.

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**Old Christians
 Spotlight**

The A.G.M. of the Old Christians Juvenile Club will be held on Wednesday next, February 4, at the C.B.S., Sexton Street, commencing at 7 p.m. sharp. Captains and vice-captains will be elected for the forthcoming season, so I appeal to the outgoing captains to notify their panel of players for the above.

"Bord na nOg", which is doing magnificent work for Gaelic games in the city, inaugurated an under 12 hurling league last season. Our present juvenile officials are extended to the limit in coping with under 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 competitions in both hurling and football. So I appeal once again to the parents of our juveniles to come forward and offer whatever time they have available for the smooth running and efficiency of the clubs.

Hurling and football captains of 1975 (last season): u/12 hurling, T. Ryan; u/13 hurling, T. Sheehan; u/14 hurling, B. O'Brien; u/15 hurling, J. Davern; u/16 hurling, E. Murphy; u/13 football, D. O'Sullivan; u/14 football, A. Barrett; u/15 football, A. Browne; u/16 football, E. O'Doherty.

SENIOR SECTION

Our weekly get-together of our senior members at St. Enda's Comprehensive School at Galvone every Monday and Thursday is proving very popular.

It is gratifying for me to report that the attendance of our members at this sporting complex for outdoor and indoor training is very encouraging.

At the moment the club have no official coach but every effort is being made to secure the services of a very talented P.T. instructor well-known to Limerick Gaeldom.

Our senior members are requested to attend for training not later than 8.45 p.m. every Monday and Thursday.

● The Senior Scór '76 will take place at Na Píarsaigh Clubhouse, Caherdavin, on Tuesday next, February 3. We wish our performers the very best of success.

● Paul McGuigan, a member of our senior hurling team, is getting married to-day (Saturday). We wish him every happiness and hope that he will continue to be an active member of the club.

● Our minor hurling and football officials for 1976 are as follows: chairman, E. Jones; secretary, P. Quinlan; treasurer, M. Hennessy.

7-2-76
**Old Christians
 Spotlight**

Our annual dress dance which took place last Friday at the Glentworth Hotel was an outstanding success. The guests included Rev. Bro. M. D. Murray, Superior, Sexton St. C.B.S.; Mr. and Mrs. C. Murphy, chairman of the City Board G.A.A.; Mr. M. Herbert, representing the C.B.S. P.P.U., and Mrs. Herbert.

Mr. John Power, club chairman, welcomed the patrons. He appealed for more co-operation from all members, and complimented his fellow officials on the earnest work they are doing for the club.

Two former members of the club, Bro. P. P. Guthrie and Bro. J. F. Cahill, were made special presentations on behalf of the club by Mr. John Power.

A special word of thanks is due to our energetic committee, especially Pat Keogh and Christy Campbell, also to our sponsors of spot prizes for making this a most enjoyable function.

The Registrar, Mr. Michael Ealpin, reminds all members that the club subscription for the forthcoming season is £1.00.

A special presentation was made by senior members to our club chairman, Mr. John Power, at the dress dance.

Congratulations to our chairman, John Power, and his wife Ann on the birth of a son recently.

Next week I hope to give a full report of our juvenile AGM.

The officers elected at the annual general meeting of the Old Christians Club were:

President, Rev. Brother M. D. O Muiri; club chaplain, Rev. G. Cantillon; vice-president, E. Liston; chairman, John Power; secretary, M. Doyle; treasurer, M. Keogh; registrar, M. Halpin.

Appointment to selection committees were: Senior and intermediate hurling—J. Flanagan, P. Sheehan, B. Hartigan, M. Fahy and Rev. Brother Duhan.

Intermediate football: J. Flanagan and L. Jones.

Under 21 hurling and football: B. Jones, J. Power and M. Fahy.

Co. Board representatives: E. Whelan and J. Walsh.

City Board representatives: E. Whelan and J. Power.

Bord na nOg representatives: T. Sheehan and J. Heffernan.

For the special juvenile selection the officers appointed were: Chairman, E. Whelan; secretary, J. Heffernan; treasurer, T. Sheehan; club photographer, Rev. Brother N. McGrath; club P.R.O., W. Hurley; transport officer, P. Reale; employment officer, B. Jones; sports complex official, D. Greaney. Grounds committee: M. Hennessy, B. Skelly and L. Bowles.

The heavy costs of running a hurling club is well illustrated by an item in the club accounts: "Hurlies, footballs, etc., £516"—or almost £10 per week. The total running costs of the club for 1975 were £2,990 and it was very dedicated work on the part of the officers and committee that brought in £3,285—leaving a profit on the season of £295.

A big hurling promotion for Easter Sunday, 18th April, at Pairc na nGael is the double bill—Limerick v. Waterford (2.30) and Clare v. Tipperary (4.00) in a tournament in aid of the Limerick C.B.S. Building Fund.

14/2/76
**Old Christians
 Spotlight**

The AGM of our juveniles for the coming season was held at the CBS Hall. The chairman, John Power, addressed the very fine gathering of juvenile and senior members. He congratulated the juveniles on a very rewarding season, especially the under 13 hurlers on retaining the Bro. Bourke Memorial Cup for the sixth successive year; also our under 14 hurlers in capturing the city championship. He complimented the juvenile officials on their magnificent work.

The following officers and captains of the various age-groups were elected:

Under 13 hurling: captain, T. Ryan; vice-do., N. Nicholas; football captain, P. Heneghan; vice-captain, D. Hayes.

Under 14 hurling: captain, P. Howard; vice-do., T. Sheehan; football captain, T. Sheehan; vice-do., P. Howard.

Under 15 hurling: captain, P. O'Doherty; vice-do., D. Fitzgerald; football captain, A. Barrett; vice-captain, D. O'Neill.

Under 16 hurling: captain, A. Browne; vice-do., T. Madden; football captain, D. O'Rourke; vice-do., G. Deegan.

Under 13 hurling and football officers: T. Ryan, Bro. Atkinson, Bro. Dormer.

Under 14 hurling and football officers: J. Howard, P. O'Brien, W. Hurley.

Under 15 hurling and football officers: T. Sheehan (snr., E. Whelan.

Under 16 hurling and football officers: M. Doyle, J. Heffernan, P. Fitzgerald.

It was decided to defer the selection of officers and captains for the under 12 age group to a later date.

Chairman, E. Whelan; secretary, J. Heffernan; treasurer, T. Sheehan; Bord na nOg delegates, T. Sheehan, J. Heffernan.

A special meeting of under-age captains, vice-captains and officers of the various age groups will be held on Thursday, February 19, at the C.B.S. Hall commencing at 7.30 p.m. sharp. Officers and captains are requested to take note of this very important meeting.

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Old Christians 1-8
 Cloughaun 1-1

Old Christians Minor footballers defended their city title with a polished performance over Cloughaun in the first round of the Minor Football Championship played at Monaleen last Monday.

On a well-balanced Old Christian side, those to catch the eye were: B. Storan, T. Larkin, M. O'Sullivan, M. Costelloe, F. Brosnahan, K. Canty, R. Browne and T. Kennedy.

Scorers: H. O'Neill (1-0), K. Canty (0-4), P. Fogarty (0-2), T. Kennedy (0-1), M. Costelloe (0-1).

Old Christians line-out — G. Hartigan, J. Mullins, B. Storan, E. O'Doherty, F. Sargeant, A. Larkin, M. O'Sullivan, M. Costelloe, F. Brosnahan, K. Canty, R. Browne, T. Kennedy (capt.), H. O'Neill, P. Fogarty, J. Canty.

Our u/14 hurlers outplayed and outclassed Monaleen in the u/14 Hurling League played last Saturday evening at Rathbane. We received a walk-over from the same opposition the previous evening in the U/14 Football League.

Old Christians 1-6
 St. Mary's 1-2

Our U-16 footballers had four points to spare over St. Mary's in the U-16 Football League, played at the C.B.S. Field on Wednesday evening.

Players to impress were: R. Fitzgerald, A. Barrett, P. O'Doherty, D. O'Neill, M. O'Reardon, G. Kavanagh, D. Fitzgerald, D. O'Rourke and J. Davern, who had a great game and was an inspiration to his colleagues.

Scorers: D. Fitzgerald (1-1), J. Davern (0-2), G. Kavanagh (0-2), M. O'Reardon (0-1).

The team lined out: P. Howard, B. Twomey, R. Fitzgerald, E. Byrnes, D. D. O'Neill, A. Barrett, P. O'Doherty, M. O'Reardon, D. O'Rourke (capt.), C. Reddan, G. Kavanagh, J. Davern, D. Fitzgerald, G. Hartigan, T. Madden.

● Our senior hurlers play Ballybrown in the first round of the Senior Hurling Championship at the Gaelic Grounds to-morrow (Sunday) at 3 p.m. Players are requested to attend not later than 2.30 p.m. at the above venue.

● We wish Eric Byrnes, who sustained a fractured ankle during an u/16 football match recently, a speedy recovery.

● Congratulations are extended to Mr. C. Murphy (Cork) on his election as President of the G.A.A. at the G.A.A. Congress held in Ennis last week-end.

● Our camogie coach, John Power, is very pleased with the fine response to training of our camogie panel twice a week.

● Old Christians and Cloughaun meet in the u/14 Hurling League this evening at the C.B.S. Field at 7 p.m.

● Our minor football team which defeated Cloughaun recently consisted of ten members of our successful 1972 Féile na nGael Division A winners of the u/14 Hurling Championship.

6-11-76
**Old Christians
 juvenile social**

Old Christians are holding their second annual juvenile social at the Glentworth Hotel, on Saturday, November 20th, when the players will receive the many trophies won during the past year. Club mentors, Willie Hurley, Eddie Liston and Brother J. F. Cahill, have many new ideas to ensure another great evening, in keeping with the high standard set at their initial function, last year.

The cabaret spot arranged for the occasion will include many artistes who competed in the juvenile "Scor Seachto" Talent Competitions earlier this year.

Tickets for the function, which are in keen demand, are onw available from any member of the committee.

10/7/76

OLD CHRISTIANS NEWS:

Old Christians retain *contd.* Tayto Cup

Old Christians 4-7
St. Mary's 1-3

Our under 14 hurlers who represent Limerick in the All Ireland hurling championship later this month regained the Tayto Cup when they defeated the reigning champions, St. Mary's, in the under 14 hurling league final at the C.B.S. Grounds.

This was an exciting encounter featuring bouts of first class hurling.

Much of the credit must go to our half back line of D. Frawley, G. Twomey and T. Ryan. Timmy Sheehan gave a powerful display at midfield. In attack, Noel O'Brien was a real hero with well taken scores. M. Lynch, M. Reddan, R. Bourke, M. Foley and C. O'Dwyer also left a clear imprint on this victory.

Scorers—C. O'Dwyer 1-2, R. Bourke 1-0, M. Lynch 0-4, M. Reddan 1-0, N. O'Brien 1-1.

Old Christians line-out — J. Coughlan, D. Higgins, P. Howard (capt.), Paul Howard, D. Frawley, G. Twomey, J. Ryan, T. Sheehan, J. McNamara, M. Lynch, M. Reddan, N. O'Brien, T. Foley, C. O'Dwyer, R. Bourke.

Old Christians 4-7
Claughaun 1-0

On Saturday evening last at the Gaelic Grounds, in the under 14 hurling championship semi-final, Old Christians decisively defeated Claughaun and so qualified to defend their city title when they meet St. Mary's in the decider.

This game marked the fine return to form of captain, Pat Howard, who gave a competent performance at full-back. Tim Sheehan and his new partner, M. Lynch, at mid-field, dominated with the latter scoring some great scores from placed balls.

Pat O'Riordan clearly made an imprint in this game with a personal tally of 2-3 at full forward, and must rank as a player of great promise.

Scorers: P. O'Riordan 2-3, T. Sheehan 0-4, C. O'Dwyer 1-0, N. O'Brien 1-0.

Old Christians Team — J. Coughlan; D. Higgins, P. Howard, Paul Howard; D. Frawley, G. Twomey, T. Ryan; T. Sheehan, M. Lynch; J. Foley, M. Reddan, N. O'Brien; C. O'Dwyer, P. O'Riordan, R. Bourke.

Ballyneety

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Drombanna soccer team defeated Meanus in the final of the Meanus tournament by 2-1 after extra time.

STAR

Tim Sheehan, who starred at midfield for Old Christians in the Feile na nGael final, is a son of Timmy Sheehan, former Ballybricken hurler.

JUMPING SUCCESS

Congratulations to Lawrence Conway, Ballyneety, who rode his mount, "Big Blaze," to victory at Newcastle West Gymkhana on Sunday.

ALL-IRELAND

Gerard Meaney, Raheen, assisted Pallaskenry Agricultural Colleges hurling championship recently.

Old Christians

News *Mar 76*

Old Christians 2-3

Claughaun 1-2

Our Under 16 Footballers had a narrow but deserved victory over Claughaun in the first round of the Under 16 Football League played at Claughaun Field. Old Christians led at half time by 4 points, thanks to the fine opportunism of Danny Fitzgerald and M. Riordan who scored two great goals between them. The second half produced no further scores.

Star performer of the game was our full-back, R. Fitzgerald, whose spectacular catching and lengthy clearances infused great spirit into his colleagues from which many fine attacks stemmed.

Other players to impress were: C. O'Dwyer (in goal), P. O'Doherty, T. Madden, A. Barrett and D. O'Neill of the back line. G. Deegan, who had a stormer at midfield. Danny Fitzgerald, M. Riordan, C. Reddan and D. O'Rourke were the pick of the forwards.

Scorers: D. Fitzgerald (1-0), M. Riordan (1-2), G. Kavanagh (0-1).

Old Christians lineup: C. O'Dwyer, B. Twomey, R. Fitzgerald, T. Madden, D. O'Neill, A. Barrett, P. O'Doherty, G. Deegan, G. Kavanagh, A. Browne, D. O'Rourke (capt.), M. O'Riordan, D. Fitzgerald, G. Hartigan, C. Reddan.

Old Christians 0-2
Na Piarsaig 0-0

Old Christians U-14 Footballers continued on their winning way when they defeated a highly fancied Na Piarsaig fifteen in the 2nd round of the U-14 Football League. At the interval neither side failed to register a score but with wind advantage helping Old Christians on the resumption, D. Hayes, their chief marksman, broke the deadlock with two well taken scores.

Star performer of the evening was C. O'Dwyer (at full back), who is proving to be a top class player. His catching, distribution of the ball and ability to turn defence into attack were invaluable assets.

Others who played well for Old Christians were: P. Heneghan (in goal), E. Byrnes, G. Twomey, J. McNamara (in defence); T. Ryan (at midfield), T. Sheehan (capt.), D. Hayes and R. Bourke, in the forwards. Scorer: D. Hayes (0-2).

Lineout: P. Heneghan, E. Byrnes, C. O'Dwyer, F. Hyland, G. Twomey, P. Howard, J. McNamara, T. Ryan, M. Reddan, T. Sheehan (capt.), D. Higgins, D. Hayes, P. Ryan, M. Lynch, R. Bourke.

Subs.: B. Hyland, T. Coughlan, N. Ahearne, B. O'Doherty, N. O'Brien, W. Nicholas, A. O'Byrne.

IN BRIEF

- The club congratulates its juvenile members on making our flag day a huge success.
- Our Intermediate hurling team had a useful workout against Kilfinane at Rathbane.
- Congratulations to Timmy Sheehan on securing the O'Riordan Cup U/15 solo singing section of Feile Luimni. Timmy is a recent Bord na nOg Sports Star award recipient.
- Deepest sympathy is extended to Pat and Kieran Reale on the recent death of their uncle, Patrick Reale of Hospital.

Old Christians

News *2/5/76*

Old Christians 2-0
Patrickswell 2-4

Patrickswell gained two valuable league points when they defeated Old Christians in the under 16 hurling league played at Patrickswell last week-end.

Much was expected of this encounter but it turned out to be a disappointing affair with Patrickswell winning by four pts.

Others who played well for Old Christians were Danny Fitzgerald, who scored two well-taken goals; G. Deegan, B. O'Brien and B. Twomey.

The line-out was: P. Howard, M. Kelly, B. Fitzgerald, B. Twomey, T. Madden, P. O'Doherty, B. O'Brien, J. Browne, D. O'Rourke, P. Daly, G. Hartigan, M. Reddan, J. McNamara, G. Deegan, D. Fitzgerald.

S.H. CHAMPIONSHIP

Claughaun 4-13
Old Christians 1-4

Old Christians bowed out of the senior hurling championship when they were decisively defeated by Claughaun at Kildimo last Sunday.

Old Christians line-out — L. Jones, L. Bowles, D. Greaney, B. Jones, G. Jones, F. Brougham, P. Doherty, S. O'Grady, A. Campbell, R. Browne, G. Brosnihan, J. Bourke, P. Fogarty, P. McGuigan, M. Doyle.

● Our minor and under 21 hurlers received walk-overs from Treaty Sarsfields and Monaleen recently.

● The club's annual walk will be held on Sunday, June 13th. Cards will be available shortly.

● Old Christians play Mungret this evening in the under 14 hurling league semi-final.

● Our under 21 hurlers play Ballybrown in the semi-final of the city championship at Kildimo to-morrow at 2.30 p.m.

● Our under 12 and under 14 hurling teams had interesting challenge games versus Tipperary town recently.

29-5-76

Under 21 hurlers reach city final

Old Christians 3-9
Ballybrown 4-4

In a game that would be very hard to beat for enthusiasm and whole-hearted endeavour, Old Christians defeated the reigning champions, Ballybrown, by two points in the semi-final of the u-21 hurling championship at Kildimo last Sunday.

Ballybrown, aided by a strong wind in the first-half, led at the interval by 3-4 to 4 points. On the resumption, Old Christians, playing with great determination, held out for a narrow but deserved victory.

Old Christians backline, led by G. Brosnahan (who played a very effective game at centre-back), P. Quinlan, K. McNamara, M. Quinlivan and G. Craughan (who played a very sound game at full-back), F. Brougham was the star performer, ably assisted by R. Browne at centrefield.

Pick of the forwards were K. Canty (who scored some classical scores), T. Kennedy, F. McNamara and P. Fogarty.

Scorers: K. Canty (2-4), F. Brougham (1-1), P. Fogarty (0-1), B. Naughton (0-1), R. Browne (0-1), T. Kennedy (0-1).

The lineup: M. Costelloe, E. Comerford, G. Craughan, M. Quinlivan, P. McGuigan, G.

Brosnahan, P. Quinlan, R. Browne, F. Brougham, T. Kennedy, F. McNamara, K. Canty, K. McNamara, T. Cavanagh, P. Fogarty.

Subs.: B. Skelly, B. Naughton.
MINOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Old Christians 3-11
St. Patrick's 2-1

Our minor hurlers defeated a very enthusiastic and promising St. Patrick's team in the minor hurling championship at Claughaun Field last Monday in a very entertaining game. Feature was the deadly accuracy of Kieran Canty whose personal total accounted for 2-5 of Old Christians score.

Players to impress—J. Canty, B. Storan, A. Bowen, M. O'Sullivan, F. Brosnahan, R. Browne, K. Canty, T. Kennedy and M. Costelloe.

Old Christians team — J. Canty, J. Bowen, B. Storan, P. O'Doherty, M. O'Sullivan, F. Brosnahan, T. Kennedy, K. Canty (capt.), R. Browne, E. Murphy, M. Costelloe, H. O'Neill, A. Browner, A. Mullins, D. O'Rourke.

Our under-14 hurlers had a facile win over Mungret in the under-14 hurling league semi-final played last week-end and qualified to meet the defending champions, St. Mary's, in the decider.

SENIOR HURLERS DEFEAT PATRICKSWELL

Old Christians 4-9
Patrickswell 1-6

Our senior hurlers had a comfortable win against Patrickswell in the Duggan Cup senior hurling competition at Patrickswell last Sunday. It was a hard encounter with our younger members showing up in good light.

Players to impress — Jimmy Flanagan, Gerry Brosnan, Pat Doherty and T. Kennedy.

Scorers—J. Flanagan (2-0), D. Brougham (0-2), T. Kennedy (0-1), G. Craughan (1-0); R. Browne (1-0), M. Hennessy (0-6).

Old Christians line out — L. Jones, P. McGuigan, D. Greaney, B. Jones, G. Jones, G. Brosnahan, P. Doherty, S. O'Grady, M. Hennessy, R. Browne, F. Brougham, D. Brougham, T. Kennedy, J. Flanagan, M. Costelloe. Subs., L. Bowles, G. Craughan.

● Our senior hurling team play Newport in Newport tomorrow in a senior challenge at 6.30 p.m.

U-14 F.: Old Christians, 0-1; St. Mary's, 2-4.

U-14 H.: Old Christians, 4-0; St. Mary's, 1-1.

Last weekend in the third round of the u.14 hurling and football league, played at the CBS Field, the results were divided, St. Mary's having a nine-point victory in the football and Old Christians' hurlers scoring an impressive eight-point win in the hurling encounter.

In the football game, Old Christians played well in the first-half but had to give way to a very efficient St. Mary's side in the second half.

Our hurlers, playing against a strong wind in the first half, were level pegging against St. Mary's at the interval on the score 1 goal each. On the resumption, the result was never

in doubt as Old Christians stamped their superiority with some fine movements and scores.

Scorers (football): D. Hayes (0-1).

Scorers (hurling): J. McNamara (1-0), M. Reddan (1-0), C. O'Dwyer (2-0).

This evening (Saturday) our u-14 hurlers play St. Patrick's in the 2nd round of the league at St. Pat's Field, 7 p.m.

Old Christians 1-3
Treaty Sarsfields 1-3

Our under 16 footballers continued their unbeaten run in the current under 16 football league. They achieved a fine draw against a very determined Treaty Sarsfields side played at the C.B.S. Field last Wednesday.

Treaty led at the interval by two points, but with a strong wind assisting Old Christians in the second half Michael Reardon scored a great goal to put Old Christians in the lead, but Treaty fought back to snatch the equaliser late in the game.

Players to impress: Aidan Barrett (at centre-back), Richard Fitzgerald (at full-back), P. O'Doherty, Danny Fitzgerald, M. O'Reardon and Pat McCoy.

Scorers: D. Fitzgerald (0-1), M. O'Reardon (1-1), J. Davern (0-1).

