

ST. PATRICK'S G.A.A. CLUB TO HOLD CEILIDHE. 26/38

St. Patrick's G.A.A. Club announce a ceilidhe for Saturday night at St. John's Pavilion, Mulgrave St., Limerick. One of the most enterprising of city clubs, "Saints," hold a weekly ceilidhe, which is always very well attended and provides a high standard of enjoyment. Well versed in all the movements of our Irish dances, nothing finer than a good ceilidhe could be looked for anywhere. St. Patricks have already made their name as organisers and a bumper crowd is certain to throng St John's for what should be a most enjoyable function. Needless to mention, all Gaels are welcome. The charge is a popular one, and it is hoped that the attendance will include many county enthusiasts and so prove a real reunion of city and county—a ceilidhe mhor in every sense of the word.

Holders Go Out Rather Easily

A FINE crowd at Limerick Gaelic Grounds saw a very promising St. Patrick's fifteen dismiss the holders, Ardnacrusha, from the New Ireland Assurance Co. Shield competition 2-4 to 0-1. "Saints" were going strong from the start and, although short of some of their regulars, gave a very satisfying display.

12-3-49

ST. PATRICKS SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS, 1943-'44



Inset: C. O'Connor, M. O'Connell, J. O'Leary, D. Givens. Back: C. McNerney, E. O'Sullivan, P. Quaid, J. Berkery (vice chairman), W. Bourke, P. Lorum, T. Frawley. Centre: P. O'Connell (runai), J. McCarthy, M. Ryan, J. McHugh, J. Brouder, J. Frawley, M. McCarthy, D. Doyle, P. Walsh. Front: P. Fitzgerald, J. Ward, Rev. J. Godfrey (pres.), Rev. P. O'Regan (chairman), J. Clohessy, B. Tobin, T. O'Brien, R.

St. Patricks For Limerick Semi-final

16/8/52

St. Patricks, 6-1; Bruree, 2-4.

INFLICTING a heavy defeat on Bruree at the Gaelic Grounds, Limerick, on Sunday, St. Patrick's qualified to meet Ahane in the semi-final of the Limerick Senior Championship. The game except for the opening fifteen minutes, when exchanges were exhilarating was remarkable for scrappy play and the Bruree side, although holding their own in the first half, completely fell away later.

Although having a strong wind advantage in the second half the St. Patrick's defenders proved their mettle and time and again S. O'Sullivan, B. Tobin, J. Fitzgerald and Toddy O'Brien foiled the Bruree forwards whose shooting was anything but accurate.

Bruree took the initiative five minutes from the start when G. Simcox scored a very nice goal and it was not until ten minutes later that P. Fitzgerald had the equaliser. From that on, however, St. Patrick's were always on top. T. O'Brien put them ahead with a point and before the interval Fitzgerald had another goal and Moloney a similar score to leave the margin at half-time 3 goals 1 point to one goal.

Shortly after the interval Redmond had the fourth goal for the winners to which Kearney replied with a point for Bruree and Mullane further reduced the arrears with a similar score. The hopes of the county side ran high when G. Simcox again goaled but, although O'Riordan scored a point from a free, a goal by Fitzgerald could be said to have made the issue safe for St. Patrick's. In the closing stages Mullane again pointed for the losers, but a prompt reply by McMahon, who had a fine goal when the Bruree defence was spreadeagled, clinched the issue.

WIN FOR CITY TEAM

St. Patrick's, 3-5, Galbally, 0-5.
St. Patrick's (City) qualified for the County Limerick Minor Football final, when at Kilmallock, on Sunday, they defeated Galbally (South champions) on the score of 3-5 to 5 points for Galbally in the semi-final.

It was as fine an exhibition of football as seen in Kilmallock for many a day. It was cleanly fought and was of a high standard, and delighted the rather small attendance.

Scorers for St. Patrick's were:—Carroll (0-2), Smith (1-1), Phelan (1-0), Troy (1-0) and Sexton (0-2). Scorers for Galbally were Lonergan (1 point), Walsh (2 points), Wallace (1 point) and Coleman (1 point).

Mr. W. Naughton, Limerick, refereed.

ST. PATRICK'S YEAR, 1952
From the above summary it can be seen that this year can best be described as St. Patrick's year, for while engaged in three finals, they have already annexed both minor titles, and are also interested in both senior championships. On Sunday next they line-out against Ahane in the semi-final of the senior hurling championship, when they will do final battle with county champions Treaty Sarsfield. Last year Treaty Sarsfield created a record by taking five of the county titles, and now it is not at all improbable but "Saints" could do the same, thus adding further lustre to Gaelic games in the city.

Sporting Personalities—No. 31

PADDY COLLOPY

(ST. PATRICK'S)

Star of Limerick's great display against Kilkenny in the National Hurling League at Kilkenny was the Shannonsiders' goalkeeper, Paddy Collopy.

Paddy plays with the Limerick County champions, St. Patrick's, and is reputed by followers of hurling to be the best goalkeeper to mind the Limerick net since Paddy Scanlon manned the Limerick goal.

STARTED AS JUVENILE.

Paddy joined the St. Patrick's Club as a juvenile hurler. At the beginning of his career he played outfield and it was only by chance that he became a goalkeeper.

In a junior game with his club, the regular goalie got injured and Paddy was called upon to take over the job. He did so and made a great success of the job with the result that he became St. Patrick's regular goalkeeper.

STARS AGAINST KILKENNY.

Paddy always seems to rise to the occasion against Kilkenny and in the 1946 National Hurling League final in which Limerick defeated the Marble City men, his display was termed by the national press as "classic."

He has played with Limerick in

numerous Munster Championship and he won Thomond Tournament honours with his native county.

TWO COUNTY TITLES.

Since joining St. Patrick's, Paddy has helped the club to win two County hurling titles. He is also a noted gaelic footballer and has played in the County Championship for a number of years.

BRUREE CONNECTIONS.

A son of Mr. Tom Collopy, who was born in that famous hurling centre, Bruree, he is a brilliant goalie and there is no fear of the goal whenever Paddy is guardian.

Tenders For Fair Green Tolls

The Limerick County Council at its last meeting, decided by 14 votes to 9, to re-advertise for tenders for the Fair Green tolls.

Two tenders were received, one from Mr. M. Ryan, Drominboy, Lisnagry, and the other from Mr. David O'Malley, Main Street, Cappamore, at £205 each.

Mr. Ryan was proposed by Mr. Mackey but received no seconder.

Mr. D. P. Quish said that the figure was altogether too low and he suggested that it be re-advertised.

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24/2/51

St. Patricks Regain Limerick Football Title

St. Patrick's, 2-3;
Treaty-Sarsfields, 0-1.

FOR the first time in 14 years St. Patrick's won the Limerick County football title with a facile victory over Treaty-Sarsfields at the Gaelic Grounds, Limerick yesterday. The game was rugged rather than scientific and a strong cross wind, at times almost at gale force, did not help to make for any exciting moments.

Treaty-Sarsfields, although they opened with the wind in the first half, failed to make the most of their chances and the younger and more vigorous St. Patrick's lasted out the better.

The losers began well when Flannery opened with a point 15 minutes after the start but 10 minutes later Codd had the equaliser and that was the position at half time. On the

resumption Sexton goaled from a free within seven minutes and although Treaty-Sarsfields, with Fitzgerald, Callaghan and Flannigan, fought back hard they were unable to make any impression on the winners defence. A point from Phelan and another from Cunneen made the issue almost a certainty quarter way through the second half. Cunneen was really unlucky when what seemed a certain goal struck the crossbar and only went over for a point with Kelly in the losers goal well beaten. Ten minutes from the end Codd sent a nice pass to McFadden who made no mistake in scoring a brilliant goal.

24/10/54

ST. PATRICKS' SHOCK FOR AHANE

St. Patricks, 3-9; Ahane, 4-3.

Contrary to expectations, St. Patricks scored a somewhat surprising victory over Ahane by 3-9 to 4-3 in a suit length tournament at the Gaelic Ground, Limerick, yesterday.

The game could not be described as a classic exhibition of hurling, since from both sides came a good deal of ragged, uneven play, with many missed chances. However, Ahane appeared to have slightly the better of the exchanges, until in one of their typical fighting finishes they ran up against a sturdy St. Patricks' defence, which maintained a second interval lead to the end.

At the interval, both sides were level with 2 goals 3 points each, but a goal from O'Sullivan almost immediately after put St. Patricks ahead, and from then on they never looked back.

Scorers for the winners were—Cobb, E. Leonard, S. Leonard, M. Rohan, S. O'Connell and J. Sheehan, while T. O'Brien, S. O'Neill and J. Houlihan were the principal scorers for Ahane.

PATRICK'S QUALIFY FOR FOOTBALL FINAL

St. Patrick's, 3-6; Western Gaels 3-3

WESTERN GAELS, the holders, lost their Limerick senior football title at Kilmallock on Sunday when, in this year's semi-final they were defeated by St. Patrick's, who won by 3 goals and 6 points to 3 goals and 3 points for Western Gaels (writes our Kilmallock correspondent).

Though not a classic game of football it was very keenly contested and the closeness of the scoring kept the large crowd interested to the end. The teams were level twice during the game, and the lead changed hands periodically. In fact, in the 19th minute of the second half the teams were level, but St. Patrick's put in a stronger finish to win by the margin stated.

Western Gaels, drawn from divisional teams in West Limerick, led at the interval by 2 goals and 2 points to 2 goals and 1 point, and improved this lead with a goal after the interval, but thereafter St. Patrick's showed better form and deserved their win.

THE PLAY.

Cahalane, had a point for Western Gaels in the 2nd minute, and Cunneen levelled for St. Patrick's in the 7th minute. In the 10th minute Cobb put St. Patrick's well ahead with a goal. Cahalane reduced the lead with a point, and T. Kelly, from 40 yards, put the holders ahead with a good goal in the 27th minute. In the next minute, St. Patrick's regained the lead with a goal per A. O'Sullivan but immediately Gaels were ahead again, when Hayes shot to the net.

The holders' chances of retaining the title looked bright when Hayes shot to the net on the resumption. Sheehan (St. Patrick's) reduced the lead in the 6th minute with a point, and then in the 8th and 11th minutes Cunneen had a goal and a point to put St. Patrick's ahead. In the 19th minute, Downey levelled the scoring with a point for Gaels but thereafter St. Patrick's had the better of matters and added points per A. O'Sullivan in the 21st minute, V. Cobbe in the 29th minute and M. Cunneen in the 30th minute.

Mr. J. Hyland refereed

THE TEAMS.

The teams were:
St. Patrick's—J. Gavin, J. Manly, J. Collins, P. Buckley, P. Phelan, J. Sheehan, E. Sexton, E. Ryan, J. Elliott, N. Phelan, P. McGrath, V. Cobbe, A. O'Sullivan, C. McFadden and M. Cunneen.

Western Gaels—J. McMahon, W. Mulcahy, J. Brouder, J. Shaugh-

ST. PATRICK'S GREAT FINISH 11-6-1955 JUST FAILED

ALTHOUGH Emmets, the South Limerick Divisional team, held an interval lead of 6 goals in their Limerick senior hurling championship second round game with St. Patrick's, at Kilmallock, on Sunday last, they were fully extended in an exciting second half to hold on and win by a goal, the final score being:—Emmets, 6 goals and 3 points; St. Patrick's, 5 goals and 3 points.

It was rather a surprise, because St. Patrick's, a good club combination, were expected to win, but they are now out of the championship this year.

EMMETTS BIG LEAD.

Emmets, drawn mostly from Kilmallock (South Limerick junr. hurling champions), led at the interval by 5 goals and 3 points to nil, after playing with the breeze. Immediately on the resumption, St. Patrick's turned on the steam, and in ten minutes had four goals and a point. Then Emmets settled down, their defence improved and for ten minutes more the spectators were treated to a fine exhibition of good hurling despite the very strong breeze and intermittent rain. Then in the 20th minute Emmets were very much in the picture, and Aidan Raleigh, inter-county hurler for Limerick, went through for a goal that gave Emmets an eight point lead. St. Patrick's fought back and had a goal and two points in the closing minutes, which were packed with excitement as the city side tried for the levelling score, and the Emmets defence held fast to hold on to win by a goal.

SCORING POINTS OF PLAY.

After 5 minutes, P. O'Grady goaled for Emmets and N. Flynn followed with a point from a 70 in the 9th minute. M. Murphy, in the 12th minute, drove to the net, and Emmets went further ahead when J. O'Sullivan in the next minute drove over the bar. In the 15th and 16th minutes, M. Murphy had a goal and a point for Emmets, and then in the 18th minute, N. Flynn drove all the way to the net from a seventy. J. Millea sent to the net for Emmets' fifth goal in the 23rd minute.

Two minutes after the resumption J. Elliott sent to the net for St. Patrick's, who had another goal in the fourth minute, per E. Ryan. J. Elliott was again the marksman in the 5th minute, when he drove to the net from a free, and he had a nice point from a free. N. Phelan, in the 9th minute of this half, had St. Patrick's fourth goal. Some fine play followed with defence seen to effect before A. Raleigh sent to the net for Emmets. Fighting back determinedly with the breeze behind them, St. Patrick's reduced the lead with a goal, per M. Walsh, in the 22nd minute. In the 24th minute J. Elliott added a point and D. Donovan added a like score to leave only a goal between the teams. All efforts of St. Patrick's to get the equalising score were defied in the exciting closing stages.

Mr. S. Gleeson (Fedamore) refereed.

THE LINE OUT.

The teams were:

Emmets—M. Brazill; T. Bulfin, J. Doherty, J. Cotter; N. Flynn, T. O'Donnell, D. Moylan, J. O'Sullivan, P. O'Grady; D. McCarthy, P. O'Grady, A. Raleigh; M. Murphy, J. Millea and M. Galvin.

St. Patrick's—P. Cunneen; M. Cunneen, M. Clancy, J. Sheehan; N. Phelan, M. Ryan, P. Phelan; M. Walsh and J. Smith; T. Troy, J. Elliott, V. Cobbe; D. O. O'Donovan, E. Ryan, S. O'Connell.

St. Patrick's lose exciting game at Kilmallock *June 1955*

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St. Patrick's—P. Cuneen; M. Cuneen, M. Clancy, J. Sheehan; N. Phelan, M. Ryan, P. Phelan; M. Walsh and J. Smith; T. Troy, J. Elliott, V. Cobbe; D. O'Donovan, E. Ryan, S. O'Connell.

VIVIAN COBBE (St. Patricks)

Age	Height	Weight
21	5 ft 6 ins.	10 st.

Occupation — Meteorological assistant.

Position—Left corner-forward.

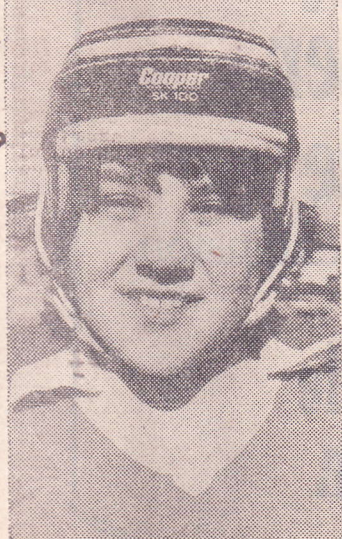
That lack of stature need not hinder one in gaining a place in the hurling sun has time and again been proved by the diminutive Vivian Cobbe who was the star of Limerick's Junior All-Ireland triumph in 1954. When promoted to senior ranks this year many opined that he would not make the grade, that the physical disadvantages were too great. But in the opening round of the Munster Championship, against Waterford at Cork, he set the mind of all Shannon-side supporters at rest with a superb display against stout defenders—men big in heart and brawn. The ball may not have run his way very often in the provincial final against Clare, yet he proved that he can be a thorn in any defence.

Limerick



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10/4/56



Andrew Costelloe, St. Patrick's under 13 hurling.

St. Patrick's General Meeting.

At St. John's Pavilion on Sunday next, the St. Patrick's Club members gather together to review the past year's activities and to make arrangements for the future. This Club fielded teams in all grades, and though winning no county title, they can be somewhat satisfied with the displays of all teams. It was the minor footballers that stole the honours last year as they won the city title from the holders, Cloughaun, in the final, after a thrilling encounter. They were beaten in the County semi-final by the ultimate champions, Abbeyfeale, after putting up a very creditable performance. The senior hurlers proved a rather disappointing combination and were beaten by Geraldines in the first round and Emmets proved their masters in the Losers' Group. The senior footballers, County champions for 1954, defeated Ahane and Rathkeale before going under to their near neighbours, Cloughaun, after a rather disappointing game. Their junior hurlers and footballers met with mixed luck and made early exits from the championships. In recent years the teams representing the Club in the under-age competitions have served up some outstanding displays and the past year was no exception. With the emphasis on youth, this Club can be justly proud of their endeavours to date, and with further encouragement the name of the St. Patrick's Club will be to the forefront for many a long day. Jan. 1956

HOLDERS OUT OF LIMERICK CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Patrick's' Shock For Cappamore

5/8/54

St. Patrick's 0-8; Cappamore 0-7

St. Patrick's created a first class surprise in the Co. Limerick Senior Hurling Championship yesterday at Kilmallock when they defeated holders Cappamore in the quarter final by 8 points to 7 points. For times during the exciting game, teams were level and alternate scoring in the second period kept a fairly large attendance on tiptoe with excitement.

Play was rather dull in the first half and there was some faulty hurling, but after the interval when Cappamore led by 4 points to 2 points the game came to life with plenty of close hurling and this coupled with the even scoring made the game very interesting one to watch.

P. O'Malley opened the scoring with a point for Cappamore but Phelan levelled for St. Patrick's. O'Malley again put Cappamore ahead but Vivion Cobb once again levelled for St. Patrick's. A brace of points by P. O'Malley put Cappamore ahead by 4 points to 2 at the interval. Phelan pointed for St. Patrick's, three minutes after the resumption and the fifth, V. Cobb levelled the scoring with another point for the winners. P. O'Malley put Cappamore ahead in the tenth minute but Cobb levelled in the eleventh minute. In the twelfth minute Cappamore went through for a goal but the score was disallowed as the forward was inside the square. In the thirteen minute V. Cobb sent St. Patrick's ahead and he put them further ahead with another point in the sixteen minute. In the 20th minute J. McCarthy reduced the arrears with a Cappamore point and in the 25th minute P. Carbery levelled with a Cappamore point. Amid much excitement G. Phelan scored the winning point for St. Patrick's in the 26th minute. There were some near misses by both forwards before the final whistle was sounded.

V. Cobb was outstanding for St. Patrick's and he was ably assisted by the Phelan brothers, J. Elliott, Rochford with P. Cunneen a solid goalkeeper. P. O'Malley, P. Creame, S. Nash and T. Ryan with S. Ryan goal played well for Cappamore.

In the South Limerick Minor Hurling Final played at Bruff, Kilmallock defeated Garryspillane by 7-4 to 3-

LIMERICK LEADER, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1957

VICTORS AND RUNNERS-UP IN COUNTY SENIOR HURLING FINAL





At St. Patrick's G.A.A. Club's annual dinner, held in the Glentworth Hotel on last Saturday night, were (top picture, l. to r.): Mr. Eamonn O'Sullivan, Rev. G. McNamee and Rev. M. Kennedy, C.C. Centre picture (l. to r.): Mrs. T. Deegan, Miss M. Deegan and Mrs. M. O'Sullivan. Third photo (l. to r.): Mrs. F. Glasgow, Rev. D. Rea, P.P., and Mr. P. O'Reilly, Chairman, Co. Board.

19-10-63 St Patrick's take second minor title!

ST. PATRICK'S 5-11
GALBALLY 2-3

St. Patrick's completed a minor double at Bruree on Sunday when they defeated Galbally in the Limerick minor football title by 5 goals and 11 points to 2 goals and 3 points, and added this title to the minor hurling title which they won a few weeks ago when they defeated Bruff.

Playing with the advantage of breeze, St. Patrick's opened well and had two early goals and a point. Galbally, however, rallied and went through for a goal. St. Patrick's were back in attack quickly, however, and from then to the end of the first half they had matters pretty much their own way and led at half-time by 4 goals and 5 points to 1 goal.

Better things were expected from Galbally in the second half, but it was the winners who opened the scoring in this period and had three points before Galbally replied with a point. Galbally were finding their opponents far too fast for them and, playing a fine brand of football, St. Patrick's continued in winning vein to add a goal and 2 points before Galbally went through for their second goal. There was an exchange of points before the final whistle sounded to leave St. Patrick's very good winners.

Scorers for St. Patrick's were: G. Joyce (2-2), S. Tuite (1-5), N. Hennessy and V. Phelan (1-0 each), T. O'Sullivan and M. Collopy (0-2 each).

Scorers for Galbally were: J. Slattery (1-1), W. Noonan (1-0) and D. O'Donnell (0-2).

Referee was J. Quaid, Feohanagh.

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19/10/63

St. Patrick's 3-3
Monaleen 3-0

St. Patrick's junior footballers created a first-rate shock when defeating Monaleen 3-3 to 3 goals in their Kerryman Cup tie at St. Patrick's Field. They thus maintained their unbeaten record in the competition and are now installed firm favourites to reach the final.

Monaleen got off to a dream start with two picture goals by J. J. Lysaght inside the opening seven minutes, but gradually St. Patrick's fought back to notch the vital scores to level matters just before half-time. Monaleen enjoyed territorial advantage throughout the first half but their forwards missed a hat of scores, including 5 close in frees. Matters were similar in the second period but in a few spasmodic raids St. Patrick's always threatened danger and two picture goals by winger John Moloney gave them a 3-3 to 2 goals lead with ten minutes remaining, and looked to be coasting to victory, but a great goal by Jimo Fitzgerald brought Monaleen back into the picture and for the remainder of the game were camped in the St. Patrick's area but a resolute defence and unbelievable shooting by their forwards, deprived them of a deserving equaliser at least. Best for St. Patrick's were Wally Moloney, Larry Crosse, John Moloney, Joe Connolly, Joe Hyde and Sean O'Brien; while Noel Bridgeman, Con McNamara (goal), Leo Morrisson, Dave Fitzpatrick, Eddie Franklin, J. J. Lysaght and substitute Tommy Fitzgerald tried hardest.

1962 10 YEAR Footballers

St. Patrick's defeated Caherline 2-7 to 1-1 in a minor football semi-final at Croom. The teams were:—

St. Patrick's—T. Crowe; J. McCarthy, W. Moloney, J. Griffin; J. Frost, N. Hennessy, D. Quaid; M. Collopy, P. O'Brien; B. Cobbe, F. O'Sullivan, D. O'Sullivan; V. Phelan, T. Noonan, P. O'Doherty.

Caherline — E. Boland; P. Wallace, J. Ryan, L. Devine; C. Purcell, D. Nugent, J. Ryan; M. Dineen, B. O'Brien, B. Murnane, P. O'Donnell, A. O'Loughlin; A. Buckley, T. Ryan, J. Ryan.

The referee was G. Fitzgerald (Rathkeale).

DOUBLE DEFEAT FOR WEST

St. Patrick's 4-4
Knockaderry 0-1

Midfielder Paddy O'Brien led St. Patrick's to their second successive win in the county juvenile final at the Gaelic Grounds yesterday. His side defeated the Western champions, Knockaderry, to make it a "blue" day for the West.

Brian Cobbe and Gerry Joyce had early points for "Saints" but Con Danagher had the sole Knockaderry point in the 11th minute, and a grand score it was. But from then on it was all St. Patrick's, as they steamed away to victory. Doney Russell and Gerry Joyce then sent through two goals, the latter one a beauty, which sounded the death-knell for the Western boys, and when Tom Barry had their third goal just on the interval, to make the score 3-3 to 0-1, it was as good as over.

Brian Cobbe really clinched the issue just after half-time with a low shot to the net and the same player closed the scoring with a point shortly afterwards.

St. Patrick's—T. Crowe; S. Kennedy, J. McCarthy, N. Devereaux, P. King, N. Hennessy, T. Keating, P. O'Brien (Capt.), M. Collopy, J. Joyce, B. Cobbe, R. O'Connor, D. Russell, T. Barry, L. Bourke.

St. Patricks Get There— After Three Hours 2/10/66

St. Patrick's 2-10; St. Ita's 2-8.

It took St. Patrick's three hours to defeat St. Ita's in this quarter final of the Limerick Senior Hurling Championship. Twice before the teams had drawn and in the second replay at Kilmallock, yesterday St. Patrick's just got there by 2-10 to 2-8.

Right through the game it was touch and go as to which side would win and even ten minutes from full time the teams were level. Then St. Ita's took the lead with a point but St. Patrick's shot through in the closing stages for a goal that gave them victory.

Scorers, St. Patrick's: V. Cobbe (0-2 each), B. Cross and P. (2-4), J. Flannery and F. Swords (0-1 each).

St. Ita's: J. Magner (2-1), P.

Debut in senior hurling Sept 1965

One of Limerick's most promising hurlers, 18-year-old Donald Russell, made his debut in senior hurling with St. Patrick's against Feohanagh at Kilmallock on Sunday last.

Donald began the game with St. Patrick's at the age of 13 and that year was selected to play on the first ever Limerick juvenile team that met Galway at the Gaelic Grounds. Since then he has been playing minor for St. Pat's, and has won three city juvenile hurling medals, 2 city juvenile football medals and has captained his club's team that was beaten in the county juvenile final in 1961.

With the county minor team, on which he played for two seasons, Donald won a county championship, and he has also won a city minor championship.

He had a notable innings with the Harty Cup team, and in this he was following a family



tradition—his uncle, Christy Russell, won a Harty Cup medal in 1926 and his father in 1932. In 1964, Donald brought off a double with the Harty Cup and the All-Ireland Colleges Championship. This year he captained the C.B.S. winning Harty Cup team, and the side that was defeated by St. Kieran's in the All-Ireland Final.

He also figured on the St. Patrick's team that won the first ever under-21 hurling championship in 1964. He is a present on the senior panel training.

Donald is son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Russell, 15 Fairview Terrace, and was educated at the Christian Brothers School, Sexton Street. He works with his brother, George who is proprietor of Messrs. John McCormac, Bedford Row. His sister, Ann, is employed with

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Juvenile football

Oola, 2-2; Treaty Sarsfields, 2-2.

Oola and Treaty Sarsfields must meet again to decide which takes the County Limerick juvenile football title. They played a draw at Kilmallock on Sunday—2-2 each—in a most entertaining game of football.

Oola opened strongly and were a goal and a point up before Treaty Sarsfields came into the picture, and had similar scores to leave the teams level at the break (1-1 each).

Treaty Sarsfields had an early goal on the turnover, but Oola replied with a like score. It looked as if Treaty would take the title when they had a point to take the lead near the end, but in the closing minutes Oola had the levelling score.

Scorers: Treaty Sarsfields—P. O'Callaghan (1-1), M. O'Donnell (1-0), and W. Ryan (0-1).

Oola—J. Ryan (1-2), and D. Fitzgerald (1-0).

Mr. E. Corbett, Askeaton, refereed.

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10 YEARS AGO 1966

Sean T. 1956

Former President of Ireland, Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly, was celebrating his 84th birthday at his home in Roundwood, Co. Wicklow.

The Parkway

The Parkway, one of Munster's most modern motels, opened in the Dublin Road, near Castletroy.

Hurling

Limerick's first under 21 county hurling final (for the 1965 championship) was played at Bruff between St. Patrick's and Caherline. The winners were St. Patrick's on the score 10-11 to 4-3, and on the team were: Tom Barry (goal), Joe Collins, Willie Ryan, Vincent Phelan, Doney Russell, Wally Mooney, Ned O'Donnell, John Frost, Pat O'Doherty, Richie O'Connor, Pa O'Brien, Michael Collopy, Tom O'Brien, Brendan Cross, Brian Cobbe. Sub., John Moloney.

St. Patrick's ... 16.5.60 ... 1-5
St. Brendan's ... 0-0

Before a small attendance at St. Patrick's Field on Thursday night, St. Patrick's defeated St. Brendan's by 1-5 to 0-0 in a juvenile football league game.

Despite the fact that they were short some of their regulars St. Brendan's rendered a good account of themselves and it was only in the later stages of the game that the winners got on top.

The standard of football in the first half was poor. Players found it hard to control the greasy ball and too much aimless kicking was evident. The exchanges throughout the first thirty minutes were even, but St. Patrick's took their scoring chances in better style and at the interval were leading 0-3 to 0-0.

St. Brendan's made a gallant attempt to get on terms early in the second half, but they met up with a strong winners' defence. As the game wore on the losers gradually grew tired and St. Patrick's seeing their chances put all they had into attack and had some quick scores to leave them winners by 1-5 to 0-0.

Best for St. Patrick's were B. Cross, P. O'Brien, P. Cobbe and P. Fitzgerald, while P. Finucane, A. Colbert, N. Sheehan and Hickey tried best for St. Brendan's.

ST. PATRICK'S AND CLAUGHAUN DRAW 1967

A last-minute point from a free by Larry Cross enabled St. Patrick's draw with Claughaun in their Co. Senior Football Cup tie at St. Patrick's on Sunday evening. It was a great hour's football, with St. Patrick's, after playing against a strong breeze in the opening moiety, leading 2-3 to 1-3 at half-time. They looked to be all set for victory at this stage, but surprisingly it was Claughaun who took up the initiative on the resumption and with 12 minutes remaining "Saint's" found themselves six points in arrears.

However, they kept plugging away and eventually levelled matters for a deserved draw. Mick Tynan, after his great display for Limerick earlier in the afternoon, was again in rare scoring mood and was ably assisted in the Claughaun camp by Martin Fitzpatrick, who played the proverbial blinder; Mick Graham, Paddy O'Dwyer and the Cregan brothers, Eamonn and Mick.

