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## Pairc de hIdé Roscomáin



# SRAITH NÁISIÚNTA PEILE ALLIANZ

De Domhnaigh 9/4/2006

## ROS COMÁIN v DUN NA NGÁLL

ag 3.30 i.n.

REITEOIR: Paul Finnegan An Lú

**LUACH ... ∈2.00** 

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## Fáilte Ó Cathaoirleach Coisde Chondae Ros Comáin

Fearaim céad mile failte ar son Coisde Chontae Ros Comáin, roimh na foirne, na h-oifigigh, agus muintir ó Ros Comáin agus ó Dun Na Ghall go dtí Pairc Dubglas de hIdé inniu.

It is my pleasure on behalf of Roscommon Co. Board to extend a warm welcome to the players, mentors, officials and supporters of Roscommon and

Donegal to Dr. Hyde park this afternoon.

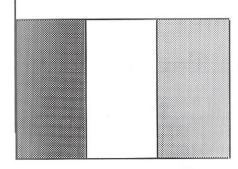
Congratulations to Donegal on achieving promotion to Division 1 for the coming year. Roscommon are within touching distance of that prize as well so good luck to the players and management and hopefully we will get the right result today.

Once again I would like to draw your attention to our new draw. Tickets are available from ever club in the county and also at the Club Cairde Office. We would very much appreciate your support for this venture which as you will see has significant prizes to be won each month and of course membership will be of benefit to your club as well once they reach their target sales.

Once again thanks to all our supporters and sponsors for their continued loyal support.

Michael MacGuidhir, Cathaoirleach, Coisde Ros Comáin

## Amhran na bhFiann



Sinn-na Fianna Fail Ata fe gheall as Eirinn, Buinn dar slua Thar tuinn do rainig chugainn Fe mhoid beit saor, Sean-Tir ar sinnsear feasta Ne fagtar fe-n tioran na fen trail. Anocht a theim sa bhearna baoil Le gean ar Ghaedhil chun bais no saoil Le guna screach fe lamhach na bpilear, Seo libh canaidh Amhran na bhFiann.

## REFEREE

Paul Finnegan - An Lú

## FIND THE PLAYERS

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## Christy Ring & Nicky Rackard Cup Draws

#### CHRISTY RING CUP

June 10: Roscommon June 17: Antrim

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June 24: Roscommon

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**July 15:** 

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July 22 August 6

#### NICKY RACKARD CUP

June 10:

Donegal

Sligo

June 24: July 8:

Tyrone

Donegal

Fermanagh

Donegal

Quarter-Finals: July 15 & 22

Semi-Finals:

July 29

Final:

August 13

## Hyde Park 7th March 2004

#### Donegal 0-12 Roscommon 0-11

Todays contestants last met in Round 4, Div. II N.F.L. in March 2004 - a keenly anticipated game as both had come down from the higher Division in 2003.

The home team started in lighting fashion and from throw-in Karl Mannion had the ball over the bar inside 20 seconds. By the 4th the minute Devenney and Michael Hegarty had the visitors ahead.

For the next 10 minutes Roscommon laid siege on opposition goals K. Mannion hits the outside of the goalpost, Gary Cox has a shot on goal blocked down and Mannion again hits the post. Any of these could have been scored. The home side were completely on top at centrefield but didn't register a score until F. Dolan had a point on 12 minutes. McFadden hits another pointed free for Donegal but in the following 15 minutes Roscommon scores some delightful points from Dolan, Mannion 2, and Dolan again. Devenney got one back for Donegal from a free but Gary Cox and John Rogers increased the home side lead. Before the whistle a free gave McFadden another point. Half time Roscommon 0-9 Donegal 0-5.

Immediately on the restart the home fans were cheering as N. Dinneen passed to K. Mannion for his fifth point. It was then Donegal showed their worth; by crowding centre field, the supply line to the home sides fowards was cut off and they began the steady task of catch up. Points from Roper, McFadden, Roper again cut the deficit. In a rare attack John Rogers had an attempt on goal blocked. Donegal pressed on. McFadden had a sweet point after a Roscommon mistake. By 62 minutes C. Troy with a point had the game level. Devenney again scored to take the lead, but a good effort saw Dolan equalise. Another attempt by the home side saw Rogers effort go wide. Meanwhile a good pass from Roper set up Sub. B. McLoughlin score for the lead. In the final minute a move started by goalie Shane Curran looked to be a saviour but J. Tiernans effort was wide.