● Na Piarasigh provide the opposition next Wednesday at Na Piarasigh Grounds, 7 p.m., in the 5th round of the league.

● We compliment M. Molyneux (Claughaun) on his efficient refereeing of a recent under 14 hurling league game.

● Our senior hurlers have resumed training for the forthcoming championship. Mondays and Thursdays have been selected for hurling training, while on Tuesdays our footballers get together.

OLD CHRISTIANS NEWS: 26/6/76 UNDER 14 HURLERS QUALIFY FOR CORK

Old Christians 3-2
Kilmallock 1-1

Old Christians u-14 hurlers who last won the Premier Division of Feile na nGael in 1972 will represent Limerick in this year's All-Ireland hurling festival in Cork. A skilful and well-balanced side, they defeated Kilmallock in the local final played at the Gaelic Grounds on Wednesday evening last.

Our u-14 hurlers gave a polished performance in front of a large club following and must rank as a side of great potential. Old Christians had many stars on this occasion, but pride of place must go to our midfield pair, Joe McNamara and the dynamic Timmy Sheehan. Captain and full-back, Pat Howard, had his usual sound game and was ably supported by Ger Twomey, D. Frawley, T. Ryan and D. Higgins. Pick of the forwards were Christy O'Dwyer, who crowned a brilliant performance by scoring 2-1 of his side's total; Noel O'Brien, Ray Bourke and M. Reddan.

Scorers: C. O'Dwyer (2-1), R. Bourke (1-0), J. McNamara (0-1).

Old Christians team: J. Coughlan, D. Higgins, P. Howard (capt.), Paul Howard, D. Frawley, G. Twomey, T. Ryan, J. McNamara, T. Sheehan, F. Hyland, M. Reddan, N. O'Brien, C. O'Dwyer, E. Byrnes, R. Bourke.

Subs., D. O'Regan, D. Hayes.

● Our under 13 hurlers play St. Mary's in the under 13 hurling league next Wednesday at Pa Healy's Field.

● Old Christians under 14 hurlers became the first holders of the Paddy O'Malley Cup.

● Congratulations to Mrs. M. Keogh on the birth of a daughter and to Mrs. P. Reale on the birth of a son.

● Two former club members, Bros. Cahill and Guthrie, were present at the Gaelic Grounds to witness our under 14 hurlers' fine success.

● Our annual walk was a huge success. Participants are requested to hand in their sponsorship money as soon as possible.

OLD CHRISTIANS NEWS:

Good win for u-14¹⁷/₄ footballers ⁷⁶

Old Christians 4-4
 Claughaun 1-2

Our U-14 footballers defeated Claughaun in the 4th round of the U-14 Football League at Claughaun Field last Friday. Scorers: T. Ryan (2-0), J. McNamara (0-2), R. Bourke (1-0), D. Higgins (1-1), D. Hayes (0-1).

The team lined out: P. Heneghan, E. Byrnes, C. O'Dwyer, A. O'Byrne, G. Twomey, P. Howard, M. Reddan, J. McNamara, T. Ryan, T. Sheehan, D. Higgins, D. Hayes, R. Bourke, B. Hyland, P. Ryan.

Old Christians U-14 hurlers decisively defeated St. Patrick's in the 3rd round of the league at St. Pat's Field last Saturday. Pat Howard played a captain's part, and feature of the game was his scoring of two points from the seventy yard line.

Monaleen 4-9
 Old Christians 2-1

Our under 16 footballers unbeaten run in the league came to a dashing halt when they were decisively beaten by a very strong and capable Monaleen side at the C.B.S. Field last Wednesday. Despite the scoreline, and considering we were short many of our prominent players, this game featured bouts of first-class football. Feature of the game was the display of our full-back Richard Fitzgerald.

Players to impress — A. Barrett, P. O'Doherty, D. O'Neill, Pat McCoy, D. O'Rourke, and Danny Fitzgerald.

Scorers — Danny Fitzgerald (1-0), S. Casey (1-0), Pat McCoy (0-1).

Old Christians lineout — C. O'Dwyer, B. Twomey, R. Fitzgerald, L. Byrnes, D. O'Neill, A. Barrett, P. O'Doherty, P. McCoy, E. Clohossey, T. Madden, G. Kavanagh, D. O'Rourke, D. Fitzgerald, J. Hartigan, A. Browne.

● Our hard-working registrar (M. Halpin) will be issuing new membership cards shortly and urges any unpaid member to contact him. Adult membership, £1.00; juvenile membership, 10p.

● Our senior hurlers continue their consistent form with two impressive victories at the expense of Adare and Newport in challenge games recently. Their next important encounter is against Ballybrown in the senior hurling championship on Sunday week.

● Old Christians under 14 hurling captain and full-back, Pat Howard, scored two brilliant points from the seventy yards in a recent under 14 league game against St. Patrick's. Pat is a son of former Pallas hurler Jimmy Howard.

St. Mary's G.A.A. Notes

Old Christians 4-5
 St. Mary's 2-3

Old Christians defeated St. Mary's (holders) in the under 15 hurling league final (Fr. McNamée Cup), played at Claughaun Field last Sunday.

St. Mary's remarkable success at Bord na nOg level, which includes winning all football titles and one hurling title, came to a dashing halt when they were disposed of the above title by a very competent Old Christians side.

St. Mary's, playing with the aid of a strong wind in the opening half, led at half-time by 2-1 to 1-1.

Shortly after the interval, Old Christians regained the initiative due to the brilliance of their midfielder Timmy Sheehan, who beyond any doubt was an inspiration to his team mates.

St. Mary's had a few dangerous attacks on the Old Christians goal, but great defensive play by Pat Conway, G. Twomey and D. Nicholas kept St. Mary's at bay and Old Christians ran out deserving winners.

A word of praise for referee, D. Coffey (Monaleen), for his efficient handling of the game.

● Prior to the start of the game, a minute's silence was observed as a mark of respect for the late Milo McInerney, a prominent rugby referee and sportsman from St. Mary's parish.

Now he hurls hammer only

At least twice a day, on his journeys to and from Shannon Airport where he works, **Bernie Hartigan** drives past the statue of **John O'Grady** in the city of Limerick.

Limerick may not be unique but is certainly unusual in having a monument to the memory of a famous athlete.

The significance is certainly not lost on Bernie Hartigan, particularly as O'Grady from Caherconlish, was a weight-throwser. Hartigan, like all Limerick sportsmen, is fully conscious and proud of the remarkable Limerick athletic heritage.

O'Grady was a mammoth man who putted weights, 16 lbs., 28 lbs. and 56 lbs., quite prodigious distances. He was at his best just before and during the first World War.

And O'Grady was by no means the most famous Limerick athlete of the quite astonishing past. It was said that just before the turn of the century the winning performances in many a national championship abroad "would not be capable of winning a parish sports event in the county of Limerick."

HOST OF CHAMPIONS

From a relatively small area came Olympic champions and world record holders — **John Flanagan** from Kilbreedy (three times winner of the Olympic hammer title), **Paddy Ryan** from Pallasgreen (Olympic hammer title and world record holder for 24 years), the **Leahys** of Cregane and the **Ahernes** of Athea (Olympic champions in the triple jump and world record holders in the high jump).

That is the heritage to which Bernie Hartigan is heir to. This year is the centenary of the Limerick Athletic Club and Hartigan is chairman of the club. The club is promoting the international Ireland v Greece match in Limerick next Wednesday and Thursday which means that Hartigan, between training for the hammer and chairing club meetings, has very little free time.

It also means that he has given up hurling. He was a member of the Limerick team that won the All Ireland hurling championship in 1973 but this summer he has cut the knot. "As an active athlete and an administrator I simply have not the time to give to hurling—so I've had to make a choice," he explains.

The specialisation in the hammer has begun to pay off. Last weekend in the trials in Limerick he got away a personal best throw of 194 feet 10½ inches. That puts him third best in the all-time Irish rankings behind **John Lawlor** (213' 10") and **Dr. Pat O'Callaghan** (195' 4½"). And ahead of **John Flanagan** and **Paddy Ryan**.

BREAKING THE BARRIER

And when he throws for Ireland at Plassey this week his ambition is to beat 200 feet. He is not at all concerned that he is now 34 years old. As he points out, **Bondarchuk** of Russia was 32 when he won in Munich and four years later he was still good enough to take a bronze medal in Montreal.

Bernie Hartigan's good form this season in the hammer is no accident. He has worked pretty hard on his technique and last September he travelled to Bedford to participate in a British hammer-throwers squad training session. A few weeks ago he was in Aldershot on a similar course.

All that came through a meeting with **Carl Johnson** the British national hammer coach, whom he met when Johnson was at Gormanston at a Bears A.C. course. Since then Bernie has been in regular contact with Johnson.

29/5/77 Sean Diffley

9/9/78
Old Christians News:

Under 16 Hurlers are County Champions!

Old Christians 2-4;
Ballingarry 1-3

IN A GAME that would be very hard to beat for whoelhearted enthusiasm and endeavour, Old Christians under 16 hurlers regained the county Championship which they last won in 1974 when they defeated a much stronger Ballingarry side in the county final played at Meanus last week.

This was a thrill packed encounter from start to finish that provided excellent hurling for the large crowd present and no doubt must rank as one of the best games seen in this grade for many a long day.

Old Christians smaller in stature and physique dominated the first half due to the magnificent hurling of an unyielding defence and powerful midfield hurling of Ray Kiely and Timmy Sheehan, midway through the second half Ballingarry drew level but Old Christians playing with great composure and determination took the lead with a spectacular point from Ray Bourke with five minutes remaining Ballingarry launched some dangerous attacks on the Old Christians goals, but fine defensive play by Pat Howard (capt.), E. Byrnes, G. Toomey and Pat Conway stood firm. With time running out Timmy Sheehan scored a brilliant goal to ensure victory, and a deserved success.

This was a magnificent victory for our under 16 hurlers who have already won the under 16 football league division this year.

As already mentioned our defence was a revelation backed up by a brilliant midfield pair of Ray Kiely and Timmy Sheehan. Our forwards missed some gilt edge chances in the first half, but each of them played their part in a memorable game of whom J. McNamara, M. O'Brien, R. Bourke and N. O'Brien stood out.

Scorers: T. Sheehan, 1-1; R. Bourke, 0-1; P. Ryan, 1-0; M. O'Brien, 0-1; N. O'Brien, 0-1.

Old Christians: P. Heneghan, E. Byrnes, P. Howard (capt.), D. Frawley, P. Conway, G. Toomey, N. Nicholas, R. Kiely, T. Sheehan, M. O'Brien, J. McNamara, N. O'Brien, D. Lyons, M. Reddan, R. Bourke.

Subs.: P. Ryan, P. O'Riordan, M. Power, J. Dwane, B. Hyland, N. Ahearne, Paul Howard.

Mr. P. Lyons (Caherline) refereed this game in a very efficient manner.

● Our under 12 footballers who recently won the city championship for the first time play the county semi-final at Kilmallock on this Saturday at 3 p.m. Supporters are requested to attend.

28.10.78

OLD CHRISTIAN NEWS:

Under 15 hurlers contest league final

Our under 15 hurlers captained by Willie Nicholas meet St. Patrick's in the under 15 hurling league final at the Gaelic Grounds which is scheduled to take place at 3.45 p.m. immediately after the All-Ireland under 21 hurling final replay between Tipperary and Galway.

This promises to be a thrilling encounter of the code as both clubs had an impressive run in the league. St. Patrick's had a good win over a strong Monaleen combination whilst an up and coming Treaty Sarsfields side had to give way to a more skilful and better balanced Old Christians outfit in their respective semi-finals played last Sunday.

Old Christians under 15 hurling team manager is Bill O'Gorman, a former secretary of Bord na nOg and no doubt is sure to have his charges in determined mood for this final. He has prominent players in J. Dwane, M. O'Brien, W. Nicholas, P. Ryan and D. Lyons. The final will be refereed by the capable and efficient Terence Burray of Patrickswell, who is proving to be very popular.

Our minor footballers meet Monaleen in the city minor football championship final at the Gaelic Grounds on Monday at 1.30 p.m. Players are to attend at Janesboro Church at 12.45 p.m.

Our annual juvenile social takes place at the Crescent Pavilion, Rathbane, on Friday, November 24. Tickets are now available from S. Murray.

Our Scor na nOg competition will be held on Friday, November 3, at the C.B.S., Sexton St. Please contact the juvenile committee for details.

A benefit dance in aid of the very popular Sean O'Grady will be held at the Parkway Motel on Monday, November 13. Tickets are available from the committee for this deserving cause.

Oct 1978
Grady (Mun-)
THRILLING JUVENILE HURLING FINAL

Old Christians 3-4
Adare 2-1

This game must rank as the best seen at the venue in any grade this year. Both sides played magnificent hurling both on the ground and overhead. Michael Stokes opened the scoring for Old Christians with a point but a point from Brendan Flynn and a great goal by Michael Roche put Adare in front. A Brian Liston goal plus two points from play by Matt Kelly left Old Christians 1-3 to 1-1, but just before half-time Dermot O'Connell shot a rasper to the net to leave the scoreboard reading: Adare, 2-1; Old Christians, 1-3.

Eugene Tuohy pointed a free in the 3rd minute, and gradually Adare succumbed to the power-packed hurling of a well drilled Old Christians fifteen. In the 12th minute, under 14 captain, Sean O'Grady, who had come on as a substitute, grabbed a clearance to shoot past Patsy Hall in the Adare goal, while Joe Boland clinched the issue in the 15th minute with another green flag. Adare fought back and had a goal disallowed just before the final whistle.

Old Christians News:

11/9/76

Under 13 hurlers reach league final

Old Christians 5-1
 Monaleen 4-1

Old Christians under 13 hurlers qualified for their seventh successive Bro. Bourke Memorial Cup hurling final when they defeated a determined Monaleen side in a very entertaining and sporting encounter. Old Christians chasing their seventh successive final never really clicked on this occasion and encountered many anxious spells before the final whistle. Much of the credit for this victory must go to Pat Conway, Ger Butler, M. O'Brien and Tom Ryan in defence; John Foley and Pat Reardon, who were very effective at midfield. Pick of a disappointing forward line were David Malone, Paul Reddan and Paul Ryan.

Old Christians Scorers: B. O'Doherty 1-0, P. Ryan 2-0, D. Malone 1-0, W. Nicholas 1-1.

The line-out — A. O'Byrne, P. Conway, P. Howard, G. Butler, M. O'Brien, T. Ryan, P. Heneghan, J. McDonnell, P. Reardon, P. Ryan, W. Nicholas, J. Foley, B. O'Doherty, D. Malone, P. Reddan.

Substitutes — G. Heagney, L. O'Regan, M. Power, D. Lyons, M. O'Reilly, J. Dwane.

● The chairman, Mr. John Power, made a special presentation to our president and Superior of CBS, Sexton Street, Bro. M. D. Murray, at a club function to mark his retirement recently.

● Our under 21 hurlers had a useful work-out against Monaleen juniors at Rathbane last Sunday in preparation for the city final versus Patrickswell.

● Old Christians and Garryowen meet this afternoon (Saturday) at the CBS Field in the opening round of the under 12 hurling league at 3 p.m.

● We compliment M. Molyneux on his efficient refereeing of the under 13 hurling league semi-final recently.

● Claughaun defeated an understrength Old Christians under 16 hurlers in the league played at Claughaun Field last week-end.

G.A.A.:

28/8/75

SIX IN A ROW FOR OLD CHRISTIANS

Old Christians 5-2;

St. Mary's, 0-2

In this final of the Bro. Bourke Memorial Cup (under 13 hurling), Old Christians emerged convincing winners over St. Mary's. The latter, having defeated Old Christians earlier in the campaign, were the pre-match favourites, but at no stage in the game did they look like taking the laurels.

This win by Old Christians ensures that this coveted trophy remains on their shelves for another 12 months. They have won the title every year since the competition began in 1970.

It was a great team effort on Old Christians' part, and they had many outstanding players on view. T. Sheehan at mid-field played a captain's part, and his many dazzling solo runs and long clearances inspired the whole team. Other outstanding players for the victors were, P. Howard, G. Twomey and T. Ryan in the backs, and J. McNamara, J. Hayes and J. Foley in the forwards.

Scorers: J. Hayes (2-0), P. Ryan (1-0), J. Foley (1-0), C. O'Dwyer (1-0), T. Sheehan and J. McNamara (0-1 each).

Team: J. Coughlan; E. Byrnes, P. Howard, D. Frawley, N. O'Brien, G. Twomey, T. Ryan; M. Reddan, T. Sheehan (capt.); P. Ryan, J. McNamara, M. Lynch, J. Foley, C. O'Dwyer, J. Hayes.

Subs.: R. Bourke and T. Costelloe.

As we review this great achievement by Old Christians in winning the trophy for the sixth season in succession it seems a suitable occasion to recall the names of the victorious captains since the competition began in 1970.

1970, Pat Hanrahan; 1971, Kieran Canty; 1972, Francis Brosnahan; 1973, Richard Fitzgerald; 1974, Daniel Fitzgerald; 1975, Tim Sheehan.

The late Bro. Bourke, who was closely associated with the club during his years in Lime-

rick, would be very pleased indeed, if he were still with us to see our young hurlers bringing so much honours to the Club he helped to start. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

Under 14 Hurling C'ship

In the County semi-final of this C'ship Ardagh defeated Old Christians by two points in a very closely contested match.

Under 16 Hurling League

Old Christians 4-6
 Claughaun 4-5

This match played at Rathbane had plenty of excitement. Nor was there anything lacking in skill and determination as both teams played their hearts out up to the final whistle.

Old Christians took the laurels by a single point in the end. The winners had many stars but the foundation for victory was laid by S. Bedford, E. Murphy and F. Brosnahan who ensured that their forwards had a very good supply of the ball. D. Fitzgerald, J. Canty and E. O'Doherty were the best forwards on view and took their chances very well.

Scorers: D. Fitzgerald (3-0); E. O'Doherty (1-1); F. Brosnahan (0-3); J. Canty (0-2).

Team: P. Howard P. O'Shea, R. Fitzgerald, A. Brown, G. Keane, A. Barrett, S. Bedford, F. Brosnahan, E. Murphy (capt), J. Canty, E. O'Doherty, J. Davern, A. Brown, T. Madden, D. Fitzgerald.

Subs.: C. Reddan, J. McNamara.

Bord na nOg

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

Under-16 Hurling League:

Ballybrown v. Monaleen, 7 p.m., Clarina, D. Punch.

Patrickswell v. Claughaun, 7 p.m., Patrickswell, K. McCarthy.

Na Piarasigh v. Mungret, 7 p.m., Caherdavin, S. Darcy.

23.9.78

Old Christians 5-6
 Killeely/Dromkeen 1-1
 Claughaun 1-3
 Caherline 2-0

THE FIRST ever county under 12 finals were played at Bruff on Saturday last, with both deciders providing exciting and enjoyable fare.

The football title was captured by Old Christians, who proved too crafty for Killeely/Dromkeen. They led all the way, but could never afford to relax against a side who fought to the last whistle.

Tony Byrnes, John Fitzgerald, Dermot Tuite, Ger Moore, Frank Downey, Eddie O'Donovan and Thomas Shinnors were outstanding for the winners. Best for the losers were Pat Rodahan, John O'Keefe, Tom Ryan, John Murphy, Michael O'Neill and Eamon O'Dwyer.

After the game, the chairman of Bord na nOg, Mr. Ed. Whelan, presented the winning trophy to Tony Byrnes, the Old Christians captain. The trophy was kindly presented to the Board by Mr. Leo McGinley of Ballysheedy.

10.9.78

U-12 footballers reach County football final

Old Christians 7-6
 Caltee Gaels 2-1

Old Christians U-12 footballers qualified for the newly inaugurated u-12 County finals which will be played at Bruff this afternoon (Saturday) at 3 p.m. against the Eastern champions when they defeated Galtee Gaels in the semi-final play-off at Kilmallock last weekend.

Despite the scoreline this has an entertaining game featuring many bouts of first-class football. The well-drilled and skilful Old Christians combination playing with great determination and cohesion dominated for most of the game but credit must go to the opposition who never gave up trying and maintained interest to the final whistle.

Old Christians had prominent players in T. Shinnors, B. Galvin, J. Fitzgerald and G. Moore in defence, T. Byrnes and his partner M. Kiely dominated midfield and undoubtedly were a revelation to watch. In attack E. O'Donovan was the real hero with well-taken scores and was a constant threat to the opposition, D. Tuite, G. Sullivan and F. Downey also left a clear imprint on this victory by exploring the weakness of the opposing defence.

TEAMS

Old Christians—M. O'Brien, T. Shinnors, S. Fleming, B. Galvin, C. Moore, J. Fitzgerald, T. Byrnes (capt.), M. Kiely, D. Tuite, G. Sullivan, E. O'Donovan, A. Kelleher, F. Downey, D. McNamara.
 Subs—M. Grimes, D. Keating, D.

McInerney, G. O'Brien K. Dargan, P. Madigan, R. Earls, J. Moloney.

Old Christians 1-3
Na Piarasaigh 0-4

Our Minor footballers qualified for the minor football league semi-final when they recorded an impressive win over Na Piarasaigh recently. Monaleen provide the opposition in the Semi-final and also our minors play Monaleen in the City championship final.

This was entertaining minor league tie that provided some fine football and many near misses by both sets of forwards.

Scorers—P. McCoy, 1-1; C. Reddan 0-1; D. O'Connor 0-1.

Old Christians—D. Lyons, P. Howard, A. Barrett, B. Toomey, D. O'Neill, A. Cusack, B. O'Brien, P. P. McCoy, N. Buckley, C. Reddan, T. Madden, A. Browne, D. O'Connor, N. Coughlan, P. Daly.

Congrats to Bro J. L. Dormer our u-12 team manager and his charges on qualifying for the first ever u-12 County football final.

Our junior footballers lost by the slender margin of a point to St. pat's recently.

Forecast cards on All-Ireland football final are requested to be handed in as soon as possible to C. Craughan or S. Murray, Roxboro Road.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of the late Mr. Paddy Ryan.

4/9/78

Old Christians win with late scores

THE county under 16 hurling final at Meanus provided exciting and entertaining fare, before Old Christians, with two scores inside the last three minutes, decided the destination of the championship for 1978.