Larry Cross, who notched 2-4 of his side's tally, was outstanding for St. Patrick's, with Vivian Cobbe, Richard O'Connor, John McDonagh, Wally Moloney, John Frost lending excellent support, while Mick Collopy was outstanding in the "Saints" combination.

MEET THE PLAYERS

ST. PATRICK'S

21-10-67

William "Wally" Moloney — The winner of Dr. Harty Cup and All-Ireland College medals with Limerick C.B.S., he helped St. Patrick's to city and county triumphs in juvenile hurling and football and figured in the great minor hurling and football successes of 1963. A member of the "Saints" teams that won city titles in under 21 hurling and football, he was in the winning of the first county hurling title played in this grade.

John Frost — Son of an old Meelick hurler, Tom Frost, John, in his first year with St. Patrick's, won the 1962 city and county juvenile football titles and city honours in the juvenile hurling championship and in codes. He collected minor honours of city and county in both hurling and football in 1963, won city and county under 21 hurling laurels in 1965 and the city under 21 football championships of 1965 and 1966. John has represented Limerick in many grades in both hurling and football.

Brendan Cross — The captain of the team follows in worthy footsteps for his father, Michael Cross, captained Limerick to its first ever junior hurling All-Ireland success, that of 1935, which was, incidentally, the first All-Ireland final ever played on foreign soil. The game took place at Catford, London, on October 13th, 1935, and Limerick won, 4-9 to 3-3.

Brendan has also "grown-up" with St. Patrick's via the juvenile and minor grades and figured in attack on the under-21 hurling sides of 1964 and 1965, emerging top scorer on a few occasions. He played in the 1964 County Senior Football final against Ballysteen.

John McDonagh — Came to the hurling forefront with a sterling St. Munchin's College team in the great days of local school and college hurling when games for the O'Mara and Dr. Keane Cups produced some rousing ties. Limerick C.B.S. then boasted many noted stars, including P. J. Keane, Brendan Kelleher, Paddy Cobbe, Pat Murphy and Jimmy Guinnane and John's clashes with some of them were memorable. After winning city and county minor hurling renown with St. Patrick's, John shone on the Limerick side that won Munster and All-Ireland medals in 1958. Shortly afterwards he turned to rugby and played in some stirring ties with Garryowen, but he was back to the G.A.A. after a few seasons and has since given some great displays in both hurling and football for St. Patrick's and for Limerick.

Richie O'Connor — The youngest member of the selection, who hails from Mulgrave Street, with South Liberties, and he

came to prominence with Limerick C.B.S. in their successful Dr. Harty Cup run. To the fore with St. Patrick's in juvenile and minor ranks in both codes, he was in the winning of under-21 titles in 1964, 1965 and 1966 and in the latter year also helped St. Patrick's secure the City Junior Football crown.

Noel Phelan — One of a family who has given magnificent service to St. Patrick's, Noel is a long-serving member who helped the club win their last county senior football crown thirteen years ago. He was on the St. Patrick's side beaten by Claughaun in the 1957 county senior hurling final. With U.C.C., in Cork, he won one county senior hurling and two senior football championships, besides figuring with distinction in Fitzgibbon and Sigerson Cup ties.

Freddie Swords — An officer in the Army, Freddie was on the Wexford side that beat Limerick in the All-Ireland minor hurling final of 1963. Last year he helped St. Patrick's secure under-21 city football laurels and would have figured in the city junior triumph only for a turn of duty with the U.N. Forces in Cyprus.

Michael Collopy — Son of a great "Saints" player and selector of the early club days, John Collopy. Michael has been in club colours for city and county juvenile and minor triumphs in both codes, and was again to the fore in the under 21 successes secured by St. Patrick's in the past few years. He has won county colours and was one of the outstanding players in the recent defeat of Askeaton.

Pat O'Doherty — Donegal born and now resident in the other extreme of Ireland—Cork—Pat did all his club hurling and footballing with St. Patrick's and with Limerick C.B.S.

Won Dr. Harty and Dr. Croke Cup renown over a few seasons and was to the fore against De La Salle in the 1964 Munster senior colleges football semi-final. On the Limerick minor hurling and football teams of 1964 he played in the 1965 All-Ireland minor hurling final against Dublin. Pat has been winning trophies with St. Patrick's since 1961, city and county juvenile hurling and football, ditto in minor ranks, ditto in under 21 hurling and city under 21 football medals.

Jimmy Flannery — Comes of great hurling stock, his father and brother, Paddy, figuring with distinction in the Mungret colours. Jimmie first came to notice when winning juvenile and minor hurling championship medals of East and County

was later to figure prominently in Mungret-Creora colours. He won a city junior football medal with St. Patrick's last year, and had an outing in County senior hurling colours.

Joe Connolly — Joe, who hails from Milltown, Co. Galway, was a member of the Old Christians side who won a County senior football title at their first attempt—in their foundation year, 1962. A member of St. Patrick's for the past few seasons, Joe has proved a great clubman.

Larry Cross — Another product of "Saints" juvenile and minor nursery, Larry, after a spell outfield, was entrusted with the all important goalkeeper position on the senior hurling side last season. Captain of the St. Patrick's team that won the city junior football title in 1966 he must also have been top scorer in that campaign, proving particularly effective off placed balls. Has been called to the County colours on a few occasions.

Vincent Phelan — The youngest of a great "Saints" family, Vincent has been through the mill in both codes in juvenile, minor and under-21 ranks and has city and county medals to prove his prowess. He is also a member of the club senior hurling team.

Bobby McNamara — Another of the St. Patrick's lads to graduate from juvenile ranks, Bobby played at right half-back against Ballysteen in the 1964 county senior football final. That same year he won the city under-21 hurling title with St. Patrick's and has since figured on the club senior hurling fifteen. Picked on the Limerick football team, he gave a great display against Tony Fitzgerald in the recent semi-final.

Eric Ryan — The longest serving member of the club, Eric won city and county minor hurling and football medals with St. Patrick's fifteen years ago. He won the senior county football crown with St. Patrick's in 1954 and played at midfield against Ballysteen in the 1964 final. He played for Limerick in both senior codes.

Vivian Cobbe — Another of the dual minor hurling and football city and county winners of 1952, Vivian Cobbe was in the "Saints" county senior football win of two years later, and again figured against Ballysteen in the 1964 decider. The winner of an All-Ireland junior hurling medal with Limerick in 1954, Vivian was on the county senior side the following season and was the chief architect of the Limerick success against Waterford at Cork Athletic Grounds, scoring two goals and three

points on that occasion. He later won a Munster senior medal in the surprise defeat of Clare.

Paddy Cobbe — Grew up with "Saints" through juvenile and minor ranks and was prominent in the great minor hurling era of the 1956 to 1958 period. He captained Limerick in the Munster and All-Ireland minor hurling success of 1958. A club and county player in both codes he played in the 1964 county senior football final against Ballysteen. An Army officer, he has served with the U.N. Forces in Cyprus.

Brian Cobbe — Is another of this famed Gaelic family and although still young his collection of medals is quite formidable—Dr. Harty Cup and All-Ireland trophies with Limerick C.B.S. city and county juvenile and minor souvenirs in both codes; under-21 city and county hurling and under-21 city medals. He also played against Ballysteen in the 1964 final. Scored five goals in the 1965 county under-21 hurling final.

Paddy O'Connor — Figured in the first round this season against Newcastle West, but missed the semi-final, being now engaged in a special study course in the metropolis. The holder of an All-Ireland junior hurling medal won with Limerick in 1957, Paddy helped Claughaun win county senior hurling and senior football medals on two occasions, with the caman in 1957 and 1958, with the big ball in 1955 and 1957. He was centre half-back with "Saints" in the 1964 final against Ballysteen.

Tom O'Brien — A member of a great "Saints" Gaelic family, Tom played in the game against Newcastle West. Tom has been in "Saints" colours through juvenile, minor and under 21 campaigns, and won city and county under 21 hurling honours in 1965, and city under 21 football laurels in 1965 and 1966, and city junior football renown in the latter year.

Tom O'Sullivan — Moved into the picture in juvenile ranks and was on the successful minor teams of 1963, winning city under 21 renown in the same position of centre-half forward last year, and again in junior colours in the city final against Ballybrown.

Tony Cross is a brother of the Captain, Brendan, and like him is a member of the club committee. With the club since his juvenile days, he is particularly prominent as a hurler and won the city under 21 caman title in 1964, figuring in the full forward berth. Last year he was centre half-back on the club side that won the city junior football crown.

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UNDER-21 H.C. SEMI-FINAL

St. Patrick's qualified to meet Patrickswell in the city under-21 hurling championship final when they defeated Treaty Sarsfields 5-9 to 3-3 in a hard-fought and interesting semi-final at C.B.S. Grounds. John Moloney, hero of their shock senior success; Ger O'Brien, Ritchie O'Connor, Tony Keating, Jimmy Kenny and goalkeeper Tom Lynch were the mainstays of a Saints outfit that will be strengthened with the inclusion of Pat Doherty and Tom O'Brien for the final. Treaty Sarsfields were best served by Donal Jackson, who had a storming hour; Sean Fitzgerald, Michael Williams, Michael Buckley and Christy Williams.

3/8/68

Football 27/4/68 title for St. Patrick's

St. Patrick's 6 ... 4-16

St. Mary's (Rathkeale) ... 2-2

This under 21 Limerick football final (1966) opened very well at Bruff on Sunday and gave promise of a rousing finish, but in the second half, St. Patrick's ran riot and had no difficulty in winning by 4 goals and 16 points to 2 goals and 2 points for St. Mary's.

The Rathkeale side opened the scoring with an early point, but St. Patrick's fought back for three points. Then St. Mary's went through for their first goal and followed with a point to lead at the quarter stage by 1 goal and 2 points to 3 points. Once again St. Patrick's came back to level the scoring and go into the lead, but again Rathkeale returned for a goal to take the lead. St. Patrick's were again in the picture and at half time they led by 9 points to 2 goals and 2 points.

St. Patrick's had an early point on the turnover and followed with a goal. They continued to have the upper-hand and led at the threequarter stage by 1 goal and 14 points to 2 goals and 2 points. Even at this stage there was hope that the Rathkeale side would rally and return to their form in the first half, but they faded completely. Poor marking and bad shooting by their forwards were responsible for their collapse in the second half, and St. Patrick's went on to have the easiest of wins.

SCORERS

St. Patrick's, T. O'Brien and M. Collopy (1-4 each), P. O'Brien (0-7), T. O'Sullivan and V. Phelan (1-0 each), and M. Mulcahy (0-1).

St. Mary's—V. White (1-1), J. Fitzgerald (1-0) and J. Young (0-1).

Referee—Mr. M. Tynan, Asst. County Secretary.

TEAM

St. Patrick's — W. Moloney, W. Ryan, B. Hogan, W. Cusack, R. O'Connor, J. Frost, B. Cobbe, M. Collopy, P. O'Brien, J. Moloney, V. Phelan, T. O'Sullivan, M. Mulcahy, S. MacNamara, T. O'Brien.

Co. Senior Hurling Championship

ST. PATRICK'S SURPRISE PATRICKSWELL

By S.M.

St. Patrick's ... 5-8

Patrickswell ... 1-2

Patrick's, rated by many as complete outsiders in the race for senior championship honours, confounded the critics at the Gaelic Grounds yesterday when they trounced a very fancied Patrickswell combination 5-8 to 1-2 in the quarter final of the county senior hurling championship.

Liberties 3-7 to 0-6; while Castle-mahon drew with Oola, 1-5 to 0-8.

WEEK-END SCOREBOARD

County S.H.C.—St. Patrick's, 5-8; Patrickswell, 1-2. Cloughaun, 5-8; Doon, 0-4.

County S.F.C. — Athea, 0-7; Askeaton, 1-1. Treaty-Sarsfields, 3-7; South Liberties, 0-6. Castle-mahon, 1-5; Oola, 0-8.

City M.F.C. semi-final—Treaty Sarsfields, 1-4; St. Brendan's, 0-3. South Limerick M.H. final—Bruff, 5-7; Kilmallock, 4-2.

J.F.C.—Kilmallock, 0-10; Ballylanders, 0-7.

Aug 1968

BORD NA nOG SPOTLIGHT

St. Patrick's and ^{July 1968} Claughau in Hurling Semi-final

St. Patrick's sprang a surprise in the County Senior hurling championship when they beat the holders Patrickswell by 5-8 to 1-2 at the Gaelic Grounds last Sunday.

In the other quarter final Claughau accounted for Doon on the score 5-8 to 0-4.

Another big shock was the defeat of Askeaton by Athea on the score 0-7 to 1-1 in the County Senior football championship.

St. Patrick's were deserving winners in their game against fancied Patrickswell and on this form they will be hard to stop in the championship. From start to finish, they were the masters and on the run of play the "Well" were lucky that they were not beaten by a bigger score. Outstanding for the winners was John Moloney who got through for some well taken scores. Pat Doherty ruled the roost in the centre of the field, while others to play really well were John Frost, Brendan Crosse, Pat O'Brien, Sean Quinlivan, Brian Cobbe and Sean Foley.

On a "Well" team that disappointed their followers, John O'Donnell, Richie Bennis, Liam Shinnors and Tony O'Brien were about the best.

At the interval, the winners led by 2-5 to 1-2.

St. Patrick's: L. Crosse; J. Flannery, T. Crosse, N. Phelan; R. O'Connor, P. O'Brien, J. Frost; P. Doherty, B. Crosse; S. Quinlivan, T. O'Brien, J. Moloney; V. Cobbe, N. Phelan, B. Cobbe. Sub: Flanagan for P. O'Brien.

Patrickswell: L. Enright; L. Shinnors, T. Quaide, G. Bennis; B. Bennis, T. O'Brien, T. Bennis; S. Foley, Peter Bennis; P. Carey, R. Bennis, J. O'Gorman; J. O'Donnell, G. Casey, J. Shields.

Subs: M. Tuohy for L. Enright; F. Nolan for P. Carey S. Casey for J. O'Donnell.

St. Patrick's ^{May 68} 3-8
Monaleen ... 5-1

This game at Killonan produced some excellent passages of hurling and a little fireworks before the city lads got the verdict by a single point. Noel Moynihan, Noel Bridgeman, Eddie Franklin, J. J. Fitzpatrick, Tony McMahon and Sean Ryan were best for Monaleen; while Larry Cross (goal), Brendan Cross, Michael Collopy, Willie Cusack, Vincent Phelan and John Frost hurled with great heart for the winners.



Frankie O'Brien (St. Patrick's).

THIS week we start a great new series — BORD NA n-OG SPOTLIGHT — dealing with the activities of the City Juvenile G.A.A. Board, and the first player to have the spotlight focussed on him is

Frankie O'Brien (St. Patrick's).

Fourteen-year-old Frankie, student at Sexton St. C.B.S., a member of a great Gaelic family. His father, Tommy, played for Limerick and his brothers have helped St. Patrick's in hurling and football. One of these, Pat, a cleric student at St. Patrick's, Kegan, is a member of the Limerick county panel in both senior hurling and football.

Frankie is a former pupil of St. Patrick's N.S., with which he won Olo Cup medals in hurling and Spillane Cup medals in football. He also proved himself worth at athletics and won the All-round Trophy at the School Sports in 1966. His favourite position in hurling and football is the half-forward line.

He would like to see young officials in charge of teams with the older brigade running the administrative side of club. Coaching is another item he would like to see introduced. He feels most teams have pre-match tactics arranged and simply hope for the best on the field of play.

Frankie is son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy O'Brien, Dublin.

G.A.A. PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK 1969



Larry Cross

One of the biggest shocks of the Limerick senior hurling championship for many a day was the defeat of last year's finalists, Adare, by complete outsiders, St. Patrick's, in the first round of the 1969 series at Kilmallock recently.

Adare faced this contest full of confidence following their great win over Patrickswell in the Croom tournament final, but were completely upset by a determined St. Patrick's fifteen.

One of the heroes of St. Patrick's was goalkeeper Larry Cross, who foiled many Adare bids to snatch vital scores. Strange to relate Larry only became a cul-baire in an emergency—that was against Kilmallock—then reigning champions in the first round of the 1964 championship. Previous to that he always operated in the half-forward line and, in fact, got a trial with the Limerick senior selection in that position.

Larry received his earlier education at St. Patrick's N.S. where he also showed his prowess as an athlete, always figuring prominently at the annual schools sports. He joined St. Patrick's at an early age and his trophies won with the club include 1 county minor hurling championship, 1958; city M.F.C., juvenile hurling league, city J.F.C., 1967; Gleeson Cup S.F. and was runner-up in Co. S.H.C. and county S.F.C. in 1967. Larry also won an All-Ireland CIE inter-depot hurling medal with Limerick when they beat Galway in the 1967 final.

He is also a first class footballer and is vice-captain of St. Patrick's senior team this year. He usually lines out at left-half

ministrative side of club affairs also, Larry is assistant Secretary of the club and is also a member of the social committee.

What of St. Patrick's now? I asked Larry recently: "I can assure you," he replied, "that the old spirit is back in the club and with proper training and approach work we will prove a match for the best."

Larry had one crib with the G.A.A. in Limerick and that was with the senior selectors. "A year ago, following a series of trials, three St. Patrick's players—Brendan Cross, Pat Doherty and P. O'Brien—were selected for a league game, but a few days before the game the selectors changed their minds and dropped Brendan Cross. They are quite entitled to drop a player, but surely if a player is good enough for selection why drop him without even a game? Then take the case of John Frost, who has been a member of the panel for more than 15 games and got only a short run against Offaly in a challenge game to prove his worth and has now been discarded. The point I am trying to make is that if a player is considered good enough for the county team he should get at least three or four games to settle down with his team-mates. This has been the policy in Wexford—you get three or four games with the team and you are not taken off, irrespective of how bad you perform—and we all know how successful the Slaneymen have been."

Larry has three sisters, Mrs. Kay Dore, Mrs. Patrick Ryan and Annette, and one brother Sean. He is son of Mr. and Mrs.

G.A.A. PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK 3/5/69

An SOS has gone out for scoring forwards for the Limerick senior hurling team. Our junior football selectors, however, have certainly no worries in this regard because two of the forward sextet ran up the impressive tally of 2-12 between them in Limerick's 2-13 to 0-6 victory over Waterford in the Munster championship game at Limerick Gaelic Grounds on Sunday last.

One was Michael Collopy (St. Patrick's) who raised six white flags from his favourite position of left-half forward. Michael is a player who has proved his worth at hurling and football as his fine array of trophies proves. He began his career at Sexton Street C.B.S. and was prominent on many schools teams. Later he joined St. Patrick's and won the following awards with the club: 2 juvenile football championships (city and county); 1 city juvenile hurling; 1 minor county hurling; 1 minor county football; 1 city M.H.; 1 city M.F.; 2 county under-21 F.C.; 1 county under-21 hurling, and 1 Gleeson Cup.

Michael also reached the county senior final in both codes with "Saints" but failed on each occasion losing the football to Askeaton and the hurling to Patrickswell.

Despite his talent as a hurler it is as a footballer that the genial Collopy has made his mark. As an exponent of the big ball he is a treat to watch.

An excellent fielder, amazing ball control, proficient at the solo run, a prolific scorer and an accurate place-kicker, all combine to make Michael a complete footballer. A dedicated man to train he deplores that many players pay no attention to pre-match fitness, and consequently, the whole team suffers.

"What do you think of the G.A.A.?" I asked Michael in a recent interview.

"The G.A.A. in common with other sporting bodies are feeling the effects of what is often referred to as the affluent society," he told me. "The youth have too many other attractions and clubs are finding it difficult to field full teams. Club allegiance and spirit are also at a low ebb. Perhaps with the introduction of more social activities such as club pavilions and club tours the G.A.A. could recover lost ground."

"But the governing body would want to act now," Michael feels. City clubs are losing most of their young players. Take last Sunday for instance: such great clubs as Treaty Sarsfields, Cloughaun, St. Patrick's could not field minor hurling teams for the first round of the championship. "Who thought we would ever see the day?" he asks.

Michael is son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Collopy, 4 Casement Avenue, Janesboro, and is employed at Danus Clothing Factory.



Patrick Hogan (St. Patrick's).

ST. PATRICK'S caused a major upset last week when they defeated Treaty-Sarsfield 3 goals to 1 goal and 2 points in the Juvenile Hurling Championship. One of the stars of that team was 14-year old Patrick Hogan, who filled the full-back position

with distinction.

Patrick joined St. Patrick's three years ago and, although he is a most loyal club member, he has not won a trophy for his G.A.A. activities. He went close to rectifying this last season when St. Patrick's reached the final in two competitions, but

defeat was their lot on each occasion.

Formerly a student at St. John's N.S., Patrick is now attending Sexton St. C.B.S. He plays hurling and football for St. Patrick's in the under 14, 15 and juvenile grades, and is full-back in both codes. He rates Martin McLoughlin (St. Brendan's) as the best player he has yet encountered.

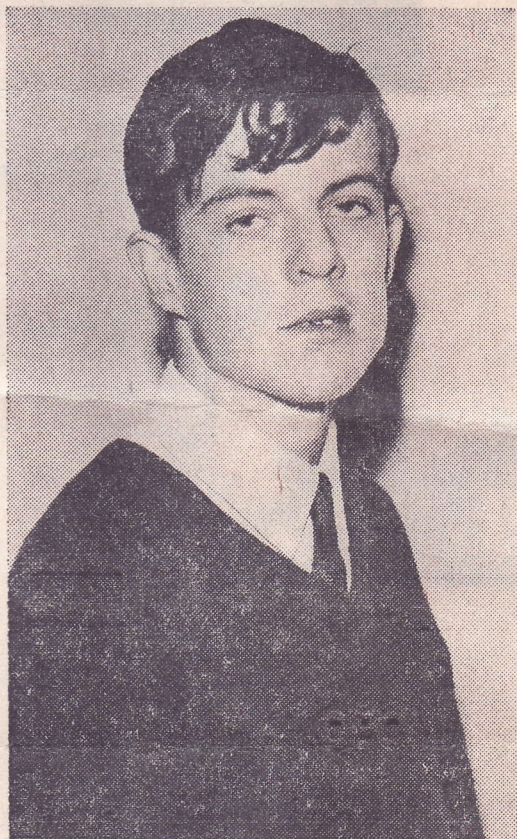
A keen student of Irish music, Patrick plays the accordion and piano, and one of his favourite pastimes is training alsatians. His own dog, Bullet, is now 14 months old.

He believes St. Patrick's have a great chance of winning the city juvenile hurling championship. "We have a powerful under-15 and juvenile team," he told me. "The lads are very enthusiastic, but I think the big danger will be Mungret or Old Christians."

Patrick is son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hogan, Fox's Bow, Limerick. He has two sisters, Maura and Anne, and two brothers, Sean and Michael.

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BORD NA nOG SPOTLIGHT



Denis Fogarty (St. Patrick's).

One of the stars of the St. Patrick's team which defeated Na Piarsaigh, 3-1 to 2-1, in the final of the under-15 hurling league at the Gaelic Grounds recently was Denis Fogarty.

Denis learned his hurling and football at St. Patrick's N.S., where he won under-12 football and under-14 hurling and football medals.

During 1969, he figured prominently in under-15 and 16 competitions and is fast becoming an accomplished midfielder in both codes. His ambition is to see St. Patrick's win both under-16 titles in 1970.

Denis would like to see 13-a-side competitions and thinks it would lead to better games. He would also like to see punctu-

ality in the G.A.A. and deplores the late starting of many games.

He would also like to see stricter referees, especially in under-age competitions because he feels discipline in these grades would teach young players to play the games in the proper spirit.

On the question of the Ban, Denis thinks that if it were removed more young people would play hurling and football; he feels its existence keeps players away from the G.A.A.

Denis is son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fogarty, 31 Well Park, Garryowen. He has three brothers—Patrick (18), Thomas and Liam, 13-year-old twins, and two sisters, Rita (17) and Patricia (7).

SF "SAINTS" WIN

St. Patrick's ... 2-7
Newcastle West ... 2-4

St. Patrick's made it three in a row for city teams at Askeaton, when they overcame Newcastle West 2-7 to 2-4 after leading 1-5 to 1-3 at the interval. Scorers were: M. Collopy (1-3), P. Doyle (1-1), V. Phelan (0-1), J. Connolly (0-2) and J. Moloney (0-1), for St. Patrick's; while N. O'Connor (0-3), M. Nash (2-0) and T. Kelly (0-1) replied for Newcastle West. Best for St. Patrick's were Brendan Cross, John Frost, N. Phelan, Mick Collopy, John Moloney and Joe Connolly, with J. Kelly, D. Sammon, D. Kennedy, N. O'Connor and T. Kelly most in the picture for the West Limerick side.

BORD NA nOG SPOTLIGHT Jan 1970



Gerard Higgins (left) and Paul Mullins (right), stars of the St. Patrick's team which won the under-15 hurling league final by defeating Na Piarsaigh 3-1

BORD NA nOG SPOTLIGHT



GERARD COLLOPY

Twelve-and-a-half year old Gerard Collopy, a pupil at St. Brendan's N.S., is fired with

the ambition of emulating the feats of his uncle, Paddy Collopy, who played in goal for Limerick senior hurlers and won a National League medal in 1947. He was also prominent with St. Patrick's.

Gerard figures as cul-baire in both hurling and football and was one of the stars of the St. Brendan's team which won the Snullane Cup by defeating St. Mary's recently. "It was my greatest sporting thrill to date," Gerard told me this week.

He now looks forward to helping his school win the Olo Cup in hurling.

Gerard's brother, Donie, is also interested in hurling and lines out with St. Brendan's. Both would like to pay tribute to Mr. B. Duggan and his fellow-teachers at St. Brendan's for the wonderful work they are doing for the boys in the promotion of Gaelic games in the Prospect-Weston-Greenfields area.

Gerard lives with his parents at 18 Greenfields. The family returned from England two years ago and his father is employed in the local dent, in C.I.E.

NEWS FROM ST. PATRICK'S

11/4/1970
Through the kindness of the Editor, I hope to bring you every week news about current happenings in St. Patrick's GAA Club.

St. Patrick's

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Regarded by many as one of the most exciting things that has happened in the club for many years, was the establishment at the Annual General Meeting, of a commission to investigate and report on the state of the club.

LIMERICK COLOURS IN TORONTO

John Browne and a dedicated group of Limerick exiles are doing great work for the promotion of Gaelic games in Canada. Less than 12 months ago they founded a hurling and football club in Toronto. They called it Sean Souths, and fielded the players in Limerick colours.

Today they have six teams on the field—Sean Souths, Garryowen, St. Patrick's, Clan na Gael, St. Michael's and St. Vincent's.

They have a team too in Hamilton (Ontario) and in London (Ontario), making eight in all.

Limerick City man John Browne is team trainer, and giving him a hand in Ontario with the good work are Tony Kellegher of Fedamore (secretary), Tom Carey, Athlaccá (president) and Mike Normoyle (treasurer). On the committee are Chris Kirby of Grange (a talented hurler), Michael Murphy of Athlaccá, Brendan Power, who formerly played for South Liberties, and Pat Moloney, Kilmallock.

Other team members of Sean Souths include Simon McNamara, Ardnacrusha (captain); Mick Kelly, O'Callaghans Mills; Paddy Herbert (a cousin of the famous hurling family of Herberts), and a few city lads — Paddy King of Back Clare Street (he played juvenile with St. Patrick's), Christy Kearney of



John Browne is trainer of the newly-formed Sean South's hurling and football team in Toronto.

Kilalee, and Jimmy Cusack of Carey's Road.

In Semi-final

Sean Souths are at present in the semi-final of the hurling league and are doing well also in football.

The first match was played last May, and the organisers are already looking forward to the time when the players can

have a club-house for socials, dances and other community activities.

Sunday matches are now a big occasion for the Irish in Toronto. All the family—parents and children—turn out to the number of from four to six hundred in Lawrence Park. Next year even greater activity is expected.

Anyone wishing to join should contact John Browne, at 47 Cranbrook Avenue, Toronto.

John Browne

John, who is in Canada for the past eleven years, is employed with Messrs. T. Eaton and Company, one of the biggest drapery firms in the world.

He is a life-long member of St. Patrick's, and has played hurling and football with the club. Some teammates of his included Johnny Clohessy, Kevin Hartigan, Paddy Fitzgerald, the O'Connell brothers and the late Tommy O'Brien. He was also active in an administrative capacity, and for a few years before he left for Canada was joint treasurer with Kevin Hartigan of St. Patrick's.

Both he and Kevin helped to acquire for the Limerick club the present very fine playing pitch at the Canal.

John looks forward to receiving the Limerick Leader regularly every week in Toronto. He told me that a visit from a Toronto team to Limerick next year is a possibility.

Oct. 1970

St. Patrick's

It is still championship time in St. Patrick's and last week it was the turn of our juvenile hurlers to go into action. They met Old Christians in the first round and what a match it was! We played with the breeze in the first half and attacked strongly from the start. Denis Fogarty was master at midfield and this ensured that our forwards had a plentiful supply of the ball. However, a stout-hearted CBS defence kept us at bay for a long period, but thanks to the shrewd promptings of centre-forward Frankie O'Brien, we led at half-time by 1-3 to nil.

Our defence was under severe pressure in the second half, but held out until 5 minutes to full time, when the Old Christians forwards at last found a way past Pat Hogan at full-back and Niall Storan in goal, to reduce the lead with a good goal. Almost immediately they repeated the effort and levelled matters. We had a few more narrow escapes, but the final whistle left both sides level on the score: St. Pat's, 1-3; Old Christians, 2-0.