Donegal had stolen the game which seemed lost at half-time they scored 12 points with 3 wides. Roscommon scored 11 ponts but had 16 wides as well as numerous claims on goal, as many as five.

In 2004 Donegal topped the division with full points and so returned to Division I. Today they attempt to do the same but Roscommon are in a better position to achieve their ambition to return to the top.

Teams: Donegal: P. Durkin, N. McCready, R. Sweeney, D. Diven, S. Carr, B. Monaghan, E. McGee, J. Horan, S. McDermott, C. Troy (0-1), M. Hegarty (0-1), S. Cassidy, B. Roper (0-2), C. McFadden (0-4) B. Deveeney (0-3). Subs: B. Damion, P. McGonigle, B. McLoughlin.

Roscommon: S. Curran, R. Cox, M. Ryan, P. Noone, E. Towey, F. Grehan, J. Rogers (0-1), S. O'Neill, B. Higgins, G. Cox (0-1), John Hanley, D. Connellan, N. Dineen, K. Mannion (0-5), F. Dolan (0-4). Subs.: J. Dunning, D. Casey, J. Tiernan.

Ref: M. Monaghan (Kildare)



## Ros Comáin

Dathanna: Gorm agus Buí

**GEOFFREY CLAFFEY** G. MacLaitnimh (Castlerea St. Kevins )

JOHN NOLAN S. Ó Nualláin (Roscommon Gaels)

5 STUART DALY S Ó Dálaigh (Michael Glaveys)

> **SEAMUS O NEILL** S. Ó Néill (Kilbride)

10 PAUL MORAN P. Ó Móráin (Padraig Pearses)

13 **ENDA KENNY** E. O Cionnaigil (St. Faithleachs)

3 DAVID CASEY D. Ó Cathasaigh (Boyle)

6 JOHN WHYTE S de Faoite (Padraig Pearses)

> **MICHAEL FINNERAN** M. Ó Finnthrinn (St. Dominics)

11 KAROL MANNION K. Ó Mainnín (St. Brigids)

14 STEPHEN LOHAN S Ó Leocháin (Kilbride)

12 **DEREK CONNELLAN** D. Ó Conalláin

(Kilmore)

SEAN McDERMOTT

S. Mac Diarmada

(Western Gaels)

PADDY O'CONNOR

P. Ó Concubhair

(Elphin)

15 **GER HENEGHAN** G. Ó hÉanacháin

(Castlerea St. Kevins)

Fir Ionaid: (16) David Moran, (17) John Rogers, (18) Brian Goode, (19) Ronan Cox, (20) Martin Connolly, (21) Mark O'Carroll, (22) Niall Moran, (23) Brian Higgins, (24) Cathal Cregg, (25) John Nolan, (26) Sean Purcell, (27) Darragh Shine, (28) Gerry Lohan, (29) Sean Fahy, (30) Darren Lennon. Manager: John Maughan Selectors: Eamon McManus, Gerry Fitzmaurice

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## Dun na nGáll

Dathanna: Glas agus Búi



MICHAEL BOYLE M. O'Baoill (An Tearmain)

2 FRANK McGLYNN P. MacGhloinn (Gleann Fhinne)

5 **DAMIEN DIVER** D. O'Duibhir (Ard an Ratha)

PADDY CAMPBELL P. O Cathmhoill (Naomh Conaill)

**EAMON McGEE** E. Mac Aoidh (Gaoth Dobhair)

KARL LACY C. DE LASA (na gCeithre Maistir)

**KEVIN CASSIDY** C. O'Casaide (Gaoth Dobhair)

**BRENDAN BOYLE** B. O'Baoill (Ard an Ratha)

**NEIL GALLAGHER** N. O Gallchoir (Gleann Sulai)

10 **CHRISTY TOYE (C)** C. O Tuaith (Naomh Michael)

13 **BRIAN ROPER** B. O Ropier (Aodh Ruadh)

11 **CIARAN BONNER** C. O Cnamhsi (Glean Sulai)

14 JAMES GALLAGHER S. O Gallchoir (Gaoth Dobhair)

12 RORY KAVANAGH R. O Caomhanach (Naomh Adhamhain) 15

MICHAEL DOHERTY M. O Dochartaigh (Na gCeirthre Maistir)

Fir Ionaid: (16) Ciaran Sharkey, (17) Raymond Sweeney, (18) Thomas Donoghue, (19) Stephen McHugh, (20) Barry Monaghan, (21) Barry Dunnion, (22) Gavin Maguire, (23) Stephen McDermott, (24) Anthony Thompson, (25) Adrian Sweeney, (26) Conal Dunne, (27) Michael Hegarty, (28) Paddy McNulty, (29) Seamie Friel, (30) Colm McFadden.