Granagh, who played their best hurling in the second half, trailed at the turn and then went in to pull back the deficit in that thrilling second half. Luck was not on their side as they strove to take the lead and it was the city boys who with a neater finish, drove home those late winning scores.

Pat Howard at full back, Ger Toomey at centre half back, Timmy Sheehan at midfield and forwards Ray Bourke and Paul Ryan, were best for Old Christians. Ryan, a first half substitution, goaled immediately after taking the field and the deciding score two minutes from time came from Timmy Sheehan — a point, shortly after Granagh had drawn level.

John Lynch, Michael Quaid, Tady Costello, Joe Power, Joe Noonan and Jim Lynch were outstanding for a Granagh side who could only produce occasional flares of their best form.

TEAMS

Old Christians: P. Henahan, E. Byrnes, P. Howard, D. Frawley, P. Conway, G. Toomey, W. Nicholas, R. Kiely, T. Sheehan, M. O'Brien, J. McNamara, N. O'Brien, O. Lyons, M. Reddan, R. Bourke. Sub., P. Ryan for Lyons.

Granagh: J. Hogan, S. Mullane, J. Lynch, D. Regan, K. Clifford, J. Hennessy, J. Power, M. Riordan, M. Quaid, T. Costello, J. Noonan, J. Lynch; E. Cagney, P. Tierney, T. English.
 Referee, T. Lyons (Caherline).

Old Christians juvenile AGM

Feb. 78

At a well attended meeting of the club in the CBS, Sexton/St. recently, the following were elected to guide the fortunes of the juvenile section for the coming season:

Chairman, Mr. Sean Murray; secretary, Mr. Gerard Kiely; treasurer, Mr. Bill O'Gorman; Bord na nOg delegates: Mr. T. Sheahan, Mr. S. Murray.

Under-16 officials: T. Sheahan, S. Murray, J. Heffernan.

Under-15 officials: B. O'Gorman, J. Doyle.

Under-14 officials: M. Costelloe, G. Deegan.

Under-13 officials: M. Doyle, Bro. Dormer.

Under-12 officials: M. Doyle, Bro. Dormer, S. Hayes.

In the course of his address, the newly elected chairman of the juveniles, Mr. Sean Murray, expressed the wish for the co-operation from the players and officials for the smooth and efficient running of the juvenile affairs for the year ahead.

He also congratulated last year's under 15 hurling winning team on their fine sportsmanship and dedication on and off the field.

Mr. John Power (club chairman) congratulated the players and officials for their interest and dedication and also urged the parents of the juvenile members for their support.

The club wishes to congratulate their ballad group, novelty act team and figure dancing group on winning the city senior Scor finals recently. We wish them the best of success in the county final. A special word of praise is due to the other participants who took part in Scor na nOg and the senior Scor on behalf of the club.

The club's annual dinner dance will take place at the Two Mile Inn on Marcs 16. Tickets are now available from the treasurer, Mr. C. Craughan, so early booking is advisable (tickets £4.75).

Congratulations are extended to Timmy Sheehan (Jnr.) who won the under 15 hurling sports star award of 1977 recently. This is Timmy's third in a row sports star award, gaining his first in 1975. The awards will be presented at a function by Bord na nOg in Na Piarasaigh clubhouse on Friday, February 24.

The hon. secretary of the club, Mr. Ned Whelan, was recently elected chairman of Co.



Old Christians County under-12 football champions.

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Mr. Michael Murphy (donor) presents the city under 12 Gaelic football cup (in memory of his father) to Tony Byrnes, captain of the Old Christians under 12 team. Also present are Sean Murray (Old Christians) and John Naughton, chairman, City Bord na nOg.

City G.A.A. Board is criticised

12/7/78

THE CITY Board of the G.A.A. came in for heavy criticism at Monday night's meeting of the city council, where it was stated that they never used a park they bought 20 years ago from the Corporation.

Raising the matter, Cllr. Jim Kemmy said that the Corporation sold Cannon Punch Park to the City Board of the G.A.A. a number of years back

"The Corporation were very generous and sold it for a very reasonable sum. But now the weeds up there are as big as myself," he added.

Cllr. Kemmy said that Hyde Rangers were very anxious to use the park, as they had no playing area, though he suggested that it be used as a community park which could be used by all codes.

"It is a shame," he continued, "that a beautiful park should lie idle like that, I don't know anyone who could condone it."

He said that the Corporation should enter into negotiations to get back the park so that it could be brought to proper use.

They should approach the G.A.A., he said, rather than take hasty action, to see if they intend to use the park.

Cllr. Thady Coughlan disagreeing with Ald. Russell said that since the G.A.A. got the park as far as he was aware that not a boot was kicked or a hurley swung there.

He said the park was now full of empty beer barrells, as from time to time people used the park for drinking parties.

Continuing, Cllr. Coughlan said there were numerous sporting bodies who would use the pitch; "there should be no more asking or waiting or coming to or fro." Cllr. Tony Bromell said that the environmental and cultural committee had discussed the matter and were waiting for a report back. There was a certain mechanism which would have to be adhered to, and the cultural committee would report the matter to the council. There was no need in jumping the gun.

Cllr. Clem Casey said that they should wait for the report back, but they, as councillors, had a right to express their disgust and annoyance at the situation.

Reasonable

Alderman Ted Russell said that it was, in fact, 20 years since the G.A.A. bought the park which was sold for a reasonable sum by the Corporation.

Old Christians News

● Congratulations to our ballad group who competed in the All-Ireland Scor na nOg '79 finals at the National Stadium, Dublin, on Saturday night.

● For the third time since 1971 we failed to win the national title but nevertheless gave a superb performance.

● At Killarney Town Hall on Thursday night our figure dance team and our ballad group qualified for the Munster Scor '79 finals to be held at the Savoy Theatre, Limerick, on Saturday, March 10.

● Our musical trio, the Doyle Brothers, performed very well but failed to get the adjudicators' nod. Well done, lads!

● Our under 12 hurlers have been invited to Clonmel for St. Patrick's weekend to participate in a special tournament to Commemorate the 50th anniversary of St. Mary's club.

Bord na nOg matches start the 18th of March so all under-age teams will be starting training within the next week or two and a full turn-out will be expected.

-Michael Graham.

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Mr. Pat O'Doherty (second from left) being presented with a plaque for Clubman of the Year by Mr. Liam Mangan builder, Redhouse Hill, Patrickswell (sponsor), at the Old Christians G.A.A. dinner at the Two Mile Inn. Also included are (left) Mr. John Power and Mr. Ger Croughan, club treasurer.

Old Christians News:

Under 16 hurlers retain League title!

Old Christians 3-2
St. Patrick's 2-3

The under 16 hurlers retained the under 16 hurling league title when they overcame a hotly fancied St. Patrick's combination in a thrilling decider played at the Gaelic Grounds last Sunday. This was a great game of hurling from start to finish with the issue in doubt until the final whistle and both clubs must be complimented on their fine sporting display. Old Christians opened the scoring account with a great point from Pat O'Riordan, but this lead was to be short lived as St. Patrick's rocketed back to score two goals to give them a substantial lead with five minutes remaining in the first half. It was at this stage that the whole picture of the game changed with the powerful hurling of Willie Nicholas, Pat Conway and Donald Lyons enabled Old Christians to hold a slender lead at half time. St. Patrick's drew level after the interval but sound defensive play by the Old Christians defence thwarted many a dangerous attack. Pat O'Riordan was the hero of the Old Christians camp when he blasted home a 21 yards free to the St. Patrick's net that gave them the lead they were never to lose. In the dying seconds of the game St. Patrick's were awarded a 21 yards free but the resulting shot was well blocked in a welter of excitement. Shortly afterwards the final whistle was sounded and a jubilant Old Christians team took the title.

Old Christians had many stars on this occasion but pride of place must go to the captain of the team Willie Nicholas, who had the game of his life at midfield. He was ably assisted by the brilliant Pat Conway at centreback who really shone out in the second half, Maurice Creamer, John Dwane, John Lyons in defence. Pick of the forwards were Donagh Lyons, who really impressed throughout, M. O'Rourke, M. O'Brien, J. Cantillon and Christy Cosgrave.

Team - A. O'Byrne, P. Howard, J. Dwane, C. Daly, M. Creamer, P. Conway, J. Lyons, W. Nicholas (capt.), P. O'Riordan, P. Heneghan, D. Lyons, M. O'Brien, M. O'Rourke, C. Cosgrave, J. Cantillon. Subs., M. Power, D. Carmody, B. O'Doherty, G. McNamara, P. Byrnes.

● Our under 16 hurlers are managed by Bill O'Gorman and Sean Murray and finally a word of praise for referee Donald Coffey of Monaleen for his very efficient handling of the game.

Juvenile

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AGM: Old Christians

At the annual general meeting of the juvenile section recently, the following officers and captains were elected to look after the under age affairs of the club for the coming season: chairman Sean Murray (phone 49924), sec. Bill O'Gorman, treas., Paddy O'Neill, asst. treas. Eoin Devereaux, Bord na n-Og delegates, Timmy Sheehan and Bill O'Gorman. Under 16 hurling captain, Willie Nicholas; under 16 hurling vice-captain, M. O'Brien; under 15 hurling captain, John Dwane; under 15 hurling vice-captain, Jack Cantillon; under 14 hurling capt., Gerard McNamara; under 14 hurling vice-captain, Pat Byrnes; under 13 hurling captain, Tony Byrnes; under 13 hurling vice-captain, Eddie O'Donovan; under 16 football captain, Paul Heneghan; under 16 football vice-captain, Donal Lyons; under 14 football captain, Pat Byrnes; under 14 football vice-captain, Eoin Devereaux; under 13 football captain, Tony Byrnes; under 13 football vice-captain, Gerard Moore.

Team managers are as follows: Under 16 hurling and football, Bill O'Gorman and Paddy O'Neill; under 15 hurling, Sean Murray and Paddy Fitzgerald; under 14 hurling and football, Michael Costelloe and Timmy Sheehan; under 13 hurling and football, Bro. J. L. Dormer, M. Halpin, M. Doyle; under 12 hurling and football, Bro. J. L. Dormer, M. Halpin, M. Doyle.

Under 14 football league fixtures:-
Tuesday, March 20, v. Monaleen at Monaleen, 6 p.m.

Monday, March 26, v. Ballinacurra Gaels at Rathbane, 6.30 p.m.

Monday, April 2, v. St. Patrick's, at Rathbane, 7 p.m.

Monday, April 16, v. Treaty Sarsfields at Shelbourne Park, 7 p.m.

Under 14 hurling league fixtures:-
Friday, March 23, v. St. Mary's at Rathbane, 6.30 p.m.

Friday, March 30, v. Cloughaun, at Cloughaun, 6.30 p.m.

Friday, April 6, v. Garryowen, at Garryowen, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 13, v. Mungret at Rathbane, 7 p.m.

Under 16 hurling league:-
Wednesday, March 21 - Old Christians v. Cloughaun at Rathbane, 6.30 p.m.

● A magnificent shield was presented to the club by Mr. Liam Mangan which will be presented to the "Clubman of the Year" at our annual dinner dance annually.

Old Christians News

may 1979
Ahane defeat

senior hurlers!

Ahane 3-7,
Old Christians 3-4.

Ahane defeated our senior hurlers in a very entertaining challenge game that was played in Castleconnell recently. A feature of the game was the brilliant overall performance of Tommy Kennedy for Old Christians who operated at half-forward and proved a real menace to the Ahane defence. As the above scoreline suggests very little separated the sides at the finish but loose defensive marking by the Old Christians defence allowed Ahane the luxury of some soft scores. With the senior championship only around the corner this game was of great benefit to the players and hard working selectors who must have been very pleased with the overall display of the team. Players to catch the eye were L. Bowles, E. Madden, C. Craughan, K. Reales and A. Browne.

Ballybrown 4-2,
Old Christians 1-5.

Ballybrown finished the much stronger team in the under 14 hurling league game played at Clarina to defeat Old Christians rather decisively. Both sides were level at the interval and at this stage Old Christians were playing great hurling but the difference between the teams was the taking of scoring chances. Ballybrown availed of Old Christians inaccuracy to win comfortably at the final whistle.

Team - T. McMahan, E. Hannon, T. Shinnors, A. Heneghan, B. Hackett, D. Costelloe, S. Fitzmaurice, M. Hickey, G. McNamara, J. Penny, P. Byrnes, E. O'Donovan, J. Lyons, M. Higgins, J. O'Neill.

Old Christians Notes

16-3-79

Ned Whelan is "Clubman of the Year"

Our 16th annual dinner dance was held at the Two Mile Inn on St. Patrick's Eve. The social was a great success and a special word of thanks is due to the energetic organising committee, especially Sean O'Grady, John Power and Ger Coughlan, also to our sponsors of spot prizes for making this a most enjoyable occasion.

Mr. Pat Doherty, chairman of the club, welcomed the guests, which included Mr. C. Murphy, chairman of the City Board. Highlight of the social was the announcement of our clubman of the year award kindly donated to the club by Mr. Liam Mangan, which went to the hard-working secretary, Ned Whelan, for the first time.

Ned well deserves this award for the unselfish and dedicated work he has done for the club in various positions throughout the years. He is at present County Board na nOg chairman. Mr. Christy Murphy presented the magnificent shield to Ned Whelan which was greeted by thunderous applause.

Old Christians 2-5
Monaleen 1-0

Our U. 14 footballers had a good win over Monaleen in the first round of the League played at Monaleen. Old Christians played with the aid of a strong wind in the first half and were first to score with a well-taken goal through Brian Gavin. Mark Kiely added another shortly afterwards after a beautiful move. Old Christians continued to assert their superiority in the second half and ran out commanding winners at the final whistle.

Scorers: Mark Kiely 1-1, Brian Gavin 1-0, Kennie Ryan 0-2, E. O'Donovan 0-2.

Team: G. Moore, D. Costelloe, G. Lyons, S. Fitzmaurice, B. Hackett, G. McNamara, J. Fitzgerald, M. Hickey, E. Ryan, T. Byrnes, P. Byrnes, E. O'Donovan, A. Heneghan, M. Kiely, B. Gavin.

Subs.: R. McCarthy, M. Collins, E. Griffin, E. Devereaux, K. Dargan.

U. 12 TOURNAMENT

Our under 12 hurlers travelled to Clonmel for St. Patrick's week-end as guests of the local club St. Mary's. St. Mary's are at present celebrating their golden jubilee and in connection with this occasion they organised an under 12 hurling tournament over the St. Patrick's week-end.

Four well-known clubs took part: Faythe Harriers (Wexford), Erin's Own (Waterford), Old Christians (Limerick), St. Mary's (Tipperary).

Although our U. 12 hurlers did not meet with success they acquitted themselves with distinction and are grateful to the St. Mary's Club for the invitation to their enjoyable tournament.

The panel of players that took part were: T. Shinnors, T. McMahon, J. O'Neill, M. Flynn, A. Kiely, D. McNerney, A. Kel-

leher, E. Parker, G. Moore, A. Hickey, G. Reen, P. Hardaker, D. Kearns, G. O'Brien, G. Corbett, M. Fitzgerald, R. Smith, J. Gillick, G. Mitchell, R. Earls, D. Healy.

Our under 12 hurlers are managed and coached by the dynamic Bro. J. L. Dormer and is ably assisted by Michael Halpin and Martin Doyle.

OLD CHRISTIANS ADVANCE 21-5-79

Old Christians advanced to meet Cloughaun in the semi-finals when they scored an impressive 4-9 to 2-1 victory over St. Patrick's in the senior hurling championship at Kildimo on Saturday evening.

"Saints" had the advantage of the wind in the first half but failed to capitalise on it and were in arrears 1-4 to 1-1 at the interval. On resuming Old Christians really turned on the steam and finished comfortable winners.

Tommy Kennedy, Alan Browne, Larry Bowles, Gerry Brosnahan, Michael Costelloe, Gerry Craughan and Kieran Canty were outstanding for Old Christians while John Lillis, Vincent Phelan, Pat Hogan, Ger McMahon and John Cronin impressed for St. Patrick's.

City Senior Hurling Championship 11.6.80

The 'Well and Ballybrown Reach Final

Patrickswell, the reigning champions, and their fellow parishioners Ballybrown have once again qualified for the final of the City senior hurling final.

Patrickswell got a rare fright from Mungret before eventually emerging flattering victors on a 2-10 to 2-6 scoreline, but in the other semi-final Ballybrown finished comfortable winners over a disappointing Old Christians side.

Old Christians never produced the dash and skill which saw them beat Cloughaun 4-6 to 2-4 and were always trailing a faster Ballybrown side.

Matters were fairly even in the first half, when Ballybrown aided by the wind found scoring a tough job and only the accuracy of Olly O'Connor kept them in front. However, a goal by Terence Kenny just before the break left Ballybrown leading 1-8 to 1-2 at the interval.

JUNIOR HURLING

The introduction of Joe Mann at half time really swung the pendulum in favour of Ballybrown and they led 3-11 to 1-5 with 12 minutes to go, when Old Christians rallied strongly and two goals by Pat Howard and Michael Costelloe reduced the deficit but Ballybrown finished worthy winners.

Best for Ballybrown were Olly O'Connor, Joe Kiely, Terence Kenny, Jimmy Quinn, Joe Mann, James Coughlan and Pat O'Reilly while Brian Toomey, Cathal Carmody, Tony McCarthy, Tommy Kennedy, Michael Costelloe and Pat Howard tried hard for Old Christians.

SCORES

Ballybrown: O. O'Connor 1-8, T. Kenny 1-3, T. Hall 1-1, J. Kiely 0-2.

Old Christians: M. Costelloe 2-0, P. Howard 1-0, C. Carmody 0-3, T. McCarthy 0-2.

TEAMS

Ballybrown: C. Keyes, P. Lynch, J. Byrnes, E. Quinn, P. O'Reilly, W. Ryan, J. Coughlan, E. Cliffe, J. Quinn, T. Hall, J. Kiely, G. Curtin, O. O'Connor, T. Kenny, N. Fitzgerald.

Subs: J. Mann for G. Curtin, M. Toomey for N. Fitzgerald.

Old Christians: G. Foley, J. Kavanagh, L. Bowles, B. Toomey, A. Browne, G. Craughan, P. J. Quinlan, C. Carmody, T. McCarthy, T. Kennedy, W. O'Gorman, G. Toomey, G. Jones, M. Costelloe, P. Howard.

Referee: R. Nash (Mungret).



Old Christians, who beat Ballybrown in the Feile na nGael final. *June 1980*



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 Doney, Geard O'Brien, Tim Sheehan (Official). **FRONT ROW:** Left to Right: Anthony Kelleher, Peter Lyons, Declan Considine, David McNerney, Finbar O'Brien, Richard Smith, Gerard Corbett.



Padraic P. Guthrie, National Secretary of Feile na nGael, presenting the Coca-Cola Trophy to Mark Kiely, Captain of Old Christians, who won the Limerick title. In the centre is Ned Whelan, Hon. Secretary of Old Christians.

1980



Old Christians, winners of the county under 14 football title.



Take pitch from GAA, demand city cllrs.

BY CHRONICLE REPORTER

ANGRY city councillors demanded at last night's meeting of Limerick City Council that Canon Punch Park be taken from the G.A.A. and given to other sporting bodies who have need of a field.

The playing field was leased to the GAA over 20 years ago, but has not been used. And last night Alderman Tommy Allen led the call to take the field away and give it to people who would use it. "It is time to put the foot down and take it from them," he said.

Corporation accountant, Mr. Kevin Quilligan, told the meeting that the secretary of Old Christians GAA Club informed him that they intended re-seeding the pitch during the spring and using it in August.

Sick

"We were told that 10 years ago," interjected Cllr. Clem Casey, who said he was sick of hearing that story. He said that they should take no nonsense from the GAA and take the pitch.

Alderman Jim Kemmy joined in: "They have not been playing the game in any sense of the word."

He agreed that they should take it, and give it to some club like Hyde Rangers who would make use of it.

Cllr. Gus O'Driscoll felt that Old Christians were genuine. He said that they had only got the pitch from the GAA in the past two years.

He said that they were looking for a grant from the GAA to help get the field in order. He added that there was no other Gaelic pitch in that side of the city.

Alderman Allen told the meeting that there was another pitch, at Southill, and it was being used regularly.

The manager, Mr. Tom McDermott said that Canon Punch Park fell into the derelict site category.

Alderman Pat Kennedy said that the fairest thing to do would be to get Old Christians to attend the next meeting of the cultural and environmental committee, to get their side of the story. This was seconded by Cllr. Paddy Kiely, and agreed.

UNDER 14 FOOTBALL FINAL

23/8/80

Old Christians hold out in thriller

OLD CHRISTIANS.....2-5
GLIN.....2-1

AT bruff, on Monday evening, the county under 14 football final provided thrilling fare before Old Christians scored a 2-5 to 2-1 win over Glin.

Without question, this was one of the best finals in this grade for many years. The football was of a high standard and always free flowing.

Old Christians led all the way and at the break were 1-2 to 0-1 ahead.

Tom Shinnors, Ger Moore, Mark Kelly, Eddie Donovan, Tom Phayer, John Fitzgerald and Tony McMahon starred for the winners.

Brendan Mac Eoin, John Daly and John McNamara played well for Glin and were well supported by Donal McNamara, Leo Roche,

John Wallace and Pat Martin.

Old Christians: G. Lyons, M. O'Brien, T. Shinnors, D. Healy, G. O'Brien, G. Moore, D. Crowe, M. Kiely, T. Byrnes, R. McCarthy, J. Fitzgerald, E. Donovan, T. Phayer, F. Downey, D. Mulligan. Subs., T. McMahon, G. Corbett, A. Kelleher.

Glin: B. Mac Eoin, J. Wallace, D. McNamara, P. McMahon, J. Wallace, J. Daly, P. Connors, L. Roche, J. McNamara, J. Sullivan, M. McLoughlin, P. Martin, J. Long, M. Ryan, J. Hogan.

Referee: T. Reidy, Adare.

GAA CLUB ANSWER COUNCIL CRITICISM

BY BILLY KELLY

MEMBERS of Old Christians G.A.A. Club this Friday took grave exception to the "inaccurate criticism" of their handling of Canon Punch Park by members of the city council at a recent meeting.

Mr. John Power, the Old Christians development officer, explained that some of the land in question was bought by the G.A.A. from C.I.E. and only some of it was Corporation property.