Niall Storan, our under 14 captain of last year, had a fine game in goal, while the solid Pat Hogan never put a foot wrong at full-back. Eugene Keogh had another great game at centre-back and Bobbie McSweeney gave a polished performance at left-half back. Denis Fogarty dominated the midfield exchanges, and Frankie O'Brien was our outstanding forward.

The replay of this game, a date for which has not been decided yet, should be worth seeing. Both sides were short a few regulars in the drawn game, but expect to be at full strength for the replay.

The draw for the senior hurling championship has been made and our opponents in the first round are County champions, Patrickswell. This does not worry us unduly, because we always hurl well against them. Two years ago, we met them in the first round again, and although rated outsiders, we beat them. We do not doubt the ability of the "Well," and we know their worth. Still, we look forward to this encounter.

In the meantime, our senior hurlers will be busy. On tomorrow (Sunday) in the Gaelic Grounds at 2.15 p.m., we meet Cloughaun in the semi-final of

the 1969 Duggan Cup. This match should be a stern test for our hurlers. On the following Wednesday, we have another engagement with Cloughaun, this time in the County S.H. Cup, also at the Gaelic Grounds at 7.30 p.m.

The probable date for our championship game with Patrickswell is June 21st, so that our hurlers have plenty of time to get into proper trim. It is essential that all players turn out in all practice and tournament games from now on.

Our senior hurlers had a few useful outings recently. We played Eire Og at our club field and Old Christians at C.B.S. Grounds. On Sunday night last we travelled to Monaleen, but Fedamore failed to put in an appearance for a County Senior Cup game. Still, we played a useful practice game at the venue.

It may be news to some of our members that we have an active ladies' committee attached to the club at the moment. They are an energetic group and have some ambitious plans. They have started a fund raising campaign, which they hope will be supported by all club members. One of their first ventures is a cabaret show at the Parkway Motel on Monday night next. We hope all club members will attend this function, which should be an enjoyable one.

All members will be glad to hear that Thomas Cross is home from hospital, and is well on the way to recovering again. We look forward to seeing him at club matches again. Thomas has been a staunch member for many years and seldom misses an important game.

Two former club members have died in exile recently. Last week we were all shocked to hear of the sudden death in England of Noel Elliott. Noel, while he did not play himself, was a keen supporter of the club and followed its fortunes with interest. We can recall many a pleasant hour in his company. He was a genial character, who made many a contribution to the after match "sing-songs."

Our sympathy goes to his brother Joe, our former senior hurling centre-half back, and to all his sisters and relatives.

Fast on this sad news we heard that Gerry Browne had died in Canada. Gerry was a member of the club in the early 30's and while not a player, was active behind the scenes during that period.

The Browne family gave great

St. Patrick's

The playing season is now with us and activities have commenced in all grades.

The club senior hurlers followed a victory over Doon in a challenge game with a senior hurling Cup win over South Liberties at Monaleen, a good start certainly.

The senior footballers, short five regulars, lost to Galbally in the senior football cup at Hospital but hope to do better as the competition progresses.

There is not much activity in junior under 21 and minor ranks yet but the younger age groups are very active. The under 14s have won their first round football game against Treaty, mainly due to a brilliant performance by Ger Duggan. They have also beaten Eire Og in their opening under 15 hurling game.

In these grades hopes are high that the team which won last year's under 15 hurling championship for the club will win the juvenile championship this year. The team certainly has top-class performers in Frankie O'Brien, Denis Fogarty, Christy Duggan, Ger Caulfield and Pat Hogan.

This year's under 14 teams also look strong and will be a force to be reckoned with in both codes.

With the lengthening evenings training is getting under way again and it is refreshing to see activity in the field again.

No senior championship draws have been announced yet and we look forward to knowing who our first round opponents will be.

The departure from club colours of Paddy Doherty is a bad blow to the club. Apart from his undoubted ability as a hurler and footballer, he was a great clubman and travelled regularly from Cork to play for the club, and usually at his own expense. For this year, at least, he will play in U.C.C. colours in Cork, and it will be a surprise to many if he does not wear the Cork jersey with distinction, this year. However, Paddy is hopeful that he will be back with St. Patrick's in a year or two.

Galbally, 4-7; St. Patrick's, 1-4

St. Patrick's made the journey to Hospital minus the services of 5 regulars, and consequently proved no match for Galbally in the County S.F. Cup competition.

With wind advantage in the first half "Saints" led 1-4 to 1 goal at the interval, but on the resumption it was one-way traffic, with Galbally completely on top and readily adding to their total. They were well served by Sean Burke, John Hedigan, Michael English, John Sheahan and Davy Burke, while Sean Quinlivan, who scored 3 points, Ritchie O'Connor, Vivian Cobbe, Noel Phelan, Brendan Crosse and Vincent Phelan tried hard for St. Patrick's.

April

St. Patrick's go walking next Sunday 26th. Yes, walking. Not hurling or playing football, but walking, and fifteen mile walk at that.

This fund raising walk has really become the big talking point among the club members and friends. A few rivalries have already built up and there are even a few side bets already. In a certain local hostelry, walking has become the main topic of conversation, and in some cases the shoes and the walking sticks have been selected.

The walk route is as follows: starting point—St. Patrick's School to Pennywell, Cathedral Place, Mulgrave Street, Ballysimon Road, turn left at Killoan Cross, to Annacotty, and back via Dublin Road to St. Patrick's School. Starting time is 11 a.m., and no starters will be allowed after 2 o'clock. There will be check points on the route, and competitors should make sure that their cards are checked and signed.

So many of the members are taking part that we will need plenty help from the not so active members. So, old members and former members, please note, we could use your assistance. Incidentally, a goodly number of ladies are competing, so the males had better assert themselves if they wish to retain their dignity.

On the playing fields, our senior footballers lost to Monaleen, in the senior football cup, at Monaleen, and are still obviously unfit. Our senior hurlers have Treaty as opponents in

the 2nd round of the senior hurling cup, and this should be an entertaining game.

Our senior footballers also lost to Treaty in the Gleeson Cup football league, mainly due to unfitness again.

Our senior hurling selectors have a problem at the moment. Our goalkeeper, Larry Crosse, received a bad hand injury at work, an injury which will keep him out of hurling for some time. However, every cloud has a silver lining and in this case the form displayed by Paul O'Brien as a goalkeeper in recent games has been most encouraging. He gave a fine display in the recent senior hurling game against South Liberties. Our under 14 hurlers won their second round tie against Treaty Sarsfields and are still unbeaten in hurling and football.

In these under-age grades matches are very plentiful and the Juvenile Board are certainly doing a good job. Our under-age teams have games on practically every Monday and Friday nights and the players are turning up well for all games.

All members will be glad to see Paddy Dawson out and about again, after a sojourn in hospital. Paddy has been a member of the club for many years, and was one of the men responsible for the re-forming of the club in 1927. He is a veteran of the War of Independence and has a brave record during this period of oppression. His sons, Frank and Anthony, are well-known club members also.

1971 Under 21 H
St. P. 5-6 B' Brown 5-4
Goal - Pat Hogan, Paul O'Brien
Riam Lawlor c.f. Pat Hogan
John McSweeney, Pat O'Driscoll

St. Patrick's

Perhaps the A.G.M. of St. Patrick's G.A.A. Club on Sunday, 24th January, 1971, will go down in history as being the most dramatic. At the club's previous A.G.M. a commission was appointed to look into the existing state of the club and to make recommendations as to its future. This commission presented a most ambitious report which catered for a new club structure and which recommended that the following projects be undertaken:

- (1)—That a pitch and putt course be established.
- (2)—That a handball alley be built.
- (3)—That a tennis court be built.
- (4)—That a camogie and under age pitch be laid out.
- (5)—That a modern club pavilion be laid out.
- (6)—That a section of the club grounds be set aside for children and be equipped with swings and games, etc.
- (7)—That athletics be added to the club's activities.
- (8)—That efforts be made to involve the local community in their projects.

The club also voted that the following rules in the constitution of the G.A.A. be abolished:

Rule 29. Dealing with the restriction on its members to attend foreign dances.

Rule 27. Dealing with the restriction placed on its members to attend or play foreign games.

Rule 26. This rule restricts members of the British forces from becoming members of the G.A.A.

Those elected to the house committee were:

Honorary Life Presidents—P. Mulcahy, P. Dawson.

President—Very Rev. Father Rea, P.P.

Vice-President—Very Rev. Fr. McNamee, St. Munchin's College.

Chairman—Brendan Cross. Secretary—Dermot Hartigan, Lifford Gardens, Ballinacurra.

Treasurer—P. Quilligan. Asst. Treasurer—Jack Sheahan.

Also elected to the committee were Matt O'Connell, K. Hartigan, T. Hartigan, N. Day.

Team Secretaries: Senior team, Larry Cross. Junior team, Patrick Ryan. Under 21 team, Philip Doyle.

Senior Hurling Selectors: P. Doyle, K. Hartigan, J. Phelan.

Senior Football Selectors: L. Cross, T. Dawson, N. Phelan.

Junior Hurling and Football Selectors: T. Dawson, P. Ryan, P. Doyle.

TEAM CAPTAINS

S.H.—S. Quinlivan; vice-captain, M. Kett.

S.F.—N. Phelan; vice-captain, M. Collopy.

J.H.—S. McGill; vice-captain, J. Doyle.

Under 21 H.—L. Lawlor; vice-captain, B. Kenny.

Under 21 F.—B. Kenny; vice-captain, C. Duggan.

Club Coach—Sean Quinlivan.

27/2/71



The committee of the successful St. Patrick's G.A.A. dress dance at the Parkway Motel. Front row (l. to r.): Dermot Hartigan, Hon. Sec.; Tony Cross (Chairman Social Club); Very Rev. Fr. D. Rea, P.P. (President); Patrick Quilligan (Hon.

M. Kett. Back row (l. to r.): P. Quilligan, Treasurer; J. Phelan, Secretary; L. Cross, Chairman of the Junior Hurling and Football Selectors.



Miss Margaret Linnane of the Ladies' Committee, presenting a cheque for £70 to Patrick Quilligan, Treasurer of St. Patrick's G.A.A. Club in aid of club development. Also included are, l. to r.: Miss Margaret Carey, Mr. Brendan Cross, Chairman, St. Patrick's G.A. Club; Rose McCarthy, Miss Helen McMahon. The presentation took place at the club's annual ... at the Parkway Motor Inn.

City Junior Football Final

13/11/71

ST. PATRICK'S SURVIVE CLAUGHAUN CHALLENGE

St. Patrick's ... 2-6
Claughaun ... 2-4

St. Patrick's, who last held the title in 1966, regained the City Junior Football Championship on Sunday last when they defeated Claughaun 2-6 to 2-4 in the 1971 decider at the Gaelic Grounds.

Played in atrocious weather conditions, this game produced some excellent bouts of football. Aided by the elements in the first half and with Joe Markham deadly accurate off place balls, St. Patrick's led 1-5 to 0-2 at the interval. Claughaun attacked strongly on the resumption but the real turning point came when substitute, 15-year-old Ger Duggan, slammed a goal and point for "Saints." Claughaun, inspired by well-known referee Sean O'Connor, made a great late rally to snatch victory, but a resolute "Saints" defence held firm and they finished deserving winners.

"Saints" strength began in the full-back where Tony Cross, Tony Colbert and John O'Connell were almost unbeatable.

Munster inter-provincial rugby player, Brendan Foley, had a storming hour at centre-back, where his fielding was magnificent. Joe Markham and Christy Duggan were masters of the situation at mid-field, while John McSweeney was

most prominent at the forward division.

Best for Claughaun were Billy O'Gorman, Sean O'Connor, Eric Daly, Billy Galligan and Tony Kennedy.

For the record books, the winning St. Patrick's team lined out: Dermot Lynch, Tony Colbert, Tony Cross, John O'Connell, Gus Doyle, Brendan Foley, Jimmy Flannery, Joe Markham, Christy Duggan, Paudie O'Brien, Brendan Kenny, John McSweeney, George Mulcahy, Jack Byrnes, Jimmy Kenny.

Subs.: O. Delaney for P. O'Brien, S. Duggan for J. Kenny.

St. Patrick's now meet Western champions, Carrickerry, in the county semi-final at Askaton on to-morrow (Sunday).

City Board fixtures

Garryspillane v. South Liberties, at Gaelic Grounds, November 14. Referee J. Moloney or L. Walsh.

1970 under 21 hurling final (replay)—Doon v. Patrickswell, at Gaelic Grounds, November 14, 1.30 p.m.

Junior Hurling Semi-finals:

Caherline v. South will be played on November 21 or 28.

St. Patrick's dress dance

15-1-72

St. Patrick's GAA social committee, who were one of the units of the association to hold a dress dance, will hold their 5th annual such function at the Parkway Motor Inn on Friday, 4th February, with music by Bud Clancy and his Orchestra.

Tickets are available from any member of the committee, and are also on sale at Kevin Hartigan's, William St., and the A1 Bar, Clare Street.

Congratulations to our Question Time team of Sean Quinlivan, Tim Lehane and Jack Sheehan and Roy Galvin, who were successful in the "Scor '72" city finals.

CITY JUNIOR FOOTBALL FINAL

St. Patrick's 2-6, Claughaun 2-4. St. Patrick's last held the title in 1966. For the record books the winning St. Patrick's team lined out: Dermot Lynch, Tony Colbert, Tony Cross, John O'Connell, Gus Doyle, Brendan Foley, Jimmy Flannery, Joe Markham, Christy Duggan, Paudie O'Brien, Brendan Kenny, John McSweeney, George Mulcahy, Jack Byrnes, Jimmy Kenny. Subs.: O. Delaney for P. O'Brien, S. Duggan for J. Kenny.

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St. Patrick's Dinner Dance:

12/2/72

Noel Phelan "Clubman of the Year"



St. Patrick's G.A.A. social committee, who organised the club's 5th successful dress dance recently. Front row, l. to r.—Garry McSweeney, Dermot Hartigan, Very Rev. Fr. D. Rea, P.P.; Jimmy Kenny, Back row, l. to r.: Paddy Quilligan, Treasurer; Brendan Cross, Pat Hinchy, Tony Cross, Larry Cross.

UNDER-16 FOOTBALL



GER DUGGAN
(St. Patrick's)

Gerard Duggan becomes the first player to win a trophy in three age groups by gaining the under-16 football award, having previously won the under-14 and 15 trophies.

Gerard is a great all-rounder and richly deserves the honour bestowed on him. He has represented St. Patrick's in all grades of football and has proved his worth irrespective of the opposition.

A hurler of above average ability, Gerard figured on the Limerick team that played Kilkenny and Cork in inter-city hurling challenge games. A player with a promising future, Gerard's first love was athletics in which he won a few All-Ireland titles.

Bord na nGae-1992

PADDY QUILLIGAN OF ST. PATRICK'S.

The recent award, 'Clubman of the Year' to Paddy Quilligan has been greeted with wide approval throughout the club. This is the first occasion since the inception of the award that it has gone to a non-player and his contribution to the club as an official and under age team manager must have swayed the award decision in his favour.

Paddy, whose playing career was cut short following a series of leg injuries in the mid-sixties had figured prominently with the club in both hurling and football. He played on the successful "Saints" minor teams of the late nineteen fifties and was corner forward on the CBS team beaten in the Harty final of 1960. His team mates on that occasion included Pat Murphy, Bernie Hartigan, Brendan Kel-

leher (now in the U.S.) to mention just a few.

His last appearance in a St. Patrick's jersey was against Ballysteen in senior football at the Gaelic Grounds. Since his forced retirement from the game he has been very active as a club official and has held the post of treasurer for several years. Paddy devotes a great deal of time to the under-age players as he realises full well that the future of the Association rests on those lads' shoulders.

Senior hurling selector, city Board delegate are just two more of his functions within the club, with dedication such as this, who else for Clubman of the Year 1972, but Paddy Quilligan!

(St. Patrick's "Clubman of the Year" - 1972)

BRENDAN CROSS

(St. Patrick's)

There is very little glamour associated with the refereeing of City Board games, the bulk of which are played before very small attendances and very much away from the limelight. For that reason, special honour is due these officials who attend so regularly and faithfully for what is, at least, a thankless task.

Brendan Cross, who captained the St. Patrick's team that played in the 1967 county senior football final, followed on that occasion in worthy footsteps, for his father, Michael Cross, captained Limerick to its first ever junior hurling All-Ireland success, that of 1935, which was, incidentally, the first All-Ireland ever played on foreign soil. The game took place at Catford, London, on 13th September, 1935, and Limerick won, 4-9 to 3-3.

Brendan "grew up" with St. Patrick's via the juvenile and minor grades, and figured in attack on the under 21 hurling sides of 1964 and 1965, emerging top scorer on a few occasions. He won a county minor hurling crown with the club in 1963, and was on the team that won under 21 championships in both hurling and football in the initial year of these competitions—1965; returning to win the football title again the following year. He was a member of the team that contested the 1964 county senior football final with Ballysteen, and later played full back on the county senior football side until a leg injury forced his withdrawal. A member of the intermediate hurling team against Tipperary in 1971, he has also played with the county seniors. He was midfield with Pat Doherty on the St. Patrick's team that beat Patrickswell in the 1968 senior hurling championship.

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Brendan was club capt. against Cloughan
in the 1967 Co. S. F. final

His brother Tony has also figured in St. Pat's Glens



N. O'Brien, Scoil Phadraig
(faoi 11's), hurling team.

15.6.74

City Board "Referee of 1972"

St. Patrick's News

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Club development draw

The club development draw will take place at the Parkway on Tuesday next at 8 p.m., and his Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Kiely, will draw the winning tickets. Information to hand would indicate a very successful draw, and organiser Tomas Hartigan would like to thank all who supported this fund raising project.

On the playing front our under 21 hurlers had a good win over Treaty in the championship; our lads will have to improve considerably if they are to progress further in this competition. J. Lysaght, G. Duggan, J. Walsh, J. Foley and P. O'Neill were to the fore for Saints.

Our under 13 footballers were in action against a very competent St. Mary's team at Healy's Field. The coaching and training the St. Mary's lads receive from the Christian Brothers was very evident and they ran out easy winners. We did, however, have outstanding individual performances from Kim Lynch (goal) and Dermot McNamara (full-back), who stood out in a hard pressed Saint's defence. F. Dawson, P. Barrett and S. Sheedy also played well.

Many travelled to Kilkenny last Sunday for the League semi-final with Tipperary, and among the Limerick supporters was Paddy O'Connell, former secretary of the club, who now resides in Cork and is still keenly interested in G.A.A. affairs.

Let us hope for the re-play that C.I.E. can improve on the facilities that were on offer for the journey to it from Nowlan Park.

Under 21 football, v. Treaty, at Monaleen, April 25, 7 p.m.

Kerryman Cup, junior football, v. Cloughan, club field, April 26, 7 p.m.

Under 21 football semi-final, May 2.

New Ireland Shield, junior hurling, v. Ballybrown, club field, May 3, 7 p.m.

Under 21 hurling semi-final, May 6.

Claughaun fancied, but could be surprised

On tomorrow (Sunday) we take on Claughaun in the senior hurling championship. Claughaun must certainly be favourites to win this game, but experience has taught us that being favourites has never helped us, so we do not mind being the under-dogs. Our team has had some challenge games and should be in good form on Sunday. With experienced players like John Frost, Brendan Crosse and Liam Lawlor to give example to younger players like Joe Markham, Brian Tobin and Pat O'Neill, we have a good blend of youth and experience. If we strike top form on Sunday, Claughaun could be in for a surprise. Incidentally, the time of this game has been changed to 7.30 p.m.

At under age level, Feile na nGael is upon us once more, and we still have problems to solve.

Accommodation has not yet been finalised and we would be glad to hear from club members who could accommodate two boys or even one boy for two nights, i.e. Friday and Saturday, July 19 and 20.

Our under 14 hurlers were badly beaten by Old Christians in the championship. Holidays have begun to take their toll on our team, and we were short several prominent players in this game.

Congratulations to Brendan Crosse on being chosen to referee the Munster senior football final at Killarney on July 14.

A meeting of the club committee will be held on Monday next, July 8, at Gaelic League Hall at 9.15 p.m.

We are glad to see that Matt O'Connell is back in circulation again after a recent spell in hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

LACK OF INTEREST BY SENIOR PLAYERS

Since our Senior Hurling Championship, v. Old Christians, we have had two challenge games, against Bruff and Clonlara. Two things emerge clearly from these games. Firstly, it is encouraging to notice the improvement in some of our younger players. They are obviously benefiting from match practice. Secondly, and not so encouraging, is the lack of interest shown by some of our established players, some of whom did not bother to turn up for these games. It was obvious against Old Christians that these players were badly in need of match practice, and at this stage no-one could blame the selectors if they dropped them from the panel completely.

Our next engagement in the Senior Hurling Championship is against Mungret on Sunday, 9th June. The winners of this game will meet Claughaun in the next round.

In under-age competitions we had some very exciting games recently. In the Juvenile Football Championship against Claughaun we were beaten by a stronger team.

A feature of this game was a brilliant save by our goalkeeper, Ken Lynch, of a penalty shot.

In the Juvenile Hurling Championship we had a most exciting encounter with Treaty which went to extra time, in which Treaty got the vital scores. Our best performer in this game was

Keiran O'Brien, ably assisted by Anthony McNamara.

In under age competitions, we are disturbed by the fact that players of ours have played with other clubs recently. The players are not entirely to blame but the clubs who knowingly play these players cannot expect to escape the consequences.

We have a busy time in under age competitions for the next few weeks, and the fixture list is quite a formidable one. Our younger players will be pleased to hear that the under 13 hurling league is starting soon.

The fixture list is as follows:—
Saturday, June 1st: Under 14 hurling league, v. Patrickswell, at Club Field, 3 o'clock.

Friday, June 7th: U/13 hurling league, v. Monaleen, at Monaleen, 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, June 8th: Under 14 hurling, v. Mungret, at Mungret at 3 o'clock.

Monday, June 10th: Under 14 football championship, v. Na Piarasigh.

Wednesday, June 12th: U/14 hurling, v. Kildimo, at Club Field at 7.30 p.m.

Monday, June 17th: U/13 hurling league, v. Garryowen, at Club Field, 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, June 22nd: U/13 hurling league v. Claughaun, at Claughaun Field, at 3 o'clock.

Saturday, June 29th: U/15 football, v. Treaty Sarsfields, at Club Field, 3 o'clock.

Underage players should take a note of these fixtures.

Promising display by senior footballers

The highlight of last weekend's activities was the fine display by our senior footballers against Na Piarasigh in a challenge game. This game, played in ideal weather conditions on a pitch that was likewise, and both teams responded to the conditions by playing a fine fast, open game of football that saw St. Patrick's run out deserving winners on the score of 2-7 to 1-6. A very pleasing aspect of this game was the fine turnout of players for a Saturday night, which augurs well for us in our forthcoming championship game. Saturday's line-out was as follows: V. Cobbe, G. Clancy, D. Flanagan, G. Doyle, T. Hickey, K. Markham, J. Frost, E. Keogh, D. McCarthy, L. Glynn, B. Foley, P. McGrath, P. Duffy, P. Hartigan, F. O'Brien.

Tomorrow (Sunday), May 25th, at 12 noon, in the Claughaun Field, we again meet N.C.P.E. in our second outing of the Senior Hurling Championship, and this time we will be hoping to go one better. Prior to our last meeting with N.C.P.E. many thought that we would not stand a chance against such a powerfully fit team as the college lads.

However, the determination and skill our lads showed that day proved how wrong the experts were. However, we meet N.C.P.E. tomorrow, knowing that we are capable of beating them, and here's hoping we do just that.

Last weekend we referred to the marvellous win our under 14 hurlers had in their divisional final of the Under 14 League and how they progressed to the semi-finals of the league proper. Well, it is somewhat disappoint-

and strong Monaleen side.

However we can be proud of our lads for their achievements in winning their division, especially when one considers how young they are and that some eleven of the team will be under 14 again next year. Players to shine out against Monaleen were P. Mullins, T. Dawson, N. Paul, R. Simms, R. O'Mahony, P. Sheehan, N. O'Brien. We would also like to mention a word of praise to Bord na nOg for presenting the team with a beautiful set of medals in recognition of their achievement in winning out their division.

We also wish to recognise the effort put in by our own very hard-working officials, namely, P. Quilligan, J. Sheehan, C. O'Sullivan.

It is also very pleasing to record the selection of young Kieran O'Brien in the Limerick city under 16 hurling team to play Galway on tomorrow (Sunday) the 25th, at 12.30 p.m. at Na Piarasigh Grounds.

The line-out against Monaleen was as follows: R. Simms, J. Dawson, P. Mullins, J. Bailey, A. Paul, R. O'Mahony, J. Paul, N. O'Brien, D. Power, J. McNamara, E. Wallace, P. Muldoon, P. Sheehan, M. Paul, T. Moloney. Sub.: S. Higgins.

Forthcoming fixtures are:—

Today (Saturday, 24th)—Under 12 and under 14 hurling, v. Ballybrown, in club field, at 3 and 4 p.m., respectively.

Sunday, 25th—Senior Hurling Championship, St. Patrick's v. N.C.P.E., 12 noon, Claughaun Field.

Training sessions will continue on Tuesday and Wednesday even-



F. Dawson, St. Patrick's u/14 hurling team. He is also a member of the Garryowen Community Games hurling team.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

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Tame exit for senior hurlers

In a rather tame affair our senior hurlers made their exit from the City Senior Hurling Championship at the hands of N.C.P.E. on Sunday last in Claughaun Field. The final score reading 5-9 to 3-7 in favour of the college lads.

The pity of this result was that if we had really tried and if our effort had only been half as good as that against the same opposition earlier in the championship we could have won this game. We took an early lead when Tony Cross scored an opportunist goal after five minutes play and were in fact in front by one point at half-time.

It was in the first ten minutes of the second half that we completely let our grip on this game slip and in fairness to N.C.P.E. they took this opportunity to sow the seed of victory for themselves.

Players who showed their ability to the utmost on Sunday last were Pat O'Neill, Liam Lenehan, John Frost, V. Phelan, B. Tobin, V. Cobbe.

Sunday's line-out was M. Foley, P. Hogan, V. Phelan, P. Duffy, L. Lenehan, D. Tobin, C. Wall, Pat Hartigan, P. O'Neill,

N. Kirwan, B. Tobin, L. Lawlor, V. Cobbe, T. Cross, P. O'Brien, Sub., J. Frost.

On Saturday last our under 12 and under 14 hurlers played host to the juveniles of Ballybrown in two challenge games and the under 12s played remarkably well and deservedly beat Ballybrown. However, the same cannot be said of our under 14 hurlers who slipped back on the form they have been showing recently and were beaten by a strong Ballybrown team.

The under 12 line-out was as follows — A. Malone, B. Cross, J. Bailey, B. Power, J. Power, G. Mullins, G. McNamara, N. O'Brien, J. Murphy, D. McMahon, J. McNamara, L. Fahy, G. Power, A. Tierney, M. McNamara. Subs., J. O'Neill, D. Sheehan and M. Sheehan.

We congratulate young Kieran O'Brien as member of the under 16 Limerick hurling team which beat Galway last Sunday and as usual Kieran played exceptionally well at centre field and we wish him and his colleagues well in their future games.

Forthcoming Fixture:

Wed., 4th June: Under 13 football, St. Patrick's v. St. Mary's, in Pa. Healy's Field at 7.30 p.m.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

Under 12 hurling league final

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On Sunday last at our club grounds, the second semi-final of our internal under 12 juvenile hurling league took place between Park/Rhebogue and Garryowen. The outcome of this game was a rather convincing win for Park/Rhebogue and the way is now clear for the final next Sunday (to-morrow), at 3 p.m. between Dublin Road and Park/Rhebogue.

Players to catch the eye for the winners were D. Ryan, J. Murphy, N. O'Brien, J. Bailey, C. Cregan, G. Power and A. Tierney. Stars for Garryowen were J. O'Neill, R. Simms, D. Phelan, G. McNamara and M. Simms.

Regarding to-morrow's final if you had an hour to spare it might be well worth a visit to

the club grounds at 3.00 p.m. to witness what we hope will be a very exciting climax to an excellent juvenile league.

We congratulate this week Dolores O'Brien of our camogie club, who was a member of the Munster junior camogie team, winners of the Gael-Linn Cup on Sunday last over Ulster at Adare.

As mentioned some weeks back, we are at present running a "Grand 200 Draw" with a top prize of £100. The draw itself will take place on Friday night next at a dance in Doonass.

On to-morrow, Sunday, outside all Masses in St. Patrick's and St. Bridget's, we are holding a church gate collection.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

17/5/75

Great win for U14 hurlers

On Saturday last, at the Gaelic Grounds, our under 14 hurlers had a great win in the final of Division B League. It was an exciting game with the issue in doubt to the very end. Mungret were early into the attack and rocked us with an early goal, a lead which they held until just before half-time, when Martin Faul broke through the Mungret defence to score a valuable point.

Our victory was essentially a team victory and was a reward for training and perseverance. Every player played his part, but we had some great individual performances, especially from P. Mullins who was superb at full back; E. Wallace, who played a captain's part; the tenacious Faul brothers, and P. Sheehan, our best forward, and J. Murphy, who gave a fine display in goal.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

Wednesday, 21st, under 1 football—St. Patrick's v. South in our own field, at 7.30 p.m.

Thursday, 22nd, New Ireland Shield—St. Patrick's v. Ballbrown, in Clarina, at 7.30 p.m.