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### **ROSCOMMON'S GREATEST**

#### A TRIBUTE TO JERRY O'MALLEY by Tony Coleman

Now long may he reign in retirement, this great hearted man from Kiltoom. The County has yet to replace him, A forty year search has brought gloom.

The keenest supporters still argue, As to which was his most glorious day. O'Malley's gone ten, he's gone twenty', O'Hehir on the airwaves would say.

Well for me t'was a day in McHale Park, When Galway with champagne a-jar. And a seven point lead on the scoreboard, Bold Brady in goals broke the bar.

Now Lally with helpers did hasten,
To the practice field not very far.
To take down, to carry and fasten,
A sub for the broken cross bar.

The players now rested and eager,
Still had ten minutes to play.
O'Malley ran riot with his solos,
And Roscommon were back in the fray.

As a yound lad I counted defenders, Who queued but now lay in his wake. With the pass on to Feely the winner, O'Malley I'd die for your sake.

Now away with all you pretenders,
If you look for a model to take.
You need never look further thank Jerry,
O'Malley, a sportsman and true,
Who played 'neath the flag of his county
And honoured the yellow and blue.

**Gerry O'Malley** first played for Roscommon in December 1947 in the Liam Gilmartin Cup and ended his playing career v Dublin in a League Match in 1965. As a footballer and hurler his achievements are unlikely to be equalled.

- Football Intercounty
- 1952 Connacht S.F.C. Medal v Mayo
- 1953 Connacht S.F.C. Medal v Mayo
- 1961 Connacht S.F.C. Medal v Galway
- 1962 Connacht S.F.C. Medal v Galway
- Railway Cup Football 13 Successive years.
- Footballer of the Year 1961.
- Hurling Intercounty All Ireland Junior Medal 1965
   Connacht Railway Cup Hurling 50' & 60's
- Club St. Pat's Knockcroghery S.F.C. '48 & '49 St. Bridgets S.F.C. '53, '58, '59 & '63

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				PTs			
Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Diff	Pts.	
Donegal	6	5	1	0	+66	11	
Roscommon	6	5	0	1	+30	10	
Limerick	6	4	1	1	+19	9	
Longford	6	3	2	1	+11	6	
Leitrim	6	2	2	2	+8	6	
Clare	6	2	0	4	-9	4	
Carlow	6	1	0	5	-31	2	
London	6	0	0	6	-78	0	

Todays game has all the ingredients of an epic encounter. Donegal are already assured of promotion to Division 1 next season after a competitive 3-16 to 0-9 win over Longford in Fr. Tierney Park in Ballyshannon on Tuesday Night last, and hope to have qualified for a Division 2 Semi-final. With 11 points from their six games a very healthy points difference they would hope to be better placed than Limerick provided of course they beat Leitrim.

Roscommon have everything to play for, promotion plus Semi-Final place. Memories of crucial games between these two in 2001 and 2002 are fresh. Roscommon beat Donegal on both occasions to advance, who will forget the injury time winning goal by Stephen Lohan in 2001. The defeat in the Hyde in 2004 dashed Roscommons hopes and allowed the visitors complete their games with top points and gain promotion.

Everything to play for today - Donegal had some outstanding performances on Tuesday night where their attack seemed capable of opening any defence with every attack M. Doherty was the hero with a total of 2-6 (2-0 penalties) and Brian Roper another goal scored in his first league match of the year. Can Roscommon backs cope?

#### Did you know that...

- Paddy English, of the famed St. Patrick's Club Knockcroghery played for Donegal before he declared for his native county, winning Connacht S.F.C. Medals in '52 & '53 where he manned the full back berth.
- 2. Des Newton, played for both Roscommon & Donegal and played for Ulster in Railway Cup. He now lives and works in Donegal.
- 3. Gabriel Keating (Clare) a winner last week of the Irish Examiner GAA Presidents Award for "Outstanding Individuals who have served the Association with Distinction" was for many years a member of Roscommon Gaels. As a player he won County Medals and was also a Club Official. He was the recipient of Gaels "Hall of Fame" Award a number of years ago. Congrats Gabriel.

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