The land was only given to Old Christians by the city board of the G.A.A. in September, 1978, and until that happened the club's legal advisers advised them not to do any development work until they were the legal owners.

Since they took over they surveyed the pitch and applied to the Department of Education for a youth employment grant to start work.

The grant was confirmed in 1979 and work began immediately - even before the grant was paid. As the field had been unused for so long it needed a great deal of work and it has been ploughed completely. Depending on weather conditions, it should be seeded in March and ready for use in August.

To date the work has cost the club £12,000 and £8,000 of that is Government money.

Mr. Power said that a full report of these details had been given to Mr. Kevin Quilligan of the Corporation in January last and this was told to the city council meeting at which the attacks were made.

Mr. Michael Keogh, committee member of the club, said they did not mind constructive criticism but in the recent city council debate councillors were seriously out of line in their statements. "They were obviously unaware that we did anything with the field."

Mr. Power took grave exception to the remarks made by Cllr. Clem Casey and he wondered when was he last in the area to see for himself what was going on. He was annoyed at the remark that the council should "take no nonsense from the G.A.A. and take the pitch." Mr. Power pointed out that Old Christians, and only Old Chris-

tians, were now accountable for the park.

He objected to Ald. Kemmy's remarks that the club were not playing the game in any sense. He said their record proved otherwise.

Grave exception was also taken to Ald. Tommy Allen's statement that the field should be taken away and given to people who would use it.

"I wonder does he realise that Old Christians cater for approximately 400 to 500 young people in his own area and have done so over the years?" Mr. Power asked. He added that in that time they had received no help from the Corporation.

Old 16
Christians 82

As the season has not yet started I think it is important that you be kept informed of some of our off the field activity.

The development of Punch Park was taken a step further when Larry Bowles did a fine job of skimming and levelling the surface of the entire area. It is now ready to seed in early spring and for work to begin and dressing rooms to be erected. We are dependant on the goodwill of the people of the area to ensure that the pitch and dressing rooms are not vandalised as they will be providing a service for all the children of the area.

The following were elected selectors for the coming year at a recent players meeting:

Senior selectors-Mick Keogh, Jim Howard, Pat Hennessy.

Junior selectors-Micky O'Gorman, Mick Keogh, Gay Jones.

Under 21 selectors-Jim Howard, Nicky O'Gorman, Mick Keogh.

Club GAA 7.8.82 Old Christians

Our senior girls had a great win over Knockainey of Meanus on Monday last. It was a tough close game and it was clear from the throw-in that neither side was going to have a runaway win.

Old Christians were quickly into the attack, and Pauline McCarthy scored some lovely points and with our centrefield of Bernadette O'Brien, Francis Garvey, and Pauline McCarthy dominating, our forward line had plenty of the ball, and midway through the half, Betty Conway rounded her opponent to score a great goal.

However, Knockainey hit back quickly with a rather soft goal, and when the referee blew for half time there was only 3 points between the teams.

Shortly after half-time Knockainey scored another goal to level the match and they applied fierce pressure on our backline in which Vera Mackey was truly outstanding and her ability to solo with the ball on the stick was a feature of her play, also Geraldine O'Brein and Margaret Hourigan stuck to their task with grit and determination.

Gradually, Old Christians gained the upperhand with some fine striking from Joan Tuohy, and Pauline McCarthy, who was extremely accurate from placed balls, and after a hectic last few minutes Old Christians held on for a well deserved win. Great credit is due to the girls on reaching the county final at their first attempt and they can be assured of great support in the final. Team: L. Greene, K. Riordan, G. O'Brien, M. Hourigan, V. Mackey, B. O'Brien, F. Garvey, P. McCarthy, J. Touhy, B. Conway, M. Halvey, C. McDonagh.

Scores: P. McCarthy 0-7, B. Conway 1-2, J. Touhy 0-2.

Best for Old Christians: Vera Mackey, Pauline McCarthy, Francis Garvey, Maura Hourigan.

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Club G.A.A.: 3/2/82 Old Christians

Our under 21 team had a great win over Patrickswell on Tuesday night. This was mainly a team effort with everybody giving of their best.

Christians started well with two lovely points from Pat O'Riordan. This was quickly followed by a fine goal from Pat Howard, but the Well fought back with some nice points. James Kearns raised a green flag just before half-time, to leave us a few points clear at half-time. The Well started the second half with points from out the field and made it clear that they were going to fight all the way and even after Pat Howard grabbed his second goal of the game, they came back for a goal. Timmy Sheehan then pointed from a free and even though the Well put fierce pressure on our defence, in which Paul Howard, Paul Henighan and Eric Byrnes were outstanding they could not find a way through. Final score: Old Christians 3-11, Patrickswell 1-9.

Although this was a good win it was obvious watching the match that we were lacking in fitness, so more application to training is needed if we are to progress further.

Scorers: P. Howard 2-5, J. Kearns 1-0, P. O'Riordan 0-3, T. Sheehan 0-1, P. Conway 0-1, M. O'Brien 0-1.

Team: P. Henighan, J. Dwane, P. Howard, E. Byrnes, W. Nicholas, G. Twomey, B. O'Brien, T.

SPARTACUS

How about Old Christians taking over from the city council?

□ AT A RECENT Limerick City Council meeting the councillors spent two hours getting through a mere five items on a 38-item agenda. The meeting generally was chaotic and little of any real value was achieved.

It would be bad enough if that was all. But it was not. One of the topics, which involved a lengthy and heated debate on the lack of action by the G.A.A. in relation to Canon Punch Park, showed that many of the councillors did not know what they were talking about.

According to the reports of the meeting only one council member, Cllr. Gus O'Driscoll, knew the facts of the case which many councillors were prepared to preach about - in spite of their obvious ignorance of the subject matter.

Are we not entitled to more from our public representatives?

The facts are that the pitch in question - Canon Punch Park - has not been used for many years. However in recent years Old Christians GAA Club took over the pitch from the city board of the GAA. This was in 1978. Within one year the club had secured a grant from the Department of Education for a youth employment work programme to put the field in order.

Even before the grant was paid the work started and the pitch was ploughed. This had to be done because the land was in a poor condition after laying idle for many years. And, by next August the pitch should be ready for use.

In the two years since Old Christians became involved they have spent some £12,000 on the ground - £8,000 of it Government money, which the members of the Government party on the Council were not aware of.

It is clear that the councillors knew nothing of the work going on at the field and without checking to see if they had the facts of the matter many of them felt free to abuse the G.A.A. in the city with indignation and self-righteousness.

Two people at the meeting seemed to know what the facts were: Cllr. Gus O'Driscoll and the Corporation accountant, Mr. Kevin Quilligan. Between them these two men gave the facts as they were but other members choose not to listen and instead went on to waste the time of the city council meeting talking obvious rubbish.

Instead of talking rot the council would do well to closely examine the speed with which Old Christians acted once they got the ground and they might urge the Corporation officials to act similarly on some of the many ills besetting our city. From the evidence it looks as if Old Christians might make a better hand of running the city than the city council does.

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Old Christians ^{18/4} Notes _{8/1}

A very successful club social was held recently at the Glentworth Hotel and a most enjoyable night was had by all. Music was provided by Concorde, and our thanks to Gay Jones and the lads for the top quality entertainment which they provided. Our thanks also to the people who sponsored the various spot prizes. They helped to add considerable interest to the night's proceedings.

The high spot of the night was the awarding of the clubman of the year. This year's award was won by Michael Keogh who has put in an amount of work over the years with various Old Christians teams, so take a bow Mick!

Awards

The club was very much to the fore in this year's awards, with John Dwane and Eddie O'Donovan picking up awards in the under 16 hurling and under 14 football respectively. On behalf of the club may I extend our congratulations to both lads.

Our "big" representation on the present under 16 city hurling team gives one a clearer picture as to why Limerick has such a dismal record in under age competition. After all, we are only the present County champions in this grade!

Old Christians

April Notes 1981

As we had a quiet weekend on the playing fields, I will take this opportunity to introduce you to the club captains of the juvenile section for the coming year:—

- U-12 hurling, Keith Carmody.
- U-12 football, Finbarr Daly.
- U-13 hurling, Gerard Corbett.
- U-13 football, Declan Considine.
- U-14 hurling, Dermot Healy.
- U-14 football, Richard Smyth.
- U-15 hurling, Tony Byrnes.
- U-15 football, Eddie O'Donovan.
- U-16 hurling, Dominic Costello.
- U-16 football, Mark Timmons.

On Saturday night, our minor hurlers had to give Ballybrown a walk-over, as we could not field a team at the time stated for the game. Surely, when a player comes to minor level, he should make it his business to be in time for games. If some of our players expect special "star" treatment, then I'm afraid they're with the wrong club.

Friday, April 3: Old Christians v. Ballybrown at Clarina — U-14 hurling.

Sunday, April 5: Old Christians v. Mungret at Patrickswell, 3.30 — U-21 hurling.

Thursday, April 9: Old Christians supervised disco, 8-11.30 p.m. Members only. New members also welcome. Admission, £1.50.

Training continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays at

Old Christians

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Our minor hurlers were beaten by Mungret in the championship on Wednesday last at the training college. We started well with a fine point from Jimmy Kearns after five minutes, but following this we squandered a lot of possession before Martin Power scored a fine goal. Mungret, meanwhile, made full use of their chances and deservedly led at half time. Our midfield men and forwards came more into the game in the second half and took a lot of pressure off our backline who were magnificent throughout. Pat O'Riordan broke through the Mungret defence to score a great goal but Mungret replied with some good points from play, then with time running out John Hegarty scored a goal to cut the leeway to two points but Mungret managed to hold on to emerge narrow winners of this exciting tussle.

Team — P. Henighan, D. Costelloe, P. Howard, G. Hegarty, W. Nicholas, J. Dwane, A. Morgan, J. Cantillon, M. O'Brien, P. O'Riordan, J. Hegarty, P. Conway, M. O'Rourke, J. Kearns, M. Power.

Best for Old Christians — Paul Howard, John Dwane, Arthur Morgan, Pat O'Riordan, John Hegarty, Dominic Costelloe, Mike O'Brien.

Our junior hurlers qualified for the city final by virtue of this win over Treaty Sarsfields, however, the standard of hurling was not great and a big improvement is necessary if we are to make any impression in the final. Showing your face at the field once every couple of nights is just not on. It was interesting to note that some of the "veterans" were going stronger towards the end than the young lads! Best for Old Christians were Mick Fitzgibbon, Sean Larkin, Paul Howard, Pat O'Riordan, Paul Henighan.

Team — Paul Henighan, Paul Howard, Sean Larkin, Dermot Frawley, P. J. Quinlivan, Timmy Madden, Willie Nicholas, Mike O'Brien, Pat O'Riordan, J. Hegarty, Mick Fitzgibbon, James Kearns, Pat Fogarty, Ray Burke.

Old Christians Notes ^{23/1/82}

At a recent committee meeting it was decided that the membership fee for senior members will be £5.00 for the coming year, with no charge on juvenile members. Membership cards will be available shortly through registrar Ger Twomey. It was decided that the club enter the following competitions this season, at senior level:

Senior Hurling: Duggan Cup and Championship.

Junior Hurling: New Ireland Shield and Championship.

Junior Football: Kerryman Cup, Special Junior Competition, and Championship.

Congratulations to hard working secretary Nicky O'Gorman on receiving the clubman of the year award at the club social recently.

Old Christians ^{Aug 1981}

Our u-13 hurlers had a fine win over Claughaun at Claughaun Field on Monday night. Both sides were slow to settle and scores were at a premium during the first half.

A feature of this half was some fine clearances by our back line in which Pa Foley and Ger Hardaker were very prominent. The half time score was Old Christians 1-1, Claughaun 1-1.

The second half started with our lads quickly into the attack and they were rewarded by a goal from Declan Considine which he followed by a point. Andrew Kiely scored a fine point which was quickly added to by Kieran Cronin.

At this point, our lads relaxed a little and Claughaun stormed downfield to score a goal which really ensured an exciting finish. However, our lads were equal to the task and held on for a very good win.

If these lads train together as a team, they could do very well in this grade. Final score Old Christians 2-5, Claughaun 3-1.

Team: J. Power, C. Sheehy, P. Foley, G. Moore, S. Clancy, P. Hardaker, K. Carmody, G. Corbett, A. Kiley, J. Curtin, D. Considine, M. Carmody, D. O'Donoghue, J. Doyle, K. Cronin.

Subs: A. O'Donoghue, D. Wallace,

Best for Old Christians: Declan Considine, Pa Foley, Johnny Power, Paul Hardaker, Ger Corbett, Andrew Kiley.

Training: Tuesday night and Thursday night at 7.30 p.m.

Juvenile Hurling: ¹⁹⁸¹

Another title for Old Christians

Old Christians2-3
Cappamore1-1
Old Christians won yet another County juvenile hurling title, when they defeated Cappamore 2-3 to 1-1 in the long-delayed decider at Meanus on Sunday last.

It was a keenly contested game, brimful of exciting and skillful hurling despite the sodden conditions.

Old Christians led by 2-1 to 1-1 at half time and in a dour second half added two points to finish deserving winners.

Scorers:

Old Christians: J. Hegarty 0-3, M. O'Rourke 1-0, P. Byrnes 1-0. **Cappamore:** N. Sheahan 1-0, J. O'Malley 0-1.

Old Christians—M. Timmons; M. Kiely, J. Dwane, J. Hegarty; D. Costelloe, P. Conway, J. Lyons; I. Cantillon, M. O'Brien; T. Byrnes, J. Hegarty, E. O'Donovan, G. Penny, M. O'Rourke, P. Byrnes.

Cappamore—D. McKenna, D. Carbery, D. McKenna, P. McKenna, L. Maher, G. Lynch, G. Lonergan, B. Hogan, P. Creamer, D. Mulcahy, N. Sheehan, T. Gough, S. Lynch, P. Mullane, J. O'Malley.

Referee: Tony Hayes (Bruff).



G.A.A.:

Five in Mayoral race

31/7/82

THE LATEST "in" promotion for clubs and community organisations throughout the country is the election of a Mayor or Mayoress of their locality, and the latest club to join the cavalcade in a bid to raise much-needed revenue for further development of their magnificent club complex is Patrickswell G.A.A. Club.

Five candidates have handed in nomination forms to the returning officer, Michael Fitzgerald, and the canvass is now in progress for those vital votes, which cost the punter a mere 10p. The winner will be announced on August 26.

Bernard Hayes, the very efficient club hon. sec., is the candidate of the senior club, and he has Timmy O'Neill, the trainer of the county under-21 hurling team, as his election agent. Bernard is a strong favourite for the crown.

There is divided family allegiance in this unique election. Former inter-county hurler, Phil Bennis, represents the senior hurling team, and has Denis Collins as his "front man", while Gerry Bennis is director of operations for the only lady candidate in the field, Mary Shinnors, who is nominated by the Irish Club and the local ICA guild.

Former Limerick hurling captain and current selector, Tony O'Brien, represents Patrickswell business profession and has Denis Lucey as his election agent, while the line-up is completed by Sean Bane, nominated to carry the banner of Club na nOg with P. J. O'Grady guiding his campaign as agent.

The election has generated a lot of friendly rivalry in the 'Well and surrounding areas and early indications are that there will be a massive poll, as the candidates are trying extremely hard with various gimmicks to "pull in" the revenue.

Old Christians Notes

Old Christians 2-8
Murroe 02

Our under-21 hurlers had a fine win over Murroe on Sunday last at the Claughaun Field. The game was played under atrocious weather and no credit to the Claughaun club for the manner in which they left cut grass piled all over the pitch.

Old Christians, playing into the breeze in the first half did very well to hold Murroe to two points while managing to notch up a brace themselves through Pat Conway and Noel O'Brien. This was mainly due to some trojan work by our defence and by midfielders Timmy Sheehan and man of the match Noel O'Brien. On the turnover, the half-back line of Willie Nicholas, Ger Twoomey and Jack Cantillon gave our forwards a plentiful supply of the ball and they duly obliged with the scores. Roving full-forward Jimmy Kearns bagged a personal tally of 2-1; Mike O'Brien fired over three points with Noel O'Brien, Pat Conway and Pat Howard raising a white flag each. Final score, Old Christians, 2-8; Murroe, 0-2.

Team: P. Henchgan, Paul Howard, J. Dwane, E. Byrnes, W. Nicholas, F. Twoomey, J. Cantillon, R. Kiely, N. O'Brien, P. Conway, Pat Howard, M. O'Brien, J. Hegarty, J. Kearns, R. Kiely, Subs., R. Burke, T. Byrnes, G. Hegarty, M. Timmons.

Best for Old Christians: Noel

CLUB G.A.A.: 31/7/82

Old Christians

OLD CHRISTIANS 2-4
BALLYBROWN 1-2

Our Under 16 hurlers had a fine win over Ballybrown on Saturday night the marking by both teams was very tight and as a result scores were at a premium all through, but full-forward Kieran Dargan took the chance that came his way in the first half to crack home a great goal.

Tony Byrnes also pointed a free the sides were level at half-time on 1-1 apiece. Tony Byrnes added another point on the resumption we had further scores from Mark Kiely and David Crowe, before John Fitzgerald got the crucial goal and although they battled gamely they could not make any impression on the scoreline.

The team lined out as follows—G. Lyons, M. O'Brien, G. Moore, D. Heaney, R. McCarthy, G. Hegarty, T. Phayer, T. Byrnes, M. Kiely, D. Crowe, E. O'Donovan, P. English, J. Fitzgerald, K. Dargin, D. Boland.

Best for Old Christians: Tony Byrnes, Kieran Dargin, Ger Moore, Ger Hegarty, Tom Phayer.

OLD CHRISTIANS 3-3
CLAUGHAUN 1-9

The minor hurlers played a draw with Claughaun at Rathbane on Friday last this was not a very impressive display and they had to rely on a late scoring flourish to catch Claughaun.

More application to training is needed if they have serious thoughts about winning a county title, the team lined out as follows—Ger Lyons, Tom Phayer, John Dwane, Ger Hegarty, Mark Timmons, Jack Cantillon, Tony Byrnes, Pat Conway, Mike O'Rourke, David Crowe, John Hegarty, Dermot Healy, Pa Foley, John Costelloe, Aidan Bennett.

Subs: Mike O'Brien for Aidan Bennett.

Best for Old Christians—Tony Byrnes, Mike O'Rourke, Jack Cantillon, Mark Timmons.

Old Christians

Old 6/3/82

Indoor Training: Indoor training is taking place every Monday and Wednesday night in the CBS Hall at 8.30 p.m. Players should be there at 8.15 p.m. in order that training starts on time. The club have acquired the services of a P.E. instructor for this training and a good turn out is important.

U. 21 football league: Our footballers had to concede a walk-over to St. Patrick's on Sunday. The interest shown by some of our u. 21 players to matches and training so far this year leaves a lot to be desired. If they are not going to put in the effort then they are with the wrong club.

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Old Christians Notes

29-8-81

Our u-13 hurlers had a convincing win over a very young St. Patrick's side on Monday night. It is very pleasing to see the club doing so well in this competition as at one time we virtually "owned" this competition but have not done so well in recent years. It is now up to the lads to continue training if they wish to win it out.

The team lined out as follows: J. Ryan, D. O'Donoghue, P. Foley, K. Carmody, J. Power, D. Fry, F. O'Neill, G. Corbett, M. Fitzgerald, A. Bennett, D. Considine, A. Kiely, M. Carmody, C. Sheehy, K. Cronin. Subs.: J. Curtin, R. Fitzgerald, M. Quinn, F. Daly.

Our junior hurlers play the final of the city junior hurling championship on Sunday. The game starts at 2 p.m. and the players are requested to be outside Janesboro Church not later than 1.15 p.m. I would ask that all supporters of the club, whether they be players or past or present members, come out and support this young junior hurling team as they attempt to dethrone a very experienced Na Piarasigh side.

A.A.

Old Christians

Old 3/4/82

Our u. 21 hurlers had a good win at Patrickswell on Sunday. The game started at a very lively pace which was maintained all through. Both sides were slow to settle, with the first score coming after ten minutes, a fine point by Mick O'Brien. This was quickly followed by a goal from Pat Howard and a point by Pat Conway. Pat Howard finished the scoring for the first half with another goal.

Half-time score, Old Christians 2-2, Patrickswell 0-0.

The 'Well came more into the game in the second half picking off some lovely scores, but Old Christians with an opportunist goal by Boris Burke and two nice points by Timmy Sheehan were always in control. Full-forward Pat Howard got his hat-trick of goals when he doubled a high ball to the net. Full-time score: Old Christians 4-5, Patrickswell 3-4.

Team: P. Henighan, D. Frawley, P. Howard, J. Dwane, E. Byrnes, G. Twoomey, W. Nicholas, R. Kiely, T. Sheehan, N. O'Brien, J. Hegarty, M. O'Brien, B. Burke, P. Howard, P. Conway.

Best for Old Christians: Pat Howard, Ray Kiely, Tim Sheehan, Mike O'Brien, Dermot Frawley.

OLD CHRISTIANS V. CLAUGHAUN

The u. 14 hurlers had a fine win recently when they came from behind to beat Claughaun on a scoreline of 3-7 to 3-2. The team lined out as follows: J. Ryan, D. O'Rourke, G. Corbett, K. Carmody, J. Power, P. Foley, J. O'Neill, P. Hanrahan, A. Kiely, I. Coll, D. Considine, F. Daly, J. Doyle, J. Keenan, J. Feeney.

Best for Old Christians, John Ryan, Declan Considine, Ger Corbett, Pa Foley, Andrew Kiely, Paul Hardeiker.

Old Christians

11-6-83

An extraordinary general meeting was held at the C.B.S.

The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss the serious financial position of the club, and to fill some official posts which were made vacant since the club AGM last January.

During the meeting two new sub-committees were elected by the members, the finance committee and the grounds committee. Executive committee: Chairman, Mr. Michael Portley (lately of South Liberties); hon. sec., Mr. Nicholas O'Gorman; hon. treasurer, Mr. Michael Keogh; registrar, Mr. Paul Howard; PRO, Mr. Martin Power.

Juvenile committee: Chairman, Mr. Edward Whelan; sec., Mr. John Power; treas., Mr. Raymond Burke.

Sub-committee chairman: Finance, Rev. Fr. T. Ryan; grounds, Mr. John Power; social, Mr. Michael Keogh.