Friday 23rd, Under 16 Hurling Championship—St. Patrick v. Na Piarasigh, in our own field, at 7.30 p.m.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

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U-16 hurling: Monaleen win thrilling game

In one of the most exciting and close fought under 16 hurling games for quite some time we saw St. Patrick's go under by one single point to Monaleen in the semi-final of the under 16 hurling league played at Monaleen Grounds on Monday evening last, the final score reading 2-2 to 2-1.

The most disappointing after-match feature was that surely such a fine, bold and determined effort deserved a more satisfying result for with one minute of playing time remaining the sides were level and then Monaleen were awarded a seventy which they duly pointed to give them that all important win. Even after Monaleen scoring the winning point our lads made two very quick attacks which regrettably did not bear fruit.

Our lads can feel proud of their display in a game which was essentially a team effort throughout with some very fine individual displays also.

To the winners, Monaleen, we congratulate them and wish them every good luck in the

final St. Patrick's stars on Monday evening last were: B. Doherty, F. Donovan, C. Rainbow, E. Gardiner, E. Phelan, B. Ollstoorn, P. K. O'Brien.

The line-out against Monaleen was: B. O'Doherty, F. Donovan, C. Rainbow, N. O'Shea, E. Gardner, E. Phelan, J. Cronin, B. Ollstoorn, K. McMahon, E. Foley, K. McMahon, K. O'Brien, K. Yelverton, M. Prenderville, P. Mullins. Subs.: E. Wallace, J. Daly.

Regretably, the display of our under 15 footballers on Saturday evening last was not on par with that of the under 16 hurlers and they duly went under to Monaleen rather easily.

Forthcoming fixtures are as follows: Sat., 13-9-75: under 15 football: St. Patrick's v. Old Christians at Rathbane, 6.30, leaving Pennywell 6.00 p.m.

Sunday, 14/9/75: Under 15 hurling: St. Patrick's v. Na Piarasigh at Caherdavin, 12.00 noon. Leaving Pennywell 11.30.

Committee members please note that we have a committee meeting on Monday next at 9.00 p.m. in the Gaelic League Hall.

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St. Patrick's News:

Important club meeting

On Monday night next at 9 o'clock sharp, we hold an open meeting in the Gaelic League Hall, Thomas Street for all persons with an interest in Saint Patrick's GAA Club.

This meeting has been called to discuss certain urgent matters concerning the affairs of the club and we very earnestly request a good response to the meeting.

The last meeting of this sort held was confined to players above and we were very pleased with the response and we are, therefore, more than hopeful that Monday night's meeting will meet with a likewise response.

One area which we would like to see well represented is the parents of the juvenile players.

For fear anyone reading the above considers that this meeting is being called to discuss the juvenile affairs, let us quickly add that it is not.

Forthcoming fixtures: U. 12 league, St. Patrick's v. Garryowen, on Sat., 4/10/75, at Garryowen, at 3 p.m.

U. 12H. league, return game, St. Patrick's v. Garryowen, on Sat., 11/10/75, at St. Patrick's Club Field, at 3 p.m.

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Pride of place this week must surely go to our minor hurlers who won themselves a lot of new admirers in their excellent showing against a very strong and experienced Old Christians team.

The line-out was—Fionn Murphy, Kevin Lynch, Fergus Donovan, Eamonn Phelan, Eugene Gardiner, Ger McMahon, John Cronin, John Lillis, Ger Madigan, Robert Tubridy, Richard Clifford, John Toher, K. Yelverton, John Daly, Fergus Dawson. Subs.: Martin Burns, Ger Browne, Terry Keane, Mick Malone.

We are also very pleased to report an excellent win by our Junior footballers over Treaty Sarsfields in the Kerryman Cup on the final score St. Patrick's 1-8, Treaty Sarsfields 1-6.

We continued our winning sequence with our under 16 hurlers recording a good win over Young Irelands, 4-3 to 1-0.

Players of particular prominence in this game were E. Wallace, P. Mullins, K. McMahon, Tony Moloney, P. B. Doherty.

Successful A.G.M.: 7/2/76

St. Patrick's to retain senior status

It is that time of year again when the GAA do their annual stocktaking and true to form we held our own AGM on Thursday night at the Gaelic League Hall.

It is gratifying to report that we had a good gathering which was very representative of the whole club and it is no secret that this AGM took on special importance as our chairman, J. Sheehan, pointed out in his address that we had come to the crossroads regarding our status as a senior club.

The chairman in his address made special reference to our senior teams, and although he could not report any major success he was very, very pleased to congratulate our juveniles who had such a very excellent season indeed.

Our secretary, V. Cobbe, in a very detailed report, made reference to all our activities throughout 1975. The treasurer's report from P. Gallivan was most detailed and would do justice to any professional organisation.

The main discussion of the meeting surrounded the position of retaining senior status or otherwise and after a very lively debate the overwhelming decision was to definitely stay senior and all those in attendance pledged to make a very special effort this year and make 1976 the year St. Patrick's made their senior come-back to the proud position of former years.

The following members were elected for the coming year: President, Very Rev. Fr. Griffin; vice-presidents, Rev. Fr. McNamee, Mr. James Phelan; chairman, J. Sheehan; vice-chairman, Tony Cross; secretary, V. Cobbe; asst. secs., J. Tomer, D. Flanagan; joint treasurers, P. Quilligan, Matt O'Connell.

Committee: J. Manley, Sam Collopy, E. Keogh, V. Phelan, B. Tobin, L. Cross, W. Quilligan.

P.R.O., Pat Duffy.

Senior H. captain, V. Phelan; vice-captain, D. Flanagan.

Senior F. captain, E. Keogh; vice-captain, K. Markham.

Senior H. selectors: J. Manley, S. O'Connell, W. Quilligan.

Senior F. selectors: B. Tobin, P. Doyle, J. Moloney.

It is very pleasing to report that our senior hurlers began 1976 on a winning note when last Sunday they defeated Pallasgreen in the senior hurling winter league on the score 2-7 to 1-3.

This was an excellent win and proves that Saints in the mood can take on the best and win. The spirit shown by the team when Pallasgreen threw everything they had at them in the last quarter and reduced our margin to two points, was simply great and every player fought as if his life depended on it. Another very pleasing point of this game was how the younger lads like J. O'Neill in goal (what a great game he had), F. Tubridy, Sam Collopy and Micky Mullins, played throughout the hour and this game was tough, and I mean tough, but these young lads may feel very pleased with their efforts. As already said, this was a team effort by lads who were proud to wear the green of St. Patrick's. Well done, lads.

It seems to be all good news this week as we congratulate V. Phelan, our senior hurling captain, and his wife on the recent birth of their first born, a son. Also, C. Cregan, who represented St. Patrick's in the Munster finals of Scor na nOg in recitation, and though defeated, put up an excellent performance.

We congratulate Brendan Foley, who is a member of our senior football team, on gaining his first cap on the Irish international rugby team to play France. We wish Brendan every success and hope he will win many more international caps.

Winter League senior hurling, Sunday, 8th Feb.: St. Patrick's v. Croom at 2.30 p.m. Players and officials will meet at Pennywell at 1.45 p.m.

St. Patrick's News:

Good win over Glin

On Sunday last we travelled to Glin to play the home side in the senior football league and came away very worthy winners. However, we did not have things all our own way, particularly in the last twenty minutes when Glin came from 1-6 to nil down to score 2-2 and leave the minimum of margins between the teams.

Once again our lads showed their new found spirit and held out for a deserved win on the final score, 1-6 for St. Patrick's and 2-2 for Glin.

This was a team effort throughout the hour, but it would be very unfair if we did not acknowledge the tremendous work done by our back line—for it was they who kept us in the game by their never-say-die effort. Scorers: G. Duggan 4 pts., Bro. Middleton 1 goal, N. Kirwan 2 pts.

Turning to our juveniles for a moment it is fair to say that if effort is anything to gauge success by then this year will be even more successful than last year, for there has been a tremendous turnout by the young lads on Sunday mornings for the last four weeks, and no doubt with the encouragement they are receiving from their mentors this effort will continue—and hopefully be well rewarded.

A committee meeting will be held on Monday night next, 23rd February, 1976, at Gaelic League Hall, Thomas Street, Limerick, at 9.00 p.m.

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St. Patrick's News:

Good win for junior footballers

Last Sunday at our own club grounds we commenced our run in the Kerryman Cup with a very decisive win over Southill Stars on the score of 5-8 to 0-1. This was a game in which we held the initiative right from the very start; however, full judgment of last Sunday's team will be reserved until we meet a more testing opposition.

Last Sunday's stars were P. McGrath, C. Duggan, K. O'Brien, Bro. Middleton, D. Flanagan, and N. Kirwin.

Also on Sunday last we began our u/14 internal hurling league. In the first game we had A. Faul's team matching skills against D. Power's team and after some fine and evenly contested hurling, D. Power's won rather easily.

In the second game we had P. Sheehan's team against M. Faul's team and again we had some excellent hurling under very bad rainy conditions. The result was in the favour of M. Faul's side.

On Friday night last in the Ark Tavern, Corbally, we held a supper dance and everybody in attendance agreed it was a most enjoyable social. Our social activities will continue on March the 16th (St. Patrick's Eve) when we hold another supper dance in the Savoy, Bedford Row. Tickets, £1.50 each, may be had by contacting any member of the club.

We offer congratulations this week to our Secretary, Vivian Cobbe, and his wife, on the recent birth of a son. Vivian, as no doubt you all know, is the former Limerick All Ireland and Munster inter-provincial star.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

Tomorrow, Sunday, the 7th, at 11.30 a.m.: U/14 Hurling Internal League at club grounds,

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Our senior hurling team travelled to Fedamore to play the home side in a senior hurling friendly and we had to field without 4/5 regulars. However, despite being short and playing on a bitterly cold and windy afternoon we came away from Fedamore very worthy winners on the score 4-6 St. Patrick's, 3-2 for Fedamore. Stars of the game against Fedamore were Tony Cross at full-back; Micky Mullins, right-half back; Pat Hogan, left half-back; John Moloney, centre-field; Brother Middleton, centre half-forward, and Larry Cross, right half-forward.

Last Sunday afternoon our junior footballers played Claughaun in the second round of the Kerryman Cup, and were defeated by four points.

On Sunday last our juvenile hurlers, under 12s and under 14s travelled to Waterford to play Roanmore. Both games were cancelled due to exceptionally heavy rain all day. However, the disappointment was more than compensated for when the young lads participated in some indoor games and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

We also thank sincerely the mentors of Roanmore club in Waterford for a most enjoyable day and look forward to their return visit to Limerick in the very near future.

Staying with our juveniles we compliment all those who represented St. Patrick's club by marching in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

We had a supper dance on St. Patrick's Eve in the Savoy Restaurant, and same can be described as probably one of the most enjoyable functions ever held by the club, and we are now very much looking forward to our next social function in the Ark Tavern on Saturday night, 1st May next.

Forthcoming fixtures: Tomorrow, Sunday — Internal under 14 hurling league at Club Field, 11.30 a.m.

This week we congratulate Kieran O'Brien and Fergus Dawson on reaching the final of the Dean Ryan hurling cup with Limerick C.B.S.. Kieran also has the honour of being captain of the side, and we wish the team as a whole the best of luck when they play St. Flannan's College, Ennis, in the final in the near future.



Rory Fahy, St. Patrick's U-11 hurling.



Oliver Richardson, St. Patrick's under-11 hurling.

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Our senior hurlers commenced their run in the New Ireland Shield with a convincing win over Young Irelands. Fielding a somewhat under-strength side our young players acquitted themselves very well. Players to show good form were F. Tubridy, Sam Collopy, Vivian Cobbe, Bro. Middleton, Pat Hogan and Ger McMahon.

Our minor hurlers eventually began their championship campaign against Na Piarasigh and recorded an excellent win in a one-sided game. We did, however, see some excellent hurling from lads like Ger Madigan, R. Tubridy, John Toher, E. Phelan, John Lillis and Fergus Donovan.

Sunday morning in Patricks-well was the venue for our u-21 hurling championship encounter against Mungret and though defeated comfortably it was only in the last quarter that the stronger and more experienced Mungret side took control.

Fionn Murphy in goal, Jimmy Walsh, Ger McMahon, K. O'Brien, F. Tubridy and John Lillis were best for "Saints."

Forthcoming fixtures: Mon., 17/5/76, minor h. c/ship at Claughaun Field, 7.30 p.m., St. Patrick's v. Old Christians.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

28/2/76

Footballers show improved form

Our senior footballers continued their winning run on Sunday last when they beat Monaleen by a single point in a very entertaining and keenly fought challenge game. As in our previous game against Glin we started very well but lost concentration just before half time and allowed Monaleen right back into the game with a well taken goal.

Players to shine in this particular game were D. Flanagan, P. O'Neill, J. Frost, B. Tobin, M. Foley, S. Hudson, who played in goal and it was his wonderful save by diving full length in the dying minutes that played a big part in this victory. The final score St. Patrick 2-8, Monaleen 2-7.

On Sunday afternoon the Kerryman Cup begins and our footballers meet Southill Stars

in their first outing at 3 p.m. at our own grounds and needless to say it is most important that we commence with a decisive win.

We are tomorrow (Sun.) commencing our internal under 14 hurling league at 11.30 a.m. and are expecting great things from same.

We would hope to see the parents of the young lads becoming involved and no doubt they would be well rewarded with the enjoyment they would get from such participation with the under age players.

Finally, this week we congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Tim O'Connor on the birth recently of a baby daughter. Tim as you all know is a former star of our senior hurling team of some time back.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

Senior hurlers face confident Mungret

Our main event this week-end is the senior hurling championship game tomorrow (Sunday) at 3.45 p.m. in Kildimo against a very confident Mungret side.

No doubt Mungret are the hot-test of favourites to win this one but who dares to write off a St. Patrick's team in a championship game? Should our players produce the hurling they are capable of we can win this game in Kildimo no matter what record Mungret have built up for themselves recently.

On Sunday evening last our senior footballers went under to Cloughaun.

It was a very rough encounter with little or no football entertainment whatsoever and if both teams concentrated on football the result would have been much more satisfactory from St. Patrick's viewpoint.

Best for "Saints" in this disappointing encounter were: John Frost, Brian Tobin, Ger. and Christy Duggan, Brendan Cross, and Joe Markham.

We salute our juvenile players who fully justified their selection

on the Limerick schools hurling team against Cork last week, which, incidentally, Limerick won by nine points. The players who did St. Patrick's proud were Tony Malone, Colm Cregan, John Murphy and Jim McNamara. Well done, lads!

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St. Patrick's GAA Notes

M. Faul's Team 3-3
John Faul's Team 1-3

The above scoreline is that of our inter-club under 14 hurling league final—and a truly great final it was.

The outcome was in doubt to the very last minute when J. O'Neill scored his side's third goal to clinch the issue. The great success of this inter-club league may be gauged by the attendance at the final of so many players who were not involved in the final itself but who did take part with their respective sides earlier in the league. We surely owe a debt of gratitude to men such as our treasurer, Paddy Quilligan; club chairman, Jack Sheahan, and juvenile official, Christy O'Sullivan, for their continuous work with the young players.

M. Faul's Team — M. Faul (capt.), John O'Neill, D. Ryan, D. McMahon, D. Power, T. Malone, K. Power, J. McNamara, D. Hayes, P. J. Mulligan.

J. Faul's Team — J. Faul (capt.), Ger Mullins, C. McNamara, R. Simms, J. Kelly, S. Downes, R. O'Sullivan, B. Power, T. Mortell, B. Markham, P. Downes, M. Byrnes

● Still on our juveniles, we wish a speedy recovery this week to Colm Cregan and Colm Tierney and hope to see both of them back in action very quickly.

To-morrow afternoon our senior footballers play NCPE in the Championship at the Gaelic Grounds, and we sincerely hope our lads improve 100 per cent on their form against Cloughaun recently.

On Saturday night next (July 3rd), our very active social committee are holding a supper dance in the Savoy Restaurant, Bedford Row, and a great night's entertainment is promised.

Committee members please note that we have a meeting on Monday next at 9.00 p.m. in the Gaelic League Hall.

Fixtures:

St. Patrick's

5/6/76

GAA Notes

It is with regret and disappointment that we report that our senior hurling championship game fixed for Kildimo against Mungret on Sunday last

The reason was simply our disapproval of the venue for such a vital fixture. Our request for a change of venue could easily have been accommodated for ample time was given concerning our objection. However, enough said on this for the time being at least.

On a much more cheerful note, however, we would like to sincerely congratulate our social committee which comprised quite a few of our lady folk, on the highly successful cabaret show run in the Parkway Motel on Friday week. This show, which had an attendance of 400 people, must surely have been one of the most successful social events ever run by the club.

St. Patrick's

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Our u/12 hurlers, having won both 1st round games in the league on a home and away basis, had a very useful friendly try-out last Saturday afternoon against St. Mary's at Pa Healy's Field, and finished worthy winners on the score St. Patrick's 4-5, St. Mary's 2-3.

All club members please note that our social committee are holding a super dance in the Savoy on next Saturday, October 9. Dancing 9 p.m.-1.00 a.m. The aim of our social functions are two-fold; collecting funds which are so necessary for the running of a club nowadays, but probably more important is the gathering together of club members and their friends outside of playing activities.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

To-day (Saturday):

U/12 H. Championship: v. Monaleen, Club Field, 3.00 p.m.

To-morrow (Sunday):

J. Football, Kerryman Cup: v. Commercials, Cloughaun Field, 12 o'clock.

U/15 H. League: v. St. Mary's, at Club Field, 12 o'clock.

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HONOURS DIVIDED WITH ROANMORE

On Saturday last Roanmore G.A.A. Club, Waterford, returned our visit to them earlier in the year when they travelled with two juvenile hurling teams, u/10 and u/11, and as faith would have it the honours were evenly shared.

Roanmore won the u/10 encounter after a very exciting game in which St. Patrick's came storming back after a disastrous start and in the end were somewhat unlucky not to win. The final score read 6-1 to 5-0 in favour of Roanmore.

The u/11 game, however, was much more open, with St. Patrick's ahead from beginning to end and never much doubt about the outcome.

However, the game itself proved very useful indeed as the juvenile selectors are now aware of what talent is at their disposal for next year's u/12 competitions. We would very much like to thank the Roanmore Club for travelling to Limerick last week-end and we sincerely hope to pay a return visit to Waterford early next year. Regarding last Saturday's game we also wish to thank Mr. O'Hagan and Mr. Tierney, both teachers in St. Patrick's, for their very valuable assistance.

The u/11 team lined out: T. Malone, B. Power, J. Bailey, J. Olsthoorn, P. O'Doherty, J. Kelly, G. Power, S. Murphy, B. Gavin, P. McCarthy, A. Tierney, M. Fitzgerald, G. Clancy, D. Phelan, G. McNamara. Subs.: R. Simms, D. Sheehan.

Sunday morning last the good progress of our u/15 hurlers came to an abrupt stop when they were defeated by a very strong and capable St. Mary's side in the u/15 league. However, the u/15s have time to redeem themselves and get back on the winning trail when they meet Treaty-Sarsfields shortly in the same competition.

The line-out against St. Mary's was as follows: J. Faul, J. Bailey, E. Wallace, D. Ryan, A. Moloney, F. Donovan, M. Byrnes, K. McMahon, P. Mullins, D. Power, D. Sheehan, A. Brennan, D. McNamara, M. McNamara, R. Simms.

We are very pleased to report this week the return to full fitness of Tony Cross, who was on the sick list recently, and while we mention sick list we hope it will not be very long until young S. Downes has fully recovered after a recent accident in which he broke his wrist.

On Monday night week next, October 6th, we will be holding an open meeting for all persons interested in the welfare of the club. This meeting will take place in the Gaelic League Hall, Thomas St., at 9 p.m., sharp, and we earnestly request a very full and representative attendance.

in the county final.

10/7/76 St. Patrick's News

On Monday evening our minor hurlers travelled to Rathbane to play Ballybrown in the quarter final of the city championship and came away very worthy winners by 2 pts. This game had everything - hard, first time hurling, together with some stylish hurling from both sides, with Ballybrown leading by 4 pts. at half time.

Our lads showed extra determination and gradually went in front in a very close and exciting second half. Stars of this game were players like John Lillis, Ger McMahon, Robert Tubridy, Kieran O'Brien, Fergus Donovan and Richard Clifford. We now meet Patrickswell in the semi-final on Monday, July 26, at 6.45 p.m., in the Gaelic field, and no doubt, if all the players turn up for training, we will have no need to fear the "Well". The team was: J. Penderville; G. Fitzgerald, F. Donovan, E. Phelan, J. Toher, K. O'Brien, G. McMahon, J. Lillis, R. Clifford, R. Tubridy, G. Madigan, B. Olsthoorn, H. McNamara, J. Daly, and F. Dawson.

Subs.: K. McMahon, K. Yelverton.

● Congratulations this week to young Kieran O'Brien, one of the stars of Limerick's minor success last Sunday, and we wish Kieran every success in the Munster Final against Tipperary.

The story of our under 14 hurlers was, regrettably, not as good as that of our minors, for on Saturday evening last they went under to St. Mary's in the semi-final of the under 14 hurling championship. But nevertheless, they put up a great show considering they were short about six players because of holidays.

Stars on Saturday evening were: T. Mahony, H. Faul, D. Power, J. Faul, J. Murphy, P. J. Faul.

Committee members please note: We have a meeting on Monday next, July 13, at 9.00 p.m.

4/9/76 St. Patrick's News

This week we congratulate our junior camogie club on winning the county junior final recently at Bruff. This was a great achievement for St. Patrick's as they were complete outsiders.

If one girl had to be mentioned above all the rest this would surely be Ann Doyle and this recent victory must have given particular satisfaction to Ann.

The final, played in Bruff against Ballinvreena, finished on the scoreline: St. Pat's, 4-0; Ballinvreena, 3 goals. The final lineup was as follows: K. Walsh, A. Doyle, M. O'Connor, P. Cross, M. McNamara, D. O'Brien (capt.), M. Moloney, P. Hannon, B. Manning, M. Fleming, M. McInerney, M. McInerney, Sub, H. Power.

Staying with our ladies we congratulate members of our social committee for the excellent work done at Plassey Regatta on Sunday last where they provided very welcome light refreshments for patrons and made a fine success of the venture for the club.

The club wishes to thank all business premises, publicans, etc., for allowing cards on their premises for our recent forecast on the Munster Final.

Next committee meeting will be held on Monday week, 13/9/76, at 9 p.m., in the Gaelic League Hall.

Forthcoming fixtures: S.H. Duggan, Cup, Sunday, 19/9/76, St. Patrick's v. Mungret, at 2.30 p.m., club field.

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Two weeks ago we mentioned in this column that our under 14 hurlers had been invited to play in the secondary competition run in conjunction with Feile na Gael in Cork over that same weekend, and it is most pleasing to report that our young lads proved excellent ambassadors for St. Patrick's and, indeed, Limerick, both on and off the field.

Indeed, such was their hurling excellence that it prompted knowing members of at least two Cork clubs to comment that the under-age hurling in Limerick was surely in a very healthy state.

Our first game on Saturday was against Ballyphehane, who were a much more strongly built team throughout the field, but this did not deter our lads, but in fact had the opposite effect and stirred them on to win on the score of 1-3 to 1-0.

They were surely very unlucky to have to play their second game within the space of minutes of leaving the field after their first match, and this showed very much in the first 15 minutes when we went behind 3-2 to no score. However, the second half was a different kettle of fish, and our lads came storming back to score 1-1 and hold the opposition, Erin's Own scoreless in the second period.

As the game finished our lads were still fighting fiercely and had the game completely in control, but the unfortunate first 15 minutes backlog was too great to cut down, and the game finished 3-2 to 1-1 in favour of Erin's Own.

Stars of both games in Cork were T. Moloney, D. Power, P. Sheehan, M. Faul, A. Faul, P. Clifford, N. O'Brien.

To our host club, Ballyphehane, we say a sincere thank you, and hope to meet them again in the not too distant future.

To the Limerick senior and minor hurling teams we say good luck in your quest for Munster Championship honours to-morrow in Cork. St. Patrick's have a particular interest in the minor final as our own Kieran O'Brien will be one of the kingpins in defence.

teams were still at goal each.

28.8.76

St. Patrick's News:

Fine win for u-13 hurlers

Our under 13 juvenile hurlers had the honour of winning the under 13 hurling tournament run in conjunction with the coaching course at Na P'arsaigh Grounds recently. The final was played against Monaleen, with the final score reading in favour of St. Patrick's, 2-11 to 3-1. A feature of this game was some fine hurling from our forwards, who scored no less than on 13 occasions. This final was filmed for re-showing for the benefit of the students of the actual coaching course and, in fact, both teams were able to see the film. Stars of the final for St. Patrick's were T. Malone, G. Mullins, J. O'Neill, N. O'Brien, P. Sheehan and S. Downes.

15/7/78
Under 14 Hurling:

St. Patrick's defend their title

Hurling followers are assured of a thrilling contest when the holders, St. Patrick's play Cloughaun in the final of the city under 14 hurling championship at the Gaelic Grounds on this Friday evening at 7 p.m.

St. Patrick's, led by captain John Murphy, a prolific scorer, and ably assisted by Dermot McMahon, Brendan Gavin, Pat McLoughlin, Andrew Tierney and Noel McManus, will strive hard to retain their crown, but Cloughaun are hot favourites with Pat Galligan, Pat Bulfin, Kevin Kennedy, Liam Godfrey and John Minihan their star performers.

St. Patrick's News:

Minor hurlers fancied

Monday evening next, July 19, is a most important evening for our minor hurlers, for that is the date of the city semi-final fixture v. Patrickswell, at 6.45 p.m. in the Gaelic Grounds. The result of this game has already been decided in some circles in favour of the 'Well, but it is most foolhardy to write off any St. Patrick's side before a ball is struck, and particularly this present minor squad, for they have it in them to overcome the odds.

It would be a great advantage if all those who were in a position to attend would do so, for the minors need your support and encouragement. All players and officials will meet at Pennywell not later than 6.15 p.m.

Recently our under 14 hurlers received a very just reward for some very fine performances, particularly over the past 12 months, when they received a very welcome invitation to take part in the under 14 hurling competition run in conjunction with the Feile na nGael competition proper in Cork over this week-end, Friday to Sunday, 16th to 18th of July, and we wish the young players and their mentors a very enjoyable week-end.

ST. PATRICK'S G.A.A.

22/4/78

First defeat of season for U-16 hurlers

Our unbeaten run in the U-16 hurling league came to an end last week when we were narrowly beaten by St. Mary's on the score 1-1 to 0-2. This was close and exciting stuff all the way, with both sides contesting every ball. Tony Moloney had an outstanding game for "Saints", and was ably supported by J. O'Neill, A. Costello, G. McNamara and T. Healy. I feel confident that this minor setback will have no bearing on our remaining league fixtures, and that victory will ultimately be ours.

CONGRATULATIONS

I'm sure it will not come as a surprise to anyone connected with the club to learn that Ger (Logger) McMahon has been selected to play for the county in the U-21 hurling and football teams. The McMahon family have long and proud associations with the club, and it is fitting that Ger should maintain this tradition. Having watched his progress through the various grades, we feel confident that this new responsibility will rest lightly on his young shoulders and that he will bring honour to his club and county.

U-14 LEAGUE

Our under 14 hurlers play the last game in their section on Friday, when they meet Mungret. A win for us would clinch the issue, so we are hoping their fine form of recent weeks can be maintained. If J. Murphy, A. Tierney, D. McMahon and G. Gavin give their usual sound displays, victory will be ours.

KERRYMAN CUP

Having already accounted for Crecora in this competition, we take on Commercial in the next round. Due to be played this

Thursday evening, April 20, at the club field, the result of this game will be known before many of you read these notes. A "Saints" win would put us in a challenging position for this coveted trophy.

TRAINING — "NOONE" STYLE

There has been a marked increase in the numbers out training since word got out that the lads are being put through their paces by Frank Noone, a physical education student at Thomond College. His coaching techniques are generating great enthusiasm, particularly amongst the younger set, and the fruits of his labours are already in evidence. The club are deeply grateful to this young student for donating his time and energy for the advancement of the sport.

LIBERTIES "SET"

Congratulations to South Liberties set group on winning the final of our set competition at the Parkway Motel. A word of thanks to the other participating groups who helped to make it a success.

VOCAL SUPPORT

While "Saints" would appear to be having one of their most successful seasons so far, the lack of vocal support is greatly in evidence. An encouraging word from the sideline can work wonders, particularly where the younger teams are concerned. So I would ask our supporters to come along to the field and give these young lads the support they deserve. A few hours away from the "goggle box" spent in the fresh air, plus "free" entertainment, could work wonders for you, too.

St. Patrick's G.A.A.

- Our annual dinner dance at the Parkway Motor Inn was an outstanding success.
- The "Clubman of the Year" award once again kindly sponsored by J. J. Kennaally Jewellers was won by Diarmuid Murphy for his dedication to the juveniles.
- He received his trophy from Rev. J. Sadlier, who praised the club for their worthwhile endeavours for the parish, especially the youth.
- Johnny Togher, Mrs. Kitty Hayes and Tony Fitzgerald and several others contributed to a most enjoyable social evening.
- John O'Neill will receive the under 15 Bord na nOg hurling Sports Star award on Wednesday night.
- Our under 12 football league commenced with great enthusiasm on Sunday.

20.2.79

COUNTY U-16 HURLING FINAL:

Thrilling win for St. Patrick's

ST. PATRICK'S 1-7
DOON 1-3

St. Patrick's, who last won a county title 14 years ago in 1965, bridged that gap in scintillating fashion on Sunday last at Bruff when they defeated Doon by four points — 1-7 to 1-3 — in the county juvenile hurling championship final.