The finance committee have organised a 10 kilometre tun jog for Sunday next June 12th from Janesboro Church at 10 a.m. The route includes areas such as Ballysheedy, Ballyclough, Greenfields, finishing at the church again. Drivers are asked to be careful of the runners.

Also on Sunday next, after the Munster semi-final between Cork and Limerick, our u21 hurling team are playing a challenge against St. Vincents of Cork in Na Piarasigh GAA Grounds just down from Pairc na nGael. Match starts at 5 p.m. sharp. Supporters

18-5-83

OLD CHRISTIANS RETAI

Old Christians5-7
Patrickswell2-8

CITY under twenty one hurling champions, Old Christians, kept a firm grip on their title with a comprehensive victory over Patrickswell at the Gaelic Grounds on Sunday last in a game which produced some fine individual performances and no small amount of teamwork, particularly from the champions, whose next opponents will be Cloughaun in the City Final and what a tussle that should be.

Any hopes that Patrickswell harboured of defeating the title holders had faded by half time when their youthful fifteen, having played with a gusty wind, found themselves a mere point ahead and clearly this was totally insufficient to sustain them for the second period during which Christians made every use of the elements, and with many deft touches of teamwork edged themselves further ahead on their way to a place in the City Final, and they must now stand an excellent chance of keeping the crown in Rathbane for another year, because on the evidence of this victory they will not easily relinquish their position to anybody.

Spirit

Patrickswell had numerous youngsters who tried in typical "Well" fashion and spirit to snatch victory, but overall they had to concede to a team that possessed a more balanced combination of hurlers who functioned at times with lethal effect, availing of openings and lapses to clinch scores at vital moments thereby displaying the keenness and appetite of which champions are made of. Nonetheless, Stephen Moore and Liam Shinnors in the "Well" defence can feel

pleased with their efforts, but Kieran Carroll has had better outings at centre back where he occasionally allowed himself to stray out of position.

At centre field Anthony Carmody gave a magnificent display of dogged hurling, refusing to quit even when the game had gone beyond the point of no return. We must surely hear more of this young man in the years ahead. Up front however, was where Patrickswell encountered most of their problems, for only Gary and Seamus Kirby displayed any of the traits synonymous with the brand of hurling we normally associate with Patrickswell.

On the basis that some of them are still only experiencing under twenty one hurling for the first time they may yet reach the pinnacle of success - perhaps next year.

The day, however, belonged to "Christians", whose victory was shaped out of teamwork and better work-rate allied to individual performances from numerous starlets, particularly wing back Tony Byrnes, who gave a stirring hour of typical back play, matched only by his inside defender Paul Howard and between them they were virtually unbeatable all through. Dom Costelloe, Ger Twomey and Mark Timmons were others who caught the eye for their solid cohesion and commitment.

Mettle

It was, however, up front in the engine room that the champions showed their mettle - Timmy Sheehan, Jack Cantillon and big John Hegarty showed tremendous appetite for movements and scores and the remainder of the sextet were equally keen and effective when it came to maximising chances - even substitute Ger Hegarty joined in the scoring machine when he came on in the second half.

All in all then a pleasant victory for Christians and no doubt their mentors, Michael Keogh and Michael Portley are now eagerly looking forward to what should be a mighty tussle with the eternal rivals, Cloughaun and quite frankly, that is one game this writer will not miss.

Patrickswell played with the wind in the first half and at the interval were leading by 2-1 to 1-5. A string of goals by John Hegarty, Timmy Sheehan and Ger Hegarty in the second period ensured a sweet victory for Christians on the scoreline 5-7 to 2-8.

Donal Coffey of Monaleen by his effective use of the whistle contributed much to the proceedings as referee.

20-8-83

Old Christians

On Sunday evening last, our U-21s played an U-21 team from Blackrock, Co. Cork, in a challenge at Páirc na nGael.

Although the final score - Old Christians, 1-10; Blackrock, 2-10 - gave the impression that we were narrowly defeated, in truth the "Rock" totally devastated us with great astute and skillful play. Their defence shone particularly well and, at times, seemed impregnable, allied to their great ability to turn defence into attack. It was not for the courageous display given by our goalkeeper Paul Heneghan, and the inaccurate shooting of the Blackrock forward line, the final score would have told the true structure of the game.

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16.7.83

Old Christians

On Sunday last after the Munster final, we were visited by an under 21 hurling team from Portlaw, County Waterford. The match was held in the C.B.S. field. It was one of the best games of hurling played at the venue for a long time. Where plenty of endeavour and commitment shone from both teams. Christians seemed to dominate most of the scoring throughout the match, with the centre-forward line scoring some fine long range points from the centre of the field. Portlaw showed some great promise also, with some fine passing sequences and showed Christians a thing or two in side-line cuts and free-taking. However, the city champions seemed too strong for the Waterford side and won well when the final whistle blew, the score being 4-12 to 1-8.

The team was: P. Heneghan, W. Nicholas, M. Power, G. Heagarty, J. Cantillon, G. Toomey, R. Burke, J. Kearns, N. O'Brien, R. Kiely, Pat Howard (capt.), P. Conway, N. Ahern, J. Heagarty, and D. Considine.

The subs were: Paul Howard, T. Sheehan, E. Byrnes and T. Byrnes.

Bruff was the venue for our senior camogie teams first encounter in the 1983 league campaign, last Saturday night. Bruff opened the scoring with a point early into the game, but, we equalised within seconds and at half-time we lead by 0-4 to 0-3.

In the second half Bruff made many attempts to score a goal but were unable to penetrate the Christians back line. There was a great amount of bunching in the game due to the shortness of the pitch and the referee seemed to make quite a few hard decisions. But the county champions won the game in the end by 1-6 to 0-4.

Our scorers were: P. McCarthy, 0-3; P. Burke, 1-1; F. Garvey, 0-1; B. Chawke, 0-1. Best for Bruff were A. Sullivan, Liz Moloney, H. Clifford, and N. Hourigan.

The team was: C. McDonagh, E. Ruddle, J. O'Shea, B. Conway, V. Mackey, B. Chawke, F. Garvey, C. Deely, J. Touhy, V. Long, M. Burke and M. Halvey.

Subs: M. Meagher, A. Devereaux, M. Riordan, E. Green, R. Counane, and P. McCarthy.

Our next match in the C.B.S. field against Knockainey on Tuesday, July 19, at 8 p.m. Supporters are welcome.

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CLUB GAA

**17.11.84
Old Christians**

**DUGGAN CUP
SEMI-FINAL**

Old Christians 5-5
Mungret 0-6

This was a great win against a fancied Mungret side which went to the last four in the county this year. Playing with the breeze in the first half our lads quickly settled down, and we had goals from Tom Kennedy, Timmy Sheehan and Noel O'Brien. Plus the fact that the entire back-line with Pat Howard, at centre-back, held the Mungret forwards in a vice like grip.

Half-time score: Old Christians 3-1, Mungret 0-3. On the resumption Mungret scored a few quick points, but our lads continuing to hurl with great determination and commitment, stretched their lead with scores from Noel O'Brien, Tommy Kennedy, Ray Kiley, and Mike O'Brien, finished convincing winners. It would be very unfair to single out individuals from what was essentially a very fine team performance.

Scorers: T. Kennedy 2-0, N. O'Brien 2-0, T. Sheehan 1-1, J. Hegarty 0-2, R. Kiley 0-1.

Team: T. Fitzgerald, Paul Howard, G. Jones E. Byrnes, P. Conway, Pat Howard, G. Hegarty, J. Kearns, N. O'Brien, T. Kennedy, M. O'Brien, R. Kiley, J. Hegarty, T. Sheehan.



Ray Jones (Old Christians) and James O'Connell (Mungret) in a tussle for possession in the Duggan Cup S.H. final which Old Christians won.
2-5-81

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Group pictured at the Old Christians' G.A.A. Club annual general meeting at Sexton Street C.B.S.



**OLD
CHRISTIANS
SENIOR HURLERS
WHO GAVE SOME
GOOD DISPLAYS**

Front L to R.: Ray Kiely, Gerard Foley, Alan Browne, Pat O'Doherty, Tim Sheehan, Brian Toomey, Gerard Toomey, Tom Kennedy.
Back L to R.: Tim Madden, Michael Costelloe, John Cavanagh, Kieran Reale, Pat Howard, Cathal Carmody, Nicholas O'Gorman, Pat Reale

ANOTHER MEETING NECESSARY

15/6/85

Ballybrown 2-9
Old Christians 1-12

Ballybrown and Old Christians must meet again to decide the outcome of the 1984 City Senior Hurling losers group final, which ended in a draw at Pairc na nGael on Sunday last.

Matters were fairly even in the first half and only a point separated the sides at the break, with Christians in the driving seat 0-6 to 0-5.

Christians Ger Hegarty, who must have a bright future ahead of him in Limerick hurling, lined out at corner forward and it was himself and his brother, John, at centre-forward who contributed four points to Christians tally in the first period.

Their other scores came from Noel O'Brien and Pat Conway. Ballybrown's five points were contributed from Terence Kenny at full forward and Joe O'Connor at half forward.

Produced

The second half produced the goals - two for Ballybrown and one for Christians. In addition we were treated to ten points from play and frees. John Hegarty scored three points, Timmy Sheehan had 1-1, and Ger Toomey and Pat Conway completed Christians total of 1-12. Ballybrown scores in this period came from Joe O'Connor with three points and we had one all from Willie Ryan. Ger Reilly scored one of the Clarina side goals direct from a sideline and their other goal came from Pat Davoren who converted a penalty.

Not a great game but certainly a useful outing for both sides who still have

interest in the County Championship. The replay should be much better. Improvement is unquestionably needed on both sides and surely by the time they meet again sufficient homework will have been done by both sets of mentors..

Scorers - Ballybrown: T. Kenny (0-3), Joe O'Connor (0-5), W. Ryan (0-1), G. Reilly (1-0), P. Davoren (1-0).

Old Christians: J. Hegarty (0-6), N. O'Brien, P. Conway, G. Toomey, G. Hegarty, P. Conway (0-1) a piece; T. Sheehan (1-1).

Teams - Ballybrown: Christy Keyes, Michael Gavin, John Kenny, Ger Reilly, James Coughlan, Willie Ryan, Pat Davoren, Olly O'Connor, Joe Mann, Joe O'Connor, Mike Mulqueen, Eddie Cliffe, Colm Coughlan, Terence Kenny, Olly Coughlan.

Old Christians: Tony Fitzgerald, Eric Byrnes, Gay Jones, Paul Howard, Brian Toomey, Pat Howard, Jimmy Kearns, Ger Toomey, Mark Timmons, Tommy Kennedy, John Hegarty, Noel O'Brien, Pat Conway, Timmy Sheehan, Ger Hegarty.

Referee: Terence Murray (Patrickswell).

Old Christians

29-6-85

Our junior hurlers played Creora in the first round of the city championship on Sunday evening last. However, a heavy defeat was to be our lot on this occasion due to the fact that we were missing several of our players from the panel. Our thanks must go to all the players who turned out for this game.

Old Christians lined out as follows: M. Fitzgerald, M. Portley, N. O'Gorman, M. O'Neill, F. O'Neill, P. O'Riordan, D. Crowe, K. McCarthy, T. Phayer, E. O'Donovan, K. McEvoy, John O'Neill, E. Keogh, P. Reals, C. Curtin. Subs.: K. Reals, M. O'Riordan, M. Keogh.

Our senior championship match v. Doon had to be cancelled due to the pitch being unplayable.

Training resumes at Canon Punch Park on Tuesday, July 2, at 7 p.m. All team members are urgently requested to be in attend-

ance.

Our under-14 hurlers were defeated by Ballinacurra Gaels in the first round of the city championship at St. Patrick's Field on Monday evening last. Even though short five of our best players in fairness to Gaels they were by far the better team of the afternoon and ran our very comfortable winners on the score 4-6 to nil. Best for Old Christians were Barry Carmody in goal; Tom Doyle, Noel Tobin, Sean Heagney, K. Aherne and John O'Malley when he came on as a sub.

Team: B. Carmody, T. Doyle, Owen McCarthy, M. McNamara, Noel Tobin, Sean Heagney, D. O'Sullivan, K. Aherne, T. McGrath, James Mullins, Niall Hyde, A. Tobin, Nial Reddan, P. Culbert, Paul Keane. Subs.: Jim Molloy, A. Curtis, D. Carmody, M. O'Neill.

Training continues at CBS Field on Monday and Wednesday for the 13 and 14 panels and on Tuesdays for the under-12 panels.



Pictured at the Old Christians Annual Dinner held in the Glentworth Hotel, (from left), Ned Whelan, secretary; Brother Michael Brennan, Nora Shinnors, Gerard Bennis, chairman City Board; Cllr. Tony Bromell, president P.P.U.; Sean O'Grady, chairman; Cecila O'Grady, Dennis Ryan, treasurer, and John Power.

OLD CHRISTIANS REACH NEXT STAGE

July 1985

Old Christians had a decisive eleven points win over Doon in the second round of the county senior hurling championship, played at Bruff on Saturday evening. This was by far the team's best performance to date which saw them reach the quarter-final of this competition for the first time in the club's history.

While the game itself did not reach any great heights, the small crowd present enjoyed it immensely and it was fought with the usual Limerick senior hurling championship fervour.

Christians opened on a very lively note and had four points on the scoreboard in the first ten minutes, before Doon could reply with two points from frees by the stick of R. Quigley.

Christians were going great guns at this stage with Larry Sheehan taken down going through and pointing the resulting free.

The turning point of the game came shortly after this when Ger Hegarty was fouled way out on the left wing close to his own half back line, and with the Doon keeper unsuspecting he drove the sliothar from seventy yards all the way to the net.

This really lifted Christians spirits and hurling with great determination had two more major scores from Tommy Kennedy and Timmy Sheehan.

They let concentration slip a little at this stage and allowed Doon back with a goal and a point from John Quigley to leave the half-time score Christians 3-5, Doon 1-3.

Doon hurled better in the early stages of the second half and had their opponents under fierce pressure scoring a goal and two points without reply.

Christians lifted their heads once again and increased their lead with points from T. Sheehan, Ger Toomey and Mark Timmons.

Conway and Timmy Sheehan had the final say with a goal and a point to leave the final score Old Christians 5-9, Doon 2-7.

Old Christians team-Tony Fitzgerald, Eric Byrnes, Gay Jones, Paul Howard, Brian Toomey, Pat Howard, Ger Hegarty 1-1, Ger Toomey 0-1, Mark Timmons 0-1, Mike O'Brien 1-0, John Hegarty 0-1, Ray Kiely, Timmy Sheehan 1-5, Tommy Kennedy 1-0, Pat Conway 1-0, Sub., Tony Byrnes for Ray Kiely (injured).

Subs. not used, Timmy Kearns, Mike Costelloe, Tom Phayer and Robert McCarthy.

FIXTURES

Under 21 hurling championship v. Mungret, at St. Patrick's Field, on Sunday, July 14, at 3.30 p.m.

Old Christians win Duggan Cup

Old Christians 2-11
Ballybrown 1-6

OLD Christians served up some superb hurling in the City Senior Hurling Final, 1985 to deservedly relieve holders Ballybrown of the famous Duggan Cup at a well appointed Na Piarasaigh venue on Sunday last.

Played at championship pace, the game was one of the best hurling a games seen this year and in addition there was some outstanding performances from players on both sides.

Christians went ahead very early in the first half and never looked back. They led at half-time by 1-6 to 0-4 and then added a further 1-5 to finish deserving winners on the scoreline 2-11 to 1-6. The win proved an ideal tonic for Christians whose team manager, Michael Keogh had his charges in flying form. They had hopes of going quite a distance in the county championship this year, so this Duggan Cup win gave them a fitting end to their season. Ballybrown tried all they knew to stem the tide but on the day they had to play second fiddle and can have no complaints about the result.

The game was marked by some outstanding performances particularly from Old Christians players. Foremost in this regard was Ger Hegarty who played powerful hurling at centre-field and was easily the best player on view. Not far behind him came corner-back Paul Howard whose performance was very notable indeed. Then they had John Hegarty, Pat Howard, Timmy Sheehan and Robert McCarthy, all of whom put in some great hurling over the hour.

Ballybrown's stars were Willie Ryan, Joe O'Connor, Colm Coughlan, Terence Kenny and Tony Hall, but inter-county star Olly O'Connor was quieter than

usual. *2/11/85*
The Duggan Cup was presented to Old Christians captain, Pat Howard, by Gerry Bennis, chairman, Limerick City Board.

Scorers: Old Christians - Ger Hegarty (0-6), John Hegarty (1-4), Pat Conway (1-1).

Ballybrown: Terence Kenny (0-2), Olly O'Connor (0-2), Willie Ryan (0-1), Joe Kiely (0-1), Pat Davoren (1-0).

County S.H.C.:

Christians march on

July 1985

Old Christians 5-9
Doon 2-7
THE winning sequence of Old Christians continued at Bruff on Saturday evening last, where they chalked up an easy 5-9 to 2-7 win over Doon.

The losers lacked any real punch and once Tom Kennedy goaled for the winners at the beginning of the second quarter they fell to pieces and the city team were always in control for the remainder of the hour.

It was 3-6 to 0-5 at half time. The expected fight back by Doon after the resumption did

materialise but was too short lived to cause any real worry to the leaders.

Old Christians cannot be too complacent about this latest success. Like the winners at the Gaelic Grounds, they encountered sub standard opposition and the words on everybody's lips at Bruff was how did Doon end the aspirations of Cappamore in the first round.

Tony Fitzgerald, Gay Jones, Pat Howard, Mark Timmons, and Tim Sheehan were in fine fettle for Old Christians.

Pat Ryan, Paddy Moloney, Richard Quigley, Eamonn Maher, Ger McGrath, Sean Nolan and Michael Hayes did best for Doon.

The winning scores came from T. Kennedy 2-0; M.

O'Brien 1-1, P. Conway 1-0, G. Hegarty 1-1, T. Sheehan 0-4, B. Twomey, M. Timmons and T. Byrnes 0-1 each.

The replies came from R. Quigley 1-6, J. Quinlan 1-0, P. McGrath 0-1.

Old Christians—T. Fitzgerald; E. Byrnes, G. Jones, P. Howard; G. Hegarty, P. Howard, P. Toomey, G. Toomey, M. Timmons, M. O'Brien, J. Hegarty, R. Kiely, T. Sheehan, T. Kennedy, P. Conway.

Doon—B. McLoughlin; J. Stokes, P. Ryan, R. Ryan, N. Maher, P. Moloney, M. Hayes, R. Quigley, S. Nolan, P. McGrath, E. Maher, T. McGrath, G. McGrath, J. Ryan, J. Quinlan.

Referee: S. Burke (Garryspillane).

Old Christians A.G.M.

At the recent A.G.M. the following members were elected officers in the club for the coming season.

Senior section

President Rev. Brother Collin vice-presidents Steve Keogh and Jack Coffey, chairperson Ned Whelan, hon. sec. Nicholas O'Gorman, treasurer Michael Keogh, registrar Ger Twomey PRO Alan Browne.

Camogie Section

Chairperson Paddy McCarthy hon. sec. Pauline McCarthy treasurer Bernadette O'Brien asst. PRO Anita Power.

Juvenile Section

Chairperson John Power, hon. sec. John Hegarty, treasurer Paul Howard, asst. PRO Michael Ryan.

Bord Officers

Co. Bord Officer Ned Whelan. City Bord Officers Tim Sheehan and Ned Whelan.

Bord na nOg, John Power and Ned Whelan.

Field committee, Alan Browne, Larry Bowles, Pat Hennessy.

Club House Committee, Pat Howard, Pat Hennessy, Gerry Craughan.

Grading Committee, John Power, Mick Keogh, Bernie Hartigan, Pat Hennessy.

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The Old Christians team who drew with Fedamore in the county senior hurling championship.

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EXCITING DRAW A FITTING RESULT

Fedamore..... 2-11
Old Christians..... 2-11

This game played at Croom on Sunday evening, may have lacked 'top drawer' hurling but nevertheless it was a highly entertaining game and I am sure that when these two sides meet again, that they will attract greater support.

Fedamore, who last won a County Senior Championship almost 60 years ago, got off to a great start when full forward Johnny Cregan flashed the ball past Tony Fitzgerald on the Old Christians goal line within one minute of the start.

Twenty seconds later James Flavin tagged on a point. Tim Sheehan had Old Christians opening score from a free in the 4th minute after John Hegarty was fouled. This point however was cancelled out two minutes later when Sean Enright pointed for Fedamore. Pat Conway had a point for Christians in the 8th minute. Johnny Cregan made it 1-4 for Fedamore after Sean Enright had dropped the ball short from a free. A good pass from Sean Condon to Flavin in the 17th minute resulted in another point for Fedamore. Points by Ger Hegarty from an 80 metres free and Ray Kiely from play were quickly cancelled out by two points from frees by sharp shooter Sean Enright. Tony Sheehan had Old Christians best score of the first half when he pointed just before referee Terence Murray sounded the short whistle. This left the

interval scoreline, Fedamore 1-7, Old Christians 0-5.

Second half

On the changeover, referee Terence Murray was wearing a white jersey in place of the black one which he wore during the opening period. It was brought to his notice during the interval that his attire was similar to the playing strip of Old Christians. Before he commenced the restart the referee instructed Tony Fitzgerald the Old Christians goal-keeper to discard his hurley as it was much bigger than the size permitted.

Back with the play and Ger Hegarty had a point in the 35th minute. Points by substitute Mark Timmons, who came on at the interval in place of the bearded John O'Neill, in the 39th minute; Pat Conway 40th minute, and Tim Sheehan from a free in the 41st minute, had the gap narrowed to just one point. Sheehan had the sides on terms for the first time in the game when again he was on target from a placed ball. Willie Enright and Mike Hedderman were now on the Fedamore side in place of Neilus Noonan and the injured John Hurley. As the game entered the last quarter James Flavin waltzed through the Christians defence to leave Fitzgerald helpless between the posts. Mike Hedderman had two points, one from play and a free in the 50th minute just before veteran Mike

Gorey came into the Fedamore attack to the exclusion of John Dineen. A point by John Hegarty and a goal from the edge of the parallelogram by corner forward Ray Kiely, left the scoreline Fedamore 2-9, Old Christians 1-11. Sean O'Dwyer added another point for Fedamore when in the 59th minute he sent over a 65 metre free. Fedamore now seemed destined for a quarter final clash with Cappamore but Old Christians had other ideas.

With only 30 seconds left on the stop watch, Ger Hegarty was awarded a free about 35 metres out. His low hard shot found the gap and the city side were ahead. With time running out the ball was pucked out to the dressing rooms side of the daisy bedecked Croom pitch. Half back Sean O'Dwyer was fouled and from the resultant free about 75 metres out O'Dwyer put the ball straight between the posts to earn a well merited replay which was welcomed by both sides as a fair result.

Luke O'Brien had a good game between the posts for Fedamore. Veteran Eddie Prenderville at full back seems to improve with age. Sean O'Dwyer impressed in the half back line whilst Sean Enright had a good game at midfield. Former inter county player John Condon played well on the half forward line. The full forward line of Seamus Fitzgibbon, Johnny Cregan and James Flavin tried hard.

Old Christians had good performances from Tony Fitzgerald in goals; Gay Jones and

Paul Howard played well in the full back line; Ger Hegarty and Tim Sheehan were very much attacking mid field men. Pat Conway and Ray Kiely were the pick of the forwards.

Teams and Scorers

Fedamore—L. O'Brien; T. McNamara, E. Prenderville, A. McNamara; S. O'Dwyer (0-2), S. Moloney, J. Dineen; S. Enright (0-3), J. Hurley; J. Condon, P. O'Callaghan, N. Noonan, S. Fitzgibbon (0-1), J. Cregan (1-1), J. Flavin (1-2).

Subs.: M. Hedderman (0-2), M. Gorey, W. Enright.

Old Christians—T. Fitzgerald; E. Byrne, G. Jones, P. Howard; B. Toomey, D. Costelloe, R. McCarthy, G. Hegarty (1-2), T. Sheehan (0-4), T. Byrnes, T. Kennedy, P. Conway (0-2); J. Hegarty (0-1), J. O'Neill, R. Kiely (1-1). Sub.: M. Timmons (0-1).

Referee: Terence Murray (Patrickswell).

Man of the match, John Condon (Fedamore).

Old Christians

G.A.A. Club

Under Age: The Christy Ring Cup competition (under 15 hurling final) between Christians and Monaleen played at the Gaelic Grounds provided some fine hurling. Monaleen played with the wind in the first half and led by 3-0 to 1-0 at the interval. Christians drew level after some fine forward play by P. Keogh, S. O'Donnell, P. Clarke, M. Griffin, E. Hurley and J. Tobin. With time running out, John Tobin scored a goal and shortly afterwards S. O'Donnell scored two points. The final score was 4-2 to 3-0 in favour of Christians.

After the game the Chairman of Bord na nOg presented the trophy to Liam Storan.

Best players were M. Costelloe, D. Greaney, L. Storan and C. Cantwell.

The following was the Christians line-out.

M. Sheehan; E. Tuohy, M. Costelloe, B. Corbett, N. Purcell, D. Greaney, L. Storan (capt.), P. Ryan, G. Cantwell, P. Clarke, P. Keogh, E. Hurley, J. Tobin, M. Griffin, S. O'Donnell.

We wish to welcome into the club Mr. Michael Tobin. His son John played a large part in the winning of the match against Monaleen in the under-15 hurling final described above.

St. Mary's unlucky to lose in thriller

Old Christians 3-0
St. Mary's 1-3

Two goals in the first two minutes and another with the last puck of the game knocked out St. Mary's in the city under 14 hurling championship final. This was a great final with some great hurling. Old Christians got a tonic start with two early goals but like the good team they have proved to be St. Mary's fought back and after some great hurling reduced the arrears by half-time to 2-0 to 0-2. They had to face the wind in the second half.

There were some thrilling moments in the second half as St. Mary's tried to keep up the pressure and Old Christians defended gallantly. Garry Morgan, Kieran Tracey and Ger Butler were playing brilliantly in the half back line for St. Mary's, and helped by John Cusack and Pat Boland and Martin Lyons at centre-field, and M. Walsh and John O'Brien in half-forward line. They gave St. Mary's the advantage and though their full-forward line missed many chances they finally made the breakthrough when Richard Mulcahy goaled. Now their was only a point between them. However it was St. Mary's who continued to dominate and when Richard Mulcahy was fouled going through Gary Morgan fired over the equalizer. It looked like being a draw at this stage as time was running out. After St. Mary's missed another chance Old Christians broke up the field and after a "70" Joe McNamara goaled with the last puck of the game to give Old Christians the Christy Ring Cup. D. Tobin and D. O'Leary also played well for St. Mary's. The same teams meet in the football decider and this should also be a thriller.

Scorers for St. Mary's: R. Mulcahy (1-0), F. Flanagan, Gerry Morgan and John O'Brien (0-1 each).

the decisive goal to which Seamus O'Donnell tacked on a white flag to give the C.B.S. boys the coveted Christy Ring Cup which the chairman of Bord na nOg, Mr. Joe Hyde, presented to the winning captain, Liam Storan, after the game.



Rev. Brother P. P. Guthrie, chairman, presenting the Olo Cup to A. Barrett, captain of Scoil Iosagain under 14 hurling team, which defeated Scoil Eoin in the final recently.



Timmy Sheehan was elected captain of Old Christians' under 13 team at their A.G.M. recently. He won under 13 hurling honours with the club in 1973. He plays in the half-back line.



Finbarr Brougham played more than a captain's part in the C.B.S. (Sexton St.) Dr. Harty Cup semi-final success in Emly recently. They defeated Thurles C.B.S. by 1-6 to 2-1. He also plays minor hurling with Old Christians.



R. Browne played at centre-field for Old Christians minor hurling team against Ballybrown recently. He also played at centre-field on the C.B.S. Harty Cup team.

"CHRISTIANS" WIN RING CUP

Some of the finest hurling for many a day was witnessed in the under 15 league final for the Christy Ring Cup at the Gaelic Grounds on Tuesday night when Old Christians defeated Monaleen 4-1 to 3 goals after a thrilling game. Monaleen played with a big wind advantage in the opening moiety and led 3 goals to 1 goal at half-time. Pat Keogh and Seamus O'Donnell levelled matters for Old Christians shortly after resuming while John Tobin shot

Old Christians collect a point

Old Christians 0-4

Old Christians and Claughaun drew, thus sharing the points in the second round of the under 13 football league in Rathbane recently. It turned out to be a most exciting affair played under ideal conditions. Old Christians set the pace early on and consequently they were ahead at half-time on the scoreline of: Old Christians, 0-2; Claughaun nil. Claughaun scored 1-1 in the second half: their final score a goal, came just before the final whistle. Old Christians replied by scoring 0-2, and on the call of time both sides were on level terms.

Best for Old Christians were: P. Howard (centre-back), T. Ryan (centre forward), N. O'Brien, T. Sheehan and B. Hyland. M. Lynch could be more than satisfied with his display at centrefield, and he emerged as their top scorer with a personal tally of 0-2.

Scorers for Old Christians were: M. Lynch, 0-2; T. Ryan, 0-1; B. Hyland, 0-1.

Old Christians line-out—P. Heneghan, E. Byrnes, C. O'Dwyer, G. Toomey, N. O'Brien, P. Howard, M. Reddan, M. Lynch, J. Hayes, T. Sheehan, T. Ryan, D. Higgins, J. Foley, B. Hyland, R. Bourke. Subs.: F. Hyland, M. Power, D. Hartigan, B. O'Doherty, N. Aherne.

UNDER 16 HURLING

Our under 16 hurling team led to a much stronger Ballybrown fifteen in the first round of the championship in St. Patrick's Field, on Sunday evening last. Ballybrown were in control at centrefield for most of the game and they made full use of this advantage. The final score was: Ballybrown, 2-4; Old Christians, 0-2. Best for Old Christians were E. Murphy (0-1), D. Fitzgerald (0-1), F. Brosnahan and T. Sheehan.

SENIOR HURLING

Claughaun defeated Old Christians in the replay of the City Senior Hurling Championship on Sunday last. It was not as exciting as the drawn game as Old Christians never produced the form they displayed a fortnight earlier. G. Brosnahan played a tremendous game at centreback and he succeeded in containing E. Cregan to an amazing degree. Up front, C. Mohally was their most dangerous forward. Others who played well were: C. Campbell, F. Brougham, D. Brougham, G. Jones and P. Keogh.

Ruth in scoring form:

Old Christians surprise Claughaun

Old Christians 4-9
Claughaun 2-7

Old Christians, inspired by their inter-county player, Matt Ruth, who notched 2-7 of his side's total, caused a mild surprise when defeating fancied Claughaun by an 8-point margin, 4-9 to 2-7, in an exciting losers' group final of the city senior hurling championship at the Gaelic Grounds on Saturday evening.

Claughaun started well with a point from Eamonn Cregan and a goal from Dan Sheehan, but Old Christians quickly got on terms and the sides were level at 1-4 each at half-time.

Claughaun were on top early in the second period but the teams were again level after 17 minutes after Matt Ruth pointed. With Christy Campbell starring at half-back, and Bernie Hartigan, who flew back from the A.A.A. Championships at Crystal Palace in London, gaining a grip in midfield, Old Christians finished with a flourish and goals by Pal Real and Mick Hennessy put the seal on their victory.

Ruth was Old Christians outstanding player and he got excellent support from Brendan Jones, Christy Campbell, Bernie Hartigan, Mick Hennessy and Pat Reals. Claughaun had useful performers in the Cregan brothers, Eamonn and Michael, Eugene Tuohy, John Hehir and Dan Sheehan.

A versatile Athlete

Who are the most promising of Limerick's younger athletes? According to Tony Dwane, the honour belongs to Tony McNamara and Joe Adams. But, at 16, Tony Dwane might fairly claim to share in it himself, for, as an all-rounder, he has a record of which any athlete might be proud.

Next season we may see him fielding with the C.B.S. senior football team. Last year he was a member of the Rice Cup team that were beaten by Nenagh C.B.S. in under-14 hurling, and on the side with him were such prominent young sportsmen as Liam Moynihan, Joe Adams, Noel Fitzgibbon, Ger. McMahon and Joseph McCarthy.

Three years ago Tony took up athletics, and with Limerick Athletic Club—where Tommy Cleary is doing such wonderful work—he has won 35 medals, 2 plaques and 8 certificates.

He has shown equal facility in track and cross-country events. Some weeks ago at the sports in Canon Punch Park, he finished second to Anthony McNamara in the half-mile, and more recently he came first in the long jump at Glin as well as first in the 220 yards.

So far, Tony has three Munster medals to his credit. He came second in the hop, step and jump events at Cork, and, at the same sports won two team prizes with Limerick C.B.S. He has also won four medals for school relays.

With Richard Eades, Niall Cusack and Tony McNamara, he won a plaque for the relay at the recent Limerick City sports, and at Redgate he bettered Tom Nix for the cup prize in the high jump.

AMBITION

Tony likes to specialise in the half-mile, mile and jumping events, and his ambition is that some day he will run for Ireland. "Maxie McKeown led the way with his brilliant win in Belgium," he told me; "if everyone was as dedicated to the sport as Maxie is, then we should win more honours."

On the soccer front, Tony plays



with Dominic Savio as an inside forward, and has bagged a high number of goals in both the under-15 and -16 grades. Savio got to the Evans Cup final only to be beaten 2-1 by Hyde after two re-plays, and were also runners-up to Hyde in the League. Other members of the Savio side included Noel Brennan, Henry Hannon, John O'Dwyer and Christy Wallace.

As a boxer, Tony also proved his worth by winning three prizes with the Abbey Club, but he had to give up this sport after breaking a hand while training for athletics.

Tony is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dwane, 130 Sycamore Avenue, Rathbane, and is a pupil of the Christian Brothers' Schools. His sisters are Fidelma (14), Ita (8) and Evelyn (4), and his brothers, Gerard (12), Paul (9) and John (2).

Gallant fight by Patrickswell OLD CHRISTIANS WIN CITY JUVENILE FINAL

C.B.S. 6-8
Patrickswell 0-1

FOLLOWING two very narrow defeats in previous city deciders, Old Christians defeated Patrickswell convincingly in the city juvenile hurling final at the Gaelic Grounds last Sunday.

But full marks to Patrickswell for a very fine display right up to the final whistle and the scoreboard did not at all do justice to a team which continued to hurl as if their very lives depended on getting another score.

Compared with C.B.S., the 'Well boys were a much lighter and smaller side and even though there's no denying the superiority of Christians, the game was not at all as one-sided as the score suggests. Play swung from end to end, and Patrickswell deserved a greater reward for their spirited efforts.

Christians were a much evenner and more balanced side and their greater experience and craft was a telling factor.

CAPTAIN'S PART

David Touhy played a captain's part at full back for C.B.S. and with corner backs Joe McCarthy and Gerry Gardener, gave great protection to goalie Dan Kelly. The half backs, John McCarthy, Gerard McKeown and Chris Campbell, cleared their lines well and the centre field pair, Mick Hanley and John Fitzgerald put in some very useful work. Half forwards Anthony Ryan, Richie Grace and Liam Moynihan had the 'Well defence beside themselves with anxiety every time they moved to a ball, whilst top forwards Pat Bourke, Tony Flannery and Brian Nagle were for ever tormentors of the

'Well rearguard. Pat Hennessy proved himself a worthy replacement for the injured Anthony Ryan.

"WELL" STARS

For Patrickswell, little Leonard Enright in goal brought off some wonderful saves and could not at all be blamed for many of the shots which beat him. Others to shine were full back Willie Hayes and half-backs Sean Foley and Laurence Fenton. The Nolan twins — Brendan at centre field and Frank in the half forwards, were also very prominent, as was John Moore at centre forward and Liam Foley, top of the left.

A reproduction of last Sunday's form would make Christians hard to beat, but reports from the other divisions suggest that their respective champions are exceptionally good. So the county semi-final and final should be well worth seeing.

The teams lined out as follows:—

Old Christians—D. Kelly; Joe McCarthy, D. Touhy (capt.), G. Gardener, John McCarthy, G. McKeown, C. Campbell, M. Hanley, J. Fitzgerald, A. Ryan, R. Grace, L. Moynihan, P. Bourke, A. Flannery, B. Nagle. Sub., P. Hennessy for Ryan.

Patrickswell—L. Enright; C. Daly, W. Hayes, Tony Foley, L. Fenton, Sean Foley, M. O'Connell, T. Moran, Brendan Nolan, Frank Nolan, J. Moore, C. Jeffers, N. Darcy, T. Griffin and Liam Foley.

Junior Soccer

SUNDAY, SEPT 25

MINOR FOOTBALL

Na Piarsaigh 2-3

Treaty Sarsfields 1-3

Na Piarsaigh players: Mick

Quaid, Seamus McCartney,

Gerry Kennedy, Carl O'Doherty,

M. Nix, Pat Dowling, Tom Mal-

one, Davy Walsh, Jimmy Whe-

lan, Micky McDonnell, Frank

O'Farrell, Dinny Duggan, Brian

Corbett, J. Gallivan, Joe Leddin.

Subs.: Brian Coakley, Hugh O'Donnell.

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attached to up-and-coming Old Christians, is a member of the highly promising Limerick side. At Limerick C.B.S., Bernie was outstanding at two codes, Gaelic football and hurling, and brilliant at athletics. At both the shot putt and discus the Donoghmore youth was an Ireland schoolboy champion, a magnificent feat, as he faced some of the best young athletes in the country and still came out on top. That was in 1960. And the same year, with such noted performers



Centre-forward Bernie Hartigan ... on a highly promising Limerick side.

as Pat Murphy, Brendan Keleher, Noel Davis, Christy Carew and others, he helped the school to the finals of the Munster Senior Football Championship (Corn na Mumhan) and the Dr. Harty Cup (Senior Hurling Championship).

The football title was won in great style, but North Monastery beat the Limerick lads in a great Dr. Harty Cup final at Thurles.

Twenty-year-old Bernie made his Senior Hurling Championship debut against Galway last month, and proved himself one of the fittest hurlers on view. He is playing excellently on the football field also, and last year was a member of the victorious Old Christians side in the County Senior Championship. He is now a member of the senior county football XV.

In athletics, he won the Irish Junior Discus last year and was second in the shot. This year, he won the Munster Junior Discus and shot and broke the record in the former event. Last year he also won the County Decathlon Championship.

A Limerick senior hurler

At Cork Athletic Grounds on tomorrow week, Limerick senior hurlers meet Waterford in a match which will have an important bearing on the future of Limerick hurling. Victory over the Decies, the National League champions, would put Limerick into the Munster Final and give them a great chance of ultimate All-Ireland honours.

Centre-forward Bernie Hartigan,

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OLD CHRISTIANS G.A.A. CLUB

THERE was a very big attendance of players and officials at the School Hall Sexton Street, on Wednesday week last. At this meeting captains were elected and dates for training were settled. A very worthwhile discussion took place and, after a lengthy debate on all aspects, it was agreed that the official training times would be Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. The captains and vice-captains for 1968 were as follows:—

Senior Hurling — Captain, Eddie Prenderville; vice-captain, Michael Hennessy.

Senior Football—Bernie Hartigan; Matt Grace.

Under-21 Hurling — Dave Tuohy; Christy Campbell.

Under-21 Football—Pat Hennessy; Joe Reale.

Minor Hurling—Liam Minihan; Noel Fitzgibbon.

Minor Football—George Gardiner; Anthony O'Connell.

Juvenile Hurling — Dave Greaney; Michael Storan.

Juvenile Football — Michael Griffin; Billy Corbett.

Under-15 Hurling — Joseph Waters; Michael Costelloe.

Under-15 Football — Joe Waters; Ger Fahy.

Under-14 Hurling — Michael Sheehan; Joe Daly.

Under-14 Football—Tony Purtil; Jim Burke.

The coaching of the "under-age" teams will be done by Brother O'Hanlon, and Brother Devaney will coach the minors, under-21 and senior players. It will be the duty of all captains and vice-captains to ensure that the players on their teams attend all matches and training sessions.

The first game of the season took place on Sunday morning last when the visitors to Rathbane Grounds were a Limerick Garda selection. "Christians" were without the services of Bernie Hartigan, Pat Murphy, Tom Cloonan, and the long winter lay-off had its effects on a few players. However, Eddie Prenderville, Matt Grace, Michael Hennessy, Dave Tuohy, Joe Reale and John McNerney were very prominent and helped Christians to win by 4-7 to 3-6.

On next Sunday, March 3rd, our minor hurlers will be in action against Treaty Sarsfields in the 1967 Minor Hurling League semi-final at C.B.S. Grounds at 11 o'clock. Treaty are city champions, but Christians will be hard to beat in

Old Christians win

Old Christians 1-5
Monaleen 0-6

Old Christians defeated Monaleen in the under 16 football league final in Claughaun Field on Tuesday evening last. In doing so, they won their first u/16 football league title since 1966! This snippet of information came to light during the post-match celebrations when it was mentioned by their team manager, Billy Hurley, in his address.

It was one of the most exciting and keenly contested football games I have ever experienced. Victory could have gone either way right up to the final whistle. A special tribute must be paid to Old Christians' backline for withstanding the tremendous pressure exerted by the Monaleen forwards late in the second half.

Both teams were on level terms at half time, with three points apiece. Monaleen surged ahead with a well taken point just after half time. Then came Old Christians' golden spell during which they scored 1-2 without reply from Monaleen. Equal credit is due to P. Fogarty and A. Mullins, who between them scored that all important goal halfway through the second half. Monaleen replied by scoring two points during the last eight minutes of play.

Best for Old Christians were: J. Kavanagh, S. Hayes, F. Brosnahan, T. Kennedy, P. Fogarty and J. Lillis. Others who played well were: B. Storan, R. Benson, M. O'Sullivan, G. Griffin, K. Canty, A. Mullins, R. Browne, C. Flynn, G. Hartigan and W. O'Shaughnessy.

Scorers for Old Christians were: P. Fogarty or A. Mullins (1-0); R. Benson (0-2), J. Lillis, G. Hartigan and T. Kennedy (0-1 each).

Old Christians line out: W. O'Shaughnessy; G. Griffin, J. Kavanagh, S. Hayes; M. O'Sullivan, B. Storan, F. Brosnahan; R. Browne, R. Benson; J. Lillis, C. Flynn, K. Canty; G. Hartigan, P. Fogarty, T. Kennedy.

Subs: A. Mullins, F. Sargent,

BUSY TIMES FOR BERNIE HARTIGAN

Limerick can repeat win of last year

THE Limerick senior football team to play Cork on Sunday next was chosen after the final training session at the Gaelic Grounds last evening. One notable absentee from last season's panel is Eamonn Cregan who, it seems, has decided to put his hurling career before all else.

These certainly are busy times for Bernie Hartigan. The powerfully-built Old Christians man must now be regarded as one of the greatest all-round sportsmen in the country for, apart from his ability as a hurler and footballer (he will be at left half-back on Sunday), he recently proved one of the most able field athletes in the country at the discus and hammer.

NOT MANY CHANGES

The changes in the side from last season are not many. Tom Ryan of Oola takes over in goal from his clubmate, Joe Meagher, who is now listed among the substitutes. Dan Sheehan, who of yore performed with most distinction on the hurling field but who really hit the high spots in the Whit Sunday exhibition against Down, and Michael Ranahan are given their chance.

Familiar names from last year's line-up include Liam O'Shaughnessy, Basil Fitzgibbon, Tony Fitzgerald, Pat Reidy (all from Askeaton); Jack Quinlivan, Mick Tynan

(from Claughaun); Bernie Hartigan, Pat Murphy (Old Christians); Dave Quirk (Oola), Tom Meaney (Treaty - Sarsfields), John Aherne (Clann na nGael), John Meade (Ballylanders).

It had been feared that keyman and full-forward Mick Tynan would not be available, but a very nasty thigh injury sustained against Down has recovered sufficiently and he will take his place.

The team is: T. Ryan (Oola); L. O'Shaughnessy (Askeaton); J. Meade (Ballylanders); J. Quinlivan (Claughaun); B. Fitzgibbon (Askeaton), T. Fitzgerald (do.), B. Hartigan (Old Christians); D. Quirk (Oola); J. Aherne (Clann na nGael); D. Sheehan (Castlemahon), P. Reidy (Askeaton), M. Ranahan (do.); T. Meany (Treaty Sarsfields), M. Tynan (Claughaun), P. Murphy (Old Christians).