It was a superb display of hurling between two sides well versed in the art and skill of the game.

Doon, with five members of the minor side who won the county title the previous week, entered the arena as firm favourites and during the opening minutes seemed destined to uphold that rating.

In the first minute, Richard Quigley raced through from midfield and scored a great point and 30 seconds later Jimmy Kennedy raised another white flag as Doon threatened to run riot against a "Saints" outfit who seemed hesitant and slow to settle down.

Gradually "Saints" got a grip on the situation as John O'Neill began to play inspired hurling at centre-back and Nial O'Brien and Shane Higgins began to assert their superiority in the vital midfield sector.

Elusive Damien O'Callaghan flashed over two points, but the

decisive score was a goal tapped home in the 12th minute by towering full-forward Mick Hanley.

This was the spark that ignited "Saints" and they continued to dominate the exchanges to lead 1-4 to 0-3 at the interval.

"Saints" were completely on top on resuming and had five wides in the opening three minutes as the rain came pouring down. "Saints" were complete masters of the situation and held Doon scoreless until four minutes from time when Richard Quigley tore through to score a picture goal, but all to no avail as "Saints" finished worthy winners of an enthralling contest.

Best of a truly great "Saints" team were Nial O'Brien, John O'Neill, Aidrian Costelloe, Colm Cregan, Peadar Sheahan, Damien O'Callaghan, Shane Higgins and John Murphy, while Richard Quigley, Mick Keogh, Denis Moloney, Ger McGrath,

P. J. Richardson and Phil Ryan were most prominent for Doon.

St. Patrick's Notes

Our junior footballers met newcomers, Lansdowne Rovers, in the J.F.C. at Claughaun Field on Thursday night last.

This was a fine sporting game, with some fine patches of flowing football and well taken scores from both teams. But, for a change, the break of the ball came our way, and with Lansdowne short five of their regulars, we eventually got the upper hand.

Our best player on view was undoubtedly Garret McNamara, who, apart from his two fine goals, gave a tremendous performance throughout.

Our other scorers were Tony Hughes (0-5), and Frank O'Brien (1-1).

This game saw the return of John Dooley at right corner back, and what a solid display he gave. Others to impress were Ger McMahon, Con Collins, Frank O'Brien and Tony Mullins.

We are now through to the semi-final of the city division of the Junior Football Championship.

UNDER-AGE SUCCESSES

Our under 13 hurlers recorded another fine win recently when accounting for Na Piarasigh at Caherdavin on the score 2-3 to 1-0.

Our scorers were: Jim Sheehan (1-0), Michael Kirwan (1-0), Alan O'Brien (0-1), Kevin O'Callaghan (0-1), Paddy Ryan (0-1).

This under 13 team is unbeaten to date, and this recent win secured for them the city division of the Under 13 League.

Our under 15 hurlers had a fine win on Wednesday last at Clarina, where we beat Ballybrown by 3-3 to 1-0.

Best players on view were: John Murphy, Andrew Tierney, Gus McMahon and Dermot McMahon.



St. Patrick's Under-16 Hurling Team, who defeated Doon in the County Final on Sunday last. Top (left to right): A. Tierney, S. Higgins, N. O'Brien, J. Murphy, J. O'Neill, B. Gavin, C. Cregan, M. Hanley, A. Costelloe, D. McMahon, P. McLoughlin. Bottom (left to right): C. Tierney, G. Power, N. McManus, P. Sheahan, D. O'Callaghan, A. Malone, M. Clancy, B. Hedderman, G. McNamara.

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"Saints" Easy Win In Juvenile Football Final

St. Patrick's brought the first County championship to the city this year when they convincingly defeated Caherline at Murroe yesterday by 2-8 to 0-0 in the juvenile football final.

"Saints" fully deserved their victory, for they were much quicker on the ball than the eastern lads and also fielded better and kicked longer. Indeed, the "Saints" side, which surprisingly but deservedly won the city division, includes many promising youngsters with a very good knowledge of the finer points of the Gaelic football code.

In the juvenile hurling final, which was played at Croom yesterday, Broadford foiled Kilmallock's effort to collect their second County title of the season, winning an extremely hard fought game on the score 5-0 to 4-1. The closeness of the scores gives a clear picture of the game, for there was never more than a goal between the sides at any stage.

SHOCK FOR KERRY— DOWN AGAIN!

Before a record attendance, 87,768, Down beat Kerry in yesterday's All-Ireland Senior Football Final at Croke Park by 2-10 to 0-8 to bring the title across the Border for the first time. Down, who won the National League last May, fully merited their shock win



N. O'Brien, St. Patrick's N.S. under 13 hurling team.



John Canty (Sc. Phadraig), who is showing fine scoring form in the Olo Cup.



St. Patrick's, who were beaten by Lansdowne Rovers in the city junior football final

ST. PATRICK'S G.A.A.

County semi-final

OUR UNDER-16 hurlers travel to Bruff this Wednesday evening, where they meet Feenagh-Kilmeedy in the semi-final of the County Championship, at 7 o'clock.

After accounting for Cloughaun in the City Division final, we have been training hard for to-night's encounter, and if our form in recent weeks can be used as a yardstick, then we must be in with a 50-50 chance.

In view of the early start, we will be leaving from outside St. Patrick's Church at 6 o'clock. All the members of the panel are requested to be present well before the departure time.

We will be hoping for plenty of support this evening, so please come along and give these young men the encouragement they need and so richly deserve.

The winners will meet Doon in the county final.

Here's wishing "Bunny" O'Neill and Company the very best of luck!

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

After a 3-weeks rest period, our junior footballers are back in action on Saturday night next, when Lansdowne Rovers provide the opposition in the Junior Football Championship.

With both sides having an unbeaten run in the championship to date, this should prove an interesting and exciting game.

Having been revived this season after a lapse of several years, Lansdowne Rovers, who hail from the Coonagh district, are fast building a reputation for themselves.

I'm sure all Gaels will join me in wishing them every success in the future (except on Saturday night, of course!).

The venue is Cloughaun Field, and starting time is 7.30 p.m.

22/8/79

UNDER-21 HURLING

The real test will come for our under-21 hurlers on Monday night next, when they do battle with Patrickswell in the semi-final of the Under-21 City Division, at the Galic Grounds at 7 o'clock.

We will give them all our support from the side-line, but the whole fifteen must wear the badge of courage if we are to 'sink' the 'Well'.

You can do it, lads!

UNDER-13 HURLING

Our under-13 hurlers will no doubt endeavour to emulate their 'big brothers' when they take on Monaleen at our home ground on Monday night next, at 7.00.

They have been blending together well in recent weeks, and we feel confident they can find the winning combination.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

● A limited number of Membership Cards are still available, and these can be had from our secretary, Vivian Cobbe, or from finance committee members Gus Doyle, Vincent Phelan and Joe Kelly.

City Clubs' Successes In Championships

By 1-4 to nil, St. Patrick's defeated Ahane at the Gaelic Grounds yesterday in the final of the losers' group of the County Senior Football Championship.

It was an easy win, with the final outcome never in doubt.

In the minor football final at Pallaskeenry, Cloughaun beat Shanagolden.

In the East Limerick junior hurling semi-final, Pallas defeated Caherline by two points. The winners meet South Liberties in the final.

St. Patrick's had another success when they easily accounted for Ballybrown in the City Junior hurling semi-final at Patrickswell by 6-2 to 3-3. Kildimo-Pallaskeenry meet St. Patrick's in the decider.

EASY FOR THURLES.

Treaty-Sarsfield were no match for Thurles-Sarsfields in the final of the St. Munchin Church Building Fund tournament at the Gaelic Grounds last evening.

The match was well contested for 30 minutes. Thereafter, the fitter Thurles side assumed mastery to win in a very disappointing finish.

The visitors led by 1-3 to 0-5 at half-time. No further scoring was done by the city team. In the end they were beaten by 6-8 to 0-5.

St. Patrick's News

In a very exciting and close game from beginning to end our under 16 hurlers went under by the minimum of margins to Bruff in the final of the latter's juvenile hurling tournament on Thursday evening of last week. The final score reading: Bruff, 2-2; St. Patrick's, 1-4. It was a great pity that we had to lose this final, for we had ample chances to put the issue beyond doubt and, who knows, but if Lady Luck had just smiled on us once or twice we might have won. Never the less this tournament will have been a great help to the selectors as they look at the games that lie ahead and also to the players themselves as they received an amount of hurling over and above what they might normally expect to receive, and if the players have learned something this tournament will have done more good than can be measured.

However by losing this final we hold the distinction of losing two tournament finals by one point in a period of four days, the second one being the final of the Hospital under 13 hurling tournament on the previous Sunday evening. Players to shine against Bruff were B. Doherty, Kieran O'Brien, E. Phelan, B. Olstoorn, F. Dawson, K. McMahon.

The line-out was as follows: B. Doherty, K. Lynch, C. Rainbow, W. O'Shea, F. Dawson, E. Phelan, J. Cronin, K. O'Brien, B. Olstoorn, K. Yelverton, Kieran McMahon, Ken McMahon, J. Toher, J. Daly, E. Gardiner.

Sub.: P. Mullins.

Forthcoming Fixtures:

Wed., 30th—Under 13 hurling league semi-final: Opposition not yet known.

Committee members please note that we have a meeting on Monday night next at 9 p.m. in the Gaelic League Hall in Thomas Street.

We would like this week to offer our sincere sympathy to the family of Mr. Johnny McCarthy, who died recently. Johnny was a stalwart of the club in days gone by and was in fact a member of the junior hurling team who won out the Limerick junior championship back in 1934. May God grant him eternal rest.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

Under 13 Footballers Show Promise

Our field activities were very much curtailed over the holiday period and in fact the only competitive game was between our under 13 footballers and St. Mary's in the Bord na nOg league played at Pa Healy's Field. The result of this game was a win for St. Mary's on the score of 3-5 to 3-1. However, the team mentors in charge of the under 13 footballers are very pleased with this result as St. Mary's are regarded as the big guns in this competition and no doubt if our under 13 footballers train and concentrate as hard as their under 14 hurling colleagues they will surely attain the same honours.

Players to show outstanding form on Wednesday evening last were A. Faul, T. Moloney, S. Higgins, P. Sheahan, B. Markham, M. Faul, J. Murphy.

The line-out was as follows: A. Faul, J. Faul, J. Power, G. Mullins, D. Power, T. Moloney, C. Purcell, P. Sheahan, S. Hig-

M. Faul, R. Simms, M. McNamara and J. Murphy.

On to-day (Saturday) our under 13 hurlers are taking part in a juvenile hurling tournament in Hospital run by the local club. We have been drawn against Dromin/Athlaca at 2.00 p.m. and wish our young lads every success. The Hospital club are to be congratulated for taking such a keen interest in the affairs of juvenile hurlers.

We wish a speedy recovery to our long standing and hard working official, Matt O'Connell, who was recently hospitalised but glad to say is now out and about again.

Forthcoming Fixtures:

Saturday—Under 14 hurling championship, St. Patrick's v. Monaleen in our own field.

All committee members please note that we have a meeting on Monday night next, June 9, in the Gaelic League Hall,

Thomson St. at 9 p.m. Sharn

Tame exit for senior footballers

On Sunday our senior footballers made their exit from the senior football championship at the hands of county champions Treaty-Sarsfields in the Gaelic Field on the score 1-14 to 1-7. Playing against a very strong wind in the first half, our lads had their work cut out trying to hold off the Treaty forwards knocking up an insurmountable lead and found themselves 10 points behind at half time. On the turn-over it was our turn to a ail of the elements but we did not avail of this opportunity to its maximum.

With about 12 minutes remaining we began to take the initiative and young F. O'Brien slammed in a great opportunist goal which his brother, P. O'Brien laid on for him. This really got our lads moving and within two minutes F. O'Brien was again on the mark but his blistering shot was blocked. Some of the steam went from our lads after this and Treaty came back again for two well taken points against the run of play and ran out well deserved winners.

Stars of last Sunday for St. Patrick's were L. Lawlor, who must surely have been the best player afield, and V. Phelan, who kept a very sound goal throughout; B. Foley, E. Keogh, P. O'Brien, and F. O'Brien.

The line-out was as follows: V. Phelan, T. Hickey, D. Flanagan, G. Doyle, M. Foley, B. Foley, K. Markham, L. Lawlor, E. Keogh, D. McCarthy, P. Tobin, C. Duggan, P. McGrath, P. O'Brien, F. O'Brien. Sub.: N. Kirwan.

Our juvenile playing activities seem to go from strength to strength and on Monday night it was the turn of our U/12 hurlers to chalk up a well deserved win against Ballybrown in a challenge game out in Clarina. No doubt, the good results from all our juvenile team are due mainly from the effort put in by the young lads and if only our seniors would take note they, too, could achieve the same results.

Last Monday's line-out was: P. Malone, G. Gavin, J. Bailey, B. Power, G. Clancy, D. Ryan, G. McNamara, N. O'Brien, S. Higgins, P. Sheahan, J. McNamara, G. Power, J. Murphy, S. Downes, R. Simms. Subs.: D. Shanahan and D. Fahy.

However, our under 14 hurlers had not such luck in the championship game against a very strong Monaleen side on Saturday last and received a rather heavy defeat.

Forthcoming Fixtures:

Wed., 25th June, Under 13 Hurling League: St. Patrick's v. Na Piarsaig in our own field at 7.30 p.m.

All committee members please note that we have a committee meeting on Monday night next at 9.00 p.m. in the Gaelic League Hall in Thomas Street.

St. Patrick's News:

Senior footballers face Treaty

Sunday next, June 15, we meet Treaty Sarsfields in the Gaelic Field at 2.15 p.m. on our second outing of the Senior Football Championship and we will be hoping for better luck than that when we went under to Patrickswell in the first round. With a good display by all concerned something on par with what we produced against Na Piarsaigh in a recent challenge we will, no doubt, be celebrating a good win come Sunday evening next. Players and officials to meet at the Gaelic Field at 2 p.m.

On Saturday last our under-13 hurlers proved too strong for Dromin/Athlaocha in the Hospital juvenile hurling tournament played at Hospital. The win was richly deserved as our lads particularly in the second half played some very fine hurling and they now go through to the semi-final when they meet a strong South Liberties side. We wish them luck as they strive to reach the same amount of success as their under-14 colleagues. Outstanding players on Saturday last were T. Moloney, M. Faul, J. Power, D. Power, T. Malone, P. Sheahan.

The lineout on Saturday last was as follows: T. Malone, J. Power, A. Faul, J. Bailey, D. Ryan, T. Moloney, J. Faul, D. Power, M. Faul, D. McMahon, J. O'Neill, R. Simms, P. Sheahan, J. McNamara, J. Murphy. Subs. A. Tierney and R. O'Sullivan.

Forthcoming Fixtures:

Monday, June 16—under-12 hurling challenge: St. Patrick's v. Ballybrown at Clarina, at 7.30 p.m. (meet at Pennywell at 7 p.m.).

Wednesday, June 18—under-14 football championship: St. Patrick's v. Monaleen, in our own field at 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 19—under-21 football championship: St. Patrick's v. Treaty Sarsfield, in our own field at 7 p.m.

All committee members note that we have a committee meeting on Monday night next, 16th inst. in the Gaelic League Hall, Thomas Street, at 9 p.m.

Under 13 hurlers unlucky at Hospital

Our under-13 hurlers went under to Na Fianna on Sunday night last by the minimum of margins on the score of 3-0 to 2-2 in the final of the Hospital Juvenile Hurling Tournament. This game, which was played in anything but ideal conditions was a real thriller all the way and both teams deserve our congratulations for serving up such exciting fare. However, the result was something of a disappointment to our lads as they had led right up to the last minute when Na Fianna hammered home a goal after a goalmouth struggle and this gave them the lead for the first time in the entire game.

The stars of Sunday night's great effort were: D. Power, T. Moloney, R. Simms, G. Mullins, A. Dawson, L. O'Brien.

The lineout was as follows: R. Simms, D. Ryan, A. Dawson, J. Bailey, S. Downes, P. Moloney, G. Mullins, D. Power, N. O'Brien, J. Faul, A. Faul, J. Murphy, M. McNamara, M. Faul and J. O'Neill.

On Wednesday night of last week the same under-13 hurlers proved much too strong for a Crecora side in the play-off stage of their own division in the league. This win now means that they are through to the semi-final proper. The stars in this game were J. Faul, M. Faul, A. Faul, T. Moloney, G. Mullins.

The lineout was as follows: R. Simms, S. Kelly, A. Faul, J. Bailey, D. Ryan, T. Moloney, G. Mullins, D. Power, N. O'Brien, M. McNamara, J. Faul, J. Murphy, S. Downes, M. Faul, J. O'Neill.

The medals presented by Bord na nOg to our lads on winning out their division were excellent and much appreciated by the players themselves. Our under-16 hurling encounter on Friday night last in the under-16 hurling league with Mungret turned out to be a most disappointing contest as our lads had it all too easy throughout.

Players to catch the eye against Mungret were B. Doherty, K. O'Brien, E. Phelan, J. McMahon, K. Yelverton, F. Donovan. The team lineout was as follows: B. Doherty, K. Lynch, F. Donovan, D. McNamara, J. Cronin, E. Phelan, K. McMahon, K. O'Brien, M. Yelverton, D. Power, K. McMahon, M. Malone, J. Toher, J. Daly and P. Mullins.

Forthcoming fixtures:

Wednesday, 23: Under-12 hurling challenge—St. Patrick's v. Mungret in our own field, at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, 25th: Under-12 hurling challenge—St. Patrick's v. Patrickswell, at Patrickswell, at 7.30 p.m.

St. Patrick's News

Training has started in the Community Hall, St. Bridget's Church, St. Patrick's Road, on Tuesday nights at 7.30 p.m. All players, seniors, under 21 and minors, are asked to make a special effort to attend.

A dance will be held in Doonass on Sunday, March 17 (St. Patrick's Night), tickets can be obtained from Brendan Cross and Jack Hanley. Tickets will also be sold at the hall door.

The next meeting of the club committee will take place next Monday night at 9 o'clock in the Gaelic League Hall.

The club extends their deepest sympathy to Dom McGrath on the recent death of his brother, Patrick.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

All set for county Under 14 final

On to-morrow (Wednesday) evening in Bruff at 7 p.m. sharp our u/14 hurlers will be making history by representing St. Patrick's in their 1st ever u/14 hurling county final against Doon, who have already this year won the u/16 hurling county final.

However, our lads will certainly not be put off by being classed underdogs for in each of their games so far they had the same classification only in the end to make a mockery of the form book. Who, for instance, except their team mentors, would have considered them good enough to beat St. Mary's and Old Christians, both of whom have been the king pins of underage hurling in the city over the last few years and then in the city final against old rivals Claughaun they would surely falter at this hurdle was the opinion of the experts, but as we all know, they came through this final in classic fashion to win by a goal. They finished with only 14 players and survived what can only be described as a storm by Claughaun in the last five minutes, and

so brought great honour to St. Patrick's for this was the first under 14 hurling city final won by the club.

In the county semi-final they defeated Adare at Askeaton after a rather sluggish start. They eventually came good and won comfortably on the score 4-3 to 3 pts.

When one looks back over the team as a whole since October, 1974, one will realise they have been playing together successfully without actually hitting the headlines. They have achieved quite a lot: for instance, eleven of the team have represented St. Patrick's School in inter-schools competitions and won the junior competition and were very unfortunate not to win the senior competition.

However, the seeds of this present success were laid over the past three years by men like Pat Quilligan, Christy O'Sullivan and club chairman, Jack Sheehan, who have more recently been joined by, and received invaluable assistance from, Dermot Murphy.

They have been running on Sunday mornings inter-club leagues and it was through these leagues they were able to point out to the players their faults and together work on them and the result of this very tedious and delicate work is to-morrow's county final appearance. Surely, if ever a team deserved success for effort and determination, this St. Patrick's team does, and we sincerely wish them every good luck. They can feel very proud of themselves, win, lose or draw, for they have brought great honour to St. Patrick's club. Here then is the selection the selectors will be choosing from for tomorrow evening's final: Ger Mullins, Anthony Malone, Pat McLoughlin, Roger Simms, Niall O'Brien, Ger Clancy, Brian Power, John Bailey, A. Costelloe, B. Gavin, John O'Neill, Ger Power, Shane Higgins, Colm Cregan, Andrew Tierney, Dermot McMahon, Donald Phelan, Peadar Sheehan, John Murphy, Colm Tierney, Brendan Hedderman, Pat Madigan, Noel McManus.

All players please note: the team will be leaving St. Patrick's Church at 6.15 p.m. sharp.

Under-21 football



LIAM LAWLOR
(St. Patrick's)

Liam is a son of Willie Lawlor, who was very prominent in G.A.A. activities during the formative years of the City Board, and who was a very popular and efficient referee over many seasons.

As a member of a religious order, Liam was missing from the playing fields for some years but when he returned to the games a few seasons ago he made an immediate impact, and so quickly made a name for himself with his club that he was called to the county colours in both codes.

He is a lad of very great promise of whom we should soon and see a lot in the

Gaelic Footballer Cum Golfer Extraordinaire



JOE Connelly (Pictured above) the popular Galwayman figured prominently with St. Patrick's senior football team in the mid 1960's. This talented Limerick based detective has now turned his sporting attentions to golf and proof of his versatility was seen in his fine victory in the Tir Connell Cup (1981) at Castletroy Golf Club.

LOOKING FORWARD

There is one man in Limerick eagerly waiting the arrival of American hurling and football teams for the St. Brendan Cup games. He is 74 years old Mr. John Madden of the Canal, Limerick, who spent eleven years in the United States. Mr. Madden, who is better known to his friends as "Jack," organised the New York hurling team way back in 1912 and captained the all-star team of New York and Pennsylvania in 1914. He played with Limerick in the All Ireland final of 1910, which Limerick should have won by 29 points to 21. This was known as "the disputed final," as Limerick had three goals disallowed and thus lost to Wexford. That momentous game was played at Jones Road—now known as Croke Park. Jack has been back in his native Limerick for 25 years. He is still as interested in hurling as he was in his playing days.

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Our playing season has really begun in earnest, with a spate of fixtures being played off over the past fortnight. We achieved an almost 100 per cent success rate, which augurs well for the future.

The following is a brief resume of the action:

Sunday, March 16, U-14 F., v. Old Christians - This was a tremendous performance against last year's champions, with Saints just shading the issue on the Score 4-2 to 4-0. We saw a truly great performance from newcomers Ger Costello and Michael O'Connell, well supported by Kevin O'Callaghan and Alan O'Brien.

Wednesday, March 19, U-16 H., v. Monaleen - Played in adverse weather conditions, this was a game of missed chances, with the bitter east wind stunting the marksmanship of our otherwise reliable sharp-shooters. The game ended in a draw, 1-1 each. We had good performances from Johnny Healy, John Murphy, Dermot McMahon and Damian O'Callaghan.

Thursday, March 20, J.F., Kerryman Cup, v. Crecora - A lack of match fitness was greatly in evidence in this our first fixture for the junior footballers. We had a fine brace of points from Ger McMahon in the opening minutes, and we seemed to be in control of matters in the opening quarter. However, we soon lost the momentum and found ourselves struggling. Half time saw the score tied at 0-3 to 1-0. The second half was a see-saw affair, with the scores being swapped one for another. The best score of the evening was our match winner, and this came from the boot of Johnny Togher, who left the Crecora keeper helpless with a powerful blast to the net to leave the final score 1-7 to 1-4. We had good performances from Con Collins, John Doody, Tom Fogarty, Michael Pond and Dermot Flanagan.

Saturday, March 22, S.H. Duggan Cup, v. Na Piarasigh - A greatly improved performance by our senior hurlers secured the

laurels in this fine entertaining encounter. We will be hoping for more of the same in the weeks ahead. We had good performances from John Cronin, Pat Duffy, Con Collins, Tony Moloney and Michael Nolan.

Friday, March 21, U-14 H., v. Cloughaun - It was excitement all the way in this one, due in no small measure to the closeness of the score. The issue was in doubt up to the final whistle, but Cloughaun finally clinched by the odd goal, 5-2 to 4-2. We witnessed an outstanding display from Ger Costello, ably assisted by Kevin O'Callaghan, John Kidney, Alan O'Brien, Jim Sheehan and James Broderick.

Sunday, March 16, Minor H., v. St. Mary's - This was a fine performance by a very young team, which included many of last year's U-16 Championship winning side. A feature of the game was the brilliant performance of Adrian Costello. The final score was 6-2 to 3-3. Others to shine were B. Gavin, the Faul brothers, John O'Neill, John Murphy and Shane Higgins.

Monday, March 24, U-14 F., v. Na Piarasigh - This was a good win over a fancied opposition, with Saints displaying strength in all quarters. The final score: 2-5 to 1-2.

FIXTURES

Wednesday, March 26 - U-16 H. v. Cloughaun, at Club Field, 6.30.

Thursday, March 27 - Kerryman Cup, J.F., v. Monaleen, at Monaleen, 6.30.

Friday, March 28 - U-14 H. v. Balylbrown, at Clarina, 6.30.

Monday, March 31 - U-14 F. v. Cloughaun, at Cloughaun Field, 6.30.

DANCE

We are holding a dance on Easter Sunday night at the Parkway Motel. Music by the Rebound. Tickets, at £1.50, can be purchased from any of the committee.

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With another successful season behind us, both on and off the playing fields, we look forward to the coming season with great enthusiasm.

Our Annual General Meeting takes place on Thursday, January 24, in St. Patrick's School, at 7.30 p.m. All members and intending members are urged to come along.

The Parkway is the venue for our Annual Dinner Dance, fixed for Friday, February 15. Tickets, at £6.50, can be purchased from committee members. Music is by the ever popular Garryowen Sound.

The 300 Draw winners will be known on Friday night next at the Gaelic League Hall, at 9.00 p.m. First prize £100, second prize £50. This draw has been a great success, and consideration is being given to running it on a monthly basis.

Our under-13 players had a highly enjoyable social at St. John's Pavilion recently.

We are in the process of arranging two under-age fixtures in Balylheigue, Co. Kerry, in the near future.

A Disco for our under-16s will be finalised presently.

Heartiest congratulations to Michael Paul on his recent marriage to the delectable Miss Ann Beecher.

I take this opportunity to wish all club members and supporters a happy and prosperous New year.

St. Patrick's G.A.A. Notes

Our senior hurlers got our playing season off the ground when they met Mungret in the first round of the Duggan Cup, played in Mungret.

The sides were equally matched in the first half, with points being exchanged to the half time whistle. Mungret's superior fitness saw them gain the upper hand in the second half, and they ran out easy winners.

The resumption of Sunday morning training (11.30) should see our senior hurlers in better shape for the next round, when our opponents will be Na Piarasigh.

UNDER-AGE SEASON

Next Sunday sees the start of our under-age season, when our under-14 footballers meet Old Christians in the U-14 Football League. The venue is St. Patrick's Field, and kick-off is 12 o'clock.

Our under-16 and under-14 hurlers were both successful in recent challenge matches against Parteen, and we will be hoping our under-14 footballers can continue in this winning vein.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Our junior footballers are reminded that their season starts on Thursday, March 20, when they meet Crecora in the first round of the Kerryman Cup competition, which we have won for the past two years. The venue is St. Patrick's Field, and kick-off is at 7 o'clock.

DANCE

We are holding a dance at the Parkway Motel on Saturday night next, March 15. Dancing from 9-1, with music by Rebound. Bar facilities available.

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St Patrick's

Our U-21 hurlers had an impressive win over Mungret last weekend on the scoreline of 2-9 to 2-3 in the second round of the league. The team lined out as follows: T. Malone, A. Faul, A. Costelloe, P. Mullins, G. Butler, J. O'Neill, M. McInerney, D. Power, N. O'Brien, N. Nash, G. Morgan, S. Higgins, P. Sheehan, M. Faul, T. Nash. Best for Saint's were G. Butler, D. Power, A. Costelloe, J. O'Neill and G. Morgan.

Our senior hurlers notched their third consecutive win of the season. Pearse Farrell has injected new spirit into our senior team and it is very encouraging indeed to remain on the winning trail and stay unbeaten this year. They defeated Na Piarasigh on the scoreline of 3-7 to 1-12 at the club field on Saturday afternoon.

The U-14 hurling league commenced last weekend also. Lansdowne Rovers were the opposition, but proved no match for the powerful display from our lads. They ran up a very high score and this is a good start for our under-age teams for the forthcoming campaigns.

On Tuesday night our junior footballers opened their Kerryman Cup campaign and heavily defeated a young Commercial side on the scoreline of 6-10 to 1-0. The game took place at the club field and a good turnout was recorded.

Fixtures

The following fixtures will take place during the coming week:—

Saturday, April 3: Minor football league versus Mungret at Mungret. The match timed to start at 6.45.

Sunday, April 4: U-21 hurling championship versus Ballybrown at Claughaun Field. The game is to commence at 3.00.

Monday, April 5: First round of U-14 football league versus Monaleen at Monaleen. The game is timed for 6.45. All players meet at St. Patrick's Church at 6.15.

Thursday, April 8: Kerryman Cup junior football league versus Lansdowne Rovers at 6.45 in club field.

Thursday, April 1: Tonight our senior hurlers play their first competitive game of the year. The opposition are Treaty Sarsfield and the competition is the Duggan Cup senior hurling. The game is on at 6.45 kn the club field.

All players are asked to attend their fixtures on time.