Reserves: P. O'Brien (St. Patrick's), M. Collopy (do.), P. O'Shaughnessy (Glin), S. Cox (Old Christians), J. Meagher (Oola), D. Nestor (Askeaton), T. Sheehan (do.).

—C.N.M.

HURLING

Under Age: The Christy Ring Cup competition (under-15 hurling final) between Christians and Monaleen, was played at the Gaelic Grounds and provided some fine hurling. Christians won, 4-2 to 3-0. After the game the Chairman of Bord na nOg presented the trophy to Liam Storan (Capt.). The following were the Christians line-out: M. Sheehan; E. Tuohy, M. Costelloe, B. Corbett, N. Purcell, D. Greaney, Liam Storan (Capt.), P. Ryan, G. Cantwell, P. Clarke, P. Keogh, E. Hurley, J. Tobin, M. Griffin and S. O'Donnell.

CARR DEFENDS HIS TITLE

"More social amenities" call by club chairman

STRONG disapproval of the failure of the G.A.A. to promote social activities and provide amenities in the various clubs under its aegis is expressed by the Chairman of Old Christians, Mr. Frank O'Dwyer. "Pavilions and amenities enjoyed by the followers of other sporting codes should be made available to G.A.A. clubs," he told me yesterday.

Frank voiced disapproval too at the turning of a "blind eye" by some club and board officials on rough play, and on the disorderly conduct of players and spectators. "There is a crying need for drastic action in these matters," he added.

Frank started his sporting career in the G.A.A. as a juvenile with Mungret Hurling Club, and after graduating to minor and junior ranks fielded senior with City Gaels in 1955. He joined the Young Ireland's Club on its revival in 1956, and continued as a minor and senior with them until 1961.

That year—1961—was a memorable one in the annals of local sport, for it marked the founding of Old Christians by Frank O'Dwyer and Michael Costelloe. Since then the club has gone from success to success, and, under the able direction of its officials promises to be one of the most influential clubs in the country.

Frank has had the unusual experience of playing hurling matches in such distant places as Rome and Chicago. In 1962 he fielded with an Aer Lingus team in Rome, where he played a series of three matches against a selected side from the Irish Colleges. Again, in October of this year, he travelled with an Aer Lingus team from Shannon to Chicago to meet a selected side in the "windy city."

FOUNDER

With Old Christians he has a fine record in the administrative side of the sport. He served for two years with the club as founder, secretary, and was re-elected to the position in 1964. Since 1965 he continued to hold the dual posts of secretary and chairman.

On Sunday last the club entertained sixty of its young mem-

bers to a film show in the City Theatre. Afterwards there was a party in the school at Sexton Street and members of the under 14 and under 15 teams were presented with the cups they had won during the season.

Only this week, the club marked another notable occasion when the county minor hurling and football trophies were presented during a most enjoyable function in the Shannon Arms.

The officers and committee of Old Christians are—President, Rev. Bro. Scully, Superior, Sexton Street C.B.S.; Vice-Presidents, Eamonn Grimes and Jim Hartigan; Chairman, Frank O'Dwyer; Vice-Chairmen, Michael Grace, Joe Walsh, Paddy Bourke; Secretary, Joe Leonard; Asst. Secretaries, Sean Murphy, Michael Keogh, Matt Grace; Treasurer, Pat Dwyer; Asst.

Treasurer, Jim Flanagan. Committee — Bill Cuniffe, Jim Healon, Willie Minihan, Neilus O'Neill, Liam Connolly, Dave Tuohy, Ned Whelan, Bernie Hartigan, John Power, Paddy Hennessy, Eddie Prenderville.

"PANTO FROLICS"

Old Christians may well have justifiable pride in the successful part they play in the annual presentations by the Panto Frolic group. This season's pantomime, "Old King Cole," will open at the C.B.S. Theatre, Sexton St. on January 15, and one of the big attractions will be a snake-pit scene which has the promising ingredients of robbers, dark forests, leprechauns and snakes—the latter specially imported from New York!

Frank O'Dwyer has been

associated with the Panto Frolic group as Director since its inception in 1960, and the brilliant successes—and production — of "Dick Whittington" and "Mother Goose" are due to him and his associates. In "Ole King Cole" his work as Director will reach into the many different spheres — production with Joe Murphy; choreography with Breda Hanrahan; musical direction with Brother Nolan; organ accompaniment with Mrs. Flanagan, and chorus with the chorus master, Tom Henn.

Frank is also a member of the Executive of the C.B.S. Past Pupils' Union, and is Chairman of the C.B.S. Social Club. He is employed on the Staff Administration Department of Aer Lingus at Shannon.



Kieran Reale (Old Christians), on the under 16 hurling panel that won both the City and County Championships recently. Old Christians under 16 hurling team have now reached the under 16 hurling league final.



Kevin O'Callaghan (Old Christians), on the under 13 hurling panel that defeated Garryowen in the final in the Gaelic Grounds recently. Kevin is also young enough for next year's under 13 hurling and football teams.



M. Kelly, Old Christians, who played extremely well at centre-field against Na Flarsalgh in the second round of the under 14 hurling league in Rathbane recently.



Tony Bowen (Old Christians), who played extremely well at right corner-back against Na Piarasigh in under 14 hurling league in Rathbane on Saturday last.



Sean Hehir (Sc. Seanain), who is recovering from an injured foot, and hopes to be back in the Olo Cup team soon.



Eoin O'Brien, Scoil Iosagain, one of O Ceallaigh Cup players in the intermediate league.



Christy Reddan (Old Christians), who played extremely well at right-half forward against St. Brendan's in the 2nd round of the u-13 Football League in Rathbane on Monday evening last.

Liam Tuohy (Old Christians).

Old Christians have always produced outstanding players in the under-age group, and this year is no exception. The latest youth to emerge as a budding star is Liam Tuohy. He lines out at right half-forward on the club's under-14 hurling team, who have now reached the semi-final of the coveted Tayto Cup.

Liam is a student at Sexton Street C.B.S. and won an Olo Cup medal with the school this year. This is his first season with Old Christians, with whom he plays hurling and football. He prefers hurling and his favourite position is right half-forward. He rates his clubmate, Matt Kelly as the best under-14 hurler he has yet seen. Eddie Keher (Kilkenny) are his idols and he tries to emulate their

scoring feats in all his games.

Liam is very happy he joined Old Christians "because there is great club spirit and we get a few out of town games." He pays a great tribute to club mentors Billie Hurley and Dave Greaney for their work for juveniles.

Liam's father, Christy Tuohy, an employee of Cement Ltd., was a well-known hurler in his youth and won numerous trophies, including a county championship, with his native Mungret. Liam is a cousin of Liam O'Donoghue, the popular Mungret forward.

He is son of Mr. and Mrs. Christy Tuohy, 8 St. Laurence's Park, Garryowen. He has two brothers, Brendan and Dermot, and one sister, Fidelma.

LIMERICK C.B.S. WIN DEAN RYAN CUP

Limerick C.B.S. 8-9

St. Colman's (Fermoy), 2-4

Limerick C.B.S. finished the much stronger team in this Dean Ryan Cup (Munster Colleges J.H. Championship) final at Kilmallock and in the closing stages made light of the challenge of St. Colman's, who were appearing in their first ever Dean Ryan final.

Although playing against the wind, St. Colman's shaped well in the opening minutes, but once the Limerick boys found their feet they quickly gained a hold on the game and led after a quarter of an hour by 2-2 to 0-2. They continued to have the better of matters and at half time led by 5-4 to 0-3. They had an early point on the turnover, but thereafter St. Colman's had more of the play. They failed, however, to take their opportunities, and their forwards were finishing poorly. They had their first goal near the end of the third quarter and five minutes from the end had their second. Then in the closing minutes, Limerick C.B.S. were completely in command and ran up their total with almost effortless ease to win handsomely.

Limerick C.B.S. were the faster team and were dedicated to their task. In the second half, when St. Colman's had more of the play their forwards finished badly, though they were up against a sound Limerick defence. The losers never seemed to play with the same enthusiasm as the winners.

Limerick had the better of matters at centre-field, where T. Dwane and P. Hayes were outstanding; the Limerick defence was best served by N. Nicholas, M. Kelly and M. Moloney, while they had top forwards in S. Brouder, S. Heelan and P. Neville.

Best of the Fermoy boys were: P. Lawton, J. Fleming and P. Courtney in defence; T. Hennessy at centre-field; G. Driscoll and S. O'Farrell in the forward line.

SCORERS

Limerick: S. Heelan (3-0), P. Hayes (2-1), S. Brouder (1-2), P. Neville (1-1), T. Dwane (0-3), T. Scanlan (1-0) and M. Sheehan (0-2).

St. Colman's: S. O'Farrell and G. Driscoll (1-1 each), S. Leary and A. Fahy (0-1 each).

Referee: Mr. S. Moloney, Limerick: L. Jones; D. Greaney, N. Nicholas, M. Cronin; M. McKeogh, M. Mol-

onan M. Kelly; T. Dwane P.

U-16 F. City Championship:

Old Christians defeat Corbally

OLD CHRISTIANS 1-7
CORBALLY 0-4

Old Christians defeated Corbally in the first round of the U-16 F. championship in St. Patrick's field on Monday evening.

The conditions were ideal for football. Old Christians opened their scoring account with two well taken points scored by K. Canty and D. Fitzgerald. Corbally equalised five minutes later. D. Fitzgerald put Old Christians ahead seconds later with the only goal of the match. Old Christians were ahead at half-time on the score-line of: Old Christians 1-4; Corbally, 0-3.

Corbally scored a point shortly after the resumption of the second half. Half way through the second half Old Christians regained control and they added a further three points to bring their total to 1-7 as against 0-4 for Corbally.

Best for Old Christians were: D. Fitzgerald, G. Hartigan, T. Kennedy, R. Browne, C. Flynn, J. Lillis and K. Canty.

Scorers for Old Christians were: D. Fitzgerald (1-2), K. Canty, R. Browne (0-2 each), T. Kennedy (0-1).

Old Christians lineout — W. O'Shaughnessy, N. O'Donovan, J. Kavanagh, M. Manning, F. Sargent, C. Flynn, G. Hayes, R. Browne, K. Canty, T. Kennedy, J. Lillis, M. Costello, D. Fitzgerald, G. Hartigan, H. O'Neill. Subs.: P. McGrath, B. O'Brien, R. Fitzgerald.

U/14 HURLING LEAGUE

Old Christians 3-9
Na Piarasigh 2-3

Old Christians succeeded in keeping their unbeaten run in the U/14 League intact when they defeated Na Piarasigh in Na Piarasigh Grounds on Saturday last.

Both sides produced some good bouts of hurling, particularly during the second half.

Old Christians played with a slight wind advantage in the

first half. They built up a considerable lead by half time, thanks to the opportunism of P. Sheridan and B. Hassett.

Na Piarasigh played much better as a team in the second half and both sides exchanged an equal number of scores. Old Christians regained control during the last quarter and they added on further scores without reply from the opposition.

Best for Old Christians were: G. Keane, J. Davern, B. Hassett, P. Sheridan and T. Sheehan.

Scorers for Old Christians were: T. Sheehan (2-1), P. Sheridan (1-3), C. Reddan and B. Hassett (1-1 each), J. Moynihan, R. Fitzgerald and J. Davern (0-1 each).

Old Christians lineout — B. O'Brien, E. MacMullen, M. Kelly, B. Toomey, G. Keane, P. O'Shea, D. O'Neill, R. Fitzgerald, J. Davern, B. Hassett, G. Lowe, P. Sheridan, C. Reddan, T. Madden, T. Sheehan. Subs.: P. Daly, J. Moynihan, Moynihan and M. Ryan.

S.H. CHAMPIONSHIPS

Old Christians 2-9
St. Patrick's 2-6

The club wishes to congratulate its senior hurling team on winning the first round of the city senior hurling c'ship on Sunday last. St. Pat's set the pace early in the second half and they were three points ahead after 15 minutes. Old Christians finished stronger and they scored three points during the last quarter without reply from St. Patrick's.

Best for Old Christians were: B. Jones, F. Brougham, M. Ruth, P. Keogh, C. Campbell, C. Mohally and D. Brougham.

Scorers for Old Christians were: M. Ruth (0-6), D. Brougham and C. Mohally (1-0 each), D. Sexton and B. Hartigan (0-1 each).

They are playing against Ballybrown in the next round in early June.



Dominic O'Rourke is a member of Old Christians u/14 hurling team. Right-half-back is his favourite position

C.B.S. beat County minors

It is a weak county minor hurling side that opposed Limerick C.B.S. Dr. Harty Cup team at Castletroy last Sunday morning, and despite the fact that the schoolboys played against the breeze for the entire hour, they still won, 2-3 to 1-0. This, coupled with the fact that the previous week they were only beaten by a point by the fancied St. Peter's of Wexford, 3-10 to 5-3, mark the Sexton Street lads a worthwhile combination, who should overcome the Thurles C.B.S. challenge and reach the Dr. Harty Cup final.

Best of the challengers last Sunday were Pat Dowling, Na Piarasigh, and the Patrickswell trio, Dave Punch, Phil Foley and Gerry Hayes.



M. Foley played at full-forward on Old Christians under 15 football team that played against Cloughaun recently.



M. Kelly, Old Christians, played at corner back against Murroe-Boher in the u/14 hurling county semi-final recently. Old Christians won.



R. Kiely, Old Christians u/13 and u/14 hurling teams.



Michael Costelloe (Old Christians), played at left-half-forward against Kildimo in the minor hurling league recently. Old Christians won. He also played at left full forward on



John Lillis is the reserve goalkeeper on the C.B.S. Harty Cup team. He played at corner forward on Old Christians Feile winning team last year. He also played at right-half forward on Old Christians successful u/15 team this year.



T. Ryan played at right half back on Old Christians u/13 hurling team that defeated Patrickswell in the first round recently.



Michael Corbett plays at left corner-back on the CBS Harty Cup team. He played at full-back on Old Christians minor hurling team during the present season.



J. O'Brien played at right corner back on the C.B.S. Dr. Harty Cup team that defeated De La Salle recently. They are due to play Thurles C.B.S. in the semi-final on March 3rd. John plays minor hurling with



J. Lillis plays minor hurling with Old Christians. He was also a member of the C.B.S. Dr. Harty Cup team.



D. Higgins, Old Christians' u/13 hurling and football teams.



M. Moloney played in goal for Old Christians in their u/16H. league match against Kildimo recently. Old Christians won.



M. Duggan, Scoil Mhainchin (faoi 11) hurling team.

Old Christians

Old Christians 4-7
Garryowen 1-5

Old Christians defeated Garryowen in the quarter-final of the u/13 football league in Garryowen recently. It was a very close and exciting game in the first half but the second half did not follow the same pattern as Old Christians scored two reasonably easy goals early in the second half and from there on they were in complete control. Only one point separated the teams at half time as Old Christians scored 1-1 while Garryowen raised the white flag on three occasions.

Timmy Sheehan and Tom Ryan played outstanding football for Old Christians and they also scored 2-2 each. Paul Heneghan, who played in goal for the Limerick City Primary Schools team in Drogheda recently, made some magnificent saves in goal over the hour. Others who played well were D. Hayes, D. Higgins and G. Toomey. Scorers for Old Christians were: T. Sheehan and T. Ryan (2-2 each), M. Lynch (0-2), D. Higgins (0-1).

Old Christians lineout: P. Heneghan, E. Byrnes, C. O'Dwyer, G. Toomey, A. O'Byrne, P. Howard, J. Foley, T. Ryan, M. Lynch, T. Sheehan, J. Hayes, D. Higgins, B. O'Doherty, M. Reddan, R. Bourke.

Subs.: E. Hyland, D. Hartigan, D. Frawley, M. Power, N. Hanley, T. Costelloe, N. Ahern.

On Friday last, Na Piarsaigh defeated our u/13 footballers in the scoreline of Old Christians: 0-2, Na Piarsaigh 2-4, in the semi-final which took place in St. Patrick's field. P. Heneghan emerged as Old Christians' best player with a superb display in goal. As a matter of fact, he saved a penalty half way through the second half. M. Lynch also played very well.

SENIOR HURLING-BROSNAHAN EXCELS

Ballybrown defeated Old Christians in the senior hurling losers' group quarter-final in the Gaelic Grounds on Sunday last by 1-5 to 0-5. Old Christians were ahead at half-time by 0-3 to 0-2. G. Brosnahan was in tremendous form at centre-back while L. Jones made many brilliant saves in goal over the hour. C. Mohally played some vintage hurling in a variety of positions during the game. Others who played well were: F. Brougham, C. Campbell and S. O'Grady.

EXAMINATIONS

Old Christians wishes its club members who are at present doing various State examinations every success.

Old Christians juvenile A.G.M.—Part 1

—Captains play important role

Old Christians juvenile AGM took place in the CBS Hall, Sexton Street, recently. It was one of the biggest juvenile gatherings to date.

Mr. B. Hurley, chairman (juvenile committee), in his opening address, welcomed old and new faces. He thanked the captains of the past year for their co-operation and help and went on to say: "A captain is one of the most important players on the team. He must be a leader both on and off the field." He urged them to follow the example of Kieran Canty, who was again elected captain for the fourth successive year. He thanked Bro. Cahill for his work as trainer and P.R.O. for the juvenile section.

Mr. M. Hennessy (senior chairman) urged the old members to make the new members feel at home. He congratulated the various teams on their magnificent successes during 1973. He went on to say: "I congratulate you on the manner in which you have taken the spirit of the club into the field of play." He thanked the juvenile committee for their dedication and work during 1973. He also thanked the people who provided transport. He paid a special tribute to Bro. Murray (president) for his attendance at the juvenile matches.

In his concluding remarks he said: "Keep up the spirit that is in the juvenile club. Make your club the best club in Ireland."

Rev. Bro. Murray (president) paid tribute to the large numbers of players present. He added: "There is great hope for the future; there are wonderful rewards in store for you. Play the game as it should be played. Everything depends on yourselves."

Part two will appear in next Saturday's Limerick Chronicle.

GOOD NEWS

K. Canty, who received a knee injury in November last has received "the green light" to resume training on Monday next.

Under 14 hurling:

Old Christians take county title

Old Christians 3-5
Adare 1-1

Old Christians captured the county under 14 hurling title at Bruff on Sunday evening, by defeating Adare in an exciting final that produced some fine passages of hurling.

Adare, playing with the aid of the wind in the first half, were unlucky not to have built up a good interval lead. Instead, they only led 1-1 to 1-0, and when Jimmy Davern sent over the equaliser after five minutes of play in the second half, the writing was on the wall. Timmy Sheehan gave the winners the lead for the first time, minutes later, with a goal, and from then onwards Adare were fighting a losing battle.

Richie Fitzgerald, Pat Howard, Pat McCoy, Michael Daly, Jimmy Davern, Danny Fitzgerald and Alan Browne starred for Old Christians.

Tom Glynn, Tony Butler, Sean Ryan, Daithi Lynch, Mike Alfred, Shane Fitzgibbon and Mike Benson were outstanding for Adare.

SCORERS

Old Christians—J. Davern, 2-1; T. Sheehan, 1-0; D. Fitzgerald, 0-3, and A. Browne, 0-1.

Adare—S. Fitzgibbon, 1-0; M. Alfred, 0-1.

Old Christians—P. Howard, P. Kelly, R. Fitzgerald, B. Toomey, B. O'Brien, P. McCoy, P. O'Shea, N. Buckley, M. Daly, J. Davern, T. Madden, D. Fitzgerald, A. Browne, A. Barrett, T. Sheehan Sub.: G. Lowe for Barrett.

Adare—T. Glynn, G. Mullane, V. Gordon, T. Butler, S. Ryan, P. Kinavane, N. Fitzgerald, D. Lynch, T. Normoyle, M. Alfred, S. Tierney, M. Benson, S. Fitzgibbon, M. Farrelly, S. Fitzgibbon, Sub.: J. Kennedy for Far-

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Old Christians retain City u14 hurling c'ship

Old Christians 3-0
St. Mary's 1-3

Having eliminated Monaleen, Limerick's Feile na nGael representatives in Cork, the previous week in the semi-finals, our under 14 hurlers retained the Christy Ring cup under 14 hurling championship at the expense of St. Mary's in a thrilling final last Saturday at the Gaelic Grounds. Both sides produced fine exciting hurling with the issue in doubt until the final whistle. Old Christians led at half time by two points. On the resumption St. Mary's drew level but with time running out Joe McNamara clinched it for Old Christians with a well taken goal.

Scores—Joe McNamara 2-0, Tom Ryan 1-0.

Best Players — Pat Howard, P. O'Doherty, N. O'Brien, Danny Fitzgerald, Tom Ryan, Joe McNamara, A. Barrett, G. Twomey, T. Sheehan.

Team—J. Coughlan; D. O'Neill P. O'Doherty, G. Twomey, N. O'Brien, P. Howard, B. O'Brien, D. Fitzgerald, M. Kelly, J. Sheehan, A. Barrett, P. Daly, D. Frawley, J. McNamara, T. Ryan.

FIXTURE

Under 14 Football championship final—Old Christians v. St. Mary's, Saturday, 26th July

Old Christians defeated Patrickswell in the second round of the under 16 hurling league at Rathbane recently. Players to shine were John Canty, E. Murphy, R. Fitzgerald, M. Kelly, J. Davern and Noel O'Brien.

Our under 14 footballers defeated

Monaleen in the under 14 football championship recently at Rathbane last week. Players to shine were, Pat Howard, D. Fitzgerald, P. O'Doherty, Ryan, M. Reddan and J. McNamara.

Minor football championship:

Old Christians 1-0
Treaty Sarsfields 0-0

Old Christians minor footballers defeated Treaty Sarsfields two points in the minor football championship, played at St. Patrick's Field last Saturday. Players to shine were: Pat Fogarty, G. McMahon, M. Costelloe, Browne, B. Skelly, M. Quinn, van, K. McNamara and O'Sullivan.

FIXTURES

Minor football championship:

Monday, 21st July — Old Christians v. Cloughaun, Cloughaun Field.

Players to assemble at C.B.S. Sexton Street, at 7 p.m. sharp. Players unable to attend, ring 45242 or contact Pat Fogarty.