A day trip has been organised for our U-12 and U-14 footballers this Saturday. They travel to Listowel and all players are asked to meet at 11.15 at St. Patrick's Church. Both teams will play challenge matches and the day promises to be very entertaining. Dermot Murphy organised this particular outing and the fare for the occasion is only £1.50. This includes travel and a meal.

A dance has been arranged for Easter Sunday night and admission is strictly confined to ticket holders. Tickets can now be obtained from Jack Sheehan or any other committee member. The dance takes place from 9-1 p.m.

Fixture: Wednesday, April 7 — U-16 hurling league versus Na Piarasigh at Caherdavin, 6.45.

Training takes place this Saturday morning for final preparations for the U-21 hurling championship game against Ballybrown on Sunday. Senior training will also take place. Both sessions commence at 11 o'clock sharp.

We wish a speedy recovery to our U-12 hurler and footballer, Mark Hackett, who is still in hospital after a recent accident.

Damien O'Callaghan has been picked to play for the Limerick minor hurling team in a challenge game against Tipperary on this Saturday at the Gaelic Grounds at 4.30.

Our club walk takes place on **Monday, April 12** All



St. Patrick's juvenile hurling team, 1951. Standing (left to right): Noel Elliott (R.I.P.), P. Fitzpatrick, G. Dean, V. Roberts, P. Phelan, R. Clarke, T. McCarthy, J. Clarke, P. Naughton, E. Sexton, P. Neville. Front row: J. Gavin (Wobblers), J. Moloney, J. Phelan, J. Elliott (capt.), E. Rochford, F. Dawson, P. Cunneen, P. Cross.

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St. Patrick's G.A.A. Notes

Our recently held A.G.M. at St. Patrick's School was well attended, resulting in lively and interesting debate on all topics.

Opening proceedings, chairman, Mr. J. Sheehan, welcomed all present. He congratulated our under 16 and 15 hurlers on their successes, making special mention of the tremendous work being done by the mentors in these grades.

The junior footballers were congratulated on the retention of the Kerryman Cup, and on reaching the county J.F.C. semi-final.

In conclusion, he expressed the hope that the incoming committee would implement the plans for the development of the field.

Mr. J. Phelan, life president, and Mr. John Brown, vice-president, then addressed the meeting.

After the secretary's and treasurer's reports had been adopted, the election of officers and committee took place, resulting as follows: life presidents, Fr. G. McNamee, Mr. P. Troy, Mr. J. Phelan; president, Fr. J. Sadlier, P.P.; vice-presidents, Mr. J. Brown, Col T. Hartigan; chairman, Mr. J. Sheehan, vice-chairman, Mr. J. Manley; secretary, V. Cobbe; assistant secretaries, P. Duffy, D. Murphy; joint treasurers, P. Quilligan, P. Duffy; P.R.O., J. Kelly.

Committee: W. Quilligan, M. O'Connell, B. Tobin, G. McMahon, J. Daly, J. Togher, G. Doyle, E. Banks, D. Flanagan, K. O'Sullivan.

Finance committee: G. Doyle, V. Phelan, J. Daly, J. Kelly.

Field committee: P. Doyle, S. O'Connell, C. O'Sullivan, J. Doody.

S.H. selectors: P. Duffy, W. Quilligan, L. Cross, C. Collins, K. O'Brien. J.F. selectors: P. Doyle, J. Sheehan, W. Quilligan, V. Phelan, G. McMahon. U-21 H. & F. selectors: W. Quilligan, P. Duffy, P. Quilligan, J. Daly.

Captains and vice-captains: S.H., G. McMahon and K. O'Brien; J.F., G. Ryan and G. McMahon; U-21 H., K. O'Brien and J. Togher; U-21 F., J. Togher and A. Hughes.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Our Annual Dinner Dance takes place on Friday night next at the Parkway Motel. Dinner will be at 8.30 sharp. There are still a limited number of tickets available, and these can be purchased from Mr. J. Sheehan, "Dún Phadraig", Upper Clare Street. Tel. 45740.

● The Kerryman Cup trophies will be presented at the dance.

20-2-81 St. Patrick's

Our Annual Dinner Dance took place at the Parkway Motel last Friday night. It was a great success and very well attended. At the function the newly appointed Chairman, Paddy Quilligan thanked his predecessor, Jack Sheehan for his dedicated service to the club over the past, few decades. Others to speak at the function were Fr. McNamee, Mr. Ger Tierney (St. Patrick's B.N.S.), and Anthony McGann (Bord na nOg).

The "Clubman of the Year" award for 1981 was presented to Johnny Togher. He was highly praised for his keen interest, dedicated work, and his sportsmanship both on and off the field. The trophy was donated by J. J. Kenneally.

The Club was well represented at both minor and Under 21 city hurling trials over the weekend. 10 players were involved in these particular outings.

Adrian Costelloe, John O'Neill and John Murphy helped the city Under 21 hurling team to victory over the South at Clarina on Sunday last.

Training resumes this Saturday morning at 11 o'clock for the Under 21's and minors. All players are advised to attend. All juveniles and under age players should attend the field for their training session's on Sunday mornings at 12 noon.



St. Patrick's G.A.A. Clubman of the Year, Mr. Joe Kelly (left), is presented with his award by Mr. Jack Sheehan (right), chairman. Also in the photograph is Mrs. Joe Kelly.

Picture: OWEN SOUTH



ST. PATRICK'S— COUNTY CHAMPS

29.7.82

ST. PATRICK'S..... 4-2
CASTLEMAHON..... 3-2

ST. PATRICK'S maintained city supremacy in the under 12 football championship when they scored a goal win over Castlemahon in the 1982 final at Kilmallock on Thursday evening last.

The game produced delightful football with the spectators enjoying every moment of a thrilling decider. St. Patrick's just about deserved to lift the title but nobody would have complained if Castlemahon had snatched the equaliser in those exciting last minutes.

PACEMAKERS

Castlemahon were the early pacemakers and built up a 1-1 lead inside eight minutes with Christy Phillips and Joe Quaid obliging with well taken scores.

Defensive errors allowed St. Patrick's to take the lead in the second quarter. Michael Kerley and Dermot Kiely had goals and Martin Forde added a point to put the city boys ahead, 2-2 to 1-1 at the break.

On resuming, St. Patrick's continued to dominate and were well on top at the threequarter stage.

Castlemahon rallied inside the last eight minutes and narrowed the deficit to a single goal.

John Clancy, Joe Hoare, Martin Forde, Tony O'Brien, Martin Hackett and Michael Kerley starred for the winners. Conor Murphy, Donie Sullivan, Pat Gilbourne, Joe Quaid, Christy Phillips and Pat Quaid were best for the losers.

TEAMS

St. Patrick's—J. Clancy; B. McMahon, H. Caulfield, D. McMahon; F. Flannery, T. Downes, J. Hoare; M. Forde, M. Lynch; A. O'Brien, M. Hackett, M. Kerley, G. Finan, D. Kiely, R. Hanlon. Sub. D. Tucker.

Castlemahon—J. Barry; E. Doody, C. Murphy, S. Hurley; J. O'Connor, D. Sullivan, B. O'Brien; J. Kenny, P. Quaid; S. O'Keeffe, P. Gilbourne, J. Quaid; P. Riordan, C. Phillips, L. Lynch.

Referee: B. Ryan (Banogue).

Club G.A.A.: 22/5/82

St. Patrick's

Our under 16 footballers played St. Mary's in the championship last week. We played some fine football in patches but in the end we had to admit defeat to a better St. Mary's team on the night. The losing margin was in fact 4 points. Best for "Saints" were Kevin O'Callaghan, John Kidney and Michael Kirwin.

Senior captain, Pearse Farrell had a personal victory last week. He was in fact team manager and trainer of the Laurel Hill camogie team who won the Limerick schools division two league final. Well done Pearse.

Last Friday night the under 12 hurlers played their first round game of the championship. The opposition were Monaleen, but "Saints" were the stronger team and ran out convincing winners with the scoreline 2-5 to 0-4.



COUNTY UNDER 12 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS 1982

The St. Patricks team who defeated Castlemahon in the 1982 County Under 12 Football Final.
BACK ROW (L. to R.): Raymond O'Hanlon, Joseph O'Shea, Martin Forde, Mark Hackett, Declan Tucker, Michael Kerley, Tom Downes, David Kiely, John Clancy, Jimmy Quilligan, Michael Lynch, Declan McMahon, Tony O'Brien.
CENTRE ROW: Joseph Hoare, Barry McMahon, Jason Egan, Darren O'Mahon, Albert Finnan, JJ, JJ, JJ, JJ

ST. PATS RETAIN COUNTY C'SHIP

St. Patrick's 1-3
Croom 1-2

ST. PATRICK'S retained the county under 12 football championship at Askeaton, on Thursday last, when scoring a one-point win over Croom.

It was an exciting decider with a high quota of fast and open football.

Croom built up an early lead and were 1-1 to 0-0 ahead after six minutes. Three points in the second quarter by the defending champions, left only a point between the sides at the break.

Michael Kerley put St. Patrick's ahead for the first time, with an early second half goal.

Croom mounted continuous pressure for the greater part of the second half and, with a little luck, could have overtaken the leaders.

Myles Halpin at right-half back for "Saints" gave an outstanding performance. His tenacious play and long clearances took a lot of the danger out of the many Croom attacks.

Others to star for the winners were Michael Kerley, Declan Tucker, Tom Collopy, Barry McMahon, Ray O'Hanlon and Freddie Flannery.

Eamon O'Shea and Willie O'Reilly were best for a Croom side who deserved more for their efforts. Others to impress: Willie Madden, Aidan Mangan, Denis Sheeran, R. Begley and F. Nolan.

Scorers

St. Patrick's: M. Kerley, 1-1; B. McMahon, 0-1; D. McNamara, 0-1.

Croom: E. O'Shea, 1-0; D. Sheeran, 0-1; W. O'Reilly, 0-1.

TEAMS

St. Patrick's: A. Mitchell, N. Clancy, T. Collopy, J. Quinn, M. Halpin, D. Tucker, F. Flannery, M. Kerley, D. Lynch, A. Koyce, R. O'Hanlon, B. McMahon, D. McNamara, M. McNamara, D. McMahon. Sub: G. Kerley.

Croom: F. Nolan, C. Daly, A. Mangan, L. Brennan, P. Moloney, R. Begley, J. Hogan, W. O'Reilly, D. Sheeran, R. Casey, E. O'Shea, P. Sheehan, C. Breen, W. Madden, B. Hayes.

Referee: J. Launders (Oola).

Michael Kerley, the winning captain received the McGinley cup from Ed Whelan, Bord na nOg secretary after the game.

CITY BOARD RESULTS

M.F.C. Semi-final: Cloughaun 0-11, Na Piarasigh 0-5.

J.F.C.: St. Patrick's 0-5, Cloughaun 0-4.

J.H.C.: Kildimo 6-11, St. Patrick's 1-6. Patrickswell 4-7, Mungret 2-9.

J.H.L. Semi-final: Crecoora 2-6, Cloughaun 0-4.

M.H.C. Semi-final: Cloughaun 3-5, Ballybrown 0-3.

FIXTURES

Tuesday, July 26:

S.F.C. Losers Group Final: Monaleen v. Cloughaun at Gaelic Grounds, 8 p.m.

M.F.C. Semi-final: Patrickswell v. Old Christians at Gaelic Grounds, 6.45 p.m. J. McCarthy.

St. Patrick's hold A.G.M.

The annual general meeting of St. Patrick's G.A.A. Club took place at St. Patrick's National School on Sunday last, and the following officers were elected:—

President, Fr. Sadlier; hon. life presidents, Fr. McNamee, J. Phelan, J. Collopy; vice-presidents, B. Tobin, T. Hartigan; chairman, P. Quilligan; vice-chairman, J. Togher; secretary, T. Downes; asst. secretary, J. Broderick; treasurers, J. Sheehan, W. Quilligan; P.R.O., P. Sheehan; registrar, V. Cobbe.

Committee: B. Reddan, E. Phelan, P. Farrell, D. Murphy, L. Cross, B. Cross, J. Flannery, P. Power, J. Hefferman, A. Culhane, G. Doyle.

Selectors:

Senior and novice hurling — P. Quilligan, P. Doyle, P. Farrell, B. Cross.

Junior football — P. Doyle, W. Quilligan, J. Sheehan.

U-21 football and hurling — P. Duffy, P. Quilligan, J. Daly, G. Higgins.

Minor hurling — J. O'Neill, J. Daly, A. Malone.

Minor football — T. Downes, M. Faul, A. Culhane.

Opened

The meeting opened with the officers reports, and a lively discussion followed the treasurers' report concerning possible means of raising finance for the coming year. Indeed, members were urged to put greater effort into the various fundraising activities to ensure the financial wellbeing of the club for the coming year.

The question of the building of a clubhouse was raised and it was decided that a sub-committee, headed by W. Quilligan, should report within a month with detailed proposals.

All members were urged to put a little bit more effort into club activities this year.

First meeting of the house committee takes place at 8 p.m. on Monday, February 11, in St. Patrick's Girls School.

10-3-84 St. Patrick's

Our minor footballers had their first outing of the year on Sunday last in the City League. They played some very good football and defeated their opponents, Ballinacurra Gaels, on the scoreline of 2-4 to 1-1.

The club field will host the county under 21 hurling trials this Saturday afternoon at 2.45 p.m. Picked to represent the club are the following players, Neil O'Brien, John Murphy, Adrian Costelloe, John O'Neill, Shane Higgins and Tony Malone. We wish them the best of luck.

Sunday morning will see our under 21 footballers play Na Piarasigh in the second round of the City League. The game will take place in Na Piarasigh, so all players are asked to assemble outside the church at 11.15 sharp.

The club were the official programme sellers at last Sunday's N.H.L. play-off between Kilkenny and Galway. Once again we have been selected to sell the programmes at the Gaelic Grounds next Sunday in a double-headed fixture, featuring Cork and Galway in the N.F.L. quarter-final and Waterford versus Galway in the N.H.L. relegation battle. This shall hopefully reap good financial benefits for the club. Any club member wishing to sell please contact Paddy Quilligan.

The club are holding a special supper dance instead of our usual dinner dance, in the Parkway Motor Inn, on St. Patrick's Night. Members of the 1949/50 senior hurling teams and the 1945/54 senior football team will be guests. Tickets for the occasion are limited, so buy yours early to avoid disappointment. They can be bought for the modest sum of

12-3-83 Death of Limerick Gael

Limerick's Gaeldom will be saddened by the news of the death in Cork last evening of Mr. Patrick O'Connell, formerly of Pennywell.

Paddy, as he was known to his friends, was very prominent in Limerick G.A.A. circles for many years. He was secretary of St. Patrick's G.A.A. Club from 1939 to 1949, and also held the position of secretary of the City Board.

Many Limerick Leader readers will remember his Gaelic column under the pen name of 'Craob Ruadh'.

To his family and relatives, sincere sympathy is extended.

Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.

St. Patrick's GAA Notes 1983

The club would like to congratulate Aileen Ni Briain, who won solo singing event in the county finals of Scor na nOg and wish her the best of luck in the Munster semi-finals, which are being held in Newmarket-on-Fergus on January 7th.

We would also like to thank Paul O'Doherty, who lost 22 lbs. in Fr. Kavanagh's Slim.

We would like to remind members and supporters that the club are holding the AGM on Sunday, January 15th, in the Parkway Hotel, at 2.45 p.m. sharp.

The club would like to wish all its members a peaceful and a happy New Year.

St. Patrick's

Our minor footballers started their league campaign on Sunday morning last. Even though we had an under-strength side we still managed to win on the scoreline of St. Pat's 2-4, Ballinacurra 1-0. Feature of the game was the all-round performance of our centre-back, James Broderick. Others to do well were P. Power, P. Downes, E. Fitzgerald, D. Cross, J. Sheehan and J. Hefferman. Scorers for Saints: J. Broderick 1-2, D. Sheehan 1-0, A. O'Brien 0-1 and K. O'Callaghan 0-1. We lined out as follows: P. Power, M. Kirwan, J. Hefferman, C. Clancy, G. Ryan, J. Broderick, E. Fitzgerald, P. Downes, K. O'Callaghan, J. Sheehan, A. O'Brien, B. Hayes, D. Cross, M. O'Donnell, E. McManus. Subs.: D. Sheehan for B. Hayes, J. McManus for M. O'Donnell and M. McNamara for M. Kirwan.

Tickets for Supper Dance on St. Patrick's Night can be obtained from Jack Sheehan at £6.50 each.

CLUB G.A.A.:

St. Patrick's

Our Annual General Meeting took place at the Parkway Motel on Sunday last.

There was a large attendance, which led to a lively discussion of the many and varied topics.

Club chairman, Paddy Quilligan, opened the meeting with a cead mile failte to all present. He then called upon the secretary, Tom Downes, to give his report.

Paddy, amongst others, complimented Tom on a very comprehensive report. He then asked club treasurer, Jack Sheehan, to take the meeting through the balance sheet, copies of which had been distributed.

Giving a breakdown of figures, the treasurer brought to the members' attention the great expense involved in the day-to-day running of the club. He appealed for greater support from all the members in fund-raising activities. After answering many queries, he received much praise for his management of the club's financial affairs.

It was now the turn of the chairman to address the meeting. Covering the playing activities, he complimented the under-12 footballers on their fine achievement. Expressing satisfaction with the performance of the senior hurlers, he felt this year could produce even greater things.

Turning to the junior footballers, he complimented them on winning the City Championship and Kerryman Cup. While they may have been greatly disappointed with their defeat in the county final, he felt that with a little extra effort this year they could go all the way.

He had words of praise, too, for the under-21s, and while much was expected of them in the year past, he felt they would deliver the goods this year.

Concluding, he asked for a greater commitment from club members in the year ahead, saying that only with a greater effort can we hope to bring to fruition our hopes and aspirations.

Before calling for the election of officers and committee, the chairman called on hon. life president, Mr. Jimmy Phelan, to address the meeting.

Jimmy, an octogenarian, made a special appeal to the younger members not to lose sight of the ideals of the G.A.A. And in an effort to help the unemployment situation, he appealed to all present to buy Irish.

ELECTION

The election of officers and committee resulted as follows: President, Very Rev. J. Sadlier, P.P.; Hon. Life Presidents, P. Troy, Fr. G. McNamee, Mr. J. Phelan; Vice-presidents, B. Tobin, Col. T. Hartigan; Chariman, P. Quilligan; Vice-chairman, J. Togher; Secretary, T. Downes; Asst. Secretaries, V. Cobbe, D. Power; Treasurers, J. Sheehan, J. Kelly; P.R.O., J. Kelly; Registrar, T. O'Connor. House Committee: F. Dawson, W. Quilligan, F. O'Brien, P. Farrell, J. Hayes, B. Reddan, E. Phelan, V. Phelan, P. Mullins, G. Doyle.

SELECTORS

Senior Hurling—J. Flannery, P. Quilligan, V. Phelan.

Junior Hurling—E. Phelan, T. Downes, B. Reddan.

Junior Football—J. Sheehan, W. Quilligan, V. Cobbe.

CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS

Senior Hurling—P. Parrell, J. Markham.

Junior Hurling—To be announced by selectors.

Junior Football—J. Markham, G. McMahon.

Mr. P. Duffy was elected manager of the under-21s. The under-21, minor and under-age selectors

and captains will be elected when

St. Patrick's

We won our last County Junior Football title in 1939. However 43 years later we have the opportunity to regain the title because we are playing Knockainey in the final on Sunday. Since 1939 we have won 2 senior titles 1943 and 1954, so we have had to wait for some time for a county title in any football competition.

On the road to the final "Saints" have accounted for such teams as Kildimo, Mungret, Pallasgreen, Oola and other strong opposition.

However, when we face Knockainey at 2.30 in Bruff we will be meeting one of the fittest, quickest and toughest teams in the competition. Knockainey are a very fine side and our lads will have to display their best if they are to win the laurels.

On Sunday last they had a good trial game against Athea, whom they defeated on the scoreline 1-14 to 0-9.

We have trained very hard under the supervision of Tony McNamara, who has done an excellent job in keeping the lads in tip-top shape over the past few months.

Our lads have given their best and shown their true dedication and commitment throughout the whole campaign, so they might be rewarded for their efforts on Sunday afternoon when, hopefully, they will become county champions.

The final training session will take place this Thursday night in the club field.

Would all 25 players on the panel please assemble outside St. Patrick's Church at 1 p.m. sharp on Sunday, where they will board a bus for transportation to Bruff.

All club members are asked to support the lads if at all possible.

The committee would like to announce that club ties are still available from any committee member.

Please note that there are only a limited number available.

St. Patrick's

Our Under-21 Footballers start their season on Sunday next, when they meet Old Christians in the Football League. The venue is Rathbane, and kick-off is 12 o'clock.

Mass for our deceased members will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Church on Sunday next at 10.30 o'clock.

Our Junior Footballers are reminded that the trophies for the City Championship and the Kerryman Cup will be presented at our Annual Dinner Dance, which takes place this Saturday, February 12. Tickets, at £8.50, are still available from Club Treasurer, Jack Sheehan, Dún Pádraig, Clare Street.

The Junior Footballers will also be pleased to learn that the City Board have arranged to run the Kerryman Cup on a League basis for city teams. Twelve clubs have entered, so each will have eleven games. The winner of the Kerryman Cup will go forward to a County League. It should be a busy season indeed on the Junior Football scene.

All members holding cards for the Greyhound Sweep Draw are asked to return them before February 20.

St. Patrick's

On Sunday last our junior footballers had an encouraging and convincing win over Na Piarsaigh in the final of the Kerryman Cup. This was a truly memorable game with some outstanding football being played. The standard was exceptionally high and the result did justice to the lads, for they have trained hard all year through.

The game took place in the club field and a fine crowd was there to witness a very entertaining contest. "Saints" played well in the first half against a slight breeze but due to missed chances we trailed at half time by 5 points, 2-3 to 0-4.

However, on the resumption we played the football that has earned us a place in the county final in a few weeks time.

With Ger McMahon and Shane Higgins dominating the midfield exchanges we began to take some fine scores. Mick Donnegan was a tower of strength at full-back and with Noel Kirwindoing trojan work in the half-back line along with John O'Neill, "Saints" were really motoring. Na Piarsaigh battled on wholeheartedly, but they had no answer to our speed and determination. Our hunger for success was evident and we hung on to the end for a very fine win on the scoreline 1-10 to 2-5. There's great credit due to the lads and we hope they can go on to win the county junior final and city final in the weeks to come. Best for "Saints" were M. Donnegan, N. Kirwin, J. O'Neill, M. Faul, S. Higgins, G. McMahon and A. Costelloe.

The team lined out as follows: A. Faul, P. Mullins, M. Donnegan, G. Higgins, P. Sheehan, N. Kirwin, J. O'Neill, S. Higgins, G. McMahon, F. O'Brien, M. Faul, Tony Hughes, A. Costelloe, D. Flanagan and G. Gavin. Subs.: G. McNamara and M. Hanly.

Training for the junior footballers will take place on Saturday and also twice during the week. A full turnout is expected as we hope to continue on our winning way against Kildimo on Sunday. A full contingent of supporters is expected at the final.

FIXTURES

Sunday v. Kildimo in the city championship final at 3 p.m. in Patrickswell.

Minor hurling league final on November 14th v. Claghau.

Training this Saturday morning for minor hurlers in club field at 11.30 p.m.

LIMERICK LEADER, SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 1982



13.11.82

St. Patrick's coast to victory

St. Patrick's 2-10
Kildimo 0-1

St. Patrick's fully justified the mantle of favourites when accounting for Kildimo in the final of the City Division of the Junior Football Championship at Patrickswell

Tony Hughes opened the scoring for "Saints" with a well placed point after two minutes.

Michael Hanley and Ger McMahon added two further points before Martin Faul had the ball in the net to leave St. Patrick's leading by 1-3 to nil after 15 minutes.

Kildimo tried desperately to stem the tide, but all to no avail as "Saints" went on to increase their lead with two fine points from Brendan Gavin and another from Ger McMahon to leave the half time score 1-6 to nil.

Ger McMahon had another point in the first minute of the second half, and from here to the final whistle the game as a contest was well and truly over.

The Kildimo forwards, notably Paul Walsh and M. McMahon, tried valiantly to break through the "Saints" defence, but there was no way forward. Ably led by the impeccable Joe Markham at centre back, the "Saints" back six conceded nothing, and their superior skill and fitness became more obvious as the game progressed.

Tony O'Brien had a consolation point for Kildimo in the 15th minute.

Additional points from the "Saints" forwards, plus a gem of a goal from Tony Hughes, left the final score 2-10 to 0-1.

Whilst the scoreline speaks for itself, this in no way detracts from the brave efforts of Kildimo, who hadn't had a competitive outing in

some six weeks.

Those to impress most for Kildimo were Tom McCarthy, Ger O'Brien, Seamus Griffin, Paul Walsh and Michael McMahon. Best for "Saints" were Joe Markham, Ger McMahon, Mike Donegan, Noel Kirwan and Martin Faul.

City Board chairman, Mr. John Clifford, was on hand to present the trophy to St. Patrick's captain, Noel Kirwan. John congratulated "Saints" on their fine win, saying that the club had a long and proud tradition which was being maintained. Now that they had gone this far in the competition, he wished them the best of luck in the county final, and expressed the hope that they would 'go all the way'.

Team captain, Noel Kirwan, thanked John for his kind words. He also thanked Kildimo for a fine sporting game. Finally he thanked the selectors for bringing them this far, and he expressed the hope that, having won the Kerryman Cup and the City Divisional Shield, they would make it 'three-in-a-row' by capturing the county championship in three weeks time.

TEAMS

St. Patrick's—A. Faul; P. Mullins, M. Donegan, P. Farrell; N. Kirwan, J. Markham, J. O'Neill; G. McMahon, M. Hanley; F. O'Brien, M. Faul, S. Higgins; G. Gavin, A. Costello, T. Hughes. Subs.: D. Flanagan, P. Sheehan, T. Fogarty.

Kildimo—P. Barrett; S. Gallagher, B. Chawke, T. McCarthy; J. Keogh, T. O'Brien, G. O'Brien; P. O'Brien, S. Griffin; P. Walsh, D. O'Brien, C. McCarthy; M. McMahon, T. McKenna, J. Barrett. Subs.: J. Karmody, P. Griffin.

Referee: Tom Bennis.

St. Patrick's 5-3-83

Its training as usual on Saturday morning, with the Minor Footballers starting at 11 o'clock, followed by the senior hurlers at 12 o'clock.

The winners of our Clounanna Sweep were advertised in last Monday night's Leader. Our first prize winner, Mr. Paddy O'Byrne, was drawn from the card in Michael McGrath's (Claughton Bar), Clare Street.

FIXTURE

Minor Football v Claughton, on Sunday next at 12 o'clock, at Claughton Field. Meet outside St. Patrick's Church at 11.15 a.m.

St. Patrick's 5-2-83

Our representatives at the County Convention on Sunday last were: E. Phelan, M. Connell, J. Sheehan, P. Quilligan, B. Reddan, W. Quilligan, Paddy Quilligan. Our motion calling for an increase in the number of substitutes allowed from three to four was passed.

The motion to have the Senior Hurling Championship run on an open draw system was welcomed by our delegation. Its acceptance should lead to a renewal of old friendships and a cementing of many new ones.

Our Junior Footballers are reminded that the trophies for the City Championship and the Kerryman Cup will be presented at our Annual Dinner Dance, which will be held on Saturday, February 12. Tickets, at £8.50, are still available at the A1 Bar or from any of the committee.

Club Membership Cards will be available shortly.

All members holding cards for the Greyhound Sweep Draw are asked to return them before February 20.

Under 21 Hurling

18.4.83

Peter hit late winner

Patrickswell 1-6
St. Patrick's 1-4

A WELL-TAKEN goal three minutes from time by Patrick Quinn enabled Patrickswell to score a shock two point win over fancied St. Patrick's in a low-scoring but keenly contested City Under 21 Hurling Championship replay at Pairc na nGael on Sunday.

"Saints" never found their true rhythm and were always labouring against a keen and sharp Patrickswell combination, in a game that never reached the exciting heights of the drawn encounter at Kildimo.

Aided by a strong breeze, Patrickswell dominated the early exchanges and the accuracy of Anthony Carmody had pushed them into an 0-5 to 0-2 lead as half-time dawned, but a goal from a penalty by John O'Neill after John Murphy was fouled brought equality.

In a ding-dong second half, scores were a scarce commodity and "Saints" appeared to have it wrapped up when Brendan Hedderman pointed from play with 7 minutes remaining. But then came that decisive goal to give the 'well the laurels.

Anthony Carmody, John Boland, Kieran Carroll, Gary Kirby, Seamus Kirby, Sean Murphy and Stephen Moore, shone for the 'Well while Aidrian Costelloe, John O'Neill, Brendan Hedderman, Nial O'Brien, Ger Butler and John Murphy tried hard for "Saints."

SCORERS

Patrickswell: A. Carmody 0-5, P. Quinn 1-0, S. Kirby 0-1.

St. Patrick's: J. O'Neill 1-0, B. Hedderman 0-3, D. O'Callaghan 0-1.

TEAMS

Patrickswell: V. Gillane, S. Carroll, S. Moore, L. Shinnors, S. Carey, K. Carroll, S. Murphy, A. Carmody, J. Boland; G. Kirby, S. Kirby, D. Considine, P. Carey, P. Quinn, A. Moore.

St. Patrick's: A. Malone, J. Healy, A. Costelloe, B. Gavin, M. McInerney, J. O'Neill, A. Faul, N. O'Brien, S. Higgins, J. Faul, G. Butler, B. Hedderman, T. Murphy, M. Faul, D. O'Callaghan.

Subs.: J. Walshe for J. Faul, A. Tierney for M. McInerney, T. Healy for G. Butler.

Referee: D. O'Gorman (Claughton).

20. LIMERICK CHRONICLE, TUESDAY, JULY 26, 1983



The St. Patrick's team who retained the county under 12 football championship at Askeaton on Thursday

St. Patrick's

Highlight of the week was without doubt our victory over Croom in the under 12 county football final which was played at Askeaton on Thursday. Following an exciting win over Cloughaun in the City Final and over Oola in the county semi final, we faced Croom with confidence on Thursday. Croom started in whirlwind fashion and had a goal and a point in the first few minutes. Our lads kept their heads however and at half time had notched 3 points, leaving them just one point behind at half time. An early second half goal by team captain, Michael Kerley set us on the road to victory. Croom's only reply being a solitary point - but had Croom taken some of the chances offered we would have found it much more difficult to win.

Our team lined out as follows: Alan Mitchel (goal); James Quin, Thomas Collopy, Niall Clancy, Myles Halpin, Declan Tucker, Freddie Flannery, Damian Lynch, Michael Kerley (captain), Barry McMahon, Ray O'Hanlon, Alan Koyce, Derek McNamara, Michael McNamara and David McMahon.

Sub.: Ger Kerley.
Declan Tucker, Freddie Flannery, Michael Kerley, Barry McMahon and Ray O'Hanlon were collecting their second county title as they were members of last year's victorious under 12 team.

Last Monday night our under sixteen footballers took on Patrickswell in the first round of the under 16 football championship. Short some regulars we faced this game with some caution. Patrickswell put us under pressure with an early goal but eventually we ran out winners by two points. We have received a walk over in the second round and now meet the winners of Cloughaun and Ballinacurra in the semi final.

Our team against Patrickswell was David Kiely (goal); Peter Mortell, Paul Downes, John Ryan, Ger Curtin, Joe McManus, Ger Ryan, Alan O'Brien, David Costello, Liam McNamara, Diarmuid Sheehan, Kevin McCarthy, David Crosse, Paddy Ryan, Jimmy Flannery. Sub.: Joe Joyce.

Also last Thursday night while our under 12s were winning in Croom our junior footballers took on Cloughaun in the junior football championship. Played at Cloughaun Field, this was a tough, hard game in which defences were on top. As a result it was a low scoring game which we won by the odd point, 5 points to 4. We had good performances from Joe Markham (capt.), Mick Donegan, Shane Higgins, Pearse Farrell, Paddy McNamara.

Our team lined out as follows: Andrew Faul; Paul Mullins, Mick Donegan, Ger Higgins, Tony Mullins, Joe Markham, Pearse Farrell, Shane Higgins, Brendan Markham, Paddy McNamara, Frank O'Brien, Michael Ryan, Pat Slatery, John O'Neill and Ger Power. Sub.: Martin Prenderville.

St. Patrick's

The club was well represented in the city semi-final of senior Scor in Patrickswell on Sunday night last, and we were successful in qualifying for the city final in the following five events: solo singing, Orla Ni Bhrian; question time, P. Farrell, B. Reddan, M. Kiely; instrumental music, Aidan Ni Bhrian, Orla Ni Bhrian, Lourda Griffin; ballad group, Aidan Ni Bhrian, Orla Ni Bhrian, Lourda Griffin; comedy act, T. Downes, B. Reddan.

The city final takes place on Sunday next, February 10, at 7.30 p.m. in the Crescent Theatre, and all support is welcome.

The senior hurlers open their season on the same date against Monaleen in the Duggan League (3 p.m. in Monaleen Field). It is hoped that this year we will see greater things from the seniors, with a marked increase in commitment to training.

On the subject of training, under-age members please note that training has commenced in the club field every Sunday at 11 o'clock.

The following are the captains for our minor teams for 1985:

Football—capt., P. Downes; vice-capt., D. Costelloe. Hurling—capt., J. Heffernan; vice-capt., P. Power.

Irish Cup card holders are asked to return their cards as soon as possible to club sec., T. Downes.

Finally this week, members are asked to note that in remembrance of the late Kevin Hartigan, the club has decided to run an annual fixture in minor football against Ballinacurra Gaels for the Kevin Hartigan Memorial Trophy. Many thanks to Tom Downes for donating the cup. More about this matter in the coming weeks.

St. Patrick's

LAST WEEK our junior footballers completed their Kerryman Cup campaign, needing three points out of a possible four to secure a place in the semi-final stage of the competition.

They got off to a fine start with a narrow victory over Na Piarasigh in a game played at Caherdavin on Thursday, the 8th of August. This was a match in which we led comfortably going into the last quarter, and then faded away, and were lucky in the end to hold out for a one point victory on the score line of Saints 0-14, Na Piarasigh 1-10. A feature of the game was the display of full forward Plunkett O'Doherty who contributed seven of our scores from both frees and play. Other scorers were Gus Gavin 0-4, Jim Sheehan 0-2 and Tom Downes 0-1. We lined out as follows: J. O'Neill, P. Farrell, A. Costelloe, J. Kidney, P. Sheehan, S. O'Reilly, G. McNerney, M. Faul, J. Sheehan, D. O'Callaghan, B. Gavin, P. Power, T. Downes, P. O'Doherty, G. Higgins.

The remaining points needed for qualification were secured rather easily against an understrength Kildimo side at the club field last Tuesday evening. The game was made rather more easier for us when Kildimo conceded two very soft first half goals and after that we were never really in any danger and ran out convincing winners. We lined out as follows: C. Morgan, P. Farrell, A. Costelloe, P. Downes, J. Kidney, S. O'Reilly, D. O'Callaghan, M. Faul, M. Hanley, P. Sheehan, B. Gavin, G. McNerney, P. Power, P. O'Doherty, J. Broderick. Subs., A. Culhane, T. Downes.

It is down to more serious fare for the juniors next Sunday when they contest the semi-final of the city championship against Pallas-kenry at Cloughaun field at 3.30 p.m. The Pallas boys have been very impressive in their first year in the city division and should prove a very formidable hurdle, so all support would be welcome. The only other fixture to hand is the semi-final of the county under 16 football against Ballybricken this Friday in Ballingarry, at 7.30 p.m.

Finally, this week the best wishes of all in the club go out to Plunkett O'Doherty on his big day next Saturday.

St. Patrick's

U-14 FOOTBALL DIV. A FINAL

St. Patrick's..... 1-7
Cloughaun 0-1

Pride of place this week goes to our u-14 footballers, who defeated our arch rivals, Cloughaun, in the League final on Monday night last.

The game started at a lively pace and chances were missed at both ends before our captain, M. Kerley, scored a gem of a goal. Our only score of this half was a point from Keith McNerney. Half time score: St. Patrick's 1-1, Cloughaun 0-0.

In the second half, our lads played with great heart and spirit and put over five points against the wind before Cloughaun got the only point. Our last point was scored by A. Koyce from a very difficult angle. This was a fine team performance and things look bright for the forthcoming championship. Those to play well were F. Flannery, M. Halpin, D. Lynch, A. Koyce, M. Kerley and man of the match K. McNerney, who was a tower of strength at centre field. Scorers: M. Kerley 1-1, K. McNerney 0-3 and A. Koyce, I. McNerney and R. O'Hanlon 0-1 each. We lined out as follows: A.

KERRYMAN CUP

St. Patrick's..... 2-11
Monaleen 1-6

Our Junior footballers collected two very valuable points in this Kerryman Cup game played at Monaleen on Tuesday night last. Feature of the game was the performance of P. Farrell, who helped himself to 1-5. Others to impress were C. Morgan, J. Kidney, J. Healy, M. Faul, M. Hanley. Scorers for Saints: P. Farrell 1-5, B. Gavin 0-4, F. O'Brien 1-0, J. Faul and M. Faul 0-1 each. We lined out as follows: C. Morgan, P. Downes, J. O'Neill, P. Power, A. Culhane, J. Kidney, J. Healy, M. Hanley, M. Faul, J. Faul, B. Gavin, T. Downes, F. O'Brien, D. Flanagan and P. Farrell. Subs., J. Sheehan and P. Broderick.

Under 14 Football

"Saints"
win by big margin

St. Patrick's 2-4
Newcastle West 0-2

St. Patrick's served up quality football at Croom on Friday evening last, when defeating Newcastle West, 2-4 to 0-2 in the final of the county under 14 football championship.

Playing with a strong breeze in the first half the city champions did not look impressive and turned over with an 0-4 to 0-1 lead. It seemed as if Newcastle West would be good enough to take over, but St. Patrick's scorned the odds and went on to dominate the second half. A brilliant goal from Alan Koyce put them firmly in command and as the second half progressed they strengthened their hold on the proceedings.

Keith McNerney and Ian O'Rahilly gave the winners a definite edge at mid-field. Myles Halpin, Damien Lynch and Tom Collopy were prominent in defence, while up front Michael Kerley, Alan Koyce, Ray O'Hanlon and Shane Bennett were the stars.

James McCoy, Denis O'Sullivan, Peadar Hurley, Tom Mullane, John Whelan and Pierce Rowsome were the pick of a gallant and sporting Newcastle West team.

The game was well handled by P. J. Burke (Oola). The winning captain was Michael Kerley, and after the game he was presented with the under 14 football cup by the chairman of Bord na nOg.

LIMERICK LEADER, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1985.



The St. Patrick's Minor Gaelic Football team who defeated Ballinacurra Gaels, 3-4 to 1-4, in the Kevin Hartigan Memorial Cup match.

Sean Finns 1-9
St. Patricks 0-7

SEAN FINN'S of Rathkeale, are through to the final of the County Junior Championship. At Kildimo on Sunday last they beat off the challenge of St. Patricks to win on the scoreline of 1-9 to 0-7.

Gussy Gavin put St. Patricks into an early lead, but Sean Finn's came back to set the pace and led at half time, 1-4 to 0-3.

After the resumption the winners kicked a hatful of scoring opportunities wide and allowed the opposition to stay in touch.

Only a goal separated the sides with five minutes of play remaining, but two well taken points by Sean Hartnett, left the Rathkeale side well on top.

Don Gallagher, Martin Doherty, Denis O'Dea, Barry Dillon, Ray Doherty, Sean Hartnett and Dave O'Brien were best for the winners.

John O'Neill, Ger McMahon, John Kidney, Pierce Farrell, John Faul and Shane Higgins, tried hard for the losers.

The winning scores came from R. O'Doherty 1-1, S. Hartnett 0-3, B. Dillon 0-2, D. O'Brien 0-2, S. Doherty 0-1.

G. McMahon 0-4, G. Gavin 0-2, and M. Faul 0-1, replied.

Sean Finns: M. Gallaher, G. O'Connor, M. Doherty, D. Gallagher, M. Fitzgerald, D. O'Dea, S. O'Shea, B. Dillon, C. Hogan, D. O'Brien, R. Doherty, B. Dillon, S. Hartnett, S. Doherty, M. O'Sullivan. Subs: T. Meehan, N. Kennedy.

St. Patricks: L. Morgan, P. Downes, J. O'Neill, S. Higgins, P. Farrell, J. Kidney, P. Sheehan, G. McMahon, J. Healy, J. Faul, M. Hanly, G. Gavin, P. Broderick, A. Costelloe, F. O'Brien. Subs: M. Faul, S. Higgins.

Referee, R. Moloney, (Kilmallock). 17. 11.84

24.8.85 St. Patrick's

Our junior footballers qualified for a fourth successive city final with a hard earned victory over Pallaskenry in a match played at Claughaun Field, last Sunday evening.

Electing to play with the breeze in the first half we got off to the perfect start with a Michael Hanley point and a goal from captain Brendan Gavin after five minutes. Pallaskenry, however, came back at us with the type of football which has made them most welcome additions to the city division this year, and reduced the deficit with two points. The second quarter of the match was noted only by the glaring misses of the Saints forwards, who managed to add only two more points to leave a half time score of 1-3 to 0-2.

This lead looked totally inadequate facing the stiff breeze, but all 15 Saints players raised their game, and with Martin Faul, Ger McMahon and Shane Higgins giving us dominance around mid-field we soon increased the lead to six points. At this stage the Pallas boys realising the game was slipping out of their hands fought back and applied severe pressure to the Saints goal. However, for every score Pallaskenry got, Saints replied with one similar to end up winners by 1-8 to 0-5.

Best for Saints were: Damien O'Callaghan, Ger McMahon, Peter Sheehan and Pierce Farrell.

Scorers: Ger McMahon 0-3, B. Gavin 1-0, M. Hanley 0-2, J. Markham, A. Costelloe and P. Sheehan 1 point each.

Team: C. Morgan, P. Farrell, J. O'Neill, P. Downes, D. O'Callaghan, S. O'Reilly, J. Kidney, M. Faul, S. Higgins, G. McMahon, M. Hanley, P. Sheehan, G. Gavin, A. Costelloe, J. Broderick. Subs: J. Markham, G. McInerney and J. Sheehan.

The final against Mungret is fixed for Claughaun Field, next Sunday, at 3.30. All support is welcome.

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS:

Under 12 hurling league final

On Sunday last at our club grounds, the second semi-final of our internal under 12 juvenile hurling league took place between Park/Rhebogue and Garryowen. The outcome of this game was a rather convincing win for Park/Rhebogue and the way is now clear for the final next Sunday (to-morrow), at 3 p.m. between Dublin Road and Park/Rhebogue.

Players to catch the eye for the winners were D. Ryan, J. Murphy, N. O'Brien, J. Bailey, C. O'Regan, G. Power and A. Tierney. Stars for Garryowen were O'Neill, R. Simms, D. Phelan, McNamara and M. Simms.

Regarding to-morrow's final if you had an hour to spare it might be well worth a visit to the club grounds at 3.00 p.m. to witness what we hope will be a very exciting climax to an excellent juvenile league. We congratulate this week Dolores O'Brien of our camogie club, who was a member of the Munster junior camogie team, winners of the Gael-Linn Cup on Sunday last over Ulster at Adare.

As mentioned some weeks back, we are at present running a "Grand 200 Draw" with a top prize of £100. The draw itself will take place on Friday night next at a dance in Doonass.

On to-morrow, Sunday, outside all Masses in St. Patrick's and St. Bridget's, we are holding a church gate collection.

MERICK LEADER, SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 1985



The St. Patrick's team who won the county under 14 football championship.

St. Pat's GAA Centenary Book

WORK on the club history book is progressing very well and the indications are that it will be an excellent publication when completed.

The club wishes to say a special word of thanks to all those people who have helped in any way in the production of the book.

The response for patrons has been very encouraging to date and any more who are willing to come forward will be very welcome indeed.

We are confident of receiving support from every G.A.A. Club in the city and county as well as from other sports clubs

and organisations.

Many old photographs have been supplied by members past and present and we are again appealing for more at this stage. We are particularly anxious to get the following photographs of club winning teams:

1905: Junior Hurling team; 1936: Juvenile Hurling team; 1937: Juvenile Hurling team; 1943: Minor Football team; 1950: Juvenile Hurling and Football team; 1951: Juvenile Football team; 1952: Minor Football

team; 1953: Juvenile Hurling team; 1954: Juvenile Football team; 1956: Minor Hurling team; 1960: Juvenile Football team; 1961: Juvenile Football team; 1962: Juvenile Football team; 1963: Minor Hurling and Football team; 1963: Juvenile Hurling team; 1966: U/21 Football team.

We would ask former players etc., to make a further search for these photographs as soon as possible.

St. Patrick's

The centenary celebrations of the club continued last weekend with an historic first trip abroad by a Saint Patrick's fifteen leaving on Thursday for the trips destination of London, our party led by chairman Brendan Cross enjoyed a most eventful weekend, including a match last Saturday when our junior footballers took on a team from the Thomas McCurtain club of Dagenham, in London.

Playing against the breeze in the first-half the London lads enjoyed a distinct territorial advantage and quickly had four points on the score board before Christy McNamara made history as the first Saint's man to score on foreign soil with a well taken point. In spite of this boost however, the Londoners replied with two goals to turn over leading by 2-4 to 0-2 at half-time.

On the resumption our lads used the breeze to full effect for pressing hard and with scores from John O'Neill (goal) and Pierce Farrell (3 points), tried in vain to bridge the gap, a gap which in the end proved unsurmountable against a more eager and fitter McCurtain's fifteen.

However, from a Saints point of view the final score-line of 2-7 to 1-5 will be looked back on with pride by goal-keeper John Daly, defenders Brendan Cross, John O'Neill, and forwards-Pierce Farrell, Martin Conway, Frank Hayes and Paul Downes.

The full line-out for the historic match was-

J. Daly, J. Lipper, B. Cross, J. Kelly, C. McNamara, J. O'Neill, C. Healy, P. Sheehan, P. Downes, F. Hayes, P. Farrell, R. O'Sullivan, M. Carney, T. Downes, A. Neville.

Finally, I would like to thank our hosts the Thomas McDonagh's club for a most hospitable meal and social after the game and hope that many of the friendships forged on the trip will soon again be renewed. I would also like to thank the trip organising committee of J. Daly, B. Power and P. Sheehan for helping to make this a trip to remember.

Other club news this week is mixed with our senior hurlers losing to Fedamore in the league and our under 14 hurlers winning their league encounter with Patrickswell.

LIMERICK LEADER, SATURDAY, MAY 31, 1986



The St. Patrick's team who beat Mungret in the under 21 football league.

LIMERICK LEADER, SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 1986



GAA: City Junior Football Semi Final.

St. Patricks coast to victory

by Michael McNiffe

St. Patricks 1-10
Old Christians 0-3

A BRENDAN GAVIN goal which came seven minutes into the second half put paid to Old Christians' hopes of the Championship at Cloughaun on Saturday. St. Patricks were quick to capitalise on this deserved score with a string of points and coasted to an easy victory in the City Junior Football semi-final.

The reigning champions will now meet Mungret in the final who disposed of Patricswell by two points in the other semi-final at Clarina.

Although St. Patricks won, their first half performance never suggested it would be by such a convincing margin. Old Christians trailed by just three points at the break and looked determined to get back into contention when full forward Tommy Byrne grabbed a point shortly after resumption.

The inability of players on both sides to make use of potential opportunities in the early stages led to a rather unimpressive first half. The only worthwhile play came from the mid-fielders.

St. Patrick's John Paul and Michael Hanly found worthy opponents in the sturdy Ger McMahon and

Tommy Clarke. But the introduction of Gerry Morgan for David Cross at right full forward, coupled with the versatile play of Niall Greene, provided a potent force in St. Patrick's front line.

St. Patrick's were first on the scoresheet with a point after nine minutes, but Ger McMahon was on hand to equalise from a free moments later. A period of dull, uninspiring play followed with the two sides registering wides from scorable frees.

Old Christians at times were more influenced by the disciplines of soccer, and seemed unable to lift the ball. Yet, when in possession, they proved the faster, but lacked co-ordinated play whilst attacking.

Gavin gave St. Patricks the lead once more in the

19th minute when he pointed from play. Pressure on the Old Christians goal mouth two minutes later resulted in a free to St. Patricks when Damien O'Callaghan was fouled. Gavin converted from close range.

Mark Keily struck a fine point from about 25 metres to lend some creditability to the Old Christians' forays up the field, just five minutes from the break. However, St. Patricks notched two more points.

Whatever hopes Old Christians had of pulling themselves back into the game were shattered by Gavin's goal. A fine ball from Gerard McMahon found the waiting Gavin who duly hammered the ball to the back of the net.

Old Christians made a few brave efforts mid way

through the half and the Champions lived dangerously for a minute or two. But Greene's 51st minute point changed all that and from then on it was all one way with Ger Higgins and John Paul on target.

Scorers: St. Patricks: B. Gavin 1-4, G. Higgins 0-2, G. McMahon, G. Morgan, N. Greene, J. Faul 0-1 each. Old Christians: Ger McMahon, M. Kiely and Tommy Byrne 0-1 each.

Teams: St. Patricks: C. Morgan, P. Downes, J. O'Neill, P. Farrell, J. Kidney, S. O'Reilly, D. O'Callaghan, M. Hanley, J. Faul, N. Greene, B. Gavin, P. Power, D. Cross, G. McMahon, F. O'Brien. Subs: G. Morgan for Cross, G. Higgins for Powewr, A. Faul for O'Brien.

Old Christians: M. Clancy, E. Byrne, M. Reddan, M. Costelloe, P. Byrne, C. Carmody, P. Clancy, G. McMahon, T. Clarke, M. Kiely, T. Sheehan, R. McCarthy, J. O'Neill, T. Byrne, P. Cronin.

Referee: Donal Coffey (Monaleen).

G.A.A. Club Notes

St. Patrick's G.A.A.

St. Patrick's are publishing a Club History as part of its Centenary Year. In order to defray the cost the club is looking for people to become patrons of the book at a cost of £10.00.

This amount entitles patrons to have their name included at the back of the book in alphabetical order and a free copy.

The cost of the book will be £5.00. Anyone who is interested is asked to contact either Paddy Quilligan, 5 Mervel Drive, Clareview, Limerick, or Vivian Cobbe, 11 Shannonville Ennis Rd., Limerick, or any member of the club committee.

St. Patrick's

OUR Junior Football Team have once again reached the City Final. They will meet Mungret in a couple of weeks' time. It will be a very hard game as Mungret have a fine side. Each member of the panel is asked to put in an extra effort at training for this vital encounter. Fitness will be a very significant factor and we are appealing to all concerned - selectors, mentors and panel members to pull out all the stops to retain the City title, especially as it is the Centenary year of the Club.

In recent years these lads contested two County finals in this grade and, on each occasion, they tasted defeat by the narrowest of margins.

Last year Adare were victorious but they were a shade fitter and faster to the ball on the day. There is a lesson to be learned from this and the clear message to the lads is - make sure that you are fit enough to last a full sixty minutes. There is a great team spirit in the panel and perhaps a little extra coaching would be most beneficial.

CLUB SUPPORTERS

We are appealing to all our supporters, former players, former members,

and indeed, anyone who has had any association with the club over the years to come along and give a bit of vocal support to the Junior players. Please take that extra special effort for the Centenary year of the Club.

MONSTER RAFFLE

The Club wishes to acknowledge grateful thanks to all those who purchased tickets for our Monster Raffle. The Draw takes place at the Parkway House on Tuesday, August 12th. The luckywinner will get a 3 week trip on the G.A.A. Australian Tour next October. Alternatively the winner can opt for a cash prize of £2,000.00. Tickets are still available at £1.00 each.

In conjunction with the Raffle we are having a Dance at the Parkway from 9.00 p.m. to 1.00 a.m. and the Draw will take place during the Dance, at 11.00 p.m.

We extend a very warm cead mile failte to all our members, supporters, fellow parishioners, and the public at large to come along and enjoy themselves. It promises to be a very lively few hours' entertainment for young and old alike.

St. Patrick's G.A.A. Saints lift City title again

ST. PATRICK'S 1-9
MUNGRET 1-3

SAINTS retained the City Junior Football title by defeating old rivals Mungret at Kildimo on August 24th before a good-sized attendance.

This was a great game of football between two evenly matched sides. A fine all-round team performance gave Saints a deserved victory.

Saints played extremely well during the opening thirty minutes and were full value for their interval lead of 5 points 0-6 to 0-1.

On the turnover Mungret piled on the pressure but the Saints defence held firm displaying some fine determination. Up front the versatile Ger McMahon was having a great game and he emerged as "Man of the Match".

Others to turn in outstanding performances were Christy Morgan in goal; Pearse Farrell, Tom Ryan, Niall Pearse, Brendan Gavin, Plunkett O'Doherty and John Faul, who shot a lovely goal after a fine movement by the Saints forwards.

Scorers were: John Faul 1-1; Brendan Gavin 0-3; Plunkett O'Doherty 0-2; Ger McMahon 0-2 and

Gary Morgan 0-1.

Lineout: Christy Morgan; Paul Downes, John O'Neill, Pearse Farrell (captain); Damian O'Callaghan, Tom Ryan, John Kidney; Niall Pearse, Shane Higgins, Gary Morgan, Brendan Gavin, John Faul, Ger McMahon, Plunkett O'Doherty, Ger Higgins. Both David Cross and Frankie O'Brien did well when introduced as subs.

This win puts Saints into the quarter final of the County Championship but reports to hand indicate that there are some fine teams still in contention including the Mungret side.

With more commitment, training and match practice Saints could figure in the shake up for county honours.

This would be a wonderful boost for the club in this its Centenary year and no effort should be spared to achieve the ultimate goal.

Finally, a special word of praise to our selectors Jack Sheehan, Brendan Cross and Willie Quilligan and also to all our supporters who attended the game.

St. Patrick's promise a shake-up

IT IS 36 years since St. Patrick's won the county senior hurling championship and it is 20 years since the club contested a county final at this level.

For some years past there has been a rather haphazard approach by all concerned and a lack of real commitment has been quite evident.

Now that the club is in its centenary year it would be an appropriate time to seriously investigate this situation.

An indepth examination is urgently called for and some form of plan formulated either short or long term.

The club won juvenile and minor hurling championships in 1979 and 1980, respectively. As a result of these victories hopes were high for the senior grade in the years following but alas these aspirations have not materialised to date.

It is widely acknowledged that it is not an easy task to hold a panel of under-age players together for a variety of reasons.

Many other clubs have also experienced difficulties in similar situations.

At present Saints have some very fine hurlers and there is a solid base to build upon.

All concerned — players, selectors, mentors and officials — should come together and have a meaningful and constructive exchange of views on the matter.

Perhaps an extraordinary general meeting of members past and present, former players, etc., to discuss solely this important matter would be a very positive step to take at this stage.

If the present apathy is allowed to continue the indications are that the Saints senior hurlers will remain in the doldrums, with junior status a real possibility in the not too distant future.

It is felt that club supporters, etc., would not wish for this situation to arise.

A real spirited effort is now urgently called for and let this be a centenary year highlight.

The club is open to any suggestions that would help to remedy the position and make the Saints senior hurlers a force to be reckoned with as of other days.

A LOOK BACK

Mention of other days brings to mind former Saints players that won county senior hurling medals.

The following players won county senior hurling championship medals:

1949 and 1950 — Paddy Fitzgerald, Jim Fitzgerald (R.I.P.), Tommy O'Brien (R.I.P.), Toddy O'Brien, Pa McMahon, Paddy Collopy, Jack Sheehan, Sean O'Connell, Tom Frawley, Christy McInerney, Dom McGrath, Brendan Tobin, Anthony Shanny, Paddy Shanny, Mick Ryan, Bertie McSweeney, Seamus Keating, Johnny Foley, Nick O'Dea, Willie Maher, Micky Cunneen, Gerry O'Sullivan (R.I.P.), Mick McInerney, Georgie Stapleton and Mick O'Brien.

CONGRATULATIONS

The club wishes to send its sincere congratulations to former player, Kieran O'Brien, who recently won a Dublin county senior hurling championship medal with Faughs.

We would also like to wish Kieran a very speedy recovery from his injury sustained in the county final.

Finally, a very sincere word of thanks to club hon. sec. Tom Downes for all the dedication and hard work he has put in since he took over this onerous position a few years ago. The popular and likeable Tom has been a wonderful asset to the club.

St. Patrick's G.A.A.

UNDER-15 HURLING
Monaleen 5-3,
St. Patrick's 3-3.

This was a very exciting match with both teams playing very good ground hurling. Saints won the toss and played with the aid of a strong wind in the first half. Fergal Sheehan opened the scoring with a fine point in the fifth minute.

Shortly after, Owen Cobbe playing in the corner forward position nipped in to score a well taken goal. Owen is a son of the popular Vivian (a wonderful clubman).

Saints sat back for a while

and allowed Monaleen to come more into the game.

Despite this Saints led at the interval on a scoreline of 1-2 to 1-1.

The second half was a ding-dong affair and with a few minutes to go both sides were level at 3-3 each. Then the Monaleen boys struck two great goals to finish worthy winners.

Both teams were a credit to their clubs and both sets of team mentors deserve the highest praise.

Saint's scorers were — Myles Halpin (1-1), Freddie Flannery (1-1), Owen Cobbe (1-0), and Fergal Sheehan

(0-1).

A feature of this team is the number of players whose fathers have donned the Saint's jersey with distinction. Fergal Sheehan is a son of long serving clubman Jack Sheehan. Larry Cross is a son of Larry now a hard working City Councillor. Niall Clancy is a son of former senior hurling corner back Mick Clancy. Freddy Flannery is a son of Jimmy Flannery a most talented senior hurler some 15 to 20 years ago.

Owen Cobbe as already mentioned is Vivian's son and he shows signs of emulating his illustrious father.

GAA CLUB NOTES

ST. PATRICK'S G.A.A. CLUB NOTES

Tim O'Connor - A well deserved tribute

The Club wishes to acknowledge its appreciation of the very fine article written by Tim O'Connor in the 1986 Limerick G.A.A. year book about the Club. Titled; "St. Patrick's Celebrate". "100 years dedication to the G.A.A." it is an excellent and most interesting contribution.

Tim has been a regular contributor to the yearbook over the years and other articles such as - "A Great Period in City Hurling", "A Tribute to dedicated officials", "A Tribute to Garda Footballers", have also been the subject of much favourable comment from readers.

In recent years many county final programmes have included wonderful articles penned by Tim as well as snippets of information on G.A.A. affairs.

Tim has a vivid memory of games, teams, and players going into the distant past. He has also submitted some fine articles to the club history book now at an advanced stage of production.

He has also given outstanding service to the club over the years both as a player and administrator. Some years ago he was a key organiser and mentor in the under-age section of the club and was a most popular figure with players and officials alike.