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OLD CHRISTIANS G.A.A. CLUB

Our junior hurling team was and truly beaten last Sunday morning in the 1966 final of the New Ireland Shield by a very impressive Patrickswell team. "Christians" played very much below their usual form and never at any stage of the game did they trouble the "Well." However, Patrickswell had the benefit of a few games recently and as "Christians" were having their first game of the season some improvement can be expected. Team spirit was sadly lacking among the players and the half-hearted approach to the game by some members will definitely not suffice. The only players who made any worthwhile impression last Sunday were Michael Keogh, M. Hennessy, M. O'Neill, Matt Grace and Dave Tuohy.

Next Sunday our senior hurling team are due to play Feohanagh in the first round of the County Cup. Some members of the junior team will be playing and we expect a big improvement all round. Bernie Hartigan and Pat Murphy will probably be missing due to a football engagement with the county team, but with the services of Eddie Prenderville, Jim Heelan, Joe Leonard, Jim Cloonan, Aidan Murphy and Matt Grace, Christians will be fancied to win though their record in this competition is not good.

Our minor hurlers received a walk-over from Treaty-Sarsfields last Sunday week in the semi-final of the League (1967), and now go forward to meet Salesian College, Pallaskenry, on Sunday, March 31, in the final. The venue has not yet been fixed but most likely it will be played in Pallaskenry. It is reported that the College have a very good team and will not easily be



D. O'Leary (Old Christians) played at corner-forward against Cloughaun in the u/14th. city championship final recently. He scored their first goal. Old Christians won.



R. Fitzgerald (Old Christians) played at full-back against Cloughaun in the u/14th. city championship final recently. It was his best club performance so far.



Munster Champions . . . the Rosary Hill, Castleconnell, team which won the Munster Colleges senior championship final at their first attempt last Saturday. They meet the Ulster champions in the All-Ireland Colleges semi-final on this Saturday at Castleconnell.

Old Christians captains on parade

James Davern: He joined the club in 1971. He won under 13 hurling and football medals with the club in 1972. He also played a leading part in Old Christians fourth under 13 hurling success in 1973. At inter-school level he was equally successful, winning two Olo Cup medals with the senior team. He prefers to play at centre-field in hurling, although he is a very effective forward. His favourite position in football is left-half back.

His father, John, is a former Limerick and Old Christians footballer, having won a county football medal with the club. James is also interested in handball. He is captain of the Feile team.

Richard Fitzgerald: He joined the club in 1970, and he now holds the distinction of winning four under 13 hurling medals with the club. He was also a member of Old Christians All-Ireland Feile winning team in 1972. He has collected medals in practically every age group at juvenile level. He also won two Olo Cup medals with the C.B.S. senior hurling team.

He played in the inter-cities primary school competitions on three successful occasions. He was elected vice-captain of the under 15 hurling team recently. His father, Patrick, is a former Garryspillane hurler, and his brother Danny, is captain of the club's under 13 hurling team.

Christy Reddan: He joined the club in 1973 and was elected captain of Old Christians under 14 football team at the club's A.G.M. recently. A footballer of rare ability and skill and a top class opportunist in scoring goals, fully deserves the honour of captain. He won an Olo Cup medal with the school in 1973.

He is equally at home in any position in the forward line in football, while he prefers to play at centre-field in hurling. He was on the successful "Limerick team" that won the C.B.S. Sexton Street, five-a-side hurling league recently. He is also interested in handball.

Dermot O'Neill: He was elected vice-capt. of the club's under 14 football team recently, having joined the club in 1973. He won under 13 hurling hon-

ours in 1973. He also collected under 14 football league, city and county championship medals during the course of the season. He was a member of the successful Sexton Street Olo Cup team in 1973, and he also played in the inter-cities primary school football competition.

He prefers to play in the backline. He is also interested in handball, table tennis and basketball. His brother, Hugh, also plays with the club.

MUNSTER FINAL—NEXT STOP!

The club wishes to congratulate its novelty act team (N. Carey, M. Hennessy and S. Murphy) on qualifying for the Munster final of Scor '74 in Thurles. The semi-final took place in Ennis on Friday last.

SIMON COMMUNITY

Male Volunteers urgently required. Contact Bro. Anthony at Social Service Centre, any Monday, 8 to 9 p.m.

Old Christians captains on parade

—U/15 Hurling and Football

Eugene Murphy: He was elected captain of the club's under 15 hurling team at their AGM recently. He won under 13 hurling honours in 1970 and again in 1971. He won both hurling and football honours with the club in 1972 and he again figured prominently on the honours list in 1974, winning under 14 football League, City and Co Championship medals. He was also a member of the C.B.S., Sexton St., successful senior hurling team in 1970.

Apart from hurling, he is also interested in squash and athletics. His mother, Margaret, is a former St. Patrick's player. Eugene fully deserves the honour of captain for sheer dedication, loyalty and sportsmanship.

Eugene O'Doherty: He joined the club in 1970 and he figured in the club's under 13 hurling success the same year. He went on to collect another under 13 medal in 1971. He again hit the headlines in 1973 when he scored one of the most dramatic goals for some time in the under 14 football League final in the Gaelic Ground and thus snatched victory for the club in the final second of that game. Later in the season he won Co. honours. He won Olo and Spillane Cup medals with the C.B.S., Sexton St. He plays at corner-forward in football and full-forward in hurling. He was elected vice-capt. of the under 15 hurling team recently. His father, Michael, won Olo and Spillane Cup medals with St. John's C.B.S. He also captained the Leader Cup team. Eugene's brother, Plunkett, also plays with the club.

Seamus Bedford: He joined the club recently and he was elected captain of Old Christians under 15 football team at their A.G.M. He won Olo and Spillane Cup medals with the C.B.S., Sexton St., senior hurling and football teams. He also played on two successful inter-city primary school teams. His interests are not confined to the hurling field alone, as he is also a footballer of note, having won Community Games medals with Garryowen in both hurling and football in 1971.

He prefers to play in the half-back line. He is also interested in swimming and snooker—perhaps that is the reason which underlines his ability to blot out opponents so effectively!

Gerard Griffin: He joined the club in 1971. He won under 13 honours in 1971 and again in 1972. He was elected vice-capt. of the club's under 15 team recently, having fulfilled the role of under 14 football vice-capt. in 1973. He won under 14 football League, City and County Championships medals in 1973 also.

He won Olo Cup medals with the school and he also figured prominently on the football teams as well. He prefers to play in the half-forward line or centre-field in both hurling and football. He is also interested in athletics (high and long jump) and basketball. His father, John, and his mother, Joan, are both former hockey players. His cousin, Ray Benson, also plays with the club.

HARTY CUP TEAM

The club wishes to congratulate the C.B.S., Sexton St., Harty Cup team on their fine victory over Thurles C.B.S. in the semi-final in Emly.

The club wishes to congratulate its own club players who are on the Harty panel. They are as follows:

B. Naughton, F. Brougham (capt.), G. Brosnahan, R. Browne, P. Hanrahan, D. Brougham, B. Skelly, K. Canty, J. Lillis, J. Kavanagh, G. Foley, M. Callanan.

Old Christians captains on parade

—U-16 HURLING AND FOOTBALL

Kieran Canty: He needs no introduction to hurling followers not alone in Limerick but throughout the country as well. He has captained successful under age teams for the past three seasons and he was again elected under 16 hurling captain for 1974 recently. He made his biggest impact on the hurling world when he captained Old Christians Feile winning team in 1972. He emerged as the No. 1 under 14 hurler in the county because of his supreme skill and hurling expertise that separates the great ones from the good ones. He holds more than 60 trophies and he has won every honour possible at juvenile level including three sports star awards and numerous personal record breaking feats.

Side line cuts and 21 yards frees are just a mere formality to him. He played at corner forward in the C.B.S. Dr. Harty cup team. His father, Eddie, is a former Harty cup player.

John Lillis: He was elected under 16 hurling vice captain recently having joined the club in 1972. He played at corner forward on Old Christians All Ireland Feile winning team in 1972 and he scored three goals during their Thurles campaign. He holds under 14 and under 16 county championship medals as well as numerous hurling and football league plaques. He was a member of the C.B.S. Dr. Harty cup team during the present season. He is also the most skilful footballer in the juvenile section of the club.

Apart from playing outfield he is also a goalkeeper of note, following in the footsteps of his uncle Patrick Collopy, former Limerick senior goalkeeper.

Another uncle of his, Donal Collopy, played with St. Patrick's. He is also interested in sport generally.

Pat Fogarty: He joined the club in 1971 and he is at present captain of the club's under 16 football team having fulfilled a similar role on last year's under 15 football team. He holds the unique distinction of raising the first white flag in the 1972 Feile final, a superb point from 35 yards range on the ground. He won under 14 county honours in 1972. He collected an under 13 hurling medal in 1971 as a full back.

In 1973 he added the under 15 double and the under 16 hurling league trophies to his already large collection. He is also interested in basketball and athletics (discus).

John Cavanagh: He joined the club in 1972 and he played a major role in Old Christians Feile success the same year as a corner back. Since then he has played in various positions in the backline in both hurling and football with equal success. He won numerous plaques and medals including under 14 county honours in 1972. He was elected under 16 football vice captain recently.

He was a member of the CBS Rice Cup team in 1972. He was also a member of the CBS Dean Ryan and Dr. Harty Cup teams during the present season. His late father, James was a member of the Colera Athletic Club in Sligo. He is also interested in swimming and handball.

THIS WEEK'S RESULTS

Under 14 F.: Old Christians 5-9; Southill, 0-0.
Under 16 F.: Old Christians 7-6, St. Patrick's 0-0.
Under 21 H.: Old Christians

Old Christians win

Old Christians 0-4
Patrickswell 0-0

Old Christians defeated Patrickswell in the first round of the under 16 football league in the Gaelic Grounds recently. It was a keenly contested game with very little between the sides. Patrickswell failed to score, but their backline kept a close eye on Old Christians forwards, and they never allowed any great latitude.

Francis Brosnahan played well at centre-field, and he emerged as their top scorer with a personal tally of 0-2. Others who played well were: E. O'Doherty (centre-forward), F. Sargent (full-forward), J. Canty, A. Barrett, and P. O'Doherty.

Scorers for Old Christians were: E. Brosnahan, 0-2; E. O'Doherty and F. Sargent, 0-1 each.

Old Christians line-out: R. Collins, A. Ryan, R. Fitzgerald, C. O'Dwyer, A. Barrett, P. McCoy, A. Bowen, F. Brosnahan, M. Boland, P. O'Doherty, E. O'Doherty, J. Canty, A. Brown, F. Sargent, D. Fitzgerald. Subs.: M.

Lynch, P. Howard.

Old Christians under 16 hurlers were not as successful as their footballers, as they were defeated in the first round of the under 16 hurling championship. E. Murphy, and D. Fitzgerald scored for Old Christians. For the record, Old Christians lined out as follows: J. Canty, M. Kelly, R. Fitzgerald, D. McNamara, M. Boland, N. Buckley, A. Bowen, F. Brosnahan, E. Murphy, P. McCoy, E. O'Doherty, T. Madden, D. Fitzgerald, F. Sargent, R. Cusack. Subs.: P. Howard, P. O'Doherty, B. O'Brien, T. Sheehan.

Our senior hurlers defeated Lochlein Gaels (West Meath) on Sunday last in Rathbane. They won on the scoreline of: Old Christians, 2-9; Lochlein Gaels, 1-4. D. Brogham, Liam Jones, P. Collings, C. Mohally, G. Brosnahan and C. Campbell played best for Old Christians.

Training will take place in Rathbane on Tuesday and Wednesday next week (3rd and 4th June) for our senior hurlers at 7.30 p.m.

3-8 Mungret 2-4.

S.H. (challenge): Old Christians 2-10, Doon 2-7.

Under 14 H. challenge: Old Christians 6-8, South Liberties 2-2.



R. Murphy is a member of St. John's C.B.S. (u/12) seven-a-side hurling team.

C.B.S. P.P.U. NOTES

We have been told that the question "What can I get out of it?" is usual among some past pupils when they are asked to join the Union. The answer would seem to be that you get out of anything as much as you are prepared to put into it. If a Kennedy phrase were applied here it would read something like this: "Ask not what the Union can do for you, but ask what you can do for the Union."

In the next few weeks efforts will be made to increase membership in the city area and many past pupils whose names are already on the register but who have not paid their affiliation fee for the current year are asked to contact the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Geoff Costelloe, Genazzano, Dublin Road.

A big number of past pupils is expected at the annual general meeting next month and it will be possible to join the Union on that day.

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The annual dinner and dance has been arranged for the 27th of next month. It will be held at the Parkway Motel, Dublin Road, and all past pupils are asked to reserve that date for this get-together. The date again: April 27th (Saturday).

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The P.P.U. takes this opportunity to salute the gallant C.B.S. Harty Cup team which went under to Colaiste Criost Ri at Buttevant on Sunday last. They gave a grand display and "e'en though vanquished" they are heroes still, for by their sporting display and earnest endeavour they proved true sportsmen.

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We wish the Dean Ryan team every success on Sunday next at Buttevant when they take on Colaiste Criost Ri, who will have eight of last week's Harty Cup team playing. C.B.S. will have six of the Harty team. The game is timed for 3.30 p.m.

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Tip Tops of the Town will take place at the Savoy Cinema on Sunday night next at 8 o'clock. This should be a good night's

entertainment and a full house is expected.

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OLD CHRISTIANS G.A.A. CLUB

Next Sunday our senior football team will meet Glin in the first round of the Senior Cup competition at Askeaton. Due to the clash between Cork and Tipperary at the Gaelic Grounds the time for the game has not yet been finalised, but will probably be at 3 p.m.

Christians last won the Senior County Cup competition in 1962 and will be making an all-out effort to re-capture the trophy this year. We will be depending on Bernie Hartigan, Pat Murphy, Eddie Prenderville and company to strike top form if we hope to beat Glin on Sunday.

Playing in his first match for Christians next Sunday will be Michael O'Callaghan, a Corkman who has just settled down in Limerick. Michael has shown great promise at the training sessions and will be a great asset to the club.

The 1967 Minor Hurling League final will be played on next Thursday evening (April 4) at Pallaskenry. Our opponents will be Pallaskenry College and this should be a really good game. "Christians" will have Harty Cup players Christy Campbell, Dave Tuohy and Liam Minihan to assist them and these, with Pat Hennessy, Richie Grace, Georgie Gardiner and Dave Greaney, should help to win their first League title. All our minor players are expected to attend at one or two nights training in preparation for the final.

Our under-age committee, led by Willie Hurley and Brother O'Hanlon, have been making great progress in the past few weeks. Attendances at training on Saturdays have been excellent and when matches start, within the next week or two, our lads will not be easily beaten by any of our city rivals.

A new set of jerseys has been obtained for the under-14 team.

BIG WIN AT BRUFF LIMERICK MINOR HURLING TITLE FOR OLD CHRISTIANS

OLD CHRISTIANS, 11-6; BRUFF, 5-4.

OLD CHRISTIANS, powered by eight of the Dr. Harty Colleges team, won their first ever Limerick minor hurling title at Kilmallock on Sunday, when they defeated Bruff in the County Final by 11 goals and 6 points to 5 goals and 4 points.

The game was more closely contested than the winning margin would suggest and all credit goes to both teams for having

given a fine display for three-quarters of an hour. Then the game deteriorated somewhat as the winners took the upperhand and drenching rain made conditions difficult.

Old Christians were first to score, but Bruff levelled. Old Christians, though playing against the wind, were subsequently on top and after a quarter of an hour led by 3-3 to 0-2. Bruff, however, rallied and cut the arrears so that at half-time, Christians were only one goal ahead, 4-3 to 3-3.

Bruff had the better of matters early in the second half and after 10 minutes, they had taken the lead for the first time. Christians, however, came back to regain the lead and at the three-quarter stage were still leading by a goal. Then Christians really got on top and in the closing quarter ran out good winners against a Bruff team that fought all the way.

Scorers: Old Christians: L. Moynihan (3-0), D. O'Reilly (2-1), R. Grace and A. Buckley (2-0 each), M. Grace (1-2), P. Hennessy (1-1), G. McKeon and M. Hanley (0-1 each).

Bruff: S. Hogan (2-1), W. Conway, D. Ryan and T. O'Connell (1-0 each), A. Gubbins, P. O'Dwyer and J. Browne (0-1 each).

Referee: Mr. J. Quaid, Feohanagh.

TEAMS.

Old Christians: W. Shanahan; A. Flannery, G. Fitzgibbon, J. Reale; C. Campbell, D. Tuohy, A. Murphy; M. Grace, G. McKeon; J. Fitzgerald, D. O'Reilly, R. Grace; P. Hennessy, N. O'Neill, and A. Buckley. Subs.: L. Moynihan and M. Hanley.

Bruff: D. O'Rourke; J. Clancy, P. O'Riordan, D. Hogan; L. Hogan, P. Conway, D. Ryan; J. Browne, A. Gubbins; P. O'Dwyer, S. Hogan, M. Hehir; T. O'Connell, W. Conway and M. Moloney.

COLLEGES' SEMI-FINAL AT CASHEL

C.B.S. can gain revenge for last season's defeat against St. Kieran's

By J. O'S.

LIMERICK C.B.S., undisputed champions of Munster since they began their all-conquering run in October, 1964, face what will probably be their toughest assignment of the season to date at Cashel on Sunday next when they cross sticks with their victors of last year, and the reigning All-Ireland champions, St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny, in what promises to be a really hectic struggle for supremacy.

St. Kieran's, powered by five of the side that helped bring All-Ireland honours to their college last season, will enter this game with the knowledge that they are the only side to beat the Sexton School in three seasons of competitive hurling, and that they alone could have a psychological effect on Limerick's play, who in this 150th year of the school's history will be hoping to climax a truly great era with yet another appearance in the All-Ireland Colleges hurling final, this time against either Connacht champions, St. Mary's (Galway), or Ulster winners, St. Mary's, Belfast, who meet in another semi-final game on Sunday.

VERY MATURED

St. Kieran's are reported to be a very matured side and it is unlikely that they will succumb to Limerick pressure as did Thurles C.B.S. in the second half at Buttevant. The Kilkenny boys came through Leinster in most convincing fashion. They opened their campaign with a good 4-9 to 4-3 win over St. Joseph's, and followed up with an equally impressive 1-10 to 2-2 victory over Patrician College, Ballyfin. The real test came some three weeks ago when they clashed with the famed St. Peter's, Wexford, but they left no doubt as regards their ability when inflicting a 10 to 3-5 win over their much-anted opponents. Mick Moore, Delaney, Tom Hogan, Dan Morrissey and Pat all of whom contributed big way to St. Kieran's All-Ireland success last season, are set off for duty again on Sunday next. They form the nucleus of a side that concen-

trates on ground hurling, and the manner in which they came out of Leinster suggests that they will give Limerick C.B.S. a really hard game of it.

Limerick C.B.S. will need to show vast improvement in most positions if they are to reach their second ever final, but more especially at corner-back, where Aidan Murphy and Pat Hartigan were none too happy in the first half against Thurles. They were drawn out of position too easily in that game, and while they afforded keeper Walter Shanahan little protection, he, too, must share some of the responsibility for some of those early scores. Murphy and Hartigan should be better prepared this time, and if they hit everything first time they could subdue the St. Kieran's corner-forwards.

Donal Manning failed to catch the eye at full-back in the Harty Cup final as he did in the previous rounds, and it is to be hoped that he will re-capture his best form for this important clash. Manning is a full-back of distinct promise, and even though he will be marking the elusive Peter Dunne, I feel that the C.B.S. man will come out on top.

The St. Kieran's half forward line, particularly centre-forward, Fergus Rarrell, earned most praise for their victories in Leinster, and it will be interesting to see how the youthful Limerick C.B.S. half-back line of Jack Foley, "Maxie" McKeown and Tony Cronin will fare against them. It is in this sector that the game could be won and lost for, if the Limerick men get off to the same disastrous start as they did against Thurles, then St. Kieran's could be well on the road to victory.

FIRST SEASON

Gerard (Maxie) McKeown, who, in only his first season of Senior hurling, has earned quite a big reputation for himself completes the half-back line. McKeown, who is also an athlete of renown, is a strong forceful hurler, and a repeat of his second half display against Thurles will suffice to earn him top marks at Cashel.

Pat Doherty, from whom so much is expected, was not at his very best in the games with the "Mon." and Thurles C.B.S. Doherty has now reached the stage where he has to do something spectacular to please the crowds, and even though he was a little below his usual good form in the Harty Cup final, he did, nonetheless, hold his own. If he can sway the game a little more in his favour against St. Kieran's, then the much publicised David Prendergast, may have to play second fiddle. It has not yet been decided who will partner the towering Doherty, but I feel that his club mate at St. Patrick's, Pat Phelan, will be entrusted with the job.

Phelan usually burns himself out in the first half of each game, with the result that he possesses little energy after the change-over. Should he reserve just a little extra energy for the all-important second moiety, then he could help Doherty to counter whatever the St. Kieran's centre-field men may have up their sleeves.

LEADING SCORER

The Limerick C.B.S. front line depends a lot on the fleet-footed

Eamonn Grimes. He is the leading scorer in Colleges hurling this season, and while he is likely to increase his already impressive tally against the Kilkenny men, let us hope that the other forwards will contribute their share, too. Ger O'Donoghue and Pat McCarthy lacked finish in the game with Thurles C.B.S., and will have to be a little more alert if they are to outwit John Stapleton and Co. in the St. Kieran's rearguard. Richie Grace made a great impact when brought on in the second half of the Harty Cup final, and I will not be at all surprised if he is given another run at Cashel. McCarthy fared quite well when switched to centre-field at Buttevant, and one wonders if this is his true position.

I would like to see the full-forward line of Sean Burke, Liam Ryan and Matty Grace carve a few more openings for themselves, and not to be depending on their half-forwards to oblige. Matty Grace is a player of tremendous possibilities, but he has, as yet, failed to re-capture the form which made him such a success last season. He is cunning and clever when on the ball and if given the proper support could be a match-winner on Sunday. Liam Ryan works exceptionally hard at full-forward, and while he may not excel in goal-scoring, his bustling tactics have often carved openings for his better placed colleagues. Sean Burke revealed something like his true form against Thurles, and if given an adequate service he could give the Kilkenny back-line a severe testing.

Good wins for Mrs. Elmes, Mrs. O'Hanrahan, but . . .

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