Tim also distinguished himself on the playing field with Saints at both hurling and football. Perhaps, his finest hour in the Saints jersey was in the 1959 County Senior Hurling Final against Cappamore. Cappamore - a very strong force during that era - were victorious, but the score-board did not do justice to a very gallant Saints team that occasion.

The Saints panel will be recalled with interest:- Paddy Cunneen (in goal); Eric Rochford, Joe Phelan, Tim O'Connor; John McDonagh, Joe Elliot, Tom Troy, Noel Phelan, Paddy Cobbe; Gerry Phelan, Eric Ryan, Vivian Cobbe; Tom Quilligan (R.I.P.), Paddy McCarthy, Mick Kennedy; Jim O'Riordan, Tony O'Sullivan, Jim McNamara, Tom Cross and Paddy Rainsford.

Cappamore were powered by such players as Seamus Ryan (in goal), Eamonn O'Malley, Willie Cunningham, Tom Ryan (R.I.P.), Sean Ryan, Fr. Séamus Ryan, Paddy O'Malley, Mikie Hayes, Tom Ryan (Frank), Fr. Liam Ryan, Paddy Creamer, Johnny Hayes, and Donie Flynn.

The trainer of the Cappamore team was none other than Jimmy "Butler" Coffey - the "Mick O'Dwyer" of that era. Jimmy is taking things easy these times in his retirement of the Saints Club and indeed of all Limerick Gaels.

SUPPORTERS CLUB MONSTER RAFFLE

The lucky winner was Mrs. Ann Kelly, c/o 1 St. Patrick's Rd., Ballysimon, Limerick. We again wish to thank all those who purchased tickets and a very special work of appreciation is due to all the organisers of the Raffle.

GAA CLUB NOTES ST. PATRICK'S

CENTENARY BALL - THE HIGHLIGHT

THE big event coming up in a few weeks time is the Club Centenary Ball. This will take place on Friday 3rd October, at the Limerick Inn. It will be a dress dance and tickets are £15.00 each. The organising committee are working extremely hard to ensure that it will be a gala occasion.

Anyone who had any connection with the Club at any time are asked to make a very special effort to attend this very important social.

Members of all the other G.A.A. Clubs in both city and county are invited to support this function. If each club was represented it would add greatly to the social gathering.

All our parishioners in St. Patricks/St. Brigids are also invited to support us and all sporting organisations. The public in general will also be most welcome. It would facilitate the organisers very much if intending patrons booked their tickets as early as possible.

JUNIOR FOOTBALLERS

Our Junior Footballers have been drawn to meet Ballynahill in the quarter final of the county championship. This game is fixed for Sunday 12th October at Askeaton.

By all accounts Ballynahill have a very strong side and are determined to make a

bold bid for ultimate honours. The immediate task of the Saints lads is to oust them but unless a serious effort is made at training it could be a case of missed opportunity once again.

With Saints not having a senior football team, this championship takes on a big dimension for the Club. Consequently the lads should go all out as if it was a Senior Football Championship quarter final tie.

It is up to all concerned - players, selectors, officials, to make the necessary sacrifices during the coming weeks.

Match practice is extremely vital also and serious consideration should be given to arranging a game in Askeaton so that the lads would get the "feel of the pitch".

In the meantime any former Saints players that think they have anything to offer by way of encouragement, help, or advice, should not hesitate to come forward and have discussions with the teams mentors.

A very significant factor is that the Askeaton venue is in the west division of the county as are our opponents, Ballynahill. It is very obvious that a supreme effort is needed to meet the western challenge.

BEST WISHES

Finally, best wishes to our near neighbours Cloughaun for success in next Sunday's County Senior Football Final against St. Kieran's all City Gaels as well as all city sportsmen of other codes should go along and give vocal support to the city side. This is what it is all about.

U-15 FOOTBALL

ST. PATRICK'S GAA

Mungret 0-0 St. Pats 4-4
HAVING won the U-14 County Championship last year St. Pats have started off again in great fashion. They now move the ball around like champions.

Man of the match must go to the U/14 footballer David McMahon, playing at full-forward for the first time. He had the Mungret backs at sixes and sevens, scoring 1-2 and unlucky not to score more.

Best for St. Pats - K. Heffernan, D. Lynch, K. McInerney, M. Kerley, N. Clancy.

U-15 HURLING

Monaleen 5-3 St. Pats 3-3
This was a very exciting match with both teams playing very good ground hurling. St. Pats won the toss and played with the aid of a strong wind in the first half.

Fergal Sheehan opened the scoring with a fine point in the 5th minute. Two minutes later, Owen Colle playing in the corner forward position nipped in behind the backs to score a well taken goal. St. Pats sat back a little and let Monaleen lock into the match. Half time score St. Pats 1-2 Monaleen 1-1.

The second half was very exciting with each side matching the other in scorers and with a few minutes to go it eas 3-3 to 3-3. Then Monaleen struck two fine goals to win 5-3 to 3-3. Scorers for St. Pats:- M. Halpin (1-1); F. Flannery (1-1), O. Cobbe (1-0), and F. Sheehan (0-1).

A feature of this team is the number of players whose parents have also played for St. Pats:-

Fergal Sheehan - (Jack Sheehan)
Owen Cobbe - (Vivian Cobbe)
Larry Cross - (Larry Cross senior)
Niall Clancy - (Michael Clancy (Lower Park))
Freddy Flannery - (Jimmy Flannery).

We now call on all past

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players of St. Pats who would like their children or their neighbours' children to play for St. Past to contact: Brendan at 42741. Jack Sheehan at 45740.

SATURDAY MORNING HURLING PRACTICE

The Club is again promoting hurling on Saturday mornings in the pitch by the side of St. Patrick's Boys' School at Dublin Road. The session commences at 10.30 a.m. and is for the age group 6 to 11. years.

This was a great success last year with up to 50 young players taking part every Saturday. Great credit is due to the coaches and organisers Brendan Cross, Vivian Cobbe and Captain or our Junior Football team, Pearse Farrell.

Last year they had a 7 a-side competition, as well as trips to Thurles and Cork. Perhaps the highlight was the visit of some 50 under-age players from the famous Faughs Club of Dubli. Plans are in the pipeline to pay a return visit to Faugh's in Dublin in either October or November.

CENTENARY DRESS DANCE

There appears to be great interest in the forthcoming Dress Dance on Friday 3rd Oct. at the Limerick Inn. The indications at this stage are that a big number intend going and we again encourage early booking of tickets. You can make a phone booking by contacting the following members of the organising committee:

Brendan Cross (Tel. No: 42741). Jack Sheehan (Tel. No: 45740). Willie Quilligan (Tel. No: 46446). All the other club officials will also assist regarding any enquiries for tickets etc. It promises to be the "Night of the Century".

ST. PATRICK'S G.A.A. SENIOR HURLERS ACTIVE

Saints travelled to Clarina recently to take on City Champions Ballybrown in the Duggan Cup senior hurling league. The game was very close for most of the first half but two goals just before the break put Ballybrown in front at the interval.

The second half saw Ballybrown pick off some very nice points and they finished up very worthy winners. However, Saints played good hurlig at times during the game and also notched some lovely scores.

Saints lined out as follows:- Tony Mallone (in goal); John Healy, Pearse Farrell, John Togher; John Heffernan, Derek McNamara, Diarmuid Sheehan, Damian O'Callaghan, Kevin O'Callaghan, Martin Faul, Martin Fallon, Derek Power, John O'Neill and Pat Ryan.

COUNTY SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE

We played Bruree in our opening game of the county board senior hurling league at our club grounds and were beaten by 3-8 to 1-8, after a good sporting game.

Those who impressed for Saints were Anthony Malone (in goal), Pearse Farrell, Andrew Faul, Diarmuid Sheehan, Ger Power and Neil O'Brien.

JOHN MADDEN SENIOR HURLING CUP

On Saturday 13th we played Mungret for the John Madden Perpetual Cup which was presented to the club for senior hurling competition.

the magnificent trophies for this game were kindly sponsored by Calor Kosangas and were presented to the winners, Mungret, by Maher of Calor. The Saint Patrick's Club wish to express its sincere thanks to Calor for its very fine gesture during our Centenary Year.

The pitch was in perfect condition for the game and weather conditions were splendid. Saints played quite well in the early stages and a fine

brace of goals by Diarmuid Sheehan kept his team in the game for most of the first half.

However, as the game progressed Mungret came more into it with power packed hurlign from such as Mick Barron, Seamus McCarthy, Liam O'Donoghue and Gerry O'Brien.

The second half saw both sides pick off some great scores but the greater experience of the Mungret team saw Mick Barron take the John Madden Cup and trophies to Mungret for the first time.

It is hoped to play for this cup on an annual basis and with the Saints forwards scoring 4-8 this time, Mungret could well be in for a surprise in 1987.

The Saints team was as follows:- Ger Power, Dermot Galvin, Pearse Farrell, John Togher, John Healy, Andrew Faul (capt.), David Cross, Shane Higgins, Damian O'Callaghan, Diarmuid Sheehan, Neil O'Brien, Martin Fallon, Pat Ryan, John Faul and Derek Power.

JOHN HAYES A.I. PERPETUAL CUP

The final of this competition is likely to be played in the near future.

NOVICE HURLING SEMI-FINAL

We are meeting Mungret in this City Board Competition shortly and we are confident of a very good turn out of players and are very hopeful of winning.

CENTENARY DRESS DANCE

Booking is going very well indeed for the big night out on October 3rd at the Limerick Inn. We again urge intending patrons to book their tickets as soon as possible.

BEST WISHES

Finally, the very best of luck to Claughaun in next Sunday's Senior Hurling County Final against Adare.

ST. PATRICK'S G.A.A.

Duggan Cup (SHL) 2nd Round

St. Patrick's 2-8
Old Christians 1-6

WE gave a much improved performance in this game to emerge deserving winners at the finish.

In the first half Old Christians got on top and led at half-time by two points: 0-4 to 0-2. After the interval Saints improved considerably with the center-field partnership of Shane Higgins and Damian O'Callaghan ruling the roost in that area.

At centre forward Neil O'Brien impressed and picked off some fine scores. Pat Ryan at right full forward corwned a great dispal by scoring two well taken goals as well as one lovely point.

The Saints' defence, inspired by Andrew Faul, Derek McNamara and Pearse Farrell defended well and The Old Christians attack found scores hard to comeby. Others to turn in fine performances were Tony malone (in goal), David Cross, Diarmuid Sheehan and Derek Power.

Line Out:- Tony Malonel, James Kelly, Pearse Farrell, John Togher, David Cross, Andrew Faul, Derek McNamara, Damian O'Callaghan, Shane Higgins, Diarmuid Sheehan, Niel O'Brien, Derek Power, Pat Ryan, Brian Power and James Broderick.

JUNIOR FOOTBALLERS

The big occasion for our Junior Footballers is drawing near, when they will take on Ballyhahill at Askeaton on Sunday 12th October in the County

Championship Quarter Final.

Between now and this date a final spirited effort is called for to be ready for this mighty hurdle. By all accounts Ballyhahill will be extremely fit and nothingless than a 100 per cent total commitment by our lads will suffice.

There is a very good spirit in the Saints Panel and if each player plays to his full potential there is no doubt but that they have a real fighting chance of winning.

The bonus for a victory is a place in the last four of the Championship. Each player will have to get stuck in for the full hour and contest every ball with determination. The forwards would be well advised to take their points.

The team is in the happy position of having a very alert goalie behind them in Christy Morgan.

CLUB SUPPORTERS

A special appeal is going out to every club supporter (and this includes the ladies) to be in Askeaton to give the lads "A bit of a gee up". It is sure that anyone looking for a lift to the game will be accommodated if they come forward in time any of our fans with seats to spare in their cars might kindly help out in this regard.

CENTENARY DRESS DANCE

We are very glad to report that the response for our big Social has been tremendous. The organisers are to be complimented for their efforts.

ST. PATRICK'S GAA

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

In the one hundred years of their existence, Saints have left an indelible mark on the local Gaelic scene. The club has given many fine players and officials to their Division in the city as well as to the county. The club has a magnificent list of championship titles to their credit. This is an appropriate time to recall these achievements on the field of play.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior Hurling: 1949, 1950. Senior Football: 1890, 1891, 1943, 1944, 1954. Under 21 Hurling: 1965. Under 21 Football: 1965, 1966. Junior Hurling: 1905, 1934. Junior Football: 1939. Minor Hurling: 1952, 1953, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1963, 1980. Minor Football: 1943, 1952, 1953, 1963. Juvenile Hurling: 1936, 1937, 1950, 1951, 1953, 1963, 1979. Juvenile Football: 1950, 1951, 1954, 1960, 1961, 1962. Under 14 Football: 1985. Under 12 Football: 1982, 1983.

CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Junior Football: 1938, 1939, 1956, 1966, 1971, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986. Under 21 Hurling: 1965. Under 21 Football: 1965, 1966, 1971. Minor Hurling: 1940, 1943, 1952, 1953, 1958, 1963, 1972, 1980. Minor Football: 1940, 1944, 1952, 1953,

1955, 1958, 1963. Juvenile Hurling: 1936, 1937, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1966, 1979. Juvenile Football: 1951, 1954, 1960, 1961, 1962. Under 14 Hurling: 1977. Under 14 Football: 1985. Under 12 Football: 1982, 1983.

This is a splendid record of achievement, particularly in relation to its work at under-age level. It is the earnest wish of all gael-dom that Saints will continue to flourish and bring further honours to the club and county for many years to come.

CLUB SNIPPETS

Vivan Cobbe and Paddy Cunneen were members of the Limerick Junior Hurling All-Ireland winning team in 1954. The following year they won Munster Championship Senior Hurling Medals when Limerick beat hot favourites Clare at the Limerick Gaelic Grounds. This Limerick team were trained by the legendary Mick Mackey and came to be known as "The Mackey Greyhounds". Vivian Cobbe also won a Railway Cup medal with Munster.

Other Saints players to win Junior hurling All-Ireland medals were Michael Cross; Tom McCarthy; and Paddy McSweeney in 1935. Joe Elliott won one in 1957 and but for a serious knee injury would surely have won more honours.

GAA CLUB NOTES

ST. PATRICKS NOVICE HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

OUR Novice Hurling Team defeated Pallas-kenry in the championship on July 29th at the club field. Saints played a very good first half and led at half-time on a scoreline of 4-9 to 4-1.

Most of the scores were very well taken and an opportunist goal before the break by Arthur Broderick gave Saints an eight point interval lead.

On the turnover both defences got on top and scores were very hard to come by.

On a fine overall team performance Saints held out for a hard earned but deserved victory.

This puts them into the Semi-final of the competition which has gained in popularity since first introduced by the city board.

Those who hurled particularly well were, Michael Kirwan, Pat Power, Eamon Phelan, Ger Power, Brendan Hedderman, Jim Sheehan and Pat Duffy who scored some lovely points from frees. Long-serving Club man Vincent Phelan also did well when he came on as a sub.

Lineout: J. Broderick, J. Kelly, M. Kirwan, G. Higgins, P. Power, K. O'Callaghan, J. Sheehan, G. Ryan, B. Hedderman, A. Broderick, P. Duffy and T. McNamara. Sub: V. Phelan, at half-time.

JUNIOR FOOTBALLERS

WE wish our Junior Footballers the best of luck in the forthcoming city final versus Mungret.

We have a very strong panel which is as follows: Christy Morgan, Paul Downes, John O'Neill, Pearse Farrell (Capt), Damian O'Callaghan, Sean O'Reilly, John Kidney, John Faul, Michael Hanley, Niall Pearse,

Brendan Gavin, Pat Power, Frank O'Brien, Ger McMahon, David Cross, Gary Morgan, Ger Higgins, Andrew Faul, Shane Higgins, John Heffernan, Plunkett O'Doherty, John Healy, Tom Ryan, Joe Markham, James Broderick, and Martin Faul.

The hard-working and dedicated selectors are: Jack Sheehan, Willie Quilligan, and club chairman Brendan Cross. Jack Sheehan of course has given a lifetime of distinguished service to the Club and to the Gaelic Athletic Association.

CLUB HISTORY BOOK

We wish to make a further appeal for advertisers for our Centenary History Book. The rates are most reasonable and any G.A.A. Club etc., shops, business firms, publicans, or indeed any organisations or individuals whatsoever can contact, Paddy Quilligan, Brendan Cross, Vivian Cobbe, Jack Sheehan, Larry Cross, Matt O'Connell, Tom Downes our very efficient Hon. Sec, or any committee member.

SYMPATHY

The Club wishes to express its sincere sympathy to Ger McMahon and his family on the recent death of their mother. Sincere condolences also to the Hartigan family of Lifford Gardens on the recent death of Mrs. Hartigan, widow of the late Kevin Hartigan.

Kevin, in his lifetime gave outstanding service to the Club both as a player and administrator. His brother Tom is an Honorary Vice-President of the Club.

St. Patrick's G.A.A. Notes:

U-14 hurlers are City B champions

Pride of place this week goes to our U-14 hurlers, who won the City B championship, but our U-14 footballers bowed out of the championship when they were defeated by Mungret.

U-14 B City hurling final: St. Patrick's, 3-2; Old Christians, 2-3.

In one of the best games played this year, our U-14 hurlers won the City B championship on Wednesday night last. Both sides were a credit to their club for the entertainment they served up in very wet conditions.

There was plenty of action as play swung from end to end. Old Christians got a great start and were soon 1-1 to nil ahead when Saints midfielder Ian McInerney received a nasty injury and had to leave the field.

Things looked bad for Saints at this stage, but our lads settled down and after a great run by E. Healy the ball went across the goal and there was Derek McNamara to hammer home a great goal.

Shortly after this, a long delivery by Gary Whelan deceived the Old Christians goalkeeper and ended up in the net. Just before half-time, Old Christians scored another point to leave the half-time score: St. Patrick's, 2-0; Old Christians, 1-2.

The second half started with G. Whelan scoring a point for Saints. This was followed by a great goal from F. Sheehan. Old Christians refused to die and came back to score a goal and a point. With minutes to go, S. Donoghue scored a lovely point from play. It's hard to single out certain players, as every Saints player played with great heart and spirit. The performances of M. Downey, S. Danagher, J. Galvin, G. Whelan, F. Howard and C. Mortell will be remembered for a long time down Rhebogwe way. Again, a thank you to an Old

Christians side who participated in a very sporting final.

After the game, Bord na nOg chairman, Tom O'Brien, presented the cup to Saints captain, James Quinn. We lined out as follows: S. Ryan, G. Lee, C. Mortell, F. Howard, J. Quinn, R. Hanrahan, L. Cross, I. McInerney, M. Downey, S. Danagher, J. Galvin, G. Whelan, D. McNamara, F. Sheehan, E. Healy. Subs.: A. Murnane, M. Hayes, D. McGill, P. O'Doherty, T. Mulcahy, R. Gavin.

U-14 A football semi-final: St. Patrick's, 0-2; Mungret, 2-2.

Our U-14 footballers put up a great fight before they were defeated by Mungret in the U-14 semi-final played in Claughaun Field on Friday night last. Forced to field a depleted side because certain players never turned up, our side put up a great struggle before Mungret got the better of us in the end. Still, despite this defeat, the club can be heartened by the displays of C. Lynch, J. Cleary, M. Downey, T. Hussey, D. McNamara and G. Whelan, who was by far the best player on the pitch. Our scorers were D. McNamara and J. Cleary, 0-1 each. We lined out as follows: C. Lynch, P. O'Rahilly, J. Quinn, C. Mortell, G. Whelan, M. Downey, L. Cross, J. Cleary, J. Galvin, A. Murnane, S. Danagher, M. Hayes, T. Hussey, D. McNamara, S. Ryan. Subs.: A. Hayes, T. Mulcahy, R. Gavin.

FIXTURES

Saturday, July 19 — J.F.C. semi-final v. Old Christians in Claughaun Field at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 23 — 1st round U-16 football A championship v. Na Piersaigh in Claughaun Field at 7 p.m.

The club would like to wish I. McInerney a speedy recovery after his recent injury.

St. Patrick's G.A.A.

U-16 FOOTBALL league final - St. Patrick's 7-5, Na Piersaigh 0-2. Under age hurling times: Under 6,7,8, Saturday 10.30 a.m., St. Patrick's School.

Under 9,10,11, Saturday, 10.30 a.m., St. Patrick's Field. Monday and Wednesday, in St. Patrick's Field at 3.30 p.m. Under 12,14,16, 11.30 a.m. Sunday, St. Patrick's Field.

St. Patrick's..... 3-12
Mungret 3-7

St. Patrick's won the minor football league division title at Pairc na nGael when they defeated a gallant Mungret side before a small attendance. This game had everything and one word can describe it, "a classic".

Saints played into the town goal and got off to a dream start. In the opening minutes Julian Lyons shot over a nice point from play. This was followed by a Saints goal. Tom Downes played a ball out of defence to Henry Caulfield, and his long delivery was fisted to the Mungret net by Michael Kerley. Julian Lyons added another point from a 45 metre free to put Saints 1-2 to 0-0 ahead. Saints were truly rampant at this stage and when Mark Hackett was put clean through the Mungret defence his goal-bound shot was superbly saved by Mungret 'keeper Ger Hehir. At this stage a big win seemed on the cards for Saints but Mungret, the defending champions, had other ideas.

They scored three points in succession from Neill Curtis, Ger Harney and Brian Fitzpatrick. A free from Mark Coleman dropped around the Saints fullback line and when full-forward Cathal O'Sullivan knocked the ball down there was Brian Fitzpatrick to put the ball past Alan Mitchell and give Mungret the lead for the first and only time. Saints reply was two points from play per Henry Caulfield and Kenneth Morgan. With the inter-

St. Patrick's thrilling win

val approaching Saints scored their second goal. A shot from Dessie Kiely was saved by Ger Hehir but rebounded to Saints full-forward Mark Hackett who made no mistake. The final score of this half fell to J. Lyons who punted a 45 metre free to leave Saints leading by 2-5 to 1-4.

The second half began with both sides looking for that crucial score and it came to Mark Hackett who pointed from play to put Saints five points clear. Kevin O'Hagan reduced the lead with a Mungret point. Mungret were totally dominated at this stage but a great break out of defence by Declan Rooney was carried on by Dessie Kiely and Ken Morgan to Mark Hackett who beat three Mungret defenders before cracking home a great goal from twenty yards. Mungret now seven points in arrears refused to throw in the towel and Morgan Whelan pointed. Saints replied with points from M. Kerley and M. Forde. Ger Harney availed of another stop up in the Patrick's defence to shoot home a well-taken goal. Again St. Patrick's replied with a point from Henry Caulfield. As the game entered the final ten minutes Mungret's full-forward Cathal O'Sullivan fisted effort was turned on to the post by Saints

'keeper Alan Mitchell but Cathal turned the rebound into the net to leave just one goal between the sides.

At this stage it seemed that Mungret were going to take complete control, but a magnificent point from far out on the left-hand touchline by Michael Kerley put Saints four points ahead. Cathal O'Sullivan had a Mungret point but in injury time Julian Lyons had St. Patrick's final two points. Mungret, who had to field without their two rugby schools internationals, Nicky Barry and Eoin O'Sullivan, fought like true champions and didn't give up their title without a fight. They had fine performances from Ge Hehir in goals, John Forde, Mark Coleman, John Ryan in defence; Niall Curtis and Kevin O'Hagan at centrefield, and Ger Harney, Cathal O'Sullivan and Brian Fitzpatrick in attack. St. Patrick's had fine performers in Declan Rooney, Ken McNamara, Tom Downes, Derek Tobin, Des Kiely, Julian Lyons and a forward line who created some brilliant passing movements. And so the Eamon Maher Trophy makes its first journey to Rhebogoe and how Saints deserved it. Anytime their opponents seemed to be taken control they had the spirit and ability to come back and score.

After the game, City Board secretary John Clifford presented the cup to St. Patrick's captain Julian Lyons. He congratulated both sides on a thrilling hour's football and said "the only losers were the people who didn't turn up to see a wonderful final".

St. Patrick — Alan Mitchell, Dwain Robinson, Declan Rooney, Joseph Kirwin, Kenneth McNamara, Thomas Downes, Derek Tobin, Julian Lyons, capt. (0-5), Desmond Kiely, Ken Morgan (0-1), Henry Caulfield (0-2), Keith McInerney, Michael Kerley (1-2), Mark Hackett (2-1), David Kiely. Subs., John Cunneen, Martin Forde (0-1).

Mungret — Ger Hehir, Leo O'Connor, John Forde, Paul Hanrahan, Mark Coleman, John Ryan (0-1), Stephen Tobin, Niall Curtis (0-1), Kevin O'Hagan, Ger McMahon, Ger Harney (1-1), Morgan Whelan (0-1), Brian Fitzpatrick (1-1), Cathal O'Sullivan (1-1), Brian O'Connell (0-1). Sub., Derry Hertity.

Pats can be proud

The St. Patrick's G.A.A. Club in Limerick can proudly claim to have produced three Irish ruby Internationals, six Mayors of Limerick and gave Ciaran Mac Mathuna to RTE. All this and a great deal more is documented in the official club history recently published.

"The Saints Go Marching On" was researched by Matt O'Connell and edited by Sean Murphy. It chronicles 100 years of activity in the club, one of the first in Limerick to affiliate to the GAA in 1986.

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St. Patrick's GAA

THE Club wishes to say a special word of thanks to all those who have purchased a copy of our Centenary Club History Book titled "The Saints Go Marching On".

We are glad to say that the response to date has been quite good. It has been generally agreed that it is an excellent publication containing many fine articles, photographs of teams etc.

It has brought back many happy memories of past events both on and off the field of play.

We would welcome more support from Gaels in both the city and county and indeed the public at large.

We would again appeal to parishioners in St. Patrick's and St. Bridget's to procure a copy for their house-

holds.

The "Big Three", namely Matt O'Connell, researcher; Sean Murphy, editor; and Paddy Quilligan, co-ordinator; deserve the highest praise for all the hard and painstaking work they put in over a very long period.

They were given great co-operation by many people and the end result has been well worth all the effort.

Finally, a very special word of thanks is due to the Limerick Post newspaper and particularly

its sports editor, Michael McNiffe for the very fine article it carried just prior to the official launch of the book.

The book which is priced at £5.00, is on sale at the following shops: Con McNamara, Food Market, Dublin Rd.; Jim Daly's Shop, Pennywell Rd.; Nellie Martin's, Newsagents, O'Connell St.; John Gleeson, Newsagent, Glentworth St. John, originally from Fedamore, was a very prominent senior hurler and footballer with "Saints" in the sixties.

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Marching into a second century

IN THESE days of high VAT on hurleys, wouldn't any club treasurer be only too delighted to buy a dozen of them for just 50p. Couldn't happen, you say. It did, but then again, that was back in 1914.

This is just one of the many interesting facts contained in the first major history of St. Patrick's GAA Club, brought out to mark its centenary year.

St. Patrick's or as they are better known, Saints, were one of the first Limerick clubs to affiliate to the GAA in 1886.

The 180 page booklet - *The Saints Go Marching On* - chronicles the happenings and deeds of the club over the century in minute detail.

Apart from the numerous interesting articles, the fine quality pages boast a high pictorial content.

The mammoth research work began as in 1982 when Matt O'Connell took the job upon himself. And 14 months ago, Sean Murphy and Paddy Quilligan joined Matt in his efforts.

The three met weekly over that period. Sean assumed the editor's role, while Paddy was entrusted with the onerous task of co-ordinating the publication. It was printed earlier this month, three weeks ahead of the deadline.

LONG SERVICE

All three have given life long service to the GAA, Matt, a distinguished Gael, was joint secretary of the City Board as far back as 1945, and is still a club delegate to the County Board.

Sean, a former County Board PRO, is a respected GAA columnist and historian. Editor of the Limerick Yearbook for 12 years, he was co-author of the Mackey Story with Seam O'Ceallaigh. He has edited

many other books on the GAA.

Current City Board Chairman, Paddy Quilligan played in the 1960 Harty Cup with CBS. After figuring on the successful Saints minor hurling team in 1958, he played with Limerick the following year in the Munster Minor Final. He has the unique distinction of having been a team selector in nine county finals, eight of which St. Patrick's won.

SNIPPETS

Here are a few interesting snippets from what is perhaps the best club history book to emerge in recent years:-

* In 1944, 37 dozen of minerals could be bought for the sum of £4-12-6.

* Six St. Patrick's players, Michael J. Keyes, Michael Hartney, Rory Liddy, Christy Keyes, Clem Casey and Mick Lipper, all served as Mayor of Limerick. Another club member James Cussen was Mayor of Luton in 1971 and again the following year.

* The Jarvey car was a popular mode of transport for club teams during the Emergency.

* Three rugby internationals - Gerry McLoughlin, Brendan Foley and Colm Tucker - have worn the Green Jersey for Ireland. But did you know that they also donned the Green for the Saints?

* Ciaran Mac Mathuna of Radio Eireann fame played minor and junior hurling with Saints, and was on the team beaten by Bruff in the 1941 County Minor Final.

Incidentally, Ciaran will launch the book at the Castle Oaks Hotel, in Castleconnell on Easter Sunday at 7.30 p.m.

The Saints Go Marching On is priced at £5, with postage an extra £1.60. If you want a copy, give Paddy Quilligan, 5 Mervall Drive, Clareview, a call at 061-51090.

The Saints Go Marching On, from left: Sean Murphy, Editor; Matt O'Donnell, researcher; and Paddy Quilligan, co-ordinator, browsing through the pages of a history of St. Patrick's GAA club. The book will be launched at the Castle Oaks Hotel on Easter Sunday. Photo: Liam Burke.

